

Chapter 34:1-35:29

1Now Dinah the daughter of Leah, whom she had borne to Jacob, went out to see the daughters of the land. 2And when Shechem(שֵׁכֶם) the son of Hamor(חַמּוֹר) the Hivite, prince of the country, saw her, **he took her** and lay with her, **and violated her**(וַיַּעֲוֹב).

3His soul was strongly attracted to Dinah the daughter of Jacob, and he loved the young woman and spoke kindly to the young woman. 4So Shechem spoke to his father Hamor, saying,

“Get me this young woman (הַיְלֵדָה הַזֹּאת) as a wife.”

5And Jacob heard that he had defiled(אִמְנָט) Dinah his daughter. Now his sons were with his livestock in the field; so Jacob held his peace until they came. 6Then Hamor the father of Shechem went out to Jacob to speak with him. 7And the sons of Jacob came in from the field when they heard it; and the men were grieved and very angry, because he had done a disgraceful thing(וַיַּעַשׂוּהָ) in Israel by lying with Jacob’s daughter, a thing which ought not to be done.

8But **Hamor spoke** with them, saying,

“The soul of my son Shechem longs for your daughter. Please give her to him as a wife. 9And make marriages with us; give your daughters to us, and take our daughters to yourselves. 10So you shall dwell with us, and the land shall be before you. Dwell and trade in it, and acquire possessions for yourselves in it.”

11Then **Shechem said** to her father and her brothers,

“Let me find favor in your eyes, and whatever you say to me I will give. 12Ask me ever so much dowry and gift, and I will give according to what you say to me; but give me the young woman as a wife.”

13But **the sons of Jacob answered** Shechem and Hamor his father, and spoke deceitfully(בְּמַרְרָה), because he had defiled Dinah their sister. 14And they said to them,

“We cannot do this thing, to give our sister to one who is

uncircumcised, for that would be a reproach(תִּקְרָא) to us. 15But on this condition we will consent to you: If you will become as we are, if every male of you is circumcised, 16then we will give our daughters to you, and we will take your daughters to us; and we will dwell with you, and we will become one people. 17But if you will not heed us and be circumcised, then **we will take our daughter and be gone.**”

18And their words pleased **Hamor and Shechem**, Hamor's son. 19So the young man did not delay to do the thing, because he delighted in Jacob's daughter. He was more honorable(נִכְבָּד) than all the household of his father. 20And Hamor and Shechem his son came to the gate of their city, and **spoke with the men of their city**, saying:

21“These men are at peace with us. Therefore let them dwell in the land and trade in it. For indeed the land is large enough for them. Let us take their daughters to us as wives, and let us give them our daughters.

22Only on this condition will the men consent to dwell with us, to be one people: if every male among us is circumcised as they are circumcised.

23Will not their livestock, their property, and every animal of theirs be ours? Only let us consent to them, and they will dwell with us.”

24And all who went out of the gate of his city **heeded** Hamor and Shechem his son; every male was circumcised, all who went out of the gate of his city.

25Now it came to pass on the third day, when they were in pain, that two of the sons of Jacob, Simeon and Levi, Dinah's brothers, each took his sword and came boldly upon the city and killed all the males. 26And they killed Hamor and Shechem his son with the edge of the sword, **and took Dinah from Shechem's house, and went out.**

27The sons of Jacob came upon the slain, and plundered the city, because their sister had been defiled. 28They took their sheep, their oxen, and their donkeys, what was in the city and what was in the field, 29and all their wealth. All their little ones and their wives they took captive; and they plundered even all that was in the houses.

30Then Jacob said to Simeon and Levi,

“You have troubled(עֲכַרְתֶּם) me by making me obnoxious among the inhabitants of the land, among the Canaanites and the Perizzites; and since I am few in number, they will gather themselves together against me and kill me. I shall be destroyed, my household and I.”

31But they said, “Should he treat our sister like a harlot?”

