

# ULUKHA

## *Isingeniso*

**1** Banengi asebazimisela ukuqoqa umlando wezinto esezigwalisekile phakathi kwethu, <sup>2</sup>njengokwedluliselwa kwazo kithi yilabo ababekhona ekuqaleni bengofakazi lezinceku zelizwi. <sup>3</sup>Ngakho-ke njengoba mina ngokwami sengichwayisisile konke kusukela ekuqaleni, ngikubone kukuhle lakimi ukuthi ngikulobe umlando oqondileyo, mhlekazi Thiyofilu, <sup>4</sup>ukuze wazi iqiniso lezinto lezo ozifundisiweyo.

## *Ukubikwa Kokuzalwa KukaJohane UMbhaphathizi*

<sup>5</sup>Ngesikhathi sikaHerodi inkosi yaseJudiya kwakulomphristi okwakuthiwa nguZekhariya, owaye ngowesigaba sika-Abhija esobuphristi; umkakhe u-Elizabethi laye engowosendo luka-Aroni. <sup>6</sup>Bobabili babeqotho emehlweni kaNkulunkulu beyilandela yonke imilayo leziqondiso zeNkosi bengasoleki. <sup>7</sup>Kodwa babe ngelabantwana ngokuba u-Elizabethi wayeyinyumba; njalo bobabili base beluphele.

<sup>8</sup>Kwenzakala ukuthi isigaba sikaZekhariya siyiso esasimiselwe umsebenzi wethempeli ngalesosikhathi,

<sup>9</sup>kwaba lizopho lakhe edliwe yinkatho, mayelana lomkhuba wobuphristi, ukuthi angene ethempelini leNkosi ayotshisa impepha. <sup>10</sup>Kwathi isikhathi sokutshisa impepha sesifikile bonke abakhonzi ababebuthene lapho babethandaza bephandle.

<sup>11</sup>Kwase kubonakala kuye ingilosi yeNkosi imi ekunene kwe-alithare lempepha. <sup>12</sup>UZekhariya wathi eyibona wethuka wesaba kakhulu. <sup>13</sup>Kodwa

ingilosi yathi kuye, "Ungesabi, Zekhariya; umthandazo wakho usuzwakele. Umkakho u-Elizabethi uzakuzalela indodana ofanele ukuyetha ibizo uthi nguJohane. <sup>14</sup>Uzakuba yintokozo lenjabulo kuwe, njalo abanengi bazathokoza ngenxa yokuzalwa kwakhe, <sup>15</sup>ngokuba uzabamkhulu emehlweni eNkosi. Kakumelanga anathe iwayini lanini loba yini ebilisiweyo, njalo uzagcwaliswa ngoMoya oNgcwele kusukela ekuzalweni kwakhe.

<sup>16</sup>Uzabuyisa abantu bako-Israyeli abanengi eNkosini uNkulunkulu wabo. <sup>17</sup>Uzahamba phambili kweNkosi, ngomoya langamandla ka-Elija, ukuguqulela izinhliziyi zaboyise kubantwana babo labayiziqholo elwazini lwabalungileyo – ukuqondisa abantu abalungiselelwe iNkosi."

<sup>18</sup>UZekhariya wayibuza ingilosi wathi, "Ngilithathe ngaphi iqiniso lakho na? Sengilixhegu njalo lomkami useluphele."

<sup>19</sup>Ingilosi yaphendula yathi, "NginguGabhariyeli mina. Ngima phambi kukaNkulunkulu, ngithunyiwe ukuzakhuluma lawe ngikwazise izindaba lezi ezinhle. <sup>20</sup>Okwamanje uzakuba yisimungulu wehluleke ukukhuluma kuze kufike lolosuku okuzakwenzakala ngalo lokhu, ngokuba kawuzange uwakholwe amazwi ami, wona azafezeka ngesikhathi sawo esiqondileyo."

<sup>21</sup>Sonke lesi isikhathi abantu babelokhu bemlindele uZekhariya sebemangele ukuthi kungani elokhu ethe nya ethempelini.

<sup>22</sup>Wathi ephuma esesehluleka ukukhuluma labo. Bananzelela ukuthi wayebone umbono ethempelini ngokuba wayelokhu eqhweba ngezandla kodwa esehluleka ukukhuluma.

<sup>23</sup> Izopho lakhe seliphelile wabuyela ekhaya. <sup>24</sup> Ngemuva kwalokhu umkakhe u-Elizabethi wathatha isisu wasezifihla okwezinyanga ezinhlanu, esithi,

<sup>25</sup> "Inkosi ingenzele lokhu. Kulezi izinsuku itshengisile uthando lwayo yasusa ihlazo lami ebantwini."

*Ukubikwa Kokuzalwa KukaJesu*

<sup>26</sup> Ngenyanga yesithupha uNkulunkulu wathuma ingilosi uGabhariyeli eNazaretha, idolobho elaliseGalile,

<sup>27</sup> ukuya entombini emsulwa eyayithembise ukutshada lendoda eyayithiwa nguJosefa, owesizukulwane sikaDavida. Ibizo lentombi emsulwa kwakunguMariya. <sup>28</sup> Ingilosi yaya kuye yathi, "Sabona, wena othandiweyo! INkosi ilawe."

<sup>29</sup> Amazwi ayo amhlupha kakhulu uMariya wamangala ukuthi kanti kwakuyikubingelela bani lokhu.

<sup>30</sup> Kodwa ingilosi yathi kuye, "Ungesabi, Mariya, uthole umusa kuNkulunkulu.

<sup>31</sup> Uzakhulelwa uzale indodana, uyethe ibizo uthi nguJesu. <sup>32</sup> Uzabangumuntu omkhulu abizwe ngokuthi yiNdodana yoPhezukonke. INkosi uNkulunkulu izamupha isihlalo sikayise uDavida,

<sup>33</sup> njalo uzabusa phezu kwendlu kaJakhobe laphakade; umbuso wakhe kawuyikuphela."

<sup>34</sup> UMariya wayibuza ingilosi wathi, "Lokho kuzakwenzakala kanjani njengoba mina ngimsulwa ngingayazi indoda?"

<sup>35</sup> Ingilosi yaphendula yathi, "UMoya Ongcwele uzakwehlela phezu kwakho, lamandla akhe oPhezukonke azakusibekela. Ngakho ongcwele ozazalwa uzathiwa yiNdodana kaNkulunkulu. <sup>36</sup> Lo-Elizabethi isihlobo sakho uzakuba lomntwana lokuba

eseluphele, yena okwakuthiwa yinyumba usesenyangeni yakhe yesithupha.

<sup>37</sup> Ngokuba kakukho okwahlulayo kuNkulunkulu."

<sup>38</sup> UMariya waphendula wathi, "Ngiyincekukazi yeNkosi. Kakwenzeke kimi njengoba utshilo." Ingilosi yasisuka kuye.

*UMariya Wethekelela u-Elizabethi*

<sup>39</sup> Ngalesosikhathi uMariya wazilungisela waphanga waya edolobheni elizweni lamaqaqa eJudiya, <sup>40</sup> lapho aya khona emzini kaZekhariya wafika wabingelela u-Elizabethi.

<sup>41</sup> Kwathi u-Elizabethi esizwa ukubingelela kukaMariya, umntwana wanyakaza esiswini sakhe, u-Elizabethi wagcwaliswa ngoMoya Ongcwele.

<sup>42</sup> Wakhuluma ngelizwi elikhulu wathi, "Ubusisiwe wena phakathi kwabesifazana, njalo ubusisiwe umntwana ozamzala! <sup>43</sup> Kodwa kungani ngiphiwe inhlanhla engaka mina, ukuba ngethekelelwe ngunina weNkosi yami? <sup>44</sup> Ngonele ukuzwa ukubingelela kwakho kungena ezindlebeni zami, umntwana osesiswini sami wanyakaza ngentokozo. <sup>45</sup> Ubusisiwe lowo osekholiwe ukuthi lokho iNkosi ethe kuzakwenzeka kuye kuzagcwaliseka!"

*Ingoma KaMariya*

<sup>46</sup> UMariya wathi:

"Umphefumulo wami uyayidumisa iNkosi

<sup>47</sup> lomoya wami uyathokoza kuNkulunkulu uMsindisi wami,

<sup>48</sup> ngokuba unanzile ubuphansi bencekukazi yakhe.

Kusukela manje zonke izizukulwane

zizakuthi ngibusisiwe,

- <sup>49</sup> ngokuba uSomandla ungenzele  
izinto ezinkulu –  
lingcwele ibizo lakhe.
- <sup>50</sup> Isihawu sakhe sifinyelela kulabo  
abamesabayo,  
kulanдела isizukulwane  
ngesizukulwane.
- <sup>51</sup> Uyenzile imisebenzi emikhulu  
ngengalo yakhe:  
ubachithile labo abazigqajayo  
ekujuleni kwemicabango yabo.
- <sup>52</sup> Uwethule amakhosi ezihlalweni  
zawo  
kodwa wabaphakamisa abaphansi.
- <sup>53</sup> Ubagwalisile abalambileyo  
ngezinto  
ezinhle  
kodwa abanothileyo ubaxotshile  
beze.
- <sup>54</sup> Uyisizile inceku yakhe u-Israyeli,  
wakhumbula ukuba lesihawu
- <sup>55</sup> ku-Abrahama lesizukulwane sakhe  
laphakade,  
njengoba wakutsho kubobaba  
bethu."
- <sup>56</sup> UMariya wahlala lo-Elizabethi  
izinyanga ezazingaba ntathu wasebuyela  
ekhaya.

*Ukuzalwa kukaJohane uMbhaphathizi*

- <sup>57</sup> Kwathi isikhathi sika-Elizabethi  
sesiphelele esokubeletha wazala  
indodana. <sup>58</sup> Omakhelwana bakhe  
lezihlobo bezwa ukuthi iNkosi  
yayimzwele isihawu esikhulu bathokoza  
kanye laye.
- <sup>59</sup> Ngosuku lwesificamibili beza  
ukuzasoka umntwana, bafuna ukuthi  
bamethe ibizo likayise uZekhariya,  
<sup>60</sup> kodwa unina wala wathi, "Hatshi!  
kathiwe nguJohane."

<sup>61</sup> Bathi kuye, "Kakho ezihlotsheni  
zenu olebizo lelo."

<sup>62</sup> Bakhuluma ngokuqhweba kuyise  
bedinga ukuthi yena uthanda ukuthi  
umntwana aphiwe liphi ibizo. <sup>63</sup> Wacela  
isicecedu sokuloba, wamangalisa wonke  
umuntu ngoba wabhala wathi, "Ibizo  
lakhe nguJohane." <sup>64</sup> Masinyane umlomo  
wakhe wavuleka lolimi  
lwatshwaphuluka waqalisa ukukhuluma  
edumisa uNkulunkulu. <sup>65</sup> Omakhelwana  
bonke bangenwa yikumangala  
okwesabekayo, kwathi elizweni lonke  
lamaqaqa eJudiya abantu babekhuluma  
ngalezizinto.

<sup>66</sup> Wonke owezwayo ngalokho  
wamangala ebuza esithi, "Kambe  
uzakuba yini umntwana lo?" Ngokuba  
isandla seNkosi sasilaye.

*Ingoma KaZekhariya*

<sup>67</sup> Uyise uZekhariya wagwaliswa  
ngoMoya Ongcwele waphrofetha wathi:

- <sup>68</sup> "Udumo kalube seNkosini,  
uNkulunkulu ka-Israyeli,  
ngokuba izile yazahlenga abantu  
bayo.
- <sup>69</sup> Iphakamisile uphondo lwensindiso  
yethu  
endlini yenceku yayo uDavida
- <sup>70</sup> (njengoba yatsho ngabaphrofethi  
bayo  
abangcwele ekadeni),
- <sup>71</sup> ukusindiswa ezitheni zethu  
lesandleni sabo bonke abasizondayo –
- <sup>72</sup> ukutshengisa isihawu kubobaba  
bethu  
lokukhumbula isivumelwano sakhe  
esingcwele,
- <sup>73</sup> isifungo asifunga kubaba wethu  
u-Abrahama:
- <sup>74</sup> ukusikhulula esandleni sezitha zethu,

size siyikhonze singelakwesaba  
<sup>75</sup>ngobungcwele langokulunga  
 phambi kwayo ngazo zonke  
 izinsuku  
 zethu.

<sup>76</sup>Wena mntanami, uzathiwa  
 ungumphrofethi woPhezukonke;  
 ngokuba uzakhamba phambili  
 kweNkosi uyilungisele indlela,  
<sup>77</sup>ukunika abantu bayo ukwazi  
 insindiso  
 ngokuthethelelwa kwezono zabo,  
<sup>78</sup>ngenxa yesihawu sobubele  
 bukaNkulunkulu wethu,  
 okuzakuthi ngabo ilanga lizaphuma  
 lize kithi livela ezulwini  
<sup>79</sup>likhanyise kulabo abahlezi  
 ebumnyameni lasethunzini lokufa,  
 ukukhokhelela izinyawo zethu  
 endleleni yokuthula."

<sup>80</sup>Umntwana wakhula waqina  
 emoyeni; waphila enkangala waze  
 wavela obala ku-Israyeli.

### *Ukuzalwa KukaJesu*

**2** Ngalezozinsuku uKhesari Agastu  
 wakhupha isimemezelo wathi akube  
 lokubalwa kwabantu kulo lonke ilizwe  
 lombuso wamaRoma. <sup>2</sup>(Lokhu  
 kwakuyikubala kokuqala okwenzakala  
 uKhwirinu engumbusi waseSiriya.)

<sup>3</sup>Wonke umuntu waya edolobheni  
 lakibo wayabhalisa.

<sup>4</sup>Kwathi-ke uJosefa laye  
 wahamba esuka edolobheni leNazaretha  
 eseGalile waya eJudiya, eBethlehem  
 idolobho likaDavida, ngokuba waye  
 ngowendlu losendo lukaDavida.

<sup>5</sup>Wayakhona ukuyabhalisa eloMariya,  
 owayesethembise ukwendela kuye,  
 esekhulelwe.

<sup>6</sup>Bathi bekhonale safika isikhathi  
 sokubelethwa komntwana, <sup>7</sup>wazibula  
 ngendodana. Wayigoqela ngamalembu  
 wayilalisa emkolweni wokudlela izifuyo  
 ngokuba babengelandawo endlini  
 yezihambi.

### *Abelusi Lezingilosi*

<sup>8</sup>Kwakulabelusi behlala emlageni  
 eduze kwalapho, belinda imihlambi yabo  
 yezimvu ebusuku. <sup>9</sup>Ingilosi yeNkosi  
 yabonakala kubo, inkazimulo yeNkosi  
 yakhanya ibazingelezile, ngakho besaba  
 kakhulu. <sup>10</sup>Kodwa ingilosi yathi kubo,  
 "Lingesabi. Ngililethele izindaba  
 ezimnandi ezentokozo enkulu ezakuba  
 ngeyabantu bonke. <sup>11</sup>Lamuhla lizalelwe  
 uMsindisi emzini kaDavida;  
 unguKhristu iNkosi. <sup>12</sup>Lokhu kuzakuba  
 yisiboniso kini: Lizafumana umntwana  
 egoqelwe ngamalembu elele esibayeni."

<sup>13</sup>Masinyane kwaqhamuka ixuku  
 lebandla lasezulwini likanye lengilosi  
 lidumisa uNkulunkulu lisithi,

<sup>14</sup>"Inkazimulo kuNkulunkulu phezulu  
 kwaphezulu,  
 emhlabeni ukuthula ebantwini  
 abathokozelwa nguye."

<sup>15</sup>Kwathi izingilosi sezibatshelile  
 zabuyela ezulwini, abelusi  
 bakhulumisana bathi, "Kasihambeni siye  
 eBethlehem siyobona into le  
 esiyenzakele, iNkosi esisitshela ngayo."

<sup>16</sup>Bahle basuka ngokuphangisa, bafica  
 uMariya loJosefa losane olwalulele  
 emkolweni wokudlela izifuyo. <sup>17</sup>Bathi  
 sebembonile umntwana balandisa ilizwi  
 mayelana lalokho ababekutsheliwe  
 ngomntwana lo, <sup>18</sup>kwathi bonke  
 abalizwayo bamangaliswa yilokho

abakuzwa ngabelusi. <sup>19</sup> Kodwa uMariya wazenza igugu zonke lezi izinto wazizikisa enhliziyweni yakhe.

<sup>20</sup> Abelusi babuyela, bedumisa njalo bebabaza uNkulunkulu ngezinto zonke ababezizwile njalo bazibona, zaba yikho kanye ababekutsheliwe.

### *UJesu Uyethulwa Ethempelini*

<sup>21</sup> Ngosuku lwesitshiyambili, sekuyisikhathi sokuthi asokwe, wethiwa ibizo elithi nguJesu, ibizo ayelithiwe yingilosi engakamithwa.

<sup>22</sup> Kwathi lapho sesiphelile isikhathi sabo sokuhlanjululwa mayelana loMkhuba kaMosi, uJosefa loMariya bamusa eJerusalema ukumnikela eNkosini <sup>23</sup> (njengokulotshiweyo eMthethweni weNkosi ukuthi, "Lonke izibulo lesilisa lifanele linikelwe eNkosini"), <sup>24</sup> njalo kwenziwe umhlatshelo kulandelwa lokho okutshiwo nguMthetho weNkosi othi: "amajuba amabili loba izinkwilimba ezisencane ezimbili."

<sup>25</sup> Kwakukhona eJerusalema indoda eyayithiwa nguSimiyoni, eyayilungile, ikholwa. Yayilindele ukududuzwa kuka-Israeli, njalo uMoya Ongcwele wawuphezu kwayo.

<sup>26</sup> Kwakwambuliwe kuye nguMoya Ongcwele ukuthi wayengayikufa engakaboni uKhristu weNkosi.

<sup>27</sup> Waholwa nguMoya wangena emagumeni ethempeli. Kwathi abazali seabemlethile umntwana uJesu lapho ukumenzela lokho okwakufunwa ngumkhubo woMthetho, <sup>28</sup> uSimiyoni wamgona ngezingalo zakhe wadumisa uNkulunkulu esithi:

<sup>29</sup> "Nkosi, Mhlekezazi, njengoba wavele wathembisa,  
manje-ke iyekele ihambe ngokuthula

inceku yakho.

<sup>30</sup> Ngokuba amehlo ami aseiyibonile insindiso yakho,

<sup>31</sup> oyilungisileyo phambi kwabantu bonke,

<sup>32</sup> ukukhanya kokwambulela abezizwe lokwenkazimulo yabantu bakho aba-Israeli."

<sup>33</sup> Oyise lonina womntwana bamangala kakhulu ngalokho okwakukhulunywa ngaye. <sup>34</sup> USimiyoni wasebabusisa, wathi kuMariya unina: "Umntwana lo umiselwe ukuwa lokuvuka kwabanengi ko-Israeli, lokuba yisibonakaliso esizagconwa, <sup>35</sup> ukwenzela ukuthi imicabango yabanengi ivele obala. Njalo inkemba izawugwaza umphefumulo wakho lawe."

<sup>36</sup> Kwakukhona njalo umphrofethikazi, u-Ana, indodakazi kaFanuweli, owesizwana sika-Asheri. Wayesemdala kakhulu: wayephile lomkakhe okweminyaka eyisikhombisa ngemuva kokwenda kwakhe, <sup>37</sup> wesesiba ngumfelokazi waze waba lamatshumi aficamibili lane ubudala. Kazange lanini asuke ethempelini kodwa wayekhonzela ubusuku lemini, ezila njalo ethandaza.

<sup>38</sup> Weza kubo ngalona lelo ithuba, wabonga kuNkulunkulu, wakhuluma ngomntwana kubo bonke ababe lindele ukuhlengwa kweJerusalema.

<sup>39</sup> Kwathi lapho uJosefa loMariya seabekwenzile konke okwakufuneka ngoMthetho weNkosi, babuyela eGalile, edolobheni lakibo elaseNazaretha.

<sup>40</sup> Umntwana wakhula, waqina; wagcwala inhlakanipho, njalo umusa kaNkulunkulu waba phezu kwakhe.

### *Umfana UJesu Esethempelini*

<sup>41</sup> Iminyaka yonke abazali bakhe baya eJerusalema belanda uMkhosi

wePhasika. <sup>42</sup> Kwathi eseleminyaka elitshumi lambili baya eMkhosini njengenjayelo. <sup>43</sup> Kwathi uMkhosi usuphelile, abazali bakhe sebebuyela ekhaya, umfana uJesu wasala eJerusalema, kodwa bona belibele.

<sup>44</sup> Bazihambela ilanga lonke bona becabanga ukuthi ukhona edwendweni lwabo. Base beqalisa ukumdinga phakathi kwezihlobo zabo labangane.

<sup>45</sup> Bathi sebemswela babuyela eJerusalema bayamdinga. <sup>46</sup> Ngemuva kwezinsuku ezintathu bamfumana emagumeni ethempeli, ehlezi phakathi kwabafundisi, elalele njalo eba buza imibuzo. <sup>47</sup> Wonke umuntu owamuzwayo wamangala ngokuzwisisa kwakhe kanye lezimpendulo zakhe.

<sup>48</sup> Abazali bakhe bathi bembona bamangala kakhulu. Unina wathi kuye, "Ndodana, kungani usinqinekisa kangaka? Uyihlo lami besesikhathazekile sikudinga."

<sup>49</sup> Yena wabuza wathi, "Belivele lingidingelani kanti? Belingazi yini ukuthi bekumele ngibe sendlini kaBaba?" <sup>50</sup> Kodwa kabazwisisanga lokho ayekutsho kubo.

<sup>51</sup> Wasehamba labo eNazaretha wahlala ebalalela. Kodwa unina wazenza igugu zonke lezi izinto enhliziyweni yakhe.

<sup>52</sup> UJesu wakhula ngenhlakanipho, langomzimba langokuthandwa nguNkulunkulu labantu.

*UJohane UMbhaphathizi Ulungisa Indlela*

**3** Ngomnyaka wetshumi lanhlanu wokubusa kukaThibheri Khesari – ngesikhathi uPhontiyu Philathu engumbusi eJudiya, uHerodi engumbusi eGalile, umfowabo uFiliphu engumbusi

wase-Ithuriya leThrakhonithi, njalo loLisaniya engumbusi wase-Abhilene –

<sup>2</sup> ngesikhathi leso u-Anasi loKhayifa bengabaphristi abaphezulu, kwafika ilizwi likaNkulunkulu kuJohane indodana kaZekhariya esenkangala.

<sup>3</sup> Wawuhamba wonke ummango waseJodani, etshumayela ubhaphathizo lokuphenduka ukuze izono zithethelelwe. <sup>4</sup> Njengoba kulotshiwe encwadini yamazwi ka-Isaya umphrofethi ukuthi:

“Ilizwi lalowo omemezayo enkangala

lisithi,

‘Lungiselani iNkosi indlela, yenzeleni izindlela eziqondileyo.

<sup>5</sup> Zonke izigodi zizagcwaliswa, zonke izintaba lamaqaqa kuzafinyezelwa phansi.

Izindlela zonke ezimazombezombe zizaqonda, izindlela ezimakhilikithi zizakuba ngumthalala.

<sup>6</sup> Abantu bonke bazayibona insindiso kaNkulunkulu.”

<sup>7</sup> UJohane wathi emaxukwini abantu abezayo ukuthi azobabhaphathiza, "Lina nzalo yamabululu! Lilimukiswe ngubani ukuthi libalekele ulaka oluzayo na?"

<sup>8</sup> Thelani izithelo ezihambelana lokuphenduka. Futhi lingaziyengi ngokuthi, 'Thina silo-Abrahama ongubaba wethu.' Ngoba ngilitshela ukuthi ngawonala amatshe uNkulunkulu angamenzela abantwana u-Abrahama.

<sup>9</sup> Ihloka selibekiwe ezimpandeni zezihlahla, kuthi-ke lesosihlahla esingatheliyo izithelo ezilungileyo sizaqunywa siphoselwe emlilweni."

<sup>10</sup> Abantu bambuza bathi, "Pho kumele senzeni na?"

<sup>11</sup> UJohane waphendula wathi,  
"Leyondoda elamajazi amabili  
kayimuphe ongelalo elinye lalowo  
olokudla kenze njalo."

<sup>12</sup> Labathelisi labo beza  
ukuzabhaphathizwa. Babuza bathi,  
"Mfundisi, kumele senzeni na?"

<sup>13</sup> Wabatshela ukuthi, "Lingathelisi  
ledlulise okufunekayo."

<sup>14</sup> Abanye abebutho bambuza bathi,  
"Thina-ke senzeni?" Waphendula wathi,  
"Lingacindezeli ukuthi liphiwe imali  
njalo lingabeki muntu umlandu  
wamanga – yaneliswani ngumholo  
wenu."

<sup>15</sup> Abantu babehlezi belindele, njalo  
bonke babezibuza ezinhliziyweni zabo  
ingabe uJohane wayenguye yini  
uKhristu. <sup>16</sup> UJohane wabaphendula  
bonke wathi, "Mina ngilibhaphathiza  
ngamanzi. Kodwa yena olamandla  
kulami uzakuza, mina  
okungangilingananga ukuthukulula  
imichilo yamanyathelo akhe.  
Uzalibhaphathiza ngoMoya oNgcwele  
langomlilo. <sup>17</sup> Ukhuni-mbaxa lwakhe  
lokwela useluphethe ezandleni ukuba ele  
asuse esizeni abuthele amabele akhe  
esiphaleni, kodwa uzatshisa amakhoba  
ngomlilo ongacimiyo." <sup>18</sup> Abantu  
waphinde wabalaya ngamanye amazwi  
amanengi anjalo watshumayela kubo  
izindaba ezimnandi.

