

Obadiah 15-21

Obadiah 15 – “For the day of the LORD is near upon all the nations. As you have done, it shall be done to you; your deeds shall return on your own head.”

6213 [e] yê·'ā·shēh it shall be done V-Nifal-Imperf-3ms	6213 [e] 'ā·šî·tā you have done V-Qal-Perf-2ms	834 [e] ka·'ā·šer As Prep-k Pro-r	1471 [e] hag·gō·w·yim; the nations Art N-mp	3605 [e] kāl- all N-msc	5921 [e] 'al- upon Prep	3068 [e] Yah·weh of Yahweh N-proper-ms	3117 [e] yō·wm- the day N-msc	7138 [e] qā·rō·wb [is] near Adj-ms	3588 [e] kî- For Conj
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7218 [e] be·rō·šé·kā. upon your own head Prep-b N-msc 2ms	7725 [e] yā·šüb shall return V-Qal-Imperf-3ms	1576 [e] ge·mul·kā Your reproof N-msc 2ms	לֹא lāk, to you Prep 2fs
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1. Verse 15 does two things in the book of Obadiah:
 - a. Completes the accusations and threats of judgment against Edom when it says: “As you have done, it shall be done to you; your deeds shall return on your own head.”
 - b. Sets the fall of Edom as the opening scene of the Day of the Lord when all the nations shall face a similar fate when it says: “For the day of the LORD is near upon all the nations.”
2. The reference to “day” occurs 10 times eluding to three historical “Days”:
 - a. V. 8 – refers to the Day of the Lord against Edom -
 - i. “In that **day**...will I not destroy the wise men of Edom” refers to the Day of the Lord against Edom.
 - b. refers to the Day of the Lord in 586 against Judah
 - i. V. 11 – “On the **day** you stood aloof while strangers carried off his wealth”
 - ii. V. 12 – “You should not gloat over your brother in the **day** of his misfortune.”
 - iii. V. 12 – “nor rejoice over the people of Judah in the **day** of their destruction.”
 - iv. V. 12 – “nor boast so much in the **day** of their trouble.”
 - v. V. 13 – “You should not march through the gates of my people in the **day** of their disaster.”
 - vi. V. 13 – “nor gloat over them in the calamity in the **day** of their disaster.”
 - vii. V. 13 – “nor seize their wealth in the **day** of their disaster.”
 - viii. V. 14 – “You should not wait at the crossroads to cut down their fugitives nor hand over their survivors in the **day** of their trouble.”
 - c. The reference to the ultimate, eschatological Day of the Lord –
 - i. V. 15 – “The **day** of the Lord is near for all nations.”
3. The rest of the book of Obadiah, verses 15-21 concern this final Day of the Lord
 - a. This will be a day of vindication for Israel
 - b. This will be a day of judgment of the nations

16 – “For as you have drunk on my holy mountain, so all the nations shall drink continually; they shall drink and swallow, and shall be as though they had never been.

8548 [e] tā·mîd;	1471 [e] hag·gō·w-yim	3605 [e] kāl	8354 [e] yîš·tū	6944 [e] qād·šî	2022 [e] har	5921 [e] 'al-	8354 [e] šə·tî·tem	834 [e] ka·'ā·šer	3588 [e] kî,
continually	the nations	all	[So] shall drink	my holy	mountain	on	you drank	as	For
Adv	Art N-mp	N-msc	V-Qal-Imperf-3mp	N-msc 1cs	N-msc	Prep	V-Qal-Perf-2mp	Prep-k Pro-r	Conj

1961 [e] hā·yū.	3808 [e] kē·lō·w	1961 [e] wē·hā·yū	3886 [e] wē lā·'ū,	8354 [e] wē·šā·tū
they had been	as though never	and they shall be	and swallow	and Yes they shall drink

V-Qal-Perf-3cp Prep-k | Adv-NegPrt Conj-w | V-Qal-ConjPerf-3cp Conj-w | V-Qal-ConjPerf-3cp Conj-w | V-Qal-ConjPerf-3cp

1. The rest of the nations will face the same fate as Edom in their day or in that Day of the Lord
2. Israel has faced the cup of the Lord's wrath, but it will also be given to the nations:
 - a. Psalm 60:3 – “You have made your people see hard things;
you have given us wine to drink that made us stagger.”
 - b. Isaiah 51:22-23 – “Thus says your Lord, the Lord,
your God who pleads the cause of his people:
“Behold, I have taken from your hand the cup of staggering;
the bowl of my wrath you shall drink no more;
and I will put it into the hand of your tormentors,
who have said to you,
‘Bow down, that we may pass over’;
and you have made your back like the ground
and like the street for them to pass over.”
3. It will now be time for the nations to drink from the cup of God's wrath

17 – “But in Mount Zion there shall be those who escape, and it shall be holy, and the house of Jacob shall possess their own possessions.

