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Reading: Genesis ch 19 v 1-3, 12-17 and 26
Luke ch 17 v 32
Subject: Remember Lot's Wife

This story is a stark warning if we try to meddle in the plan of Salvation.

Sodom lies at the southern end of the Dead Sea. The research of archaeologists suggest a great and sudden devastation occurred: the Bible already tells us this.

The city was poised on the brink of destruction. It was being held from this destruction because of Gods patience and Abraham's pleading.

The Lord chose to tell Abraham about the plan to destroy Sodom. Abraham then conversed with the Lord about this matter. This city was steeped in sin to such an extent that the out cry of the sin reached the Lord and not even ten people could be found who did not merit judgment. Every sin is a sin and none is greater than the another.

Sodom was known for its sins of pride, homosexuality, fullness of food, laziness and selfishness. It was only a matter of time before the Lord would take it no longer.

Today the God of heaven is looking down on our city and the time is set for the Lord to return in judgment.

We have to think:-

Are we ready? We do not know what another day may bring and what will befall us. Will we go heavenward or down to hell? Why is God interested in a place like Methil?

Insignificant little places but God is interested in these places because of the people that are in it and God loves each and everyone of us.

Several people are mentioned in the story. The men of Sodom were intent upon their sin and happy to seek after what they wanted. When the message came they could not care less about what God thought. Disregard for God marks many lives today. No ears to hear what God has to say. God loves and wants to come into your heart and save you from your sins.

Lot's sons-in-law did not believe and thought it was a joke. They turned their backs and continued what they were doing. Some people today think preachers are trying to scare people into heaven. They are trying to warn people from the bible - this is real.

John 3:16

Lot was a drifter in life and was taking the path of least resistance. He was brought up by Abraham his uncle. Lot didn't take full advantage of having an uncle who was a friend of God. Lot had a good job - was successful in business - which maybe why he was hesitant to leave the city. Some people today let what they have in life stop them coming to the Lord.

Do you drift through life not focusing?

It is good to know if we focus on the Lord Jesus Christ He has the strength to take us on in life and one day we will be received into heaven itself.