

As in the days of Noah & Lot

Community Bible Study
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Part 7

Matthew 24:33 KJV

33 So likewise ye, **when ye shall see all these things, know that it is near, even at the doors.**

Matthew 24:33 AMPC

33 So also **when you see these signs, all taken together, coming to pass, you may know of a surety that He is near, at the very doors.**

Matthew 24:33 NASB

33 so, you too, **when you see all these things, recognize that He is near, right at the door.**

Remember, the word *know* and *recognize* in the Greek in Matthew 24:33 is a command. You and I are commanded to know these signs to ***these things*** of His return.

We prove we love God by keeping His commands, Jesus said...

John 14 AMPC

15 **If you** [really] love Me, **you will** keep (obey) My commands.

21 The person who has My commands **and keeps them is the one who [really] loves Me;** and whoever [really] loves Me **will be loved by My Father,** and I [too] will love him and will show (reveal, manifest) Myself to him. [I will let Myself be clearly seen by him and make Myself real to him.]

23 Jesus answered, **If a person [really] loves Me,** he will keep My word **[obey My teaching];** and My Father will love him, and We will come to him and make Our home (abode, special dwelling place) with him.

24 *Anyone who does not [really] love Me does not observe and obey My teaching.* *And the teaching which you hear and heed is not Mine, but [comes] from the Father Who sent Me.*

There are more benefits of being obedient to God's commands as well which He shows by His love. Remember, God is love and He is the Word. The Word tells us what is going to happen when we are obedient and disobedient. His Word is for you and I so we won't be in the dark to the signs of the season of His return.

1 Thessalonians 5:1-5 KJV

1 But of the times and the seasons, brethren, ye have no need that I write unto you.

2 For yourselves know perfectly that the day of the Lord so cometh as a thief in the night.

3 For when they shall say, Peace and safety; then sudden destruction cometh upon them, as travail upon a woman with child; and they shall not escape.

4 But ye, brethren, are not in darkness, that that day should overtake you as a thief.

5 Ye are all the children of light, and the children of the day: we are not of the night, nor of darkness.

God's Word speaks about the righteous, those who it is their nature (Enoch/Elijah), not perfect people but perfecting and no iniquity. **God's Word contains many warnings about wickedness.** Those who obeyed the warnings from God, were spared the predicted consequences. God's Word defines the primary dictionary definition of the word "warn"...

Warn Defined:

to tell (a person) of a danger, coming evil, misfortune, etc.;

God has always made it known to His people or warned them about impending times of trouble, and given them time to prepare or escape...

He warned Noah and his family of the coming flood and directed them how to prepare to survive it.

Hebrews 11:7 KJV

7 **By faith** Noah, **being warned of God of things not seen as yet, moved with fear, prepared an ark to the saving of his house; by the which he condemned the world, and became heir of the righteousness which is by faith**

Hebrews 11:7 AMPC

7 [Prompted] by faith Noah, being **forewarned by God concerning events of which as yet there was no visible sign, took heed and diligently and reverently constructed and prepared an ark for the deliverance of his own family.** By this [his faith which relied on God] he passed judgment and sentence on the world's unbelief and became an heir and possessor of righteousness (that relation of being right into which God puts the person who has faith).

He warned Lot and his family of the coming destruction of Sodom and Gomorrah and told them to flee.

Hebrews 11:1 AMPC

11 Now **faith is the assurance (the confirmation, the title deed) of the things** [we] hope for, **being the proof of things** [we] do not see and the conviction of their reality [faith perceiving as real fact what is not revealed to the senses].

Hebrews 11:1 KJV

11 Now **faith is the substance of things** hoped for, the **evidence of things not seen.**

Hebrews 11:1 GNT

11 To have **faith is to be sure of the things** we hope for, to be **certain of the things** we cannot see.

Genesis 19:14 KJV

*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.*

The son-in-laws scoffed/mockered at his warning, thought he was surely joking and not to be taken seriously about his warning of God's judgment and the way to escape before it was too late.

In Jude and 2 Peter 3, they both said that there would be scoffers/mockers(ing) at the Time of the End. Not believing or willfully ignorant (dumb on purpose) that judgment was coming or that their sin or iniquity (unrepentant sin) would lead to death. God is speaking to the Church that this is satan deceiving the believer and false teachers spinning what He said about grace and love...would God really kill you over a piece of fruit?

Genesis 3:1-4 KJV

*1 Now the serpent was more **subtil** than any beast of the field which the Lord God had made. And he said unto the woman, Yea, **hath God said, Ye shall not eat of every tree of the garden?***

2 And the woman said unto the serpent, We may eat of the fruit of the trees of the garden: 3 But of the fruit of the tree which is in the midst of the garden, God hath said, Ye shall not eat of it, neither shall ye touch it, lest ye die.

