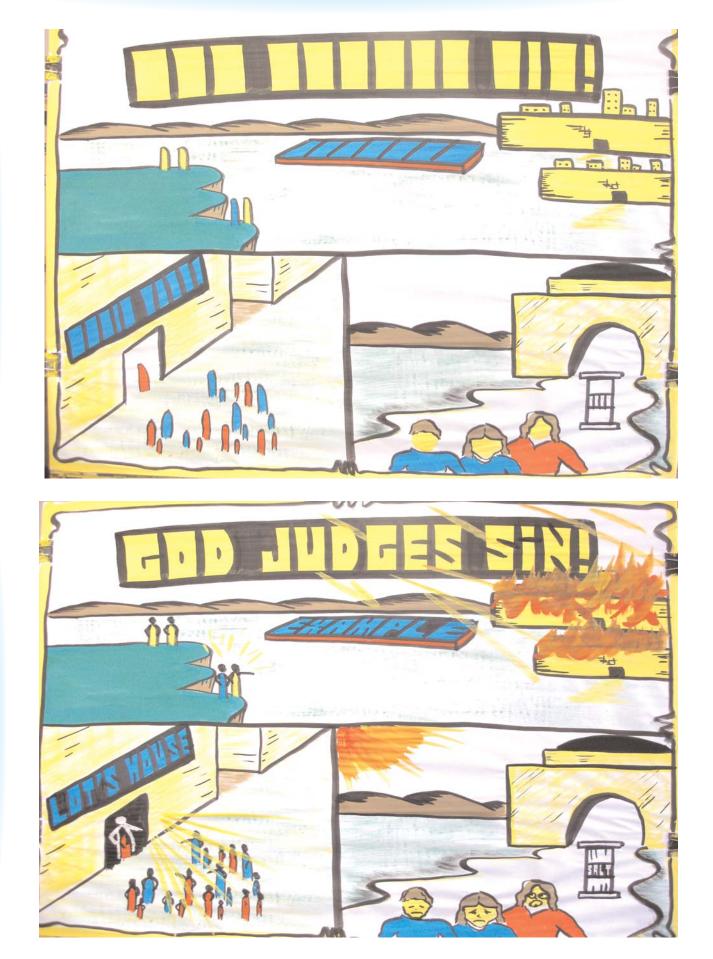
SODOM & GOMORRAH



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The Abraham Series Day 4: Sodom and Gomorrah

Sketchboard title: "God Judges Sin" Text: Genesis 18-19

New Tribe Mission Outline

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Introduction: How long will God tolerate people's sin? Even your sins and mine? Today we are going to learn about what happens when God's patience runs out, and when people don't turn to God for forgiveness.

Lot and his family not only pitched their tent near two very sinful cities called Sodom and Gomorrah (point to the two cities), but they were actually living in one of them. We will find out in a minute how bad the people were in these cities.

One day three men came to talk to Abraham and Lot about the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah.

1. Draw in the three men (with yellow paint) and Abraham (with blue paint) looking out over the cities.

Two of the men were angels, and one of them was God himself who came to talk to Abraham face to face ("The Angel of the Lord").

2. Draw in the word "God" in the title.

God said the sin of the people in these cities was so bad He was going to destroy them with fire. Because Abraham knew that Lot and his wife, their two daughters and their soon to be husbands were living in those cities, Abraham pleaded with God to spare that city. (Read Genesis 18 and share the story with the kids). God told Abraham if there were ten people in the city who cared about God, He would spare the city.

The two angels went into the city and met with Lot. (Share the complete story in Genesis 19). Because it was late and Lot wanted these men (angels) to have a safe place to stay the night, Lot invited them to his house.

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3. Draw in Lot's house above the door.

The men in the city knew there were two new men in town and wanted to "hurt" them. That's how bad the city was (It is up to you to share about the sexual immorality of the city).

The men and younger boys came to the door and started to pound on the door (you can pound on the sketch board) to get Lot to make the men come outside. Lot and his family were afraid.

One angel came to the door and used the power God gave him to make all the people blind so they could all escape from the evil city.

4. Draw in the angel inside of the door while you are talking. Or you can actually draw in the angel using a candle beforehand to make him appear behind Lot (This is how its done in the picture).

How its done: Draw in Lot in the doorway. Then with candle, draw in the angel around Lot. Put a head on Lot when Lot comes to the door. Then when its time for the angel, use black paint and paint around Lot. This will make the angel appear.

5. Draw the flashes of light coming from the door.

The angels then told Lot to get his family out of the city because God was going to judge the city. Only Lot, his wife and their two daughters believed in God's judgment and ran from the city. Lot's daughters fiance's did not believe and stayed behind. (Preach about believing or not believing in a God who will judge sinners).

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6. While you are saying this draw in the faces of Lot and his daughter running from the city.

How its done: As you are preparing your message, draw the people (Lot and his two daughters) with no faces. But, use a pencil and lightly draw in their expressions so you can see it from the paintboard, but your audience will not. This way, when it comes time to paint the faces on the people, all you have to do is trace over the faces with your black brush.

Lot's wife was told not to look back but she did. Because of this, she was turned into a pillar of salt.

7.Draw in the word salt on the pillar of salt on the road.

Lot's family escaped and then God judged the city. Explain the judgment of God on the city and what it was.

8.Draw in the fire coming from the sky destroying the cities.

Everyone in the city was destroyed. This is very serious! What does this teach us?

9. Fill in the title: "God judges sin".

Talk about sin and its consequences: Romans 6:23

Why is this important? Because God used Sodom and Gomorrah as an example of what He will do to the ungodly (Jude 7).

10.Write in the word "Example."

God promises that sinners will have their place in the Lake of Fire (Revelation 21:8) If there is no hell, we don't need Jesus Christ or His forgiveness. The devil wants us to believe that God is not a God of justice and would never punish a whole city with fire. Therefore, He would never punish us. The devil knows that he will be in hell someday and would love to take as many people there as he can. God wants us to be saved and come to a knowledge of truth (1 Timothy 2:1-6). The devil wants us to believe his lies and wants us to think we can sin all we want and have no consequences. This is a lie from the devil.

Today, realize that you have sinned and need God's forgiveness. If you have any questions, please see me afterward.

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Goal: Because God is the Creator, He has every right to judge sin and sinners. Hopefully, this will cause repentant hearts in preparation for the next lesson; Sodom and Gomorrah: Genesis 18-19.

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