

Beyond this place of wrath and tears  
 Looms but the Horror of the shade,  
 And yet the menace of the years  
 Finds and shall find me unafraid.

It matters not how strait the gate,  
 How charged with punishments the scroll,  
 I am the master of my fate,  
 I am the captain of my soul.

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 Genesis 4:17-26  
 A Tale of Two Civilizations

**SERMON NOTES**

**My takeaways:**

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**The Cainite Civilization:**

Cain always had the option to \_\_\_\_\_, but instead becomes even more \_\_\_\_\_ in his sin.

Cain’s building of a city was an act of \_\_\_\_\_ against God.

- \_\_\_\_\_ - agriculture, replacement for \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ - music, arts, & entertainment
- \_\_\_\_\_ - tools & weapons

Cain’s godless civilization advances in \_\_\_\_\_ while degenerating into \_\_\_\_\_

- \_\_\_\_\_ - Proclamation of Self Worship
- \_\_\_\_\_ - tyranny, abuse, distortion of marriage, disfunction of family,
- Devaluing of \_\_\_\_\_ - elevation of \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ - Power through fear and violence

In the name of culture & progress, \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ abounds!

**The Sethite Civilization:**

Adam and Eve recognize the grace of God and name d their third son Seth which means: \_\_\_\_\_

Cain’s people proclaimed their achievements, Seth’s people proclaimed the \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_: \_\_\_\_\_

**Tools for Today :**

1. As a Christian I proclaim the name of the Lord \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ we live in
2. The only thing that can save our culture is the \_\_\_\_\_, which means I have an important \_\_\_\_\_
3. I need to receive the \_\_\_\_\_ of God and give my life to following Jesus.

**LIFE GROUP QUESTIONS**

1. Read Genesis 4:17-26. What was your biggest takeaway from Sunday’s sermon?  
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2. What are some of the similarities and differences between the Cainite and Sethite civilizations?  
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3. How does our culture today compare to the Cainite and Sethite civilizations?  
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4. Are there areas in your life where you tend to be like Cain and not accept God’s option to repent? Does your

heart ever reflect the “Invictus” poem statements like “I am the captain of my soul”?

5. God still used Sethites and Cainites to create things in this world (Food, Arts, & Technology) that can be used for good. What in your world can God use for His glory?

6. What type of things do we place our hope and trust in instead of the Gospel?

7. What ways can you push back on the evil that is in our culture with the Gospel?

“Invictus”  
By Ernest Henley

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Black as the pit from pole to pole,  
I thank whatever gods may be  
For my unconquerable soul.

In the fell clutch of circumstance  
I have not winced nor cried aloud.  
Under the bludgeonings of chance  
My head is bloody, but unbowed.