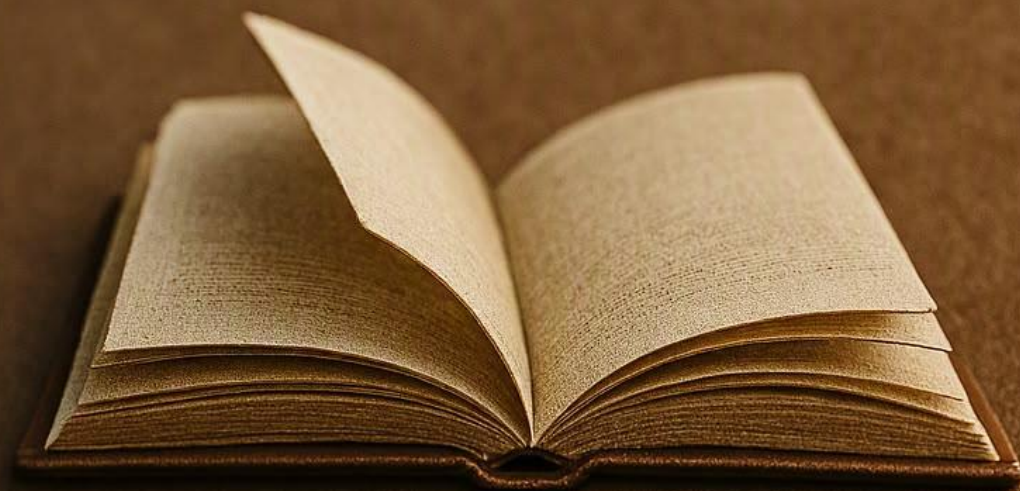




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What is a prophet?

- Greek word *prophetes*:
 - One who speaks truth to others
 - Advocate
 - Seer
- They received specific revelation directly from God
- They spoke or wrote that revealed Word to the people
- They build the foundation of God's household (Ephesians 2:20)

FUN FACTS:

- The phrase “the word of Yahweh” or “the word of the Lord” appears over 240 times in the Old Testament, and over 220 times are in relation to a prophet.
- Around 48 named prophets are mentioned in the Bible, including around 16 women.
- Numerous others prophesied, such as the 70 elders of Israel (Numbers 11:25) and the 100 prophets rescued by Obadiah (1 Kings 18:4).
- The first named prophet in the Bible is Abraham in Genesis 20:7.

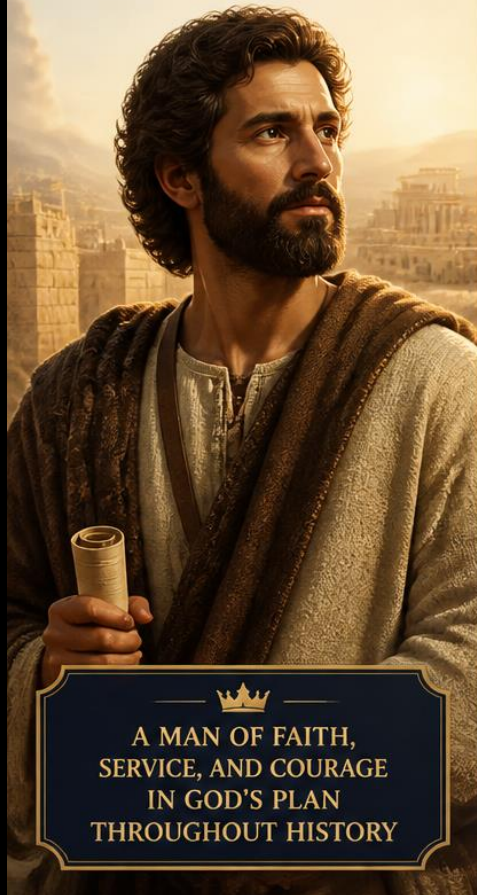
Jeremiah 49:7–22 & Obadiah — Similarities

