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ISINGENISO

Usuku esasuka ngalo endlini yasepulazini lwalumuncu. Sasihlale kuleyondlu yasepulazini endala, encane, ewohlokile cishe iminyaka eyisishiyagalolunye, futhi manje ngangithwele umthwalo wokugcina wamabhokisi ngiwuyisa evenini yethu. Ngangilibangise ekhaya lethu elisha esasizakhele lona, endaweni eyi-7,700 *square foot*, ikhaya laseGeorgian elalihleli kumhlaba ongama-eka angu 55 epulazini elihle lase-Ohio, elingama-eka angama-20 amahlathi namaxhaphozi. Kwakuyiphupho okwakungaba nzima ukulicabanga eminyakeni embalwa ngaphambili.

Nakuba sasiphuma endlini yasepulazini, ngangiyithanda leyo ndlu endala. Yebo, ngisho namafasitela awo aphukile, nesilulu sayo esingaphansi kwesakhiwo sendlu esingcolile, nokuhlaselwa kwezinyosi okuqhubekayo esasikubekezelela lapho sihlala khona. Ziningi-ke izinkumbulo ezafika engqondweni. Izingane zami ezimbili kwezizisihlanu zazalelwa lapho ekamelweni lomndeni.

Saba nezikhathi eziningi ezinhle lapho kodwa futhi nezikhathi eziningi zokucindezeleka ngokwezimali nokuphelelwa ithemba. Kwakunezinto eziningi okwakumelwe sizifunde. Nakuba kunzima ukukucabanga manje, lapho sithuthela kuleyo ndlu endala yasemapulazini eminyakeni eyisishiyagalolunye ngaphambili, sasingakwazi

ukukhokha imali engange-\$300 ngenyanga yokuqasha. Zombili izimoto zethu zazindala kakhulu, zinamakhilomitha ayizinkulungwane ezingamakhulu kuzo, nokho zazisenamacala azo okubanjelwa imali ebolekiweyo. Ngaleso sikhathi, kwakubonakala sengathi sikweleta wonke umuntu imali. Sasinamakhadi okuthenga ngesikweleti ayishumi adliwe kakhulu futhi esakhanselwa; nezikweletu ezimbili zenkampani yezezimali; Yebo, nezinkokhelo zethu ezimbili zezimoto; Ababolekisi bemali abe-*IRS*; namashumi ezinkulungwane esasizikweleta izihlobo zethu; futhi uhlu luyaqhubeka. Sasiphila impilo yokuziphilisa nzima ngokwezimali, sithengisa yonke into esasinayo ngezinye izikhathi ukuze sithenge igilosa. Izinto esasinazo zazindala futhi ziphukile sasizithenge zindala kakhulu.

Isimo sethu sezimali esibi ngaleso sikhathi sasinethemba elincane lekusasa eliqhakazile. Eqinisweni, angizange ngilibone ithemba elikhulu lokuthi izinto zingashintsha. Ngangiwuthanda umndeneni wami, nginonkosikazi omuhle, kodwa ngangibadonsela esihogweni sezimali!

Ngangisebenzisa ama-*antidepressant*, ngibhekana nokuhlaselwa uvalo, futhi ukuphila kwami kwansuku zonke kwakudliwa ngokwesaba. Ake sithi bengingeyena umuntu ongajabula kakhulu ukuba naye. Bengithengisa umshwalense wempilo, ngiphila ngamakhomishini, futhi bengingayi ndawo ngokushesha, ngaphandle kokudlulela kwalasha wezezimali. Kancane kancane, sasilokhu siya ngokuya singena ezikweletini kwaze kwaba yilapho sezingasekho izinketho zezikweletu ezisele. Kungalesi sikhathi lapho ngishayeke khona ngokomzwelo. Uvalo nokwesaba kwangehlela. Ngangesaba ngisho nokushiya indlu yami, okuyinto engalungele ukuthengiswa ngokwekhomishini.

Umkami wayecabanga ukuthi uzolahlekelwa umyeni wakhe,

futhi ukwesaba ukukhulisa izingane ezine esasinabo ngaleso sikhathi sisodwa kwakumhlupha. Kodwa ukholelwa ngokuqinile emandleni omthandazo futhi akazange angilahle. Ndawonye, sathandaza sasesiqala ukuthola izimiso zoMbuso kaNkulunkulu. Lapho siqala ukufuna izimpendulo kanye nezimiso zikaNkulunkulu, ithemba laqala ukukhuphuka ezinhliziyweni zethu njengoba sasibona isiman-galiso ngemva kwesinye lapho sisebenzisa lokho uNkulunkulu ayesibonisa kona.

Isikhathi esichazayo senzeka ngobunye ubusuku lapho uNkulunkulu engibonisa ukuthi kwakufanele ngiqale inkampani yami emkhakheni wezezimali ngisize abantu baphume ezikwe-letini futhi ngibafundise izimiso Yena ayengibonisa zona. Ngaleso sikhathi, ukuqala inkampani ekhombisa abantu indlela yokuphuma ezikweletini kwakubonakala ixakile njengoba sasisenezikweletu eziningi ngokwethu. Sakhuleka ngalokhu, kodwa iNkosi yasitshela ukuthi njengoba siphuma kukho futhi siqala ukufundisa izimiso Zakhe, siyothola inkululeko yethu nathi. Ukuqala inkampani bekuwuhambo lokukholwa kwazise besingazi ukuthi kwenziwa kanjani lokho, kodwa sabekezela kukho. Inkampani yakhula, futhi imali eyayiletha yakhipha umkhaya wethu ngokuphelele ezikwe-letini eminyakeni emibili nengxenye. Ngizokhuluma okwengeziwe ngenkampani yethu esahlukweni esilandelayo, kodwa okwamanje, yazi nje ukuthi izimpilo zethu zashintsha kakhulu! Ayikho indlela engingachaza ngayo ukuthi sasizizwa kanjani lapho sesikhululekile, ukuthi kwakunjani ukungena endaweni ethengisa izimoto futhi ukhokhe ukheshi wemoto entsha. Kwakunjani ukuklama, ukwakha, nokukhokhela ikhaya lethu elisha. Esasikujabulela kwakungaphezu kwanoma yini esasingayicabanga.

Yebo, indlu yasepulazini yayinezinkumbulo ezimbalwa.

Njengoba ngiyothatha ibhokisi lokugcina endlini, ngadlula umkami lapho emi endlini yokudlela encane. Wangibheka ngamehlo akhe

**LAPHO SIQALA UKUFUNA
IZIMPENDULO KANYE NEZIMISO
ZIKANKULUNKULU, ITHEMBA
LAQALA UKUKHUPHUKA
EZINHLIZIYWENI ZETHU
NJENGOBA SASIBONA
ISIMANGALISO NGEMVA
KWESINYE LAPHO SISEBENZISA
LOKHO UNKULUNKULU
AYESIBONISA KONA.**

ehlengezela izinyembezi. Kwakungezona izinyembezi ezidabukisayo; kwakuyizinyembezi zenjabulo futhi nezinyembezi zomzwelo, lapho ekhumbula konke uNkulunkulu ayesifundise khona lapho. Ngalwisa izinyembezi zami futhi lapho ngibheka okokugcina ngasemakamelweni, ngikhumbula ngemizwa exubile ngakho konke okwenzeka lapho. Sasivala isahluko esithile

ekuphileni kwethu futhi siya ensimini entsha. Yini eyayiphambi kwethu manje? Uhambo lwalusisuse ekucindezelekeni, singenathemba, saya kwelekusasa eligcwele ithemba. Njengoba ngihamba phandle nebhokisi lokugcina, ngama ngabheka emuva endlini ngimamatheka. “Cha, ngeke ngikukhumbule. Senginayo indawo engcono manje.”

Kwakujabulisa ngempela ukuthuthela ekhaya lethu elisha. Kodwa into engcono kakhulu ngohambo lwethu ukuthi ekugcineni kwaba nokuphumula! Ngangikwazi ukucabanga ngekusasa lami futhi hhayi nje ngokukhokha izikweletu. Eminyakeni edlule, ukuphila ekuphumuleni Kwakhe kube yiphupho eliphelele! Ukukhokhelwa kwezimoto zethu kuwukuphumula. Ukungabi nezikweletu kuwukuphumula. Ukuba nekhaya lami lamaphupho

kuma-eka angu 55 omhlaba elikhokhelwayo kuwukuphumula. Ukubona ukumamatheka ebusweni bomkami lapho ehamba ukuyathenga akudingayo futhi kungadingeki ukhathazeka ngemali ukuphumula. Ngaphezu kokuba nakho konke esikudingayo, ukuba nemali eyanele ukuze sikwazi ukunikeza amakhulu ezinkulungwane zamadola kwabanye futhi sisekele iVangeli kuwukuphumula. Kodwa cishe ushintsho olukhulu ekuphileni kwami kwakungekhona ukuvuka nsuku zonke ngibhekane nokucindezeleka nokwesaba okwakuzungeze ukuphila kwami kuyo yonke leyo minyaka yokuqala. Ukukwazi ukuphinde uphuphe ngezinto ezinhle esikhundleni sokuphupha uphila isonto elilodwa nje kuwukuphumula.

Yebo, ngosuku engangipakisha ngalo amabhokisi okugcina ayengena evenini ukuze sithathe uhambo oluya ekhaya lethu elisha kwakumuncu. Kodwa ngithembe, ubumnandi bokunye esabuthola no-Drenda kwayinqoba kakhulu imicabango emuncu yokushiya lezo zinkumbulo ngemva kangangokuthi sazizwa njengezingane ezimbili ezisencane ezisesikoleni futhi, sihleka futhi siphupha ndawonye.

Ngiyazi ukuthi ucabangani. Ngifisa sengathi ngabe nginalokho. Ngifisa sengathi ngingathola lokho okuhlangenwe nakho futhi ngihleke, ngiphuphe, futhi ngikwazi ukugxila kokuthile ngaphandle nje kokukhokha izikweletu. Nakuba ungase ukuthole kunzima ukukholelwa kuleli phuzu encwadini, ngiyakuqinisekisa ukuthi lokho mina no-Drenda esakutholayo kungatholakala ngokunjalo

**LOKHO MINA NO-
DRENDA ESAKUTHOLAYO
KUNGATHOLAKALA
NGOKUNJALO KUWENA
NJENGOBA KWAKUNJALO
NAKITHI.**

kuwena njengoba kwakunjalo nakithi. Umthandazo wami uthi njengoba sabelana ngendaba yethu, uzokhuthazwa ukuthi usebenzise imithetho futhi nezimiso zikaNkulunkulu empilweni yakho nawe.

Akunzima kangako; umane udinga ukuthola amandla okuphumula!

Zanini kimi nina nonke enikhatheleyo nenisindwayo, mina ngizakuniphumuza. Bekani ijoka lami phezu kwenu, nifunde kimi, ngokuba ngimnene, ngithobile ngenhliziyo, khona imiphfumulo yenu iyakufumana impumuzo. Ngokuba ijoka lami libhe, nomthwalo wami ulula.

— NgokukaMathewu 11:28-30

ISAHLUKO 1

UKUPHUMULA – OKUYISISEKELO

UKUPHUMULA - ukubekwa noma ukusekelwa ukuze uhlale endaweni ethile, isibonelo noma isikhathi sokuphumula noma ukuyeka ukwenza umsebenzi onzima noma ocindezelayo. (ku-*Google*.)

Ingabe ukhathale na? Ingabe uyakhungatheka izinsuku eziningi futhi ungalokothi ubanjwe? Ingabe isidingo sakho semali siyindlela ekhokhela izinqumo zakho zokuthi usebenza kuphi noma usebenza kanjani noma usebenza isikhathi esingakanani? Ingabe kubonakala sengathi awusoze wakwazi ukuphuma ezikweletini? Ingabe kubonakala sengathi uphila umjaho wamagundane? Uma kunguwe lona, awuwedwa.

Wake walibona isondo le-*hamster*? Nginesiqiniseko sokuthi ukhona, kodwa uma kungenjalo, lokhu kuyisondo elifakwa ehhokweni le-*hamster*. I-*hamster* ingagibela kulelosondo bese igijima, igijime njalo, igijime ize ikhathale ngokuphelele. Kodwa yinye kuphela inkinga ngalelo sondo. Kungakhathaliseki ukuthi leyo *hamster* igijima ngokushesha okungakanani noma okwesikhathi

eside kangakanani, lapho eselungile njalo ekhathele futhi ehla, usendaweni efanayo ncamashi eyeqale kuyo. Akukho okushintshile. Angasula izithukuthuku ebusweni bakhe obunoboya obuncane ngo-muzwa wokwaneliseka. Kodwa akukho lutho olufeziwe ukuze azuze isikhundla sakhe ekuphileni; usavalelwe ehlokweni kungekho nkululeko. Lokhu kuhlanganisa phose abantu abaningi, uma kungelona iningi labantu, kanye nempilo yabo yezezimali. Basebenza kanzima isonto lonke futhi bazizwe bekhathele bashintshe okwesikhatshana ngempelasonto, kodwa uma kufika uMsombuluko ekuseni, bazithola besendaweni efanayo ncamashi njengoba bebhona ngesonto eledlule. Konke abakwenzile ukusinda elinye isonto elilodwa nje.

Lesi kwakuyisithombe sempilo yami iminyaka yonke eyisishi-yagalolunye. Ngangisebenza amahora angu-15 kuya kwangu-18 ngosuku, ngangikhuthele, futhi ngangisebenza kanzima, kodwa ngemva kokukhokha okweshumi kwami, izikweletu zami, nezintela, kwakungasekho lutho olusele. Ngokuvamile, ngangisilela kulokho engangikudinga futhi kancane kancane ngaqala umkhuba wokuboleka ukuze ngiphile. Lapho ukucindezeleka ngokwezimali kwanda, ngangigijima kakhulu, kodwa lutho. Lapho ngima futhi ngahlulele intuthuko yami, ngangihlehlela emuva.

Lokhu, ngokunjalo, kwaholela emiphumeleni enzima engokomzwelo. Ukudumazeka futhi nokwesaba engangilwa nakho nsuku zonke kwawuthinta kancane kancane umqondo wami nomzimba wami wenyama. Ukuhlaselwa luvalo, ukwesaba okukhulu, nokukhubazeka kwaqala ukubusa umzimba wami kancane kancane. Odokotela abakwazanga ukuthola ukuthi yini engalungile ngami. Ukwesaba kwakudla imicabango yami kakhulu kangangokuba ngangingazi ukuthi ngizophila yini noma ngife.

Ukuphila ngaphandle kwama-*pawnshop* nokuboleka imali ezihlotsheni kwaqhubeka cishe iminyaka eyisishiyagalolunye! Ngaleso sikhathi, yayingasekho enye into engangingayibambisa ukuze ngeboleke imali, futhi ngangingasela isithunzi ngisho nakancane esasisele kimi. Ngangiphelele. Ubungasiphuca isithunzi sami ngothuli, kanye nanoma iyiphi injabulo eyayisele ekuphileni.

Abakweletwayo babehlele ukuzongimangalela, futhi yilapho kwenzeka. Njengoba ukuphelelwa ithemba kwasekugokele wonke umphefumulo wami, lwangena ucingo. Ucingo lwangena njengezinye izingcingo zasekuseni: “Mnu. Keesee, njengoba wazi, ukweleta ikhasimende lethu u-X inani elithile lemali. Ucabanga ukuthi ungayikhokhela nini kithi? Awu, Mnu. Keesee, usho lokho ngokufanayo kuzikhathi ezintathu ezedlule lapho ngikushayela ucingo. Uma ungenayo imali kithi ezinsukwini ezintathu, ikhasimende lami lizobe likuvulela icala lesi sikweletu. Uyaqonda na, Mnu. Keesee? Izinsuku ezintathu. Sala kahle.”

Ucingo lwangishaya njengethani lezitini. Hhayi ukuthi bengivele ngingazi ukuthi isimo sethu sezimali sibi kangakanani. Ngangingenamali. Yonke into engangingenayo yayiphukile. Isiqandisi sami sasingenalutho. Umndeni wami omuhle wawulala eziko ukuze ufudumale njengoba yayingekho imali yokushisa uwoyela. Ngangingenandawo engangizosindela kuyo. Abangane bami nomndeni babekhathele ukungikhokhelela indleko zami. Ngididekile, ngenyuka kancane ngezitebhisi ngiya ekamelweni lami lokulala ngacambalala embhedeni. Ngalila, ngakhala kuNkosi ngicela usizo.

Ngicabanga ukuthi ngamangala ngokuthi iNkosi yakhuluma ngokushesha kanjani kimi. Kwakungelona izwi elizwakalayo kodwa izwi elavele laphuma emoyeni wami langena emqondweni wami ngamandla. Into yokuqala eyashiwo iNkosi kimi ukuthi ubishi

engangikuso sasingahlanganise lutho Naye. Ngicabanga ukuthi Yena wakusho lokho ngoba ngangididekile kancane ukuthi kungani Yena, ngokubona kwami, engazange asisize. Sasiya ebandleni elikhulu, sasipha lapho sasikhona, futhi sasikhokha okweshumi kwethu isikhathi esiningi. Kunalokho, Yena wathi isizathu sokuba ngibe kulobu bishi yingoba ngangingakaze ngifunde ukuthi uMbuso Wakhe wawusebenza kanjani. Wangitshela ukuthi uMbuso Wakhe awusebenzi ngendlela indawo yasemhlabeni esebenza ngayo ngokuphathelene nemali, futhi kwakuyodingeka ngifunde inhlelo zoMbuso Wakhe zokuphatha izimali uma ngifuna ukukhululeka.

Ngikhumbula ngigijima ngehlela ezansi ngabamba uDrenda ngimtshelela ukuthi iNkosi isanda kukhuluma nami nokuthi impendulo kwakuwuMbuso Wayo. Yebo, sasididekile kancane, njengoba sasicabanga ukuthi siyaqonda ukuthi uyini uMbuso Wakhe. Phela, njengoba ngishilo, sasiya ebandleni elikhulu, sobabili sasimthanda uNkulunkulu, futhi sazi ukuthi sisendleleni eya ezulwini. Kodwa njengoba sase sizothola, kuncane ngempela esasikwazi ngoMbuso Wakhe nangendlela owawusebenza ngayo.

Ngajabula ngokuthi uNkulunkulu wayekhulume nami futhi nokuthi waye yembule impendulo—uMbuso Wakhe. Okwakusho lokho kwakusazokuqonda, kodwa ngakhuthazwa. Iqiniso laliwukuthi ngangingazi ukuthi uNkulunkulu wayesho ukuthini ngegama elithi *umbuso*. Ngangizothola ukuthi kulelo gama elilodwa ngempela kwakuyimpendulo mina noDrenda esasiyilangazelela futhi esasiyifuna.

Mina noDrenda sabambana ngezandla ngalolo suku sathandaza. Okokuqala, saphenduka kuNkulunkulu ngokungaziniki isikhathi sokufunda Izwi lakhe ngempela nendlela uMbuso Wakhe owawusebenza ngayo ngokuphathelene nezezimali. Okwesibili, ngaphenduka

kuyena umkami, njengenhloko yomndeni, ngokusifaka kulolu bishi. Sobabili sathandaza futhi savumelana ngokuthi sasizimisele ukufunda indlela uMbuso osebenza ngayo futhi siphile ukuphila okuhlukile kunalokhu ebekuphile iminyaka eyisishiyagalolunye edlule.

Indlela engcono kakhulu yokuchaza okwenzeka ngokulandelayo ukubuka iswishi yokukhanya. Ngena egumbini elimnyama bese uvele uphenye iswishi. Ukukhanya! Uyabona. Kwaba njalo lapho uNkulunkulu eqala ukusifundisa ngoMbuso Wakhe. Kwaba sengathi othile uvule iswishi yokukhanya, futhi sasikwazi ukubona izinto esingakaze sizibone ngaphambili. Saqala ukuqonda ukuthi uMbuso kaNkulunkulu uwuhulumeni onemithetho ongashintshi. Saqaphela ukuthi singayifunda leyo mithetho futhi sisebenzise amandla nokuhlakanipha kukaNkulunkulu ukuze sidale ingcebo esiyidingayo.

Sasijabule kakhulu kodwa nokho sisadidekile kakhulu. Kwakukhona izindaba ezinhle kakhulu ezenzeka lapho uNkulunkulu eqala ukusifundisa indlela uMbuso Wakhe owawusebenza ngayo. Ngeke ngiphathe eziningi zalezo zindaba zakuqala lapha njengoba zifakwe encwadini yokuqala yalolu chungechunge, *Uguquko Lwakho Lwezezimali: Amandla Okwethembeka*. Ungathola ikhophi ku-*garykeese.com* noma ku-*Amazon.com*. Udinga futhi ukuthola incwadi yami ethi, *Faith Hunt*, ekubuyisela ekuqaleni lapho uNkulunkulu eqala ukungifundisa ukuvuna ukudla ngokuzingela kwami izinyamazane. Kodwa ukwenza indaba le ende ibe mfushane, ake ngikunike isibonelo esisodwa lapha.

Njengoba ngike ngasho kini, sasilokhu sijule ezikweletini singenayo indlela yokuphuma. Izixhumanisi ze-*IRS*, ama-*pawnshop*, amakhadi esikweletu angu-10 akhishwe futhi akhanselwa, kanye nezimalimboleko zezinkampani ezi-3 zezezimali ngenzalo

engu-28%. Sasikweleta udokotela wethu wamazinyo, abemishini yokuhlana izingubo, abazali bethu nabangane bethu. Ungasho noma yini, sasibakweleta. Ngokwemvelo, lalingekho ithemba. Ibhizinisi lami lokuthengisa ngokwezimali lalingahambi kahle, nakuba ngangisebenza kanzima. Kodwa manje ngemvasibona uMbuso wenza izinto ezimangalisayo (futhi, funda izindaba ezisez-*incwadini ezimbili okukhulunywe ngazo ngenhla*), sakhuthazwa ukuthi uMbuso wawuyimpendulo yethu. Sasingazi ukuthi kanjani, kodwa sasiqiniseka ukuthi sisindleleni efanele.

Khona-ke ngobunye ubusuku uNkulunkulu wanginika iphupho futhi wangibonisa kulelo phupho ukuthi kwakufanele ngishiye inkampani yami yamanje enganginayo iminyaka eyisishi-yagalolunye edlule futhi ngiqale eyami inkampani—manje thola lokhu—ukuze ngisize abantu baphume ezikweletini! Ngiyazi; ukuhlanya, akunjalo? Ngisho ukuthi, ukube ngangazi ukuthi ngingaphuma kanjani esikweletini, ngabe ngikwenzile eminyakeni edlule. Kodwa yilokho impela Yena akwenzile. Ngithuke kancane empeleni. Ngangingazi ukuthi ngingayiqala kanjani inkampani yami noma ukuthi yini ehilelekile. Kodwa inkampani yokusiza abantu ukuphuma ezikweletini? Heyi, bengisadinga umuntu ozongitshela ukuthi ngenze kanjani lokho!

Ngenkathi ngiqala ukuthandaza ngalokhu, ngaba nolwazi olush-intsha- impilo noMoya oNgcwele mayelana nokuthi lokhu kwakungenzeka kanjani. Kwenzeke kwenye yezingcingo zekhasimende lami zebhizinisi lami lomshwalense. O, ngikhohliwe ukukutshela ukuthi bengisembonini yezinsizakalo zezezimali ngithengisa umshwalense nezibambiso ngenkathi kwenzeka konke lokhu. Ngiyazi, kufana nomuntu osebenza ngamapayipi amanzi onompompi ovuzayo kodwa onakekela inkinga yawo wonke umuntu khepha enganaki

eyakhe. Nakuba ngangihluleka kancane kancane esimweni sami sezinzakalo zezezimali, ulwazi engangiluthole ngokujwayelekile kulowo mkhakha phakathi kweminyaka eyisishiyagalolunye edlule manje lwalubaluleke kakhulu kulokho uNkulunkulu ayezongibonisa kona.

Ngithe ngizihlalele nekhasimende lami kanye nonkosikazi walo etafuleni labo lasekhishini, sadlula esethulweni esijwayelekile, esathatha isithombe sokuthi bakuphi ngokwezimali ngokubuza imibuzo eyahlukene bese sigcwalisa lokhu esikubiza nge-*data sheet*. Lolulwazi luyasetshenziswa ngokuyinhloko ukunquma ukuthi ungakanani umshwalense wempilo okufanele babe nawo. Njengoba siqhubeka nohlu lwezikweletu zabo, bobabili bacasuka futhi inkosikazi yaqala ukukhala lapho bechaza indlela ababezizwa bephelelwe ithemba ngayo bobabili. Bobabili babesebenza imisebenzi yesikhathi esigcwele futhi babentula njalo nyanga zonke.

Manje, ngemva kokuphila ngaleyo ndlela iminyaka eyisishiyagalolunye ngokwami, futhi njengoba uNkulunkulu eqala ukufundisa mina noDrenda ngoMbuso, ungacabanga ukuthi ngazizwa kanjani ngabo. Njengami noDrenda, babengamaKristu kodwa bengazi ukuthi uMbuso wawusebenza kanjani. Ngaleso sikhathi, ngangingakwazi ngempela ukuchaza okuningi ngoMbuso ngaphandle kwezinye zezinto zokuqala uNkulunkulu ayesesibonise zona kakade, engabelana nabo, futhi, yebo, ngabelana nabo ezinye zezindaba ezimangalisayo esasizibone zenzeka esimeni sethu.

Ngokusobala, ngangibona ukuthi umshwalense wokuphila wawungeyona inkinga yabo enkulu. Ngachitha isikhathi esithile ngichaza lokho uNkulunkulu ayengifundisa kona ngokuphathelene noMbuso, kodwa ngangilangazelela okuthile engangingakwenza ukuze nginikeze nezimpendulo zangempela ezingokwezimali mayelana nesimo sabo.

Ehhovisi ngalobo busuku, njengoba ngangiqedisa umsebenzi wami wosuku futhi ngihlela inqwaba yami evamile yamafayela nemiyalezo okwakudingeka ngiyibuyisele, ngokungazelelwe ngaba nomcabango. Kuthiwani uma ngibheka ngale kodaba lomshwalense wempilo futhi ngibheka isikhathi eside isithombe sabo sezezimali? Ingabe kukhona engangingakwenza? Kuthiwani uma ngiqala ukufuna imali? Engiqonde ukusho ukuthi uma ngingathola izindlela ezishibhile zokwenza izinto abebevele bezenza? Umgomo wami wawuzoba lula, ngithole izindlela ezishibhile zokwenza izinto abebevele bezenza bese ngisebenzisa noma iyiphi imali engiyitholile ekungeneni kwemali nasesikweletuni sabo. Kuzwakale njengesiphakamiso esilula, kodwa empeleni bengingazi okuningi nganoma yimuphi omunye umkhakha wezezimali ngaphandle komshwalense wempilo. Futhi ngidinga ukukutshela ukuthi lokhu kwakungaphambi kwezinsuku ze-Intanethi. Ucwangingo okwakuzodingeka ngilwenze lwaluzokwenziwa ngendlela yakudala—ngocingo namakhasi aphuzi.

Ngasebenza kulokhu isonto lonke njengoba ngangihlelelwe ukuhlangana naleli khasimende futhi ngesonto elilandelayo. Kwangimangaza ukuthi ingakanani imali engangingayikhulula ngenyanga njengoba ngizinike isikhathi sokumba ngempela indawo ngayinye yezimali. Ngesikhathi ngiqeda, le mali yayihlanganisa amakhulu amadola ngenyanga. Ngesibali sami sezezimali, ngahlanganisa zonke izikweletu zabo ngase ngisebenzisa imali ekhululiwe ezinkokhelweni zabo ezivamile zanyanga zonke. Lapho ngishaya inkinobho yokubala, ngavele ngagqolozela impendulo esibukweni—iminyaka engu-6.2. Impendulo yeminyaka engu-6.2 yayiyisamba sesikhathi esasizosithatha ukuze ikhasimende lami likhokhe sonke isikweletu salo, kuhlanganise nendlu yalo

yokubolekwa, ngaphandle kokushintsha iholo lakhe. Yebo, ufunda lokho kuhle, ngaphandle kokushintsha imali yakhe yenyanga. Ngashaqeka futhi ngaqiniseka ukuthi ngenze iphutha, ngakho ngenza izibalo ngokuphindaphindiwe ngaze ngaqiniseka ukuthi nginempendulo efanele. Kungenzeka yini lokhu? Kungani bonke bengakwazi lokhu?

Ngokushesha ngabamba amafayela ambalwa wamanye amakhasimende enganginawo ngase ngiskena ngokushesha ngawo futhi ngathola imiphumela efanayo. Ngamunye wabo angaba ngaphandle kwesikweletu eminyakeni emi-5 kuya kweyisi-7, okuhlenganisa nesikweletu sakhe sendlu, ngaphandle kokushintsha iholo lakhe lenyanga. Kwase kuhwalala ehhovisi lapho ngiqeda ukubala, kodwa njengoba ngibuyela ekhaya ngangijabule. Uma engikutholile kuyiqiniso, futhi zonke izibalo zami zibonisa ukuthi kwakuyiqiniso, khona-ke lokhu kwakukhulu, kakhulu ngempela.

Bengifisa ukwazi ukuthi ikhasimende lami lingakuthatha kanjani lolu hlobo lolwazi. Ngokuqokwa kwami okuzayo, nginqume ukuthayipha izinombolo ngenze isethulo esilula sekhasi elilodwa. Inhloso yami kwakuwukubanikeza ithemba nje. Kwakungekho lutho kimi, njengoba ngangazi ukuthi ukuthengiswa komshuwalense wokuphila kwakungenakwenzeka. Kodwa ngangazi nokuthi bazofuna ukuzwa lokho engangikutholile. Ngesonto elilandelayo ngaphinde ngabuyekeza izibalo zami futhi ngaqiniseka ukuthi ngangiqinisele.

