



LIFE GROUP DISCUSSION GUIDE



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Dive In (10 Minutes)

Go around and let everyone share...

You receive a phone call and are told you have exactly five minutes to leave your home forever. Your family and pets are already safe and waiting in the car. You can grab one small backpack. Besides the essentials (ID, phone, wallet), what three **non-essential** (*a few weeks ago, we asked you about "essentials"*) items would you grab? Why those?

Dig Deep (40 Minutes)

Read Genesis 19:1-21 aloud.

In the Ancient Near East, hospitality was a sacred duty.

- Compare Lot's greeting in verses 1–3 with the townspeople's arrival in verses 4–5. What does this tell us about the spiritual state of Sodom?
- Lot offers his daughters to the mob (v. 8). While modern readers are rightly horrified, this highlights the desperate "lesser of two evils" logic Lot was using in a collapsed society. What might this reveal about how living in Sodom had affected Lot's own judgment?

The angels give a clear command: "Get out!" Yet, we see a fascinating and relatable human reaction.

- Why do you think Lot's sons-in-law thought he was joking (v. 14)? How does our culture today react to warnings of spiritual consequences?
- Verse 16 says, *"But he lingered."* Why do we often linger in "Sodom" even when we know God is calling us out of a toxic or sinful situation?
- Note that the angels had to seize their hands to pull them out. Discuss the idea that sometimes God's mercy might look like a forceful removal from a situation we aren't ready to leave.

Do Big (10 Minutes)

- What is an area of your life where you feel God saying "Move," but you are currently "hesitating" like Lot?
- Lot was willing to risk everything to protect his guests. How can we practice radical hospitality in a world that is increasingly hostile or individualistic?
- When God closes a door or removes us from a situation, what helps us trust His "mountain" rather than try to negotiate for a "Zoar" (a compromise)?