

¹فَجَاءَ الْمَلَكَانِ إِلَى سَدُومَ مَسَاءً، وَكَانَ لُوطٌ جَالِسًا فِي بَابِ سَدُومَ. فَلَمَّا رَأَاهُمَا لُوطٌ قَامَ لِاسْتِقْبَالِهِمَا، وَسَجَدَ بِوَجْهِهِ إِلَى الْأَرْضِ.² وَقَالَ، يَا سَيِّدَيَّ، مِيلًا إِلَى بَيْتِ عَبْدِكُمَا وَبَيْتًا وَأَعْسِلَا أَرْجُلَكُمَا، ثُمَّ تُبْكِرَانِ وَدَهَبَانِ فِي طَرِيقِكُمَا. فَقَالَا، لَا، بَلْ فِي السَّاحَةِ بَيْتٌ.³ قَالَخَ عَلَيْهِمَا جِدًّا، فَمَالًا إِلَيْهِ وَدَخَلَ بَيْتُهُ، فَصَنَعَ لَهُمَا ضِيَافَةً وَخَبَزَ قَطِيرًا فَأَكَلَا.⁴ وَقُلَّمَا اضْطَجَعَا أَحَاطَ بِالْبَيْتِ رَجَالُ الْمَدِينَةِ، رَجَالُ سَدُومَ، مِنْ أَحَدَثِ إِلَى الشَّيْخِ، كُلِّ الشَّعْبِ مِنْ أَقْصَاهَا.⁵ فَتَادُوا لُوطًا وَقَالُوا لَهُ، أَبِنْ الرَّجُلَانِ اللَّذَانِ دَخَلَا إِلَيْكَ اللَّيْلَةَ. أَخْرِجْهُمَا إِلَيْنَا لِنَعْرِفَهُمَا.⁶ فَخَرَجَ إِلَيْهِمْ لُوطٌ إِلَى الْبَابِ وَأَغْلَقَ الْبَابَ وَرَاءَهُ.⁷ وَقَالَ، لَا تَفْعَلُوا شَرًّا يَا إِخْوَتِي. هُوَذَا لِي ابْنَتَانِ لَمْ تَعْرِفَا رَجُلًا. أَخْرِجْهُمَا إِلَيْكُمَا فَافْعَلُوا بِهِمَا كَمَا يَحْسُنُ فِي عُيُونِكُمَا. وَأَمَّا هَذَانِ الرَّجُلَانِ فَلَا تَفْعَلُوا بِهِمَا شَيْئًا لَأَنَّهُمَا قَدْ دَخَلَا تَحْتَ طَلِّ سَقْفِي.⁹ فَقَالُوا، ابْذُ إِلَى هُنَاكَ. ثُمَّ قَالُوا، جَاءَ هَذَا الْإِنْسَانُ لِيَتَعَرَّبَ وَهُوَ يَحْكُمُ حُكْمًا. الْآنَ تَفْعَلُ بِكَ شَرًّا أَكْثَرَ مِنْهُمَا. فَالْحُوا عَلَى لُوطٍ جِدًّا وَتَقَدَّمُوا لِيُكْسِرُوا الْبَابَ،¹⁰ قَمَدَ الرَّجُلَانِ أَيْدِيَهُمَا وَأَدَخَلَا لُوطًا إِلَيْهِمَا إِلَى الْبَيْتِ وَأَغْلَقَا الْبَابَ.¹¹ وَأَمَّا الرَّجَالُ الَّذِينَ عَلَى بَابِ الْبَيْتِ فَصَرَبَاهُم بِالْعَمَى مِنَ الصَّغِيرِ إِلَى الْكَبِيرِ، فَعَجِرُوا عَنْ أَنْ يَجِدُوا الْبَابَ.¹² وَقَالَ الرَّجُلَانِ لِلُّوطِ، مَنْ لَكَ أَيْضًا هَهُنَا. أَصْهَارُكَ وَبَنَاتُكَ وَكُلُّ مَنْ لَكَ فِي الْمَدِينَةِ، أَخْرِجْ مِنَ الْمَكَانِ،¹³ لَأَنَّا مُهْلِكَانِ هَذَا الْمَكَانَ، إِذْ قَدْ عَظُمَ صُرَاغُهُمْ أَمَامَ الرَّبِّ، فَأَرْسَلْنَا الرَّبُّ لِنُهْلِكَهُ.¹⁴ فَخَرَجَ لُوطٌ وَكَلَّمَ أَصْهَارَهُ الْآخِذِينَ بَنَاتِهِ وَقَالَ، قُومُوا اخْرُجُوا مِنْ هَذَا الْمَكَانِ، لِأَنَّ الرَّبَّ مُهْلِكُ الْمَدِينَةِ. فَكَانَ كَمَا رَاحَ فِي أَعْيُنِ أَصْهَارِهِ.¹⁵ وَلَمَّا طَلَعَ الْفَجْرُ كَانَ الْمَلَكَانِ يُعْجِلَانِ لُوطًا قَائِلَيْنِ، فَمَ خُذِ امْرَأَتَكَ وَابْنَتَيْكَ الْمُؤُودَتَيْنِ لِنَلَّا تَهْلِكَ بِأَنْيَمِ الْمَدِينَةِ.