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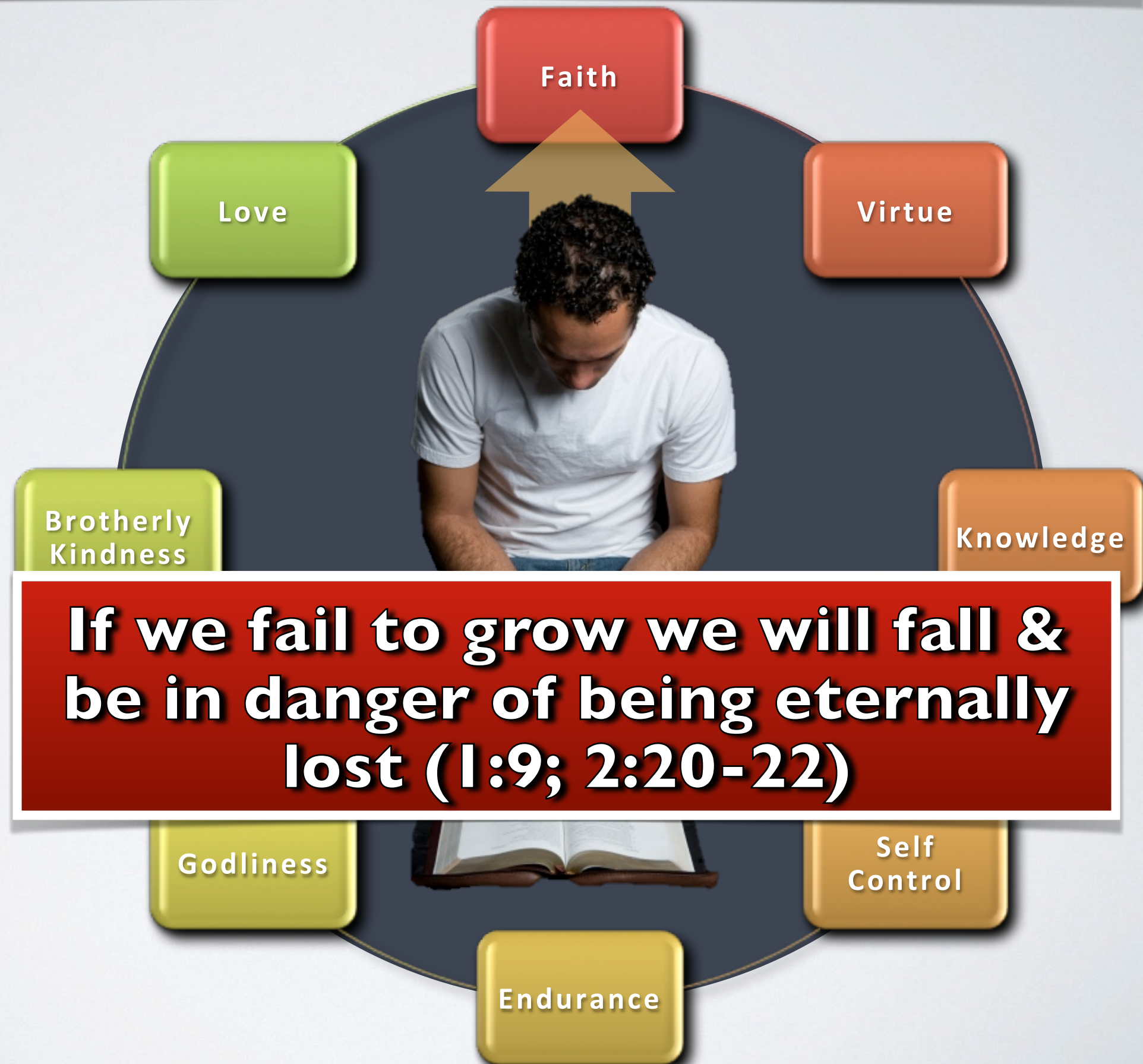
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