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No Place for the Proud

Lesson 10 • Obadiah 19-21

Obadiah: Hope for the Humble and Warnings for the Proud				
EDOM'S DAY of DOOM <i>Obadiah 1-9</i>	JUDAH'S DAY of DISCIPLINE <i>Obadiah 10-14</i>	LORD'S DAY of DESTINY <i>Obadiah 15-21</i>		
		Promise Keeping on the Day of the Lord (15)	Reaping Promises of Eternal Judgment (15-18)	Reaping Promises of Eternal Kingdom (19-21)
WARNING for the PROUD <i>Pride Goes Before a Fall!</i>	WARNING for the PROUD <i>You Are Your Brother's Keeper!</i>	WARNING for the PROUD <i>Payday for the Proud!</i>	WARNING for the PROUD <i>You Reap What You Sow!</i>	WARNING for the PROUD <i>No Place for the Proud!!</i>
HOPE for the HUMBLE <i>Seek Humility!</i>	HOPE for the HUMBLE <i>Serve Others!</i>	HOPE for the HUMBLE <i>Stay Hopeful!</i>	HOPE for the HUMBLE <i>Sow Spiritually!</i>	HOPE for the HUMBLE <i>Stay Humbled!</i>

Why is the prophecy of Obadiah addressed to “O Bad Edom” but delivered to the People of Judah and Israel?

*Because the Lord GOD is graciously revealing before the coming Day of the LORD
a warning to the proud, while giving hope to the humbled!*

What is the warning and the hope?

*Whether you drink God's cup of wrath with the proud or feast at the King's table with the humbled on the Day of the LORD
depends on what you sow in this life.*

So sow to the Spirit to reap from the Spirit eternal life!

Humble yourself before the Father and kiss the Son to keep in step with the Spirit!

*The better descendent of Jacob is the Lord Jesus Christ who like Joseph kept the covenant as the faithful Suffering Servant of Yahweh,
was humiliated on the Cross for our sins, and was exalted in the resurrection as our Sovereign Savior!*

A Final Warning to the Proud and a Final Hope for the Humbled

*There's **NO PLACE** for the proud in My coming kingdom but the humbled will **POSSESS** their possessions
on the DAY of the LORD!*

God's proud enemies will be **totally conquered** and God's humbled people will **literally claim** their inheritance! (vv. 17, 19-21)

REMEMBER the TIMING of the DAY of the LORD? *Night of Judgment then a Day of Salvation!* (vv. 18-19)

REMEMBER the RESULT of the DAY of the LORD? *A Day of Glorious Fulfillment!* (vv. 19-21)

1) The **KINGDOM** of God will be the LORD's!

- There will be **salvation!** (vv. 17, 21a; see Revelation 19)
- There will be **holiness!** (vv. 17, 21b; see Revelation 20)
- There will be **possession!** (vv. 17, 19-21; see Revelation 20; 21-22)

2) All of God's promises to Abraham and his seed will be **LITERALLY FULFILLED** and then some!

Genesis 12:1-4 *The 3-fold promise of **LAND, SEED, and BLESSING** the **NATIONS**: God's **PLACE** with God's **PEOPLE** in God's **PRESENCE**!*

Gen 13:14-18 *ABRAHAM again & the LORD promises again: **LAND, SEED, and BLESSING** the **NATIONS**!*

Gen 26:4 *ISAAC & the LORD promises again: **LAND, SEED, and BLESSING** the **NATIONS**!*

Gen 28:13-14 *JACOB & the LORD promises again: **LAND, SEED, and BLESSING** the **NATIONS**!*

SEE CHART: *Three Major Views of the Second Coming and Kingdom Fulfillment – Revelation 20*

1. Warning for the Proud: **NO PLACE for the Proud in God's Kingdom!** Obadiah 19-20

- The proud Gentiles nations will be **DISPOSSESSED!** (v. 19)

No Place Left for the Proud...

- ☑ On the **MAP**: Every direction geographically!