<u>Theme</u>	<u>Jeremiah 49:7–22</u>	<u>Obadiah</u>	<u>Similarity</u>
Edom is judged	Jer 49:7–22	Obadiah 1–21	Both pronounce divine judgment against Edom.
Teman & wisdom	49:7	8–9	Edom’s wisdom and wise men will fail.
Pride	49:16	3–4	Edom’s pride deceives it and contributes to its downfall.
Lofty / secure dwelling	49:16	3	Edom trusts its elevated, seemingly inaccessible position.
“Who will bring me down?”	49:16	4	Both portray Edom as believing it cannot be brought down.
Eagle imagery	49:16, 22	4	God will bring down the one who appears to soar beyond reach.
Thieves / grape gatherers	49:9	5	Normal plunderers leave something behind, but Edom faces greater devastation.
Hidden treasures exposed	49:10	6	Edom/Esau will be searched out and its hidden wealth exposed.
Esau = Edom	49:8, 10	6, 8–9, 18	Both connect Edom with its ancestor Esau.
Military strength fails	49:22	9	Edom’s warriors/mighty men will be overcome.
Certain divine judgment	49:8, 12, 22	15	God’s judgment, not merely human politics, determines Edom’s fate.
Complete humiliation	49:17–18	2–6	Edom’s reputation, security, and strength will be brought low.

Who wrote the Book of Obadiah?

OBADIAH

A Faithful Servant of God
Across Generations



A MAN OF FAITH,
SERVICE, AND COURAGE
IN GOD'S PLAN
THROUGHOUT HISTORY



1 The founder of a family
of the Davidic lineage
(1 Chronicles 3:21).



2 A man of Issachar
of the family of Tola
(1 Chronicles 7:3).



3 Son of Azel, a
descendant of King Saul
(1 Chronicles 8:38; 9:44).



4 Son of Shemaiah,
a Levite of Netophah
(1 Chronicles 9:16).



5 A Gadite who joined
David at Ziklag
(1 Chronicles 12:9).



6 Father of Ishmaiah,
prince of Zebulun in
David's time
(1 Chronicles 27:19).



7 The one sent by
King Jehoshaphat —
A prince of Judah, sent by
Jehoshaphat to teach the Law
to the people in the cities of
Judah (2 Chronicles 17:7).



8 Overseer of
temple repairs —
A Levite, one of the overseers
of the workmen who repaired
the Temple in King Josiah's
(2 Chronicles 34:12).



9 Officer in King Ahab's
court -
The pious governor of Ahab's
palace who courageously hid
100 of Jehovah's prophets
from Jezebel in a cave
(1 Kings 18:3-16).



10 Son of Jehiel,
a descendant of Joab
who returned from
exile with Ezra
(Ezra 8:9).



11 A priest in Nehemiah's
era — on behalf of his
father's house, sealed and
signed the covenant
(Nehemiah 10:5).



12 A Levite, founder of
a family of sanctuary
porters
(Nehemiah 12:25).



13 The prophet of Judah
who lived over 550 years
before Christ
(Obadiah 1).

Date of Writing

1. Invasion by Shishak, King of Egypt (around 925 BC)
 - 1 Kings 14:25–26; 2 Chronicles 12:2–4
2. **Invasion by the Philistines and Arabs (around 848-841 BC)**
 - 2 Chronicles 21:16–17
3. Invasion by Jehoash, King of Israel (around 790 BC)
 - 2 Kings 14:13–14; 2 Chronicles 25:23–24
4. Edomites attacking Judah during Ahaz's reign (around 735-715 BC)
 - 2 Chronicles 28:17-18; 2 Chronicles 28:19
5. **Invasion and Destruction by Nebuchadnezzar, King of Babylon (around 586 BC)**
 - 2 Kings 25:1–9; 2 Chronicles 36:17–19

Who were the Edomites and where did they come from?

- The Edomites were blood relatives of Israel, descendants of Esau, son of Isaac and Rebekah, and twin brother of Jacob (Israel).
- **Genesis 36:1**: *“Now these are the records of the descendants of Esau (that is, Edom).”*
- **Genesis 25:22–23**: *“But the children struggled together within her [kicking and shoving one another]; and she said, “If it is so [that the Lord has heard our prayer], why then am I this way?” So she went to inquire of the Lord [praying for an answer]. The Lord said to her, “[The founders of] two nations are in your womb; And the separation of two nations has begun in your body; The one people shall be stronger than the other; And the older shall serve the younger.”*

