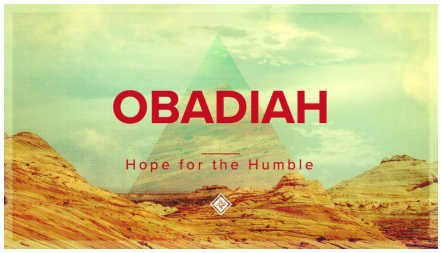
NEW LIFE CLASS

BRIDGING THE GAP

BETWEEN BIBLICAL LEARNING AND RADICAL LIVING



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Sowing and Reaping

Lesson 9 • Obadiah 15-18

Obadiah: Hope for the Humble and Warnings for the Proud				
EDOM'S DAY of DOOM *Obadiah 1-9*	**JUDAH'S DAY of DISCIPLINE** *Obadiah 10-14*	**LORD'S DAY of DESTINY** *Obadiah 15-21*		
		Promise Keeping on the Day of the Lord *(15)*	**Reaping Promises of Eternal Judgment** *(15-18)*	**Reaping Promises of Eternal Kingdom** *(19-21)*
WARNING for the PROUD *Pride Goes Before a Fall!*	**WARNING for the PROUD** *You Are Your Brother's Keeper!*	**WARNING for the PROUD** *Payday for the Proud!*	**WARNING for the PROUD** *You Reap What You Sow!*	**WARNING for the PROUD** *No Place for the Proud!!*
HOPE for the HUMBLE *Seek Humility!*	**HOPE for the HUMBLE** *Serve Others!*	**HOPE for the HUMBLE** *Stay Hopeful!*	**HOPE for the HUMBLE** *Sow Spiritually!*	**HOPE for the HUMBLE** *Stay Humble*

"O Bad Edom" and All the Proud Nations Will Reap What They Sowed on the Day of the LORD.

(v. 15) Pivot: **PAYDAY** for the Proud on the Day of the LORD.

(v. 16) Drinking the Cup of Eternal **WRATH** by the Proud Enemies of the LORD and His People.

WHO Is Drinking WHAT in Verse 16?

1) Does ***"You drank"*** refers to **EDOM ONLY** as in verse 15b?

2) Does ***"You drank"*** is refers to **JUDAH/ISRAEL** who had to drink the cup of God's wrath on Mount Zion?

3) ***"You drank"*** refers to **Edom and HER ALLIES** who proudly celebrated and boasted about their victory over Judah and Jerusalem.

Verse 16a the ***drunkenness of victory*** (perfect tense!) over their defeated enemy and their god.

Verse 16b the ***drinking of judgment*** from the cup of God's eternal wrath – totally *("all nations")* – continually *("continually")* – eternally *("drink and swallow and become as if they never existed")*

(v. 17) Possessing the Blessings of Eternal **REDEMPTION** by the Humbled Remnant of the House of Jacob.

Three Outcomes:

1) The *remnant* will dwell on Mount Zion (= Jerusalem) having been *redeemed!*

2) The *holiness* of Mount Zion will be *secured!*

3) The *"house of Jacob"* (= Judah + Israel) will *"possess their possession"!*

"Possessing Their Possessions"

- **CONQUERING** their enemies who once *conquered* and *dispossessed* them!
- **CLAIMING** their inheritance (the land + all covenant blessings) as *promised* by the LORD!

ISRAEL will BE REDEEMED as a NATION on the DAY of the LORD & POSSESS ALL they were PROMISED by the LORD!

(v. 18) Reaping of **FIERY JUDGMENT** by proud descendants of Esau from the humbled descendants of Joseph.

Why House of Joseph? *Genesis 45:7*

*"So God sent me before you to establish for you a **remnant** in the earth and to keep you alive for a **great remnant of survivors**."* LSB

Warning to the Proud: ***Five Reminders About Reaping What You Sow!***

1. **The Law is <u>BIBLICAL</u>.** *Galatians 6:7-8*

2. **The Application is <u>UNIVERSAL</u>.**
   "…for WHATEVER a man sows, this he will ALSO reap" (v. 7)

3. **The Warning is <u>UNCONDITIONAL</u>!**
   "DO NOT BE DECEIVED, GOD IS NOT MOCKED…" (v. 7)

4. **The Consequences are <u>ETERNAL</u>!**
   "For the one who sows to his own flesh will from the flesh REAP CORRUPTION, but the one who sows to the Spirit…REAP ETERNAL LIFE." (v. 8)

5. **Our Only Hope is <u>SPIRITUAL</u>!**
   "but the one who sows TO THE SPIRIT will FROM THE SPIRIT reap eternal life." (v. 8)

Hope for The Humble: ***Four Laws of the Harvest for Sowing Spiritually!***

1. **We Must Sow to <u>THE SPIRIT</u> to Reap from the Spirit.**
   "but the one who sows TO THE SPIRIT will FROM THE SPIRIT reap eternal life." (v. 8)

   Yes, But How?
   - **<u>HUMBLE</u>** yourself before the Father.
   - **<u>RUN</u>** to the Son in submission with an obedient faith.
   - **<u>KEEP</u>** in step with the Spirit on a daily basis.

2. **We Reap the <u>SAME KIND</u> as We Sow.**
   - ***"Sowing to the Spirit"*** refers to daily living by His **<u>POWER</u>** and for His **<u>PURPOSE</u>**.

     Exalting Jesus in all things and living to please His Father in all things!

   - ***"Reaping from the Spirit"*** is not only receiving eternal life as gift but living for eternity on a daily basis.

3. **We Reap in a <u>DIFFERENT SEASON</u> than We Sow.**
   "And let us NOT LOSE HEART in doing good, FOR IN DUE TIME we will reap IF WE DO NOT GROW WEARY." (v. 9)

4. **We Will Reap <u>ETERNALLY MORE</u> than We Sow.**
   "…REAP ETERNAL LIFE." (v. 8)

"So then, while we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, and especially to those who are of the household of the faith." *Galatians 6:10*

Warning for the Proud: *You Will Only Reap God's Wrath What You Sow in the Flesh!*
Hope for the Humbled: *Sow Spiritually and Your Will Reap Eternal Life Now and in the Kingdom to Come!!*