

## Edom and Israel - Obadiah 1:1-21

**Topics:** Consequences, Disobedience, Family, God, Greed, Hardheartedness, Kingdom of God/Heaven, Pride, Punishment, Restoration, Security, Sin, War

### Open It

1. If you were to live in a remote, mountainous region, in what geographical location would you want to live?
- \* 2. On which of your material possessions do you most depend?

### Explore It

3. What message did the Lord give Obadiah? (1:1)
- \* 4. What would happen to Edom's pride? (1:2-4)
- \* 5. How would Edom's wealth be destroyed? (1:5-7)
6. What would become of Edom's people? (1:8-9)
7. What bad attitudes did Edom have? (1:10-12)
- \* 8. Why did God condemn Edom? (1:10-14)
9. How had Edom shown aggressiveness? (1:13-14)
10. How would God judge all rebellious nations? (1:15-16)
11. How would Israel be delivered? (1:17-21)
12. What would be restored to God's people? (1:19-20)
13. What would the Lord establish? (1:21)

### Get It

14. The Edomites and the Israelites shared an old, negative family history. How do longtime family problems affect the spiritual health of the Christian church?
- \* 15. How does your church show pride and overconfidence?
16. What happens when Christians reject God's Word and grace?
17. If we treat others poorly, how should we expect God to treat us?
- \* 18. Based on God's dealings with the Edomites, how can we expect Him to judge nations today that rebel against Him, dominate others, or trust in their own strength and possessions?
19. In your experience, how have you reaped what you have sown?
20. Why does our trust in the Lord ensure His blessings on our life?

### Apply It

- \* 21. In all your activities and interactions this week, how can you show more trust in the Lord and less reliance on yourself and your possessions?
22. What concrete steps can you take to show consistent love and concern for someone (a family member perhaps) whom you have ignored or treated carelessly in the past?