<sup>19</sup> Kodwa kwathi uJohane esekhuze  
uHerodi umbusi ngenxa kaHerodiya,  
umkamfowabo, langezinye izinto ezimbi  
ayezenzile, <sup>20</sup> uHerodi wakwengezelela  
lokhu kuzo: Wamvalela uJohane  
entolongweni.

*Ukubhaphathizwa KukaJesu Losendo  
Lwakhe*

<sup>21</sup> Kwathi bonke abantu  
bebhaphathizwa, loJesu laye  
wabhaphathizwa. Wathi ekhuleka izulu

lavuleka <sup>22</sup> uMoya Ongcwele wehlela  
kuye ulesimo sejuba. Kweza ilizwi livela  
ezulwini lathi: "Wena uyiNdodana yami  
engiyithandayo; ngiyathokoza kakhulu  
ngawe."

<sup>23</sup> UJesu wayeseleminyaka engaba  
ngamatshumi amathathu eqalisa  
umsebenzi wakhe wokutshumayela.  
Kwakukhunjulwa ukuthi uyindodana  
kaJosefa, indodana kaHeli, <sup>24</sup> indodana  
kaMathathi, indodana kaLevi,

indodana kaMeliki, indodana  
kaJanayi, indodana kaJosefa,

<sup>25</sup> indodana kaMathathiyasi, indodana  
ka-Amosi, indodana kaNahumi,  
indodana ka-Esili, indodana kaNagayi,

<sup>26</sup> indodana kaMahathi, indodana  
kaMathathiyasi, indodana kaSemeyini,  
indodana kaJoseki, indodana kaJoda,

<sup>27</sup> indodana kaJohanani, indodana  
kaResa, indodana kaZerubhabheli,  
indodana kaSheyalithiyeli, indodana  
kaNeri, <sup>28</sup> indodana kaMeliki, indodana  
ka-Adi, indodana kaKhosamu, indodana  
ka-Elimadami, indodana ka-Eri,

<sup>29</sup> indodana kaJoshuwa, indodana ka-  
Eliyezeri, indodana kaJorimu, indodana  
kaMathathi, indodana kaLevi,

<sup>30</sup> indodana kaSimiyoni, indodana  
kaJuda, indodana kaJosefa, indodana  
kaJonami, indodana ka-Eliyakhimu,

<sup>31</sup> indodana kaMeleya, indodana  
kaMena, indodana kaMathatha, indodana  
kaNathani, indodana kaDavida,

<sup>32</sup> indodana kaJese, indodana ka-  
Obhedi, indodana kaBhowazi, indodana  
kaSalimoni, indodana kaNashoni,

<sup>33</sup> indodana ka-Aminadabi, indodana  
kaRama, indodana kaHezironi, indodana  
kaPherezi, indodana kaJuda, <sup>34</sup> indodana  
kaJakhobe, indodana ka-Isaka, indodana  
ka-Abhrahama, indodana kaThera,  
indodana kaNahori,

<sup>35</sup> indodana kaSerugi, indodana  
kaRewu, indodana kaPhelegi, indodana

ka-Ebheri, indodana kaShela, <sup>36</sup> indodana kaKHayinani, indodana ka-Ariphahadi, indodana kaShemu, indodana kaNowa, indodana kaLameki,

<sup>37</sup> indodana kaMethusela, indodana ka-Enoki, indodana kaJaredi, indodana kaMahalaleli, indodana kaKhenani, <sup>38</sup> indodana ka-Enoshi, indodana kaSethi, indodana ka-Adamu, indodana kaNkulunkulu.

### *Ukulingwa KukaJesu*

**4** UJesu, egcwele uMoya oNgcwele, wabuya evela eJodani waqhutshwa nguMoya wamusa enkangala, <sup>2</sup> lapho alingwa khona nguSathane okwezinsuku ezingamatshumi amane. Kadlanga lutho ngalezonsuku, kodwa wacina eselambile ekupheleni kwazo.

<sup>3</sup> USathane wathi kuye, "Uma uyiNdodana kaNkulunkulu, tshela ilitsheli ukuthi libe yisinkwa."

<sup>4</sup> UJesu waphendula wathi, "Kulotshiwe ukuthi: 'Umuntu kaphili ngesinkwa kuphela.' "

<sup>5</sup> USathane wamholela endaweni ephakemeyo wamtshengisa masinyane yonke imibuso yomhlaba. <sup>6</sup> Wasesithi kuye, "Ngizakunika amandla phezu kwayo kanye lobukhazikhazi bayo, ngokuba ngikuphiwe lokhu, njalo ngingapha loba ngubani engifuna ukumupha. <sup>7</sup> Yikho ungaze ungikhonze, konke kuzakuba ngokwakho."

<sup>8</sup> UJesu waphendula wathi, "Kulotshiwe ukuthi: 'Khonza iNkosi uNkulunkulu wakho, ubambelele kuye yedwa.'"

<sup>9</sup> USathane wamholela eJerusalema wayammisa engqongeni yethempeli. "Uma uyiNdodana kaNkulunkulu," kusitsho uSathane, "ziphosele phansi usuka lapha. <sup>10</sup> Phela kulotshiwe, kuthiwa:

" 'Uzathuma izingilosi zakhe kuwe zikulinde ngokunanzelela;

<sup>11</sup> zizakuphatha ngezandla zazo, ukuze ungatshayeledi unyawo lwakho elitsheni.' "

<sup>12</sup> UJesu waphendula wathi, "Kuthi: 'Ungayilingi iNkosi uNkulunkulu wakho.' "

<sup>13</sup> Kwathi uSathane esedelile ngokumlinga konke lokhu, wamtshiya, kuze kuzuzakale isikhathi esingcono.

### *UJesu Uyaliwa eNazareth*

<sup>14</sup> UJesu wabuyela eGalile elamandla kaMoya, izindaba ngaye zanda kuwo wonke ummango.

<sup>15</sup> Wafundisa emasinagogeni abo, abantu bonke bambabaza.

<sup>16</sup> Waya eNazareth, lapho akhuliselwa khona, kwathi mhla weSabatha waya esinagogeni njengenjayelo yakhe. Wasukuma wabala. <sup>17</sup> Umgoqwa-ncwadi yomphrofethi u-Isaya wedluliselwa kuye. Wawutshombulula wafumana indawo okulotshwe khona kwathiwa:

<sup>18</sup> "Umoya weNkosi uphezu kwami, ngokuba ingigcobile ukutshumayela izindaba ezinhle kubayanga. Ingithumile ukumemezela ukukhululwa kwezibotshwa lokusiliswa kweziphofu zibone, ukukhululwa kwabacindezelweyo, <sup>19</sup> ukumemezela umnyaka womusa weNkosi."

<sup>20</sup> Umgoqwa-ncwadi lo wasewugoqa, wawubuyisela esikhonzini, wahlala phansi. Amehlo abo bonke esinagogeni athi njo kuye, <sup>21</sup> waseqalisa ngokuthi kubo, "Lamhla umbhalo usugwalisekile lizizwela."



<sup>22</sup> Bonke bakhuluma kuhle ngaye bemangaliswa ngamazwi amnandi ayephuma emlonyeni wakhe. Babuza bathi, "Kanti kasiyo yini lo indodana kaJosefa na?"

<sup>23</sup> UJesu wathi kubo, "Ngeqiniso lizasitsho kimi lesi isaga esithi: 'Nyanga, zelaphe! Yenza lapha edolobheni lakini lokho esizwa kuthiwa wakwenza eKhaphenawume.' "

<sup>24</sup> Waqhubeka wathi, 'Ngiqinisile ngithi kakulamphrofethi othandekayo edolobheni lakibo. <sup>25</sup> Ngियाqinisa kini ukuthi babebanengi abafelokazi ko-Israyeli ngesikhathi sika-Elija, lapho umkhathi wavaleka okweminyaka emithathu elengxenywe kwaba lendlala enzima elizweni lonke. <sup>26</sup> Kodwa u-Elija kazange athunywe lakoyedwa wabo, ngaphandle komfelokazi eZarefathi emmangweni waseSidoni.

<sup>27</sup> Babebanengi ko-Israyeli ababelobulephero ngesikhathi sika-Elisha umphrofethi, kodwa munye kuphela phakathi kwabo owahlanjululwayo – uNamani kuphela owaseSiriya."

<sup>28</sup> Bonke abantu ababesinagogeni bathi bekuzwa lokhu bathukuthela kakhulu. <sup>29</sup> Basukuma, bamtshovela ngaphandle kwedolobho, bamusa eliweni loqaqa okwakwakhelwe kulo idolobho, beqonde ukumsunduzela phansi edongeni. <sup>30</sup> Kodwa wasuka wahamba wadabula phakathi kwexuku labantu.

#### *UJesu Ukhupha Umoya Omubi*

<sup>31</sup> Wasesiya eKhaphenawume, idolobho elaliseGalile, kwathi ngeSabatha wafundisa abantu.

<sup>32</sup> Bamangaliswa yikufundisa kwakhe ngoba intshumayelo yakhe yayilesisindo.

<sup>33</sup> Esinagogeni lapho kwakulendoda eyayiphethwe lidimoni, umoya

ongcolileyo. Yaklabalala ngelizwi layo lonke yathi, <sup>34</sup> "Hawu! Ufunani kithi, Jesu waseNazaretha? Ulande ukuza sibhubhisa na? Ngiyakwazi ukuthi ungubani – ungoNgcwele kaNkulunkulu!"

<sup>35</sup> "Thula!" watsho ngolaka uJesu. "Phuma kuye!" Idimoni layilahla phansi indoda phambi kwabo bonke laphuma lingayilimazanga indoda.

<sup>36</sup> Bonke abantu bamangala kakhulu bakhulumisana bathi, "Yikufundisa bani lokhu? Ulaya imimoya emibi ngegunya langamandla layo iphume!"

<sup>37</sup> Zamemetheka izindaba ngaye kuwo wonke ummango walapho.

#### *UJesu Uphilisa Abanengi*

<sup>38</sup> UJesu wasuka esinagogeni waya emzini kaSimoni. Uninazala kaSimoni wayegula ebanjwe ngumkhuhlane onzima, base becela uJesu ukuthi amsize. <sup>39</sup> Wasekhotamela kuye wakhuzwa umkhuhlane lowo wahle wamyekela. Wathi lothu masinyane wahle walungisela uJesu ukudla.

<sup>40</sup> Kwathi ilanga selitshona, abantu baletha kuJesu bonke ababe lemikhuhlane eyehlukeneyo wabaphilisa ngokubeka izandla phezu kwalowo lalowo ngamunye. <sup>41</sup> Phezu kwalokho, amadimoni aphuma kwabanengi ememeza esithi, "Wena uyiNdodana kaNkulunkulu!" Kodwa wawakhuzwa kazawavumela ukuthi akhulume ngokuba ayemazi ukuthi unguKhristu.

<sup>42</sup> Emadabukakusa uJesu wasuka waya endaweni ethuleyo. Abantu bamdinga bathi sebefike lapho ayekhona bazama ukumcinezela ukuthi angabatshiyi. <sup>43</sup> Kodwa wathi, "Ngimele ngitshumayeke izindaba ezinhle lakwamanye amadolobho njalo ngokuba yikho engakuthunyelwayo." <sup>44</sup> Waqhubeka etshumayela emasinagogeni aseJudiya.

*Ukubizwa Kwabafundi Bokuqala*

**5** Ngelinye ilanga uJesu emi eduze kweChibi laseGenezareth, abantu beminyezelana kuye belalela ilizwi likaNkulunkulu, <sup>2</sup>wabona ekhunjini lwechibi izikepe ezimbili zitshiywe khonapho ngabagoli benhlanzi ababegezisa amambule abo. <sup>3</sup>Wangena kwesinye isikepe esasingesikaSimoni, wamcela ukuthi akathi gudlu asuke kancane okhunjini. Wasehlala phansi wafundisa abantu ehlezi esikepeni.

<sup>4</sup>Eseqedile ukukhuluma wathi kuSimoni, "Gwedla ungene emanzini atshonayo ucwilise amambule akho ukuze ubambe inhlanzi."

<sup>5</sup>USimoni waphendula wathi, "Nkosi, sisebenze gadalala ubusuku bonke kodwa kasibambanga lutho. Kodwa njengoba usitsho njalo sengizawehlisa amambule."

<sup>6</sup>Kwathi sebenze njalo babamba izinhlazi ezaba zinengi kwaze kwaqalisa ukudabuka amambule. <sup>7</sup>Base bebiza abakhula babo kwesinye isikepe ukuthi bazobelekelela. Beza abakhula babo kwesinye isikepe ukuthi bazobelekelela. Beza bazigcwalisa zombili izikepe zathi phamu zaze zaqalisa ukutshona.

<sup>8</sup>Kwathi uSimoni Phethro ekubona lokhu wazilahla phansi phambi kukaJesu wathi, "Suka kimi, Nkosi; ngingumuntu oyisoni!" <sup>9</sup>Ngokuba yena labakhula bakhe babemangele ngezinhlazi ababezibambile, <sup>10</sup>kwamangalisa njalo uJakhobe loJohane, amadodana kaZebedi, ababe phathisana loSimoni.

UJesu wasesithi kuSimoni, "Ungesabi; kusukela manje usuzagola abantu." <sup>11</sup>Base bedonsela izikepe zabo okhunjini batshiya konke bamlandela.

*Indoda Eyayilobulephero*

<sup>12</sup>Kwathi uJesu ekwelinye lamadolobho kweza indoda eyayigcwele ubulephero. Yathi ibona uJesu yathi mbo phansi ngobuso yamncenga yathi, "Nkosi, uma uthanda ungangihlambulula."

<sup>13</sup>UJesu welula isandla sakhe wayithinta indoda leyo. Wathi, "Ngiyathanda. Hlambuluka!" Masinyane nje ubulephero bahle baphela.

<sup>14</sup>UJesu waseyilaya wathi, "Ungatsheli muntu, kodwa hamba uyozitshengisa kumphristi ubusunikela umhlatshelo owayalwa nguMosi owokuhlanjululwa kwakho, ukuze kube yibufakazi kubo."

<sup>15</sup>Kodwa udumo lwakhe lwanda ngamandla, yikho amaxuku abantu eza ukuza muzwa lokusiliswa emikhuhlaneni yabo. <sup>16</sup>Kodwa kanengi uJesu wayesithi nyelele ayosithela ezindaweni ezithuleyo ayokhuleka.

*UJesu Usilisa Umuntu Owome Umhlubulo*

<sup>17</sup>Ngelinye ilanga elokhu efundisa, kwakuhlezi khonapho abaFarisi labafundisi bomthetho ababephuma emizini yonke yaseGalile abanye bevela eJudiya laseJerusalema. Amandla eNkosi ayekhona kuye ukuze asilise abagulayo. <sup>18</sup>Kwafika amanye amadoda ethwele owome umhlubulo ngecansi bezama ukungena laye endlini bambeke phambi kukaJesu. <sup>19</sup>Bathi sebehlelekile ngenxa yokuminyana kwabantu bakhwela ephahleni bamehlisela phansi ngesikhala bamuthi qithi phakathi kwabantu phambi kukaJesu.

<sup>20</sup>Kwathi uJesu ebona ukholo lwabo wathi, "Mzalwane, izono zakho sezithethelelwe."

<sup>21</sup>AbaFarisi labafundisi bomthetho bakhonona bathi, "Ungubani yena lo umuntu okhuluma inhlamba na?"

Ngubani ongathethelela izono ngaphandle kukaNkulunkulu kuphela na?"

<sup>22</sup> UJesu wayekwazi abakucabangayo wasebuza wathi, "Kungani linakana izinto ezinje ezinhliziyweni zenu na?"

<sup>23</sup> Yikuphi okulula: ukuthi, 'Izono zakho sezithethelelwe,' loba ukuthi, 'Sukuma uhambe'? <sup>24</sup> Kodwa ukuze lazi ukuthi iNdodana yoMuntu ilamandla emhlabeni awokuthethelela izono ." Wasesithi koyisilima, "Ngiyakutshela ngithi sukuma uthathe icansi lakho uye ekhaya." <sup>25</sup> Masinyane wathi lothu phambi kwabo, wabutha ayekade elele phezu kwakho waya ekhaya edumisa uNkulunkulu. <sup>26</sup> Wonke umuntu wamangala, badumisa uNkulunkulu. Baba lesithuli bathi, "Lamuhla sesibone izimanga."

#### *Ukubizwa KukaLevi*

<sup>27</sup> Ngemuva kwalokhu uJesu waphuma wasebona umthelisi owayethiwa nguLevi ehlezi exhokovaneni lakhe lokuthelisa. UJesu wathi kuye, "Ngilandela," <sup>28</sup> uLevi wasukuma, watshiya konke wamlandela.

<sup>29</sup> ULevi wasesenzela uJesu idili elikhulu endlini yakhe, kukhona ixuku labathelisi labanye besidla labo.

<sup>30</sup> Kodwa abaFarisi labafundisi bomthetho abeqembu labo basola kubafundi bakhe bathi, "Lenzelani ukudla linathe labathelisi kanye lezoni na?"

<sup>31</sup> UJesu wabaphendula wathi, "Kakusibo abaphilayo abaswela inyanga, kodwa ngabagulayo. <sup>32</sup> Kangilandanga ukubiza abulungileyo, kodwa ukubiza izoni ukuba ziphenduke.

#### *UJesu Ubuzwa Ngokuzila*

<sup>33</sup> Bathi kuye, "Abafundi bakaJohane bayazila kanengi bekhuleka, njalo

labafundi babaFarisi labo benze njalo, kodwa abakho bahlala besidla, benatha."

<sup>34</sup> UJesu waphendula wathi, "Kungenzeka yini ukuzilisa ukudla abamenyiweyo emthimbeni umyeni esahlezi labo na? <sup>35</sup> Kodwa sizafika isikhathi lapho umyeni ezasuswa kubo; ngalezo izinsuku bazazila ukudla."

<sup>36</sup> Wabatshela umzekeliso lo: "Kakho odabula isichibi esigqokweni esitsha asithungele esigqokweni esidala. Angenzenjalo, uzakuba esesidabule isigqoko esitsha, ikanti isichibi sesitsha kasiyikufanela esidala. <sup>37</sup> Njalo kakwenziwa ukuthela iwayini elitsha emigodleni yezikhumba emidala. Umuntu angenzenjalo iwayini elitsha lizaziqhekeza izikhumba iwayini livuze kuthi lemigodla yezikhumba leyo ihle yonakale. <sup>38</sup> Hatshi, iwayini elitsha lithelwa emigodleni yezikhumba emitsha. <sup>39</sup> Njalo kakho othi eseqale wanatha iwayini elidala alifune elitsha, ngoba uthi, "Elidala lingcono."

#### *INkosi YeSabatha*

**6** Ngelinye iSabatha uJesu wayedabula emasimini alamabele, khonapho abafundi bakhe base bekhwebula amazimba amabele, baqhulula bahlikihla ezandleni badla izinhlamvu. <sup>2</sup> Abanye abaFarisi babuza bathi, "Kungani lisenza okungaphandle komthetho ngeSabatha na?"

<sup>3</sup> UJesu wabaphendula wathi, "Kalikaze libale yini ngokwenziwa nguDavida labakhula bakhe lapho basebelambile? <sup>4</sup> Wangena endlini kaNkulunkulu wathatha isinkwa esingwelisiweyo wadla lokho umthetho owawusithi kudliwe ngabaphristi kuphela. Futhi okunye wakupha abakhula bakhe." <sup>5</sup> UJesu wasesithi kubo,

"INdodana yoMuntu iyiNkosi yeSabatha."

<sup>6</sup>Ngelinye iSabatha waya esinagogeni wafundisa, khonapho kulendoda elesandla sokudla esitshwabheneyo.

<sup>7</sup>AbaFarisi labafundisi bomthetho babedinga izaba lokubeka uJesu icala, yikho bamlinda ukubona ingabe wayezasilisa ngeSabatha.

<sup>8</sup>Kodwa uJesu wakwazi ababekucabanga, wasesithi endodeni yesandla esitshwabheneyo, "Sukuma ume phambi kwabantu bonke." Lakanye yasukuma yema khonapho.

<sup>9</sup>UJesu wasesithi kubo, "Ngiyalibuza, yikuphi okusemthethweni ngelanga leSabatha: ukwenza okuhle kumbe ukwenza okubi, ukusindisa impilo kumbe ukuyibhubhisa?"

<sup>10</sup>Wabakhangelela wabhoda bonke, wasesithi endodeni leyo, "Yelula isandla sakho." Yenza njalo, isandla sayo sasiliswa ngokupheleleyo.

<sup>11</sup>Kodwa bazonda babheda basebecebisa ukuthi benzeni ngoJesu.

#### *Abaphostoli Abalitshumi Lambili*

<sup>12</sup>Ngelinye ilanga uJesu waphuma waya ewatheni lentaba esiya khuleka, waba khonale ubusuku bonke ekhuleka kuNkulunkulu. <sup>13</sup>Kwathi sekusile wasebiza abafundi bakhe wakhetha kubo abalitshumi lambili, wasebaphawula ngokuthi ngabaphostoli: <sup>14</sup>uSimoni (amutha wathi nguPhethro), lomfowabo u-Andreya, uJakhobe, uJohane, uFiliphu, uBhatholomewu, <sup>15</sup>uMathewu, uTomasi, uJakhobe umfoka Alifewu, uSimoni owayethiwa ngumZilothi, <sup>16</sup>uJudasi umfokaJakhobe loJudasi Isikariyothi owaba ngumthengisi.

#### *Izibusiso Lezithithibalis*

<sup>17</sup>Wehla labo bema esigcawini. Kwakubuthene ixuku elikhulu

elabafundi bakhe njalo kulabantu abanengi bevela kulo lonke elaseJudiya, leJerusalema lasemakhunjini olwandle eThire leSidoni, <sup>18</sup>ababeze ukuza muzwa lokuzakwelatshwa izifo zabo. Labo ababehlutshwa ngomoya ababi basiliswa, <sup>19</sup>kwathi bonke abantu bazama ukumthinta ngoba amandla ayephuma kuye ebasilisa bonke.

<sup>20</sup>Wakhangelela abafundi bakhe wathi:

"Libusisiwe lina elimpofu,  
ngoba okwenu ngumbuso  
kaNkulunkulu.

<sup>21</sup>Libusisiwe lina elilambileyo manje,  
ngoba lizasuthiswa.  
Libusisiwe lina elililayo manje,  
ngoba lizahleka.

<sup>22</sup>Libusisiwe lina nxa abantu  
belizonda,  
nxa belibandlulula njalo  
belichothoza  
bephika ibizo lenu besithi  
lingcolile,  
ngenxa yeNdodana yoMuntu.

<sup>23</sup>"Thokozani ngalolosuku liqolotshe ngokuthokoza ngokuba mkhulu umvuzo wenu ezulwini. Ngokuba yiyo indlela oyise abaphatha ngayo abaphrofethi.

<sup>24</sup>"Kodwa maye kini lina elinothileyo, ngoba livele selikwamukele ukuhlala kuhle kwenu.

<sup>25</sup>Maye kini lina elidla kamnandi  
manje,  
ngoba lizalamba.  
Maye kini lina elihlekayo manje,  
ngoba lizakhala lilile.

<sup>26</sup>Maye kini nxa bonke abantu  
belincoma,  
ngoba yiyo indlela oyise abaphatha  
ngayo abaphrofethi bamanga.

*Ukuthanda Izitha*

<sup>27</sup> "Kodwa ngiyalitshela lina elingizwayo, ngithi: Thandani izitha zenu, yenzani okuhle kwabalizodayo,

<sup>28</sup> babusiseni labo abalithukayo, libathandazele labo abalichukuluzayo.

<sup>29</sup> Umuntu angakutshaya esihlathini sakho lesi, muphe lalesiyana. Umuntu angakwemuka ijazi lakho ungamaleli ukuthatha lebhatshi. <sup>30</sup> Phanini loba ngubani ocelayo kini, njalo uma umuntu ethatha ulutho lwakho ungaluthonisi.

<sup>31</sup> Yenza kwabanye lokho ofuna ukuthi bakwenze kuwe.

<sup>32</sup> "Uma lithanda labo abalithandayo, lokho kulibuyiselani na? Lezoni lazo ziyabathanda abazithandayo. <sup>33</sup> Njalo uma lisenza okuhle kulabo abalungileyo kini, lokho kulibuyiselani? Lezoni ziyakwenza lokho. <sup>34</sup> Njalo uma liboleka labo elizazuza imbadalo kubo, lokho kulibuyiselani na? Lezoni ziboleka izoni zilindele ukubhadalwa ngokugcweleyo. <sup>35</sup> Kodwa thandani izitha zenu, lizenzele okuhle, njalo lizeboleke lingalindeli lutho kuzo. Lapho-ke umvuzo wenu uzakuba mkhulu, njalo lizakuba ngamadodana akhe oPhezukonke, ngokuba ulomusa kwabangabongiyo labayizigangi. <sup>36</sup> Wobani lesihawu njengoYihlo olesihawu.

*Ukwahlulela Abanye*

<sup>37</sup> "Lingehluleli, yikho lani kaliyikwehlulelwa. Lingamlahli omunye, yikhona lani lingayikulahlwa. Thethelelani, lani lizathethelelwa.

<sup>38</sup> Phanini, lani lizaphiwa. Kuzathiwa qithi kini kugcwaliswe phamu, kwabandezelwa, kwakhuhluzwa kwaze kwaphuphuma. Ngoba ngasonaleso silinganiso elisisebenzisayo, lani lizalanganiselwa ngaso."

