

Cain Complex (Psychology)



Cain Complex Facts:

- The Cain [complex](#) is characterized by rivalry, competition, & extreme jealousy (or envy) of a brother, leading to hatred.
- In Psychiatry, this [complex](#) is recognized as a destructive form of sibling rivalry which may lead to fratricide.
- There is usually perceived favoritism from a parental figure.

Cain Complex Biblical Origins:

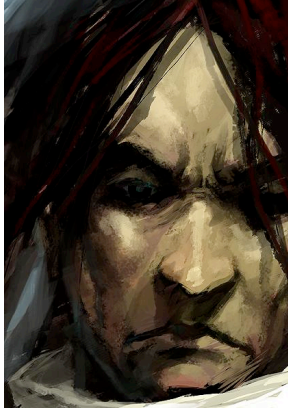
- Cain was the first son of Adam & Eve. (Bible - Gen. 4.)
- Cain murdered his brother Abel (see painting) out of jealousy & was condemned to be a fugitive by God.
- The 2 brothers, on one Sabbath(?) presented their offerings to the Lord.
- Abel's offering was of the "firstlings of his flock and of the fat," while Cain's was "of the fruit of the ground."
- Abel's sacrifice was considered "more excellent" (Heb. 11:4) than Cain's, & was accepted by God.
- From this event Cain was "very wroth," & cherished feelings of murderous hatred against his brother; leading to the murder of Abel (1 John 3:12).



CAIN & ABEL

FREUD'S MARK OF CAIN: Coming Soon!!! (THE HIDDEN DEEP SCAR)

For this is the message which you have heard from the beginning, that we should love one another, not as Cain, who was of the evil one and slew his brother. And for what reason did he slay him? Because his deeds were evil, and his brother's were righteous. Do not be surprised, brethren, if the world hates you. 1 John 3:11-12



Cain As A God
in some Gnostic Texts
3rd - 4th Cen. A.D.