

# U-ISAYA

**1** Umbono omayelana loJuda

leJerusalema owabonwa ngu-Isaya  
indodana ka-Amozi ezinsukwini  
zokubusa kuka-Uziya, loJothamu, lo-  
Ahazi loHezekhiya amakhosi akoJuda

*Isizwe Esihlamukayo*

<sup>2</sup> Zwanini mazulu! Lalelani mhlaba,  
Ngoba uJehova usekhulumile:  
“Ngondla abantwana ngabakhulisa,  
kodwa sebengihlamukele  
<sup>3</sup> Inkabi iyamazi umniniyo,  
lobabhemi uyasazi isibaya  
sikamnikazi  
wakhe, kodwa u-Israyeli kazi,  
abantu bami kabaqedisisi.”

<sup>4</sup> Awu sizwe esonayo, bantu abathwele  
amacala inzalo yabenza okubi,  
bantwana abaxhwalileyo!  
Sebemlahlile uJehova;  
bamedelele Ongcwele ka-Israyeli  
bamfulathela.

<sup>5</sup> Kungani kumele litshaywe futhi?  
Kungani liqhubeka ngokuhlamuka?  
Ikhanda lakho lonke lilimele,  
yonke inhliziyo yakho ihlukuluziwe.

<sup>6</sup> Kusukela ngaphansi kwentende  
yonyawo lwakho kusiya esicholo  
sekhanda lakho akukho kuphelela,  
kodwa izilonda lemvivinya kuphela,  
kanye lamanxeba; akugeziswanga,  
akubotshwanga kumbe kwathanjiswa  
ngamafutha.

<sup>7</sup> Ilizwe lenu lichithekile, amadolobho  
enu atshiswa ngomlilo, umhlaba wenu  
uphundlwa ngabezizweni, phambi  
kwenu uqobo, uchitheka njengalapho  
udilizwa ngabezizweni.

<sup>8</sup> INdodakazi yaseZiyoni isele

njengedumba esivinini,  
njengendlwana ensimini yamajodo,  
njengedolobho elihonqolozelweyo.

<sup>9</sup> Aluba uJehova uSomandla  
wayengasitshiyelanga abalutshwana  
abasindayo, sasizakuba njengeSodoma;  
sasizafana leGomora.

<sup>10</sup> Zwanini ilizwi likaJehova lina babusi  
baseSodoma, lalelani umthetho  
kaNkulunkulu wethu  
lina bantu baseGomora!

<sup>11</sup> “Ubunengi bemihlatshelo yenu –  
buyini kimi?” Kutsho uJehova.  
Ngileminikelo yokutshiswa edlula  
efunekayo, eyezinqama lamahwahwa  
ezifuyo ezinonisiweyo;  
igazi lezinkunzi, lelamawundlu  
lelezimbuzi kalingithokozisi.

<sup>12</sup> Lapho lisizavela phambi kwami,  
ngubani olicelileyo ukube ligida  
emagumeni ami na?

<sup>13</sup> Yekelani ukuletha iminikelo eyize.  
Impepha yenu iyisingeniso kimi.  
IziNyanga ezithwasayo, amaSabatha  
lemihlangano angingeke  
ngibekezelele imibuthano yenu  
yobubi.

<sup>14</sup> Imikhosi yenu yokuthwasa  
kwezinyanga lamadili enu amisiweyo  
umphefumulo wami uyakuzonda.  
Sekube ngumthwalo kimi;  
sengikhathele ngokukuthwala.

<sup>15</sup> Lapho lichaya izandla zenu likhuleka,  
ngizalifihlela amehlo ami; loba  
selikhuleka imikhuleko eminengi,  
angiyikulalela. Izandla zenu  
zigcwele igazi;

<sup>16</sup> gezani libe ngabahlambulukileyo.  
susani izenzo zenu ezimbi phambi  
kobuso bami.

Yekelani ukwenza okubi,  
<sup>17</sup> fundani ukwenza okulungileyo.

Funani ukwahlulela okuhle,  
khuthazani abacindezelweyo.  
Vikelani izintandane, lamulelani

umfelokazi.

- <sup>18</sup> “Wozani khathesi nje, sibonisane sikanye,” kutsho uJehova. “Lanxa izono zenu zibomvu gebhu, zizakuba mhlophe nke njengongqoqwane.
- <sup>19</sup> Uma livuma njalo lilalela, lizakudla okuhle kwelizwe;
- <sup>20</sup> kodwa uma linqaba, lihlamuka, lizadliwa yinkemba,” Ngoba umlomo kaJehova usukhulumile.
- <sup>21</sup> Khangalani ukuthi idolobho elithembekileyo selibe yisifebe. Lake lagcwala ngokufaneleyo, ukulunga kwakuhlala kulo kodwa khathesi sekuhlala ababulali.
- <sup>22</sup> Isiliva senu sesingamanye, iwayini lenu elihle selihlanganiswe lamanzi.
- <sup>23</sup> Ababusi benu bangabahlamuki, abangane bamasela. Bonke bathanda izivalamlomo, bafune izipho. Izintandane kabazivikeli; indaba yomfelokazi kayifiki kibo.
- <sup>24</sup> Ngakho-ke iNkosi, uJehova uSomandla, uMninimandla ka-Israyeli, uthi: “Ye, ngizabodlisa ezitheni zami ngibuye ngiphindisele kwabayizitha zami.
- <sup>25</sup> Ngizaphakamisela isandla sami kini; ngizawahlambulula ngokupheleleyo amanye enu, ngisuse lakho konke ukungcola kwenu.
- <sup>26</sup> Ngizabuyisa abehluleli benu njengezinsukwini zakudala labeluleki benu njengasekuqaleni. Muva uzabizwa ngokuthi iDolobho Lokulunga, iDolobho Elithembekileyo.”
- <sup>27</sup> IZiyoni izahlengwa ngemfanelo, abaphendukayo bayo bahlengwe ngokulunga.
- <sup>28</sup> Kodwa abahlamuki lezoni

bazachithwa, lalabo abalahla uJehova bazabhubha.

- <sup>29</sup> “Lizayangeka ngenxa yezihlahla zemi-okhi ezingcwele elazithokozisa ngazo. Lizakuba lehlazo ngenxa yamasimu elawakhethayo.
- <sup>30</sup> Lizafana lom-okhi olamahlamvu asebuna lanjengensimu engelamanzi.
- <sup>31</sup> Indoda elamandla izafana lencwathi umsebenzi wayo ufane lenhlansi; kokubili kuzakutsha kanyekanye kungekho ozacitsha umlilo.”

### *Intaba kaJehova*

**2** Lokhu yikho okwabonwa ngu-Isaya indodana ka-Amozi mayelana loJuda leJerusalema:

<sup>2</sup> Ngezinsuku zokucina

intaba yethempeli  
likaJehova izakuba ngelodumo phakathi kwezintaba; izaphakanyiselwa phezu kwamaqaqa njalo izizwe zonke zizabekelela zisiya kuyo.

<sup>3</sup> Abantu abanengi bazakuza bathi,

“Wozani siye phezu kwentaba kaJehova, endlini kaNkulunkulu kaJakhobe. Uzasifundisa izindlela zakhe ukuze sihambe ezindleleni zakhe.” Umthetho uzavela eZiyoni. ilizwi likaJehova livele eJerusalema.

- <sup>4</sup> Uzakwahlulela phakathi kwezizwe, alamule izingxabano zabantu abanengi. Bazakhanda izinkemba zabo zibe yimihlathi yamakhuba kuthi imikhonto yabo ibe zingqamu zokuthena izihlahla. Isizwe asiyikuhlomela isizwe ngezinkemba loba sifundele ukulwa izimpi futhi.

<sup>5</sup>Woza bo ndlu kaJakhobe,  
kasihambe ekukhanyeni kukaJehova.

*Usuku lukaJehova*

<sup>6</sup>Usubalahlile abantu bakho,  
indlu kaJakhobe. Bagwele ukhoho  
oluyize lwaseMpumalanga benza  
lemisebenzi yobungoma  
njengamaFilisti, njalo babambana  
izandla labangakhohwayo.

<sup>7</sup>Ilizwe labo ligcwele isiliva legolide;  
inotho yabo ayilakuphela. Ilizwe labo  
ligcwele amabhiza; izinqola zabo  
zempi kazipheli.

<sup>8</sup>Ilizwe labo ligcwele izithombe;  
bakhothamela umsebenzi wezandla  
zabo, lakulokho okwenziwa yiminwe  
yabo.

<sup>9</sup>Ngakho umuntu uzakwehliselwa  
phansi. Uluntu luzathobekiswa –  
ungabathetheleli.

<sup>10</sup>Ngenani ezimbalwini zamatshe  
lasemhlabathini, licatshela  
ukwesabeka kukaJehova lenkazimulo  
yobukhosi bakhe!

<sup>11</sup>Amehlo omuntu oziphakamisayo  
azathobekiswa lokuzazisa kwabantu  
kwehliselwe phansi; uJehova kuphela  
nguye ozaphakanyiswa ngalolosuku.

<sup>12</sup>UJehova uSomandla ulosuku alubekele  
bonke abazazigqaja  
labazikhukhumezayo;  
olwakho konke okuphakemeyo  
(bazathobekiswa),

<sup>13</sup>olwazo zonke izihlahla zemisedari  
zaseLebhanoni ezinde leziphakemeyo,  
lazo zonke izihlahla zama-okhi  
zaseBhashani,

<sup>14</sup>olwazo zonke izintaba ezindekazi  
lamaqaqa wonke aphakemeyo,

<sup>15</sup>olwayo yonke imiphotshongo  
ephakemeyo layo yonke imiduli  
eyinqaba,

<sup>16</sup>olwemikhumbi yonke  
yaseThashishi  
layo yonke imikolo emihle.

<sup>17</sup>Ukuziphakamisa kwabantu  
kuzakwehliselwa phansi,  
ukuzazisa kwabantu kuthobekiswe;  
UJehova kuphela nguye ozadunyiswa  
ngalolosuku,

<sup>18</sup>izithombe zizanyamalala zithi nya.

<sup>19</sup>Abantu bazabalekela ezimbalwini  
zamatshe lasemilindini emhlabathini  
bebalekela ukwesabeka kukaJehova  
lenkazimulo yobukhosi bakhe  
lapho ephakama ukuba anyikinye  
umhlaba.

<sup>20</sup>Ngalolosuku abantu bazazilahlela  
ezimvukuzaneni lakubolulwane  
izithombe zabo zesiliva lezegolide  
abazenzela ukuba bazikhonze.

<sup>21</sup>Bazabalekela ezimbalwini zamatshe  
lasezingoxweni zamawa bebalekela  
ukwesabeka kukaJehova lenkazimulo  
yobukhosi bakhe lapho ephakama  
ukuba anyikinye umhlaba.

<sup>22</sup>Yekelani ukwethemba umuntu  
olomphefumulo nje kuphela  
emakhaleni akhe. Ngoba uyini yena  
na?

*Ukwahlulelwa kweJerusalema Lelizwe  
lakoJuda*

**3**Khangelani khathesi uJehova,

UJehova uSomandla usezasusa  
eJerusalema lelizweni lakoJuda  
okufunekayo losizo: konke ukudla  
lamanzi,

<sup>2</sup>iqhawe lebutho, umahluleli lomphristi  
isangoma lomuntu omdala,

<sup>3</sup>induna yebutho labangamatshumi  
amahlanu lamadoda ayizikhulu,  
umeluleki, ingcitshi yemisebenzi,  
lesanuse esihlakaniphileyo.

- <sup>4</sup>Ngizakwenza abafana babe yizikhulu zabo; abantwana nje bazababusa.
- <sup>5</sup>Abantu bazacindezelana umuntu avukele umuntu, umakhelwane avukele umakhelwana. Abatsha bazavukela abadala, abeyisekayo bavukele abahlonitshwa.
- <sup>6</sup>Indododa izabamba omunye wabafowabo emzini kayise ithi, “Ulesambatho, woba ngumkhokheli wethu, inqwaba yamanxiwa le izakuba ngaphansi kombuso wakho.”
- <sup>7</sup>Kodwa ngalolosuku uzakhala athi, “Angilamasiza. Endlini yami akulakudla loba izigqoko; unganenzi umkhokheli wabantu.”
- <sup>8</sup>IJerusalema liyadiyazela, uJuda uyawa; amazwi abo lezenzo zabo kuphambene loJehova, kweyisa ubukhona bakhe bobukhosi.
- <sup>9</sup>Ukukhangeleka kobuso babo kufakaza kubi ngabo; babukisa izono zabo njengeSodoma; kabazifihli. Maye kubo! Bazilethele incithakalo phezu kwabo.
- <sup>10</sup>Tshela abalungileyo ukuthi kuzakuba kuhle kubo, ngoba bazakholisa izithelo zezenzo zabo.
- <sup>11</sup>Maye kwababi! Incithakalo isiphezu kwabo! Bazaphindiselwa ngalokho izandla zabo ezikwenzileyo.
- <sup>12</sup>Abatsha bacindezela abantu bami, abesifazana bayababusa. Awu, bantu bami, abakhokheli benu bayaliduhisa; Bayaliphambula endleleni.
- <sup>13</sup>UJehova uphakama ukuba afakaze indaba yakhe, uyasukuma ukuba ahlulele abantu.
- <sup>14</sup>UJehova uqalisa ukwahlulela abadala labakhokheli babantu esithi, “Yini elitshabalalise isivini sami; elikuthumbe kubayanga kusezindlini zenu.
- <sup>15</sup>Litshoni ngokuchoboza abantu bami langokuchola ubuso babayanga?” kutsho uJehova, uJehova uSomandla.
- <sup>16</sup>UJehova uthi, “Abesifazana baseZiyoni bayaziphakamisa, bahamba belule izintamo, behuga ngamehlo abo, begwenxeka ngamanyathelo amancane, izigqizo zikhencezela ezinqagaleni zabo.
- <sup>17</sup>Ngakho-ke uJehova uzakwenza amakhanda abesifazana baseZiyoni abe lezilonda; uJehova uzakwenza isikhumba samakhanda abo siphucuke.
- <sup>18</sup>Ngalolosuku uJehova uzahluthuna imiceciso yabo: amasongo, imincwazi, lemigaxo yentanyeni,
- <sup>19</sup>amacici, izigqizo lezimbombozo,
- <sup>20</sup>amaqhiye, izigetsho lamabhanti; izimbodlela zamakha lezintebe,
- <sup>21</sup>izindandatho ezilophawu lamasongo empumulo,
- <sup>22</sup>izambatho ezinhle lezingubo lezigqoko, izikhwama
- <sup>23</sup>lezibuko, lezigqoko zelineni, imiqhele lamaveli.
- <sup>24</sup>Ekubeni kube lephunga elimnandi kuzakuba lomnuko omubi; ekubeni kube lebhanti kuzakuba legoda, ekubeni kube lenwele ezilungiswe kuhle kuzakuba lempabanga, ekubeni kube yizigqoko ezinhle kuzakuba ngamasaka, ekubeni kube lezinwele ezilungiswe kuhle, kuzakuba lempabanga, ekubeni kube yizigqoko ezinhle kuzakuba ngamasaka, ekubeni kube yibuhle, kuzakuba lihlazo.
- <sup>25</sup>Amadoda akini azakuwa ngenkamba,

kanjalo lamabutho akini empini.  
<sup>26</sup> Amasango aseZiyoni azakhala alile,  
 kuthi yona ihlale phansi ichithekile.

#### 4 Ngalolosuku abesifazana

abayisikhombisa bazabamba  
 indodanye bathi,  
 “Sizakudla ukudla kwethu  
 sigqoke izigqoko zethu; sivumele  
 kuphela nje ukuba sibizwe ngebizo  
 lakho. Susa ihlazo lethu.”

#### *UGatsha lukaJehova*

<sup>2</sup> Ngalolosuku uGatsha lukaJehova  
 luzakuba luhle lube yinkazimulo,  
 lezithelo zelizwe zizakuba ligugu  
 lenkazimulo kwabasindayo ko-Israyeli.  
<sup>3</sup> Labo abatshiywe eZiyoni, abasele  
 eJerusalema, kuzathiwa bangcwele, labo  
 bonke abalotshiweyo phakathi  
 kwabaphilayo eJerusalema. <sup>4</sup> UJehova  
 uzagezisa ingcekeza yabesifazana  
 baseZiyoni, izahlambulula amachatha  
 egazi eJerusalema ngomoya  
 wokwahlulela langomoya womlilo.  
<sup>5</sup> Lapho-ke ngaphezu kwayo yonke  
 iNtaba iZiyoni langaphezulu kwabo  
 bonke abahlangana khona uJehova  
 uzakwenza iyezi lentuthu emini,  
 lokukhanya kwamalangabi omlilo  
 ebusuku. Ngaphezu kwenkazimulo  
 yonke kuzakuba lesivikelo  
 esinjengophahla. <sup>6</sup> Sizakuba yisisitho  
 lomthunzi wokuvika ukutshisa kwemini,  
 isiphephelo lendawo yokucatshela  
 isiphepho lezulu.

#### *Ingoma Yesivini*

#### 5 Ngizahlabelela lowo

engimthandayo ingoma ngesivini  
 sakhe:  
 Othandwa yimi wayelesivini eqaqeni  
 oluvundileyo.  
<sup>2</sup> Wasigebha, wasusa amatshe kuso

wahlanyela kuso amavini amahle.  
 Wakha isilindo esiphezulu phakathi  
 kwaso njalo wagubha lesikhamelo  
 sewayini futhi. Walindela izithelo  
 ezinhle, kodwa amavini athela ezimbili  
 kuphela.

<sup>3</sup> “Manje-ke lina abahlala eJerusalema  
 lani madoda akoJuda, ahlulelani  
 phakathi kwami lesivini sami.  
<sup>4</sup> Kuyini okudlula lapho okwakumele  
 kwenziwe esivinini sami  
 engingakwenzanga kuso na? Lapho  
 ngangilindele izithelo ezinhle kungani  
 sona sathela ezimbi kuphela na?  
<sup>5</sup> Khathesi-ke sengizalitshela  
 engizakwenza esivinini sami:  
 Ngizasusa uthango lwaso; sizadilizwa.  
 Ngizabhidliza umduli waso,  
 sizagxotshwa ngezinyawo.  
<sup>6</sup> Ngizasenza sibe liganga kungabikho  
 ukuthenwa kumbe ukuhlakulwa;  
 inkotha lameva kuzakhula kuso.  
 Ngizalaya amayezi anganisi zulu  
 kuso.”

<sup>7</sup> Isivini sikaJehova uSomandla yindlu  
 ka-Israyeli; abantu bakoJuda  
 bayinsimu eligugu kuyo.  
 Yayilindele okufaneleyo, kodwa  
 yabona ukuchitheka kwegazi;  
 endaweni yokulunga,  
 yezwa ukukhala kosizi.

#### *Izikhalo Lezahlulelo*

<sup>8</sup> Maye kini elengeza izindlu ngezindlu  
 lihlanganise insimu ensimini kuze  
 kusweleke indawo eseleyo, njalo lihlala  
 lodwa elizweni.

<sup>9</sup> UJehova uSomandla usetshilo ngisizwa  
 wathi:

“Ngeqiniso izindlu ezinengi  
 zizakuba ngamanxiwa;  
 ezinkulu ezinhle zisale

- zingaselamuntu ohlala kuzo.
- <sup>10</sup> Izindima ezilithumi zesivini zizathela ifashi elilodwa lewayini, ihomeri lenhlanyelo lithela ihefa lamabele.”
- <sup>11</sup> Maye kulabo abavuka ngovivi ekuseni begijimela ukunatha utshwala ; abaqhubekayo kuze kube phakathi kobusuku baze badakwe butshwala.
- <sup>12</sup> Balamachacho lemihubhe emadilini abo, amagedla, lemihlanga, lewayini kodwa kabazinaki izenzo zikaJehova, akukho nhlonipho yomsebenzi wezandla zakhe.
- <sup>13</sup> Ngakho-ke abantu bami bazakuya ekuthunjweni ngenxa yokungazwisisi; izikhulu zabo zizabulawa yindlala lenengi labo lizakoma ngomhawu wamanzi.
- <sup>14</sup> Ngakho indawo yabafuleyo izakhulisa ukulangazela kwayo, ikhamise umlomo wayo okungelamkhawulo; izikhulu zabo lenengi labo bawele phakathi labo bonke abaxokozelayo labazithokozisayo.
- <sup>15</sup> Abantu bazakwehliselwa phansi, abantu bazathobekiswa, amehlo abaziphakamisayo athotshiswe.
- <sup>16</sup> Kodwa uJehova uSomandla uzaphakanyiswa ngokwahlulela kwakhe okuhle; uNkulunkulu ongcwele uzazibonakalisa engcwele ngokulunga kwakhe.
- <sup>17</sup> Lapho-ke izimvu zizakudla angathi kusemadlelweni azo, amazinyane adle emanxiweni ezinothi.
- <sup>18</sup> Maye kulabo abahudula isono ngezintambo zenkohliso lobubi kungathi kungamagoda enqola,
- <sup>19</sup> kulabo abathi, “UNkulunkulu kaphangise, kaphangisise umsebenzi wakhe ukuze siwubone. Kawusondele, icebo loNgcwele ka-Israyeli kalize ukuze silazi.”
- <sup>20</sup> Maye kulabo abathi okubi kuhle bathi okuhle kubi, ababeka umnyama esikhundleni sokukhanya; ukukhanya esikhundleni somnyama; ababeka okubabayo esikhundleni sokumnandi, okumnandi esikhundleni sokubabayo.
- <sup>21</sup> Maye kulabo abahlakaniphileyo emehlweni abo njalo besile ekuboneni kwabo.
- <sup>22</sup> Maye kulabo abangamaqhawe ekunatheni iwayini njalo bezintshantshu ekuhlanganiseni okunathwayo,
- <sup>23</sup> abakhulula abalamacala ngenxa yokufunjathiswa. Kodwa banqabele abangelacala imfanelo yabo.
- <sup>24</sup> Ngakho-ke, njengalokhu umlilo utshisa izinhlanga, utshani obomileyo buphelela phakathi kwamalangabi, ngokunjalo impande zabo zizabola. Lamaluba abo aphephuke njengothuli; ngoba bawalile umthetho kaJehova uSomandla balidelela ilizwi loNgcwele ka-Israyeli.
- <sup>25</sup> Ngakho ulaka lukaJehova luzavutha ebantwini bakhe; isandla sakhe siphakeme njalo uyabatshaya. Izintaba ziyanyikinyeka, izidumbu zabafuleyo zinjengezibi ezindleleni. Ikanti kukho konke lokhu ulaka lwakhe kaluphelanga, isandla sakhe silokhu siphakanyisiwe.
- <sup>26</sup> Uphakamisela izizwe ezikude isiboniso, ubatshayela ikhwelo abasemaphethelweni omhlaba. Nampa besiza ngokuphangisa langejubani!
- <sup>27</sup> Kakho omunye wabo odinwayo loba okhubekayo, kakho owozelayo kumbe olalalayo, akukho bhanti elixegiswayo ekhalweni, akukho ntambo yenyathelo equmekileyo.

- <sup>28</sup> Imitshoko yabo ibukhali, wonke amadandili abo agotshisiwe; amasondo amabhiza abo afana lelitshe elilukhuni, amavili ezinqola zabo zokulwa anjengesivunguzane.
- <sup>29</sup> Ukubhonga kwabo kufana lokwesilwane, babhonga njengezilwane ezikhulayo, bayabhavuma lapho bebamba inyamazana edliwayo, babaleke layo kungekho ongabemuka.
- <sup>30</sup> Ngalolosuku bazabhavumela phezu kwayo njengokubhavuma kolwandle Njalo uma umuntu ekhangela ilizwe, uzabona umnyama losizi; lokukhanya kuzakwenziwa kube mnyama ngamayezi.

*Ukuthunywa kuka-Isaya*

**6** Ngomnyaka inkosi u-Uziya eyafa ngawo, ngabona uJehova ehlezi esihlalweni sobukhosi esiphezulu esiphakemeyo, injobo yesambatho sakhe igcwele ithempeli. <sup>2</sup> Ngaphezu kwakhe kwakulamaserafi, elinye lelinye lilezimpiko eziyisithupha. Ayegubuzele ubuso bawo ngezimpiko ezimbili, egubuzele izinyawo zawo ngezimbili, ephapha ngezimbili. <sup>3</sup> Elinye lamemezela kwelinye lisithi:

“Ungcwele, ungcwele, ungcwele uJehova uSomandla, Umhlaba wonke ugcwele inkazimulo yakhe.”

<sup>4</sup> Ekuzwakaleni kwamazwi awo imigubazi lombundu kwanyikinyeka, kwathi ithempeli lagcwala intuthu.

<sup>5</sup> Mina ngakhala ngathi, “Maye mina! Sengibhujisiwe! Ngoba ngingumuntu olezindebe ezingcolileyo, njalo ngihlala phakathi kwabantu abalezindebe

ezingcolileyo, lamehlo ami asebone uJehova, uJehova uSomandla.”

<sup>6</sup> Lapho-ke elinye lamaserafi laphaphela kimi liphethe ilahle elivuthayo esandleni salo elalilithathe ngodlawu e-alithareni.

<sup>7</sup> Lathinta umlomo wami ngalo lathi, “Khangela, lokhu sekuthinte izindebe zakho; icala lakho selisusiwe, njalo lesono sakho sesihlawulelwe.”

<sup>8</sup> Ngasengisizwa ilizwi likaJehova lisithi, “Ngizathuma bani na? Ngubani na ozasihambela?”

Mina ngathi, “Ngilapha. Thuma mina!”

<sup>9</sup> Wasesithi, “Hamba uyetshele abantu uthi:

“ ‘Zwanini kokuphela, kodwa lingaqedisisi; bonani kokuphela, kodwa lingabonisisi.’ ”

<sup>10</sup> yenza inhliziyoyalababantu ibe lukhuni; wenze izindlebe zabo zibe buthundu, uvale amehlo abo.

Hlezi babone ngamehlo abo, bezwe ngezindlebe zabo, baqedisise ngezinhliziyoyalababantu zabo, baphenduke basiliswe.”

<sup>11</sup> Ngasengisithi, “Koze kube nini, Jehova?”

Yena waphendula wathi:

“Amadolobho aze achitheke njalo kungaselabantu kuwo, izindlu zize zisale zingaselabantu, lamasimu ephundleke abhuquzeka,

<sup>12</sup> uJehova aze axotshele umuntu wonke khatshana njalo ilizwe lidelwe ngokupheleleyo.

<sup>13</sup> Lanxa ingxenye eyodwa etshumini isala elizweni izachithwa futhi. Kodwa njengezihlahla itherebhinti lom-okhi zitshisa izidindi lapho seziganyulwe,

Ngokunjalo inhlanyelo engcwele izakuba yisidindi elizweni.”

*Isibonakaliso sika-Imanuwel.*

**7** Kwathi u-Ahazi indodana

kaJothamu, indodana ka-Uziya, eyinkosi yakoJuda, uRezini inkosi yase-Aramu loPhekha indodana kaRemaliya inkosi yako-Israyeli basuka bayahlasela iJerusalema, kodwa kabalinqobanga.

<sup>2</sup>Indlu kaDavida yatshelwa kuthiwa, “I-Aramu isimanyene lo-Efrayimi,” inhliziyo ka-Ahazi lezabantu bakhe zanyikinyeka njengezihlahla zegusu zinyikinywa ngumoya.

<sup>3</sup>UJehova wasesithi ku-Isaya, “Hamba wena lendodana yakho uSheyari-Jashubi ukuba lihlangabeze u-Ahazi ekucineni komgelo wamanzi oweChibi

Elingaphezulu, emgwaqweni oya Ensimini Yomgezisi. <sup>4</sup>Lithi kuye, ‘Nanzelela, hlala ngokuthula, njalo ungesabi. Inhliziyo yakho kayingadeli ngenxa yolaka olwesabekayo lukaRezini lo-Aramu lolwendodana kaRemaliya.

<sup>5</sup>U-Aramu lo-Efrayimi lendodana kaRemaliya sebecebe ukukutshabalalisa besithi, <sup>6</sup>“Kasihlaseleni ilizwe lakoJuda; kasilidabuleni phakathi silabelane senze indodana kaThabeyeli ibe yinkosi yalo.”

<sup>7</sup>Kodwa-ke lokhu yikho okutshiwo nguJehova Wobukhosi ukuthi:

“ ‘Akuyikuphumelela,  
akuyikwenzakala,

<sup>8</sup>ngoba inhloko ye-Aramu yiDamaseko, inhloko yeDamaseko nguRezini kuphela.

Phakathi kweminyaka engamatshumi ayisithupha lanhlanu u-Efrayimi uzakuba esetshabalele engaseyiso sizwe.

<sup>9</sup>Inhloko ka-Efrayimi yiSamariya, inhloko yeSamariya yindodana kaRemaliya kuphela.

Uma lingami liqine okholweni lwenu alisoze livele lime.’ ”

<sup>10</sup>UJehova wakhuluma njalo ku-Ahazi wathi, <sup>11</sup>“Cela isibonakaliso kuJehova uNkulunkulu wakho, ingabe ekujuleni kwezulu loba phezulu engqongweni.”

<sup>12</sup>Kodwa u-Ahazi wathi, “Angiyikucela. Angiyikulinga uJehova.”

<sup>13</sup>U-Isaya wasesithi, “Khathesi-ke zwana wena lendlu kaDavida. Akwenelanga na ukulinga ukubekezela kwabantu? Uzalinga lokubekezela kukaNkulunkulu wami njalo na?

<sup>14</sup>Ngakho-ke uJehova yena ngokwakhe uzanika isibonakaliso: Intombi emsulwa izathatha isisu izale indodana ezayetha ibizo ithi ngu-Imanuweli. <sup>15</sup>Uzakudla amasi loluju lapho eselolwazi olwaneleyo ukuba ale okubi akhethe okulungileyo. <sup>16</sup>Kodwa-ke umfana engakazi okwaneleyo ukuba ale okubi akhethe okulungileyo, ilizwe lamakhosi amabili owesabayo lizachithwa.

<sup>17</sup>UJehova uzakwehlisela phezu kwakho laphezu kwabantu bakho, laphezu kwendlu kayihlo, isikhathi esingafani lesinye kusukela u-Efrayimi ebhazuka kuJuda – uzaletha inkosi yase-Asiriya.”

<sup>18</sup>Ngalelolanga uJehova uzatshaya ikhwelo ebiza impukane ezisekudabukeni kwezifula zaseGibhithe lezinyosi eziselizweni lase-Asiriya.

<sup>19</sup>Zizakuza zonke zihlale ezingoxweni ezingamawa, ezimbalwini zamadwala, ezihlahleni zonke zameva kuwo wonke amagodi amanzi. <sup>20</sup>Ngalolosuku uJehova uzasebenzisa impuco ebolekwe ngaphetsheya koMfula – inkosi yaseSiriya – ukuphuca ikhanda lakho loboya obusemibaleni yakho, lokugunda izindevu zakho lazo. <sup>21</sup>Ngalolosuku umuntu uzafuya ithokazi elilodwa lezimbuzi ezimbili. <sup>22</sup>Ngenxa yobunengi bochago oluzavela kuzo, uzakuba lamasi

azawadla. Bonke abazasala elizweni bazakudla amasi loluju. <sup>23</sup> Ngalolosuku, ezindaweni zonke lapho okwakulamavini ayinkulungwane alingana amashekeli esiliva ayinkulungwane kuzakuba lokhula lameva kuphela. <sup>24</sup> Abantu bazakuya khona belamadandili lemitshoko ngoba ilizwe lizakuba seligcwele ukhula lameva. <sup>25</sup> Emaqaneni wonke ake alinywa ngekhuba kawusayikuya khona ngenxa yokwesaba ukhula lameva, azakuba yindawo yokwelusela izinkomo lamadlelo ezimvu.

*I-Asiriya Iba Yisandla SikaJehova*

**8** UJehova wathi kimi, “Thatha iphepha elikhulu eligoqiweyo ulobe kulo ngolimi olujwayekileyo ukuthi: Maheri-Shalali Hashi-Bhazi (okutsho ukuthi: abaphanga ukuhququza okuphangaweyo). <sup>2</sup> Ngizabiza u-Uriya umphristi loZekhariya indodana kaJeberekhiya njengofakazi bami abathembekileyo.”

<sup>3</sup> Ngemva kwalokho ngaya kumphrofethikazi, wathatha isisu, wazala indodana. UJehova wasesithi kimi, “Mbize ngokuthi nguMaheri-Shalali-Hashi-Bazi. <sup>4</sup> Kuzakuthi umfana engakakwazi ukuthi ‘ubaba’ loba ‘umama’, inotho yaseDamaseko lempahla ethunjwe eSamariya kuzathathwa yinkosi yase-Asiriya.”

<sup>5</sup> UJehova wakhuluma kimi futhi wathi:

<sup>6</sup> “Ngenxa yokuthi abantu laba sebewalile amanzi ageleza kuhle aseShilowa bethokozela uRezini lendodana kaRemaliya,

<sup>7</sup> Ngakho-ke uJehova useduze ukubalethela izikhukhula ezilamandla ezamanzi oMfula – inkosi yase-Asiriya lobukhosi bayo bonke.

Azachithekela ngaphandle kwayo yonke imigelo yawo, ageleze phezu kwamakhumbi ayo wonke,

<sup>8</sup> afohlele koJuda, agcwale kulo, adlule phakathi kwalo efika entanyeni. Izimpiko zawo ezeluliweyo zizakwembesa ububanzi belizwe lakho, Awu, Imanuweli!”

<sup>9</sup> Hlabani umkhosi wempi lina zizwe, lichithwe!

Lalelani lonke lina mazwe akude.

Lungiselani impi, lichithwe!

Lungiselani impi lichithwe!

<sup>10</sup> Lungisani icebo lenu, kodwa liza fojiswa:

tshonini isu lenu, kodwa

kaliyikuma,

ngoba uJehova ulathi.

*Mesabeni UJehova*

<sup>11</sup> UJehova wakhuluma kimi isandla sakhe esilamandla siphezu kwami, engixwayisa ukuba ngingalandeli indlela yalababantu. Wathi:

<sup>12</sup> “Ungabokuthi kungamacebo amabi konke abantu laba abathi kungamacebo amabi; ungakwesabi abakwesabayo njalo ungakuqhuqi.

<sup>13</sup> UJehova uSomandla nguye okumele limazi engongcwele, nguye okumele limesabe, nguye okumele limqhuqe.

<sup>14</sup> njalo uzakuba yisiphephelo; kodwa kuzo zombili izindlu zako-Israyeli uzakuba yilitshe abantu abazakhubeka kulo ledwala elizabawisa.

Ebantwini baseJerusalema

uzakuba yisifu lomjibila.

<sup>15</sup> Inengi labo lizakhubeka; bazakuwa bephuke,

bazathiywa bathunjwe.”

<sup>16</sup>Bopha ubufakazi, uqinise umthetho phakathi kwabafundi bami.

<sup>17</sup>Ngizamlindela uJehova, ofihlela indlu kaJakhobe ubuso bakhe. Ngizabeka ithemba lami kuye.

<sup>18</sup>Mina ngilapha labantwana uJehova angiphe bona. Siyizibonakaliso lezimpawu ku-Israyeli ezivela kuJehova uSomandla, ohlala entabeni iZiyoni.

<sup>19</sup>Nxa abantu bekutshela ukuthi buza abalamadlozi labalemimoya yobuthakathi, labanyenyezayo bengunguza, kambe abantu akumelanga babuzisise uNkulunkulu wabo na? Kungani abaphilayo libabuzela kwabafayo na? <sup>20</sup>Emthethweni lakubo ubufakazi! Uma bengakhulumi ngokumayelana lelizwi leli, kabalakho ukukhanya kokusa. <sup>21</sup>Bazazula lelizwe behlulukelwe, belambile. Lapho sebephalwe yindlala, bazathukuthela, bathuke uJehova wabo loNkulunkulu wabo bekhangele phezulu. <sup>22</sup>Emva kwalokho bazakhangela emhlabeni babone usizi kuphela, lomnyama owesabekayo, njalo bazaphoselwa emnyameni ophelileyo.

*Sizalelwe umntwana*

**9** Kodwa-ke akusayikuba khona ukudangala kulabo ababesosizini. Ezinsukwini ezedlulayo walithobisa ilizwe likaZebhuluni lelizwe likaNafthali. Kodwa ezinsukwini ezizayo uzayipha udumo iGalile yabezizweni, endleleni yasolwandle kulandelwa uJodani –

<sup>2</sup> Abantu abahamba emnyameni sebone ukukhanya okukhulu; kulabo abahlala elizweni lethunzi

lokufa ukukhanya sekukhanyisile.