<sup>39</sup> Waphinde wabatshela umzekeliso lo: "Isiphofu kambe singakhokhela isiphofu

na? Kabazukuwela emgodini bobabili na?

<sup>40</sup> Umfundi kamdluli umfundisi wakhe, kodwa wonke osefundiswe ngokupheleleyo usenjengomfundisi wakhe.

<sup>41</sup> "Kungani ukhangela ucezwana oluselihlweni lomfowenu na kodwa ungazidubi ngokhuni olukwelakho ilihlo na? <sup>42</sup> Ungatsho njani kumfowenu uthi, 'Mfowethu, akuthi ngikukhuphe ucezwana oluselihlweni lakho,' kodwa wena ngokwakho usehluleka ukubona ukhuni elihlweni lakho na? Wena mzenzisi, qala ukhuphe ukhuni oluselihlweni lakho anduba ubone kuhle nxa usukhupha ucezwana elihlweni lomfowenu.

*Isihlahla lezithelo zaso*

<sup>43</sup> "Kakulasihlahla esihle esizala izithelo ezimbi, njalo lesihlahla esibi kasizali izithelo ezinhle. <sup>44</sup> Yilesosihlahla saziwa ngezithelo zaso. Abantu kabakhi umkhiwa ezihlahleni zameva loba amagirebisi esingeni. <sup>45</sup> Umuntu olungileyo uletha izinto ezinhle eziphuma kokuhle okulonjwe enhliziyweni yakhe, njalo lomuntu omubi uphuhliza ububi obuphethuka enhliziyweni yakhe. Ngoba umlomo ukhuluma lokho okuphuphuma enhliziyweni.

*Umakhi Ohlakaniphileyo Loyisiwula*

<sup>46</sup> "Kungani lingibiza lisithi, 'Nkosi, Nkosi' kodwa lingakwenzi engikutshoyo? <sup>47</sup> Ngizalitshengisa ukuthi ngonjani oza kimi ezwe amazwi ami enze akutshoyo. <sup>48</sup> Unjengomuntu owayesakha indlu, owebha phansi watshona wabeka isisekelo phezu kwedwala. Kwathi kufika isikhukhula umsinga wayitshaya indlu kodwa awaze wayizamamazisa, ngokuba yayakhiwe

kuhle. <sup>49</sup> Kodwa lowo owezwayo amazwi ami kodwa angakwenzi akutshoyo unjengomuntu owakha indlu emhlabathini kungelasisekelo. Umsinga wonela ukuyitshaya leyondlu yabhidlika yaphela du."

*Ukholo Lwenduna Yekhulu*

**7** Kwathi uJesu eseqedile ukukhuluma

konke lokhu abantu labo besizwa wayangena eKhaphenawume.

<sup>2</sup> Khonapho inceku yenduna yekhulu eyayiligugu kakhulu enkosini yayo, yayigula isilengela ekufeni. <sup>3</sup> Induna yekhulu yezwa ngoJesu yathuma kuye abanye abadala babaJuda icela ukuba eze azosilisa inceku yayo. <sup>4</sup> Bafika kuJesu bamncenga kakhulu bathi, "Indoda le ifanele ukuthi uyenzele lokhu, <sup>5</sup> ngokuba iyasithanda isizwe sakithi njalo yiyo eyakha isinagogi yethu."

<sup>6</sup> Ngakho uJesu wahamba labo.

Wayengasekhatshana lendlu lapho induna yekhulu yathuma abangane bayo ukuyakuthi kuye, "Nkosi, ungazihluphi, akungifanelanga mina ukuthi ungene ngaphansi kophahla lwami. <sup>7</sup> Yikho okwenze ukuthi ngingazake nginakane ukuthi ngize kuwe. Kodwa tshono ilizwi nje, inceku yami izasila. <sup>8</sup> Ngokuba mina ngokwami ngingumuntu olawulayo, ngilamabutho angaphansi kwami. Lo ngimtshela ngithi, 'Hamba, ' ahambe; kuloyana ngithi, 'Woza,' eze. Ngingathi encekwini yami, 'Yenza lokhu,' ikwenze."

<sup>9</sup> UJesu wathi ekuzwa lokhu, wamangala ngaye, wasephendukela exukwini labantu ababemlandela wathi, "Ngiyalitshela, kangikaluboni ukholo olukhulu kangaka kanye lako-Israyeli."

<sup>10</sup> Abantu ababethunyiwe babuyela endlini bafica inceku isiziphilela.

*UJesu Uvusa Indodana Yomfelokazi*

<sup>11</sup> Kungakabi yisikhathi eside ngemuva kwalokhu, uJesu waya edolobheni okwakuthiwa yiNayini, abafundi bakhe kanye lexuku labantu elikhulu babehamba laye. <sup>12</sup> Wathi esebanga entubeni yedolobho, khonapho umuntu ofileyo wayethwelwe ekhutshelwa ngaphandle – eyiyo yodwa indodana kanina wayo, lowonina engumfelokazi. Ixuku elikhulu labantu bedolobheni lalilaye. <sup>13</sup> Kwathi uJesu embona umfelokazi, wamzwela usizi wathi kuye, "Ungakhali."

<sup>14</sup> Wasesondela wathinta ithala elalilesidumbu, kwathi labo ababelithwele bema mpo. Wathi, "Jaha, ngithi kuwe vuka!" <sup>15</sup> Indoda efileyo yavuka yahlala, yasikhuluma, uJesu wayinika unina.

<sup>16</sup> Bonke bagewala ukwesaba badumisa uNkulunkulu. Bathi, "Umphrofethi omkhulu usevelile phakathi kwethu. UNkulunkulu usefikile ukuzasiza abantu bakhe." <sup>17</sup> Udumo lukaJesu lwamemetheka kulo lonke elaseJudiya, lemmangweni wakhona.

*UJesu LoJohane UMbhaphathizi*

<sup>18</sup> Abafundi bakaJohane bamtshela ngazo zonke lezi izinto. Wabiza ababili kubo <sup>19</sup> wabathuma eNkosini ukuyabuza ukuthi, "Unguye yini owayesiza, kumbe silindele omunye na?"

<sup>20</sup> Amadoda lawo athi efika kuJesu athi, "UJohane uMbhaphathizi usithumile kuwe ukuthi sizobuza sithi, 'Unguye yini obezakuza kumbe silindele omunye?'"

<sup>21</sup> Ngasona lesi sikhathi uJesu wasilisa abanengi ababelezifo, lemikhuhlane lemimoya emibi, wathungulula iziphofu ezinengi.

<sup>22</sup> Waseziphendula izithunywa wathi, "Buyelani liyobikela uJohane

elikubonileyo lelikuzwileyo: Iziphofu zenziwa zibone, abaqhulayo bayahamba, labo abalobulephero bayasiliswa, izacuthe ziyezwa, abafuleyo bayavuswa lezindaba ezinhle ziyatshunyayelwa kubayanga. <sup>23</sup> Ubusisiwe lowomuntu ongakhubekiyo ngenxa yami."

<sup>24</sup> Sezihambile izithunywa zikaJohane uJesu wakhuluma ebantwini ngoJohane wathi: "Laphuma lisiyabonani enkangala na? Umhlanga uzunguzwa ngumoya na?"

<sup>25</sup> Kungayisilokho, pho lalisiyabonani? Indoda ececileyo ngezizigqoko ezinhle na? Hatshi, labo abagqoka izizigqoko ezidulayo bazitike ngezinto ezinhle basezigodlweni. <sup>26</sup> Kodwa kanti kuyini elaphuma lisiyakubona? Umphrofethi yini? Yebo, ngiyalitshela, omkhulu kulomphrofethi. <sup>27</sup> Nguye lowo okulotshwe ngaye ukuthi:

“ Ngizathuma isigijimi sami phambi kwakho,  
esizalungisa indlela yakho  
phambi kwakho."

<sup>28</sup> Ngiyalitshela ukuthi kubo abazalwa ngabesifazana kakho omkhulu kuloJohane; ikanti lowo omncinyane kakhulu embusweni kaNkulunkulu mkhulu kulaye."

<sup>29</sup> (Bonke abantu, kanye labathelisi, bathi sebewazwile amazwi kaJesu bavuma ukuthi indlela kaNkulunkulu yayilungile, ngoba babebhaphathizwe nguJohane. <sup>30</sup> Kodwa abaFarisi lezazi zomthetho bayala injongo

kaNkulunkulu ngabo, ngokuba babengabhaphathizwanga nguJohane.)

<sup>31</sup> "Pho ngingabalinganisa lani abantu balesi isizukulwane? Bafana lani?"

<sup>32</sup> Banjengabantwana abahlezi emsikeni wokuthengisela bememezana besithi:

" Salitshayela umhubhe,

kalaze lagida  
salihlabelela isikhalo,  
kodwa kalililanga."

<sup>33</sup> Ngoba uJohane uMbhaphathizi weza engadli isinkwa njalo enganathi iwayini, lina bese lisithi, 'Uledimoni.' <sup>34</sup> Indodana yoMuntu yeza, yadla yanatha, laselisithi, 'Nansi isiminzi lesidakwa, umngane wabathelisi lezoni.' <sup>35</sup> Kodwa ukuhlakanipha kubonakaliswa ukuthi kuqondile yibo bonke abantwana bakho."

*UJesu Ugcotshwa Ngumfazi Oyisoni*

<sup>36</sup> Omunye wabaFarisi wanxusa uJesu ukuzakudla laye okwakusihlwa, ngakho waya endlini yalowo mFarisi wahlala weyama etafuleni. <sup>37</sup> Kwathi owesifazana othile owayephila impilo yesono kulelodobho esezwile ukuthi uJesu wayesidla endlini yomFarisi weza ephethe umfuma wamakha, <sup>38</sup> kwathi esemi ngemuva kukaJesu ngasezinyaweni ekhala, wamanzisa izinyawo zakhe ngezinyembezi. Wasezesula izinyawo zikaJesu ngezinwele zakhe, wazanga wase ethela amakha kuzo.

<sup>39</sup> Kwathi lowomFarisi owayemnxusile ekubona lokho wazitshela wathi, "Aluba indoda le ibingumphrofethi, ibizakwazi ukuthi ngubani oyicumbacumbayo lokuthi ungumfazi onjani – ukuthi uyisoni."

<sup>40</sup> UJesu wamphendula wathi, "Simoni, kukhona engifuna ukukutshela khona." Wathi, "Ngitshela, mfundisi."

<sup>41</sup> "Amadoda amabili ayelesikwelede semali kumboleki wemali. Oyedwa wayelesikwelede samadenariyu angamakhulu amahlanu, omunye esamatshumi amahlanu.

<sup>42</sup> Bobabili babengelayo imali yokumbhadala, ngakho wasewucitsha

umlandu wabo bobabili. Manje nguwuphi wabo ozamthanda okudlula omunye na?"

<sup>43</sup>USimoni waphendula wathi, "Ngibona kungathi ngulowo owaxolelwa isikwelede esikhulu."

UJesu wathi, "Ubone kuhle."

<sup>44</sup>Wasephendukela kowesifazana wathi kuSimoni,

"Uyambona na owesifazana lo? Ngifikile endlini yakho, kawungiphanga amanzi ezinyawo zami, kodwa yena uthambise izinyawo zami ngezinyembazi zakhe, wazesula ngezinwele zakhe. <sup>45</sup>Kawunganganga, kodwa owesifazana lo selokhu ngingenileyo lapha akemanga ukwanga izinyawo zami. <sup>46</sup>Kawuthelanga amafutha ekhanda lami, kodwa yena uthele amakha ezinyaweni zami.

<sup>47</sup>Yikho-ke ngiyakutshela ukuthi izono zakhe ezinengi sezithethelelwe – ngokuba utshengise uthando olukhulu. Kodwa lowo othethelelwe okuncinyane uthanda kancinyane."

<sup>48</sup>UJesu wasesithi kowesifazana, "Izono zakho sezithethelelwe."

<sup>49</sup>Ezinye izethekeli zasezibuzana zisithi, "Ungubani kanti yena lo oze athethelele izono na?"

<sup>50</sup>UJesu wasesithi kowesifazana, "Ukukholwa kwakho kukusindisile; hamba ngokuthula."

### *Umzekeliso Womhlanyeli*

**8** Ngemuva kwalokho uJesu

wahambahamba engena kuleli laleli idolobho lemizi, ememezela izindaba ezinhle zombuso kaNkulunkulu. Abalitshumi lambili babelaye, <sup>2</sup>kanye labesifazana ababephilisiwe emimoyeni emibi lezifeni: uMariya (owayethiwa nguMagdalena) okwakuphume kuye

amadimoni ayisikhombisa; <sup>3</sup>uJowana umkaKhuza, umlawuli wendlu kaHerodi; uSusana; labanye abanengi. Abesifazana laba babebasiza ngabakuswelayo izindleko zingezabo.

<sup>4</sup>Kwathi sekubuthana ixuku labantu elikhulu labantu besiza kuJesu beqhamuka emadolobheni atshiyeneyo wabatshela lo umzekeliso:

<sup>5</sup>"Umlimi waphuma wayahlanyela. Wathi elokhu eyihaza inhlanyelo, eyinye yawela endleleni; yanyathelwa, izinyoni zemoyeni zayidobha. <sup>6</sup>Eyinye yawela edwaleni, yathi isathi iyakhula yabuna ngoba yayingelabumanzi. <sup>7</sup>Eyinye inhlanyelo yawela phakathi kwameva, akhula kanye layo aminyezela izihlahlana zayo. <sup>8</sup>Kanjalo eyinye inhlanyelo yawela emhlabathini ovundileyo. Yakhula yathela amabele, eva ngekulu okudlula okwakuhlanyelwe."

Wathi esetsho lokhu wamemeza wathi, "Lowo olazo izindlebe, kezwe."

<sup>9</sup>Abafundi bakhe bambuza ukuthi umzekeliso lowo wawusitshoni.

<sup>10</sup>Wathi, "Ulwazi lwemfihlo yombuso kaNkulunkulu seliluphiwe lina, kodwa kwabanye ngikhuluma ngemizekeliso, ukuze kuthi

" 'loba bebona, bangaboni;  
loba besizwa, bangaqedisisi.'

<sup>11</sup>"Nansi incazelo yomzekeliso: Inhlanyelo iyilizwi likaNkulunkulu.

<sup>12</sup>Labo abasendleleni ngabalizwayo, kodwa uSathane eze alihluthune ilizwi ezinhliziyweni zabo, ukuze bangakholwa basindiswe. <sup>13</sup>Labo abasedwaleni yibo abemukela ilizwi ngentokozo nxa belizwa, kodwa kabalampande. Bayakholwa okwesikhatshana, kodwa kuthi ngesikhathi sobunzima bagudluke. <sup>14</sup>Inhlanyelo eyawela emeveni imele



labo abezwayo, kodwa baqhubeke ngeyabo indlela bakhanywe yizinhlupheko zempilo, inotho kanye lezikhohlisisayo, bangabe besakhula baphelele. <sup>15</sup> Kodwa inhlanyelo esemhlabathini ovundileyo imele labo abalenzliziyo enhle, elungileyo, abalizwayo ilizwi, baligcine bathi ngokubambelela bathele izithelo.

*Isibane Phezu Kwesiqobane*

<sup>16</sup> "Kakho olumathisa isibane asifihle ngaphansi kwesitsha kumbe asibeke ngaphansi kombheda. Kodwa usibeka esiqobaneni ukuze kuthi labo abangenayo babone ukukhanya. <sup>17</sup> Ngokuba kakukho okufihliweyo okungakuvezwa obala, njalo akukho okuthukuziweyo okungayikwaziwa kumbe kuchaywe obala. <sup>18</sup> Ngakho nanzelelani ukuthi lilalela kanjani. Lowo olakho uzakwengezelelwa; lowo ongelakho lalokho athi ulakho uzakwemukwa."

*Unina KaJesu Labafowabo*

<sup>19</sup> Unina kaJesu labafowabo beza ukuzambona kodwa behluleka ukufinyelela kuye ngenxa yokuminyana kwabantu. <sup>20</sup> Omunye wamtshela wathi, "Unyoko labafowenu bakulindele phandle, bafuna ukukubona."

<sup>21</sup> Waphendula wathi, "Umama labafowethu yilabo abalizwayo ilizwi likaNkulunkulu balenze."

*UJesu Uthulisa Isiphepho*

<sup>22</sup> Ngelinye ilanga uJesu wathi kubafundi bakhe, "Kasiyeni ngaphetsheya kwechibi." Base bengena esikepeni bahamba. <sup>23</sup> Bathe belokhu behamba yena walala. Kwafika isiphepho phezu kwechibi isikepe saqalisa ukugalula, baba sengozini embi.

<sup>24</sup> Abafundi bahamba bayamvusa besithi, "Nkosi, Nkosi, nanku sesigalula bo!" Wavuka wawukhuza umoya lamanzi ayeyabuka; isiphepho sadeda, kwathula cwaka. <sup>25</sup> Wababuza abafundi bakhe, wathi, "Kungaphi ukukholwa kwenu na?" Babuzana ngokumangala lokwesaba bathi, "Kanti ungubani lo? Ukhuza kanye lomoya lamanzi kumlalele."

*Ukusiliswa Kwendoda Ephethwe lidimoni*

<sup>26</sup> Bagwedla isikepe baya emmangweni wamaGerasene, okungaphetsheya kwechibi kusuka eGalile. <sup>27</sup> Kwathi uJesu esehla okhunjini wahlangabezwa yindoda ephethwe lidimoni iqhamuka ngasedolobheni. Indoda le yayisilesikhathi eside ingavunuli zigqoko, ingahlali endlini, kodwa ihlala emathuneni. <sup>28</sup> Yathi ibona uJesu, yahlaba umkhosi yazilahla ezinyaweni zakhe iklabalala ngelizwi elikhulu isithi, "Ufuna ukungenzani, Jesu, Ndodana kaNkulunkulu oPhezukonke? Ngiyakuncenga, ungaze wangichukuluza!" <sup>29</sup> Ngokuba uJesu wayeseyale umoya omubi ukuthi uphume kuleyondoda. Izikhathi ezinengi wawumdumela, kwale loba wayebotshwe ngamaketane ezandleni lezinyaweni njalo ehlezi elindiwe, wayewaqamula amaketane idimoni limfuqele enkangala.

<sup>30</sup> UJesu wambuza wathi, "Ungubani ibizo lakho?"

"NginguLigiyoni," waphendula, ngoba amadimoni amanengi ayengene kuye. <sup>31</sup> Amncenga futhi futhi ukuthi angawalayi ukuthi ayewolokothela eMgodini oNgelamkhawulo.

<sup>32</sup> Umhlambi omkhulu wezingulube wawusidla khonapho eceleni koqaqa. Amadimoni acela uJesu ukuthi awavumele ukuyangena kuzo, laye

wawavumela.<sup>33</sup> Amadimoni aphuma endodeni ayangena ezingulubeni, umhlambi wathi zimu ubaleka wayakhalakathela eliweni wagxumukela echibini wagalula.

<sup>34</sup> Labo ababelusile izingulube lezo bonela ukubona okwasekwenzakele babaleka bayabika edolobheni lemmangweni wakhona,<sup>35</sup> abantu base beqonda khonale ukuyabona okwasekwenzakele. Bathi befika kuJesu bayifumana indoda okwakukhutshwe kuyo amadimoni ihlezi ezinyaweni zikaJesu, igqokile njalo ingqondo isibuyile; besaba kakhulu.

<sup>36</sup> Labo ababebonile kusenzakala batshela abantu ukuthi indoda eyayiphethwe lidimoni yasiliswa njani.

<sup>37</sup> Kwasekusithi bonke abantu bommango wamaGerasene bamcela uJesu ukuthi kasuke kubo ngokuba babekhulelwa yikwesaba. Ngakho wangena esikepeni wahamba.

<sup>38</sup> Indoda leyo eyakhutshwa amadimoni yamncenga ukuthi ahambe layo, kodwa uJesu wala wathi,<sup>39</sup> "Buyela ekhaya uyofakaza ukuthi uNkulunkulu ukwenzeleni." Yikho indoda yahamba yafakaza kulo lonke idolobho konke uJesu ayeyenzele khona.

### *Intombazana Efileyo Lowesifazana Ogulayo*

<sup>40</sup> Kwathi uJesu esebuyile wahlangabezwa lixuku labantu elikhulu, ngokuba bonke babemlindele.<sup>41</sup> Indoda eyayithiwa nguJayiroso, umbusi wesinagogi, yeza yazilahla ezinyaweni zikaJesu, imncenga ukuthi eze endlini yayo<sup>42</sup> ngokuba indodakazi yayo eyodwa zwi, intombazana eyayileminyaka elitshumi lambili, yayisifa. Kwathi uJesu esesiya khona abantu bamminyezela ingathi bazampatshaza.<sup>43</sup> Khonapho kwakulowesifazana owayekade

ephethwe yikopha okweminyaka elitshumi lambili, kodwa kungekho owayengamsiza.<sup>44</sup> Weza ngemuva kukaJesu wathinta umphetho wesigqoko sakhe, kwathi masinyane ukopha kwaphela.

<sup>45</sup> UJesu wabuza wathi, "Ngubani ongithintileyo?" Kwathi ngoba bonke bephika uPhethro wathi, "Nkosi, abantu bayaminyezelana besondela kuwe."

<sup>46</sup> Kodwa uJesu wathi, "Ukhona ongithintileyo; ngiyazi ukuthi amandla aphumile kimi."

<sup>47</sup> Owesifazana esebone ukuthi uzacina eboniwe weza ethuthumela wazilahla ezinyaweni zakhe. Wachaza phambi kwabantu bonke ukuthi kungani wayemthintile uJesu lokuthi wasiliswa njani masinyane.<sup>48</sup> UJesu wasesithi kuye, "Ndodakazi, ukholo lwakho lukusilisile. Hamba ngokuthula."

<sup>49</sup> Kwathi uJesu elokhu esakhuluma omunye weza evela endlini kaJayiroso umbusi wesinagogi, wafika wathi, "Indodakazi yakho isifile. Ungabe usamhlupha umfundisi."

<sup>50</sup> UJesu wathi ekuzwa lokhu wathi kuJayiroso, "Ungesabi, wena kholwa kuphela, izaphiliswa."

<sup>51</sup> Wathi esefikile endlini kaJayiroso kavumelanga muntu ukungena laye ngaphandle kukaPhethro loJohane loJakhobe, kanye loyise womntwana lonina.<sup>52</sup> Kunjalo nje inengi labantu babekhihliza isililo bekhalela intombazana. UJesu wathi kubo, "Thulani ukukhala. Kafanga kodwa ulele."

<sup>53</sup> Bamhleka uJesu ngoba besazi ukuthi intombazana yayisifile.<sup>54</sup> Kodwa wayibamba ngesandla wathi, "Mntanami, vuka!" Umoya wayo wabuya, masinyane yasukuma yathi lothu!

<sup>55</sup> UJesu wasesithi kabamnike ukudla.  
<sup>56</sup> Abazali bakhe bamangala, kodwa wabalaya ukuthi bangatsheli muntu ngalokho okwakwenzakele.

*UJesu Uthumela Abalitshumi Lambili*

**9** UJesu esebizele abalitshumi Lambili ndawonye wabapha amandla lemvumo ukuthi bakhuphe wonke amadimoni, belaphe lemikhuhlane,

<sup>2</sup> njalo wasebathuma ukuyatshumayela umbuso kaNkulunkulu lokuphilisa abagulayo, <sup>3</sup> Wabatshela wathi, "Lingaziphatheli lutho ohambeni

Iwenu – loba udondolo, umgodla, loba isinkwa, imali loba isigqoko sokuntshintsha.

<sup>4</sup> Loba yiyiphi indlu elingena kuyo, hlalani kuyo lize lisuke kulelodobho.

<sup>5</sup> Nxa abantu bengalemukeli, thintithani uthuli ezinyaweni zenu nxa selisuka kulelodobho, kube yibufakazi bokubalahla." <sup>6</sup> Base besuka bangena imizi ngemizi, betshumayela ivangeli njalo besilisa abantu ezindaweni zonke.

<sup>7</sup> Ngalesosikhathi uHerodi umbusi wakuzwa konke lokho okwakusenzakala. Wakhathazeka kakhulu ngokuba abanye babesithi uJohane wayesevusiwe kwabafileyo, <sup>8</sup> abanye labo bathi u-Elija wayebonakele, kanti abanye njalo bathi omunye wabaphrofethi bekadeni wayesevukile waphila. <sup>9</sup> Kodwa uHerodi wathi, "UJohane ngamquma ikhanda. Pho ungubani-ke lo engizwa izinto ezinje ngaye?" Wazama ukuthi ambone.

*UJesu Usuthisa Abazinkulungwane ezinhlanu*

<sup>10</sup> Abaphostoli sebuyile babika kuJesu ngakho konke ababekwenzile. Wasebathatha waya labo edolobheni

elalithiwa yiBhethisayida beyibo bodwa, <sup>11</sup> kodwa amaxuku abantu ezwa ukuthi ukhonale base bemlandela. Wabemukela wabatshela ngombuso kaNkulunkulu, wasilisa labo ababekuswela ukusiliswa.

<sup>12</sup> Emini abalitshumi Lambili beza kuye bathi, "Wothi abantu kabahambe ukuze baye emizini eseduze lasemaphandleni bayozidingela ukudla lezindawo zokulala ngokuba lapha sisendaweni ekhatshana eyisikhala."

<sup>13</sup> Waphenduka wathi, "Bapheni lina ukudla."

Baphendula bathi, "Thina silezinkwa ezinhlanu lezinhlanzi ezimbili kuphela – ngaphandle kokuthi sihambe siyothenga ukudla kwabantu bonke laba."