Njengoba ngingqongqoza emnyango, ngezwa ngilangazelela umhlngano wethu. Ngathi ngihlala etafuleni labo lasekhishini, ngabatshela engangikwenzile isonto lonke ngezinombolo zabo. Ngabachazela kancane kancane izinombolo engangizibhalile, ngabachazela ukuthi ngathola kanjani imali ekhululiwe, kanye

nanoma yiliphi igama lenkampani nenombolo engaba idingeka ukwenza lokho engangibabonisile. Ngabona ukuthi babejabula lapho imali ekhululiwe yayilokhu ikhula. Kodwa lapho ngifika esiphethweni sokungabi nasikweletu ngokuphelele eminyakeni engu-6.2, kuhlanganise nekhaya labo, ngemali yabo yeholo yamanje, bobabili baqala ukukhala, kulokhu ngenjabulo. Bahlezi behlangezela izinyembezi belokhu besho nje indlela abathuke ngayo ngemiphumela. Bagxuma bangigona, saba nesikhathi esimnandi sokugubha ngalobobusuku.

Masikhulume iqiniso: Ingabe i-IRS izokutshela ukuthi ungayikhokha kanjani intela encane? Ingabe umuntu wasebhange uzokutshela ukuthi ungakugwema kanjani ukukhokha inzalo? Cha, lonke uhlelo lwenzelwe ukuthatha imali yakho, hhayi ukuyivikela. Ngangazi ukuthi engangikutholile kwakudingeka kufundiswe yonke imindeni yase-America! Ngalobo busuku baba nomthelela omkhulu kimi, futhi ngangifuna ukwenza into efanayo kuwo wonke amakhasimende engangihlangana nawo.

Ngakho, sihlome ngalolo lwazi kanye nokuqinisekisa kwephupho uNkulunkulu angiphe lona, mina noDrenda sayishiya inkampani yomshwalense wempilo engangisebenza kuyo futhi sethula inkampani yethu, ngenza lokho engangikwenzele lelo khasimende. Kuleyo minyaka yokuqala, sasibiza inkampani yethu ngokuthi, “*Faith-Full Family Finances.*” Igama lalisho ngokucacile ukuthi konke thina esasimayelana ngakho—uma ubuqonda uMbuso nokholo, ezezimali zakho beziyogcwala. Ngiyavuma ukuthi bekungelona igama elihle kakhulu lenkampani—zama ukulisho izikhathi eziyishumi zilandelana—kodwa lalisebenza. Kamuva salishintsha igama laba i-*Forward Financial Group*, okuseyiyo nanamuhla futhi namanje isathuthuka.

Ukukhuluma iqiniso, ngokwami, izimali. Sasisenazo zonke lezo zikweletu okufanele sizikhokhe, kodwa sasazi ukuthi sesiwutholile umkhondo esasizowulandela. Njengoba siqala nenkampani yethu entsha, sasijabule futhi sinovalo ngasikhathi sinye. Kuningi okwakufanele sikufunde mayelana nokusungula nokusebenzisa inkampani, kodwa isithiyo esikhulu ebesibhekene naso kwakuwukwenza kanjani noma iyiphi imali ngokukwenza lokhu. Inselele yethu kwaba ukuthi sizizwa singakwazi hhayi, futhi sasingafuni ukukhokhisa abantu imali ukuze sibasize baphume ezikweletini. Lesi kwakuyisithiyo esikhulu esasichitha isikhathi eside sithandaza phezu kwaso futhi sibheka izinketho. Ngaphandle kokungena eminingwaneni, iNkosi yasibonisa isu elimangalisayo lokumisa inkampani futhi siyimise ukuze yenze imali ngaphandle kokukhokhisa ikhasimende imali.

Okulandelayo, kwakudingeka sithole indlela yokusheshisa izibalo ezinde enenziwa ngezandla engangizenza ngolwazi lwamakhasimende ami. Ngangazi ukuthi kwakuzodingeka ngizibhalele uhlelo nge-*computer* ukuze ngenze lokho esikwenzayo, kodwa ngangingazi lutho ngama-*computer* noma ukuthi ngingamthola kanjani umuntu onekhono lokwenza lokho. Futhi, uNkulunkulu wenza umsebenzi omangalisayo. Ngathola ucingo oluvela kumuntu owayekude nasekhaya owayezwile ngathi. Wayefuna ukubona ukuthi senzani, njengekhasimende. Wakuthanda esasikwenza, futhi njengoba sisaxoxa, ngathola ukuthi wayengumklami wezinhlelo zama-*computer* futhi enenkampani yakhe eseceleni. Ngakhuluma nayo ngesidingo sethu, futhi washo ngentshiseko ukuthi ufuna ukusisiza kulokho esikwenzayo. Ngamtshela ukuthi sisaqala inkampani yethu futhi asikabi nayo imali yokukhokhela umsebenzi ayesinike wona, nakuba umsebenzi wakhe wawunikeza ngesaphulelo esikhulu.

Wayelokho esafuna ukwenza umsebenzi wathi ngingamkhokhela noma yinini imali ingenayo. Ngakho yilokho esakwenza.

Abantu babelithanda ibhizinisi lethu. Phela, kungani kungenjalo? Kwakumahhala, futhi abantu babethanda ukuthola imali nokuphuma ezikweletini. Ibhizinisi laphakama ngendlela enkulu, futhi sakwazi ukukhululeka ezikweletini eminyakeni emibili nengxenye. Ngokushesha sase sinabameleli abangaphezu kuka-300 ababelane ngohlelo lwethu ezweni lonke. Ngaphandle kokukwazi ukukhokha ukheshi ezimotweni zethu, saqhubeka nokwakha nokukhokhela ikhaya lamaphupho ethu. Inkampani yethu yakhula futhi isisize ukuba sinikeze amakhulu ezinkulungwane zamadola ukuze sisekele iVangeli nabantu eminyakeni edlule.

“Uhlelo lwezikweletu,” njengoba silubiza kanjalo, lusakh-iqizwa nanamuhla mahhala, eminyakeni engama-30 kamuva. Inkampani yakhula emsebenzini wayo njengoba iminyaka iqhubeka. Siqhubekile sagxila ekutshaleni imali yomhlalaphansi ngemuva kokuwohloka kwezimali kwango-2001, kwase kuba nokuphahlazeka kuka-2008 lapho izigidi zabantu zalahlekelwa u-50% kuya ku-80% wemali ebebeyilondolozile yomhlalaphansi. Sicwaninge izindlela eziphephile zokutshala imali futhi sethula leyo ngxenye yebhizinisi lethu ngo-2001. Ngiyaziqhenya ukusho ukuthi emalini engaphezu kwezigidi eziyikhulu esiphethe amakhasimende ethu njengamanje, akekho noyedwa owalahlekelwa ngisho nesenti elilodwa ekutshaleni kwawo eminyakeni eyi-16 edlule yeziphithip-hithi zezimali ezweni lakithi nasemhlabeni wonke. Futhi njengohlelo lwethu, akukho kukhokha mali, ayikho imali yokuphatha noma imali yomthengisi ehilelekile ekuqaleni noma ngonyaka kumakhasimende ethu atshala imali. Uma ukhathele ukugembula ngemali yakho yomhlalaphansi, ungafinyelela i-*Forward Financial*

Group kokuthi 1-(800)-815-0818 noma i-*Forwardfinancialgroup.com* ukuze uthole ulwazi olwengeziwe.

Kuyamangalisa akunjalo? Umbono owodwa olula ovela kuMoya Ongcwele washintsha izimpilo zethu unomphele! Yebo, kwadingeka siyihambe lindlela, kodwa uNkulunkulu wasibonisa lapho okufanele sihambe khona. “Wazizwa kanjani, Gary, ukungabi nasikweletu?”

Ukuthula! Ukuphumula!

Cabanga ngakho. Sasuka ekubeni senkingeni enkulu yezimali saya ekungabini naso isikweleti, sikhokhela ukheshi izimoto zethu, umuzi wethu, nakho konke esasikudinga. Kwaphela iminyaka eyisishi-yagalolunye ngicindezelekile kakhulu umzuzu nomzuzu wansuku zonke. Angibanga nakuphumula. Kwakungakhathekile ukuthi kwakuwuluphi usuku lwesonto, noma ngabe

bekuyikhefu. Ngangingenakho ukuthula. Izinkinga zami zezimali zazingilandela yonke indawo engangiya kuyo. Ngabekezelela ukuhlazeka nokululazeka ngenxa yesimo sethu sezimali. Ukwesaba kwaba umngane wami oqhubekayo, ukuhlaselwa luvalo kanye nama-*antidepressant* abayindlela yokuphila ekuphakameni kokuphelelwa ithemba kwami.

Ngazo zonke izinguquko zezimali, kanye nokuba nezinto esizidingayo ekuphileni endaweni, ungase ulingeke ukuba ucabange ukuthi ngokwako izimali zethu siqu zaba ukunqoba. Yebo,

**UMBONO OWODWA OLULA
OVELA KUMOYA ONGCWELE
WASHINTSHA IZIMPILO
ZETHU UNOMPHELA! YEBO,
KWADINGEKA SIYIHAMBE
LINDLELA, KODWA
UNKULUNKULU WASIBONISA
LAPHO OKUFANELE
SIHAMBE KHONA.**

ekugcineni ukuba nezinto esasizidinga kwaba ukunqoba okukhulu, kodwa injabulo yangempela yayiwukubona uMbuso kaNkulunkulu usebenza. Njengoba mina noDrenda sasibona umsebenzi woMbuso ngokuphindaphindiwe, sasivame ukuthi, “Ukubonile na lokho?” Njengokushintsha kweswishi ikhanyisa, yonke into isobala ekukhanyeni; uyabona. Ukwazi ukubona ngemva kokuba uyimpumpu the futhi uphila ngaphandle kwezimpendulo kuyisenzakalo esimangalisayo. Ukuthola ingcebo yethu yeqiniso, uMbuso kaNkulunkulu, kwakumangalisa nje. Ukuzama ukukutshela ukuthi kuzwakala kanjani kulula—ngokokuqala ngqá ekuphileni kwami, kwaba nokuphumula!

Izehlakalo zaphela! Esikhathini esidlule, uma isondo lethu liqhuma, laliba inkinga enkulu engokomzwelo. “Sizoyithathaphi imali?” Ingabe ikhona indawo esele emakhadini?” Kodwa namuhla, uma ngesizathu esithile imoto iqhume, bengingamane ngibuze umkami, “Ufuna elombala onjani okwamanje?” Akukho sehlakalo, akukho ukwethuka, akukho sikweletu, uvele uphumule. Singahlala esabelweni sethu nakunjongo zethu. Asisaphili impilo yokusinda, sesingaba ngeMPILO!

Ngalokho-ke ngithi kini: Ningakhathazeki ngokuphila kwenu, ukuthi niyakudlani noma niyakuphuzani; kumbe nangomzimba wenu ukuthi niyakwembathani. Ukuphila akukukhulu kunokudla, nomzimba kunesambatho na? Bukani izinyoni zezulu; ukuthi azihlwanyeli, azivuni, azibekeleli ezinqolobaneni, kepha nokho uYihlo wasezulwini uyazondla. Nina anibalulekile yini ngaphezu kwazo na?

— NgokukaMathewu 6:25-26

Kule minyaka engu-36 edlule, ngihlale phansi nezinkulungwane zabantu ematafuleni abo asekhishini futhi saxoxa ngezizimali zabo ngokwezinga lomuntu siqu. Ngikhulume nezixuku zezinkulungwane emhlabeni wonke, futhi into eyodwa engiyithola yonke indawo lapho ngibheka khona ukuthi wonke umuntu udinga ukuphumula!!!! Wonke umuntu ubheke ngabomvu kumpelasonto, kukhefu, noma kumhlalaphansi—ukuma futhi aphumule.

Ucwaningo oluningi lwakamuva engilufundile lwathola ukuthi cishe amaphesenti angama-70 abantu base-America abayithandi imisebenzi yabo, futhi kulawo ma-70%, ama-20% awabambisene futhi acatshangelwa ukuthi azonda imisebenzi yawo. Kungani bevela entweni abayizondayo? Hlobo luni lokungcindezeleka abaphila ngaphansi kwalo ukuze babhekane nobuhlungu obungaka obungokomzwelo nsuku zonke? Ukulibeka ngembaba, bayizigqila. (Sonke sasinjalo. Sikhulele emhlabeni

lapho okuwukuphela kwendlela yokuchuma iwukuba nemali eyanele yokuba nezinketho. Kodwa kubantu abaningi, lokhu akunjalo.) Amaphupho abo okuchuma ayanyamalala kancane kancane kube yimpilo yokusinda njengoba bezithola besemisebenzini engena mpumelo eminyakeni yabo yama-30, 40, kanye nama-50.

Isibalo sakamuva sithi u-69% wabantu base-America abanayo

**UKUPHILA IMPILO
YOKUCINDEZELEKA
NGOKWEZIMALI...
KWAKUNGELONA ICEBO
LIKANKULUNKULU
KWASEKUQALENI,
FUTHI AKULONA ICEBO
LIKANKULUNKULU
NGAWE NAMUHLA.**

¹ Niall McCarthy, "Survey: 69% of Americans Have Less Than \$1,000 in Savings," *Forbes*, September 23, 2016, <https://www.forbes.com/sites/niallmccarthy/2016/09/23/survey-69-of-americans-have-less-than-1000-in-savings-infographic/#30d27351ae67>.

ngisho nenkulungwane yamadola yokulondoloza¹. Ukucindezeleka nokuhlukumezeka ngokomzwelo abantu abaningi abaphila ngaphansi kwaso kusonta umuzwa wabo wokuzazi nokuzethemba. Amaphupho abekelwa izidingo eziphuthumayo futhi ukudumazeka okungenangqondo besekusenzeka. Injabulo isiyaphela.

Ngolunye usuku, ngikhumbula ngixoxa nomfundisi ngezezimali. Wangitshela ukuthi uyayithanda inkonzo futhi uyabathanda abantu, kodwa nsuku zonke wayevuka ejabule aze akhumbule isimo sakhe sezimali. Wangitshela ukuthi kwakufana nefu elikhulu elimnyama elinqamula ukukhanya kwelanga, njengoba imicabango edikibal-isayo kwakheka engqondweni yakhe futhi yambambela esimweni sengqondo sokusinda, ukuphelelwa ithemba ngokwezezimali, futhi nobugqila obungenambono.

Impilo isithathelwe indawo wukubuka abanye benqoba. I-Hollywood yenze izigidigidi ikhombisa izindimbane zabanye abantu abanqobayo esikrinini esikhulu. Abantu abangakwazi ukuzibona benqoba mathupha bathola imizuzu embalwa yokubalekela isidina sabo futhi baphile amaphupho abo ngokubuka abantu abaphelele bephila izimpilo eziphelele kusikrinini esikhulu.

Ezemidlalo njengamanje zidonsa izigidigidi zamadola ngonyaka kubabukeli emhlabeni jikelele. Ku-2017, i-*NFL* ilethe ngaphezu kwe-7.8 zezigidi zamadola; ku-*Super Bowl*, ilinganiselwa ezigidini eziyizinkulungwane ezingu-15.5; futhi lowo umdlalo owodwa nje!^{2 3} Abantu bathanda ukujabulisa iqembu abalithandayo ukuthi liphumelele.

Kodwa okufanele sikuqonde ukuthi sonke simiselwe futhi

² Michael David Smith, "Packers' Books Show NFL teams Split \$7.8 Billion in National Revenue," NBC Sports, <http://profootballtalk.nbcsports.com/2017/07/12/packers-books-show-nfl-teams-split-7-8-billion-in-national-revenue/>.

³ Joe D'Allegro, "Super Bowl Billions: The Big Business Behind the Biggest Game of the Year," CNBC, January 22, 2017, updated February 2, 2017, <https://www.cnbc.com/2017/01/20/super-bowl-billions-the-big-business-behind-the-big-game.html>.

sadalelwa ukunqoba—ukuba semzabalazweni, ukuba semdlalweni, futhi ekugcineni sinqobe. Ukuphelelwa ithemba ngokwezezimali kuyinto evamile, hhayi okuhlukile, kubantu abaningi—ngakho okuwukuphela kwendlela yokuphunyuka ukuphila impilo sonke esiphupha ngayo siphumisela ngezimpilweni zabanye. Iyini iqhinga lokunqoba i-*lotto*? Kungani uhlelo lwe-TV ethi *Who Wants To Be A Millionaire* ludume kangaka?” Kungani izinhlelo zokuceba ziseyizilingo namuhla? Impendulo ithi? PHUMULA! Wonke umuntu ukhathele ukugijima, wonke umuntu ukhathele ukuvuka nesisindo sokuthola ukuhlinzekwa ukweba amaphupho abo. Kodwa ukuphila impilo yokucindezeleka ngokwezimali akuyona into entsha; eqinisweni, sekunesikhathi eside kukhona umuntu emhlabeni. Nokho, kwakungelona icebo likaNkulunkulu kwasekuqaleni, futhi akulona icebo likaNkulunkulu ngawe namuhla.

ISAHLUKO 2

AMALUNGELO ANGOKOMTHETHO

Engenathemba—kungaleyindlela engangichaza ngayo ukuphila kwethu ngaphambi kokuba siqonde indlela yokuphumula. Iminyaka eyisishiyagalolunye yisikhathi eside sokuphila kuziphithiphithi zezimali kanye nengcindezi. Ngikhumbula izikhathi eziningi ngibuka ipulazi elingama-ekha angu-85 esasiliqasha ngo-\$300 ngenyanga, sasingayikhokhi kahle leyo nkokhelo, eyayishibhile kakhulu, futhi ngizibuza ukuthi ngiyoke ngikwazi yini ukuba ngumnikazi womhlaba ofana nalona.

Umnikazi wayezokwakha inkundla yegalofu kule ndawo futhi wayefuna nje ukuthi kube khona umuntu ozohlala khona, ozogada nje le ndawo baze baqale lomsebenzi, okuyinto ababecabanga ukuthi wawuzoba cishe okweminyaka emithathu kuya kwemihlanu. Indlu endala yasepulazini yeza “njengoba injalo,” futhi babengeke bakhokhe noma yikuphi ukulungiswa ngaleso sikhathi. Sayithatha, futhi ngemva kokupenda nokuhlaza izinto ezingathi sína, indlu endala yaba nenhle eyingqayizivela. Uhlelo lwethu kwakuwukuhlala lapho iminyaka emithathu bese siqhubekela phambili, kodwa

ngonyaka wesishiyagalombili silapho, sasingakasondeli ekubeni sibe nalutho.

Ngemva kokuba uNkulunkulu ekhulume nami ngoMbuso, futhi sesiqale ukufunda nokusebenzisa izimiso nemithetho yoMbuso, izinto zaqala ukushintsha. Ekuqaleni njengoba izimali zethu ziqala ukuba ngcono, sasijabula kakhulu ngisho nangokunqoba kokuncane kakhulu. Ngikhumbula ngithenga umshini wokuhlamba izitsha wendlu endala yasepulazini futhi mina noDrenda sasijabule kakhulu, ikakhulukazi yena! Nakuba ngezinye izikhathi ngangisiza ngokuhlamba izitsha, nami ngangimata ngebhizinisi. Njengoba wayenezingane ezine ekhaya ngaleso sikhathi, wayehlamba izitsha njalo. Lapho sithenga umshini wokuhlamba izitsha, ngikhumbula ngisho okuthile okunjen-gokuthi, “Uyakholelwa ukuthi sisanda kukhokha ukheshi ngomshini wokuhlamba izitsha?” Ngiyazi, uyacabanga, “Hawu, yini enkulu kangaka ngokuthenga umshini wokuhlamba izitsha?” Hhayi-ke, ukuze sikubeke kucace lokho, kuzomele ubheke eminye imishini kagesi esekhishini lethu lendlu yasepulazini. Kokubili isitofu sethu nesiqandisi kwakuluhlaza kukakotapheya futhi kwakuneminyaka engu-25 ubudala. Ngakho uma kuqhathaniswa, ukuthenga umshini wokuhlamba izitsha kwaba ukunqoba okukhulu kithi.

Esahlukweni sokugcina, ngabelane ngendlela uNkulunkulu anginika ngayo iphupho kanye nohlelo lokuqala ibhizinisi elalizoba yimpendulo kuziphithiphithi zethu zezezimali. Ungase ucabange, “Ngifisa sengathi uNkulunkulu angangitshela into efana naleyo.” Izindaba ezinhle ukuthi Yena uyafisa ukwenza kanjalo, kodwa kunezinto ezithile okufanele uzazi mayelana nendlela uMbuso osebenza ngayo ngaphambi kokuba ukwazi ukuthola lolo hlobo losizo. Isiqondiso engasithola ngalolo suku ephusheni senzeka ngenxa yalokho uNkulunkulu ayesifundisa kona ngoMbuso Wakhe

futhi sasiwumphumela oqondile wokusebenzisa lokho Yena ayesibonise kona. Nakuba ngikhulume ngoMbuso ngokuningiliziwe encwadini yami yokugcina, ngidinga ukuyibukeza lapha futhi ukuze ngisinike inkundla esingasebenza kuyo.

Abantu bayangibuza ukuthi ngiqonde ukuthini ngoMbuso kaNkulunkulu. Ngangingenalo ulwazi ngoMbuso kaNkulunkulu nakuba ngangingumKristu. Ngangazi ukuthi ngizoya ezulwini lapho ngifa, kodwa ngangingawuqondi uMbuso kaNkulunkulu nendlela osebenza ngayo ngempela. Ukuze uqonde lo mqondo, udinga ukuqonda ukuthi igama elithi *umbuso* lisho ukuthini. Ngomqondo ongokoqobo, lisho ukubusa kwenkosi. Umbuso wenkosi usebenza ngezwi lenkosi. Amazwi Akhe aba ngumthetho olawula isizinda Sakhe kanye nempilo yezakhamuzi zakhe. Omunye umqondo ohilela umbuso ukuthi isixuku sabantu abayisigidi asiwenzi umbuso. UMbuso ufaka uhulumeni onemithetho ephoqelela imithetho yenkosi kuso sonke isakhamuzi esisemthethweni salowo mbuso. Lo mbono wokuthi uNkulunkulu unoMbuso onemithetho emisiwe etholakala kuzo zonke izakhamuzi ezingokomthetho zoMbuso wakhe ubonakala uyize kwabaningi abangamaKristu. AmaKristu amaningi akholelwa ukuthi uNkulunkulu unquma ukuthi imiphi imithandazo ayiphendulayo noma ukuthi ubani abonisa ukukhetha. Bakholelwa ukuthi uma bezila ukudla isikhathi eside noma benza umsebenzi womoya owengeziwe benzela uNkulunkulu, bazothola umusa Kuye. Mngane wami, usuvele unomusa Kuye.

Ngakho-ke aniseyibo abezizwe nezihambi, kodwa izakhamuzi ezikanye nabantu bakaNkulunkulu kanye namalungu abendlu Yakhe.

— Kwabase-Efesu 2:19

Awusona nje isakhamuzi soMbuso wakhe, kodwa futhi uyilungu ezikanye lendlu Yakhe uqobo, indodana noma indodakazi yeNkosi. KwabaseGalathiya 4 kucacisa kahle ukuthi lokhu kusho ukuthini kuwe nakimi.

Kepha ngithi ngesikhathi indlalifa iseyingane, kayihlukile ngalutho encekwini, nakuba iphetho ifa lonke. Yona ingaphansi kwabaphathi nababonisi kuze kube yisikhathi esamiswa nguyise ngaphambili. Kanjalo nathi, lapho siseyizingane, sasisebugqileni ngaphansi kwezifundiso zezimiso zezwe. Kepha lapho sekufikile ukuphelela kwesikhathi, uNkulunkulu wathuma iNdodana yakhe, ezelwe ngowesifazane, izelwe phansi komthetho, ukuze ihlengi abaphansi komthetho, ukuze samukele amalungelo apheleleyo amadodana. Ngokuba ningamadodana, uNkulunkulu uthumile uMoya weNdodana yakhe ezinhliziyweni zethu, uMoya omemezayo ethi: “Aba, Baba.” Njalo-ke awuseyiyo inceku, kepha usuyindodana; kepha uma uyindodana, uyindlalifa futhi ngaye uNkulunkulu.

— KwabaseGalathiya 4:1-7

Uyindlalifa yalo lonke ifa njengendodana noma indodakazi, futhi unamalungelo angokomthetho njengesakhamuzi soMbuso Wakhe! Vumela lokho kungene okomzuzu nje—usunayo yonke into. Akukho lutho oludingayo ongenalo kakade. Ngakho yeka ukuncenga nokukhala. Awukwazi ukuncenga into osuvele unayo. UNkulunkulu akenzi icala ngesinqumo secala mayelana nokuthi uzosiza bani noma angeke asize. Noma ubani oyindodana noma indodakazi kaNkulunkulu usenalo kakade usizo Lwakhe.

Ake ngiqhathanise lokhu nokuba yisakhamuzi sase-United States. Uma uyisakhamuzi, khona-ke usuvele usekelwa uhulumeni wase-United States ukuze kulandelwe okushiwo umthetho. Leyo nzuzo yahlanganiswa nokuba yisakhamuzi kwakho. Ngakho, awukwazi ukuzila ukudla futhi uthandaze isikhathi eside ngokwanele ukuze uthole usizo Lwakhe; Wakunika yona ngokukhululekile ngalokho uJesu akwenza. Ngakho kujabulele. Ungumnikazi wayo!

**IMIZWA MIHLE,
FUTHI NGIYATHANDA
UKUZWA UBUKHONA
BUKANKULUNKULU, KODWA
UMA KUSIZA EZINDABENI
EZINGOKOMTHETHO, ASIKHO
ISIDINGO SOKUZIZWA
NGISINDISIWE UKUZE
NGISINDISWE.**

Futhi uNkulunkulu wasivusa kanye noKristu wasihlalisa kanye naye embusweni wezulu kuKristu Jesu, kuze kuthi ezikhathini ezizayo abonakalise ingcebo engenakuqhathaniswa yomusa wakhe, obonakaliswa ngobubele bakhe kithina kuKristu Jesu.

— Kwabase-Efesu 2:6-7

Lawo mazwi athi, “*wasihlalisa kanye naye embusweni wezulu*” akhuluma ngesikhundla sakho esingokomthetho eMbusweni kaNkulunkulu. UJesu uhlezi ngakwesokunene sikaYise, kanjalo nani, njengoba ningumzimba kaKristu. Kanjalo niyizindlalifa kanye noJesu kukho konke uNkulunkulu anakho. Ngiyazi ukuthi kuyamangaza ukucabanga ngalokho, kodwa kuyiqiniso.

Unakho konke; wena ungumndeni, futhi lokhu kuyindaba yomndeni! Kodwa ngenxa yokuthi usathane uzame ukufihla konke oyikho khona nakho konke onakho, abantu abaningi, ngisho namaKristu, baphila njengalabo abasaboshwe uhlelo lokusinda isiqalekiso somhlaba!

Isihluthulelo esashintshaukuphilakwamikwabalapho ngiqaphela ukuthi kwakukhona futhi kukhona uhulumeni onemithetho futhi mina, njengesakhamuzi, nginamalungelo angokomthetho nezinzuzo eMbusweni. Imizwa mihle, futhi ngiyathanda ukuzwa ubukhona bukaNkulunkulu, kodwa uma kusiza ezindabeni ezingokomthetho, asikho isidingo sokuzizwa ngisindisiwe ukuze ngisindiswe. Kuyindaba yezomthetho. Akudingeki ngizizwe sengathi ngiyisakhamuzi sase-United States ukuze ngibe yiso. Ngiyazi kakade ukuthi kuyindaba esemthethweni olugculiseka ngokuthi ngazalelwa lapha. Lapho unokuma okulungile phambi kukaNkulunkulu futhi ukuphila kwakho kusekelwe emthethweni esikhundleni sokuthi uzizwa kanjani, izinto ziyashintsha!

Yilesi sibindi esinaso ekusondeleni kuNkulunkulu: sokuthi uma sicela utho ngokwentando yakhe, uyasizwa. Futhi uma siyazi ukuthi Yena uyasizwa—noma yini esiyicelayo—siyazi ukuthi sinakho esikucelileyo, esikucele Kuye.

— 1 NgokukaJohane 5:14-15

Cabanga ngalo Mbhalo okomzuzu; ingenye yezintandokazi zami. Uma ngicela noma yini ngokwentando Yakhe, ngiyazi ukuthi Yena uyasizwa! Lokhu akubhekiseli kumagagasi omsindo ozwayo ngezindlebe zakho. Lesi isitatimende esongokomthetho. Cabanga ngomahluleli nenkantolo yalo. Uma umahluleli enquma

ukulalela icala, kusho ukuthi usevumile ukuxazulula udaba ngokulandela okushiwo imithetho. Esimweni sethu, njengoba siye sacela ngokuvumelana ngokwemithetho yeNkosi, siyazi kakade ukuthi Yena uzowusebenzisa umthetho Wakhe. Ngakho, siyaqiniseka ngomphumela; ngeke kube khona ukuqagela.

