

Remember Lot's Wife...

Message 7: [*I am with you always series*](#)

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"Remember Lot's wife!"

– Luke 17:32

Opening Illustration: A Woman Frozen in Her Tracks

Jesus only said **three words** about her,
but they echo like thunder down through time:

"Remember Lot's wife."

He didn't say,

"Remember David's heart."

"Remember Peter's passion."

Or "Remember Ruth's loyalty."

He said:

"Remember Lot's wife."

Why?

Because her story – as we will see, is a warning.

A woman who was **ALMOST** got saved.

A woman who *almost* made it, yet turned around.

She's not remembered for what she did—but **for what she looked back to.**

And that one look **cost her everything.**

Main Scripture Reading: Luke 17:26–32 (BSB)

*Just as it was in the days of Noah, so also will it be in the days of the Son of Man: People were eating and drinking, marrying and being given in marriage, up to the day Noah entered the ark. Then the flood came and destroyed them all. It was the same in the days of Lot: People were eating and drinking, buying and selling, planting and building. But on the day Lot left Sodom, fire and sulfur rained down from heaven and destroyed them all. It will be just like that on the day the Son of Man is revealed. On that day, let no one on the housetop come down to retrieve his possessions. Likewise, let no one in the field return for anything he has left behind. **Remember Lot's wife!"***

1. She Was Almost Saved

The Story of Lot's Wife

Lot's wife appears in the account of **Genesis 19**, during God's judgment on the cities of **Sodom and Gomorrah**.

Because of Abraham's intercession, God sends two angels to rescue Lot and his family. The angels urge them to flee quickly, saying:

"Escape for your life! Do not look behind you nor stay anywhere in the plain. Escape to the mountains, lest you be destroyed." (Genesis 19:17)

Lot, his wife, and two daughters begin to run. The sun rises. Judgment begins to fall—fire and brimstone rain down.

But then...

"His wife looked back behind him, and she became a pillar of salt." (Genesis 19:26)

She disobeyed the clear instruction.

She looked back—not with grief over sin, but with **longing** for the life she was leaving. In that one glance, her story ends.

Centuries later, Jesus Himself would say:

"Remember Lot's wife." (Luke 17:32)

Not because she was heroic.

But because she **almost escaped**—and didn't.

She stands as a warning to all of us:

We are in the end of days and the Lord's return is imminent so judgment is soon coming, but you cannot move forward in God and keep your heart anchored in the past. In sin!

The Lesson for us - the halfway Believers

Lot's wife wasn't in Sodom when judgment fell.

She wasn't laughing at the warning.

She was **on her way out**.

Angels had taken her hand.

She had divine mercy pulling her forward.

She was almost safe!

But she turned around.

Not with her feet, but with her **heart**.

And she turned into a **pillar of salt**—a statue of warning.

Like some of us—

She **heard the call**, but her heart **was still in Sodom**.

She died in the **in-between place**,

Because she couldn't let go of **what God was judging**.

What do you need to let go of today, and not look back?

2. My Own “Lot’s Wife” Moment: A True Story

While I was at university, the Lord called me to serve Him.

It was radical.

I let go of a girlfriend who I knew would keep me in sin.

I moved forward, I left Sodom and Gomorrah and started toward the promised land.

I used to walk around the campus with a **blue Gideon’s Bible** in my pocket.

I even preached to my neighbor.

But six months later...

I was partying with that same neighbor.

What happened?

I looked back.

I must have been like Lot’s wife.

I forgot the warnings.

I longed for what I had left behind.

And I lost my salvation journey.

By God’s grace, He gave me another chance.

But it took **over 20 years** to return to the Lord.

Don’t waste 20 years.

Don’t die in the middle.

Don’t look back.

3. The Danger of Looking Back

Jesus said:

“No one who puts his hand to the plough and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God.” (Luke 9:62)

We are in a series called “I am with you always” and we can apply this message about Lot’s wife to understand that:

- [When you’re building a wall—like Nehemiah](#)—you can’t keep glancing back at Babylon.
- [When you’re sent—like the messengers with beautiful feet](#)—you can’t turn back mid-mission because your feet are weary.
- [When you’ve laid your foundation](#)—like the wise man—you must keep building, not reminiscing.

Looking back is more than a glance.

It’s a **heart posture**.

Lot’s wife didn’t mourn sin—she **missed it**.

4. Jesus Is Still With You

This entire series flows from this message and great promise of the Lord Jesus:

"Lo, I am with you always...until the end of the age" — Matthew 28:20

And yes, his mercy is new every morning—He can forgive you even **when you've looked back**.

When Peter denied Jesus, He came back and said:

"Feed My sheep."

When Thomas doubted, Jesus showed His scars.

When I lost my way for 20 years—**Jesus still pursued me**.

So if you've looked back...

If you've paused...

If your heart is still lingering in "Sodom"—

Turn back to the Lord.

Hell fire is real.

The danger is serious.

But so is His grace.

5. Warning to the In betweeners

This is a warning to the in betweeners.

Lot's wife didn't die in Sodom.

And she didn't die in Zoar the city of refuge.

She died **in the in-between**.

Some of us are **halfway out of sin** but still flirting with it.

Still lingering in the past.

Still loving the things we're supposed to have left behind.

Don't die in between.

Don't be halfway obedient.

Don't **almost make it**.

6. Choose Forward

Some of you started this journey.

You left your Egypt.

You put your hand to the plough.

You said yes to Jesus.

But something has made you glance back.

A relationship. A lifestyle. A comfort zone. A secret.

Today, Jesus says:

“Remember Lot’s wife.”

But He also says:

“I am with you always...”

That’s your way back.

That’s your hope.

That’s your anchor.

You don’t have to turn into a pillar of salt.

You can become a **pillar in the house of God** (Revelation 3:12).

7. Salvation Prayer

Lot’s wife looked back—and her story ended in judgment. But your story doesn’t have to.

You’re still breathing. You’re still here. That means grace is still reaching.

If you have heard this message and you want to respond to the Lord Jesus, NOW is your day of salvation, then please pray this prayer with me:

“Lord Jesus,

I put my hand to the plough again.

Help me not to look back.

Forgive me for the times I have longed for what You’ve delivered me from.

I want to follow You forward.

Like Nehemiah, I want to keep building.

Like Peter, I want to be restored.

Lord Jesus, I believe you died for my sins and rose again, and you are the one who can give me your Holy Spirit to help me remain in your love.

Thank You for Your mercy.

Thank You that You are still with me—even when I have failed.

Help me to finish this journey strong. From this moment on, I belong to you!

In Jesus’ name,

Amen.”

 **If you prayed that prayer, I’d love to know.**

Write to me. Share your testimony: dwasake@shaweleroad.com

Even now come, Lord Jesus. Maranatha. Amen.