

Child's Name: _____

Lesson Passage—Genesis 12:12-29

¹² The two men said to Lot, "Do you have anyone else here—sons-in-law, sons or daughters, or anyone else in the city who belongs to you? Get them out of here, ¹³ because we are going to destroy this place. The outcry to the LORD against its people is so great that he has sent us to destroy it."

¹⁴ So Lot went out and spoke to his sons-in-law, who were pledged to marry his daughters. He said, "Hurry and get out of this place, because the LORD is about to destroy the city!" But his sons-in-law thought he was joking.

¹⁵ With the coming of dawn, the angels urged Lot, saying, "Hurry! Take your wife and your two daughters who are here, or you will be swept away when the city is punished."

¹⁶ When he hesitated, the men grasped his hand and the hands of his wife and of his two daughters and led them safely out of the city, for the LORD was merciful to them. ¹⁷ As soon as they had brought them out, one of them said, "Flee for your lives! Don't look back, and don't stop anywhere in the plain! Flee to the mountains or you will be swept away!"

¹⁸ But Lot said to them, "No, my lords, please! ¹⁹ Your servant has found favor in your eyes, and you have shown great kindness to me in sparing my life. But I can't flee to the mountains; this disaster will overtake me, and I'll die. ²⁰ Look, here is a town near enough to run to, and it is small. Let me flee to it—it is very small, isn't it? Then my life will be spared."

²¹ He said to him, "Very well, I will grant this request too; I will not overthrow the town you speak of. ²² But flee there quickly, because I cannot do anything until you reach it." (That is why the town was called Zoar.)

²³ By the time Lot reached Zoar, the sun had risen over the land. ²⁴ Then the LORD rained down burning sulfur on Sodom and Gomorrah—from the LORD out of the heavens. ²⁵ Thus he overthrew those cities and the entire plain, including all those living in the cities—and also the vegetation in the land. ²⁶ But Lot's wife looked back, and she became a pillar of salt.

²⁷ Early the next morning Abraham got up and returned to the place where he had stood before the LORD. ²⁸ He looked down toward Sodom and Gomorrah, toward all the land of the plain, and he saw dense smoke rising from the land, like smoke from a furnace.

²⁹ So when God destroyed the cities of the plain, he remembered Abraham, and he brought Lot out of the catastrophe that overthrew the cities where Lot had lived.



LOWER ELEMENTARY
LEVEL 3
HOME JOURNAL

LESSON 37



CREATION AND THE BEGINNING OF HUMAN HISTORY

THIS WEEK'S BIG QUESTION

What does God do for the righteous?

MEMORY VERSE

2 Peter 2:9-10a

(The Lord knows how to rescue godly men from trials and to hold the unrighteous for the day of judgment, while continuing their punishment.) This is especially true of those who follow the corrupt desire of the sinful nature and despise authority.

Thinking It Through

Level 3—Parent Notes:

- **Daily Reading:** Depending on the age and ability of the child, or parent preference, the child may do the work in this journal independently or read with and dictate an answer to the parent. After reading the day’s rhyme and the Bible verse, the child should draw a picture that relates to that day’s reading and answer the question at the bottom of the page. Have the child answer questions about the day’s reading from the **Daily Reading Questions** at the back of the booklet. Personal ideas and additional questions from the parent can also be included.
- **Lesson Verse:** The lesson verse which answers the week’s big question should be practiced daily. One way to do this is to black out words in the verse each day and say the verse inserting the correct word. By the end of the week the whole verse would be blacked out and recited by memory. Depending on the age and/or ability of the child, either the whole verse or the part of the verse between brackets on the cover can be memorized.
- **Concluding Lesson:** The parent should discuss with the child the **Thinking it Through** questions: What important truth did you learn this week? How can you apply that truth in your life? After discussing the questions the child should write down (or dictate to the parent) the answers and a prayer at the end of the booklet. The child can then complete the other activities.
- **Completion:** If the student brings this booklet back to the teacher on Sunday, with each day’s work completed and the lesson verse memorized, the student will receive acknowledgement of a job well done.
- **Way to go, parents!** Your faithfulness in teaching your children the deed and statutes of the Lord isn’t always easy, but it honors God and will have an eternal impact. Keep up the good work! Remember Galatians 6:9, *Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up.*

The important truth I learned this week is:

I can apply that truth by:

My prayer to God is:

Daily Reading Questions

Day 1: Why did God feel sad about Sodom and Gomorrah? What did he tell Abraham he was going to do?

