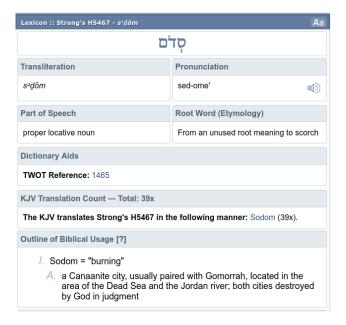


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# The Sin of the Sodomites

In the ancient world, the word sodomite identified a person that is committing the sin of homosexuality. **Deuteronomy 23:17** "There shall be no whore of the daughters of Israel, nor a sodomite of the sons of Israel." This word derived from the proper name of Sodom; a city and people that descended from Canaan. **Genesis 10:19** "And the border of the Canaanites was from Sidon, as thou comest to Gerar, unto Gaza; as thou goest, unto Sodom, and Gomorrah, and Admah, and Zeboim, even unto Lasha."

The meaning of Sodom was a constant reminder to those that desired to indulge in fornication. 2<sup>nd</sup> **Peter 2:6** "And turning the cities of Sodom and Gomorrha into ashes condemned them with an overthrow, making them an ensample unto those that after should live ungodly;" As we examine the sin within the scriptures, it will become apparent that the acronyms (LGBTQ+) used in our present time define the same evil abominations that caused Sodom and Gomorrah to be burned.



The most High God introduced us to the people of Sodom by saying, Genesis 13:13 "But the men of Sodom were wicked and sinners before the LORD exceedingly." Did you notice that they were sinners? That means the laws had to be in existence for sin to be present, and this is centuries before Moses. Romans 5:13 "(For until the law sin was in the world: but sin is not imputed when there is no law." Verse 14: "Nevertheless death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over them that had not sinned after the similitude of Adam's transgression, who is the figure of him that was to come." We



could clearly conclude that the laws existed before Moses, and that they were present since Adam's time.

## Will the righteous be destroyed with the wicked?

The introduction was given because Lot a nephew of Abraham (our father) settled in Sodom. In the process of time (Genesis chapter 18), the most High sent angels to execute judgment. However, they were interrupted from their journey by Abraham who fed them. Genesis 18:20 "And the LORD said, Because the cry of Sodom and Gomorrah is great, and because their sin is very grievous;" Verse 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." Verse 22: "And the men turned their faces from thence, and went toward Sodom: but Abraham stood yet before the LORD." When the most High revealed to Abraham their imminent destruction, he pleaded that if there be some righteous among the city that it be spared. Genesis 18:23 "And Abraham drew near, and said, Wilt thou also destroy the righteous with the wicked?" Abraham sought mercy for the Sodomites, which the most High was willing to grant.

Genesis 18:24 "Peradventure there be fifty righteous within the city: wilt thou also destroy and not spare the place for the fifty righteous that are therein?" Verse 25: "That be far from thee to do after this manner, to slay the righteous with the wicked: and that the righteous should be as the wicked, that be far from thee: Shall not the Judge of all the earth do right?" Verse 26: "And the LORD said, If I find in Sodom fifty righteous within the city, then I will spare all the place for their sakes." The heavenly Father was willing to spare the whole city if there were fifty righteous persons, according to the petition of Abraham. Knowing the wickedness of the men of Sodom and concerned for Lot's life, he continued to insist that the place be spared, until he reached the number of ten righteous persons.

Genesis 18:32 "And he said, Oh let not the Lord be angry, and I will speak yet but this once: Peradventure ten shall be found there. And he said, I will not destroy it for ten's sake." Verse 33: "And the LORD went his way, as soon as he had left communing with Abraham: and Abraham returned unto his place." As mentioned previously, they were so exceedingly wicked that ten righteous persons could not be found; Lot was the only righteous man among them. Did the Judge of all the earth slay the righteous man Lot?

### Lot's hospitality

Genesis 19:1 "And there came two angels to Sodom at even; and Lot sat in the gate of Sodom: and Lot seeing them rose up to meet them; and he bowed himself with his face toward the ground;" Verse 2: "And he said, Behold now, my lords, turn in, I pray you, into your servant's house, and tarry all night, and wash your feet, and ye shall rise up early, and go on your ways. And they said, Nay; but we will abide in the street all night." Verse 3: "And he pressed upon them greatly; and they turned in unto



him, and entered into his house; and he made them a feast, and did bake unleavened bread, and they did eat." Lot met two of the angels that spent time with Abraham, at the entrance of the city. He persuaded them to lodge in his house, with great urgency, because of the manner of people he dwelt among.

