

Lesson 4: The Last Days Society

Matthew 24:37-39 NKJV - As the days of Noah were, so also will the coming of the Son of Man be. For as in the days before the flood, they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noah entered the ark, and did not know until the flood came and took them all away, so also will the coming of the Son of Man be.

Luke 17: 26-30 NKJV - As it was in the days of Noah, so it will be also in the days of the Son of Man: They ate, they drank, they married wives, they were given in marriage, until the day that Noah entered the ark, and the flood came and destroyed them all. Likewise as it was also in the days of Lot: They ate, they drank, they bought, they sold, they planted, they built; but on the day that Lot went out of Sodom it rained fire and brimstone from heaven and destroyed them all. Even so will it be in the day when the Son of Man is revealed.

A. The Days of Noah

1. There was sexual immorality that had totally taken over the societies of Noah.
2. In the time of Noah, there was a pervading influence of the unseen spiritual realm that produced a race of giants.

Genesis 6:1-4 CEV - More and more people were born, until finally they spread all over the earth. Some of their daughters were so beautiful that supernatural beings came down and married the ones they wanted. Then the Lord said, "I won't let my life-giving breath remain in anyone forever. No one will live for more than one hundred twenty years." The children of the supernatural beings who had married these women became famous heroes and warriors. They were called Nephilim and lived on the earth at that time and even later.

3. In Noah's day, there was a universal corruption of the thought-life. The thoughts of the people were evil and wicked continually.

Genesis 6:5 AMP - The Lord saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every imagination and intention of all human thinking was only evil continually.

Continually (yome) - from one sunset to the next

4. The days of Noah were characterized by an upsurge in crimes and violence. It was a time of pervasive violence.

5. Another aspect of the Days of Noah was sexual degradation and perversion.

Genesis 6:12 AMP - So God looked upon the world and saw how degenerate, debased and vicious it was, for all humanity had corrupted their way upon the earth and lost their true direction.

Corrupt (shachath) - to run; to destroy; to corrupt morally; to act perversely

This is a total corruption of all relationships that we associate with in the natural realm of the flesh. In the time of Noah, sexual perversion was the fashionable sign of the times.

B. The Days of Lot

1. The society of Lot, just like the society of Noah, was characterized by sexual immorality.

Jude 1:7 AMP - Just as Sodom and Gomorrah and the adjacent cities, since they in the same way as these angels indulged in gross immoral freedom and unnatural vice and sensual perversity. They are exhibited [in plain sight] as an example in undergoing the punishment of everlasting fire.

2. The society of Lot was a self-absorbed society. The people were all about themselves: self pleasure, indulgence, wicked entertainment - that was the order of the day.

2 Peter 2:7-8 AMP - And if He rescued righteous Lot, who was tormented by the immoral conduct of unprincipled *and* ungodly men (for that just man, while living among them, felt his righteous soul tormented day after day by what he saw and heard of their lawless acts).

3. The real problem of the society of Lot was that they were filled with a spirit of pride.

Ezekiel 16:49-50 NKJV - Look, this was the iniquity of your sister Sodom: She and her daughter had pride, fullness of food, and abundance of idleness; neither did she strengthen the hand of the poor and needy. And they were haughty and committed abomination before Me; therefore I took them away as I saw fit.

Pride (gaown) - to turn aside and to claim excellence earned apart from God; a character of arrogance, evil behavior and perverse speech

C. Last Days Society will be Barbaric

Barbaric - savagely cruel; exceedingly brutal; uncivilized

2 Timothy 3:2-4 NKJV - For men will be lovers of themselves, lovers of money, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, unloving, unforgiving, slanderers, without self-control, brutal, despisers of good, traitors, headstrong, haughty, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God.

1. Last Days Society will be characterized by “boasters.”

Boaster (alazon) - a braggart; has contempt for other people; drunk with pride; takes pleasure imparting affliction; signifies a wanderer, a vagabond; one who displays quackery

Boasters are immoral people who have no moral standard. They are without a value system. They are disconnected from moral standards. They are advocates of a new world order characterized by a spirit of lawlessness.

2. Last Days Society will be characterized by pride.

“Pride is inordinate self-esteem or conceit. It is disdainful behavior toward others because of an intimate connection to one self. The love of one’s own excellence.”

~St. Augustine

3. Last Days Society will be characterized by blasphemers.

Blasphemers (blasphemeo) - to slander; to accuse; to speak against; to verbally attack for the purpose of destroying someone's reputation; to be filled with profane, foul, and unclean language

“Obscene words used by politicians has hit an all-time high in recent years. The use of profane expletives by politicians on their social platforms is off the charts.”

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4. Last Days Society will be characterized by disrespect of authority.

Disobedient (apeithes) - unbelieving attitude; unpersuadable; stubborn and willfully disobedient to authority; rude language arising from arrogance

This society will have parents who negotiate with their children, rather than execute the loving hand of discipline and authority.

This breakdown of family is an indicator that the Last Days of the Last Days have arrived.

The Last Days Society are on display in this present age.

Luke 21:28 NKJV - Now when these things begin to happen, look up and lift up your heads, because your redemption draws near.

D. Action Steps to Turn the Tide

1. Stay committed to the morality of the Word of God and watch your heart and mouth at all times.

Psalm 19:14 NKJV - Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in Your sight, O Lord, my strength and my Redeemer.

2. Teach the Word to your children. Shine the Light of Jesus to them to counter the darkness.

Deuteronomy 6:6-7 NKJV - And these words which I command you today shall be in your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, when you walk by the way, when you lie down, and when you rise up.

3. Be careful that the spirit of this age doesn't change your convictions. Stay true to righteousness.

1 Corinthians 16:13 AMP - Be alert and on your guard; stand firm in your faith (your conviction respecting man's relationship to God and divine things, keeping the trust and holy fervor born of faith and a part of it). Act like men and be courageous; grow in strength!