

## **The Cost of Compromise**

### **Series: Imperfect Families Being Used for God's Perfect Plan**

*Be very careful, then, how you live—not as unwise but as wise, making the most of every opportunity, because the days are evil. Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the Lord's will is. Ephesians 5:15-17*

*Lot looked around and saw that the whole plain of the Jordan toward Zoar was well watered, like the garden of the Lord, like the land of Egypt. (This was before the Lord destroyed Sodom and Gomorrah.) So Lot chose for himself the whole plain of the Jordan and set out toward the east. The two men parted company: Abram lived in the land of Canaan, while Lot lived among the cities of the plain and pitched his tents near Sodom. Now the people of Sodom were wicked and were sinning greatly against the Lord. Genesis 13:10-13*

### **SPIRITUAL COMPROMISE WILL COST YOU \_\_\_\_\_**

The negotiation tactic is to give up what is of God for what seems good.

*There is a way that appears to be right, but in the end it leads to death. Proverbs 14:12*

What we are in close proximity to is what we allow to influence us and our family.

*Carefully determine what please the Lord. Take no part in the worthless deeds of evil and darkness; instead, expose them. Ephesians 5:10-11*

### **SPIRITUAL COMPROMISE WILL COST US \_\_\_\_\_**

The negotiation tactic is to give up your intentionality for tolerance and comfort.

Genesis 19:1-22

What we are willing to tolerate in our lives and homes is what we will become.

When we tolerate what is evil, then it will cost us our freedom.

### **SPIRITUAL COMPROMISE WILL COST US OUR \_\_\_\_\_**

The negotiation tactic is to give up your future for the here and now.

Genesis 19:22-38

We compromise our future when we fixate on the past.

*No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for service in the kingdom of God. Luke 9:62*

*Do not love the world or anything in the world. If anyone loves the world, love for the Father is not in them. For everything in the world—the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life—comes not from the Father but from the world. The world and its desires pass away, but whoever does the will of God lives forever. 1 John 2:15-17*

*Blessed are all who fear the Lord, who walk in obedience to him. You will eat the fruit of your labor; blessings and prosperity will be yours. Your wife will be like a fruitful vine within your house; your children will be like olive shoots around your table. Yes, this will be the blessing for the man who fears the Lord. May the Lord bless you from Zion; may you see the prosperity of Jerusalem all the days of your life. May you live to see your children's children—peace be on Israel. Psalm 128*

*Now fear the LORD and serve him with all faithfulness. Throw away the gods your ancestors worshiped beyond the Euphrates River and in Egypt, and serve the LORD. But if serving the LORD seems undesirable to you, then choose for yourselves this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your ancestors served beyond the Euphrates, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land you are living. But as for me and my household, we will serve the LORD. Joshua 24:14-15*