

Come & See What God Has Done

A God That Rescues – Day 5

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Genesis 19:1-3, The two angels came to Sodom in the evening, and Lot was sitting in the gate of Sodom. When Lot saw them, he rose to meet them and bowed himself with his face to the earth and said, "My lords, please turn aside to your servant's house and spend the night and wash your feet. Then you may rise up early and go on your way." They said, "No; we will spend the night in the town square." But he pressed them strongly; so they turned aside to him and entered his house. And he made them a feast and baked unleavened bread, and they ate.

In the story of Lot, we see examples of how God rescues. The first is when God uses Abram to rescue Lot. This rescue can be found in Genesis 14. A second rescue is by two of God's Angels from Genesis 19. The Angels come to town where Lot and his family live. The town's residents were corrupt, immoral, and to be feared. Lot invites the Angels into his house to keep them safe and to offer them food and refuge. The townspeople descend upon Lot's house and insist he surrender the Angels. Lot refuses, and the Angels grab Lot and drag him back into the house. Then, the Angels struck all the blind people at Lot's door. God had a different outcome for Lot than that of the townspeople. He sent His Angels to carry out his plan. But what does this have to do with you and me?

Each of us has a purpose in life. While our goal is to live a happy life, there is much more to life. Each of us has a set of spiritual gifts. These gifts are to be used to serve the Lord. We can find the gifts in 1 Corinthians 12 and 14. The gift of helping is undoubtedly one that is of benefit to many. To have that gift is to desire to reach out to others in their time of need and provide what is helpful. Their needs may be food, compassion, support during trial, financial assistance, a kind word, or friendship. In many cases, it is just a reminder that they are loved and cherished by God in times of struggle and that He is always there is all they need.

Sometimes, we are the Lord's hands and feet to others. In reaching out, we can help rescue others in need. It takes courage and faith, sometimes more of one than the other. But when we serve others, we are serving the Lord.

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