"Modern Day Sodom" Gen. 13:5-12

Introduction

- I. The account of what happened to Sodom and Gomorrah is there for our learning (Rom. 15:4).
- II. Sadly, many today have ignored and/or forgotten why God put it in His Word.
- III. Sodom was extremely wicked and immoral, and our society today is following it's terrible example (Gen. 13:13; 18:22-33; 19:2-5, 9-11).

Discussion

- I. Like then, today we find a lack of respect and appreciation for parents and the elderly (Gen. 19:14).
 - A. Lot's sons-in-law apparently did not think too much about what Lot had to say.
 - B. Today, many refuse to heed the warnings of those from older generations (Lev. 19:32; 2 Kings 2:23-25; cf. Eph. 6:1-3; 1 Tim. 5:1-2).
- II. Like then, today many are unwilling to leave evil ways (Gen. 19:15-16).
 - A. Unfortunately, Lot and his family lingered longer than they should have (cf. 2 Pet. 2:6-9).
 - B. It is sad when you feel like you physically have to intervene to get someone out of a bad situation (Jude 23; cf. Joseph [Gen. 39:9-12]).
- III. Like then, today some may "look back" on their sinful lives with a desire to return (Gen. 19:17).
 - A. We do not know all of the motivation in Lot's wife, but she disobeyed.
 - B. Today, after being baptized, some go back to the sinful lifestyle that they left (Rom. 6:15-18; 2 Pet. 2:20-22).
- IV. Like then, today there are some that have been negatively influenced by the actions of others (Gen. 19:30-38).
 - A. Unfortunately, the daughters of Lot had seen and heard of such wickedness in Sodom that they chose fornication over faithfulness.
 - B. We should choose wisely those with which we socialize (1 Cor. 15:33).

Conclusion

- I. It is sad to watch the sin that once led to destruction being embraced in our modern times.
- II. We must not allow "modern day Sodom" to lead us to compromise.