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- **Revelation 11:8:** and their dead bodies will lie in the street of the great city that symbolically is called Sodom and Egypt, where their Lord was crucified.

The the great city, which is fitly compared to Sodom and Egypt embraces the following two:

1. Judea, for at this time it had become a Roman province, and was under Pontius Pilate, a Roman governor, and by his order, Jesus was crucified and put to death by Roman soldiers for a crime that he was not guilty of, for these reasons, the great city, symbolically called Sodom and Egypt refers to Rome.
2. The great city, symbolically called Sodom and Egypt also refers to Jerusalem, since Jesus, while going up to Jerusalem, said to his twelve disciples:
  - See, we are going up to Jerusalem. And the Son of Man will be delivered over to the chief priests and scribes, and they will condemn him to death <sup>19</sup> and deliver him over to the Gentiles to be mocked and flogged and crucified, and he will be raised on the third day. (Matt. 20:17–19)

This means that Jesus trial began in the city of Jerusalem, and the crucifixion was only a small distance outside of its walls and at that time Jerusalem was under Roman jurisdiction, which is why Jerusalem is symbolically called Sodom, because Sodom was a city of sinful humanity and a symbol of the blazing fate that awaits those who remain defiantly unrepentant. Jesus said:

- On the day when Lot went out from Sodom, fire and sulfur rained from heaven and destroyed them all— <sup>30</sup> so will it be on the day when the Son of Man is revealed. <sup>31</sup> On that day, let the one who is on the housetop, with his goods in the house, not come down to take them away, and likewise let the one who is in the field not turn back. <sup>32</sup> Remember Lot's wife. (Luke 17:29–32).

Sodom is a perfect symbolic example of how important it is for people to escape the coming wrath prior to the Return of Jesus in glory. Jesus very specifically used these verses in reference to Jerusalem, when he was warning his people to quickly get out of the city prior to the day when the Son of Man will be revealed, so they like Lot, would escape the wrath of God, as Lot escaped the sulphur and fire raining on Sodom and Gomorrah.

- Then the LORD rained on Sodom and Gomorrah sulfur and fire from the LORD out of heaven. (Gen. 19:24).

**NOTE:** Jerusalem is symbolically likened to Sodom and Egypt, because the chief priests, Pharisees and scribes, heads of Israel were prideful, hypocritical, and plotting to kill Israel's Messiah, the Lord Jesus Christ.

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