Ngokwesibonelo, i-United States akuwona umbuso ngoba ayinayo inkosi, kodwa isebenza ngemithetho elinganayo futhi etholakala kuzo zonke izakhamizi ezisemthethweni. Ngendlela efanayo, uMbuso kaNkulunkulu nawo uyabuswa ngemithetho, etholakala kuzo zonke izakhamizi ngaphandle kokukhetha. Izindaba esizifunda eBhayibhelini azigcini nje ngokusihlekisa, kodwa zifanekisela leyo mithetho ukuze siyifunde futhi siyisebenzise. UJesu wasebenzisa inkulumbo ethi, “umbuso kaNkulunkulu ufana” izikhathi eziningi lapho Yena echazela abantu indlela uMbuso osebenza ngayo. UJesu wayebhekisela emithethweni yoMbuso lapho elandisa imifanekiso, enikeza isithombe esibonakalayo sendlela imithetho eyayisebenza ngayo noma ebonisa ukuthi kungani kwenzeka okuthile. Nalapha futhi, ngesizathu esithile, abantu abaqondi ukuthi uMbuso kaNkulunkulu unemithetho elawula ukusebenza kwawo. Abaningi bacabanga ukuthi uNkulunkulu angenza noma yini Yena afuna ukuyenza noma nini lapho Yena ethanda ngoba Yena unguNkulunkulu. Ngizovuma ukuthi uNkulunkulu unamandla okwenza noma yini afuna ukuyenza; nokho, Yena unqunyelwe imithetho Yakhe uqobo. Ngiyazi ukuthi lokhu kungase kuzwakale kungavamile kuwe, kodwa ukuze ngiveze iphuzu lami, ake sibheke ngokushesha kuNgokukaMarku 6.

UJesu wayesethi kubo: “Ezweni lakubo kuphela, nasezibhlotsheni zakubo, futhi nasendlini yakubo kukhona umprofethi

ongenadumo. Yena wayengenakwenza nezimangaliso lapho, ngaphandle kokuthi wabeka izandla phezu kwabagulayo abayingcosana, wabaphulukisa. Futhi wamangala ngokungakhohwa kwabo.

— NgokukaMarku 6:4-6

Njengoba ufunda lo Mbhalo, kufanele ube nezinto ezibalwa kuwe ezivela ekhasini ezikunikeza ukuqonda okuthile ngomsebenzi woMbuso.

Yena akakwazanga ukwenza nezimangaliso lapho....

Okokuqala nje, amaKristu amaningi awakaze abone lo Mbhalo futhi angaphikisana nawe ngaphambili ukuthi uma uthi kunezimo eBhayibhelini lapho uJesu engenakuphulukisa khona, uyobe unephutha. Kodwa njengoba ubona, Akakwazanga. Uma usuqonda ukuthi Umbuso usebenza ngemithetho, bese uqala ukubheka ngokujulile le ndaba. Ukuqonda okujwayelekile kwamaKristu amaningi kungaba ukuthi uJesu wakhetha ukungawaphulukisi. Lokho bekuyoba nengqondo ukube ubungakuqondi ukuba semthethweni koMbuso. Ukwazi ukuthi uJesu wayenamandla okuphulukisa kodwa akuzange kwenzeka, ngaphandle kokuqonda Amandla esikhundla angokomthetho, ubuyophetha ngokuthi ukhethe ukungaphulukisi. Kungaba kambe yini enye?

Mhlawumbe uke wezwa othile ethi, “UNkulunkulu ukuvumele lokhu ukuba kwenzeka,” noma “uNkulunkulu wazi kangcono,” noma “uNkulunkulu ukulawule konke,” noma okuthile okuhambisana naleyo migqa lapho othile ekhombisa inkinga noma ubunzima bona noma umngane abhekane nabo. Ngokuqondene noMkristu ovamile,

yilapho beyeka khona. Ukungazi imithetho yoMbuso nokuthi yini empeleni eyavimbela uJesu, ukuphela kwesiphetho abangafinyelela kuso ukuthi kwakuyintando kaNkulunkulu ukungabaphulukisi. Mngane wami, iBhayibheli alisho ukuthi Yena wakhetha ukungaphulukisi. Ithi akakwazanga ukubaphulukisa ngenxa yokuntula kwabo ukholo. Uma usubonile ukuthi okuvimbela ukuphulukiswa kule ndaba kwakungekona ukuntula kukaNkulunkulu isifiso sokwenza njalo, kodwa kunalokho, ukuthi kwakukhona imithetho yozomoya engokozomthetho eyamisa amandla kaNkulunkulu.

Kwezinye izindaba, manje uzobona ukuthi bekunyezizathu ezingokomthetho zokuthi kungani amandla kaNkulunkulu enegunya lokuletha intando futhi nesifiso Sakhe esimweni noma cha, njengakulesi. Ngakho-ke, kuphuthuma kakhulu ukuba uthole ukuthi le mithetho yoMbuso isebenza kanjani. Ngolunye usuku lapho ungase udinge ukuthintwa okuvela ezulwini, awufuni ukuba amandla ezulu abe afinyezwe, kodwa kunalokho, ube nenkululeko yokukhiqiza intando kaNkulunkulu ekuphileni kwakho. Futhi yilokho kanye engikubhalele le ncwadi.

Ukuqala uhambo lwakho ngempela, ngingancoma ukuthi uqale ngesiqalo esisha engqondweni yakho futhi uqaphele awukuthi udinga ukulahla izimpendulo zenkolo ezindala ozizwile empilweni yakho yonke mayelana nokuthi kungani uNkulunkulu enza noma engenzi okuthile. Ngeyethemba manje uyazi ukuthi udinga ukwenqaba incazelo evamile evame ukunikezwa uma kukhulunywa ngokuthi kungani uJonny osemcane washona esasemncane: “UNkulunkulu wazi kangcono, Nguye olawulayo,” njll. Cha, udinga UKWAZI ukuthi kungani uJesu engenakuphulukisa kanye nemithetho elawula ukugeleza kwamandla kaNkulunkulu endaweni yasemhlabeni. Udinga ukwazi impendulo yombuzo othi, “Kungani uJesu

engazange aphulukise?” Kubantu abaningi, iqiniso lokuthi ngisho noma ngithi kunempendulo yalowo mbuzo kubangela ukuthi

**IZITHEMBISO ZAKHE
ZISINIKEZA ISITHEMBISO
SOKUPHULUKISWA,
UKUBUYISELWA, UKWANDA
NGOKWEZIMALI, NOKUNYE
OKUNINGI—HHAYI
NJE UKUBA NEKHONO
LOKUHLUPHEKA NGENXA
YOBUNZIMA NOMA
INHLEKELELE.**

bacasuke. Kodwa mina ngikutshela kuphela lokho okushiwo yiBhayibheli, futhi angiphinde ngikugcizelele ukuthi KUMELE uyazi impendulo yalowo mbuzo.

Impendulo elula nefushane echaza ukuthi kungani uJesu engenakuphulukisa kuleyo ndaba ukuthi izulu lalingenalo igunya elingokomthetho lokwenza lokho. Lelo gunya linikezwa ngokholo yindoda noma owesifazane osemhlabeni oqinisekile ngokuphelele ngalokho okushiwo izulu. Nakuba sobabili singavuma

ukuthi uJesu wayenamandla futhi nesifiso sokuphulukisa abantu, Yena wayengenakukwazi. UJesu, ngokwakhe wathi ukwehluleka ukuphulukisa kwakungebona ubuthakathaka ohlangothini Lwakhe kodwa kwakungenxa yokuthi abantu babengenalo ukholo. Kubhale phansi lokho! Kukhona isihluthulelo esiyinhloko lapha! Ukukholwa!

Encwadini yami edlule, ngachitha isikhathi esiningi ngichaza ukuthi kuyini ukholo, ukuthi lusebenza kanjani, kungani sidinga ukholo, kungani uNkulunkulu efuna ukholo, ukuthi siluthola kanjani ukholo, nokuthi sazi kanjani uma sisokholweni. Ukusho ukuthi ukuqonda kwakho lo mthetho oyisisekelo woMbuso kubaluleke kakhulu kungaba ukukubukelwa phansi. Kungukuphila nokufa!

Ngisanda kuthola incwajana evela enkonzweni yobuKristu eyaziwayo. Okuqukethwe kuyo kwakujwayelekile kulokho amaKristu amaningi akukholelwayo, ngeshwa. Ake ngihlanganyele okunye kwakho lapha.

Iqala ngezwi elikhulu elivela ku **UDuteronomi 31:6**:

Qinani nime isibindi ningesabi, ningashaywa luvalo ngabo, ngokuba uJehova uNkulunkulu wakho Nguyena ohamba nawe. Akayikukuyeka, noma akushiye.

Bese iqhubeka ithi...

“Kungani uNkulunkulu engabuvimbi ubuphekula nokuhlupheka? Kungani evumela abantu ukuba bafe? Imibuzo yandile, futhi iqiniso lendaba ukuthi asizazi zonke izimpendulo. Asazi ukuthi kungani uNkulunkulu evumela izinto ezithile ukuba zenzeke. Esikwaziyo ukuthi uthando lukaNkulunkulu luphelele. Izindlela zakhe zingaphezu kwezindlela zethu. Kufanele sithembele ezithembisweni Zakhe ezingasitsheli ukuthi ngeke asinike okungaphezu kwamandla ethu, kodwa ukuthi noma yini Yena asinika yona, uyoba nathi kuso sonke esinyathelo ngasinye sethu.”

AKULUNGILE, AKULUNGILE, AKULUNGILE!
Eqinisweni, iBhayibheli lisitshela okuhluka ngokuphelele.

Anifikelwanga ukulingwa okungenjengokwabantu; kepha uNkulunkulu uthembekile, ongayikuvuma ukuba nilingwe ngokungaphezu kwamandla enu, kepha oyakuthi kanye nokulingwa anenzele indlela yokuphepha, nize nibe namandla okukuthwala.

— 1 KwabaseKorinte 10:13 (NKJV).

Izithembiso Zakhe zisnikeza isithembiso sokuphulukiswa, ukubuyiselwa, ukwanda ngokwezimali, nokunye okuningi—hhayi nje ukuba nekhono lokuhlupheka ngenxa yobunzima noma inhlekelele. Uthando oluphelele lunikeza izixazululo. Ngingaqhubeka, kodwa lokhu, ngeshwa, yilokho abantu abaningi abakukholelwayo ngoNkulunkulu. Umuntu angacabanga kanjani ukuthi uNkulunkulu, othando lwakhe luphelele, anganika umuntu umdlavuzwa noma enqabe ukumphulukisa kuyilapho enamandla okukwenza lokho kungaphezu kwami. Lapho bebuzwa ngalokhu, futhi, impendulo yabo evamile ukuthi izindlela Zakhe azizona izindlela zethu. Uyadlala? Asinalo uthando oluphelele futhi ngeke sikwenze lokho kungane yethu! Ngokuphambene, Wenza izindlela Zakhe zicace kakhulu eZwini Lakhe.

Incwadi yezindaba yayisho ukuthi noma yini asinika yona, Uyoba lapho isinyathelo ngasinye lapho sihlupheka ngakho. Ingabe uNkulunkulu uzosinika into embi? Cha. Lapho iBhay-ibheli lisitshela ukuthi unathi futhi akasoze asishiya, lisho ukuthi uNkulunkulu unathi ukuze asekele izithembiso Zakhe! Mngane wami lemfundiso yokuthi uNkulunkulu uyisitha sethu ayiveli kuNkulunkulu. Alimeli uNkulunkulu engimkhonzayo, futhi ngethemba ukuthi ngeke nikubekezelele lokho. Uma ibandla lakho lifundisa lolu hlobo lwenkohliso, kufanele uhambe ngokushesha!

UNkulunkulu uluthando futhi iZwi lithi uthando alusoze lwaphela. Okuhlulekayo, nokho, Amandla ongomthetho kaNkulunkulu, amandla Akhe okungenela endaweni yasemhlabeni, akhiqizwa ukholo lwethu. Futhi, lena yindaba yezomthetho, hhayi indaba eshaqisa umzimba, inkinga yokuzizwa, nanoma yini enye. Kumane kuyindaba yezomthetho okufanele uyazi. Njengoba umuntu enegunya endaweni yomhlaba, uNkulunkulu

akakwazi ukwenza lokho akufunayo, njengoba ngike ngabelana nani. Ukuvumelana kwakho nezulu, ukholo lwakho, kuyadingeka ukunikeza izulu amandla okuletha amandla kaNkulunkulu kuleso simo futhi akhiqize ukulunga. Mngane, **kufanele** wazi ukuthi kuyini ukukholwa nokuthi kungani kudingeka ukwamukela kuNkulunkulu.

Uma kwenzeka ungayifundanga incwadi yami yangaphambilini (*Uguquko Lwakho Lwezezimali: Amandla Okwethembeka*), ake ngibuyekeze kafushane nje ukuthi kuyini ukukholwa. Nakuba ungase ucabange ukuthi cishe wonke umKristu osebenzisa igama elithi ukholo uzokwazi ukuthi kuyini, uzobe unephutha. Kudingeka sibe nesifundo somlando esincane ukuze sikwazi ukuqonda umqondo obalulekile woMbuso mayelana negunya elingokomthetho.

Ake sibheke **KwabaseRoma 4:18-21:**

Owathi kungekho themba u-Abrahama wakhohwa ngethamba, ukuze abe nguyise wezizwe eziningi, njengalokho okwashiwo ukuthi: “Yoba njalo inzalo yakho.” Engabanga buthakathaka ekukholweni kwakhe, wabona iqiniso lokuthi umzimba wakhe obusufa—eneminyaka engaba ngeyikhulu—nesizalo sikaSara sasifile. Nokho akangabazanga ngesithembiso sikaNkulunkulu ngokungakhohwa, kodwa waqina ekukholweni kwakhe, enika uNkulunkulu udumo, eqinisekile ngokuphelele ukuthi lokho akwethembisile uNkulunkulu unamandla nokukwenza.

U-Abrahama waziwa njengoyise wokholo lwethu. Wayeqinisekile ngokuphelele ukuthi uNkulunkulu unamandla okwenza lokho ayekuthembisile. Oqinisekile ngokuphelele, ngokuvumelana noNkulunkulu, kubizwa ngokuthi ukholo. Ngaphandle kwaleso

sivumelwano, uNkulunkulu akanakuhamba endaweni yasemhlabeni. Ngakho ungase ubuze, “Kungani uNkulunkulu engadinga noma ubani nokumvimbela ekwenzeni noma yini ayikhethayo? UnguNkulunkulu.” Ukuze siphendule lowo mbuzo, kudingeka sibheke ngokushesha emuva ekuqaleni, esikhathini sika-Adamu.

Wameniza waba mncinyane kunezingelosi; wambeka umqhele wenkazimulo nodumo, izinto zonke wazibeka phansi kwezinyawo zakhe. Ngokuba ekubekeni izinto zonke phansi kwakhe, uNkulunkulu akashiyanga lutho olungabekwanga phansi kwakhe. Kepha kalokhu asikaziboni izinto zonke zibekiwe phansi kwakhe.

— KumaHeberu 2:7-8

Lo Umbhalo ukhuluma ngo-Adamu no-Eva ekudalweni. Sicela uqaphele ukuthi kwakungekho lutho emhlabeni olwalungekho ngaphansi kombuso wabo ongokomthetho. U-Adamu wabekwa emhlabeni ukuba abuse umhlaba ngegunya elinikelwe egAmenii loMbuso kaNkulunkulu. Wabusa umhlaba wonke.

UNkulunkulu wathi: “Masenze abantu ngomfanekiso wethu, basifuze, futhi babuse phezu kwezinhlanzi zolwandle, nezinyoni zezulu, nezinkomo, nomhlaba wonke, nezilwanyana ezinwabuzelayo. emhlabeni.”

— UGenesisise 1:26

Ngakho futhi, siyabona ukuthi u-Adamu wabusa umhlaba ngegunya aliphathisiwe futhi bambeka umqhele wenkazimulo (ukugcotshwa noma amandla) nodumo (isikhundla segunya). Kwakungekho lutho olwalungekho ngaphansi kombuso wakhe.

Eqinisweni, uma ufunda ukulandisa kwendalo, u-Adamu empeleni waqamba izilwane, njengoba wayengaphezu kwawo wonke umhlaba. Njengoba sonke sazi, u-Adamu walahlekelwa igunya lakhe lokubusa kungenxa kaSathane, owakhohlisa u-Eva futhi walinga u-Adamu ukuba avukele umbuso kaNkulunkulu, okuyinto ayenzayo. UPawulu ubhala ku-2 KwabaseKorinte 4:4 ukuthi uSathane, ngokuvukela umbuso kuka-Adamu, waba unkulunkulu walelizwe. Akazange athi ungunkulunkulu, kodwa kunalokho, waba unkulunkulu walelizwe, okusho ukuthi wayenegunya elingokomthetho elingokomoya lapha. Nakuba umuntu ayesaphila emhlabeni, ngokomoya, wayefile kuNkulunkulu. Umoya womuntu, owadalelwa ukuba uhambe ebunyeni noMoya kaNkulunkulu, manje wawusuhlukanisiwe Naye. Umuntu waqala ukuhamba ngokwemizwa yakhe, ingqondo, intando, nemizwelo yakhe.

USathane wasemenyusela entabeni ende, wambonisa imibuso yonke yezwe ngomzuzwanyana. USathane wathi kuye: “Amandla onke lana ngokunika wena kanye nenkazimulo yawo; ngokuba inikiwe mina, futhi ngiyinika noma ubani ngokuthand kwami ukumnika. Ngakho-ke, wena uma ukhuleka phambi kwami, konke kuzakuba ngokwakho.”

— NgokukaLuka 4:5-7

Uzoqaphela ukuthi uSathane uthi isikhundla anaso phezu kwendawo yasemhlabeni “**sinikezwe**” yena. Yebo, siyazi ukuthi lowo owamnika sona nguye owayenaso ngokomthetho ekuqaleni, okwakungu-Adamu. Lokhu kubalulekile. Ukube, eqinisweni, uSathane wayezamile ukungena endaweni yasemhlabeni ngokungemthetho, wayeyoxoshwa ngaso leso sikhathi nangenkani.

Uma ungacabanga ngephoyisa elibiza abanye abasekelayo, uzoba nombono omuhle wokuthi kungani ngithi uSathane ubezoxosha. Ibheji eligqokwa yiphoyisa lisikisela ukuthi wonke amaphoyisa namandla kahulumeni ase-United States akhona ukuze asekele amazwi akhe.

Umqhele u-Adamu ayewugqokile (isikhundla ayenaso), ebusa esikhundleni sombuso kaNkulunkulu, waletha wonke amandla kaNkulunkulu ukuba amsekele. Ngenxa yesikhundla sika-Adamu endaweni yasemhlabeni, uSathane wayengenagunya nakancane endaweni yasemhlabeni. Wayebuswa u-Adamu no-Eva. Okuwukuphela kwendlela kaSathane engokomthetho yokuthola igunya emhlabeni yayiyodinga ukuba u-Adamu akhumule umqhele wakhe, okuyinto uSathane ayengenalo igunya lokumphoqelela ukuba akwenze. USathane wayazi ukuphela komuntu lokho owayengasusa lowomqhele ekhanda lika-Adamu kwakungu-Adamu uqobo lwakhe. Yingakho uSathane kwadingeka asebenzise isu lakhe lokukhohlisa. Kwakuyini lokho kukhohlisa? USathane wasikisela ukuthi uNkulunkulu akathembekile futhi akanandaba nabo. Wenza u-Eva waqiniseka ukuthi kwakunenzuzo ukungamlaleli uNkulunkulu futhi nokuthi imithetho kaNkulunkulu yayivimba yena no-Adamu kokuthile okuzuzisayo.

USathane kwadingeka ukuba enze u-Adamu no-Eva ukuba bakholwe noma bazivumelanise naye esikhundleni sikaNkulunkulu.

Ngamagama alula, lokhu kuwukholo. Ukholo lungachazwa njengokuthi “eqinisekile ngokuphelele” ngalokho uNkulunkulu akushoyo. U-Adamu no-Eva balishiya iZwi likaNkulunkulu

njengelingathembekile nokho bavumelana nalokho uSathane ayekushilo. Bese benza ngokuvumelana nenkolelo yabo eyachitha ilungelo labo ukuma eMbusweni kaNkulunkulu futhi kwanikeza uSathane isizinda esingokomthetho ezindabeni zabantu. Umphumela? U-Adamu, owayenegunya phezu kwendawo yasemhlabeni, wamxosha ngokomoya uNkulunkulu lapho ezihlanganisa noSathane! U-Adamu washiya umqhele wakhe, indawo yakhe yegunya, ukuze alandele uSathane. Ngokwenza kanjalo, waxosha uNkulunkulu empilweni yakhe. Abantu abaningi bebengathi, “Cha, bekungeke kwenzeka; U-Adamu wayengenakuxosha uNkulunkulu endaweni yasemhlabeni!” Kodwa ngokuqondene nezindaba zabantu, wakwenza ngempela. Ake ngikufakazele lokho kuwe. Ake sibheke **UGenesis 3:17-19** njalo. Ngemva kokona kuka-Adamu, uNkulunkulu waya kuye wathi,

Uqalekisiwe umhlabathi ngenxa yakho; uyakudla kuwo ngokukhathazeka zonke izinsuku zokuhamba kwakho. Uyakukuvezela ameva namakhakhasi, wena udle imifino yasendle. Ngesithukuthuku sobuso bakho uyakudla isinkwa sakho, uze ubuyele emhlabathini.

Phawula ukuthi lithi, “*Uqalekisiwe umhlabathi [umhlaba] ngenxa yakho.*”

Ukuqalekiswa kusho ukungabi khona kobukhona bukaNkulunkulu nesibusiso. Kwakungu-Adamu, owayenegunya phezu komhlaba, owanqamula igunya likaNkulunkulu elingokomthetho endaweni yasemhlabeni. Empeleni, uNkulunkulu uthi, “Heyi, Adamu, ngenxa yakho, izandla zami ziboshiwe. Mina angikwazi ukukusiza.” Ube esetshela u-Adamu ukuthi ukusinda kwakhe manje

sekuzoba kuwe, ngomsebenzi onzima nangomsebenzi obuhlungu. Lokhu ngikubiza ngokuthi “uhlelo lwesiqalekiso emhlabeni” lokusinda. Yilapho sonke esakhulela khona—embusweni wokusinda nokwesaba. Safunda ukukhathazeka, futhi ukwesaba kuye kwabusa imicabango yethu kusukela sazalwa. Ngifuna ukuphinde ngibuyele kulo Mbhalo kancanyana ukuze ngiqhubeke nokudingida uhlelo lwesiqalekiso emhlabeni, kodwa okwamanje, ngifuna ukuqiniseka ukuthi uyaqonda ukuthi uSathane ungene kanjani endaweni yasemhlabeni. Futhi, kwadingeka athole owesilisa noma owesifazane endaweni yasemhlabeni owayene gunya elingokomthetho elinikezwe uNkulunkulu endaweni yasemhlabeni ukuze limvulele umnyango. U-Adamu wayenaleso lesi sihluthulelo, futhi uSathane wakwazi ukukhohlisa u-Adamu ukuba avule lowomnyango. Manje, ake sibheke KumaHeberu 2:7-8 njalo.

Wameniza waba mncinyane kunezingelosi; wambeka umqhele wenkazimulo nodumo, izinto zonke wazibeka phansi kwezinyawo zakhe. Ngokuba ekubekeni izinto zonke phansi kwakhe, uNkulunkulu akashiyanga lutho olungabekwanga phansi kwakhe. Kepha kalokhu asikaziboni izinto zonke zibekiwe phansi kwakhe.

— KumaHeberu 2:7-8

Qaphela ukuthi lo Mbhalo uthi uNkulunkulu akashiyanga lutho OLUNGAbekwanga phansi kwakhe. Nakuba lo Mbhalo ukhuluma ngesenzakalo sakudala, usebenzisa igama elithi *olunga* enkathini yamanje ukuchaza isimo somuntu samanje emhlabeni. Nakuba umuntu walahlekelwa igunya lakhe elingokomoya endaweni yasemhlabeni ngenxa yesono sika-Adamu, umuntu akazange alahlekelwe

umsebenzi wakhe ongokomthetho emhlabeni ngokwawo, ngaleyo ndlela ukusetshenziswa kwegama *olunga*. Ngokuba kulokhu kuma okungokomthetho umuntu anakho emhlabeni, futhi ngenxa yenqaba engokomthetho kaSathane engokomoya kubantu, uNkulunkulu akanakuvele aqhamuke endawweni yasemhlabeni futhi ephule iZwi Lakhe uqobo noma uSathane angasho ukuthi ukhohlakele.

UNkulunkulu kufanele athole owesilisa noma owesifazane endaweni yasemhlabeni ozovumelana Naye, okuvula umnyango ongokomoya wokuba uMbuso kaNkulunkulu ube namandla okubusa okungokomthetho lapha. Njengoba nje uSathane kwadingeka asebenze ngomlindisango, u-Adamu, uNkulunkulu manje kufanele asebenze ngamadoda futhi nowesifazane, abalindisango bomhlaba, ukuze banikeze Amandla wesikhundla oMbuso lapha. Ukuba nenhliziyo nengqondo yakho iqinisekile ngokupheleleyo ngalokho okushiwo yizulu kubizwa ngokuthi ukholo. Ukukholwa kumele kube khona ukuze uMbuso kaNkulunkulu ube namandla wesikhundla lapha. Ngeke ngithathe isikhathi lapha ukuchaza ukuthi ungathola kanjani ukholo noma ukwazi kanjani ukuthi ukhona ekukholweni. Konke lokhu kufakwe encwadini yami yokuqala kulolu chungechunge. Ngenhloso yale ngxoxo, ngifuna nje ukuqiniseka ukuthi uyazi ukuthi kuyini ukukholwa nokuthi kungani kudingeka ukuze izulu lihambe lapha emhlabeni.

Manje, ngithemba ukuthi ninokuqonda kangcono ukuthi kungani uJesu “engenakukwazi” ukwenza izimangaliso eziningi edolobheni Lakubo—abantu balapho babengenalo ukholo. Ngakho, izulu lalingenalo igunya elingokomthetho. Ake ngiqedele lengxoxo ngoMbhala omkhulu ozocacisa engikushoyo.

Wonke umuntu uzwile ngo KwabaseRoma 10:10:

NNgokuba umuntu ukholwa ngenhliziyo kube ngukulunga, futhi ngomlomo wakho uyavuma kube ngukusindiswa.

Lo Mbhalo uyingxenye yalokho amaKristu akubiza ngokuthi indlela yamaRoma, ingxenye ye Mbhalo emine esibonisa indlela yokusindiswa. Kodwa ingabe uke ngempela wema futhi wacabanga ngenqubo eku KwabaseRoma 10:10 iyakubonisa nawe? Kungenhliziyo yakho ukuthi ukholwe noma ungene esivumelwaneni nezulu. Inhliziyo yakho nokuvumelana nezulu kwenza kube semthethweni ukuthi izulu lihlasele umhlaba. Lombhalo uthi uma ukholwa izulu, uyalungisiswa. Ubulungisa ukuphatha umthetho. Ngakho-ke ukukholelwa enhliziyweni yakho kukunika ilungelo elingokomthetho phambi kwezulu nomhlaba ukuze ube nalokho elikushoyo izulu ngoba kunikeza izulu ukuba semthethweni endaweni yasemhlabeni. Kodwa qaphela ukuthi akukho okwenzekayo okwamanje. Kunengxenye yesibili yalo Mbhalo: "... *futhi ngomlomo wakho uyavuma kube ngukusindiswa.*" Uyabona, nakuba inhliziyo yakho ingavumelana nezulu, okwenza kube semthethweni ukuba izulu lihlasele umhlaba, akwenzeki lutho kuze kube wena, owesilisa noma owesifazane onegunya phezu kwendawo yasemhlabeni, ukukhiphela lokho endaweni yasemhlabeni. Kungani? Ngoba unesikhundla samandla lapha; izulu alikwenzi ngaphandle kwakho!

Ngqiqinisile ngithi kini: Konke eniyakukubopha emhlabeni koba kuboshiwe nasezulwini, nakho konke eniyakukukhulula emhlabeni koba kukhululiwe nasezulwini.

— NgokukaMathewu 18:18

Empeleni, lokhu kusho lokhu engisanda kukhuluma ngakho. Noma yini oyoyibopha emhlabeni, izulu liyokusekela, futhi noma yini oyikhulula emhlabeni, izulu liyokusekela. Izulu alinakukwenza ngaphandle kwakho. Izulu likulindlele futhi alikwazi ukunyakaza ngaphandle uma owesilisa noma owesifazane onokholo noma esivumelwaneni nezulu ekhulula lelo gunya endaweni yasemhlabeni.

Ukuqonda indlela yokukhulula igunya namandla ezulu endaweni yasemhlabeni kwenza wonke umehluko. Kwenzekile empilweni yami futhi kwenzeka ku-imeyili elandelayo engiyitholile.

“Sawubona! Mina nomyeni wami sifuna ukwabelana nawe ngendaba yethu emangalisayo ‘yokuzingela ukholo’! Ngo-2011, sasihlala ‘endlini yethu yamaphupho,’ kodwa sasiphila ngemali yokuholelwa ukuze sikhokhe futhi ngezinye izikhathi sisebenzisa amakhadi ethu okuthenga ngesikweletu ukuze sikhokhele igilosa futhi [sifudumeze] indlu yethu. Besiphila impilo yokusinda nje kodwa singachumi. Ngangingumholi wokudumisa ebandleni lethu, kodwa ukholo lwethu lwalungahlangene nezezimali zethu. Ngibone uhlelo lwenu oluthi *Fixing the Money Thing* ku *Daystar*, olwadonsa ukunaka kwami, futhi [mina] nga-oda incwadi ethi, *Fixing the Money Thing*, kanye namaCD ne *Financial Revolution*. Sasiwalalela njalo wonke la maCD futhi sifundelana incwadi.

“Besingazi ukuthi asikho okholweni! Sasazi ukuthi ukuze sigcine le ndlu yamaphupho, sasidinga izimpendulo ezithile mayelana nendlela imali esebenza ngayo eMbusweni. Sahlwanyela imbewu ka-\$200 ku-*Faith Life Ministries* (okungase njalo [kube] u-\$2,000. Leyo kwakuyimali eningi kithi ngaleso sikhathi!) futhi savumelana noNkulunkulu ukuze asibonise indawo emakethe engangingayenza ekhaya.

