

Explanations for the destruction of “Sodom” in the Bible outside Genesis

DEUTERONOMY 29.23-25:

like the destruction of Sodom and Gomorrah, Admah and Zeboiim, which YHWH destroyed in his fierce anger-- they and indeed all the nations will wonder, "Why has YHWH done thus to this land? What caused this great display of anger?" They will conclude, "It is because they abandoned the covenant of YHWH, the God of their ancestors, which he made with them when he brought them out of the land of Egypt.

ISAIAH 1.10-11, 16-17

Hear the word of YHWH, you rulers of Sodom! What to me is the multitude of your sacrifices? says YHWH; I have had enough of burnt offerings of rams and the fat of fed beasts; I do not delight in the blood of bulls, or of lambs, or of goats.... Wash yourselves; make yourselves clean; remove the evil of your doings from before my eyes; cease to do evil, learn to do good; seek justice, rescue the oppressed, defend the orphan, plead for the widow.

JEREMIAH 23.14

But in the prophets of Jerusalem I have seen a more shocking thing: they commit adultery and walk in lies; they strengthen the hands of evildoers, so that no one turns from wickedness; all of them have become like Sodom to me, and its inhabitants like Gomorrah.

EZEKIEL 16.46-49

[Jerusalem's] elder sister is Samaria, who lived with her daughters to the north of you; and your younger sister, who lived to the south of you, is Sodom with her daughters. You not only followed their ways, and acted according to their abominations; within a very little time you were more corrupt than they in all your ways. As I live, says Lord GOD, your sister Sodom and her daughters have not done as you and your daughters have done. This was the guilt of your sister Sodom: she and her daughters had pride, excess of food, and prosperous ease, but did not aid the poor and needy.

AMOS 4.1, 11-12

Hear this word, you cows of Bashan who are on Mount Samaria, who oppress the poor, who crush the needy, who say to their husbands, "Bring something to drink!"... I overthrew some of you, as when God overthrew Sodom and Gomorrah, and you were like a brand snatched from the fire; yet you did not return to me, says YHWH. Therefore thus I will do to you, O Israel; because I will do this to you, prepare to meet your God, O Israel!

MATTHEW 10.14-15

If anyone will not welcome you or listen to your words, shake off the dust from your feet as you leave that house or town. Truly I tell you, it will be more tolerable for the land of Sodom and Gomorrah on the day of judgment than for that town.

JUDE 1.7

Sodom and Gomorrah and the surrounding cities, which, in the same manner as they, indulged in porneia and pursued other flesh, serve as an example by undergoing a punishment of eternal fire.

REVELATION 11.8

their dead bodies will lie in the street of the great city that is called in the Spirit, Sodom and Egypt, where also their Lord was crucified.