

Ezekiel 35:10

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

Because thou hast said, These two nations and these two countries shall be mine, and we will possess it; whereas the LORD was there:

Analysis

Edom's additional sin: claiming 'These two nations and these two countries shall be mine' when 'the LORD was there.' They sought to possess Israel and Judah's territory despite God's presence and ownership. Attempting to seize what belongs to God compounds arrogance with blasphemy. Divine ownership trumps human ambitions.

Historical Context

After 586 BC, Edom occupied southern Judah while Judeans were exiled. They assumed God had permanently abandoned His land and people. This theological error—thinking God's discipline meant abandonment—brought judgment.

Related Passages

John 3:16 — God's love and salvation

Romans 10:9 — Confession and belief for salvation

Psalms 19:1 — Heavens declare God's glory

Colossians 1:16 — All things created through Christ

Study Questions

1. How do you distinguish between God's temporary discipline and permanent abandonment?
2. What does it mean that God never truly abandons what belongs to Him, even during judgment?

Interlinear Text

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Additional Cross-References

Ezekiel 36:5 (References Lord): Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Surely in the fire of my jealousy have I spoken against the residue of the heathen, and against all Idumea, which have appointed my land into their possession with the joy of all their heart, with despiteful minds, to cast it out for a prey.

Ezekiel 48:35 (References Lord): It was round about eighteen thousand measures: and the name of the city from that day shall be, The LORD is there.

Ezekiel 36:2 (References Lord): Thus saith the Lord GOD; Because the enemy hath said against you, Aha, even the ancient high places are our's in possession:

Isaiah 12:6 (Parallel theme): Cry out and shout, thou inhabitant of Zion: for great is the Holy One of Israel in the midst of thee.

Zechariah 2:5 (References Lord): For I, saith the LORD, will be unto her a wall of fire round about, and will be the glory in the midst of her.

Zephaniah 3:15 (References Lord): The LORD hath taken away thy judgments, he hath cast out thine enemy: the king of Israel, even the LORD, is in the midst of thee: thou shalt not see evil any more.

Obadiah 1:13 (Parallel theme): Thou shouldest not have entered into the gate of my people in the day of their calamity; yea, thou shouldest not have looked on their affliction in the day of their calamity, nor have laid hands on their substance in the day of their calamity;

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