<sup>14</sup> (Kwakulamadoda angaba yizinkulungwane ezinhlanu khonapho.)

Kodwa wathi kubafundi bakhe, "Bahlaliseni phansi ngamaxuku abantu abangamatshumi amahlanu ngalinye."

<sup>15</sup> Benza njalo abafundi, wonke umuntu wahlala phansi. <sup>16</sup> Wathatha izinkwa zonhlanu lezinhlanzi zombili wakhangele ezulwini, wabonga wasezihlephula. Waseziqhubela abafundi ukuthi bazinike abantu.

<sup>17</sup> Bonke badla basutha, abafundi basebebutha bagcwalisa izitsha ezilitshumi lambili imvuthuluka eyasalayo.

*Isivumo SikaPhethro NgoKhristu*

<sup>18</sup> Ngesinye isikhathi uJesu wathi ekhuleka ekusithekeni, abafundi bakhe belaye, wabuza wathi, "Kanti abantu abanengi bathi ngingubani na?"

<sup>19</sup> Baphendula bathi, "Abanye bathi unguJohane uMbhaphathizi; abanye bathi ungu-Elija; kuthi abanye njalo bathi ungomunye wabaphrofethi bekadeni osephila njalo."

<sup>20</sup> Wabuza bona wathi, "Pho lina-ke? Lithi ngingubani?"

Waphendula uPhethro wathi,  
"UnguKhristu kaNkulunkulu."

<sup>21</sup> UJesu wabaqonqosela ukuthi lokhu bangakutsheli muntu. <sup>22</sup> Wasesithi, "Indodana yoMuntu izangena phakathi kokuhlupheka okukhulu yaliwe ngabadala, langabaphristi abakhulu kanye labafundisi bomthetho, besekumela ukuthi ibulawe kodwa ngelanga lesithathu ivuswe kwabafileyo."

<sup>23</sup> Wasesithi kubo bonke: "Nxa ekhona ofisa ukungilandela kufanele azidele athwale isiphambano sakhe izinsuku zonke angilande. <sup>24</sup> Ngoba lowo ofisa ukuphephisa impilo yakhe izamlahlekela, kodwa lowo olahlekelwa yimpilo yakhe ngenxa yami uzayiphephisa. <sup>25</sup> Kumsizani umuntu ukuzuza wonke umhlaba kodwa alahlekelwe loba ancitshwe ubunguye bakhe na? <sup>26</sup> Nxa umuntu eyangeka ngami langamazwi ami, iNdodana yoMuntu izayangeka ngaye nxa isifikile ngenkazimulo yayo langenkazimulo kaYise lezingilosi ezingwele.

<sup>27</sup> Ngilithshela iqiniso ngithi abanye abemi khonapha kabayikukuzwa ukufa bengakawuboni umbuso kaNkulunkulu."

*Ukukhazimuliswa kukaJesu*

<sup>28</sup> Kwakungaba yizinsuku ezificamibili ngemva kokuba uJesu esekhulumile lokho, wathatha uPhethro loJohane loJakhobe waya entabeni ukuya khuleka.

<sup>29</sup> Wathi ekhuleka isimo sobuso bakhe saguquka lezigqoko zakhe zakhazimula njengokuphazima kombane. <sup>30</sup> Amadoda amabili, uMosi lo-Elija, <sup>31</sup> abonakala ebenyezela ngenkazimulo, ekhuluma loJesu. Babekhuluma ngokusuka kwakhe okwasekusondele ukuthi kugcwaliseke eJerusalema. <sup>32</sup> UPhethro labakhula bakhe babe lobuthongo kakhulu, kodwa sebephapheme, bayibona inkazimulo yakhe lamadoda amabili ayemi laye.

<sup>33</sup> Kwathi amadoda lawo esesuka kuJesu uPhethro wathi kuye, "Nkosi, kumnandi kithi ukuba lapha. Kasakhe amadumba amathathu – elakho, elinye elika Mosi lelinye elika-Elija." (Wayengakwazi lokho ayekutsho.)

<sup>34</sup> Wathi esakhuluma kwehla iyezi labagubuzela, bona besaba ekungeneni kwabo eyezini.

<sup>35</sup> Kwaphuma ilizwi eyezini lathi, "Lo yiNdodana yami engiyikhethileyo; yilaleleni." <sup>36</sup> Ilizwi selikhulumile, uJesu bambona eseyedwa. Abafundi bakugcina ezifubeni zabo lokhu, kabaze batshela muntu ngalesosikhathi ngababekubonile.

*Ukusiliswa Komfana Owayelomoya Omubi*

<sup>37</sup> Ngosuku olulandelayo, sebhile entabeni, wahlangabezwa lixuku labantu abanengi. <sup>38</sup> Enye indoda exukwini yamemeza yathi, "Mfundisi, ngiyakuncenga ukuthi uke ukhangele indodana yami, ngoba inguye yedwa umntwana engilaye. <sup>39</sup> Umoya uyamjuma abaseklabalala; uyamgiqa ajanquke abesebhubhudla amagwebu emlonyeni. Usuhlezi udlala ngaye nje usufuna ukumqeda. <sup>40</sup> Bengicele abafundi bakho ukuthi bawuxotshe kodwa behlulekile."

<sup>41</sup> UJesu waphendula wathi, "Hawu, sizukulwane esingakholwayo, esixhwalileyo, ngihlale lani kuze kube nini ngilokhu ngilibekezelela na? Ilethe lapha indodana yakho."

<sup>42</sup> Kwathi lapho umfana elokhu esalethwa kuye idimoni lambhuqa phansi ebhinqika. Kodwa uJesu wawukhuza umoya omubi, wamsilisa umfana wambuyisela kuyise. <sup>43</sup> Bonke bamangala kakhulu ngobukhulu bukaNkulunkulu.

Kwathi wonke umuntu esamangele ngalokho uJesu ayekwenzile, wathi kubafundi bakhe, <sup>44</sup> "Likulalele kuhle

lokhu esengizalishela khona: Indodana yoMuntu izanikelwa ezandleni zabantu."

<sup>45</sup> Kodwa kabezwisisanga ukuthi lokhu kwakusitshoni. Kwakufihliwe kubo, yikho kabakubambisisanga, kodwa besaba ukumbuza ngakho.

*Ngubani Ozabamkhulu Kulabanye?*

<sup>46</sup> Kwaba lokuphikisana kubafundi ngokuthi ngubani kubo owayezabamkhulu kulabanye. <sup>47</sup> UJesu, eyazi imicabango yabo, wathatha umntwana omncane wammisa eceleni kwakhe. <sup>48</sup> Wasesithi kubo, "Lowo owamukela umntwana lo omncane ngebizo lami wemukela mina, lalowo owamukela mina wemukela lowo ongithumileyo. Ngoba lowo onguye omncinyane kulani lonke phakathi kwenu lonke – nguye omkhulu kini lonke."

<sup>49</sup> UJohane wathi, "Nkosi, sibone indoda ikhupha amadimoni ngebizo lakho, sazama ukumyekelisa ngoba engasuye omunye wethu."

<sup>50</sup> UJesu wathi, "Lingamaleli, ngoba lowo ongamelani lani ukanye lani."

*Ukwaliwa eSamariya*

<sup>51</sup> Kwathi isikhathi sesisondele ukuthi athathwe aye ezulwini, uJesu wazimisela ukuthi aye eJerusema. <sup>52</sup> Wasethuma izigijimi phambi kwakhe zaya eSamariya emzini othile ukumlungisela ukufika kwakhe; <sup>53</sup> kodwa abantu bakhona kabamemukelanga ngoba wayesedlulela eJerusema. <sup>54</sup> Kwathi abafundi oJakhobe loJohane bekubona lokho bathi, "Nkosi, uyafuna na ukuthi sibize umlilo uvele ezulwini uzobabhubhisa?" <sup>55</sup> Kodwa uJesu waphenduka wabakhuza <sup>56</sup> (wathi, "Kalikwazi ukuthi lingabomoya bani, ngoba iNdodana yoMuntu kayilandanga ukuzabhubhisa impilo

yabantu, kodwa ukuyisindisa.) Yikho basebesiya komunye umuzi.

*Ubunzima Bokulandela UJesu*

<sup>57</sup> Bathi belokhu behamba endleleni, enye indoda yathi kuye, "Ngizakulandela loba ungaze uye ngaphi."

<sup>58</sup> UJesu waphendula wathi, "Amakhanka alemilindi lezinyoni zemoyeni zilezidleke, kodwa iNdodana yoMuntu kayilandawo yokuqamelisa ikhanda layo."

<sup>59</sup> Wathi kwenye indoda, "Ngilandela." Kodwa indoda yaphendula yathi, "Nkosi, akume kengiqale ngiyengcwaba ubaba."

<sup>60</sup> UJesu wathi kuyo, "Yekela abafuleyo bangcwabe abafuleyo babo, kodwa wena hamba uyomemezela umbuso kaNkulunkulu."

<sup>61</sup> Kwathi omunye njalo wathi, "Ngizakulandela, Nkosi; kodwa akuthi kengiyovalelisa abakithi."

<sup>62</sup> UJesu waphendula wathi, "Kakho othi angabamba ikhuba elima athalaze emuva owufaneleyo umsebenzi oqondane lombuso kaNkulunkulu."

*UJesu Uthumela Abangamatshumi Ayisikhombisa Lambili*

**10** Ngemva kwalokhu iNkosi yakhetha abanye abangamatshumi ayisikhombisa lambili ukuba bamandulele baye kuwo wonke amadolobho lezindawo lezo ayesezazihambela. <sup>2</sup> Wabatshela wathi, "Isivuno sinengi, kodwa abasebenzi balutshwana. Ngakho celani iNkosi yesivuno ukuthi ithumele abasebenzi ensimini yayo yesivuno. <sup>3</sup> Hambani! Ngilithumela linjengamazinyane lisiya phakathi kwamaganyana. <sup>4</sup> Lingathwali isikhwama kumbe umxhaka loba

amanyathela; njalo lingabingeleli muntu endleleni.

<sup>5</sup>"Nxa lingena endlini, qalani lithi, 'Ukuthula akube kule indlu.' <sup>6</sup>Nxa kulomuntu woxolo lapho, ukuthula kwenu kakube kuye; uma kungenjalo kuzabuyela kini. <sup>7</sup>Hlalani kuleyondlu, lidle njalo linathe loba yini abalinika khona ngokuba isisebenzi kumele sizuze iholo laso. Linganqumi lezindlu lihlala lapha lalapha.

<sup>8</sup>"Nxa lifika edolobheni lamukelwe khona, dlanini lokho elikuphiwayo. <sup>9</sup>Silisani abagulayo abayabe belapho, njalo libatshela lithi, 'Umbuso kaNkulunkulu useduze kwenu.' <sup>10</sup>Kodwa nxa lingafika edolobheni lingemukelwa, yanini ezitaladini zalo lithi, <sup>11</sup>'Lothuli lwedolobho lenu olunamathele ezinyaweni zethu siyaluthintithela kini. Kodwa yazini lokhu: Umbuso kaNkulunkulu ususeduze.'

<sup>12</sup>Ngiyalitshele, okweSodoma kuzakuba ngcono ngalelolanga kulokwalelodolobho.

<sup>13</sup>"Maye kuwe, Khorazini! Maye kuwe, Bethisayida! Ngokuba aluba imimangaliso eyenzelwa kuwe ngabe yenzelwa eThire leSidoni ngabe kade baphenduka kudala, bahlala esilotheni bevunule amasaka. <sup>14</sup>Kodwa kuzakuba ngcono okweThire leSidoni mhla wokwahlulela kulokuza kuwe. <sup>15</sup>Lawe, Khaphenawume, uzaphakanyiselwa phezulu emkhathini na? Hatshi, uzakwehla uyephansi ekujuleni.

<sup>16</sup>"Lowo olalela lina ulalela mina; lowo olahla lina ulahla mina; kodwa lowo ongalayo wala yena owangithumayo."

<sup>17</sup>Abangamatshumi ayisikhombisa lambili babuya bethokoza bathi, "Nkosi, lamadimoni ayasithobela ngebizo lakho."

<sup>18</sup>Waphendula wathi, "Ngimbonile uSathane esiwa njengombane esuka ezulwini.

<sup>19</sup>Ngiliphile amandla okugxoba izinyoka lezinkume lokunqoba wonke amandla esitha; kakukho okuzalilimaza. <sup>20</sup>Kodwa lingathatshiswa yikuthi imimoya iyazithoba kini, kodwa thokoziswani yikuthi amabizo enu alotshiwe ezulwini."

<sup>21</sup>Ngalesosikhathi uJesu egcwele intokozo ngoMoya Ongcwele wathi, "Ngiyakudumisa, Baba, Nkosi yasezulwini lasemhlabeni, ngokuba uzifihlile lezizinto kwabahlakaniphileyo labafundileyo wazambula ebantwaneni abancinyane. Yebo, Baba, ngoba lokhu kwakuyikuthanda kwakho okuhle.

<sup>22</sup>"Zonke izinto zinikelwe kimi nguBaba. Kakho owaziyo ukuthi ingubani iNdodana ngaphandle kukaBaba, njalo kakho omaziyo uBaba ukuthi ungubani ngaphandle kweNdodana lalabo iNdodana ekhetha ukumveza kubo."

<sup>23</sup>Wasephendukela kubafundi bakhe wathi kubo ngasese, "Abusisiwe amehlo abona lokhu elikubonayo lina.

<sup>24</sup>Ngokuba ngiqinisile ukuthi abaphrofethi abanengi lamakhosi bafisa ukubona lokhu elikubonayo kodwa kabakubonanga, lokuzwa lokhu elikuzwayo kodwa kabakuzwanga."

*Umzekeliso WomSamariya Olesihawu*

<sup>25</sup>Ngesinye isikhathi isazi somthetho saphakama samlinga uJesu. Sabuza sathi, "Mfundisi, ngingenzani ukuze ngizuze ilifa lempilo engapheliyo na?"

<sup>26</sup>"Kubhalweni emthethweni?" kuphendula uJesu. "Kuyini okufunda khona?"

<sup>27</sup>Waphendula wathi, "Thanda iNkosi uNkulunkulu wakho ngenhliziyo yakho yonke, langomphefumulo wakho wonke,

langamandla akho wonke, njalo langengqondo yakho yonke;’ njalo, 'Thanda umakhelwana wakho njengoba uzithanda wena.' "

<sup>28</sup> UJesu waphendula wathi, "Uphendule kuhle. Kwenze lokhu, uzaphila.

<sup>29</sup> Kodwa wayefuna ukuzigeza, wasebuza kuJesu, wathi, "Kanti ngubani ongumakhelwana wami na?"

<sup>30</sup> UJesu waphendula ngokuthi: "Indoda yayihamba iphuma eJerusalema isiya eJerikho, yaqabuka isihlaselwa ngabaphangi. Bayihlubula izigqoko zayo, bayitshaya base behamba, beyitshiya iqalekile. <sup>31</sup> Kwakulomphristi owayehamba ngaleyo ndlela, owathi eyibona indoda leyo waceza kwelinye icele. <sup>32</sup> Wenza njalo lomLevi, wafika kuleyondawo wayibona indoda wakhekheleza wedlula. <sup>33</sup> Kodwa umSamariya, wathi ezihambela wafika lapho indoda eyayikhona, wathi eyibona wayizwela usizi. <sup>34</sup> Waya kuyo, wawabopha amanxeba ayo, elokhu ethela amafutha lewayini. Waseyikhweza kubabhemi wakhe indoda leyo wayisa endlini yezihambi wayinakekela. <sup>35</sup> Ngosuku olulandelayo wakhupha izinhlamvu ezimbili zesiliva wazinika umphathi wendawo. Wathi, 'Mgcine, kuzakuthi nxa sengibuya ngizalibhadala lezozindleko eziyabe zisele.'

<sup>36</sup> "Ngubani pho kulaba abathathu wena obona ukuthi wayengumakhelwana wendoda leyo eyahlaselwa ngabaphangi na?"

<sup>37</sup> Isazi somthetho saphendula sathi, "Ngulowo owaba lesihawu kuyo."

UJesu wamtshela wathi, "Hamba wenze njalo."

*Ekhaya LaboMatha LoMariya*

<sup>38</sup> Kwathi uJesu labafundi bakhe besekuhambeni kwabo, wafika emzini okwakukhona owesifazana othiwa nguMatha, owamamukela ngesihle emzini wabo. <sup>39</sup> Wayelomfowabo owayethiwa nguMariya, owahlala ezinyaweni zeNkosi elalele lokho eyayikukhuluma. <sup>40</sup> Kodwa uMatha waphazanyiswa yikulungiselela okunengi okwakumele kwenziwe. Weza kuJesu wabuza wathi, "Nkosi, kawunanzeleli yini ukuthi udadewethu uyangiyekelela umsebenzi? Mtshele ukuthi kangelekelele!"

<sup>41</sup> INkosi yaphendula yathi, "Matha, Matha, uhlutshwa njalo ukhathazeke ngezinto ezinengi, <sup>42</sup> kodwa kusweleka into eyodwa. UMariya ukhethe okungcono, okungasoze akwemukwe futhi."

*UJesu Ufundisa Ukukhuleka*

**11** Ngelinye ilanga uJesu

wayekhuleka kwenye indawo. Wathi eseqedile, omunye wabafundi bakhe wathi kuye, "Nkosi, sifundise ukukhuleka, njengoJohane owafundisa abafundi bakhe."

<sup>2</sup> Wathi kubo, "Nxa likhuleka, alibokuthi:

" 'Baba, kalidunyiswe ibizo lakho, umbuso wakho kawuze,

<sup>3</sup> Siphe usuku ngosuku isinkwa sethu sansuku zonke.

<sup>4</sup> Sithethelele izono zethu, ngokuba lathi siyabathethelela bonke

abasonayo thina.

Njalo ungasiholeli ekulingweni.' "

<sup>5</sup> Wasesithi kubo, "Akekuthi omunye wenu ulomngane, aye kuye phakathi kobusuku athi, 'Mfowethu, akungeboleke izinkwa ezintathu, <sup>6</sup> ngoba umngane wami ophakathi kohambo uzofihla ikhanda kwami, kodwa kangilalutho engingamupha lona.'

<sup>7</sup> "Besekusithi ongaphakathi aphenndule athi, 'Ungangikhathazi. Umnyango usukhiyiwe njalo mina labantwabami sesilele. Ngingezake ngivuke ngikuphe loba yini.'

<sup>8</sup> Ngiyalitshela ukuthi loba ubengafuni ukuvuka amuphe isinkwa ngokuba engumngane, kodwa ngenxa yokuphikelela kwendoda uzaze avuke amuphe konke akuswelayo.

<sup>9</sup> "Ngakho ngithi kini: Celani lizaphiwa; dingani lizafumana; qoqodani lizavulelwa umnyango. <sup>10</sup> Ngoba wonke ocelayo uyaphiwa; lowo odingayo uyafumana; lakulowo oqoqodayo umnyango uyavulwa.

<sup>11</sup> "Ngubani kini bobaba, okuthi nxa indodana yakho icela inhlanzi wena uyiphe inyoka na? <sup>12</sup> Loba icela iqanda umuphe inkume na? <sup>13</sup> Nxa lina, elithi loba libabi, kodwa likwazi ukupha abantwabenu izipho ezilungileyo, pho uYihlo osezulwini uzabapha ngokudlulayo kangakanani uMoya Ongewele kulabo abamcelayo!"

### *UJesu LoBhelizebhubhi*

<sup>14</sup> UJesu wayekhupha idimoni elaliyisimungulu. Lathi idimoni selisuka, indoda eyayiyisimungulu yakhuluma, ixuku labantu lamangala. <sup>15</sup> Kodwa abanye bathi, "Ukhupha amadimoni ngoBhelizebhubhi induna yamadimoni."

<sup>16</sup> Abanye bamlinga ngokumcela isiboniso esivela ezulwini.

<sup>17</sup> UJesu wayeyazi imicabango yabo wasesithi kubo: "Lowombuso odabukeneyo uyadilika, lendlu

edabukeneyo izakuwa. <sup>18</sup> Aluba uSathane edabukene phakathi, umbuso wakhe ungema kanjani na? Ngikutsho lokhu ngoba lithi mina ngikhupha amadimoni ngoBhelizebhubhi. <sup>19</sup> Pho, uma ngikhupha amadimoni ngoBhelizebhubhi, abalandeli benu bawakhupha ngobani? Yebo kambe, sekuyibo abazakuba ngabehluleli benu. <sup>20</sup> Kodwa nxa ngikhupha amadimoni ngomunwe kaNkulunkulu, lapho-ke umbuso kaNkulunkulu usufikile kini.

<sup>21</sup> "Nxa indoda eqinileyo, ihlome yaphelela, ilinde indlu yayo, izimpahla zayo zivikelekile. <sup>22</sup> Kodwa kungahlasela olamandla kulayo ayehlule uyayemuka izikhali indoda le ebikade ithembele kuzo abesahlukanisa impango.

<sup>23</sup> "Lowo ongemanga lami umelana lami, lalowo ongabuthiyo lami uyachithiza.

<sup>24</sup> "Lapho umoya omubi uphuma emuntwini, uyaphumputheka enkangala udinga ukuphumula kodwa ungakufumani. Ubususithi, 'Ngizabuyela endlini engayitshiyayo.' <sup>25</sup> Uthi ufika, ufumane leyondlu ithanyelwe yahlanzeka yalungiswa kuhle.

<sup>26</sup> Ubusuhamba uyogwegwa eminye imimoya eyisikhombisa emibi okudlula wona, ingene ihlale khona. Isiphetho yikuthi isimo saleyondoda sizaba sibi kulesakuqala."

<sup>27</sup> Kwathi uJesu elokhu esakhuluma lezizinto, owesifazana wamemeza esexukwini wathi, "Ubusisiwe lowomama owakuzalayo wakondla."

<sup>28</sup> Waphendula wathi, "Kungenani, ababusisiweyo yilabo abalizwayo ilizwi likaNkulunkulu balilalele."

### *Isibonakaliso SikaJona*

<sup>29</sup> Kwathi amaxuku elokhu esanda, uJesu wathi "Lesi yisizukulwane esixhwalileyo. Sifuna isibonakaliso



esingummangaliso, kodwa kasisoze sibe khona ngaphandle kwesibonakaliso sikaJona. <sup>30</sup>Ngaleyondlela uJona aba yisibonakaliso ngayo kumaNineve, ngokunjalo iNdodana yoMuntu izakuba njalo kulesi isizukulwana. <sup>31</sup>INKosikazi yaseNingizimu izavuka ekwahlulelweni kanye labantu balesi sizukulwane ibalahle; ngokuba yeza ivela emaphethelweni omhlaba izokuzwa inhlakanipho kaSolomoni, kodwa manje lowo omkhulu kuloSolomoni usekhona lapha. <sup>32</sup>Abantu baseNineve bazaphakama kanye lalesi sizukulwane ekwahlulelweni basilahle; ngoba bona baphenduka uJona aze atshumayeke, pho manje lowo omkhulu kuloJona usekhona lapha.

#### *Isibane Somzimba*

<sup>33</sup>"Kakho olumathisa isibane abesesibeka ekusithekeni, kumbe ngaphansi komganu. Kodwa usibeka esiqobaneni saso, ukuze kuthi labo abangenayo babone ukukhanya. <sup>34</sup>Ilihlo lakho liyisibane somzimba. Nxa amehlo akho elungile umzimba wakho wonke ugcewele ukukhanya. Kodwa nxa emabi, umzimba wakho lawo ugcewele ubumnyama. <sup>35</sup>Qaphelani-ke ukuthi ukukhanya okuphakathi kwenu kakusumnyama. <sup>36</sup>Ngakho, nxa umzimba wakho wonke ugcewele ukukhanya, kungekho ingxenye esemnyameni, wonke uzakhanyiswa, kube njengokuba ukukhanya kwesibane kukukhanyisa."

#### *Izithithibaliso Eziyisithupha*

<sup>37</sup>UJesu eseqedile ukukhuluma umFarisi wamnxusa ukuthi azokudla laye; wasehamba wayakweyama etafuleni. <sup>38</sup>Kodwa umFarisi wananzelela ukuthi uJesu kaqalanga ngokugeza engakadli, kwamangalisa.

<sup>39</sup>INKosi yathi kuye, "Uyabona, lina baFarisi lihlanza ngaphandle kwenkomitshi lomganu, kodwa ngaphakathi kwenu ligcewele ubuhwaba lobubi. <sup>40</sup>Lina bantu abayiziwula! Lowo owenza ingaphandle kenzanga lengaphakathi na? <sup>41</sup>Ngakho phanini lokho okungaphakathi komganu kwabampofu, lapho-ke konke kuzakuba sekuhlanzekile kini.

<sup>42</sup>"Maye kini baFarisi, ngokuba lipha uNkulunkulu okwetshumi kwazo zonke izithelo zesivande senu kodwa lidele ukwenza okulungileyo kanye lokuthanda uNkulunkulu. Ngabe liyakwenza lokhu kodwa lingakuyekelanga okwetshumi.

<sup>43</sup>"Maye kini baFarisi, ngokuba lithanda izihlalo eziqakathekileyo emasinagogeni njalo lithanda lokubingelelwa ezindaweni zokuthengisela.

<sup>44</sup>"Maye kini, ngokuba linjengamadlinza angakhelwanga, abantu abahamba phezu kwawo bengazi ukuthi akhona."

<sup>45</sup>Omunye wezazi zomthetho wamphendula wathi, "Mfundisi, nxa usitsho njalo uyasithuka lathi."

<sup>46</sup>Waphendula uJesu wathi, "Lani zazi zomthetho, maye kini, ngokuba lethesa abantu ngemithwalo abangeke bayithwale, ikanti lani livele kalithi thiki ukubancedisa.