<sup>3</sup>Usikhulisile isizwe wandisa intokozo yabo; bayathokoza phambi kwakho njengabantu bethokoza ekuvuneni, njengabantu bethokoza lapho besaba impango.

<sup>4</sup>Ngoba njengamhla wokwehlulwa kukaMidiyani usulephule ijogwe elibasindayo, umgoqo onqume emahlombe abo, intonga yomcindezeli wabo.

<sup>5</sup>Lonke inyathela lebuthe elisetshenziswe empini, kanye lazo zonke izigqoko ezigiqwe egazini kuzakuya ekutshisweni; kuzakuba ngokokubasisa umlilo.

<sup>6</sup>Ngoba sizalelwe umntwana, siphawe indodana, umbuso uzakuba phezu kwamahlombe akhe.

Uzabizwa ngokuthi uMeluleki Omangalisayo, uNkulunkulu uSomandla, uBaba Waphakade, iNkosana yokuThula.

<sup>7</sup>Ukwanda kombuso wakhe lokuthula akuyikuba lomkhawuko.

Uzabusa esihlalweni sobukhosi sikaDavida laphezu kombuso wakhe, ewumisa njalo ewuqinisa ngokufaneleyo langokulunga, kusukela ngalesisikhathi kusiya phambili, kuze kube nininini. Ukutshisekela kukaJehova uSomandla kuzakufeza lokhu.

*UJehova Uthukuthelele Abako-Israyeli*

<sup>8</sup>UJehova usethumele ilizwi lesixwayiso kuJakhobe; lizakwehlela phezu kuka-Israyeli.

<sup>9</sup>Abantu bonke bazakwazi – u-Efrayimi labakhele eSamariya –

- abathi ngokuzigqaja  
langokuzikhukhumeza kwenhliziyo,
- <sup>10</sup> Izitina sezidilikele phansi  
kodwa sizakwakha njalo ngamatshe  
abaziweyo; imikhiwa isiganyulelwe  
phansi kodwa sizafaka imisedari  
endaweni yayo.”
- <sup>11</sup> Kodwa uJehova usebaqinisele izitha  
zikaRezini, njalo usetshotshozele  
izitha zabo.
- <sup>12</sup> Ama-Aramu avela empumalanga  
lamaFilisti avela entshonalanga  
asedle u-Israyeli ngomlomo  
ovulekileyo.  
Kodwa kukho konke lokhu,  
ukuthukuthela kwakhe akupheli,  
Isandla sakhe silokhu siphakanyisiwe.
- <sup>13</sup> Kodwa abantu abakabuyeli kuye  
owabatshayayo.  
loba badinge  
uJehova uSomandla.
- <sup>14</sup> Ngakho uJehova uzaquma ko-Israyeli  
ikhanda lomsila,  
ugatsha lwelala lomhlanga ngasuku  
lunye;
- <sup>15</sup> abadala lezikhulu balikhanda,  
abaphrofethi abafundisa amanga  
bangumsila.
- <sup>16</sup> Labo abakhokhela abantu laba  
bayabalalekisa,  
labo abakhokhelwayo bayedukiswa.
- <sup>17</sup> Ngakho uJehova kayikuthokoza  
ngezinsizwa zabo njalo  
abangalaboyise labafelokazi kayikuba  
lozwelo kubo,  
ngoba bonke bayameyisa  
uNkulunkulu, njalo babi;  
imilomo yonke ikhuluma amanyala.  
Kukho konke lokhu, ukuthukuthela  
kwakhe akupheli,  
isandla sakhe silokhu siphakanyisiwe.
- <sup>18</sup> Ngeqiniso ububi butshisa njengomlilo,  
budla ukhula lameva, buthungela  
izixuku zehlathi zivuthe amalangabi

- izikhatha zentuthu ziqonga zisiya  
phezulu.
- <sup>19</sup> Ngolaka lukaJehova uSomandla  
ilizwe lizatshiswa, abantu bazakuba  
zinkuni zomlilo, kakho ozaphephisa  
umfowabo.
- <sup>20</sup> Bazaqeda kwesokudla  
kodwa babe belokhu belambile;  
bazakudla kwesokhohlo, kodwa  
bangasuthi. Omunye lomunye  
uzakudla abantwabakhe:
- <sup>21</sup> UManase uzakudla u-Efrayimi,  
u- Efrayimi adle uManase; bobabili  
bazamelana loJuda.

Kukho konke lokhu ,  
ukuthukuthela kwakhe akupheli,  
Isandla sakhe silokhu siphakanyisiwe.

## 10 Maye kulabo abenza imithetho

- emibi,  
lakulabo ababhala izimemezelo  
ezicindezelayo,
- <sup>2</sup> ukuba kwamukwe abayanga  
amalungelo abo lokugodla  
okufaneleyo kwabantu bami  
abacindezelweyo;  
bazingela abafelokazi baqhwege  
izintandane.
- <sup>3</sup> Lizakwenzani ngosuku lokuthonisiswa  
lapho incithakalo isiza ivela  
khatshana?  
Lizabalekela kubani ukuba lithole  
usizo na?  
Lizayitshiya ngaphi inotho yenu?
- <sup>4</sup> Akukho okuzasala, kodwa ukuba  
baquthe phakathi kwabathunjiweyo  
loba bafe lababuleweyo.  
Ikanti kukho konke lokhu,  
ukuthukuthela kwakhe akupheli,  
Isandla sakhe silokhu siphakanyisiwe.

*UNkulunkulu Wahlulela i-Asiriya*

- <sup>5</sup> “Maye kum-Asiriya, intonga  
yentukuthelo yami, esandleni sayo

- kulesagila solaka lwami!
- <sup>6</sup>Ngimthumela ukuyamelana lesizwe  
esingelankulunkulu, ngimthumela  
ukuyamelana labantu  
abangithukuthelisayo, ukuba athumbe  
ahluthune impahla yokuthunjwa,  
lokubanyathelela phansi njengodaka  
ezindleleni.
- <sup>7</sup>Kodwa lokhu akusikho akujongileyo,  
lokhu akusikho okusengqondweni  
yakhe; injongo yakhe  
yikutshabalalisa, abhubhise izizwe  
ezinengi.
- <sup>8</sup>Uthi, 'Izinduna zami zebutho  
kazisimakhosi zonke na?'
- <sup>9</sup>'IKhalimo kaliphumelelanga  
njengeKharikhemishi na?  
IHamathi kalinjenge-Ariphadi na?  
LeSamariya kayinjengeDamaseko  
na?'
- <sup>10</sup>Lanjengoba isandla sami sabamba  
imibuso yezithombe, imibuso  
ezifanekosi zayo zedlula  
ezeJerusalema lezeSamariya –
- <sup>11</sup>angiyikuliphatha iJerusalema  
lezifanekiso zalo ngendlela  
engaphatha ngayo iSamariya  
lezithombe zayo na?' "
- <sup>12</sup>Lapho uJehova esewuqedile wonke  
umsebenzi wakhe mayelana lentaba  
iZiyoni leJerusalema uzakuthi,  
"Ngizayijezisa inkosi yase-Asiriya  
ngenxa yokuziqqaja kwayo lokuzazisa  
okubonakala emehlweni ayo.
- <sup>13</sup>Ngoba uthi:
- “ Ngamandla esandla sami sengenze  
lokhu njalo langokuhlakanipha  
kwami, ngoba ngilokuqedisisa.  
Ngayisusa imingcele  
yezizwe, ngathumba inotho yazo;  
njengolamandla nganqoba amakhosi  
azo.
- <sup>14</sup>Njengomuntu efinyelela isidleke  
senyoni, ngokunjalo isandla sami
- safinyelela enothweni yezizwe,  
njengabantu bebutha amaqanda  
atshiyiweyo,  
kanjalo ngaqoqa amazwe  
wonke;  
akukho okwaphaphazelisa  
amaphiko  
loba okwavula umlomo  
wakho kwatshiyozwa.' ”
- <sup>15</sup>Konje ihloka liyaziphakamisela  
ngaphezu kwalowo olizulisayo na,  
loba isaha izincome imelane lalowo  
oyisebenzisayo na?  
Njengangathi induku  
izanyikinya lowo oyiphakamisayo,  
kumbe isagila sinyikinye lowo  
oyiphakamisayo,  
kumbe isagila sinyikinye lowo  
ongasiso sigodo!
- <sup>16</sup>Ngakho-ke uJehova,  
uJehova uSomandla uzathumela isifo  
esicikizayo kumabutho ayo aqinileyo;  
ngaphansi kobukhosi bayo  
kuzaphembeka umlilo njengelangabi  
elibhebhayo.
- <sup>17</sup>Ukukhanya kuka-Israyeli kuzakuba  
ngumlilo, oNgcwele wabo abe  
lilangabi,  
ngosuku olulodwa lizatshisa liqede  
ameva akhe lokhula lwakhe.
- <sup>18</sup>Ubuhle bamahlathi akhe lamasimu  
akhe avundileyo,  
uzakuqeda ngokupheleleyo  
njengalapho umuntu ogulayo  
ecikizeka.
- <sup>19</sup>Izihlahla zamahlathi ezisalayo  
zizakuba zilutshwana, okungathi  
lomntwana azibale.
- Insalela yako-Israyeli*
- <sup>20</sup>Ngalolosuku insalela yako-Israyeli,  
abendlu kaJakhobe abasindayo,  
kabasayikwethemba kuye  
owabatshayayo kodwa ngeqiniso  
bazathembela kuJehova,

- oNgcwele ka-Israyeli.
- <sup>21</sup> Insalela izabuyela, insalela kaJakhobe izabuyela kuSomandla uNkulunkulu.
- <sup>22</sup> Loba abantu bakho, we-Israyeli, benjengetshehetshebe olwandle, kuzabuya insalela kuphela. Incithakalo isimenyenzelwe, iyabakhulela kodwa ilungile.
- <sup>23</sup> UJehova, uJehova uSomandla uzasifeza isimemezelo sokubhujiswa elizweni lonke.
- <sup>24</sup> Ngakho-ke lokho yikho uJehova, uJehova uSomandla akutshoyo:
- “Awu bantu bami abahlala eZiyoni, lingawesabi ama-Asiriya alitshaya ngentonga njalo lawo aliphakamisela isagila njengokwenziwa yiGibhithe.
- <sup>25</sup> Masinyane ukulithukuthelela kwami kuzaphela, ulaka lwami luzaqondiswa ekubhujisweni kwabo.”
- <sup>26</sup> UJehova uSomandla uzabatshaya ngomchilo njengalapho atshaya iMidiyani edwaleni lase-Orebi, njalo uzaphakamisela intonga yakhe ngaphezu kwamanzi njengalokhu ayakwenza eGibhithe
- <sup>27</sup> Ngalolosuku imithwalo yabo izasuswa emahlombe enu, lejogwe labo ezintanyeni zenu; ijogwe lizakwephulwa ngoba selizimukile.
- <sup>28</sup> Bayangena e-Ayathi ; badabula phakathi kweMigironi; bagcina impahla eMikimashi.
- <sup>29</sup> Badlula emkhandlweni bathi, “Ebusuku sizalala eGeba.” IRama liyathuthumela; IGibheya likaSawuli liyabaleka.
- <sup>30</sup> Hlaba umkhosi weNdodakazi kaGalimi, lalela we Layisha! Yeka Anathothi ozihawulelayo!
- <sup>31</sup> IMadimena iyabaleka;

- abantu baseGebhimi bazacatsha.
- <sup>32</sup> Ngalolosuku bazakuma kancane, kancane eNobi, bazakhomba ngezinqindi zabo intaba yeNdodakazi yeZiyoni, eqaqeni lwaseJerusalema.
- <sup>33</sup> Khangelani, uJehova, uJehova uSomandla uzaquma izingatsha ngamandla amakhulu. Izihlahla ezidephileyo zizaqunywa. Ezinde zazo zizakwehliselwa phansi.
- <sup>34</sup> Ngehloka uzagamula izixuku zehlathi. ILebhanoni izakuwa phambi kwakhe olaMandla.

### *UGatsha Oluvela kuJese*

- 11** Ihlumela lizavela esidindini sikaJese; uGatsha oluhlume ezimpandeni zakhe luzathela izithelo.
- <sup>2</sup> UMoya kaJehova uzakuba phezu kwakhe – uMoya wokuhlakanipha lowokuqedisisa, uMoya wokweluleka lowamandla, uMoya wokwazi lowokwesaba uJehova –
- <sup>3</sup> njalo uzathokoziswa yikwesaba uJehova.
- Kayikwahlulela ngalokho akubona ngamehlo akhe, loba aqume ngalokho akuzwa ngendlebe zakhe;
- <sup>4</sup> kodwa abaswelayo uzabehlulela ngokulunga aqumele abayanga basemhlabeni ngokulunga. Uzatshaya umhlaba ngentonga yomlomo wakhe; ngomoya wendebe zakhe uzabulala ababi.
- <sup>5</sup> Ukulunga kuzakuba libhanti lakhe, ukwethembeka kube luzwezwe ekhalweni lwakhe.
- <sup>6</sup> Impisi izahlala lezinyane lemvu, ingwe izalala phansi lembuzi, ithole kanye lesilwane kanye lenkonyane elilomnyaka owodwa kudle

ndawonye, umntwana omncane akukhokhele.

<sup>7</sup> Inkomokazi izakudla lebhre, amankonyane akho alale ndawonye; njalo isilwane sizakudla utshani njengenkabi.

<sup>8</sup> Usane luzadlalela phansi komlindi webululu, umntwana omncane angenise isandla sakhe emlonyeni womlindi wenhlangwana.

<sup>9</sup> Abayikulimaza loba kudilize kuyo yonke intaba yami badilize ngoba umhlaba uzakuba usugcwele ulwazi lukaJehova njengamanzi egcwele ulwandle.

<sup>10</sup> Ngalolosuku iMpande kaJese izakuma njengophawu ebantwini; izizwe zizabuthana kuye, indawo yakhe yokuphumula izakuba lodumo.

<sup>11</sup> Ngalolosuku uJehova uzakwelula isandla sakhe okwesibili ukuba abuyise insalela zabantu bayo abasala e-Asiriya, ePhathrosi, eTiyopiya, eKhushi, e-Elami, eShinari, eHama lasezihlengi zolwandle.

<sup>12</sup> Uzaphakamisela izizwe uphawu aqoqe abaxotshwayo ko-Israyeli. Uzahlanganisa abantu bako-Juda abahlakazekileyo bevela emagumbini amane omhlaba.

<sup>13</sup> Ubukhwele buka-Efrayimi buzaphela; izitha zikaJuda zizaqunywa U-Efrayimi akayikukhwelezela uJuda Kumba uJuda abe lobutha ku-Efrayimi.

<sup>14</sup> Bazawitha phansi emithezukweni yaseFilistiya ngasentshonalanga; bebonke bazaphanga abantu basempumalanga. Bazanqoba i-Edomi leMowabi lama-Amoni azakuba ngaphansi kwabo.

<sup>15</sup> UJehova uzacitsha umsele wolwandle lwaseGibhithe, ngomoya otshisayo

uzadlulisa isandla sakhe phezu komfula uYufrathi.

Uzawahlukanisa ube yizifula eziyisikhombisa ukuze abantu bawuchaphe befake amanyathelo.

<sup>16</sup> Kuzakuba lomgwaqo omkhulu wezinsalela zabantu bayo abasele e-Asiriya, njengoba kwakunjalo ko-Israyeli ekubuyeni kwabo bevela eGibhithe.

### *Izingoma Zokubonga*

## 12

Ngalolosuku wena uzakuthi:

“Ngizakubonga O Jehova.  
Lanxa wawungithukuthelele  
Ulaka lwakho seluphelile, njalo  
usungiduduzile.

<sup>2</sup> Ngeqiniso uNkulunkulu uyinsindiso yami; ngizathemba ngingesabi uJehova, uJehova, ungamandla ami lengoma yami; usebe yinsindiso yami.”

<sup>3</sup> Ngentokozo uzakukha amanzi emithonjeni yensindiso.

<sup>4</sup> Ngalolosuku uzakuthi:

“Mbongeni uJehova, bizani ibizo lakhe, zaziseni izizwe ngalokhu akwenzileyo, limemezele ukuthi ibizo lakhe liphakeme.

<sup>5</sup> Hlabelelani kuJehova, ngoba wenze izinto ezinhle kakhulu; lokhu kwenzeni kwazakale emhlabeni wonke.

<sup>6</sup> Memezani kakhulu lihlabela ngokuthokoza, bantu baseZiyoni, ngoba mkhulu Ongcwele ka-Israyeli phakathi kwenu.”

### *Isiphrofetho ngeBhabhiloni*

## 13

Leli yilizwi elimayelana

leBhabhiloni elaboniswa u-Isaya indodana ka-Amozi:

- <sup>2</sup>Phakamisa uphawu phezu koqaqa  
oluligceke, umemezele kubo,  
ubaqhwebe ngesandla  
ukuba bangene emasangweni  
asesikhosini.
- <sup>3</sup>Sengibalayile abangcwele bami,  
sengiwalayile amaqhawe ami  
ukuba afeze ulaka lwami – lawo  
athokozela ukunqoba kwami.
- <sup>4</sup>Lalelani, umsindo phezu kwezintaba  
onjengowexuku elikhulu. Lalelani,  
ukuxokozela phakathi kwemibuso  
njengezizwe zibuthana ndawonye!  
UJehova uSomandla ubutha ibutho  
elibuthela impi.
- <sup>5</sup>Bavela emazweni akude,  
emikhawulweni yamazulu –  
uJehova lezikhali zolaka lwakhe –  
ukuba kuchithwe ilizwe lonke.
- <sup>6</sup>Lilani ngoba usuku lwenkosi  
seluseduze. Luzafika  
njengokuchithakala okuvela  
kuSomandla.
- <sup>7</sup>Ngenxa yalokhu izandla zonke  
zizakuba buthakathaka, izinhliziyi  
zabantu bonke zizaphela amandla.
- <sup>8</sup>Bazakuba lokwesaba okukhulu,  
baphathwe yibuhlungu losizi;  
bazabhinqika njengowesifazana  
ehelwa.  
Bazakhangelana bemangele,  
ubuso babo bungamalangabi.
- <sup>9</sup>Khangelani usuku lukaJehova luyeza –  
usuku lwesihluku, ulaka  
lokuthukuthela okukhulu – ukwenza  
ilizwe lichitheke,  
kubhujiswe izoni eziphakathi kwalo.
- <sup>10</sup>Izinkanyezi zezulu lemithala yazo  
akuyikukhanyisa.  
Ilanga eliphumayo  
lizafiphazwa lenyanga  
ayiyikukhanyisa.
- <sup>11</sup>Umhlaba ngizawujezisa ngenxa  
yobubi bawo, lababi ngenxa yezono  
zabo.  
Ngizaqeda ukukloloda  
kwabazikhukhumezayo  
ngehlise ukuzigqaja kwabalesihluku.
- <sup>12</sup>Ngizakwenza abantu basweleke  
okudlula igolide elicengekileyo,  
basweleke okudlula igolide lase-Ofiri.
- <sup>13</sup>Ngakho-ke ngizakwenza amazulu  
anyikinyeke  
lomhlaba uzamazame endaweni yawo  
ngokuthukuthela kukaJehova  
uSomandla,  
ngosuku lolaka lwakhe oluvuthayo.
- <sup>14</sup>Njengempala ezingelwayo,  
lanjengezimvu ezingelamalusi,  
omunye lomunye uzabuyela ebantwini  
bakibo,  
omunye lomunye uzabalekela  
elizweni lakibo.
- <sup>15</sup>Lowo ozathunjwa uzagwazwa;  
bonke abazabanjwa bazabulawa  
ngenkemba.
- <sup>16</sup>Izingane zabo zizamahlazelwa phambi  
kwamehlo abo;  
izindlu zabo zizakhuthuzwa, omkabo  
babanjwe  
ngodlakela.
- <sup>17</sup>Khangelani, ngizabavusela amaMede  
angelandaba lesiliva,  
njalo engalijabuleli legolide.
- <sup>18</sup>Imitshoko yawo izabulala izinsizwa;  
kawayikuba lozwelo ezinganeni  
loba abe lesihawu ebantwaneni
- <sup>19</sup>IBhabhiloni, igugu lemibuso,  
ubukhazikhazi bokuziqhenya  
kwamaKhaledi, lizachithwa  
nguNkulunkulu njengeSodoma  
leGomora.
- <sup>20</sup>Akuyikuhlalwa kulo futhi  
loba kwakhiwe kulo kuzo zonke  
izizukulwane;  
akulam-Arabhi ozamisa ithente lakhe  
khona loba umalusi ozaphumuza  
imihlambi yakhe khona.

- <sup>21</sup> Kodwa izinyamazana zasenkangala zizahlala khona, amakhanka azahlala ezindlini zakhona lezikhova zizahlala khona, lamagogo aqolotshe khona.
- <sup>22</sup> Izimpisi zizakhala ezinqabeni zakhona, amakhanka ezindlini ezinhle zobukhosi isikhathi salo sesizafika njalo izinsuku zalo kaziyikwandiswa.

## 14 UJehova uzakuba lesihawu

- kuJakhobe; uzamketha njalo u-Israyeli, abahlalise elizweni labo. Abezizwe bazahlangana labo Bamanyane lendlu kaJakhobe.
- <sup>2</sup> Izizwe zizabathatha zibase endaweni yabo. Indlu ka-Israyeli izathumba izizwe zibe yizisebenzi zesilisa lezesifazana elizweni likaJehova. Bazakwenza abathumbi babo babe yizigqili, babuse abacindezeli babo.
- <sup>3</sup> Ngosuku uJehova azaliphumuza ngalo ekuhluphekeni, lakunxakanxaka lasebugqilini obulesihluku,
- <sup>4</sup> Iizakutsho la amazwi okukloloda enkosini yaseBhabhiloni lithi:
- Umcindezeli usefikile ekucineni, ukuthukuthela kwakhe sekuphelile!
- <sup>5</sup> UJehova useyephule intonga yababi, induku yobukhosi eyababusi,
- <sup>6</sup> abatshaya abantu ngokuthukuthela, langokugalela okungapheliyo, banqoba izizwe ngentukuthelo langokucindezela okungapheliyo.
- <sup>7</sup> Amazwe wonke alokuphumula lokuthula aphahluka ahlabelele izingoma.
- <sup>8</sup> Lezihlahla zamaphayini lemisedari yaseLebhanoni ziyathokoza ngawe zithi,

“Njengoba khathesi usuwiselwe phansi akulamgamuli wezigodo ozakuzasigamula,” kutsho uJehova.

- <sup>9</sup> Ithuna ngaphansi liyanyakaza ukuba likuhlangabeze ekufikeni kwakho. Livusa imimoya yabafayo ukuba ikubingelele – bonke labo ababengababusi emhlabeni; libenza basukume ezihlalweni zabo zobukhosi – bonke labo ababengamakhosi ezizwe.
- <sup>10</sup> Bazaphendula bonke, bazakuthi kuwe, “Lawe usubuthakathaka njengathi, usube njengathi.”
- <sup>11</sup> Bonke ubukhosi bakho sebehliiselwe phansi ethuneni, kanye lomsindo wamachacho akho. Impethu zendlaliwe ngaphansi kwakho, inhlavane zikwembesile.
- <sup>12</sup> Yeka ukuwa kwakho uvela ezulwini wena nkanyezi yekuseni, ndodana yokusa! Uphoselwe phansi emhlabeni, wena owake wehlisela izizwe phansi!
- <sup>13</sup> Wathi enhliziyweni yakho, “Ngizakwenyukela ezulwini, Ngizaphakamisela isihlalo sami sobukhosi ngaphezu kwezinkanyezi zikaNkulunkulu. Ngizahlala ebukhosini phezu kwentaba yombuthano ezingqonweni zentaba engcwele.
- <sup>14</sup> Ngizakwenyukela ngaphezu kwezingqongo zamayezi; ngizazenza njengoPhezukonke.”
- <sup>15</sup> Kodwa ulethwe phansi ethuneni, ekuzikeni kwegodi.
- <sup>16</sup> Labo abakubonayo bakudonsela amehlo, bayacabanga ngowakudalelwayo bathi: “Nguyena lo na umuntu owanyikinya umhlaba wenza iminuso

- yaqhaqhazela,  
<sup>17</sup>umuntu owenza umhlaba waba  
 lugwadule, owadiliza amadolobho  
 awo kazavumela abathunjwayo bakhe  
 ukubuyela ekhaya na?  
<sup>18</sup>Wonke amakhosi alele ebukhosini,  
 enye lenye ethuneni layo.  
<sup>19</sup>Kodwa wena uphoselwe ngaphandle  
 kwethuna lakho njengogatsha  
 olulahliweyo; welekwe  
 ngababulawayo, lalabo abagwazwa  
 ngenkamba, labo abahlela ematsheni  
 egodi. Njengesidumbu esinyathelwe  
 ngezinyawo,  
<sup>20</sup>kawuyikuhlangana labo  
 ekungcwatshweni; ngoba  
 usulichithile ilizwe lakho  
 wabulala labantu bakini.

Inzalo yababi kayiyikuqanjwa futhi.

- <sup>21</sup>lungisa indawo yokubulalela  
 amadodana akhe ngenxa yezono  
 zabokhokho bawo. Kawamelanga  
 avuke ukuba athathe ilizwe agcwalise  
 umhlaba ngamadolobho awo.  
<sup>22</sup>“Ngizabavukela,” kutsho uJehova  
 uSomandla. “Ngizakwesula  
 iBhabhiloni labasindayo abantwabakhe  
 lezizukulwana,” kutsho uJehova.  
<sup>23</sup>“Ngizalenza libe yindawo yezikhova  
 lelizwe elilixhaphozi.  
 Ngizalithanyela ngomthanyelo  
 wencithakalo,”  
 kutsho uJehova uSomandla.

*Isiphrofetho nge-Asiriya*

- <sup>24</sup>UJehova uSomandla ufungile wathi,  
 “Ngeqiniso, njengoba sengilungisile,  
 kuzakuba njalo, njalo njengoba  
 ngikumisile kuzakuma kanjalo.  
<sup>25</sup>Ngizamchoboza um-Asiriya elizweni  
 lami; ezintabeni zami  
 ngizamnyathelela phansi. Ijogwe  
 lakhe lizasuswa ebantwini bami,

umthwalo wakhe ususwe emahlombe  
 abo.”

- <sup>26</sup>Lokhu yikho okumiselwe umhlaba  
 wonke, lesi yisandla eselulelwe  
 ngaphezu kwezizwe zonke.  
<sup>27</sup>Ngoba uJehova uSomandla usenze  
 isimiso, ngubani ongayivimbela na?  
 Isandla sakhe siphakanyisiwe,  
 Ngubani ongasibuyisela emuva na?

*Isiphrofetho ngamaFilisti*

<sup>28</sup>Ilizwi leli lafika nyakana kusifa inkosi  
 u-Ahazi:

<sup>29</sup>Lingathokozi, lonke lina maFilisti,  
 lisithi intonga eyalitshayayo  
 yephukile; ngoba empandeni yenyoka  
 leyana kuzavela inhlanguwane, inzalo  
 yayo izakuba yinyoka elobuthi  
 obutshokayo.

<sup>30</sup>Abangabayanga kubayanga bazathola  
 amadlelo,  
 abaswelayo bazalala phansi  
 bevikelekile.  
 Kodwa impande yakho  
 ngizayitshabalalisa ngendlala;  
 izabulala abaseleyo bakho.

<sup>31</sup>Lila wena sango! Bubula wena  
 dolobho! Chithekani lonke lina  
 maFilisti! Iyezi lentuthu livela  
 enyakatho; njalo akulamathida  
 eviyweni lalo.

<sup>32</sup>Yimpendulo bani ezanikwa  
 izithunywa zalelolizwe na?  
 “UJehova useyakhile iZiyoni,  
 abantu bakhe abahluphekileyo  
 bazaphephela kuye.”

*Isiphrofetho ngeMowabi*

**15** Isiqalekiso esimayelana  
 leMowabi:

I-Ari eMowabi itshabalalisiwe,

- Idilizwe ngobusuku obubodwa.  
IKhiri eMowabi itshabalalisiwe;  
Idilizwe ngobusuku obubodwa.
- <sup>2</sup>IDibhoni iyaphezulu ethempelini layo;  
ezindaweni zayo eziphakemeyo  
ukuyalila;  
iMowabi ililela iNebo  
leMedeba. Amakhanda wonke  
aphuciwe; Indevu zonke zigeliwe.
- <sup>3</sup>Ezindleleni bagqoka amasaka,  
phezu kwezimpahla zezindlu  
lasezindaweni zabantu bonke, bayalila  
bonke, baphele amandla ngokulila.
- <sup>4</sup>IHeshibhoni le-Eleyale kuyakhala,  
amazwi akho azwakala lakhona le  
eJahazi. Ngakho – ke amabutho  
aseMowabi ayakhala, Izinhliziyo zawo  
zidangele.
- <sup>5</sup>Inhliziyo yami ikhalela iMowabi,  
ababalekayo bayo babaleka baze  
bayefika kude eZowari; kude  
njengase-Egilathi Shelishiya.  
Bahamba ngendlela eya eLuhithi,  
Bakhala ohambeni lwabo;  
Endleleni eya eHoronayimi balilela  
ukubhujiswa kwabo.
- <sup>6</sup>Amanzi aseNimirimi acitshile,  
utshani bubunile, uhlaza kalusekho,  
akukho lutho oluluhlaza oluseleyo.
- <sup>7</sup>Ngakho inotho abayizuzileyo bayigcina  
bayithwalela ngaphetsheya kweSifula  
semiDubu.
- <sup>8</sup>Ukuklabalala kwabo kuzwakele  
emngceleni waseMowabi,  
ukukhala kwabo kufika kude  
e-Egilayimi, ukulila kwabo kufika  
eBheri Elimi.
- <sup>9</sup>Amanzi aseDimoni agcwele igazi  
kodwa ngizajinge ngilethe okunengi  
phezu kweDimoni – isilwane phezu  
kwababalekayo baseMowabi,  
lakulabo abazasala elizweni.
- yokuhlonipha evela eSela, edabuka  
enkangala, esiya entabeni  
yeNdodakazi yeZiyoni.
- <sup>2</sup>Njengenyoni ephaphazelayo  
isuswe esidlekeni, banjalo  
abesifazana  
baseMowabi emazibukweni  
ase-Arinoni.
- <sup>3</sup>“Sinikeni iseluleko, yenzani isinqumo.  
Yenzani isithunzi senu sibe  
njengobusuku emini enkulu;  
bafihleni ababalekayo,  
linganikeli iziphepheli.
- <sup>4</sup>Vumelani iziphepheli zamaMowabi  
zihlale kini; libeyisiphephelo sazo  
kubachithi.”
- Umcindezeli uzakufa,  
ukuchitheka kuzaphela, umhlaseli  
uzanyamalala elizweni.
- <sup>5</sup>Ngothando kuzamiswa isihlalo  
sobukhosi, ngokwethembeka indoda  
izahlala kuso – ivela endlini  
kaDavida – yona ethi ekwahluleleni  
ifune imfanelo njalo iphangisisa  
indlela yokulunga.
- <sup>6</sup>Sizwile ngokuzigqaja kukaMowabi.  
Ukuzigqaja kwakhe  
kokuzikhukhumeza lokuzazisa,  
ukuzigqaja kwakhe lobuqholo bakhe –  
kodwa ukuzikhukhumeza kwakhe  
kuyize.
- <sup>7</sup>Ngakho-ke abaseMowabi bayalila.  
Balilela iMowabi ndawonye. Khalani  
libubulele abantu baseKhiri Haresethi.
- <sup>8</sup>Amasimu aseHeshiboni ayabuna,  
anjalo lamavini aseSibhima. Ababusi  
bezizwe sebewanyathelele phansi  
amavini amahle kuqala ayefika  
eJazeri, njalo anda kusiya  
ngasenkangala.  
Amahlumela awo anaba aze ayafika  
ngasolwandle.
- <sup>9</sup>Ngakho ngiyakhala njengalokhu iJazeri

## 16 Thumelani amawundlu

kumbusi welizwe njengendlela

ikhala, ngikhalela amavini  
aseSibhima. Awu Heshiboni, Awu  
Eleyale, ngilithambisa ngezinyembezi.  
Ukuklabalalela izithelo zenu  
esezivuthiwe ngentokozo lezivuno  
zenu sekuphelile.

<sup>10</sup> Ukuthokoza lokuthaba akusekho  
ezivinini; kakho ohlabelayo loba  
amemeze ezivinini; kakho onyathela  
iwayini ezikhamelweni ngoba  
umsindo sengiwuqedile.

<sup>11</sup> Inhliziyo yami ikhalela uMowabi  
njengechacho, ingaphakathi yami  
ikhalela iKhiri Haresethi.

<sup>12</sup> Lapho uMowabi evela endaweni  
yakhe ephakemeyo uyazidinga nje  
kuphela; lalapho esiya endaweni  
yakhe yokukhonzela ukuba akhuleke  
akusizi lutho.

<sup>13</sup> Leli yilizwi uJehova avele  
eselikhulumile ngoMowabi. <sup>14</sup> Kodwa  
khathesi uJehova uthi: “Phakathi  
kweminyaka emithathu, njengesisebenzi  
esibotshwe yisivumelwano singayibala,  
udumo lukaMowabi labantu bakhe  
bonke abanengi kuzakweyiswa, njalo  
abazasinda bakhona bazakuba  
balutshwana kakhulu njalo  
bengelamandla.”

*Isiqalekiso ngeDamaseko*

**17** Isiqalekiso esimayela  
leDamaseko:

“Khangela iDamaseko  
kayisayikuba lidolobho kodwa izakuba  
yinqumbi yamanxiwa.

<sup>2</sup> Amadolobho ase-Aroyeri azatshiywa,  
etshiyelwa imihlambi ezalala phansi  
kungekho ozayenza yesabe.

<sup>3</sup> Idolobho elivikelweyo lizanyamalala  
ko-Efrayimi lamandla obukhosi  
eDamaseko; insalela ka-Aramu  
izakuba njengodumo lwabako-

Israyeli,” kutsho uJehova uSomandla.

<sup>4</sup> “Ngalolusuku udumo lukaJakhobe  
luzakwehla; amafutha asemzimbeni  
wakhe azancipha.

<sup>5</sup> Kuzakuba njengalapho umvuni evuna  
amabele amiyo  
evuna amabele ngengalo yakhe,  
njenganxa umuntu edobha izikhwebu  
zamabele eSigodini  
saseRefayimi.

<sup>6</sup> Ikanti ezinye izikhwebu zizasala,  
njengalapho isihlahla se-oliva  
sibhuliwe, kusale ama-oliva amabili  
loba amathathu engatsheni eziphezulu  
kakhulu,  
amane loba amahlanu engabeni  
zezithelo,” kutsho uJehova,  
uNkulunkulu ka-Israyeli.

<sup>7</sup> Ngalolosuku abantu bazathembela  
kuMenzi wabo amehlo abo  
aphendukele koNgcwele ka-Israyeli.

<sup>8</sup> Abayikuthembela ema-alithareni,  
umsebenzi wezandla zabo, njalo  
kabayikuzinanza izinsika zika-Ashera  
lama-alithare empepha enziwa  
yiminwe yabo.

<sup>9</sup> Ngalolosuku amadolobho abo  
aqinileyo, abawatshiyayo ngenxa  
yama-Israyeli azafana lezindawo  
ezatshiyelwa izixukwana  
lezihlahlanyana. Konke kuzakuba  
yincithakalo.

<sup>10</sup> Selimkhohliwe uNkulunkulu  
uMsindisi wenu, kalilikhumbulanga  
iDwala, inqaba yenu. Ngakho lanxa  
ligxumeka izihlahla ezinhle,  
Lihlanyele lamavini avela ezizweni,

<sup>11</sup> Lanxa lingawenza akhule ngelanga  
elizawagxumeka ngalo, loba liwenze  
ahlume ngekuseni eliwahlanye  
ngayo,  
kodwa isivuno sizakuba yize ngosuku  
lwesifo lobuhlungu obungelaphekiyo.

- <sup>12</sup> Yeka ukuhloma kwezizwe ezinengi –  
Zihlokoma njengokuhlokoma  
kolwandle! Yeka ukuxokozela  
kwezizwe – Zihuba njengokuhuba  
kwamanzi amanengi!
- <sup>13</sup> Lanxa izizwe zihuba njengokugubhuza  
kwamanzi, nxa ezikhuza zibalekela  
khatshana, njengamakhoba  
ephetshulwa ngumoya emaqaqeni,  
lanjengothuli olubangwa  
yisivunguzane.
- <sup>14</sup> Kusihlwa kuba lokuthuthumela.  
Kungakasi, kabasekho. Lesi yiso  
isabelo salabo abasikhuthuzayo,  
isabelo salabo abasihlaselayo.

