

Sodom and Gomorrah
(Genesis 18:16-19:38)

18:16-33

1. Two aspects to pay attention to and remember in this story:
 - a. How God deals with the righteous
 - i. Abraham and Lot
 - b. How God deals with the unrighteous
2. “Outcry” is sometimes used to describe sins and how God hears them.
 - a. Isaiah 5:7
3. In the second half of chapter 18 we see three important ways God interacts with His people.
 - a. He does not hide what He is going to do.
 - i. At the same time, that does not mean He tells us all that He is going to do.
 - b. God listens to the prayers of His people.
 - c. God does not want to punish the righteous along with the unrighteous, but He will.
4. Alien works vs. proper works
5. What are some of the characteristics of Abraham’s prayer that we can follow?

19:1-22

1. What do we know of Lot up to this point?
2. How do we see Lot’s righteousness in how he welcomes the angels?
3. Who surrounds Lot’s house? How does this show the depravity of the city?
4. What is the response of the men when Lot tries to send them away?
5. Does Lot sin by offering his daughters to them?

6. The angels then save Lot twice. Once from the crowds of men and once by warning him of what is to come.
7. Luther, “the nearer the world is to destruction, the smugger it is”.
8. How is Lot’s prayer similar to Abraham’s?
9. In verse 15-22 we get Lot being saved for a third time. Who else is being saved as well and why?

19:23-38

1. How God destroyed Sodom, Gomorrah, and the surrounding cities exactly we do not know.
2. Lot’s wife is an example of how we are called to follow God’s Word and not turn back to the things of this world.
 - a. Luke 9:62
 - b. Luke 17:22-33
3. Imagine if you were Abraham as you overlooked the destruction the next day.
4. How do the names of the sons of Lot’s daughters fit what just happened?
 - a. Moab
 - b. Ben-ammi