*4 And the serpent said unto the woman, **Ye shall not surely die:***

This is how many people will not make the Rapture - deception from their own reasoning and or false teachers.

Subtil defined:

1828 Websters

2. Nice; fine; delicate.
4. Sly; artful; cunning; crafty; insinuating; as a subtil person; a subtil adversary.
5. Planned by art; deceitful; as a subtil scheme.
6. Deceitful; treacherous.

Genesis 3:1-4 AMPC

1 Now the serpent was more **subtle and crafty** than any living creature of the field which the Lord God had made. And he [Satan] said to the woman, **Can it really be that God has said**, You shall not eat from every tree of the garden?

2 And the woman said to the serpent, We may eat the fruit from the trees of the garden,

3 Except the fruit from the tree which is in the middle of the garden. **God has said**, You shall not eat of it, neither shall you touch it, **lest you die**.

4 **But the serpent said** to the woman, **You shall not surely die**,

Satan reasoned with Eve, it's just fruit... is God going to kill you over fruit? No, it's not about the fruit. He is judging you over obedience and those who obeyed the warnings from God were spared the predicted consequences.

Iniquity in the church and wickedness is just one of the multiple signs as verse Matthew 24:33 indicates, ***“when ye shall see all these things”***. The Bible speaks to the Time of the End by commanding us to know the aligning of nations preparing for war, one world religion, one world economy, one world government and Israel becoming a nation again.

We can see Iraq, Syria and Lebanon becoming national news which is the area of Mystery Babylon in the book of Revelation and the 7th Empire of Biblical history in the Book of Daniel. In Ezekiel chapter 38 and 39, it tells us of the countries that will be against Israel at the End of Time which are the descendants of those found in the book of Genesis - as it was in the beginning.

Why is there a command to know the Word? Why does Jesus tell us to go back 2600 years ago to the book of Daniel and 4400 years ago to the time of Noah? Why does Jude tell us to go back and remember Enoch's prophecy of judgment by fire from 5400 years ago? Why does Peter say remember the words spoken by the Holy Prophets, and the commandment of the Apostles?

Isaiah 46:9-10 AMPC

9 [Earnestly] remember the former things, [which I did] of old; for I am God, and there is no one else; I am God, and there is none like Me,
10 Declaring the end and the result from the beginning, and from ancient times the things that are not yet done, saying, My counsel shall stand, and I will do all My pleasure and purpose,

Ecclesiastes 1:9-10 KJV

9 The thing that hath been, it is that which shall be; and that which is done is that which shall be done: and there is no new thing under the sun.
10 Is there any thing whereof it may be said, See, this is new? it hath been already of old time, which was before us.

Ecclesiastes 1:9-10 AMPC

9 The thing that has been—it is what will be again, and that which has been done is that which will be done again; and there is nothing new under the sun.
10 Is there a thing of which it may be said, See, this is new? It has already been, in the vast ages of time [recorded or unrecorded] which were before us.

These *things or signs* of His return also include the spiritual state of many believers and the Church at the Time of the End.

2 Timothy 3:1-5 KJV

1 This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come.
2 For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy,
3 Without natural affection, trucebreakers, false accusers, incontinent(no control), fierce, despisers of those that are good,
4 Traitors, heady, highminded, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God;
5 Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: **from such turn away.**

As a result of these perilous or spiritually difficult times, God has sent **His witnesses (pastors, preachers, teacher) to (rightly) prophetically identify, “this is that”**, spoken of in Gods’s Word. This form of prophecy is forth telling which is to bring forth or forward by identifying a prophecy that was foretold or forewarned about for a future time.

Romans 10:8-18 KJV

8 But what saith it? The word is nigh thee, even in thy mouth, and in thy heart: that is, the word of faith, which we preach;

9 That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved.

10 For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.

11 For the scripture saith, Whosoever believeth on him shall not be ashamed.

12 For there is no difference between the Jew and the Greek: for the same Lord over all is rich unto all that call upon him.

13 For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.

*14 **How** then shall they call on him in whom they have not believed? and **how** shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard? and **how shall they hear without a preacher?***

*15 **And how shall they preach, except they be sent?** as it is written, How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the gospel of peace, and bring glad tidings of good things!*

16 But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Isaiah saith, Lord, who hath believed our report? 1

*17 **So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.***

*18 But I say, Have they not heard? Yes verily, **their sound went into all the earth, and their words unto the ends of the world.***

God has given us His Word along with preachers and teachers to speak the whole truth whether it is welcome or unwelcome. Whether it is favorable or unfavorable, convenient or inconvenient...