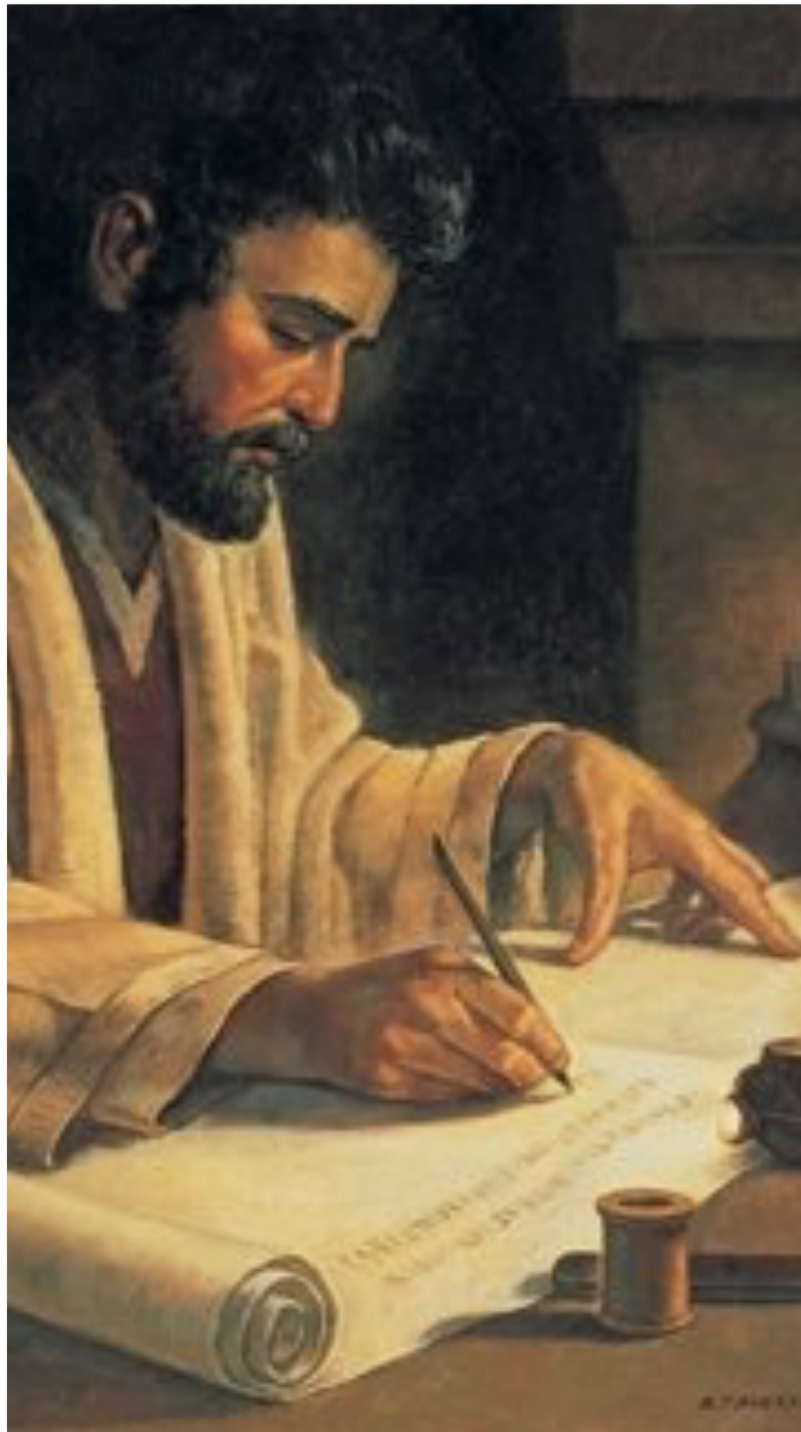
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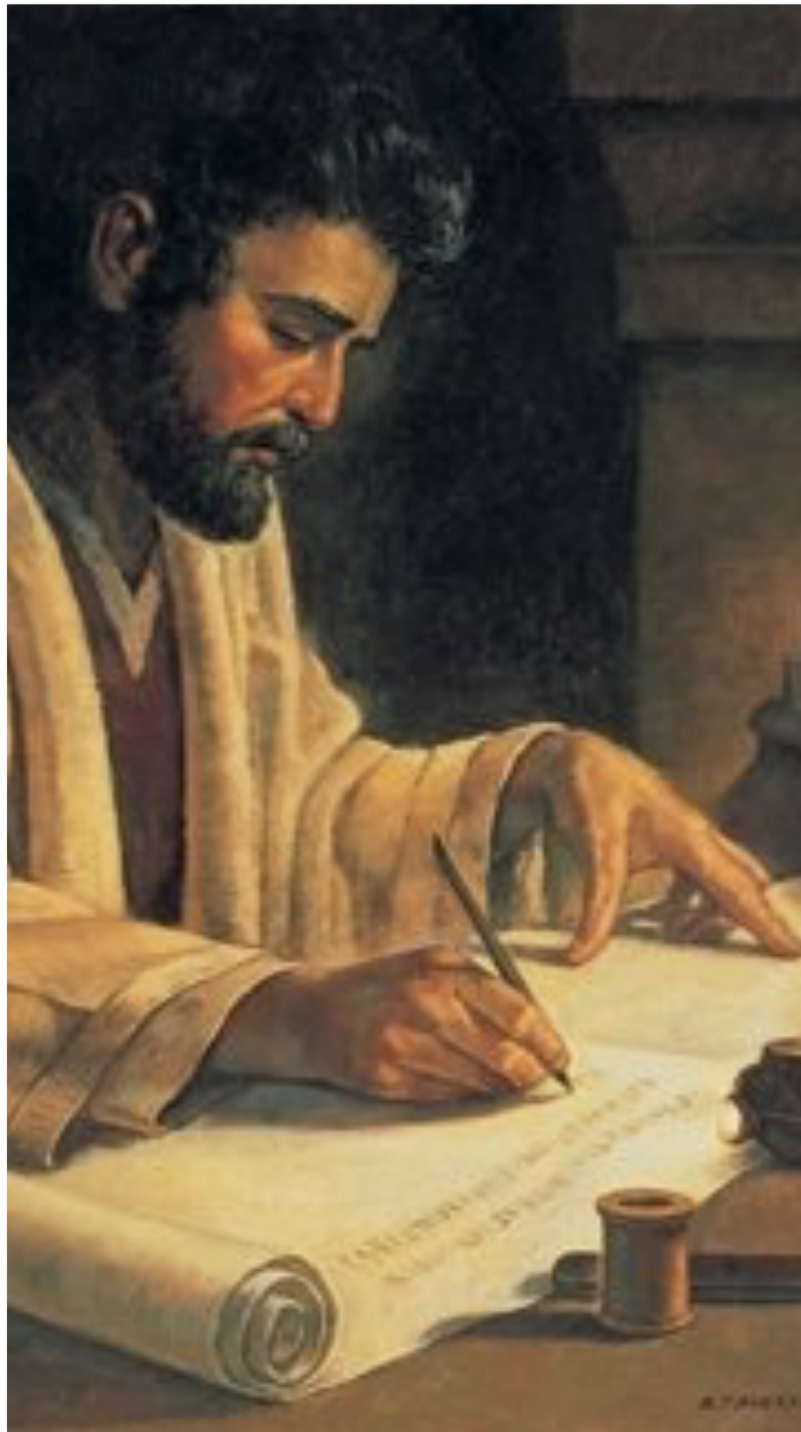
IN OUR LAST LESSON (2:1-3)



