Sin's Expansion and God's Mercy

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Thesis: Sin has profoundly impacted the world. Genesis chapter 4 speaks to just how deeply the world and humanity have been affected by the curse of sin. Although we see some glimmers of hope, they are quickly bashed by one of the worst sins a person can commit— murder. But thankfully the grace and mercy of God still shines through in the darkest moments of human history.

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1.	Glimmers of hope (vs. 1-5a)	
	A. Eve bears children	
	B. Worship is passed to the next generation	
	C. Offerings are given to the Lord	

2. The first counseling session in history (vs. 5b-7)

3.	God is compassionate even to the worst sinners (vs. 8-16)	
	A.	Murder in the family
	В	. Sin can't be hidden and will be punished
	C.	. Unrepentant sin further alienates us from God
	D	. God's compassion is amazing
4.	Go	od allows sinful men to flourish as part of His plan to bless us (vs. 17-24)
	A.	Cain's pride inspite of God's protection
	В	. Culture develops
	C.	. Culture is used for prideful purposes