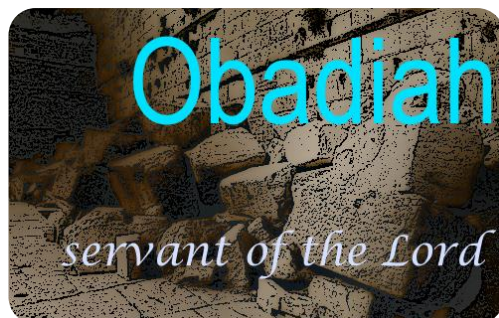


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Jerome says Obadiah was a contemporary of Hosea, Joel and Amos. His name means: **Servant of the Lord**. Perhaps he is the same as the one who oversaw the restoration of the temple under King Josiah, 627bc. Perhaps Jeremiah incorporated some of this prophecy: compare v.5 with Jeremiah 49:9; v.6 with Jeremiah 49:10, v.8 with Jeremiah 49:7. Amos at the end of his prophecy foretold the suppression of **Edom**. The generations of **Esau (Edom)** Jacob's twin brother, are found in Genesis 36:12. **Edomites** later became known as **Idumeans**. King Herod, a roman surrogate at the time of the birth of Jesus was an **Idumean**. This short book may be divided into two parts: the doom of **Edom** due to his violence toward his brother Israel (1-9); and the progression of Edom's crimes leading to his destruction at the end of the time of the Gentiles (10-21). Prophecy in scripture serves a dual purpose; speaking to history long ago, as well as to a future event. Somehow this prophecy still speaks to people north of Judah; be they the last roman global govt that Daniel warned us about; or those doing Rome's bidding in the middle east.



¹ **The vision of Obadiah. Thus says the Lord God concerning **Edom** / descendants of Esau, his name means: **red**; their capital was at Petra, east of the Dead sea; later Eusebius the historian tells us the Idumeans migrated to the region of the Russian Steppes;**

We have heard a report from the Lord, and an ambassador is sent among the nations, Arise, and let us go against **her in battle.**

² **Behold, I will make you insignificant among the nations: you are greatly despised.**

³ **The pride of your heart has deceived you, you who dwell in the clefts of the rock in your lofty dwelling place; who says in your heart, Who will bring me down to the ground?**

⁴ **Though you exalt yourself as an eagle, and you set your nest among the stars, from there I will bring you down, declares the Lord.**

⁵ **If thieves came to you, if robbers by night -- o how you will be ruined! will they not steal until they had enough? if grape pickers came to you, will they not leave some grapes?**

⁶ **O how **Esau** will be ransacked! And his hidden treasures will be found out!**

⁷ **All the men who allied with you have driven you to the border: the men who were at peace with you will deceive you, and prevail against you; those who eat your bread will set a trap for you: he will be unaware.**

⁸ **Will I not on that day, declares the Lord, destroy the wise of **Edom**, and understanding from the mountain of **Esau**?**

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⁹ And your mighty men, O Teman / first grandson of Esau – the subsequent generations, will be dismayed, to the end that every one of the mount of Esau will be cut off by slaughter.

the progression of Edom's crimes against Judah,

¹⁰ For your **violence** / for your **hamas**... against your brother Jacob, you will be covered in shame, and destroyed forever.

¹¹ On that day, you should not have stood *aloof* on the other side, on the day strangers carried off his wealth, and foreigners entered his gates, and cast lots for Jerusalem, you were as one of them.

¹² You should not have gloated over your brother's day, the day of his calamity when he became a stranger; you should not have gloated over the children of Judah in the day of their destruction; you should not have mocked in the day of their distress.

¹³ You should not have entered the gate of My people on the day of their calamity; yes, you should not have looked on their misery on the day of their calamity, nor looted their substance on the day of their calamity;

¹⁴ Nor should you have stood in the intersection, to hinder those who tried to escape; nor should you have betrayed the survivors who remained in the day of distress.

¹⁵ For the day of the Lord is near upon all the nations: as you have done, it will be done to you: your reward will return upon your own head.

¹⁶ For as you drank on My holy mountain, so all the nations will drink continually, yes, they will drink, and they will gulp down, and they will be as if they never existed.

¹⁷ But on Mount Zion there will be a holy deliverance; and the house of Jacob will dispossess those who possessed them.

¹⁸ And the house of Jacob will be a fire, and the house of Joseph a flame / which speaks to Joseph's 2 half-Egyptian sons: who still carry in their generations [all the promises first given to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob](#): Ephraim the great community of nations; and Manasseh the great nation both are at the center of world history, until Messiah comes again,

and the house of **Esau** for stubble, and they will set them ablaze and destroy them; and there will not be any remaining of the house of **Esau**; for the Lord has spoken.



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¹⁹ And they of the Negev / southern Judah will possess the hill country of **Esau**; and those of the low country will possess the **Philistine plain** / along the Mediterranean coast. They will possess the fields of Ephraim and Samaria: and Benjamin will possess Gilead.

²⁰ And the exiles of this host of the children of Israel, who are among the Canaanites, even unto Zarephath; and the exiles of Jerusalem who are in Sepharad, will possess the cities of the Negev / in the south.

²¹ Deliverers will ascend Mount Zion to judge Mount of Esau; but the kingdom will be the Lord's.

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