<sup>47</sup>"Maye kini, ngokuba lakha amangcwaba abaphrofethi, bona ababulawa ngokhokho benu. <sup>48</sup>Ngakho lifakaza ukuthi liyakuvuma lokho okhokho benu abakwenzayo; bababulala abaphrofethi, lina-ke selisakha amangcwaba abo. <sup>49</sup>Ngenxa yalokhu, uNkulunkulu wathi, ngokuhlakanipha kwakhe, 'Ngizabathumela abaphrofethi labaphostoli, abanye bazababulala abanye bazabaphatha ngochuku.'

<sup>50</sup>Ngakho lesizukulwana yiso esizathwala umlandu wegazi

labaphrofethi bonke elachithwayo, kulokhu kwadabuka umhlaba, <sup>51</sup> kusukela egazini lika-Abela kusiya egazini likaZekhariya, owabulawa phakathi laphakathi kwe-alithare lendlini engcwele. Yebo, ngiyalitshela, isizukulwana lesi sizakwetheswa umlandu wakho konke.

<sup>52</sup> "Maye kini zazi zomthetho, ngokuba seliyivalile intuba yolwazi. Lina ngokwenu kalingenanga, laphinde lavimbela labo abebesithi bayangena."

<sup>53</sup> UJesu wathi esesuka lapho abaFarisi labafundi bomthetho base bephikisana laye kubi, sebemthela ngemibuzo, <sup>54</sup> bezama ukungwenxa ngokunye ayengakutsho.

### *Izixhwayiso Lezikhuthazo*

**12** Ngalesosikhathi, sekubuthene isixhobexhobe sezinkulungwane zabantu, sebenyathelana, uJesu waqala wakhuluma kubafundi bakhe esithi, "Qaphelani imvubelo yabaFarisi, iyikuzenzisa. <sup>2</sup> Kakukho okufihliweyo okungakubekwa obala, lokuthukuziweyo okungayikudalulwa. <sup>3</sup> Lokho okukhulume emnyameni kuzazwiwa emini lithe bha, lalokho obukunyenyezela endlebeni ezindlini zangaphakathi kuzamenyazelwa phezulu kophahla lwezindlu.

<sup>4</sup> "Ngiyalitshela, bazalwane, lingabesabi labo ababulala umzimba kungabikhona okunye abangakwenza ngemuva kwalokho. <sup>5</sup> Kodwa ngizalitshengisa lowo okumele limesabe: Mesabeni lowo, othi esebulele umzimba, abe lamandla okuphosela esihogweni. Yebo, ngiyalitshela, mesabeni. <sup>6</sup> Izintaka ezinhlanu kazithengiswa ngezindibilitshi ezimbili na? Kodwa kayikho lanye yazo uNkulunkulu ayilibalayo. <sup>7</sup> Ngempela, izinwele zekhanda lakho zibaliwe.

Lingesabi; lina liligugu okudlula izintaka ezinengi.

<sup>8</sup> "Ngiyalitshela, lowo ongivumayo phambi kwabantu iNdodana yoMuntu layo izamvuma phambi kwezingilosi zikaNkulunkulu.

<sup>9</sup> Kodwa lowo ongiphikayo phambi kwabantu uzaphikwa phambi kwezingilosi zikaNkulunkulu. <sup>10</sup> Wonke umuntu okhuluma kubi ngeNdodana yoMuntu uzathethelelwa, kodwa lowo ohlambaza uMoya Ongcwele akayikuthethelelwa.

<sup>11</sup> "Uma limiswa phambi kwamasinagogi, laphambi kwababusi labaphathi lingazihluphi ngokuthi lizazilamulela lithini, kumbe lizakhuluma kuphi, <sup>12</sup> ngokuba uMoya Ongcwele uzalifundisa ngalesosikhathi lokho elifanele likutsho."

### *Umzekeliso Wesinothi Esiyisiwula*

<sup>13</sup> Omunye emphakathini wathi kuye, "Mfundisi, tshela umfowethu ukuthi angabele lami ilifa."

<sup>14</sup> UJesu waphendula wathi, "Ndoda, ngibekwe ngubani ukuba ngumahluleli kumbe umlamuli wenu?"

<sup>15</sup> Wasesithi kubo, "Qaphelani! limukani yonke imihlobo yobuhaga; isiqokoqela sempilo yomuntu kasikho ebunengini benotho yakhe."

<sup>16</sup> Wasebatshela umzekeliso lo: "Insimu yenye indoda eyayinothile yaphuma inala enkulu. <sup>17</sup> Wasenakana wathi, 'Kambe ngenzeni? Angilandawo yokubeka amabele ami.'

<sup>18</sup> "Yasisithi, 'Nanku engizakwenza. Ngizazidiliza iziphala zami ngakhe ezinkulu kulazo, besengithela khona wonke amabele ami kanye lezinye izimpahla zami. <sup>19</sup> Ngizazitshela ngithi, 'Usulezinto ezinengi ezinhle ezizakwanela iminyakanyaka. Ikhohise manje impilo; dlana, unathe uthokoze.'"

<sup>20</sup> "Kodwa uNkulunkulu wathi kuye, 'Wena siwula ndini! Ngabona lobu ubusuku impilo yakho izathathwa. Pho ngubani ozazuza lokhu obusuzilungisele khona na?'"

<sup>21</sup> "Yikho lokhu okuzakwenzeka kulowo ozibekela inotho kodwa enganothanga kuNkulunkulu."

### *Lingakhathazeki*

<sup>22</sup> UJesu wasesithi kubafundi bakhe: "Ngakho ngilitshela ukuthi lingakhathazeki ngokuphila kwenu, ukuthi lizakudlani; kumbe ngomzimba wenu, ukuthi lizagqokani. <sup>23</sup> Impilo iyakudlula ukudla, lomzimba uyazidlula izambatho. <sup>24</sup> Ake likhumbule ngamawabayi: Kawahlanyeli kumbe avune, kawalasiphala; kodwa uNkulunkulu uyawapha ukudla. Manje lina liqakatheke okudlula izinyoni! <sup>25</sup> Ngubani kini ongathi ngokukhathazeka engeze ihora elilodwa empilweni yakhe na? <sup>26</sup> Manje, uma lingake liyenze into le encinyane kangaka, lizihluphelani na ngokunengi?"

<sup>27</sup> "Ake libone ukuthi amaluba akhula njani. Kawasebenzi kumbe eluke. Kodwa ngiyalitshela ukuthi laye uSolomoni ebukhazikhazini bakhe kazange acece njengawo. <sup>28</sup> Aluba uNkulunkulu ececisa kanjalo utshani beganga, obukhona namuhla, kusasa sebuphoselwa emlilweni, kambe uzalicecisa kanganani lina, hawu lina bokukholwa okuncinyane!"

<sup>29</sup> Lingazihluphi ezinhliziyweni zenu ukuthi lizakudlani kumbe lizanathani; lingakhathazeki ngalokho.

<sup>30</sup> Ngoba umhlaba wabezizwe uxotshana lezinto ezinjalo, ikanti uYihlo uyazi ukuthi liyaziswela. <sup>31</sup> Kodwa funani umbuso wakhe, izinto zonke lezi lazo lizaziphiwa.

<sup>32</sup> "Lingesabi, mhlambi omncane, ngoba uYihlo uthandile ukulipha umbuso. <sup>33</sup> Thengisani izimpahla zenu liphe abampofu. Zidingeleni izikhwama ezingagugiyi, inotho ezulwini engayikuphela, lapho okungasondeli khona isela lalapho impehlane ingabhubhisi khona. <sup>34</sup> Ngoba lapho okulenotho yakho khona, inhliziyo yakho ilapho layo.

### *Ukuhlala Ulindile*

<sup>35</sup> Gqokani lilindele inkonzo, izibane zenu zihlale zibhebha, <sup>36</sup> njengamadoda elindele inkosi yawo ukuba ibuye edilini lomthimba, ukuze kuthi nxa ifika iqoqoda aphanje ayivulele umnyango. <sup>37</sup> Kuzakuba kuhle kulezozinceku inkosi yazo ezifika zilindile nxa ifika. Ngilitshela iqiniso ukuthi yona izagqokela ukubadekela, bona bahlale beyame etafuleni, yona ibadekele. <sup>38</sup> Kuzakuba kuhle kulezo zinceku inkosi yazo ezazifika zilindile loba ingabe ifika ngomlindo wesibili loba owesithathu ebusuku. <sup>39</sup> Kodwa zwisisani lokhu: Aluba umninindlu ubesazi ukuthi isela lizafika ngasiphi isikhathi ubengasoze ayekele indlu yakhe igqekezwe. <sup>40</sup> Lani hlalani lilindile ngokuba iNdodana yoMuntu izafika ngesikhathi elingayilindelanga ngaso."

<sup>41</sup> UPhethro wabuza wathi, "Umzekeliso lo uwoqondise kithi thina kumbe ebantwini bonke na?"

<sup>42</sup> INkosi yaphendula yathi, "Nguwuphi kambe umphathi othembekileyo lohlakaniphileyo, othi inkosi yakhe imbeke ukukhangela izisebenzi zayo ukuba aziphe isabelo sazo sokudla ngesikhathi esifaneleyo na? <sup>43</sup> Kuzakuba kuhle kuleyo nceku inkosi eyifika isenza njalo ekubuyeni kwayo.

<sup>44</sup> Ngilitshela iqiniso ukuthi, izambeka ukuthi apha the yonke impahla yayo.

<sup>45</sup> Kodwa uma inceku leyo ingathi ngenhliziyo, 'Inkosi yami isiphuzile ukubuya,' ibisiqalisa ukutshaya izisebenzi zesilisa lezesifazana ibisisidla, ibisinatha idakwe. <sup>46</sup> Inkosi yaleyonceku izabuya ngosuku ingayilindelanga langesikhathi engasaziyo. Izayiquma iziqa, iyabele indawo labangakholwayo.

<sup>47</sup> "Leyonceku ethi ikwazi okufunwa yinkosi yayo kodwa ingalindi kumbe ingalungisi lokho inkosi yayo ekufunayo izatshaywa okuzwayo. <sup>48</sup> Kodwa kulowo ongaziyo owenza izinto eziholela ekubhujisweni uzatshaywa kalutshwana. Kulowo ophiwe okunengi, okunengi kuzafuneka kuye; lakulowo owethenjwe ngokunengi, okunengi kulalokho kuzafuneka.

#### *Hatshi Ukuthula Kodwa Ukudabukana*

<sup>49</sup> "Ngilande ukuzalumathisa umlilo emhlabeni, ngizengifise sengathi ngabe uvele usungunguma! <sup>50</sup> Kodwa ngiselobhaphathizo okusamele ngilungene, kodwa ngikhathazekile kakhulu kuze kugwaliseke lokho!

<sup>51</sup> Licabanga ukuthi ngalanda ukuletha ukuthula emhlabeni na? Hatshi, zwanini, kodwa ukudabukana. <sup>52</sup> Kusukela manje bazakuthi bebahlanu emulini badabukane, abathathu bexabana lababili, lababili bexabana labathathu.

<sup>53</sup> Bazadabukana, uyise axabane lendodana, indodana ixabane loyise, unina lendodakazi, indodakazi ixabane lonina, uninazala axabane lomalokazana, umalokazana loninazala."

#### *Ukuzwisisa Izikhathi*

<sup>54</sup> Wathi exukwini labantu: "Lithi lingabona iyezi liqhamuka entshonalanga liphanga lithi, 'Izulu lizakuna,' lakanye line. <sup>55</sup> Kuthi kungavunguza umoya weningizimu lithi, 'Kuzatshisa,' lakanye kube njalo.

<sup>56</sup> Bazenzisi! Liyakwazi ukuchaza izibonakaliso zomhlaba lezomkhathi. Kungani pho lingakwazi ukuchaza isikhathi lesi esikuso na?

<sup>57</sup> "Kungani kanti lingaziboneli lina ngokwenu okuyikho okulungileyo na? <sup>58</sup> Nxa uhamba lommgaleli wakho lisiya kumahluleli, zama ngamandla ukuthi liqedelane lisesendleleni, funa akudonsele kumahluleli, lomahluleli abesekudlulisela enxuseni lona inxusa likuthele entolongweni. <sup>59</sup> Ngiyalitshela, kawusoze uphume uze uqale ubhadale du kungasali kanye lendibilitshi."

#### *Phendukani Funa Libhubhe*

## 13 Bakhona ababelapho

kulesosikhathi abatshela uJesu ngamaGalile uPhilathu axuba imihlatshelo yabo legazi labo. <sup>2</sup> UJesu waphendula wathi, "Kambe likhumbula ukuthi amaGalile lawo ayeyizoni okudlula amanye amaGalile ngoba bahlupheka kanjalo na? <sup>3</sup> Ngithi, hatshi! Kodwa, ngaphandle kokuba liphenduke lani lonke lizabhubha. <sup>4</sup> Kumbe labo abalitshumi lesificamibili abafayo baze bawelwe ngumphotshongo waseSilowani – licabanga ukuthi babonile okudlula bonke ababehlala eJerusalema na?

<sup>5</sup> Ngithi, hatshi! Kodwa, ngaphandle kokuba liphenduke lani lonke lizabhubha."

<sup>6</sup> Wasebatshela umzekeliso lo: "Indoda ethile yayilesihlahla somkhiwa ohlanyelwe esivinini sayo, yasisiyacinga izithelo kuwo, kodwa yaziswela.

<sup>7</sup> Yasisithi kuleyondoda eyayigcina isivini, 'Sekuyiminyaka emithathu ngilokhu ngisiza ngizofuna izithelo kulesisihlahla somkhiwa kodwa ngingatholi lutho. Sigamule! Senzani kambe siqeda ukudla emhlabathini?'

<sup>8</sup>“Indoda yaphendula yathi, 'Mnumzana, ake usiyekele nje okomnyaka owodwa, kengisihlakulele kuhle ngithele umvundiso.’<sup>9</sup>Uma sizathela ngomnyaka ozayo, kuzabe kulungile! Uma singatheli, usungasigamula.’”

*Owesifazana Oyisilima Uyasiliswa  
NgeSabatha*

<sup>10</sup>Ngelinye iSabatha uJesu wayefundisa kwelinye isinagogi, <sup>11</sup>khonapho kulowesifazana owayengenwe ngumoya wamenza isilima okweminyaka elitshumi leficamibili. Wayegokekile esehluleka ukuhlala aqonde. <sup>12</sup>Kwathi uJesu embona wambizela phambili wathi kuye, “Mama, usukhululwe ekugogekeni kwakho”. <sup>13</sup>Wasebeka izandla zakhe phezu kwakhe, masinyane nje owesifazana watshwaphuluka waqonda wasedumisa uNkulunkulu.

<sup>14</sup>Umbusi wesinagogi wacunuka ngoba uJesu wayesilise ngeSabatha wathi ebantwini, "Ziyisithupha izinsuku zokwenza umsebenzi. Ngakho libokuza lizosiliswa kulezozinsuku, hatshi ngeSabatha."

<sup>15</sup>INkosi yamphendula yathi, "Lina bazenzisi! Kalikwenzi yini lonke lapha ukuthi mhla weSabatha likhulule inkabi yenu loba ubabhemi esibayeni liyokunathisa na? <sup>16</sup>Manje-ke owesifazana lo oyindodakazi ka-Abrahama, obebotshwe nguSathane okweminyaka eminengi, elitshumi leficamibili, lithi kangakhululwa yini ngeSabatha kulokho obekumbophile?" <sup>17</sup>Wathi esekutshilo lokhu bayangeka bonke ababephikisana laye, ikanti abantu babethokoza ngazo zonke izinto ezimangalisayo ayezenza.

*Umzekeliso Wentanga Yemastadi  
Lowemvubelo*

<sup>18</sup>UJesu wasebuza wathi, "Umbuso wezulu ufana lani na? Kambe ngiwulinganise lani? <sup>19</sup>Unjengentanga yemastadi umuntu ayithatha wayihlanyela esivandeni sakhe. Yamila yakhula yaba yisihlahla, izinyoni zemoyeni zahlala emagatsheni aso."

<sup>20</sup>Waphinda wabuza wathi, "Ngiwufanise lani kambe umbuso kaNkulunkulu na? <sup>21</sup>Unjengemvubelo ayithatha owesifazana wayixuba lempuphu enengi yabila yagcwala inhlama yonke."

*Umnyango Omncinyane*

<sup>22</sup>UJesu wasehamba engena emadolobheni lemizini efundisa, ejonge ukuya eJerusalema. <sup>23</sup>Omunye wambuza wathi, "Nkosi, ngabalutshwana kuphela yini abazasindiswa na?"

Wathi kubo, <sup>24</sup>"Zamani ngamandla ukuthi lingene ngomnyango omncinyane, ngokuba ngiyalitshela ukuthi abanengi bazazama ukungena kodwa bazakwehluleka. <sup>25</sup>Angavele aphakame umninindlu avale umnyango lizakuma phandle liqoqode lincenga lisithi, 'Mnumzana, sivulele umnyango.'

"Kodwa uzaphenduka athi, 'Kangilazi, kangazi njalo ukuthi livela ngaphi.'

<sup>26</sup>"Lapho lizakuthi, 'Sadla lawe, sanatha sonke, njalo wafundisa emigwaqweni yakithi.'

<sup>27</sup>"Kodwa uzaphendula athi, 'Kangilazi, njalo kangikwazi ukuthi livela ngaphi. Sukani kimi, lonke lina benzi bobubi!'

<sup>28</sup>"Kuzakuba khona ukukhala lapho lokugedla amazinyo, nxa selibona u-Abrahama, lo-Isaka loJakhobe labo bonke abaphrofethi embusweni

kaNkulunkulu, kodwa lina ngokwenu lilahlelwe ngaphandle.

<sup>29</sup> Abantu bazavela empumalanga lasentshonalanga, kanye lasenhla laseningizimu, bathathe izindawo zabo edilini embusweni kaNkulunkulu.

<sup>30</sup> Ngempela bakhona labo abangabokucina abazaba ngabokuqala, labangabokuqala abazaba ngabokucina."

### *UJesu Uzwela IJerusalema Usizi*

<sup>31</sup> Kulesosikhathi abanye abeFarisi beza kuJesu bathi kuye, "Suka lapha uye kwenye indawo. UHerodi ufuna ukukubulala."

<sup>32</sup> Waphendula wathi, "Hambani liyotshela ikhanka lelo lithi, 'Ngizawaxotsha amadimoni, ngisilise abantu, lamuhla lakusasa langosuku lwesithathu ngize ngiyiphethe indima yami.' <sup>33</sup> Loma kunjani ngisamele ngiqhubeke ngohambo lwami lamuhla lakusasa langelanga elilandelayo – ngokuba ngempela kakho umphrofethi ongafela ngaphandle kweJerusalema!

<sup>34</sup> "Hawu, Jerusalema, Jerusalema, wena obulala abaphrofethi ukhande ngamatshe labo abathunywe kuwe, sekukanengi ngiloyisa ukuqoqa ndawonye abantwabakho, njengesikhukhukazi siqoqa amatsiyane aso ngaphansi kwamaphiko aso, kodwa wawulokhu ungathandi! <sup>35</sup> Khangela, usutshiyelwe indlu yakho isilunxiwa. Ngiyalitshela kalisayi kungibona futhi lize lithi, 'Ubusisiwe lowo ozayo ngebizo leNkosi.'"

### *UJesu Endlini YomFarisi*

**14** Ngelinye iSabatha uJesu wayakudla endlini yomFarisi owayesaziwa kakhulu, khonapho bemnazelela kakhulu. <sup>2</sup> Phambi kwakhe

khonapho kwakulendoda eyayilesifo sikambizankulu, esivuvukisa izitho.

<sup>3</sup> UJesu wasebuza abeFarisi lezazi zomthetho wathi, "Kusenthethweni yini kumbe hatshi ukusilisa ngosuku lweSabatha na?" <sup>4</sup> Kodwa bathula. Yikho waseyibamba indoda leyo wayisilisa wathi kayihambe.

<sup>5</sup> Wasebabuza wathi, "Nxa omunye wenu elendodana loba inkabi iwele emgodini ngeSabatha, kawuyikuphanga uyikhuphe masinyane na?" <sup>6</sup> Baswela ukuthi bathini.

<sup>7</sup> Wananzelela ukuthi izethekeli zazikhetha izindawo eziqakathekileyo etafuleni wasebatshela umzekeliso lo:

<sup>8</sup> "Nxa omunye ekunxusa edilini lomthimba, ungaze wathatha indawo eqakathekileyo, funa kunxuswe umuntu omkhulu kulawe. <sup>9</sup> Nxa kunjalo umalinxusa uzakuza athi kuwe, 'Ake uxekele lo omunye isihlalo sakho.' Uzabe usuyangekile ususiyahlala endaweni ephansi kakhulu. <sup>10</sup> Kodwa uma unxusiwe, hlala endaweni ephansi kakhulu, ukuze kuthi nxa umakunxusa efika kuwe uzakuthi, 'Mngane, suka uye endaweni engcono.' Lapho-ke uzabe uphakanyisiwe phambi kwabo bonke abanxuswe kanye lawe. <sup>11</sup> Ngoba wonke umuntu oziphakamisayo uzakwehliswa, kuthi lowo ozehlisayo uzaphakanyiswa."

<sup>12</sup> UJesu wasesithi kumamnxusa, 'Nxa usenza idili emini loba kusihlwa unganxusi abangane bakho, loba abafowenu kumbe izihlobo kumbe omakhelwana abanothileyo; ungenza njalo labo bangakunxusa, kuthi-ke lawe usuwenanisiwe. <sup>13</sup> Kodwa nxa usenza idili, nxusa abayanga, izilima, izigoga, iziphofu, <sup>14</sup> lapho uzabusiswa. Loba bengasoze bakwenanise lawe, uzakwenaniswa ekuvukeni kwabalungileyo."

*Umzekeliso Wedili Elikhulu*

<sup>15</sup> Kwathi omunye walabo abahlezi etafuleni laye esekuzwile lokhu, wathi kuJesu, "Ubuisiwe lowomuntu ozakudla edilini embusweni kaNkulunkulu."

<sup>16</sup> UJesu waphendula wathi, "Umuntu othile wenza idili elikhulu wabiza abantu abanengi.

<sup>17</sup> Sekuyisikhathi sedili wathuma isisebenzi sakhe ukutshela ababebiziwe ukuthi, 'Wozani, konke sekulungile.

<sup>18</sup> "Kodwa bonke baqala ukuxolisa. Owokuqala wathi, 'Ngisanda kuthenga isivande, pho kusamele ngiyosibona. Ake ungixolisele.'

<sup>19</sup> "Omunye wathi, 'Khathesi nje ngisanda kuthenga izinkabi zamajogwe amahlanu, ungifica ngivele sengisendleleni yokuthi kengiyozizama. Ake ungixolisele.'

<sup>20</sup> "Njalo omunye wathi, 'Ngisanda kutshada nje khathesi, yikho ngingeke ngize.'

<sup>21</sup> "Isisebenzi sabuya sakubika konke lokhu kumnumzana. Wazonda wafa umnumzana waselaya isisebenzi sakhe wathi, 'Hamba khathesi, uye ezitaladini lemikotweni yedolobho umeme abayanga, izilima, iziphofu lemiqhuge.'

<sup>22</sup> "Isisebenzi sathi, 'Mnumzana, lokho okuyalileyo sekwenziwe, kodwa indawo isekhona.'

<sup>23</sup> Umnumzana wasetshela isisebenzi wathi, 'Hamba uye emigwaqweni lasezindleleni zemaphandleni uze labo ukuze indlu yami igcwale.

<sup>24</sup> Ngiyalitshela kakho loyedwa walabo bantu ababemenyiwe ozalihatsha idili lami.' "

*Umvuzo Wokuba Ngumfundi*

<sup>25</sup> Abantu abanengi babehamba loJesu, wasephendukela kubo wathi:

<sup>26</sup> "Nxa umuntu esiza kimi kodwa angaze azonda uyise lonina, umkakhe labantwana, abafowabo labodadewabo – yebo, kanye lempilo yakhe – ngeke abe ngumfundi wami. <sup>27</sup> Lowo ongathwali isiphambano sakhe angilandele ngeke abe ngumfundi wami.

<sup>28</sup> "Ake kuthi omunye wenu afune ukwakha umphotshongo. Kambe kazukuqala ahlale phansi abalise indleko ukuze abone ingabe ulayo yini imali yokuwuqeda na? <sup>29</sup> Phela angakha isisekelo kodwa ehluleke ukuqeda, wonke obonayo uzamhleka, <sup>30</sup> esithi, 'Indoda le yaqalisa ukwakha kodwa yehluleka ukuqeda.'

<sup>31</sup> "Kumbe ake kuthi inkosi ilungisela ukuya empini isilwa lenye inkosi. Kayizukuqala ihlale phansi yini ihluzisise engqondweni ingabe yona ngamabutho ayo azinkulungwane ezilitshumi ingaqondana laleyo elezinkulungwane ezingamatshumi amabili na? <sup>32</sup> Aluba ingeke yema, izathuma amanxusa leyana isekude icele uxolo. <sup>33</sup> Ngaleyondlela, loba ngubani phakathi kwenu ongadeli konke alakho ngeke abe ngumfundi wami.

<sup>34</sup> "Itshwayi lilungile, kodwa lingadumala, lingavuselelwa kanjani na? <sup>35</sup> Kaliwulungelanga lomhlabathi loba inqumbi yomvundiso; liyalahlwa.

"Lowo olezindlebe zokuzwa, kezwe."

