• Rm.15:4

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- "For whatsoever things were written
- aforetime were written for our <u>learning</u>,
- that we through patience and comfort of
- the scriptures might have hope."

Judgments of God

Lesson One: Adam and Eve (sin entered)

Noah and the World Flood

Lesson Two: Sodom and Gomorrah

Nineveh

• Review:

- Question ask about "original sin"?
- Scripture does not teach a person
- inherits any sin from Adam.
- We do inherit two things from Adam
- 1. knowledge of good and evil
- physical death.

- Lesson Two: part one
- Sodom and Gomorrah

- The events covered in this lesson are
- recorded in Genesis chapters 13; 18 & 19

- List of key participants in today's lesson
- The Lord Lot's Wife
- Two Angels Lot's daughters
- Abraham Citizens of Sodom
- Lot Citizens of Gomorrah

- Background info: Abram is Lot's uncle and
- the time Abram had been called
- to leave his father and kin, Lot went
- with his uncle.

By the time Gen. 13, Lot's own family and possession had grown large.

Abram gives Lot the choice to go either to the left hand or to the right

- Lot's choice: Gen. 13:10-11 "And Lot lifted
- up his eyes, and beheld all the plain of
- Jordan that it was well watered every
- where, before the Lord destroyed Sodom
- and Gomorrah, even as the garden of the
- Lord, like the land of Egypt, as you come
- unto Zoar. Then Lot chose him all the plain
- of Jordan: and Lot journeyed east:..."

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Lot chose "poorly!"

- Gen. 13:13 "But the men of Sodom were
- wicked and sinners before
- the Lord exceedingly."

- Several years following Abraham and Lot separating, we pick up the historical record
- in Gen. chapter 18.
- The Lord and two angels come to Abraham.
- vs 2
- The Lord tells Abraham and Sarah they will
- have a son at the appointed time of women.
- vs 10
- Sarah laughs at the news. vs 12

- Gen. 18:13-14 "And the Lord said unto
- Abraham, Wherefore did Sarah laugh
- saying, Shall I of a surety, bear a child
- which am old?" "Is anything to hard
- for the Lord?" At the time appointed
- I will return unto you, according to
- the time of life, and Sarah shall have a
- son."

- Gen. 18:16 "And the men rose up and looked
- toward Sodom: and Abraham went with
- them to bring them on their way."

- vs. 17 "And the Lord said, Shall I hide from
- Abraham that thing that I do:...."

- So God shares with Abraham his plans
- vs 20 "And the Lord said, Because the cry
- of Sodom and Gomorrah is great. And
- because their <u>Sin is very grievous</u>;
- vs 21 I will go down now, and see whether
- they have done altogether according to
- the cry of it, which is come unto me;
- and if not I will know."
- Abraham ask, are You going to destroy the
- Righteous with the wicked?

vs 25b Abraham will you treat the righteous as the wicked. Be that far from Thee.

"Shall not the judge of all the earth do right?"

- Abraham pleads for mercy for the righteous;
- first 50 righteous, then 45, then 40, then 30,
- then 20 until God agrees to spare if 10
- righteous can be found.

Gen. 19 Two angels enter Sodom at sun

- down. And Lot ran to meet them and to
- invite them to spend the night in his
- house.

- Lot pleads with the two men to turn into
- his house for the night.

- The two men first declined Lot's, offer but
- Lot pressed on them until they agreed.

- Once the men's feet were washed and they
- were given food. But before they could
- lay down, the men of Sodom compassed
- the house, both young and old, all the
- people from every quarter of the city.

- vs 5 "And they called out to Lot, and said
- unto him, Where are the men which
- came in to you this night? Bring them
- out unto us, that we may know them."

- vs 6-7 "And Lot went out at the door unto
- them, and shut the door after him. And
- said, I pray you, brethren, do not so
- wickedly."

- vs 8 "Behold now, I have two daughters which
- have not had relations with any man; let
 - me, I pray you, bring them out unto you,
 - and do you to them as is good in your
 - eyes; only unto these men do nothing; for
 - therefore came they under the shadow of
 - my roof.