- False teachers will exist: **“there were also false prophets among the people”** (2:1)
- False teachers will HAVE ‘SUCCESS’: **“And many will follow their destructive ways”** (2:2)
- False teachers will Be DESTROYED: **“their destruction does not slumber”** (2:3)

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IN THIS LESSON (2:4-11)



✦ The destruction of false teachers is **CERTAIN**

- History gives ample verification that God will judge false teachers and others who sin against Him and His Word.
- Lest, the false teachers and their follows scoff at the strong statements made by Peter, he gives three historical proofs.

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2 Peter 2:4–11 (NKJV)

⁴ For if God did not spare the angels who sinned, but cast *them* down to hell and delivered *them* into chains of darkness, to be reserved for judgment; ⁵ and did not spare the ancient world, but saved Noah, *one of eight people*, a preacher of righteousness, bringing in the flood on the world of the ungodly; ⁶ and turning the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah into ashes, condemned *them* to destruction, making *them* an example to those who afterward would live ungodly; ⁷ and delivered righteous Lot, *who was* oppressed by the filthy conduct of the wicked ⁸ (for that righteous man, dwelling among them, tormented *his* righteous soul from day to day by seeing and hearing *their* lawless deeds)—

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“if God did not spare the angels who sinned” (2:4)

- God has always condemned and punished sin. Therefore, all the examples in the Old Testament are relevant examples for all time (Romans 15:4; 1 Corinthians 10:1-11).
- These angels, including whatever the devil might have originally been, fell into sin because of pride and arrogance (Jude 6; 1 Tim. 3:6).
- Other passages confirm spiritual beings have sinned and will end up lost (Mat 25:41; 1 Cor. 6:3; 2 Cor. 12:7; Gal 1:8; Rev 12:7,9; Heb 2:16).