Genesis 19:4 "But before they lay down, the men of the city, even the men of Sodom, compassed the house round, both old and young, all the people from every quarter:" Verse 5: "And they called unto Lot, and said unto him, Where are the men which came in to thee this night? bring them out unto us, that we may know them." All the men of Sodom, of every age, did not surround the house of Lot late at night because they wanted to be introduced to the angels. The word "know" is used as a euphemism at times to express sexual relations. Genesis 4:1 "And Adam knew Eve his wife; and she conceived, and bare Cain, and said, I have gotten a man from the LORD." Verse 25: "And Adam knew his wife again; and she bare a son, and called his name Seth: For God, said she, hath appointed me another seed instead of Abel, whom Cain slew." Therefore when the men of Sodom demanded that they wanted to "know them" that meant they wanted to have sex with the two angels of the Lord!

Genesis 19:6 "And Lot went out at the door unto them, and shut the door after him," Verse 7: "And said, I pray you, brethren, do not so wickedly." Courageously Lot confronted their evil desires, correcting them with supplications. The law of the heavenly Father directly tells us their grievous sin. Leviticus 18:22 "Thou shalt not lie with mankind, as with womankind: it is abomination." This is homosexuality, but today they attempt to mask their sin by calling it gay. There are two reasons for this, the first being that homosexuality was listed as a mental illness or disorder in psychiatry's standards up until 1973 in the D.S.M., therefore causing some to be apprehensive in using this word.

The word gay, actually meant to be cheerful, happy, noble, and beautiful. However, the original definition was not the reason they began to use this word to express homosexuality. **James 2:3** "And ye have respect to him that weareth the gay [gorgeous] clothing, and say unto him, Sit thou here in a good place; and say to the poor, Stand thou there, or sit here under my footstool:" The word gay became a slang word with the meaning of wanton, lewd, and lascivious; being sins that signify unbridled lust or uncontrollable sexual desires. See, 2<sup>nd</sup> Peter 2:18, Jeremiah 13:27, and 2<sup>nd</sup> Corinthians 12:21. Thus the word gay was associated with sexuality, in the past a gay woman was a prostitute, a gay man was a womanizer, and a gay house a brothel. Thus homosexuals adopting this word akin to their nature of burning lust, morphed it, to its current use.

Regardless of what it is called today or what alphabet soup the person ascribes to, it is the sin of fornication and an abomination. Due to the fact that an abomination is detestable, loathsome, atrocious, disgusting, heinous, etc.. Some attempt to create their own narrative, disputing and casting doubt on whether the sin of Sodom was homosexuality. Genesis 19:8 "Behold now, I have two daughters which have not known man; let me, I pray you, bring them out unto you, and do ye to them as is good in your eyes: only unto these men do nothing; for therefore came they under the shadow of my roof." Trying to prevent this great evil, Lot offered his own daughters, which were



virgins to replace the angels, that *nothing* sexual would be done unto them. As we could clearly see, their sin was homosexuality.

Genesis 19:9 "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 thee, than with them. And they pressed sore upon the man, even Lot, and came near to break the door." They refused Lot's offer, and now they set their malicious attention on him, for getting in their way. Showing that their intentions were to force themselves upon the angels and rape them. The infamous saying of the wicked, "don't judge me", was first coined apparently by the Sodomites. Sinners do not view correction as love, instead they get upset and refuse to understand their wrong doings, not realizing the judgment to come. Proverbs 15:10 "Correction is grievous unto him that forsaketh the way: and he that hateth reproof shall die."

Lot sought to protect the angels, a sign of his hospitality. See, <u>Hebrews 13:1-2</u>. While the Sodomites unaware of whom these men were, proceeded to accost their neighbor. There was no reasoning with them, Lot was in danger of being violated along with the angels. **Genesis 19:10** "But the men put forth their hand, and pulled Lot into the house to them, and shut to the door." Before they got to Lot, the angels reached out and pull him inside and closed the door. The only barrier holding the Sodomites back from their evil desires. Inevitably, the door they were going to break. The angels did not fear them, as they originally intended to spend the night in the streets. They did not seek refuge or protection, but to witness the righteousness of Lot.

