## Session 33

## "A Hot Time in the Old Town Tonight" Genesis 19

- v. 1a Q. What time did the angels arrive in the city?
  - Α.
  - Q. Where did they find Lot?
  - Α.
  - Q. What is the significance of this setting?
  - Α.

Read Psalm 1

- v. 1b-2a Q. What does Lot do?
  - Α.
- vv. 2b Q. The angelic response =
  - Α.
- v. 3 Q. Is there any significance about what he serves them?
  - A. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_. It's the first time that we see \_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
    bread being cited. However, we can assume this was the same type of bread that Abram offered them when they came because Sarai made it \_\_\_\_\_\_. [Which is what unleavened bread is a flat bread, kneaded, and quickly thrown in an oven or over a fire; like a pita bread]. Cp. Ex. 12.

- v. 4 Q. What is the significance of the descriptions of the violators?
  - Α.
- 1. The violation would represent \_\_\_\_\_\_ sexual depravity.
- 2. The violation would represent \_\_\_\_\_\_ depravity.
- 3. The violation would represent \_\_\_\_\_\_ depravity.

Recall Genesis 13:13

v. 5 Q. What were their intentions? Cp. Ezek. 16:49; Jude 7

- vv. 6-7 Q. What was Lot's response?
  - Α.
- 1. He placed himself \_\_\_\_\_\_the men and his visitors.
- 2. He \_\_\_\_\_\_ to them as a fellow citizen.
- 3. He \_\_\_\_\_\_ their actions as wicked.
- v. 8 Q. What is going on here?
  - Α.
- 1. It was the \_\_\_\_\_ of two social evils.
- 2. It would bring cultural \_\_\_\_\_\_ to Lot if his guests were violated.
- 3. Daughters were not \_\_\_\_\_ on the social value system.
- 4. It will \_\_\_\_\_\_ the depravity of these wicked men. [rejection]

- v. 9a Q. What does this verse say about how Lot was viewed by the citizens of Sodom?
  - A. The Sodomites did not think of Lot as "one of them" [friends] but still as a \_\_\_\_\_\_ trying to impose his \_\_\_\_\_\_ on them. They were willing to attack him as well.
- v. 9b Q. What did they try to do?
  - A. Suggestion \_\_\_\_\_ and they pressed forward to accomplish their sinful agenda.

vv. 10-11 Q. What did the angels do? Cp. 2 Kgs 6:18

- Α.
- 1. They \_\_\_\_\_ Lot.
- 2. They \_\_\_\_\_\_ the men so they could not find the door.

Note: Another suggestion comes from the Apocryphal book, "The Wisdom of Solomon." It suggests that the men of Sodom were overcome with a horrible supernatural darkness (\_\_\_\_\_\_) so much that they could not see their hand in front of their faces.

vv. 12-13 Q. What did the angles exhort them to do?

- Α.
- 1. They \_\_\_\_\_\_ if Lot had any other family members in the city.
- 2. They \_\_\_\_\_ them to get out.
- 3. They told them \_\_\_\_\_ was coming.
- 4. They told them \_\_\_\_\_\_ it was coming.

- v. 14a Q. What did Lot do?
  - A. He tried to \_\_\_\_\_\_ them to leave given what he knew.
- v. 14b Q. How did his future sons-in-law reply?

Α.

v. 15a Q. When did the destruction occur? Cp. v. 23

Α.

Note: God was not going to do this under the cover of \_\_\_\_\_\_ but fall all to see.

- v. 15b Q. What did the angels urge Lot and his family to do?
  - A. Get your \_\_\_\_\_\_ out of here or you'll be included in God's judgment.
- v. 16 Q. What did Lot do?
  - Α.
  - Q. Why do you think he did this?
  - Α.
  - Q. What did the angels do?
  - Α.
  - Q. Why did the angels do it?
  - Α.
- v. 17 Q. What was the admonition of the angels?
  - Α.
- 1. They gave them an urgent \_\_\_\_\_\_ to flee.

They told them not to \_\_\_\_\_\_ back.
 They told them not to \_\_\_\_\_\_ anywhere in the plain.

4. They were told to flee to the \_\_\_\_\_.

vv. 18-20 Q. What did Lot do?

Α.

- Q. Was Lot trying to compromise again or was this a genuine fear on his part? Why?
- A. It was probably a \_\_\_\_\_\_ since the mountains were a considerable distance and Lot did not \_\_\_\_\_\_ how soon the destruction would take place.

vv. 21-22 Q. Your lucky day, Zoar! What did the angels do?