Timeline of Edom's History

Settlement in Mount Seir



Edom settled in the region of Mount Seir

Genesis 32:3; 36:1-9

Refusal to Aid Israel



Edom denied Israel passage in the Exodus

Numbers 20:18-21

Warning Against Hatred



Israel warned not to hate Edom

Deuteronomy 2:18; 23:7

Conflict with Kings



Edom opposed Saul, David and Solomon

1 Samuel 14:47; 2 Samuel 8:14

Revolt & Hostility



Edom attacked Judah & grew hostile

2 Chronicles 20:1-27

Rebellion & Pride



Edom rebelled & exploited Judah's fall

2 Kings 8:20-22



Obadiah 1:1–4

1. *“The vision of Obadiah. Thus says the Lord God concerning Edom—We have heard a report from the Lord, and an ambassador has been sent among the nations, saying, ‘Arise, and let us rise up against Edom for battle [with the Lord as commander]!’”*
2. *“Behold [Edom], I shall [humiliate you and] make you small among the nations; You are greatly despised.*
3. *“The pride and arrogance of your heart have deceived you, You who live in the clefts and lofty security of the rock (Sela), Whose dwelling place is high, Who say [boastfully] in your heart, ‘Who will bring me down to earth?’”*
4. *“Though you build [your nest] on high like the eagle, Though you set your nest among the stars, I will bring you down from there,” says the Lord.”*

Notice the Progression

- God gives the revelation → God sends the messenger → the nations mobilize → Edom becomes the target
- Why?
 - Pride
 - Arrogance

Proverbs 16:18: *"Pride goes before destruction, and a haughty spirit before a fall."*

COFFEE & WISDOM: ON PRIDE

A Selection of Bible Verses on Pride ✕

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| 1. PSALM 10:4 | 11. PROVERBS 26:12 |
| 2. PSALM 59:12 | 12. PROVERBS 27:2 |
| 3. PROVERBS 8:13 | 13. PROVERBS 29:23 |
| 4. PROVERBS 11:2 | 14. JEREMIAH 9:23 |
| 5. PROVERBS 13:10 | 15. ROMANS 12:16 |
| 6. PROVERBS 16:5 | 16. GALATIANS 6:3 |
| 7. PROVERBS 16:18 | 17. GALATIANS 6:4 |
| 8. PROVERBS 16:19 | 18. PHILIPPIANS 2:3 |
| 9. PROVERBS 18:12 | 19. JAMES 4:6 |
| 10. PROVERBS 21:4 | 20. 1 JOHN 2:16 |

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Pride in their Wisdom & Alliances

- Jeremiah 49:7

- *“Concerning Edom. Thus says the Lord of hosts, “Is there no longer any wisdom in Teman? Has good counsel vanished from the intelligent and prudent? Has their wisdom decayed?”*

- 1 Kings 4:30

- *“Solomon’s wisdom surpassed the wisdom of all the sons of the east and all the wisdom of Egypt.”*

Obadiah 1:5–9

5. *“If thieves came to you, if robbers by night—How you will be ruined!—Would they not steal only until they had enough? If grape gatherers came to you, would they not leave some grapes for gleaning?”*
6. *“How Esau (Edom) shall be ransacked [by men who come to ravage with divine approval]! How his hidden treasures shall be searched out!*
7. *“All the men allied with you Shall send you on your way to the border; The men who were at peace with you Shall deceive you and overpower you; Those who eat your bread [those you trust] Shall set a hostile ambush for you. (There is no understanding of it.)*
8. *“Will I not on that day,” says the Lord, “Destroy the wise men from Edom [removing all wisdom] And understanding from the mountain of Esau?”*
9. *“And your mighty men shall be dismayed and demoralized, O Teman, so that everyone from the mountain of Esau may be cut off in the slaughter.”*

Leviticus 19:9–10

“Now when you reap the harvest of your land, you shall not reap to the very corners of your field, nor shall you gather the gleanings (grain left after reaping) of your harvest. And you shall not glean your vineyard, nor shall you gather its fallen grapes; you shall leave them for the poor and for the stranger. I am the Lord your God.”

