

Wednesday Bible Study | February 5, 2025 | Pastor Greg Davidson  
**The Superiority of a Life of Faith over a Life of Religion**  
**Genesis 4:1-16**

**I. Faith: Receiving From God what He has accomplished**  
**Genesis 4:1-4**

**II. Religion: Offering to God what We have Accomplished**  
**Genesis 4:5**

**III. Fruit: Good Fruit from Faith and Corrupt Fruit from religion**

**A. Abel's Life of Faith**

**Genesis 4:1-5; Hebrews 11:4; Matthew 23:35**

**1. A life of faith**

**2. A life of pleasing God**

**3. A life of enduring godly impact**

**4. A life that never ends**

**5. A life of righteousness**

## **B. Cains Life of Religion**

**Genesis 4:5-16; I John 3:12; Jude 1:11**

- 1. Life of Self-enrichment**
- 2. Life of Satanic Control**
- 3. Life of frustration**
- 4. Life of Anger**
- 5. Life of Violence**
- 6. Life of Fear**
- 7. Life of Despair**

### **Questions**

- 1. Why is a life of faith a life of receiving? What do you receive from God every day by faith?**
- 2. How does religion and the demand to perform fail every time? Do you have an example from your own life when your self-effort failed you?**
- 3. Discuss the superiority of the fruits of faith verse the fruits of religion.**