### The Sodomy of the ancients, the same modern abomination

Genesis 19:11 "And they smote the men that were at the door of the house with blindness, both small and great: so that they wearied themselves to find the door." The angels were able to blind the Sodomites that were going to force themselves in. Even after being blinded, they would not quit looking for the door, motivated by their strong lust. This type of persistence is identical to the nature of the homosexuals of our present time. With boldness they try to force themselves into your homes to accept their unnatural ways. It is not a hidden secret that many children were molested, that trauma forced them into homosexuality. This lifestyle is full of sin, look at how an entire city normalized homosexuality, orgies, paraphilia, voyeur, sadism, violence, and etc..

That vile spirit is in the communities of homosexuals throughout the United States; especially in San Francisco, Atlanta, or in New York's West Village where they have elite sex clubs to party and have orgies. This is another form of fornication, to have sexual relations with more than one person, such as threesomes or orgies. **Leviticus 18:18** "Neither shalt thou take a wife to her sister [one wife to another], to vex her, to uncover her nakedness, beside the other in her life time." Thus their sin was beyond homosexuality, since the Sodomites planned to gratify themselves in public. It was an undeniable trait of the Sodomites to involve the young. In similar fashion children are taken advantage of by the tourist in poor countries or by the rich that do it secretly in their upscale locations. Let's not



forget their forceful ways that have even reached the classrooms of innocent children, whom they wish to corrupt. This spirit of extreme evil, has systematically grown over the decades.

After observing the unrepentant spirit of the Sodomites, the angels reveal to Lot their purpose. **Genesis 19:12** "And the men said unto Lot, Hast thou here any besides? son in law, and thy sons, and thy daughters, and whatsoever thou hast in the city, bring them out of this place:" Verse 13: "For we will destroy this place, because the cry of them is waxen great before the face of the LORD; and the LORD hath sent us to destroy it." We have finally received our answer, the Judge of the earth did not slay the righteous. The angels were sent to save Lot, and they instructed him to leave the city, because they have come to destroy it.

Genesis 19:14 "And Lot went out, and spake unto his sons in law, which married his daughters, and said, 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." Remember that Lot told the Sodomites that his daughters were virgins by saying, "I have two daughters which have not known man". This might seem like a contradiction, that before leaving he went to get his "sons in law" and that now it mentions his daughters were "married". However, according to the laws of God, a person is considered married the moment they are betrothed (engaged). Deuteronomy 22:23 "If a damsel that is a virgin be betrothed unto an husband, and a man find her in the city, and lie with her;" Verse 24: "Then ye shall bring them both out unto the gate of that city, and ye shall stone them with stones that they die; the damsel, because she cried not, being in the city; and the man, because he hath humbled his neighbour's wife: so thou shalt put away evil from among you."

Like the sons in law of Lot, those warned today of the imminent destruction take it as a joke. 2<sup>nd</sup> Peter 3:3 "Knowing this first, that there shall come in the last days scoffers [mockers], walking after their own lusts," Verse 4: "And saying, Where is the promise of his [Christ] coming? for since the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as they were from the beginning of the creation." This saying is prevalent among those that are ignorant of the prophecies and God's word. Since they do not realize that his coming cannot be until specific prophecies are fulfilled. Habakkuk 2:3 "For the vision is yet for an appointed time, but at the end it shall speak, and not lie: though it tarry, wait for it; because it will surely come, it will not tarry." For instance, the most High God did not destroy Sodom until her sins have reached unto heaven.

The second coming of Christ could not take place before mystery Babylon's existence, which is known today as America. Revelations 18:2 "And he cried mightily with a strong voice, saying, Babylon the great is fallen, is fallen, and is become the habitation of devils, and the hold of every foul spirit, and a cage of every unclean and hateful bird." Verse 5: "For her sins have reached unto heaven, and God hath remembered her iniquities." America is in danger of being destroyed because it commits the same sins as Sodom and Gomorrah. In fact, it is described prophetically as spiritually Sodom. Revelations 11:8 "And their dead bodies [of the Israelites that were lynched] shall lie in the street of the great city, which spiritually is called Sodom and Egypt, where also our Lord was crucified." For many



generations deterrents existed to prevent the fulfillment of this prophecy, but it should be evident that we are in the last days. Since Babylon openly promotes her fornication and has influenced the nations. See, **Revelations 17:1-6**.