- **SOUTH**: The people of the “Negev” will possess the Mountain of Esau! (v. 19a)
- **WEST**: The people of the “Shephelah” will possess the Philistine coastal plains! (v. 19b)
- **NORTH**: The people will possess Ephraim and Samaria! (v. 19c)
- **EAST**: The people of Benjamin will possess Gilead across the Jordan! (v. 19d)
- **HOST** of **EXILES** of Israel among the Canaanites as far as Zarephath and the exiles of Jerusalem who are in Sepharad will possess the cities of the Negev! (v. 20)

- ☑ In the **LAND**: Every description topographically!

Bottomline: God **RESISTS** the proud! James 4:6

2. Hope for the Humbled: **STAY Humbled to Possess His Kingdom!** Obadiah 21

*The ultimate Promise Keeper keeps His promises...**LITERALLY!***

- The humbled nation of Israel will return to **POSSESS** the Promised Land! (v. 20)

Places Reserved for the Humbled Exiles of...

- ☑ **ISRAEL** in the north! (“House of Jacob”, v. 17; “House of Joseph”, v. 18; “Ephraim and the territory of Samaria”, v. 19)

- Northern Israel was exiled by Assyria (722 BC) due to the sins of King Jeroboam (= Jerk-a-boam!). 2Kings 17:6-23; 18:12

- ☑ **JUDAH** in the south! (“Negev”, vv. 19, 20; “Benjamin”, v. 19; “exiles of Jerusalem”, v. 20)

- Southern Judah was exiled by Babylon (586 BC) due to the sins of the Davidic Kings. 2Kings 23:25-27; 24:1-4, 8-16

- The Kingdom will be the **LORD’S!** (v. 21)

There Is Coming a...

- ☑ Literal **judgment** for proud sinners!

- ☑ Literal **deliverance** for the humbled believers!

- ☑ Literal **King** for a literal **Kingdom!**

*“For it will be a unique day which is known to the LORD,
neither day nor night, but it will come about that at evening time there will be light...
And the LORD will be king over all the earth;
in that day the LORD will be the only one, and His name the only one.”
Zechariah 14:7, 9*

Bottomline: God gives **GRACE** to the humble! James 4:6, 10

So humble yourselves in the sight of God and His Son, the Lord Jesus Christ...

SEEK HUMILITY because ***pride goes before a fall!***

SERVE OTHERS because ***you are your brother’s keeper!***

STAY HOPEFUL because ***there’s coming a payday for the proud!***

SOW SPIRITUALLY because ***you will reap what you sow!***

STAY HUMBLD because ***there is no place for the proud in God’s Kingdom!***

...and our Triune God will lift you up on the Day of the LORD!

Three Major Views of the Second Coming and Kingdom Fulfillment – Revelation 20

Post-Millennial Coming Kingdom on Earth > Christ > New Creation	A-Millennial Coming Kingdom in Heaven > Christ > New Creation	Pre-Millennial Coming Christ > Kingdom on Earth > New Creation
Christ comes after the Kingdom has already been established on the earth through the victorious gospel mission of the Church.	The kingdom has already come spiritually in heaven and on earth in the Church, who also suffers great tribulation until Christ comes again even though Satan is already bound spiritually.	Christ comes before the Kingdom comes and will establish a literal kingdom for 1,000 years that fulfills all the promises to Israel as a nation while Satan is literally bound. There can still be a Now-Not Yet aspect where the King rules in heaven now but the Kingdom has not yet come on earth.
Church Replaces Israel Church is now Israel which can also lead to literally “ <i>possessing</i> ” God’s promises by conquering this world.	Church Replaces Israel Christ and His Church are the true Israel , so the promises to Israel are being spiritually fulfilled now but one day they will be fulfilled globally in the New Creation.	Church Does NOT Replace Israel Christ can still be considered true Israel , but the NT Church is a mystery not revealed in the OT. Israel as a nation is partially hardened until Christ comes again, when they will repent, regathered, reunited, return, and restored as a nation to rule over the nations in the kingdom.
A Tempting Weakness Can easily lead to attempting to set up the Church as a political kingdom here on earth.	A Tempting Weakness Can easily lead to anti-Semitism due to permanently setting aside the nation of Israel and replacing it with the Church.	A Tempting Weakness Can easily lead to prioritizing curiosity over Christ, setting dates over exalting Christ, and escaping this world over enduring to the end. Nevertheless , this view offers the most consistent approach to interpreting both the OT & NT with the most literal fulfillment of the OT prophecies in Christ.