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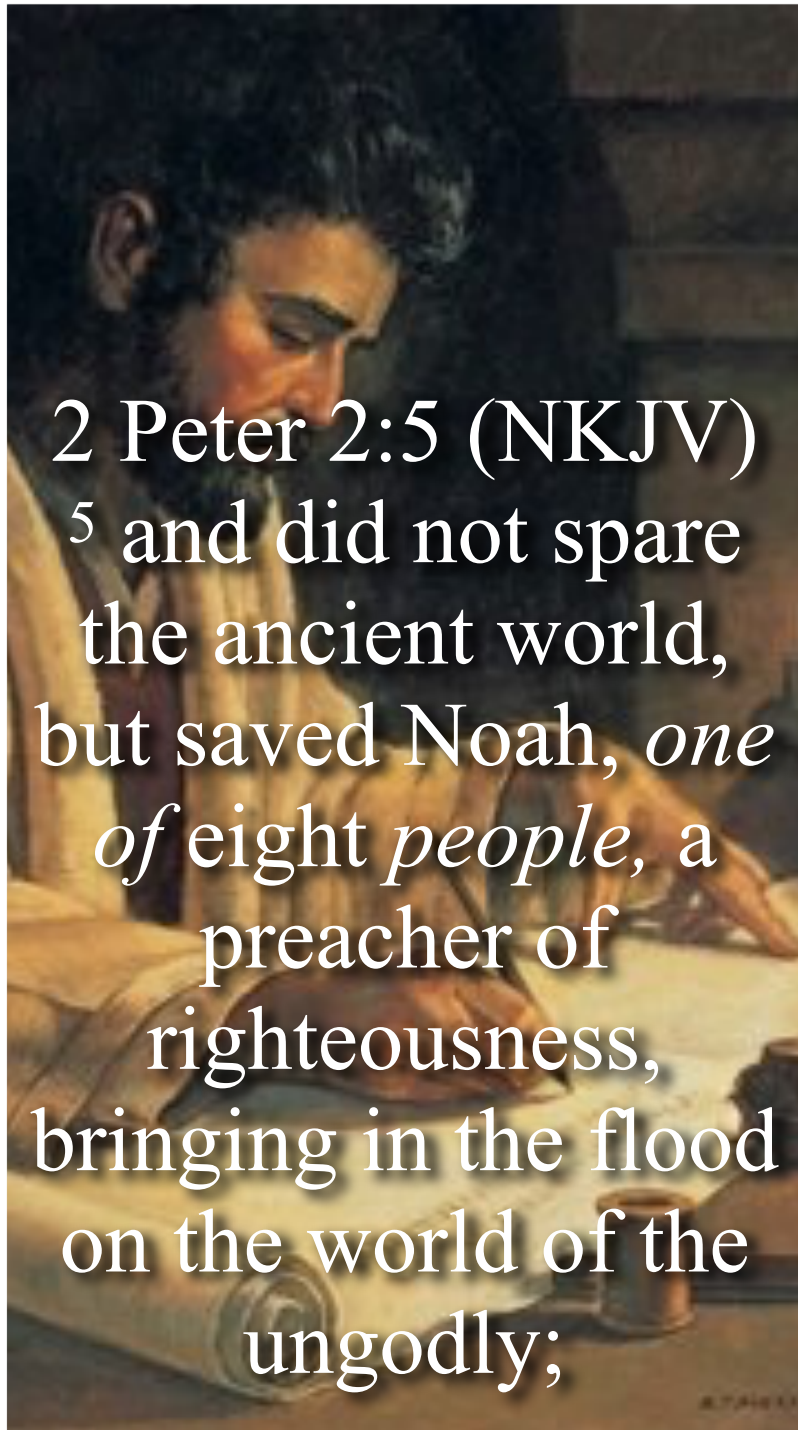
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- God has created all things, both material and immaterial (Colossians 1:16).
- The devil and his angels are created beings, and, since all of God’s creation was originally good, we must conclude that originally they stood in a right relationship with God, and later decided to rebel.
- “Cast them down to hell,” GK., “Tartarus” - in Greek Mythology, the abyss beneath Hades in which fallen immortals are punished.
- Peter uses the word to identify the temporary condition of fallen angels awaiting judgment.

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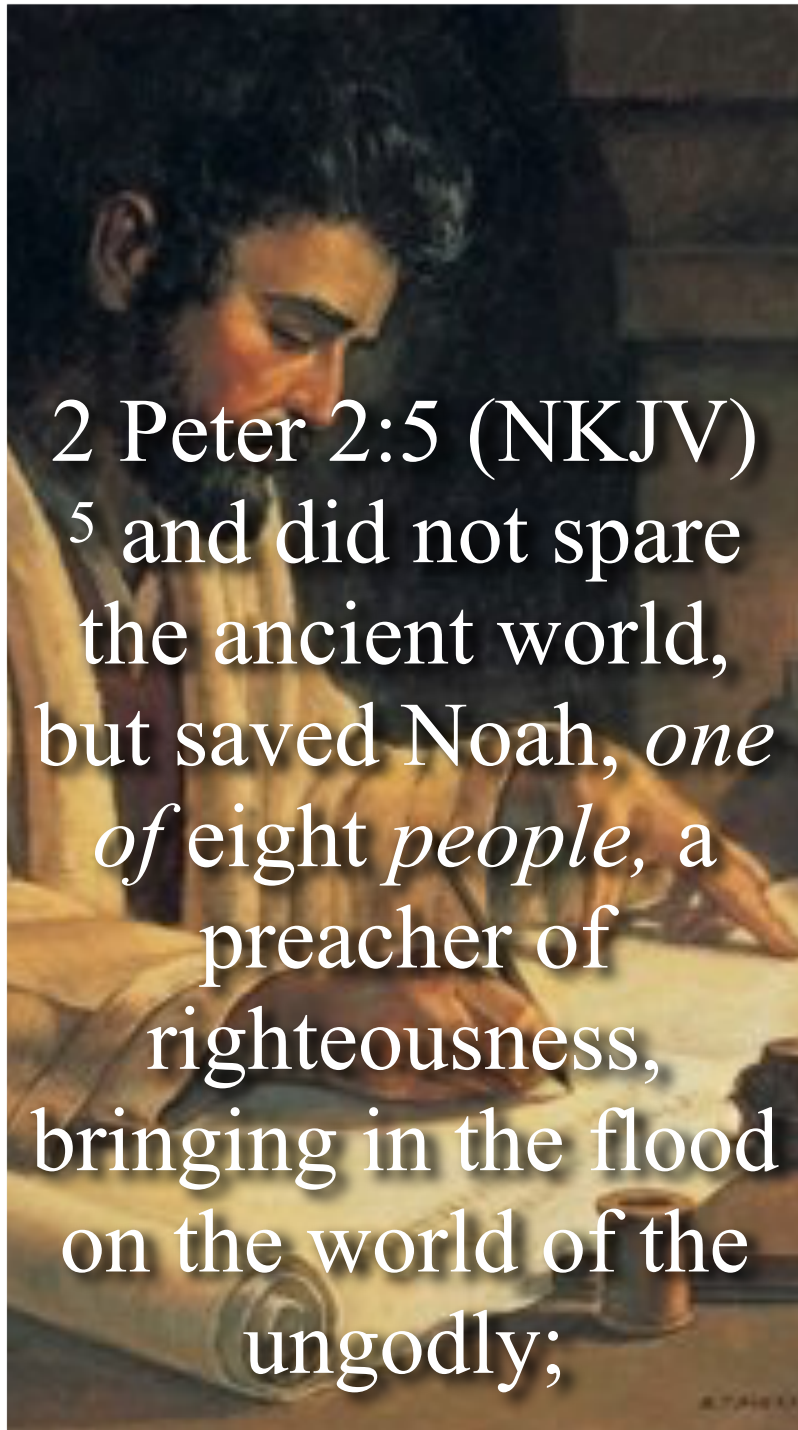


