



**Congregation Notes Torah Portion VaYishlach**  
**Obadiah Saw the Day of the Lord Coming! What Did He See?**  
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**Gen. 32:3-36:43; Oba 1-21; Matt. 2:13-23**

**\*Genesis 31:31;38-43** Then Jacob was angry and rebuked Laban, and Jacob answered and said to Laban: .....<sup>38</sup> These twenty years I have been with you; your ewes and your female goats have not miscarried their young, and I have not eaten the rams of your flock. <sup>39</sup> That which was torn by beasts I did not bring to you; I bore the loss of it. You required it from my hand, whether stolen by day or stolen by night. <sup>40</sup> There I was! In the day the drought consumed me, and the frost by night, and my sleep departed from my eyes. <sup>41</sup> Thus I have been in your house twenty years; I served you fourteen years for your two daughters, and six years for your flock, and you have changed my wages ten times. <sup>42</sup> Unless the God of my father, the God of Abraham and the Fear of Isaac, had been with me, surely now you would have sent me away empty-handed. God has seen my affliction and the labor of my hands, and rebuked you last night."

**\*Genesis 32:1-5** So Jacob went on his way, and he did encounter the angels of God. <sup>2</sup> When Jacob saw them, he said, "This is God's camp." And he called the name of that place Mahanaim.

**\*Genesis 31:46-49** So Jacob took a stone and set it up as a pillar. <sup>46</sup> Then Jacob said to his brethren, "Gather stones." And they took stones and made a heap, and they ate there on the heap. <sup>47</sup> Laban called it Jegar Sahadutha, but Jacob called it Galeed. <sup>48</sup> And Laban said, "This heap is a witness between you and me this day." Therefore its name was called Galeed, <sup>49</sup> also Mizpah, because he said, "May the LORD watch between you and me when we are absent one from another.

**\*Genesis 32:4-5** Then Jacob sent messengers before him to Esau his brother in the land of Seir, the country of Edom. <sup>4</sup> And he commanded them, saying, Speak thus to my lord Esau, 'Thus your servant Jacob says: I have dwelt with Laban and stayed there until now. <sup>5</sup> I have oxen, donkeys, flocks, and male and female servants; and I have sent to tell my lord, that I may find favor in your sight.

**\*Genesis 32:11-12** Please deliver me from the hand of my brother Esau, for I am afraid that he may come and attack me and the mothers and children with me. For You said, I will surely treat you well, and make your descendants as the sand of the sea, which cannot be numbered for multitude.

**\*Genesis 22:17** I will surely bless you, and I will multiply your descendants like the stars in the sky and the sand on the seashore. Your descendants will possess the gates of their enemies.

**\*2 Thessalonians 3:3** But the Lord is faithful. He will establish you and guard you against the evil one.

**\*Deuteronomy 31:6** Be strong and courageous. Do not fear or be in dread of them, for it is the LORD your God who goes with you. He will not leave you or forsake you.

**\*John 1:51** Then He declared, Truly, truly, I tell you, you will all see heaven open and the angels of God ascending and descending on the Son of Man.

**\*Genesis 32:25-26** Now when He saw that He did not prevail against him, He touched the socket of his hip; and the socket of Jacob's hip was out of joint as He wrestled with him. 26 And He (the man) said, "Let Me go, for the day breaks." But he said, "I will not let You go unless You bless me!"

**\*Genesis 37:2** Joseph, being seventeen years old, was feeding the flock with his brothers. And the lad יוסף (the youth) was with the sons of Bilhah and the sons of Zilpah, his father's wives; and Joseph brought a bad report of them to his father.

**\*Jeremiah 23:5** Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and He will reign wisely as King and will administer justice and righteousness in the land.

**\*Isaiah 11:1-3** Then a shoot will spring up from the stump of Jesse, and a Branch from his roots will bear fruit. / The Spirit of the LORD will rest on Him—the Spirit of wisdom and understanding, the Spirit of counsel and strength, the Spirit of knowledge and fear of the LORD.

**\*Isaiah 9:6** For unto us a Child is born, Unto us a Son is given; And the government will be upon His shoulder. And His name will be called Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

**\*Genesis 32:27-29** So He (the man) said to him, "What is your name?" He said, "Jacob."<sup>28</sup> And He said, "Your name shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel; for you have struggled with God and with men, and have prevailed."<sup>29</sup> Then Jacob asked, saying, "Tell me Your name, I pray." And He said, "Why is it that you ask about My name?" And He blessed him there.

**\*Genesis 32:28** And He said, Your name shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel; for you have struggled with God and with men, and have prevailed.

**\*Genesis 32:30** So Jacob called the name of the place Peniel: For I have seen God face to face, and my life is preserved.

**\*Isaiah 53: 1-7** For He shall grow up before Him as a tender plant,  
And as a root out of dry ground. He has no form or comeliness;  
And when we see Him, There is no beauty that we should desire Him. <sup>3</sup> He is despised  
and rejected by men, A Man of sorrows and acquainted with grief.  
And we hid, as it were, our faces from Him; He was despised, and we did not esteem Him.  
<sup>4</sup> Surely He has borne our griefs And carried our sorrows; Yet we esteemed Him stricken,  
Smitten by God, and afflicted. <sup>5</sup> But He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised  
for our iniquities; The chastisement for our peace was upon Him,  
And by His stripes we are healed.<sup>6</sup> All we like sheep have gone astray We have turned, every  
one, to his own way; And the LORD has laid on Him the iniquity of us all.  
<sup>7</sup> He was oppressed and He was afflicted, Yet He opened not His mouth; He was led as a lamb  
to the slaughter, And as a sheep before its shearers is silent, So He opened not His mouth.