“UNkulunkulu usinike umqondo webhizinisi wokukhulisa imidlwane yakwa *Goldendoodle* ekhaya lethu. Sathenga imidlwane emi-2 ye-*Goldendoodle*, u-Bella noGracie, sabakhulisa ukuze zizale imidlwane ye-*Goldendoodle*, futhi sabambisana noNkulunkulu. Besazi ukuthi asikwazi ukwenza imidlwane!! Sazalanisa ama-*doodle* ethu angu-2, kwathi ngo-2014, saba nemidlwane engu-13 esasizoyithengisa ngentengo yemakethe engu-\$1200 iyinye. Kulo nyaka, 2015, sibe nemidlwane engama-63, YONKE inempilo. Kusukela ekuthengiseni imidlwane yethu, sesikhululekile kuzo zonke izikweletu zethu ngaphandle kwekhaya lethu. Futhi manje sase sinesikhwama sezimo eziphuthumayo esixhaswe ngokugcwele.

“Samangala lapho umama esibuzwa ukuthi singathanda yini ukuthi ama-*Goldendoodle* akhe amabili azalwe ngoba wayesethatha umhlalaphansi! UNkulunkulu wasibusisa ngamanye ama-*doodle* angu-2 mahhala! Futhi ngenyanga kaNtulikazi, umyeni wami wakhushulelwa esikhundleni sokuba unsumpa esikoleni samabanga aphakeme sendawo!! Ngonyaka owodwa, iholo lethu laphindeka kabili lafinyelela ezibalweni eziyisi-6 eziphezulu!! UKUZINGELA NGOKUKHOLWA KUYASEBENZA!! Sathinta imithetho yoMbuso kaNkulunkulu. Manje, sihlwanyela kuzo zonke izinhlobo zomsebenzi woMbuso futhi siya ebandleni lakho ku-inthanethi njalo ngeSonto ekuseni ngaphambi kokuba sihole indumiso ebandleni lethu lendawo! Siyabonga ngokusifundisa indlela uMbuso osebenza ngayo!”

—UKarla

Lo mbandakanyi ofanayo ungithumele i-imeyili yokulandelela kuleli sonto.

“Jabulela iphasika! Uvukile! Besifuna ukwabelana ngesibuyekezo soMfundisi wethu waku-inthanethi uGary! Sicela amazise ukuthi

sigubhe ukuzalwa kukaJesu eJerusalema kulo nyaka (sikhokhele ngokheshi). Sabusiswa futhi ngokuba nendodana yethu eyeve eshumini nambili uCarter ebhathizwa eMfuleni iJordani, futhi sakhonza ne *Hillsong Australia* oLwandle LwaseGalile kusihlwa! Hewu!!! Siyabonga kakhulu ukuthi siyilungisile into yemali!

Sesinemidlwane engu-121 manje. Kwadingeka sinyuse intengo yomdlwane ibe ngu-\$2,300 ngoba uhlu lwethu lokulinda lwalulude kakhulu! Dumisani uNkulunkulu.”

—UKarla

Lesi isibonelo esiphelele salokho uMbuso oyokwenza ekuphileni kwakho. Ngishayele u-Karla ucingo kuleli sonto ngemuva kokuthola le-imeyili, futhi yena wayejabule KAKHULU!!! Uthe bazokhokhelwa umuzi wabo kulo nyaka. Uma ubheka i-imeyili yokuqala ayithumele, ngaleso sikhathi wathi okulandelayo (okucashunwe ku-imeyili engenhla):

“Sasiphila ngemali yokuholelwa ukuze sikhokhe futhi ngezinye izikhathi sisebenzisa amakhadi ethu okuthenga ngesikweletu ukuze sikhokhele igilosa futhi [sifudumeze] indlu yethu. Besiphila impilo yokusinda nje kodwa singachumi.”

Manje, eminyakeni embalwa kamuva, bazoyikhokhela yonke? UMbuso!

ISAHLUKO 3

UMBUSO UYIMPENDULO YAKHO

Manje njengoba usunokuqonda okuyisisekelo sokuthi uMbuso usebenza kanjani ngemithetho nezimiso ezingaguquki, ngifuna ukuqala ngixile emithethweni empeleni enomthelela kwezezimali zakho futhi, ekugcineni, ukuphumula kwakho.

Kodwa ngaphambi kokuba siye lapho, ngifuna ukuchaza ukuthi kungani ngiqambe le ncwadi ngokuthi *Amandla Okuphumula* nokuthi ngiqonde ukuthini ngegama elithi *ukuphumula* kumongo wezezimali noMbuso. Ngokumangazayo, angizange ngisungule lo mqondo ngokuphumula okuphathelene nezimali, uNkulunkulu wakwenza.

Kwase kupheleliswa izulu nomhlaba kanye nombuthano wakho wonke. UNkulunkulu waqeda ngosuku lwesikhombisa imisebenzi yakhe abeyenzile; waphumula ngosuku lwesikhombisa emisebenzini yakhe yonke abeyenzile. UNkulunkulu wabusisa usuku lwesikhombisa, walungcwelisa, ngokuba

ngalolo suku waphumula emisebenzini yonke abeyidalile uNkulunkulu, wayenza.

— UGenesis 2:1-3

Okokuqala, ake ngikucacise lokhu: UNkulunkulu akazange aphumulengosuku lwesikhombisangobawayekhathele. UNkulunkulu akakhathali. Waphumula ngoba, njengoba umbhalo usho, konke kwase kuphelele futhi Yena waqeda. Wadala umuntu ekupheleni kosuku lwesithupha lokudala ukuze aphilile ngosuku lwesikhombisa. Usuku lwesikhombisa lwalungenamcabango wokwesaba, ukuca-banga ngokusinda, ukugula, futhi nomsebenzi obuhlungu noma izithukuthuku zokuthola ukuhlinzekwa. Kunalokho, imicabango ka-Adamu yayiyoba kuNkulunkulu, umkakhe, isabelo nenjongo yakhe kuphela. Konke ayekudinga ukuze asekele isabelo sakhe nokuphila kwalungiselelwa futhi kwatholakala; Icebo likaNkulunkulu laliph-elele. Abantu namuhla baphupha benalokhu u-Adamu ayenakho, ukuphila ngaphandle kokukhathazeka, benekhono lokugxila ezifisweni zabo nasebudlelaneni ngaphandle kokukhathazeka ngokuhlinzekwa. Ngeshwa, lapho u-Adamu ehlubuka, walahlekelwa yilungiselelo likaNkulunkulu, futhi umuntu uye waphoqeleka ukuba agijime (ukukhandleka okubuhlungu futhi nezithukuthuku) elandela izinto zokuphila kusukela ngaleso sikhathi.

Ngokuba konke lokhu abezizwe bagijima belandela zonke lezizinto; futhi uYihlo osezulwini uyazi ukuthi niyakudinga konke lokhu. Kodwa funani kuqala umbuso kaNkulunkulu nokulunga kwakhe, khona konke lokhu kuyakwenezelwa nina.

— NgokukaMathewu 6:32-33

Isisindo sokuthola ukuhlinzekwa siwumthwalo osindayo futhi sisonta umbono womuntu ngempilo. Ukuyengeka ngengecebo, ukukhululeka nokukhandleka okubuhlungu futhi nezimfuno zezithukuthuku zokusinda, yilokho abantu abaphupha ngakho. Ukuba usozigidi kunencazelo kuphela ngekhone lakho elicatshangwayo lokunciphisa ingcindezi nesisindo sokuthola ukuhlinzekwa, kusivumela ukuthi sigxile kunjongo nakusabelo. I-lottery idume kakhulu ngoba inikeza ukuhlinzekwa ngaphandle kokusebenza futhi nokuphunyuka

**ZONKE IZIMPENDULO
OZIDINGAYO UKUZE
UPHUMELELE FUTHI
UHLALE ESABELWENI,
EZIKUVUMELA UKUBA
UTHOLE INJONGO YAKHO,
ZISEMBUSWENI.**

ohlelweni lwezezimali lwesiqalekiso sasemhlabeni. Amasu okuceba-ngokushesha agcwele ngazo zonke izinhlobo futhi zihlasela njalo ama-imeyili ethu futhi nokuthunyelwe kuma-Facebook. Ngakho esimweni sezimali zethu, sidinga ukuphendula umbuzo: Ingabe ikhona indlela yokubuyela emuva kulolo suku lwesikhombisa lapho yonke into iphelele futhi ihlangene futhi itholakala? Impendulo ingu YEBO omkhulu! Ukuthi lokho kwenzeka kanjani futhi nokuqonda imithetho yoMbuso ezoveza lolu hlobo lomphumela kuyinjongo yale ncwadi. Ngiyazi okuhlangenwe nakho kwakho ngempilo noma ibandla kanye namaKristu bangase baphikise ukuthi engikushoyo akukwazi ukuba yiqiniso, njengoba amaKristu amaningi amukele imfundiso yenkolo “yobumpofu bungcwele.” Kodwa ngiyakuqinisekisa ukuthi zonke izimpendulo ozidingayo ukuze uphumelele futhi uhlale esabelweni, ezikuvumela ukuba uthole injongo yakho, ziseMbusweni.

Nibusisiwe nina bampofu, ngokuba umbuso kaNkulunkulu ungowenu.

— NgokukaLuka 6:20

Impendulo yokuba mpofu uMbuso! Lona nguMbhalo wokuqala uNkulunkulu angiholele kuwo lapho Yena eqala ukungifundisa umthetho woMbuso wezezimali. Yebo, ukuze ubambe lo mqondo, kuzomele wazi ukuthi kusho ukuthini umqondo wombuso, esengikushilo kakade. Futhi ngicabanga ukuthi kufanele ube nokuqonda okucacile kwalokho okwenzeka eNsimini ngenkathi u-Adamu ona. Ngakho-ke ake ngithathe isikhashana ukuze ngibuyekeze ngokushesha.

Ekuqaleni, u-Adamu no-Eva abazange bakhathazeke ngalutho; akukho ukugula futhi akukho zinkinga zokuhlinzekwa ezazibadla imicabango yabo usuku nosuku. Usuku ngalunye okwakudingeka bacabange ngakho kwakuyisabelo sabo, okwakuwukuthanda uNkulunkulu, ukuthanda omunye nomunye, nokunakekela umhlaba neNsimu uNkulunkulu ayebanike yona. Uvalo lwalungekho nhlobo ezimpilweni zabo. Kodwa lapho u-Adamu evukela umbuso, yonke into yaguquka nakanjani. Njengoba ngishilo, uSathane waba unkulunkulu walelizwe, umuntu wanqunywa kuNkulunkulu, futhi uNkulunkulu wanqunywa ukuba abe namandla esikhundla angokomthetho phezu komuntu. U-Adamu washaqeka waba ngokoqobo okusha kokuthi ukuphila kusebenza kanjani. Njalo, nawa futhi amazwi uNkulunkulu awaletha ku-Adamu ngemva kokona.

Uqalekisiwe umhlabathi ngenxa yakho; uyakudla kuwo ngokukhathazeka zonke izinsuku zokuhamba kwakho. Uyakukuvezela ameva namakhakhasi, wena udle imifino

yasendle. Ngesithukuthuku sobuso bakho uyakudla isinkwa sakho, uze ubuyele emhlabathini.

— UGenesis 3:17-19

Ukukhandleka okubuhlungu, izithukuthuku, ukwesaba, ukukhathazeka, kanye nengqondo yokusinda manje yikhona okwakudla imicabango ka-Adamu no-Eva. Injongoyabo, okwakuyisu uNkulunkulu ayenalo ngabo, manje isilahlekile ejahweni nasempini yokusinda. Isabelo sika-Adamu esimangalisayo, injongo yakhe, manje isisithwe izinkathazo zokuphila nesidingo sokuhlinzekwa. Ulahlekelwa umbono wokuthi ungubani. Ukuphela kwenjongo ayibonayo manje iwukuba aphile, okudinga ukukhandleka njalo nezithukuthuku. Akukho okuningi okuguqukile kusukela ngalolo suku kuze kube manje.

Namuhla, njengomfundisi, ngithola ukuthi umbuzo omkhulu abantu abangibuza wona uwukuthi, “Yini okufanele ngikwenze ngempilo yami?” Isizathu sokuthi babuze yingoba endaweni yasemhlabeni kusukela ku-Adamu, ukufuna ukuhlinzekwa kuwumgomo okukalwa ngawo konke okunye. Izinqumo zivame ukwenziwa ngesisekelo semali hhayi inhloso. Imali nesidingo sayo kungaphoqa abantu ukuthi bavumele ukwenza imisebenzi abayizondayo. Eqinisweni, abantu abaningi abazi ukuthi bangobani ngempela. Phawula lokhu phansi, “Uze umazi uNkulunkulu, awusoze wazi umklamo Wakhe ngempilo yakho. Nguye okudalile.”

Abantu balambe kakhulu ukuthola ukuthi bangobani. Ezweni babonakala beyinombolo nje, kodwa kuNkulunkulu bakhethekile futhi indalo eyingqayizivele enamakhono futhi namandla okungekho omunye umuntu onawo. Kodwa ngenxa yokuthi abamazi uNkulunkulu futhi, kanjalo, abazazi bona, babheka ukubaluleka

kwabo kuzo zonke izindawo ezingafanele. Bavumela isiko ukuthi linqume ukubaluleka kwabo ngokwamukela lokho okushiwo isiko. Kodwa isithombe esivezwa ngabezindaba kanye nesibuko sesiko konke kuyithunzi eliguqakayo. Ngesikhathi lapho ucabanga ukuthi unyathela ngendlela yalokhu elikubiza ngokwamukeleka, uzothola ukuthi sekuguqakile futhi usuvele usemuva.

Ngikhumbula ngiseParis futhi ngihamba ngisehla emgwaqweni ngino Drenda. I-Paris, ngeqiniso, yaziwa ngemfashini; futhi izimfashini zalowo nyaka zonke zazimpunga nezimnyama. Wonke amafasitela esitolo ayegcwele okumpunga nokumnyama kuphela. Lapho ngibheka ezansi komgwaqo, kuzo nhlangothi zombili, ngabona amakhulu abantu ababehamba khona. Ngethuka lapho ngibona ichashaza lombala owodwa. Wonke umuntu, ngaphandle kokukhetha, wayegqoke ezimpunga nezimnyama. Kwakukhona amakhulu namakhulu abantu bonke bebukeka ngokufanayo. Ugcine nini lapho othile ekutshela ukuthi umbala awuthandayo umpunga? Kodwa ngalolo suku, uquqaba lwaluqinisekile ukuthi intandokazi yalo yayimpunga noma emnyama.

Ngenxa yokuthi ukucindezela kokuthola ukuhlinzekwa kukhulu kakhulu futhi kusonta ukuthi singobani kunoma yini esicabanga ukuthi izosisiza ukuba siyithole futhi yamukelwe, mina noDrenda sasungula isisho osekuyiminyaka sisishumayela: “Uma ungalungisi le indaba yemali, awusoze wathola ikusasa lakho!” Ukuba yisigqila sokuphila kunikeza isikhathi esincane sokuphenya noma ukudala izinketho eziningi. Iqiniso liwukuthi, njengoba ngabelane nani, isikhathi esiningi abantu benza izinqumo zabo mayelana nomgomo wokuthola noma wokuqongelela ukuhlinzeka. Bashiya ukuthanda kwabo iholo kanye nombono wabo wokuhlinzeka. Iqiniso liwukuthi sicindezeleke kakhulu ngokuphila kwethu

kwengqondo-yokukhandleka okubuhlungu nezithukuthuku kangangokuthi siye sayeka ukuphupha. Ukwesaba kubamba amaphupho ethu kusigqilaza, futhi ukuntuleka kokuhlinzekwa kubamba amaphupho ethu eboshiwe kokungenakwenzeka.

Ngikhumbula lapho iphupho lami kwakuwukuba nemali nje eyanele uphethiloli ukubuyela ekhaya, ingasaphathwa into ebaluleke kakhulu eshintsha ukuphila. Ngalezo zinsuku, kwakungekho mibono emihle endleleni yami. Ukukhokha nje imali yokuqasha yenyanga zonke kwakuthatha wonke umcabango engangingaba nawo. Ngizovuma ukuthi kunzima ukucabanga okungaphezu kokusinda lapho ucindezekile ngokudla noma ubhekene nezinkinga zezimali eziphuthumayo.

Lapho u-Adamu enikeza uMbuso, izwe elisha lonke eliwukufa, ukwesaba, ukusinda, lovalo kwabusa ukuphila kwakhe. Ngiyaqiniseka ukuthi sonke siyazi ukuthi ukwesaba kuzwakala kanjani. Ngikhumbula izindaba ezingenakubalwa ekuphileni kwami siqu yovalo, amahloni, nokwesaba njengoba ngangihlupheka eminyakeni eyisishiyagalolunye yesiphithiphithi sezezimali, ekugcineni ngibhekana nokuhlaselwa uvalo, futhi ngiphila ngemithi ama *antidepressant*. Ukuphila ohlelweni oluyisiqalekiso esemhlabeni lokusinda kusiqeqeshe sonke ukuba sibe nombono ongemuhle ngokuphila. Abanye babhekana nakho kangcono kunabanye, kodwa ngaphandle kukaKristu, lesi simo sengqondo esibi sihlala sisitshela ukuthi asilungile ngokwanele.

Wake wezwa othile ethi, “Ungawakhiphi amathemba akho”? Lapho ngikhula, umangikengajatshuliswa okuthile ubabaayecabanga ukuthi kuwubuwula, wayethi, “Ngelinye ilanga uzokhula.” Ngenxa yalokho, ngokuvamile angizange ngizivumele ukuba ngiphuphe nganoma yini ngaphandle kwalokho okwakuzimisele ukudingwa

ubaba. Ngikholwa wukuthi ubaba walinyazwa ukukhulela ekhaya elinotshwala, futhi yilokhu okwakumele akwenze esakhula.

Uma sikhuluma iqiniso, sonke besilokhu siyizinkathazo ezingochwepheshe kusukela sazalwa. Ukwesaba kuwulimi oluvamile endaweni yasemhlabeni. Uma ungama ucabange ngakho, igama elithi *cha* ligxilile kithi kusukela ekuzalweni kwethu. “Cha, awukwazi ukuba nakho lokho.” “Cha, buyisela lokho.” “Cha, awukwazi ukuya lapho.” “Cha, awukwazi ukukukhokhela lokho.” Ekugcineni, sivele siyeke ukuthi “Yebo” kunoma yini ngaphandle kokubaleka ngezikhathi ezithile emsebenzini othuntubeza ingqondo yethu ezimweni zethu zangempela, njengokudla okweqile ukudla kwethu okunethezekile esikuthandayo.

Olunye ucwaningo lulinganisela ukuthi ingane evamile izwa igama elithi *cha* noma *musa* izikhathi ezingaphezu kuka-148,000 lapho ikhula, uma iqhathaniswa nezinkulungwane ezimbalwa zemiyalezo ethi *yebo*⁴.

Ngisanda kubamba ingqungquthela yethu yeminyaka yonke Yokuhlizekwa, futhi endaweni yesikhulumi ngibeke i-*Ferrari* ka-2017, imoto ezothakazelelwa ngokuqinisekile. Umnikazi wemoto ungena ebandleni lami futhi ukhokhe imali yemoto, eyayiphose ibize ku-\$400,000. Lapho bengena bonke ababekhona, bababaza bagqolozele imoto, bonke beyibuka, befuna ukubhekisisa. Kodwa nakuba bonke babeyithanda le moto, iphuzu engangiliveza ngokuyibeka enkundleni kwakungelona ukukhuthaza ukuphila kwemigomo yezinto ezibonakalayo, kodwa, kunalokho, ukubafundisa isifundo. Abantu babuthana bonke emotweni, bonke bethi bangathanda ukuyishayela.

Ngangazi ukuthi ukuqeqeshwa kuka “*cha*” ababekutholile ohlelweni lwesiqalekiso somhlaba lokukhandleka okubuhlungu

nezithukuthuku wawumemeza unganakile, “CHA, awusoze waba nemoto enjalo! Cha, awusoze wakwazi ukukukhokhela lokho; musa ukucabanga ngisho ngayo.” Ngenxa yokuqeqeshwa kuka “CHA” abaye baba nakho, sonke siye saba nakho, iningi labo alikaze licabange nokuba ne-Ferrari ngoba abantu abangenangqondo abakwazanga ukuyibona noma ukuyithola. Nokho, uma ngiqhubeka nokushintsha izimoto njalo ngehora ngalinye, kusukela kwezibizayo kwehle kuya kwezishibe kakhulu, ekugcineni, bengizoba nemoto enkundleni abazocabanga bese bethi, “Ngiyayithanda leyo moto; Kufanele ngithole eyodwa.”

Wawuyini umehluko? Konke kwakumayelana nendlela ababezibona ngayo, ikhono labo, kanye nezindleko zemoto. Yebo, kungenzeka ukuthi kwakukhona abambalwa ababezitshela ukuthi, “Leya moto izoba ngeyami ngelinye ilanga,” noma mhlawumbe kwakunabantu ababenemali ababeyibheka ngenye indlela imoto. Kodwa nginesiqiniseko sokuthi kubantu abaningi, ukuba nemoto enjalo kwakungekho ngisho nasendaweni yabo yokucabanga. Usozigidi owakhokhela imoto ukheshi empeleni unengxenye yeshumi nambili yakwaFerraris. Ngokombono wakhe, iyimoto enhle nje. Lapho ebona imoto, wacabanga ukuthi ingeyakhe futhi wenza inqubo yokuyi-oda e-Italy, futhi base beyithumela emzini wakhe e-U.S. Akubanga nzima kuye ukwenza ngokuvumelana nombono wakhe ngoba wayenakho ukuhlinzekwa. Nasi isihluthulelo esibalulekile sokuphumula—ukuhlinzekwa (*provision*) kungumbono-onobungcweti (*pro-vision*)

Isihluthulelo Esikhulu:

Ukuhlinzekwa Kungumbono-onobungcweti

Ngaphandle kokuhlinzekwa akukho mbono; kukhona ukusinda kuphela. Uhlelo lwesiqalekiso somhlaba lobumpofu lweba amaphupho ethu nekusasa lethu. Ngiyazi ukuthi i*Ferrari* ibingumfanekiso oqinile kodwa waveza iphuzu lami. Abantu ababekhona abazange bavume ngisho ukuba bona baphuphe benemoto enjena ngoba bebeyibuka njengento engeke yatholakala. Uma bengavuma ngisho nomzuzwana nje bazivumele ukuba baphuphe ngokuba ngabanini, ukuqeqeshwa kwabo ohlelweni lwesiqalekiso somhlaba bekuyobamemeza, “Yeka ukumoshwa kwemali!” Kodwa kuthiwani uma ubunemali engu-\$25 zezigidigidi ebhanga lakho ku-akhawunti yakho (ngikhuluma iphuzu nje)? Leyo moto ingabonakala ishibhile kangangokuthi ubungayithenga ukuze uyisebenzise ngezimpelaso. Konke kuyindaba yombono wakho ngezinto, futhi njengoba iZwi likaNkulunkulu lithi zonke izithembiso zikaNkulunkulu zingu, “Yebo” futhi no“Ameni (makube njalo),” umbono wakho udinga ukuguquka ukuze ucabange ngendlela uNkulunkulu acabanga ngayo.

Ngokuba noma izithembiso zikaNkulunkulu ziziningi kangakanani, kuyena zingu “Yebo” kuKristu. Ngakho-ke ngaye zingu-“Ameni” futhi, kudunyiswe uNkulunkulu ngathi.

— 2 KwabaseKorinte 1:20

Ngokwesichazamazwi, incazelo yombono iwukuthi: isimo sengqondo esithile noma indlela yokucabanga ngento ethile; iphuzu

lokubuka ulutho, isimo sengqondo, uhlaka lokuqhathanisa, noma incazelo. Ngokuyisisekelo, umbono ngempela nje indlela ocabanga ngayo ngento ethile.

Nawu umqondo engifuna ucabange ngawo. U-Adamu wayey-inkosana ngaphambi kokuba anikezele kuSathane. Ngakho uma wawumbona ngemva kwalokho kuwa, wawuyobona indoda empofu enomkhaya owonakele (uKayini, indodana yakhe, wabulala umfowabo, u-Abela), futhi ubungeke ngempela umnikeze ithuba lokuba noma ubani. Kodwa obungakubonanga ukuthi wayenobukhosi emithanjeni yakhe. Nakuba ungambonanga ekuleso sikhundla, empeleni wayedalelwe ukuba aphaathe futhi abuse ekuphileni. Leli qiniso elifanayo liyasebenza nakuwe njalo. Awukwazi ukumane uzibheke ngokusekelwe yilapho uhlala khona, lokho onakho, nezimo zakho zamanje, futhi wahlulele amandla akho. Kufanele ubheke amandla akho owadalile.

Ngiyakhumbula ngenkathi ngibhekene nezimo ezinzima, futhi ngangibhekene nezinkinga ezinkulu ezazibonakala zinkulu kunami. Ngabhekana nezinqumo ezithile ezazizothatha imali eningi kakhulu kunaleyo enganginayo. Ngazizwa ngikwazi lokho uNkulunkulu athi ngikwenze, kodwa ngazizwa ngibuthaka nje ukuba ngigxumele kukho. INkosi yanginika iphupho ngaleso sikhathi. Ngangigibele ihhashi phezu kwentaba. Nganginenkamba esandleni sami. Ngaphansi kwentaba kwakukhona amakhulu, uma kungezona izinkulungwane, zamabutho ayizitha zami egibele amahhashi nezinkamba zawo ziphakanyiselwe kimi. Ngangingedwa

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kuleso sigodi futhi ngokuqinisekile ngangibalwa kakhulu. Izwi ephusheni lami lasho la amazwi, “Ungazibukeli phansi, Gary!” Ngaleso sikhathi, ngaphakamisa inkemba yami ngaqala ukugijimisa ihhashi lami ngehla intaba ngibheke kusitha okwathi manje, ebona ukuhlasela kwami, naso sasesihlasela sikhuphukela kimi entabeni siphakamise inkemba yaso. Njengoba ngangigabadela ngibheke kuso, ngamemeza kakhulu, “*THOR*”

Lapho ngiphaphama, ngabona ukuthi kwakuyiNkosi eyayikhuluma nami futhi ingikhuthaza, kodwa ngangingazi ukuthi igama elithi *Thor* lisho ukuthini. Nginowesilisa ebandleni lami oseluse ebandleni iminyaka engu-30 futhi esefunde izilimi eziningi. Ngambuza ukuthi uyayazi yini ukuthi isho ukuthini wangitshela ukuthi uzoyihlola. Wangishayela ucingo ngakusasa wathi u*Thor* usho indodana yokuduma. Ngabonga ngamangala ukuthi iNkosi yayingitshelani. Kuzitha zami, ngizwakala njengokuduma kwezulu! Ngaphandle kokuthi ngitshela usathane ukuthi ngibuthakathaka kangakanani, lapho ngikhuluma, kuzwakala njengokuduma kwezulu (amandla) kuye.

Bengishumayela kumhlango wethu wokuqala ku-Ingqungquthela Yokuhlinzeka ngo-2010 futhi bengixoxa le ndaba. Lapho ngidlulisela le ndaba, ngaphetha ngalokho iNkosi eyangitshela khona ephusheni, “Lapho isitha sikubona uza, Gary, uzwakala njengokuduma kwezulu. Ngaleso sikhathi ngathi, “Kuzwakala njengokuduma kwezulu,” umsindo wokuduma kwezulu wagcwala indawo yonke. Kwakungekho mvula, akuzange kube khona nokuduma kwezulu ngaphambili, futhi yilowo msindo wodwa wokuduma owazwakala ngalobo busuku bonke. Abantu ababelapho ngalobo busuku babethukile. Kodwa akekho owayejabule kakhulu ngalesikhathi ngendlela engangijabule ngayo, njengoba ngangazi

ukuthi kwakuyiNkosi ebeka u “AMENI” Wakhe kulokho engangikusho njengoba kwakusebenza kubo bonke abantwana Bakhe. Kodwa-ke, amakhamera we-TV ayehamba ngalobo busuku, futhi uma ungathanda ukubona lowo mcimbi ungaya kulesi sixhumanisi: <https://youtu.be/rtx1XYJGIag>.

Ngakho nanku umqondo okudingeka uwuqonde.

Izigqila aziphuphi amaphupho amakhulu!

Izigqila ziphupha ngani? Ukuma, yilokho. Baphupha nge hora lesi-5:00 njengoba belokhu bebuka amawashi abo engxenyeni yesibili yosuku, befuna ukuma bashiye umsebenzini. Baphupha ngokuvakasha, baphupha ngokuthatha umhlalaphansi, baphupha ngokuba nemali ukuze bame ukusebenza. Izigqila ziphupha ngokuma, hhayi ukudala umsebenzi owengeziwe! Umngqondo noma umbono wobugqila awusunguli noma awudali umsebenzi; wona ubheka indlela yokuphuma emsebenzini. Isigqila sesivele sikhungathekile futhi asiboni ukuthi okungenzeka kudlula eduze kwaso nsuku zonke.

Ukuze ube yinhloko hhayi umsila, ingqondo yakho kufanele ishintshe isuke ekubeni yisigqila ibe umnikazi futhi nomdali. Kufanele uqale ukuphupha njalo. Udinga ukudlula kulokho ocabanga ukuthi uyikho, ngoba nakuba ungase ubonakale ubuthakathaka emehlweni akho, ku satane uzwakala njengokuduma kwezulu. Unegazi lasebukhosini emithanjeni yakho, futhi udinga nje ukucabanga nokwenza njengalo.