✎ “and did not spare the ancient world” (2:5)

- ‘and did not spare’-The repetition of this phrase (2:4) is an attack upon the false teachers insistence upon ‘grace’ being a reprieve from being justly punished.
- ‘Grace’ didn’t cover the angels, and grace didn’t save Noah’s contemporaries. God did not spare. - Therefore God will not spare the apostate preacher who teaches error and does not repent (Eze. 5:11; 7:4, 9; Jude 14–15)
- Ancient world (3:6; Job 22:15, 16. Mat. 24:37–39. Lu. 17:26, 27. He. 11:7)

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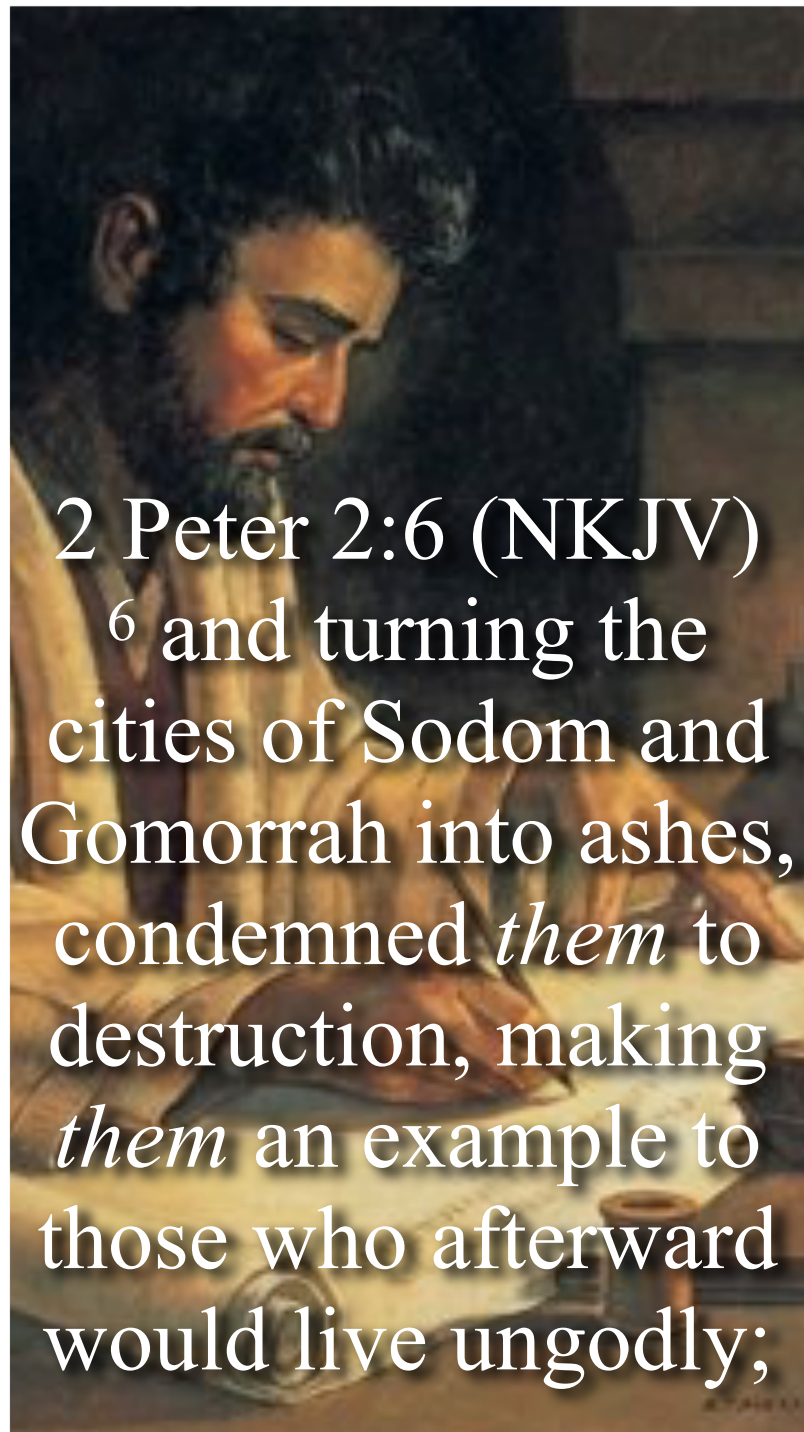
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✎ **“but saved Noah, one of eight people, a preacher of righteousness,” (2:5)**