6944 [e] qō·deš;	1961 [e] wə·hā·yāh	6413 [e] pə·lē·tāh	1961 [e] tih·yeh	6726 [e] ṣî·yō·wn	2022 [e] ū·bə·har
— קָדֵשׁ holiness	וְהִי and there shall be	פֶּלַיטָה deliverance	תִּהְיָה there shall be	צִיּוֹן Zion	וְבָהָר But on Mount

N-ms Conj-w | V-Qal-ConjPerf-3ms N-fs V-Qal-Imperf-3fs N-proper-fs Conj-w, Prep-b | N-msc

4180 [e] mō·w·rā·šē·hem	853 [e] 'ēt	3290 [e] ya·'ā·qōb,	1004 [e] bēt	3423 [e] wə·yā·re·šū
— מִרְשִׁיחָם: their possessions	אַתָּה -	יַעֲקֹב of Jacob	בֵּית the house	וַיַּרְשֶׂה and shall possess

N-mpc | 3mp DirObjM N-proper-ms N-msc Conj-w | V-Qal-ConjPerf-3cp

- Now the book of Obadiah begins to speak promises to Israel.
- Referring back to 586 BC concerning those Jews who were captured, handed over and cut down by Edom, but there will be “those who escape” to become the seed of the remnant that will return in the end.
- Continuing to talk about the “Holy Hill” where the Temple stood on Mount Moriah, Mt. Zion is mentioned here at the beginning of the restoration verses in verse 17 and again at the end in verse 21.
- First, the temple mount and the city will be restored

18 – “**The house of Jacob shall be a fire, and the house of Joseph a flame, and the house of Esau stubble; they shall burn them and consume them, and there shall be no survivor for the house of Esau, for the LORD has spoken.**

7179 [e] lə·qaš, [shall be]	6215 [e] 'ē·sāw stubble	1004 [e] ū·bēt but the house	3852 [e] le·hā·bāh, a flame	3130 [e] yō·w·sēp of Joseph	1004 [e] ū·bēt and the house	784 [e] 'ēš a fire	3290 [e] ya·'ā·qōb of Jacob	1004 [e] bēt- the house	וְהִי And shall be
Prep-I N-ms	N-proper-ms	Conj-w N-msc	N-fs	N-proper-ms	Conj-w N-msc	N-cs	N-proper-ms	N-msc	Conj-w V-Qal-ConjPerf-3ms

1696 [e] dib·bēr. has spoken	3068 [e] Yah·weh Yahweh	3588 [e] kî for	6215 [e] 'ē·sāw, of Esau	1004 [e] ū·bēt of the house	8300 [e] lə·rīd survivor	1961 [e] yih·yeh shall [remain]	3808 [e] wə·lō- and no	398 [e] wa·'ā·kā·lūm; and devour them	1814 [e] wə·dā·lē·qū them and they shall kindle
V-Piel-Perf-3ms	N-proper-ms	Conj	N-proper-ms	Prep-I N-msc	N-ms	V-Qal-Imperf-3ms	Conj-w Adv-NegPrt	Conj-w V-Qal-ConjPerf-3cp 3mp	Prep 3mp

19 – “**Those of the Negeb shall possess Mount Esau, and those of the Shephelah shall possess the land of the Philistines; they shall possess the land of Ephraim and the land of Samaria, and Benjamin shall possess Gilead.**

