

Genesis 19:30-38 **Lot Fled to Mountains; and Became Father of Moabites & the Ammonites**

³⁰“Then Lot went up out of Zoar and dwelt in the mountains, and his two daughters were with him; for he was afraid to dwell in Zoar. And he and his two daughters dwelt in a cave. ³¹ Now the firstborn said to the younger, "Our father is old, and there is no man on the earth to come in to us as is the custom of all the earth. ³² Come, let us make our father drink wine, and we will lie with him, that we may preserve the lineage of our father." ³³ So they made their father drink wine that night. And the firstborn went in and lay with her father, and he did not know when she lay down or when she arose. ³⁴ It happened on the next day that the firstborn said to the younger, "Indeed I lay with my father last night; let us make him drink wine tonight also, and you go in and lie with him, that we may preserve the lineage of our father." ³⁵ Then they made their father drink wine that night also. And the younger arose and lay with him, and he did not know when she lay down or when she arose.

³⁶ Thus both the daughters of Lot were with child by their father. ³⁷ The firstborn bore a son and called his name Moab; he is the father of the Moabites to this day. ³⁸ And the younger, she also bore a son and called his name Ben-Ammi; he is the father of the people of Ammon to this day.” NKJV

Facts revealed:

- ❖ When Lot saw the destruction of the cities of the plain and of the plain itself, he was filled with fear because he knew that if it had not been for his pleading for the city he was in, it would also have been destroyed with the rest because it was included among the wickedness of the area.
- ❖ Lot also knew that the same God Who had brought him out of Sodom had instructed him to flee to the mountains and so that is where God must want him to be.
- ❖ So now after the destruction has demonstrated how serious God was in His warning of destruction, Lot decided to obey the first command and he went on into the mountains where he found a cave to dwell in, making him the first “Cave Man” on record.
- ❖ All the men his daughters had known were destroyed with Sodom and Gomorrah, so they decided on a plan to preserve the seed of their father by producing Moab, the father of the Moabites, and Ben-Ammi the father of the Ammonites.
- ❖ God apparently accepted their actions because *He told Israel not to bother the people of Moab and Ammon because the territory they were occupying had been given to the descendants of Lot as a possession.* [Deuteronomy 2:9, and Deuteronomy 2:19] *And The Law forbidding intermarriage of near of kin had not **yet** been given.*

This is explained in the New Testament where Paul said, “For until the Law, sin was in the world, but sin is not imputed when there is no law.” [Romans 5:13] NASU

- ❖ However, a curse did come upon both Moab and Ammon; "An Ammonite or Moabite shall not enter the congregation of the LORD; even to the tenth generation none of his descendants shall enter the congregation of the LORD forever, **because** they did not meet you with bread and water on the road when you came out of Egypt, and **because** they hired against you Balaam the son of Beor from Pethor of Mesopotamia, to curse you.” [Deuteronomy 23:3-4]