### *Isiphrofetho ngeKhushi*

## 18

Maye ngelizwe

elilokuphaphazela kwezimpiko  
emifuleni yaseKhushi, <sup>2</sup>elithuma  
izithunywa zihamba olwandle  
ngezikepe zemihlanga phezu  
kwamanzi.

Hambani, zithunywa ezilejubane,  
liye ebantwini abade abalejwabu  
elibutshelazi, ebantwini abesatshwayo  
ezindaweni zonke, isizwe esilolaka,  
esilolimi olungaziwayo, esilizwe laso  
lehlukaniswe yimifula.

<sup>3</sup>Lonke lina bantu bomhlaba,  
lina elihlala emhlabeni, lapho uphawu  
luphakanyiswa phezu kwezintaba  
lizalubona, lalapho uphondo lukhala  
lizaluzwa.

<sup>4</sup>Lokhu yikho uJehova akutshoyo kimi:  
“Ngizakuba ngilokhu ngithule,  
ngikhangele ngisendaweni yami  
yokuhlala, njengokucwebezela  
kokutshisa ekukhanyeni kwelanga,  
lanjengenkungu yamazolo ngesikhathi  
sokuvuna.”

<sup>5</sup>Ngoba kungakavunwa, lapho  
ukukhahlela sekudlule, amaluba

esesiba livini elivuthiweyo uzaquma  
-amahlumela ngezingqamu zokuthena  
aqume lengatsha ezinabayo, azisuse.

<sup>6</sup>Zonke zizatshiyelwa izinyoni  
zasezintabeni ezidla inyama,  
lezinyamazana zeganga; izinyoni  
zizakudla ihlobo lonke, izinyamazana  
zeganga ubusika bonke.

<sup>7</sup>Ngalesosikhathi izipho zizalethwa  
kuJehova uSomandla  
zivela ebantwini abade abalamajwabu  
abutshelazi,  
zivela ebantwini abesatshwayo  
ezindaweni zonke. Isizwe esilolaka,  
esilolimi olungaziwayo, esilizwe laso  
lehlukaniswe yimifula –

izipho zizalethwa entabeni iZiyoni,  
endaweni yeBizo likaJehova  
uSomandla.

### *Isiphrofetho ngeGibhithe*

## 19

Isiqalekiso esimayelana

leGibhithe sithi:

Khangela uJehova ukhwele phezu  
kweyezi elilesiqubu esiza eGibhithe.  
Izithombe zaseGibhithe ziyathuthumela  
phambi kwakhe,  
njalo izinhliziyi zamaGibhithe ziba  
buthakathaka ngaphakathi kwawo.

<sup>2</sup>“Ngizadunga umGibhithe alwe  
lomGibhithe – umuntu uzakulwa  
lomfowabo, umakhelwane alwe  
lomakhelwane, idolobho lilwe  
ledolobho, umbuso ulwe lombuso.

<sup>3</sup>AbaseGibhithe bazaphelelwa lithemba  
njalo ngizakwenza amacebo abo abe  
yize. Bazabuza izithombe lemimoya  
yabafayo, amadlozi lezanuse.

<sup>4</sup>AbaseGibhithe ngizabanikela  
enkosini elesihluku, inkosi  
eyesabekayo izababusa,” kutsho  
uJehova, uJehova uSomandla.

- <sup>5</sup> Amanzi omfula azakutsha,  
umfula uzachitsha, wome.
- <sup>6</sup> Imigelo izanuka,  
Izifula zaseGibhithe zizakwetsha  
zitshe.  
Imihlanga lebhuma kuzabuna,
- <sup>7</sup> kanjalo lezihlahlanyana emakhunjini  
kaNayile lapho umfula othela khona.  
Konke okuhlanyelwe eduzane loNayile  
Kuzakoma, kuphephukele khatshana  
Kungabi khona.
- <sup>8</sup> Abagoli benhlanzi bazabubula balile,  
bonke abaphosa amawuka kuNayile,  
loba abajika amambule emanzini  
bazaphela amandla.
- <sup>9</sup> Labo abasebenzisa inoxo bazadangala,  
abeluka ilineni elihle bazaphelelwa  
lithemba.
- <sup>10</sup> Izisebenzi zasemalenjini zizadana,  
njalo bonke abahola imiholo bazakuba  
lusizi.
- <sup>11</sup> Izikhulu zaseZowani azisilutho kodwa  
izithutha nje; abaluleki bakaFaro  
abahlakaniphileyo banika izeluleko  
ezingelangqondo. Ungatsho kanjani  
kuFaro uthi, “Mina ngingomunye  
wamadoda ahlakaniiphileyo,  
umfundi wamakhosi endulo?”
- <sup>12</sup> Khatesi bangaphi abantu bakini  
abahlakaniphileyo? Kabalitshengise  
balazise ngalokhu uJehova uSomandla  
asecebe ukukwenza emelana  
leGibhithe.
- <sup>13</sup> Izikhulu zaseZowani sezibe  
yizithutha, abakhokheli baseMemfise  
bakhohlisiwe, abazinsika zabantu  
bakhona sebedukise iGibhithe.
- <sup>14</sup> UJehova usethele umoya wesiyenzi  
phakathi kwabo; benza iGibhithe  
ibhadazele kukho konke ekwenzayo  
njengesidakwa sidayizela  
emahlanzweni aso.
- <sup>15</sup> Akulalutho iGibhithe engalwenza –  
ikhanda loba umsila, ugatsha lwelala  
loba umhlanga.
- <sup>16</sup> Ngalolosuku abaseGibhithe bazafana  
labesifazana. Bazathuthumela  
ngokwesaba isandla esiphakanyisiweyo  
uJehova uSomandla abaphakamisele  
sona. <sup>17</sup> Lelizwe lakoJuda lizaletsa  
ukwesaba kwabaseGibhithe. Bonke  
okuzakhulunywa kubo ngoJuda  
bazathuthumela, ngenxa yalokho  
uJehova uSomandla aceba ukukwenza  
kubo.
- <sup>18</sup> Ngalolosuku amadolobho amahlanu  
aseGibhithe azakhuluma ulimi  
lwaseKhenani, afungele ukwethembeka  
kuJehova uSomandla. Elinye lawo  
lizathiwa liDolobho leNcithakalo.
- <sup>19</sup> Ngalolosuku kuzakuba le-alithare  
likaJehova phakathi kwelizwe  
laseGibhithe, lelitshe lesikhumbuzo  
sikaJehova emngceleni walo.
- <sup>20</sup> Lizakuba yisibonakaliso lobufakazi  
kuJehova uSomandla elizweni  
laseGibhithe. Lapho bekhala kuJehova  
ngenxa yabacindezeli babo,  
uzabathumela umsindisi lomvikeli,  
abahlenge.
- <sup>21</sup> Kanjalo uJehova uzakwenza ukuba  
azakale kwabaseGibhithe, njalo  
ngalolosuku bazamvuma uJehova.  
Bazakhonza ngemihlatshelo  
langeminikelo yamabele; bazakwenza  
izifungo kuJehova bazigcine. <sup>22</sup> UJehova  
uzatshaya iGibhithe ngesifo;  
uzabatshaya aphinde abasilise.  
Bazaphendukela kuJehova, njalo  
uzakuzwa imikhuleko yabo abasilise.
- <sup>23</sup> Ngalolosuku bazakuba lomgwaqo  
osuka eGibhithe usiya  
e-Asiriya. Abase-Asiriya bazakuya  
eGibhithe, abeGibhithe labo baye  
e-Asiriya. AbaseGibhithe labase-Asiriya  
bazakhonza ndawonye. <sup>24</sup> Ngalolosuku I-  
Israyeli izakuba ngeyesithathu kanye  
leGibhithe le-Asiriya kube yisibusiso  
emhlabeni.

<sup>25</sup> UJehova uSomandla uzababusisa esithi, “Kayibusiswe iGibhithe abantu bami, i-Asiriya umsebenzi wezandla zami le-Israyeli ilifa lami.”

*Isiphrofetho ngeGibhithe leKhushi*

**20** Ngomnyaka indunankulu yebutho eyafika ngawo e-Ashidodi, ithunywe nguSagoni inkosi yase-Asiriya, yahlasela i-Ashidodi yayithumba –  
<sup>2</sup> ngalesosikhathi uJehova wakhuluma ngo-Isaya indodana kaAmozi wathi kuye, “Susa isaka oligqokileyo emzimbeni wakho ukhuphe lamanyathela ezinyaweni zakho.” Wenza njalo, wahamba nqunu njalo engagqokanga lutho ezinyaweni.

<sup>3</sup> UJehova wasesithi, “Njengoba inceku yami u-Isaya ihambe nqunu njalo ingagqokanga lutho ezinyaweni okweminyaka emithathu njengesibonakaliso lomhlolo kwabaseGibhithe labaseKhushi,  
<sup>4</sup> ngokunjalo inkosi yase-Asiriya izabaqhuba benqunu njalo bengafakanga manyathela ezinyaweni abaseGibhithe abathunjiweyo labaseKhushi abaxotshwayo elizweni lakibo, abatsha labadala, izibunu zisegekeni – kube lihlazo eGibhithe. <sup>5</sup> Labo ababethembe iKhushi bezincoma ngeGibhithe, bazakwesaba bayangiswe.

<sup>6</sup> Ngalolosuku abantu abahlala kulelicele eliseduze kolwandle bazakuthi, ‘Khangelani osokwenzakale kulabo ebesigwaba ngabo, labo esabalekela kubo ukuba sithole usizo lokukhulwa enkosini yase-Asiriya! Pho sizaphepha kanjani na?’ ”

*Isiphrofetho ngeBhabhiloni*

**21** Isiqalekiso mayelana leNkangala engasoLwandle:

Njengesivunguzane sidlula elizweni langasezansi, umhlaseli uvela enkangala evelela elizweni elesabekayo.

<sup>2</sup> Ngitshengiswe umbono owesabekayo. Umthengisi uyathengisa, umkhuthuzi uthatha impahla.

Elami, hlasela! Mediya, vimbezela! Mina ngizakuqeda konke ukububula akudalileyo.

<sup>3</sup> Ngalokhu umzimba wami uyafuthelwa, ngiphethwe yibuhlungu obufana lobowesifazana ehelelwa.

Ngithithibaliswa yilokhu engikuzwayo,

Ngidideka ngalokhu engikubonayo.

<sup>4</sup> Inhliziyo yami iphela amandla, ukwesaba kungenza ngiqhaqhazele; ukuhlwa engibe ngikufisa, sekusesabeka kimi.

<sup>5</sup> Itafula bayilungisile, bendlala amalembu bayadla, bayanatha. Sukumani lina zikhulu, ligcobe amahawu!

<sup>6</sup> Lokhu yikho uJehova akutshoyo kimi:

“Hamba, misa umlindi abike akubonayo.

<sup>7</sup> Angabona izinqola zempi, kulemihlambi yamabhiza, abagadi phezu kwabobabhemi loba abagadi phezu kwamakamela, kaqaphelise; aqaphe sibili.”

<sup>8</sup> Umlindi wasememeza esithi,

“Nkosi yami, usuku ngosuku ngiyema phezu kompotshongo wokulinda; ubusuku ngabunye ngihlala ensikeni yami.

<sup>9</sup> Khangela, nangu umuntu esiza esenqoleni yempi lomhlambi

wamabhiza. Uphendula esithi,  
 ‘IBhabhiloni isidilikile, isidilikile!  
 Zonke izifanekiso zezithombe zayo  
 zihlakazekele phansi!’ ”

<sup>10</sup> Awu bantu bami abasicilelwe  
 endaweni yokubhulela,  
 ngilitshela engikuzwileyo kuvela  
 kuNkulunkulu uSomandla, kuvela  
 kuNkulunkulu ka-Israyeli.

*Isiphrofetho nge-Edomi*

<sup>11</sup> Isiqalekiso esimayelana leDuma:

Umuntu othile uyangimemeza  
 eseSeyiri, esithi,  
 “Mlindi, kuyini  
 okwebusuku okusaseleyo?  
 Mlindi, kuyini okwebusuku  
 okusaseleyo?”

<sup>12</sup> Umlindi uphendula esithi,  
 “Ukusa kuyeza, kodwa lobusuku  
 buyeza.  
 Uma ufuna ukubuza, buza;  
 uphinde ubuye futhi.”

*Isiphrofetho nge-Arabhiya*

<sup>13</sup> Isiqalekiso esimayelana le-Arabhiya:

Lina zindwendwe zamaDedani  
 Elimise emahlabathini ase-Arabhiya,  
<sup>14</sup> lethelani abomileyo amanzi,  
 lina elihlala eThema lethelani  
 ababalekayo ukudla.

<sup>15</sup> Babalekela inkemba, inkemba  
 eqatshisiweyo, babalekela idandili  
 eligotshisiweyo, lokutshisa kwempi.

<sup>16</sup> Lokhu yikho uJehova akutshoyo kimi  
 uthi: “Phakathi komnyaka owodwa,  
 njengendlela isisebenzi esibotshwe  
 yisivumelwano esingawubala ngayo,  
 lonke udumo lweKhedari luzaphela.

<sup>17</sup> Abasindayo kwabemitshoko,  
 amabutho aseKhedari, bazakuba  
 balutshwana.” UJehova, uNkulunkulu  
 ka-Israyeli, usekhulumile.

*Isiphrofetho ngeJerusalema*

**22** Isiqalekiso ngesiGodi soMbono:

Kuyini okukukhathazayo khathesi,  
 wena sewakhwela phezu  
 kwezimpahla zezindlu, <sup>2</sup> wena  
 dolobho eligcwele iziphithiphithi,  
 wena dolobho lokuxokozela  
 lokuthokoza?

Abafayo bakho ababulawanga  
 ngenkemba, njalo kabafelanga empini.

<sup>3</sup> Bonke abakhokheli bakho babaleke  
 bebonke, bathunjiwe bengazange  
 basebenzise mtshoko. Lonke lina  
 elabanjwayo lathathwa ukuba libe  
 yizibotshwa ndawonye, libalekile isitha  
 sisesekhatshana.

<sup>4</sup> Ngakho ngathi, “Sukani kimi;  
 lingiyekele ngikhale kabuhlungu.  
 Lingazami ukungiduduzo  
 ngenxa yokuchithwa kwabantu  
 bakithi.”

<sup>5</sup> UJehova, uJehova uSomandla, ulosuku  
 lokuxokozela lokugxoba lokwesaba  
 eSigodini soMbono, usuku lokudiliza  
 imiduli lokumemezela ezintabeni.

<sup>6</sup> I-Elami ithatha isikhwama semitshoko,  
 labatshayeli balo bezingqola zempi,  
 lamabhiza;  
 iKhiri lambula ihawu.

<sup>7</sup> Izigodi zakho ezinhle kakhulu zigcwele  
 izinqola zempi,  
 abagadi bamabhiza bamiswe  
 emasangweni edolobho;

<sup>8</sup> ukuvikelwa kukaJuda kususiwe.

Ngalolosuku wathemba  
 izikhali eziseSigodlweni seHlathi,  
<sup>9</sup> wabona ukuthi iDolobho likaDavida  
 lalilezikhala ezinengi ezivikelweni  
 zalo;  
 wagcina amanzi eSizibeni  
 esingaPhansi.

<sup>10</sup> Wabala izindlu zaseJerusalema,

wazidiliza ukuze kuqiniswe umduli

<sup>11</sup>Phakathi kwemiduli yomibili  
Wakha indawo yokugcinela amanzi  
eSiziba esiDala. Kodwa  
kawukhangelanga kuLowo  
owasenzayo,  
kumbe umnake Lowo owaceba  
ukusenza kudala.

<sup>12</sup>Ngalolosuku uJehova, uJehova  
uSomandla,  
Wakubiza ukuba ukhale ulile,  
usiphune izinwele zakho,  
ugqoke isaka.

<sup>13</sup>Kodwa khangelanga, kulokuthaba  
lokuthokoza,  
ukuhlatshwa kwezinkomo lokubalwa  
kwezimvu,  
ukudliwa kwenyama lokunatha  
kwewayini!  
Lithi, “Kasidleni sinathe,  
ngoba kusasa sizakufa!”

<sup>14</sup>UJehova uSomandla usekuvezile  
lokhungisizwa:  
“Lesisimo kasiyikuthethelelwa kuze  
kuba lusuku lwakho lokufa,”  
kutsho uJehova,  
uJehova uSomandla.

<sup>15</sup>Lokhu yikho okutshiwonguJehova,  
uJehova uSomandla, uthi:

“Hamba, uthi encekwini le,  
kuShebhina ongumphathi wesigodlo:

<sup>16</sup>Wenzani lapha, njalo ngubani okuphe  
imvumo ukuba uzimbele ingcwaba  
lapha,  
ugubha ingcwaba lakho  
endaweni ephezulu,  
ugubha indawo yakho yokuphumula  
edwaleni?

<sup>17</sup>“Qaphela, sekuseduze ukuthi uJehova  
akubambe aqinise, akuphosele  
khatshana, wena ndoda elamandla.

<sup>18</sup>Uzakugoqa ngokuqinisa njengebhola

akuphosele elizweni elikhulu uzafela  
khonapho. Lezigqoko zakho zempi  
ezinhle zizasala khonapho – wenza  
ihlazo endlini yenkosi yakho!

<sup>19</sup>Ngizakususa esikhundleni sakho,  
njalo uzaxotshwa emsebenzini  
wakho.

<sup>20</sup>“Ngalolosuku ngizabiza inceku yami,  
u-Eliyakhimi indodana kaHilikhiya.

<sup>21</sup>Ngizamgqokisa izingubo zakho,  
ngimbophe ngebhanti lakho, ngimnike  
amandla akho. Uzakuba nguyise walabo  
abahlala eJerusalema lakwabendlu  
kaJuda. <sup>22</sup>Ngizabeka phezu  
kwamahlombe akhe isivulo sendlu  
kaDavida; akuvulayo kakho ongakuvala.  
<sup>23</sup>Ngizambethela njengesikhonkwane  
endaweni eqinileyo; uzakuba yisihlalo  
sobukhosi sasendlini kayise. <sup>24</sup>Lonke  
udumo lwakwabo luzakuba kuye, inzalo  
yakhona lezizukulwane zonke – izitsha  
zakhona ezincinyane, kusukela  
emiganwini kusiya kuzimbizanyana  
zonke.

<sup>25</sup>“Ngalolosuku”, kutsho uJehova  
uSomandla, “isikhonkwane esabethelwa  
endaweni eqinileyo sizakhumuka;  
sizaqunywa siwe, umthwalo ophezu  
kwaso uzawela phansi.” UJehova  
usekhulumile.

*Isiphrofetho ngeThire*

**23** Isiqalekiso esimayelana leThire:

Khalani lina mikhumbi  
yaseThashishi!  
Ngoba iThire selichithiwe lasala  
lingaselandlu kumbe indawo  
yokungenisa imikhumbi. Ilizwi  
selifikile kibo livela elizweni  
laseKhuphro.

<sup>2</sup>Thulani lina bantu basesihlengeni  
lani bathengi baseSidoni,  
asebanothiswa ngabahambi bolwandle.

<sup>3</sup> Amabele aseShihori eza  
ephezu kwamanzi, isivuno saseNayile  
sasiyinzuzo yeThire, njalo yaba  
yindawo yezizwe yokuthengiselana.

<sup>4</sup> Woba lenhloni wena Sidoni, lawe wena  
nqaba yasolwandle ngoba ulwandle  
selukhulumile lwathi:  
“Kangizange ngondle amadodana  
kumbe ngikhulise amadodakazi.”

<sup>5</sup> Lapho ilizwi lifika eGibhithe  
bazakuba lusizi ngombiko ovela  
eThire.

<sup>6</sup> Khuphukelani ngaseThashishi;  
khalani lina Bantu basesihlengeni.

<sup>7</sup> Leli yilo na idolobho lenu lentokozo.  
Idolobho elidaladala,  
Elinyawo zalo zalithatha ukuyalihlalisa  
emazweni akude?

<sup>8</sup> Ngubani ocebe lokhu ngeThire,  
umethesi wemiqhele, abathengisi bayo  
bangamakhosana,  
abathengisi bayo badumile  
emhlabeni?

<sup>9</sup> UJehova uSomandla wakuceba lokhu,  
ukwehlisa ukuzigqaja kwenkazimulo  
yonke  
lokuthobisa bonke  
abalodumo emhlabeni.

<sup>10</sup> Lima insimu yakho malungana  
leNayili wena Ndodakazi  
yaseThashishi  
ngoba kawuselayo indawo  
yokungenisa imikhumbi.

<sup>11</sup> UJehova useselulele isandla sakhe  
phezu kolwandle wenza imibuso yalo  
yanyikinyeka. Usekhuphe umlayo  
ngeFenikhe ukuba izinqaba zayo  
zidilizwe.

<sup>12</sup> Wathi, “Akusekho ukuthokoza  
kwakho wena Ndodakazi eMsulwa  
yaseSidoni esichoboziwe!

“Vuka ukhuphukele ngaseKhuphrosi;

lakhona awuyikuthola ukuphumula.”

<sup>13</sup> Khangela elizweni lamaKhaledi,  
abantu laba khathesi abangaselutho!  
Abase-Asiriya sebelenze laba  
yindawo yezidalwa zasenkangala;  
bakhe imiphotshongo yabo  
yokuvimbezela,  
bazibhidlizile izinqaba zalo balenza  
laba lunxiwa.

<sup>14</sup> Khalani lina mikhumbi yaseThashishi,  
inqaba yenu idilizwe!

<sup>15</sup> Ngalesosikhathi iThire izakhohlakala  
okweminyaka engamatshumi  
ayisikhombisa, ibanga lokuphila  
kwenkosi. Kodwa ekupheleni  
kwaleyominyaka engamatshumi  
ayisikhombisa, eThire  
kuzakwenzakala okunjengokutshiwo  
yingoma yewule ukuthi:

<sup>16</sup> “Thatha ichacho, uhambahambe  
phakathi kwedolobho  
wena wule elikhohlakeleyo.  
Litshaye kuhle ichacho,  
uhlabele izingoma ezinengi,  
ukuze ukhunjulwe.”

<sup>17</sup> Ekupheleni kweminyaka  
engamatshumi ayisikhombisa  
uJehova uzakhumbula iThire. IThire  
lizabuyela ekuthengiseni kwalo  
njengewule, njalo lizabuyela  
emsebenzini walo wokuthengiselana  
lemibuso yonke esemhlabeni. <sup>18</sup> Inzuzo  
lemiholo yalo kuzakwahlukaniselwa  
uJehova; kakuyikulondolozwa loba  
kubuthelelwe. Inzuzo yalo izakuya  
kulabo abahlala loJehova ukuba babe  
lokudla okunengi lezigqoko ezinhle.

*Ukuchithwa Komhlaba NguJehova*

**24** Khangela, uJehova uzadiliza  
umhlaba awutshabalalise;

- uzawuchitha ahlakaze abahlala kuwo  
<sup>2</sup>kuzafanana  
 kumphristi njengasebantwini,  
 enkosini njengakusisebenzi,  
 enkosikazini njengakuncekukazi,  
 kumthengisi njengakumthengi,  
 kowebolekayo  
 njengakumebolekisi,  
 lokweledayo  
 njengakokweledisayo.
- <sup>3</sup>Umhlaba uzatshabalaliswa nya  
 uphangwe uqedwe du.  
 UJehova usekhulumile ilizwi leli.
- <sup>4</sup>Umhlaba uyoma ubune,  
 umhlaba uyahodoza ubune,  
 abaphakemeyo bomhlaba  
 bayahodoza!
- <sup>5</sup>Umhlaba ungcoliswa ngabantu bawo.  
 kabayilalelanga imithetho,  
 beqe imilayo bephula isivumelwano  
 esingapheliyo.
- <sup>6</sup>Ngakho-ke umhlaba uchithwa  
 yisiqalekiso;  
 abantu bawo kumele bahlupheke  
 ngenxa yokona kwabo.  
 Ngakho abantu abahlala emhlabeni  
 bayatshiswa, njalo balutshwana  
 kakhulu abaseleyo.
- <sup>7</sup>Iwayini elitsha liyaphela, amavini  
 ayabuna; bonke abenza umsindo  
 bejabula bayabubula
- <sup>8</sup>Ukukhala kwamagedla kuthulisiwe,  
 umsindo wabajabulayo usuphelile,  
 ichacho lentokozo selithule.
- <sup>9</sup>Kabasanathi iwayini behlabela,  
 utshwala buyababa kubanathi babo.
- <sup>10</sup>Idolobho elidilikileyo litshabalele;  
 iminyango yezindlu zonke ivalekile.
- <sup>11</sup>Emigwaqweni bakhalela iwayini,  
 yonke intokozo iba yikudana,  
 ukujabula konke kuphelile emhlabeni.
- <sup>12</sup>Idolobho lisele selingamanxiwa,  
 isango lalo libhidlizwe laba yizicucu.
- <sup>13</sup>Kuzakuba njalo emhlabeni  
 laphakathi kwezizwe, njengalapho

isihlahla som-oliva sinyikinywa,  
 loba njengezithelo ezitholwa emva  
 kokuvunwa kwamavini.

- <sup>14</sup>Baphakamisa amazwi abo,  
 bahlabele ngentokozo;  
 bememezela ubukhosi bukaJehova  
 bengasentshonalanga.
- <sup>15</sup>Ngakho-ke dumisani uJehova  
 uNkulunkulu ka-Israyeli,  
 ezihlengeni zolwandle.
- <sup>16</sup>Sizwa ukuhlabelela okuvela  
 emikhawulweni yomhlaba:  
 “Udumo kalube koLungileyo.”
- Kodwa mina ngathi,  
 “Ngiyacikizeka,  
 ngiyacikizeka!  
 Maye mina!  
 Abakhohlisi bayaceba!  
 Ngenkohliso abakhohlisi bayaceba!”
- <sup>17</sup>Ukwesaba, igodi lomjibila kulilindele,  
 lina bantu basemhlabeni.
- <sup>18</sup>Loba ngubani obalekela umsindo  
 wokwesaba uzawela egodini;  
 loba ngubani ophumayo egodini  
 uzabanjwa ngumjibila.
- Amasango asezulwini avuliwe,  
 izisekelo zomhlaba ziyanyikinyeka.
- <sup>19</sup>Umhlaba usubhidlikile,  
 umhlaba usudabuke phakathi,  
 umhlaba usunyikinywe impela.
- <sup>20</sup>Umhlaba udiyazela njengesidakwa,  
 Uzunguzeka njengendlu  
 kulesiphepho;  
 siwusinda kangaka isono  
 sokuhlama kwawo uze uwe – awuyi  
 kuvuka futhi.
- <sup>21</sup>Ngalolosuku uJehova uzawajezisa  
 amandla asemazulwini phezulu  
 lamakhosi emhlabeni ngaphansi.
- <sup>22</sup>Bazabuthelwa ndawonye  
 njengezibotshwa zibotshiwe emgodini  
 oyintolongo.  
 Bazavalelwa entolongweni

bajeziswe emva kwezinsuku ezinengi.  
<sup>23</sup> Inyanga izayangeka, ilanga libe lenhloni; ngoba uJehova uSomandla uzabusa ngenkazimulo phezu kweNtaba iZiyoni laphakathi kweJerusalema, laphambi kwabadala bakhona.

*Ukubonga uJehova*

**25** O Jehova, wena

unguNkulunkulu wami;  
 ngizakudumisa ngibabaza ibizo lakho ngoba ngokuthembeka okupheleleyo, wenze izinto ezimangalisayo, izinto ezamiswa endulo.

<sup>2</sup> Wenze idolobho laba yinqwaba yemfucuzo; idolobho elivikelweyo laba lunxiwa, inqaba yabezizweni kayiseyilo dolobho; kayiyikwakhiwa futhi.

<sup>3</sup> Ngakho-ke abantu abalamandla bazakudumisa, amadolobho ezizwe ezilolunya azakwesaba.

<sup>4</sup> Ubuyisiphephelo sabayanga, isiphephelo soswelayo osizini lwakhe, isivikelo esivunguzaneni.

Ngoba umoya wabalolunya unjengesiphepho sitshayeka emdulini,

<sup>5</sup> lanjengokutshisa kwasenkangala. Wena uthulisa umsindo wabezizweni; njengokutshisa kusehliswa ngumthunzi weyezi, ithuliswa kanjalo lengoma yabalolunya.

<sup>6</sup> Phezu kwale intaba uJehova uSomandla uzakwenzela abantu bonke idili lokudla okumnandi, idili lewayini elidala – inyama enhle kakhulu lewayini elihle kakhulu.

<sup>7</sup> Phezu kwale intaba uzadiliza isembeso esimboze abantu bonke, ilembu elembese izizwe zonke;

<sup>8</sup> uzakuginya kokuphela ukufa. UJehova Wobukhosi uzakwesula izinyembezi ebusweni babantu bonke;

uzasusa ihlazo labantu bakhe emhlabeni wonke. UJehova usekhulumile.

<sup>9</sup> Ngalolosuku bazakuthi,

“Ngempela lo nguNkulunkulu wethu; sethemba kuye, wasikhulula. Lo nguJehova, sethemba kuye; kasithokozeni sithabe ngokusisindisa kwakhe.”

<sup>10</sup> Isandla sikaJehova sizahlala phezu kwal’intaba; kodwa uMowabi uzanyathelelwa ngaphansi kwakhe njengotshani bunyathelelwa phansi emqubeni.

<sup>11</sup> Bazakwelulela izandla zabo kuye, njengenhlambi iselula izandla zayo ukuba intsheze. UNkulunkulu uzakuqeda ukuzigqaja kwabo phezu kokuhlakanipha kwezandla zabo.

<sup>12</sup> Uzadiliza imiduli yenu ephakemeyo njalo evikelweyo ayiwisele phansi; uzayidilizela phansi emhlabathini, kulo kanye uthuli.

*Ingoma yokubonga*

**26** Ngalolosuku ingoma le izahlats shelwa elizweni lakoJuda:

Siledolobho eliqinileyo; uNkulunkulu wenza ukusindisa kube yimiduli yalo lezivikelo.

<sup>2</sup> Vulani amasango ukuze isizwe esilungileyo singene, isizwe esigcina ukuthembeka.

<sup>3</sup> Lizamemeza abe lokuthula okupheleleyo lowo olengqondo ebambelelayo, ngoba wethemba kuwe.

<sup>4</sup> Thembani kuJehova kokuphela, ngoba uJehova, uJehova uliDwala laphakade.

<sup>5</sup> Ubehlisela phansi abahlala engqongeni;

- ulehlisela phansi idolobho  
eliphakemeyo,  
ulidilizela emhlabathini,  
aliphosele phansi othulini.
- <sup>6</sup> Izinyawo zilinyathelela phansi –  
izinyawo zabacindezelweyo,  
amanyathelo abayanga.
- <sup>7</sup> Indlela yabalungileyo iqondile;  
awu Wena oQotho,  
wenza indlela yabalungileyo ibe  
butshelezi.
- <sup>8</sup> Yebo, Jehova, sihamba endleleni  
yemithetho yakho,  
siyakulindela;  
ibizo lakho lodumo lwakho  
kulangathwa yizinhliziyo zethu.
- <sup>9</sup> Umphefumulo wami uyakulangazelela  
ebusuku, ekuseni umoya wami  
uyakukhumbula. Lapho ukwahlulela  
kwakho kufika emhlabeni,  
Abantu basemhlabeni bayakufunda  
ukulunga.
- <sup>10</sup> Lanxa ababi betshengiswa umusa,  
kabakufundi ukulunga; laselizweni  
lokulunga baqhubeka besenza okubi,  
bengabunaki ubukhosi bukaJehova.
- <sup>11</sup> O Jehova, isandla sakho  
siphakanyiselwe phezulu,  
kodwa kabasiboni. Babonise  
ukutshisekela kwakho abantu bakho  
bayangiswe; umlilo olungiselwe izitha  
zakho kawubaqede.
- <sup>12</sup> Jehova, usilethela ukuthula;  
konke esesikufezile sikwenzelwe  
nguwe.
- <sup>13</sup> O Jehova, Nkulunkulu wethu, amanye  
amakhosi ngaphandle kwakho ake  
asibusa, kodwa ibizo lakho yilo lodwa  
esilidumisayo.
- <sup>14</sup> Khathesi asafa, kawasaphili;  
imimoya leyana eyahambayo  
kayivuki.  
Wawajezisa, wawatshabalalisa;  
Wesula konke ukukhunjulwa kwawo.
- <sup>15</sup> Usandisile isizwe, O Jehova;  
usandisile isizwe.  
Uzilethele udumo;  
uyiqhelisile yonke imikhawulo  
yelizwe.
- <sup>16</sup> Jehova, beza kuwe ekuhluphekeni  
kwabo;  
Kwathi lapho usubajezisile  
banelisa ukunyenyenza umkhuleko.
- <sup>17</sup> Njengowesifazana okhulelweyo lapho  
esezabeletha uyabhinjika ekhaliswa  
yibuhlungu, lathi sabanjalo phambi  
kwakho, O Jehova.
- <sup>18</sup> Sasikhulelwe, sabhinjika  
ebuhlungwini kodwa sazala umoya.  
Kasilethanga kukhululwa emhlabeni;  
kasibazalelanga lutho abantu  
basemhlabeni.
- <sup>19</sup> Kodwa abafileyo bakho bazaphila,  
Imizimba yabo izavuka.  
Lina elihlala othulini, vukani  
lihlabelele ngentokozo.  
Amazolo enu afana lamazolo ekuseni;  
umhlaba uzabaveza abafileyo bawo.
- <sup>20</sup> Hambani bantu bami, ngenani  
ezindlini zenu, lizivalele phakathi;  
lizifihle okwesikhatshana.  
ulaka lwakhe luze luphele.
- <sup>21</sup> Khangelani, uJehova uyaphuma lapho  
ahlala khona ukuba ajezise abantu  
basemhlabeni ngenxa yezono zabo.  
Umhlaba uzaveza igazi elachithwa  
kuwo;  
Kawusayikubafihla ababulawayo  
bawo.

*Ukukhululwa kuka-Israyeli*

**27** Ngalolosuku,

uJehova uzajezisa  
ngenkemba yakhe, inkemba yakhe  
eyesabekayo, enkulu elamandla,  
uLeviyathani inyoka endizayo,  
uLeviyathini inyoka egoqanayo;

uzayibulala inunu yasolwandle.

<sup>2</sup>Ngalolosuku –

“Hlabelani ngesivini  
esithela izithelo.

<sup>3</sup>Mina, uJehova, ngiyasilinda;  
ngiyasithelezela kokuphela.

Ngisilinda emini lebusuku  
Ukuze kungabi khona owenza okubi  
kuso.

<sup>4</sup>Angithukuthelanga. Sengathi kungabe  
kulokhula lameva okumelana lami!  
Bengizakulanda ngilwe lakho empini;  
bengizakutshisa konke ngomlilo.

<sup>5</sup>Loba phela kabeze bazephephela kimi;  
kabenze ukuthula lami,  
Ye, kabenze ukuthula lami.”

<sup>6</sup>Ezinsukwini ezizayo uJakhobe  
uzagxila, u-Israyeli uzahluma  
akhahlele agcwalise umhlaba wonke  
ngezithelo.

<sup>7</sup>UJehova usemtshayile na  
njengokutshaya kwakhe  
abamtshayayo?  
Usebulewe na njengokubulawa  
kwalabo abambulalayo?

<sup>8</sup>Ngempi langokumxotsha elizweni ulwe  
laye – ngesiphepho sakhe esesabekayo  
umsusela phandle, njengamhla  
kuvunguza umoya wasempumalanga.

<sup>9</sup>Ngalokhu-ke ukona kukaJakhobe  
kuzahlawulelwa, njalo lokhu  
kuzakuba yisithelo esigcweleyo  
esokususwa kwesono sakhe:  
Lapho esenza wonke amatshe e-alithare  
abe njengamatshe ekalaga avuthuzwe  
izicucu,  
akulazinsika zika-Ashera  
kumbe ama-alithare empepha  
azatshiywa emi.

<sup>10</sup>Idolobho elivikelweyo libhidlikile,  
indawo yokuhlala etshiyiweyo,  
yadelwa njengenkangala;  
lapho asesidla khona amathole

lapho alala khona phansi;  
ahlubula izingatsha zalo zisale zize.

<sup>11</sup>Lapho izingatsha zalo sezomile,  
ziyephulwa kuze abesifazana babase  
umlilo ngazo.

Ngoba laba ngabantu  
abangelakuzwisisa;  
ngakho uMenzi wabo kalasihawu  
kubo,  
loMdali wabo akayikuba lomusa  
kubo.