Undoubtedly, this scripture is speaking of America which *spiritually* is also like *Egypt*, by enslaving the Israelites (so called Blacks, Hispanics, and Native American Indians) and by following the same idolatrous customs. See, <a href="Exodus 1:11-14">Exodus 1:11-14</a> and <a href="Deuteronomy 28:68">Deuteronomy 28:68</a>. Although laws existed against homosexuality since the colonies, historically enslaved boys and men suffered sexual assault. To emasculate them, slave owners would give clothing that resembled a dress and forbid them from wearing pants. <a href="Deuteronomy 22:5">Deuteronomy 22:5</a> "The woman shall not wear that which pertaineth unto a man, neither shall a man put on a woman's garment: for all that do so are abomination unto the LORD thy God." Their attempt to feminize the enslaved males was to cause psychological damage, similar to when they molested and raped them to make them feel vulnerable and helpless in their condition of bondage.

The Roman Empire is "where also our Lord was crucified"; slavery was an important role in their society and homosexuality was common practice. America being the revival of Rome, mirrored the abominable practices of homosexual relations between master and slave. Catamite or pederasty, which is a boy or youth used for sexual pleasure by an older man, were most desirable if they were androgynous. In Latin literature these were glorified for being effeminate bed fellows; generally these slave boys were known for their wanton behavior. 1st Corinthians 6:9 "Know ye not that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God? Be not deceived: neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor abusers of themselves with mankind,"

This society attempts to deceive our people into thinking that these sins are harmless, and that it is a matter of "liberty" or "freedom". The effeminate cross dressing drag queens are sent to classrooms to cause gender dysphoria in boys, claiming their purpose is inclusion. As the sons in law of Lot eventually learned, the judgment of the Heavenly Father is not a joke so will the sodomites of our time. **Hebrews 10:31** "It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God."

#### Flee Fornication

Genesis 19:15 "And when the morning arose, then the angels hastened Lot, saying, Arise, take thy wife, and thy two daughters, which are here; lest thou be consumed in the iniquity [sin] of the city." The words of the angels give us a good lesson, to focus first on your own salvation and those of your family. Especially if any is not willing to take heed to the warning; Proverbs 9:6 "Forsake the foolish, and live; and go in the way of understanding." In matters of salvation we should not stick around for the wicked and procrastinate, this is why the angels urged Lot to hurry and leave the city of Sodom. This generation is in a similar predicament, the difference is that we must come out of the sins of Babylon, and in haste keep the commandments to avoid being consumed in the iniquity of the city.



**Revelations 18:4** "And I heard another voice from heaven, saying, Come out of her, my people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues." Remember, the destruction in the second coming of Christ will be worldwide therefore we do not have to flee out of any location, instead we must depart from iniquity by repentance. See, **Isaiah 24:1-6**.

Genesis 19:16 "And while he lingered, the men laid hold upon his hand, and upon the hand of his wife, and upon the hand of his two daughters; the LORD being merciful unto him: and they brought him forth, and set him without the city." For some reason Lot was taking his time even though he was told of the impending doom of Sodom. Since he was righteous the angels ensured that he would not be consumed by grabbing him and taking him out of the city. 2<sup>nd</sup> Peters 2:9 "The Lord knoweth how to deliver the godly out of temptations, and to reserve the unjust unto the day of judgment to be punished:" Through out history, those that were in danger but lived godly were saved. For this reason we must consider, what is taking place as a foreshadow of what will happen during the second coming of Christ, when the angels will help to save the righteous.

Psalms 91:5 "Thou shalt not be afraid for the terror by night; nor for the arrow that flieth by day;" During war those that believe in the prophecies of the scriptures will not be afraid. Psalms 91:6 "Nor for the pestilence that walketh in darkness; nor for the destruction that wasteth at noonday." Verse 7: "A thousand shall fall at thy side, and ten thousand at thy right hand; but it shall not come nigh [near] thee." Verse 8: "Only with thine eyes shalt thou behold and see the reward of the wicked." Verse 9: "Because thou hast made the LORD, which is my refuge, even the most High, thy habitation;" Verse 10: "There shall no evil befall thee, neither shall any plague come nigh thy dwelling." Verse 11: "For he shall give his angels charge over thee, to keep thee in all thy ways." Please read, Matthew 24:30-31.

Genesis 19:17 "And it came to pass, when they had brought them forth abroad, that he said, Escape for thy life; look not behind thee, neither stay thou in all the plain; escape to the mountain, lest thou be consumed." Although he was already out of the city, the angels explained that it was not safe in the plain because the whole area was to be consumed. Naturally any person would have liked to witness this, but the angels commanded Lot and his family to find safety in the mountain and not to look back.