2 Timothy 4:1-5 AMPC

1 I charge [you] in the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, Who is to judge the living and the dead, and by (in the light of) His coming and His kingdom:

2 Herald and preach the Word! Keep your sense of urgency [stand by, be at hand and ready], whether the opportunity seems to be favorable or unfavorable. [Whether it is convenient or inconvenient, whether it is welcome or unwelcome, you as preacher of the Word are to show people in what way their lives are wrong.] And convince them, rebuking and correcting, warning and urging and encouraging them, being unflagging and inexhaustible in patience and teaching.

3 For the time is coming when [people] will not tolerate (endure) sound and wholesome instruction, but, having ears itching [for something pleasing and gratifying], they will gather to themselves one teacher after another to a considerable number, chosen to satisfy their own liking and to foster the errors they hold,

4 And will turn aside from hearing the truth and wander off into myths and man-made fictions.

5 As for you, be calm and cool and steady, accept and suffer unflinchingly every hardship, do the work of an evangelist, fully perform all the duties of your ministry.

God tells the pastors to preach the Word, the whole Word is the specific implication in verse 2. Because at the Time of the End people won't want to hear the parts about sin and judgment. God's Word said that the self-proclaimed "followers of Christ" will scoff at what is sin at the Time of the End. They won't/don't want to hear the warnings even though that is the most loving thing a pastor could do which is done by preaching "repent Jesus is coming".

1 John 4:8 KJV

8 He that loveth not knoweth not God; for God is love.

John 1:1 KJV

1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

Yet, people still will not believe that “their” sin is sin, even though they believe everything else is wrong there is one thing, one sin that they habitually do which is **called iniquity**, that they think they won’t be judged for. God’s Word refers to this as: Deceived, misled and prideful.

Iniquity defined:

The Bible uses words such as iniquity, transgression, and trespass to indicate levels of disobedience to God. They are all categorized as “sin.” The Hebrew word used most often for “iniquity” means “guilt worthy of punishment.” Iniquity is sin at its worst. Iniquity is premeditated, continuing, escalating and unrepentant and will not enter the Kingdom Of Heaven.

Jesus is telling them in the Tribulation and prior to the rapture that there will be scoffers who twist the Word and gather to themselves false teachers who will mislead them. You can’t mislead unless you are a leader. Jesus, Peter, Paul, John & Jude speak to this about who and what you are listening to before the rapture. Paul said...

Galatians 1:6-10 AMPC

6 I am surprised and astonished that you are so quickly turning renegade and deserting Him Who invited and called you by the grace (unmerited favor) of Christ (the Messiah) [and that you are transferring your allegiance] to a different [even an opposition] gospel.

7 Not that there is [or could be] any other [genuine Gospel], but there are [obviously] some who are troubling and disturbing and bewildering you [with a different kind of teaching which they offer as a gospel] and want to pervert and distort the Gospel of Christ (the Messiah) [into something which it absolutely is not].

8 But even if we or an angel from heaven should preach to you a gospel contrary to and different from that which we preached to you, let him be accursed (anathema, devoted to destruction, doomed to eternal punishment)!

9 As we said before, so I now say again: If anyone is preaching to you a gospel different from or contrary to that which you received [from us], let him be accursed (anathema, devoted to destruction, doomed to eternal punishment)!

10 Now am I trying to win the favor of men, or of God? Do I seek to please men? If I were still seeking popularity with men, I should not be a bond servant of Christ (the Messiah).

Jesus said at the time of Noah and Lot so would it be at the Time of the End and last week we looked at alcohol and homosexuality which, at the Time of the End, is not just a problem effecting everything in todays culture in general but in the Church as well.

Luke 17:26-30 AMPC

26 And [just] as it was in the days of Noah, so will it be in the time of the Son of Man.

27 [People] ate, they drank, they married, they were given in marriage, right up to the day when Noah went into the ark, and the flood came and destroyed them all.

28 So also [it was the same] as it was in the days of Lot. [People] ate, they drank, they bought, they sold, they planted, they built;

29 But on the [very] day that Lot went out of Sodom, it rained fire and brimstone from heaven and destroyed [them] all. 30 That is the way it will be on the day that the Son of Man is revealed.

Remember, right after being spared from judgment, the righteous man, Noah got drunk. It was not his nature, but sin still has consequences and something happened to Noah and the whole family as a result.

