**GENESIS: Exploring The Foundations Of Our Faith:**

**In GEN 34… Jacob’s Daughter Defiled And Brother’s Vengeance**

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*Now* ***Dinah****, the daughter Leah had borne to Jacob, went out to visit the women of the land.* ***2****When* ***Shechem****son of Hamor the Hivite, the ruler of that area, saw her,* ***he took her and raped her****.* ***3****His heart was drawn to Dinah daughter of Jacob; he loved the young woman and spoke tenderly*

*to her.****4****And Shechem said to his father Hamor, “Get me this girl as my wife.”* Genesis 34:1-4

***5****When Jacob heard that his daughter* ***Dinah had been defiled****, his sons were in the fields with his livestock; so* ***he did nothing about it*** *until they came home.* ***6****Then Shechem’s father Hamor went out to talk with Jacob.*

***7****Meanwhile, Jacob’s sons had come in from the fields as soon as they heard what had happened. They were* ***shocked and furious****, because Shechem had done an* ***outrageous thing inIsrael****by sleeping with Jacob’s daughter—a thing that should not be done.* Genesis 34:5-7

***8****But Hamor said to them, “****My son Shechem has his heart set on your daughter****. Please give her to him as his wife.****9Intermarry with us****; give us your daughters and take our daughters for yourselves.****10****You can settle among us; the land is open to you. Live in it, tradein it, and acquire property in it.”* Genesis 34:8-10

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***13****Because their sister Dinah had been defiled,****Jacob’s sons replied deceitfully****as they spoke to Shechem and his father Hamor.****14****They said to them, “We can’t do such a thing; we can’t give our sister to a man who is not circumcised. That would be a disgrace to us…  We’ll settle among you* ***and become one people with you..****.* ***18****Their proposal seemed good to Hamor and his son Shechem.* Genesis 34:13-18

***20****So Hamor and his son Shechem went to the gate of their city to speak to the men of their city...****22****But the men will agree to live with us as one people only on the condition that our males be circumcised, as they themselves are.****23Won’t their livestock, their property and all their other animals become ours?****So let us agree to their terms, and they will settle among us.”* Genesis 34:19-23

***24****All the men who went out of the city gate agreed with Hamor and his son Shechem, and* ***every male in the city was circumcised****.* ***25Three days later****, while all of them were still in pain, two of Jacob’s sons, Simeon*

*and Levi, Dinah’s brothers, took their swords and attacked the unsuspecting city,****killing every male****.****26****They put Hamor and his son Shechem to the sword and took Dinah from Shechem’s house and left.* Genesis 34:24-26

***27****The sons of Jacob came upon the dead bodies and* ***looted the city***

*where their sister had been defiled.* ***28****They seized their flocks and herds and donkeys and everything else of theirs in the city and out in the fields.****29****They* ***carried off all their wealth and all their women and children****, taking as plunder everything in the houses.* Genesis 34:27-29

***30****Then Jacob said to Simeon and Levi, “You have brought* ***trouble on me*** *by making me obnoxious to the Canaanites and Perizzites, the people living in this land. We are few in number, and if they join forces* ***against me*** *and* ***attack me****,* ***I*** *and my household will be destroyed.”* ***31****But they replied, “Should he have treated our sister like a prostitute?”* Genesis 34:30-31

***17****Do not repay anyone evil for evil. Be careful to do what is right in the eyes of everyone.****18****If it is possible,* ***as far as it depends on you, live at peace*** *with everyone.****19Do not take revenge****, my dear friends, but leave room for God’s wrath, for it is written: “It is mine to avenge; I will repay,” says the Lord.* Romans 12:17-19