

what Messiah would accomplish. Chavah may have also thought that Cain was the one who was going to take revenge on the snake. If she named him after the star constellation, then her mistake would be that she named Cain after the spear (the instrument of death) instead of after the one carrying the spear. Adam & Eve had already seen death when the LORD made clothes for them.

She had lots of kids! In 'Josephus' it says that there is a old tradition that says that she had 33 boys & 23 girls. [See footnotes on page 27 of 'Josephus'. Josephus was a Jewish historian who lived from A.D 37 till sometime after A.D.100 . You can read Josephus on line at <http://www.creationism.org/books/index.htm>] Her husband Adam lived to be 930, & the Bible doesn't say how many years she lived, but if she lived as long as her husband, she may have had a lot more than 56 kids. Can you imagine what her body must have gone through? And she must have been a complete 'Mother at heart' too, because she was the first woman, & 'mothering' would have been a very strong characteristic of hers.

Two of her other sons are named in the Bible. Their names are Abel, which means 'Breath', and Seth which means 'Substitute/Replacement/Appointed/Provided'.

Her anguish & grief must have been incredible when Cain killed Abel (when Spear took his brother's 'breath' away). Apparently the birth of Seth, when she was 130, brought her comfort from the loss of Abel. She had lots of kids, so why was this particular one a comfort to her for the loss of Abel? Somehow the LORD conveyed to her that Substitute(Seth) would take Breath's(Abel's) place. (And that was prophetic of what Seth's Descendant would do when He was nailed to the wood... He took our place & bore our sins.)

EVE'S RELATIONSHIP WITH THE LORD

Sometimes we get the notion that once God sent Adam & Eve out of the Garden, that His relationship with them was over, but that's not true! God no longer allowed them to live in His Garden because He was afraid that they would take from the Tree of Life & eat that fruit, & thus live forever with their sin natures. It was His love for them that chased them out of the Garden and kept them from going back in by setting a guard at the entrance. It must have been a heart wrenching time for Eve, to be chased out of her first home & never be allowed to return to it for the rest of her life. There was no way that she was going to get past those Cherubim Angels with the flaming sword that turned in every direction! The situation would have caused her & her husband to become more dependant on each other. Apparently Adam sought to comfort her by naming her 'Chavah'(Life), instead of continually blaming her for his disobedience to God. She acknowledged the LORD's help in the birth of her first baby, whom she named Cain. She also acknowledged the LORD in the birth of Seth.(Apparently there was more to it than just her acknowledgement of Him.) Also, she & her husband understood that in order to approach the LORD, a covering for their sin had to be made by sacrificing a clean animal. That was the whole point of the LORD sacrificing an animal to make them clothes instead of using some kind of vegetation (3:21). They would have taught this to their children. (Cain rebelled against it.) She referred to God as YAHVEH [or YAHWEH]. She might not have understood the meaning of His NAME, but she knew what it was.