- Here, against the background of judgment on a rebellious and wicked world we find God’s salvation depicted (1 Pet. 3:20; Heb. 11:7).
- Noah preached the truth, and he was only able to save seven other people! (1 Pet. 3:20)
- The false teachers might have many followers, but the majority has always been on the wrong side of salvation (Deut 28:62; Ex. 23:2; Mat. 7:13-14).

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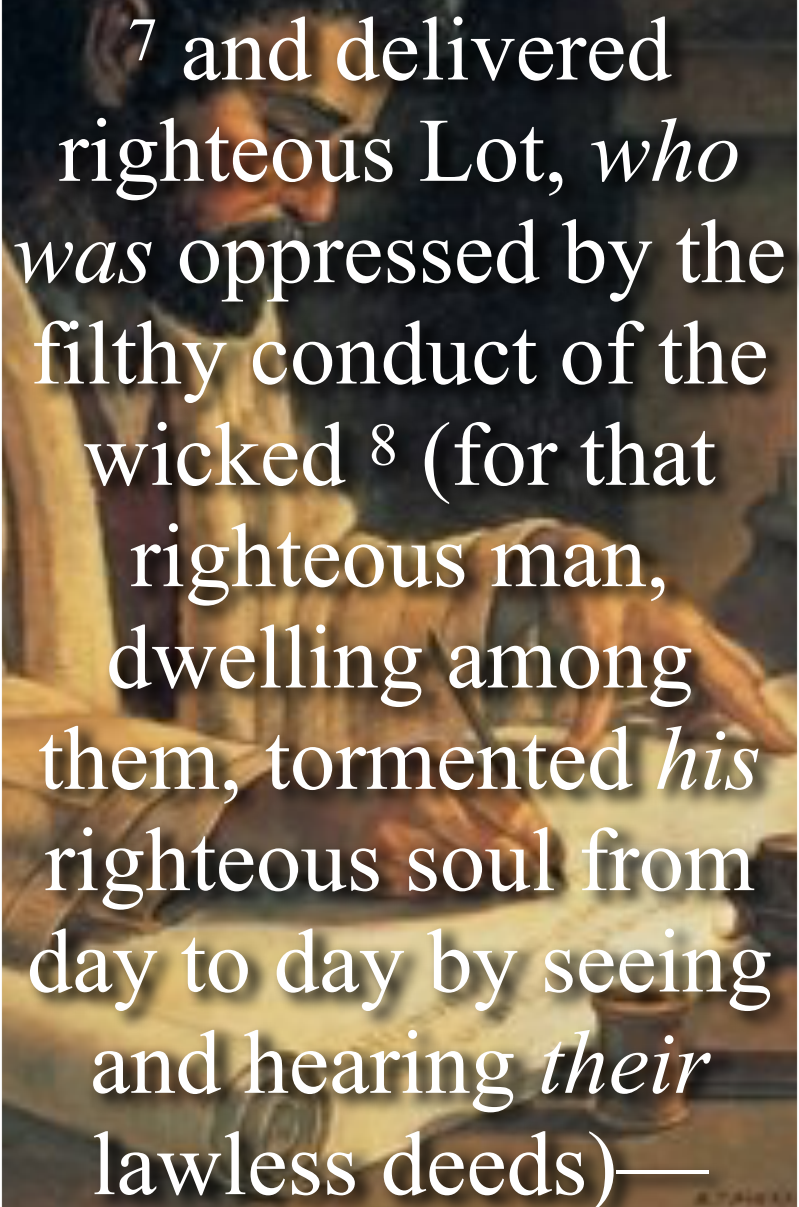
✎ **“and turning the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah into ashes” (2:6)**

- These two cities really existed and was really destroyed was confirmed by other prophets, including Jesus (Gen. 19; Isaiah 1:9-10; Ezek. 16:48-56; Luke 17:28-32).
- “Making them an example ...” - Every example in the Old Testament and New Testament is relevant for our time (Rom. 15:4; 1 Cor. 10:1-11).
- Just as these cities were destroyed by God’s wrath, so will all those who live ungodly in any and every generation. (Jude 7; Rev. 21:8).

