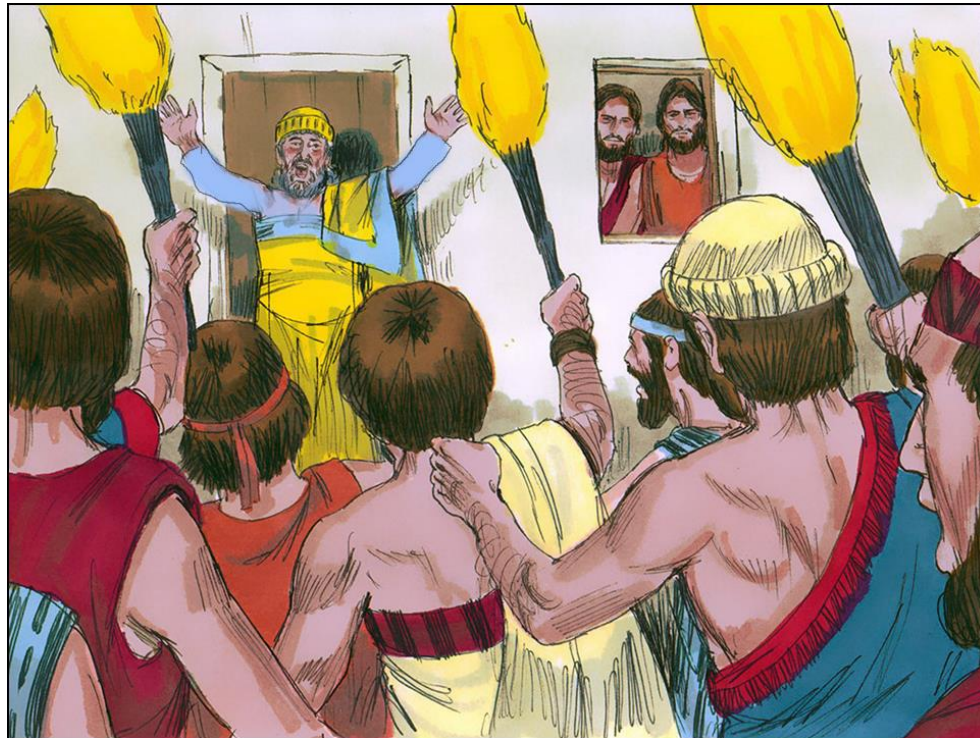


God rescues Lot AGAIN !

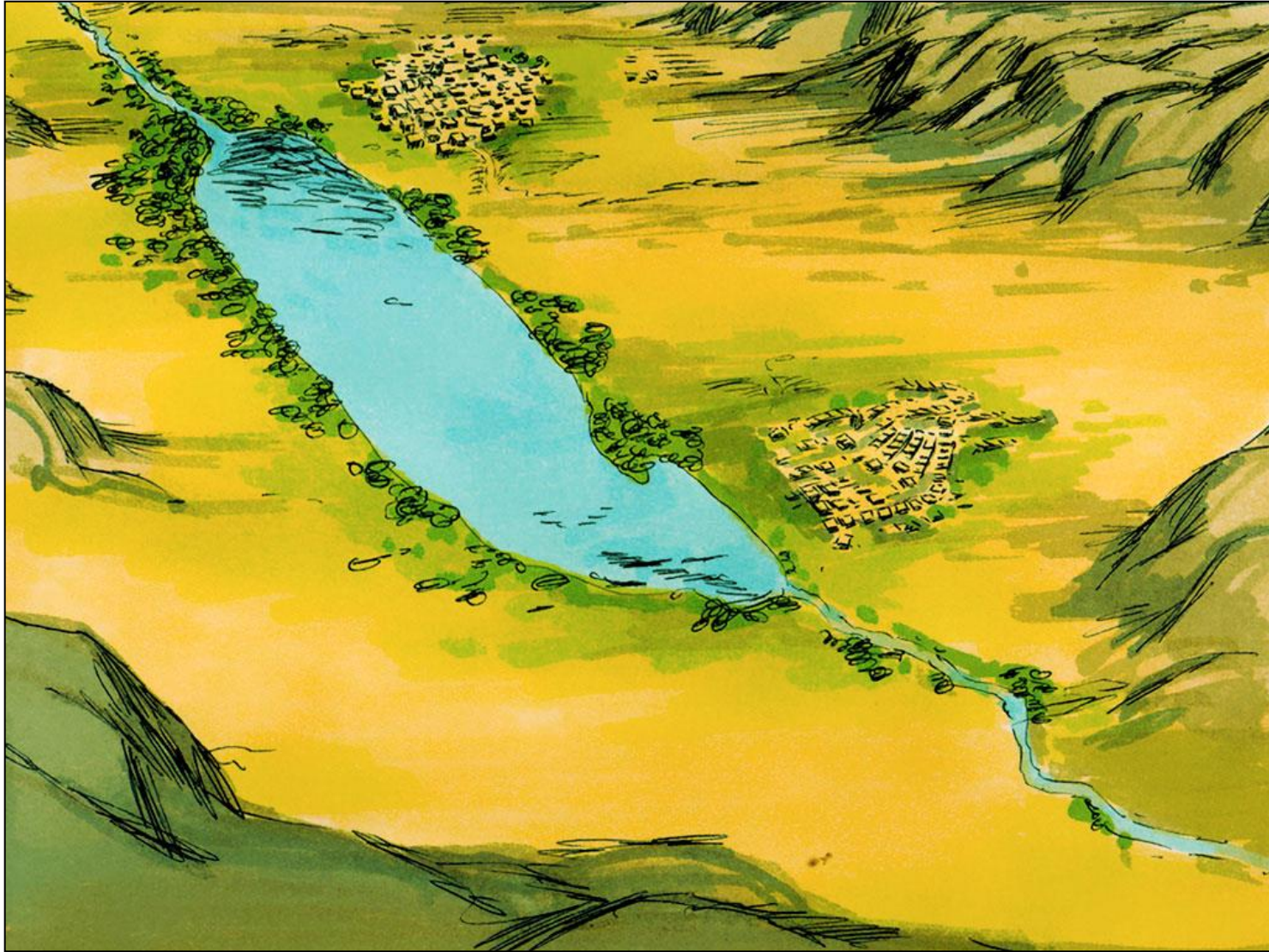
The man who wanted more and lost everything

Genesis 19



Lot looked around and saw that the whole plain of the Jordan toward Zoar was well watered, like the garden of the LORD, like the land of Egypt.

Genesis 13:10



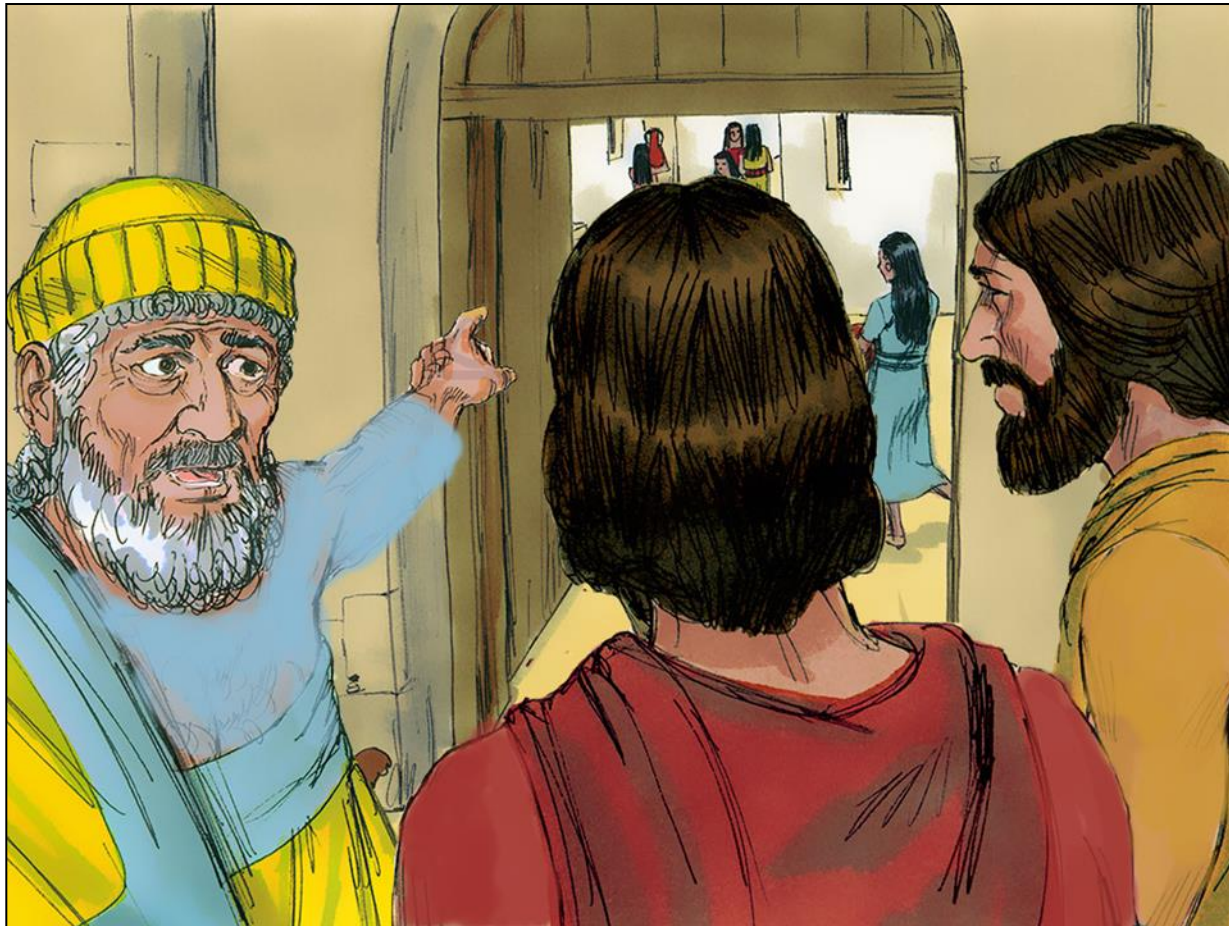
The two angels arrived at Sodom in the evening, and Lot was sitting in the gateway of the city. Genesis 19: 1