- vs 9 "And they said, Stand back, and they
 - said again, This one fellow came in to
 - sojourn, and he will needs be a judge:
 - now will we deal worse with you, than
 - with them. And they pressed sore upon
 - the man, even Lot, and came near to
 - break the door.
 - vs 10 Lot is pulled back into house
 - vs 11 smote the men of Sodom with
 - blindness

- vs 12 Angels tell Lot to go gather his
 - sons-in-law, sons, daughters and all
 - that he has in Sodom, and bring them
 - out of this place.
 - vs 13b "... the Lord has sent us to destroy it."
 - vs 14 Lot goes to warn his children "Up get you out of this place; for the Lord will destroy this city, But he seemed as one that mocked unto his sons-in-law".

- vs 15 The angels hastened Lot saying
 - "Arise, take your wife, and your two
 - daughters, which are here: lest you be
 - consumed in the iniquity of the city."
 - vs 16 While Lot lingered... angels took
 - them by the hand and brought them
 - outside the city.
 - vs 17 "...Escape for your lives; look not
 - behind you..... lest you be consumed."

- vs 23-24 "The sun was risen upon the earth
 - when Lot entered into Zoar. Then
 - the Lord rained upon Sodom and
 - upon Gomorrah brimstone and fire
 - from the Lord out of heaven."
 - vs 26 "But Lot's wife looked back from
 - behind him, and she became a pillar
 - of salt."

What are we to learn from this account?

- Paul states that things written were for our
- Learning, for patience and comfort:
- Patience steadfastness, endurance
- Comfort well being, assurance, confident

- Q. What caused the destruction of Sodom
- and Gomorrah (along with all the cities)
- surrounding them)?
- A. Sin: they were exceeding wicked
- Q. What was the testimony of God?
 - "But the men of Sodom were wicked
 - and sinners before the Lord
 - exceedingly."

- 2 Pet. 2: 6-9 "And turning the cities of Sodom
 - and Gomorrah into ashes condemned
 - them with an overthrow, making them
 - an ensample unto those that after should
 - live ungodly; And delivered just Lot
 - vexed with the filthy conversation of the
 - wicked: (for that righteous man dwelling
 - among them, in seeing and hearing,
 - vexed his righteous soul from day unto
 - day with their unlawful deeds:)"

- What does Peter say?
- 1. Sodom and Gomorrah were turned into
- ashes
- 2. Destruction caused by their filthy manner
- of living
- 3. The Lord delivered Lot because he
- vexed his soul daily seeing and hearing
- their filth.
- 4. God made an ensample of Sodom and
- Gomorrah because of their ungodliness

- Q. What does it mean
- "Lot vexed" his soul
- •
- Vexed: annoyed
- irritated
- angry
- frustrated
- irate

- In contrast to Lot's attitude, what attitude do
- we have facing the same conduct? note Rm. 1:32
- "Who knowing the judgement of God,
- that they which commit such things are
- worthy of death, not only do the same, <u>but</u>
- have pleasure in them that do them."
- "have pleasure" to condone
- -- to accept as normal
- -- to say it is just their
- sexual orientation

Q. Is this filthy life style new?

Judg. 19:22 "Now as they were making merry, behold, the men of the city, certain sons of Belial, beset the house round about, and beat at the door,....Bring forth the man that came into thine house, that we may know him."

- Just as with Lot, the old man offered his
- daughter and the traveler's concubine to
- the mob outside his house, so they would not do such evil to the traveler.

- After sexually abusing the man's concubine
- all night, they return her to the house where
- upon the door threshold she died.

- Rm. 1:24 "Wherefore God also gave them up to uncleanness through the lust of their own
- hearts, to dishonor their own bodies between themselves: vs. 26 For this cause God gave them up unto <u>vile affections</u>: for even their women did change the natural use into that which is against nature: vs. 27 And likewise
- also the men, leaving the natural use of the woman, burned in their lust one to another; men with men working that which is <u>unseemly</u>,...."

