

God's Gonna Get You

Edom's Great **Mistake**

Numbers 20:14-21 (Written about **1407 BC**)

14 And Moses sent messengers from Kadesh unto the king of Edom, Thus saith thy brother Israel, Thou knowest all the travail that hath befallen us:

15 How our fathers went down into Egypt, and we have dwelt in Egypt a long time; and the Egyptians vexed us, and our fathers:

16 And when we cried unto the Lord, he heard our voice, and sent an angel, and hath brought us forth out of Egypt: and, behold, we are in Kadesh, a city in the uttermost of thy border:

17 Let us pass, I pray thee, through thy country: we will not pass through the fields, or through the vineyards, neither will we drink of the water of the wells: we will go by the king's high way, we will not turn to the right hand nor to the left, until we have passed thy borders.

18 And Edom said unto him, **Thou shalt not pass by me, lest I come out against thee with the sword.**

19 And the children of Israel said unto him, We will go by the high way: and if I and my cattle drink of thy water, then I will pay for it: I will only, without doing any thing else, go through on my feet.

20 And he said, **Thou shalt not go through. And Edom came out against him with much people, and with a strong hand.**

21 Thus **Edom refused to give Israel passage through his border:** wherefore Israel turned away from him.

- **God will **Bless** Israel**

Genesis 12:1-3

1 Now the Lord had said unto Abram, Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred, and from thy father's house, unto a land that I will shew thee:

2 And I will make of thee a great nation, and I will bless thee, and make thy name great; and thou shalt be a blessing:

3 And **I will bless them that bless thee, and curse him that curseth thee: and in thee shall all families of the earth be blessed.**

(Genesis 18:18; 22:18; 26:4; 27:29; 28:14; 30:27; Exodus 23:22; Numbers 24:9)

- **Key Verses:**

Obadiah 1:6 How are the things of Esau searched out! how are his hidden things sought up!

Obadiah 1:11 In the day **that thou stoodest on the other side**, in the day that the strangers carried away captive his forces, and foreigners entered into his gates, and cast lots upon Jerusalem, even thou wast as one of them.

- **Author:** *Obadiah* means “**servant** of Jehovah.”
- **Main Theme:** Edom's **destruction**; and Israel's restoration
- **Date Written:** 853-841 BC
- **Main Subject:** The kingdom of **Edom**
- **Number of chapters:** **1**

- Number of Verses: **21**

Around **27 BC** the Roman Empire began and sometime during the early years of the Roman Empire Edom's destruction was completed

Reasons Obadiah should be in the Bible?

Jeremiah:

- Obadiah 1:1-9 is virtually identical to Jeremiah 49:7-22.

Joel:

- Writing a short while later, Joel, like Obadiah, spoke of Edom's violence against Judah (Obadiah 1:10; Joel 3:19).
- Both speak of pagan nations "casting lots" for God's chosen people and city (Obadiah 1:11; Joel 3:3).
- Both speak of pagan nations receiving their just deserts for mistreating Israel (Obadiah 1:15; Joel 3:4, 7)
- Both speak of the "day of the Lord" (Obadiah 1:15; Joel 1:15; 2:1; 3:14).
- Both speak of people on Mount Zion escaping destruction (Obadiah 1:17; Joel 2:32).

Outline

I. The declaration of the prophecy of Edom's **destruction (Obadiah 1:1–9)**

1 The vision of Obadiah. Thus saith the Lord GOD concerning Edom; We have heard a **rumour(report or news)** from the LORD, and an ambassador is sent among the heathen, Arise ye, and let us rise up against her in battle.

A. The **punishment of Edom (Obadiah 1:2)**

2 Behold, I have made thee **small** among the heathen: thou art greatly **despised**.

B. The charges against Edom (Obadiah 1:3-9)

1. They're **Prideful (Obadiah 1:3-4)**

3 The **pride** of thine heart hath **deceived** thee, thou **that dwellest in the clefts of the rock**, whose habitation *is* high; that saith in his heart, Who shall bring me down to the ground?