<sup>12</sup>Ngalolosuku uJehova uzabhula  
kusukela kuYufrahi ogelezayo kusiya  
eMhotsheni waseGibhithe,  
njalo lina abako-Israyeli lizabuthwa  
munye ngamunye. <sup>13</sup>Njalo ngalolosuku  
kuzakhaliswa icilongo elikhulu. Labo  
ababelahlekele elizweni lase-Asiriya  
lababexotshelwe elizweni laseGibhithe  
bazabuya bakhonze uJehova phezu  
kwentaba engcwele eJerusalema.

*Maye ku-Efrayimi*

**28** Maye kulowomqhele wamaluba,  
iqhono lezidakwa zako-Efrayimi,  
kuluba elibunayo, ubuhle  
obukhazimulayo kubekwe ngaphezulu  
kwesigodi esivundileyo –  
kulelodobho, iqhono lalabo  
asebelaliswe liwayini phansi!

<sup>2</sup>Khangelani, uJehova ulaye olamandla  
oqinileyo. Njengesiqhotho lomoya  
odilizayo, njengezulu lesiphepho  
lesihlambi esilamandla, uzakuphosa  
phansi ngamandla amakhulu.

<sup>3</sup>Umqhele lowo wamaluba, iqhono  
lezidakwa zako-Efrayimi  
kuzanyathelwa ngaphansi kwezinyawo.

<sup>4</sup>Leliyaluba elibunayo, ubuhle bakhe  
obukhazimulayo, kuhlanyelwe  
ngaphezu kwesigodi esivundileyo,  
lizakuba njengomkhiwa ovuthiweyo  
kungakavunwa okuthi khonokho nje  
omunye ewubona awukhe ngesandla

sakhe awuginye.

<sup>5</sup> Ngalolosuku uJehova uSomandla  
uzakuba ngumqhele okhazimulayo,  
umqhele wamaluba omuhle kulabo  
abayizinsalela zabantu bakhe.

<sup>6</sup> Uzakuba ngumoya wokulunga  
kulowo owahlulelayo, umthombo  
wamandla kulabo ababuyisela impi  
emuva isisesangweni.

<sup>7</sup> Lalaba bayadayizela ngenxa yewayini,  
babhadazele ngenxa yotshwala.  
Abaphristi labaphrofethi bayadayizela  
ngenxa yotshwala, njalo baphambene  
ngenxa yewayini; bayabhadazela  
ngenxa yotshwala, bayadayizela, lapho  
bebona imibono,  
Bayakhininda lapho besenza izinqumo.

<sup>8</sup> Amatafula wonke agcwele amahlanzo  
njalo akulandawo engelamanyala.

<sup>9</sup> “Ngubani lowo ozama ukumfundisa?  
Umbiko wakhe uwuchazela bani na?  
Kulabobantwana abaphusiswe  
ekumunyeni lalabo abasanda  
kukhutshwa ebeleni na?”

<sup>10</sup> Ngoba kumi kanje:  
Yenza lokhu, yenza lokhu,  
umthetho phezu komthetho, umthetho  
phezu komthetho; kuthiwe hatsha  
lapha, hatsha laphayana.”

<sup>11</sup> Kungasenani, ngezindebe zabezizweni  
langolimi olungaziwayo,  
uNkulunkulu uzakhuluma ebantwini  
bakhe, <sup>12</sup> atshoyo kubo wathi,  
“Le yindawo yokuphumula,  
abadiniweyo kabaphumule;”  
njalo, “Le yindawo yokucambalala.”  
kodwa kabalalelanga.

<sup>13</sup> Ngakho ilizwi likaJehova kubo  
lizakuba ngelithi:  
Yenza kuphela njalo yenza kuphela.  
Umthetho phezu komthetho,  
okuncane lapha, lokuncane

laphaya –  
ukuze bahambe bawe nyovane,  
balimale, bathiywe, bathunjwe.

<sup>14</sup> Ngakho-ke zwanini ilizwi  
likaJehova lina bantu abaklolodayo,  
ababusa abantu laba eJerusalema.

<sup>15</sup> Lizitshaya izifuba lisithi, “Senze  
isivumelwano lokufa,  
Senza isivumelwano lethuna.  
Nxa isijeziso esikhulu sifika,  
Kasiyikusithinta, ngoba senze amanga  
aba yisiphephelo sethu  
Lenkohliso yaba yindawo yethu  
yokucatsha.”

<sup>16</sup> Ngakho lokhu yikho okutshiwo  
nguJehova woBukhosi:

“Khangelani,  
ngibeka ilitshe eZiyoni,  
ilitshe elihloliweyo,  
ilitshe lengosi eliligugu,  
elesisekelo esiqinisekileyo;  
lowo othembayo akayikuphela  
amandla.

<sup>17</sup> Ngizakwenza okufaneleyo kube  
yintambo yokulinganisa,  
Ukulunga kube yintambo  
yokuqondisa;  
isiqhotho sizakhukhula isiphephelo  
senu, amanga, lamanzi azagabhela  
indawo yenu yokucatsha.

<sup>18</sup> Isivumelwano senu lokufa  
sizakwesulwa; Isivumelwano senu  
lengcwaba kasiyikuma. Lapho  
isijeziso esikhulu sifika zizalilahla  
phansi.

<sup>19</sup> Ngazo zonke izikhathi esizafika ngazo  
sizalithatha; ukusa ngokusa, emini  
lebusuku, sizalikhukhula.”

Ukulizwisisa ilizwi leli kuzaletha  
ukwesaba khona ngokwakho.

<sup>20</sup> Umbheda mfitshane kakhulu ukuba  
unabe kuwo, ingubo incane kakhulu

- ukuba ugoqelwe ngayo.
- <sup>21</sup> UJehova uzavuka njengalokho akwenzayo entabeni iPherazimi; uzathukuthela njengaseSigodini seGibheyoni – ukuba enze umsebenzi wakhe, umsebenzi oyisimanga, enze umsebenzi wakhe, umsebenzi ongaziwayo.
- <sup>22</sup> Khathesi-ke yekelani ukukloloda kwenu funa amaketane elibotshwe ngawo alisinde kakhulu; UJehova, uJehova uSomandla usengitshela ngesimiso sokutshabalalisa ilizwe lonke.
- <sup>23</sup> Lalelani lizwe ilizwi lami; Lalelani lizwe engikutshoyo.
- <sup>24</sup> Lapho umlimi elima ukuba ahlanye, ulima kokuphela na? Uqhubeka elima umhlabathi ewubhuqa kokuphela na?
- <sup>25</sup> Nxa umhlabathi esewendlale kuhle, kahlanyeli ikharawayi ahlanye lekhumini na? Kahlanyeli ingqoloyi endaweni yayo; ibhali ensimini yayo, lepelithi ensimini yaso na?
- <sup>26</sup> UNkulunkulu wakhe uyamfundisa, Amfundise indlela eqondileyo.
- <sup>27</sup> Ikharawayi kayibhulwa ngesileyi; lenqola kayihanjiswa phezu kwekhumini, kodwa ikharawayi ibhulwa ngentonga, kuthi ikhumini ibhulwe ngombulo.
- <sup>28</sup> Amabele kumele acholwe ukuba kwenziwe isinkwa, ngakho umuntu kawabhuli kokuphela. Lanxa ehambisa inqola yakhe yokubhula phezu kwawo, amabhiza akhe kawawacholi.
- <sup>29</sup> Konke lokhu lakho kuvela kuJehova uSomandla; omangalisayo ngokwaluleka, njalo olenhlabanipho emangalisayo.

*Maye Kulo Idolobho likaDavida*

- 29** Maye kuwe Ariyeli, Ariyeli, idolobho uDavida ahlala kulo! Yengezelela umnyaka emnyakeni Wenze ukulandelana kwemikhosi yakho kuqhubeka.
- <sup>2</sup> Ikanti I-Ariyeli ngizalivimbezela, lizakhala lilile, kimi lizafana leziko le-alithare.
- <sup>3</sup> Ngizakuhlasela amacele wonke, ngizakuzungeza ngmiphotshongo ngikuvimbezele ngemisebenzi yokukuhlasela.
- <sup>4</sup> Nxa usudilizelwa phansi, uzakhuluma uphansi, inkulamo yakho ayiyikuzwakala ivela othulini. Ilizwi lakho lizafana lelethongo liphuma phansi emhlabathini. Ilizwi lakho lizanyenyeza liphuma othulini.
- <sup>5</sup> Kodwa izitha zakho ezinengi, zizakuba njengothuli olucolekileyo, amaxuku alesihluku afane lamakhoba aphephukayo. Masinyazana, ngesikhatshana nje,
- <sup>6</sup> uJehova uSomandla uzafika ngomdumo langokunyikinyeka komhlaba langomsindo omkhulu; ngesiphepho langesivunguzane langamalangabi omlilo oqothulayo.
- <sup>7</sup> Lapho-ke amaxuku ezizwe zonke ezilwa le-Ariyeli, ayihlaselayo kanye lezinqaba zayo, njalo eyizungezile, azakuba njengephupho, lilombono webusuku –
- <sup>8</sup> njengomuntu olambileyo ephupha esidla, kodwa aphaphame ukulamba kwakhe kulokhu kunjalo, lanjengalapho umuntu owomileyo ephupha enatha kodwa aphaphame engelamandla, ukoma kwakhe kungaphelanga.

Kuzakuba njalo lakumaxuku ezizwe zonke ezilwa leNtaba iZiyoni.

- <sup>9</sup>Thithibalani limangale, zenzeni iziphofu lingabe lisabona; dakwani kodwa kungabi ngenxa yotshwala.  
<sup>10</sup>UJehova ulehlisele ubuthongo obukhulu, uwavalile amehlo enu: (abaphrofethi); wagubuzela amakhanda enu (izanuse).

<sup>11</sup>Kini umbono wonke lo kawusilutho kodwa amazwi nje avalelwe encwadini egoqiweyo. Njalo uma incwadi leyo liyiqhubela umuntu okwaziyo ukubala lithi kuye, “Ake ubale lokhu,” uzaphendula athi, “Anganelisi, ngoba ivaliwe.” <sup>12</sup>Loba uma incwadi leyo liyiqhubela umuntu ongakwaziyo ukubala lithi kuye, “Ake ubale lokhu,” uzaphendula athi, “Angikwazi ukubala.”

<sup>13</sup>UJehova uthi:

“Abantu laba basondela kimi ngemilomo yabo bangikhonze ngezindebe zabo, kodwa izinhliziyi zabo zikude lami; ukungikhonza kwabo kwenziwa kuphela nje ngemilayo abayifundiswa ngabantu.

<sup>14</sup>Ngakho-ke abantu laba ngizaphinda ngibethuse ngesimanga phezu kwesimanga; Inhlakanipho yabahlakaniphileyo izaphela, ukwazi kwezazi kunyamalale.”

<sup>15</sup>Maye kulabo abatshona phansi ukuba bafihlele uJehova amacebo abo, abenzela imisebenzi yabo emnyameni bacabange bathi,

“Ngubani osibonayo?  
 Ngubani ozakwazi?”

<sup>16</sup>Lina ligomonqisa izinto kube angathi kucatshangwa ukuthi umbumbi unjengebumba. Okubunjiweyo kungatsho yini kokubumbileyo kuthi,

“Kangibumbanga”? Imbiza ingatsho na kumbumbi ithi, “Kazi lutho”?

- <sup>17</sup>Ngesikhatshana esifitshane nje, iLebhanoni kayiyikuphendulwa Ibe yinsimu evundileyo kuthi insimu evundileyo ifane legusu na?  
<sup>18</sup>Ngalolosuku izacuthe zizawezwa amazwi encwadi egoqiweyo, amehlo eziphofu abone emnyameni omkhulu.  
<sup>19</sup>Abathobekileyo bazathokoza futhi kuJehova, abaswelayo bazathokoza koNgcwele ka-Israyeli.  
<sup>20</sup>Abalesihluku bazanyamalala, abahleka usulu abayikuba khona, bonke abathanda ukwenza okubi bazabhujiswa –  
<sup>21</sup>labo abenza umuntu abe lecala ngokufakaza amanga, abathiya umvikeli enkundleni yamacala, kuthi ngobufakazi obungamanga benze omsulwa angehlulelwa ngemfanelo.

<sup>22</sup>Ngakho-ke lokhu yikho uJehova owahlenga u-Abrahama akutshoyo kwabendlu kaJakhobe:

“UJakhobe kasayikuba lenhloni, ubuso bakhe kabusayikudana.

<sup>23</sup>Lapho bebona abantwana babo, umsebenzi wezandla zami, bazakwenza ibizo lami libe ngcwele; bazabubona ubungcwele boNgcwele kaJakhobe, njalo bazamesaba uNkulunkulu ka-Israyeli.

<sup>24</sup>Abalahlekileyo emoyeni bazakuba lokuzwisisa; abasolayo bazavuma ukufundiswa.

*Maye esizweni esiyisiqhola*

**30** “Maye ebantwaneni abalobuqholo,” kutsho uJehova, “kulabo abafeza amacebo angasiwami, abenza isivumelwano, kodwa

- kungengoMoya wami, besengeza  
isono phezu kwesono;
- <sup>2</sup>labaya eGibhithe bengabuzanga kimi;  
abadinga usizo lokuvikelwa nguFaro,  
lomthunzi wokuphephela eGibhithe.
- <sup>3</sup>Kodwa-ke ukuvikelwa nguFaro  
kuzakuba lihlazo kini, umthunzi  
weGibhithe uzaliyangisa.
- <sup>4</sup>Lanxa belabameli eZowani,  
lezithunywa zabo sezifikile eHanesi,  
<sup>5</sup>bonke bazayangeka ngenxa yabantu  
abangalasizo kubo,  
Abangalethi sizo loba inzuzo,  
kodwa ihlazo lokuyangeka kuphela.”
- <sup>6</sup>Isiqalekiso mayelana lezinyamazana  
zeNegebi sithi:
- kulo lonke ilizwe lobunzima losizi,  
elezilwane lezilwanekazi,  
elamabululu lezinyoka ezeqayo  
izithunywa zithwala inotho yazo  
ngemihlane yabobabhemi,  
impahla yazo eligugu ziyithwale  
ngamalunda amakamela,  
zikusa ebantwini abangayikuba losizo  
kuzo.
- <sup>7</sup>Zisiwa eGibhithe osizo lwayo  
lungelamsebenzi.  
Ngakho ngiyibiza ngokuthi nguRahabi  
ivilavoxo.
- <sup>8</sup>Hamba khathesi nje, ubalobele khona  
esibhebhedwini, kulobe emqulwini,  
ukuze kuthi ezinsukwini ezizayo  
kuba yibufakazi obungapheliyo.
- <sup>9</sup>Laba ngabantu abangabahlamuki,  
abantwana abangabakhohlisi,  
abantwana abangafuniyo ukulalela  
imfundiso kaJehova.
- <sup>10</sup>Bathi kwabayizanuse,  
“Lingabe lisahlhlula futhi.”  
Kubaphrofethi bathi,  
“Lingasitsheli imibono ngalokho  
okuqondileyo. Sitsheleni izinto  
ezinhle,

- Liphrofethe inkohliso.
- <sup>11</sup>Tshiyani indlela le, phambukani kulo  
umkhondo liyekele ukuzisisezela  
ngoNgcwele ka-Israyeli!”
- <sup>12</sup>Ngakho okutshiwo ngoNgcwele ka-  
Israyeli yilokhu:
- “Njengoba lilalile  
ilizwi leli, lathembela  
ekucindezelweni,  
lagwaba ngokukhohliswa,  
<sup>13</sup>isono lesi kini sizafana lomduli  
ophakemeyo olomkenke njalo  
ohlephukayo odilika masinyane,  
ngesikhatshana nje.
- <sup>14</sup>Uzadilika ube yizicucu njengembiza  
ephahazeke kabubi akwaze  
kwatholakala lesihlephu sokokha  
amalahle eziko ezicucwini zayo  
kumbe ukukha amanzi emgqonyeni.
- <sup>15</sup>Lokhu yikho okutshiwo nguJehova  
uNkulunkulu oNgcwele ka-Israyeli,  
ukuthi:
- “Ukusindiswa kwenu  
kusekuphendukeni lekuphumuleni,  
amandla enu asekuhuleni  
lekwethembeni, kodwa likwalile  
lokhu.
- <sup>16</sup>Lithe, ‘Hatshi, sizabaleka  
ngamabhiza.’ Ngakho lizabaleka!  
Lithe, ‘Sizagada amabhiza alejubane.’  
Ngakho abalixotshayo bazakuba  
lejubane!
- <sup>17</sup>Abayinkulungwane bazabaleka  
besongelwe ngoyedwa nje; lapho  
kusonge abahlanu lizabaleka lonke,  
lize lisale linjengensika yophawu  
lwelizwe esengqongeni yentaba,  
lanjengesiboniso phezu koqaqa.”
- <sup>18</sup>Kodwa uJehova ulangatha ukuba  
lomusa kini;  
uyavuka ukuba alitshengise isihawu.

Ngoba uJehova unguNkulunkulu wokulunga.  
Babusisiwe bonke abamlindeleyo!

<sup>19</sup> Awu bantu baseZiyoni, abahlala eJerusalema, alisayikulila. UJehova uzakuba lomusa kini nxa licela usizo. Uzaliphendula khonokho nje ekulizweni kwakhe. <sup>20</sup> Lanxa nje uJehova elinika isinkwa sokuhlupheka lamanzi osizi, abalifundisayo kabayikucatsha futhi; lizababona ngamehlo enu. <sup>21</sup> Loba liphambukele kwesokudla kumbe kwesenxele lizalizwa ilizwi ngemuva kwenu lisithi, “Le yiyo indlela; hambani ngayo.” <sup>22</sup> Lapho-ke lizangcolisa izithombe zenu ezihluqwe ngesiliva lezifanekiso zenu ezinanyekwe ngegolide. Lizazilahlela khatshana njengelembu lowesifazana obesesikhathini, lithi kuzo, “Sukani lapha!”

<sup>23</sup> UJehova uzalehlisela izulu lenhlanyelo yenu eliyihlanyele emhlabathini, lamabele azavela emhlabathini azakuba mahle njalo emanengi. Ngalolosuku izinkomo zenu zizakudla emadlelweni abanzi. <sup>24</sup> Izinkabi labobabhemi elilima ngakho umhlabathi kuzakudla utshani lamabele achaywe ngefologwe langefotsholo. <sup>25</sup> Ngosuku lokubulawa okukhulu, lapho imiphotshongo isiwa, izifula zamanzi zizageleza kuzo zonke izintaba ezinde lakuwo wonke amaqqa adephileyo. <sup>26</sup> Inyanga izakhanya njengelanga, ukukhanya kwelanga kukhanye ngokuphindwe kakhombisa, njengokukhanya kwezinsuku eziyisikhombisa ezigweleleyo, lapho uJehova esebopha amanxeba abantu bakhe, epholisa lezilonda ezabangwa nguye.

<sup>27</sup> Khangelani, ibizo likaJehova livela khatshana, lolaka oluvuthayo kanye lokuthunqa kwentuthu enkulu; izindebe zakhe zigcwele intukuthelo, ulimi lwakhe lungumlilo ohangulayo.

<sup>28</sup> Umoya awuphefumulayo unjengesifula esigcwele esilamanzi afika entanyeni. Uhlungula izizwe ngesefa yokubhubhisa; ufaka emihlathini yabantu amatomu abasa ekulahlekeni.

<sup>29</sup> Lizahlabela njengasebusuku bokujabulela umkhosi ongcwele; izinhliziyu zenu zizathokoza njengalapho abantu besiya entabeni kaJehova, eDwaleni lika-Israyeli, belemihubhe.

<sup>30</sup> UJehova uzakwenza abantu balizwe ilizwi lakhe lobukhosi, njalo uzakwenza bayibone ingalo yakhe isehla ngokuthukuthela okukhulu langomlilo oqothulayo, langesihlambo esikhulu, lomdumo kanye lesiqhotho.

<sup>31</sup> Ilizwi likaJehova lizayichitha i-Asiriya; Abatshaye ngenduku yakhe yobukhosi.

<sup>32</sup> Umvimbo ngamunye uJehova abatshaya wona ngentonga yakhe yokujezisa, uzakuba ukanye lokutshaywa kwamagedla lemihubhe, lapho esilwa labo impi ngezidutshulo zengalo yakhe.

<sup>33</sup> IThofethi sekukade yalungiswa, Seyenziwa yalungela uJehova. Igodi layo lomlilo selenziwa latshona njalo laba banzi, ngomlilo langenkuni ezinengi umphefumulo kaJehova ulilumathisa njengokugeleza komlilo wesolufa.

*Maye Kulabo Abathemba IGibhithe*

**31** Maye kulabo abaya eGibhithe ukuyafuna usizo, abathemba amabhiza,

abathembe ubunengi bezinqola zabo  
zempi lamandla amakhulu abagadi  
bamabhiza bakibo,  
kodwa bengathembeli koNgcwele  
ka-Israyeli, kumbe bacele usizo  
kuJehova.

<sup>2</sup>Ikanti laye uhlakaniphile njalo  
engaletha incithakalo; ilizwi lakhe  
kalibuyeli emuva. Uzavukela abendlu  
yababi lalabo abasiza abenza okubi.

<sup>3</sup>Kodwa amaGibhithe ngabantu  
kabasuNkulunkulu; Amabhiza awo  
yinyama kawasumoya. Lapho uJehova  
eselula isandla sakhe,  
lowo osizayo uzakhubeka lowo  
osizwayo uzakuwa,  
bobabili bazabhubha.

<sup>4</sup>Lokhu yikho okutshiwo nguJehova  
kimi, ukuthi:

“Njengesilwane sihwabha;  
isilwane esikhulu sibhongela  
esikubambileyo, lanxa ixuku lonke  
labelusi libizwa ukuba lisihlasele,  
kasethuswa yikuklabalala kwabo  
kumbe sithikanyezwe ngumsindo  
wabo – unjalo-ke uJehova uSomandla  
uzakwehla ukuba alwe entabeni  
iZiyoni laseziqongweni zayo.

<sup>5</sup>Njengezinyoni zitshaya amaphiko  
emoyeni phezu kwamakhanda,  
uJehova uSomandla uzavikela  
iJerusalema,  
uzalivikela alikhulule.  
Uzadlula ngaphezu kwalo alihlenge.”

<sup>6</sup>Awu bantu bako-Israyeli, buyelani  
kulowo elamhlamukela kakubi.

<sup>7</sup>Ngoba ngalolosuku lonke lizazilahla  
izithombe zenu zesiliva lezegolide  
elizenze ngezandla zenu ezonayo.

<sup>8</sup>“I-Asiriya izachithwa ngenkemba  
engasiyo yabantu, ngenkemba  
engasiyo yabantu izababhubhisa.

Bazayibalekela inkemba, izinsizwa  
zabo zizakwenziwa izigqili.

<sup>9</sup>Inqaba yabo izadilika ngenxa  
yokwesaba;  
ekuboneni uphawu lwempi  
izinduna zabo zempi zizatshaywa  
luvalo,”  
kutsho uJehova omlilo wakhe  
useZiyoni, osithando sakhe  
siseJerusalema.

### *Umbuso Wokulunga*

## 32 Khangelani, inkosi izabusa

ngokulunga lababusi bazabusa  
ngemfanelo.

<sup>2</sup>Umuntu ngamunye uzakuba  
njengesihonqo sokuvikela umoya,  
lesiphephelo sokucatshela isiphepho,  
njengomthunzi wedwala elikhulu  
elizweni elomileyo.

<sup>3</sup>Lapho-ke amehlo alabo ababonayo  
kawasayikuvaleka,  
lezindlebe zalabo abezwayo zizalalela.

<sup>4</sup>Ingqondo yowalazelayo izakwazi,  
iqedisise,  
ogagasayo ulimi lwakhe  
luzatshwaphuluka luzwakale kuhle.

<sup>5</sup>Isithutha kasisayikuthiwa  
ngumhlonitswa,  
lesigangi kasiyikuhlonitshwa.

<sup>6</sup>Ngoba isithutha sikhuluma ubuwula,  
Ingqondo yaso isebenza ububi:  
Senza imisebenzi yenkohlakalo,  
siqambe amanga ngoJehova;  
abalambayo kasibaniki lutho,  
abomileyo sibancitsha amanzi  
okunatha.

<sup>7</sup>Izindlela zesigangi zimbi,  
senza amacebo amabi ukuba sichithe  
abayanga ngamanga, lanxa isikhalazo  
sabaswelayo siqotho.

<sup>8</sup>Kodwa umuntu ohloniphekayo wenza  
amacebo ahloniphekayo, njalo uma  
ngezenzo ezihloniphekayo.

*Abesifazana BaseJerusalema*

- <sup>9</sup> Lina besifazana elingakhathazeki  
ngalutho, vukani lilalele kimi;  
lina madodana elizizwa livikelekile,  
lalelani engikutshoyo!
- <sup>10</sup> Ngesikhatshana nje esedlula umnyaka  
lina elizizwa livikelekile  
lizathuthumela;  
ukuvunwa kwevini  
akuyikuphumelela,  
lokuvunwa kwezithelo akuyikuba  
khona.  
Thuthumelani lina madodakazi azizwa  
evikelekile!
- <sup>11</sup> Qhaq hazelani lina madodakazi azizwa  
evikelekile! Khululani izigqoko zenu,  
lithandele izinkalo zenu ngamasaka.
- <sup>12</sup> Zitshayeni izifuba zenu ngenxa  
yamasimu amahle,  
langenxa yezivini ezithela izithelo,
- <sup>13</sup> langenxa yelizwe labantu bami,  
ilizwe eligcwele ukhula lameva –  
ye, lilelani zonke izindlu zenjabulo  
ledolobho lokuzitika lentokozo.
- <sup>14</sup> Inqaba enkulu izatshiswa,  
idolobho elilomsindo lizatshiywa;  
inqaba lomphotshongo wokulinda  
kuzakuba ngumhlabathi ongatheli  
lutho kokuphela, kube yintokozo  
yabobabhemi lamadlelo emihlambi,
- <sup>15</sup> Umoya uze uthelwe phezu kwethu  
uvela phezulu, inkangala ibe  
ngumhlaba ovundileyo, umhlaba  
ovundileyo ube njengenhlabathi.
- <sup>16</sup> Ukwahlulela okuhle kuzakuba khona  
enkangala, okufaneleyo kube khona  
emhlabeni ovundileyo.
- <sup>17</sup> Izithelo zokulunga zizakuba yikuthula;  
okufaneleyo kuzaletha ukuthula zwi  
lethemba kuze kube nininini.
- <sup>18</sup> Abantu bami bazahlala ezindaweni  
ezilokuthula emakhaya avikelekileyo,  
ezindaweni zokuphumula  
ezingelahlupho.
- <sup>19</sup> Lanxa isiqhotho sitshabalalisa ihlathi  
ledolobho lidilizwe laphela nya,

- <sup>20</sup> yeka ukubusiswa elizakuba yikho,  
lihlanyela inhlanyelo yenu emaceleni  
ezifula zonke, njalo liyekela izinkomo  
zenu labobabhemi benu  
ukuba kusabalale.

*Usizi Losizo*

**33** Maye kuwe, wena mchithi,  
wena ongachithwanga! Maye kuwe,  
wena mthengisi, wena  
ongacetshwanga! lapho uyekela  
ukuthengisa, lawe uzacetshwa.

- <sup>2</sup> Awu Jehova, woba lomusa kithi;  
siyakulangazelela. Woba ngamandla  
ethu ekuseni konke, ube yinsindiso  
yethu esikhathini sosizi.
- <sup>3</sup> Ekukhwazeni kwelizwi lakho, izizwe  
ziyabaleka; lapho uphakama izizwe  
ziyahlakazeka.
- <sup>4</sup> Elakuthumbayo, lina zizwe, kubuthwa  
njengangathi kuqoqwa yibuyane,  
abantu beqela kukho njengomtshitshi  
wezintethe.
- <sup>5</sup> UJehova uphakeme ngoba uhlala  
phezulu, uzagcwalisa iZiyoni  
ngokufaneleyo langokulunga.
- <sup>6</sup> Uzakuba yisisekelo esithembekileyo  
sesikhathi senu,  
isiphala esigcwele usindiso,  
ukuhlakanipha lokwazi;  
ukumesaba uJehova kuyisiqokoqela  
sokuzuza ingcebo le.
- <sup>7</sup> Khangelani, amaqhawe akibo ahlaba  
umkhosi emigwaqweni! izithunywa  
zokuthula ziyakhala kakhulu.
- <sup>8</sup> Imigwaqo emikhulu ibetha umoya,  
akulazihambi kuyo.  
Isivumelwano sephulwe, ofakazi baso  
beyisiwe kakho ohlonitshwayo.
- <sup>9</sup> Ilizwe liyalila njalo liyachitheka.  
ILebhanoni iyangekile njalo iyabuna;  
ISharoni injengenkangala,

IBhashani leKhameli akhithizwa  
amahlamvu awo.

<sup>10</sup> UJehova uthi, “Khathesi sengizavuka,  
khathesi sengizadunyiswa,  
khathesi sengizaphakanyiswa.

<sup>11</sup> Liqukethe ngamakhoba,  
lizale izibi; umoya wenu  
eliwuphefumulayo ungumlilo  
oliqedayo.

<sup>12</sup> Abantu bazatshiswa bafane lekalaga;  
bazathungelwa ngomlilo  
njengamahlaha ameva aganyuliweyo.”

<sup>13</sup> Lina elikhatshana, zwanini  
engikwenzileyo; lina abaseduze,  
vumani amandla ami!

<sup>14</sup> Izeni zaseZiyoni ziyathuthumela;  
abangamesabiyo uNkulunkulu  
bayaqhaq hazela: “Ngubani wakithi  
ongahlala lomlilo oqothulayo na?  
Ngubani wakithi ongahlala lokutshisa  
okungapheliyo na?”

<sup>15</sup> Ngulowo owenza okulungileyo,  
ekhuluma okuqotho oyalayo inzuzo  
yokucindezelwa, ale ukwamukela  
imvalamlomo, owalayo ukulalela  
amaqhinga okubulala, avale amehlo  
akhe ukuze angaboni okubi –

<sup>16</sup> lo nguye umuntu ozahlala  
ekuphakameni, osiphephelo sakhe  
sizakuba yinqaba yasentabeni.  
Uzalethelwa isinkwa sakhe,  
lamanzi kayikuwaswela.

<sup>17</sup> Amehlo enu azayibona inkosi  
ebuhleni bayo, abuke lelizwe elibanzi,

<sup>18</sup> Ezingqondweni zenu lizakhumbula  
ukwesaba kwakuqala lithi:  
“Ingaphi induna yezikhulu leyana?  
Ungaphi owayethatha imali  
yemithelo?

Singaphi isikhulu esigcina  
imiphotshongo na?”

<sup>19</sup> Abantu labayana  
abaklolodayo kalisayikubabona futhi,  
abantu labayana abolimi

olungazwakaliyo, abolimi  
olungaziwayo, olungaqondakaliyo.

<sup>20</sup> Khangelani iZiyoni, idolobho  
lemikhosi yethu; amehlo enu azabona  
iJerusalema indawo yokuhlala  
elokuthula, ithente elingeke  
lisuswe; izikhonkwane zalo  
kaziyikusitshunwa lezintambo zalo  
kaziyikuqamuka.

<sup>21</sup> Khonapho uJehova uzakuba  
ngolaMandla wethu. Kuzafana  
lendawo elemifula ebanzi kanye  
lezifula.

Akukho mkhumbi wempi  
ozagwedlwa khona, akukho mkhumbi  
olamandla ozahamba khona.

<sup>22</sup> Ngoba uJehova ungumahluleli wethu,  
uJehova usinika imithetho,  
uJehova unguJehova wethu;  
nguye ozasikhulula.

<sup>23</sup> Izintambo zakho zeseyili ziyaxega.  
Insika kayiqiniswanga; iseyili  
kayivulekanga. Lapho-ke impango  
enengi izakwabiwa kuthi labaqhulayo  
labo bazazuza impango.

<sup>24</sup> Akulamuntu ohlala eZiyoni ozakuthi,  
“Mina ngiyagula;” labantu abahlala  
khona bazathethelelwa izono  
zabo.

*Ukwahlulelwa kwezizwe*

**34** Sondelani lina zizwe, lilalele;

zwanini lina bantu! Umhlaba  
kawulalele, lakho konke okukiwo,  
umhlaba, lakho konke okuvela kuwo!

<sup>2</sup> UJehova uthukuthelele izizwe  
zonke, ulaka lwakhe luphezu kwezitha  
zabo zonke. Uzazibhubhisa  
ngokupheleleyo, uzazinikela  
ekubulaweni.

<sup>3</sup> Ababuleweyo bakibo bazaphoselwa  
ngaphandle, izidumbu zabo zizanuka;  
izintaba zizacwila egazini labo.

<sup>4</sup> Zonke izinkanyezi zasemazulwini

zizanyamalala, umkhathi ugoqwe  
njengomqulu; wonke amaxuku  
ezinkanyezi azakuwa  
njengamahlamvu abunileyo evinini  
lanjengomkhiwa otshwabheneyo  
usiwa esihlahleni somkhiwa.

<sup>5</sup> Inkemba yami isinathe yanela  
emazulwini;  
khangelani yehlela phezu kwe-Edomi  
ukulahlulela, abantu esengibabhuhise  
baphela.

<sup>6</sup> Inkemba kaJehova igxanyuzwe  
egazini, igcwele amafutha –  
igazi lezimvu lelezimbuzi,  
amafutha ezinso zezinqama.  
Ngoba uJehova ulomhlatshelo eBhozira  
Lokubulawa okukhulu kwezifuyo  
e-Edomi.

<sup>7</sup> Izinkabi zeganga zizakufa kanye lazo,  
amathole azinkunzi kanye lezinkunzi  
ezinkulu. Ilizwe labo lizagcwala igazi,  
Umhlabathi uzakuba manzi  
ngamafutha.

<sup>8</sup> Ngoba uJehova ulosuku  
lokuphindisela, umnyaka wokujezisa,  
ukuqinisa injongo yeZiyoni.

<sup>9</sup> Izifula zase-Edomi zizaphendulwa zibe  
yingcino, umhlabathi wakhona ube  
ngumlilo wesolufa, ilizwe lakhona  
lizakuba yingcino etshayo!

<sup>10</sup> Aliyikucitshwa ebusuku lemini;  
intuthu yalo izathunqa kokuphela.  
Lizakuba ngelichithiweyo kusukela  
kusizukulwane kusiya kusizukulwane;  
kakho ozadabula phakathi kwalo futhi.

<sup>11</sup> Isikhova sasenkangala lomandukulo  
kuzakwakha kulo; isikhova esikhulu  
lewabayi kuzakwakha izidleke zakho  
kulo. UNkulunkulu uzakwelulela  
phezu kwe-Edomi, intambo  
yokulinganisa incithakalo  
lentambo yokulinganisa ukutshabalala.

<sup>12</sup> Izikhulu zalo kaziyikuba lalutho khona  
olungathiwa ngumbuso,

wonke amakhosana alo azanyamalala.

<sup>13</sup> Izinqaba zalo zizagcwala ameva,  
imbabazane lokhula kugcwale  
kuziphephelo zalo. Lizakuba yindawo  
yamakhanka, lomuzi wezikhova.

<sup>14</sup> Izinyamazana zenkangala  
zizahlangana lezimpisi, amagogo  
azakhalelana; izidalwa zebusuku  
zizacambalala khona zizifunele  
izindawo zokuphumula.

<sup>15</sup> Isikhova sizakwakha isidleke khona  
sibekele amaqanda, sizawachamusela,  
sifukamele abantwana baso ngaphansi  
komthunzi wezimpiko zaso,  
lemizwazwa izabuthana khonapho,  
yilowo lalowo lomngane wawo.

<sup>16</sup> Khangelani encwadini kaJehova  
lifunde okuthi:

Akukho lakunye  
kwalokhu okuzasweleka; akukho  
okuzaswela umngane wakho.  
Ngoba nguJehova onike umlayo,  
loMoya wakhe uzazigoqela  
ndawonye.

<sup>17</sup> Uzakwahlukanisela izabelo zakho,  
isandla sakhe sizabe ngesilinganiso.  
Isabelo sizakuba ngesakho kokuphela,  
njalo kuzahlala khona kusukela  
kusizukulwane kusiya kusizukulwane

*Intokozo Yabahlengiweyo*

**35** Inkangala lelizwe elomileyo

kuzathokoza; inkangala izajabula  
iqhakaze. Njengeluba

<sup>2</sup> izakhahlela,  
ithokoze kakhulu, ihlebele isithi:  
Inkazimulo yaseLebhanoni  
izanikezwa kuyo ubuhle beKhameli  
leSharoni,  
kuzabona inkazimulo kaJehova  
lobukhosi bukaNkulunkulu wethu.

