

Why Obadiah?

What can we learn from God's prophecy of Judgement?

The prophecy of Obadiah is written to pronounce judgement against a very specific group of people

Who are these people and what did they do to incur God's judgement?

I. History of the Edomites

- a. From where did the Edomites come?
 - i. Two Nations **Gen. 25: 22-26**
 - ii. Esau sells his birthright **Gen. 25:29-30**
 - iii. Isaac prepares to bless Esau **Gen 27:4**
 - iv. Rebekah and Jacob deceive Isaac and steal Esau's blessing **Gen 27:14-25**
 1. The Blessing of Jacob **Gen. 27:28-29**
 2. The Blessing of Esau **Gen. 27:39-40**
 - v. Esau viewed as unholy **Heb. 12:16-17**
- b. Prophecy concerning the Edomites
 - i. Ps. 137:7, Lam.4:18-22, Ezek. 25:12-14; 35:1-15
- c. What did the Edomites do to provoke God's wrath?
 - i. 848-841 BC- 2 Chr. 21:16-17
 - ii. 586 BC - 2 Kin. 24 and 2. Kin 25
- d. What did God do to the Edomites?
 - i. Mal. 1:3-4
 - ii. Jer. 49:7-22

II. Modern Day Applications

- a. Opposition to the Lord leads to complete destruction
 - i. Ob. 1-9
- b. God will humble those of us who stand idly by and those who are proud.
 - ii. Ob. 10-14
- c. "...and the Kingdom shall be the Lord's"
 - iii. Ob. 21