"The Spirit of Edom" Part 2

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Last Days = Daniel sees Edom, Moab, & Ammon long after their destruction.

"And at the time of the end shall the king of the south push at him: and the king of the north shall come against him like a whirlwind, with chariots, and with horsemen, and with many ships; and he shall enter into the countries, and shall overflow and pass over. He shall enter also into the glorious land, and many countries shall be overthrown: but these shall escape out of his hand, even Edom, and Moab, and the chief of the children of Ammon. He shall stretch forth his hand also upon the countries: and the land of Egypt shall not escape. But he shall have power over the treasures of gold and of silver, and over all the precious things of Egypt: and the Libyans and the Ethiopians shall be at his steps. But tidings out of the east and out of the north shall trouble him: therefore he shall go forth with great fury to destroy, and utterly to make away many. And he shall plant the tabernacles of his palace between the seas in the glorious holy mountain; yet he shall come to his end, and none shall help him" Daniel 11:40-45 (KJV) (Emphasis added).

Esau and Edom shall have no survivors = Extinction

"The house of Jacob shall be a fire, And the house of Joseph a flame; but the house of Esau shall be stubble; They shall kindle them and devour them, and no survivor shall remain of the house of Esau,' for the Lord has spoken." Obadiah 1:18 (NKJV) (Emphasis added).

Edom always wants to rebuild its' heritage, but God will tear it down.

"I have loved you,' says the Lord. 'Yet you say, "In what way have You loved us?" Was not Esau Jacob's brother?' Says the Lord. 'Yet Jacob I have loved; But Esau I have hated, And laid waste his mountains and his heritage for the jackals of the wilderness." Even though Edom has said, "We have been impoverished, but we will return and build the desolate places," Thus says the Lord of hosts: 'They may build, but I will throw down; They shall be called the Territory of Wickedness, and the people against whom the Lord will have indignation forever. Your eyes shall see, And you shall say, "The Lord is magnified beyond the border of Israel." (NKJV) (Emphasis added).

Solomon married ungodly women, rejecting God's command.

"King Solomon, however, loved many foreign women besides Pharaoh's daughter — Moabites, Ammonites, Edomites, Sidonians and Hittites. They were from nations about which the Lord had told the Israelites, You must not intermarry with them, because they will surely turn your hearts after their gods.' Nevertheless, Solomon held fast to them in love" 1 Kings 11:1-2 (NIV) (Emphasis added).

If you love God, you will keep His Commandments.

"You shall not make for yourself an idol in the form of anything in heaven above or on the earth beneath or in the waters below. You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I, the Lord your God, am a jealous God, punishing the children for the sin of the fathers to the third and fourth generation of those who hate me, but showing love to a thousand [generations] of those who love me and keep my commandments" Exodus 20:4-6 (NIV).

Amaziah, king of Judah, worships the gods of Edom.

"When Amaziah returned from slaughtering the Edomites, he brought back the gods of the people of Seir. He set them up as his own gods, bowed down to them and burned sacrifices to them. The anger of the Lord burned against Amaziah, and he sent a prophet to him, who said, 'Why do you consult this people's gods, which could not save their own people from your hand?" 2 Chronicles 25:14-15 (NIV) (Emphasis added).

Having Abraham as your father means nothing. Only fruit matters.

"But when he(John the Baptist) saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees coming to where he was baptizing, he said to them: 'You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the coming wrath? **Produce fruit in keeping with repentance**. And do not think **you can say to yourselves, "We have Abraham as our father.**" I tell you that out of these stones God can raise up children for Abraham. The ax is already at the root of the trees, and every tree that does not produce good fruit will be cut down and thrown into the fire" Matthew 3:7-10 (NIV) (Emphasis added).

Edom tears down and destroys.

'Remember, O Lord, what the Edomites did on the day Jerusalem fell. '**Tear it down,**' they cried, 'tear it down to its foundations!'" Psalm 137:7 (NIV) (Emphasis added).

God's people rebuild, repair, and restore.

"Your people will rebuild the ancient ruins and will raise up the age-old foundations; you will be called **Repairer of Broken Walls, Restorer of Streets with Dwellings**" Isaiah 58:12 (NIV) (Emphasis added).

Edom has a massive slave trade business.

"This is what the Lord says: "For three sins of Gaza, even for four, I will not turn back [my wrath]. because **she took captive whole communities and sold them to Edom**" Amos 1:6 (NIV) (Emphasis added).

Jesus sets all slaves free.

"Jesus replied, 'I tell you the truth, everyone who sins is a slave to sin. Now a slave has no permanent place in the family, but a son belongs to it forever. **So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed**" John 8:34-36 **(**NIV) (Emphasis added).

Edom is angry, hates Israel. This progresses to revenge, destruction, and war.

"This is what the Lord says: 'For three sins of Edom, even for four, I will not turn back [my wrath]. Because he pursued his brother with a sword, stifling all compassion, because his anger raged continually and his fury flamed unchecked, I will send fire upon Teman that will consume the fortresses of Bozrah'" Amos 1:11-12 (NIV) (Emphasis added).

Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: "May those who love you be secure."

Edom hates and kills, but God forgives and loves us.

"For if you forgive men when they sin against **you**, **your heavenly Father will also forgive you**. But if you do not forgive men their sins, your Father will not forgive your sins" Matthew 6:14-15 (NIV) (Emphasis added).

God uses His people to judge Edom by God's power.

"The word of the Lord came to me: 'Son of man, set your face against Mount Seir; prophesy against it and say: "This is what the Sovereign Lord says: I am against you, Mount Seir, and I will stretch out my hand against you and make you a desolate waste. I will turn your towns into ruins and you will be desolate. Then you will know that I am the Lord."" (NIV) (Emphasis added).

God destroys Edom and makes it a wasteland.

"I will make Mount Seir a desolate waste and cut off from it all who come and go. I will fill your mountains with the slain; those killed by the sword will fall on your hills and in your valleys and in all your ravines. I will make you desolate forever; your towns will not be inhabited. Then you will know that I am the Lord" Ezekiel 35:7-9 (NIV) (Emphasis added).

Jeremiah prophesies the destruction of Edom who cannot hide.

"Against Edom. Thus says the Lord of hosts: 'Is wisdom no more in Teman? Has counsel perished from the prudent? Has their wisdom vanished? Flee, turn back, dwell in the depths, O inhabitants of Dedan! For I will bring the calamity of Esau upon him, The time that I will punish him. If grape-gatherers came to you, Would they not leave some gleaning grapes? If thieves by night, Would they not destroy until they have enough? But I have made Esau bare; I have uncovered his secret places, And he shall not be able to hide himself. His descendants are plundered, His brethren and his neighbors, And he is no more. Leave your fatherless children, I will preserve them alive; And let your widows trust in Me'" Jeremiah 49:7-11 (NKJV) (Emphasis added).

God will always deliver His people. We shine if we do His work.

"At that time Michael, the great prince who protects your people, will arise. There will be a time of distress such as has not happened from the beginning of nations until then. But at that time your people — everyone whose name is found written in the book — will be delivered. Multitudes who sleep in the dust of the earth will awake: some to everlasting life, others to shame and everlasting contempt. Those who are wise will shine like the brightness of the heavens, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars for ever and ever" Daniel 12:1-3 (NIV) (Emphasis added).

The Edomites will be judged. Their kingdom will be the Lord's.

"And the captives of this host of the children of Israel shall possess the land of the Canaanites As far as Zarephath. The captives of Jerusalem who are in Sepharad shall possess the cities of the South. Then saviors shall come to Mount Zion to judge the mountains of Esau, and the kingdom shall be the Lord's" Obadiah 1:20-21 (NKJV) (Emphasis added).

God gives us strategy against Ammon, Moab and Seir.

"After consulting the people, Jehoshaphat appointed men to sing to the Lord and to praise him for the splendor of his holiness as they went out at the head of the army, saying: 'Give thanks to the Lord, for his love endures forever.' As they began to sing and praise, the Lord set ambushes against the men of Ammon and Moab and Mount Seir who were invading Judah, and they were defeated. The men of Ammon and Moab rose up against the men from Mount Seir to destroy and annihilate them. After they finished slaughtering the men from Seir, they helped to destroy one another" 2 Chronicles 20:21-23 (NIV) (Emphasis added).

What kingdom do you want to be a part of?

- Edom wants what doesn't belong to him.
 - In the 1800s many Jews around the world returned to Israel and purchased land from the Arabs. It was legally bought and developed. God made it fruitful.
 - o The Jews helped us fight Hitler. The Arabs mostly aligned with Hitler.
 - In 1947, the United Nations voted to establish the Jewish state and the Palestinian state.
 - o The Jews agreed to Israel, but the Palestinians rejected their portion-East
 - o Israel was born on May 14, 1948. Palestinians who owned land could stay.
 - War against Israel then broke out because the Arabs rejected Palestine.
 - o They wanted Israel as well. They will not compromise until they get it all.
- Edom takes, but Jesus gives us everlasting life.
- Edom kills or enslaves, but Jesus sets us free and provides God's blessing.
- Edom continually sheds innocent blood.
 - o Jesus shed His innocent blood for us and others to forgive our sins.
- Edom rejects, but Jesus says come to me.
- Edom is always at war, but Jesus leaves us His peace.
- Edom dwells on hate and revenge,
 - o but Jesus says forgive so your sins will be forgiven.
- Edom aligns with others for destruction,
 - o but Jesus commands unity of the body to make us whole and complete
 - and to bless others with the life of Jesus.
- Edom is at war with the Jews and the church and desires death.
 - o Jesus protects His Bride and gives life abundantly.
 - You cannot war with Edom if you harbor bitterness, anger, hatred, or jealousy.
- Edom rejects the birthright and wants to kill those with the birthright.
 - o The birthright was bought by Jesus and offered to us freely.