Day 2: What did Abraham ask God? Who were the only ones that were found right?

Day 3: What did God do for Lot and his family? What did the angels tell them not to do?

Day 4: What did Lot's wife do? What happened to her?

Day 5: How did God destroy the cities? What did Abraham see when he looked down on the towns?

Day 6: Why does God judge evil? What will keep you from doing evil?

Concluding Lesson

Review: Why did God feel sad about Sodom and Gomorrah? What did God do for Lot and his family? What happened to Lot's wife? Why? How did God destroy Sodom and Gomorrah?

Prayer: Thank God that he is God and that he does what is right. Pray that you would want to live a life that pleases him and devote yourself to following after Jesus.

Application: What are things people do that make God sad? What are things you do that make God sad? How can you stop doing those things?

Thinking It Through: Have the child write or dictate what important truth was learned from the lesson, how he/she can apply that truth, and a prayer to God.

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What does God do for the righteous?



God rescues those who do
what's right.

Day 1 Draw a picture of Sodom and Gomorrah.

In Sodom and Gomorrah,
the people did what's bad.
When God looked upon their evil,
his heart was really sad.
God told his servant Abraham
the towns he would wipe out.
Fire raining down from high
would bring this all about.

What does the verse mean?

Handwriting practice lines consisting of four sets of solid top and bottom lines with a dashed midline.

Genesis 18:20-21:²⁰ Then the LORD said, "The outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah is so great and their sin so grievous ²¹ that I will go down and see if what they have done is as bad as the outcry that has reached me. If not, I will know."

Day 6 Draw a picture of you praying.

Evil God will always judge
because it brings us harm.
Seeing it or doing it
should cause us great alarm.
We must keep our eyes on Jesus
and what is good and right.
Turn away from evil
and to God's truth cling tight.

What does the verse mean?

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Psalms 37:27-28:²⁷ Turn from evil and do good; then you will dwell in the land forever. ²⁸ For the LORD loves the just and will not forsake his faithful ones. They will be protected forever, but the offspring of the wicked will be cut off.

Day 5

Draw a picture of the burnt cities.

God destroyed the cities
lying in the plain
With burning sulfur from above,
falling down like rain.
The next day Abraham looked out
from a place on high.
The towns were gone with only smoke,
rising in the sky.

What does the verse mean?

Genesis 19:27-28: ²⁷ Early the next morning Abraham got up and returned to the place where he had stood before the LORD. ²⁸ He looked down toward Sodom and Gomorrah, toward all the land of the plain, and he saw dense smoke rising from the land, like smoke from a furnace.

Day 2

Draw a picture of Abraham praying.

Abraham asked God,
if he would change his mind
If God could find ten righteous men
who still were good and kind.
But in the town just Lot
and his family were found right.
Because all the other people
to evil did hold tight.

What does the verse mean?

Genesis 18:32: ³² Then he said, "May the Lord not be angry, but let me speak just once more. What if only ten can be found there?" He answered, "For the sake of ten, I will not destroy it."

Day 3 Draw a picture of the angels and Lot's family.

So God he sent two angels
to lead Lot's family from the town.
God would keep them safe from harm
when fire did rain down.
The angels told Lot's family
to keep walking straight ahead.
They were not to look on Sodom;
they were not to turn their head.

What does the verse mean?

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Genesis 19:16-17: ¹⁶ When he hesitated, the men grasped his hand and the hands of his wife and of his two daughters and led them safely out of the city, for the LORD was merciful to them. ¹⁷ As soon as they had brought them out, one of them said, "Flee for your lives! Don't look back, and don't stop anywhere in the plain! Flee to the mountains or you will be swept away!"

Day 4 Draw a picture of Lot's wife.

The only one to disobey
was the one who was Lot's wife.
She look back to see the town
and so she lost her life.
A pillar of salt Lot's wife became
like a statue standing there.
Neither she nor the town,
did God choose to spare.

What does the verse mean?

Handwriting practice lines consisting of a solid top line, a dashed middle line, and a solid bottom line, repeated five times.

Genesis 19:25-26: ²⁵ Thus he overthrew those cities and the entire plain, including all those living in the cities—and also the vegetation in the land. ²⁶ But Lot's wife looked back, and she became a pillar of salt.