Remember Lot's Wife

Tony Mauck · Luke 17:32

INTRODUCTION

- Lot's wife is a very effective illustration. It was a tragedy. It's a tragedy that I want to recall with you and warn you to heed.
- She looked back and became a pillar of salt. She had been sufficiently warned.
- Jesus was not perpetuating a myth. He treated it as real, not imagined.

1 What You Value Affects Your Attitude and Activity Toward God

- What you value affects your attitude and your activity toward God.
- If you value those things more than God's things, it inevitably affects the way you think and what you do.
- People don't give spiritual things their due because they value something else more.
- The bottom line on Lot's wife is that she loved the world more than she loved God.
- Jesus makes it very clear in the Sermon on the Mount. You cannot serve God and mammon.
- God is not going to confuse any of us with the righteous person sitting next to us. This is about you and your Maker and your Redeemer.

2 Looking Forward Is Preferable to Looking Back

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- The second observation that I want to make in regard to the story is that looking forward is preferable to looking back.
- As she is escaping for her life, she is drawn again to what is behind her.
- What starts well can often revert into a longing for those things that one once left behind.
- It's a choice for the fleeting and temporary versus the abiding. We've got to stay focused on where we're going.
- But what that tells us is we've got to keep looking forward. That's where it is for us.
- If you go back to what you were before, it's filthy back there.

THE CHALLENGE

But we have no way of knowing if it will be today. Is your soul prepared to escape the wrath of God?

MY NOTES