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*Trends deceive. Traditions enslave. God's Truth transforms.*

## **"Man-Wrath"**

From the Series,  
"Jacob 180"

Genesis 34:1-30

*Preached Sunday PM 6/01/14*

*Meadow Baptist Church*

### 1. Sexual Violence (1-4)

- a. One innocent girl (1) - "Now Dinah the daughter of Leah, whom she had borne to Jacob, went out to see the women of the land."
- b. One lustful heart (2) - "And when Shechem the son of Hamor the Hivite, the prince of the land, saw her, he seized her and lay with her and humiliated her."
- c. One demented mind (3-4) - "And his soul was drawn to Dinah the daughter of Jacob. He loved the young woman and spoke tenderly to her. 4 So Shechem spoke to his father Hamor, saying, "Get me this girl for my wife."

### 2. Vengeful Violence (5-17)

- a. Shamed & indignant men (5-7) - "Now Jacob heard that he had defiled his daughter Dinah...7 The sons of Jacob had come in from the field as soon as they heard of it, and the men were indignant and very angry, because he had done an outrageous thing in Israel by lying with Jacob's daughter, for such a thing must not be done."
- b. Clueless & barbaric men (8-12) - "But Hamor spoke with them, saying, "The soul of my son Shechem longs for your daughter. Please give her to him to be his wife. ...11 Shechem also said to her father and to her brothers, "Let me find favor in your eyes, and whatever you say to me I will give. 12 Ask me for as great a bride price and gift as you will, and I will give whatever you say to me. Only give me the young woman to be my wife."
- c. Cunning & cutthroat men (13-17) - "The sons of Jacob answered Shechem and his father Hamor deceitfully, because he had defiled their sister Dinah...Only on

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this condition will we agree with you—that you will become as we are by every male among you being circumcised...”

### 3. Greedy Violence (18-24)

- a. A woeful family (18-19) - “Their words pleased Hamor and Hamor’s son Shechem. 19 And the young man did not delay to do the thing, because he delighted in Jacob’s daughter. Now he was the most honored of all his father’s house.”
- b. An opportunistic motivation (20-23) All the adult men hoped to enter into marriage with Jacob’s family so that they might use their women and pilfer their wealth
- c. A painful price (24) - “...and every male was circumcised, all who went out of the gate of his city.”

### 4. Unrestrained Violence (25-31)

- a. Treacherous tactics (25-26) - “On the third day, when they were sore, two of the sons of Jacob, Simeon and Levi, Dinah’s brothers, took their swords and came against the city while it felt secure and killed all the males. 26 They killed Hamor and his son Shechem with the sword and took Dinah out of Shechem’s house and went away.”
- b. Bloodthirsty revenge (27-29) - “The sons of Jacob came upon the slain and plundered the city, because they had defiled their sister. 28 They took their flocks and their herds, their donkeys, and whatever was in the city and in the field. 29 All their wealth, all their little ones and their wives, all that was in the houses, they captured and plundered.”
- c. Obstinate justification (30-31) - “Then Jacob said to Simeon and Levi, “You have brought trouble on me by making me stink to the inhabitants of the land, the Canaanites and the Perizzites. My numbers are few, and if they gather themselves against me and attack me, I shall be destroyed, both I and my household.” 31 But they said, “Should he treat our sister like a prostitute?”