

Reflection Questions

In what do I find my security? What am I most proud of? Is this a good pride? Do I stand aloof when others experience difficulties? Do I gloat over others? Do I truly love other Christians? If so, is it seen in my attitude, speech, and actions?

How can we pray for one another and our church this week?

Quotes to Ponder

Earthbound mortals as they are, present an easy prey for Yahweh despite their boasts.

Leslie C. Allen

Brevity is not always the soul of wit for Obadiah was the briefest of prophets yet he uttered no sentence which is cherished.

Charles Allen Dinsmore

Among all the prophets Obadiah is the briefest in number of words. In the grace of mysteries he is their equal.

Anonymous

Israel's holy God is not only transcendent above time and history, but involved in them as well.

Jeffrey J. Niehaus

Obadiah underscores God's fierce protection of His people. Although He does not always shield us from the malice of our enemies, He does hold them accountable for their actions.

Anonymous

Ridicule springs from pride. When we ridicule others we reveal the spirit in ourselves. To ridicule betrays a lack of brotherly love. It is often an evidence of real hate.

George L. Robinson

Those have a great deal to answer for who are idle spectators, when they are capable of being their active helpers.

Matthew Henry



#2 Edom's Sins, 1-14

November 10, 2019

Sermon
Notes

1. The Charge (1-9)

2. The Evidence (10-14)

1. What in the text/sermon impacted you most? Encouraged you?
Convicted you? Challenged you? Confused you?

2. John Calvin wrote that Obadiah *threatens the Idumeans for the sake of administering consolation to the chosen people*. What is meant by this?

3. *Obadiah* begins with the words, *The vision of Obadiah*. What does this mean?

4. According to *Obadiah* 3-9, how did Edom behave arrogantly; what did they put their faith in?

5. What do the following verses teach about pride? Who is addressed in each verse? What is going to happen to them? Why?
Isaiah 10:12 — *Zephaniah 2:8-11* —

Jeremiah 48:42 — *Malachi 4:1-6* —

Jeremiah 50:29-32 —

6. What do we learn about pride and the company it keeps in these passages?
Romans 1:28-32 — *2 Timothy 3:1-7* —

7. How would you define pride from God's perspective?

8. According to *Obadiah* 8-9, what is going to happen *on that day*?

Why is this going to happen according to *verses 10-11*?

9. What do we learn by comparing *Obadiah* 10 and *1 Peter* 2:4-6?

10. What does God teach about gloating over others in these verses?
Exodus 23:4-5 — *Proverbs* 17:5 —

Job 31:29-30 — *Proverbs* 24:17-18 —

11. How is *Proverbs* 1:10-19 a commentary on Edom as described by *Obadiah* 10-14?

12. What did God say about the nation He would raise up from Abraham and judgments on other nations based on how they treated His chosen people (*Genesis* 12:1-3)?

13. How should we respond when we see an enemy experience misfortune?