	6430 [e]	853 [e]		8219 [e]	6215 [e]		2022 [e]	853 [e]	5045 [e]		3423 [e]
-	pe·liš·tîm,	'et-		we·haš·šə·pê·lâh	'ê·sâw,		har	'et-	han·ne·qeb		we·yâ·re·šû
	פְּלִשְׁתִּים	אַתְּ		הַשְּׁפָלָה	עַל		הַר	אַתְּ	הַנֶּגֶב		וַיֹּרֶשׁ
	[the land of the] Philistines	- and the Lowland [shall possess]		of Esau	the mountains		-	the Negev	And shall possess		19
	N-proper-mp	DirObjM		Conj-w, Art N-fs	N-proper-ms		N-msc	DirObjM	Art N-proper-fs	Conj-w V-Qal-ConjPerf-3cp	
	1568 [e]	853 [e]		1144 [e]	8111 [e]	7704 [e]	853 [e]	669 [e]	7704 [e]	853 [e]	3423 [e]
•	hag·gil·'âd.	'et-		ū·bi·n·yâ·min	šô·mè·rô·wn;	še·dêh	we·'et	'ep·ra·yim,	še·dêh	'et-	we·yâ·re·šû
	גִּילְעָד:	אַתְּ		וּבְנֵי	שְׂמָרָן	שָׂדָה	וְאֶתְּ	אֲפְרִים	שָׂדָה	אַתְּ	וַיֹּרֶשׁ
	Gilead	- and Benjamin [shall possess]		of Samaria	the fields	and	of Ephraim	the fields	- and they shall possess		
	Art N-proper-fs	DirObjM		Conj-w N-proper-ms	N-proper-fs	N-msc	Conj-w DirObjM	N-proper-ms	N-msc	DirObjM	Conj-w V-Qal-ConjPerf-3cp

20 – “The exiles of this host of the people of Israel shall possess the land of the Canaanites as far as Zarephath, and the exiles of Jerusalem who are in Sepharad shall possess the cities of the Negeb.

	5704 [e]		3669 [e]	834 [e]	3478 [e]	1121 [e]	2088 [e]	2426 [e]		1546 [e]
	'ad-		ke·na·'â·nîm	'â·šer-	yiš·râ·'êl	lib·nê	haz·zeh	ha·hêl-		we·gâ·lut
	עד-		כְּנָעֲנִים	אֲשֶׁר-	יִשְׂרָאֵל	לְבָנִי	הַזָּה	הַחֹלֵל		וְגֹלֶת
	as far as		[Shall possess the land] of the Canaanites	that	of Israel	of the sons	this	of host	And the captives	20
	Prep		N-proper-mp	Pro-r	N-proper-ms	Prep-l N-mpc	Art Pro-ms	Art N-ms	Conj-w N-fsc	

	5045 [e]	5892 [e]	853 [e]	3423 [e]		5614 [e]	834 [e]	3389 [e]		1546 [e]	6886 [e]
	han·ne·qeb.	'â·ré	'et	yir·šû	bis·pâ·rad;	'â·šer	yé·rû·šâ·lim		we·gâ·lut		shâ·re·pât,
	הַנֶּגֶב:	עָרִי	אַתְּ	יְרֻשָׁו	בְּסָפָרָד	אֲשֶׁר	יְרוֹשָׁלָם		וְגֹלֶת	-	אַרְפָּת
	of the Negev	the cities	- shall possess	in Sepharad	who are		of Jerusalem	and the captives	Zarephath		
	Art N-proper-fs	N-fpc	DirObjM	V-Qal-Imperf-3mp	Prep-b N-proper-fs	Pro-r	N-proper-fs	Conj-w N-fsc	N-proper-fs		

21 – “Saviors shall go up to Mount Zion to rule Mount Esau, and the kingdom shall be the LORD’s.”

	6215 [e]	2022 [e]	853 [e]	8199 [e]	6726 [e]	2022 [e]	3467 [e]		5927 [e]	
	'ê·sâw;	har	'et-	liš·pôṭ	shî·yô·wn,	be·har	mô·wô·šî·'îm		we·'â·lû	
-	עַשְׂוֹן	הַר	אַתְּ	לְשַׁפְט	צִיּוֹן	בַּהַר	מָוְשִׁיעִים		וְעַלּוּ	
	of Esau	the mountains	-	to judge	Zion	to Mount	saviors	And shall come	21	
	N-proper-ms	N-msc	DirObjM	Prep-l V-Qal-Inf	N-proper-fs	Prep-b N-msc	V-Hifil-Prtcpl-mp	Conj-w V-Qal-ConjPerf-3cp		

	4410 [e]		3068 [e]		1961 [e]
	ham·mê·lû·kâh.		Yah·weh		we·hâ·yê·tâh
	הַמְּלֹكָה:		לִיהְוָה		וְהִיְתָה
	the kingdom		of Yahweh		and shall be
	Art N-fs	Prep-l N-proper-ms	Conj-w V-Qal-ConjPerf-3cp		

