

THE PROPHECY OF OBADIAH  
(Obadiah 1:1-21)

I. Background

- A. Name means "SERVANT of Yahweh"
- B. Prophecy is of the DOOM of EDOM
  - 1. Descendants of ESAU, twin brother of JACOB/ISRAEL
  - 2. History of CONFLICT with Israel
  - 3. Typify SENSUALITY with no concern for SPIRITUALITY

II. PRONOUNCING the DOOM of Edom (Obad. 1:1-14)

- A. The Lord is STIRRING the nations to WAR against Edom
- B. God made Edom SMALL among the nations and greatly DESPISED
- C. God is JUDGING Edom for ARROGANCE
  - 1. Considered themselves SUPERIOR
  - 2. Considered their position IMPREGNABLE/INVINCIBLE
- D. Their DESTRUCTION would be TOTAL
  - 1. They would be made DESTITUTE
  - 2. All would be SLAUGHTERED or ENSLAVED

3. Their reputation for WISDOM would VANISH
- E. The destruction would be DESERVED for VIOLENCE against their "brother"
1. Edom would be ENSLAVED in SHAME for a while
  2. Edom would become EXTINCT as a PEOPLE

III. PREDICTING the "DAY of the Lord" (Obad. 1:15-21)

- A. It was NEAR
- B. It would bring JUDGMENT on ALL NATIONS
1. Would be DESERVED
  2. Would be THOROUGH
- C. God would PRESERVE and PROTECT a REMNANT
1. Israel would SURVIVE
  2. Israel would PROSPER

IV. Lesson--God is SOVEREIGN; DEFY Him at your PERIL

- A. He AVENGES His PEOPLE
- B. He PROTECTS His REMNANT
- C. He KEEPS His PROMISES