

“SODOM – LOT AND THE FOOLISH VIRGINS”

“In this special writing let us see if the world is following the same path and pattern as Sodom did, that Jesus predicted would occur in the last days. It will give us a real good insight concerning the present and future events concerning our age and its final conclusion of how it will end!” – “We already know that the immoral conditions of our day are matching the days of Sodom. – But there are many more viewpoints to consider.” – “We find out in the beginning after God spoke to Abraham, that Lot decided to go with him.” (Gen. 12:4-5) – “Abraham was a type of the anointed Word and true faith; Lot was a type of the believer, but was more distant; his heart was not set like Abraham’s. It was like in this last day revival, many came out at first following the true Word ministries, but there is coming a separation soon for the Lot type of believer and the Abraham elect believer!” – **“We know this, Lot prospered because Abraham prospered! But Lot had a weakness of putting material gain ahead of God’s calling, and a desire to marry a worldly companion evidently helped in his final downfall. Lot and his family were a classic example of people who gradually go in the wrong direction until they backslide; they also reveal the sad mistake of it!”**

“Lot’s first move was to choose the well watered plains of Sodom and separate from the true Word and anointing for material gain.” (Gen. 13:10-13) – Read also verses 8 and 9. – “We also know that Sodom was one of the first cities built after the flood.” . . . “The second thing was, he pitched his tent toward Sodom. People backslid by leaving the anointing and Word of God! Like Lot they joined in with the worldly system!” – “Lot’s third step in backsliding, he moved finally to Sodom! (Gen. 14:12) – In the beginning of Lot’s backsliding he never intended to move into Sodom, only to be near it. But he was ensnared!” I would like to make a statement . . . God wants us to prosper, but we do not have to leave the Word of God to do it! Abraham was richer than any man in Sodom! (Gen. 13:2) – Also he had so much wealth that he refused the wealth of Sodom! (Gen. 14:22-24) – “The 4th step or mistake in Lot’s backsliding, he sat in the gate of Sodom. In order for him to stay there, he had to become a messenger boy; he told them who was new in coming and going!” . . . **“The Scriptures reveal to us the prosperity of Sodom . . . Jesus referred to this in Luke 17:28. It was the trade mart of that part of the world and had an abundance of food!” – It will be like the ending of our age in Commercial trade!**

“While Sodom was buying and selling and building, they were utterly unaware of the catastrophic judgment that was moving towards them! The evil and immoral conditions were beyond mortal conception. Evidently not only did the night orgies of sin startle the Lots, but was also a kind of fascination that held them spellbound! – And evidently some of their family partook in the depravity of it. Perhaps later we can bring out some things that people do not know about, but for now we want to reveal these other subjects!”

“Their very prosperity and abundance was what speeded up the process of evil. They were ripe for judgment! A cataclysmic fire was gradually moving toward their domain. . . . Possibly beside the witnesses of the two angels the Lord gave signs in the heavens pointing to their doom! – But they were too busy with the cares of this life – just like Jesus said would be at the end of the age!” – **Ezek. 16:49-50 lists the six sins of Sodom, and it will compare with the end of our age prophetically! – “Behold, this is the iniquity of thy sister Sodom. Number 1, They were full of pride. . . created by an atmosphere of security and prosperity. – Number 2, Fullness of bread. They had plenty of everything, and felt no need of God! They are exactly like the end time evil church of Rev. 3:17, ‘We are rich, increased in goods, and have need of nothing.’ – And Jesus said, ‘Ye are wretched, blind and naked!’ – In other words, like sister Sodom! Number 3, An abundance of idleness was in her and her daughters. . . The wealth had produced more time for wickedness. They had shorter days to work. This is also happening in our day, and will even be more so as the age closes! – We also know that this idleness of time in our cities is causing the teenagers to commit crimes, perversion, narcotics, etc. – Number 4, They never helped the needy and poor that were really in true need. They had no compassion for those outside their city! You could not live in their city unless you partook of their sins! – The city was governed similarly to what the anti-Christ will do with his mark of the beast! – People will not be able to receive anything unless they receive the mark of sin! (Rev. 13:13-17) – Number 5, They were haughty . . . completely sold on themselves, that they had the right answer and that their way was the right way, etc. They thought they were above anything that was Godly or Christian. But in real terms they were completely deluded! They were arrogant and proud of their sins! Satan was incarnate; this also is what caused his fall! – Number 6, And committed abominations before Me, therefore I took them away as I saw good. – Abominations, they had their sexual idols of pleasure; some of the things that occurred were so revolting that most people would not believe it. . . **They were given over to forbidden pleasures, orgies in groups, etc. (Read Gen. 19:4-10 – Rom. 1:26-27) – And it is exactly what is occurring in our day. And they even march in the streets with their signs. One of their slogans and magazines, of all things, is called, *Pride*. – But besides this there were many other vices of pleasure, etc.”****

“According to the Bible cycles, exactly 450 years after the flood Sodom went up in a fiery holocaust! – **And Jesus said that the same thing would occur to the nations at the end of the age with atomic judgment, and with fire and brimstone from heaven!” (Luke 17:28-30)** – “The final days of Lot are sad indeed. The last description that we have of him reveals the taint of Sodom. He had thought his last two daughters were innocent maidens. (Gen. 19:8) – But they evidently had been schooled in all arts of perversion. While their father was drowning his sorrows in drink, they had affairs with him! (Gen. 19:33-35) – Today, under grace, God forgives their type sins and would have forgiven them, but we have no record of their repentance!” – “And they produced the race of Moabites and Ammonites, nations who became enemies of Israel!” – **“May the whole Christian world take warning from Lot’s example and stay clear of Commercial and Religious Babylon!** For she will ride the beast and give full sway to Satan as Sodom did!” (Rev. 17:4-5)