



Interpersonal relations

Obadiah 10,15



The author of this book is a prophet named Obadiah:

- Obadiah means “servant of the Lord”
- He prophesied against Edom

The book was written to reveal God’s anger towards the Edomites since they were rejoicing at Judah’s suffering. We should not rejoice in our brothers and sisters difficult times.



Verses 1-9:

- God is going to destroy the Edomites with war
- God is going to raise up enemies against the Edomites



God is concerned about human relationships:

- How we interact with others is marked and measured by God
- We are responsible for our words and actions (Exo. 20:12-17)



Sins of the Edomites:

- Pride in security (v. 3-4)
- Pride in their allies (v.7)
- Pride in the wise men of Edom (v.8)



Reasons for punishing the Edomites:

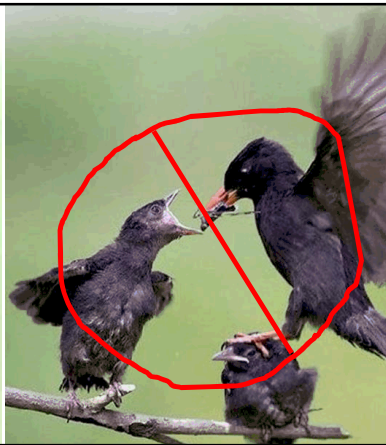
- Violence against their brother Jacob's descendants (v.10)
- Not helping the Israelites when their enemies carried off their wealth (v.11)
- Mistreating the Israelites and rejoicing when they suffered (v.12)

God will repay:

- As you have done, it will be done to you (v.15)
- Your wrong deeds will return upon your own head



Col. 3:25 says, "Any one who does wrong will be repaid for his wrongs and there is no favoritism."



The Golden Rule – Luke 6:31

- Do to others as you would have them do to you.
- We must first love others if we wish to be loved by others
- We must respect others if we wish to be respected by others
- We must forgive others if we wish to be forgiven by others