<u>Luke 17:20-37</u> "Where is the Kingdom?"

Introduction:

• What were the basic Jewish beliefs about end times in the 1st century?

I. Its initial Presence: (vs.20-21)

- A. What did Jesus mean when He said the kingdom of God is "within you"? (21)
- B. How were the Pharisees wrong about the coming of God's kingdom? (21)

II. Christ's Dramatic Return: (vs.22-25)

- A. What are the "days of the Son of Man"? (22)
- B. Why did Jesus say not to follow those who point us to the 2nd Coming? (24)
- C. What was Jesus' point in saying that His suffering had to come first? (25)

III. Cataclysmic Judgment: (vs.26-30)

- A. What similarity does the time of the flood have to the 2nd Coming? (26-27)
- B. When did judgment fall in these OT accounts? (27-29)
- C. What is the meaning of Christ being "revealed"? (30)

IV. The Inescapable Consequences: (vs.31-37)

- A. Why are people warned not to get their possessions? (31)
- B. What lesson do we learn from Lot's wife? (32)
- C. What life should one not seek to save? (33)
- D. What is the meaning of the proverb or parable in verse 37?

Conclusion:

- Why no reference to the glaring wickedness of Sodom?
- What is the defining sin addressed in this passage?