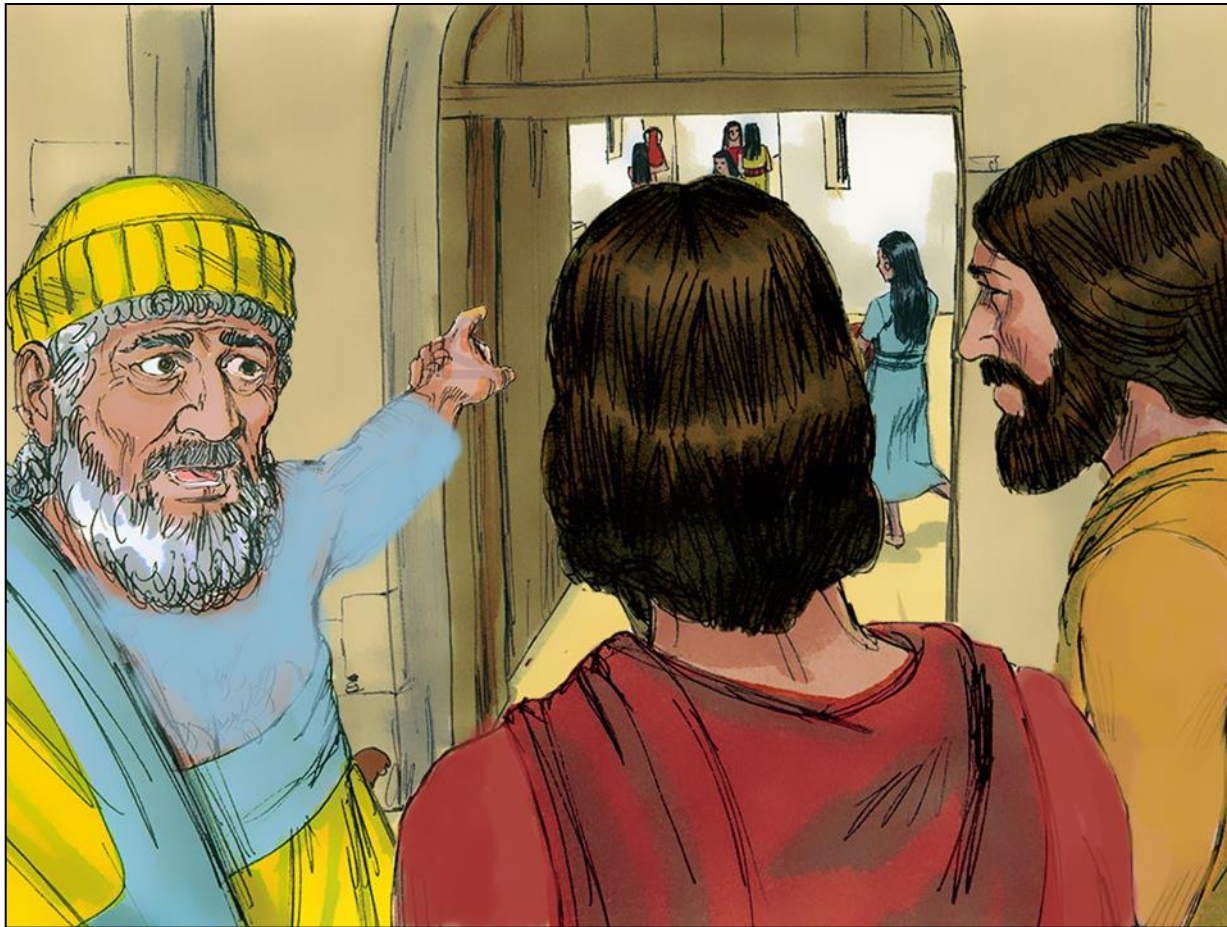
Sitting ? Cf. Psalm 1:1

When he saw them, he got up to meet them and bowed down with his face to the ground. "My lords," he said, "please turn aside to your servant's house. You can wash your feet and spend the night and then go on your way early in the morning."

Genesis 19: 2-3

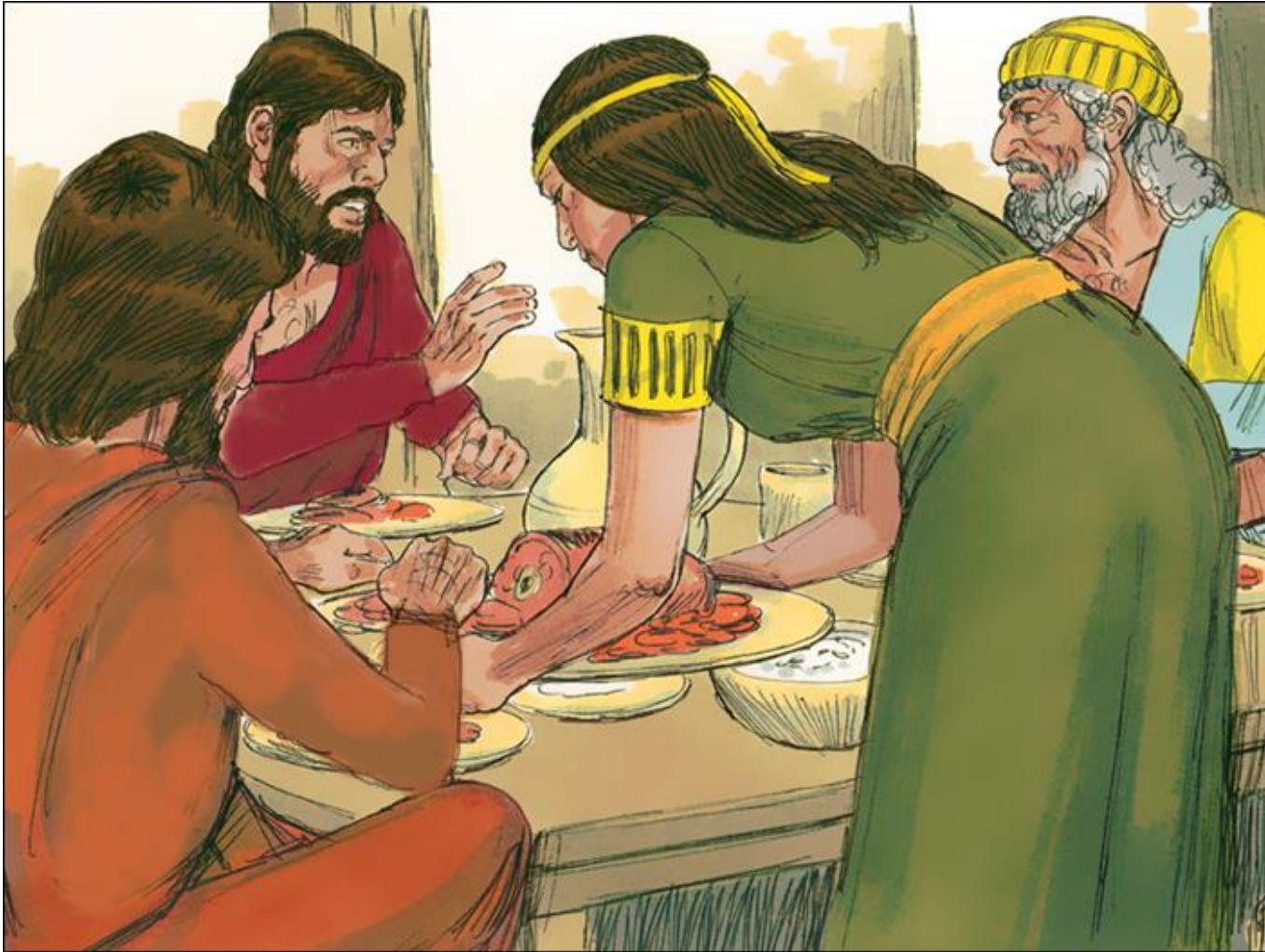


"No," they answered, "we will spend the night in the square."
But he insisted so strongly that they did go with him and
entered his house. Genesis 19: 3



Why did he insist ?