¹⁶ وَلَمَّا تَوَاتَى، أَمْسَكَ الرَّجُلَانِ بِيَدِهِ وَبَيَدِ امْرَأَتِهِ وَبَيَدِ ابْنَتَيْهِ لِيَسْفَقَهُ الرَّبُّ عَلَيْهِ وَأَخْرَجَاهُ وَوَضَعَاهُ خَارِجَ الْمَدِينَةِ.¹⁷ وَكَانَ لَمَّا أَخْرَجَاهُمْ إِلَى خَارِجِ أَنَّهُ قَالَ، اهْرُبْ لِحَيَاتِكَ. لَا تَنْظُرْ إِلَى وَرَائِكَ، وَلَا تَقِفْ فِي كُلِّ الدَّائِرَةِ. اهْرُبْ إِلَى الْجَبَلِ لِنَلَّا تَهْلِكَ.¹⁸ فَقَالَ لَهُمَا لُوطٌ، لَا يَا سَيِّدَيَّ. هُوَذَا عَبْدُكَ قَدْ وَجَدَ نِعْمَةً فِي عَيْنَيْكَ، وَعَظُمْتَ لَطْفَكَ الَّذِي صَنَعْتَ إِلَيَّ بِاسْتِقْبَائِي نَفْسِي، وَأَنَا لَا أَقْدِرُ أَنْ أَهْرُبَ إِلَى الْجَبَلِ لَعَلَّ الشَّرَّ يَذْرُؤُنِي فَأَمُوتَ.²⁰ هُوَذَا الْمَدِينَةُ هَذِهِ قَرِيبَةٌ لِلْهَرَبِ إِلَيْهَا وَهِيَ صَغِيرَةٌ. أَهْرُبْ إِلَى

¹And there came two angels to Sodom at even; and Lot sat in the gate of Sodom: and Lot seeing them rose up to meet them; and he bowed himself with his face toward the ground;²And he said, Behold now, my lords, turn in, I pray you, into your servant's house, and tarry all night, and wash your feet, and ye shall rise up early, and go on your ways. And they said, Nay; but we will abide in the street all night.³And he pressed upon them greatly; and they turned in unto him, and entered into his house; and he made them a feast, and did bake unleavened bread, and they did eat.⁴But before they lay down, the men of the city, even the men of Sodom, compassed the house round, both old and young, all the people from every quarter:⁵And they called unto Lot, and said unto him, Where are the men which came in to thee this night? bring them out unto us, that we may know them.⁶And Lot went out at the door unto them, and shut the door after him,⁷And said, I pray you, brethren, do not so wickedly. Behold now, I have two daughters which have not known man; let me, I pray you, bring them out unto you, and do ye to them as is good in your eyes: only unto these men do nothing; for therefore came they under the shadow of my roof.⁹And they said, Stand back. And they said again, This one fellow came in to sojourn, and he will needs be a judge: now will we deal worse with thee, than with them. And they pressed sore upon the man, even Lot, and came near to break the door.¹⁰But the men put forth their hand, and pulled Lot into the house to them, and shut to the door.¹¹And they

