

# Lot - Too Many Wrong Choices

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## I. Introduction.

## II. Lot and Abraham. (Genesis 13)

A. Both were righteous men. (Genesis 15:6, 2 Peter 2:8)

B. Lot was a man though who made too many wrong decisions.

C. Quite often having a lot of money causes more problems than good.

1. Paul learned the secret of contentment in every circumstance.

2. Strife can be the result of pride. (Proverbs 13:10)

3. It is better to want something you do not have than to have something you do not want.

4. The love of money is the root of all evil. (1 Timothy 6:10)

5. God is no respecter of persons - we reap what we sow so beware of riches. (Jeremiah 7:4)

D. Keep short accounts.

1. The younger is supposed to go to the elder.

2. However, Abraham humbled himself and went to Lot. (Proverbs 22:3)

E. Love.

1. There should be no strife because people are brothers.

2. All it takes to get along is to be brothers. (Psalm 133:1, Acts 20:35)

3. Do unto others as you would have them do to you.

F. Trust God.

1. Abraham trusted that God could provide for him, and he was not afraid of getting the short end of the stick. (Hebrews 11:3, Romans 4:20-21)

2. Abraham did not stagger at the promises of God—it was his lifestyle.

G. Do not make a decision based upon what you see alone.

1. Lot poorly made a decision by his eyes.

2. In Sodom he could see many advantages to living in the city.

3. We need to stick by our convictions not merely the sight of our eyes. (Isaiah 11:3, John 7:24, 1 Samuel 16:7, Proverbs 14:12, Isaiah 53:6, Matthew 7:13-14, Ezekiel 16:49, Proverbs 13:20, Genesis 19)

H. Lot reaped the consequences of his poor decisions.

**Application questions**

1. How is it that someone can be righteous like Lot but still go down the path of destruction? Explain.

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2. Why is judging only by the sight of the eyes so dangerous?

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3. What is the main characteristic that Abraham showed that Lot did not? How can you cultivate this same characteristic in your own life?

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