

**Luke 17:32**  
**REMEMBER LOT'S WIFE**

- I. Remember her life.
  - A. The present world is set for destruction, pictured in the flood and in the destruction of Sodom and Gomorrah.
  - B. Remember that Lot's wife shared in his journeys, adventures, and trials, coming from Ur, to Haran, and then into Canaan.
    - 1. Her lot was cast with God's chosen people – she sacrificed with them and sang with them, but not with her heart.
    - 2. She also shared in Lot's sin of abandoning Abraham and the altar; and was with him in Sodom's capture and rescue.
    - 3. She heard with Lot the warning that God would destroy Sodom (Gen. 19:13) and heard the urgings to flee.
  - C. We also are alerted and warned, given the example of Lot's wife.
    - 1. Blood and marriage ties do not guarantee grace; it is possible to have all sorts of Christian privileges but be unsaved.
    - 2. We have Christ in the Scriptures declaring the impending judgment of God's wrath on the world of the ungodly.
- II. Remember Lot's wife's death.
  - A. She died because of her sin.
    - 1. She lingered "behind" Lot (Gen. 19:26): one worship service, little prayer and Bible reading; treasured things of the world.
    - 2. Next she disobeyed God's specific command not to look back (Gen. 19:17), deliberately rebelling and choosing Sodom.
  - B. She chose to walk before herself instead of before God.
  - C. Her doom was the same as the inhabitants of Sodom. She received the same judgment of salt.
    - 1. Without further warning or a moment's time to consider, her destruction came suddenly.
    - 2. Eternal hell is the lot of those who seek the things below and who despise God's judgments.
  - D. "Remember Lot's wife" is a call to us in this dispensation with a far more frightening emphasis.
    - 1. Heed the command of the previous verse (31) not to look back at this present evil world!
    - 2. Instead Jesus calls us to seek those things which are above, to live in anticipation of His second appearance.