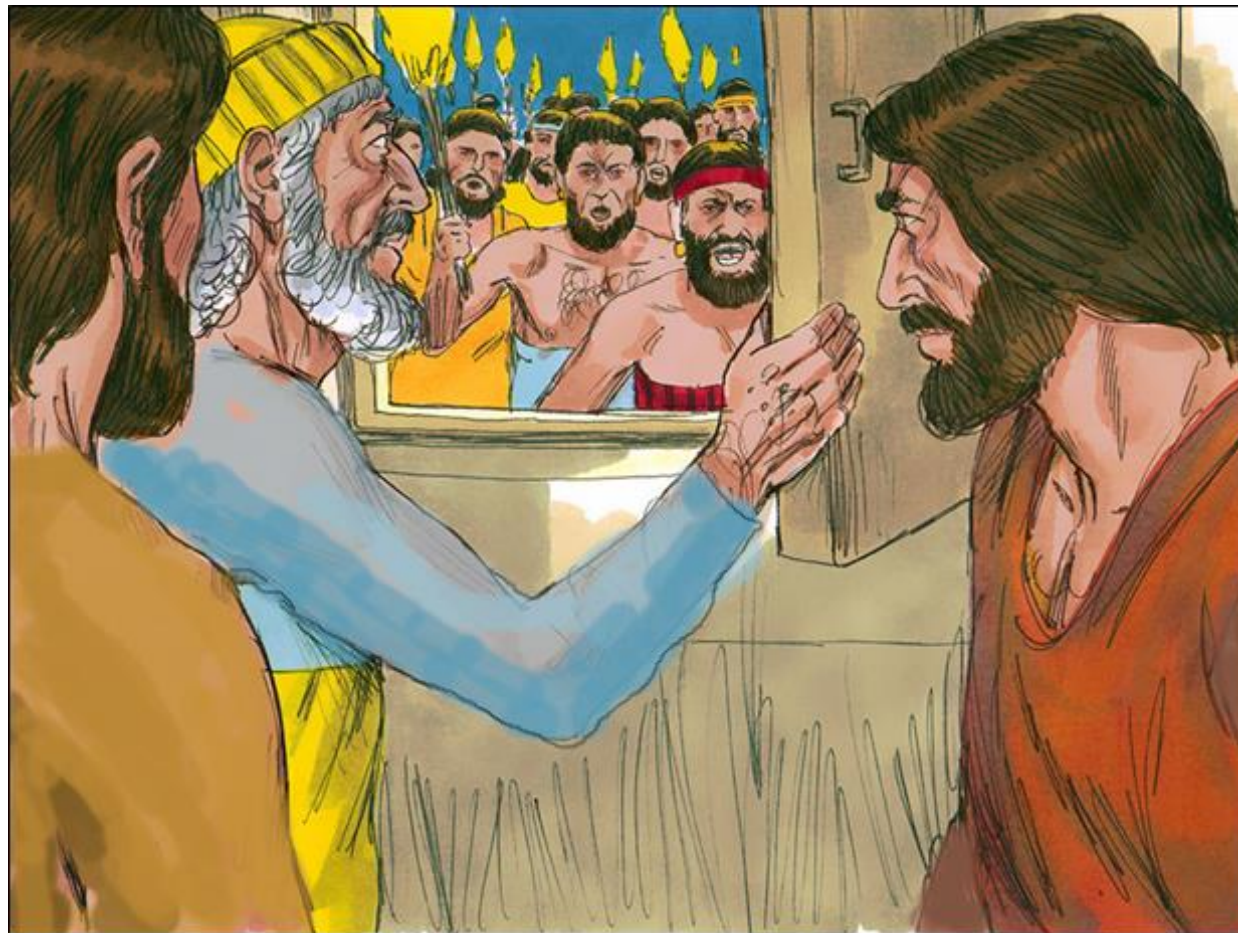
He prepared a meal for them, baking bread without yeast,
and they ate. Genesis 19: 3



Hebrews 13:2

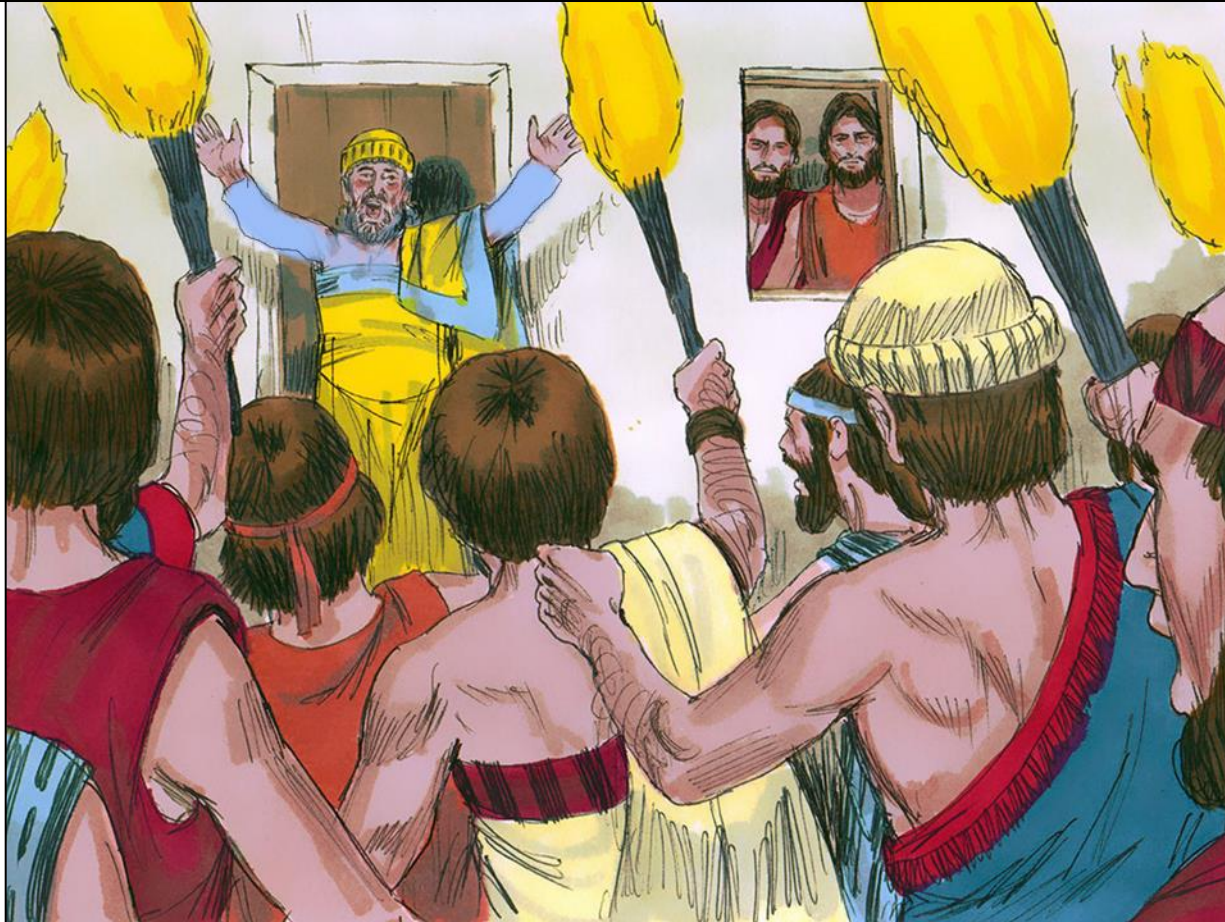
Before they had gone to bed, all the men from every part of the city of Sodom--**both young and old**--surrounded the house. They called to Lot, "Where are the men who came to you tonight? Bring them out to us so that we can have sex with them."

Genesis 19: 4-5



Lot went outside to meet them and shut the door behind him and said, "No, my friends. Don't do this wicked thing. Look, I have two daughters who have never slept with a man. Let me bring them out to you, and you can do what you like with them. But don't do anything to these men, for they have come under the protection of my roof."

