Genesis: The Key to the Bible (Part 44) God Works Despite the Schemes of Men

Often, we make our decisions and form our based in our culture
We make judgments on other cultures based on our <u>prejudices</u>
Jacob's extended family continued to experience difficulty, while practicing
(38:1-10) Young people cultural traditions
When his oldest son died childless, Judah, asked his next son Onan to have a temporaryrelationship with his son's widow Tamar
The hope that by him Tamar might produce a child.
Onan, because he wanted any children he fathered to be his own.
Because of his refusal to carry out his family obligation, God him
(v.11) Judah to give his youngest son to her in case that son died too.
He sent Tamar home in because she had no children to help her
(v.12-19) Entrapment for the purpose of vindication
(v.12) Judah's wife dies and he mourns
His friend invites him to for a change the scenery
He propositions a ""
(v. 13-19) Tamar accomplishes her purpose and gets pregnant from the line of
(v.20-23) Judah attempts to "pay what he owes"
Cannot find the prostitute
Decides to try to save
(v.24-26) Righteous indignation exposed as
(v.27-30) plan accomplished
Tamar's child is in lineage of (Matthew 1:1-16)