Intro:

<u>Main Point of Text:</u> God commands fathers to preserve the Promised Land by protecting the purity of their daughters.

<u>Sermon Point:</u> Daddies, Protect Your Daughters.

Move 1: A dangerous world is full of dirty girls.

"... lest the **land** fall to whoredom, and the **land** become full of wickedness." Bookends of Lev. 18:1-4, 24-30: the *land* would vomit out the Canaanites for its sexual perversions (chapter's subject); so the *land* would vomit out the Israelites if they participated. Here, leading daughters in socially acceptable sexuality. Likely pressuring ritual sex as temple prostitutes. Deut. 23:17-18. 1 Tim. 5:1-2) Deut. 23:17: *There shall be no whore of the daughters of Israel* ...

Move 2: Our daughters are in the greatest danger.

Women and girls are most vulnerable to sexism and being treated as sex objects: "thy **daughter**, to cause **her** to be a whore". God is warning us all to protect our daughters from predators. By loving them as sacred sisters, mindful of Ephesians 5:33.

Move 3: Our daughters need their daddies to protect them.

"Do not prostitute thy daughter, to cause her to be a whore". "Prostitute" in Hebrew, "pollute, profane" even "play the pipe". Implied subject: parents, especially fathers (patriarchal), a daughter's greatest influence. Dads need to be a good influence. Too many mothers and fathers are willing to compromise with culture to profit off their daughters. May Psalm 106:34-41 never be said of your houses and this house of God. Instead, may our fathers be crying Psalm 144:11-12 out to God over their fathering: Rid me, and deliver me from the hand of strange children, whose mouth speaketh vanity, and their right hand is a right hand of falsehood: That our sons may be as plants grown up in their youth; that our daughters may be as corner stones, polished after the similitude of a palace ... For, Happy is that people, that is in such a case: yea, happy is that people, whose God is the LORD. (Vs. 15)

Conclusion:

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