هَئَاكَ. أَلَيْسَتْ هِيَ صَغِيرَةً. فَتَحَيَّا تَفْسِي.²¹ فَقَالَ لَهُ، إِنِّي قَدْ رَفَعْتُ وَجْهَكَ فِي هَذَا الْأَمْرِ أَيْضاً، أَنْ لَا أَقْلِبَ الْمَدِينَةَ الَّتِي تَكَلَّمْتُ عَنْهَا.²² أَسْرِعْ أَهْرُبْ إِلَى هَئَاكَ لِأَنِّي لَا أَسْتَطِيعُ أَنْ أَفْعَلَ شَيْئاً حَتَّى تَحِيَّ إِلَى هَئَاكَ. لِذَلِكَ دُعِيَ اسْمُ الْمَدِينَةِ صُوعَرَ.²³ وَإِذْ أَسْرَقَتِ الشَّمْسُ عَلَى الْأَرْضِ دَخَلَ لُوطٌ إِلَى صُوعَرَ،²⁴ فَأَمْطَرَ الرَّبُّ عَلَى سَدُومَ وَعَمُورَةَ كِبْرِيَاءً وَبَاراً مِنْ عِنْدِ الرَّبِّ مِنَ السَّمَاءِ.²⁵ وَقَلَبَ تِلْكَ الْمُدْنَ، وَكُلَّ الدَّائِرَةِ، وَجَمِيعِ سُكَّانِ الْمُدْنِ، وَتَبَاتِ الْأَرْضِ.²⁶ وَتَطَرَّتْ امْرَأَتُهُ مِنْ وَرَائِهِ فَصَارَتْ عَمُودَ مِلْحٍ.²⁷ وَبَكَرَ إِبْرَاهِيمُ فِي الْعَدِ إِلَى الْمَكَانِ الَّذِي وَقَفَ فِيهِ أَمَامَ الرَّبِّ،²⁸ وَتَطَلَّعَ تَحَوَّ سَدُومَ وَعَمُورَةَ، وَتَحَوَّ كُلَّ أَرْضِ الدَّائِرَةِ، وَتَطَرَّ وَإِذَا دُخَانُ الْأَرْضِ يَصْعَدُ كَذَخَانِ الْأَثُونِ.²⁹ وَحَدَّثَ لَمَّا أَجْرَبَ اللَّهُ مُدْنَ الدَّائِرَةِ أَنَّ اللَّهَ ذَكَرَ إِبْرَاهِيمَ، وَأَرْسَلَ لُوطاً مِنْ وَسْطِ الْإِنْعِلَابِ. حِينَ قَلَبَ الْمُدْنَ الَّتِي سَكَنَ فِيهَا لُوطٌ.³⁰ وَصَعِدَ لُوطٌ مِنْ صُوعَرَ وَسَكَنَ فِي الْجَبَلِ، وَابْتَنَاهُ مَعَهُ، لِأَنَّهُ خَافَ أَنْ يَسْكُنَ فِي صُوعَرَ. فَسَكَنَ فِي الْمَعَارَةِ هُوَ وَابْنَاهُ.³¹ وَقَالَتِ الْبِكْرُ لِلصَّغِيرَةِ، أَبُونَا قَدْ سَاحَ، وَلَيْسَ فِي الْأَرْضِ رَجُلٌ لِيَدْخُلَ عَلَيْنَا كَعَادَةِ كُلِّ الْأَرْضِ.³² هَلُمَّ نَسْقِي آبَانَا حَمَراً وَنَصْطَلِجُ مَعَهُ، فَتُحْيِي مِنْ أَيْبِنَا نَسْلاً.³³ فَسَقَتَا آبَاهُمَا حَمَراً فِي تِلْكَ اللَّيْلَةِ، وَدَخَلَتِ الْبِكْرُ وَاصْطَلَجَتْ مَعَ أَبِيهَا، وَلَمْ يَعْلَمْ بِاصْطِلَاجِهَا وَلَا بِقِيَامِهَا.³⁴ وَحَدَّثَ فِي الْعَدِ أَنَّ الْبِكْرَ قَالَتْ لِلصَّغِيرَةِ، إِنِّي قَدْ اصْطَلَجْتُ الْبَارِحَةَ مَعَ أَبِي. نَسْقِيهِ حَمَراً اللَّيْلَةَ أَيْضاً فَادْخُلِي اصْطَلِجِي مَعَهُ، فَتُحْيِي مِنْ أَيْبِنَا نَسْلاً.³⁵ فَسَقَتَا آبَاهُمَا حَمَراً فِي تِلْكَ اللَّيْلَةِ أَيْضاً، وَقَامَتِ الصَّغِيرَةُ وَاصْطَلَجَتْ مَعَهُ، وَلَمْ يَعْلَمْ بِاصْطِلَاجِهَا وَلَا بِقِيَامِهَا،³⁶ فَخَلَّتْ ابْنَتَا لُوطٍ مِنْ أَبِيهِنَّ.³⁷ قَوْلَدَتِ الْبِكْرُ ابْنًا وَدَعَتْ اسْمَهُ مُوَابَ وَهُوَ أَبُو الْمُوَابِيِّينَ إِلَى الْيَوْمِ.³⁸ وَالصَّغِيرَةُ أَيْضاً وَلَدَتْ ابْنًا وَدَعَتْ اسْمَهُ يَنْ عَمِّي وَهُوَ أَبُو يَنْبِي عَمُّونَ إِلَى الْيَوْمِ.

