

LOT AND SODOM

Genesis 14, 18, 19

After Abram and Lot separated, each lived according to the way of life which he had chosen. Discover below something of the comparative value of each of these ways of life:

A. Lot's Relationship to the City of Sodom: Read Genesis 14:11-16

1. Where did Lot live in relation to the City of Sodom at first? Genesis 13:12

2. Where did he live in relation to that city at a later date? Genesis 14:12a, c

(See a map, there are two possible locations of this city).
3. What happened to the city of Sodom about this time? Genesis 14:2a, 11

4. In connection with this event, what happened to Lot and all his possessions? Genesis 14:12

5. When Abram heard of this, what did he do? Genesis 14:14-16

6. How did Lot feel about the behavior of the people of Sodom? (See 2 Peter 2:7b, 8)____

B. God's Decision Concerning the City of Sodom: Read Genesis 18:17-33

1. When the Lord noticed how terrible was the sin of Sodom and Gomorrah, what did He decide to do? Genesis 18:20, 21

2. To whom did God decide to reveal His plan? Genesis 18:17-19

3. What did Abraham then ask the Lord? Genesis 18:23

4. For whom do you think Abraham was especially concerned?

5. How many times did Abraham ask the Lord to spare the city? Genesis 18:23-32

6. How many righteous people could have saved the city? Genesis 18:32

7. Do you think Abraham felt there were that many in the city?

C. God's Judgment on the City of Sodom: Read Genesis 19:1-29

1. When God's two angels entered Sodom to see how wicked it really was, where was Lot sitting? Genesis 19:1

2. What kind of men usually sat in the gate of a city? (See Ruth 4:2a, 11)

NOTE: This shows Lot had probably become an elder of Sodom:
(See Genesis 19:9a)

3. Notice the horrible sin which the men of the city wanted to commit with the angels: Genesis 19:4, 5. This sin has been named for their city, *sodomy*.

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4. When Lot tried to reason with them to keep them from committing this sin, what did they threaten? Genesis 19:8, 9
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5. Note how Lot was rescued from the wicked men of Sodom: Genesis 19:10, 11. What did the men (angels) then tell Lot they would do? Genesis 19:12, 13
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6. When Lot warned his sons-in-law of this, did they believe him? Genesis 19:14
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7. When the angels tried to hurry Lot, what did he do? Genesis 19:16
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8. What happened because Lot's wife disobeyed the angels' instructions and looked back? Genesis 19:17, 26
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9. What happened to the city around which Lot's interests had been centered? Genesis 19:24
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10. For whose sake was Lot spared? Genesis 19:29
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11. As Abraham watched Lot's city burning (Genesis 19:27, 28), around what city were his interests centered? (See Hebrews 11:10)
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D. Lot's Position After the Judgment of Sodom: Read Genesis 19:30-38

1. Where did Lot live after this? Genesis 19:30
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2. Notice how completely corrupt were the thoughts and actions of Lot's two daughters: Genesis 19:31-38. By whom had their moral standards been shaped? _____
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QUESTIONS FOR ME TO THINK ABOUT:

1. Why did Lot have to suffer so many hardships, inconveniences, and sorrows?
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2. With what type of people am I today closely associated? Around what type of things have my interests been centered? (See 1 Corinthians 3:13). Will all that I have labored for someday be burned with fire? (See John 6:2).
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