Book Introduction

Abraham had a nephew named Lot who lived in the town of Sodom. The people in the town were very bad and did wicked things so God had decided to destroy it. Abraham asked God to save the town if there were ten good men in it.

There weren't even ten good men in the city, but God sent two angels to rescue Lot and his family because they weren't being bad. When they were leaving the city, the angels told Lot and his family not to look back at the town. Lot's wife disobeyed God. She looked back and she was turned into a pillar of salt.

Then God rained burning fire down on the town to destroy it and everyone who lived there. God hates wickedness but he extends his hand to save those who do what is right.

Discussion Questions

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

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

<u>Day 3</u>: 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?

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

<u>Day 6</u>: Why does God judge evil? What will keep you from doing evil?

Make sign of "D"



Lesson Rhyme

D—D Destroy The people

Their evil

did what's bad D—D—Destroy

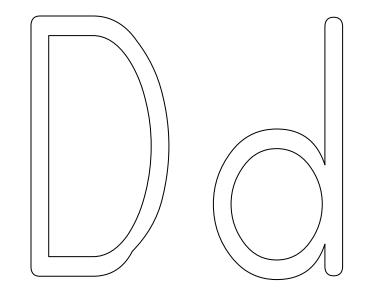
made God sad

Cross palms, move back & make fists Make sign of "P" with both hands, move in circles Make thumbs down sign Same as above Make evil face, twist hands by mouth Put fists up at eyes like wiping tears



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#37 Why did God destroy Sodom and Gomorrah?



D—D—Destroy The people did what's bad D—D—Destroy Their evil made God sad

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.



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.

<u>Genesis 18:20-21</u>: 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."

<u>Psalm 37:27-28:</u>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.

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.

<u>Genesis 19:27-28</u>: 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. <u>Genesis 18:32</u>: 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.

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.

<u>Genesis 19:16-17</u>: 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!"

<u>Genesis 19:25-26</u>: 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.