Day 54: Genesis 38:1-30: Judah and Tamar



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- Judah separated from brothers: moved to Adulam; married a Canaanite woman; had three sons
- Firstborn son, Er: married Tamar; did wickedly and was put to death by the LORD
- **Second son, Onan:** failed to perform duty of leverite marriage: Deut. 25:5-6; put to death by the LORD for this wickedness
- Judah promised third son, Shelah: to Tamar but did not fulfill promise
- Tamar deceived Judah: mistaken for a prostitute; conceived by him
- Judah condemned her: as immoral; but proven the father by his pledges
- Tamar more righteousness: than Judah regarding inheritance rights
- **Twins born:** Perez: *breach* was fully born before Zerah; *scarlet*; David and Jesus will come from the line of Perez: Ruth 4:18-22; Matt. 1:1-3

Assignment:

What were the compromises and sin of Judah as he lived among the Canaanites?

Read Gen. 49:10 and 2 Sam. 7:16. Where does the blessing of eternal kingship from Judah's line lead?

How does God's grace overcome our sinfulness?

How has the Lord been gracious to you despite your unfaithfulness?