Nginomngane onguozigidi. Unemizi eminingi emihle, yonke ephezu kolwandle noma emachibini. Ngolunye usuku njengoba ngimvakashele, sasihamba sehla esikhumulweni wemikhumbi

sihamba phakathi kwemikhumbi. Njengoba sidlula ngayinye ngayinye yazo, wayengitshela umnikazi wayo. Ngizokunikeza isibonelo sokuthi ingxoxo le yayizwakala kanjani, kodwa ngizaqamba nje amagama, njengoba wona kanye ngingawakhumbuli. Ngakho ingxoxo yomngane wami yayizwakala kanje: “Lo umkhumbi ngoka-Billy Smith, ongumnikazi we-*Ohio Medical Services*. Lo umkhumbi olandelayo uphethwe nguJohn Rogers, ongumnikazi wenkampani yabameli u*Rogers and Rogers*. Lo umkhumbi olandelayo ngokaRalph Tidewell, ongumnikazi waleso sitolo esihle sezicathulo ku-*High Street*.” Njengoba sehla ochungechungeni lwemikhumbi, futhi ngemva kokudlula cishe engaba ngu-20 kuwo, ngabona ukuthi ngamunye wawungewomuntu onebhizinisi. Awukho nowodwa umkhumbi obungeka-Joe wakho ojwayelekile osebenza kusukela ngehola lesishiyagalolunye kuya kwezinhlanu njengesisebenzi endaweni ka-ayisikhilimu. Manje, angimelene nokusebenza endaweni uthengisa ama-ayisikhilimu futhi angimelene nokuba yisisebenzi, isikhathi esiningi noma kunjalo. Ngikunikeza nje isibonelo sezinhlobo zabantu abanomnotho.

Ngicela nikunakisise lokhu engikushoyo. Akukhona ngemali abanayo; kumayelana nesimo sengqondo abanaso. Ungenzi izinto ngendlela engafanele. Abantu abanengi bangathi, “Ngifisa sengathi ngabe nginemali enjalo.” Okufanele ngabe bakusho ukuthi “Ngifisa sengathi bengicabanga njengoba benza!” Banombono ohlukile wempilo kanye nabo ngokwabo.

Imindeni eminingi ayifinyeleli emalini abayitholayo engathathwa njengeholo elichichimayo. Ucwangingo lwamanje luthi ama-51% abasebenzi base America benza imali engaphansi kuka-\$30,000 ngonyaka⁵. Ingxenye engaphezu kwengxenye yesizwe sakithi yenza ngaphansi kuka-\$30,000 ngonyaka?! Uma uneminyaka

engamashumi amabili futhi usaqala nje noma usesikhundleni ngoba ufuna ngempela ukuba lapho, futhi imali ingekho yona ephezulu ohlwini lwakho kulungile, kodwa ngiyazi ukuthi lokho akulona iqiniso kwabangaphezu kwengxenye yesizwe sethu. Ngiyazi ukuthi badinga imali eyengeziwe. Ngithembe, ngibe sezinkulungwaneni nezinkulungwane zamindeni eminyakeni yami engaphezu kwangu-36 ngisebenza embonini yezinsizakalo zezezimali, futhi ngizibonele mathupha.

Pho kungani bengenayo imali eyengeziwe? Ngaphambi kokuthi uqale ukumemeza ukuthi kanjani impilo ayinabo ubulungiswa noma ukuthi uyisisulu noma enye into engenagqondo, ngizokukubeka kuwe ukuthi kungenxa yezizathu ezimbili. Okokuqala, bavaleleke ngaphansi kwesimiso sesiqalekiso somhlaba sobumpofu futhi abazi ngoMbuso kaNkulunkulu nezimiso Zakhe zokuhlizekwa. Okwesibili, banemicabango ephambene emibi, nangenxa yokuqeqeshwa ngesiqalekiso somhlaba abaye baba naso, futhi nangenxa yokuthi abayiboni indlela yokuphuma, nakuba umuntu engase ebagqolozele ebusweni. Ngokuyisisekelo, izigqila zinomqondo wobugqila, njengoba bengilokhu ngihlanganyela. Abaliboni ithuba lokuphumelela uma befuna ukuphumula. Ake sibhekane nakho; ngaphandle kwezimpendulo zangempela, abantu balahlekelwa lithemba.

Ake ngikunike isibonelo engisisebenzisayo ezifundweni zami. Ake sithi ngikutshelile ukuthi ngingaxazulula zonke izinkinga zakho zemali ngomusho owodwa olula. Thola ipensela nephepha lakho ngoba ngizokuqinisekisa ukuthi lena kuzoba yimpendulo yakho. Ulungile? Kulungile, nansi: yenza imali engenayo eyizigidi ezingu 5 zamadola kulo nyaka. Uma ngisho lokho ngisenkundleni, wonke umuntu uqala ukuhleka. Kodwa kungani behleka? Ngoba

abakwazi ukuzibona benza lolo hlobo lwemali, futhi abacabangi ukuthi kungenzeka ukuthi bangathola isamba semali engenayo esamadola ayizigidi ezingu-5 ngonyaka.

Ngibe sengibatshela ukuthi abasoze baba nalutho abangakuboni. Bese ngiphinda umsebenzi, kodwa kulokhu ngiyehlisa ngokuqhubekayo inombolo: \$200,000, \$100,000, \$70,000, noma \$40,000 ngonyaka. Ekugcineni, ngiyabatshela, “Ngizofika enombolweni lapho uzothi, “Kulungile, kulula mina ngingakwenza lokho.”

Bese ngibaxoxela enye indaba. Ake sithi ngingusomabhizinisi ocebile ebhizinisini lokuthumela ngaphandle. Ngifuna ukuthumela amabhola e-China, futhi ngidinga usizo lokuwaqoqela ndawonye ukuze athunyelwe ngomkhumbi. Ngiba ukuthi ngizobakhokhela u-\$500 ngebhola ngalinye abaliquqela ndawonye. Ngokucabanga ukuthi bangawaqoqela ndawonye amabhola angama-200 ngosuku, lokho kungabazuzisa cishe u-\$100,000 ngosuku. Ngingathanda nokubanikeza inkontileka yonyaka owodwa baqoqele ndawonye amabhola ngenani elifanayo. Manje, uma ngibatshela impendulo yabo ukuthi benze imali eyizigidi ezi-5 zamadola ezinyangeni ezingu-12, impendulo yabo ingaba yini? “Kulula, akunankinga, ungenza kalula izigidi ezingu-5 zamadola ngalelo zinga.”

Wawuyini umehluko? Uhlelo, yilokho kuphela. Uhlelo lwenza wonke umehluko. UNkulunkulu owakwenza wena uyalazi icebo, futhi okudingayo nje ukulizwa. Kunjalo nangoMbuso kaNkulunkulu. Lapho uNkulunkulu enginika lelo phupho lokuqala lelo bhizinisi futhi wayesengibonisa ukuthi ngilenze kanjani, iholo lami lalingakashintshi—kodwa ngangimemeza ngaphakathi, “Lokhu kulula! Izinkinga zami zemali ziphelile; Nginalo uhlelo!”

“Ngokuba ngiyazi mina imicabango engiyicabangayo

*ngani,” usho uJehova, “imicabango yokuthula futhi kungeng-
eyobubi, ukuba ngininike isikhathi esizayo nethemba.”*

— UJeremiya 29:11

UNkulunkulu unezinhlelo zokukuphumelelisa! Uma usuthole ukuthi uNkulunkulu unohlelo lokuchuma kwakho, impi isiphakathi, isiyaphela! Lalela, ukulungisa imali akuyona inkimbinkimbi. Ukuhlinzekekwa kungumbono wobugcweti! Ngempela ilula kakhulu. Impendulo yokuthi akukho grosa wukuba negilosa. Impendulo yesidingo sendlu enkulu yindlu enkulu. Impendulo yemoto ethembekile ukuba nemoto ethembekile.

Ngiyazi ukuthi ngikhuluma ngezinkulumo ezimbili lapha, kodwa ngishayele imoto ephukile iminyaka. Wawungibona ngiza ngebanga lekhilomitha ngoba ngangishiya intuthu lapho ngiya khona. Ngiyazi ukuthi izinkinga zemoto zingaba nzima kangakanani uma udinga ukuya endaweni ethile. Ngiyazi futhi ukuthi kunjani ukungena endaweni ethengisa izimoto ukhokhe ukheshi wemoto entsha. Qagela? Ukucindezeleka akusekho, akusekho nokukhathazeka. Kungani? Ngoba isidingo sami sifeziwe futhi nginokuthula. Ngingagxila kulokho okufanele ngabe ngiyakwenza esikhundleni sokubhekana nenkinga yemoto.

**NJENGESAKHAMUZI
SOMBUSO,
UNAMALUNGELO
ANGOKOMTHETHO,
FUTHI YONKE IMITHETHO
KANYE NEZIMISO MANJE
ISYATHOLAKALA KUWE.**

Iqiniso lendaba liwukuthi iningi manje labantu kufanele babhekane nendaba zezimali zangempela aze abe ngaphansi kwengcindezi isikhathi esiningi sokuphila kwakhe. Bangase basebenze amahora amaningi bezama ukuthola

kangangokuthi abanazo izimpilo. Mngane, lena akuyona intando kaNkulunkulu ngempilo yakho.

Njengoba ngike ngasho ekuqaleni, abantu balahla amaphupho abo kanye nezifiso zabo zokukhokhelwa emisebenzini abayidelelayo. Izigqila ngokuvamile azibona abantu abajabule kakhulu! Ngeshwa, kulapho abantu behlala khona, bengajabule lapho bekhona empilweni, benengekile, futhi bengenathemba. Kodwa empeleni, ziwukusuka nje kokubuka kude nenkululeko noma, njengoba ngisanda kwabelana, ukuba nohlelo.

Ake ngikunike isibonelo somuntu siqu. Abaningi benu bayazi ukuthi ngiyathanda ukuzingela nokudoba, ukugibela amabhayisikili nokugibela izintaba, noma yini ngaphandle. Ngakhulela e-Ohio emphakathini omncane wabalimi endaweni eyaziwa ngokuthi yi-Plain Township. Lalibizwa ngokuthi i-Plain Township ngoba, njengoba ungase ucabange, laliyisicaba. Yebo, lokho kwakukuhle kubalimi, kodwa kwakungeyona indawo ekhanga kakhulu. Ngibhalisele wonke umagazini wokuzingela nokudoba engangiwazi, i-*Outdoor Life, Sports Afield, Field & Stream*, kanye namanye. Ngangifunda izindaba ezinhle zokudoba nokuzingela endle nasezintabeni ezinhle ngasentshonalanga kanye nezintaba eziluhlaza okotshani zase-*Appalachian Valley* ihora elilodwa kuphela mgsempumalanga kwami. Nokho angikaze ngivakashele lezo zindawo. Ngangineminyaka engu-40 ngaphambi kokuba ngibone intaba yami yokuqala.

Kungani? Nganginemali yokuhamba, nginemoto yami, i-*Interstate I-70* igijima inqamule edolobheni lakithi, futhi ukuya entshonalanga kudlula izintaba zaseRocky. Kodwa iqiniso lendaba ukuthi angikaze ngicabange ukuya lapho futhi angikaze ngizivumele ukuba ngicabange ukuthi, “Ngizoya lapho ngolunye usuku.” Ngazithanda

lezo zindawo lapho ngibuka izithombe ezicwebezelayo zomagazini kodwa angizange ngicabange ngokuya khona. Zazingaba senyangu ngokwazi kwami; kwakungeyona into engenzeka engqondweni yami. Lapho ngineminyaka engu-40 futhi ekugcineni ngilibangise entshonalanga, angizange ngikukholwe lokho engangikuphuthelwe ukuphila kwami konke. Manje, kufanele ngilungise izintaba okungenani kanye ngonyaka. Mngane, kuningi ngaphandle kwalokho okubonayo njengamanje. Ungaphezu kwalokho okubonayo manje! Kunombono ohlukile ngempilo okufanele uwubone futhi ube nakho.

Lapho uqala ukuqonda futhi nokufunda ukuthi uMbuso kaNkulunkulu usebenza kanjani futhi nalokho uMbuso kaNkulunkulu othi usunakho kakade, umbono wakho uzoshintsha!

Ngakho-ke aniseyibo abezizwe nezihambi, kodwa izakhamuzi ezikanye nabantu bakaNkulunkulu kanye namalungu abendlu Yakhe.

— Kwabase-Efesu 2:19

Njengesakhamuzi soMbuso, unamalungelo angokomthetho, futhi yonke imithetho kanye nezimiso manje isiyatholakala kuwe. Lokhu kwaku ngokukaDrenda kanye nenkinga yami. Nakuba singamaKristu futhi simthanda uNkulunkulu, sasiyizakhamuzi zoMbuso kaNkulunkulu singayazi imithetho nezimiso zoMbuso kaNkulunkulu. Ngenxa yemibono yethu elinganiselwe uhlelo lwesiqalekiso somhlaba esisinikwe sona, asizange sibe namaphupho. Kodwa ulwazi lungamandla.

Isibonelo, enkantolo, isivumelwano sokuqashisa esisayiniwe sifakazela ukuthi unelungelo elingokomthetho lokuhlala endlini yakho. Ulwazi lokuthi kukhona incwadi esayiniwe kanye nokufinyelela kubulungiswa ukuze kuqinisekiswa ilungelo lakho elingokomthetho lokuhlala kuleyo ndlu kukunikeza ukuthula nenduduzo. Ngendlela efanayo, ulwazi lwalokho uNkulunkulu akushoyo nalokho uMbuso okuphathela kona kukunikeza isibindi sokuthatha konke okungokwakho ngokomthetho. Ngokwesibonelo, kuyini ukuchuma komlimi? Ingabe yimali yini? Cha. Ingabe yimbewu ayihlwanyelayo? Cha. Luwulwazi analo ngemithetho yokuhlwanyela nokuvuna. Kungakhathaliseki ukuthi umpofu kangakanani, uyakwazi ukuceba. Umane nje athinte emithethweni yendawo yasemhlabeni uNkulunkulu ayimisile. Inqubo yokutshala nokuvuna ingamkhiqizela umlimi ngokuphindaphindiwe.

Uyayiqonda imithetho yokuvuna futhi uyayethemba ngokugcwele. Uhlwanyela imbewu ebiza izinkulungwane zamadola emhlabathini, kodwa akesebi. Ngeke uthole umlimi ehlezi eduze kukagandaganda wakhe uma esetshale isilimo sakhe ekhalela yonke imali ayiphonse phansi. Cha, ubengeke akhale ngezindleko zembewu. Uyoqiniseka ngemithetho ebusa indawo engokwemvelo yasemhlabeni. Angakutshela yini ukuthi imbewu ikhula kanjani? Ngiyangabaza ngalokho, kodwa angakutshela ukuthi usefuna indawo enkulu yokulima. Kunjalo nakimi ngawe. Ngaphandle kokuba siyazi imithetho yoMbuso futhi sithembele kuyo, ngeke sikwazi ukujabulela ukuphila uNkulunkulu asimisele ukuba sikuphile.

Enye yezindaba ezijabulisa kakhulu esazibona ngalezo zinsuku zakuqala yenzeka lapho ngithola ucingo oluvela kumuntu engizombiza ngokuthi “Don,” owayebhekene nezinkinga ezinkulu zezimali. Wayezwile ukuthi ngangisiza abantu ngezimali.

Lapho ngiqala ukuhlangana noDon, wayefike ehhovisi lami edangele kakhulu futhi enezikweletu. Akukho okwakubonakala kumhambela kahle empilweni yakhe ngaleso sikhathi. Lapho ngihlala phansi futhi ngixoxa naye, ngathola ukuthi wayesalele emuva ngezinyanga ezintathu kuya kwezine emqashweni wakhe futhi cishe kuzo zonke ezinye izikweletu ayenazo. Kwakunezinkinga emshadweni wakhe—umkakhe wayekhathele yisimo sabo sezimali futhi eseqale ukulahlekelwa inhlonipho ngoDon njengoba wayengakwazi ukondla yena nezingane zabo ezinhlanu. Iqiniso laliwukuthi uDon wayengasazihloniphi. Futhi wayegcwele imibuzo.

Umsebenzi wakhe wawuhilela ukuthengisa umshwalense wezempilo kuso sonke isifunda sase-Ohio, kodwa ukuntula kwakhe impumelelo kwashesha kwamholela endleleni eyingozi yezimali.

Naphezu kwazo zonke izinto ezazimelene noDon, ngabona ikhono kuye. Wayezimisele ukufunda futhi ezimisele ukusebenza. Leyo nhlanganisela enamandla yangithakasela ngokwanele ukuba ngimqashe futhi ngizitshale imali enhlalakahleni yekusasa lakhe. Ekugcineni, kube ukutshalwa kwezimali okwasikhokhela inzuzo ezinkulu sobabili.

Inkampani yami eyayiqala ukusebenza yayisanda kunqoba kuhambo lokuya eHawaii komunye wabathengisi bethu, futhi ngaba nomuzwa wokuthi leli kungaba ithuba elihle lokuhlanganyela noDon ngoMbuso kaNkulunkulu. Nakuba uDon wayengumKristu, wayengenakho ukuqonda okufanayo nenganginakho. Futhi nakuba ngike ngazama izikhathi eziningana ukuhlanganyela naye kuzimiso zikaNkulunkulu kule ndaba, wabonakala engakukholelwa engangikusho.

Ngaqhubeka ngifuna indlela yokubamba ukunaka kukaDon okwakuzomsiza abone ukuthi naye angaphumelela ngokufunda

indlela uMbuso kaNkulunkulu owawusebenza ngayo. Nokho, uDon wayedangele kangangokuthi kwaba nzima ukukholelwa kuyena futhi ekholelwa ukuthi ushintsho lungenzeka ngempela. Ngangazi ukuthi lolu hambo lwaseHawaii kwakuyithuba lami.

Emasontweni ambalwa ngaphambi kokuba mina noDon sihambe, saxoxa ngalokho esasiyokubona nesizokwenza lapho. Isithakazelo esisodwa esikhethekile sasibambe ukunaka kuka-Don njengezinye. Wayefuna ukubamba *i-marlin* eluhlaza okwesibhakabhaka emanzini amahle ku-*Pacific Ocean*. “IHawaii inhloko-dolobha ye-*marlin* eluhlaza okwesibhakabhaka emhlabeni,” kusho uDon engitshela ejabule. “Bengilokhu ngifuna ukubamba *i-marlin* eluhlaza okwesibhakabhaka; bekuyiphupho lami.” Ngokokuqala ngqa emasontweni ambalwa, ngabona ukukhanya emehlweni kaDon. Kukhona okwamjabulisa ngempela, futhi ngangazi ukuthi injabulo yakhe yayizovula umnyango wesifundo esinamandla.

Ngathi: “Don, bewazi yini ukuthi kungenzeka ukwazi, hhayi ukuba nethemba nje, kodwa wazi ukuthi uyobamba *i-marlin* eluhlaza okwesibhakabhaka eHawaii ngokuthinta eMbusweni kaNkulunkulu?” Edidekile kodwa ethakasele, uDon wayefuna ukwazi ngokwengeziwe, futhi ngaqhubeka nencazelo yami ngoMbuso. Ngacaphuna kuNgokukaMarku 11:24, othi: “*Ngalokho ngithi kini: Konke enikukhulekayo nenikucelayo, kholwani ukuthi nikwamukele, futhi nizakuba nakho.*” KuDon, lokhu bekucishe kube kuhle kakhulu ukuba akukholwe. Ngazinika isikhathi ukuze ngimsize aqonde uMbuso nendlela yokukhulula ukholo lwakhe. Futhi ngakho, ngaphambi kokuba sihambe ohambweni lwethu, yena nomkakhe bahlwanyela njengoba nje ngangihlanyele inyamazane yami, bakhuleka ngokuvumelana, futhi bakholwa ukuthi babeyitholile *i-marlin* eluhlaza okwesibhakabhaka.

Okwamanje, uDon wenza konke ayekwazi ukukwenza ukuze asekele ingxenye yakhe yesivuno. Wenza ucwaningo ngemikhumbi ezitholakalayo namanani futhi wagcina ebhukhe nenduna yomkhumbi ayezizwa ejabule ngaye. Konke kwase kumisiwe, futhi sonke sasijabule kakhulu ngokuya emanzini aluhlaza okwesibhakabhaka aseHawaii.

Lwafika usuku lokuhamba ngomkhumbi, futhi njengoba sigibela emkhunjini, satshela induna yomkhumbi ngenjabulo ukuthi ngosuku lwanamuhla sizobamba ngalo *i-marlin* eluhlaza okwesibhakabhaka. Ngenkathi elindele ukuthi thina sibe nosuku oluyimpumelelo sidoba ezinye izinhlanzi zezemidlalo, wasiqinisekisa ukuthi amathuba okubamba *marlin* eluhlaza okwesibhakabhaka ngalolo suku ayengahambelani nathi. Njengoba kunemikhumbi emibili ohambweni oluqashiwe nsuku zonke ezinyangeni ezine ezedlule, izisebenzi zakhe zazilethe *i-marlin* eyodwa eluhlaza okwesibhakabhaka. Lokhu kwakungenxa yeqiniso lokuthi kwakungakabi isikhathi se-*marlin*, njengoba ama-*marlin* ezinhlanzi ezifudukayo. Senqaba ukudumazeka, samtshela ngenhlonipho ukuthi sasizothola enye futhi saqhubeka nokulungisa izinto zethu.

Ngemva kwamahora ayisithupha okuhamba ngokuchophelela okukhulu, besingaka bambi ngisho neyodwa, futhi ngangiba nokukhathazeka ngokuthi ukuntuleka kwesenzo kungase kunciphise ukholo lukaDon. Ekukhathazekeni kwami ngamemeza ngimbuza. “Don,” ngangimemeza ngisendaweni yami ebhulohweni elingenhla kwakhe, “ake ngikubuze umbuzo. Wayithola nini leyo *marlin* eluhlaza okwesibhakabhaka, lapho ivela noma lapho sithandaza?” Ngokuzethemba, uDon waphendula ngokuqinile, “Gary, kulula lokho. Ngayithola lapho ngithandaza.” Ngajabula futhi ngizethemba lapho ngizwa impendulo yakhe. Kungaleso

sikhathi lapho engazi khona ukuthi uDon wayewuthathele phezulu umyalo wami futhi wayezimisele ukuba nayo leyo marlin.

Emizuzwini embalwa kamuva, ingoma kaDon yaqala ukucula njengoba igobela ngasolwandle futhi abalingane bamemeza, “Qubeka udoba!”

“Ungathukutheli kabi,” kuxwayisa induna yomkhumbi. “Kuyinhlanzi enkulu kulungile, kodwa akuyona i-*marlin* eluhlaza okwesibhakabhaka. Ama-*Marlin* aza phezulu futhi enze ukugxuma ngendlela emangalisayo emoyeni, futhi le inhlanzi ihlala ekujuleni.” Yaphela imizuzu uDon elokhu elwisa inhlanzi eyayingakasondeli eduze ukuze ibonakale. Njengoba uDon wayekhathele, nenhlanzi ngokufanayo futhi ngokushesha yayeka ukulwa. Mina noDon asizange simangale lapho edonsa leyo *marlin* enkulu, enhle eluhlaza okwesibhakabhaka, kodwa wonke umuntu owayese mkhunjini wayemangele.

Isithombe sikaDon nenhlanzi yakhe sisalokhu sisehhovisi lami kuze kube namuhla njengobufakazi kwabanye nesikhumbuzo esiqhubekayo kimi sokuba ngokoqobo koMbuso. Ngaphandle, kwakuyinhlanzi nje. Kodwa kuDon, i-*marlin* yayisho okukhulu kakhulu. Ukube uMbuso wawusebenzela u-*marlin*, ngokuqinisekile ubuyosebenza kukho konke ayekudinga ekuphileni. KuDon, kwakumane kuyisiqalo sokuqaphela ithonya loMbuso kaNkulunkulu ongaba nawo empilweni yakhe.

Ngiyayithanda le ndaba, futhi ngiyathanda ukubona abantu benolwazi lwangempela ngoMbuso kaNkulunkulu. Yilokho engikufuna kuwe futhi!

ISAHLUKO 4

NGITHOLE ISIHLUTHULELO ESIBALULEKILE SOMBUSO!

Sonke sinezihluthulelo ezinhlobo ehlukene zemizi yethu, izimoto zethu, futhi nanoma yini esifuna ukuyivikela. Isihluthulelo sisinika ukufinyelela kulokho okuvikelwe ngaphakathi noma igunya lokusebenzisa ulutho, njengemoto. Njengoba ngangiphila njengomKristu iminyaka eyisishiyagalolunye kuziphithiphithi zezimali kanye nokungabinathemba, ngangazi ukuthi kukhona okwakungekho, kukhona okwakungalungile. Akekho owayedinga ukungitshela lokho. Engangidinga ukwazi ukuthi yini eyayingalungile nokuthi ngingayilungisa kanjani.

Lapho iNkosi ikhuluma nami lapho ngikhalela usizo kuyo, ngilele embhedeni wami endlini ebhidlikile yasepulazini, yangitshela ukuthi inkinga yami yayiwukuthi ngangingakaze ngifunde ukuthi uMbuso Wayo wawusebenza kanjani. Kulowo musho owodwa ngabanaso isihluthulelo, kumbe kufanele ngisho umthombo wesihluthulelo noma izihluthulelo ezidingekayo—uMbuso. UNkulunkulu wayengitshela ukuthi impendulo yami iseMbusweni

Wakhe. Ngangingakaze ngizinike isikhathi sokufunda ukuba indlela uMbuso Wakhe osebenza ngayo, kodwa uma ngangingakwenza, ngangiyoyithola impendulo yami. Lapho uNkulunkulu ekhuluma nami ngalolo suku ngokuntula kwami ukuqonda ngoMbuso, ngempela ngangingazi ukuthi wayesho ukuthini ngoMbuso. Kodwa ngamuzwa ekhuluma ngokucacile ukuthi uma ngingafunda indlela uMbuso Wakhe osebenza ngayo, ngangizozithola izimpendulo engangizifuna. Ngakho-ke kimi, isihluthulelo esibalulekile sasikulawo mazwi avamile, “Awukaze uthathe isikhathi sokufunda indlela uMbuso wami osebenza ngayo.” Ngeqiniso, leyo nkulumo ngokwayo yasho okuningi futhi, ngeqiniso, isihluthulelo sami sokuqala esibalulekile sokuguqulwa kwempilo yami.

Ngokuba sizalelwe umntwana, siphawe indodana, futhi umbuso uyakuba semahlombe akhe. Futhi negama lakhe liyakuthiwa uMeluleki Omangalisayo, uNkulunkulu Onamandla, uYise Ongunaphakade, iNkosi Yokuthula. Nokwanda kombuso wakhe, futhi nokuthula akuyikuba nakuphela. Uyobusa esihlalweni sobukhosi sikaDavide futhi nasembusweni wakhe, ukuze uqiniswe futhi usekelwe ngokwahlulela futhi nangokulunga kusukela ngaleso sikhathi kuze kube phakade. Ukushisekela kukaJehova Sebawoti kuyakwenza lokhu.

— U-Isaya 9:6-7

Ukuqonda ukuthi uMbuso kaNkulunkulu empeleni uwumbuso osebenza ngesisekelo sombuso futhi nemithetho kwavula amehlo ami ukuze ngiqonde uMbuso engangingakaze ngiwazi ngaphambili. Ukwazi ukuthi uMbuso kaNkulunkulu wamiswa futhi usekelwa ngokwahlulelwa (ukuphathwa komthetho) nokulunga

kukaNkulunkulu (imithetho Yakhe) kwangibonisa ukuthi yonke into eyenzekayo eMbusweni iwumphumela womthetho noma isimiso salowo Mbuso. Ngingase ngingabi ngumuntu ongcono kunabo bonke eqenjini elihloliwe, kodwa ngihlakaniphe ngokwanele ukuba ngiqonde ukuthi uma uMbuso usebenza ngesisekelo semithetho khona-ke ngangingakwazi ukuyifunda leyomithetho futhi ngiyisebenzise ekuphileni kwami. Njengoba uNkulunkulu eqala ukwembula nokufundisa mina noDrenda imithetho Yakhe, ngaqala ukuqaphela ukuthi zonke izindaba eziseBhayibhelini zinezihlothulelo okwakudingeka ngizazi ngokuphathelene nendlela uMbuso owawusebenza ngayo. Ngaqala ukufunda zonke izindaba eziseBhayibhelini ngendlela ehlukile: “Kungani lokho kwenzeka? Kungani lokho kungenzekanga?” Ngangifunda zonke izindaba ngesimo sengqondo sokuthi, “Iziphi izimiso ezembulwa kule ndaba? Kwenzeke kanjani lokho?”

Ngaqala ukuzibiza ngososayensi womoya, futhi ngajabula njengoba uMoya oNgcwele wawungembulela umthetho emva komthetho. Kwangijabulisa nakakhulu ukubona ukuthi imithetho engayithola yayisebenza ekuphileni kwami njengoba nje yenza eBhayibhelini. Abantu bayangibuza bethi, “Gary, usho ukuthini ngemithetho yoMbuso?” Ngivame ukubakhumbuza ngayo yonke imithetho abayisebenzisayo lapha endaweni yasemhlabeni— amandla adonsela phansi, imithetho yesayensi yemvelo, nayo yonke imithetho ebusa imvelo.

Umlimi usebenzisa le imithetho noma nini lapho ethanda; asikho isidingo sokuthi ayithandazele ukuthi isebenze. Iyasebenza njalo lapho ekhetha ukuyisebenzisa. Itholakala kunoma ubani futhi nanoma ubani umuntu ofisa ukuyisebenzisa. Ngendlela efanayo, uMbuso kaNkulunkulu usebenza ngemithetho esingayifunda.

