

Remember Lot's Wife

(Luke 17:32)

- Introduction:
1. This is one of the shortest verses in the Bible.
 2. This statement was spoken in the context of the impending destruction of Jerusalem.
 3. In this sermon, let us learn why Jesus called our attention to this woman.

I. Privileged Status Won't Save You from God's Judgment

- A. The Jews were God's people, yet they were about to be destroyed (Luke 17:20-37).
- B. Mrs. Lot was the niece of Abraham, the wife of Lot, but her relatives were not her salvation.
- C. Don't forget how God deals with people (Jude 5-7).
- D. Just because you are a Christian doesn't mean you can flaunt the commandments of God (Matthew 7:21).

II. She Perished Although Warned To Flee

- A. It is not enough to know the facts of the gospel, we must obey them.
- B. (James 4:17).
- C. (James 1:22).
- D. It must be a horrifying fate to stand condemned while knowing all along the route to pardon.

III. She Perished Although Her Sin Seemed Small

- A. She just looked back.
- B. It seemed only natural; remember, her family was there.
- C. But this should stand to warn us of how serious sin is viewed by God.
- D. (Romans 6:23).

IV. She Perished Although She Was Separated from Sodom

- A. Sodom can be viewed as a type of the world.
- B. Even though a person may leave the world and be translated into the kingdom of God (Colossians 1:13), they still can sin (I John 2:1).
- C. Probably more than we would like to realize, there are a number of Christians who are separated from the world but looking back.
- D. (Philippians 4:13-14).

- Conclusion:
1. The mistake of Lot's wife should serve as a warning to us all.
 2. Initial separation from the world is good, but not sufficient.
 3. We must guard our lives by continued obedience day by day.
 4. "But Jesus said to him, no one, having put his hand to the plow, and looking back, is fit for the kingdom of God." (Luke 9:62).