4 Though thou exalt *thyself* as the **eagle**, and though thou set thy nest among the **stars**, thence will I bring thee down, saith the LORD.

2. They're **Thieves (Obadiah 1:5-6)**

5 If **thieves** came to thee, if **robbers** by night, (how art thou cut off!) would they not have stolen till they had enough? if the **grapegatherers** came to thee, would they not leave *some* grapes?

6 How are *the things* of **Esau** searched out! *how* are his hidden things sought up!

3. They're **liars (Obadiah 1:7)**

7 All the men of thy confederacy have brought thee *even* to the border: the men that were at peace with thee have deceived thee, *and* prevailed against thee; *they that eat* thy bread have laid a wound under thee: ***there is none understanding in him.***

4. God will destroy the **educated** and the **warriors** (Obadiah 1:8-9)

8 Shall I not in that day, saith the LORD, even **destroy the wise *men*** out of Edom, and understanding out of the mount of Esau?

9 And **thy mighty *men***, O Teman, shall be **dismayed(broken)**, to the end that every one of the mount of Esau may be cut off by slaughter.

II. The reason for the **harsh** judgment (Obadiah 1:10-14)

A. Edom **fought** against Judah (Obadiah 1:10)

10 For **thy violence against thy brother** Jacob shame shall cover thee, and thou shalt be cut off for ever.

B. Edom **refused to help** Israel when she was taken captive (Obadiah 1:11-12)

11 In the day that thou **stoodest on the other side**, in the day that the strangers carried away captive his forces, and foreigners entered into his gates, and cast lots upon Jerusalem, **even thou wast as one of them.**

12 But thou shouldest not have **looked on** the day of thy brother in the day that he became a stranger; neither shouldest thou have **rejoiced over the children of Judah** in the day of their destruction; neither shouldest thou have **spoken proudly** in the day of distress.

C. Edom **stole** from Israel after they were captive (Obadiah 1:13)

13 Thou shouldest not have **entered** into the gate of my people in the day of their calamity; yea, thou shouldest **not have looked on their affliction** in the day of their calamity, nor have **laid hands on their substance** in the day of their calamity;

D. Edom turned those who fled to their **enemies** (Obadiah 1:14)

14 Neither shouldest thou have **stood in the crossway(break in on)**, to cut off those of his that did escape; neither shouldest thou have **delivered up those of his that did remain** in the day of distress.

III. Edom's **Fate** (Obadiah 1:15-16)

A. The Day of the **Lord** is near (Obadiah 1:15)

15 For the day of the LORD *is* near upon all the heathen: **as thou hast done**, it shall be done unto thee: **thy reward shall return upon thine own head.**

B. The law of **sowing** and reaping (Obadiah 1:16)

16 For as ye **have drunk upon my holy mountain**, *so* shall all the heathen drink continually, yea, they shall drink, and they shall swallow down, and they shall be as though they had not been.

IV. God takes care of His people (Obadiah 1:17-21)

A. God will **Deliver** her (Obadiah 1:17)

17 But upon **mount Zion** shall be deliverance, and there shall be **holiness**; and the house of Jacob shall **possess their possessions**.

B. God will Empower Israel (Obadiah 1:18-21)

18 And the house of Jacob **shall be a fire**, and the house of Joseph **a flame**, and **the house of Esau for stubble**, and they shall kindle in them, and devour them; and there shall not be *any* remaining of the house of Esau; for **the LORD hath spoken it**.

19 And *they of* the south shall possess the mount of Esau; and *they of* the plain the Philistines: and they shall possess the fields of Ephraim, and the fields of Samaria: and Benjamin *shall possess* Gilead.

20 And the captivity of this host of the children of Israel *shall possess* that of the Canaanites, *even* unto Zarephath; and the captivity of Jerusalem, which *is* in Sepharad, shall possess the cities of the south.

21 And saviours shall come up on mount Zion to judge the mount of Esau; and **the kingdom shall be the LORD'S**.