Genesis 10:6-20 AMPC

6 The sons of Ham: Cush (Ethiopia/Sudan), Egypt [Mizraim], Put (Libya), and Canaan.

7 The sons of Cush: Seba, Havilah, Sabtah, Raamah, and Sabteca; and the sons of Raamah: Sheba and Dedan.

8 Cush became the father of Nimrod; he was the first to be a mighty man on the earth.

9 He was a mighty hunter before the Lord; therefore it is said, Like Nimrod, a mighty hunter before the Lord.

10 The beginning of his kingdom was Babel, Erech, Accad, and Calneh, in the land of Shinar [in Babylonia].

11 Out of the land he [Nimrod] went forth into Assyria and built Nineveh, Rehoboth-Ir, Calah,

12 And Resen, which is between Nineveh and Calah; all these [suburbs combined to form] the great city.

13 And Egypt [Mizraim] became the father of Ludim, Anamim, Lehabim, Naphtuhim,

14 Pathrusim, Casluhim (from whom came the Philistines), and Caphtorim.

15 Canaan became the father of Sidon his firstborn, Heth [the Hittites],

16 The Jebusites, the Amorites, the Girgashites,

17 The Hivites, the Arkites, the Sinites,

18 The Arvadites, the Zemarites and the Hamathites. Afterward the families of the Canaanites spread abroad

19 And the territory of the Canaanites extended from Sidon as one goes to Gerar as far as Gaza, and as one goes to Sodom, Gomorrah, Admah, and Zeboiim, as far as Lasha.

20 These are the sons of Ham by their families, their languages, their lands, and their nations.

Notes: _____

Remember- nothing new under the sun - i told yo from the beginning what would happen at the end... ham's kid Canaan cursed for a homosexual act and has offspring sodom and Gomorrah who were wiped out by God... these are the descendants of Noahs' kids...

Genesis 9:21 AMPC

21 And he drank of the wine and became drunk, and he was uncovered and lay naked in his tent.

In Genesis 9:20-27 we read that Ham saw something that Canaan his son did to his father Noah and told Japheth and Shem. They covered up Noah but when he woke up he realized what Ham's son Canaan had done to him and cursed Canaan.

We know by reading God's Word that Canaan's children, one being **Sidon** settled in Lebanon and others by the name of Sodom and Gomorrah settled by the Dead Sea. Canaan's descendants were called the Canaanites and lived all throughout modern day Israel which tried to stop God's people led by Moses from entering the Promised Land.

With all the scriptures about homosexuality and drunkenness/drunks (which history tells us what that standard of that is) not entering into the kingdom of Heaven you would think that followers of Christ wouldn't scoff at this but they do - willfully ignorant... "did God really say that?"

Just like it wasn't about the fruit in the garden with Adam and Eve, this isn't about the alcohol today. This is about obedience to whatever God says regardless of your natural feelings, the way you were raised, the culture, what your friends think is ok...if you are struggling with something that your friends are doing which is opposing God's Word - dump your friends. Show me your friends - I will show you your future.

1 Corinthians 5:9-13 AMPC

9 I wrote you in my [previous] letter not to associate [closely and habitually] with unchaste (impure) people—

10 Not [meaning of course that you must] altogether shun the immoral people of this world, or the greedy graspers and cheats and thieves or idolaters, since otherwise you would need to get out of the world and human society altogether!

11 But now I write to you not to associate with anyone who bears the name of [Christian] brother if he is known to be guilty of immorality or greed, or is an idolater [whose soul is devoted to any object that usurps the place of God], or is a person with a foul tongue [railing, abusing, reviling, slandering], or is a drunkard or a swindler or a robber. [No] you must not so much as eat with such a person.

12 What [business] of mine is it and what right have I to judge outsiders? Is it not those inside [the church] upon whom you are to pass disciplinary judgment [passing censuring sentence on them as the facts require]?

13 God alone sits in judgment on those who are outside. Drive out that wicked one from among you [expel him from your church].

God loves you and I so much that it is not His desire that any should perish (2 Peter 3:9). So, He is warning us on how to deal with someone who calls themselves a Christian, this is big... this is a hard truth, but, it is Love, God is Love.

Let's see what the Word has to say about the days of Lot which deals with the descendants of Canaan, sons of Ham, and two of those descendants were Sodom and Gomorrah.

Iniquity and Wickedness

Drunkenness and homosexuality were a problem at the time of Noah. So we shouldn't be surprised at the Time of the End when these are 2 big issues today in the Church. The Bible calls them wicked or wickedness and to no longer call them sin or preach about these things is wicked and leads to iniquity. Iniquity is unrepentant sin.

