

## Genesis 19:18-29 – Sodom and Gomorrah

### **Observations:**

#### **Lot Couldn't Shift Gears (Gen. 19:18-22)**

-A series of bad decisions left Lot in a place where he was seemingly trapped.  
“...but the unfaithful are trapped by evil desires.” Proverbs 11:6

#### **How Did Sodom Burn? (Gen. 19:24-25)**

-Possible Explanations:

- earthquake and burning pitch
- meteor
- God supernaturally sent fire

SCIENCE NOTE. Evidence of Genesis account of Sodom and Gomorrah

Cities in the presumed area of Sodom and Gomorrah have been excavated.

These excavations indicate that the cities were destroyed very quickly by some catastrophic event. Items (like weapons and pottery) melted, indicating intense heat. Material was scattered, indicating an explosion or violent wind. Items inside homes were untouched, while items outside had melted, indicating that the heat and wind came down from the sky.

-Ancient City's Destruction by Exploding Space Rock May Have Inspired Biblical Story of Sodom  
By Livia Gershon, September 22, 2021, [www.smithsonianmag.com](http://www.smithsonianmag.com)

#### **Lot Lost Everything (Gen 19:24-26)**

-He lost his home, his possessions, his wife and his dignity

#### **Abraham Had Great Standing and Influence (Gen. 19:27-29)**

## **Lessons:**

Obedience = God said it, I believe it, I'll do it

**Lot: Obedience Can Seem Too Hard. *Jeremiah 2:25***

-Learn to ask for help. *Psalm 19:13*

**Sodom: Obedience is Important. *Deuteronomy 12:28***

-Ultimate disobedience is rejecting Christ. *Matthew 11:23-24*  
*Hebrews 2:2-3*

**Lot's Wife: Obedience is Time Sensitive. *Luke 17:32***

-Goal is to obey right away

**Abraham: Obedience is Powerful. *Proverbs 11:10***

**BONUS THOUGHT: 1 John 1:5-2:2**