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Biblical Topics—Murderers

Cain killed Abel out of envy (Gen. 4:8)
Lamech killed a young man out of pride and revenge (Gen. 4:23)
Simeon and Levi killed Hamor and Shechem for revenge (Gen. 34:26)
Moses killed an Egyptian who was persecuting a laborer (Exod. 2:12)
Ehud killed Eglon of Moab (Judg. 3:21)
Jael killed Sisera (Judg. 4:17-21)
Joab killed Abner to eliminate competition (2 Sam. 3:27)
Rechab and Baanah killed Ishbosheth to get in David's good graces (2 Sam. 4:6)
David had Uriah killed to conceal his adultery with Bathsheba (2 Sam. 12:9)
Absalom killed Amnon to avenge the rape of Tamar (2 Sam. 13:28-29)
Joab killed Absalom for revenge (2 Sam. 18:14)
Joab killed Amasa, the troublemaker (2 Sam. 20:10)
Zimri killed Elah to steal his throne (1 Kgs. 16:10)
Jezebel had Naboth killed to obtain his land for Ahab (1 Kgs. 21:13)
Hazael killed Benhadad to steal his throne (2 Kgs. 8:7, 15)
Jehu killed Jehoram to fulfill a prophecy and rid the country of Ahab's dynasty (2 Kgs. 9:24)
Jehu killed Ahaziah because he was with Jehoram (2 Kgs. 9:27)
Jehu killed Jezebel to fulfill a prophecy (2 Kgs. 9:30-37)
Servants killed Joash because of his cruel ways (2 Kgs. 12:20-21)
Shallum killed Zechariah to take his throne (2 Kgs. 15:10)
Menahem killed Shallum to take his throne (2 Kgs. 15:14)
Pekah killed Pekahiah to take his throne (2 Kgs. 15:25)
Hoshea killed Pekah to take his throne (2 Kgs. 15:30)
Servants killed Amon because of his cruelty (2 Kgs. 21:23)
Ishmael killed Gedaliah as an act of anarchy (2 Kgs. 25:25)
Israel killed Zechariah the high priest because of his fearless preaching against sin (2 Chron. 24:20-21)
Nebuchadnezzar killed Zedekiah's sons to punish him for his rebellion (Jer. 39:6)
Herod killed some Bethlehem babies in an attempt to kill Christ (Matt. 2:16)
Herodias had John the Baptist killed because of his preaching against her adultery (Mark 6:25, 27)

The Savior of the world was killed by:

- The Jews (Acts 5:30; 1 Thess. 2:15)
- Judas (Mark 14:10-11)
- Pilate (Matt. 27:24-26)
- The Roman soldiers (Matt. 27:27-31)
- Sinners (Isa. 53:4-9)
- The Father (Isa. 53:10)

The Jewish elders killed Stephen (Acts 7:58-59)

Herod killed James because of his preaching (Acts 12:2)

Sinners in Pergamos killed Antipas because of his testimony (Rev. 2:13)

The Antichrist will kill the two witnesses (Rev. 11:7)