<sup>3</sup> Qinisani izandla ezibuthakathaka,

- liqinise lamadolo axegayo;  
<sup>4</sup>tshonini kulabo abalezinhliziyi  
 ezilokwesaba lithi: “Qinani, lingesabi;  
 uNkulunkulu wenu uzakuza,  
 uzakuza ukuba alikhulule.”
- <sup>5</sup>Lapho-ke amehlo eziphofu azavuleka,  
 lezindlebe zezacuthe zivuleke.
- <sup>6</sup>Lapho-ke abaqhulayo bazakweqa  
 njengempala, izimungulu zihlabele  
 ngokuthokoza. Amanzi azampompoza  
 ogwaduleni, izifula zigeleze  
 enkangala.
- <sup>7</sup>Itshebetshebe elitshisayo lizakuba  
 yisiziba,  
 umhlabathi owomileyo ube  
 yimithombo echaphaka amanzi.  
 Ezindaweni amakhanka ake ahlala  
 kuzo,  
 utshani lemihlanga lebhuma kuzakhula  
 khona.
- <sup>8</sup>Njalo kuzakuba lomgwaqo omkhulu:  
 uzathiwa yiNdlela yobuNgewele.  
 Abangcolileyo kabayikuhamba kuwo;  
 uzakuba ngowalabo abahamba  
 kuleyoNdlela lezithutha ezonayo  
 kaziyikuhambahamba kuwo.
- <sup>9</sup>Akuyikuba lesilwane khona.  
 loba esinye isilo esilolaka sivuke  
 kuwo;  
 kaziyikutholwa khona,  
 Kodwa abakhululiweyo yibo kuphela  
 abazahamba lapho,
- <sup>10</sup>labahlengiweyo bakaJehova  
 bazabuyela. Bazangena eZiyoni  
 behlabela;  
 Intokozo engapheliyo izakuba  
 ngumqhele emakhanda abo.  
 Bazakuba  
 lokuthula lenjabulo, usizi lokububula  
 kuzaphela.

*USenakheribi Usongela iJerusalema*

**36** Ngomnyaka wetshumi lane  
 wokubusa kwenkosi uHezekhiya,  
 uSenakheribi inkosi yase-Asiriya  
 wahlasela wonke amadolobho  
 avikelweyo ako-Juda wawathumba.  
<sup>2</sup>Emva kwalokho inkosi yase-Asiriya  
 yathuma umlawuli wayo lebuthe  
 elikhulu lisuka eLakhishi lisiya enkosini  
 u-Hezekhiya eJerusalema. Kwathi  
 umlawuli webutho esemi emgelweni  
 weSiziba Esingaphezulu, emgwaqweni  
 oya eNsimini yoMgezisi,  
<sup>3</sup>u-Eliyakhimu indodana kaHilikhiya  
 umgcini wesigodlo, loShebhina  
 umabhalane kanye loJowa indodana  
 ka-Asafi umbhali, baya kuye.  
<sup>4</sup>Umlawuli webutho wathi kubo,  
 “Tshelani uHezekhiya lithi,

“Nanku okutshiwo yinkosi enkulu,  
 inkosi yase-Asiriya ukuthi: Isibindi  
 sakho lesi usithatha ngaphi na? <sup>5</sup>Uthi  
 ulamaqhinga lamandla ebutho – kodwa  
 ukhuluma amazwi ayize. Uthembe bani  
 uze ungihlamukele nje? <sup>6</sup>Khangela,  
 uthembe iGibhithe, umhlanga  
 ovavukileyo wodondolo lowana ohlaba  
 isandla somuntu umlimaze uma  
 eweyamile. Unjalo uFaro inkosi  
 yaseGibhithe kubo bonke abathembe  
 yena. <sup>7</sup>Njalo uma lisithi kimi, “Thina  
 sithembe uJehova uNkulunkulu wethu”  
 – kasuye yini uHezekhiya asusa  
 izindawo zakhe eziphakemeyo lama-  
 alithare akhe, esithi kwabakoJuda  
 leJerusalema, “Kumele likhonzele  
 phambi kwaleli  
 i-alithare”?

<sup>8</sup>“Khathezi-ke wozani lenze  
 isivumewano lenkosi yami, inkosi yase-  
 Asiriya: Ngizalinika amabhiza  
 ayizinkulungwane ezimbili uma bekhona  
 abazawagada! <sup>9</sup>Pho ungayehlula kanjani  
 induna eyodwa yezikhulu ezincane

zenkosi yami, lanxa uthembe iGibhithe ekutholeni izinqola zempi labagadi bamabhiza na? <sup>10</sup> Phezu kwalokho, kanti ngizehlasela lokuzochitha ilizwe leli kungatshongo uJehova na? UJehova uqobo nguye othe ngizohlasela ilizwe leli ngilichithe.’ ”

<sup>11</sup> Lapho-ke uEliyakhimu loShebhina loJowa bathi kumlawuli webutho, “Ake ukhulume ezincekwini zakho ngesi-Aramayikhi ngoba siyasizwa. Ungasikhulumisi ngesiHebheru labantu abasemdulini besizwa.”

<sup>12</sup> Kodwa umlawuli webutho wathi kubo, “Inkosi yami ingithume ukuba izinto lezi ngizitsho kuphela enkosini yenu lakini, hatshi ebantwini abahlezi emdulini – okuzakuthi labo, njengami badle ubulongwe babo banathe lomchamo wabo na?”

<sup>13</sup> Umlawuli webutho wasukuma wasememeza ngesiHebheru esithi, “Zwanini amazwi enkosi enkulu, inkosi yase-Asiriya! <sup>14</sup> Lokhu yikho okutshiwo yinkosi ukuthi: Lingamvumeli uHezekhiya ukuba alikhohlise. Angeke alikhulule. <sup>15</sup> Lingamvumeli uHezekhiya elincenga ukuba lithembe uJehova esithi ‘Ngempela uJehova uzasikhulula; idolobho leli kaliyikuphiwa inkosi yase-Asiriya.’

<sup>16</sup> “Lingamlaleli uHezekhiya. Okutshiwo yinkosi yase-Asiriya yilokhu ukuthi: Yenza isivumelwano sokuthula lami, uphume uze kimi. Lapho-ke wonke owakini uzakudla esivinini sakhe lasemkhiweni wakhe anathe lamanzi emthonjeni wakhe, <sup>17</sup> ngize ngibuye ukuzalithatha ngilisa elizweni elinjengelenu – ilizwe elilamabele lewayini elitsha, ilizwe elilokudla lezivini.

<sup>18</sup> “Lingavumi ukuba uHezekhiya alikhohlise esithi, ‘UJehova uzasikhulula.’ Kulonkulunkulu wesinye

isizwe osewake wakhulula ilizwe lakhe esandleni senkosi yase-Asiriya na?

<sup>19</sup> Bangaphi onkulunkulu baseHamathi le-Aphadi na? Bangaphi onkulunkulu baseSefavayimi na? Bayihlenga iSamariya esandleni sami na?

<sup>20</sup> Nguwuphi kubonkulunkulu bonke bamazwe la oke wanelisa ukukhulula ilizwe lakhe kimi na? Pho uJehova angalikhulula njani iJerusalema esandleni sami na?”

<sup>21</sup> Kodwa abantu bathula kabaze batsho lutho ngoba inkosi yayibalaye yathi, “Lingamphenduli.”

<sup>22</sup> U-Eliyakhimu indodana kaHilikhuya umgcini wesigodlo loShebhina umabhalane loJowa indodana ka-Asafi umbhali, baya kuHezekhiya izigqoko zabo zidatshuliwe bamtshela okwakutshiwo ngumlawuli webutho.

*Ukuhlengwa KweJerusalema Kuyabikwa*

**37** Kwathi lapho uHezekhiya, inkosi, esezwe lokhu, wadabula izigqoko zakhe wagqoka amasaka, wasesiya ethempelini likaJehova. <sup>2</sup> Wathuma u-Eliyakhimu umgcini wesigodlo lakuShebhina umabhalane labakhokheli babaphristi, ku-Isaya indodana ka-Amozi; bonke babegqoke amasaka. <sup>3</sup> Bathi kuye, “UHezekhiya uthi ilanga lalamhla lusuku losizi lokusolwa kanye lehlazo njengalapho abantwana sekufike isikhathi sokuthi bazalwe kodwa amandla okubeletha engasekho. <sup>4</sup> Mhlawumbe uJehova uNkulunkulu wakho uwezile amazwi omlawuli webutho, inkosi yakhe, inkosi yase-Asiriya, emthume ukuba aklolodele uNkulunkulu ophilayo, lokuthi uzamthuka ngenxa yamazwi uJehova uNkulunkulu wakho awazwileyo. Ngakho-ke khulekela abaseleyo abalokhu bephila.

<sup>5</sup> Kwathi izithunywa zikaHezekhiya sezifikile kuIsaya, <sup>6</sup> u-Isaya wathi kuzo, “Tshelani inkosi yenu lithi, ‘UJehova uthi: Ungakwesabi lokhu okuzwileyo – amazwi layana izinceku zenkosi yase-Asiriya ezingithuke ngawo. <sup>7</sup> Lalela. Ngizafaka umoya kuyo ukuze kuthi lapho isizwa umbiko othize elizweni layo, lapho-ke ngizakwenza ukuba ibulawe ngenkamba.’”

<sup>8</sup> Kwathi lapho umlawuli webutho esezwile ukuthi inkosi yase-Asiriya yayisisukile eLakhishi, laye wasuka wayathola inkosi ihlasela iLibhina.

<sup>9</sup> USenakheribi wathola umbiko owathi uThirihaka umKhushi, inkosi yaseGibhithe, wayesiza ukuba amhlasele. Esezwe lokho wathumela izithunywa kuHezekhiya esithi:

<sup>10</sup> “Tshelani uHezekhiya inkosi yakoJuda lithi: Ungavumi ukuthi unkulunkulu omthembileyo alukhohlise esithi.

‘Jerusalema kaliyikunikelwa enkosini yase-Asiriya.’ <sup>11</sup> Ngempela usukuzwile okwenziwa ngamakhosi ase-Asiriya emazweni wonke, ewabhidliza okupheleleyo. Wena-ke uzaphepha na?

<sup>12</sup> Onkulunkulu bezizwe ezatshabalaliswa ngokhokho bami bake bazikhulula na – onkulunkulu beGozani, iHarani, iResefi kanye labantu base-Edeni ababeseThelasari? <sup>13</sup> Ingaphi inkosi yaseHamathi, inkosi yase-Ariphadi, inkosi yedolobho laseSefavayimi, loba eyaseHena kumbe eyase-Iva?”

#### *Umkhuleko KaHezekhiya*

<sup>14</sup> UHezekhiya wayamukela incwadi eyeza lezithunywa wayibala. Emva kwalokho waya ethempelini likaJehova, wayichaya phambi kukaJehova.

<sup>15</sup> UHezekhiya wakhuleka kuJehova esithi: <sup>16</sup> “Awu, Jehova Somandla, Nkulunkulu ka-Israyeli osebukhosini phakathi kwamaKherubhi, wena kuphela nguwe onguNkulunkulu wemibuso

yonke yasemhlabeni. Nguwe owenza izulu lomhlaba. <sup>17</sup> Lalela, O Jehova uzwe; Vula amehlo akho Jehova, ubone. Lalela uwezwe wonke amazwi uSenakheribhi awathumele ukuzathuka uNkulunkulu ophilayo.

<sup>18</sup> “Kuliqiniso, Jehova, ukuthi amakhosi ase-Asiriya abatshabalalisa bonke lababantu kanye lamazwe abo.

<sup>19</sup> Aphosela onkulunkulu babo emlilweni, abatshabalalisa ngoba babengasibo onkulunkulu kodwa kuyizigodo lamatshe, kubazwe ngabantu.

<sup>20</sup> Khathesi-ke, awu Jehova Nkulunkulu wethu, ake usikhulule esandleni sakhe, ukuze imibuso yonke emhlabeni ikwazi ukuthi wena wedwa, Jehova, unguNkulunkulu.”

#### *Ukuwa kukaSenakheribi*

<sup>21</sup> U-Isaya indodana ka-Amozi wathumela ilizwi kuHezekhiya elithi, “UJehova uNkulunkulu ka-Israyeli uthi: Ngenxa yokuthi ukhulekile kimi ngoSenakheribi inkosi yase-Asiriya,

<sup>22</sup> nanti ilizwi uJehova aselikhulume ngaye:

“Indodakazi emsulwa yaseZiyoni iyakweyisa njalo iyakuklolodela. Indodakazi yaseJerusalema inikina ikhanda layo lapho wena ubaleka.

<sup>23</sup> Ngubani lowo omklolodelayo wamthuka? Ngubani lowo omphakamisele ilizwi lakho wamphakamisela lamehlo akho ngokuzigqaja na? NgoNgcwele ka-Israyeli!

<sup>24</sup> Ngezithunywa zakho umthukile uJehova. Utshilo wathi, ‘Ngezinqola zami zempi ezinengi ngikhwelile eziqongweni zezintaba iziqongo eziphezulu kakhulu zaseLebhanoni; ngiyigamule imisebenzi yalo edephe

- kakhulu, izihlahla zalo zamapulanka ezinhle. Ngifikile eziqongweni zalo ezikhatshana, emaguswini alo amahle kakhulu.
- <sup>25</sup>Ngigebhe imithombo ezizweni nganatha amanzi khona ngezinyawo zami ngomisa zonke izifula zaseGibhithe.’
- <sup>26</sup>“Kawuzwanga na? Lokhu ngakumisa endulo. Ngakuceba ezinsukwini zasendulo; khathesi sengenze ukuba kufezeke ukuthi usudiliza amadolobho avikelweyo aba yizinqwaba zamatshe.
- <sup>27</sup> Abantu bakhona abangaselamandla bathithibele njalo bayangekile. Banjengezihlahla egangeni, njengamahlumela aluhlaza lanjengotshani obuhluma ephahleni lwendlu obutshayo bungakakhuli.
- <sup>28</sup>“Kodwa ngiyakwazi lapho ohlala khona, lalapho usiza uphinde uhambe; kanye lokuthi ungithukuthelela kangakanani.
- <sup>29</sup>Ngenxa yokungithukuthelela kwakho langenxa yokuthi ubuqholo bakho sebufikile ezindlebeni zami, ngizafaka umkhala wami emakhaleni akho lamatomu ami emlonyeni wakho, njalo ngizakwenza ubuyele ngendlela oweza ngayo.
- <sup>30</sup>“Lokhu kuzaba yisibonakaliso kuwe, wena Hezekhiya:
- “Lonyaka lizakudla okuzikhulela kodwa, ngomnyaka wesibili lidle umkhukhuzela walokho. Kodwa ngomnyaka wesithathu hlanyelani livune, hlanyelani izivini lidle izithelo zazo.
- <sup>31</sup>Futhi insalela yendlu kaJuda izagxilisa njalo impande phansi ihele izithelo
- ngaphezulu.
- <sup>32</sup>Ngoba eJerusalema kuzaphuma insalela, kuthi entabeni iZiyoni kuphume ixuku labasindayo. Ukutshiseka kukaJehova uSomandla kuzakwenza ukuba lokhu kufezeke.
- <sup>33</sup>“Ngakho-ke mayelana lenkosi yase-Asiriya uJehova uthi:
- “Kasoze angene kulelidolobho loba atshoke umtshoko lapha; kasoze eze kulo elehawu kumbe akhe umduli wokulivimbezela.
- <sup>34</sup>Uzabuyela ngendlela eza ngayo; kasoze angene kulelidolobho,” kutsho uJehova.
- <sup>35</sup>“Idolobho leli ngizalivikela ngilihlenge, ngenxa yami langenxa kaDavida inceku yami!”
- <sup>36</sup>Lapho-ke ingilosi kaJehova yasuka yayabulala abantu abalikhulu elilamatshumi aficaminwemibili lanhlanu lezinkulungwane ezihonqweni zama-Asiriya. Kwathi lapho abantu bevuka ekuseni kwakhona bonke kwasekuyizidumbu kuphela! <sup>37</sup>Ngakho uSenakheribi inkosi yama-Asiriya wasuka ezihonqweni wahamba. Wabuyela eNineva wahlala khona.
- <sup>38</sup>Kwathi ngolunye usuku ekhonza ethempelini likaNisirokhi unkulunkulu wakhe, amadodana akhe u-Adrameleki loSharezeri ambulala ngenkemba asebakela elizweni lase-Ararathi. U-Esahadoni indodana yakhe yaba yinkosi esikhundleni sakhe.

*Ukugula KukaHezekhiya*

**38** Ngalezozinsuku uHezekhiya wagula eselengela ekufeni. Umphrofethi

u-Isaya, indodana ka-Amozi waya kuye wathi, “UJehova uthi: Lungisa indlu yakho ngoba uzakufa, awusayikusila.”

<sup>2</sup>UHezekhiya waphendula ubuso bakhe wakhangelana emdulini wasekhuleka kuJehova esithi, <sup>3</sup>“Khumbula O Jehova, ukuthi ngihambe phambi kwakho ngokuthembeka langokuzinikela ngenhliziyo yami yonke, njalo ngenze okuhle kuwe.” UHezekhiya wakhala kabuhlungu.

<sup>4</sup>Emva kwalokho kwafika ilizwi likaJehova ku-Isaya lisithi: <sup>5</sup>“Yana kuHezekhiya uthi kuye, ‘Nanku okutshiwo nguJehova uNkulunkulu kayihlo uDavida, ukuthi: Ngiwuzwile umkhuleko wakho, ngazibona lezinyembezi zakho. Ngizakwengezelela iminyaka elitshumi lanhlanu ekuphileni kwakho. <sup>6</sup>Njalo ngizakukhulula wena, kanye ledolobho leli ezandleni zenkosi yase-Asiriya. Idolobho leli ngizalivikela.

<sup>7</sup>“Lesi yisibonakaliso sikaJehova kuwe sokuthi uJehova uzakwenza njengokuthembisa kwakhe:

<sup>8</sup>Ngizakwenza umthunzi obangelwe lilanga ubuyele emuva amanyathelo alitshumi umthunzi owehle ngawo emakhwelelweni ka-Ahazi.’” Ngakho ukukhanya kwelanga kwabuyela emuva ngamanyathela alitshumi elaselikhothame ngawo.

<sup>9</sup>La ngamazwi alotshwa nguHezekhiya inkosi yakoJuda emva kokuba esesilile ekuguleni kwakhe:

<sup>10</sup>Ngathi, “Ebuhleni bokuphila kwami kumele ngedlule emasangweni okufa ngamukwe iminyaka yami esaseleyo na?”

<sup>11</sup>Ngathi, Angiyikumbona futhi uJehova, uJehova, elizweni labaphilayo; angisayikubabona futhi abantu loba ngibe lalabo abahlala kulumhlaba.

<sup>12</sup>Njengethente lomalusi indlu yami idilizwe ngayithathelwa. Njengomaluki impilo yami ngiyigoqile, ungisusile esalukweni; emini lebusuku ungenze ngaphela.

<sup>13</sup>Ngalinda ngokubekezela kwaze kwasa, kodwa amathambo ami uwephule wonke njengesilwane; emini lebusuku ungenze ngaphela.

<sup>14</sup>Ngakhala njengenkonjane, ngabubula njengejuba elililayo. Amehlo ami afiphele ngokukhangela phezulu. Awu Jehova, ngikhathazekile, woza ungisize!”

<sup>15</sup>Kodwa ngingathini na?

Ukhulumile kimi, wena ngokwakho ukwenzile lokhu. Ngizahamba ngokuzithoba ekuphileni kwami konke ngenxa yobuhlungu bomoya wami.

<sup>16</sup>Jehova, abantu baphila ngezinto ezinje; lomoya wami uthola ukuphila kuzo.

Wangibuyisela empilweni wangenza ngaphila.

<sup>17</sup>Ngeqiniso kwaba lusizo kimi ukuzwa ubuhlungu obungaka. Ngothando lwakho wangivikela emgodini wokutshabalaliswa; izono zami zonke uzibeke ngemuva kwakho.

<sup>18</sup>Ngoba ingewaba alingeke likubonge lokufa akungeke kukudumise; Labo abangena emgodini abangeke bathemba ubuqotho bakho.

<sup>19</sup>Abaphilayo, abaphilayo – bayadumisa njengalokhu engikwenzayo lamhla; oyise batshela abantwababo ngobuqotho bakho.

<sup>20</sup>UJehova uzangisindisa; njalo sizahlabelela ngamachacho kuzo zonke izinsuku zokuphila kwethu ethempelini likaJehova.

<sup>21</sup>U-Isaya wayethe, “Lungisa isigaqa semikhiwa usifake phezu kwethumba, uzasila.”

<sup>22</sup>UHezekhiya wayebuzile wathi, “Kuyini okuzakuba yisibonakaliso sokuthi ngizakuya ethempelini likaJehova na?”

*Izithunywa Ezivela EBhabhiloni*

## 39 Ngalesosikhathi uMerodakhi-

Bhaladani indodana kaBhaladani inkosi yaseBhabhiloni, wathumela izincwadi lesipho kuHezekhiya, ngoba wayezwile ngokugula kwakhe lokusila kwakhe.

<sup>2</sup>UHezekhiya wazamukela ngokuthaba izithunywa wazitshengisa okwakusendlini yakhe yokugcinela izimpahla eziligugu – isiliva, igolide, iziyoliso, amafutha amahle, indlu yezikhali lakho konke okwakukhona enothweni yakhe. Akulalutho esigodlweni sakhe loba elizweni lakhe lonke ayelibusa uHezekhiya angazitshengisanga lona.

<sup>3</sup>Emva kwalokho u-Isaya umphrofethi waya kuHezekhiya inkosi wathi kuye, “Abantu labana batheni, njalo bebevela ngaphi?” UHezekhiya waphendula wathi, “Bavela elizweni elikhatshana. Beze kimi bevela eBhabhiloni.”

<sup>4</sup>Umprofethi wabuza wathi, “Baboneni esigodlweni sakho?” UHezekhiya wathi, “Babone konke okusesigodlweni sami. Akulalutho phakathi kwezimpahla zami eziligugu engingabatshengisanga lona.”

<sup>5</sup>U-Isaya wasesithi kuHezekhiya, “Zwana-ke ilizwi likaJehova uSomandla elithi: <sup>6</sup>Isikhathi sizafika sibili lapho konke okusesigodlweni sakho lakho konke oyihlo abakugcinayo kusiyafika lolosuku, kuzathwalelwa eBhabhiloni. Akuyikusala lutho, kutsho uJehova.

<sup>7</sup>Njalo abanye benzalo yakho, inyama yakho legazi lakho, abazazalwa nguwe,

bazathunjwa babe ngabathenwa esigodlweni senkosi yaseBhabhiloni.”

<sup>8</sup>UHezekhiya waphendula wathi, “Ilizwi likaJehova olikhulumileyo lilungile.” Ngoba wayecabange wathi, “Kuzakuba lokuthula lokuvikeleka ekuphileni kwami.”

*Induduzo Ebantwini BakaNkulunkulu*

## 40 Duduzani, duduzani, baduduzeni

abantu bami,  
kutsho uNkulunkulu wenu.

<sup>2</sup>Khulumani ngomusa kulo iJerusalema, limemezele kulo ukuthi ukusebenza kwalo nzima sekuphelile, ukuthi isono salo sihlawulwe, ukuthi selamukele okuvela esandleni sikaJehova kuphindwe kabili kuzo zonke izono zalo.

<sup>3</sup>Ilizwi lomemezayo lithi:

“Lungisani indlela kaJehova enkangala, lenzele uNkulunkulu wethu umgwaqo oqondileyo ehlane.

<sup>4</sup>Izigodi zonke zizaphakanyiswa, izintaba zonke lamaqaqa kuzakwehliselwa phansi. umhlabathi ongamakhilikithi uzakwendlaleka, izindawo ezimadundulu zizakuba yisigcawu.

<sup>5</sup>Inkazimulo kaJehova izabonakaliswa, abantu bonke bazambona kanyekanye, ngoba umlomo kaJehova usukhulumile.”

<sup>6</sup>Ilizwi lithi, “Memeza!” Mina ngathi, “Ngimemeze ngisithini na?”

“Abantu bonke banjengotshani, bonke ubukhosi babo bunjengamaluba eganga.

<sup>7</sup>Utshani buyabuna amaluba ayakhithika, ngoba umoya kaJehova uyakuphephetha. Ngempela abantu babutshani. <sup>8</sup>Utshani buyabuna, amaluba ayakhithika,

- kodwa ilizwi likaNkulunkulu limi kuze kube nininini.
- <sup>9</sup>Wena oletha izindaba ezinhle eZiyoni, khwela entabeni ende.  
Wena oletha izindaba ezinhle eJerusalema,  
Phakamisa ilizwi lakho ngokuklabalala;  
liphakamise, ungesabi, yitsho emadolobheni akoJuda uthi: “Nangu uNkulunkulu wenu!”
- <sup>10</sup>Khangelani, uJehova uNkulunkulu uza elamandla, isandla sakhe sizabusa.  
Khangelani, umvuzo wakhe ulawo, Lenhlawulo yakhe uhamba elayo.
- <sup>11</sup>Welusa umhlambi wakhe njengomalusi: ubuthelela amawundlu ezingalweni zakhe awathwale eseduzane lenhliziyo yakhe; awakhokhele kuhle lawo alamazinyane.
- <sup>12</sup>Ngubani olinganise amanzi entendeni yesandla sakhe, loba walinganisa amazulu ngobubanzi besandla sakhe na?  
Ngubani owaphatha uthuli lomhlabathi ngesitsha loba walinganisa izintaba ezilinganisweni lamaqaqa esikalini na?
- <sup>13</sup>Ngubani osewazwisisa imicabango kaJehova, kumbe wamfundisa njengomeluleki wakhe na?
- <sup>14</sup>Ngubani owake wabuzwa nguJehova ukuba amqondise, njalo ngubani owamfundisa indlela elungileyo na?  
Ngubani lowo owamfundisa ukwazi, loba owamtshengisa indlela yokuqedisisa na?
- <sup>15</sup>Ngeqiniso izizwe zinjengethonsi emgqonyeni; zibalwa njengothuli ezilinganisweni uJehova ulinganisa izihlengi angathi ziluthuli olucolekileyo.
- <sup>16</sup>ILebhanoni kalaneli imililo ye-alithare,  
lezinyamazana zalo kazaneli iminikelo yokutshiswa.
- <sup>17</sup>Phambi kwakhe zonke izizwe zinjengeze;  
yena uzikhangela njengezingasilutho njalo zingaphansi kweze.
- <sup>18</sup>Pho ngubani elingamfanisa loNkulunkulu na? Yisifanekiso bani elingasilinganisa laye na?
- <sup>19</sup>Isithombe sibunjwa yingcwethi, umkhandi wegolide asinameke ngegolide asenzele imigaxo yesiliva.
- <sup>20</sup>Umntu ongumyanga onganelisiyo ukunikela ngomnikelo onjalo ukhetha isigodo esingaboliyo. Udinga ingcitshi elolwazi ukuba imise isithombe esingayikubhidlika.
- <sup>21</sup>Kalazi yini? Kalizwanga na?  
Kalikutshelwanga kwasekuqaleni na? Kalizwisisanga na selokhu umhlaba wadalwayo?
- <sup>22</sup>UJehova uhlezi ebukhosini ngaphezu kwendingilizi yomhlaba, njalo abantu bakhe banjengezintethe.  
Welula amazulu njengekhethe, awendlale njengethente lokuhlala kulo.
- <sup>23</sup>Udiliza amakhosana, enze ababusi bomhlaba lo babe yize.
- <sup>24</sup>Banela ukugxunyekwa nje, banele ukuhlanyelwa nje, banele ukugxila impande emhlabathini abe ephetha phezu kwabo, babune, isivunguzane sibakhukhulele khatshana njengamakhoba.
- <sup>25</sup>“Ngubani elizangilinganisa laye na? Loba ngubani olingana lami na?” kutsho yena oNgcwele.
- <sup>26</sup>Phakamisani amehlo enu likhangele phezulu. Ngubani owadala konke lokhu na? Yena okhupha amaxuku

ezinkanyezi ngalinye ngalinye,  
Awabize ngalinye ngamabizo awo.  
Ngenxa yamandla ayo amakhulu  
lokuqina okulamandla akukho lalinye  
elingekho.

- <sup>27</sup> Kungani usithi, weJakhobe, usole  
usithi, weIsrayeli, “Indlela yami  
ifihlakele kuJehova;  
ilungelo lami kalinanzwa  
nguNkulunkulu wami na?”
- <sup>28</sup> Kalazi yini? Kalizwanga na?  
UJehova unguNkulunkulu  
waphakade,  
UMdali wemikhawulo yomhlaba.  
Kayikudinwa kumbe akhathale,  
Ukuqedisisa kwakhe kakho  
ongakulinganisa.
- <sup>29</sup> Abakhatheleyo uyabanika amandla,  
andise amandla ababuthakathaka.
- <sup>30</sup> Labatsha baphelelwa ngamandla  
bakhathale, lamajaha ayakhubeka  
awe,
- <sup>31</sup> kodwa labo abathemba uJehova  
bazawavuselela amandla abo.  
Bazaqonga ngezimpiko  
njengezinkozi, bazagijima kodwa  
bangadinwa, bazahamba kodwa  
bangapheli amandla.

*Umsizi ka-Israyeli*

**41** Thulani lithi zwi phambi kwami  
lina zihlenge!  
Izizwe kazivuselele amandla azo!  
Kazisondele phambili zikhulume;  
kasihlanganeni sonke  
endaweni yokwahlulela.

- <sup>2</sup> “Ngubani osevuse lowo ovela  
empumalanga,  
embizela emsebenzini  
wakhe ngokulunga na?  
Unikela izizwe kuye,  
anqobe amakhosi phambi kwakhe.  
Ngenkamba yakhe uwenza abe luthuli,

- ngedandili lakhe awenze abe  
ngamakhoba aphetshulwa ngumoya.
- <sup>3</sup> Uyawaxotsha yena adlule  
engathintwanga lutho,  
endleleni angakaze ahambe ngayo.
- <sup>4</sup> Ngubani owenze lokhu  
wakuphumelelisa, ebiza izizukulwana  
kusukela ekuqaleni na?  
Mina uJehova – kusukela kwesokuqala  
sazo kanye lesokucina – nginguye.”
- <sup>5</sup> Izihlenge zikubonile njalo ziyesaba;  
imikhawulo yomhlaba iyathuthumela,  
iyasondele ize ngaphambili;
- <sup>6</sup> yilowo lalowo usiza omunye athi  
kumfowabo, “Yiba lesibindi!”
- <sup>7</sup> Umbazi ukhuthaza umkhandi wegolide,  
lalowo lolonga ngesando  
utshotshozela otshaya ihandila.  
Mayelana lokunusela uthi,  
“Kulungile.”  
Ubethelela isithombe phansi  
ngezipikili ukuze singawi.
- <sup>8</sup> “Kodwa wena we-Israyeli, nceku yami,  
Jakhobe,  
wena engikukhethileyo,  
wena nzalo ka-Abrahama, umngane  
wami,  
ngakuthatha emikhawulweni yomhlaba,  
ngakubiza usezingosini ezisekudeni.  
Ngathi, ‘Wena uyinceku yami,’
- <sup>9</sup> Ngikukhethile njalo angikulahlanga.
- <sup>10</sup> Ngakho ungesabi, ngoba ngilawe;  
ungakhathazeki, ngoba  
nginguNkulunkulu wakho.  
Ngizakuqinisa, ngikusize;  
ngizakusekela ngesandla sami sokudla  
esiqotho.
- <sup>11</sup> “Bonke abakuthukutheleleyo,  
ngoqotho bazayangeka babe lenhloni;  
labo abakuphikisayo bazakuba  
njengeze, babhubhe.
- <sup>12</sup> Lanxa izitha zakho uzidinga,  
awuyikuzithola.

- Labo abalwa impi lawe bazakuba yize.
- <sup>13</sup>Ngoba mina nginguJehova  
uNkulunkulu wakho,  
okubamba ngesandla sakho sokudla  
athi kuwe: Ungesabi; ngizakusiza.
- <sup>14</sup>Ungesabi, wena mpethu enguJakhobe,  
wena Israyeli omncinyazana,  
ngoba mina ngokwami ngizakusiza,”  
kutsho uJehova, uMhlengi wakho,  
oNgcwele ka-Israyeli.
- <sup>15</sup>“Khangela, ngizakwenza ube yisileyi  
sokubhula esitsha, esibukhali  
esilenhle ndla ezinengi. Uzabhula  
izintaba uzibhidlize. Wenze  
amaqaqa abe ngamakhoba.
- <sup>16</sup>Uzawela, umoya uwathathe,  
isivunguzane siwaphephulele  
khatshana.  
Kodwa wena uzathokoza kuJehova  
njalo uzibule koNgcwele ka-Israyeli.
- <sup>17</sup> “Abayanga labaswelayo badinga  
amanzi, kodwa kawakho; izilimi zabo  
sezitshile ngokoma.  
Kodwa mina Jehova ngizabaphendula;  
mina, Nkulunkulu ka-Israyeli,  
angiyikubalahla.
- <sup>18</sup>Ngizakwenza amanzi ageleze  
emiqolweni engelalutho  
lemithombo phakathi kwezigodi.  
Ngizaguqula inkangala ibe yiziziba  
zamanzi, lomhlabathi owomileyo ube  
yimithombo yamanzi.
- <sup>19</sup>Enkangala ngizamilisa khona  
imisedari lemi-akhasiya, amamitheli  
kanye lama-oliva. Ogwaduleni  
ngizamisa izihlahla zamapulanka,  
Ndawonye lemifiri kanye  
lemisayiphresi, <sup>20</sup> ukuze abantu babone  
njalo bazi, bacabange bazwisise  
ukuthi isandla seJehova yiso esenza  
lokhu, lokuthi oNgcwele ka-Israyeli  
ukudalile.
- <sup>21</sup>“Bikani indaba yenu,” kutsho  
uJehova, “Bekani izizatho zenu,”  
kutsho iNkosi kaJakhobe.
- <sup>22</sup>“Lethani izithombe zenu  
zisitshele okuzakwenzakala.  
Sitssheleni izinto zendulo ukuthi  
zaziyini ukuze sizihlole,  
sazi isiphetho sazo. Loba sitssheleni  
izinto ezizayo,
- <sup>23</sup>lisazise okuqukethwe yizinsuku  
ezizayo, ukuze sazi ukuthi  
lingonkulunkulu.  
Yenzani okuthile,  
okuhle kumbe okubi ukuze  
sithuthumele, sibe lokwesaba.
- <sup>24</sup>Kodwa lina liyize,  
lemisebenzi yenu kayisilutho,  
okhetha lina uyenyanyeka.
- <sup>25</sup>“Sengithukuthelise omunye  
enyakatho, njalo uyeza omunye ovela  
empumalanga obiza ibizo lami.  
Lowo unyathela phezu kwababusi  
kube angathi baludaka, kube angathi  
ngumbumbi evoxa ibumba.
- <sup>26</sup>Ngubani owabika lokhu  
kwasekuqaleni, ukuze sazi,  
kumbe ngaphambilini ukuze sithi,  
‘Wayeqinisile na?’  
Kakho owabika  
ngalokhu, kakho owakutsho  
ngaphambilini,  
kakho owake wezwa amazwi aphuma  
kuwe.
- <sup>27</sup>Mina yimi engaba ngowokuqala  
ukutshela iZiyoni ukuthi, ‘Khangela,  
nampa lapha!’ Nganika iJerusalema  
isithunywa sezindaba ezinhle.
- <sup>28</sup>Ngiyakhangela kodwa akulamuntu –  
kakho phakathi kwabo onganika  
iseluleko. Kakho ongaphendula lapho  
ngibabuza.
- <sup>29</sup>Khangela, bonke bayize!  
Izenzo zabo kazisilutho;  
Izifanekiso zabo zingumoya  
lensambatheka.

*Inceku KaJehova*

42 “Nansi inceku yami

engiyisekelayo, okhethiweyo wami,  
engithokoza ngaye. Ngizabeka  
umoya wami phezu kwakhe, uzaletha  
ukulunga ezizweni.

<sup>2</sup> Kayikumemeza kumbe aklabalale,  
loba aphakamise ilizwi lakhe  
emigwaqweni.

<sup>3</sup> Umhlanga ohluzukileyo  
akayikuwuquma, lentambo yesibane  
etsha kancane akayikuyicima.  
Ngokwethembeka uzaletha ukulunga;

<sup>4</sup> akayikudinwa kumbe ephulwe  
inhliziyo aze alethe ukulunga  
emhlabeni. Izihlenge zizakwethemba  
umthetho wakhe.”