Application

- 1 Corinthians 1:19–20

- *“I will destroy the wisdom of the wise; the intelligence of the intelligent I will frustrate.” Where is the wise person? Where is the teacher of the law? Where is the philosopher of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world?”*

- Jeremiah 17:5

- *“Cursed is the man who trusts in and relies on mankind, making [weak, faulty human] flesh his strength, and whose mind and heart turn away from the Lord.”*

Obadiah 1:10-14

10. *“Because of the violence you did against your brother Jacob, Shame shall cover you [completely], and you shall be cut off forever.*
11. *“On the day that [Jerusalem was destroyed] you stood aloof [from your brother Jacob]—On the day that strangers took his forces captive and carried off his wealth, And foreigners entered his gates And cast lots for Jerusalem [dividing the city for plunder]—You too were like one of them [collaborating with the enemy].*
12. *“Do not gaze and gloat [in triumph] over your brother’s day, the day when his misfortune came. Do not rejoice over the sons of Judah in the day of their destruction; Do not speak arrogantly [jeering and maliciously mocking] in the day of their distress.*
13. *“Do not enter the gate of My people in the day of their disaster; Yes, you, do not look [with delight] on their misery in the day of their ruin, and do not loot treasures in the day of their ruin.*
14. *“Do not stand at the crossroad To cut down those [of Judah] who escaped; And do not hand over [to the enemy] those [of Judah] who survive In the day of their distress.”*

Progression of Edom's Sin

Step 1: Stood Aloof v.11a

Step 2: Rejoiced v.12a

Step 3: Spoke Arrogantly v.12b

Step 4: Entered the Gate v.13a

Step 5: Looted Treasures v.13b

Step 6: Killed Fleeing Survivors v.14a

Step 7: Handed Over Survivors v.14b

Obadiah 1:15-16

15. *“For the [judgment] day of the Lord draws near on all the nations. As you have done, it shall be done to you [in retribution]; Your [evil] dealings will return on your own head.*
16. *“Because just as you [Edom] drank on My holy mountain [desecrating it in the revelry of the destroyers], so shall all the nations drink continually [one by one, of My wrath]; Yes, they shall drink and swallow [the full measure of punishment] and become as though they had never existed.”*

COFFEE & WISDOM: THE DAY OF THE LORD

A Selection of Prophetic Bible Verses

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| 1. ISAIAH 2:12 | 11. ZEPHANIAH 1:7 |
| 2. ISAIAH 13:6 | 12. MALACHI 4:5 |
| 3. ISAIAH 13:9 | 13. ACTS 2:20 |
| 4. EZEKIEL 13:5 | 14. 1 COR. 5:5 |
| 5. EZEKIEL 30:3 | 15. 2 COR. 1:14 |
| 6. JOEL 1:15 | 16. 1 THESS. 5:2 |
| 7. JOEL 2:1 | 17. 2 THESS. 2:2 |
| 8. JOEL 2:11 | 18. 2 PETER 3:10 |
| 9. JOEL 2:31 | 19. REVELATION 6:17 |
| 10. AMOS 5:18 | 20. REVELATION 16:14 |

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- **Romans 12:19**

- *“Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave the way open for God's wrath [and His judicial righteousness]; for it is written [in Scripture], 'VENGEANCE IS MINE, I WILL REPAY,' says the Lord.”*

- **Ecclesiastes 12:14**

- *"For God will bring every act to judgment, every hidden and secret thing, whether it is good or evil."*

Obadiah 1:17-21

17. *“But on Mount Zion [in Jerusalem] there shall be [deliverance for] those who escape, and it shall be holy [no pagan will defile it]; And the house of Jacob shall possess their [former] possessions.*
18. *“Then the house of Jacob shall be a fire, and the house of Joseph a flame [in executing God’s wrath]; But the house of Esau will be like stubble. They (Jacob) shall set them on fire and consume them (the Edomites), so that there shall be no survivor of the house of Esau,” For the Lord has spoken.*
19. *Then those of the Negev shall possess the mountain of Esau, and those of the Shephelah [shall possess] the Philistine plain; Also, [they shall] possess the fields of Ephraim and the fields of Samaria, and Benjamin will possess Gilead [across the Jordan River].*
20. *And the exiles of this host of the sons (descendants) of Israel who are among the Canaanites as far as Zarephath, and the exiles of Jerusalem who are in Sepharad shall possess the cities of the Negev.*
21. *The deliverers shall go up on Mount Zion to rule and judge the mountain of Esau, and the kingdom and the kingship shall be the Lord’s.”*



TYPOLGY / FORESHADOWING

- This is a method of interpretation in which people, events, or institutions in the Old Testament act as historical foreshadowings or patterns that find their fulfillment in Jesus Christ or the New Testament.