**\*Exodus 33:13-14** Now therefore, I pray, if I have found grace in Your sight, show me now  
Your way, that I may know You and that I may find grace in Your sight. And consider that this  
nation is Your people. <sup>14</sup> And He said, "My Presence will go with you, and I will give you rest.

**\*Exodus 13:21** And the LORD went before them by day in a pillar of cloud to lead the way,  
and by night in a pillar of fire to give them light, so as to go by day and night.

**\*Genesis 17:1** And when Abram was ninety years old and nine, the LORD appeared to Abram,  
and said unto him, I am God Almighty (El Shaddai); walk before Me, and be thou wholehearted.

**\*Exodus 23:20-21** Behold, I send an angel before thee, to keep thee by the way and to  
bring thee into the place which I have prepared. Take heed of him, and hearken unto his  
voice; be not rebellious against him; for he will not pardon your transgression; for My  
name is in him.

**\*Malachi 3:1** I will send my messenger, who will prepare the way before me. Then suddenly  
the LORD you are seeking will come to his temple; the messenger of the covenant, whom you  
desire, will come, says the LORD Almighty.

**\*Hebrews 1:6** Let all God's angels worship him.

**\*Isaiah 53:9** And they made His grave with the wicked— But with the rich at His death,  
Because He had done no violence, Nor was any deceit in His mouth.

**\*Genesis 32:10** for with my staff (only) I crossed this Jordan.

**\*Psalm 23:4** Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; For You are with me; Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me.

**\*Genesis 32:28-30** Then the man said, "Your name will no longer be Jacob, but Israel, because you have struggled with God and with men, and you have prevailed." 29 And Jacob requested Please tell me your name. But he replied, Why do you ask my name? Then he blessed Jacob there. 30 So Jacob named the place Peniel, saying, "Indeed, I have seen God face to face, and yet my life was spared."...

**\*Obadiah 1:1** Thus says the Lord God concerning Edom We have heard a report from the LORD, And a messenger has been sent among the nations, saying, Arise, and let us rise up against her for battle:

**\*Obadiah 2** Behold, I will make you small among the nations;  
You shall be greatly despised.

**\*Obadiah 3-4** The pride of your heart has deceived you,  
You who dwell in the clefts of the rock,  
Whose habitation is high; You who say in your heart, 'Who will bring me down to the ground?'  
<sup>4</sup> Though you ascend as high as the eagle, And though you set your nest among the stars,  
From there I will bring you down," says the LORD.

**\*Obadiah 5-6** "If thieves had come to you,  
If robbers by night—Oh, how you will be cut off!—  
Would they not have stolen till they had enough? If grape-gatherers had come to you, Would they not have left some gleanings? <sup>6</sup> "Oh, how Esau shall be searched out! How his hidden treasures shall be sought after!"

**\*Ezekiel 38:14-16** Therefore prophesy, son of man, and tell Gog that this is what the Lord GOD says: On that day when My people Israel are dwelling securely, will you not take notice of this? 15 And you will come from your place out of the far north— you and many peoples with you, all riding horses— a mighty horde, a huge army. 16 You will advance against My people Israel like a cloud covering the land. It will happen in the latter days, O Gog, that I will bring you against My land, so that the nations may know Me when I show Myself holy in you before their eyes....

**\*Obadiah 6** How Esau will be ransacked, and how his hidden treasures searched out!

**\*Obadiah 7** All the men in your confederacy Shall force you to the border; The men at peace with you Shall deceive you and prevail against you. Those who eat your bread shall lay a trap for you. No one is aware of it.

**\*Obadiah 8-10** Will I not in that day," says the Lord, "Even destroy the wise men from Edom, And understanding from the mountains of Esau? <sup>9</sup> Then your mighty men, O Teman, shall be dismayed, To the end that everyone from the mountains of Esau May be cut off by slaughter. <sup>10</sup> "For violence against your brother Jacob, Shame shall cover you, And you shall be cut off forever.

**\*Obadiah 11-12** On the day that you did stand aloof, on the day that strangers took his substance hostage, and foreigners entered into his gates and cast lots upon Jerusalem that you too were one of them. You should not look down on your brother on the day of his disaster, not should rejoice over the children of Judah in the day of their destruction. You should not speak proudly in the day of their distress.

**\*Obadiah 13** You should not have entered the gate of My people In the day of their calamity. Indeed, you should not have gazed on their affliction in the day of their calamity, Nor laid hands on their substance In the day of their calamity.

**\*Obadiah 14** Do not stand at the crossroad to cut down his fugitives, and do not imprison his remnant in the day of distress.

**\*Obadiah 15-16** For the day of THE LORD is near against all nations. As you have done, it shall be done to you. Your dealing will return on your own head. For just as you have drunk on My holy mountain, so all the nations shall drink continually. Yes, they will drink and gulp down, and then be as though they had never existed.

**\*Obadiah 17 & 21** But on Zion's mount, a remnant shall survive, and it shall be holy. The House of Jacob shall dispossess those who dispossessed them. For liberators shall march up on Mount Zion to wreak judgment on Mount Esav; and dominion shall be G-d's.