Genesis 19: 6-8

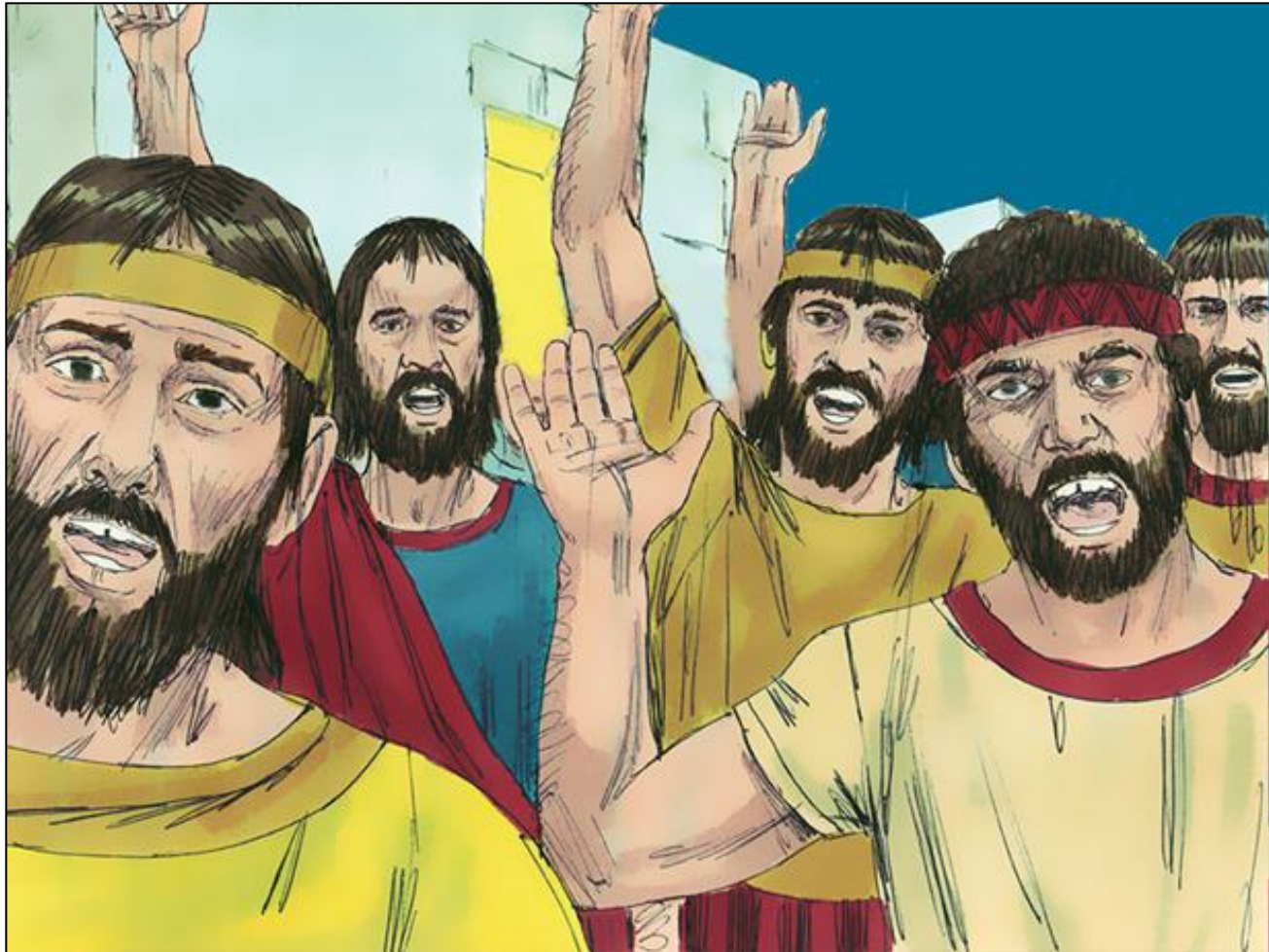


In his anxiety, Lot was willing to sacrifice his duty as a father to the sanctity of hospitality, and committed the sin of seeking to avert sin by sin.

From Keil & Delitzsch commentary



"Get out of our way," they replied. "This fellow came here as a foreigner, and now he wants to play the judge! We'll treat you worse than them." They kept bringing pressure on Lot and moved forward to break down the door. Genesis 19: 9

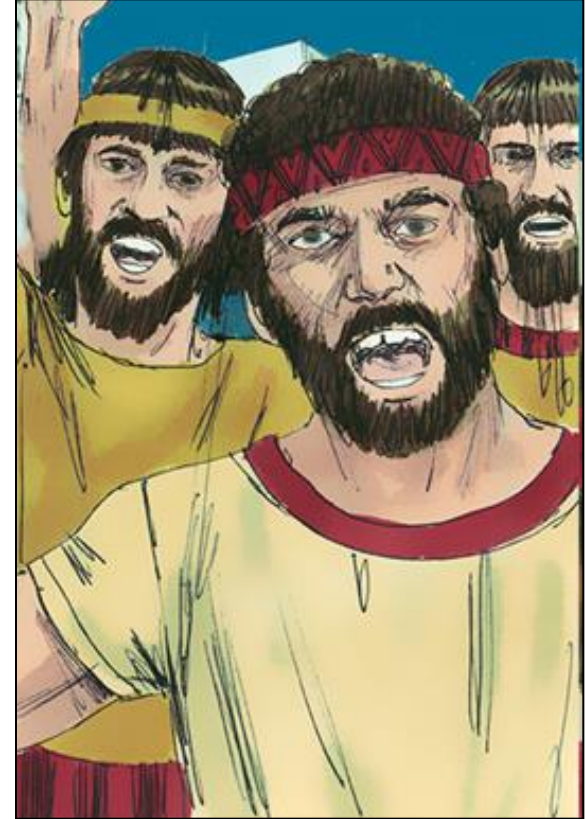


"This fellow came here as a foreigner, and now he wants to play the judge! We'll treat you worse than them."

Who do you think you are telling us ?

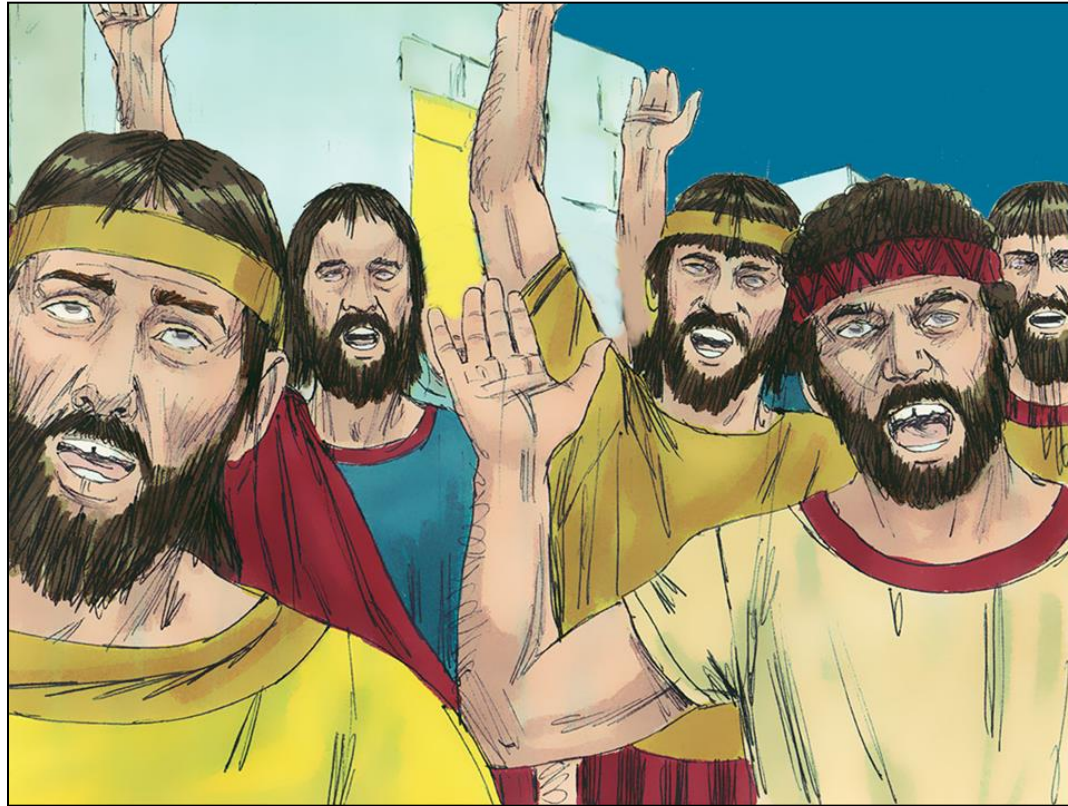
If it feels OK to us then it is OK !

