

Sermon: Deut 22:13-30

1. God's righteous law is given to unrighteous people
 - a. This is case law
 - b. If people were not wicked there would be no need for these laws
2. God is pure and faithful. He wants his people pure and faithful
 - a. These laws are applied to individuals but indicative of the whole
 - i. Vs 21, 22, 24 "purge the evil from among you"
 - b. Purity
 - i. **2 Samuel 22:31** As for God, His way is perfect; the word of the LORD is flawless. He is a shield to all who take refuge in Him.
 - ii. **Psalm 3:3** But You, O LORD, are a shield around me, my glory, and the One who lifts my head.
 - iii. **Psalm 12:6** The words of the LORD are flawless, like silver refined in a furnace, like gold purified sevenfold.
 - iv. **Psalm 18:2** The LORD is my rock, my fortress, and my deliverer. My God is my rock, in whom I take refuge, my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold.
 - v. **Psalm 18:30** As for God, His way is perfect; the word of the LORD is flawless. He is a shield to all who take refuge in Him.
 1. Purity is an attribute of God that is distinctly tied to feminin virginity
 - a. Take time to study the word virgin in scripture and you will see that it is overwhelming referring to females
 - b. Vs 19 points to this
 - c. Faithfulness
 - i. Ex 34:6 **6**The LORD passed before him and proclaimed, "The LORD, the LORD, a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness,
 - ii. Deut 7:9 **9**Know therefore that the LORD your God is God, the faithful God who keeps covenant and steadfast love with those who love him and keep his commandments, to a thousand generations,
 - iii. Psalm 25:10 **10**All the paths of the LORD are steadfast love and faithfulness, for those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.
 - iv. Psalm 33:4 **4**For the word of the LORD is upright, and all his work is done in faithfulness.
 1. Faithfulness is an attribute of God distinctly tied to male faithfulness
 - a. Take time to study people in scripture who are called faithful and you will find this is a favorite description of faithful men
 - b. Most telling is that jesus is called "faithful"over and over in the book of hebrews
3. We need to identify sin the same way God identifies sin
 - a. The actions described in this passage are called by God:
 - i. Evil (vs 21, 22, 24)
 - ii. Slander (vs 19)
 - iii. Outrageous (vs 21)

- iv. Whoring (vs 21)
- v. Violation (vs 23)
- vi. Attack (vs 26)
- vii. Like murder (vs 26)
- viii. Dishonor (vs 30)
- b. One tendency for us as humans is for the slow erosion of morality which begins with language.
 - i. We now use terms like
 - 1. Sowing your wild oats
 - 2. Test Drive before you buy
 - 3. Netflix and chill
 - 4. Just being kids
 - 5. Fooling around
 - 6.
 - c. We need to call sin out the same way God does
- 4. Christ is purifying his church
 - a. Ephesians 5