<sup>5</sup> Lokhu yikho okutshiwo nguJehova  
yena owadala amazulu wawelula,  
yena owendlala umhlaba lakho konke  
okuphuma kuwo, yena onika abantu  
abakuwo ukuphefumula,  
kuthi abahamba kuwo abanike  
ukuphila:

<sup>6</sup> “Mina, uJehova ngikubizile  
ngokulunga; ngizabamba isandla  
sakho.  
Ngizakulondoloza ngikwenze ube  
yisivumelwano sabantu lokukhanya  
kwabezizwe;

<sup>7</sup> uvule amehlo eziphofu,  
ukhuphe abathunjiweyo  
entolongweni,  
ubakhulule emigodini yezibotshwa  
labo abahlala emnyameni.

<sup>8</sup> “Mina nginguJehova,  
lelo yilo ibizo lami! Ubukhosi bami  
angiyikubunika omunye loba nginike  
izithombe udumo lwami.

<sup>9</sup> Khangela, izinto zakuqala sezenzakele,  
njalo ngimemezela izinto ezintsha;  
zingakaveli ukuba zibe khona  
ngiyakutshela ngazo.”

*Ingoma Yokudumisa UJehova*

<sup>10</sup> Hlabelelani uJehova ingoma entsha,  
udumo lwakhe kusukela  
emikhawulweni yomhlaba,  
lina eliya phansi olwandle,  
lakho konke okukulo, lina zihlenge,  
labo bonke abahlala kini.

<sup>11</sup> Inkangala lamadolobho ayo  
kakuphakamise amazwi akho;  
Imizi uKhedari ahlala kuyo kayijabule.  
Abantu baseSela kabahlabele  
ngentokozo;  
kabaklabalale besezinqongweni  
zezintaba.

<sup>12</sup> Kabamdumise uJehova,  
bamemezele udumo lwakhe  
ezihlengeni.

<sup>13</sup> UJehova uzaphuma njengendoda  
elamandla,  
njengebutho uzavuthela ukutshiseka  
kwakhe;  
ngokuklabalala uzakhuza isaga sempi  
azinqobe izitha zakhe.

<sup>14</sup> “Sengathi okwesikhathi eside kakhulu,  
ngibe ngithule ngizithiba.  
Kodwa khatesi,  
njengowesifana ebeletha,  
Ngiyakhala, ngiyakhefuzela  
ngiphefuzela.

<sup>15</sup> Ngizabhidliza izintaba lamaqaqa;  
ngilomise lonke uhlaza lwabo;  
ngizaphendula imifula ibe yizihlenge  
ngomise lamachibi.

<sup>16</sup> Ngizakhokhela iziphofu ngezindlela  
ezingazaziyo, ngizihole  
ngezindledlana ezingajwayelekanga.  
Ngizaphendula umnyama ube  
yikukhanya phambi kwazo; ngenze  
izindawo ezimakhilikithi zibe  
butshelezi. Lezi yizo izinto  
engizazenza; angiyikuziyekela.

<sup>17</sup> Kodwa labo abathemba izithombe,  
abathi kuzifanekiso,  
‘Lingonkulunkulu bethu,’  
bazabuyiselwa emuva beyangeke

impela.

*U-Israyeli Uyisiphofu Njalo Uyisacuthe*

- <sup>18</sup>“Zwanini, lina zacuthe; khangelani, lina ziphofu, libone!  
<sup>19</sup>Ngubani oyisiphofu ngaphandle kwenceku yami, loyisacuthe njengesithunywa engisithumayo na? Ngubani oyisiphofu njengalowo ozonikele kimi, oyisiphofu njengenceku kaJehova na?  
<sup>20</sup>Selabona izinto ezinengi, kodwa kalinakanga; Izindlebe zenu zivulekile, kodwa kalizwa lutho.”  
<sup>21</sup>Kwamthokozisa uJehova ngenxa yokulunga kwakhe ukuba akhulise umthetho wakhe ube mkhulu njalo ulodumo.  
<sup>22</sup>Kodwa laba ngabantu abaphangiweyo bathunjwa; bonke bavalelwe emiwolweni, loba bafihlwa ezintolongweni.

Sebenziwe baba yimpahla yokuthunjwa kungekho othi, “Babuyiseleni emuva.”

- <sup>23</sup>Ngubani wenu olalela lokhu, kumbe asinake isikhathi esizayo na?  
<sup>24</sup>Ngubani owanikela uJakhobe ukuba abe yinto yokuthunjwa wanikela lo-Israyeli kubaphangi na? Kwakungasuye uJehova, esamonelayo thina na? Njengoba babengeke balandele izindlela zakhe; kabalalelanga umthetho wakhe.  
<sup>25</sup>Ngakho wathela ulaka lwakhe oluvuthayo phezu kwabo, ukutshisa kwempi. Wabamboza ngamalangabi, kodwa kabezwisisanga Wabaqothula, kodwa kabakhathalanga.

*Umsindisi Yedwa ka-Israyeli*

**43** Kodwa khathesi, nanku

- akutshoyo uJehova uthi – yena owakudalayo, wena Jakhobe, yena owakubumbayo, wena Israyeli;  
 “Ungesabi, ngoba ngikuhlengile; ngikubize ngebizo lakho; ungowami.  
<sup>2</sup>Lapho udabula phakathi kwamanzi ngizakuba lawe; lalapho udabula emifuleni, kayikukukhukhula. Lapho uhamba phakathi komlilo, kawuyikutsha; amalangabi kawayikukubhebhisa.  
<sup>3</sup>Ngoba mina nginguJehova uNkulunkulu wakho, oNgewele ka-Israyeli, uMsindisi wakho. Ngizanikela iGibhithe njengenhlawulo yakho, iKhushi leSebha ime esikhundleni sakho.  
<sup>4</sup>Njengoba wena uligugu njalo udumile ebusweni bami, futhi ngenxa yokuthi ngiyakuthanda, ngizanikela abantu esikhundleni sakho, labantu esikhundleni sempilo yakho.  
<sup>5</sup>Ungesabi, ngoba ngilawe; ngizakulethela inzalo yakho ivela empumalanga ngikubuthe kusukela entshonalanga.  
<sup>6</sup>Ngizakutsho kuyo inyakatho ngithi, ‘Bakhulule!’ Ngitsho kuyo iningizimu ngithi, ‘Ungabagodli.’ Buyisani amadodana ami akude lamadodakazi ami asemikhawulweni yomhlaba –  
<sup>7</sup>wonke umuntu obizwa ngebizo lami, engamdalela udumo lwami. Engambumbayo, ngamenza.”  
<sup>8</sup>Phumani lalabo abayiziphofu amehlo belawo,

- abayizacuthe izindlebe belazo.
- <sup>9</sup> Izizwe zonke kaziqoqane ndawonye labantu babuthane. Nguwuphi wabo owaphrofetha lokhu wamemezela kithi ngezinto zendulo? Kabalethe ofakazi babo babonakalise ukuthi baqinisile, ukuze abanye bezwe, batsho bathi, “Kuqotho.”
- <sup>10</sup> “Lina lingofakazi bami,” kutsho uJehova, “lenceku yami engiyikhethileyo, ukuze lazi, likholwe kimi, njalo lizwisise ukuthi mina nginguye. Ngaphambi kwami kakho unkulunkulu owake waba khona, njalo kakho ozakuba khona emva kwami.
- <sup>11</sup> Mina mina uqobo, nginguJehova, ngaphandle kwami kakho omunye umsindisi.
- <sup>12</sup> Ngivezile ngasindisa, ngamemezela mina ngokwami, hatshi unkulunkulu wezizweni ophakathi kwenu. Lingofakazi bami,” kutsho uJehova, “ekuthini mina yimi uNkulunkulu.
- <sup>13</sup> Ye, kusukela ezinsukwini zasendulo nginguye. Kakho ongakhulula esandleni sami. Lapho ngisenza, ngubani ongakuguqula na?”

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- <sup>14</sup> UJehova, uMhlengi wenu, oNgcwele ka-Israyeli, uthi, “Ngenxa yenu ngizathumela impi eBhabhiloni ilethe bonke abaseBhabhiloni, njengeziphepheli ngemikhumbi ababezigqaja ngayo.
- <sup>15</sup> Mina nginguJehova, oNgcwele wenu, UMdali ka-Israyeli, uJehova wenu.”
- <sup>16</sup> Nanku akutshoyo uJehova – yena owenza indlela olwandle lomkhondo emanzini alamandla,

- <sup>17</sup> yena owakhupha izinqola zempi lamabhiza, ibutho, lamanye awokuliqinisa endawonye; njalo lalala lapho, kalaze lavuka futhi; licitshe, liqunywe njengentambo yesibane;
- <sup>18</sup> “Khohlwani izinto zamandulo, linganakani ngosekwedlulayo.
- <sup>19</sup> Khangelani, ngenza okutsha! Khathesi kuyavela ngokuphangisa; kalikuboni na? Ngenza indlela enkangala lezifula ogwaduleni.
- <sup>20</sup> Izinyamazana zeganga ziyangidumisa; amakhanka lezikhova, ngoba ngenza kube lamanzi enkangala lezifula ogwaduleni ukuze nginathise abantu abakhethiweyo,
- <sup>21</sup> abantu engazenzela bona ukuba bangidumise.
- <sup>22</sup> “Kodwa kawukhalazanga kimi wena Jakhobe, kodwa ukhathele ngami wena Israyeli.
- <sup>23</sup> Kawungilethelanga izimvu zomnikelo wokutshiswa, kumbe wangidumisa ngemihatshelo yakho. Angikuhluphanga ngeminikelo yamabele kumbe ngakudinisa ngokufuna impepha.
- <sup>24</sup> Kawungithengelanga amakha anuka mnandi, kumbe wangisuthisa ngamahwahwa emihlatshelo yakho. Kodwa ungikhathazile ngezono zakho Wangidunisa ngezinengiso zakho.
- <sup>25</sup> “Mina, mina uqobo, nginguye owesula iziphambeko zakho ngenxa yami, ngingabe ngisazikhumbula futhi izono zakho.
- <sup>26</sup> Ngikhangelela isikhathi esedlulayo, kasiphikisane ngaleyondaba;
- <sup>27</sup> Ukhokho wakho wokuqala wona; labakhulumeli bakho bangihlamukela.
- <sup>28</sup> Ngakho izikhulu zethempelini lakho ngizaziyangisa; nginikele uJakhobe lekubhujisweni lo-Israyeli ekweyisweni.

*U-Israyeli Okhethiweyo*

**44** “Kodwa khathesi lalela,

wena Jakhobe, nceku yami, Israyeli,  
engikukhethileyo.

<sup>2</sup>Nanku akutshoyo uJehova – yena

owakwenzayo,  
owakubumba esiswini,  
njalo yena ozakusiza, uthi:

Ungesabi, wena Jakhobe, nceku yami,  
Jeshuruni engikukhethileyo.

<sup>3</sup>Ngoba ngizathela amanzi elizweni  
elomileyo.

Lezifula emhlabathini owomileyo.

Ngizathela uMoya wami phezu  
kwenzalo yakho.

Lezibusiso zami phezu  
kwezizukulwane zakho.

<sup>4</sup>Zizahluma njengotshani emadlelweni,  
lanjengemiyezane ezifuleni  
ezigelezayo.

<sup>5</sup>Omunye uzakuthi, ‘Mina  
ngingokaJehova’ lomunye azibize  
ngebizo likaJakhobe;  
omunye laye uzaloba esandleni sakhe  
ukuthi,  
‘OkaJehova,’ azinike ibizo lika-Israyeli.

*UJehova Hatshi Izithombe*

<sup>6</sup>“Nanku akutshoyo uJehova –  
iNkosi loMhlengi ka-Israyeli,  
uJehova uSomandla:

Mina ngingowokuqala njalo  
ngingowokucina;  
ngaphandle kwami kakho  
uNkulunkulu.

<sup>7</sup>Pho ngubani onjengami?

Kakumemezele lokho.  
Katsho, achaze phambi kwami  
okwenzakalayo kusukela ekubekeni  
kwami abantu bami bendulo; akutsho  
lokuzakwenzakala; ye, kakuqambe  
okuzayo.

<sup>8</sup>Lingaqhaq hazeli, lingesabi.

Lokhu angikutshongo ngabika ngakho

kudala na? Lina lingofakazi bami.

Kulomunye uNkulunkulu ngaphandle  
kwami na? Hatshi, kalikho elinye  
iDwala; kalikho engilaziyo.”

<sup>9</sup>Bonke abenza izithombe kabasilutho,  
lezinto abaziqakathekisayo ziyize  
labo abangabakhulumela bayiziphofu,  
Kabazi, kulihlazo kubo.

<sup>10</sup>Ngubani obaza unkulunkulu abumbe  
isithombe, okungeke kumsiza  
ngalutho?

<sup>11</sup>Yena labanjengaye bazayangiswa;  
izingcitshi kazisilutho, ngabantu nje.  
Kaziqoqane zonke zime ndawonye;  
Bazakuba lokwesaba kanye lehlazo.

<sup>12</sup>Umkhandi uthatha insimbi  
ayifake emalahleni; enze isithombe  
ngezando, asikhande ngengalo yakhe  
elamandla. Uyalamba aphelelwe  
ngamandla. Anganathi manzi,  
amandla aphele.

<sup>13</sup>Umbazi ulinganisa ngentambo  
enze isifanekiso ngolutho lokudweba;  
asibaze ngetshizela asidwebe  
ngensimbi yokudweba, abaze  
isifanekiso somuntu,  
umuntu olobuhle bonke,  
ukuba sihlale endlini yokukhonzela.

<sup>14</sup>Ugamula isihlahla somsedari,  
loba athathe umsayiphresi kumbe  
um-okhi. Uyasikhulisa phakathi  
kwezihlahla zegusu, kumbe ahlanye  
esamapulanka, izulu lisikhulise.

<sup>15</sup>Lapho-ke siba zinkuni zomuntu  
zokubasa; okunye kwaso uyathatha  
othe, ubasa umlilo abhake izinkwa.  
Kodwa, njalo, wenza unkulunkulu  
amkhonze;  
abaze isithombe asikhothamele.

<sup>16</sup>Ingxenye yezinkuni ubasa ngayo  
umlilo,  
apheke ngawo ukudla kwakhe.  
Ose inyama yakhe adle asuthe.  
Njalo uyawoatha athi,  
“Ha! Ngiyakhudumala; ngiyawubona

- umlilo.”
- <sup>17</sup> Ngeziseleyo wenza unkulunkulu, isithombe sakhe; uyasikhothamela, asikhonze. Uyakhuleka kuso athi, “Ngisindisa, ungukulunkulu wami.”
- <sup>18</sup> Kabazi lutho, kabaqedisisi lutho; amehlo abo abhadiwe ukuze bangaboni lezingqondo zabo zivalekile ukuze bangaqedisisi.
- <sup>19</sup> Kakho oke ame acabange, kakho olokwazi loba ukuzwisisa ukuba athi, “Ingxenye yazo ngabasa ngayo umlilo; ngaze ngabhaka izinkwa emalahleni awo, ngosa inyama ngayidla. Ngokuseleyo ngizakwenza into enengisayo na? Ngizasikhothamela na isigodo nje?”
- <sup>20</sup> Udla umlotha, inhliziyo ekhohlisekileyo iyamlehla, angeke azihlenge, kumbe athi, “Into le esesandleni sami sokudla kayisimanga na?”
- <sup>21</sup> “Khumbula lezizinto, wena Jakhobe. Ngoba uyinceku yami, wena Israyeli. Ngakubumba, uyinceku yami; wena Israyeli, angiyikukukhohlwa.”
- <sup>22</sup> Ngesule iziphambeko zakho njengeyezi, Ngesula izono zakho njengenkungu yekuseni. Buyela kimi, ngoba ngikuhlengile.”
- <sup>23</sup> Hlabelelani ngentokozo, lina mazulu, ngoba uJehova usekwenzile lokhu; Hlaba umkhosi, wena mhlaba ngaphansi. Tshayani ingoma lina zintaba, lina mahlathi lazo zonke izihlahla zenu, ngoba uJehova usemhlengile uJakhobe, ubonakalisa udumo lwakhe ko-Israyeli.

### *Kuzahlalwa eJerusalema*

- <sup>24</sup> “Nanku akutshoyo uJehova – uMhlengi wakho, owakubumbayo

esiswini:

- Mina nginguJehova, owenza izinto zonke, owenza amazulu eyedwa, owendlala umhlaba eyedwa,
- <sup>25</sup> ofojisa izibonakaliso zabaphrofethi bamanga, enze izanuse zibe yizithutha, ochitha ulwazi lwezihlakaniphi alwenze lube yibuthutha,
- <sup>26</sup> ofeza amazwi ezinceku zakhe aphelelise amacebo ezithunywa zakhe, athi kulo iJerusalema, ‘Kuzahlalwa kulo,’ ngamadolobho akoJuda athi, ‘Azakwakiwa.’ Ngamanxiwa awo uthi, ‘Ngizawavusa,’
- <sup>27</sup> athi enzikini yamanzi, ‘Tshana, ngizakomisa izifula zakho.’ athi Khuphrosi, ‘Ungumalusi wami, uzafeza konke engikufunayo; uzakuthi ngeJerusalema, “Kalakhiwe futhi,” ngethempeli athi, “Izisekelo zalo kazakhiwe.” ’

## 45 “Nanku akutshoyo uJehova

- kogcotshiweyo wakhe, uKhurosi, engibamba isandla sakhe sokudla ukuba nginqobe izizwe eziphambi kwakhe, ngithathele amakhosi izihlangu zawo, ngivule iminyango phambi kwakhe ukuze amasango angavaleki:
- <sup>2</sup> Ngizahamba phambi kwakho ngenze izintaba zendlaleke. Ngizadiliza amasango ethusi, ngifohle emigoqweni yensimbi.
- <sup>3</sup> Ngizakupha inotho yobumnyama, lenotho egcinwe ezindaweni ezifihlakeleyo ukuze wazi ukuthi mina nginguJehova, uNkulunkulu ka-Israyeli, okubiza ngebizo.
- <sup>4</sup> Ngenxa kaJakhobe inceku yami, lo-Israyeli okhethiweyo wami, ngikubiza ngebizo ngikunike ibizo lokuhlonipha, lanxa wena

- unganginakanga.
- <sup>5</sup> Mina nginguJehova, njalo kakho omunye; ngaphandle kwami akulankulunkulu. Ngizakuqinisa, lanxa wena unganginakanga,
- <sup>6</sup> ukuze kuthi kusukela empumalanga kusiya entshonalanga, abantu bakwazi ukuthi kakho omunye ngaphandle kwami. Mina nginguJehova, njalo kakho omunye.
- <sup>7</sup> Ngenza ukukhanya njalo ngidale umnyama, ngiletha ukuphumelela njalo ngidale incithakalo; mina, uJehova ngiyazenza zonke lezizinto.
- <sup>8</sup> “Lina mazulu angaphezulu, nisani ukulunga; amayezi kawakuthululele, phansi. Umhlaba kawuvuleke kabanzi kuhlume ukusindiswa, ukulunga akukhule lakho; mina, uJehova, ngikudalile.
- <sup>9</sup> “Maye kulowo ophikisa uMdali wakhe, kulowo oludengezi nje phakathi kwezindengezi emhlabathini. Ibumba liyatsho na kumbumbi lithi, ‘Kuyini okubumbayo?’ Umsebenzi wakho uyatsho na uthi, ‘Kalazandla?’
- <sup>10</sup> Maye kulowo othi kuyise. ‘Kuyini owakuzalayo?’ loba athi kunina, ‘Kuyini owakubelethayo?’
- <sup>11</sup> Nanku okutshiwo nguJehova – oNgcwele ka-Israyeli, loMdali wakhe uthi: Mayelana lezinto ezizayo, uyangibuza ngabatwabami na, loba uyangilawula emsebenzini engiwenzayo na?
- <sup>12</sup> Yimi engadala umhlaba, ngenza labantu abahlala kuwo. Ezami izandla yizo ezananabula amazulu; ngahlela amaxuku ezinkanyezi zawo.
- <sup>13</sup> Ngizamvusa uKhuphrosi ngokulunga kwami, ngenze izindlela zakhe zonke ziqonde. Uzalakha futhi idolobho lami, akhulule abami abaxotshwayo elizweni, kodwa kungekho nhlawulo kumbe umvuzo, kutsho uJehova uSomandla.”
- <sup>14</sup> Nanku akutshoyo uJehova:
- “Izithelo zaseGibhithe lempahla ethengiswayo yaseKhushi lamaSebhiana lawana amade – bazakuza kuwe babe ngabakho, bazakhasabula ngemuva kwakho beze kuwe bebotshwe ngamaketane. Bazakukhothamela bakuncenge besithi,
- ‘Ngoqotho uNkulunkulu ulawe, kakho omunye, kakho omunye unkulunkulu.’ ”
- <sup>15</sup> Ngeqiniso unguNkulunkulu ozifihlayo, Awu Nkulunkulu loMsindisi ka-Israyeli.
- <sup>16</sup> Bonke abenza izithombe bazayangiswa badumazeke; bonke bazahamba beyangekile.
- <sup>17</sup> Kodwa u-Israyeli uzasindiswa nguJehova ngensindiso engapheliyo; kaliyikuyangiswa kumbe libe lehlazo kuze kube nininini.
- <sup>18</sup> Ngoba nanku okutshiwo nguJehova yena owadala amazulu, unguNkulunkulu, yena owabumba umhlaba wawenza, wawusekela; Kawudalanga ukuba ungabi lalutho, kodwa wawenza ukuba kuhlalwe kuwo, uthi: “Mina nginguJehova, kakho omunye.
- <sup>19</sup> Angikhulumanga ensitha kwenye indawo elizweni lomnyama; Angizange ngithi kuzizukulwane zikaJakhobe, ‘Ngidingani lingangitholi.’ Mina uJehova ngikhuluma iqiniso;

ngitsho okuqotho.

- <sup>20</sup> “Qoqanani ndawonye lize kimi; buthanani lina elabaleka emazweni, labo abahamba bethwele izithombe zezigodo kabazi lutho; labo abakhuleka kubonkulunkulu abangeke babasize.
- <sup>21</sup> Memezelani okufanele kube yikho, likubike – kabemukele izeluleko ndawonye. Ngubani owabika lokhu endulo, ngubani owamemezela ngakho kudala le? Kwakungayisimi mina uJehova na? Njalo kakho uNkulunkulu ngaphandle kwami, uNkulunkulu olungileyo onguMsindisi; kakho omunye, yimi kuphela.
- <sup>22</sup> “Phendukelani kimi lisindiswe, lonke lina mikhawulo yomhlaba; Ngoba mina nginguNkulunkulu, njalo kakho omunye.
- <sup>23</sup> Ngifunge ngami, ngobuqotho bonke umlomo wami ukhulume ilizwi elingayikwesulwa. Amadolo wonke azaguqa phambi kwami; Izindimi zonke zizafunga ngami.
- <sup>24</sup> Zizakutsho ngami zithi, ‘Ukulunga lamandla kukuJehova kuphela.’” Bonke abamthukuthelayo bazakuza kuye bayangiswe.
- <sup>25</sup> Kodwa kuJehova yonke inzalo ka-Israyeli izafunyanwa ilungile, ithokoze.

*Onkulunkulu baseBhabhiloni*

**46** UBheli uyakhothama, uNebo uyaguqa; izithombe zabo zithwelwe yizifuyo zokuthwala. Izifanekiso ezithwelweyo ziyasinda, umthwalo osindayo kodiniweyo.

- <sup>2</sup> Bayakhothama baguqe ndawonye; benganelisi ukuhlenga umthwalo, labo uqobo baya khona ekuthunjweni.
- <sup>3</sup> “Ngilalela wena ndlu kaJakhobe, lonke lina eliseleyo abendlu ka-Israyeli, lina engalisekelayo selokhu lemulwayo, ngalithwala selokhu lazalwayo.
- <sup>4</sup> Lasebudaleni benu, izinwele zenu sezimhlophe, mina nginguye, nginguye ozaliquinisa. Sengilenzile njalo ngizalithwala; ngizaliquinisa ngilihlengi.
- <sup>5</sup> “Ngubani elingangilinganisa laye kumbe limbale njengolingana lani na? Ngubani elingangifananisa laye ukuba siqathaniswe na?
- <sup>6</sup> Abanye bathulula igolide emasakeni abo balinganise isiliva ezikalini; baqatshe abakhandi begolide ukuba benze unkulunkulu ngalo, bakhothame, bamkhonze.
- <sup>7</sup> Bayamphakamisela emahlombe abo bamthwale; bayambeka endaweni yakhe, ame khonapho. Angeke asuke kuleyondawo. Lanxa umuntu emmemeza, kaphenduli; angeke amsize ekuhluphekeni kwakhe.
- <sup>8</sup> “Khumbulani lokhu, likufake ezingqondweni zenu, kukhumbuleni lina bahlamuki.
- <sup>9</sup> Khumbulani izinto zakuqala ezendulo. Mina nginguNkulunkulu, kakho omunye; Mina nginguNkulunkulu, kakho onjengami.
- <sup>10</sup> Mina ngenza isiphetho sazakale kusukela ekuqaleni; lokuzakwenzakala kusukela ezikhathini zasendulo. Ngithi: Injongo yami izakuma kokuphela, njalo ngizakwenza konke engikufunayo.
- <sup>11</sup> Empumalanga ngibiza inyoni edla

ezinye; elizweni elikhatshana ngibiza umuntu ukuba afeze injongo yami.

Lokho engikutshiloyo ngizakufeza; Lokho engikucebileyo ngizakwenza.

<sup>12</sup>Ngilalelani lina elilezinhliziyoz ezilukhuni, lina elikhatshana lokulunga.

<sup>13</sup>Ngiletha ukulunga kwami eduzane, akukho khatshana; lokusindisa kwami akuyikuphuziswa. IZiyoni ngizayinika ukusindiswa, u-Israyeli inkazimulo yami.

### *Ukuwa KweBhabhiloni*

**47** “Yehla uhlale othulini

Ndodakazi emsulwa yaseBhabhiloni, hlala emhlabathini ungelasihlalo sobukhosi, Ndodakazi yamaBhabhiloni.

Akusayikuthiwa ubuthakathaka loba kuthiwe uthambile.

<sup>2</sup>Thatha amatshe okuchola uchole impuphu; ukhuphe isimbombozo sakho.

Phakamisa izidwaba zakho, uveze imilenze yakho, ugxabhaze udabule ezifuleni.

<sup>3</sup>Ubunqunu bakho buzavezwa, ihlazo lakho lambuleke.

Ngizaphindisela, kakho engizamyekela.”

<sup>4</sup>Umhlengi wethu uJehova uSomandla libizo lakhe ungoNgcwele ka-Israyeli.

<sup>5</sup>“Hlala ngokuthula, yana emnyameni, Ndodakazi yamaBhabhiloni; awuyikubizwa ngokuthi ndlovukazi yemibuso futhi.

<sup>6</sup>Ngabathukuthelela abantu bami, ngangcolisa ilifa lami, kawaze waba lesihawu kubo. Lasebeluphele, wabethesa ijogwe elinzima.

<sup>7</sup>Wathi, “Ngizaqhubeka kokuphela ngiyindlovukazi nini lanini.” Kodwa kawuzinakanga lezizinto, kumbe unakane ngokungenzakala.

<sup>8</sup>“Khathesi-ke lalela, wena sidalwa esingazibekanga, wena ocambaleleyo uvikelekile usithi ngenhliziyoz yakho, “Mina yimi, njalo kakho omunye ngaphandle kwami, angisoze ngaba ngumfelokazi kumbe ngifelwe ngabantwana.

<sup>9</sup>Kodwa lokhu kokubili kuzakwehlela ngokuphangisa, ngasuku lunye ukufelwa ngabantwana lobufelokazi. Lokhu kuzakwehlela phezu kwakho ngokugcweleyo, bungakhathelekile ubuthakathi bakho layo yonke imilingo yakho elamandla.

<sup>10</sup>Wethembele ebubini bakho, njalo watsho wathi, ‘Kakho ongibonayo.’ Inhlakanipho yakho lolwazi lwakho kuyakukhohlisa lapho usithi kuwe, ‘Mina yimi, njalo kakho omunye ngaphandle kwami.’

<sup>11</sup>Incithakalo izakwehlela phezu kwakho, njalo awuyikwazi ukuyivikela ngemilingo.

Umonakalo uzakwehlela phezu kwakho, ongeke uwuvimbe ngenhlawulo, lengozi ongeke uyikhumbulele izakujuma.

<sup>12</sup>“Qhubeka-ke ngemilingo yakho, langobuthakathi bakho obunengi okusebenza kusukela ebantwaneni bakho. Mhlawumbe uzaphumelela, Kumbe njalo wenze kube lokwesaba.

<sup>13</sup>Zonke izeluleko owazitholayo zikucobile. Izazi zezinkanyezi kazisondele, abahloli bezinkanyezi ababika ngokuzakwenzakala inyanga ngenyanga. Kabakuhlenge kulokhu okuzakwehlela.

<sup>14</sup>Impela banjengamahlanga; umlilo uzabatshisa futhi bangeke bazihlenga emandleni amalangabi. Lapha akulamalahle okothiwa

ngumuntu; lapha akulamli  
wokotha.

- <sup>15</sup>Lokho yikho abangakwenzela khona labo owasebenza labo, uthengiselana labo kusukela ebuntwaneni.  
Omunye lomunye wabo uyaqhubeka ngesiphosiso sakhe;  
kakho ongakusindisa.

*U-Israyeli Oyisiqholo*

**48** “Zwana lokhu, wena ndlu kaJakhobe, lina elibizwa ngebizo lika-Israyeli elingabosendo lukaJuda, Lina elifunga ngoJehova, licele usizo kuNkulunkulu ka-Israyeli – kodwa kungasingeqiniso loba ngokulunga –

- <sup>2</sup>lina elibizwa ngokuthi lingabasedolobheni elingcwele, lethembe uNkulunkulu ka-Israyeli – UJehova uSomandla yilo ibizo lakhe:

<sup>3</sup>Ngamemezela ngezinto zakuqala endulo, ngazitsho ngomlomo wami, ngazenza zazwakala.  
Ngazenza ngokuphangisa, zahle zenzakala.

<sup>4</sup>Ngoba ngangikwazi ukuthi ulenkani, imisipha yentamo yakho zinsimbi, ibunzi lakho lithusi.

<sup>5</sup>Ngakho-ke ngakutsho kudala ngalezizinto ngakwazisa ngazo zingakenzakali ukuze wena ungaze wathi, ‘Izithombe zami yizo ezazenzayo;  
izifanekiso zami zezigodo lonkulunkulu wensimbi yibo abakumisayo.’

<sup>6</sup>Usuzizwile lezizinto; zikhangele zonke. Awuyikuzivuma na?

“Kusukela khathesi ngizakutshela ngezinto ezintsha, izinto ezifihlakeleyo wena ongazaziyo.

<sup>7</sup>Zidalwe khathesi nje, hatshi endulo; awukaze uzwe ngazo kungakabi

lamhla.

Ngakho awungeke uthi, ‘Yebo, kade ngizazi.’

<sup>8</sup>Kawuzange uzwe kumbe uqedisise; kusukela endulo indlebe yakho ibingavulekanga. Ngikwazi kuhle ukuthi wena uyingozi; Kwathiwa ungumhlamuki kusukela ekuzalweni kwakho.

<sup>9</sup>Ngenxa yebizo lami, ngiyaluphuzisa ulaka lwami; ngenxa yodumo lwami ngiyalubamba ukuba lungehleli kuwe, ukuze ngingakubhubhisi.

<sup>10</sup>Khangela, ngikulungisile lanxa kungenjengesiliva; ngikuhlole emlilweni wokuhlupheka.

<sup>11</sup>Ngenxa yami, ngenxa yami, ngenza lokhu. Ngingavuma njani ukuba ibizo lami ligconwe na? Angiyikunika omunye udumo lwami.

*U-Israyeli Ukhululwe*

<sup>12</sup>“Ngilalela wena Jakhobe, Israyeli, engikubizileyo: Mina nginguye;  
Ngingowokuqala njalo ngingowokucina.

<sup>13</sup>Isandla sami sabeka izisekelo zomhlaba, isandla sami sokudla sendlala amazulu; lapho ngikubiza, kuyasukuma konke kanyekanye.

<sup>14</sup>“Buthanani ndawonye lonke lilalele: Yisiphi sezithombe esamemezela ngalezizinto ngaphambili na? Umsekeli kaJehova okhethiweyo uzafeza inhloso yakhe yokuhlasela amaBhabhiloni; Ingalo yakhe izamelana lamaBhabhiloni.

<sup>15</sup>Mina, mina ngokwami, ngikhulumile; yebo ngimbizile. Ngizamletha, njalo uzaphumelela kuyo inhloso yakhe.

<sup>16</sup>“Sondelani kimi lizwe lokhu:

“Kusukela esimemezeleni sakuqala

angikhulumelanga ensitha;  
lapho kusenzakala, mina ngikhona.”

Khathesi uJehova uSomandla  
ungithumile ngoMoya wakhe.

<sup>17</sup>Nanku uJehova akutshoyo, uMhlengi  
wakho, oNgcwele ka-Israyeli:  
“Mina nginguJehova, uNkulunkulu  
wakho, okufundisa lokho okuhle  
kakhulu kuwe, ekutshengisa indlela  
okumele uhambe ngayo.

<sup>18</sup>Aluba wawulalele imilayo yami nje,  
ukuthula kwakho kwakuzakuba  
njengomfula, ukulunga kwakho  
kunjengamagagasi olwandle.

<sup>19</sup>Inzalo yakho yayizakuba  
ngangetshehetshebe,  
abantwabakho babe ngangezinhlamvu  
zalo ezingeke zibalwe; ibizo labo  
belingayikwesulwa kumbe lidilizwe  
phambi kwami.”

<sup>20</sup>Sukani eBhabhiloni, libalekele  
amaBhabhiloni! Bikani lokhu  
lihlaba umkhosi ngentokozo njalo  
likumemezele, likufikise  
emikhawulweni yomhlaba.  
Tshonini lithi, “UJehova uyihlengile  
inceku yakhe uJakhobe.

<sup>21</sup>Kabomanga ekubaholeni kwakhe  
bedabula ezinkangala; wabenzela  
amanzi agelezayo ephuma edwalweni,  
wadabula idwala amanzi ampompoza.

<sup>22</sup>UJehova uthi, “Akukho ukuthula  
kwababi.”

*Inceku KaJehova*

**49** Ngilalelani lina zihlengi;

zwanini lokhu lina zizwe ezikude.  
UJehova wangibiza ngingakazalwa;  
kusukela ekuzalweni kwami ubelitsho  
ibizo lami.

<sup>2</sup>Wenza umlomo wami waba

njengenkemba eloliweyo,  
wangifihla emthunzini wesandla  
sakhe.

Wangenza ngaba ngumtshoko  
ololiweyo, wangifihla emxhakeni  
wakhe wemitshoko.

<sup>3</sup>Wathi kimi, “Wena Israyeli uyinceku  
yami engizabonakalisa inkazimulo  
yami ngayo.”

<sup>4</sup>Kodwa mina ngathi, “Mina  
ngisebenzele ize; amandla ami  
ngiwachithele ize lobala,  
ikanti okufanele mina kusesandleni  
sikaJehova, lomvuzo wami  
ukuNkulunkulu.”

<sup>5</sup>Khathesi uJehova uthi –  
yena owangibumbayo esiswini  
ukuba ngibe yinceku yakhe  
ukuze ngibuyisele uJakhobe kuye  
lokuqoqela u-Israyeli kuye,  
ngoba ngiphakanyisiwe emehlweni  
kaJehova njalo uNkulunkulu wami  
ubengamandla ami

<sup>6</sup>uthi:  
“Kuyinto encane kakhulu kuwe ukuba  
yinceku yami ukuze uvuselele izizwe  
zikaJakhobe ubuyise labako-Israyeli  
engibalondolozileyo.

Njalo ngizakwenza ube yikukhanya  
kwabeZizwe, ukuze ufikise usindiso  
lwami emikhawulweni yomhlaba.”

<sup>7</sup>Nanku okutshiwo nguJehova –  
uMhlengi loNgcwele ka-Israyeli –  
utsho kuye oweyiswa, wenyanywa  
yisizwe, kuyo inceku yababusi:  
“Amakhosi azabona asukume,  
Amakhosana azakubona akhothame,  
ngenxa kaJehova othembekileyo,  
oNgcwele ka-Israyeli okukhethileyo.”

