## **The French Composite Bible**

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The French Composite Bible is intended to make you think more deeply about the text by progressive comparison of literal versions. Starting with French, two English versions are progressively Compared in order to gain deeper insights into the text. The mind works differently when understanding one text, when comparing two texts and when looking at more than two. As a result, an over-all meaning is obtained, which I call a "composite" understanding. When you have reached this level of understanding, you will want to record your thoughts about what the text now says, what it means to you spiritually and how you plan to apply its meaning to your life. I hope that you will find this work a help in your studies and a blessing in understanding what God would like you to know.

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## Obadiah

1 ¶ La vision d'Abdias. -.-Ainsi dit le Seigneur, l'Éternel, touchant Édom. Nous avons entendu une rumeur de par l'Éternel, et un ambassadeur a été envoyé parmi les nations: Levez-vous! et levons-nous contre lui pour la guerre.

The vision of Obadiah. This is what the Lord Yahweh says about Edom. We have heard news from Yahweh, and an ambassador is sent among the nations, saying, "Arise, and let's rise up against her in battle.

Thus said the Lord Jehovah to Edom, A report we have heard from Jehovah, And an ambassador among nations was sent, `Rise, yea, let us rise against her for battle.`

2 Voici, je t'ai fait petit parmi les nations; tu es fort méprisé.
Behold, I have made you small among the nations. You are greatly despised.
Lo, little I have made thee among nations, Despised [art] thou exceedingly.

3 L'arrogance de ton coeur t'a séduit, toi qui demeures dans les creux du rocher, ta haute habitation; toi qui dis dans ton coeur: Qui me fera descendre par terre?

The pride of your heart has deceived you, you who dwell in the clefts of the rock, whose habitation is high, who says in his heart, `Who will bring me down to the ground?`

The pride of thy heart hath lifted thee up, O dweller in clifts of a rock, (A high place [is] his habitation, He is saying in his heart, `Who doth bring me down [to] earth?`)

4 Si tu t'élèves comme l'aigle, et que parmi les étoiles tu mettes ton nid, je te ferai descendre de là, dit l'Éternel.

Though you mount on high as the eagle, and though your nest is set among the stars, I will bring you down from there, says Yahweh.

If thou dost go up high as an eagle, And if between stars thou dost set thy nest, From thence I bring thee down, An affirmation of Jehovah.

5 Si des voleurs, si des pillards de nuit venaient chez toi (comme tu es ruiné!) voleraient-ils plus que ce qui leur suffit? Si des vendangeurs venaient chez toi, ne laisseraient-ils pas des grappillages?

If thieves came to you, if robbers by night -- oh, what disaster awaits you -- wouldn`t they only steal until they had enough? If grape pickers came to you, wouldn`t they leave some gleaning grapes?

If thieves have come in to thee, If spoilers of the night, How hast thou been cut off! Do they not steal their sufficiency? If gatherers have come in to thee, Do they not leave gleanings?

6 Comme Ésaü est fouillé! comme ses choses cachées sont mises à découvert! How Esau will be ransacked! How his hidden treasures are sought out! How hath Esau been searched out! Flowed out have his hidden things, 7 Tous tes alliés t'ont poussé à la frontière; ceux qui étaient en paix avec toi t'ont trompé, ils ont prévalu contre toi; ceux qui mangeaient ton pain ont mis un piège sous toi. Il n'y a pas d'intelligence en lui!

All the men of your alliance have brought you on your way, even to the border. The men who were at peace with you have deceived you, and prevailed against you. Friends who eat your bread lay a snare under you. There is no understanding in him.

Unto the border sent thee have all thine allies, Forgotten thee, prevailed over thee, have thy friends, Thy bread they make a snare under thee, There is no understanding in him!

8 N'est ce pas en ce jour-là, dit l'Éternel, que je détruirai du milieu d'Édom les sages, et de la montagne d'Ésaü, l'intelligence?

"Won`t I in that day," says Yahweh, "destroy the wise men out of Edom, and understanding out of the mountain of Esau?

Is it not in that day -- an affirmation of Jehovah, That I have destroyed the wise out of Edom, And understanding out of the mount of Esau?

9 Et tes hommes forts, ô Théman, seront terrifiés, afin que chacun soit retranché de la montagne d'Ésaü par le carnage.

Your mighty men, Teman, will be dismayed, to the end that everyone may be cut off from the mountain of Esau by slaughter.

And broken down have been thy mighty ones, O Teman, So that every one of the mount of Esau is cut off.

10 ¶ A cause de la violence faite à ton frère Jacob, la honte te couvrira, et tu seras retranché pour toujours.

For the violence done to your brother Jacob, shame will cover you, and you will be cut off forever.

For slaughter, for violence [to] thy brother Jacob, Cover thee doth shame, And thou hast been cut off -- to the age.

11 Au jour où tu te tins vis-à-vis, au jour où des étrangers emportaient ses richesses, et où des forains entraient dans ses portes et jetaient le sort sur Jérusalem, toi aussi tu étais comme l'un d'eux.

In the day that you stood on the other side, in the day that strangers carried away his substance, and foreigners entered into his gates, and cast lots for Jerusalem, even you were like one of them.