We don't like the message so we will



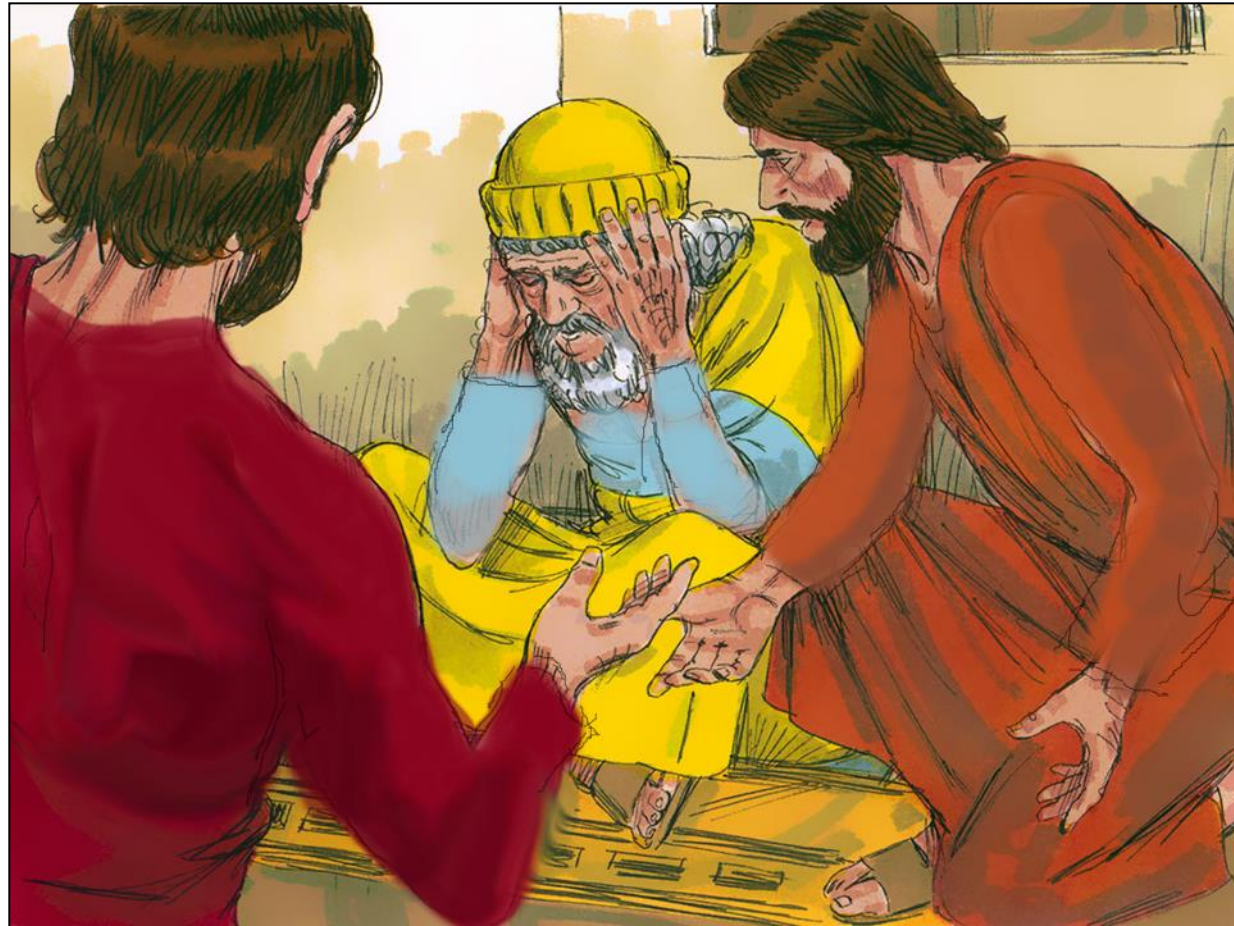
Does all this sound familiar ?

But the men inside reached out and pulled Lot back into the house and shut the door. Then they struck the men who were at the door of the house, young and old, with blindness so that they could not find the door. Genesis 19: 10-11

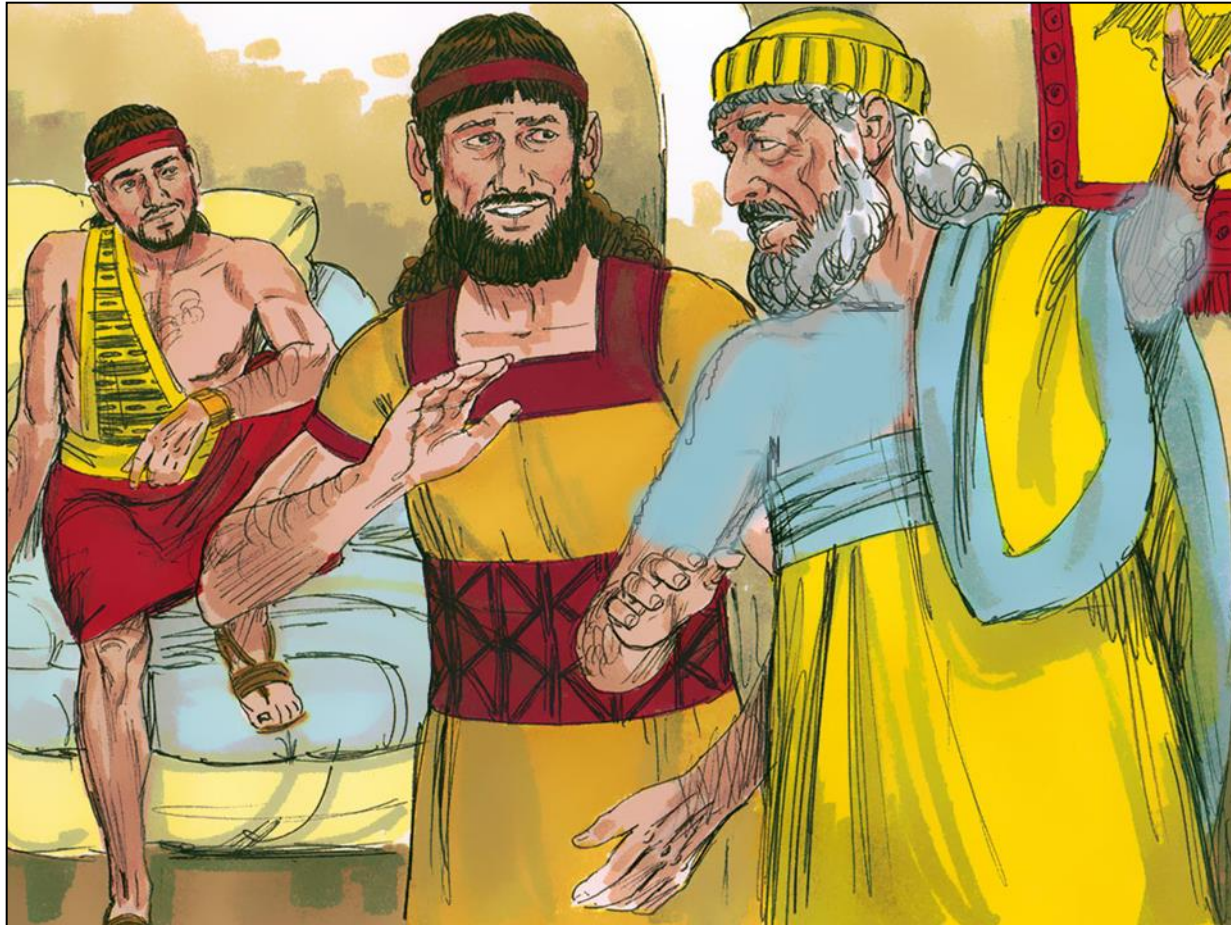


Even after this they are still trying !!!