*Ukubuyiselwa Kuka-Israyeli*

<sup>8</sup>Nanku okutshiwo nguJehova:

“Ngesikhathi esifaneleyo kimi

- ngizakuphendula, ngosuku  
lokukhululwa ngizakusiza.  
Ngizakulondoloza ngikwenze ube  
yisivumelwano sabantu,  
ukubuyisela ilizwe lokwaba kutsha  
amafa abo achithekayo.
- <sup>9</sup>uthi kwabathunjiweyo, ‘Phumani!’  
kulabo abasemnyameni uthi,  
‘Khululekani!’
- “Bazadlela emaceleni  
emigwaqo bathole amadlelo kuwo  
wonke amaqqa alugwadule.
- <sup>10</sup>Kabayikulamba kumbe bome,  
lokutshisa kwasenkangala kumbe  
okwelanga kabayikukuzwa. Lowo  
obazwela isihawu uzabakhokhela  
abase emithonjeni yamanzi
- <sup>11</sup>Izintaba zami zonke ngizazenza zibe  
yizindlela, imigwaqo yami.  
izaphakamela phezulu.
- <sup>12</sup>Khangelani, bazakuza bevela  
khatshana abanye bevela enyakatho,  
abanye bevela entshonalanga  
labanye bevela emmangweni wase-  
Aswani.”
- <sup>13</sup>Hlabelelani ngentokozo lina mazulu;  
jabula lawe mhlaba; tshayani ingoma  
lina zintaba. Ngoba uJehova  
uyabaduduza abantu bakhe njalo  
uzakuba lesihawu kwabahluphekayo  
bakhe.
- <sup>14</sup>Kodwa iZiyoni yathi, “UJehova  
ungilahlile, uJehova  
usengikhohliwe.”
- <sup>15</sup>“Owesifazana angamkhohlwa  
umntanakhe omunyayo na,  
angabi lesihelo emntwaneni amzeleyo  
na? Lanxa engamkhohlwa, mina  
angiyikukhohlwa!
- <sup>16</sup>Khangelana, sengikudwebe ezintendeni  
zezandla zami; imiduli yakho ihlezi  
iphambi kwami.
- <sup>17</sup>Amadodana akho aphanga emuva,  
lalabo abakuchithayo bayasuka kuwe.
- <sup>18</sup>Phakamisa amehlo akho ukhangele  
emaceleni wonke, wonke amadodana  
akho ayaqoqana eze kuwe.  
UJehova uthi, “Ngeqiniso  
elinjengoba ngiphila, bonke  
uzabagqiza njengezigqizo, ucece  
ngabo njengomlobokazi.
- <sup>19</sup>“Lanxa nje wadilizwa wabalunxiwa  
lelizwe lakho lachithwa,  
khatshani uzakuba mncane kakhulu  
ebantwini bakho; lalabo  
abakuchithayo bazakuba khatshana.
- <sup>20</sup>Abantwana abazalwa ngesikhathi  
sokufelwa kwakho bazakutsho lawe  
usizwa bathi, ‘Indawo le incinyane  
kakhulu kithi; siphe enye njalo  
indawo yokuhlala.”
- <sup>21</sup>Lapho-ke uzakuthi enhliziyweni  
yakho, ‘Ngubani owangizalela laba  
na?  
Ngafelwa njalo ngaba  
njengongazalanga; ngaxotshwa  
elizweni, ngalahlwa. Laba bondliwa  
ngubani? Mina ngangisele ngedwa,  
kodwa laba-ke – bavele ngaphi?’ ”
- <sup>22</sup>Nanku okutshiwo nguJehova  
Wobukhosi:
- “Khangelana, ngizaqhweba  
abeZizwe. Ngizaphakamisela uphawu  
lwami ebantwini; bazaletha  
amadodana akho bewagonile,  
amadodakazi akho bewathwele  
ngamahlombe abo.
- <sup>23</sup>Amakhosi azakuba ngoyihlo  
bokukukhulisa, amakhosikazi awo abe  
ngonyoko bokukondla.  
Bazakhothama phambi kwakho ubuso  
babu buphansi emhlabathini,  
bazakhotha uthuli ezinyaweni zakho.  
Lapho-ke uzakwazi ukuthi mina  
nginguJehova; labo abangithembayo  
abayikudaniswa.”

<sup>24</sup> Amabutho angemukwa impango na, kumbe abathunjiweyo bahlengwe kwabesabekayo na?

<sup>25</sup> Kodwa nanku okutshiwo nguJehova:

“Ye, abathunjiweyo bazathathwa emabuthweni lempango izahluthunwa futhi kwababesabekayo, ngoba ngizamelana lalabo abamelana lawe, abantwabakho ngizabahlenga.

<sup>26</sup> Ngizakwenza abacindezeli bakho badle inyama yemizimba yabo; bazadakwa ngelabo igazi njengewayini.

Lapho-ke izizwe zonke zizakwazi ukuthi mina, uJehova, nginguMsindisi wakho, umhlengi wakho, uSomandla kaJakhobe.”

*Isono sika-Israyeli Lokulalela Kwenceku*

**50** Nanku okutshiwo nguJehova:

“Singaphi isithupha sikanyoko sokuchitha umtshado engamxotsha ngaso na? Loba nguwuphi walabo engilezikwelede kubo engalithengisa kuye na? Lathengiswa ngenxa yezono zenu, lonyoko waliwa ngenxa yokona kwenu.

<sup>2</sup> Ekufikeni kwami, kungani kwakungelamuntu na? Ekubizeni kwami, kungani kungekho muntu owasabelayo na? Ingalo yami yayimfitshane kakhulu ukuba ilihlengi na? Angilamandla okulikhulula na? Ngokukhuza nje kuphela, ngiyalomisa ulwandle, ngiphendula imifula ibe yinkangala; izinhlanzi zayo zibole ngenxa yokuswela amanzi, zife ngenxa yokoma.

<sup>3</sup> Ngembathisa umkhathi ngomnyama.

Ngenze amasaka abe yisembeso sawo.”

<sup>4</sup> UJehova wobukhosi unginike ulimi olufundisiweyo ukuba ngazi ilizwi lokuqinisa abadiniweyo. Uyangivusa ekuseni kwansuku zonke, avuse indlebe yami ukuba ilalele njengofundiswayo.

<sup>5</sup> UJehova Wobukhosi uvule izindlebe zami, njalo angizange ngibe ngohlamukayo; angibuyelanga emuva.

<sup>6</sup> Nganikela umhlana wami kulabo ababengitshaya, lezihlathi zami kulabo abacutha izindevu zami; ubuso bami angibufihlanga ekugconweni lekukhafulelweni.

<sup>7</sup> Ngenxa yokuthi uJehova Wobukhosi uyangisiza angiyikuyangeka. Ngakho-ke sengiqinise ubuso bami babanjengelitshe lomlilo; njalo ngiyazi ukuthi angiyikuyangeka.

<sup>8</sup> Lowo ongimelayo useduzane. Ngubani-ke ongangethesa amacala? Kasiqondane. Ngubani ongimangalelayo na? Kangiqonde!

<sup>9</sup> NguJehova Wobukhosi ongisizayo. Ngubani lowo ongathi ngilecala na? Bonke bazaguga njengesigqoko, inondo izabadla.

<sup>10</sup> Ngubani phakathi kwenu omesabayo uJehova elalela ilizwi lenceku yakhe na? Lowo ohamba emnyameni, ongelakho ukukhanya, kathembe ebizweni likaJehova abambelele kuJehova wakhe.

<sup>11</sup> Kodwa khathesi, lonke lina eliphemba imililo lizenzele amalangabi okukhanyisa, sukani bo, hambani ekukhanyeni kwemililo yenu, lokwezibane elizikhanyisileyo. Elizakwamukela esandleni sami yilokhu:

Lizalala phansi lisebuhlungwini.

*Insindiso Engapheliyo YeZiyoni*

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- “Lalelani kimi lina elilandela ukulunga lidinga loJehova: Khangelani edwaleni elacezulwa kulo lasegodini lamatshe elambiwa kulo;
- <sup>2</sup>Khangelani ku-Abrahama, uyihlo, lakuSara owalizalayo. Ekumbizeni kwami wayemunye, ngambusisa ngamandisa.
- <sup>3</sup>Ngeqiniso uJehova uzaduduza iZiyoni abe lesihawu kuwo wonke amanxiwa alo; uzakwenza izinkangala zalo zibe njenge-Edeni, amazwe alo alugwadule afane lesivande sikaJehova. Ukuthaba lentokozo kuzafunyanwa kulo, kanye lokubonga lelizwi lokuhlabela.
- <sup>4</sup>“Lalelani kimi, bantu bami; ungizwe lawe sizwe sami: Kuzaphuma umthetho uvela kimi; ukulunga kwami kuzakuba yikukhanya ezizweni.
- <sup>5</sup>Ukulunga kwami kusondela ngokuphangisa, insindiso yami iyeza, ingalo yami izaletsa ukulunga ezizweni. Izihlengi zizakhangela kimi, Zilinde zithembe amandla ami.
- <sup>6</sup>Phakamiselani amehlo enu phezulu emazulwini likhangele lasemhlabeni phansi; amazulu azanyamalala njengentuthu; umhlaba uzaguga njengesigqoko. Abakhe kuwo bafe njengempukane. Kodwa insindiso yami izakuba khona kuze kube nininini, Ukulunga kwami akuyikuphela.
- <sup>7</sup>“Ngizwani lina elikwaziyo okulungileyo lina bantu abagcina umthetho wami ezinhliziyweni zenu: Lingakwesabi

ukugconwa ngabantu, kumbe lethuswe yizithuko zabo.

- <sup>8</sup>Ngoba inondo izabadla njengesigqoko; impethu ibadle njengewulu. Kodwa ukulunga kwami kuzakuba khona kuze kube nininini; Lensindiso yami ikhona kuzizukulwane zonke.”
- <sup>9</sup>Vuka, vuka! zigqokise amandla akho, wena ngalo kaJehova; Vuka njengasezinsukwini zendulo, Lanjengakuzizukulwane zakudala. Kawusuwe yini owaquma uRahabi waba yiziqqa, wagwaza lesilo lesiyana na?
- <sup>10</sup>Kawusuwe yini owamisa ulwandle, amanzi atshona kakhulu, wenza umgwaqo ezinzikini zolwandle ukuze abahlengiweyo bachaphe na?
- <sup>11</sup>Abahlengiweyo bakaJehova bazabuya. Bazangena eZiyoni behlabela; Ukuthokoza okungapheliyo kuzakuba ngumqhele emakhanda abo. Ukuthaba lokujabula kuzabehlela; Usizi lokububula kuzaphela.
- <sup>12</sup>“Mina, mina uqobo, nginguye oliduduzayo. Ungubani wena ukuba wesabe abantu abafayo, amadodana abantu, abutshani nje,
- <sup>13</sup>uze ukhohlwe uJehova, uMenzi wakho, owendlala amazulu wabeka lezisekelo zomhlaba, ukuthi uhlale ngokwesaba okungapheliyo nsuku zonke ngenxa yolaka lomcindezeli, ohlose ukuchitha na? Ngoba lungaphi na ulaka lomcindezeli?
- <sup>14</sup>Izibotshwa ezitshotshobeleyo zizakhululwa masinyazana, aziyikufela emajele azo, kumbe ziswele ukudla.
- <sup>15</sup>Ngoba mina nginguJehova uNkulunkulu wakho ophehla ulwandle ukuze amagagasi alo

ahlokome – ibizo lakhe nguJehova  
uSomandla.

- <sup>16</sup>Ngifake amazwi ami emlonyeni  
wakho ngakwembesa ngomthunzi  
wesandla sami – mina engabeka  
amazulu endaweni yawo, ngabeka  
izisekelo zomhlaba, njalo othi  
kuZiyoni, ‘Lina lingabantu bami.’

*Inkezo Yolaka LukaJehova*

- <sup>17</sup>Vuka, vuka!  
Phakama wena Jerusalema,  
wena onathe esandleni sikaJehova  
inkezo yolaka lwakhe, wena oyikhoce  
wafika enzecezi zayo; inkezo eyenza  
amadoda adiyazele.
- <sup>18</sup>Kuwo wonke amadodana eliwazeleyo,  
kayikho eyayingalikhokhela;  
kuwo wonke amadodana elawondlayo,  
kayikho eyayingalibamba ngesandla.
- <sup>19</sup>Lezizingozi ezimbili zikwehlele;  
ngubani ongakududuza na?  
Incithakalo lokubhujiswa, indlala  
lenkemba – ngubani ongakududuza  
na?
- <sup>20</sup>Amadodana akho aphele amandla,  
ayalala ezihlokweni zemigwaqo  
yonke njengenyamazana ebanjwe  
ngumbule.  
agcwele ulaka lukaJehova  
lokukhuza kukaNkulunkulu wakho.
- <sup>21</sup>Ngakho-ke zwana lokhu wena  
ohluphekayo lodakisiweyo, kodwa  
kungasingewayini.
- <sup>22</sup>Nanku okutshiwo nguJehova  
Wobukhosi bakho,  
uNkulunkulu wakho ovikela abantu  
bakhe:  
“Khangela, sengiyisusile esandleni  
sakho inkezo ekwenza udiyazele;  
leyonkezo engeyolaka lwami,  
awuyikunatha ngayo futhi.
- <sup>23</sup>Ngizayibeka ezandleni  
zabakuhluphayo, abathi kuwe,  
‘Cambalala ukuze sihambe phezu

kwakho.’

Wena-ke wenza umhlane  
wakho waba njengenhlabathi,  
lanjengomgwaqo okungahanjwa kuwo.

## 52 Vuka, vuka, wena Ziyoni

- uzembese ngamandla. Gqoka  
izigqoko zakho zenkazimulo wena  
Jerusalema, muzi ongewe.  
Ongasokanga longcolileyo  
akayikungena kuwe futhi.
- <sup>2</sup>Thintitha uthuli lwakho; sukuma,  
uhlale ebukhosini, wena Jerusalema.  
Zikhulule izibopho ezisentanyeni  
yakho,  
wena Ndodakazi ethunjiweyo  
yaseZiyoni.
- <sup>3</sup>Ngoba nanku okutshiwo nguJehova:  
“Lathengiswa ngeze, njalo lizahlengwa  
kungekho mali.”
- <sup>4</sup>Ngoba nanku okutshiwo nguJehova  
Wobukhosi:  
“Ekuqaleni abantu bami  
baya eGibhithe besiyahlala khona;  
muva i-Asiriya yabacindezela.
- <sup>5</sup>“Khathesi kuyini engilakho lapha?”  
kubuza uJehova.  
“Ngoba abantu bami  
bathunjwa kungekho sizatho, njalo labo  
abababusayo bayakloloda,” kutsho  
uJehova.  
“Lebizo lami lithukwa  
kokuphela ilanga lonke.
- <sup>6</sup>Ngakho-ke abantu bami bazalazi ibizo  
lami, ngakho-ke ngalolosuku  
bazakwazi ukuthi yimi engamemezela  
lokho ngaphambilini. Ye, yimi.”
- <sup>7</sup>Yeka ubuhle phezu kwezintaba,  
bezinyawo zalabo abaletha izindaba

ezinhle. Abamemezela ukuthula,  
 abaletha izindaba ezinhle  
 abamemezela insindiso, abathi kulo  
 iZiyoni, “UNkulunkulu wakho  
 uyabusa!”

<sup>8</sup> Lalela! Abalindi bakho baphakamisa  
 amazwi abo, bonke bahlaba umkhosi  
 ngokuthokoza. Lapho uJehova ebuyela  
 eZiyoni bazayibona iZiyoni ngamehlo  
 abo.

<sup>9</sup> Hlokomani ndawonye ngezingoma  
 zokuthokoza lina manxiwa  
 aseJerusalema, ngoba uJehova  
 usebaduduzile abantu bakhe,  
 uselihlengile iJerusalema.

<sup>10</sup> UJehova uzaveza ingalo yakhe  
 engcwele phambi kwezizwe zonke,  
 njalo yonke imikhawulo yomhlaba  
 izabona insindiso kaNkulunkulu  
 wethu.

<sup>11</sup> Sukani, sukani, phumani lapho!  
 Lingathinti lutho olungcolileyo.  
 Phumani kulo libe  
 ngabahlambulukileyo,  
 Lina eliphatha izitsha zikaJehova.

<sup>12</sup> Kodwa kaliyikusuka ngokuphangisa,  
 kumbe libaleka; ngoba uJehova  
 uzahamba phambi kwenu,  
 uNkulunkulu ka-Israyeli uzakuba  
 ngumvikeli wenu ngasemuva.

*Ukuhlupheka Lodumo Lwenceku*

<sup>13</sup> Khangelani, inceku yami izakwenza  
 ngokuhlakanipha, izaphakanyiswa  
 ikhwezwe, iphiwe lodumo olukhulu.

<sup>14</sup> Njengoba babebanengi abanengwayo  
 yiyo – ubuso bayo babulimele  
 okudlula okwabantu bonke, lesimo  
 sayo sonakele singase njengesomuntu

<sup>15</sup> ngakho-ke izachela izizwe ezinengi,  
 Amakhosi azavala imilomo yawo  
 ngenxa yayo.  
 Ngoba lokho abangakutshelwanga  
 bazakubona, labangakuzwanga,  
 bazakuqedisisa.

## 53 Ngubani olikholiweyo ilizwi

lethu, njalo amandla kaJehova  
 abonakaliswe kubani na?

<sup>2</sup> Wakhula phambi kwakhe  
 njengehlumela, lanjengempande  
 emhlabathini owomileyo.  
 Wayengelabuhle lobukhosi ukuba  
 asikhange, kungelalutho esimeni sakhe  
 olungenza simfune.

<sup>3</sup> Weyiswa njalo waliwa ngabantu,  
 umuntu wezinsizi, njalo ekujayeke  
 ukuhlupheka. Lowo abantu  
 abangafuniyo ukukhangelana laye.  
 Weyiswa, asimhloniphanga,

<sup>4</sup> Ngempela wathatha ubucubi bethu  
 wathwala izinsizi zethu, kodwa thina  
 sathi utshaywe nguNkulunkulu,  
 ebethwe nguye, njalo uhlutshiwe.

<sup>5</sup> Kodwa wagwazwa ngenxa  
 yeziphambeko zethu, wachobozwa  
 ngenxa yokona kwethu, ukuhlutshwa  
 kwakhe kwasilethela ukuthula, njalo  
 sasiliswa ngamanxeba akhe.

<sup>6</sup> Thina sonke njengezimvu, silahlekile,  
 lowo lalowo wethu uphambukele  
 endleleni yakhe; njalo uJehova ubeke  
 phezu kwakhe ukona kwethu sonke.

<sup>7</sup> Wacindezelwa wahlutshwa,  
 kodwa kawuvulanga umlomo wakhe;  
 wakhokhelwa ukuya bulawa  
 njengewundlu, njalo njengemvu ithule  
 phambi komgundi wayo, laye  
 kawuvulanga umlomo wakhe.

<sup>8</sup> Ngokucindezelwa langokwahlulela  
 wathathwa. Ngubani ongakhuluma  
 ngesizukulwane sakhe na?  
 Ngoba wasuswa elizweni labaphilayo;  
 watshaywa ngenxa yeziphambeko  
 zabantu bami.

<sup>9</sup> Wabelwa ingcwaba kanye lababi,  
 kanye labanothileyo ekufeni kwakhe,  
 lanxa kungeladlakela alwenzayo  
 njalo kungekho inkohliso emlonyeni

wakhe.

- <sup>10</sup>Ikanti kwakuyintando kaJehova ukumchoboza lokumenza ahlupheke, njalo lanxa uJehova esenza ukuphila kwakhe umnikelo wecala, uzabona inzalo yakhe, andise izinsuku zokuphila kwakhe zande, lentando kaJehova izaphumelela ngaye.
- <sup>11</sup>Emva kokuhlupheka komoya wakhe, uzabona ukukhanya kokuphila asuthiseke; ngokwazi kwayo inceku yami elungileyo izalungisa abanengi, ithwale izono zabo.
- <sup>12</sup>Ngakho-ke ngizamnika isabelo phakathi kwabakhulu, njalo uzakwabelana impango labalamandla ngoba wanikela ukuphila kwakhe ekufeni, wabalwa ndawonye lezoni; yabalwa ndawonye lezoni, ngoba wathwala izono zabanengi, wancengela izoni.

*Inkazimulo Ezayo YaseZiyoni*

**54** ‘Hlabela wena mfazi oyinyumba, wena ongakaze uzale umntwana; susa ingoma, uhlabe umkhosi ngentokozo wena ongakaze uhelelwe ngoba abantwana bomfazi olahliweyo banengi kulabalowo olendoda,”

kutsho uJehova.

- <sup>2</sup>“Qhelisa indawo yethente lakho, yelula amakhethe ethente lakho abe banzi, ungathikazi, yelula izintambo zakho, uqinise izikhonkwane zakho.
- <sup>3</sup>Ngoba uzaqhela usiya kwesokudla lesenxele; inzalo yakho izazixotsha izizwe yakhe emadolobheni azo adilikayo.
- <sup>4</sup>“Ungesabi, ngoba awuyikwehlelwa lihlazo. Ungesabi ukuyangeka, ngoba awuyikudumazeka. Uzalikhohlwa ihlazo lasebutsheni bakho, ungakhumbuli lesithuko sobufelokazi

bakho.

- <sup>5</sup>Ngoba uMenzi wakho engumyeni wakho – uJehova uSomandla libizo lakhe oNgewele ka-Israyeli unguMhlengi wakho; ubizwa ngokuthi nguNkulunkulu womhlaba wonke.
- <sup>6</sup>UJehova uzakubiza njengowesifazana olahliweyo, odabukileyo emoyeni – owesifazana owenda esesemncane, waphanga waliwa,” kutsho uNkulunkulu wakho.
- <sup>7</sup>“Ngakutshiya okomzuzwana omncane, kodwa ngesihawu esikhulu ngizakubuyisa.
- <sup>8</sup>Ngomfutho wokuthukuthela, ngakufihlela ubuso bami okomzuzwana, kodwa ngothando olungapheliyo, ngizakuba lesihawu kuwe,” kutsho uJehova uMhlengi wakho.
- <sup>9</sup>“Kimi lokhu kunjengasezinsukwini zikaNowa. Lapho engafunga khona ngathi amanzi kaNowa kawayikugcwala umhlaba futhi. Ngakho khathesi sengifungile ngathi angiyikukuthukuthelela futhi; njalo; Angiyikukusola njalo.
- <sup>10</sup>Lanxa izintaba zinganyikinyiswa, lamaqaqa asuswe, kodwa uthando lwami olungapheliyo kuwe kalukunyikinyiswa, kumbe isivumelwano sami sokuthula sisuswe,” kutsho uJehova olesihawu kuwe.
- <sup>11</sup>“Wena dolobho elihluphekileyo, elitshaywa yiziphepho alaze laduduzwa, ngizakwakha ngamatshe amahle, izisekelo zakho ngizakhe ngamasafire.
- <sup>12</sup>Izakhiwo zakho zokuvikela ngizazenza ngamarubhi, amasango akho ngiwenze ngamatshe akhazimulayo, yonke imithangala yakho ngiyenze

ngamatshe aligugu.

<sup>13</sup> Wonke amadodana akho azafundiswa nguJehova, Njalo kuzakuba kukhulu ukuthula kwabantwabakho.

<sup>14</sup> Uzaqiniswa ngokulunga: uchuku luzakuba khatshana lawe, awuyikwesaba lutho. Ukwesaba kuzasuselwa khatshana, akuyikusondela phansi kwakho.

<sup>15</sup> Uma ekhona okuhlaseloyo kuzakuba kungayisimi; Loba ngubani okuhlaselayo uzazinikela kuwe.

<sup>16</sup> “Khangela, yimi engadala umkhandi wensimbi ovuthela amalahle abe lilangabi, akhande isikhali esilungele umsebenzi waso. Njalo yimi engadala umchithi ukuba enze umonakalo;

<sup>17</sup> akulasikhali esikhandelwe wena esizaphumelela, njalo bonke abakumangalelayo uzabehlula. Leli yilifa lezinceku zikaJehova, lokhu yikho ukwenaniswa kwazo yimi,” kutsho uJehova.

*Ukunxusa kwabomileyo*

**55** “Wozani, lonke lina abomileyo, wozani emanzini.

Lani lina elingelamali, wozani, lithenge, lidle!

Wozani, thengani iwayini lochago ingekho imali lendleko.

<sup>2</sup> Lichithelani imali kokungasikho kudla lokusebenza kwenu kulokho okungasuthisiyo na? Lalelani, lalelani kimi, lidle okuhle, umoya wenu uzathokoziswa yizibiliboco.

<sup>3</sup> Lalelani, lize kimi; lingilalele ukuze umphefumulo wenu uphile.

Ngizakwenza isivumelwano esingapheliyo lani, uthando lwami oluqotho olwathenjiswa uDavida.

<sup>4</sup> Khangelani, ngimenze waba ngufakazi ebantwini, umkhokheli lomlwawuli

wabantu.

<sup>5</sup> Ngeqiniso lizabiza izizwe elingazaziyo, lezizwe ezingalaziyo zizagijimela kini, ngenxa kaJehova uNkulunkulu wenu. oNgcwele ka-Israyeli, ngoba uselinike inkazimulo.”

<sup>6</sup> Mdingeni uJehova esatholakala, mbizeni eseseduzane.

<sup>7</sup> Omubi kayekele indlela yakhe loxhwalileyo alahle imicabango yakhe.

Kaphendukele kuJehova, uzakuba lesihawu kuye, lakuNkulunkulu wethu ngoba uzamthethelela ngesihle.

<sup>8</sup> “Ngoba imicabango yami kayisiyo eyenu, lezindlela zenu kayisizo ezami,” kutsho uJehova.

<sup>9</sup> Njengomkhathi uphakeme kulomhlaba, ngokunjalo izindlela zami ziphakeme kulezindlela zenu, lemicabango yami iphakeme kulemicabango yenu.

<sup>10</sup> Njengoba izulu longqoqwane kusehla kuvela phezulu, kungaphindi kubuyele khonale kungathambisanga umhlaba kuwenze ununkule ube lamahlumela, ukuze unike umhlanyeli inhlanyelo, lodlayo umnike ukudla,

<sup>11</sup> linjalo lelizwi lami eliphuma emlonyeni wami: kaliyikubuya kimi lize, kodwa lizafeza engikufunayo liphumemlelise lokho engilithume khona.

<sup>12</sup> Lina lizaphuma ngokuthokoza likhokhelwe ngokuthula; izintaba lamaqaqa kuzasusa ingoma phambi kwenu, njalo zone izihlahla zeganga Zizaqakeza izandla zazo.

<sup>13</sup> Endaweni yesihlahla sameva kuzamila esamapulanka, lekubeni kube lukhula kuzamila isihlahla sommithili. Lokhu kuzakwenza uJehova adunyiswe. kube yisibonakaliso esingapheliyo, esingayikudilizwa.”

*Ukusindiswa Kwabanye*

**56** Nanku okutshiwo nguJehova:

“Londoloza ukulunga wenze okuqondileyo, ngoba ukusindisa kwami kuseduze lokulunga kwami kuzabonakaliswa masinyane.

<sup>2</sup>Ubusisiwe umuntu okwenzayo lokhu, umuntu obambelela kukho, ogcina iSabatha engalingcolisi, athibe isandla sakhe ekwenzeni okubi.”

<sup>3</sup>Owezizweni osezinamathisele kuJehova kangavunyelwa ukuba athi, “Ngeqiniso uJehova uzangehlukana labantu bakhe.” Njalo lomthenwa kangavunyelwa ukusola athi, “Mina ngiyisihlahla esomileyo.”

<sup>4</sup>Ngoba nanku okutshiwo nguJehova:

Abathenwa abagcina amaSabatha ami bakhethe okungithokozisayo, babambebele kusivumelwano sami –

<sup>5</sup>ngizabanika, phakathi kwethempeli lami lemiduli yalo, isikhumbuzo lebizozingcono kulamadodana lamadodakazi.

Ngizabanika ibizo elingapheliyo. elingayikukhohlakala.

<sup>6</sup>Labezizwe abazinamathisele kuJehova ukuba bamkhonze, bathande ibizo likaJehova, njalo bamkhonze, bonke abagcina iSabatha bengalingcolisi, babambebele kusivumelwano sami –

<sup>7</sup>laba ngizabaletha entabeni yami engcwele, ngibaphe intokozo endlini yami yokukhulekela. Imnikelo yabo yokutshiswa, lemihlatshelo, kuzakwamukelwa e-alithareni lami; ngoba indlu yami izathiwa yindlu yokukhuleka yezizwe zonke.”

<sup>8</sup>UJehova Wobukhosi uthi – yena oqoqa abaxotshwayo elizweni abako-Israyeli uthi:

“Ngizaqoqela abanye kubo futhi ngaphandle kwalabo abavele sebeqoqiwe.”

*UJehova Usola Ababi*

<sup>9</sup>Wozani lonke lina zilo zeganga; Wozani lidle, lonke lina zilo zamagusu!

<sup>10</sup>Abalindi bako-Israyeli bayiziphofu, bonke kabazi lutho; bonke bayizinja eziyizimungulu, ezingeke zikhonkothe.

Bayalala nje baphuphe; Bayakuthanda ukulala.

<sup>11</sup>Bayizinja ezihalalela ukudla, ezingasuthiyo.

Bangabelusi abangaqedisisiyo, bonke bazazenzela abakufunayo, lowo lalowo udinga inzuzo yakhe.

<sup>12</sup>Lowo lalowo uthi, “Wozani, ngilethe iwayini. Kasinatheni utshwala sibusuthe. Kusasa kuzafana lalamhla loba kube ngcono kakhulu.”

**57** Abalungileyo bayabhubha,

kodwa kakho ocabanga ngakho enhliziyweni yakhe.

Abantu abazinikele ekukhonzeni bayasuswa, njalo kakho okuzwisisayo ukuthi abalungileyo basuswa ukuba baphetshiswe ebubini.

<sup>2</sup>Labo abahamba ngokulunga bayangena ekuthuleni; bathola ukuphumula belele ekufeni.

<sup>3</sup>“Kodwa lina – wozani lapha lina, madodana esanusekazi lina nzalo yezifebe lamawule!

<sup>4</sup>Ngubani elimklolodelayo na? Ngubani elimtshilela imilomo Limkhuphela izindimi zenu?

Kalizinzalo yabahlamuki, labantwana babaqamba amanga na?

<sup>5</sup>Liyatshiseka ngenkanuko ezihlahleni zem-okhi, langaphansi kwezihlahla zonke eziyizithingithingi; lenza

umhlatsshelo ngabantwabenu  
emakhelekehleni langaphansi  
kwamawa.

- <sup>6</sup> Izithombe eziphakathi kwamatshe  
abutshelezi emakhelekehleni yiso  
isabelo senu, yizo, yizo eziyisabelo  
senu.  
Ye, kuzo lithele iminikelo  
yokunathwayo lanikela leminikelo  
yamabele. Ngenxa yalezizinto ngingaba  
lozwelo na?
- <sup>7</sup> Wenze umbheda wakho phezu kooqaqa  
oluphakemeyo.  
Wakhwela wayanikela imihlatshelo  
yakho khona.
- <sup>8</sup> Ngemuva kwezivalo zakho  
langemuva kwezinsika zomnyango  
wakho ubeke izifanekiso zakho  
zobuhedeni. Wathi ungilahla  
wembula umbheda wakho, wakhwela  
kuwo wawuvula waba banzi,  
wavumelana lalabo othanda imibheda  
yabo, wakhangelana ubunqunu babo.
- <sup>9</sup> Uye kuMoleki ulamafutha e-oliva,  
wandisa lamakha akho.  
Uthume izithunywa zakho khatshana  
wangenani ethuneni lona ngokwalo!
- <sup>10</sup> Wadiniswa yizindlela zakho zonke,  
kodwa wawungeke uthi, ‘Akusizi  
ngalutho.’ Wathola ukuvuselelwa  
kwamandla akho Ngakho  
kawuphelanga amandla.
- <sup>11</sup> “Ngubani omesabe kangaka  
waze waba lamanga kimi,  
njalo kawaze wangikhumbula  
loba ukucabanga lokhu enhliziyweni  
yakho na? Akusingenxa yokuthi  
sengathula okwesikhathi  
eside kakhulu waze wangabe  
usangesaba na?”
- <sup>12</sup> Ukulunga kwakho lemisebenzi yakho  
ngizakuveza obala, njalo  
akuyikukusiza ngalutho.
- <sup>13</sup> Lapho usukhalela ukusizwa,

Iqoqo lezithombe zakho  
kalikuhlenge.

Umoya uzazithatha zonke,  
lokuphephetha nje kuziphephule  
khatshana. Kodwa umuntu owenza  
mina isiphephelo sakhe ilizwe  
lizakuba yilifa lakhe lentaba yami  
engcwele ibe ngeyakhe.”

*Induduzo Kwabazisolayo*

<sup>14</sup> Njalo kuzathiwa:

“Candani, candani, lungisani indlela!  
Susani izikhubekiso endleleni yabantu  
bami.”

<sup>15</sup> Ngoba ophakemeyo  
ongaPhezulu – yena ophila kokuphela,  
obizo lakhe lingcwele uthi:

“Ngihlala endaweni ephakemeyo  
lengcwele, kodwa laye ozisolayo  
lothobekileyo emoyeni, ukuba  
kuvuselelwe umoya  
wabathobekileyo,  
kuvuselelwe lezinhliziyo  
zabazisolayo.

<sup>16</sup> Angiyikulisola kokuphela  
kumbe ngihlale ngithukuthele,  
ngoba umoya womuntu ungaphela  
phambi kwami – umoya womuntu  
engawudalayo.

<sup>17</sup> Ngathukutheliswa yibuhwaba bakhe  
obubi. Ngamjezisa, ngafihla ubuso  
bami ngithukuthele, kodwa  
waqhubeka ngezindlela zakhe  
zenkani.

<sup>18</sup> Izindlela zakhe sengizibonile,  
kodwa ngizamsilisa.  
Ngizamkhokhela, ngimduduze futhi,

<sup>19</sup> ngenze ukubonga ezindebeni  
zabalilayo ko-Israyeli.  
Ukuthula, ukuthula kwabakhathshana  
labaseduze,” kutsho uJehova.  
“Ngizabasilisa.”

<sup>20</sup> Kodwa ababi banjengolwandle  
olugubhazelayo, olungeke  
luphumule,

amagagasi alo ephosa udaka  
lengcekeza phezulu.

<sup>21</sup> “Akukho kuthula kwababi,” kutsho  
uNkulunkulu wami.

*Ukuzila Okuqotho*

**58** “Memeza kakhulu, ungathuli

Phakamisa ilizwi lakho  
njengecilongo.

Tshela abantu bami ngokuhlamuka  
kwabo, lendlu kaJakhobe uyitshele  
ngezono zabo.

<sup>2</sup> Ngoba usuku ngosuku bayangidinga;  
bafuna ukwazi izindlela zami, angathi  
bayisizwe esenza okulungileyo  
esingalahlanga imilayo kaNkulunkulu  
waso. Bacela izinqumo ezilungileyo  
kimi bafune ukuthi uNkulunkulu  
asondele kubo.

<sup>3</sup> Bathi, ‘Kungani sizilile, kodwa wena  
kawakubona na? Kungani sizithobile  
kawakunaka na?’

“Ikanti ngosuku lokuzila kwenu lenza  
elikuthandayo, licindezele lezisebenzi  
zenu zonke.

<sup>4</sup> Ukuzila kwenu kucina ngengxabano  
lokulwa. Langokutshayana kubi  
ngenqindi. Alingeke lizile  
njengelikwenzayo lamhla lithembe  
ukuthi ilizwi lenu lizazwakala  
phezulu

<sup>5</sup> Lokhu yikho ukuzila engikukhethileyo  
na, ukuthi umuntu azithobe okosuku  
olulodwa nje? Yikuthi umuntu  
akhothamise ikhanda lakhe  
njengomhlana nje, lokulala esakeni  
lemlotheni na? Lokho yikho elithi  
yikuzila, usuku olwamukelekayo  
kuJehova na?

<sup>6</sup> “Lokhu akusikho yini ukuzila  
engikukhethileyo: ukukhulula  
izibopho zokungalungi lokuthukulula  
imichilo yejogwe, kukhululwe

abacindezelweyo

kwephulwe amajogwe wonke na?

<sup>7</sup> Akusikwabela abalambayo ukudla  
kwakho lokunika umnyanga  
ongumhambuma indawo yokuhlala –  
lapho ubona abanqunu ubagqokise,  
lokungafulatheli izihlobo zakho zegazi  
na?

<sup>8</sup> Lapho-ke ukukhanya kwakho kuzavela  
njengokusa, lokusila kwakho  
kuzabonakala masinyane, kuthi  
ukulunga kwakho kuhambe phambi  
kwakho, inkazimulo kaJehova izakuba  
yisivikelo ngemuva kwakho.

<sup>9</sup> Lapho-ke uzabiza, uJehova asabele;  
uzacela usizo, yena uzakuthi:  
Ngilapha.

“Ungalahla ijogwe lokucindezela  
lokukhomba ngomunwe kanye  
lezinkulumo ezihlinikezayo;

<sup>10</sup> njalo uma unika abalambayo ukudla  
kwakho,  
wanelise lezizwelo  
zabacindezelweyo,  
ukukhanya kwakho kuzavela  
emnyameni, ubusuku bakho buzakuba  
njengemini.