Edom = all proud, God-defying nations & systems that stand against God's people.



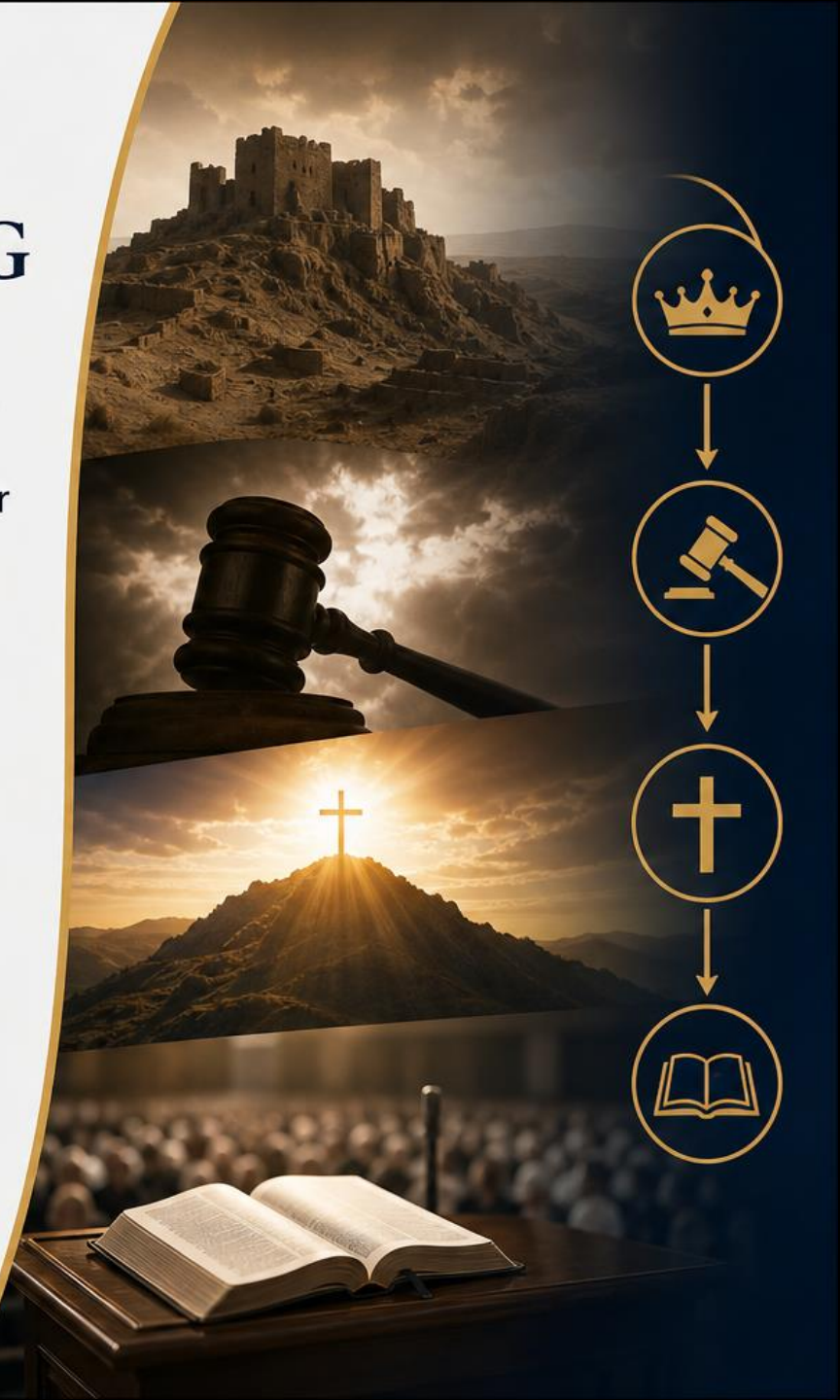
The judgment on Edom = the judgment in the end times of all the enemies of God.



Mount Zion's deliverance = the ultimate deliverance brought by Jesus Christ for His Church.



The “saviors” or “deliverers” = the ministers & preachers of the word because they preach the gospel that brings salvation.



Obadiah 1:21

“...and the kingdom and the kingship shall be the Lord’s.”