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, 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." Genesis 19:12-13

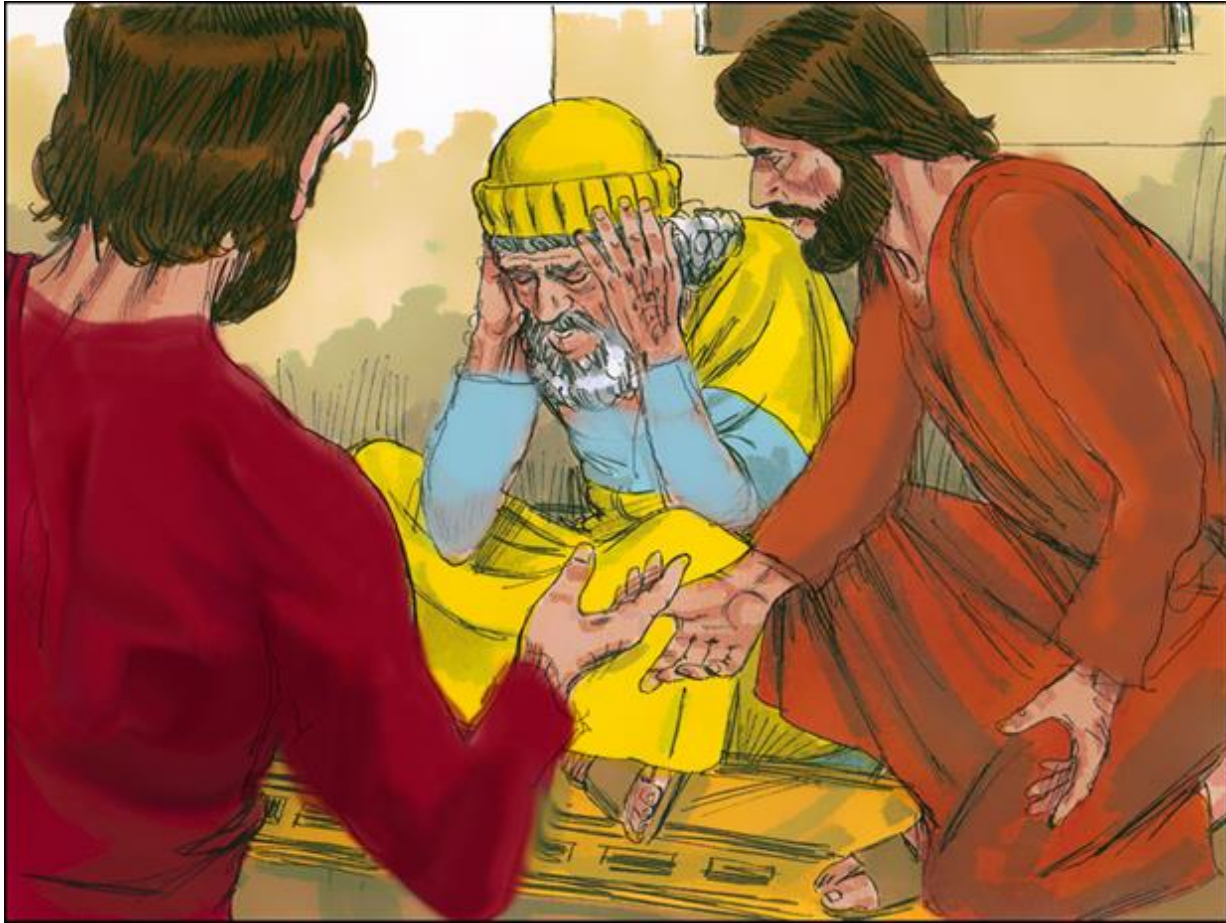


So Lot went out and spoke to his sons-in-law, who were pledged to marry his daughters. He said, "Hurry and get out of this place, because the LORD is about to destroy the city!" But his sons-in-law thought he was joking. Genesis 19:14



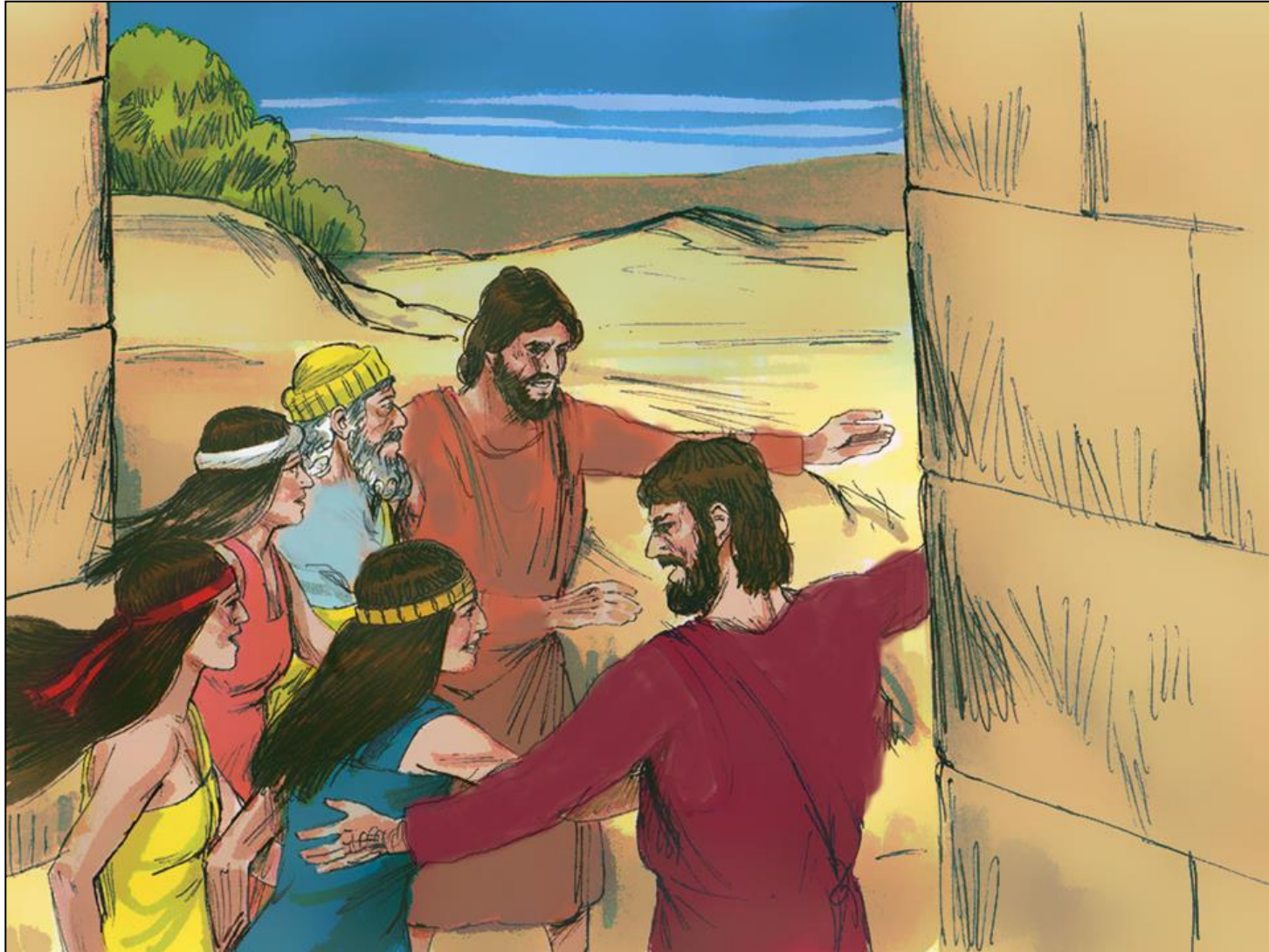
He has lost his credibility.

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." Genesis 19: 15



Why did the angels have to urge him to go ?