<sup>11</sup> UJehova uzakukhokhela kokuphela;  
uzakwanelisa izizwelo zakho elizweni  
elitshiswa lilanga,  
aqinise amathambo akho. Uzakuba  
njengesivande esithelezela kule,  
lanjengomthombo olamanzi  
angacitshiyo.

<sup>12</sup> Abantu bakho bazawavusa amanxiwa  
amadala,  
bavuse lezisekelo zakudala.  
Uzabizwa ngokuthi uMvusi Wemiduli  
Eyadilikayo. UMbuyiseli Wemigwaqo  
elaMakhaya.

<sup>13</sup> “Uma ugcina izinyawo zakho  
zingephuli iSabatha, njalo ungenzi  
intando yakho ngosuku lwami  
olungcwele, uma iSabatha ulibiza

ngokuthi yintokozo njalo usuku  
 lukaJehova olungcwele usithi  
 lulodumo,  
 njalo uma uluhlonipha  
 ngokungahambi ngendlela yakho,  
 langokungenzi intando yakho loba  
 ukukhuluma amazwi ayize,  
<sup>14</sup>lapho-ke uzathola intokozo eNkosini,  
 njalo ngizakukhweza emiqolweni  
 yelizwe, ngikwenze udle ilifa  
 likayihlo uJakhobe.” Umlomo  
 kaJehova usukhulumile.

*Isono, Ukuvuma Lokuhlelwa*

## 59 Ngeqiniso ingalo kaJehova

kayimfitshane ukuba isindise,  
 lendlebe yakhe kayibuthundu ukuba  
 izwe.  
<sup>2</sup>Kodwa ububi benu sebulahlukanise  
 loNkulunkulu wenu; lezono zenu  
 sezisithe ubuso bakhe kini  
 ukuze angezwa.  
<sup>3</sup>Ngoba izandla zenu zingcolisiwe  
 ngegazi, leminwe yenu ingcoliswe  
 yibubi. Izindebe zenu zikhulume  
 amanga lolimi lwenu luhlebeza izinto  
 ezimbi.  
<sup>4</sup>Kakho odinga ukwahlulela okuhle,  
 kakho okhuluma ecaleni lakhe  
 ngobuqotho. Bathembe ukuphika  
 ngeze bekhuluma amanga; Bemula  
 uhlupho, bazale ububi.  
<sup>5</sup>Bachamusela amaqanda ezinyoka,  
 beluke ubulembu besayobe. Langabe  
 ngubani odla amaqanda azo uzakufa,  
 njalo uma elinye lawo lichanyuselwe  
 kuphuma ibululu.  
<sup>6</sup>Ubulembu babo kabusizi ekugqokeni;  
 abangeke bazimboze  
 ngabakwenzayo.  
 Izenzo zabo yizenzo ezimbi, izenzo  
 zodlakela zisezandleni zabo.  
<sup>7</sup>Izinyawo zabo zigijimela igazi  
 elimsulwa. Bayaphangisa ukuchitha  
 igazi elimsulwa. Imicabango yabo

yimicabango emibi; ukuchitha  
 lokubhubhisa kubonakalisa  
 izindlela zabo.

<sup>8</sup>Indlela yokuthula kabayazi;  
 akukho kulunga ezindleleni zabo.  
 Sebenze zaba yimigwaqo  
 ezombelezayo,  
 kakho ohamba ngazo ozakwazi  
 ukuthula.

<sup>9</sup>Ngakho-ke ukwahlulela okuhle  
 kukhatshana lathi, lokulunga akufiki  
 kithi.

Sidinga ukukhanya,  
 kodwa kulomnyama kuphela;  
 sidinga ukucazimula,  
 kodwa sihamba emathunzini amnyama.

<sup>10</sup>Njengeziphofu siphumputha silandela  
 umduli,  
 siphumputhe indlela yethu  
 njengabantu abangelamehlo.  
 Sikhubeka emini ingathi kukusihlwa;  
 kwabalamandla, sinjengabafeyo.

<sup>11</sup>Sonke siyahwabha njengamabhere,  
 sibubule ngosizi njengamajuba.  
 Sidinga ukwahlulela okuhle, kodwa  
 kasikutholi; sidinga ukuhlelwa,  
 kodwa kukhatshana.

<sup>12</sup>Ngoba ukona kwethu kuwe kunengi,  
 lezono zethu zifakaza okubi ngathi.  
 Ukona kwethu kuhlezi kulathi;  
 siyabuvuma ububi bethu,

<sup>13</sup>ukuhlamuka lokungathembeki  
 kuJehova, ukufulathela uNkulunkulu  
 wethu, ukukhuthaza incindezelo  
 lomvukela, ukukhuluma amanga  
 esiwacabange ngezinhliziyi zethu.

<sup>14</sup>Ngakho ukwahlulela okuhle  
 kufuqelwa emuva, ukulunga kume  
 khatshana; iqiniso likhubekile  
 ezindleleni, ubuqotho bungeke  
 bungene.

<sup>15</sup>Iqiniso kalitholwa ndawo;  
 oxwaya ububi uyahlaselwa.  
 UJehova wakhangelwa wadani swa

- yikungabi khona kokwahlulela okuhle.
- <sup>16</sup>Wabona ukuthi kwakungelamuntu, wanengwa yikuthi kakho owayengalamula; ngakho waletsa ukukhululwa ngamandla akhe, ukulunga kwakhe kwamqinisa.
- <sup>17</sup>Wagqoka ukulunga njengesivikelo sakhe sasesifubeni, lengowane yensindiso ekhanda lakhe; wagqoka izambatho zokuphindisela njalo wazigoqela ngokutshiseka njengokuzigoqela ngengubo.
- <sup>18</sup>Uzaphindisela ulaka ezitheni zakhe, kusiya ngalokho abakwenzileyo; lokujeziswa kwabamelana laye. Izihlenge uzaziphindisela ngemfanelo yazo.
- <sup>19</sup>Kusukela entshonalanga abantu bazalesaba ibizo likaJehova, njalo kusukela ekuphumeni kwelanga bazadumisa ubukhosi bakhe. Ngoba uzafika njengesikhukhula esifutheleneyo esifuqwa ngumoya kaJehova.

<sup>20</sup>“Umhlengi uzafika eZiyoni, kwabakaJakhobe abavuma izono zabo,”  
kutsho uJehova.

<sup>21</sup>“Mina lesi yiso isivumelwano sami labo,” kutsho uJehova. “Umoya wami okuwe, lamazwi ami engiwabeke emlonyeni wakho akuyikusuka emlonyeni wakho, kumbe emlonyeni yabantwabakho, loba emlonyeni yezizukulwane zabo kusukela ngalesisikhathi kuze kube nininini,” kutsho uJehova.

*Inkazimulo yaseZiyoni*

**60** “Vuka, khazimula, ngoba ukukhanya kwakho sekufikile, lenkazimulo kaJehova iyavela phezu

- kwakho.
- <sup>2</sup>Khangela, umnyama wembese umhlaba, umnyama omkhulu usibekele abantu. Kodwa uJehova uyakhanya phezu kwakho lenkazimulo yakhe iyabonakala phezu kwakho.
- <sup>3</sup>Izizwe zizakuza ekukhanyeni kwakho, lamakhosi alande ukuqhama kokusa kwakho.
- <sup>4</sup>“Phakamisa amehlo akho ukhangele macele wonke: bonke babuthana beze kuwe; amadodana akho avela khatshana, lamadodakazi akho athwelwe ngengalo.
- <sup>5</sup>Ngakho uzakhangela ubobotheke ngokujabula. Inhliziyo yakho izatshaya ikhukhumale ngenxa yentokozo; inotho yasolwandle izaletswa kuwe, lenotho yezizwe izakuza kuwe.
- <sup>6</sup>Imihlambi yamakamela izagcwala elizweni lakho, amakamela asakhulayo aseMidiyani lase-Efa. Wonke avela eSheba azakuza ethwele igolide lempepha ememezela udumo lukaJehova.
- <sup>7</sup>Yonke imihlambi yaseKhedari izabuthelwa kuwe; izinqama zaseNebhayothi zizakusiza; zizakwamukeleka njengeminikelo e-alithareni lami, njalo ngizahlobisa ithempeli lami elilodumo.
- <sup>8</sup>“Ngobani laba abandiza njengamayazi lanjengamajuba esiya ezidlekeni zawo na?”
- <sup>9</sup>Ngeqiniso izihlenge zithembe mina; ekhokheleyo yimikhumbi yaseThashishi, iletha amadodana akho avela khatshana, lesiliva sawo kanye legolide ukuba kudunyiswe uJehova uNkulunkulu wakho,

- oNgcwele ka-Israyeli,  
ngoba ukunike inkazimulo.
- <sup>10</sup> “Abezizwe bazayakha futhi imiduli yakho,  
lamakhosi abo azakukhonza.  
Lanxa ekuthukutheleni kwami ngakutshaya, kodwa ngomusa wami ngizakuba lesihawu kuwe.
- <sup>11</sup> Amasango akho azahlala evulekile;  
kawayikuvalwa emini loba ebusuku ukuze abantu bakulethele inotho yezizwe – amakhosi azo ekhokhelwe ludwendwe lokunqoba.
- <sup>12</sup> Ngoba isizwe kumbe umbuso ongayikukukhonza uzatshabalala; uzachitheka uphele nya.
- <sup>13</sup> “Udumo lwaseLebhanoni luzakuza kuwe;  
Zonke izihlahla, ezamapulanka, umfiri lomsipresi, ukuzahlobisa indlu yami engcwele; lendawo yezinyawo zami ngizayenza ikhazimule.
- <sup>14</sup> Amadodana abacindezeli bakho azakuza akhothame phambi kwakho. Bonke abakweyisayo bazakhothamela phansi ezinyaweni zakho njalo bazakubiza ngokuthi iDolobho likaJehova, iZiyoni yakhe oNgcwele ka-Israyeli.
- <sup>15</sup> “Lanxa ubulahliwe, uzondakala, kungekho ohamba edabula phakathi kwakho,  
ngizakwenza ube ligugu elingapheliyo, uthokozise izizukulwane zonke.
- <sup>16</sup> Uzanatha uchago lwezizwe, umunyiswe emabeleni asesikhosini. Lapho-ke uzakwazi ukuthi nginguJehova, nginguMsilisi wakho, UMhlengi wakho, uMnanimandla kaJakhobe.
- <sup>17</sup> Esikhundleni sethushi ngizakulethela igolide, lesiliva esikhundleni sensimbi. Esikhundleni sezigodo ngizakulethela ithusi, lensimbi esikhundleni samatshe.  
Ngizakwenza ukuthula kube ngumbusi wakho, lokulunga kube yinkosi yakho.
- <sup>18</sup> Akusayikuba lodlakela elizweni lakho, akusayikuba khona ukuchitheka loba ukutshabalala phakathi kwelizwe lakini,  
kodwa uzakuthi imiduli yakho yiNsindiso, lamasango akho uthi yiNdumiso.
- <sup>19</sup> Ilanga kalisayikuba yikukhanya kwakho emini loba ukukhanya kwenyanga kukukhanyise, ngoba uJehova uzakuba yikukhanya kwakho okungapheliyo, loNkulunkulu wakho abe yinkazimulo yakho.
- <sup>20</sup> Ilanga lakho kaliyikutshona futhi, lenyanga yakho ayisayikufiphala njalo.  
UJehova uzakuba yikukhanya kwakho okungapheliyo, lezinsuku zakho zezinsizi zizaphela.
- <sup>21</sup> Lapho-ke bonke abantu bakho bazakuba ngabalungileyo, lelizwe lizakuba ngelabo kokuphela. Bangamahlumela engawahlanyelayo, umsebenzi wezandla zami, ukuba ngibonakalise inkazimulo yami.
- <sup>22</sup> Ingcosana yakho izakuba yinkulungwane, abancinyane bazakuba yisizwe esilamandla. Mina nginguJehova; Ngesikhathi esifaneleyo lokhu ngizakwenza ngokuphangisa.”

*Umonyaka Womusa KaJehova*

## 61 Umoya kaJehova Wobukhosi

uphezu kwami, ngoba uJehova ungigcobile ukuba ngitshumayele izindaba ezinhle kubayanga. Ungithumile ukuba ngibophe izinhliziyi ezidabukileyo, ngimemezele ukukhululwa

- kwabathunjiweyo,  
lokukhululwa kwezibotshwa  
emnyameni,  
<sup>2</sup> ukumemezela umnyaka womusa  
kaJehova, losuku lokuphindisela  
kukaNkulunkulu wethu;  
ukududuza abalilayo,  
<sup>3</sup> lokunakekela labo abadabukileyo  
eZiyoni –  
ukubapha umqhele wobuhle  
esikhundleni somlotha, amafutha  
okujabula esikhundleni sokulila,  
lengubo yokudumisa esikhundleni  
somoya wokulahla ithemba.  
Bazabizwa ngokuthi ngama-oki  
okulunga,  
ahlanyelwe nguJehova ukuba  
abonakalise inkazimulo yakhe.
- <sup>4</sup> Bazavuselela njalo amanxiwa asendulo  
bavuse lezindawo ezadilizwa kudala.  
Bazavuselela amadolobho adilikayo  
aleminyaka eminengi adilika.
- <sup>5</sup> Abezizwe bazakwelusa imihlambi  
yenu;  
abezizwe bazalima amasimu enu  
lezivini zenu.
- <sup>6</sup> Lizabizwa ngokuthi abaphristi  
bakaJehova,  
kuzathiwa liyizikhonzi  
zikaNkulunkulu.  
Lizakudla inotho yezizwe, lizincome  
ngenotho yazo.
- <sup>7</sup> Esikhundleni sehlazo labo  
abantu bami bazaphiwa isabelo  
esiphindwe kabili,  
njalo esikhundleni sokuyangeka  
bazathokoza ngelifa labo;  
ngakho isabelo selifa labo elizweni  
sizaphindwa kabili,  
lentokozo engapheliyo izakuba  
ngeyabo.
- <sup>8</sup> “Ngoba mina, uJehova, ngithanda  
ukwahlulela kuhle, ngizonda

- ubugebenga lobubi. Ngobuqotho bami  
ngizabanika umvuzo ngenze  
isivumelwano esingapheliyo labo.
- <sup>9</sup> Izizukulwane zabo zizakwaziwa  
phakathi kwezizwe,  
lenzalo yabo yaziwe phakathi  
kwabantu. Bonke abababonayo  
bazavuma ukuthi bangabantu  
ababusiwe nguJehova.”
- <sup>10</sup> Ngiyathokoza kakhulu kuJehova;  
umphefumulo wami uyajabula  
ngoNkulunkulu wami. Ngoba  
ungigqokise izigqoko zokusindiswa,  
wangicecisa ngezambatho zokulunga,  
njengomyeni ececisa ikhanda lakhe  
njengomphristi, lanjengomlobokazi  
ezicecise ngamatshe akhe  
aligugu.
- <sup>11</sup> Ngoba njengomhlabathi owenza  
ihlumela limile, lesivande esenza  
inhlanyelo ikhule, ngokunjalo uJehova  
Wobukhosi uzakwenza ukulunga  
lodumo kuvele phambi kwezizwe  
zonke.

*Ibizo Elitsha leZiyoni*

- 62** Ngenxa yeZiyoni angiyikuthula;  
ngenxa yeJerusalema angiyikuhlala  
ngithule,  
ukulunga kwayo kuze kukhanye  
njengokusa,  
ukusindiswa kwayo kuze kukhanye  
njengezibane ezivuthayo.
- <sup>2</sup> Izizwe zizakubona ukulunga kwakho  
lamakhosi wonke ayibone inkazimulo  
yakho. Uzabizwa ngebizo elitsha  
umlomo kaJehova ozakunika lona.
- <sup>3</sup> Uzakuba ngumqhele wenkazimulo  
esandleni sikaJehova, umqhele  
wobukhosi esandleni sikaNkulunkulu  
wakho.
- <sup>4</sup> Kabasayikukubiza ngokuthi  
oTshiyiweyo kumbe babize ilizwe  
lakho ngokuthi Chithakele. Kodwa

uzabizwa ngokuthi Hefiziba ilizwe lakho kuthiwe yiBhewula, ngoba uJehova uzathokoza ngawe, lelizwe lakho lizakwenda.

<sup>5</sup>Njengejaha lithatha intombi, ngokunjalo amadodana akho azakuthatha; lanjengomyeni ethokozela umakoti wakhe, ngokunjalo uNkulunkulu uzathokoza ngawe.

<sup>6</sup>Ngibeke abalindi phezu kwemiduli yakho wena Jerusalema; kabayikuthula lanini emini loba ebusuku. Lina elimbizayo uJehova, musani ukuphumula,

<sup>7</sup>laye lingamphumuzi aze akhe iJerusalema alenze libe lodumo emhlabeni.

<sup>8</sup>UJehova ufungile ngesandla sakhe sokudla langengalo yakhe elamandla wathi; “Angiyikuphinda lanini ukunika izitha zenu amabele enu njengokudla kwazo, njalo lanini abezizwe kabayikuphinda banathe iwayini elitsha elilisebenzele nzima.

<sup>9</sup>Kodwa labo abawavunayo bazawadla badumise uJehova, lalabo ababutha amavini bazalinatha emagumeni endlu yami engcwele.”

<sup>10</sup>Dlulani, dlulani emasangweni! lungiselani abantu indlela. Candani, candani umgwaqo! Susani amatshe. Phakamiselani izizwe uphawu.

<sup>11</sup>UJehova usenze isimemezelo emhlabeni wonke wathi; “Tshonini kuyo iNdodakazi yaseZiyoni lithi, ‘Khangela uMsilisi wakho uyeza! Khangela umvuzo wakhe ulawo, Lenhlawulo yakhe ulayo.’ ”

<sup>12</sup>Bazabizwa ngokuthi ngaBantu abaNgcwele, abaNlengiweyo bakaJehova; wena uzathiwa Ofunwayo,

iDolobho Elingasatshiywanga.

*Usuku LukaNkulunkulu Lokuphindisela Lokuhlenga*

**63** Ngubani lo ovela e-Edomi, ovela eBhozira egqoke izambatho ezibomvu na? Ngubani lo ogqoke ubucwazicwazi, ohamba ngobukhulu bamandla akhe na?

“Yimi okhuluma ngokulunga, olamandla okusindisa.”

<sup>2</sup>Kungani izigqoko zakho zibomvu njengezomuntu onyathela isikhanelo sewayini na?

<sup>3</sup>“Nginyathele isikhanelo sewayini ngedwa; kakho owezizwe owayelami. Ngabagxoba ngithukuthele, ngabanyathela ngilolaka; igazi labo lachaphakela ezambathweni zami, langcolisa zonke izigqoko zami.

<sup>4</sup>Ngoba usuku lokuphindisela lwalusenhliziyweni yami, lomnyaka wokuhlenga kwami usufikile.

<sup>5</sup>Ngakhangela, kodwa kakho owayengasiza. Nganengwa yikungabi khona kosekelayo, ngakho ingalo yami yangilethela insindiso lolaka lwami lwangiqinisa.

<sup>6</sup>Ngagxoba izizwe ngokuthukuthela kwami, ngazidakisa ngolaka lwami, ngathela igazi lazo phansi.”

*Ukumdumisa Lokukhuleka*

<sup>7</sup>Ngizalandisa ngomusa lukaJehova, izenzo okumele adunyiswe ngenxa yazo, ngakho konke uJehova asenzele khona yebo, izinto ezinengi ezinhle azenzele indlu ka-Israyeli, ngesihawu sakhe langomusa wakhe omkhulu.

- <sup>8</sup>Wathi, “Ngeqiniso bangabantu bami; amadodana angayikuba lamanga kimi”; ngakho waba nguMsindisi wabo.
- <sup>9</sup>Kukho konke ukuhlupheka kwabo laye waba losizi; ukuba khona kwengilosi yakhe kwabasindisa. Ngothando lwakhe langasihawu sakhe wabahlenga; wabaphakamisela phezulu, wabathwala izinsuku zonke zakudala.
- <sup>10</sup>Kodwa bamvukela badanisa uMoya wakhe oNgcwele. Ngakho waphenduka waba yisitha sabo walwa labo yena ngokwakhe.
- <sup>11</sup>Lapho-ke abantu bakhe bakhumbula izinsuku zakudala, izinsuku zikaMosi labantu bakhe – Ungaphi lowo owabachaphisa ulwandle, lomelusi wemihlambi yakhe na? Ungaphi lowo owathela uMoya wakhe oNgcwele phakathi kwabo.
- <sup>12</sup>Owathumela ingalo yakhe yamandla elodumo ukuba ibesandleni sokudla sikaMosi, owehlukhanisa amanzi phambi kwabo ukuba azizuzele udumo olungapheliyo,
- <sup>13</sup>owabadabulisa ezinzikini na? Njengebhiza emagcekeni, kabakhubekanga;
- <sup>14</sup>njengezinkomo zisehla esigodini, baphunyuzwa nguMoya kaJehova. Wena wabakhokhela kanjalo abantu bakho ukuze uzenzele ibizo elilodumo.
- <sup>15</sup>Khangela phansi usezulwini ubone usesihlalweni sakho sobukhosi esiphakemeyo, esingcwele, esicwebezelayo. Kungaphi ukutshiseka kwakho lamandla akho na? Isisa sakho lesihawu sakho kugodliwe

kithi.

- <sup>16</sup>Kodwa wena unguBaba wethu lanxa u-Abhrahama engasazi thina lo-Israyeli engasivumi; wena, O Jehova, unguBaba wethu, uMhlengi wethu libizo lakho kusukela endulo.
- <sup>17</sup>Kungani, hawu Jehova, usenza siphambuke ezindleleni zakho, usenza lezinhliziyo zethu zibe lukhuni ukuba singakwesabi na? Phenduka ubuye ngenxa yezinceku zakho, izizwana eziyilifa lakho.
- <sup>18</sup>Indawo yakho engcwele yayingeyabantu bakho okwesikhathi esifitshane, kodwa khathezi izitha zethu seziyigxobele phansi indlu yakho engcwele.
- <sup>19</sup>Thina singabakho kusukela endulo; Kodwa awukaze ubabuse, Kabazange babizwe ngebizo lakho.

## 64 Awu, sengathi ungaqhekeza

amazulu wehlele phansi ukuba izintaba zinyikinyeke phambi kwakho!

- <sup>2</sup>Njengalapho umlilo utshisa incwathi wenze amanzi abile, yehlela phansi ukuba wenze ibizo lakho lazakale ezitheni zakho, wenze lezizwe zithuthumele phambi kwakho.
- <sup>3</sup>Ngoba wathi usenza izinto ezesabekayo esasingazilindelanga, wehlela phansi, izintaba zathuthumela phambi kwakho.
- <sup>4</sup>Kusukela endulo kakho owezwayo, akulandlebe eyabambisisayo, akulalihlo elabona omunye uNkulunkulu ngaphandle kwakho, osebenzela labo abathembe kuye.
- <sup>5</sup>Uyeza ukuba usize labo abenza ukulunga ngokuthaba, abazikhumbulayo izindlela zakho. Kodwa lapho saqhubeka sisona kubo wathukuthela. Pho singasindiswa kanjani na?

- <sup>6</sup> Sonke sesaba njengomuntu ongcolileyo, lemisebenzi yethu yokulunga yonke injengezidwedwe ezingcolileyo, Sonke siyabuna njengehlabvu, Lanjengomoya izono zethu zisiphephulela khatshana.
- <sup>7</sup> Kakho okhuleka ebizweni lakho lozamayo ukubambelela kuwe, ngoba ubuso bakho ubufihlile kithi wasenza sacikizeka ngenxa yezono zethu.
- <sup>8</sup> Ikanti, O Jehova, wena unguBaba wethu. Thina silibumba, wena ungumbumbi; Sonke singumsebenzi wezandla zakho.
- <sup>9</sup> Ungathukutheli wedlulise, hawu Jehova; izono zethu ungazikhumbuli kokuphela. Hawu, ake usikhangele, siyakhuleka, ngoba sonke singabantu bakho.
- <sup>10</sup> Amadolobho akho angcwele aseYinkangala; leZiyoni isiyinkangala, iJerusalema isiyincithakalo.
- <sup>11</sup> Ithempeli lethu elingcwele njalo elikhazimulayo lapho obaba ababekudumisela khona, litshiswe ngomlilo, njalo konke okwakuligugu kithi sekungamanxiwa.
- <sup>12</sup> Emva kwakho konke lokhu, hawu Jehova, uzazithinta na? Uzazithulela, usijezise ngokudlulisileyo na?

*Ukwahlulela leNsindiso*

- 65** “Ngizaveza kulabo abangangicelanga; Ngafunyanwa yilabo abangangidinganga. Isizwe esingakhulekanga kimi ngathi kuso, ‘Ngilapha, ngilapha.’”
- <sup>2</sup> Ilanga lonke ngelula izandla zami ebantwini abayiziqholo, abahamba ngezindlela ezingalunganga

- belandela iminakano yabo –
- <sup>3</sup> abantu abahlezi bengicunula bengikhangele, benikela imihlatshelo emasimini, betshisa impepha phezu kwezitina;
- <sup>4</sup> abahlala emangcwabeni balale besenza imilindelo eyimfihlo ebusuku; abadla inyama yengulube, abambiza zabo zigcina umhluzi wenyama engcolileyo;
- <sup>5</sup> abathi, ‘Hlala khatshana, ungasondeli phansi kwami, ngoba ngingcwele kulawe!’ Abantu abanjalo banjengtuthu emakhaleni ami, umlilo ovuthayo ilanga lonke.
- <sup>6</sup> “Khangela, kulotshiwe phambi kwami ukuthi: Angiyikuthula, kodwa ngizaphindisela ngokugcweleyo; ngizaphindisela ngokupheleleyo –
- <sup>7</sup> kokubili izono zenu lezono zaboyihlo,” kutsho uJehova. “Ngoba batshisa imihlatshelo phezu kwezintaba bangihlambaza phezu kwamaqaqa. Ngizaphindisela kubo ngokugcweleyo ngenxa yezenzo zabo abazenza ngaphambili.”
- <sup>8</sup> Nanku akutshoyo uJehova:
- “Njengalapho umhluzi usatholakala ehlukuzweni lamavini labantu besithi, ungalibhidlizi, kusekhona okuhle kulo,’ ngizazenzela okunjalo izinceku zami; angiyikuzibhubhisa zonke.
- <sup>9</sup> Ngizaletha isizukulwane esivela kuJakhobe, lakoJuda kuvele abazakuba ngabanikazi bezintaba zami; zizakuba yilifa labakhethiweyo bami, izinceku zami zizahlala khona.
- <sup>10</sup> ISharoni izakuba ngamadlelo emihlambi lesiGodi sase-Akhoru sizakuba yindawo yokuphumulela imihlambi, eyabantu bami

abangidingayo.

- <sup>11</sup> “Kodwa lina elilahla uJehova  
likhohlwe intaba yami engcwele;  
eliphakulela uNhlanhla ukudla  
ligcwalisele uSimiselo wewayini  
elixutshiweyo,  
<sup>12</sup> ngizalimisela inkemba, njalo lonke  
lizakhothamela ukubulawa,  
ngoba ngamemeza kodwa  
kalisabelanga,  
ngakhuluma kodwa lina kalilalelanga.  
Lenza okubi phambi kwami  
lakhetha okungicunulayo.”
- <sup>13</sup> Ngakho-ke uJehova Wobukhosi uthi:  
“Izinceku zami zizakudla, kodwa lina  
lizalamba; izinceku zami zizanatha,  
kodwa lina lizakoma; izinceku zami  
zizathokoza, kodwa lina lizayangiswa.  
<sup>14</sup> Izinceku zami zizahlabela  
ngentokozo yezinhliziyi zazo, kodwa  
lina lizakhala ngobuhlungu  
bezinhliziyi njalo lilile ngokudabuka  
komoya.  
<sup>15</sup> Lizatshiya ibizo lenu njengesithuko  
kwabakhethiweyo bami;  
uJehova Wobukhosi uzalibulala,  
kodwa izinceku zakhe uzazinika  
elinye ibizo.  
<sup>16</sup> Lowo okhulekela isibusiso elizweni  
uzakwenza lokho ngoNkulunkulu  
weqiniso; lalowo owenza isifungo  
elizweni, uzafunga ngoNkulunkulu  
weqiniso. Ngoba izinhlopheko  
ezedlulayo zizakhohlakala zifihlakale  
emehlweni ami.

#### *Izulu Elitsha Lomhlaba Omutsha*

- <sup>17</sup> “Khangalani, ngizadala izulu elitsha  
lomhlaba omutsha.  
Izinto zakuqala aziyikukhunjulwa,  
kumbe zifike engqondweni.  
<sup>18</sup> Kodwa thabani lijabule kokuphela  
ngalokho engizakudala, ngoba

ngizadala iJerusalema libe yintokozo  
labantu balo babe yinjabulo.

- <sup>19</sup> Ngizathokoza ngeJerusalema njalo  
ngijabule ngabantu bami; ukulila  
lokukhala akusayikuzwakala kulo  
futhi.  
<sup>20</sup> “Kulo akusayikuba khona futhi  
usane oluphila izinsuku ezilutshwana  
kumbe umuntu omdala ongaphelisi  
iminyaka yakhe. Lowo ofa elekhulu  
leminyaka uzakhangela  
njengomutsha nje;  
lowo ongafikiyo ekhulwini  
uzakhangela njengoqalekisiweyo.  
<sup>21</sup> Bazakwakha izindlu bahlale kuzo;  
bazahlanyela izivini badle izithelo  
zazo.  
<sup>22</sup> Kabasayikwakha izindlu zihlalwe  
ngabanye kumbe bahlanye, kudle  
abanye. Ngoba njengezinsuku  
zesihlahla, zizakuba njalo izinsuku  
zabantu bami; abakhethiweyo bami  
bazakholisa umsebenzi wezandla  
zabo okwesikhathi eside.  
<sup>23</sup> Kabayikusebenzela ize,  
kumbe abantwababo bazalelwe  
ukuhlupheka, ngoba bazakuba  
ngabantu ababusiweyo nguJehova,  
bona kanye lezizukulwane zabo.  
<sup>24</sup> Ngizabaphendula bengakakhuleki;  
ngibezwe besakhuluma.  
<sup>25</sup> Impisi lewundlu kuzakudla ndawonye,  
lesilwane sizakudla utshani  
njengenkomo. Kodwa inyoka izakudla  
uthuli. Kaziyikulimaza kumbe  
zibhubhise kuyo yonke intaba yami  
engcwele,” kutsho uJehova.

#### *Ukwahlulela Lethemba*

- 66** Nanku okutshiwo nguJehova:  
“Izulu liyisihlalo sami sobukhosi,  
lomhlaba uyisenabelo sezinyawo  
zami.  
Ingaphi indlu elizangakhela yona na?”

- Indawo yami yokuphumula izakuba ngaphi na?
- <sup>2</sup> Isandla sami kasizenzanga lezizinto Ukuze zibe khona na?"  
kutsho uJehova.
- “Engimbukayo ngulo: lowo othobekileyo ozisolayo emoyeni, olesabayo ilizwi lami.
- <sup>3</sup> Kodwa lowo onikela ngenkunzi ufana lomuntu obulala omunye umuntu,  
lalowo onikela ngewundlu, ufana lowephula intamo yenja; lowo onikela ngamabele ufana lonikela ngegazi lengulube,  
lalowo otshisa impepha yesikhumbuzo ufana lokhonza isithombe.  
Sebekhethe izindlela zabo, lemiphefumulo yabo ithokoziswa yizinengiso zabo;
- <sup>4</sup> ngakho-ke lami ngizakhetha ukubaphatha kalukhuni, ngibehlisele lokho abakwesabayo. Ngoba kwathi lapho ngibiza, kakho owasabelayo, lapho ngikhuluma, kakho owalalelayo. Benza okubi phambi kwami, bakhetha okungicunulayo.”
- <sup>5</sup> Zwanini ilizwi likaJehova lina elilesabayo ilizwi lakhe. Uthi, “Abafowenu abalizondayo, labalixwayayo ngenxa yebizo lami, sebethe, ‘Kadunyiswe uJehova ukuze sibone intokozo yenu!’ Kodwa bazayangiswa.
- <sup>6</sup> Zwanini ukuxokozela okusedolobheni, zwanini umsindo osethempelini! Ngumsindo kaJehova ephindisela ezitheni zakhe ngakho konke okuzifaneleyo.
- <sup>7</sup> “Uthi engakahelwa, abelethe: ubuhlungu bungakayifikeli, azale indodana.
- <sup>8</sup> Ngubani owake wezwa into enje na?
- Ngubani owake wabona izinto ezinje na?  
Ilizwe lingazalwa ngelanga elilodwa loba isizwe sizalwe ngesikhatshana na?  
Ikanti iZiyoni ithi ngokuhelelwa nje ihle ibazale abantwana bayo.
- <sup>9</sup> Kambe ngifikisa esikhathini sokukhululeka ngingabe ngisabelethisa na?” kutsho uJehova.
- <sup>10</sup> “Thokozani leJerusalema lilithabele, lonke lina elilithandayo; thokozani kakhulu lalo lonke lina elilililelayo.
- <sup>11</sup> Ngoba lizamunya lisuthe emabeleni alo aduduzayo; lizanatha kakhulu, lithokoze ngenala yalo enengi.”
- <sup>12</sup> Ngoba lokhu yikho okutshiwo nguJehova:
- “Ngizaletha ukuthula kulo njengesifula esigcweleyo. Lina lizamunya, liphathwe ngengalo yalo, lidlaliswe emadolobheni alo.
- <sup>13</sup> Ngizaliduduzana njengomama eduduzana umntanakhe, njalo lizaduduzeka eJerusalema.”
- <sup>14</sup> Lapho libona lokhu, izinhliziyi zenu zizathokoza, lani likhule njengotshani; isandla sikaJehova sizakwazakala ezincekwini zakhe kodwa ulaka lwkhe luzabonakaliswa ezitheni zakhe.
- <sup>15</sup> Khangelani, uJehova uza ngomlilo, Izingqola zakhe zempi zinjengesivunguzane; ulaka lwakhe uzalwehlisela phansi ngokufuthelana, lokukhuza kwakhe kwehle ngamalangabi omlilo.
- <sup>16</sup> Ngoba ngomlilo langenkemba yakhe uJehova uzakwahlulela abantu bonke, njalo abanengi bazakuba yilabo ababulewe nguJehova.

<sup>17</sup>“Labo abazahlukanisayo, bazihlambulule ukungena emasimini belandela lowo ophakathi kwalabo abadla inyama yengulube lamagundwane kanye lezinye izinto ezinengisayo – isiphetho sabo sizafika sikhathi sinye,” kutsho uJehova.

<sup>18</sup>“Ngenxa yezenzo zabo lemicabango yabo, sekuseduze ukuthi ngizebutsha izizwe zonke lezindimi zonke; njalo bazakuza babone inkazimulo yami.

<sup>19</sup>“Ngizabeka isibonakaliso phakathi kwabo, ngithumele abanye balabo abasalayo ezizweni – eThashishi, kumaLibhiya, lamaLidiyani (alodumo ekusebenziseni imitshoko), eThubali leGrisi lasezihlengeni ezikhatshana ezingakaluzwa udumo lwami kumbe zibone inkazimulo yami. Bazamemezela udumo lwami phakathi kwezizwe.

<sup>20</sup>Njalo bazababuyisa bonke abafowenu entabeni yami engcwele eJerusalema njengomnikelo kuJehova bevela ezizweni zonke – bephezu kwamabhiza, izinqola zempi, izimbongolo lamakamela,” kutsho uJehova.

“Bazababuyisa njengabako-Israyeli beletha iminikelo yabo yamabele ethempelini likaJehova ngezitsha ezihlambulukileyo ngokomkhuba.

<sup>21</sup>Ngizakhetha abanye babo ukuba labo babe ngabaphristi labaLevi,” kutsho uJehova.

<sup>22</sup>“Njengamazulu amatsha lomhlaba omutsha engikwenzayo kuzakuma kokuphela phambi kwami,” kutsho uJehova, “ngokunjalo ibizo lakho lenzalo yakho izakuma kokuphela.

<sup>23</sup>Kusukela ekuthwaseni kwenye inyanga kusiya ekuthwaseni kwenye, njalo kusukela kwelinye iSabatha kusiya kwelinye abantu bonke bazakuza bakhothame phambi kwami,” kutsho uJehova. <sup>24</sup>“Bazaphuma babone izidumbu zabantu abangihlamukelayo;

impethu yazo kayiyikufa, lomlilo wazo kawuyikucitshwa, njalo zizakwenyanyeka ebantwini bonke.”