

## OVADYAH

Nile of Mitzrayim.

|6| It is He that buildeth his ma'alot (stairs) in Shomayim, and hath founded His aguddah (fitted together vault) over Eretz; He that calleth for the waters of the yam, and poureth them out upon the face of ha'aretz; Hashem Shmo.

|7| Are ye not as children of Ethiopia unto Me, O Bnai Yisroel? saith Hashem. Have not I brought up Yisroel out of Eretz Mitzrayim? And the Pelishtim (Philistines) from Caphtor, and Aram from Kir?

|8| Hinei, the eyes of Adonoi Hashem are upon the mamlachah hachatta'ah, and I will destroy it from off the face of ha'aretz; nevertheless I will not utterly destroy Bais Yaakov, saith Hashem.

|9| For, hinei, I will command, and I will sift Bais Yisroel among all Goyim, like as grain is sifted in a sieve, yet shall not the least grain fall upon ha'aretz.

|10| All the chatta'ei ami (sinners of My people) shall die by the cherev, which say, the ra'ah shall not overtake nor come to us.

|11| In that Yom will I raise up the Sukkat Dovid that is fallen, and close up the breaches thereof; and I will raise up his ruins, and I will build it as in the yamei olam; |12| That they may possess the she'erit Edom and all the Goyim, which are called by Shmi, saith Hashem that doeth this.

|13| Hinei, the yamim are coming, saith Hashem, that the plowman shall overtake the kotzer (reaper), and the treader of grapes him that soweth zera; and the mountains shall drop sweet wine, and all the hills shall melt.

|14| And I will bring

again the captivity of My people Yisroel, and they shall build the waste cities, and inhabit them; and they shall plant kramim (vineyards), and drink the yayin thereof; they shall also make gannot, and eat the p'ri of them.

|15| And I will plant them upon their land, and they shall no more be torn up out of their land which I have given them, saith Hashem Eloheicha.

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**1** The chazon (vision) of Obadyah: Thus saith Adonoi Hashem concerning Edom: We have heard a report from Hashem, and an envoy is sent among the Goyim, Arise ye, and let us rise up against her (Edom) in battle.

|2| Hinei, I have made thee small among the Goyim; thou art greatly despised.

|3| The zadon (pride, presumption, arrogance) of thine lev (heart) hath deceived thee, thou that dwellest in the clefts of the rock, whose habitation is high; that saith in his lev, Who shall bring me down to the ground?

|4| Though thou exalt thyself to soar as the nesher, and though thou set thy nest among the kokhavim (stars), thence will I bring thee down, saith Hashem.

|5| If ganavim (thieves) came to thee, if shodedei lailah (robbers by night) – oh how art thou cut off! – would they not have stolen only till they had enough? If the grape gatherers came to thee, would they not leave some grapes?

|6| How is Esau searched out! How are his hidden treasures pillaged!

|7| All the men of thy alliance have forced thee and brought thee even to the border; the anshei shlomecha (the men that were at peace with thee) have deceived thee, and prevailed against thee; they that eat thy lechem (bread) have laid a mazor (net, trap) under thee; there is none detecting it.

|8| Shall I not in that day, saith Hashem, even destroy the chachamim (wise men) out of Edom, and understanding out of the Har Esav?

|9| And thy gibborim (mighty men), O Teman, shall be dismayed and lose courage, to the end that every one of the Har Esav may be cut off by slaughter.

|10| For thy chamas against thy brother Ya'akov, bushah (shame) shall cover thee, and thou shalt be cut off l'olam (for ever).

|11| In the day that thou stood aloof on the other side, in the day that the zarim (strangers) carried away captive his forces, and foreigners entered into his gates, and cast lots for Yerushalayim, even thou wast as one of them.

|12| But thou shouldest not have gloated over the day of thy brother in the day of his misfortune; neither shouldest thou have rejoiced over the Bnei Yehudah in the day of their destruction; neither shouldest thou have spoken proudly in the Yom Tzarah (Day of Trouble).

|13| Thou shouldest not have entered into the sha'ar Ami (gate of My people) in the day of their calamity; yea, thou shouldest not have looked down on their affliction in the day of their calamity, nor have laid hands on their substance in the day of their calamity;