

Obadiah: Our Avenging God

Obadiah 1-21

Theme:

Four Realities of God's Judgment

I. God's Judgment is _____ (1-9)

A. Your _____ Won't Save You (3-4)

B. Your _____ Won't Save You (5-6)

C. Your _____ Won't Save You (7)

D. Your _____ Won't Save You (8)

E. Your _____ Won't Save You (9)

II. God's Judgment is _____ (10-14)

A. They _____ God's people (10, 14)

B. They _____ God's people (11)

C. They _____ God's people (12-13)

III. God's Judgment is _____ (15-16, 18)

A. It is _____ (15)

B. It is _____ (16, 18)

IV. God's Judgment is _____ (17, 19-21)

A. They will _____ (17a)

B. They will _____ (17b)

C. They will _____ (17c, 19-20)

D. They will _____ (21a)

E. They will _____ (21b)

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Application / Discussion Questions

- › 1. If God's judgment is unescapable, then people NEED the gospel. Are you absolutely confident in your own salvation? How should this truth motivate you to evangelism? Who in your life will you commit to pray for/share the Gospel with?
- › 2. Pride is the truest mark of an enemy of God. In what ways does pride manifest in your life?
- › 3. Are you relying on something in yourself for salvation? For sanctification? For stability?
- › 4. Expect persecution and insult. God's people will be mocked and attacked, but our enemies will not go unpunished. How have you been insulted for your faith? What is a biblical response in a scenario like that?
- › 5. NEVER find joy in the distress of others. God finds no delight in the death of the wicked, and neither should we.
- › 6. Thank God that He is just and impartial. We WANT a God like that, even if it is difficult to see others punished. What problems arise (theologically or practically) if we believe in a God that is prone to partiality or subjectivity?
- › 7. Find peace and confidence that God's judgment is not incomplete. Our God will FULLY execute His just wrath on those who reject Him and hate His people. How/when is it easy to forget or misunderstand God's justice? How can we properly anticipate God's justice on His enemies, while not delighting in others' distress?
- › 8. Rejoice in our coming blessing! We will reign and rule with Christ our Lord. We will enjoy the spoils of His victory and we will be blessed forever. How often do you think about the millennial kingdom/the new heavens and earth? What can you do to be more focused on God's final victory?
- › 9. There is ONE KING over all the earth, and His name is Yahweh. Are there other Bible passages that you can think of that remind you that God alone rules His creation? How can you cultivate a trust in God in the midst of the distractions of the world?