Genesis 49:5-7 “Simeon and Levi are brothers; Instruments of cruelty are in their dwelling place. 6 Let not my soul enter their council; Let not my honor be united to their assembly; For in their anger they slew a man, And in their self-will they hamstrung an ox. 7 Cursed be their anger, for it is fierce; And their wrath, for it is cruel! I will divide them in Jacob And scatter them in Israel.

Romans 12:19 Beloved, do not avenge yourselves, but rather give place to wrath; for it is written, “Vengeance is Mine, I will repay,” says the Lord. (Deuteronomy 32:35 also Heb 10:30)

35:1 Then God said (וַיֹּאמֶר אֱלֹהִים) to Jacob, “Arise, go up to **Bethel** (בֵּית-אֵל) and dwell there;

and make an altar there to God (מִזְבֵּחַ לֵאל), who appeared to you when you fled from the face of Esau your brother.”

2 And Jacob said to his household **and to all who were with him**,

“Put away the foreign gods (אֱלֹהֵי הַנֹּכַר) that are among you, purify yourselves, and change your garments. 3 Then let us arise and go up to Bethel; and I will make an altar there to God, who answered me in the day of my distress and has been with me in the way which I have gone.”

4 So they gave Jacob all the foreign gods which were in their hands, and the earrings which were in their ears; and Jacob hid them under the terebinth tree which was by Shechem.

5 And they journeyed, and the terror of God (חִפְזַת אֱלֹהִים) was upon the cities that were all around them, and they did not pursue the sons of Jacob.

6 So Jacob came to Luz (that is, Bethel), which is in the land of Canaan, he and all the people who were with him. 7 And he built an altar there and called the place **El Bethel**, because there God appeared to him when he fled from the face of his brother.

8 Now Deborah, Rebekah’s nurse, died, and she was buried below Bethel under the terebinth tree. So the name of it was called Allon Bachuth.

9 Then God appeared to Jacob again, when he came from Padan Aram, and blessed him. 10 And God said to him,

“Your name is Jacob; your name shall not be called Jacob anymore, but Israel shall be your name.” So He called his name Israel.

11 Also God said to him:

“I am God Almighty. Be fruitful and multiply; a nation and a company of nations shall proceed from you, and kings shall come from your body.

12 “The land which I gave Abraham and Isaac I give to you; and to your descendants after you I give this land.”

13 Then God went up from him in the place where He talked with him.

14 So Jacob set up a pillar in the place where He talked with him, a pillar of stone; and he poured a drink offering on it, and he poured oil on it.

15 And Jacob called the name of the place where God spoke with him, Bethel.

16Then they journeyed **from Bethel**. And when there was but a little distance to go **to Ephrath**, Rachel labored in childbirth, and she had hard labor. 17Now it came to pass, when she was in hard labor, that the midwife said to her, “Do not fear; you will have this son also.” 18And so it was, as her soul was departing (for she died), that she called his name Ben-Oni; but his father called him Benjamin.

19So Rachel died and was buried on the way to **Ephrath (that is, Bethlehem)**. 20And Jacob set a pillar on her grave, which is the pillar of Rachel’s grave to this day.

21Then Israel journeyed and pitched his tent beyond **the tower of Eder**. 22And it happened, when Israel dwelt in that land, that Reuben went and lay with Bilhah his father’s concubine; and Israel heard about it.

Now the sons of Jacob were twelve:

23the sons of Leah were Reuben, Jacob’s firstborn, and Simeon, Levi, Judah, Issachar, and Zebulun;

24the sons of Rachel were Joseph and Benjamin;

25the sons of Bilhah, Rachel’s maidservant, were Dan and Naphtali;

26and the sons of Zilpah, Leah’s maidservant, were Gad and Asher.

These were the sons of Jacob who were born to him in Padan Aram.

27Then Jacob came to his father Isaac at **Mamre, or Kirjath Arba (that is, Hebron)**, where Abraham and Isaac had dwelt. 28Now the days of Isaac were one hundred and eighty years. 29So Isaac breathed his last and died, and was gathered to his people, being old and full of days. And his sons Esau and Jacob buried him.

Genesis 28:17 And he was afraid and said, “How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven!”

Genesis 15:16 “But in the fourth generation they shall return here, for the iniquity of the Amorites is not yet complete.”

