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## Scriptural References and Comment Notes

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# 11-171-36    OBADIAH: SITTING IN THE SEAT OF THE  
SCORNFUL  
(RSV)

:00-4:20    Opening prayer and historical comments on  
Obadiah, meaning (servant of the Lord). The prophecy  
concerns the Edomites. The land which today is Jordan.

4:20 Obadiah 1-4 Obadiah receives the word from God  
as a vision. A call for the nations to rise up against the  
Edomites. Edom was prideful and the Lord sought to destroy  
her. Teaching on the city of Petra.

7:05 Obadiah 10    The Edomites were descended from  
Esau and the Israelites from Jacob (Israel), and in this passage  
they are being condemned Reference Genesis 36:6-9 Esau and  
Jacob part ways. Teaching

11:00 Obadiah 10-14 The Edomites, who were relatives  
of the Israelites joined the enemies of God, the Babylonians, in  
586 BC to crush the Israelite nation.

Teaching on the contributions of the Jews, for it was God's  
intention to reveal himself through his people.

15:40 Obadiah 17-18 The doctrine of retribution, within  
the sphere of Judgment. Teaching. Reference Isaiah 61:2  
Proclaim the year of the Lord's favor and the day of vengeance

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of our God. Teaching on judgment. Judgment is among other things, the vindication of the holiness of God. Ezekiel 36:22-23 God acts for the sake of his holy name.

19:50 What are the lessons from Obadiah?

1. The Lord hates pride and loves humility. Obadiah 2-4. Reference 1 Peter 5:5-6; James 4:10. God has provided even the ability to create wealth so don't take pride from it Reference Deuteronomy 8:17-18.
2. What about our attitude toward the Jews? The Jews are God's object lesson to the whole earth. Christians are Abraham's offspring and inheritors of the promise – Reference Galatians 3:29

24:30 Genesis 12:3 God will bless all who bless his people.

25:35 Deuteronomy 4:25-28 If his people walk in ways contrary to his will he will scatter them.

27:25 Deuteronomy 28:64-66 The lord will scatter and bring great suffering for disobedience.

29:10 Jeremiah 23:7-8 The Lord mentions that they will again be able to come to the promised land.

31:10 Ezekiel 36:22-28 The Lord will vindicate his holiness through his people. He will put his Spirit in them and they will observe his ordinances.

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34:00 Ezekiel 37:1-14 The Lord will bring his dead and scattered people back to life.

37:40 Romans 11:1-8 God had preserved a remnant.

38:40 Romans 11:25-32 Even though most are enemies of the gospel, God has a fondness for their forefathers. They are the vine and we are the grafted branches. Terry contends that one day God will graft the remnant Jews back into the original vine.

Obad. 1 The vision of Obadiah.

Thus says the Lord GOD concerning Edom: We have heard tidings from the LORD, and a messenger has been sent among the nations: "Rise up! let us rise against her for battle!" 2 Behold, I will make you small among the nations, you shall be utterly despised. 3 The pride of your heart has deceived you, you who live in the clefts of the rock, whose dwelling is high, who say in your heart, "Who will bring me down to the ground?" 4 Though you soar aloft like the eagle, though your nest is set among the stars, thence I will bring you down, says the LORD.

Obad. 10 For the violence done to your brother Jacob, shame shall cover you, and you shall be cut off for ever.

Gen. 36:6 Then Esau took his wives, his sons, his daughters, and all the members of his household, his cattle, all his beasts, and all his property which he had acquired in the land of Canaan; and he went into a land away from his brother Jacob. 7 For their possessions were too great for them to dwell together; the land of their sojournings could not support them because of their cattle. 8 So Esau dwelt in the hill country of Seir; Esau is Edom.

Gen. 36:9 These are the descendants of Esau the father of the Edomites in the hill country of Seir.

Obad. 10 For the violence done to your brother Jacob, shame shall cover you, and you shall be cut off for ever. 11 On the day that you stood aloof, on the day that strangers carried off his wealth, and foreigners entered his gates and cast lots for Jerusalem, you were like one of them. 12 But you should not have gloated over the day of your brother in the day of his misfortune; you should not have rejoiced over the people of Judah in the day of their ruin; you should not have boasted in the day of distress. 13 You should not have entered the gate of my people in the day of his calamity; you should not have gloated over his disaster in the day of his calamity; you should not have looted his goods in the day of his calamity. 14 You should not have stood at the parting of the ways to cut off his fugitives; you should not have delivered up his survivors in the day of distress.

Obad. 17 But in Mount Zion there shall be those that escape, and it shall be

holy; and the house of Jacob shall possess their own possessions. 18 The house of Jacob shall be a fire, and the house of Joseph a flame, and the house of Esau stubble; they shall burn them and consume them, and there shall be no survivor to the house of Esau; for the LORD has spoken.

Is. 61:2 to proclaim the year of the LORD's favor, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all who mourn;

Ezek. 36:22 "Therefore say to the house of Israel, Thus says the Lord GOD: It is not for your sake, O house of Israel, that I am about to act, but for the sake of my holy name, which you have profaned among the nations to which you came. 23 And I will vindicate the holiness of my great name, which has been profaned among the nations, and which you have profaned among them; and the nations will know that I am the LORD, says the Lord GOD, when through you I vindicate my holiness before their eyes.

