

SERMON DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Obadiah 1:1-9

The Warning of Judgement

MAIN IDEA:

**GOD WARNS US THAT HE WILL CUT DOWN
THOSE WHO BOAST IN THEIR PRIDE.**

SERMON OUTLINE:

1. Pride dooms us (vv1-2)
2. Pride deceives us (vv3-7)
3. Pride destroys us (vv8-9)

PRE-QUESTIONS

1. When you think of the word 'pride,' what comes to mind? How do you think pride can impact relationships with others and God?
2. Have you ever experienced a time when you relied on something or someone for security, only to find it wasn't as dependable as you thought? How did that impact you?

QUESTIONS

1. In Obadiah 1:3, God points out that Edom's pride "deceived" them, leading them to believe they were invincible. How does pride impact our view of ourselves and others?
2. Reflect on Proverbs 16:18. How does this proverb help us understand God's judgment on Edom in Obadiah?
 - A. Can you share an example of a time when pride led to unexpected consequences in your life?
3. Obadiah 1:4 reveals that God will "bring Edom down" despite their high position. How does this verse show that no one is beyond God's reach or justice?
4. Read Psalm 7:11. How does this help you understand God's response to Edom's actions?
 - A. How does it change the way you view injustice in the world?
5. Edom felt secure in their strongholds and alliances (Obadiah 1:5-7), but they were ultimately betrayed and vulnerable. What are some "strongholds" people might rely on today that can lead to false security?
6. In Matthew 7:24-27, Jesus contrasts building on rock versus sand. What would it look like for you to build your life on a foundation that lasts?
7. The warning to Edom reminds us of the importance of humility and compassion. How can we guard our hearts against the pride that Edom displayed?
8. Read Philippians 2:3-4. What steps can you take this week to demonstrate humility and compassion, particularly in difficult relationships?
9. Obadiah 1:8-9 highlights God's control over even the wisest and strongest of Edom. How does acknowledging God's sovereignty help us avoid the mistakes of pride and self-reliance that Edom made?
10. Reflect on James 4:6. How does God's promise to lift up the humble encourage you to depend on Him rather than your own strength?