

OBADIAH.

¹ THE vision of Obadiah.

Thus saith the Lord GOD concerning Edom;
We have heard a rumour from the LORD,
And an ambassador is sent among the heathen,
Arise ye, and let us rise up against her in battle.

² Behold, I have made thee small among the
heathen:

Thou *art* greatly despised.

³ The pride of thine heart hath deceived thee,
Thou that dwellest in the clefts of the rock, whose
habitation *is* high;

That saith in his heart, Who shall bring me down
to the ground?

⁴ Though thou exalt *thyself* as the eagle,
And though *thou* set thy nest among the stars,
Thence will I bring thee down, saith the LORD.

⁵ If thieves came to thee, if robbers by night, (how
art thou cut off!)

Would they not have stolen till they had enough?
If the grape-gatherers came to thee,
Would they not leave *some* grapes?

⁶ How are *the things of* Esau searched out!
How are his hid things sought up!

⁷ All the men of thy confederacy have brought
thee *even* to the border:

The men that were at peace with thee have
deceived thee, *and* prevailed against thee;
They that eat thy bread have laid a wound under
thee:

There is none understanding in him.

- 8 Shall I not in that day, saith the LORD,
Even destroy the wise *men* out of Edom,
And understanding out of the mount of Esau?
9 And thy mighty *men*, O Teman, shall be dis-
mayed,
To the end that every one of the mount of Esau
may be cut off by slaughter.
- 10 For *thy* violence against thy brother Jacob
shame shall cover thee,
And thou shalt be cut off for ever.
11 In the day that thou stoodest on the other side,
In the day that the strangers carried away
captive his forces,
And foreigners entered *into* his gates,
And cast lots upon Jerusalem,
Even thou *wast* as one of them.
12 But thou shouldst not have looked on the day
of thy brother in the day that he became a
stranger;
Neither shouldst thou have rejoiced over the
children of Judah in the day of their
destruction;
Neither shouldst thou have spoken proudly in
the day of distress.
- 13 Thou shouldst not have entered into the gate
of my people in the day of their calamity:
Yea, thou shouldst not have looked on their
affliction in the day of their calamity,
Nor have laid *hands* on their substance in the day
of their calamity;
- 14 Neither shouldst thou have stood in the
crossway, to cut off those of his that did
escape;

Neither shouldst thou have delivered up those
of his that did remain in the day of
distress.

15 For the day of the LORD is near upon all the
heathen:

As thou hast done, it shall be done unto thee;
Thy reward shall return upon thine own head.

16 For as ye have drunk upon my holy mountain,
So shall all the heathen drink continually,
Yea, they shall drink, and they shall swallow
down,
And they shall be as though they had not been.

17 But upon mount Zion shall be deliverance, and
there shall be holiness;
And the house of Jacob shall possess their pos-
sessions.

18 And the house of Jacob shall be a fire,
And the house of Joseph a flame,
And the house of Esau for stubble,
And they shall kindle in them, and devour them;
And there shall not be *any* remaining of the
house of Esau;
For the LORD hath spoken *it*.

19 And *they of* the south shall possess the mount
of Esau;
And *they of* the plain the Philistines:
And they shall possess the fields of Ephraim, and
the fields of Samaria:
And Benjamin *shall possess* Gilead.

20 And the captivity of this host of the children of
Israel *shall possess* that of the Canaanites,
even unto Zarephath;

And the captivity of Jerusalem, which is in
Sepharad,
Shall possess the cities of the south.
²¹ And saviours shall come up on mount Zion to
judge the mount of Esau;
And the kingdom shall be the LORD'S.

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