Q. Is this kind of filthy life style New?
 No. It has been around for millenniums
 And it is flourishing in 2021

LGBTQ

LesbianGay (homosexual men)Bisexual

Queers:

Transgender

Gods assessment

Exceedingly

Wicked

 God loves all mankind and takes no pleasure in the death of any sinner Ezek. 18:23

• but

- God has left us an example of what is the
- Fate of those that do such things 2Pet. 2:8

Things of learn

- 1. Nothing is to hard for the Lord
- Jer. 32:27 "Behold, I am the Lord, the
- God of all flesh: is there
- any thing to hard for me"
- 2. The Lord desires to reason with man
- Isa. 1:18 "Come now, and let us reason
- together, says the Lord...."
- Jas. 5:16b "...The effectual fervent prayer
- of a righteous man avails
- much."
- 3. The Lord knows how to save the righteous
- 4. Remember Lot's wife Lk. 17:32

Q. What led to Lots ruin? Covetousness

- Lk. 12:15 And Jesus said unto them;
- "Take heed and beware of covetousness
- for a man's life does not consist in the
- abundance of the things he possesses."

- Peter tells us, Lot remained righteous even
- in the mist of wickedness all around him.
- But Lot was still making poor decisions.
- Q. What do you think Lot should have done?
 Lot offered his daughters to the wick men;
 but Lot had been raising his family year after
- year under the evil influences of Sodom.
- In fact, Lot had been sacrificing his family's
- wellbeing for years fully aware of the
- depths of depravity of the men of Sodom
- and Gomorrah.

- Q. What was Lot's condition when he went
- to Sodom?

- Q. What did Lot lose by his choice to go to
- Sodom?

- Even the two daughters that escaped with
- their father were so influenced by the life
- style in Sodom, that they committed incest
- with their father.

Consider the death of Sodom and Gomorrah

and know that those that live such

unclean lives or condone such live styles

will face eternal Damnation

• Part two: Nineveh: Book of Jonah

- Jonah 1:2 "Arise go to Nineveh, that great
- city, and cry against it; for their
- wickedness is come up before
- me."

- Q. What was it God wanted Jonah to tell
- the inhabitants of Nineveh?

- vs. 4 "And Jonah began to enter into the city
- a day's journey, and he cried, and said,
- Yet forty days and Nineveh shall be
- <u>overthrown</u>."
- Q. Was Nineveh overthrown?
- Then why include it in our study of
- Judgements of GOD?

- Jonah 3:5,8,9 "So the people of Nineveh believed
 God, and proclaimed a fast, and put on sackcloth, from the greatest of them even to the least of them."
 vs.8 "But let man and beast be covered with sackcloth, and cry mightily
- unto God: yea, <u>let them turn every</u>
 one from his evil way, and from
- the <u>violence that is in their hands</u>."

- vs. 9 "Who can tell if God will turn and
- repent, and turn away from His fierce
- anger, that we perish not?"

- vs.10 "And God saw their works, that they
- turned from their evil ways; and
- God repented of the evil, that He had
- said He would do unto them;
- AND HE DID IT NOT."

- Jonah 4:2b Jonah says; "for I knew You were
- a gracious God, and merciful, slow to
- <u>anger</u> and of <u>great kindness</u>....."

Why include Nineveh in this study?

To demonstrate both attributes of God

- God's Justice -- Judgements
- God's Love -- Mercy

- 2 Pet. 3-10 "The Lord is not slack concerning
- His promise, as some men count slackness;
- but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing
- that any should <u>perish</u>, but that all will come
- to repentance.
 - But the day of the Lord will come as a thief
- in the night; in the which the heavens shall
- pass away with a great noise, and the
- elements shall melt with fervent heat, the
- earth also and the works that are therein
- shall be burned up.

- God is willing to forgive any sin, no matter
- what kind,
- IF one will repent and turn away
- from it and be obedient to God's
- ordinances and commandments for they
- ARE LIFE.

- LET HIM THAT HAS AN EAR to HEAR
- HEAR!
- Questions?