Oracles Concerning Edom and Arabia (21:11-17)

- I. Oracle Concerning Edom (21:11-12)

 The oracle of Dumah (silence). To me one is crying out from Sier, "The one watching, what of the night, the one watching, what of the night?"

 The one watching says, "Morning comes, but also the night. If you inquire, inquire. Return. Come."
 - A. The play on words: Dumah
 - B. The cry of the concerned
 - C. The reply of the watchman
 - 1. Morning come, and also night
 - 2. If you inquire, inquire (seek)
 - 3. Return. Come.
- II. Oracle Concerning Arabia (13-17)
 - A. Arabia: the Arabian tribes
 - B. Dedanites: a trading, nomadic tribe of Arabs (Keturah)
 - C. Tema: a tribe of Ishmaelites
 - D. The fugitives from the Assyrians
 - E. The land of Kedar: northern Arabia
 - F. Yahweh, God of Israel has spoken

As Assyria advanced, Edom and Arabia became weaker and weaker. Once Babylon ascended, they were nothing (Jer. 49:7-22, 28-33)

The Herods were Edomites, who saw the Light of the Dawn