

GENESIS 19

- Adonai means “lord” or “master”
- Vss. 13 – 14 the word is Yud - Heh – Vav – Heh
- Vs. 18 Lot says “please, no my lord...”
- NOT referring to God
- More than half of the N.T. is O.T. quotes



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LOT'S SONS-IN-LAW WOULD NOT LEAVE SODOM

- Didn't believe the Angels
- Angel is a "messenger from God"
- Sons-in-law were men of Sodom
- The two daughters of Lot were surely NOT his only 2 children
- Families were ALWAYS large unless there were problems



LOT ASKS TO GO TO A NEARBY CITY FOR SHELTER



- Matzah unleavened bread, provides a link between Sodom and the Egyptian Exodus
- Angels tell Lot to go to the hills..... he says “no”, wants to go to a city
- Lot preferred city life
- Had given up life as a shepherd
- A shadow of the future Northern Kingdom that would seek gentile ways

LOT WAS A WEAK MAN

- Lot much like a “carnal Christian”
- Lot did NOT renounce his faith
- Yet, God still saved Lot
- *Tzo'ar* = small city
- V29: Because Abraham pled for Lot's life, God saved him



LOT CHANGES HIS MIND



THE DESTRUCTION OF SODOM

- Bible gives only a brief account of the cataclysm
- We're told destruction came from the sky
- Brimstone = sulfur
- Burning Sulfur used to destroy city's garbage dumps
- Fire is symbolic of purging evil and refining precious metals
- Bible's main point is the CAUSE for the destruction, not the details of it





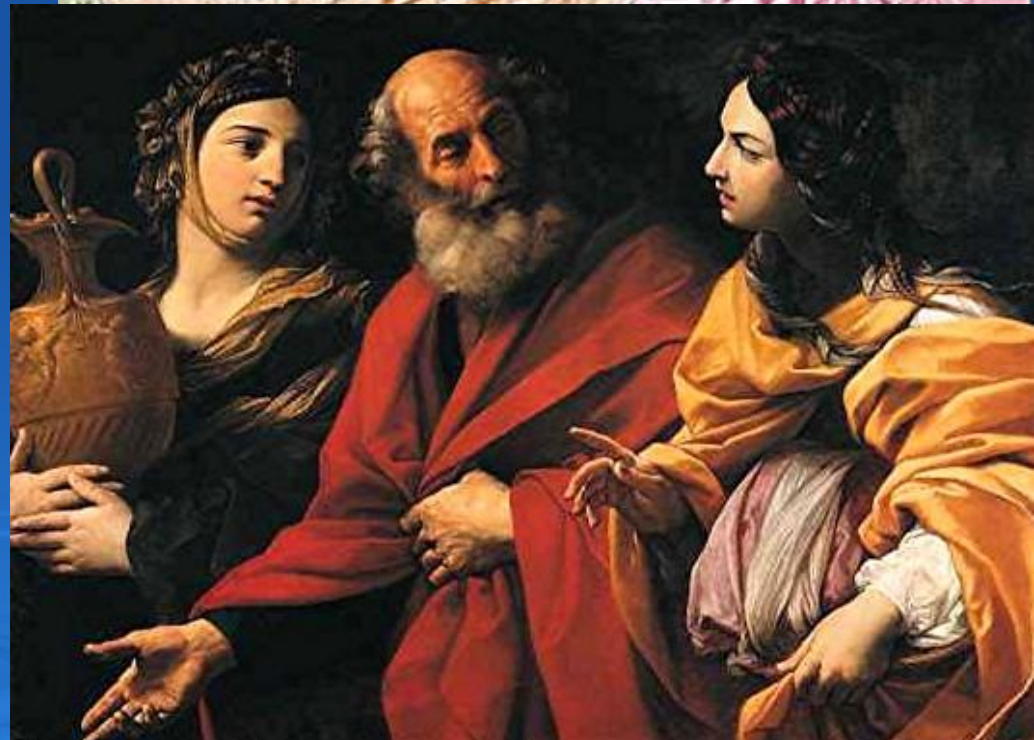
- Vs. 26: Pillar of salt
- Lot's wife told she should ***“not (be) looking back”***
- A Hebrew idiom meaning ***“to dally or hesitate”***
- Lot's wife suffered the same fate as Sodom
- Wording of story possibly a redaction, oldest traditions do NOT support the “pillar of salt” idea

- Did Abraham believe Lot had been saved?
- In Abraham's bargaining session, Lot was not mentioned
- The HOPE was that Lot had remained "righteous"
- Abraham "prayed" for the survival of the righteous