Njengoba iyimithetho, ayishintshi neze, futhi ingafundwa njalo isetshenziswe ekuphileni eMbusweni.

Ngalendlela, uma usuzile kuKristu, uyisakhamuzi soMbuso Wakhe, futhi nawo wonke uMbuso ungowakho. Le mithetho yoMbuso ungayifunda futhi uyisebenzise nawe.

**NJENGOBA UNKULUNKULU
EQALA UKWEMBULA
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NODRENDA IMITHETHO
YAKHE, NGAQALA
UKUQAPHELA UKUTHI
ZONKE IZINDABA
EZISEBHAYIBHELINI
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OKWAKUDINGEKA NGIZAZI
NGOKUPHATHELENE
NENDLELA UMBUSO
OWAWUSEBENZA NGAYO.**

“Kulungile,” abantu bazongitshela, “ngiyayithola leyo ngxenye yayo, kodwa nginike isibonelo somthetho eMbusweni.” Kune miningi, eminingi imithetho. Eqinisweni, sengike ngabhala ngezimbalwa, njengomthetho wamandla esikhundla, umthetho wokukholwa, futhi nomthetho wokuvumelana, nakuba ngingavelanga ngikubhale kanjalo ezahlukweni ezingaphambili. Futhi, kunemithetho eminingi, futhi yonke le mithetho ingahlukaniswa ibe umsebenze kanye nokusetshenziswa, okuyizingxenye ngokuqinisekile esifuna ukugxila kuzo. Ake ngikunikeze

indaba ezokusiza ukucacisa engikushoyo.

Nginendiza, i-*Piper Mirage*, engindiza kuyo lapho ngiya emihlanganweni, nokuyahlangana namakhasimende, futhi nokuhamba ngebhizinisi. Nganginohambo olwaluhlelelwe ukuya eColorado ukuyothamela umhlangano wengqungquthela futhi ngangihlele ngokucophelela ukuhlolwa kwesondlo saminyaka yonke

okudingwa umthetho ngalolo hambo. Uma ungazi, yonke indiza endizayo e-U.S. kudingeka ukuthi idlulise isibuyekezo saminyaka yonke sokulungisa kanye ngonyaka. Umshayeli wami wendiza kwakufanele athathe i-*Mirage* bese asindizisa siye emhlanganweni wethu. Kodwa ngosuku olwandulela ezoyilanda, isitolo sashaya ucingo sathi baphule ifasiteli elingaphambili lomunye wabashayeli ngephutha. Babezoyishintsha mahhala, kodwa inqubo yayizokwengeza izinsuku ezintathu ngaphambi kokuba indiza indize. Lokho kwakusho ukuthi mina noDrenda kwakudingeka sihambe ngendiza yezentengiselwano siya eColorado. Asikho isikhalazo esihlosiwe, kodwa sihlala sincamela ukushayela ngendiza yethu noma yikuphi lapho siya khona uma sikwazi. Sadumala kancane kodwa saqonda engqungqutheleni. Isu laliwukuthi umshayeli wethu wayezosilanda ngendiza yethu lapho sibuyela e-Ohio.

Ezinsukwini ezimbili singene engqungqutheleni yethu, kwagadla isichotho esikhulu kungazelelwe endaweni. Amatshe esichotho ayemakhulu kangangokuthi alimaza yonke indawo. Kwezinye izindawo, izingcezu ezinkulu zeqhwa zangena ophahleni. Amakhulu ezimoto zawonakele ngendlela engenakulungiseka. Izakhiwo nophahla kwalimala. Njengoba umshayeli wami efika ezosilanda, wapaka kuyona le *FBO* esasizoshiya kuyo indiza ukube sasiyindiza ngempela lapho ekuqaleni kwengqungquthela. Umbono omangalisayo wahlangana namehlo ami. Yonke indiza eyayipake lapho indiza yami yayizopaka khona ukube yayikhona yayiphelele. Indiza yami, ngomusa kaNkulunkulu, yayingekho futhi ayizange ilimale. Indaba emangalisayo eqinisekile ngokwanele, kodwa yenzeke kanjani? Ngiqonde ukuthi kwamane kwazenzekela noma ingabe indiza yayingekho kwaba umphumela womthetho kamoya engangisizakala ngawo?

Kahle-ke, ngiyazi ngokuqinisekile ukuthi kwaba umphumela womthetho kamoya engawubekayo, engizohlanganyela nani ngawo kancane nje. Ukuqonda umthetho kukuvumela ukuthi uphindaphinde imiphumela noma nini uma uyidinga. Kulokhu, ngasebenzisa umthetho uNkulunkulu angifundisa wona ekuqaleni lapho uNkulunkulu eqala ukungiqeqeshela imithetho nemisebenzi yoMbuso Wakhe.

Ake ngikubonise umthetho uNkulunkulu angibonisa wona, khona-ke ngizokukhombisa ukuthi ngiwusebenzise kanjani. Khumbula, zonke izindaba eziseBhayibheli zikubonisa okuthile ngoMbuso nendlela osebenza ngayo. Ngizibiza ngosoyansi womoya. Njengoba ngifunda iBhayibheli, ngihlale ngibheka imithetho eyabangela okuthile noma imithetho eyayingakuvumeli ukuba kwenzeke okuthile. Sithola indaba ehlobene nalesi sifundo engifuna ukukubonisa sona ku NgokukaMarku 6.

Kwathi sikhathi sesihambile, beza kuye abafundi bakhe. “Le ndawo iyinhlane,” besho, “futhi isikhathi sesidlulile. Bamukise abantu ukuba baye emaphandleni nasemizaneni ezizungezileyo, bazithengele ukudla.”

Wayesephendula ethi kubo: Bapheni nina ukudla.

Bathi kuye, “Lokho kungathatha iholo lomuntu ngaphezu kwezinyanga eziyisishiyagalombili! Siyakuchitha imali engaka sithenge isinkwa, sibaphe badle na?”

“Ninezinkwa ezingaki na? wabuza. “Hambani nibone.”

Sebazi bathi: Ziyisihlanu—nezinhlanzi ezimbili.

Khona-ke uJesu wabayala ukuba bonke abantu bahlale phansi otshanini obuluhlaza izigaba ngezigaba. Base behlala phansi amaviyongamaviyo, kwabangamakhulunangamashumi ayisihlanu. Wazithabatha izinkwa eziyisihlanu nezinhlanzi

ezimbili wabheka ngasezulwini, wazibusisa, wazihlephula izinkwa. Wazinika abafundi bakhe ukuba bazibeke phambi kwabantu. Nezinhlanzi ezimbili wababela bonke ngazo. Badla, bonke basutha, futhi abafundi babutha imvuthuluka yezinkwa nezinhlanzi, iziqabetho eziyishumi nambili ezigcwele. Inani lababedlile babengamadoda ayizinkulungwane eziyisihlanu.

— NgokukaMarku 6:35-44

Lena indaba emnandi kanye nomfanekiso woMbuso kaNkulunkulu osebenzayo. Izinkwa ezinhlanu nezinhlanzi ezimbili zondla abantu abangu-20,000! Kodwa uthi, “Gary, iBhayibheli lithi kwakunamadoda ayizi-5,000 kuphela lapho.” Yebo, kunjalo, kodwa ngingacabanga ukuthi kwakukhona abesifazane nezingane lapho kanjalo. Ngakho-ke ngicabanga ukuthi mhlawumbe bekunabantu ababalelwa ku-20,000 lapho.

Lapho abafundi beza kuJesu ngendaba yokudla, uJesu ufuna ukubafundisa okuthile ngoMbuso ngakho Yena uthi, “Bapheni nina ukudla.” Hhayi-ke, lokho kuyabethusa kakhulu. Bazokutholaphi ukudla okunjalo? Basabela ngokuqonda okuwukuphela komthombo wokuhlinzekwa abawaziyo—wokusebenza! Bathi, “Hhayi-ke lokho kungathatha umholo womuntu wezinyanga eziyisishiyagalombili!” Kusukela kumadola abo amahora ngombono wokukhandleka okubuhlungu nezithukuthuku zomhlaba, bekungeke kwenzeke ukuba babaphe ukudla.

Kodwa eMbusweni, imithetho ehlukeneyo yokusebenza yenza zonke izinto zenzeke. UJesu ufuna ukubasiza babone ngale kwesimiso sesiqalekiso sasemhlabeni futhi bafunde okuthile okusha okungenzeka eMbusweni kaNkulunkulu. UJesu ube esebabuza ukuba babone ukuthi yini abanayo abangondla ngakho isixuku.

Bahamba babheka bese bephendula ngokuthi bathole izinkwa ezinhlanu nezinhlanzi ezimbili kodwa bayazi ukuthi ngeke kusize ngalutho. UJesu wabe esebacela isinkwa nezinhlanzi. Ezibambile ngezandla Zakhe, Yena wazikhulekela futhi wazibusisa. Yena wazibuyisela kubafundi Bakhe ukuze bazinike isixuku. Yebo uyayazi yonke indaba; bonke abantu ababelapho abayizinkulungwane ezingamashumi amabili badla baze basutha, nokho kwakusele iziqabetho eziyishumi nambili.

Imibuzo yami ithi: “Kungani uJesu acela ukuba kulethwe isinkwa nenhlanzi Kuye ngaphambi kokuba abatshela ukuthi bakunikeze abantu? Kungani engazange yena uJesu avele aqhubeke acele abafundi ukuba banikeze abantu ukudla lapho sebekutholile? Ingabe kwadingeka ukuba uJesu akubusise kuqala?” Impendulo eqondile ukuthi uJesu kwakumele abusise isinkwa nenhlanzi kuqala. Uyabona, isinkwa nezinhlanzi zazisendaweni yasemhlabeni ngaphansi kwegunya futhi namandla esikhundla sabantu ngesikhathi abafundi Bakhe bezithola okokuqala. Kuleso simo, uJesu wayengenamandla esikhundla phezu kwazo. Kodwa lapho isinkwa nenhlanzi kulethwa Kuye ngokuzithandela, Yena wakwazi ukuzibusisa. Igama elithi *ukubusisa* lisho ukungcwelisa noma ukwehlukana. Manje, nanku umthetho woMbuso wembulwe.

Lapho uJesu ebusisa isinkwa nenhlanzi, inhlanzi nesinkwa kwashintsha imibuso.

Empeleni, Amandla esikhundla phezu kwesinkwa nenhlanzi ashintsha. Manje uNkulunkulu wayenelungelo elingokomthetho lokuphindaphinda isinkwa futhi nezinhlanzi kubantu.

Ukuba uJesu akazange athathe isinkwa nenhlanzi futhi azibusise, ngabe azizange zande.

Sisebenzisa lo mthetho lapho sibusisa ukudla kwethu, nakuba ngicabanga ukuthi abantu abaningi abaqondi ukuthi benzani uma bethandazela ukudla kwabo. Kodwa kalula nje, lapho sithandazela ukudla kwethu, kushintsha imibuso, kanjalo kuvumela uNkulunkulu ukuba asivikele kunoma iyiphi into eyingozi esingase siyidle. Ngidinga ukungeza kancane lapha. Uma ngokuzithandela siqhubeka siphila ngokudla okungenamsoco futhi sidla izinto thina esazi ukuthi azisilungele, siyovuna esikuhlwanyelayo. Kodwa ukuba besidle into eyingozi, into esingaqapheli ukuthi izosilimaza, iZwi likaNkulunkulu beliyosivikela njengoba nje lavikela indiza yami. Angikhulumi ngohlobo lomkhuleko ongokwenkolo olwenziwa abantu abaningi bethandazela ukudla kwabo. Kodwa ukukhuleka ngokukholwa, ubonga uNkulunkulu ngokuthi Yena ususa ukugula phakathi kwethu esivumela thina, njengezakhumusi zoMbuso Wakhe omkhulu, ukuba sijabulele izithembiso Zakhe.

Futhi uma bephuza okubulalayo, akusoze kwaba nangozi
— NgokukaMarku 16:18

Ezweni lanamuhla, sidinga ukuqiniseka ngesivikelo sikaNkulunkulu ukuze sisinike ukuphumula. Ziningi izinto ezingaba ukuthula kwethu kuzo zonke izindawo, kuhlanganisa nokudla esikudlayo. Ngithembe, ungaqiniseka ukuthi uSathane unecebo lokweba impilo yakho kanye nekhono lakho lokuphumelela ngokumelene naye endaweni yasemhlabeni ngokudla!

Singabona esinye isibonelo sokuletha izinkinga zethu, izingqinamba, ukuthula kwengqondo, empeleni yonke into ezimpilweni zethu ngaphansi kwamandla esikhundla woMbuso KwabaseFilipi 4:6-7.

Ningakhathazeki ngalutho, kepha kukho konke izicelo zenu mazaziwe nguNkulunkulu ngokukhuleka nokunxusa kanye nokubonga. Ukuthula kukaNkulunkulu okudlula ukuqonda konke kuyakulondoloza izinhliziyi zenu nemicabango yenu kuKristu Jesu.

— KwabaseFilipi 4:6-7

Lapho sithandazela okuthile, kuletha leyo nkinga noma udaba ngaphansi kwamandla esikhundla woMbuso kaNkulunkulu. Uma singathandazi ngakho, izandla zikaNkulunkulu ziboshiwe. Kanjalo ibhayibheli lithi khulekani ningaphezi (1 KwabaseThesalonika 5:17) futhi anikwenzi lokho ngokuba ningaceli kuNkulunkulu (UJakobe 4:2).

Lapho ngithenga indiza yami futhi nalapho ngithenga noma yini, ngiyathandaza phezu kwayo, ngibeka izandla zami phezu kwayo, futhi ngilethe ngaphansi kwamandla esikhundla woMbuso kaNkulunkulu ukuze ifeze lokho eyayihloselwe ukuba ikwenze ikhonze uMbuso kaNkulunkulu nesabelo sami. Ngenxa yalokhu, indiza yami ingaphandle komkhawulo kuSathane namaxusa akhe. Ngeke ngifikelwe yingozi kuleyo ndiza!

Cishe enyangeni edlule, ngangindizisa i*Mirage* ngisuka eHouston ngiya e-Ohio ngemva komhlangano wengqungquthela. Kwase kuhlwire njengoba siqamula emaphandleni amnyama. Umbani wakhanyisa isibhakabhaka kude ngakwesokunene sethu

kanti kwesokunxele sethu njengoba isiphepho sasihamba ezweni lonke. Isiphepho sabangela ukuba senze izinguquko endleleni yethu ukuze sigweme isiphepho, futhi ngenxa yalokho, sasebenzisa uphethiloli omkhulu kunalokho ebesikuhlelile. Ngakho-ke ukuze siqiniseke ukuthi sifike ekhaya ngokuphephile futhi nokwanelisa imithetho ye-FAA ngokuphathelene nezinqolobane zikaphethiloli, sanquma ukuma eLouisville, eKentucky, ukuze sithathe uphethiloli. Sehla sesisele ngamagalane angaba ngu-30, kodwa sase sisele nelinye ihora futhi sasingafuni ukusilela. Sayangena ku-*FBO* futhi sabacela ukuthi bathele amagalani angu-20 ku-ithange lophiko ngalunye. Lokho kungasithatha ukufika amagalane angama-70, ngaphezu kokwanele ukundiza ibanga lethu elisele siye e-Ohio njengoba i*Mirage* ishisa amagalane angaba ngu-22 ngehora.

Lapho silindile ku-*FBO*, intombazane esehhovisi yasitshela ukuthi ingaqhubeka futhi ishayise lawo magalane angu-40. Wathi esasho lokho kwabe sekungena umlindi wendiza ephethe amaphepha amayelana nokuthengiselana. Intombazane yawathatha ezandleni zakhe, yawagqolozela, yase ithi, “Kukhona okungahambi kahle lapha. Izinombolo azifani.” Umlindi wendiza wathi ufake uphethiloli futhi angakwazi ukulungisa izinombolo kamuva. Wathi yena, “Kulungile,” kodwa wathi kuze kube yilapho izinombolo sezilungisiwe, akakwazanga ukunginika irisidi kodwa kwakuzodingeka asithumele yona nge-imeyili. Sathi thina, “Kulungile,” sase siphuma saya endizeni nomlindi wendiza. Umshayeli wami wabuza umlindi ukuba aqinisekise ukuthi wayewafakile ngempela amagalani angu-20 ohlangothini ngalunye, futhi wayesethi, “Yebo, ngibeke amagalani angu-20 ohlangothini ngalunye.”

Ngakho sasuka salibangisa e-Ohio, futhi cishe imizuzu engu-40

endizeni yethu, kungazelelwe, ithange langakwesobunxele loma. Sashaqeka; kungenzeka kanjani lokho? Ngemva komzuzu, ithange elingakwesokudla loma. Kwakuphakathi kwamabili ngobusuku obumnyama, futhi sasingamafidi angu-15,000 singenawo amandla. Kwenzenjani? Sasisanda kufaka uphethiloli. Abantu bazothi kimi, “Ingabe indiza yakho ayinaso isikali sikaphethiloli?” Yebo, kodwa izikali zikaphethiloli zendiza yethu zikhuphuka kancane lapho zinatha uphethiloli. Uma uke washayela i*Suburban* endala, cishe uzoqonda ukuthi ngikhuluma ngani. Izikali zabo zikaphethiloli zikhuphuka kancane kuphethiloli owengeziwe.

**KUNEMITHETHO
EMBUSWENI
OKUFANELE
UYIFUNDE UKUZE
ISEBENZE KAHLE,
UPHEPHE, FUTHI UBE
NOKUHLINZEKWA
LAPHA ENDAWENI
YASEMHLABENI.**

Ngakho-ke, kulesi simo, umshayeli wami wabuza umlindi wezindiza embhekile ebusweni ukuthi uwufakile yini uphethiloli endizeni kanye nenani alifakile. Thina ngokwethu sasimbonile neloli likaphethiloli endizeni efaka uphethiloli. Umshayeli wami wenze ngokukhulu ukucophelela, ukubona iloli likaphethiloli lifaka uphethiloli endizeni futhi waqinisekisa ngomlomo wakhe ukuthi ingqikithi yamagalane angu-40 afakwe endizeni. Uma sesiqinisekisile ukuthi uphethiloli

unjani, sibeka isilinganiso sikaphethiloli esedijithali esilandela ukushiswa kukaphethiloli wethu kwangempela kuze kufike engxenyeni yeshumi yegalane. Sasicabanga ukuthi senze konke okwakudingeka sikwenze ngasohlangothini lwethu ukuze siphephe.

Samemezela isimo esiphuthumayo futhi kwadingeka sigxumele esikhumulweni sezindiza i-*Greater Cincinnati*, okwakungeyona

inkinga ngempela njengoba sasingaphezu kwayo lapho amathange oma, kodwa bekujabulisa kancane ngokuqinisekile. Njengoba sathola kamuva, kwakuyindiza yokuqala umlindi wendiza ake wayifaka amafutha. Wayefake amagaloni angu-2 kuthange ngalinye, hhayi angu-20. Wayengazi ukuthi kufundwa kanjani imitha. Ngempela? Futhi yilokho kuphela inkampani kazwelonke ekwenzayo ukunathisa izindiza uphethiloli—okungenakukholakala!

Ukuthi isitha sasihlose ukulimaza kwakungeyona inkinga ngempela, kodwa kwakungaba yinkinga enkulu ukuba sasiyokoma kwenye indawo ngaphandle kwama fidi angu-15,000. Kodwa futhi, isitha asikwazi ukungilimaza mina noma leyo ndiza. Ukuze siqale omunye umzamo wesitha sethu, senze njalo sashintsha ezinye zezinqubo zethu lapho sifaka uphethiloli. Manje asiyishiyi indiza ukuze umlindi wendiza afake uphethiloli ngaphandle kokuthi sibe khona lapho kanye naye siqaphe zonke izikhathi lapho ema khona efaka uphethiloli. Lesi sigameko besingaba yinhlekelele ukube besiphansi futhi sihamba kancane ekusondeleni noma esimweni somkhathi wezulu omubi; kodwa-ke, akuzange kube njengoba nginesivumelwano sokuvikelwa.

Zombili lezi zenzakalo ngendiza yami ngokuphathelene nokuphepha kwendiza kanye nami, zaziwumphumela wesivumelwano sami, amalungelo ami angokomthetho eMbusweni. Ngempela ngingakutshela indaba yokuthi ngayithola kanjani leyo ndiza kwasekuqaleni, kodwa ngeke ngikwazi okwamanje. Ngicabanga ukuthi uyalithola iphuzu—uNkulunkulu uyesebeka!

Kunemithetho eMbusweni okufanele uyifunde ukuze isebenze kahle, uphephe, futhi ube nokuhlinzekwa lapha endaweni yasemhlabeni. USathane uyasizonda, kodwa akakwazi ukusivimba, makadunyiswe uNkulunkulu. Ukuvikelwa nakho

kuwukuphumula, ungakhathazeki, futhi akukho ungesabi! Kuyilungelo lakho elingokomthetho.

Kodwa-ke, umthetho engisanda kuwuchaza futhi ngawusebenzisa yilokho engikubiza ngokuthi umthetho wamandla esikhundla, uma nje ungabe uyazibuza.

Omunye umBhalo uNkulunkulu anginika wona ekuqaleni ophathelene noMbuso Wakhe kwaku NgokukaLuka 6:20.

Nibusisiwe nina bampofu, ngokuba umbuso kaNkulunkulu ungowenu.

— NgokukaLuka 6:20

Mina noDrenda saqala ukufunda ukuthi uNkulunkulu wayesho ukuthini ngo “umbuso kaNkulunkulu” kulomBhalo lapho iNkosi isitshengisa wona okokuqala. Futhi, Yena wasitshengisa ukuthi Yena uyinkosi yombuso, obuswa futhi osebenza ngemithetho. Ngokwesibonelo, ake sibheke emngceleni wethu oseningizimu. Minyaka yonke, izinkulungwane zabantu zizama ukunyonyoba zingene e-United States. Kungani? Ingabe kungenxa yokuthi abanayo indawo enhle lapho behlala khona? Cha, akunjalo. Bazama ukungena e-United States ngenxa kahulumeni lapha. Uhulumeni wethu unemithetho evikela amalungelo abantu futhi enikeza inkululeko eminingi engatholakali kwezinye izizwe: ubunikazi bezakhiwo, ilungelo lokuba nebhizinisi lakho, ilungelo lokukhulekela ngendlela othanda ngayo, kanye nenkululeko yokukhuluma. Zonke azitholakali kwezinye izizwe eziningi.

Sesikhulume kaningi ngoMbuso kaNkulunkulu, isisekelo sazo zonke izihluthulelo, izimiso nemithetho uNkulunkulu asinikeze yona njengezakhamuzi. Ulwazi noma ukuntula kwakho ulwazi

ngale mithetho kungaba umehluko phakathi kokuphila noma ukufa, ukunqoba noma ukunqotshwa. Ngemva kokuhlupheka kuleyo minyaka eyisishiyagalolunye yokwesaba okuwohlozayo ngokwezimali futhi manje sengikhululekile, angikwazi ukugcizelela ngokwanele ukuthi kubaluleke kangakanani ukwazi ukuthi kusho ukuthini ukuba isakhamuzi soMbuso kaNkulunkulu nokubaluleka kokwazi yonke imithetho nezimiso ezakhayo lowoMbuso.

Sekuyizinkulungwane zeminyaka umhlaba ukhona, kodwa izinto eziningi esizijabulelayo namuhla zazingaziwa. Ngokwesibonelo, ngifuna ukuthi ucabange ukuthi kwakunjani ngobusuku obandulela uKhisimusi ngonyaka ka-1906 e-Ocean Bluff Brant Rock, Massachusetts. Kwenzeka into eyashintsha umhlaba ngalolo suku. UReginald Fessenden wayedlala ingoma i-*Oh Holy Night* ngasemikhunjini olwandle ngegagasi lomsakazo futhi wafunda ku NgokukaLuka isahluko sesibili. Lokhu bekuwukusakazwa komsakazo wokuqala emhlabeni wonke. Manje, sithatha umakhalekhukhwini futhi singakwazi ukukhuluma nanoma ubani emhlabeni ngaphandle kokucabanga ngakho.

Noma kuthiwani ngonyaka ka-UMasingana, 1879? UThomas Edison wasungula ngempumelelo isibani, futhi manje zonke izizwe emhlabeni zisebenzisa imithetho kagesi kanye nemithetho elawula imithetho yesayensi yemvelo ukubona ebusuku.

Noma kuthiwani ngonyaka ka-Zibandlela 17, 1903? Izelamani zakwaWright zandizisa ngempumelelo indiza yokuqala, futhi manje sesingagibela endizeni yesimanje futhi indize emhlabeni wonke ngemva kwamahora ambalwa. I-A380, okuyindiza enkulu yezohwebo, enesisindo esingamaphawundi ayizigidi ezingu-1.2, ingandiza nabantu abangaphezu kuka-800 okwamahora angaphezu kwangu-9 ngaphandle kokufaka uphethiloli cishe amamayela

angu-600 ngehora emhlabeni jikelele. Ukube abantu bebezobona into efanalena ngeminyaka yawo-1800, bebezokuqaleka bebona into enjalo. Kodwa manje, sekujwayelekile kithi njengoshintsha iswishi bese ukhanyisa isibani.

Iphuzu engilivezayo ukuthi yonke le mithetho yayivele ikhona, njalo lapha, endaweni yasemhlabeni kusukela kudala lapho umuntu edalwa. Zazihleli zikhona ukuze umuntu azisebenzise; yena akazange akakubonanga nje. Wabona izinyoni zindiza, wawubona umbani, kodwa wayengakuqondi.

Kungokufanayo futhi mayelana nemiBhalo. Inkolo ibeke imingcele mayelana nalokho okushiwo yiZwi likaNkulunkulu. Mina nawe sesizwile, okweminyaka, ukuthi lezozinto zonke sezadlula, uNkulunkulu akasenzi izimangaliso njalo. Izipho zikaMoya zazingezabaphostoli nje, noma iva likaPawulu laliwukugula. Eqinisweni, iZwi lilula kakhulu. Lisho khona impela elikushoyo. Kodwa isisekelo soMbuso siyisihluthulelo esibalulekile sokuqala okumelwe ube naso ukuze uvule yonke eminye iminyango.

Manje Nansi Esinye Isihluthulelo Esibalulekile:

Imithetho Ayishintshi!

Wisa idwala futhi lizowa. Lizowa kangaki? Zikhathi zonke! Umthetho wamandla adonsela phansi uqinisekisa ukuthi uzothola impendulo efanayo ngaso sonke isikhathi. Kungokufanayo kuyiqiniso nangoMbuso kaNkulunkulu.

ISAHLUKO 5

UKUNDIZA KUNGCONO KUNOKUHAMBA NGEZINYAWO

Ukundiza kungcono kunokuhamba ngezinyawo! Njengoba ngibhala kulesi sahluko, ngangindiza ngiya ekhaya ngisuka ekhaya lethu lasehlobo eCanada ngendiza yami, ngihamba ngamamayela angu-250 ngehora ngenyuka okwamafidi angu-23,000 ngaphezu komhlaba. Kwasekuphele iminyaka sihamba ngemoto siya eCanada sisuka ekhaya e-Ohio. Kwakuthatha isikhathi eside futhi esikhathazayo futhi sithatha amahora angu-31 ukufika lapho. Kwakuzodingeka ngishayele ubusuku bonke ukuze ngifike lapho ngakusasa. Yebo, kube nezikhathi ezimbalwa lapho sihlukanisa uhambo lwaba yizinsuku ezimbili ukuze sifike lapho, kodwa uma sinekhefu lamasonto amabili futhi izinsuku ezine zichithwe ushayela, ulahlekelwa isikhathi sakho esiningi lapho. Kodwa, wewu, ngangikhathele lapho sifika lapho, futhi ngase-ke kudingeka ngibhekane nalolo hlobo lokushayela imoto lwamahora angu-31 ngibuyela e-Ohio.

Bengilokhu ngithanda izindiza futhi nginelayisensi yami yokushayela kusukela ngineminyaka engu-19, kodwa angikaze ngicabange ukuba nendiza. Ngisho ukuthi, kambe usuke wayihlola yini intengo yezindiza? Kodwa lapho ngiqhubeka ngifunda ngoMbuso, ngabona ukuthi yimina engangibambe leyo ndiza ngokwami ngokuthi, “Cha” kanye nemicabango yami yobumpofu. Empeleni nginezindiza ezimbili manje, eyodwa engindizela kuyo ukuze ngizijabulise, indiza yami yokuqala, bese kuba yileyo engiyisebenzisela ukuvakasha. Njengoba ngishilo esahlukweni esandulele, “Ukungaqeqeshwa” kwethu akuvumeli amaphupho noma amathuba. Siyawavala ngaphambi kokuthi aqale.

Ngangingakaze ngicabange ukuba nendiza ngaphambili. Angizange nje ngibone ukuthi lokho kwakungenzeka kanjani. Kwaphela iminyaka ngiqasha izindiza engangizishayela. Kodwa lapho ngifunda imithetho yoMbuso futhi ngibona indaba ngendaba empilweni yami zikhombisa uMbuso, nganquma ukukholelwa kuNkulunkulu ngendiza yami. Ngangingenayo imali ngisho eyodwa yazo ngaleso sikhathi, kodwa ngathatha isheke, futhi engxenyeni yememo ngabhala “eyendiza yami.” Ngabhala uhlobo lonakanye oluqondile lwendiza engangiyithola. Mina nomkami sahlwanyela lelo sheke eMbusweni njengalokhu NgokukaMarku 11:24, ngiyakholwa ukuthi ngemukela lapho ngithandaza. Yilokhu iNkosi eyayingibonise ukuba ngikwenze kwasekuqaleni mayelana noMbuso. Ngangiwubonile lo mkhiqizo izikhathi eziningi kakhulu empilweni yami.

