Series: Thriving in Faith

Title: Headache, Heartbroken, & Hungover

(Gen 19:15-17, 23-26; 30-38) We find Lot with a hangover.

Lot has to by saying to himself: "How did I get here?"

God, if you will get me out of this one, I Promise never to do that again.

Lot lost his Home, his Business, his Testimony, his Wife, and in a most sordid way, he lost his Daughters too.

Apart from the lessons of history, it is a lesson of the sad end of a man who sought gain at the expense of his relationship with God.

(1 Cor 3:15) If any man's work shall be burned, he shall suffer loss: but he himself shall be saved; yet so as by fire.

How does a man go from Walking with God to here?

I. Lot Stopped Walking With God.

He didn't need Abraham's Tent. (Gen 13:5) He didn't appreciate a godly home.

He didn't need Abraham's Altar. (Gen 13:4) He didn't appreciate a godly Family.

He didn't need Abraham's Fellowship. (Gen 13:7) He didn't appreciate godly Friends.

II. Lot Loved Wealth Instead of Wisdom:

(Gen 13:10-12) Lot saw the Well Watered Plains.

(Prov 14:12) *There is a way which seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death.*

(Matt 16:25-26) For whosoever will save his life shall lose it: and whosoever will lose his life for my sake shall find it. 26 For what is a man profited, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?

III. Lot Compromised with the World:

(Gen 13:10) Lot Looked toward Sodom.

(Gen 13:12) Lot Launched toward Sodom.

(Gen 14:12) Lot Lived in Sodom.

(2 Pet 2:7-8) And delivered just Lot, vexed with the filthy conversation of the wicked: 8 (For that righteous man dwelling among them, in seeing and hearing, vexed his righteous soul from day to day with their unlawful deeds;)

(Gen 19:1,9) Lot Legislated in Sodom.

(Vs 1) Sat in the Gate of Sodom: as a Civic Leader.

The Gate is the Market place.

The Seat of Justice.

(Vs 9) This one fellow came in to sojourn, and he will needs be a judge: now will we deal worse with thee, than with them.

(Gen 19:14) Lot Lost his testimony in Sodom.

(Gen 19:16) Lot Lingers in Sodom.

Lot went into Sodom, but Sodom got into Lot. You are who you Run with!

You know when something OWNs you...

(Prov 6:27-28) You cannot Sin and Win.

(Gen 19:26) Lot Lost his Wife to Sodom.

She was the wife of a Righteous man. (2 Pet 2:7-8) It didn't deliver her. You cannot be saved by the faith your spouse, parents, Gran-parents.

She knew God's commandments: (Gen 19:17)

Therefore she was responsible!

(Deut 24:16) The fathers shall not be put to death for the children, neither shall the children be put to death for the fathers: every man shall be put to death for his own sin.

Ignorance is not an excuse!

(Rom 1:20) For the invisible things of him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even his eternal power and Godhead; so that they are without excuse:

She was judged for her disobedience: (Gen 19:26)

Each person will face judgement:

(Heb 9:27) And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment:

Each person will answer for themselves:(Ro 14:11-12)

(Gen 19:30) Lot Learned the ways of Sodom.

Drunkeness/Sexual Perversion.

(Gen 19:37-38) Lot's Legacy of compromise.

Moab~Seed of the Father.

Benammi~ son of my Kindred. My name is Incest.

Moab/Ammon fathers of the enemies of God's people.

We now find Lot the Hermit, Hungover & Heart broke.

Lot Compromised with the World and it cost him everything. Friendship with the World makes you the enemy of God.

(James 4:4) Ye adulterers and adulteresses, know ye not that the friendship of the world is enmity with God? whosoever therefore will be a friend of the world is the enemy of God.

(Col 2:8) **Beware lest any man spoil you** through philosophy and vain deceit, after the tradition of men, after the rudiments of the world, and not after Christ.

"Spoil you"

to lead away as a Prize Slave! (Figuratively) to seduce into slavery.

to be lead away from the truth and subjected to one's sway or influence

Compromise with the World leads you to be displayed in The Devil's Trophy Case.

Four areas of Spiritual Spoiling.

(1) Spoil you by Philosophy - the 'love of wisdom.' Implied is an affinity for academic recognition.

The desire to be recognized as the smartest guy in the room.

(Gen 19:1) Lot sat in the gate

(2) **Spoil you by Vain deceit** - empty deception.

The leading of another person to believe what is false, or not to believe what is true, and thus to ensnare him.

The world is full of Vain philosophies as such, Materialism.

He who dies with the most toys Wins!

(Gen 19:16) Lot lingered, b/c he kept trying to find away to save his wealth.

He who dies with the most toys is still dead.

(3) Spoil you by The tradition of men

Many Times, Religious traditions are not from the bible.

As Long as I am Sincere, I will be OK!

(John 3:18) He that believeth on him is not condemned: but he that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God.

You have 1 choice (John 14:6): no choice is a choice. If it is not in the bible, it was made up by some man.

(4) Spoil you by The rudiments of the world

Absorbing the *values* of the world system around us. The world is and always has been the enemy of God.

The world gets its hooks in you.

The flesh deceives you into thinking you got this under control.

God doesn't value what the world values.

and not after Christ.

(Col 2:9-10) For in him (in Christ) dwelleth all the fulness of the Godhead bodily. 10 And ye are complete in him, which is the head of all principality and power:

(Col 2:15) And having spoiled principalities and powers, he made a shew of them openly, triumphing over them in it. Why do you want to play with the Losing team?

The Way to never be a Heartbroke Hermit with a Hangover Headache: (Colossians 2:6-8)

6 As ye have therefore received Christ Jesus the Lord, Are you Saved? Yes/No/ Not Sure. Come @ Invitation Time.

so walk ye in him:

You answered YES to being Saved, But are you CLEAN? If you are not sure ask your spouse! Ask your Kids! How long has it been since you Were CLEAN! Really Clean! (Ps 13:23-24) Search me, O God, and know my heart: try me, and know my thoughts: 24 And see if there be any wicked way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting.

7 Rooted and built up in him, and stablished in the faith, as ye have been taught, abounding therein with thanksgiving.

(2) The sin and disgrace of Lot in verses 30-38.

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