Ezekiel 16:49-50 KJV

49 Behold, this was the iniquity of thy sister Sodom, pride, fulness of bread, and abundance of idleness was in her and in her daughters, neither did she strengthen the hand of the poor and needy.

50 And they were haughty, and committed abomination before me: therefore I took them away as I saw good.

Ezekiel 16 AMPC

1 Again the word of the Lord came to me, saying,

2 Son of man, cause Jerusalem to know, understand, and realize her [idolatrous] abominations [that they] are disgusting, detestable, and shamefully vile.

3 And say, Thus says the Lord God to Jerusalem [representing Israel]: Your [spiritual] origin and your birth are thoroughly Canaanitish; your [spiritual] father was an Amorite and your [spiritual] mother a Hittite.

4 And as for your birth, on the day you were born your navel cord was not cut, nor were you washed with water to cleanse you, nor rubbed with salt or swaddled with bands at all.

5 No eye pitied you to do any of these things for you, to have compassion on you; but you were cast out in the open field, for your person was abhorrent and loathsome on the day that you were born.

6 And when I passed by you and saw you rolling about in your blood, I said to you in your blood, Live! Yes, I said to you still in your natal blood, Live!

7 I caused you [Israel] to multiply as the bud which grows in the field, and you increased and became tall and you came to full maidenhood and beauty; your breasts were formed and your hair had grown, yet you were naked and bare.

8 Now I passed by you again and looked upon you; behold, you were maturing and at the time for love, and I spread My skirt over you and covered your nakedness. Yes, I plighted My troth to you and entered into a covenant with you, says the Lord, and you became Mine.

9 Then I washed you with water; yes, I thoroughly washed away your [clinging] blood from you and I anointed you with oil.

10 I clothed you also with embroidered cloth and shod you with [fine seal] leather; and I girded you about with fine linen and covered you with silk.

11 I decked you also with ornaments and I put bracelets on your wrists and a chain on your neck.

12 And I put a ring on your nostril and earrings in your ears and a beautiful crown upon your head!

13 Thus you were decked with gold and silver, and your raiment was of fine linen and silk and embroidered cloth; you ate fine flour and honey and oil. And you were exceedingly beautiful and you prospered into royal estate.

14 And your renown went forth among the nations for your beauty, for it was perfect through My majesty and splendor which I had put upon you, says the Lord God.

15 But you trusted in and relied on your own beauty and were unfaithful to God and played the harlot [in idolatry] because of your renown, and you poured out your fornications upon anyone who passed by [as you worshiped the idols of every nation which prevailed over you] and your beauty was his.

16 And you took some of your garments and made for yourself gaily decorated high places or shrines and played the harlot on them—things which should not come and that which should not take place.

17 You did also take your fair jewels and beautiful vessels of My gold and My silver which I had given you and made for yourself images of men, and you played the harlot with them;

18 And you took your embroidered garments and covered them and set My oil and My incense before them.

19 My bread also which I gave you—fine flour and oil and honey with which I fed you—you have even set it before the idols for a sweet odor. Thus it was, says the Lord God.

20 Moreover, you have taken your sons and your daughters whom you have borne to Me, and you have sacrificed them [to your idols] to be destroyed. Were your harlotries too little,

21 That you have slain My children and delivered them up, in setting them apart and causing them to pass through the fire for [your idols]?

22 And in all your abominations and idolatrous whoredoms you have not [earnestly] remembered the days of your youth when you were naked and bare, rolling about in your natal blood.

23 And after all your wickedness—Woe, woe to you! says the Lord God

24 You have built also for yourself a vaulted chamber (brothel) and have made a high place [of idol worship] in every street.

25 *At every crossway you built your high place [for idol worship] and have made your beauty an abomination [abhorrent, loathsome, extremely disgusting, and detestable]; and you have made your body available to every passerby and multiplied your [idolatry and spiritual] harlotry.*

26 *You have also played the harlot with the Egyptians, your neighbors, [by adopting their idolatries] whose worship is thoroughly sensuous, and you have multiplied your harlotry to provoke Me to anger.*

27 *Behold therefore, I have stretched out My hand against you, diminished your ordinary allowance of food, and delivered you over to the will of those who hate and despise you, the daughters of the Philistines, who turned away in shame from your despicable policy and lewd behavior [for they are faithful to their gods]!*

28 *You played the harlot also with the Assyrians because you were unsatiable; yes, you played the harlot with them, and yet you were not satisfied.*

29 *Moreover, you multiplied your harlotry with the land of trade, with Chaldea, and yet even with this you were not satisfied.*

30 *How weak and spent with longing and lust is your heart and mind, says the Lord God, seeing you do all these things, the work of a bold, domineering harlot,*