Note: "Zoar" means "\_\_\_\_\_."

Α.

- 1. The angel \_\_\_\_\_ Lot's request.
- 2. The angel also \_\_\_\_\_\_ that the judgment would have waited until he reached the mountains as well.

vv. 23-24 Q. How did God destroy the cities?

Α.

- 1. The language intimates that it was around \_\_\_\_\_\_.
- 2. The LORD \_\_\_\_\_\_ down burning sulfur.

Note: "Sulfur" can also be translated, "\_\_\_\_\_" – hence, the "fire and brimstone" sermons. It is a yellow non-metallic substance that burns a very hot \_\_\_\_\_, melts into a lava like liquid substance, and produces a rotten \_\_\_\_\_\_ smell. When burnt it produces Sulfur Dioxide – a \_\_\_\_\_\_ and lethal gas. Note: From this event, sulfur is used as a symbol of divine judgment.

Isaiah 34:9-10

Rev. 14:10

Rev. 19:20

Rev. 20:10

Rev. 21:8

v. 25 Q. What did the destruction include?

- 1. \_\_\_\_\_ the cities of the plain.
  - 2. \_\_\_\_\_ the vegetation of the land.
- v. 26 Q. What happened to Lot's wife? Cp. Lk. 17:32-33
  - Α.

Α.

- 1. She \_\_\_\_\_\_ the command of the angelic beings.
- 2. It resulted in her being turned into a pillar of \_\_\_\_\_.

Note: The word, "pillar" in Hebrew is something that is set up as a \_\_\_\_\_\_ device or a marked place that is set to watch over something.

- Q. Why salt?
- Α.
- 1.
- 2. Salt in the area (Dead Sea) indicating "\_\_\_\_\_" or "something without life."
- An enemy would sow salt in the ground so that you could not grow food, i.e., something \_\_\_\_\_.

vv. 27-28 Q. What did Abraham understand about God?

- Α.
- 1. God \_\_\_\_\_ his promises.
- 2. God has the \_\_\_\_\_ to keep his promises.
- v. 29 Q. What did God do, unknowingly, for Abraham?
  - Α.
- 1. God remembered Abraham his \_\_\_\_\_, his feelings.
  - 2. God remembered Abraham's \_\_\_\_\_prayer [toward Lot and his family]
- v. 30 Q. What did Lot do next?
  - Α.
- 1. They left Zoar out of \_\_\_\_\_.
- 2. They dwelt in the mountains in a \_\_\_\_\_.
- Q. Why did they not go to Abraham?
- Α.
- 1. They followed the angel's \_\_\_\_\_, i.e., go to the mountains.

vv. 31-36 Q. What sinful choices were made? Why?

- Α.
- Lot's daughters found themselves in a \_\_\_\_\_\_ predicament. There were no men in the area for them to marry and have children with – a cultural and

\_\_\_\_\_Curse.

2. Instead of going to Uncle Abraham and looking for an

\_\_\_\_\_ relative, they decided to have

\_\_\_\_\_\_ sex with their father to conceive.

- vv. 37-38 Q. What two nations would arise from this sin that would forever haunt Israel?
  - Α.
- 1. The \_\_\_\_\_

Notables: King Balak and \_\_\_\_\_\_ – leading the Israelites to sin sexually and embrace pagan gods, i.e., Chemosh; \_\_\_\_\_

2. The Ammonites

Notables: \_\_\_\_\_\_ – One of King Solomon's wives who introduced him to foreign gods; The horrible child-sacrificing God,

Application Questions:

Q. Read Luke 17:29-30. What does Jesus say about this account and what does it mean for us today?

Q. Read Luke 17:29-30. What does Jesus say teach about this account and what does it mean for us?

Α.

Q. Read Luke 17:31-33. What does Jesus teach about this account and what does it mean for us?

Α.

- Q. How can we use the question given by the angels in vv. 12-13 for our own lives?
  - 1. Have you identified family members?
  - 2. Do you have a sense of urgency?
  - 3. Do they know what is going to happen?
  - 4. Do they know why?
- Α.
- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- Q. Do you think the world believes we are joking when it comes to God's judgments?
- Α.
- Q. Does God still reserve a measure of mercy toward others when He thinks of us?

Q. If we abandon the biblical guide for morality, then what depths will we go for pleasure? To whom or what's expense?