

## **AN ANGELIC VISIT TO SODOM**

### 1. The Layout of ancient cities

- a) All cities were surrounded by walls for protection
- b) The city gates:
  - i) The local district judge may hold his court hearings
  - ii) It was also the place where business was conducted
  - iii) It was the marketplace for the whole city

### 2. Evening time

- a) The two angels had been sent to check out Sodom
- b) Lot was still there at the city gates as a businessman
- c) Lot offered his home for the “strangers” to rest for the night
  - i) This offer was made very humbly
  - ii) There was huge respect for the two heavenly visitors Genesis 19:1-2

### 3. In the home of Lot

- a) The angelic visitors were hesitant initially
- b) They finally accepted Lot’s invitation

### 4. The residents of Sodom

- a) The men gathered at the home of Lot (both old and young)
- b) They demanded that the Angelic visitors to be given to them
- c) Gang-rape was in their mind Genesis 19:4-5

### 5. Lot sought to placate them

- a) He pleaded with them
- b) He even offered his two virgin daughters, but this was declined

## **THE POWER OF THE LORD**

1. The angels had great power and authority
2. They struck the residents blind
3. This was the only way to protect Lot and his family

## **UNDERSTANDING WHY GOD SOMETIMES HAS TO JUDGE SEVERELY**

1. To deal with wickedness effectively
2. To uphold righteousness and justice
3. In answer to the prayers that had ascended to Heaven concerning the evil in the city of Sodom (and Gomorrah)

## **THE PROBLEMS OF OUR TIMES**

1. Godlessness
2. Unrighteousness
3. Wickedness

Cf. Romans 1:18-32

## **NO AM MEETINGS FOR JANUARY 2020**

1. 4 Jan 2020  
Combined Meeting
2. 11 Jan 2020  
SS Retreat
3. 25 Jan 2020

## **NO AM MEETING FOR FEBRUARY 2020**

1 February 2020  
CNY Special