31 *In that you build your vaulted place (brothel) at the head of every street and make your high place at every crossing. But you were not like a harlot because you scorned pay.*

32 *Rather, you were as an adulterous wife who receives strangers instead of her husband!*

33 *Men give gifts to all harlots, but you give your gifts to all your lovers and hire them, bribing [the nations to ally themselves with you], that they may come to you on every side for your harlotries (your idolatrous unfaithfulnesses to God).*

34 *And you are different [the reverse] from other women in your harlotries, in that nobody follows you to lure you into harlotry and in that you give hire when no hire is given you; and so you are different.*

35 *Therefore, O harlot [Israel], hear the word of the Lord!*

36 Thus says the Lord God: Because your brass [coins and gifts] and your filthiness were emptied out and your nakedness uncovered through your harlotries with your lovers, and because of all the [filthy] idols of your abominations, and the blood of your children that you gave to them,

37 Therefore behold, I will gather all your lovers with whom you have taken pleasure, and all those whom you have loved with all those whom you have hated; I will even gather them [the allies you have courted] against you on every side and will uncover your nakedness to them, that they may see all your nakedness [making you, Israel, an object of loathing and of mockery, a spectacle among the nations].

38 And I the Lord will judge you as women who break wedlock and shed blood are judged, and I will bring upon you the blood of [your divine Husband's] wrath and jealousy.

39 And I will also give you into the hand of those [your enemies], and they shall throw down your vaulted place (brothel) and shall demolish your high places [of idolatry]; they shall strip you of your clothes and shall take your splendid jewels and leave you naked and bare.

40 They shall also bring up a company against you, and they shall stone you with stones and hew down and thrust you through with their swords.

41 And they shall burn your houses with fire and execute judgments upon you before the eyes of many women spectators [the nations]. And I will cause you to cease playing the harlot, and you also shall give hire no more.

42 So will I make My wrath toward you to rest and My jealousy shall depart from you [My adulterous wife], and I will be quiet and will be no more angry.

43 Because you have not [earnestly] remembered the days of your youth but have enraged Me with all these things, therefore behold, I also will bring your deeds down on your own head, says the Lord God. Did you not commit this lewdness above and in addition to all your other abominations?

44 Behold, everyone who uses proverbs will use this proverb against you: As is the mother, so is her daughter.

45 You are your [spiritual] mother's daughter who loathed her husband and her children, and you are the sister of your sisters who loathed their husbands and their children. Your mother was a Hittite and your father an Amorite.

46 And your elder sister is Samaria, she and her daughters who dwelt in the north and at your left hand; and your younger sister who dwelt in the south and at your right hand is Sodom and her daughters.

47 Yet you were not satisfied to walk after their ways or to do after their abominations, but very soon you were more corrupt in all your ways than they were [for your sin, as those taught of God, is far blacker than theirs].

48 As I live, says the Lord God, Sodom your sister has not done, she nor her daughters, as you have done, you and your daughters.

49 Behold, this was the iniquity of your sister Sodom: pride, overabundance of food, prosperous ease, and idleness were hers and her daughters'; neither did she strengthen the hand of the poor and needy.

50 And they were haughty and committed abominable offenses before Me; therefore I removed them when I saw it and I saw fit.

51 Neither has Samaria committed half of your sins, but you have multiplied your [idolatrous] abominations more than they and have seemed to justify your sisters [Samaria and Sodom] in all their wickedness by all the abominable things which you have done—you even make them appear righteous in comparison with you.

52 Take upon you and bear your own shame and disgrace [in your punishment], you also who called in question and judged your sisters, for you have virtually absolved them by your sins in which you behaved more abominably than they; they are more right than you. Yes, be ashamed and confounded and bear your shame and disgrace, you also, for you have seemed to justify your sisters and make them appear righteous.

53 I will restore them again from their captivity, restore the fortunes of Sodom and her daughters and the fortunes of Samaria and her daughters, and I will restore your own fortunes in the midst of them [in the day of the Lord],

54 That you [Judah], amid your shame and disgrace, may be compelled to recognize your wickedness and be thoroughly ashamed and confounded at all you have done, becoming [converted and bringing] consolation and comfort to [your sisters.]

55 And your sisters, Sodom and her daughters shall return to their former estate, and Samaria and her daughters shall return to their former estate; then you and your daughters shall return to your former estate. 56 For was your sister Sodom not mentioned by you [except] as a byword in the day of your pride,

57 Before your own wickedness was uncovered? Now you have become like her, an object of reproach and a byword for the daughters of Syria and of Edom and for all who are round about them and for the daughters of the Philistines—those round about who despise you.