smote the men that were at the door of the house with blindness, both small and great: so that they wearied themselves to find the door.¹² And the men said unto Lot, Hast thou here any besides? son in law, and thy sons, and thy daughters, and whatsoever thou hast in the city, bring them out of this place:¹³ For we will destroy this place, because the cry of them is waxen great before the face of the LORD; and the LORD hath sent us to destroy it.¹⁴ And Lot went out, and spake unto his sons in law, which married his daughters, and said, Up, get you out of this place; for the LORD will destroy this city. But he seemed as one that mocked unto his sons in law.¹⁵ And when the morning arose, then the angels hastened Lot, saying, Arise, take thy wife, and thy two daughters, which are here; lest thou be consumed in the iniquity of the city.¹⁶ And while he lingered, the men laid hold upon his hand, and upon the hand of his wife, and upon the hand of his two daughters; the LORD being merciful unto him: and they brought him forth, and set him without the city.¹⁷ And it came to pass, when they had brought them forth abroad, that he said, Escape for thy life; look not behind thee, neither stay thou in all the plain; escape to the mountain, lest thou be consumed.¹⁸ And Lot said unto them, Oh, not so, my Lord:¹⁹ Behold now, thy servant hath found grace in thy sight, and thou hast magnified thy mercy, which thou hast shewed unto me in saving my life; and I cannot escape to the mountain, lest some evil take me, and I die:²⁰ Behold now, this city is near to flee unto, and it is a little one: Oh, let me

escape thither, (is it not a little one?) and my soul shall live.²¹ And he said unto him, See, I have accepted thee concerning this thing also, that I will not overthrow this city, for the which thou hast spoken.²² Haste thee, escape thither; for I cannot do any thing till thou be come thither. Therefore the name of the city was called Zoar.²³ The sun was risen upon the earth when Lot entered into Zoar.²⁴ Then the LORD rained upon Sodom and upon Gomorrah brimstone and fire from the LORD out of heaven;²⁵ And he overthrew those cities, and all the plain, and all the inhabitants of the cities, and that which grew upon the ground.²⁶ But his wife looked back from behind him, and she became a pillar of salt.²⁷ And Abraham gat up early in the morning to the place where he stood before the LORD:²⁸ And he looked toward Sodom and Gomorrah, and toward all the land of the plain, and beheld, and, lo, the smoke of the country went up as the smoke of a furnace.²⁹ And it came to pass, when God destroyed the cities of the plain, that God remembered Abraham, and sent Lot out of the midst of the overthrow, when he overthrew the cities in the which Lot dwelt.³⁰ And Lot went up out of Zoar, and dwelt in the mountain, and his two daughters with him; for he feared to dwell in Zoar: and he dwelt in a cave, he and his two daughters.³¹ And the firstborn said unto the younger, Our father is old, and there is not a man in the earth to come in unto us after the manner of all the earth:³² Come, let us make our father drink wine, and we will lie with him, that we may preserve seed of our father.³³ And they

made their father drink wine that night: and the firstborn went in, and lay with her father; and he perceived not when she lay down, nor when she arose.³⁴ And it came to pass on the morrow, that the firstborn said unto the younger, Behold, I lay yesternight with my father: let us make him drink wine this night also; and go thou in, and lie with him, that we may preserve seed of our father.³⁵ And they made their father drink wine that night also: and the younger arose, and lay with him; and he perceived not when she lay down, nor when she arose.³⁶ Thus were both the daughters of Lot with child by their father.³⁷ And the firstborn bare a son, and called his name Moab: the same is the father of the Moabites unto this day.³⁸ And the younger, she also bare a son, and called his name Benammi: the same is the father of the children of Ammon unto this day.