In the day of thy standing over-against, In the day of strangers taking captive his force, And foreigners have entered his gates, And for Jerusalem have cast a lot, Even thou [art] as one of them!

12 Mais tu n'aurais pas dû regarder le jour de ton frère, le jour de son désastre; et tu n'aurais pas dû te réjouir au sujet des fils de Juda, au jour de leur destruction, et tu n'aurais pas dû ouvrir ta bouche toute grande au jour de la détresse.

But don't look down on your brother in the day of his disaster, and don't rejoice over the children of Judah in the day of their destruction. Don't speak proudly in the day of distress.

And -- thou dost not look on the day of thy brother, On the day of his alienation, Nor dost thou rejoice over sons of Judah, In the day of their destruction, Nor make great thy mouth in a day of distress.

13 Tu n'aurais pas dû entrer dans la porte de mon peuple, au jour de leur calamité; ni regarder, toi non plus, sa misère, au jour de sa calamité; et tu n'aurais pas dû porter la main sur ses richesses au jour de sa calamité;

Don't enter into the gate of my people in the day of their calamity. Don't look down on their affliction in the day of their calamity, neither seize their wealth on the day of their calamity.

Nor come into a gate of My people in a day of their calamity, Nor look, even thou, on its misfortune in a day of its calamity, Nor send forth against its force in a day of its calamity,

14 et tu n'aurais pas dû te tenir au carrefour pour exterminer ses réchappés, et tu n'aurais pas dû livrer ceux des siens qui étaient demeurés de reste au jour de la détresse.

Don`t stand in the crossroads to cut off those of his who escape. Don`t deliver up those of his who remain in the day of distress.

Nor stand by the breach to cut off its escaped, Nor deliver up its remnant in a day of distress.

15 Car le jour de l'Éternel est proche, contre toutes les nations: comme tu as fait, il te sera fait; ta récompense retombera sur ta tête.

For the day of Yahweh is near all the nations! As you have done, it will be done to you. Your deeds will return upon your own head.

For near [is] the day of Jehovah, on all the nations, As thou hast done, it is done to thee, Thy deed doth turn back on thine own head.

16 Car, comme vous avez bu sur ma montagne sainte, toutes les nations boiront continuellement; et elles boiront, et elles avaleront, et elles seront comme si elles n'avaient pas été.

For as you have drunk on my holy mountain, so will all the nations drink continually. Yes, they will drink, swallow down, and will be as though they had not been.

For -- as ye have drunk on My holy mount, Drink do all the nations continually, And they have drunk and have swallowed, And they have been as they have not been.

17 ¶ Et sur la montagne de Sion il y aura délivrance; et elle sera sainte, et la maison de Jacob possédera ses possessions.

But in Mount Zion, there will be those who escape, and it will be holy. The house of Jacob will possess their possessions.

And in mount Zion there is an escape, And it hath been holy, And the house of Jacob have possessed their possessions.

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18 Et la maison de Jacob sera un feu, et la maison de Joseph, une flamme; et la maison d'Ésaü sera du chaume; et elles y mettront le feu et la dévoreront; et il n'y aura pas de reste de la maison d'Ésaü, car l'Éternel a parlé.

The house of Jacob will be a fire, the house of Joseph a flame, and the house of Esau for stubble. They will burn among them, and devour them. There will not be any remaining to the house of Esau." Indeed, Yahweh has spoken.

And the house of Jacob hath been a fire, And the house of Joseph a flame, And the house of Esau for stubble, And they have burned among them, And they have consumed them, And there is not a remnant to the house of Esau, For Jehovah hath spoken.

19 Et ceux du midi posséderont la montagne d'Ésaü, et ceux du pays plat, les Philistins; et les fils d'Israël posséderont la campagne d'Éphraïm et la campagne de Samarie; et Benjamin possédera Galaad.

Those of the South will possess the mountain of Esau, and those of the lowland, the Philistines. They will possess the field of Ephraim, and the field of Samaria. Benjamin will possess Gilead.

And they have possessed the south with the mount of Esau, And the low country with the Philistines, And they have possessed the field of Ephraim, And the field of Samaria, And Benjamin with Gilead.

20 Et les captifs de cette armée des fils d'Israël posséderont ce qui appartenait aux Cananéens jusqu'à Sarepta, et les captifs de Jérusalem, qui avaient été à Sepharad, posséderont les villes du midi.

The captives of this host of the children of Israel, who are among the Canaanites, will possess even to Zarephath; and the captives of Jerusalem, who are in Sepharad, will possess the cities of the Negev.

And the removed of this force of the sons of Israel, That [is with] the Canaanites unto Zarephat, And the removed of Jerusalem that [is] with the Sepharad, Possess the cities of the south.

21 Et des sauveurs monteront sur la montagne de Sion pour juger la montagne d'Ésaü. Et le royaume sera à l'Éternel.

Saviors will go up on Mount Zion to judge the mountains of Esau, and the kingdom will be Yahweh`s.

And gone up have saviours on mount Zion, To judge the mount of Esau, And the kingdom hath been to Jehovah!`