

Scripture Reading: Genesis 49:5-7; 34:13-16, 25-30**Simeon and Levi – Anger, hate, craftiness and revenge**

Though Israel loved his children, he did not want anything that displeases God to be found in his entire lineage and therefore prayed unto God and received prophetic words. Simeon and Levi craftily dealt with the people of Shechem and killed all of them. By doing so they despoiled their testimony among the people who lived around them. That is why Israel prophesied, "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".

Question:

Even with Simeon and Levi, why did Jacob reveal his hurt after such a long time though they had lived with him all these years?

Answer:

Though Israel prophesied, it was the Lord God who laid it in his heart. Those particular characters should be completely blotted out from the lineage of Israel. Simeon and Levi craftily dealt with Shechem and then used the covenant sign that God gave them, in an unworthy manner to revenge people. Dear children, I beseech you to depart from anger, hate and revenging attitudes. These are the sinful characters that come as a blockage between you and God so as to not be exalted by Him. This day, pray and forgive all those who've worked against you, just like Jesus did.

"Their malice may be concealed by deception, but their wickedness will be exposed in the assembly".
Proverbs 26:26

Prayer

In the name of Jesus, let anger, hate and all the negative characters depart from me. I will live a life of structure and order. Amen