*Umzekeliso Wemvu Elahlekileyo*

## 15 Ngalesosikhathi kwasekubuthana

kuye abathelisi 'lezoni' ukuza kuzwa imfundiso yakhe. <sup>2</sup> Kodwa abaFarisi labafundisi bomthetho bahunona bathi, "Umuntu lo wemukela izoni adle lazo."

<sup>3</sup> UJesu wasebatshela umzekeliso lo, wathi: <sup>4</sup> "Ake kuthiwe omunye wenu ulezimvu ezilikhulu bese kulahleka eyodwa kuzo. Kazukuzitshiya yini lezo

ezingamatshumi aficamunye  
lesificamunye na khonale egangeni  
ayidinge leyo elahlekileyo aze ayithole?  
<sup>5</sup> Kuthi lapho eseyitholile ayithwale  
emahlombe ngokuthokoza <sup>6</sup> aye layo  
ekhaya. Abesebiza abangane bakhe  
labomakhelwana athi, 'Thokozani lami;  
sengiyitholile imvu yami ebilahlekile.'

<sup>7</sup> Ngilitshela ukuthi ngaleyondlela  
kuzakuba lokuthokoza ezulwini  
ngokuphenduka kwesoni esisodwa  
okudlula labobantu abalungileyo  
abangamatshumi aficamunye  
lesificamunye abangasweli  
ukuphenduka.

*Umzekeliso Wemali Elahlekileyo*

<sup>8</sup> "Kumbe akekuthi owesifazana  
elezinhlamvu zemali ezilitshumi  
kulahleke uhlamvu olulodwa.  
Kalumathisi yini isibane, athanyele  
endlini, adingisise kuhle aze aluthole na?  
<sup>9</sup> Uthi eseyitholile imali leyo abize  
abangane bakhe labomakhelwana beze,  
athi kubo, 'Thokozani lami;  
sengilutholile uhlamvu lwemali yami  
obelukade lulahlekile.' <sup>10</sup> Ngiyalitshela  
ukuthi ngaleyondlela kulokuthokoza  
phambi kwezingilosi zikaNkulunkulu  
ngesoni esisodwa nxa siphenduka."

*Umzekeliso Wendodana Yolahleko*

<sup>11</sup> UJesu waqhubeka wathi:  
"Kwakukhona indoda eyayilamadodana  
amabili. <sup>12</sup> Encinyane yathi kuyise, 'Baba,  
ngipha esami isabelo selifa.' Ngakho  
uyise wasebehlukanisela impahla yakhe  
bobabili.

<sup>13</sup> "Ngemuva kwesikhatshana indodana  
encane yabutha konke okungokwayo,  
yasuka yaya elizweni elikude yafika  
khonale yayichitha inotho yayo  
ngempilo yokuxhwala. <sup>14</sup> Isitshaye  
yachitha konke, kwaba khona indlala  
enkulu kulolonke ilizwe lelo, yasiswela

kakhulu. <sup>15</sup> Yasisiyadinga umsebenzi  
komunye umuntu wakulelo lizwe  
owayisa esiqintini sakhe ukuyagcina  
izingulube. <sup>16</sup> Yabona kungcono kuyo  
ukuthi ixotshe iphango ngalawo  
makhafutha ayedliwa yizingulube,  
kodwa kayizange iphiwe lutho  
langubani.

<sup>17</sup> "Kwathi lapho ingqondo yayo  
isibuyile yathi, 'Kambe zingaki  
izisebenzi zikababa ezidla zize zitshiye,  
kodwa nanku mina ngisifa yindlala!

<sup>18</sup> Ngizasuka ngibuyele kubaba ngifike  
ngithi kuye: Baba, ngenzile isono  
phambi kwezulu lakuwe.

<sup>19</sup> Kangisafanelanga ukuthiwa  
ngiyindodana yakho; ngenza ngibe  
njengomunye wezisebenzi zakho.'

<sup>20</sup> Ngakho yaphakama yaya kuyise.

"Kodwa kwathi ilokhu isebucwala  
uyise wayibona wayizwela isihawu;  
wagijimela kuyo indodana yakhe,  
wayigona, wayanga.

<sup>21</sup> "Indodana yathi kuye, 'Baba,  
ngenzile isono phambi kwezulu lakuwe.  
Kangisafanelanga ukuthiwa  
ngiyindodana yakho.'

<sup>22</sup> Kodwa uyise wathi ezincekwini  
zakhe, 'Phangisani! Lethani isigqoko  
esihle okudlula ezinye limgqokise.  
Lifake indandatho emunweni wakhe,  
limgqokise lamanyathela ezinyaweni  
zakhe.

<sup>23</sup> Beseliletha ithole elinonisiweyo  
lilihlabane. Kasenzeni idili sithokoze.

<sup>24</sup> Ngokuba indodana yami le yayisifile  
kodwa isiphila njalo; yayilahlekile manje  
isifunyenwe.' Waqalisa manje umkhosi  
wokujabula.

<sup>25</sup> "Sonke lesi isikhathi indodana  
endala yayisensimini. Yathi isisondele  
yezwa kuhlatshelelwa njalo kugidwa.

<sup>26</sup> Yasibiza omunye wezisebenzi  
yambuza ukuthi kwakusenzakalani.



<sup>27</sup> Waphendula wathi, 'Umnawakho usebuyile, ngakho uyihlo usemhlabelle ithole elinonisiweyo ngokuba ubuyile ephilile, ephelele.'

<sup>28</sup> "Umnewabo wazonda wafa, wala ukungena ngekhyaya. Uyise wasephuma esiya kuye ukuyamncenga. <sup>29</sup> Kodwa waphendula uyise wathi, 'Khangela! Iminyaka yonke le bengikusebenzela ngikuginqela, njalo kangizange ngeqe imilayo yakho. Kodwa kawukaze ungiphe lokulizinyane kodwa ukuthi lami kengithokoze labangane bami. <sup>30</sup> Kodwa kuthi nxa indodana yakho le esitshaye yathintitha inotho yakho lezifebe, isibuyile ekhaya uyihlabelle ithole elinonisiweyo!"

<sup>31</sup> "Uyise wathi, 'Ndodana yami, uhlezi ulami sonke isikhathi, njalo konke engilakho kungokwakho. <sup>32</sup> Kodwa bekufanele sithokoze sijabule, ngokuba umfowenu lo wayesefile, manje esephila njalo; ubelahlekile, usefunyenwe,' "

*Umzekeliso Womphathi Oliqili*

**16** UJesu watshela abafundi bakhe wathi, "Kwakulendoda eyayinothile eyayilomphathi owetheswa icala lokuthi wayechithachitha inotho yayo. <sup>2</sup> Yambiza yambuza yathi, 'Kuyini lokhu engikuzwayo ngawe? Landisa kuhle ukuthi uhambisa njani izinto ngokuba ungeke usaba ngumphathi njalo.'

<sup>3</sup> "Umphathi wazibuza wathi, 'Ngizakuthini? Inkosi yami isingithathela umsebenzi wami. Kangilamandla okugebha, njalo ngilezinhloni zokucela –

<sup>4</sup> Ngiyazi engizakwenza ukuthi nxa ngilahlekelwa ngumsebenzi wami lapha abantu bazangemukela ezindlini zabo.'

<sup>5</sup> "Ngakho yase ibiza labo ababezikelele enkosini yayo ngamunye. yathi kowokuqala,

'Isikwelede sakho enkosini yami singanani?'

<sup>6</sup> "Wathi, 'Ngamalitha amafutha e-oliva azinkulungwane ezine.'

"Umphathi wamtshela wathi, 'Phangisa, thatha incwadi yakho yesikwelede ubhale izinkulungwane ezimbili.'

<sup>7</sup> "Yasibuza owesibili wathi, 'Wena ulesikwelede esinganani?'

"Wathi, 'Siyimigodla yengqoloyi eyinkulungwane.'

"Yamtshela yathi, 'Thatha incwadi yakho yesikwelede ubhale amakhulu aficamibili.'

<sup>8</sup> "Inkosi yamncoma lowomphathi owayeliqili ngokuba wayenze ukuhlakanipha. Ngokuba abantu balo umhlaba balezindledlana zabo zokuhlakanipha ekuphathaneni kwabo okudlula abantu bokukhanya.

<sup>9</sup> Ngiyalitshela ngithi sebenzisani inotho yomhlaba ukuzuza abangane, ukuze kuthi nxa isiphelile lizakwamukelwa ezindlini ezimi lanininini.

<sup>10</sup> "Lowo ongathenjwa ngokuncinyane angathenjwa njalo ngokunengi, ikanti lowo ongathembekanga ngokuncinyane angeke njalo athembeke ngokunengi.

<sup>11</sup> Ngakho, uma belingathembekanga ekuphatheni inotho yasemhlabeni, pho ngubani ongalithemba ngenotho yeqiniso na? <sup>12</sup> Njalo uma belingathembekanga ngempahla yomunye umuntu, ngubani kambe ozalipha impahla ibe ngeyenu na?

<sup>13</sup> "Kakulanceku engakhonza amakhosi amabili. Uzazonda enye athande enye, loba uzazinikela kwenye ayizonde enye. Lingeze lakhonza kanyekanye uNkulunkulu leMali."

<sup>14</sup> AbaFarisi, ababeyithanda imali, bakuzwa konke lokhu bamklolodela uJesu. <sup>15</sup> Wathi kubo, "Yini elizigezayo

emehlweni abantu, kodwa uNkulunkulu uyazazi izinhliziyi zenu. Lokho okuligugu ebantwini kuyisinengiso kuNkulunkulu.

*Ezinye Izimfundiso*

<sup>16</sup>“UMthetho labaPhrofethi kwatshunyayelwa kwaze kwaba yisikhathi sikaJohane. Kusukela kulesosikhathi izindaba ezinhle ezombuso kaNkulunkulu ziyatshunyayelwa, njalo bonke abantu bayazifugela kuwo.

<sup>17</sup>Kungaba lula ukuthi izulu lomhlaba kunyamalale kulokuthi kucitshe ichatshana elilodwa nje loMthetho.

<sup>18</sup>“Loba ngubani olahla umkakhe athathe omunye umfazi uyafeba, njalo lendoda ethatha umfazi owalahlwayo iyafeba.

*Indoda Enothileyo LoLazaro*

<sup>19</sup>“Kwakulendoda enothileyo eyayigqoka izigqoko zombala oyibubende lezelembu lelineni iphakathi kobutifitifi izinsuku zonke. <sup>20</sup>Entubeni yomuzi wayo kwakuhlezi isiceli esasithiwa nguLazaro, ethe minci ngezilonda emzimbeni <sup>21</sup> eloyisa ukudla lokho okwakukhithika etafuleni yesicebi, futhi lezinja zazifika zikhothe izilonda zakhe.

<sup>22</sup>“Kwafika isikhathi isiceli safa, izingilosi zasithwala zasisa eceleni lika-Abrahama. Lesicebi laso safa sambelwa. <sup>23</sup>Sasisesihogweni lapho esasitshwatshwama khona; sakhangelana ngaphaya sabona u-Abrahama ekude le, kuloLazaro eceleni kwakhe.

<sup>24</sup>Sasesimemeza sathi, ‘Baba Abrahama, ake ungihawukele uthume uLazaro agxamuze isihloko somunwe wakhe emanzini apholise ulimi lwami, ngokuba ngisebuhlungwini emlilweni lo.’

<sup>25</sup>“Kodwa u-Abrahama waphendula wathi, 'Ndodana, khumbula ukuthi ngesikhathi usaphila wazuza izinto zakho ezinhle, kodwa uLazaro wemukela izinto ezimbi, kodwa manje useduduzwa lapha, ikanti wena usebuhlungwini. <sup>26</sup>Njalo ngaphandle kwakho konke lokhu, phakathi kwethu lawe kulodonga olukhulu, ukwenzela ukuthi labo abafisa ukuza ngapho besuka lapha bangeke, futhi kakho ongapho ongachaphela ngakithi.’

<sup>27</sup>“Saphendula sathi, 'Uma kunjalo-ke, ngiyakuncenga, baba, thuma uLazaro endlini kababa, <sup>28</sup>ngoba ngilabafowethu abahlanu. Kafike abaxwayise, ukuze labo bangezi kule indawo yobuhlungu.'

<sup>29</sup>“U-Abrahama waphendula wathi, 'BaloMosi labaPhrofethi; kabalalele bona.’

<sup>30</sup>“Sathi, 'Hatshi, baba Abrahama, kodwa aluba kusuka umuntu kwabafileyo aye kubo bazaphenduka.'

<sup>31</sup>“Wathi kuso, 'Nxa bengalaleli uMosi labaPhrofethi, kabasoze bavume loba omunye angaze avuke kwabafileyo.' ”

*Isono, Ukholo, Umlandu*

**17** UJesu wathi kubafundi bakhe:

"Izinto ezibangela isono zizakuba khona, kodwa maye kulowo muntu ezizafika ngaye. <sup>2</sup>Bekungaba ngcono kuye ukuphoselwa olwandle kubotshelwe ilitshe lokuchola entanyeni yakhe kulokuba yena abangele omunye walaba abancinyane ukuthi enze isono. <sup>3</sup>Ngakho lina ziqapheleni.

"Aluba umfowenu esenza isono, mkhuze, kuthi nxa ezisola, mthethelele.

<sup>4</sup>Aluba esona kuwe kakhombisa ngosuku lulunye, eze kuwe kakhombisa esithi, 'Ngiyaxolisa,' mthethelele."

<sup>5</sup>Abaphostoli bathi eNkosini, "Yandisa ukholo lwethu!"

<sup>6</sup> Waphendula wathi, "Nxa lilokukholwa loba kukuncinyane njengenhlanvu yemastadi lingathi kulesisihlahla somabhulosi, 'Quphuka lapha uyogxumeka olwandle,' sizalilalela.

<sup>7</sup> "Ake kuthi omunye wenu ulesisebenzi, silima loba selusile izimvu. Kambe kungenzeka yini ukuthi nxa isisebenzi singena sivela emasimini athi kuso, 'Kulungile, hlala phansi udle'?"

<sup>8</sup> Kambe kayikuqala athi, 'Lungisa ukudla kwami, ulungele ukungidekela ngize ngidle, nginathe; ngemva kwalokho lawe usungadla, unathe'?"

<sup>9</sup> Angasibonga na isisebenzi ngoba senze lokho ebesikuyaliwe na? <sup>10</sup> Kunjalo lani uma selenzile konke okuthiwe likwenze lifanele lithi, 'Siyizinceku ezingafanelanga; sesenze kuphela lokho okungumlandu wethu.'"

#### *Abalitshumi Bayaphiliswa Ubulephero*

<sup>11</sup> Ngalesosikhathi eseqonde ukuya eJerusalema uJesu wahamba ngendlela esemngceleni phakathi kweSamariya leGalile. <sup>12</sup> Wathi efika komunye umuzi wahlangabezwa ngamadoda alitshumi ayelobulephero. Bema bucwala <sup>13</sup> bamemeza ngelizwi elikhulu bathi, "Jesu, Nkosi, sihawukele!"

<sup>14</sup> Wathi ebabona wathi kubo, "Hambani liyoziveza kubaphristi." Bathi besahamba bahlambuluka.

<sup>15</sup> Omunye wabo wathi ngokubona ukuthi usesilile wabuya, edumisa uNkulunkulu ngelizwi elikhulu.

<sup>16</sup> Wazilahla phansi ezinyaweni zikaJesu wambonga – yena wayengumSamariya.

<sup>17</sup> UJesu wabuza wathi, "Kanti kabahlanjululwanga bonke abalitshumi yini? Bangaphi abanye abayisificamunye na? <sup>18</sup> Ubengekho yini obengabuya azoletha udumo kuNkulunkulu ngaphandle kwalesi isizwe na?"

<sup>19</sup> Wasesithi kuye, "Phakama uhambe; ukukholwa kwakho kukusilisile."

#### *Ukuza Kombuso KaNkulunkulu*

<sup>20</sup> Ngesinye isikhathi uJesu ebuzwe ngabaFarisi ukuthi umbuso kaNkulunkulu wawuzafika nini, waphendula wathi, "Umbuso kaNkulunkulu kawuzi ngendlela yokucubungula kwenu ukuma kwezinto, <sup>21</sup> njalo abantu kabayikutsho bathi, 'Nanku lapha,' loba bathi, 'Nanko laphaya,' ngokuba umbuso kaNkulunkulu uphakathi kwenu."

<sup>22</sup> Wasesithi kubafundi bakhe, "Siyeza isikhathi lapho lizaloyisa ukubona olunye lwezinsuku zeNdodana yoMuntu, kodwa kalisoze lilubone.

<sup>23</sup> Abantu bazalitshele bathi, 'Nanguyana laphaya!' kumbe, 'Nangu lapha!' Lingathatheki ngabo. <sup>24</sup> Ngokuba ngosuku lwayo iNdodana yoMuntu izakuba njengombane, olavuzela ukhanyise umkhathi kusukela ngapha kuhle kuyofika ngale. <sup>25</sup> Kodwa kumele iqale ihlupheke ezintweni ezinengi njalo ilahlwe yilesisizukulwane.

<sup>26</sup> "Njengoba kwakunjalo ezinsukwini zikaNowa, kuzakuba njalo ezinsukwini zeNdodana yoMuntu.

<sup>27</sup> Abantu babesidla, benatha, bethathana njalo besendisilana kwaze kwafika usuku uNowa angena ngalo emkhunjini. Kwasekufika uzamcolo wababhubhisa bonke.

<sup>28</sup> Kwakunjalo futhi ngezinsuku zikaLothi. Abantu babesidla, benatha, njalo bethenga, bethengisa, behlanyela njalo besakha. <sup>29</sup> Kodwa ngosuku uLothi aphuma ngalo eSodoma, umlilo lesalufa kwathululeka kuvela ezulwini kwababhubhisa bonke.

<sup>30</sup> "Kuzakuba njalo kanye ngalolosuku lapho iNdodana yoMuntu izabonakaliswa. <sup>31</sup> Ngalolosuku kakho

ozakuthi ephezulu esephahleni lwendlu yakhe, izimpahla zakhe ziphakathi, ehle ukuyazithatha. Kanjalo kakho osensimini ozakuyathatha loba yini.

<sup>32</sup> Khumbulani umkaLothi! <sup>33</sup> Lowo ozama ukulondoloza impilo yakhe izamlahlekela, lalowo olahlekelwa yimpilo yakhe uzayilondoloza.

<sup>34</sup> Ngiyalitshela, kuzakuthi ngalobobusuku abantu bebabili embhedeni omunye uzathathwa kodwa omunye atshiywe. <sup>35</sup> Abesifazana ababili bazabe bechola elitsheni ndawonye; omunye uzathathwa omunye atshiywe,"

<sup>36</sup> Ababili bazabe besensimini; oyedwa uzathathwa omunye atshiywe.

<sup>37</sup> Babuza bathi, "Ngaphi, Nkosi?"

Waphendula wathi, "Lapho okulesidumbu khona, kulapho okuqoqana khona amanqe."

*Umzekeliso Womfelokazi Ophikelelayo*

**18** UJesu wasetshela abafundi bakhe

umzekeliso ukubatshengisa ukuthi kumele bakhuleke kokuphela bangadinwa. <sup>2</sup> Wathi, "Kwelinye idolobho kwakulomahluli owayengamesabi uNkulunkulu njalo engakhathali lutho ngomuntu.

<sup>3</sup> Kwakukhona umfelokazi kulelodobho owayehlezi esiza kuye kokuphela emncenga esithi, 'Akungincece ngalowo engixabana laye.'

<sup>4</sup> "Okwesikhathi eside umahluli wayesala. Kodwa wacina esithi, 'Lokuba ngingamesabi uNkulunkulu njalo ngingakhathali ngomuntu, <sup>5</sup> kodwa ngenxa yokuthi umfelokazi lo uselokhu engibelesela sengizamlungisela, ukuthi angaze aze angingene emathanjeni ngoba elokhu esiza!'"

<sup>6</sup> Njalo iNkosi yasisithi, "Likuzwisise lokho okutshiwo ngumahluli

ongalunganga. <sup>7</sup> Manje-ke kambe uNkulunkulu kayikubalungisela yini abakhethiweyo bakhe abakhuleka kuye imini lobusuku? Uzabe elokhu ebanina yini? <sup>8</sup> Ngiyalitshela, uzabalungisela, futhi masinyane. Kodwa, nxa iNdodana yoMuntu isifika, izakufumana ukukholwa emhlabeni na?"

*Umzekeliso WomFarisi LoMthelisi*

<sup>9</sup> Kulabo ababezithemba bona ngokulunga kwabo beseiyisa bonke abanye, uJesu wakhuluma umzekeliso lo wathi: <sup>10</sup> "Amadoda amabili aya ethempelini ukuyakhuleka, omunye engumFarisi njalo omunye engumthelisi. <sup>11</sup> UmFarisi wasukuma wakhuleka ngalokho ayeyikho khona yena wathi; 'Nkulunkulu, ngiyakubonga ukuthi kanginjengabanye abantu – izigebengu, izixhwali, izifebe – njalo kangifani lomthelisi lo. <sup>12</sup> Ngiyazila kabili ngeviki njalo ngiyanikela okwetshumi okwenzuzo yami yonke.'

<sup>13</sup> "Kodwa umthelisi wema laphayana kude laye. Wesaba kanye lokukhangela ezulwini, kodwa wazidutshuza esifubeni wathi, 'Nkulunkulu, woba lesihawu kimi engiyisoni.'

<sup>14</sup> "Ngiyalitshela ukuthi indoda le, hatshi leyana enye, yabuyela ekhaya isilungisiwe phambi kukaNkulunkulu. Ngokuba lowo oziphakamisayo uzakwehliswa, lozehlisayo uzaphakanyiswa."

*Abantwana Abancinyane LoJesu*

<sup>15</sup> Abantu njalo babeletha abantwana kuJesu ukuthi ababeke izandla. Abafundi bonela ukukubona lokhu babakhuza.

<sup>16</sup> Kodwa uJesu wabizela kuye abantwana wathi, "Yekelani abantwana beze kimi, lingabaleli, ngokuba umbuso kaNkulunkulu ungowabanjengalaba.

<sup>17</sup>Ngilitshela iqiniso, lowo ongamukeliyo umbuso kaNkulunkulu njengomntwana omncane kasoze afa awungena."

*Umbusi Onothileyo*

<sup>18</sup>Umbusi othile wambuza wathi, "Mfundisi olungileyo, ngenzeni ukuze ngizuze impilo engapheliyo na?"

<sup>19</sup>UJesu waphendula wathi, "Ungibizelani ngokuthi ngilungile na? Kakho olungileyo – ngaphandle kukaNkulunkulu kuphela. <sup>20</sup>Uyayazi imilayo; 'Ungafebi, ungabulali muntu, ungebi, ungaphi ubufakazi bamanga, hlonipha uyihlo lonyoko.'"

<sup>21</sup>Wathi umbusi, "Yonke le ngiyigcinile kwasebufaneni bami."

<sup>22</sup>UJesu esekuzwile lokho wathi kuye, "Usasilele into eyodwa. Thengisa konke olakho uphe abampofu, uzakuba lenotho ezulwini. Usungeza-ke, ungilandele."

<sup>23</sup>Wathi esezwe lokhu wadana kakhulu ngokuba wayeyindoda eyayinothe kakhulu. <sup>24</sup>UJesu wamkhangela wathi, "Kulukhuni kabi ukuthi abanothileyo bawungene umbuso kaNkulunkulu!"

<sup>25</sup>Ngempela kulula ukuthi ikamela lingene embotsheni yenalithi kulokuthi umuntu onothileyo awungene umbuso kaNkulunkulu."

<sup>26</sup>Labo abakuzwayo lokho babuza bathi, "Ngubani pho ongasindiswa na?"

<sup>27</sup>UJesu waphendula wathi, "Lokho okungenzekiyo emandleni abantu kuyenzakala kwakaNkulunkulu."

<sup>28</sup>UPhethro wathi kuye, "Sesadela konke esasilakho sakulandela!"

<sup>29</sup>UJesu wathi kubo, "Ngilitshela iqiniso ukuthi kakho osetshiye ikhaya loba umfazi kumbe abafowabo loba abazali kumbe abantwana ngenxa yombuso kaNkulunkulu

<sup>30</sup>ozakwehluleka ukuzuza ngokuphindwe kanengi esikhathini

samanje lesikhathini esizayo, ukuphila okungapheliyo."

*UJesu Uyabonisa Njalo Ngokufa Kwakhe*

<sup>31</sup>UJesu wasedonsela abaliTshumi Lambili eceleni wabatshela wathi, "Sesisiya eJerusema lapho konke okulotshiweyo ngabaphrofethi ngeNdododana yoMuntu kuzagcwaliseka. <sup>32</sup>Izanikelwa kwabeZizwe. Bazayihiza, bayithuke, bayikhafulele, bayibhule njalo bayibulale. <sup>33</sup>Ngosuku lwesithathu izavuka."

<sup>34</sup>Abafundi kabazange bakuzwisise konke lokhu. Incazelo yakho yayifihlekile kubo, yikho kabazanga ukuthi wayekhuluma ngani.

*Isiceli Esiyisiphofu Senziwa Sibone*

<sup>35</sup>UJesu esebanga eJerikho kwakulendoda eyisiphofu eyisiceli ihlezi eceleni kwendlela icela. <sup>36</sup>Yathi isizwa kudlula ixuku labantu yabuza ukuthi kuyini okwakusenzakala. <sup>37</sup>Bayitshela bathi, "UJesu waseNazaretha uyedlula khonapha."

<sup>38</sup>Yamemeza yathi, "Jesu, Ndodana kaDavida, ake ungihawukele!"