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1Pet. 5:5 Likewise you that are younger be subject to the elders. Clothe yourselves, all of you, with humility toward one another, for "God opposes the proud, but gives grace to the humble."

1Pet. 5:6 Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, that in due time he may exalt you.

James 4:10 Humble yourselves before the Lord and he will exalt you.

Deut. 8:17 Beware lest you say in your heart, 'My power and the might of my hand have gotten me this wealth.' 18 You shall remember the LORD your God, for it is he who gives you power to get wealth; that he may confirm his covenant which he swore to your fathers, as at this day.

Gal. 3:29 And if you are Christ's, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to promise.

Gen. 12:3 I will bless those who bless you, and him who curses you I will curse; and by you all the families of the earth shall bless themselves.”

Deut. 4:25 “When you beget children and children’s children, and have grown old in the land, if you act corruptly by making a graven image in the form of anything, and by doing what is evil in the sight of the LORD your God, so as to provoke him to anger, 26 I call heaven and earth to witness against you this day, that you will soon utterly perish from the land which you are going over the Jordan to possess; you will not live long upon it, but will be utterly destroyed. 27 And the LORD will scatter you among the peoples, and you will be left few in number among the nations where the LORD will drive you. 28 And there you will serve gods of wood and stone, the work of men’s hands, that neither see, nor hear, nor eat, nor smell.

Deut. 28:64 And the LORD will scatter you among all peoples, from one end of the earth to the other; and there you shall serve other gods, of wood and stone, which neither you nor your fathers have known. 65 And among these nations you shall find no ease, and there shall be no rest for the sole of your foot; but the LORD will give you there a trembling heart, and failing eyes, and a languishing soul; 66 your life shall hang in doubt before you; night and day you shall be in dread, and have no assurance of your life.

Jer. 23:7 “Therefore, behold, the days are coming, says the LORD, when men shall no longer say, ‘As the LORD lives who brought up the people of Israel out of the land of Egypt,’ 8 but ‘As the LORD lives who brought up and led the descendants of the house of Israel out of the north country and out of all the countries where he had driven them.’ Then they shall dwell in their own land.”

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your uncleannesses, and from all your idols I will cleanse you. 26 A new heart I will give you, and a new spirit I will put within you; and I will take out of your flesh the heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh. 27 And I will put my spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes and be careful to observe my ordinances. 28 You shall dwell in the land which I gave to your fathers; and you shall be my people, and I will be your God.

Ezek. 37:1 The hand of the LORD was upon me, and he brought me out by the Spirit of the LORD, and set me down in the midst of the valley; it was full of bones. 2 And he led me round among them; and behold, there were very many upon the valley; and lo, they were very dry. 3 And he said to me, "Son of man, can these bones live?" And I answered, "O Lord GOD, thou knowest." 4 Again he said to me, "Prophecy to these bones, and say to them, O dry bones, hear the word of the LORD. 5 Thus says the Lord GOD to these bones: Behold, I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. 6 And I will lay sinews upon you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the LORD."

Ezek. 37:7 So I prophesied as I was commanded; and as I prophesied, there was a noise, and behold, a rattling; and the bones came together, bone to its bone. 8 And as I looked, there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. 9 Then he said to me, "Prophecy to the breath, prophecy, son of man, and say to the breath, Thus says the Lord GOD: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live." 10 So I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood upon their feet, an exceedingly great host.

Ezek. 37:11 Then he said to me, "Son of man, these bones are the whole house of Israel. Behold, they say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are clean cut off.' 12 Therefore prophecy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord GOD: Behold, I will open your graves, and raise you from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you home into the land of Israel. 13 And you shall know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves, and raise you from your graves, O my people. 14 And I will put my Spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you in your own land; then you shall know that I, the LORD, have spoken, and I have done it, says the LORD."

Rom. 11:1 I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. 2 God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew. Do you not know what the scripture says of Elijah, how he pleads with God against Israel? 3 “Lord, they have killed thy prophets, they have demolished thy altars, and I alone am left, and they seek my life.” 4 But what is God’s reply to him? “I have kept for myself seven thousand men who have not bowed the knee to Baal.” 5 So too at the present time there is a remnant, chosen by grace. 6 But if it is by grace, it is no longer on the basis of works; otherwise grace would no longer be grace. 7 What then? Israel failed to obtain what it sought. The elect obtained it, but the rest were hardened, 8 as it is written,

“God gave them a spirit of stupor, eyes that should not see and ears that should not hear, down to this very day.”

Rom. 11:25 Lest you be wise in your own conceits, I want you to understand this mystery, brethren: a hardening has come upon part of Israel, until the full number of the Gentiles come in, 26 and so all Israel will be saved; as it is written,

“The Deliverer will come from Zion, he will banish ungodliness from Jacob”; 27 “and this will be my covenant with them when I take away their sins.” 28 As regards the gospel they are enemies of God, for your sake; but as regards election they are beloved for the sake of their forefathers. 29 For the gifts and the call of God are irrevocable. 30 Just as you were once disobedient to God but now have received mercy because of their disobedience, 31 so they have now been disobedient in order that by the mercy shown to you they also may receive mercy. 32 For God has consigned all men to disobedience, that he may have mercy upon all.