

“OUR GOD IS A CONSUMING FIRE”

Hebrews 12:29

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I. SODOM & GOMORRAH

A. **Genesis 18:20 ff.; 19:12-29**

B. **2nd Peter 2:4-9**

“...an example to those who afterward would live ungodly”

C. **Jude 7**

“...suffering the vengeance of *eternal* fire...”

D. **Mark 6:7-12;** (Matthew 10:11-15; Luke 10:1-12)

“...It will be more tolerable for Sodom and Gomorrah in the day of judgment than for...” those who refuse to repent when faced with the gospel.

II. EGYPT

A. **Exodus 9:13-26**

“...the LORD sent thunder and hail, and *fire darted to the ground*. And the LORD rained hail on the land of Egypt. So there was hail, and *fire* mingled with the hail, so very heavy that there was none like it in all the land of Egypt since it became a nation” (23-24).

B. **Exodus 7:4-5; 10:1-2; 12:12; 18:11**

1. “...the Egyptians shall know that I am the Lord...”

2. “...that you may know that I am the Lord...”

3. “...against all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgment...”

III. NADAB & ABIHU

A. **Leviticus 10:1-3**

“I must be regarded as holy.”

B. Genesis 4:3-5; Matthew 15:7-9; 7:21

Worship is not universally accepted by God.

IV. ISRAELITE COMPLAINERS

A. Numbers 11:1

The grumbling of His people so intensely displeased the Lord that He consumed some of them by fire.

B. 1st Corinthians 10:1-11

This event is referred to in the New Testament, as an example for our admonition.

C. Philippians 2:14

Blamelessness includes refraining from complaining.

V. DAY OF JUDGMENT

A. 2nd Thessalonians 1:7-10

Those who do not obey the gospel will suffer the vengeance of flaming fire eternally.

B. Hebrews 10:26-27

The same fire awaits those who obeyed the gospel but returned to sin.

C. 2nd Peter 3:7-14

Fire will melt all the elements; the heavens and earth we know will be destroyed.