

# STRANGE BUT TRUE

## Episode 2: Sex & The Cities

### INTRODUCTION – Is This Stuff “True”?

#### REFLECTION QUESTION:

If the *meaning* of the Bible is all that is important, why not canonize *Little Red Riding Hood*? There are some good lessons in that story.

### THE STORY – Welcome To Sin City

Genesis 18 - 19

### PROBING THE PROBLEMS

FYI:

The sin of Sodom is, according to this story,...

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Sex is a gift to be \_\_\_\_\_, not a \_\_\_\_\_ to be demanded.

**Jude 1:7; 2 Peter 2:7**

### LOOKING DEEPER – Reading Below The Lines

LIFE LESSON #1:

God is serious about this \_\_\_\_\_ thing.

LIFE LESSON #2:

God condemns self-\_\_\_\_\_ at the expense of others.

**Ezekiel 16:49**

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LIFE LESSON #3:

Through Jesus, God redeems the \_\_\_\_\_ of our lives.

**Matthew 1:5; Ruth 1:4**

LIFE LESSON #4:

God's \_\_\_\_\_ is the answer to our questions.

**Genesis 18:25**

### CONCLUSION – Saying Goodbye To Sodom

**1 John 2:15-17**

#### RECOMMENDED LISTENING...

*Is Being Gay A Sin? & Is Homosexual Marriage A Step In The Right Direction? & Is God Sexually Repressed*, by Bruxy Cavey

#### HOME CHURCH QUESTIONS

##### WARMING UP...

1. After briefly reviewing this week's message, share one new thing you learned or one thing that most challenged, convicted, or encouraged you.

##### LOOK TO THE BOOK...

2. Jesus is clear in **Luke 17:3** that we are to “remember Lot's wife”. Read the context in **Luke 17:20-37**. a) In general, what event do you think Jesus is describing here? Why? b) What lessons do you suppose Jesus would want for us to take away from our remembrance of Lot's wife? c)
3. Like Lot and his family, Jesus hung out with the spiritual ‘Sodomites’ (the harlots and hucksters) of his day. Contrast Jesus' and Lot's experience of living in “Sodom”. How can we have an impact more like Jesus than Lot? (Use Scripture to support your comments.)
4. What about Abraham's interaction with God in **Genesis 18:20-25** would you like to see more of in your own interactions with God?

##### SO WHAT?...

5. Take a few moments (2-3 minutes) to meditate on **Genesis 18:25**. (If you like, after meditating share any new insights or old reminders that have come to mind.)
6. Pray for each other in light of #'s 4 and 5 above.

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