



**Series: “How The Good Go Bad”  
Message: “Homemade Religion”**

**Text: Genesis 4**

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### **Cain’s Sad Story**

Jude 11  
Hebrews 11:4  
1 John 3:12-13

**The Big Question:  
What Was Wrong With Cain’s Sacrifice?**

**1. It was bloodless**

Hebrews 9:22  
Hebrews 10:1-10

Cain devalued his sin!

**2. It was less than his best**

Malachi 1:6-14  
Proverbs 3:9-10  
Haggai 1:9

Cain devalued his God!

**What God Wants Today:  
Faith in Christ = Trust God enough to do what He says**

**Our Own “Homemade Religions:**

## Six Substitutes God Won't Accept

### 1. Good morals and Good deeds

Romans 3:23  
Galatians 2:21  
Isaiah 64:6

### 2. A clear conscience

1 Corinthians 4:4  
Jeremiah 17:9  
Proverbs 3:5-6

### 3. Sincerity

John 4:23  
1 Corinthians 10:20  
2 Corinthians 11:14-15

### 4. Great theology

1 Corinthians 13:1-4  
John 5:37-42  
Revelation 2:1-5

### 5. Religious rituals

Amos 5:21-24  
1 Samuel 15:22  
Micah 6:6-8  
Psalm 51:16-17

### 6. Cut and paste obedience

Matthew 28:20  
John 14:15, 23-24  
Hebrews 5:8-9  
1 John 2:3-5