

# THE FIRST BREACH

Rebellion fractures the household, and private sin becomes public bloodshed in a single generation.

## MACRO POSITION

The Breach stage of the Genesis arc. The blueprint is intact but violated. Everything downstream in Scripture — the need for sacrifice, covenant, law, prophet, priest, and king — is set in motion here. Eden is left behind; the first promise of redemption is spoken inside the curse.

## COLOR-CODED OUTLINE BAR

Read left to right as the section unfolds

<b>Gen 3:1-6</b> Temptation	<b>Gen 3:7-13</b> Shame / Hiding	<b>Gen 3:14-19</b> Curse & Sentence	<b>Gen 3:15</b> Protoevangelium	<b>Gen 3:20-24</b> Exile from Eden	<b>Gen 4:1-7</b> Offerings	<b>Gen 4:8-15</b> First Murder	<b>Gen 4:16-24</b> Cain's City Line	<b>Gen 4:25-26</b> Seth: Worship Line
IRON	EMBER	EMBER	CRIMSON	STONE	WHITE	IRON	EMBER	WHITE

## STRUCTURAL FLOW

How the section moves

- 1 Temptation and the questioning of God's word (3:1-6)
- 2 Shame, hiding, and blame-shifting before God (3:7-13)
- 3 Divine sentence with embedded redemption promise (3:14-19)
- 4 Clothing, naming, and expulsion from Eden (3:20-24)
- 5 Cain and Abel: worship, jealousy, and murder (4:1-15)
- 6 Two lineages diverge — city of Cain, altar of Seth (4:16-26)

## THEMATIC SHIFTS

Where the text changes mode

- **Trust to Distrust**  
Eve's dialogue with the serpent inverts the order of God's word into a question.
- **Walking with to Hiding from**  
Intimacy with God collapses into avoidance and fig-leaf cover.
- **Garden to Field**  
Household disorder moves outward — from a marriage scene to a murder scene.
- **One Seed to Two Lines**  
Cain's line builds a city without an altar; Seth's line builds an altar without a city.

## LITERARY DIVISIONS

UNIT	GENRE	MARKER
3:1-7	Temptation dialogue	Serpent's question
3:8-13	Interrogation scene	"Where... What... Who..."
3:14-19	Judicial speech	Three-part sentence
3:20-24	Closing narrative	Expulsion & cherubim
4:1-16	Sibling narrative	First worship, first murder
4:17-26	Diverging genealogies	Cain's city vs. Seth's altar

## CFADD MINISTRY LAYER

Doctrine · Family · Kingdom · Culture · Prayer · Rebuilder

### DOCTRINE IN THE TEXT

Sin enters by distrust of God's word and ruptures every relationship — with God, self, spouse, sibling, and soil.

### FAMILY PRINCIPLE

Disordered worship in one generation produces violence in the next.

### KINGDOM PRINCIPLE

Authority resists correction by blame; restoration requires confession.

### CULTURAL APPLICATION

A civilization can advance technologically while collapsing morally.

### PRAYER DECLARATION

"Lord, cover what we cannot cover; we receive Your provision in place of our fig leaves."

### REBUILDER'S CHARGE

Name the breach honestly before attempting any rebuild.

## CHRISTWARD TRAJECTORY

Genesis 3:15 is the Bible's first gospel sentence — the seed of the woman crushes the serpent's head. The garments of skin (3:21) and Abel's accepted offering (4:4) open the substitutionary pattern that runs from the Passover lamb to the Lamb of God.

## LEGEND

- Covenant
- Kingdom / Dominion
- Christ / Redemption
- Family / Household
- Place / Land
- Time / Generation
- Consequence
- Conflict / Warfare
- Prayer / Worship
- Providence