Don't Look Back: Trust Isn't Always Optional Some moments demand full obedience
No hesitation
No compromise
Just movement

Genesis 19 tells the story of Lot and his family living in the city of Sodom — a place filled with deep corruption and injustice

- 6 God sent angels to warn them of coming judgment
- 1 They were told to flee immediately
- Escape to the mountains
- O Don't look back

That command wasn't just a helpful suggestion — it was divine instruction It carried the weight of heaven's authority

Lot didn't come up with it

His wife wasn't following a mere man's opinion

The command came from God's messengers — angels — who pulled them out of destruction by the hand

But Lot's wife turned back

Maybe she loved the city

Maybe she mourned the people left behind

Maybe her identity was too tied to what God was asking her to leave

But her heart turned before her feet did

And she disobeyed a direct order

In that moment — she became a pillar of salt

She didn't fail because she had emotion

She failed because she acted on emotion instead of instruction Her discipline wasn't strong enough to override her attachments She hadn't trained her heart to move when it was time to move

In military terms — you don't ask for a vote mid-contact
You don't hesitate when your commanding officer says "Move"
You've trained to respond with trust — not delay
That's discipline
That's survival
And in the spiritual realm — that's faith
Lot's wife had received the order
Had begun to obey
But mid-mission, she paused

★ The pause became disobedience

The disobedience became judgment

There are times when God won't give you the full explanation He'll just say:

Go

Now

Don't look back

And your obedience won't be measured by how much you understood

But by how quickly you trusted

✓ Yes — we must challenge wrong authority when it violates what's right

☑ But when the instruction is clear and the mission is righteous — obedience must come swiftly

That's not control — that's structure

That's not fear — that's faith

Lot's wife didn't disobey her husband
She disobeyed heaven
And not out of rebellion — but sentiment
But in the most critical moments of life
Sentiment must submit to obedience
Let's be people who know:

Mhen to speak

When to stand

And when to move without looking back

Because sometimes the window doesn't stay open

And the harvest of discipline comes to those who walk forward while it still matters



## A Word on Discernment

Obedience matters — but so does wisdom

Not every voice that says "God told me" is speaking truth

God's true voice never contradicts Scripture or promotes fear, pride, or control

His voice carries peace, humility, and alignment with His Word

We're commanded to test all things (1 Thess. 5:21) — with Scripture, godly counsel, and the peace of the Spirit

True obedience walks in step with the Good Shepherd — not just any voice that sounds spiritual Activate to view larger image,

