

**The Justice of God's Judgment and Mercy**  
**Genesis 19:1-29**  
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Can God offer boundless grace and enforce endless judgment?

**A Persuasive Case for Judgment (v 1-11)**

There were precursors to this Judgment. (Genesis 13:10, 13)

Lot has made his home in Sodom. He had acclimated.

Lot was righteous, but his faith was eroding. (2 Peter 2:7-8)

Lot insisted they accept his hospitality. Why?

How is the extent and depth of Sodom's sin communicated?

"So we can know them."

Lot tries and fails to protect his guests.

The picture is complete: a lawless city and conscienceless criminality.

Sodom becomes an allegorical sign of great evil. (Ezekiel 16:49; Jude 7; Isaiah 1:10, 17; Jeremiah 23:14)

How much like Sodom is much of contemporary American culture?

We live, as it were, in Sodom - just like Lot!

Lot could not protect the Angels, the but the Angels could protect Lot.

**A Difficult Rescue Attempt (v 12-22)**

The descent of Lot into Sodom (Psalm 1)

Lot's compromise cripples him. (1 Corinthians 15:33)

Grace in the midst of wrath.

### **Comparing Abraham and Lot**

Compare their intercession.

Remember Lot's wife, what does that mean? (Luke 17:33)

### **A Solemn Judgment Falls (v 23-29)**

God intends us to see the destruction.

What is the lesson that we are to learn?

We see judgment preeminently on the cross.

We are delivered as God remembers his promises in Jesus Christ.