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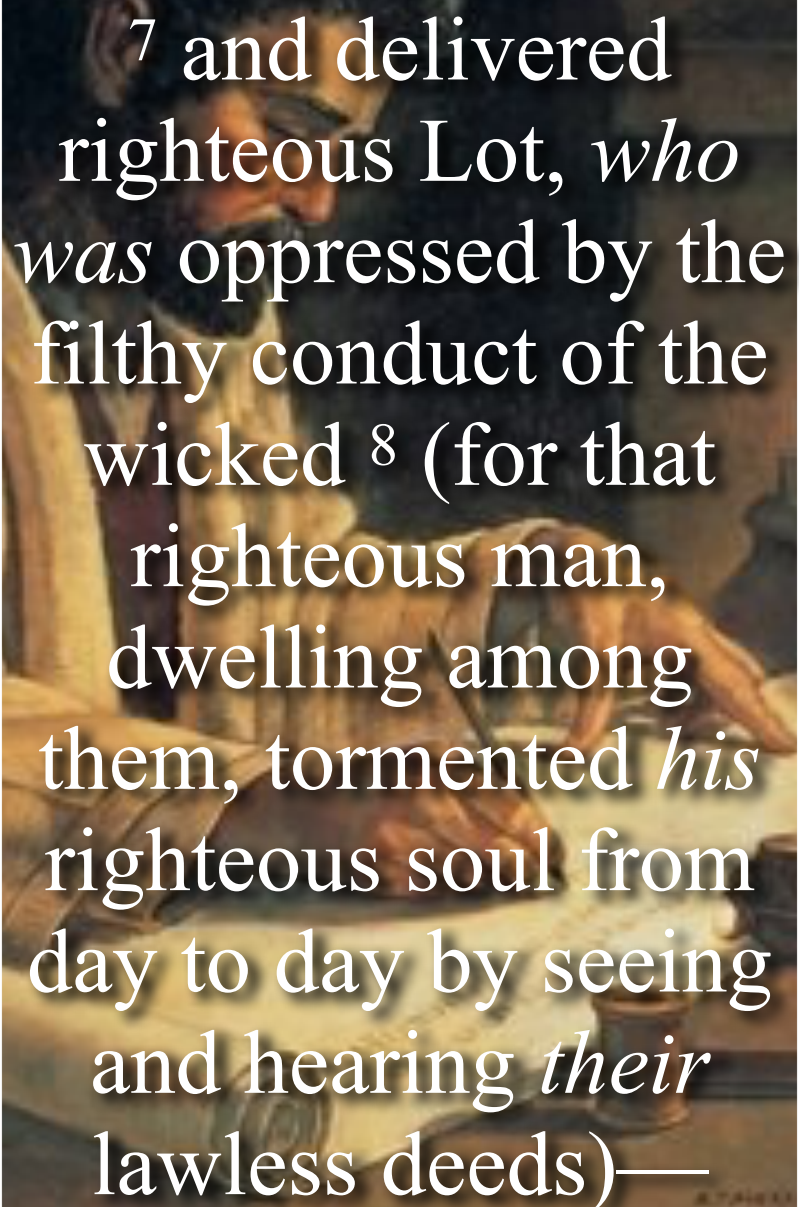
◆ **“and delivered righteous Lot” (2:7,8)**

- Lot made mistakes which made his life much more difficult (Get. 13:8-13)
- Lot tried to do the right thing and his soul was vexed by the evil that surrounded him (2:7,8; Gen. 19:1-7).
- Lot found that he had no positive influence upon those surrounding him they despised him (Gen. 19:7-8).
- He could not save his son-in-laws (19:14).
- He lost his wife - after she was initially saved, she looked back (19:17,26; Luke 17:32)

