Obadiah

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1 The vision of Obadiah.
This is what the Lord GOD says concerning
Edom: We have heard a message from the
LORD, and an envoy has been sent among
the nations: “Rise, and let us rise against
her for battle!”
2 “Look, I have made you small among the
nations;
you are deeply despised.
3 The pride of your heart has deceived you,
dweller in the clefts of the rock, whose
home is high, who says in his heart, ‘Who
will bring me down to the ground?’
4 Though you soar like the eagle and 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—how you have been
destroyed!—would they not steal only
enough for themselves?
If grape gatherers came to you, would they
not leave some gleanings?
6 How Esau has been searched out, his hidden
treasures sought out!
7 All your allies have driven you to the border.
Those at peace with you have deceived you
and prevailed against you.

Those who eat your bread have set a trap
beneath you.
There is no understanding in him.
8 On that day," declares the LORD, "will I not
destroy the wise from Edom and
understanding from Mount Esau?
9 Your warriors will be terrified, Teman, so that
everyone on Mount Esau may be cut off
by slaughter.
10 Because of violence against your brother
Jacob, shame will cover you, and you will
be cut off forever.
11 On the day you stood aloof, on the day
strangers carried away his wealth and
foreigners entered his gates and cast lots
for Jerusalem, you too were like one of
them.
12 Do not gloat over your brother's day, the day
of his misfortune.
Do not rejoice over the people of Judah on
the day of their destruction, and do not
boast on the day of distress.
13 Do not enter the gate of my people on the day
of their calamity.
Do not gloat, you too, over his disaster on
the day of his calamity, and do not reach
for his wealth on the day of his calamity.
14 Do not stand at the crossroads to cut off his
fugitives, and do not hand over his
survivors on 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 deeds will come back upon your own
head.
16 For just as you drank on my holy mountain,
all the nations will drink continually.
They will drink and swallow, and be as
though they had never existed.
17 But on Mount Zion there will be deliverance,
and it will be holy.
The house of Jacob will possess their
possessions.
18 The house of Jacob will be a fire, the house of
Joseph a flame, and the house of Esau
stubble.
They will set them ablaze and consume
them, and no survivor will remain of the
house of Esau, for the LORD has spoken.
19 Those of the Negev will possess Mount Esau,
and those of the Shephelah the Philistines.
They will possess the fields of Ephraim and
the fields of Samaria, and Benjamin will
possess Gilead.
20 The exiles of this host of the people of Israel
will possess the land of the Canaanites as
far as Zarephath, and the exiles of
Jerusalem who are in Sepharad will
possess the cities of the Negev.
21 Deliverers will go up on Mount Zion to judge
Mount Esau, and the kingdom will belong
to the LORD.”

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