







Obadiah's central message:

**In all our lives, and in all of history,
the LORD will have
the final word!**

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Obadiah 6 (NLT)

“Every nook and cranny of Edom will be searched and looted.
Every treasure will be found and taken.”

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Obadiah 8-9 (NLT)

“At that time not a single wise person will be left in the whole land
of Edom,” declares the LORD.

“For on the mountains of Edom I will destroy everyone who has
understanding.

The mightiest warriors of Teman will be terrified,
and everyone on the mountains of Edom will be cut down
in the slaughter.”

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At the heart of Edom’s sin: PRIDE

Obadiah 3-4 (NLT)

“You have been deceived by your own pride
because you live in a rock fortress
and make your home high up in the mountains.
‘Who can ever reach us way up here?’ you ask boastfully.
“But even if you soar as high as eagles
and build your nest among the stars,
I will bring you crashing down,” declares the LORD.

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Life lesson #1:

Be alert! Deceptive pride leads to a certain fall!

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Obadiah 11 (NLT)

“When they were invaded, you stood aloof, refusing to help them.
Foreign invaders carried off their wealth and cast lots to divide
up Jerusalem,
but you acted like one of Israel’s enemies.”

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Obadiah 12 (NLT)

“You should not have gloated
when they exiled your relatives to distant lands.

You should not have rejoiced
when the people of Judah suffered such misfortune.

You should not have spoken arrogantly
in that terrible time of trouble.”

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Obadiah 13 (NLT)

“You should not have plundered the land of Israel
when they were suffering such calamity.

You should not have gloated over their destruction
when they were suffering such calamity.

You should not have seized their wealth
when they were suffering such calamity.”

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Obadiah 14 (NLT)

“You should not have stood at the crossroads,
killing those who tried to escape.

You should not have captured the survivors
and handed them over in their terrible time of trouble.”

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Obadiah 10 (NLT)

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Notice Edom’s “beneath-the-surface” mistake!

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Life lesson #2:

Be sober!

When the LORD examines your life, what will he find?

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Part Three: Obadiah 15-21

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Obadiah 15 (NIV)

“The day of the LORD is near for all nations.
As you have done, it will be done to you;
your deeds will return upon your own head.”

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Obadiah 17 (NLT)

“But Jerusalem will become a refuge for those who escape;
it will be a holy place.
And the people of Israel will come back to reclaim their inheritance.”

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Obadiah 21 (NLT)

“Those who have been rescued will go up to Mount Zion in Jerusalem to rule over the mountains of Edom. And the LORD himself will be king!”

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Life lesson #3:

Take heart! There is future hope!






