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## Have we forgotten about The story of the people of Lut?

A reminder by Shaykh Abdur Razzaq Al Badr

All the praises belong to Allah the Lord of all that exists, and I bear witness that nothing has the right to be worshipped except for Allah alone without partners, and I bear witness that Muhammad is His slave and His Messengers. May the salat and salaam of Allah be upon him, his family and his companions; as to what follows:

We have listened to the noble verses which contain reports and information of the people whom Lut — peace be upon him — was sent to. And they are a people who committed an immoral act, which no one in the world ever committed before them. This vice is from the most despicable, contemptible vices. And it is from the most heinous, obscene sins. It is a filthy fetid sin, and an obscene, extremely evil, vice. And it is:

### **The men used to practice their lust on other men. (I.e. Homosexuality)**

This heinous act and ugly trait characterized by these people shows a distortion in the mind and a deviation in natural disposition and a transformation into an animalistic lifestyle. Rather it is more despicable than the condition of animals. This is because the people of knowledge have mentioned this action is not even known amongst animals.

It is not known that the male goat has sexual intercourse with another male goat, or the male donkey has sexual intercourse with the male donkey, or the bull has sexual intercourse with the bull, or the male dog has sexual intercourse with another male dog. This is not known amongst livestock or wild animals. This action is only found from a person with a deformed intellect and a deviated human nature, such that he only sees the affairs through his blind desires. His only aspiration is to fulfil his desires even in the most putrid of affairs and the most contemptible, vile and despicable undertakings.

These individuals were punished with a tremendously severe punishment and a terrible torment. Allah the Glorified and Exalted sent to them an Angel, so he made the top of the village the bottom of the village; meaning the entire village was turned upside down. This punishment of turning them upside down was a punishment for them due to their turning their intellects upside down, and the deformation of their souls and the severe deviance they committed. Allah the Glorified and Exalted said:

﴿وَمَا هِيَ مِنَ الظَّالِمِينَ بِبَعِيدٍ﴾ [هود: 83]

And (Allah's punishment) is not far from the wrongdoers.  
(Soorah Hud 11:83)

Also go with us to Soorah Adh-Dhariyat to the statement of Allah the Glorified and Exalted:

﴿فَإِنَّ لِلَّذِينَ ظَلَمُوا ذُنُوبًا مِثْلَ ذُنُوبِ أَصْحَابِهِمْ﴾ [الذاريات: 59]

And verily, for those who do wrong, there is a portion of torment comparable to the evil portion of torment (which came for) their likes (of old)  
(Soorah Adh-Dhariyat 51:59)

Allah the Glorified and Exalted mentioned the reports and news of these individuals and the punishment unleashed upon them so the intellectual will take a lesson from this and the sensible person will reflect. And he will know that this vulgar and despicable act only brings about a miserable life and punishment in this life and the next; similar to what Allah brought upon these people (the people of Lut).

Consequently the person who has been tested with this action is afflicted with various plagues and grave consequences which he will experience in this world before meeting Allah the Glorified and Exalted on the Day of Judgment. The Most Merciful has only mentioned the stories in the Quran so the reasonable person may take heed, and the heedless person may ponder, and the misguided sinner can return to that which is correct, and the one who is spared can praise Allah the Glorified and Exalted.

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