Emasontweni ambalwa kamuva, ngangizivivinya umzimba futhi udokotela ngokunganaki wathi kimi, “Ngenhlanhla, ukhona yini omaziyo ongase abe nesithakazelo sokuthenga indiza?” Ngamangala, ngoba akekho owayeke wangibuza lokho ngaphambili.

“Indiza enjani leyo?” Ngibuza. Waqhubeka wachaza ukuthi indiza yayinjani wangitshela ukuthi isesikhumulweni sezindiza sendawo uma ngifuna ukuyoyibheka. Ngokumangalisayo, kwakuyiwo kanye uhlobo lwendiza engangiyitshalele! Ngadlula ngasesikhumulweni sezindiza ngayibuka, futhi yayisesimweni esihle kakhulu. Ngangazi ukuthi lena kwakuyindiza yami. Kodwa kwakunenkinga eyodwa; Ngangingenayo imali yokuthenga indiza. Ngatshela udokotela ukuthi ngingesithakazelo esikhulu endizeni futhi ngizobuya ngize kuye.

Kwadlula amasonto ambalwa ngathola ucingo luvela kumfowethu owayesebenza endaweni yokudlela kababa eduze kwesakhiwo enganginaso. Ngangisanda kuthatha lesi sakhiwo ezinyangeni ezimbalwa ngaphambili ekwindla. Bengihlela ukushintsha isakhiwo sibe yisakhiwo sehhovisi lami lenkampani yami yezinsizakalo zezezimali. Lesi sakhiwo sasingahlangabezani nemithetho yokwakha yezentengiselwano ngenjongo engangisifunela sona, ngakho ngangazi ukuthi kwakuzodingeka ngisakhe kabusha. Ngathinta umakhi owayedweba amapulani, futhi sasayina inkontileka. Nokho, sanquma ukuthi sizalinda kuze kufike intwasahlobo ngaphambi kokuba siqale umsebenzi ngenxa yokukhathazeka kwesimo sezulu. Ukulungiswa kabusha kuzobandakanya ukwakhiwa kabusha okuphelele kwesakhiwo.

Umnikazi wangaphambili wesakhiwo wangitshela ukuthi amanzi ayevalelwe ibusika, ngakho angizange ngiwahlole. Ucingo oluvela kumfowethu lwenzeka ngasekupheleni kukaNhloLANJA ngemuva kokuthi isikhudumezi sesibangele iqhwa lasebusika liqale ukuncibilika. Wangitshela ukuthi isakhiwo sami sibhidlikile njengoba kwakunamanzi aphuma kuso esiya emgwaqweni. Mina naye sasazi ukuthi lokho kusho ukuthini—amanzi ayengavalwanga njengoba umnikazi wangaphambili ayeshilo. Ngempela, njengoba ngihlola

umonakalo, amapayipi okugezela angaphezulu, kanye namapayipi angaphansi kwegumbi lokugezela nelasekhishini, aqhumile futhi amanzi agcwala isakhiwo. Zonke izindonga ezomile, usilingi, nezindonga zaphandle zaziwile ezikhonkwane.

Ekuqaleni, lokhu kungase kubonakale njenghlekelele enkulu, kodwa izinhlelo zami zokuvuselela kabusha zafuna ukuba zonke izindonga ezomile zikhishwe ezindongeni zaphandle futhi kulungiswe amakamelo amasha. Uhlangothi lwangaphandle nalo lwaluzoshintshwa. Ngakho empeleni, amanzi awazange alimaze nhlobo isakhiwo. Noma yimuphi umonakalo owenzekile wenzeka ezindaweni ezazizokwakhiwa kabusha ngokuphelele. Nokho, lapho ngithenga lesi sakhiwo, ngafaka umshwalense kuso. Umonakalo wakhokhelwa wonke, futhi inkampani yomshwalense yangibhalela isheke—futhi ungaqagela—elakhokhela indiza yami. Leyo ndiza, *i-Piper Warrior*, kulula ukuyindiza, futhi ngivame ukuyindiza ukuze ngizijabulise. Ngaso sonke isikhathi uma ngiyindiza, ngiyamangala ukuthi kuhle kanjani ukushayela indiza yami engiyikhokheleyo. Ngisenayo leyo ndiza manje, futhi isineminyaka engu-20.

Nakuba kule ndaba izehlakalo ezenzekile bezimangalisa kakhulu, angifuni ukukushiya nombono ongalungile wokuthi izinto zisebenza kanjani. Izinto aziveli ngokuzumayo njengakule ndaba. UNkulunkulu angase akuholele ethubeni lokwenza imali yokukhokhela indiza yakho, noma ungathola ithuba elihle kanye nje. Isimo sengqondo ofuna ukuba naso lapho uhlwanyela eMbusweni yilokho UNkulunkulu uzokukhombisa isivuno kanye necebo lokufinyelela kuso. Okwesibili ukuthi hlala phakathi kokholo lwakho oluthuthukisiwe kanye namandla. Ngike ngaba nabantu abacabanga ukuthi njengoba uNkulunkulu engabakhombisa ukuthi bakhokha

kanjani imoto yabo ngakho-ke kumele baqhubeke nokuhlwanyela ngesigidi sezigidi zamarandi. Awunalo ukholo lwezigidigidi zamadola! Qala lapho ukhona futhi uqale ukusebenzisa umthetho woMbuso futhi wakhe ukuthembela kwakho emithethweni yoMbuso kanye nekhono lakho lokubamba lokho uNkulunkulu akubonisa kona.

Kodwa nali iphuzu engifuna ulibambe. Ngaba umshayeli wendiza iminyaka engaphezu kwengu-20 ngaphambi kokuba ngithenge leyo ndiza. Ucabanga ukuthi imithetho yoMbuso yayisebenza eminyakeni engu-20 ngaphambili? Yebo yayisebenza. Ukuqonda kwami, noma kufanele ngisho ukuntula kwami ukuqonda, akuzange kungivumele ukuba ngicabange ukuba nendiza.

Umuntu uye wabuka izinyoni zindiza izinkulungwane zeminyaka, umthetho wokuphakama wawusebenza emini libalele nsuku zonke ukuze wonke umuntu awubone, kodwa akekho owayewubona. Yini ongayiboni? Cabanga ngakho.

OmunyewemiBhalouNkulunkuluangifundisawona ezinsukwini zakuqala ngokuphathelene nokuphumula ekuhlinzekeni koMbuso kwaku Izaga10:22.

Isibusiso sikaJehova siyacebisa, akenezeli usizi kuso.

— Izaga 10:22

Lo umBhalo ubhekisa emuva emBhalweni nasesimisweni esivela ku UGenesise 3:17 engabelana ngaso ngaphambili.

Uqalekisiwe umhlabathi ngenxa yakho; Ngokukhathazeka okubuhlungu uyakudla kuwo zonke izinsuku zokuhamba

kwakho. Uyakukuvezela ameva namakhakhasi, wena udle imifino yasendle. Ngesithukuthuku sobuso bakho uyakudla isinkwa sakho, uze ubuyele emhlabathini.

— UGenesis 3:17

Lapho u-Adamu elahlekelwa uMbuso, walahlekelwa ikukhandleka koMbuso futhi wasala nomzamo wakhe siqu wokusinda. Kodwa njengoba mina nawe sesitholile kakade, asikwazi ukugijima ngokwanele ngokukhandleka okubuhlungu futhi nezithukuthuku ukuze sifinyelele inkululeko esiyilangazelele kangaka. Kodwa manje sekunezindaba ezinhle!!!! UJesu weza ukuzoshumayela izindaba ezinhle kwabampofu!

UMoya weNkosi uJehova uphezu kwami, ngokuba uJehova ungicobile ukuba ngishumayele izindaba ezinhle kwabathotshisweyo.

— U-Isaya 61:1

UJesu wathunywa ukuba ashumayele izindaba ezinhle kwabathotshisweyo. Yiziphi izindaba ezinhle kwabathotshisweyo? Kulula, akudingeki ukuthi baboshwe ekuntuleni nakubathotshisweyo ohlelweni lwesiqalekiso somhlaba. Ngithembe, ngemva kwempilo—noma kufanele ngithi kokuphila—iminyaka eyisishiyagalolunye ngingenalutho ngaphandle kwesikweletu nokucindezeleka, lomBhalo wawuyizindaba ezinhle, nokho wawudida. Ingabe belisho ngempela elikushoyo? Bekungeke yini kube kuhle uma ngempela belisho lokho elikushoyo, ukuthi isibusiso seNkosi ngandlela-thile silethe ingcebo ezimpilweni zethu? Bengidinga ukwazi ukuthi ngabe lokhu kuyiqiniso yini nokuthi ngingakusebenzisa kanjani.

Into eyodwa engangiyiqonda, nokho, ukuthi isiqalekiso sokukhandleka okubuhlungu kanye nezithukuthuku kunikezwa kuphela ezingeni lokusinda—futhi ukusinda kwakunganele. Akekho owayefuna ukukhululeka kulesi siqalekiso ngaphezu kwami, kodwa nokho ngangingenalo ulwazi lokuthi ngingakwenza kanjani lokho kwenzeke empilweni yami. Ngicabanga ukuthi yindlela amaKristu amaningi aphila ngayo—afunda izithembiso zikaNkulunkulu kodwa engazi ukuthi azifaneleka kanjani futhi azibonakalise lapha ezimpilweni zawo.

Lapho ngiqala ukufunda futhi njengoba iNkosi yayingihola ekuqondeni kwami izimiso zoMbuso, ngafunda indlela u-Abrahama ayeyiyo ucebe kakhulu. Ima! Kuthiwani ngesimiso sesiqalekiso somhlaba; wakunqoba kanjani lokho?

U-Abrahama wayecebe kakhulu ngemfuyo, nangesiliva futhi negolide.

— UGenesis 13:2

Yena wayecebile—cha, iBhayibheli lithi wayecebe kakhulu—kodwa kanjani? “Kahle,” ungase usho uthi, “kwakungenxa yokuthi wayengu Abrahama.” Cha, bekungenjalo, futhi nakhu lapho udinga ukubamba ukuqonda kwakho ngoMbuso ongokomthetho. Imithetho ayikunaki ukuthi ungubani. Ayihloniphi muntu. Uma othile, noma ubani, egxuma esuka e-*Empire State Building* ngaphandle kwe-*parachute*, kungakhathaliseki ukuthi wayemkhulu noma mncane kangakanani umuntu, wonke umuntu ubezokwazi umphumela. Umthetho wamandla adonsela phansi uzosebenza ngaso sonke isikhathi. Ngakho u-Abrahama waphumelela kanjani naphezu kwesiqalekiso somhlaba? Ingabe ikhona imikhondo

endabeni yakhe esingayithola? Ingxenywe yempendulo ingatholakala emuva ku UGenesisise 12. Lapho, uNkulunkulu wanika u-Abrama, kamuva ukuba abe u-Abrahama, isithembiso esiphathelene nempilo yakhe nenzalo yakhe.

UJehova wathi ku-Abrama: “Phuma ezweni lakini, nasezihlotheni zakho, nasendlini kayihlo, futhi uye ezweni engiyakukukhombisa lona. Ngiyakukwenza isizwe esikhulu, futhi ngikubusise. Ngenze igama lakho libe likhulu, wena ube yisibusiso. Ngiyakubabusisa abakubusisayo, nokuqalekisayo ngiyakumqalekisa; futhi zonke izizwe zomhlaba ziyakubusiswa ngawe.”

— UGenesisise 12:1-3

Isithembiso sasincike ku-Abrahama okholelwa kuNkulunkulu futhi emlalela Yena, futhi kwakudinga ukholo olukhulu ukushiya okujwayele futhi nakuba wayengazi lapho eya khona.

Ngokukholwa u-Abrahama walalela ebizwa endaweni abezayizuzwa njengefa lakhe, wahamba, nakuba wayengazi lapho eya khona.

— KumaHeberu 11:8

Ngakho sithola ukuthi uNkulunkulu wathola ukungena okungokomthetho endaweni yasemhlabeni ngomuntu owamkholelwa ngisho nalapho kungenangqondo. Ukhulo luka-Abrahama lwenza uNkulunkulu wambusisa mathupha. Kodwa kamuva, ngenxa yokholo luka-Abrahama, uNkulunkulu wayezokwenza naye isivumelwano ngokuphathelene nezindlalifa zakhe. Ungacabangi

lokhu njengokungajwayelekile. Khumbula, lena yindlela uSathane ngokwakhe angena ngayo endaweni yasemhlabeni ekuqaleni. U-Adamu, owayenegunya elingokomthetho emhlabeni, njengoba kulotshwe kumaHeberu 2:7–8, wakhetha ukukholelwa uSathane kunoNkulunkulu.

Ukholo luka-Abrahama, olwavula umnyango ongokomthetho wethonya lasezulwini ekuphileni kwakhe, lwamvumela ukuba achume kakhulu. Lokhu kuchuma kwadlulela kuzo zonke izindlalifa zika-Abrahama. Njengoba ngiqhubeka ngifunda lokhu, ngafunda ngoJosefa, umzukulu ka-Abrahama. Ngathola umfanekiso omkhulu nokuqonda ngoMbuso futhi nendlela osebenza ngayo, futhi ngokuqondile, lokho okushiwo ku Izaga 10:22.

Ukuze balungise inkundla, abafowabo bakaJosefa bamzonda futhi bamthengisa ebugqilini ngokusebenzisa abahwebi bezigqila ababevame ukudabula indawo yabo. Bathatha uJosefa bamyisa eGibhithe, lapho athengiswa khona kuPotifari, induna yebutho laseGibhithe. Kwakusembhalweni olandelayo lapho ngathola khona ucezu olukhulu lwendida mayelana nekhono lika-Abrahama lokuchuma ngezinga aphumelela ngalo.

Manje uJosefa wehliselwa eGibithe. UPotifari, umGibithe, owayengomunye wezincedu zikaFaro, induna yemilindankosi, wamthenga esandleni sabakwa-Ishmayeli ababemehlisele khona. UJehova wayenaye uJosefa futhi waba ngumuntu onenhlankhla, futhi wayesendlini yenkosi yakhe yaseGibithe. Lapho inkosi yakhe yabona ukuthi uJehova unaye nokuthi nokuthi konke akwenzayo uJehova wakuphumelelisa esandleni sakhe. UJosefa wafumana umusa emehlweni ayo, wayikhonza.

UPotifari wambeka abe yinduna phezu kwendlu yayo, nakho konke okwayo yakunikela esandleni sakhe. Kusukela kuleso isikhathi embeke ngaso ukuba abe yinduna phezu kwendlu yayo naphezu kwakho konke okwayo, uJehova wabusi indlu yowaseGibithe ngenxa kaJosefa. ISIBUSISO SIKA-JEHOVA SASIKUKHO KONKE UPOTIFARI AYENAKHO, ENDLINI KANYE NASENSIMINI. Ngakho washiya konke okwayo esandleni sikaJosefa; ephethe uJosefa, yayingazi lutho olwayo ngaphandle kokudla eyakudlayo kuphela.

— UGenesise 39:1-6

Umbhalo usho ngokucacile ukuthi kwakuyisibusiso sikaJehova esabangela ukuchuma kukaJosefa. Kodwa sasiyini noma siyini isibusiso seNkosi? Ngaqaphela ukuthi kwakuyi “sona” isibusiso seNkosi, hhayi isibusiso “nje” seNkosi. Sonke singasho mayelana nokuthile okukhulu ukuthi “kwakuyisibusiso.” Kodwa lo mbhalo awubhekiseli entweni evamile, into enhle eyenzekayo. Ikhuluma ngaso “Sona Isibusiso.”

Ngabona ukuthi Isibusiso sikaJehova sasiyi, eqinisweni, isivumelwano phakathi kukaNkulunkulu no-Abrahama kanye nezindlalifa zakhe. Ngokuqondile iSibusiso kwakuyizithembiso ezanikezwa u-Abrahama kuleso sivumelwano. Isivumelwano somthetho sinemisebenzi nezibopho zazo zombili izinhlangothi ezithintekayo, kodwa futhi sibeka izinzuzo kumuntu ngamunye. Kulokhu, izithembiso ezanikezwa u-Abrahama zaziwuhlangothi lwenzuzo yesivumelwano. Isibopho, sokujabulela lezi inzuzo, sasiwukulandela izimiso nemithetho yeNkosi. Ngaphinde ngabona ngokucacile ukuthi noma yini uJosefa ayiletha ngaphansi kombuso

wakhe ongokomthetho nayo yaba ngaphansi noma wajabulela lezo zithembiso noma inzuzo ezifanayo.

Khona-ke Izaga 10:22 yayinengqondo kimi. Izithembiso zikaNkulunkulu ezanikezwa u-Abrahama njengesivumelwano esingokomthetho zanjoba isimiso sesiqalekiso somhlaba. Isibusiso esanikezwa u-Abrahama sakwenza kwaba semthethweni ukuba uNkulunkulu abusise u-Abrahama nozalo lwakhe ngokuchuma nethonya uNkulunkulu ake wafuna ukuba umuntu abe nalo. Manje ake sifunde Izaga 10:22 nokuqonda kwethu okubhalwe ngaphakathi kubakaki.

Isihluthulelo Esibalulekile:

Isibusiso SikaJehova [Izithembiso Ezanikezwa U-Abrahama] Siletha Ingcebo Futhi Akanezeli Usizi Kuyo.

Inkulumo ethi *“akanezeli usizi kuyo”* ibhekisela esimisweni sesiqalekiso somhlaba esiku UGenesis 3:17—ngokukhandleka okubuhlungu futhi nezithukuthuku. Igama lesiHeberu elisho *usizi* libuye lisho umsebenzi onzima! Uyayibona na? Umuntu angaphunyuka kusiqalekiso semhlabeni ngokulinganiselwa kokukhandleka okubuhlungu nezithukuthuku ngenxa yezithembiso ezanikezwa u-Abrahama. O, ngiyazi lokho okucabangayo—“Lezo zithembiso zanikwa u-Abrahama nenzalo yakhe kuphela.” Yebo, kodwa ngidinga ukukukhombisa omunye umBhalo, KwabaseGalathiya 3:13-14.

UKristu wasihlenga esiqalekiseni somthetho ngokuba yisiqalekiso ngenxa yethu, ngokuba kulotsihiwe ukuthi: “Baqa-lekisiwe bonke abalengiswa emthini. “Wasihlenga ukuze isibusiso [izithembiso] esanikwa u-Abrahama sifike kwabezizwe ngoKristu Jesu, ukuze ngokholo samukele isithembiso sikaMoya.

— KwabaseGalathiya 3:13-14

Manje ngokukholwa, thina njengamakholwa kuJesu Kristu sihlanganyela esibusisweni esanikezwa u-Abrahama. Ngakho siyini isibusiso esanikezwa u-Abrahama? Singathola uhlu lwezithembiso ezisohlwini luka UDuteronomi 28.

Uma ulalela nokulalela izwi likaJehova uNkulunkulu wakho, uqaphele ukuyenza yonke imiyalo yakhe engikuyala ngayo namuhla, uJehova uNkulunkulu wakho akuphakamise phezu kwazo zonke izizwe zomhlaba. Zonke lezi zibusiso ziyakufika phezu kwakho, zikufice, uma ulilalela izwi likaJehova uNkulunkulu wakho:

Uyakubusiswa emzini, ubusiswe nasensimini. “Iyakubusiswa inzalo yesisu sakho, nezithelo zomhlaba wakho, nenzalo yezilwane zakho—nesanda sezinkomo zakho, namazinyane ezimvu zakho.

Kuyakubusiswa iqoma lakho, nomkhombe wakho wokuxova isinkwa.

Uyakubusiswa ekungeneni kwakho, ubusiswe nasekuphumeni kwakho.

UJehova uyakwenza ukuba izitha zakho ezikuvukelayo zibulawe phambi kwakho, ziyakukuhlasela ngandlelanye, kodwa zikubalekele ngezindlela eziyisikhombisa.

UJehova uyakuyala isibusiso sibe phezu kwakho

ezingolobaneni zakho nakukho konke obeka kukho isandla sakho. UJehova uNkulunkulu wakho uyakukubusisa ezweni akunika lona.

UJehova uyakukumisa ube yisizwe esingcwele kuye njen-gokufunga kwakhe kuwe, uma uyigcina imiyalo kaJehova uNkulunkulu wakho, uhambe ezindleleni zakhe. Khona-ke bonke abantu bomhlaba bayakubona ukuthi ubiziwe ngegama likaJehova, futhi bakwesabe. UJehova uyakukwandisela okuhle—inzalo yesisu sakho, nenzalo yezinkomo zakho, futhi nezithelo zomhlabathi wakho—zweni uJehova alifungela oyihlo ukukunika lona.

UJehova uyakukuvulela indlu yakhe yengcebo, izulu, anise imvula yezwe lakho ngesikhathi sayo, abusise wonke umsebenzi wesandla sakho. Uyakutshelaka izizwe eziningi, kepha ungatsheleki lutho kuzo. UJehova uyakukwenza ube yinhloko, ungabi ngumsila. Woba phezulu kuphela, ungabi ngaphansi uma uyilalela imiyalo kaJehova uNkulunkulu wakho engikuyala ngayo namuhla ukuba uyigcine, uyenze, nalapho ungaphambuki nakulo elilodwa lamazwi engikuyala yimuphi wemiyalo engikuyala ngawo namuhla, ngakwesoku-nene noma ngakwesokhohlo, ukulandela abanye onkulunkulu ukuba ubakhonze.

— UDuteronomi 28:1-14

Zonke lezi zithembiso, nakuba ziseTestamenteni Elidala, manje sezingezakho ukuthi uzijabulele. Umehluko ukuthi eTestamenteni Elidala abantu babefinyelela kuzo ngalokho ababekwenza, kodwa sifinyelela kukho ngokukholwa kwethu kuJesu Kristu ngaphansi kwesivumelwano esisha. Mina nawe, njengabezizwe, sixhunyelwe; futhi manje, ngoJesu Kristu sihlanganyela

esibusweni sika-Abrahama. Kodwa sinokungaphezu nje kwesibusiso sika-Abrahama esingokwenyama, sinesibusiso somoya sokuzalwa kabusha. Manje sinesibusiso sika-Abrahama esingokwenyama, sasemhlabeni, kodwa futhi sinesibusiso saphakade sasezulwini kanye noMoya oNgcwele ohlezi kithi njengamadodana namadodakazi kaNkulunkulu. Khumbula, amadodana namadodakazi kuphela azuza ifa; izigqila azikwazi. Ngaphandle kokuzalwa kabusha, nakuba u-Abrahama ayemthanda uNkulunkulu, uMoya oNgcwele akazange ahlale kuye, futhi wayengeke angene ezulwini. Yebo, wazuza izulu ngemva kokuba uJesu ekhokhe icala lesono.

Manje ngaqonda ukuthi Izaga 10:22 yayisho ukuthini ngempela lapho ithi uNkulunkulu uletha ingcebo futhi akenezeli usizi kuyo. *Usizi* ngolimi lwesiHeberu lusho umsebenzi onzima, esengiwuqonda manje ukuthi ubhekisele ohlelweni lwesiqalekiso somhlabeni ngokukhandleka okubuhlungu futhi nezithukuthuku. Ngaqonda ukuthi lesi sivumelwano, lesi sibusiso sesithembiso sosizo lukaNkulunkulu kanye nezinzuzo Zakhe, saphakamisa u-Abrahama phezu kwesiqalekiso somhlaba futhi sAmeniza waphumelela. Ngabona ukuthi izinzuzo zaleso sibusiso njengoba zichazwe ku UDuteronomi 28, wangibonisa ngokucacile ukuthi ngangizochuma. Umphumela walezi zithembiso wawuyoba ukuthi mina ngangidalelwe ukuba yinhloko ungabi ngumsila, uyakutshelaka izizwe eziningi kepha ungatshelaki lutho kuzo. Leli yilungelo elingokomthetho lawo wonke umntwana kaNkulunkulu. NjengoJosefa, nginesibusiso sikaNkulunkulu, futhi kufanele ngiphumelele. Futhi nginefa lawo wonke uMbuso kaNkulunkulu. Njengendodana, konke sekungokwami ngokomthetho.

Ngathi uma ngiphinda ngibuka indaba kaJosefa ku UGenesisise 39 ngabona kahle ukuthi impumelelo kaJosefa yiyo eyadonsa

amehlo kaPotifari, futhi kwaba impumelelo ebonakalayo okwakuwukudonsa amehlo ezizwe zomhlaba zibone umehluko kubantu bakaNkulunkulu.

Bonke abantu bomhlaba bayakubona ukuthi ubiziwe ngegama likaJehova, futhi bakwesabe. UJehova uyakukwandisela okuhle—inzalo yesisu sakho, nenzalo yezinkomo zakho, futhi nezithelo zomhlabathi wakho—zweni uJehova alifungela oyihlo ukukunika lona.

— UDuteronomi 28:10-11

Kwakukhona omunye umkhondo omkhulu ku UGenesise 39:6 ukuthi nami engiphawulile futhi ngifuna nawe ubone. Uma lapho ikhuluma ngoPotifari, ithi, “Ngakho washiya esandleni sikaJosefa konke anakho; uJosefa ephethe, yayingazi lutho olwayo ngaphandle kokudla akudlayo.” Ngiyibonile! Nasi isibonelo sazo zonke ezinye esikhuluma ngazo. UPotifari akazange akhathazeke nganoma yini ngaphandle kokudla ayekudla. Lokhu kusho ukuthi impumelelo uJosefa ayiletha endlini yakhe, isibusiso sikaJehova, saveza imiphumela eyenza uPotifari agxile esabelweni sakhe hhayi ukusinda!

Mina noDrenda sinesisho esesineminyaka sisisebenzisa, “Uze ulungise indaba yemali, awusoze wathola isiphetho sakho,” futhi awusoze wathola ukuthi ungubani ngempela. Awusoze wayithola indawo yakho, indawo othanda kuyo, awusoze weneliseka ngempela. Uzobe wenza zonke izinqumo zakho mayelana nokusinda, ukuthola noma ukuqongelela imali, ungumuntu ongeyena nje ukwenza inkokhelo. Lapha sibona umphumela wesibusiso sikaJehova kuPotifari, owayengazi lutho ngoMbuso kaNkulunkulu.

Ngokubeka izinto zakhe ngaphansi kokunakekela kukaJosefa, ifa lakhe, ukukhathazeka kwakhe kwadluliselwa ngaphansi kwesivumelwano uJosefa asithwala. Ungasibona kahle isikhathi lokhu kudluliselwa okwenzeka ngaso evesini 5 lesahluko 39.

Kusukela kuleso isikhathi embeke ngaso ukuba abe yinduna phezu kwendlu yayo naphezu kwakho konke okwayo, uJehova wabusisa indlu yowaseGibithe ngenxa kaJosefa. Isibusiso sikajehova sasikukho konke upotifari ayenakho, endlini kanye nasensimini.

— UGenesis 39:5

Lapha futhi sibona lokhu kudluliselwa kokuthile endaweni yasemhlabeni, engaphansi kwesimiso sesiqalekiso somhlabeni, iza ngaphansi kombuso woMbuso kaNkulunkulu futhi kwenzeka izinguquko ezinkulu. Masibhekane nakho: Uma uNkulunkulu ekusiza ngokuhlakanipha Kwakhe, ekuholela ezinqumweni ezifanele, futhi ekuxwayisa ngezingibe ezingase zibe khona, noma ubani angaphumelela! Uyayibona? Isibusiso sikaJehova singesakho!

Njengoba ngifunda lokhu njengoba iNkosi yayingifundisa ngoMbuso, ngadideka ukuthi kungani uJosefa ephumelela kakhulu ngenxa yalesi sibusiso, kodwa amaKristu amaningi engiwaziyo namuhla athwala kanzima ukuze akhokhe izikweletu zawo. Ukukhululeka ngokuphelele ngokwezimali kuyinto iningi elingacabangi nokuthi ingenzeka. Nokho, sinesivumelwano esingcono esisekelwe ezithembisweni ezingcono kunezeTestamente Elidala. Nakuba ngangisiqonda ngokucacile iSibusiso seNkosi, ngangingaqaqiniseki ukuthi lesa sibusiso sasizikhiqiza kanjani izimpendolo

engangizidinga—kodwa ngangifunda nokujabulela inkululeko eyengeziwe njengoba ngiqala ukusebenzisya nokuzama lokho uNkulunkulu ayengifundisa kona.

Ngabe sengibhekisa ukunakekela kwami eTestamenteni Elisha futhi ngabuka uJesu nenkonzo Yakhe ukuze ngifunde okwengeziwe ngendlela uMbuso kaNkulunkulu owawushintsha ngayo izimo nezimo lapho.

Ngelinye ilanga uJesu emi ngaselwandle laseGenesaretha, isixuku simbunganyela ukuba sizwe izwi likaNkulunkulu, wabona imikhumbi emibili imi ogwini ngase ngaselwandle abadobi babephumile kuyo, behlanza amanetha abo. Esengene komunye wemikhumbi ongokaSimoni, wamcela ukuba asuke kancane ogwini. Wahlala phansi, wabafundisa abantu esemkhunjini.

Kuthe esegcinile ukukhuluma, wathi kuSimoni: “Qhubekela ekujuleni, nehlise amanetha enu, nibambe.” USimoni waphendula wathi: “Nkosi, sishikile ubusuku bonke, asibambanga lutho. Kepha ngezwi lakho, ngiyakuwehlisa amanetha.”

Sebekwenzile lokho babamba izinhlanzi eziningi kakhulu, aze agqabuka amanetha abo. Babaqhweba omana babo abakomunye umkhumbi ukuba beze, bababambise, beza-ke bayigcwalisa imikhumbi yomibili yaze yaqala ukucwila.

