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### The Angels’ Rescue (19:10-22)

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#### Lot’s \_\_\_\_\_ (14-16)

These angels then immediately warn Lot to flee the city because these angels will bring God’s judgment upon the city. Lot warns his sons-in-law, but they don’t believe him. Even with judgment looming, verse 16 tells us Lot lingers and just can’t bring himself to leave.

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Lot should not have been in Sodom to begin with. God was gracious to warn him to get out the city in the first place, but He went above and beyond that when he saved Lot by physically pulling him out.

### Sodom’s Destruction (19:23-29)

Eventually, Lot and his family are far enough away that the destruction of Sodom, Gomorrah, and the surrounding cities begins. By the time God is done, only the small city of Zoar remains.

### Lot’s End (19:30-38)

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