In the plain, multiple cities existed by the salt sea, which is currently known as the Dead Sea. Genesis 13:12 "Abram [Abraham] dwelled in the land of Canaan, and Lot dwelled in the cities of the plain, and pitched his tent toward Sodom." All those cities were to be consumed by fire; Gomorrah is often mentioned alongside Sodom to show that more than one city was destroyed. Genesis 14:2 "That these made war with Bera king of Sodom, and with Birsha king of Gomorrah, Shinab king of Admah, and Shemeber king of Zeboiim, and the king of Bela, which is Zoar." Verse 3: "All these were joined together in the vale of Siddim, which is the salt sea."

Besides the two famous cities, the others were Admah, Zeboim, and Zoar; these were joined together in the same sins. **Jude Verse 7** "Even as Sodom and Gomorrha, and the cities about them in like



manner, giving themselves over to fornication, and going after strange flesh, ...." The sexual sins of these cities are summed up in the word fornication. However we should not think of fornication as simply homosexuality, since this word is often interchangeable in the scriptures with adultery and whoredom. When reading the two chapters in the law (<u>Leviticus chapter 18</u> and <u>20</u>) that list all the different forms of fornication, we learn the root cause of this sin, is the worship of false gods. This leads to God's law of marriage to be dishonored, thus they defile their bodies to commit incest, menstrual sex, bestiality, and etc..

#### Tarry not

Genesis 19:18 "And Lot said unto them, Oh, not so, my Lord:" Verse 19: "Behold now, thy servant hath found grace in thy sight, and thou hast magnified thy mercy, which thou hast shewed unto me in saving my life; and I cannot escape to the mountain, lest some evil take me, and I die:" Verse 20: "Behold now, this city is near to flee unto, and it is a little one: Oh, let me escape thither, (is it not a little one?) and my soul shall live." Verse 21: "And he said unto him, See, I have accepted thee concerning this thing also, that I will not overthrow this city, for the which thou hast spoken." Verse 22: "Haste thee, escape thither; for I cannot do any thing till thou be come thither. Therefore the name of the city was called Zoar."

The request of the angels to escape to the mountain was not unreasonable but Lot feared that he would not make it, thinking some evil could befall him in his journey. Therefore he requested if he could seek refuge in the small city of Zoar that was nearby, because of this it was spared. Truly the Heavenly Father showed patience with Lot and his family considering that he held back the destruction until he reached the city. Ironically the same thing is also happening with us; 2<sup>nd</sup> Peters 3:9 "The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance."

There are a few other lessons that we could learn from the interaction that Lot had with the angels. Unlike righteous Lot we have been warned and instructed to be ready for the second coming, although we do not know when Christ will return. See, <u>Luke 12:35-49</u>. On that fateful day, we could not procrastinate or linger around and think we will be saved. **Apocrypha Ecclesiasticus 5:7** "Make no tarrying to turn to the Lord, and put not off from day to day: for suddenly shall the wrath of the Lord come forth, and in thy security thou shalt be destroyed, and perish in the day of vengeance."

The most High desires for us to be saved, he will not lay any charge that you can not handle. Please read, 1st Corinthians 10:13. Follow the instructions that are given to you by God, because they are filled with wisdom and will not fail you. Our resolve at times comes from a carnal mindset, it is always best to follow the counsel of God from the scriptures. Lamentations 3:22 "It is of the LORD'S mercies that we are not consumed, because his compassions fail not." Eventually Lot learns that it was best to go and escape to the mountain as the angels said.



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#### Fire and Brimestone

Genesis 19:23 "The sun was risen upon the earth when Lot entered into Zoar." Verse 24: "Then the LORD rained upon Sodom and upon Gomorrah brimstone and fire from the LORD out of heaven;" Verse 25: "And he overthrew those cities, and all the plain, and all the inhabitants of the cities, and that which grew upon the ground." As soon as he entered the city, the angels overthrew multiple cities, by raining brimstone which are burning stones of sulfur. Geological evidence of this occurring still exists to this very day! Near the Dead Sea, cities have been found that were destroyed by an intense fire, the ashes, and human remains are not the only confirmation left behind. All throughout the area brimstones that are still flammable exist.