<sup>39</sup>Labo ababehamba phambili bayikhuza bathi kayithule, kodwa yona yasimemeza ngamandla yathi, "Ndodana kaDavida ake ungihawukele!"

<sup>40</sup>UJesu wema wathi indoda leyo kayilethwe kuye. Isifikile uJesu wayibuza wathi, <sup>41</sup>"Ufuna ukuthi ngikwenzeleni na?"

Yaphendula yathi, "Nkosi, ngifuna ukuthi ngibone.

<sup>42</sup>UJesu wathi kuyo, "Kuzuze-ke ukubona; ukukholwa kwakho kukusindisile." <sup>43</sup>Masinyane yahle yabona yasimlandela uJesu idumisa uNkulunkulu. Kwathi bonke abantu

bekubona lokho, labo bamdumisa uNkulunkulu.

*UZakhewu Umthelisi*

**19** UJesu wangena eJerikho kodwa esedlula. <sup>2</sup> Kwakulendoda eyayithiwa nguZakhewu; wayeyinduna yabathelisi, enothile. <sup>3</sup> Wayefuna ukubona uJesu ukuthi unjani, kodwa ngoba yena wayengumuntu omfitshane wehluleka ngenxa yesiminyeminye. <sup>4</sup> Wasegijimela phambili wakhwela phezu komkhiwa wesikhamori ukuze ambone njengoba uJesu wayesiza ngaleyondlela.

<sup>5</sup> Kwathi uJesu esefikile kuleyondawo wakhangelela phezu wathi kuye, "Zakhewu, yehlika masinyane. Ngizakwethekelela endlini yakho lamuhla." <sup>6</sup> Wasesehla masinyane wamamukela ngokuthokoza.

<sup>7</sup> Bonke abantu bakubona lokhu base besolasola besithi, "Useye kuba yisethekeli 'sesoni'."

<sup>8</sup> Kodwa uZakhewu wasukuma wathi eNkosini, "Khangelela, Nkosi! Okwamanje nje senginika ingxenye yenotho yami kwabampofu, njalo uma ngike ngadlelezela omunye umuntu loba ngakuphi, ngizambhadala ngokuphindwe kane lokho engakuthathayo."

<sup>9</sup> UJesu wasesithi kuye, "Namuhla insindiso isifikile kule indlu, ngokuba indoda le layo iyindodana ka-Abrahama. <sup>10</sup> Ngokuba iNdodana yoMuntu yalanda ukudinga lokusindisa lokho okwakulahlekile."

*Umzekeliso Wamamina Alitshumi*

<sup>11</sup> Bathi besalalele lokhu waqhubeka wabatshela umzekeliso, ngokuba wayesondele eJerusalema, abantu sebecabanga ukuthi umbuso kaNkulunkulu wawusuzahle uvele masinyane. <sup>12</sup> Wathi, "Indoda ethile

yasesikhosini ngokuzalwa yaya elizweni elikude isiyagcotshwa ubukhosi anduba ibuye. <sup>13</sup> Yasibiza izinceku zayo ezilitshumi yazinika imali engamamina alitshumi. Yathi, "Yisebenziseni imali le ngize ngibuye.

<sup>14</sup> "Kodwa labo bantu ayezababusa babemzonda umuntu lo bathumela izigijimi ukumlandela ziyokuthi, 'Kasimfuni lumuntu ukuthi abe yinkosi yethu.'

<sup>15</sup> "Wabekwa waba yinkosi, loba kunjalo, wasebuya ekhaya. Wasebiza izinceku lezo ayezimize imali, ukuze ezwe ukuthi zazithole nzuzo bani ngayo.

<sup>16</sup> "Owokuqala weza wathi, 'Mnumzana, imina yakho izuze amanye alitshumi.'

<sup>17</sup> " 'Wenze kuhle, nceku yami enhle!' kusitsho inkosi yayo. 'Ngenxa yokuthi uthembekile ngento encinyane, usuzabusa amadolobho alitshumi.'

<sup>18</sup> "Owesibili weza wathi, 'Mnumzana, imina yakho isizele amanye amahlanu.'

<sup>19</sup> "Inkosi yayo yaphendula yathi, 'Busa phezu kwamadolobho amahlanu.'

<sup>20</sup> "Kwase kusiza enye inceku yathi, 'Mnumzana, nansi imina yakho; bengiyigcinile i-goqelwe elenjini.'

<sup>21</sup> Ngibengikwesaba wena ngokuba uyindoda elukhuni. Ucupha lokho ongakuthelanga phakathi, uvune lokho ongakuhlanyelanga.'

<sup>22</sup> "Inkosi yayo yaphendula yathi, 'Ngizakucala ngamazwi akho, wena nceku exhwalileyo! Ubukwazi, angithi, ukuthi ngingumuntu olukhuni, ngicupha lokho engingakuthelanga, ngivune lokho engingakuhlanyelanga?' <sup>23</sup> Kungani pho ungabekanga imali yami enzaliseni ukuze kuthi ekubuyeni kwami ngiyithathe isilenzuzo na?'

<sup>24</sup> "Yasisithi kwababemi khonapho, 'Mthatheleni imina le alayo liyiphe lowo olamamina alitshumi.'

<sup>25</sup> "Basebesithi, 'Mnumzana, kanti angithi uvele uselalitshumi?'

<sup>26</sup> "Yaphendula yathi, 'Ngithi kini, lowo olakho uzaphiwa okunye okunengi, kodwa lowo ongelalutho, lalokho alakho uzakwemukwa. <sup>27</sup> Kodwa izitha zami lezo ebe zingafuni ukuthi ngizibuse – ziletheni lapha lizibulalele phambi kwami.' "

### *Ukungena Kobukhosi*

<sup>28</sup> UJesu esetshilo zonke lezi izinto wahamba wabendulela eqonda eJerusalema. <sup>29</sup> Wathi esebanga eBhethifage kanye leBhethani entabeni eyayithiwa iNtaba yama-Oliva wathuma abafundi bakhe ababili wathi kubo:

<sup>30</sup> "Yanini emzini ophambi kwenu, elizakuthi lingena kuwo libone ithole likababhemi likhulekiwe khonapho, elingakaze kukhwele muntu kulo. 'Lithukululeni lililethe lapha. <sup>31</sup> Uma umuntu elibuza esithi, 'Lilithukulelani na?' limtshele lithi, 'INkosi iyaliswela.' "

<sup>32</sup> Labo ababethunyiwe bahamba bafumana kunjengoba wayebatshelile. <sup>33</sup> Besalithukulula ithole abanini balo bababuza bathi, "Lilithukulelani ithole likababhemi lelo na?"

<sup>34</sup> Baphendula bathi, "INkosi iyaliswela."

<sup>35</sup> Baliletha kuJesu, baphosela amajazi abo phezu kwalo ithole bakhweza uJesu kulo. <sup>36</sup> Wathi eseqhubeka abantu bendlala amajazi abo endleleni.

<sup>37</sup> Esefikile eduze kwendawo lapho indlela eyehla khona isuka eNtabeni yama-Oliva ixuku lonke labafundi lasuka ngokuthokoza ladumisa uNkulunkulu liqongisa amazwi ngenxa yayo yonke imimangaliso ababeyibonile, bathi:

<sup>38</sup> "Ubusesiwe umbusi ozayo ngebizo leNkosi!"

“Ukuthula ezulwini lenkazimulo kweliphezulu!"

<sup>39</sup> Abanye abaFarisi exukwini bathi kuJesu, "Mfundisi, khuza abafundi bakho!"

<sup>40</sup> Waphendula wathi, "Ngiyalitshela ngithi aluba bethula amatshe azamemeza."

<sup>41</sup> Wathi esebanga eJerusalema elibona idolobho walikhalela <sup>42</sup> wathi, "Uma wena, wena ngokwakho, ubukwazi namhla lokho obekungakulethela ukuthula – kodwa okwamanje kufihliwe emehlweni akho. <sup>43</sup> Zizafika izinsuku kuwe lapho izitha zakho zizakwakha umthangala zikuhonqolozele zikuphahle inxa zonke. <sup>44</sup> Zizakusakazela phansi emhlabathini, wena kanye labantwana abaphakathi kwemiduli yakho. Kaziyikutshiya lalinye ilitshe phezu kwelinye, ngokuba kawusinanzelelanga isikhathi sokuza kukaNkulunkulu kuwe."

<sup>45</sup> Wasengena eThempelini wadudula abathengisa khona wabaxotsha, <sup>46</sup> esithi kubo, "Kubhaliwe ukuthi, 'Indlu yami iyindlu yokukhuleka; kodwa lina seliyenze ubhalu lwamasela.'"

<sup>47</sup> Izinsuku zonke wayefundisa ethempelini. Kodwa abaphristi abakhulu labafundisi bomthetho kanye labakhokheli ababephakathi kwabantu babezama ukumbulala. <sup>48</sup> Kodwa kabayizuzanga indlela yokukwenza lokho, ngokuba abantu bonke babewakholwa amazwi akhe.

### *Ukuthandabuza Ngamandla KaJesu*

**20** Ngelinye ilanga kwathi efundisa abantu ethempelini, etshumayela ivangeli, abaphristi abakhulu labafundisi bomthetho, kanye labadala, beza kuye.

<sup>2</sup> Bathi, "Ake usitshela ukuthi uwathatha ngaphi amandla okwenza izinto lezi. Ngubani okunike amandla la?"

<sup>3</sup> Waphendula wathi, "Lami ngizalibuzwa umbuzo. Ngitshelani,

<sup>4</sup> ukubhaphathiza kukaJohane – kwakuvela ezulwini na, loba ebantwini?"

<sup>5</sup> Bahlanganisa amakhanda bathi, "Singathi, 'Kwakuvela ezulwini,' uzabuza athi, 'Kungani lingazange limkholwe na?' <sup>6</sup> Kodwa singathi, 'Kwakuvela ebantwini,' abantu bonke bazasikhanda ngamatshe, ngoba baqinisa ukuthi uJohane wayengumphrofethi."

<sup>7</sup> Ngakho baphendula bathi, "Kasikwazi ukuthi kwakuvela ngaphi."

<sup>8</sup> UJesu wathi, "Lami kangizukulitshela ukuthi lezizinto ngizenza ngamandla bani."

#### *Umzekeliso Wabalimi Besivini*

<sup>9</sup> Waseqhubeka ngokutshela abantu umzekeliso lo: "Indoda yahlanyela isivini, yasiqatshisa abanye abalimi, yasihamba okwesikhathi eside.

<sup>10</sup> Ngesikhathi sokuvuna yathuma inceku yayo kubaqatshi besivini ukuze bamuphe ingxenye yezithelo zesivini. Kodwa abalimi bayitshaya bayixotsha ingelalutho. <sup>11</sup> Yathuma enye inceku, kodwa laleyo bayitshaya bayiphatha kabuhlungu, bayixotsha ingaphathanga lutho. <sup>12</sup> Wajinge wathuma eyesithathu, bayilimaza bayiphosela ngaphandle.

<sup>13</sup> "Umnini wesivini wasesithi, 'Ngenzeni? Ngizathuma indodana engiyithandayo; mhlawumbe bazayihlonipha.'

<sup>14</sup> "Kodwa kwathi abaqatshi besivini beyibona bahlanganisa amakhanda ngaleyondaba. Bathi, 'Lo yindlalifa. Kasiyibulale, ilifa libe ngelethu.' <sup>15</sup> Base

beyisusela ngaphandle kwesivini bayibulala.

"Kambe umniniwesivini uzabathini? <sup>16</sup> Uzakuza afike ababulale labo baqatshi besivini, isivini leso asinike abanye abalimi."

Abantu bathi bekuzwa lokhu bathi, "Sengathi kungaze kwafa kwenzeka lokhu!"

<sup>17</sup> UJesu wabakhangela nta wabuza wathi, "Pho kutshoni lokho okubhalwe ukuthi:

'Iitshe abalilahlileyo abakhi seliyisiqokoqela segumbi?'

<sup>18</sup> Wonke owela phezu kwalelolitshe uzachobozeka izicucu, kodwa lowo eliwela phezu kwakhe uzahlifizwa."

<sup>19</sup> Abafundisi bomthetho labaphristi abakhulu badinga indlela yokumbopha masinyane ngokuba babesazi ukuthi wakhuluma umzekeliso lo eqonde bona. Kodwa babesesaba abantu.

#### *Ukuthela kuKhesari*

<sup>20</sup> Ukuze bamqaphelise bamthumela izinhlozi ezazizitshaya abathembekileyo. Babefisa ukumbamba uJesu kokunye ayengakukhuluma ukuze bamedlulise emandleni ombusi.

<sup>21</sup> Ngakho izinhlozi zambuza zathi, "Mfundisi, siyazi ukuthi wena ukhuluma njalo ufundisa okuqondileyo, lokuthi kawubandlululi kodwa ufundisa indlela kaNkulunkulu mayelana leqiniso.

<sup>22</sup> Kufanele yini ukuthi sibhadale imithelo kuKhesari na, loba hatshi?"

<sup>23</sup> Wabubona ubuqili babo wathi kubo, <sup>24</sup> "Ngitshengisani idenariyu.

Kulomfanekiso kabani lombhalo kabani kuyo?"

<sup>25</sup> Baphendula bathi, "NgokaKhesari."

Wathi kubo, "Pho nikani uKhesari okungokukaKhesari, linike uNkulunkulu okungokukaNkulunkulu."



<sup>26</sup> Behluleka ukumbamba ngalokho akutshoyo lapho obala. Sebemangaliswe yimpendulo yakhe bathula zwi.

*Ukuvuka Kwabafileyo Lokwendiselana*

<sup>27</sup> Abanye abasadusi abathi kakukho ukuvuka kwabafileyo beza kuJesu belombuzo. <sup>28</sup> Bathi, "Mfundisi, uMosi wasibhalela ukuthi nxa umfowabo wendoda angafa atshiye umfazi kodwa bengalabantwana indoda leyo kumele imngene umfelokazi ukuze izalele umfowabo abantwana. <sup>29</sup> Pho kwakukhona abafowabo abayisikhombisa. Owokuqala wathatha umfazi kodwa wafa engalamntwana.

<sup>30</sup> Owesibili <sup>31</sup> njalo lowesithathu laye bamthatha, kwathi bonke bosikhombisa benza njalo bafa bengatshiyanga bantwana. <sup>32</sup> Ekucineni umfazi laye wafa. <sup>33</sup> Pho-ke, ekuvukeni kwabafileyo uzakuba ngumfazi wawuphi njengoba bonke bosikhombisa babemthethe?"

<sup>34</sup> UJesu waphendula wathi, "Abantu balesi isikhathi bayathatha njalo bayendiswa. <sup>35</sup> Kodwa labo abazabe befanele ukuba lengxenywe kulesosikhathi lasekuvukeni kwabafileyo kabazukuthatha loba bendiswe, <sup>36</sup> njalo kabasayikufa; ngoba sebenjengezingilosi. Bangabantwana bakaNkulunkulu, ngokuba bengabantwana bokuvuka kwabafileyo. <sup>37</sup> Kodwa lasemilandweni wesixuku, laye uMosi wabonisa ukuthi abafileyo bayavuka, ngokuba iNkosi uyibiza ngokuthi 'uNkulunkulu ka-Abrahama, loNkulunkulu ka-Isaka, njalo uNkulunkulu kaJakhobe.' <sup>38</sup> Kasuye uNkulunkulu wabafileyo, kodwa ngowabaphilayo, ngoba kuye bonke bayaphila."

<sup>39</sup> Baphendula abanye abafundisi bomthetho bathi, "Utsho kuhle, Mfundisi!" <sup>40</sup> Kasabanga khona owaba lesibindi sokumbuza eminye imibuzo.

*UKhristu UyiNdodana Kabani na?*

<sup>41</sup> UJesu wasesithi kubo, "Kungani besithi uKhristu uyiNdodana kaDavida na? <sup>42</sup> UDavida yena ngokwakhe uyakufakaza eNcwadini yamaHubo uthi:

'INkosi yathi eNkosini yami:

Hlala ngakwesokunene sami,

<sup>43</sup> ngize ngenze izitha zakho isigcabha sezinyawo zakho.' <sup>44</sup> UDavida umbiza athi 'Nkosi.' Pho angaba yindodana yakhe njani?"

<sup>45</sup> Kwathi bonke abantu besizwa uJesu wathi kubafundi bakhe,

<sup>46</sup> "Limukani abafundi bomthetho. Bathanda ukuhambahamba becece ngezizigqoko ezinde eziphephezelayo njalo bathanda ukubingelelwa emisikeni, futhi bathanda izihlalo eziqakathekileyo emasinagogeni lezindawo zabahlonitshwa emadilini.

<sup>47</sup> Bayahuquluza ezindlini zabafelokazi, njalo bazitshengisele ngokwenza imithandazo emide. Abantu abanjalo bazajeziswa okwesabekayo."

*Umnikelo Womfelokazi*

**21** Wathi ethalaza uJesu wabona izinothi ziphosela iminikelo yazo esitsheni. <sup>2</sup> Wabona njalo umfelokazi ongumyanga ephosela okuzinhlamvana kwethusi okubili. <sup>3</sup> Wathi, "Ngilitshela iqiniso ngithi umfelokazi lo ongumyanga unikele okudlula bonke abanye. <sup>4</sup> Bonke lababantu banikele becupha enothweni; kodwa yena ngobuyanga bakhe uphosele konke abe lakho ukuthi kumphilise."

*Izibonakaliso Zokucina Kwesikhathi*

<sup>5</sup> Abanye abafundi bakhe babekhulukhuluma ngokubalazwa kwethempeli ngamatshe amahle langeziphosela ezazinikelwe kuNkulunkulu. Kodwa uJesu wathi, <sup>6</sup> "Mayelana lalokhu

elikubonayo lapha, sizafika isikhathi lapho okungekutshiywa ilitshe phezu kwelinye; wonke wonke azaphoselwa phansi."

<sup>7</sup> Babuza bathi, "Mfundisi, izinto lezi zizakwenzakala nini? Njalo sizakuba yini isiboniso sokuthi sesizakwenzeka na?"

<sup>8</sup> Waphendula wathi, Qaphelani lingakhohliswa. Ngoba abanengi bazakuza ngebizo lami besithi, 'Nginguye,' njalo bathi, 'Isikhathi sesisondele. Lingabalandeli. <sup>9</sup> Nxa lisizwa ngezimpi lezikhukhulambuso, lingethuki. Lezizinto kuzamela zenzeke mandulo, kodwa isiphelo kasizukufika khonokho."

<sup>10</sup> Wasesithi kubo: "Isizwe sizavukela isizwe, lombuso uvukele umbuso.

<sup>11</sup> Kuzakuba kunengi ukuzamazama komhlaba okukhulu, izindlala lezifo ezindaweni ezinengi, lezenzakalo ezesabekayo leziboniso ezinengi zisuka emkhathini.

<sup>12</sup> Kodwa mandulo kwakho konke lokhu bazalibeka isandla, balihlukuluze. Bazalinikela emasinagogeni lasezintolongweni, kungenxa yebizo lami. <sup>13</sup> Lokhu kuzalenza libe ngofakazi kubo. <sup>14</sup> Kodwa bekani phansi amaphaphu linganqinekeleli ukuthi lizazivikela lithini. <sup>15</sup> Ngokuba ngizalinika amazwi lokuhlakanipha ukuze angabi khona ezitheni zenu ozalehlula loba aliphikise. <sup>16</sup> Lizanikelwa ngabazali, ngabafowenu layizihlobo labangane njalo abanye benu bazalibulala. <sup>17</sup> Bonke abantu bazalizona ngenxa yami. <sup>18</sup> Kodwa kakuyikubhubha lanwele olulodwa emakhanda enu. <sup>19</sup> Uma lisima liqine lizazisindisa.

<sup>20</sup> "Lingabona iJerusalema isihonqolozelwe yizimpi lizakwazi ukuthi incithakalo isisondele. <sup>21</sup> Lapho-ke akuthi labo abaseJudiya babalekele

ezintabeni, abasedolobheni kabaphume, kuthi labo abasemaphandleni bangangeni edolobheni. <sup>22</sup> Ngokuba lesi yisikhathi sokujeziswa ukugewalisa konke okwalotshwayo. <sup>23</sup> Yeka ukwesabeka okuzaba yikho khona kulezozinsuku kwabesifazana abakhulelweyo lakubadlezane! Kuzakuba khona ukuhlukuluzeka okukhulu elizweni lolaka phezu kwabantu. <sup>24</sup> Bazakuwa ngenkamba babuthwe babe yizibotshwa zezizwe zonke. IJerusalema izagidagidwa ngabeZizwe kuze kugewaliseke izikhathi zabeZizwe.

<sup>25</sup> "Kuzabakhona iziboniso elangeni, lenyangeni lasezinkanyezini. Emhlabeni izizwe zizaba phakathi kosizi lokudideka ngenxa yokuhuba lokukhaphaza kolwandle. <sup>26</sup> Abantu bazaphela amandla ngokwesaba, benqinikiswa yilokho okuzayo emhlabeni, ngokuba izibunjwa zasemkhathini zizazanyazanyiswa.

<sup>27</sup> Kulesosikhathi bazayibona iNdodana yoMuntu isiza ngeyezi ilamandla lenkazimulo enkulu. <sup>28</sup> Nxa lezizinto seziqala ukwenzakala manini liqine, liphakamise amakhanda enu, ngokuba ukuhlengwa kwenu sekusondela."

<sup>29</sup> Wabatshela umzekeliso lo: "Ake likhangele isihlahla somkhiwa kanye lezinye zonke izihlahla. <sup>30</sup> Nxa zihluma lizazibonela lani njalo lazi ukuthi ihlobo seliseduze. <sup>31</sup> Kanjalo-ke, nxa selibona izinto lezi sezisenzakala, selisazi ukuthi umbuso kaNkulunkulu ususondele.

<sup>32</sup> "Ngilitshela iqiniso, lesisizukulwana kasiyikudlula zize ziqale zenzakale lezizinto. <sup>33</sup> Izulu lomhlaba kuzadlula, kodwa amazwi ami akasoze lanini edlule.

<sup>34</sup> Nanzelelani funa izinhliziyi zenu zithundubale ngokuzitika lokudakwa lokunqineka ngezinto zempilo, ngoba lolosuku luzalijuma njengomjibila.

<sup>35</sup>Ngokuba luzafikela bonke labo abahlala kuwo wonke umhlaba. <sup>36</sup>Hlalani lilindile, likhulekele ukuthi liphephe kukho konke osekuzakwenzeka masinyane, lokuthi libe lamandla okuma phambi kweNdodana yoMuntu.”

<sup>37</sup>Yilolo lalolo usuku uJesu wayefundisa ethempelini kuthi kusihlwa aphume ayochitha ubusuku eqaqeni olwaluthiwa yiNtaba yama-Oliva,

<sup>38</sup>njalo abantu bonke babesiza ekuseni kakhulu ukuzamuzwa ethempelini.

*UJudasi Uvuma Ukunikela UJesu*

**22** Ngalesi isikhathi iDili leSinkwa esingelaMvubelo elalibizwa ngokuthi liPhasika laselisondele, <sup>2</sup>njalo abaphristi abakhulu labafundisi bomthetho babedinga enye indlela yokumsusa uJesu, ngokuba babesesaba abantu.

<sup>3</sup>USathane wasengena kuJudasi owayethiwa ngu-Iskariyothi, omunye wabaliTshumi lambili. <sup>4</sup>UJudasi waya kubaphristi abakhulu lezikhulu zabavikeli bethempeli wabonisana labo ukuthi amnikele njani uJesu. <sup>5</sup>Bathaba bafa basebevuma ukumupha imali.

<sup>6</sup>Wavuma, wasemelela ithuba lokunikela uJesu kubo ngesikhathi kungelaxuku labantu.

*Isidlo Sokucina*

<sup>7</sup>Lwaselufika usuku lweSinkwa esingelaMvubelo okwakusenziwa ngalo umhlatshelo wezinyane lePhasika.

<sup>8</sup>UJesu wathuma oPhethro loJohane wathi, "Hambani liyosilungisela ukuthi siyokudla iPhasika."

<sup>9</sup>Babuza bathi, "Ufuna siyolilungisela ngaphi?"

<sup>10</sup>Waphendula wathi, "Lizakuthi nje lingena edolobheni lizahlangabezwa

yindoda iphethe isikali samanzi. Ilandeleni kuleyondlu ezangena kuyo,

<sup>11</sup>libe selisithi kumninindlu, 'Umfundisi uyabuza uthi: Ingaphi indlu yezihambi, lapho engingadlela khona iPhasika labafundi bami na?'

<sup>12</sup>Uzalitshengisa ikamelo elikhulu eliphezulu elilungisiweyo ngezihlalo. Yenzani khonapho amalungiselo."

<sup>13</sup>Bahamba bayafica izinto zimi njengokutshelwa kwabo nguJesu. Ngakho balilungisa iPhasika.

<sup>14</sup>Kwathi isikhathi sesifikile uJesu wahlala etafuleni labaphostoli bakhe.

<sup>15</sup>Yikho wasesithi kubo, "Bengitshiseka kakhulu ukudla leli iPhasika lani ngingakahlupheki.

<sup>16</sup>Ngokuba ngiyalitshela ukuthi kangisoze ngiphinde ngilidle njalo lize lizuze ukugcwaliseka embusweni kaNkulunkulu."

<sup>17</sup>Esethethe inkomitshi wabonga wasesithi, "Kuthatheni lokhu likwabelane. <sup>18</sup>Ngokuba ngiyalitshela ukuthi angiyikulinatha futhi iwayini levini umbuso kaNkulunkulu uze ufike."