Psalms 18:26 With the pure You will show Yourself pure; And with the devious You will show Yourself shrewd.

1 John 5:4 For whatever is born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith.

Those who married foreign wives:

Judah married a Canaanite woman (Bath-shua Gen 38:12, 1 Chr 2:3, but later unknowingly slept with Tamar, his daughter-in-law Gen 38:18)

Joseph married the daughter of an Egyptian priest (Gen 41:45)

Timeline

Ch 27:1 = Jacob is 77 years old when he left home (Isaac is 60+77=137)
for **Padan Aram**

Ch 32-33 When Jacob returns home(20 years later), he is 108 years, and
Isaac is 168 years (12 years before Isaac's death)

33:17 Jacob has a house and booths at **Succoth**

33:18 **Shechem** (in Canaan) bought land, altar "El Elohe Israel"

35:1 God directs Jacob to build altar in **Bethel or Luz** (as he had promised
28:20, thought about it 31:13). Ten years has passed since he returned
home. It is **30 years after leaving home**, Jacob is 118 years, Isaac 178
years.

35:4 Buried idols under tree at **Shechem**

35:6-7 Jacob lives at **Bethel/Luz**, built altar "El Bethel"

35:8 Deborah buried under tree in Bethel

35:16 At Bethlehem on the way to Ephrath, Rachel is buried

35:27 Jacob came to dwell at **Mamre, Kirjath Arba, Hebron** (with Father)

37:2, Joseph sold in 17th year, when Jacob is living in **Hebron** 37:14.

49:1 Isaac died 180 years (buried by Esau and Jacob)

41:46 Joseph is 30 years when promoted (in Egypt 13 years later). Jacob
is 117 years (Isaac is 177 years)

Jacob is 130 years old when presented to Pharaoh (Gen 57:9) in Egypt

Deuteronomy 22:23-29 If a young woman who is a virgin is betrothed to a husband,
and a man finds her **in the city** and lies with her, 24then you shall bring them both out
to the gate of that city, and you shall stone them to death with stones, the young woman
because she did not cry out in the city, and the man because he humbled his neighbor's
wife; so you shall put away the evil from among you.

25But if a man finds a betrothed young woman **in the countryside**, and the man
forces her and lies with her, then only the man who lay with her shall die. 26But you
shall do nothing to the young woman; there is in the young woman no sin deserving of
death, for just as when a man rises against his neighbor and kills him, even so is this
matter. 27For he found her in the countryside, and the betrothed young woman cried
out, but there was no one to save her.

28If a man finds a young woman who is a virgin, who is not betrothed, and he seizes
her and lies with her, and they are found out, 29then the man who lay with her shall give
to the young woman's father fifty shekels of silver, and she shall be his wife because he
has humbled her; he shall not be permitted to divorce her all his days.

Exodus 22:16-17 "If a man entices a virgin who is not betrothed, and lies with her, he
shall surely pay the bride-price for her to be his wife. 17If her father utterly refuses to
give her to him, he shall pay money according to the bride-price of virgins.

2 Samuel 13

1After this Absalom the son of David had a lovely sister, whose name was Tamar; and Amnon the son of David loved her. **2Amnon was so distressed over his sister Tamar that he became sick; for she was a virgin. And it was improper for Amnon to do anything to her.** 3But Amnon had a friend whose name was Jonadab the son of Shimeah, David's brother. Now Jonadab was a very crafty man. 4And he said to him, "Why are you, the king's son, becoming thinner day after day? Will you not tell me?" Amnon said to him, "I love Tamar, my brother Absalom's sister." 5So Jonadab said to him, "Lie down on your bed and pretend to be ill. And when your father comes to see you, say to him, 'Please let my sister Tamar come and give me food, and prepare the food in my sight, that I may see it and eat it from her hand.'" 6Then Amnon lay down and pretended to be ill; and when the king came to see him, Amnon said to the king, "Please let Tamar my sister come and make a couple of cakes for me in my sight, that I may eat from her hand."