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.** Genesis 19:16

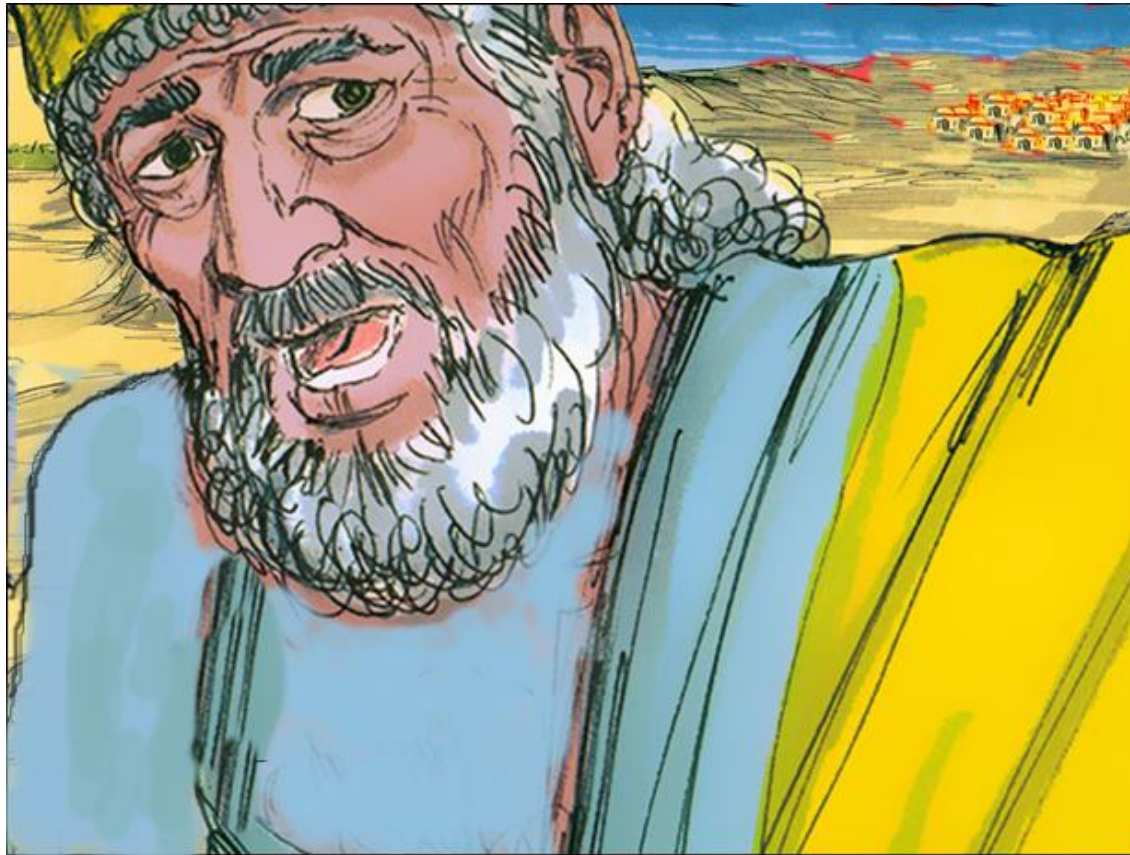


As soon as they had brought them out, one of them said, "Flee for your lives! Don't look back, and don't stop anywhere in the plain! Flee to the mountains or you will be swept away!" Genesis 19:17



Clear instructions from the Lord.

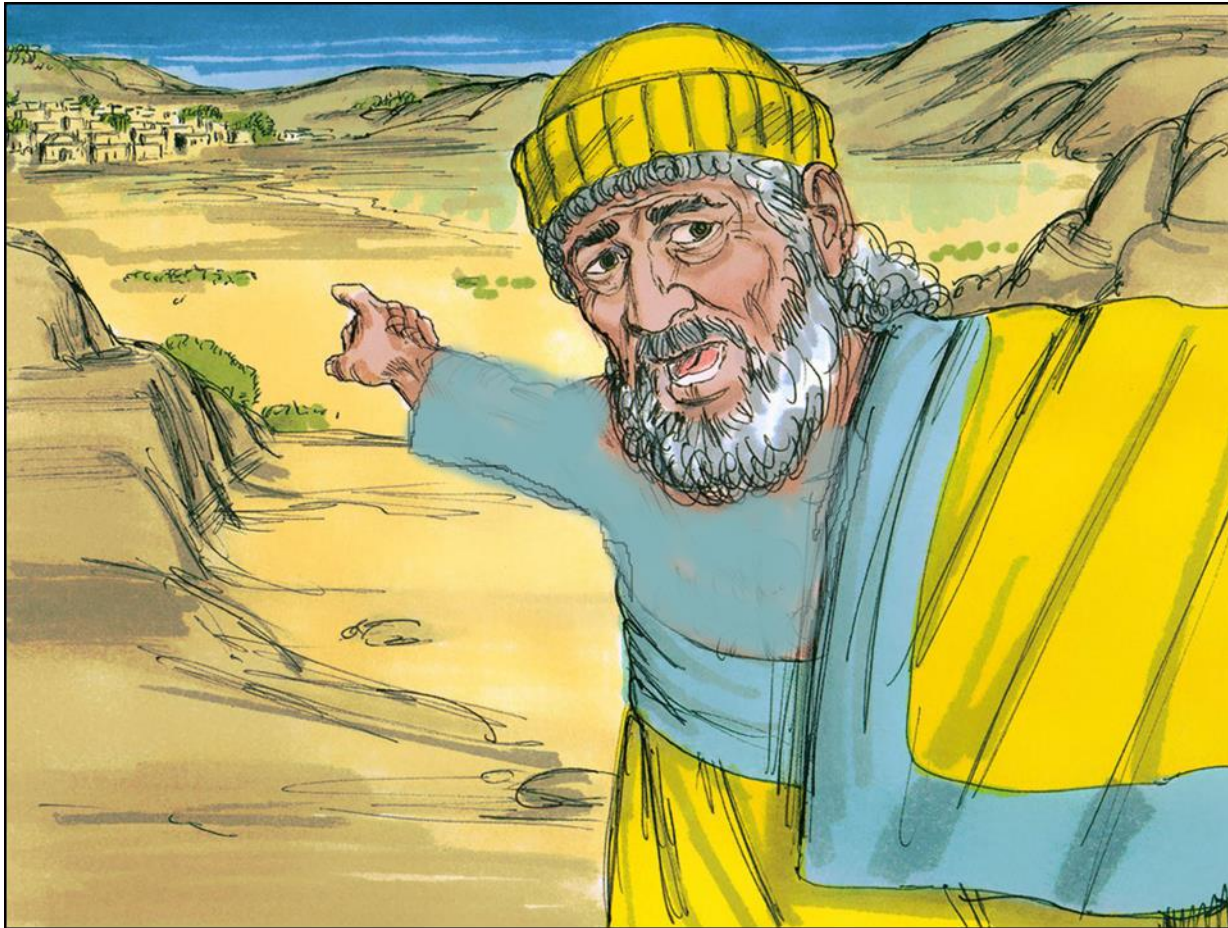
But Lot said to them, "No, my lords, please! Your servant has found favour in your eyes, and you have shown great kindness to me in sparing my life. But I can't flee to the mountains; this disaster will overtake me, and I'll die. Genesis 19:18-19



I can't flee or I don't want to ?

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."

Genesis 19:20



It is just a smaller version of where he left !

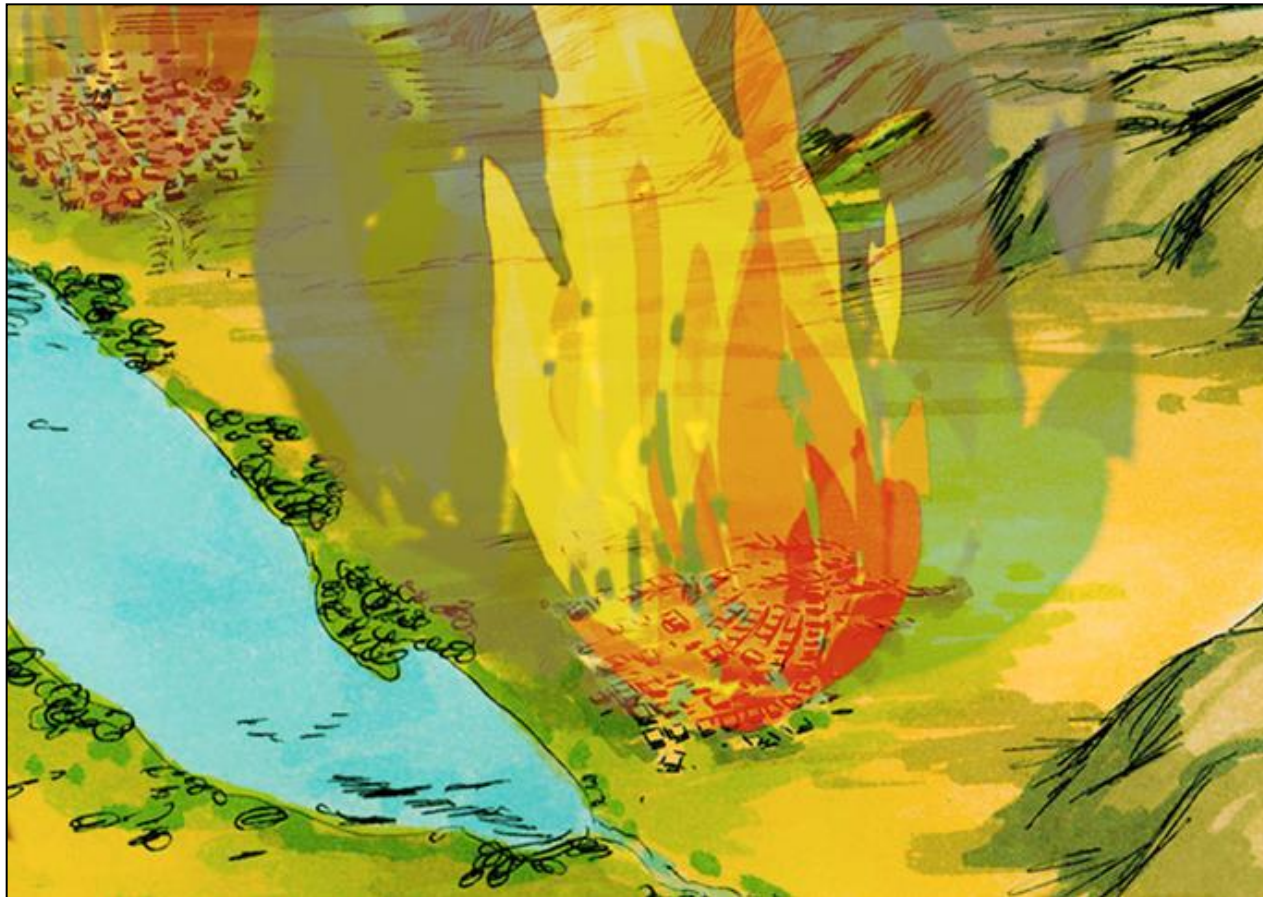
He said to him, "Very well, I will grant this request too; I will not overthrow the town you speak of. But flee there quickly, because I cannot do anything until you reach it."
(That is why the town was called Zoar. (little)) Genesis 19:21



Sometimes God may give us what we ask for !