58 You bear the penalty of your lewdness and your [idolatrous] abominations, says the Lord.

59 Yes, thus says the Lord God: I will even deal with you as you have done, who have despised the oath in breaking the covenant;

60 Nevertheless, I will [earnestly] remember My covenant with you in the days of your youth and I will establish with you an everlasting covenant.

61 Then you will [earnestly] remember your ways and be ashamed and confounded when you shall receive your sisters, both your elder and your younger; I will give them to you as daughters, but not on account of your covenant [with Me].

62 And I will establish My covenant with you, and you shall know (understand and realize) that I am the Lord,

63 That you may [earnestly] remember and be ashamed and confounded and never open your mouth again because of your shame, when I have forgiven you all that you have done, says the Lord God.

Notes: _____

The city of Sodom is very corrupt. The old men and young men are practicing sodomy (Genesis Chapter 18 &19) which is why the city was named the way it was.

Genesis 18:20 KJV

*20 And the Lord said, Because the **cry** of Sodom and Gomorrah is great, and because their sin is very grievous;*

Genesis 18:20 AMPC

*20 And the Lord said, Because the **shriek** [of the sins] of Sodom and Gomorrah is great and their sin is exceedingly grievous,*

The word **cry**, coming up before God, means **shriek** or **outcry** (NKJV) which is used in the AMPC and the NKJV. The outcry of what is happening in Sodom and Gomorrah is very great. The Bible says their sin was **grievous** which in the Hebrew means heavy weight or a heavy burden.

Let's go back to the book of Jasher and see what Jewish history reveals about the time of Sodom and Gomorrah...

Jasher 19:1, 3

1 And the cities of Sodom had four judges to four cities, and these were their names, Serak in the city of Sodom, Sharkad in Gomorrah, Zabnac in Admah, and Menon in Zeboyim.

3 And by desire of their four judges the people of Sodom and Gomorrah had beds erected in the streets of the cities, and if a man came to these places they laid hold of him and brought him to one of their beds, and by force made him to lie in them.

Note: The Book of Jasher is also known as the "Book of the Upright One" in the Greek Septuagint and the "Book of the Just Ones" in the Latin Vulgate. The Book of Jasher is a collection or compilation of ancient Hebrew songs and poems praising the heroes of Israel and their exploits in battle. The Book of Jasher is mentioned in Joshua 10:12-13 when the Lord stopped the sun in the middle of the day during the battle of Beth Horon. It is also mentioned in 2 Samuel 1:18-27 as containing the Song or Lament of the Bow, that mournful funeral song which David composed at the time of the death of Saul and Jonathan.

These cities had 4 judges who were corrupt and approved of this lifestyle. These judges approved of having beds built in the streets so when a stranger came into the city it was lawful to rape that stranger in the street. That is how bad the sin of Sodom and Gomorrah had become. Public sodomy in the street and judges saying it was normal lifestyle and that it was ok or lawful.

Genesis 19:1-5 GNT

1 When the two angels came to Sodom that evening, Lot was sitting at the city gate. As soon as he saw them, he got up and went to meet them.

He bowed down before them

2 and said, "Sirs, I am here to serve you. Please come to my house. You can wash your feet and spend the night. In the morning you can get up early and go on your way."

But they answered, "No, we will spend the night here in the city square."

3 He kept on urging them, and finally they went with him to his house. Lot ordered his servants to bake some bread and prepare a fine meal for the guests. When it was ready, they ate it.

4 Before the guests went to bed, the men of Sodom surrounded the house. All the men of the city, both young and old, were there.

There were 2 angels that came into Lot's house. Men came at night and tried to break the door down because they wanted to gang rape these 2 men/angels. Let's keep reading...

Genesis 19:6-9 AMPC

6 And Lot went out of the door to the men and shut the door after him

7 And said, I beg of you, my brothers, do not behave so wickedly.

8 Look now, I have two daughters who are virgins; let me, I beg of you, bring them out to you, and you can do as you please with them. But only do nothing to these men, for they have come under the protection of my roof.

*9 But they said, Stand back! And they said, **This fellow came in to live here temporarily, and now he presumes to be [our] judge! Now we will deal worse with you than with them.** So they rushed at and pressed violently against Lot and came close to breaking down the door.*

When Lot says don't do this thing they respond with what sounds like what's on the news and in many churches today...**who are you to judge?** They went on to say if you don't give us what we want we will do worse to you - which is gang rape. When individuals become involved in that lifestyle and become so violent that they make threats against the righteous, that is when the wrath of God is going to get poured out on America like you and I have never seen.

