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# Biblical Studies Written Composition Task

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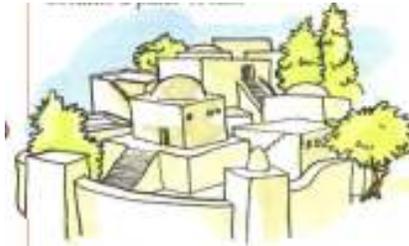
Write about an event within the life of Abraham from three different perspectives. You will need to present at least half a page on each perspective. Do not write more than a page for each perspective.

Tuesday, 25 March – PERSPECTIVE 1

Daily Perspectives

# Sodom Is Destroyed

Last night, at 10p.m. with a fierce blast of power, a city has fallen victim to God. It has been known for a long time that the occupants of Sodom and Gomorrah have been lacking morality and ethical standards have been at all time lows. Reports have suggested that all except the family of Lot's survived the destruction. Although they survived their location is unknown. A pillar of salt has been the



Sodom Before Its Destruction.

only object seen to be left standing. The pillar of salt is approximately the size of an adult's height. This statue has not yet been identified but it looks like a woman at this stage.



Missing: Last seen in Zoar, Lot  
(Above) And His Family.

There has been speculation that a volcanic eruption engulfed the city in lava and burning embers which ended all structures and life in Sodom and Gomorrah. A piece of rubble was recovered in the Dead Sea. The stone fragment which was partially covered in volcanic ashes has the words 'Sodom... Gomorrah...' inscribed in it. "And the Lord sent burning sulfur like rain on Sodom and Gomorrah". - Genesis 9:24 (CEV). Inside sources report that two angels were inside Sodom just before God destroyed the city. Emergency teams have estimated the loss of life is in the many hundreds of thousands. Assessors have deemed the site too dangerous so no images of the ruins could have been taken. Above is a picture of Sodom approximately three months before God decided to destroy this evil city. Anyone with information

about the location of Lot and his family should contact Abraham immediately. An investigation has been launched into the destruction of Sodom and Gomorrah. An inquiry has been set up to determine the identity of the salt pillar on the road from Sodom.

This Week's Reader Survey: *Who do you think is the salt pillar outside the ruins of Sodom?*

A: A Man      OR      B: A Woman

To vote tell your answer to the Daily Perspectives' main office within 72 hours.

**Editorial: Abraham's Reaction to Today's Events, Tomorrow**

Wednesday, 26 March - PERSPECTIVE 2

Daily Perspectives

## Editorial

Topic: Abraham's response to the destruction of Sodom and Gomorrah

From Abraham,

THE destruction of Sodom and Gomorrah disturbs me deeply. I am especially worried for the safety of my nephew, Lot. I fear that he and his family is without a proper shelter. God warned me about the destruction of Sodom and Gomorrah. I pleaded with God to spare the lives of the city if there were a few good people. Sodom and Gomorrah are wicked places, I know that the people in these cities are very sinful and show no respect to anyone. I cannot believe some of the rumours that I have heard about these cities, they are so disgusting.



Abraham

I have prayed many times to God and asked for his protection of Lot and his family. I hope Lot has made a wise decision and found a better place to live. I hope that his daughters can survive in the harsh terrain. I pray that Lot and his wife can stay strong in the Lord.



Area of Sodom and Gomorrah (Circled)

I am not good at geography, but I know that there are some volcanoes near Sodom. So the reports of a volcanic eruption wiping out the place are not surprising, since God promised not to use floods and water to destroy the evil. When I looked down at towards Sodom and Gomorrah, I “saw smoke rising from all over the land – it was like a flaming furnace”. -Genesis 19.28 (CEV)

Let's pray that other people have learnt from the mistakes of Sodom and Gomorrah. I would like to write a message to Lot and his family: Lot, I am glad you are safe; I hope you will always follow and obey God. God bless you. From Abraham, your uncle.

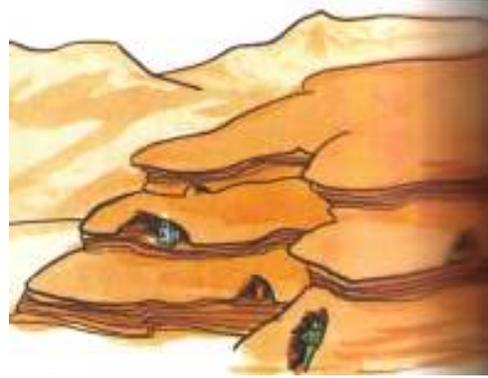
Thursday, 27 March- PERSPECTIVE 3

Daily Perspectives

## FOUND AT LAST!

### Remarkable News: Lot and Family Rescued

**BREAKING NEWS:** Relief at last for Abraham as Lot has been found alive. Lot was instructed to run to into the hills but later ran to the small town of Zoar. That was nearly two days ago when they were last seen. Lot has told Daily Perspective that he was instructed by the angels escape to the hills but he (Lot) told the angel it would take too long and the effects of the destruction would hit his family very quickly. So Lot moved into Zoar. But he did not want to stay on in Zoar because he was afraid. He told us that he had lost his wife He said she looked back at Sodom and was turned into a pillar of salt. Lot is still upset at the loss his wife. So now it has been confirmed that the pillar of salt is Lot's wife, the investigation into the pillar of salt has been closed. Also, our poll about the identity of the pillar has concluded, thanks to all those who participated.



Caves around Lot's Home

Lot is now in the hill country. He is living in the caves with his two daughters. We have brought him some bread and milk. Lot also commented about the incident involving the



Inside The Cave Home of Lot and His Family

angels the night before the destruction of Sodom. He said that the angels approached him at the city gate, so he offered to taken them into his home. That night, all the males in the city came to Lot's door wanting to rape the visitors. Lot suggested that his two daughters go instead. But the males refused. Then the angels warned Lot about the coming destruction of Sodom. He was told to warn and take his wife, two daughters and the men they were engaged to to leave the city. But the men engaged to Lot's daughter have thought it was a joke and also perished in the destruction.

When God destroyed the cities of the valley where Lot lived, he remembered his promise to Abraham and saved Lot from destruction. – Genesis 19:29 (CEV)

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