<sup>19</sup>Wasethatha isinkwa, wabonga wasesihlephula wabapha, wathi, "Lo ngumzimba wami ophiwe lina; kwenzeni lokhu kube yisikhumbuzo sami."

<sup>20</sup>Ngaleyondlela, ngemva kokudla kwakusihlwa wathatha inkomitshi, wathi, "Inkomitshi le iyisivumelwano esitsha egazini lami elichithelwa lina.

<sup>21</sup>Kodwa isandla sakhe lowo ozanginikela sikanye lesami etafuleni.

<sup>22</sup>INDodana yoMuntu izahamba njengoba kumisiwe, kodwa maye kulowomuntu oyinikelayo." <sup>23</sup>Baqala ukubuzana ukuthi kambe ngabe ngubani kubo owayezakwenza lokhu.

<sup>24</sup>Njalo kwaba lokuphikisana phakathi kwabo mayelana lokuthi ngubani kubo owayebonakala emkhulu kulabo bonke.

<sup>25</sup>UJesu wathi kubo, "Amakhosi

abeZizwe azitshengisela amandla awo kulabo ababusayo; leziphathamandla zakhona zibizwa ngokuthi Mcoli.

<sup>26</sup> Kodwa kalimelanga libe njalo.

Endaweni yalokho lowo ongomkhulu kulani lonke kabe kungathi ngongumntwana kini lonke, lalowo obusayo abe nguye okhonza abanye.

<sup>27</sup> Ngoba ngubani omkhulu kulomunye, lowo ohleziyo etafuleni yokudla langabe lowo odekayo na? Kakusilowo osetafuleni na? Kodwa mina ngiphakathi kwenu njengalowo olidekelayo.

<sup>28</sup> Liyilabo abame lami ebunzimeni bami.

<sup>29</sup> Ngakho ngiyalinika umbuso njengoba uBaba wanginika omunye lami, <sup>30</sup> ukuze lidle njalo linathe etafuleni lami embusweni wami njalo lihlale ezihlalweni zobukhosi, lisahlulela izizwana zika-Israyeli ezilitshumi lambili.

<sup>31</sup> "Simoni, Simoni uSathane usecele ukulihlungula lonke njengengqoloyi.

<sup>32</sup> Kodwa sengikuhulekele wena, Simoni, ukuthi ukholo lwakho lungehuleki. Akubokuthi nxa usubuyile kimi uqinise abafowenu."

<sup>33</sup> Kodwa waphendula wathi, "Nkosi, ngizimisele ukuhamba lawe entolongweni lasekufeni."

<sup>34</sup> UJesu waphendula wathi, "Ngiyakutshela, Phethro, ukuthi iqhude lingakakhali lamuhla, uzaphika kathathu ukuthi uyangazi."

<sup>35</sup> UJesu wasebabuza wathi, "Ngize ngilithume lingelasikhwama semali, loba umgodla kumbe amanyathelo, kukhona yini elake lakusilela na?"

Baphendula bathi, "Akubanga lalutho."

<sup>36</sup> Wathi, kubo, "Kodwa manje nxa ulesikhwama semali, sithathe, kanye lomgodla; njalo nxa ungelankemba, thengisa isigqoko sakho uyithenge.

<sup>37</sup> Kubhaliwe ukuthi, 'Wabalwa ndawonye lezoni;' njalo ngiyalitshela ukuthi lokhu kumele kugcwaliseke kimi. Yebo, lokho okubhaliweyo ngami sekufika ekugcwalisweni kwakho."

<sup>38</sup> Abafundi bathi, "Khangela, Nkosi, nanzi izinkemba ezimbili."

Waphendula uJesu wathi, "Kwanele."

*UJesu ukhuleka ENtabeni Yama-Oliva*

<sup>39</sup> UJesu wahamba njengenjayelo waya eNtabeni yama-Oliva, abafundi bakhe bamlandela. <sup>40</sup> Esefikile kuleyondawo, wathi kubo, "Khulekani ukuze lingaweli ekulingweni."

<sup>41</sup> Wasuduka kubo okwebanga lokuphosa ilitshela, waguqa phansi wakhuleka wathi, <sup>42</sup> "Baba, uma uthanda susa inkomitshi le kimi; kodwa akungabi ngeyami intando, kodwa kwenziwe eyakho." <sup>43</sup> Ingilosi yabonakala kuye ivela ezulwini yamqinisa. <sup>44</sup> Kwathi edabukile kakhulu, wakhuleka ngokutshiseka, izithukuthuku zakhe zangathi ligazi lithontela phansi.

<sup>45</sup> Wathi esephakeme ekukhulekeni wabuyela kubafundi bakhe wabafica belele, bekhathele ngenxa yosizi.

<sup>46</sup> Wababuza wathi, "Kungani lilele na? Vukani likhuleke ukuze lingaweli ekulingweni."

*UJesu Uyabotshwa*

<sup>47</sup> Kwathi elokhu esakhuluma kwafika ixuku labantu, indoda ethiwa nguJudasi omunye wabalitshumi lambili, wayebahola. Wasondela kuJesu ukumanga, <sup>48</sup> kodwa uJesu wambuza wathi, "Judasi, uyayinikela na iNdodana yoMuntu ngokuyanga?"

<sup>49</sup> Kwathi abalandeli bakaJesu sebona okwase kuzakwenzeka bathi, "Nkosi, sigalele yini ngezinkemba zethu?" <sup>50</sup> Omunye wabo wayigalela

inceku yomphristi ophezulu, wayiquma indlebe yayo yokunene.

<sup>51</sup> Kodwa uJesu waphendula wathi, "Kakufuneki lokhu!" Waseyibamba indlebe yalowomuntu wamsilisa.

<sup>52</sup> UJesu wasesithi kubaphristi abakhulu, lezikhulu zabalindi bethempeli kanye labadala ababemlandile, "Ngikhokhela umvukela yini lize liphethe izinkemba lezinduku?" <sup>53</sup> Zonke izinsuku bengilani emagumeni ethempeli, kodwa kalizange lingithinte. Kodwa lesi yisikhathi senu – lapho kubusa umnyama."

#### *UPhethro Ulandula UJesu*

<sup>54</sup> Bamdumela, base bemusa endlini yomphristi ophezulu. UPhethro walandela ebucwala. <sup>55</sup> Kodwa kwathi sebase umlilo phakathi kweguma bahlala phansi ndawonye, uPhethro wahlala phansi labo. <sup>56</sup> Intombazana eyisisebenzi yambona ehlezi khonapho ekukhanyeni komlilo. Yamkhangelisisa yathi, "Indoda le yayilaye."

<sup>57</sup> Kodwa yena waphika wathi, "Ntombazana, kangimazi."

<sup>58</sup> Ngemuva kwesikhatshana omunye wambona wathi, "Lawe ungomunye wabo."

UPhethro waphendula wathi, "Yeyi ndoda, angisuye."

<sup>59</sup> Sekudlule phose ihora omunye wagcizelela wathi, "Ngeqiniso umuntu lo waye laye, ngoba ungumGalile."

<sup>60</sup> Waphendula uPhethro wathi, "Yeyi ndoda, angikwazi ukuthi ukhuluma ngani!" Elokhu esakhuluma iqhude lakhala. <sup>61</sup> INkosi yaphenduka yamkhangela nta uPhethro. UPhethro waselikhumbula ilizwi iNkosi eyayilikhulumile kuye isithi: "Iqhude lingakakhali lamuhla, uzangiphika kathathu." <sup>62</sup> Yikho wasephumela ngaphandle wakhala kabuhlungu.

#### *Amabutho Ahoza UJesu*

<sup>63</sup> Amadoda ayelinde uJesu aqalisa ukumhoza lokumtshaya.

<sup>64</sup> Bamvala amehlo bathi kuye, "Phrofitha! Ngubani okutshayileyo na?"

<sup>65</sup> Batsho ezinye izigcono ezinengi kuye.

#### *UJesu Phambi KukaPhilathu LoHerodi*

<sup>66</sup> Emadabukakusa inkundla yabadala babantu, kanye labaphristi abakhulu labafundisi bomthetho bahlangana ndawonye, uJesu walethwa phambi kwabo. <sup>67</sup> Bathi, "Uma unguKhristu sitshele."

UJesu waphendula wathi, "Ngingaze ngilitshela kalisoze lingikholwe, <sup>68</sup> njalo uma bengingalibuza belingeke liphendule. <sup>69</sup> Kodwa kusukela khathesi iNdodana yoMuntu izahlala kwesokunene sikaNkulunkulu olamandla amakhulu."

<sup>70</sup> Bonke babuza bathi, "Kutsho ukuthi-ke uyiNdodana kaNkulunkulu na?"

Waphendula wathi, "Liqondile ukuthi ngiyiyo."

<sup>71</sup> Basebesithi, "Sisabudingelani obunye ubufakazi na? Sesikuzwe kuphuma kowakhe umlomo."

## 23 Ibandla lonke laseliphakama

lamqhuba lamusa kuPhilathu. <sup>2</sup> Base bemethesa icala besithi, "Indoda le siyifice ixhwalisa isizwe sakithi. Iphikisana lokuthela imithelo kuKhesari njalo izitshaya uKhristu, inkosi."

<sup>3</sup> Ngakho uPhilathu wasembuza uJesu wathi, "Uyinkosi yamaJuda na?"

"Yebo, kunjengoba usitsho," kuphendula uJesu.

<sup>4</sup> UPhilathu wasebikela abaphristi abakhulu kanye lesixuku sabantu wathi, "Kangiboni lutho lokwethesa umuntu lo icala."

<sup>5</sup> Kodwa bagcizelela bathi, "Udunga abantu kulo lonke elaseJudiya ngemfundiso yakhe. Waqalisa eGalile, usehambe wonke ummango waze wazafika lapha."

<sup>6</sup> Esezwe lokhu uPhilathu wabuza ingabe indoda leyo yayingumGalile na.

<sup>7</sup> Esezwile ukuthi uJesu wayengaphansi kombuso kaHerodi, wamthumela kuHerodi, laye owayeseJerusalema ngalesosikhathi.

<sup>8</sup> UHerodi wathi embona uJesu wathaba wafa ngokuba wayekade etshiseka ukumbona. Ethathela kulokho ayekuzwile ngaye wayelindele ukumbona esenza omunye ummangaliso. <sup>9</sup> Wamthuthela ngemibuzo, kodwa uJesu kaze amphendula. <sup>10</sup> Abaphristi abakhulu labafundisi bomthetho labo babemi khonapho bemngalela ngokuthukuthela. <sup>11</sup> Kwasekusithi uHerodi lamabutho akhe basebemchothoza njalo bamhoza. Bamgqokisa isigqoko esihle basebembuyisela kuPhilathu.

<sup>12</sup> Ngalelolanga uHerodi loPhilathu babangabangane – mandulo kwalokhu babe yizitha.

<sup>13</sup> UPhilathu wabizela ndawonye abaphristi abakhulu, lababusi kanye labantu <sup>14</sup> wathi kubo, "Lingilethele umuntu lo kungathi ubekhuthaza abantu ukwenza umvukela. Sengimhlolile phambi kwenu kodwa kangifumananga lutho lokummangalela kwenu.

<sup>15</sup> LoHerodi kafumananga lutho, ngoba usembuyisile kithi; njengoba libona, kenzanga lutho olufanele ukubulawa.

<sup>16</sup> Ngakho ngizamjezisa bese ngimkhulula."

(<sup>17</sup> Kwakumele abakhululele umuntu oyedwa ngeDili).

<sup>18</sup> Bamemeza ngalizwi linye bathi, "Msusele khatshana umuntu lo! Sikhululele uBharaba!" <sup>19</sup> (UBharaba

wayephoselwe entolongweni ngenxa yokuvusa isiphithiphithi edolobheni langenxa yokubulala.)

<sup>20</sup> Kwathi ngoba efuna ukumkhulula uJesu, uPhilathu waphinda wathi kabake bacabange njalo. <sup>21</sup> Kodwa baqhubeka bememeza besithi, "Mbethele! Mbethele!"

<sup>22</sup> Waphinda wakhuluma labo okwesithathu wathi, "Ngani na? Umuntu lo wenze cala bani? Angiboni lutho kuye olungafanela isigwebo sokubulawa. Ngakho-ke ngizakuthi kajeziswe ngibese ngimkhulula."

<sup>23</sup> Kodwa baklabalala beqinisa ukuba kabethelwe, lakanye ukugcizelela kwabo kwaphumelela. <sup>24</sup> Yikho uPhilathu wasemisa ukwemukela izifiso zabo.

<sup>25</sup> Wayikhulula indoda leyo eyayiphoselwe entolongweni ngenxa yesiphithiphithi lokubulala, yona leyo abayicelayo, wanikela uJesu kubo ukuthi benze intando yabo.

#### *Ukubethelwa Esiphambanweni*

<sup>26</sup> Bathi sebemqhuba babamba uSimoni waseKhurene owayesuka emaphandleni, bamethesa isiphambano bathi kasithwale ngemuva kukaJesu.

<sup>27</sup> Walandelwa ngabantu abanengi kakhulu, kanye labesifazana ababemkhalela bebubula. <sup>28</sup> UJesu wanyemukula wathi kubo, "Madodakazi aseJerusalema, lingangikhaleli; zikhaleleni lina kanye labantwabenu.

<sup>29</sup> Ngokuba sizafika isikhathi lapho elizakuthi, 'Babusisiwe abafazi abazinyumba, lezizalo ezingazange zithwale kanye lamabele angazange amunyise!' <sup>30</sup> Lapho

" 'bazakuthi ezintabeni,  
"Welani phezu kwethu!"  
Lakuwo amaqqa bathi,  
"Simbokotheni!" ' "

<sup>31</sup>Ngokuba nxa abantu bezenza lezizinto lapho isihlahla simanzi, kuzakwenzakalani pho nxa sesomile?"

<sup>32</sup> Amanye amadoda amabili, bonke beyizigebengu, labo baqhutshwa kanye laye ukuyabulawa. <sup>33</sup>Bathi sebefike endaweni ethiwa luKhakhayi bambethela esiphambanweni kanye lezigegebengu lezo – omunye ngakwesokunene kwakhe, omunye ngasekhohlo. <sup>34</sup>UJesu wathi, "Baba, baxolele, ngokuba kabakwazi abakwenzayo." Njalo base besabelana izigqoko zakhe ngokwenza inkatho.

<sup>35</sup> Abantu bema bakhangelwa, ababusi bona bamklolodela. Bathi, "Wasindisa abanye; laye kazisindise nxa enguKhristu kaNkulunkulu, Okhethiweyo."

<sup>36</sup> Amabutho lawo eza amhoza. Amnika iviniga yewayini <sup>37</sup>athi, "Nxa uyinkosi yamaJuda, zisindise."

<sup>38</sup> Kwakulombhalo wokwazisa ngaphezulu kwakhe owawusithi: LO UYINKOSI YAMAJUDA.

<sup>39</sup> Omunye wezigegebengu owayelenga khonapho wamthuka wathi, "Kanti kawusuwe uKhristu? Zisindise wena kanye lathi!"

<sup>40</sup> Kodwa esinye isigegebengu samkhuza sathi, "Kawumesabi na uNkulunkulu, njengoba ulesigwebo sinye laye. <sup>41</sup>Thina sijezi swa ngokusifaneleyo, ngoba sizuzo lokho okufanele izenzo zethu. Kodwa umuntu lo kenzanga lutho olungalunganga."

<sup>42</sup> Wasesithi, "Jesu, ungikhumbule nxa ungafika embusweni wakho."

<sup>43</sup> UJesu wamphendula wathi, "Ngiyakutshela iqiniso ngithi, lamuhla uzakuba lami epharadisi."

#### *Ukufa KukaJesu*

<sup>44</sup> Kwasekuyisikhathi esingaba lihora lesithupha, ubumnyama bembesa lonke

ilizwe kwaze kwaba lihora lesificamunye, <sup>45</sup> ngoba ilanga lema ukukhanya. Ikhetheni lethempeli ladabuka kabili. <sup>46</sup> UJesu wamemeza ngelizwi elikhulu wathi, "Baba, nginikela umoya wami ezandleni zakho." Esetshilo lokhu waphela.

<sup>47</sup> Induna yekhulu isibonile okwenzakeleyo yadumisa uNkulunkulu yathi, "Ngeqiniso lo wayeyindoda elungileyo." <sup>48</sup> Kwathi bonke abantu ababebuthene ukuzabona isiga lesi sebebonile okwakwenzakele, batshaya izifuba zabo bachitheka. <sup>49</sup> Kodwa bonke ababemazi, kusitsho labesifazana abamlandela besuka laye eGalile, bema bucwala babukela okwakusenzakala.

#### *Ukungcwatshwa KukaJesu*

<sup>50</sup> Kwakukhona indoda eyayithiwa nguJosefa, elilunga loMphakathi, eyindoda elungileyo njalo eqondileyo, <sup>51</sup> owayengakuvumanga lokho abakuqumayo labakwenzayo. Yena wayevela edolobheni lakoJuda okwakuthiwa yi-Arimathiya, njalo wayelindele umbuso kaNkulunkulu.

<sup>52</sup> Waya kuPhilathu wayacela isidumbu sikaJesu. <sup>53</sup> Wasesethula wasigoqela ngelembu lelineni, wasibeka ethuneni elaligujwe edwaleni lingakaze lilale muntu. <sup>54</sup> Kwakulusuku lokuLungiselela, iSabatha selizaqalisa.

<sup>55</sup> Abesifazana ababeze loJesu esuka eGalile bamlandela uJosefa balibona ingcwaba lokuthi isidumbu sakhe salaliswa njani kulo. <sup>56</sup> Base bebuyela ekhaya bayalungisa amagcobo lamakha. Kodwa baphumula ngeSabatha bethobela umlayo.

#### *Ukuvuka KukaJesu*

**24** Ngosuku lokuqala lweviki, ekuseni kakhulu abesifazana bathatha

amagcobo ababewalungisile baya ethuneni. <sup>2</sup> Bafumana ilitshe ligiqiwe lasuswa ethuneni, <sup>3</sup> kodwa kwathi ngokungena kabaze basifumana isidumbu sikaJesu iNkosi. <sup>4</sup> Bathi belokhu besathithibeke ngakho, masinyane kwema eduze labo amadoda amabili egqoke izigqoko ezibenezela njengombane. <sup>5</sup> Bethuka abesifazana bathi mbo phansi ngobuso, kodwa amadoda lawo athi kubo, "Lidingelani ophilayo kwabafuleyo na?" <sup>6</sup> Kakho lapha; usevukile! Khumbulani ukuthi walitshela njani eseselani eGalile wathi: <sup>7</sup> "Ndodana yoMuntu kumele inikelwe ezandleni zabantu abayizoni, ibethelwe esiphambanweni kuthi ngosuku lwesithathu ivuswe njalo." <sup>8</sup> Base bewakhumbula amazwi akhe.

<sup>9</sup> Kwathi sebuyile bevela ethuneni, zonke lezi izinto bazibikela abaliTshumi lanye labanye njalo. <sup>10</sup> KwakunguMariya Magadalena, loJowana, loMariya unina kaJakhobe labanye ababelabo abatshela abaphostoli ngalokhu. <sup>11</sup> Kodwa kababakholwanga abesifazana laba, ngokuba amazwi abo ayengathi yikuwumana kubo. <sup>12</sup> Kodwa uPhethro wasukuma wagijimela ethuneni. Walunguza wabona amalembu elineni ethe qecele wodwa, wasebuyela emangele ukuthi kambe kwakwenzenjani.

### *Endleleni Eya E-Emawusi*

<sup>13</sup> Kwathi ngalonalelolanga ababili babo babehamba besiya emzini owawuthiwa yi-Emawusi, ungaba ngamakhilomitha alitshumi lanye kusuka eJerusalema. <sup>14</sup> Babekhulumisana ngakho konke okwakwenzakele. <sup>15</sup> Bathi belokhu bekhuluma bebonisana ngazo izinto lezi, uJesu yena ngokwakhe wabaxhuma wasehambisana labo; <sup>16</sup> kodwa izingqondo zabo zalala abaze bamnanzelela ukuthi ungubani.

<sup>17</sup> Wababuza wathi, "Likhuluma ngani kanti lilokhu liphakathi kohambo lwenu?"

Bema mpo, ubuso babo bubunile. <sup>18</sup> Omunye wabo owayethiwa nguKlewophasi wambuza wathi, "Kanti wena uyisihambi yini eJerusalema ukhanya ungazazi izinto ezenzakele khona kuzona lezi izinsuku?"

<sup>19</sup> Wabuza wathi, "Yizinto bani na?"

Baphendula bathi, "ZingoJesu waseNazaretha.

Wayengumphrofethi; elomfutho ngokukhuluma langezenzo phambi kukaNkulunkulu lasebantwini bonke.

<sup>20</sup> Abaphristi abakhulu lababusi bethu bamnikela ukuba agwetshelwe ukufa, yikho bambethela; <sup>21</sup> kodwa thina sasithembe ukuthi wayenguye owayezahlenga u-Israyeli. Futhi okunye yikuthi sekulusuku lwesithathu kulokhu kwenzakala konke lokhu. <sup>22</sup> Phezu kwalokhu, abanye besifazana bethu basimangalisile. Bahambile ethuneni ekuseni kakhulu lamuhla, <sup>23</sup> kodwa kabasifumananga isidumbu sakhe. Babuyile bazasitshela ukuthi babone umbono wezingilosi ezithe uyaphila.

<sup>24</sup> Kwasekusithi abanye babakhula bethu baya ethuneni bafumana kunjengokuba abesifazana betshilo, kodwa yena kabamfumananga."

<sup>25</sup> Wathi kubo, "Uthi liyizithutha ezinjani, njalo lilezinhliziyi ezithundubeleyo ekukholweni konke lokho okwakhulunywa ngabaphrofethi! <sup>26</sup> UKhristu wayengamelanga ahlupheke yini zonke lezi izinto anduba angene ebukhosini bakhe na?" <sup>27</sup> Wasesukela kuMosi kanye labaPhrofethi bonke wabachazela okwatshiwo emiBhalweni mayelana laye.

<sup>28</sup> Bathi sebebanga emzini lowo ababesiya kuwo uJesu wenza ingathi wayesedlula. <sup>29</sup> Kodwa bamncenga



kakhulu bathi, "Hlala lathi ngokuba sekusihlwa; usuku luphose selwedlule." Wasengena ukuthi ayohlala labo.

<sup>30</sup> Wathi eshlezi labo etafuleni wathatha isinkwa wabonga, wasihlephula wasebakhangeza. <sup>31</sup> Kwathi dlwe emehlweni abo, bamazi, yena wasenyamalala kubo <sup>32</sup> Babuzana bathi, "Konje izinhliziyi zethu bezingatshiseki yini lapho ekade ekhuluma lathi endleleni esivulela iMibhalo na?"

<sup>33</sup> Bahle bathi lothu masinyane babuyela eJerusalema. Khonale bafumana abaliTshumi lanye kanye lalabo ababelabo bebuthene ndawonye <sup>34</sup> besithi, "Kuliqiniso! INkosi isivukile yabonakala kuSimoni." <sup>35</sup> Kwathi labo ababili balandisa ngalokho okwakwenzakele endleleni, lokuthi uJesu bamnanzelela njani lapho aze ahlephule isinkwa.

#### *UJesu ubonakala kubaFundi*

<sup>36</sup> Bathi belokhu besakhuluma ngakho lokhu, uJesu yena ngokwakhe wema phakathi kwabo wathi, "Ukuthula kakube kini."

<sup>37</sup> Bethuka besaba, bekhumbula ukuthi babebona ithonga <sup>38</sup> Wathi kubo, "Kungani lihluphekile, njalo kungani kulokuthandabuza ezingqondweni zenu na? <sup>39</sup> Khangelani izandla zami lezinyawo zami. Yimi mina ngokwami! Ngithintani libone; ithongo kalilanyama lamathambo njengoba libona ukuthi mina ngilakho."

<sup>40</sup> Esetshilo lokhu wabatshengisa izandla lezinyawo zakhe. <sup>41</sup> Kwathi belokhu bengakholwa ngenxa yokuthaba lokumangala wababuza wathi, "Kungabe lilakho loba yini okokudla lapha na?"

<sup>42</sup> Bamupha iqatha lenhlanzi exatshiweyo, <sup>43</sup> wayithatha wayidla phambi kwabo.

<sup>44</sup> Wathi kubo, "Lokhu yikho engalitshela khona ngiselani ukuthi: Konke kumele kugcwaliseke okwalotshwa ngami eMthethweni kaMosi labaPhrofethi lamaHubo."

<sup>45</sup> Wasebavula izingqondo zabo ukuze bakwazi ukuzwisisa iMibhalo.

<sup>46</sup> Wabatshela wathi, "Nanku okulotshiweyo: UKhristu uzahlupheka aphinde avuke kwabafuleyo ngosuku lobuthathu, <sup>47</sup> njalo ukuphenduka lokuthethelelwa kwezono kuzatshunyayelwa ebizweni lakhe ezizweni zonke, kuqaliswa eJerusalema. <sup>48</sup> Lingofakazi balezizinto.

<sup>49</sup> Ngizalithumezela lokho uBaba akuthembisileyo; kodwa libohlala edolobheni lize lembathiswe amandla avela phezulu."

#### *Ukwenyukela Ezulwini*

<sup>50</sup> Kwathi esebakhokhele waya labo eduze leBhethani waphakamisa izandla zakhe wababusisa. <sup>51</sup> Elokhu esababusisa wasuka kubo wenyuselwa ezulwini.

<sup>52</sup> Base bemkhonza, babuyela eJerusalema bethokoza kakhulu.

<sup>53</sup> Bahlala kokuphela ethempelini bedumisa uNkulunkulu.