Based on God's Word, in His wrath to protect the righteous, He will come down and in His judgment He will cause an earthquake, judgement by fire... something will happen that will cause massive destruction. Only the righteous will recognize it as the wrath and judgment upon terrible iniquity.

The main issue or symptom of trading the truth for a lie at the Time of the End is going to be sodomy or same sex relations/marriage (Rom. 1) gender confusion, sexual immorality in society but also in the church. How do I know that? Because God's Word tells us something about it...

Daniel 11:37 KJV

37 Neither shall he regard the God of his fathers, nor the desire of women, nor regard any god: for he shall magnify himself above all.

In the Islamic world it is very common for older men to have sexual relations with younger boys in places like Afghanistan, Pakistan, Iraq, Iran, Palestinian controlled areas... but they don't call it homosexuality. The antichrist will be coming out of this Islamic background even though in Islam you are not supposed to be homosexual which in places like Iran you are killed for having sexual relations with the same sex.

But, in areas of the Islamic world we know that this takes place, permissible in some areas and in other countries/areas it is not. It takes place in the Catholic Church (and other denominations) by its leaders even though the Bible says it is wrong. God's Word says there will be a one world religion and government coexisting led by an islamic later and catholic pope and they will be in agreement with these "things".

Revelation 11:3-13 KJV

3 And I will give power unto my two witnesses, and they shall prophesy a thousand two hundred and threescore days, clothed in sackcloth.

4 These are the two olive trees, and the two candlesticks standing before the God of the earth.

5 And if any man will hurt them, fire proceedeth out of their mouth, and devoureth their enemies: and if any man will hurt them, he must in this manner be killed.

6 These have power to shut heaven, that it rain not in the days of their prophecy: and have power over waters to turn them to blood, and to smite the earth with all plagues, as often as they will.

7 And when they shall have finished their testimony, the beast that ascendeth out of the bottomless pit shall make war against them, and shall overcome them, and kill them.

8 And their dead bodies shall lie in the street of the great city, which spiritually is called Sodom and Egypt, where also our Lord was crucified.

9 And they of the people and kindreds and tongues and nations shall see their dead bodies three days and an half, and shall not suffer their dead bodies to be put in graves.

10 And they that dwell upon the earth shall rejoice over them, and make merry, and shall send gifts one to another; because these two prophets tormented them that dwelt on the earth.

11 And after three days and an half the spirit of life from God entered into them, and they stood upon their feet; **and great fear fell upon them which saw them.**

12 And they heard a great voice from heaven saying unto them, Come up hither. And they ascended up to heaven in a cloud; and their enemies beheld them.

13 And the same hour was there a great earthquake, and the tenth part of the city fell, and in the earthquake were slain of men seven thousand: and the remnant were affrighted, and gave glory to the God of heaven.

Those who did not obey the warnings from God were not spared the predicted consequences, that is why they were full of fear. The scoffers realized that they should have had faith and acted upon it or repented. As a result, judgment came immediately that same hour on those who came up against righteousness just like judgment came upon Sodom the moment Lot and his family left, it was consumed with fire. That fire was God's wrath from His judgment and the earthquake and the slaying of the seven thousand was God's wrath. He is patient, but don't mess with the righteous.

Something interesting is taking place regarding Revelation 11:8 and the gay community. The LGBTQ community is wanting to make Jerusalem the gay capital of the world.

Revelation 11:8 KJV

*8 And their dead bodies shall lie in the street of the great city, which spiritually is called **Sodom** and Egypt, where also our Lord was crucified.*

This will happen at some point in the future according to this prophecy in which the city of Jerusalem will be known as the spiritual Sodom. With the one world religious leader and the one world governmental leader ruling from Jerusalem you can see how a world wide gay community could have an office in Jerusalem.

The Bible tells us something in Revelation Chapter 9...

Revelation 9:20-21 KJV

20 And the rest of the men which were not killed by these plagues yet repented not of the works of their hands, that they should not worship devils, and idols of gold, and silver, and brass, and stone, and of wood: which neither can see, nor hear, nor walk:

*21 **Neither repented** they of their **murders**, nor of their **sorceries**, nor of **their fornication**, nor of their thefts.*

It says that men repented not or did not repent (iniquity) of their fornication. The Greek word for fornication here in this passage is pornea, which means all forms of sexual perversion. Sex outside of marriage, prostitution and homosexuality etc.

The Bible says that men and women won't even repent in the Tribulation because the bondage of homosexuality is going to be so bad. Knowing that judgment is coming, knowing the Rapture already took place, watching the 2 witnesses going up into heaven, they still won't believe that God will judge them by eternity in Hell or by fire.



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