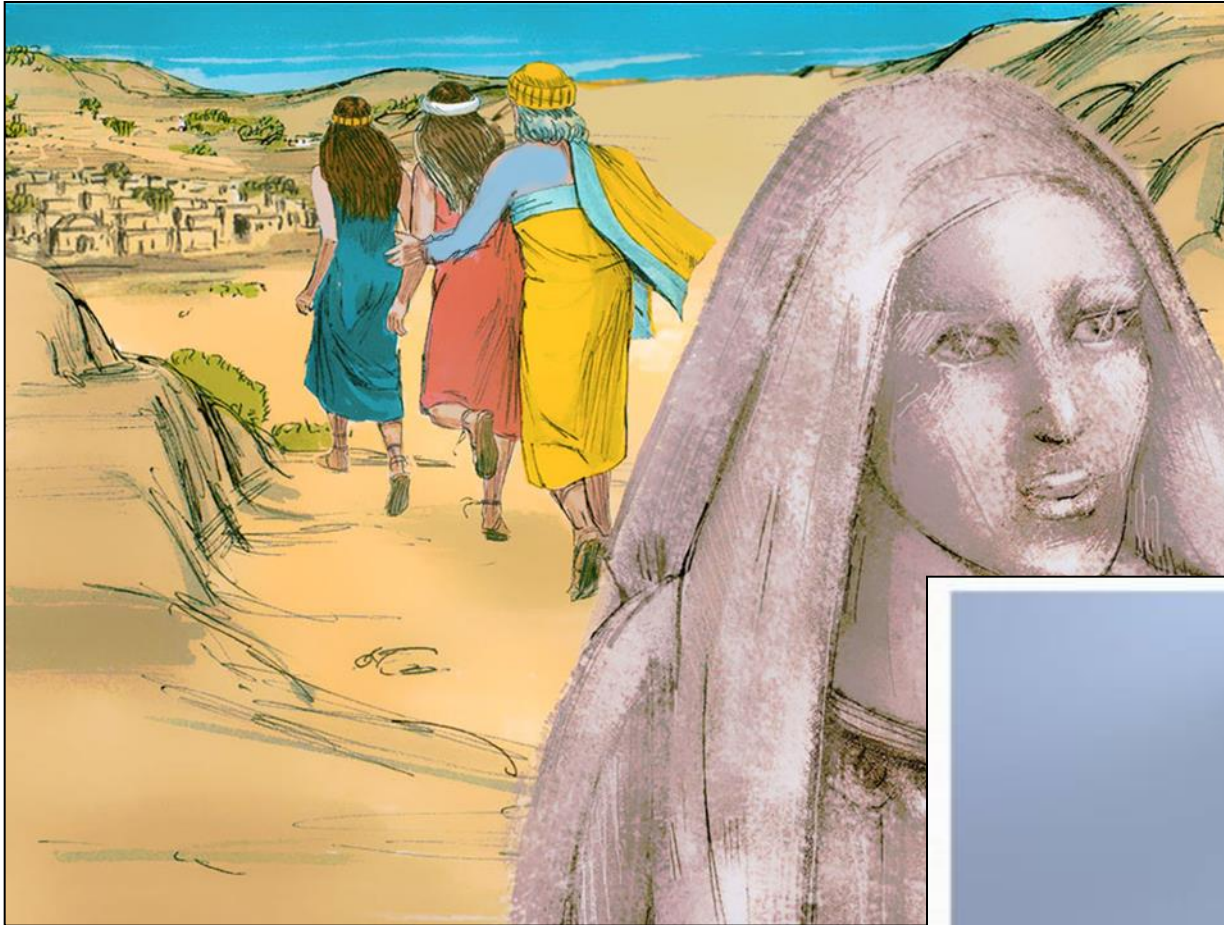
By the time Lot reached Zoar, the sun had risen over the land. Then the LORD rained down burning sulphur on Sodom and Gomorrah--**from the LORD out of the heavens**. Thus he overthrew those cities and the entire plain, destroying all those living in the cities--and also the vegetation in the land.

Genesis 19:23-25



But Lot's wife looked back, and she became a pillar of salt.

Genesis 19:26



Why did she look back ?



Early the next morning Abraham got up and returned to the place where he had stood before the LORD. 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.

Genesis 19:27-28



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.

Genesis 19:29



Lot and his two daughters left Zoar and settled in the mountains, for he was afraid to stay in Zoar. He and his two daughters lived in a cave. Genesis 19:30



Lot and His Daughters – another mess!

Genesis 19:30-38. One day the older daughter said to the younger, "Our father is old, and there is no man around here to give us children--as is the custom all over the earth. Let's get our father to drink wine and then sleep with him and preserve our family line through our father."

The Sodom morality had come with them !

No shame !

Lot and His Daughters – another mess!

That night they got their father to drink wine, and the older daughter went in and slept with him. He was not aware of it when she lay down or when she got up. The next day the older daughter said to the younger, "Last night I slept with my father. Let's get him to drink wine again tonight, and you go in and sleep with him so we can preserve our family line through our father." So they got their father to drink wine that night also, and the younger daughter went in and slept with him. Again he was not aware of it when she lay down or when she got up.



So both of Lot's daughters became pregnant by their father. The older daughter had a son, and she named him Moab; he is the father of the Moabites of today. The younger daughter also had a son, and she named him Ben-Ammi; he is the father of the Ammonites of today.

Genesis 19:36-38

Moab

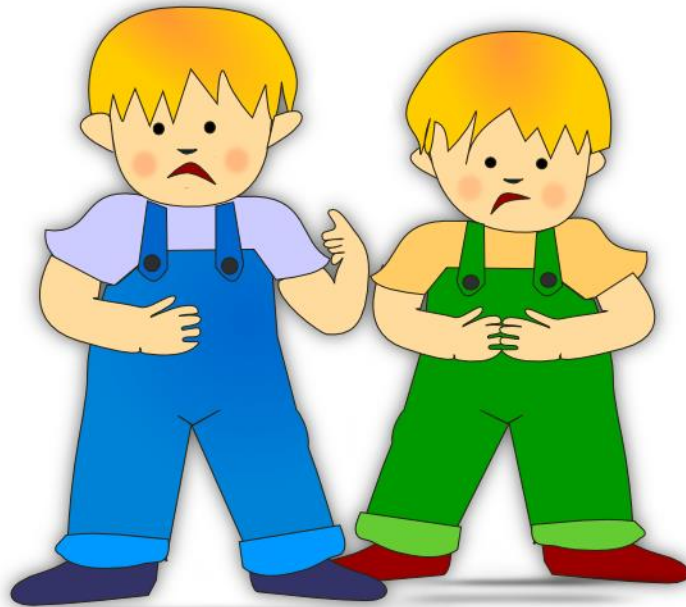
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From father

Ben-Ammi

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Son of my father



Jesus said, **“Remember Lot’s wife”** Luke 17:32

Lot was saved from Sodom, but took Sodom with him. He was saved, but his life-work was burned up as in 1 Corinthians 3:15. Even his wife might have been saved, but her heart was wedded to the city.



This is the last we hear of Lot in Genesis !

Jude tells us that the fate of these cities is prophetic of the end

Jude 1:5,7 Though you already know all this, I want to remind you that the Lord at one time delivered his people out of Egypt, but later destroyed those who did not believe.

.....In a similar way, Sodom and Gomorrah and the surrounding towns gave themselves up to sexual immorality and perversion. They serve as an example of those who suffer the punishment of eternal fire.



And you, Capernaum, will you be lifted to the heavens? No, you will go down to Hades. For if the miracles that were performed in you had been performed in Sodom, it would have remained to this day.

Matthew 11:23



Not everyone
WHO SAYS TO ME
**“LORD
LORD”**

Matthew 7:21

The transforming power of the Holy Spirit

Or do you not know that wrongdoers will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived: Neither the sexually immoral nor idolaters nor adulterers nor men who have sex with men nor thieves nor the greedy nor drunkards nor slanderers nor swindlers will inherit the kingdom of God. **And that is what some of you were. But you were washed, you were sanctified, you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and by the Spirit of our God.**

1Corinthians 6:9 -11

