## Remember, There Is Judgment

"Be happy young man while you are young, and let your heart give you joy in the days of your youth. Follow the ways of your heart and whatever your eyes see, but know that for all these things God will bring you to judgment." (Ecclesiastes 11:9)

There was a man who sat in the restaurant. He ordered a lot of meals and dishes until he filled his table and ate happily and as much as he could. After sometime this waiter came to hand him something. "Sir, this is your bill." The man forgot that at the end of his meal he had to pay everything including the water and the service of the water.

This is the lesson: "Let us remember that at the end of everything we are accountable to what we had taken or done." Every employee in an institution or establishment there is a file of record from the day that he joins; his appointment, his work contract, his qualifications and previous experience certificates. In addition, the file contains his achievements, annual reports and evaluations while he is employed in that company. As well, his shortcoming and any warning letter he received are also included in there. At the end of his service to that company he is accountable for any paper or document present in his file.

In our lives here on earth the eyes of our Lord God watch us. And we are accountable to Him in all our ways. Man and woman as adults, when they open their eyes they see things outwardly beautiful and desirable. They follow something they enjoy, and they enjoy because it is appealing to their sensuality. They are sensual and pleasure lovers because they are in the body of flesh. People enjoy big parties. They love drinking alcoholic beverage up to be staggered. They indulge in food and over-eating. They enjoy cheating and gambling and they honor the evil and perverted ways of corruption and immortality. "They are darkened in their understanding and separated from the life of God because of the ignorance that is in them due to the hardening of their hearts. Having lost all sensitivity, they have given themselves over to sensuality so as to indulge in every kind of impurity, with a continual lust for more." (Ephesians 4:18-19)

The word of God is leading us to look upon an event happened in the past. It was a painful and dreadful event but it is necessary for us to be reminded, to make insight and to relate into our lives. It is about the event in Sodom and Gomorrah. People who were doing evil acts inhabited these two cities. "Now the men of Sodom were wicked and were sinning greatly against the Lord." (Genesis 13:13) They were involved in prostitution and widespread extramarital relationship and homosexuality between man to man and woman to woman. "Then the Lord said, the outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah is so great and their sin so grievous that I will go down and see if what they have done is as bad as outcry that has reached me. If not I will know." (Genesis 18:20-21) So the Lord sent two angels to check Sodom and Gomorrah. But in these cities only Lot and his family were righteous in the sight of God. They were not sharing with the sins of the people of Sodom and Gomorrah. "The two angels arrived at Sodom in the evening, and Lot was sitting in the gateway of the city. When he saw them, he got up to meet them and bowed down with

his face to the ground. 'My Lords,' he said, 'please turn aside to your servant's house. You can wash your feet and spend the night and then go on your way early in the morning.' 'No,' they answered, 'we will spend the night in the square.' But he insisted so strongly that they did go with him and entered his house. He prepared a meal for them baking bread without yeast and they ate. Before they had gone to bed, all the men from every part of the city of Sodom both young and old surrounded the house. They called to Lot, 'where are the men who came to you tonight? Bring them out to us so that we can have sex with them'." (Genesis 19:1-5) Indeed their heavy sinful acts brought judgment to themselves. "Then the Lord rain down burning sulfur on Sodom and Gomorrah from the Lord out of the heavens. Thus He overthrew those cities and the entire plain, including all those living in the cities — and also the vegetation in the land." (Genesis 19:24-15) From this two cities God only saved Lot and his two daughters.

The above event written in the Bible is a well-known story. We all know it and we do really know it. But why we keep on repeating or telling it? Do we learn by repetition? The same previous sin of sexual immorality of man and woman to these days is what we are witnessing. The city where we live now is not better than Sodom and Gomorrah; the widespread prostitution, women imported from far places for that evil purpose, extramarital affairs and marital unfaithfulness, and pornographic pictures and movies available on television screens and internet.

Are we living in Sodom and Gomorrah? We do, and the judgment will soon to come. But the Lord's concern is you! how is your life? Is there any mark of Sodom or Gomorrah in yourself? Do you enjoy staying in that dangerous society? God's judgment may come at any time. Are you aware that your lifestyle may cause you to be thrown into hell with eternal condemnation? "Flee the evil desires of youth, and pursue righteousness, faith, love and peace along with those who call on the Lord out of a pure heart." (1Timothy 2:22)

At this time of your age you need to come to the Lord and do the work of God. The Lord God loves you and He sent His Son Jesus to save you and snatch you from the fire of hell to give you eternal life. You must do something: "to believe in the One He has sent." Jesus died for you on the cross, He paid the prize for all your sin and He rose from the death on the third day to give you eternal life. When you believe in Jesus His love will attract you to Him you will hate doing sin and the Spirit of God will strengthen you and give you self-control to overcome temptation. He will deliver you from the evil one and never to follow the crowd doing wrong again.

My dear and beloved: The Lord Jesus Christ will come again soon to judge the world including you and me. Are you ready to meet Him? This is a warning message, therefore come out from them, commit yourself into the hands of God and pray:

My Prayer: "Father God, I thank You for your word that warned me about my sin. Thank you Lord for You sent your Son Jesus who died for me on the cross to give me eternal life. Forgive me Lord my sins. Today, Lord Jesus, I repent and open my heart to You, come and enter my life. Strengthen me Lord and give me self-control to overcome temptation and to live a pure life. Thank You Lord. This is my prayer in Jesus' name, Amen.