Genesis 13:10 "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 thou comest unto Zoar." The whole region that was known for being well watered and good place to graze livestock, presently is an uninhabitable wasteland. Deuteronomy 29:23 "And that the whole land thereof is brimstone, and salt, and burning, that it is not sown, nor beareth, nor any grass groweth therein, like the overthrow of Sodom, and Gomorrah, Admah, and Zeboim, which the LORD overthrew in his anger, and in his wrath:" Without question an incredible destruction by fire took place, a physical witness of the historical authenticity of the scriptures.

#### Remember Lot's wife

Genesis 19:26 "But his wife looked back from behind him, and she became a pillar of salt." Remember that the angels commanded saying, "look not behind thee", therefore she was judged for her disobedience. Outside of the scriptures, there were historians who confirmed the existence of this unnatural monument. An example is Flavius Josephus, who wrote, "although God had forbidden her so to do, was changed into a pillar of salt; for I have seen it, and it remains at this day". Unfortunately, our generation does not have the exact location of this monument, although tourism might claim two sites as Lot's wife.

However, what we do have is an admonition given by Christ to learn from her error, which many fail to understand. Luke 17:32 "Remember Lot's wife." When examining the reason of why she was punished, we come to understand that it was not simply because she looked behind her. Philippians 3:13 "Brethren, I count not myself to have apprehended: but this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before," In our journey towards the kingdom we must have the same humility as the Apostle Paul, who did not count himself to have apprehended or attained salvation. Instead his mindset was to stay focused on reaching the kingdom. To apprehend such a goal, you must forget and leave behind the sinful life of the past. If you are looking back, that means you are not being faithful.



Whatever the person is yearning for from the sinful lifestyle they had, that carnal temptation could cause them to fall away and go back to the world. **Hebrews 10:38** "Now the just shall live by faith: but if any man draw back, my soul shall have no pleasure in him." **Verse 39:** "But we are **not of them who draw back unto perdition**; but of them that believe to the saving of the soul." She was not saved because her soul was with Sodom, that last look was her affection being revealed.

Wisdom of Solomon 10:6 "When the ungodly perished, she [wisdom] delivered the righteous man, who fled from the fire which fell down upon the five cities." Verse 7: "Of whose wickedness even to this day the waste land that smoketh is a testimony, and plants bearing fruit that never come to ripeness: and a standing pillar of salt is a monument of an unbelieving soul." Therefore if any man fall away and go back to the world, the most High has no pleasure in such a person. They will not inherit the kingdom of God, but will have the same fate as Lot's wife. Luke 9:62 "And Jesus said unto him, No man, having put his hand to the plough, and looking back, is fit for the kingdom of God."

Genesis 19:27 "And Abraham gat up early in the morning to the place where he stood before the LORD:" Verse 28: "And he looked toward Sodom and Gomorrah, and toward all the land of the plain, and beheld, and, lo, the smoke of the country went up as the smoke of a furnace." The fact that Abraham was able to look toward Sodom and not turn to a pillar of salt shows us that her punishment meant more than meets the eye. By our forefather seeing the smoke from far, it was confirmation that not even ten righteous persons were in Sodom. Genesis 19:29 "And it came to pass, when God destroyed the cities of the plain, that God remembered Abraham, and sent Lot out of the midst of the overthrow, when he overthrew the cities in the which Lot dwelt." Yet the heavenly Father remembered Abraham's petition that he made for Lot, and did not destroy the righteous with the wicked.

Thus this fire that was brought down upon those cities are a testimony to show us the judgment that will be brought upon the Sodomites of today. **Jude Verse 7** ".... are set forth for an example, suffering the vengeance of eternal fire." The extreme heat of the fire, the toxic smell of sulfur, and the choking effect of the smoke were the ways that the Sodomites suffered. This scripture described that fire as vengeance of eternal fire because their land is in perpetual waste, geologically changed to an unfruitful land, and the cities were never rebuilt. But those Sodomites that will be destroyed by Christ will suffer a worse punishment that will be truly with eternal fire. **Luke 10:12** "But I say unto you, that it shall be more tolerable in that day for Sodom, than for that city."

Genesis 19:30 "And Lot went up out of Zoar, and dwelt in the mountain, and his two daughters with him; for he feared to dwell in Zoar: and he dwelt in a cave, he and his two daughters." The destruction was that great that Lot eventually left the city of Zoar and did as the angels originally suggested. This is the history of how the Almighty God meted out to Sodom and Gomorrah according to their deeds his just judgment. A clear example to all future generations to learn from and avoid suffering the same. Shalam!