

# Forgotten Sins

(Ezekiel 16:48-49)

- Introduction:
1. One of the most well known stories in the Bible is the destruction of Sodom and Gomorrah (Genesis 18-19).
  2. However, as much as we may know about this Biblical record, there are probably some important things that we have overlooked.
  3. Homosexuality was only one of the reasons Sodom was destroyed - are you aware of the others?
  4. Let's look into these forgotten sins.

## I. The Sin Of Pride

- A. (Proverbs 16:18) "Pride goes before destruction and a haughty spirit before a fall."
- B. Pride runs counter to the spirit of godliness.
- C. (Romans 12:3) "...not to think of ourselves more highly than we ought to think..."
- D. (Matthew 5:3) "Blessed are the poor in spirit..."
- E. (1 Corinthians 5:1-2; James 4:8-9).

## II. The Sin Of Selfishness

- A. Their pride may be connected with their wealth - wealth can easily breed pride.
- B. Every sincere Christian has probably struggled with the question of wealth and benevolence.
- C. (1 Timothy 6:17-19).
- D. (1 Cor. 16:1-2; 2 Cor. 8:1-3).

## III. The Sin Of Idleness

- A. (Matthew 9:37-38) The call was not for a harvest, but for laborers.
- B. Would you characterize yourself as a worker in God's kingdom?
- C. (1 Corinthians 15:58-59).
- D. (Matthew 20:1-16).

- Conclusion:
1. While we previously would never have considered ourselves as being guilty of the sins of Sodom, maybe we need to take a closer look.
  2. Don't allow sins that appear to us as obscure and possibly insignificant to rob us of our eternal reward.