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Recap of 9/7/08:

1. *Genesis 19 is a warning to unbelievers about sin and judgment. God's patience with sinners has an end.*
2. *Genesis 19 is a warning to believers about getting too cozy with the world and its tragic consequences.*
3. *The chapter describes the tragic unraveling of Lot's family. From his first leering look at Sodom and the cities of the plain (Gen 13:10), to pitching his tents near Sodom (Gen 13:12), to living in the city (Gen 14:12), to becoming a leading citizen of it (Gen 19:1), Lot's life was a lie. He had no positive spiritual influence over the city or even his own family. As one writer said: "...it was difficult to get Lot out of Sodom, and Sodom out of Lot's family."*
4. *As with Lot, so much of life is made up of small decisions that have momentous impact on the course of our lives and on the lives of our families. A commentator said: "Where did Lot lose his dignity and faith? Not in big earth-shaking decisions but in making numerous small choices that left God out of his life."*

"God Delivers"

Genesis 20:1-18

I. Abraham's deception vv. 1-8

II. God's deliverance vv. 9-18