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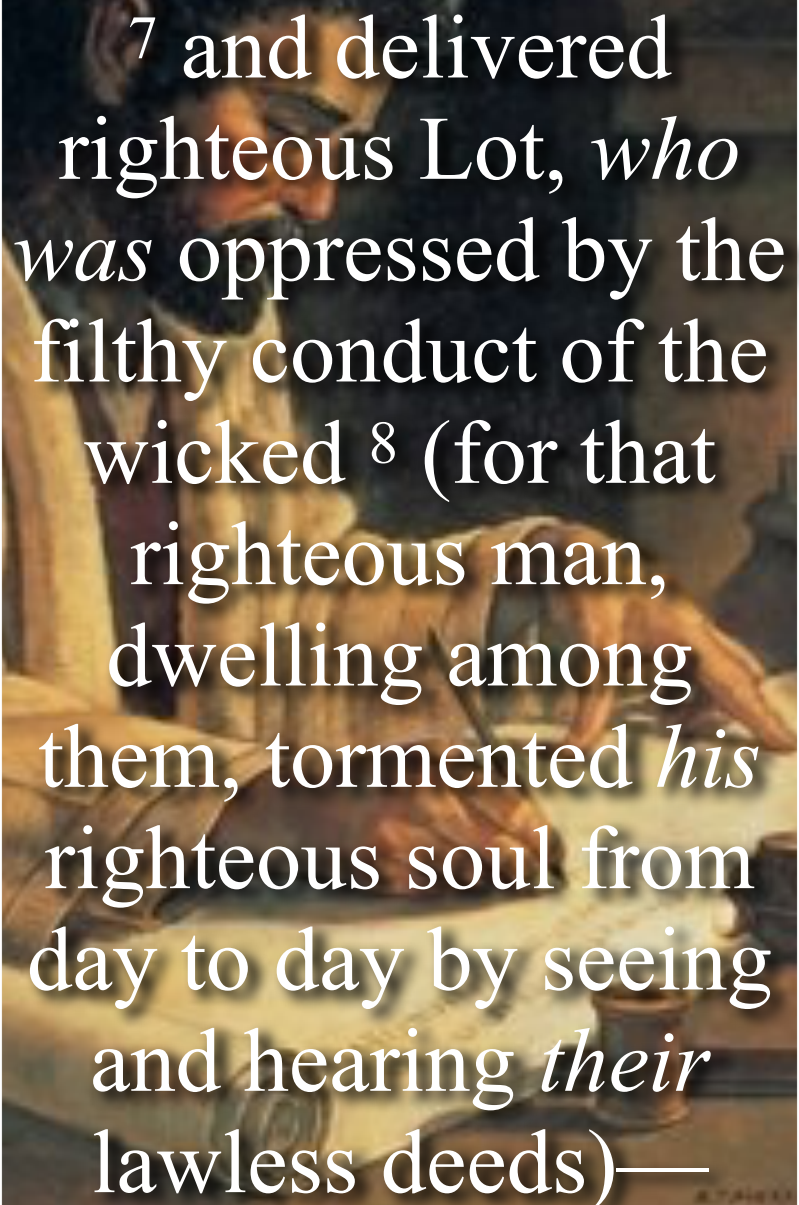
❖ “oppressed by the filthy conduct of the wicked” (2:7,8)

- **Filthy conduct:** ‘unbridled lust, excess, shamelessness’ (Thayer p. 79). ‘absence of restraint, indecency’ (Vine p. 310).
- ‘these indulged in gross immorality and went after strange flesh’ (Jude 7).
- It is clear that the sins of these two cities included homosexuality (Genesis 19:5-7).
- Let us be impressed that homosexual practices didn’t turn the inhabitants into peace-loving and gentle people (Genesis 19:9).

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- HOW DOES A RIGHTEOUS PERSON respond to sin, and in this context, the sin of homosexuality? — A righteous man or woman is tormented, vexed, wearied, and distressed in their soul by such behavior.
- Lot may have lived in this region for about 20 years, but he never allowed such practices to desensitize his conscience and diminish his hatred for sin!
- How can we endorse “filthy conduct,” and claim to be righteous in the sight of God?

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✦ **“the Lord knows how to deliver the godly out of temptations” (2:9)**

- God knows how to save a single individual (Lot) or a few out of millions (Noah and his family) — God knows exactly who is godly and who isn’t (2 Tim. 2:19).
- Christianity is no insurance policy against the trials of life...the examples of Noah and Lot are instructive for showing how God delivers the godfearing — trials must be endured before being delivered (1 Pet. 5:10).
- God preserves us through faith — (1 Pet. 1:5; 1 Cor. 10:13; Heb. 11)

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✦ **“and to reserve the unjust under punishment for the day of judgment,” (2:9)**

- God knows how to deal with the ungodly — punishment is certain and unavoidable (Rom. 1:24,26,28; 2:5-11; Job 21:30; Pr. 16:4; Jude 14, 15).
- Just as the rebellious angels are being held (tērein, “keeps under guard”) for judgment, the same is true for rebellious human beings (cf. 3:7; Luke 16:22b-31; Rev. 20:11-15)

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Jude 9 (NKJV)

⁹ Yet Michael the
archangel, in contending
with the devil, when he
disputed about the body of
Moses, dared not bring
against him a reviling
accusation, but said, “The
Lord rebuke you!”

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HOW CAN WE SPOT A FALSE TEACHER?



◆ If They:

- Minimize the Need for Authority
- Depend on human wisdom
- Minimize the need to OBEY God
- Teach that God's love & grace permits a continuance in sin
- Reject examination

◆ If WE Know & Grow in the Truth! (3:18,19)



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Jeremiah 23:11–20 (NKJV)

¹¹ “For both prophet and priest are profane;
Yes, in My house I have found their
wickedness,” says the Lord. ¹² “Therefore
their way shall be to them Like slippery
ways; In the darkness they shall be driven on
And fall in them; For I will bring disaster on
them, The year of their punishment,” says the
Lord. ¹³ “And I have seen folly in the
prophets of Samaria: They prophesied by
Baal And caused My people Israel to err.