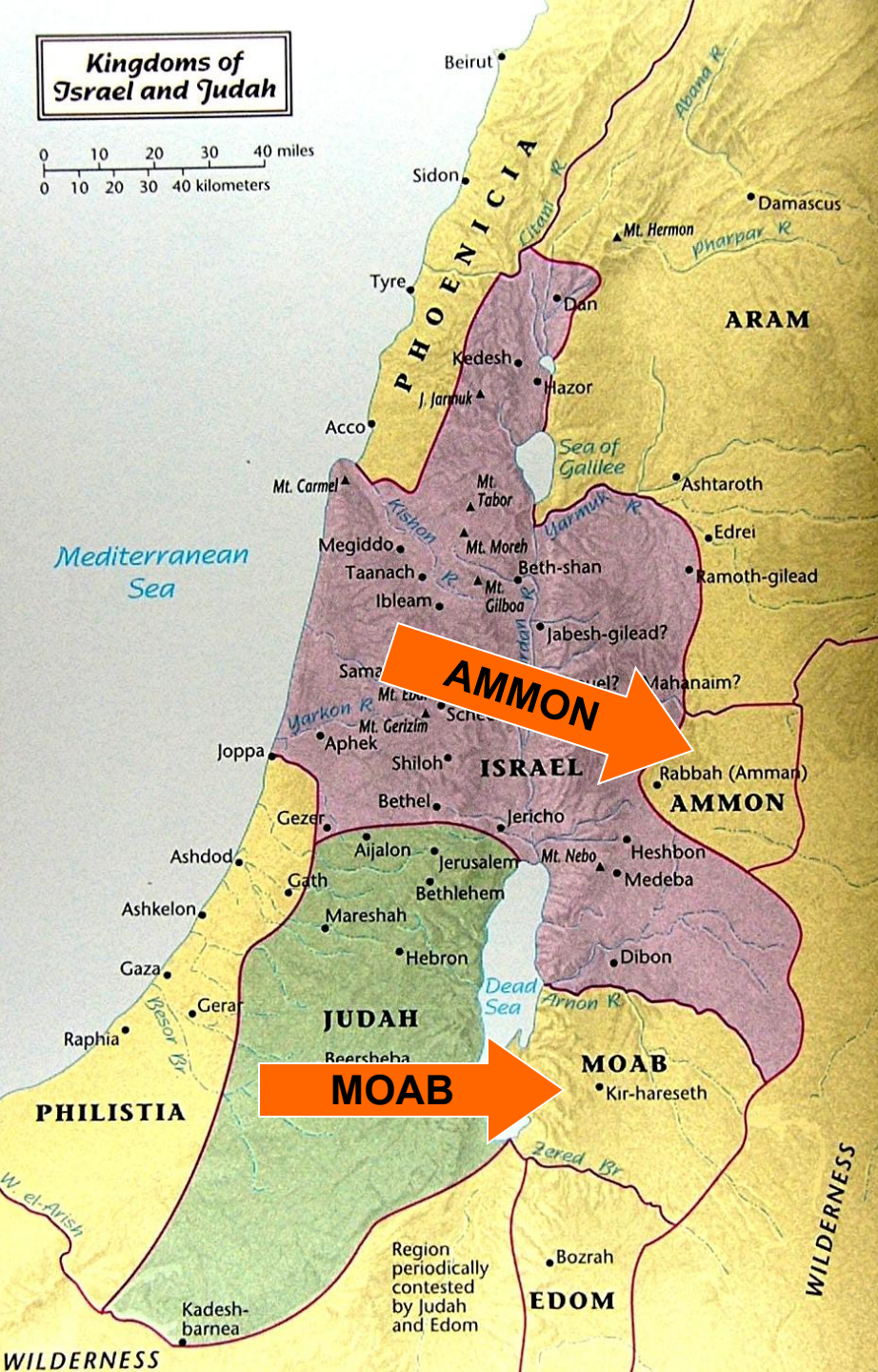
BIRTH OF MOAB AND AMMON

- Lots 2 daughters were concerned they wouldn't fulfill their duty as women
- Family believed the world had ended (no other people left alive)
- Thought they were the new Noah
- Lot descended into more and more FEAR
- God does NOT bring fears of this kind



Kingdoms of Israel and Judah

0 10 20 30 40 miles
0 10 20 30 40 kilometers



THE SAD EPITAPH OF LOT

- Daughters have children by their father, Lot
- These children are Moab, then Ammon
- Moab and Ammon existed as nations well-before the Exodus
- Amman (Jordon) is Arabic pronunciation of Ammon, occupies the same area

GENESIS 20



- Abraham moves from Hebron
- Move was to get new pasture
- Gerar, area will become Phillistia
- King of Gerar, Abimelech
- Kadesh same as Kadesh-Barnea
- Shur in Egypt
- Shura = shur-a means "a wall"