7And David sent home to Tamar, saying, "Now go to your brother Amnon's house, and prepare food for him." 8So Tamar went to her brother Amnon's house; and he was lying down. Then she took flour and kneaded it, made cakes in his sight, and baked the cakes. 9And she took the pan and placed them out before him, but he refused to eat. Then Amnon said, "Have everyone go out from me." And they all went out from him. 10Then Amnon said to Tamar, "Bring the food into the bedroom, that I may eat from your hand." **And Tamar took the cakes which she had made, and brought them to Amnon her brother in the bedroom.** 11Now when she had brought them to him to eat, he took hold of her and said to her, "Come, lie with me, my sister." 12And she answered him, "No, my brother, do not force me, for no such thing should be done in Israel. Do not do this disgraceful thing! 13"And I, where could I take my shame? And as for you, you would be like one of the fools in Israel. Now therefore, please speak to the king; for he will not withhold me from you." 14However, he would not heed her voice; and being stronger than she, he forced her and lay with her.

15Then Amnon hated her exceedingly, so that the hatred with which he hated her was greater than the love with which he had loved her. And Amnon said to her, "Arise, be gone!" 16So she said to him, "No, indeed! This evil of sending me away is worse than the other that you did to me." But he would not listen to her. 17Then he called his servant who attended him, and said, "Here! Put this woman out, away from me, and bolt the door behind her." 18Now she had on a robe of many colors, for the king's virgin daughters wore such apparel. And his servant put her out and bolted the door behind her.

19Then Tamar put ashes on her head, and tore her robe of many colors that was on her, and laid her hand on her head and went away crying bitterly. 20And Absalom her brother said to her, "Has Amnon your brother been with you? But now hold your peace, my sister. He is your brother; do not take this thing to heart." **So Tamar remained desolate in her brother Absalom's house.**

21But when King David heard of all these things, he was very angry. 22And Absalom spoke to his brother Amnon neither good nor bad. **For Absalom hated Amnon, because he had forced his sister Tamar.**

23And it came to pass, after two full years, that Absalom had sheepshearers in Baal Hazor, which is near Ephraim; so Absalom invited all the king's sons. 24Then Absalom came to the king and said, "Kindly note, your servant has sheepshearers; please, let the king and his servants go with your servant." 25But the king said to Absalom, "No, my son, let us not all go now, lest we be a burden to you." Then he urged him, but he would not go; and he blessed him. 26Then Absalom said, "If not, please let my brother Amnon go with us." And the king said to him, "Why should he go with you?" 27But Absalom urged him; so he let Amnon and all the king's sons go with him.

28Now Absalom had commanded his servants, saying, "Watch now, when Amnon's heart is merry with wine, and when I say to you, 'Strike Amnon!' then kill him. Do not be afraid. Have I not commanded you? Be courageous and valiant."
29So the servants of Absalom did to Amnon as Absalom had commanded. Then all the king's sons arose, and each one got on his mule and fled.

30And it came to pass, while they were on the way, that news came to David, saying, "Absalom has killed all the king's sons, and not one of them is left!" 31So the king arose and tore his garments and lay on the ground, and all his servants stood by with their clothes torn. 32Then Jonadab the son of Shimeah, David's brother, answered and said, "**Let not my lord suppose they have killed all the young men, the king's sons, for only Amnon is dead. For by the command of Absalom this has been determined from the day that he forced his sister Tamar.**" 33"Now therefore, let not my lord the king take the thing to his heart, to think that all the king's sons are dead. For only Amnon is dead."

34Then Absalom fled. And the young man who was keeping watch lifted his eyes and looked, and there, many people were coming from the road on the hillside behind him. 35And Jonadab said to the king, "Look, the king's sons are coming; as your servant said, so it is." 36So it was, as soon as he had finished speaking, that the king's sons indeed came, and they lifted up their voice and wept. Also the king and all his servants wept very bitterly. 37But Absalom fled and went to Talmai the son of Ammihud, king of Geshur. And David mourned for his son every day. 38So Absalom fled and went to Geshur, and was there three years. 39And King David longed to go to Absalom. For he had been comforted concerning Amnon, because he was dead.