Kuthe uSimoni Petru ekubona lokhu, waziphonsa phansi ngasemadolweni kaJesu, wathi: “Suka kimi, Nkosi; ngokuba ngingumuntu oyisoni!” Ngokuba ubehlelwa ngukwesaba, yena kanye nabo bonke ababe naye ngobuningi bezinhlanzi ababezibambile, kanjalo-ke noJakobe noJohane, amadodana kaZebedewu, ababesebenzisana noSimoni.

UJesu wathi kuSimoni: “Ungesabi; kusukela manje

*uyazakubamba abantu. Sebeyilethile imikhumbi ogwini,
bashiya konke, bamlandela.*

— NgokukaLuka 5:1-11

Nansi indaba yokuthi uMbuso kaNkulunkulu wahlehlisa kanjani uhlelo lwesiqalekiso somhlaba ezimpilweni zabadobi abathathu ngolunye usuku ekuseni. Uma ufunda umbhalo, uthola ukuthi uPetru, uJakobe, noJohane babedobe ubusuku bonke bengabambanga lutho qha. Okujwayelekile kohlelo lwesiqalekiso somhlaba sokukhandleka okubuhlungu nezithukuthuku, bafike bafice ubusuku bonke bengenalutho abangalubonisa ngomsebenzi wabo. Kodwa lapho uJesu engena eMbusweni kaNkulunkulu nomsebenzi wawo, abadobi abafanayo babamba izinhlanzi eziningi kangokuthi izikebhe zabo zicishe zicwile!

Ima!!!! Ake sicabange ngalokho esisanda kukufunda. Lutho, akukho nhlanzi, uswela, kuphenduka isivuno esicishe sicwilise imikhumbi emibili? Nokho abantu bafundile le ndaba futhi sebefunde le ndaba amakhulu eminyaka futhi ababoni noma bacabanga ukuthi lokhu kungenzeka nakubo. Kungani? Impendulo evamile kungaba ukuthi uJesu wayekhona futhi Yena wakwenza. Khumbula indaba engakutshengisa yona ku NgokukaMarku 6 lapho uJesu engeke akwazi ukuphilisa abantu ngenxa yokuthi abantu babengekho okholweni, futhi ngenxa yalokho, uMbuso wawungenawo amandla okubusa? Kwakumele umuntu anikeze uzulu amandla okuphatha ngaphambi kokuba uzulu enze lesi simo.

USimoni waphendula wathi: “Nkosi, sishikile ubusuku bonke, asibambanga lutho. Kepha ngezwi lakho, ngiyakuwehlisa amanetha.”

UPetru wavumelana nezulu, futhi izulu lakwazi ukungena ngokomthetho kule ndaba. Futhi, sibona umhlaba uguqulwa uMbuso kaNkulunkulu. Kuyasangana akunjalo, njengabantu ababona izinyoni zindiza izinkulungwane zeminyaka kodwa bengaqapheli ukuthi ukundiza kwakungenzeka kubo futhi ngaleyo ndlela bangalokothi bakuphishekele. Kunjalo namaKristu namuhla, engaqapheli ukuthi akudingeki abekezelele amanetha angenalutho kodwa angakwazi ukufinyelela amandla asezulwini ukuze awasize achume ekuphileni. Into engifuna ukuba uyibone lapha ukuthi lababantu abafanayo abaqhamuke bengenalutho bayafana nalabantu abanemikhumbi emibili egcwele esiyacwila!

Mngane wami, umehluko uMbuso, hhayi abantu. Ungase ucabange ukuthi awunalo ikusasa, ukusho kafushane, kungekho lutho olusebenzayo. Kodwa eqinisweni, okudingayo nje uMbuso ukuze uguqule impilo yakho ibe indaba yempumelelo. Yebo, unengxenye yakho okufanele uyidlale. Kwakudingeka baphume bayodoba—kwakufanele banakekele amanetha abo, futhi balungiselele ukubamba—kodwa noma ubani angakwazi ukubamba izinhlanzi uma uNkulunkulu ekubonisa ukuthi ungaphi.

Lalela, uhlelo lwesiqalekiso somhlabeni sokugijima nezithukuthuku alukwazi ukukwenza. Awukwazi ukugijima ngokushesha ngokwanele noma isikhathi eside ngokwanele ukuze uthwebule amaphupho akho. UNkulunkulu wayengahlosile ukuba uqinise amazinyo futhi uzame ngamandla akho ukwenza izinto.

Ngokungena emithethweni nasezithembisweni zoMbuso

kaNkulunkulu, singandiza esikhundleni sokuhamba ngenyawo. Ake ngikubeke ngenye indlela. Nakuba umthetho wamandla adonsela phansi usasebenza, singandiza ngokungena komunye umthetho, umthetho wokuphakamisa, futhi sijabulele indlela entsha yokuphila.

Khumbula, lapho uza kuKristu, uyilungu loMbuso kaNkulunkulu. Njengesakhamuzi, uqondisa amalungelo omthetho; futhi njengendodana noma indodakazi, ubonisa ukuthi unelungelo lefa. Amalungelo akho angokomthetho kanye nezinzuzo zikubeke phezulu ngaphezu kwesimiso sesiqalekiso somhlaba sobumpofu, izifo, nokwehluleka.

Cabanga nje ukuthi leli vesi kumelwe ukuba lalizwakala kanjani kumIsrayeli owayeyisigqila ukuphila kwakhe konke. Eqinisweni, ababekwazi kwakuwukugqilazwa kusukela kudala. Lawa ngamazwi uMose awakhuluma esizweni sakwa-Israyeli lapho bezongena ezweni lesithembiso.

Kuyakuthi lapho uJehova uNkulunkulu wakho eyakukungenisa ezweni alifungela oyihlo, o-Abrahama, no-Isaka, noJakobe, ukukunika lona—kanye nemizi emikhulu emihle ONGAYAKHANGA, nezindlu ezigcwele zonke izinhlobo zezinto ezinhle eningazigcwalisanga, nemithombo embiweyo ongayimbanga, nezivini neminqumo ongakutshalanga—nalapho udla, usuthe, xwaya ukuba ungakhohlwa uJehova, owakukhipha ezweni laseGibithe [omunye umbuso] ezweni lo UBUGQILA [umbuso wobugqila].

— UDuteronomi 6:10-12

Njengabantu ababeyizigqila, ukuphela kwendlela ababekwazi

ngayo ukwenza okuthile kwakuwukukhandleka okubuhlungu nendlela yezithukuthuku. Kodwa lapha uNkulunkulu wayebatshela ukuthi ukusebenza kwabo kwakungeke kubanike lokho abakudingayo. Wayengabatsheli ukuthi ngeke besasebenzela lutho, kodwa ukuthi ngeke baboshwe ohlelweni oludinga ukusebenza ukuze baphile. UNkulunkulu uthi babeyophumelela ezweni ayebaholela kulo.

Ake ngisivale lesi sahluko ngendaba eyodwa ezophinde iveze lokhu engikushoyo. Mina noDrenda asikho ezimotweni ngempela. Abanye abantu bakhona, futhi beben-gakutshela ngazo zonke izimoto abazithandayo. Ngesizathu esithile, asikaze sibenokuthakazelela okukhulu ngezimoto. Manje, ungangitholi kabi. Siyazithanda izinto ezinhle, kodwa asikaze sithi ngempela kumelwe sibe nemoto ethile. Ngokuvamile sithenga imoto bese uyishayela iminyaka eyi-10 noma ngaphezulu. Yebo, siyazinakekela kahle izimoto zethu futhi azibukeki njengezimoto ezindala, kodwa uma nje zibukeka zizinhle futhi zigijima kahle, siyjabula.

Kodwa eminyakeni embalwa edlule, ebandleni lethu sasiqashe ama*Escalade* ambalwa engqungqutheleni esasiyibambe. Siziqashele ukushayela izivakashi zethu futhi besifuna ukuzinikeza ngemoto enhle yokwenza lokho. Manje, bekungekona okokuqala senza lokho. Besilokhu sikwenza njalo. Kodwa besiqala ngqa ukushayela enye yazo ngesikhathi sisendaweni yomcimbi. Anginaso isiqiniseko sokuthi kungani sishayele eyodwa yazo kulo umcimbi, kodwa sasiyihambisa ekhaya ngobusuku bonke. Futhi uyazi yini? Sakuthanda

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OKUFANELE UYIDLALE.**

lokhu. Mina noDrenda sasiyithanda indlela eyayihamba ngayo nendlela eyayibukeka ngayo.

Ngaleso sikhathi, sasishayela i-*Honda Pilot* enhle, kodwa i-*Escalade* yayiyisezingeni elingaphezu kwe-*Pilot* ngokuqinisekile. Kwakuyimodeli emhlophe ye-*platinum pearl* futhi kwakuyinguqulo emfushane. Uma wazi okuningi ngala ma-*Escalade*, afika ngobukhulu obubili, omude nomfushane. Sithande emfishane kangcono njengoba ibibonakala ibambeka kangcono, inokunyakaziswa okushesha kakhudlwana. Ngithe ngisahamba nge-*Escalade* noDrenda wathi, “Uyazi, ngiyayithanda lento; Ngicabanga ukuthi kufanele sithole enye yalezi.” Ngavuma. “Kufanele sithole efana nalena, inguqulo emfushane emhlophe ngeparele.” Savuma sobabili.

Nakuba singatshelanga muntu ngengxoxo yethu, cishe ngemva kwenyanga, ngisaphuma ngiyothatha iphepha lami, kwakhala ucingo lwami. Ngaqaphela izwi ngakolunye uhlangothi lomugqa njengomuntu okhonza ebandleni lami. Wathi, “Sawubona,” wabe esethi ufunukungithengela i-*Escalade*. Ngamangala okomzuzu kodwa ngathi, “Kuhle!” Wabe esengibuza ukuthi ngingathanda umbala onjani, ngamtshela ukuthi siyawuthanda omhlophe weparele. Wathi, “Ngizokufonela muva sengiyitholile.” Nokho, akazange angibuze ukuthi ngiyayifuna yini emfishane noma ende. Yaphela inyanga ngacabanga ukuthi mhlawumbe usekhohliwe ngemoto, kodwa wafona wathi sihlangani nayo, wayesilungisele i-*Escalade* ukuthi siyilande.

Lapho sihlangani naye, sabona i-*Escalade* enhle emhlophe, emfishane ehlezi lapho. Yayiphelele ngazo zonke izindlela, ingenakho ukuklwebheka, liphelele ngokoqobo. Samtshela ukuthi siyayithanda. Ube esexolisa ethi uyaxolisa ukuthi kuthathe isikhathi eside kangaka kodwa nakuba esezamile ukuthola inguqulo ende,

ngiyaxolisa ukuthi kuthathe isikhathi eside kodwa nakuba ayezame ukuthola inguqulo ende, akutholayo yilona elifushane. Sahleka sathi, “Emfishane iyona ebesiyifuna.” Sayishayela leyomoto saya ekhaya futhi sacabanga ukuthi singabantu abacebe kunabo bonke emhlabeni esishayela leyo moto. Kodwa uyazi ukuthini? Lawo ma-*Escalade* abe khona isikhathi eside. Angikaze ngicabange ukuba nayo! Ukuze uqonde le ndaba ngokuphelele, udinga ukwazi ukuthi ngike nganikela ngezimoto eziyisishiyagalombili esikhathini esidlule, ngakho nganginembewu emhlabathini mayelana nezimoto. Angikaze ngithi ngiyayifuna.

P.S. – Ngiyazi ukuthi ucabangani, ukuthi lezi zinhlobo zezinto zenzeka kubashumayeli kuphela. Nokho, sengineminyaka engu-36 ngisebenza emkhakheni wezezimali futhi ngikhulume nabashumayeli abaningi. Ukukutshela iqiniso, iningi labo liphila ngabakutholayo ngalelo thuba. Cha, lezi zinto azikenzeki futhi azenzeki kithi ngoba sishumayela ngoMbuso, kodwa ngenxa yokuthi siphila eMbusweni futhi sisebenzisa imithetho yoMbuso ekuphileni kwethu. Eqinisweni, ngangiphelelwe yizikweletu ngaphambi kokuba ngiqale ibandla lami. Kwakungadingeki ngiqale ibandla lami ukuze ngithole umsebenzi wokukhokhela izikweletu zami, ngisho nje. Ngaqala ibandla lami ukuze ngitshale abantu lokho mina noDrenda esasikutholile—izindaba ezinhle zoMbuso!

ISAHLUKO 6

KUNOKWENGEZIWE EKUPHILENI KUNOKUKHOKHA IZIKWELETU!

Kwaba sengathi ngumthombo enkangala kafushane nje wokuphila kusivunguvungu sempilo engangibhekene naso. Sasimeme abantu abangaba ngu-50 ukuba beze endlini yethu endala yasepulazini ukuze sizojabulela sihleli kumlilo ovuthayo, sidla ama-*hot dog*, sinobudlelwane. Lokhu kwakuphakathi kweminyaka yokucindezeleka okukhulu kungekho mali, ngizabalaza nje ukuze ngiphile isonto elilodwa ngaphezulu. Ngangiwubheke ngabomvu lo mcimbi njengoba ngangikhathele ngokomzwelo futhi ngidinga okuthile okuhle engangizoxila kukho kancane. Ukuhlwa kwaba impumelelo enkulu: ukudla kwakukuhle, abangane bethu abaningi beza nezingane zabo, futhi bonke babejabule. Kwakugcwele endlini lapho kungqongqoza umuntu emnyango. Ngangicabanga ukuthi kwakungase kube owephuze ukufika emhlanganweni wethu, kodwa

lapho ngivula umnyango, ngabingelelwa isisebenzi senkampani kagesi. Ngesizotha wathi ubekhona ezocisha amandla kagesi ngoba enesikweletu esingakakhokhelwa. Ngashaqeka. Indlu yami yayigcwele izivakashi futhi ngangidinga amandla kagesi, ngaphandle kwamahloni ayezowenza.

Ngokushesha ngacela lesi sisebenzi ukuba sisuke endlini siye egcekeni elingemuva okomzuzu. Ngambuza ukuthi kuzothathani ukugcina izibani wanginika intengo yemali edingakalayo. “Iphezulu kakhulu,” ngacabanga. “Ungayenza ibe ngaphansi kancane?” Wacabanga okomzuzu ekugcineni wanginikeza inombolo yenani ephantsi. “Ungalibamba isheke kuze kube oLwesibili ngaphambi kokuthi ulifake ebhanga?” Ngambuza. Wathi, “Akunankinga,” ngase ngibhala isheke. Kwakungekho mali ku-akhawunti ngalolo suku ngoLwesihlanu, futhi bengingazi ukuthi noma izoba khona kanjani ngaphambi kuka oLwesibili, kodwa okungenani ugesi wahlala impelasonto yonke. Angikhumbuli ukuthi ngenzani ngoLwesibili, kodwa mhlawumbe ngathola okuthile engingakubambisa.

Lolu kwakuwusuku olulodwa empilweni yethu siphila kokungasebenzi kahle kwezemali. Manje zibone ngeso lengqondo uphila ngale ndlela iminyaka eyisishiyagalolunye! Ukuphila ngaphansi kwalolo hlobo lokucindezeleka kumisa wonke umbono futhi kususe yonke intokozo ngisho nencane engalethwa ngosuku lunye. Yonke imicabango igxile ekusindeneni, lapho ungathola khona imali yendleko elandelayo. Ingabe ngichithe imali eningi kakhulu ngesonto eledlule? Ingabe kufanele ngihambe ngiyothenga igrosa nesibali sami ukuze ngiqiniseke ukuthi angidluli? Hlala ucabanga ukuthi ungayenza kanjani into ngendlela eshibhe kakhulu. Mngane, lokho akukhona ukuphila! Bheka lokho okushiwo ku Ngokuka-Mathewu 6:25.

Ngalokho-ke ngithi kini: Ningakhathazeki ngokuphila kwenu, ukuthi niyakudlani noma niyakuphuzani; kumbe nangomzimba wenu ukuthi niyakwembathani. Ukuphila akukukhulu kunokudla, nomzimba kunesambatho na?

—NgokukaMathewu 6:25

UJesu uthi izinto zokuphila akuzona ukuphila! Yonke into elapha empilweni iwukusekela ukuphila, injongo yethu. Kodwa njengoba u-Adamu walahlekelwa ukuhlinzeka koMbuso, impilo yaguquka yashintsha futhi manje yonke into esekela ukuphila ibaluleke kakhulu kunokuphila ngokwakho. Abantu abazi ukuthi ukuphila kwangempela kuyini futhi abazazi ngempela ukuthi bangobani ngempela. Buza noma ubani ukuthi ungubani futhi uzokutshela ukuthi wenzani. “Ngingudokotela, ngingumthengisi,” njll. Cha, akusikho lokho oyikho khona; yilokho okwenzayo. Umuntu uselahlekelwe ngamaphupho akhe. Engikushoyo ukuthi manje umuntu usephupha ngendlela yokwenza imali eningi kodwa walahlekelwa yiphupho lenhloso. Ngamanye amazwi, noma yini ayikhokhela imali eningi iba yiphupho lakhe. Kodwa-ke, ngenxa yokuthi umuntu ngamanye udalwe ngendlela ehlukile enamathalente namakhono ahlukene, uzithola esebenza noma esemsebenzini okungewona awuthandayo. Impilo iba yinde, amasonto akhangwe elinde inkululeko ngempelasonto, noma izimpilo ezinde ezilinde ukuthatha umhlalaphansi.

Ngakho-ke ake ngikubuze umbuzo. Ukube ubungadingi mali, unemali eningi kunaleyo obungayisebenzisa ekuphileni kwakho, ubungenzenjani? Cishe ubungaqhamuka nokuhlukile kunalokhu okwenzayo njengamanje. Njengoba ngike ngasho ngaphambili, ngiyazi ngokwezibalo ukuthi okungenani u-70% wabantu base

America, uma bebuzwa ukuthi bayawuthanda yini umsebenzi wabo, bathi abakwenzi abakuthandayo. Ngifuna uqonde ukuthi lokhu kugijimisa ingcebo, le ngcindezi yokwenza, kanye nokukhathazeka okuqhubekayo ngekusasa kwakungelona icebo likaNkulunkulu ekuqaleni.

Ngakho uNkulunkulu wamdala umuntu ngomfanekiso wakhe, wamdala ngomfanekiso kaNkulunkulu; wabadala owesilisa nowesifazane. UNkulunkulu wababusisa futhi wathi kubo: “Zalani nande; nigcwalise umhlaba futhi niwunqobe. nibuse phezu kwezinhlanzi zolwandle futhi nezinyoni zezulu futhi nezilwanyana ezinwabuzelayo emhlabeni.”

UNkulunkulu wathi: “Bhekani, ngiyaninika yonke imifino ethela imbewu, esemhlabeni wonke, nemithi yonke okukuyo izithelo zomuthi oveza imbewu; Kube ngukudla kwenu. Kepha zonke izilwane zomhlaba, nezinyoni zonke zezulu, nezilwanyana ezinwabuzelayo emhlabeni—eziphefumulayo—zona nginike yonke imifino eluhlaza ibe ngukudla.” Kwaba njalo.

UNkulunkulu wabona konke akwenzileyo, bheka, kwakukuhle kakhulu. Kwaba ngukuhlwa, kwaba ngukusa—usuku lwesithupha.

— UGenesis 1:27-31

Umuntu wadalwa ngosuku lwesithupha lokudala—ekupheleni kosuku lwesithupha, njengoba nje kunjalo. Wadalwa ekupheleni kosuku lwesithupha ngoba wadalelwa ukuhlala noNkulunkulu ngosuku lwesikhombisa, usuku esilwazi njengosuku lokuphumula.

Kwase kupheleliswa izulu nomhlaba kanye nombuthano wakho wonke. UNkulunkulu waqeda ngosuku lwesikhombisa

imisebenzi yakhe abeyenzile; waphumula ngosuku lwesikhombisa emisebenzini yakhe yonke abeyenzile. UNkulunkulu wabusisa usuku lwesikhombisa, walungcwelisa, ngokuba ngalolo suku waphumula emisebenzini yonke abeyidalile uNkulunkulu, wayenza.

— UGenesise 2:1-3

IBhayibheli lithi uNkulunkulu waphumula ngosuku lwesikhombisa. Wayengadinwanga! Wayeseqedile. Konke kwase kuphelele. Konke umuntu ayeyoke akudinge emhlabeni kwase kusemhlabeni lapho umuntu ebonakala. Ukuthula! Umuntu wayenakho konke ukuhlinzekwa ayeyoke akudinge. Kwakungekho ukukhathazeka ngokukhokha izikweletu, kungekho kukhathazeka ngokugula. Wayenomzimba ophelele nomfazi ophelele. Okuwukuphela kwento ababezoxhila kuyo kwakuwumunye nomunye, uNkulunkulu, nesabelo sabo, noma injongo yabo. U-Adamu wayephethe umhlaba; wabusa phezu kwawo ngokuphelele ngegunya futhi namandla Ombuso kaNkulunkulu. Kodwa sesiyazi ukuthi leyo ndaba yaphetha kanjani. U-Adamu no-Eva bavukela umbuso kaNkulunkulu futhi balahlekelwa isikhundla sabo, balahlekelwa ukuhlinzekwa kwabo, futhi balahlekelwa inhloso yabo. Injongo yabo yaba ukusinda. Ukukhathazeka nokwesaba

**INGCEBO ISIHEHA
NGOKUBALEKELA
ENDAWENI
YOKUPHUMULA—
INDAWO LAPHO
SINGAGXILA KHONA
KULOKHO ESIFUNA
UKUKWENZA
NGEMPELA, SIPHILE
IMPILO EZINENJONGO
ESIKHUNDLENI
SOKUSINDA.**

manje kwakudla imicabango yabo kanye nomzabalazo wokusinda. Njengoba ku-UGenesis 3:17 esho, kwakudinga ukukhandleka okubuhlungu nezithukuthuku

U-Adamu walahlekelwa usuku lwesikhombisa!

Kwase kungasekho ukuphumula manje, kungekho ukuthula. Ukungapheleli okumnyama kwakugubuzele ukuphila kwakhe, futhi u-Adamu kwadingeka abaleke ukuze ahlale ngaphambi kwenhlane. Umuntu uye waphila kulesi simo sokungapheleli kusukela ngaleso sikhathi. Kodwa lalikhona ithemba. Ngenkathi umuntu ewa, uNkulunkulu wamnika inkumbulo, isithombe uma uthanda, salokho Yena wayokubuyisela ngolunye usuku endalweni Yakhe. Lalibizwa ngokuthi iSabatha. Igama elithi *isabatha* ngokwezwi nezwi lisho ukuphumula. Usuku lwesikhombisa lweviki lwanikwa umuntu njengosuku lweSabatha. Imfuneko yeSabatha, njengoba ungacabanga, kwakuwukungenzi msebenzi; kwakungekho izithukuthuku nokukhandleka okubuhlungu okwakuvunyelwe. Kwakuwusuku lapho umuntu okwakumelwe ame, ajabulele umkhaya wakhe, futhi akhonze uNkulunkulu. Konke ukuhlinzeka kweSabatha kwakufanele kuqedwe ngaphambi kokuba kuqale iSabatha. Ngisho nesidlo seSabatha kwakudingeka silungiswe ngayizolo. Kwakuwusuku lokuphumula olunokuhlinzekwa okuphelele futhi yonke imininingwane yesidingo esivele sinakiwe. Umuntu wayengama acabange ezinye izinto ngaphandle kokusinda.

Usuku lweSabatha lwalunjalo nje, usuku. Kodwa umuntu ubelokhu ephupha ngempilo yokuphumula kusukela ngaleso sikhathi. Ukufuna komuntu ingcebo kuwuphawu lwesifiso sakhe sokukhululeka ekukhandlekeni okubuhlungu nezithukuthuku

obekumbophe njengesiboshwa ukuphila kwakhe konke. Ingebo isiheha ngokubalekela endaweni yokuphumula—indawo lapho singaxila khona kulokho esifuna ukukwenza ngempela, siphile impilo ezinenjongo esikhundleni sokusinda.

Namuhla, iSabatha, usuku lwesikhombisa, noma ngabe uligubha ngoMgqibelo noma ngeSonto, alihlonishwa kakhulu emasikweni ethu. Yebo, abantu abaningi abakhonzayo bayaya ezinkozweni ngeSonto ekuseni. Nokho uma ubheka isiko lilonke, ngeke ukwazi ukulihlukanisa nolunye usuku lomsebenzi. Lapho ngiseyngane, yonke into yayivalwa ngeSonto. Ubungeke ukwazi ukuyothenga ngeSonto; wawungakwazi ngisho nokuthenga uphethiloli ngeSonto. Ubaba kwakuzodingeka aqiniseke ukuthi uyawuthenga uphethiloli ngoMgqibelo ebusuku ukuze aqiniseke ukuthi wayenakho ayekudinga ngeSonto. Uma wazi okuningi ngami, uyazi ukuthi ngiyakujabulela ukuzingela, kodwa njengomzingeli, ngangingakwazi nokuzingela nangeSonto. Bekungemthetho ukuzingela ngeSonto. Abantu babejwayele ukugqoka izingubo zabo ezinhle kakhulu futhi babe nesidlo sakusihlwa somndeni esikhulu ngeSonto. Kodwa-ke konke lokho sekushintshile namuhla. Kodwa isithombe sangempela seSabatha asizange.

Kodwa kungakhathaliseki ukuthi iSabatha lalilungiselelwa kahle kangakanani, kungakhathaliseki ukuthi isidlo somkhaya sasisikhulu kangakanani, uMsombuluko wawufika. Inkulumo ethi “NgoMsombuluko obomvu” iye yafana negama elithi *uvalo* okwesikhathi eside njengoba ngikhumbula. “Kufanele ngiye emsebenzini” futhi “ngibuyela kusigayo esidala” kwakuyimisho eyayisetshenziswa ukuchaza uMsombuluko ekuseni. Futhi uma uyeka futhi ucabange ngakho, kucishe kuzwakale njengobugqila. Kodwa sibonga uNkulunkulu ngoLwesihlanu! Ngisho nanamuhla,

impelasonto neSabatha zinikeza abantu abaningi isikhathi sokuphumula esifushane. Kodwa siphila isikhashana nje futhi isiminyamina sezimoto ngoMsombuluko ekuseni silindile.

Kodwa kuthiwani uma ngempela ibikhona indlela yokuphila ukuphila ngeSabatha eliphakade. Yeka ukuthi bekungaba kuhle kangakanani ukube bekukhona ngempela indlela yokuphila ukuphila ngaphandle kokwesaba, okugcwele ukuhlinzekwa, okugcwele injongo, nokuphila endaweni yokuphumula! Mina noDrenda sasiphila impilo yenhlopheko, yokwesaba, yokugula, kanye nokungalondeki iminyaka eyisishiyagalolunye kwaze kwaba yilapho sithola ukuthi ukuphumula kweSabatha empeleni kwakuyinto esingayenza ekuphileni kwethu. Ngiqinisele ngakho!

Ngakho-ke, kubasasele, abantu bakaNkulunkulu ukuphumula kweSabatha; ngokuba wonke ongenile ekuphumuleni kukaNkulunkulu yena uphumula emisebenzini yakhe, njengoNkulunkulu kweyakhe. Ngakho-ke masikhuthalele ukungena kulokho kuphumula, ukuze kungawi muntu ngaleso siboniso sokungalaleli.

— KumaHeberu 4:9-11

Mngane, leli yiTestamente Elisha. Kukhona ukuphumula kweSabatha kubantu bakaNkulunkulu namuhla. Lo mBhalo usikisela ukuthi singangena ekuphumuleni kukaNkulunkulu futhi siphumule emisebenzini wethu. Khumbula esisanda kukufunda: Ukuphumula kukaNkulunkulu kuthi konke kuphelele, kuphelile, futhi ukuhlinzekwa kutholakala kalula. Kukhona ukukhululeka emqondweni wokusinda, ukukhululeka ekuboshweni ngobumpofu,

futhi nokukhululeka ekuguleni nasezifweni. Kunezinketho ezintsha! ISabatha kwakungelona nje ulwazi lweTestamente Elidala, lenzelwe thina nanamuhla njalo. Kodwa ngaphambi kokuthi ucabange ukuthi ngikhuluma ngokuphila ngaphansi kwayo yonke Imithetho yeTestamente Elidala nemikhuba futhi, anginjalo. Kunalokho, ngifuna ukuhlola lokhu kuphumula kweSabatha amaHeberu akhuluma ngakho. Ngoba njengoba mina noDrenda siye sathola, lapha kukhona isihluthulelo esibaluleke kakhulu sokusebenza koMbuso kaNkulunkulu futhi nokuhlinzeka ekuphileni kwethu njengoba uNkulunkulu ayekuhlosile.

**YEKA UKUTHI BEKUNGABA
KUHLE KANGAKANANI UKUBE
BEKUKHONA NGEMPELA
INDLELA YOKUPHILA UKUPHILA
NGAPHANDLE KOKWESABA,
OKUGCWELE UKUHLINZEKWA,
OKUGCWELE INJONGO,
NOKUPHILA ENDAWENI
YOKUPHUMULA!**

OKUSHAQISAYO: ISABATHA AKUSELONA USUKU!

Ngethemba ukuthi leso sitatimende sikunakile. Kube nengxoxo enkulu emzimbeni kaKristu mayelana nokuthi iSabatha kufanele ligujwe kanjani: ngoMgqibelo, ngeSonto, noma kusukela ekushoneni kwelanga ngoLwesihlanu ebusuku kuze kube ukushona kwelanga ngoMgqibelo kusihlwa. Wonke amahlelo akihwe ngendlela yawo yokuchaza kwawo iSabatha. Ngaphambi kokuba uphonswe le ncwadi ngale kwekamelo lakho ngokunengeka ucabanga

ukuthi ngingumqambimanga, ngicela ungibekezelele isikhashana nje, futhi ake sibheke ku KwabaseKolose 2:16-17.

Ngakho makungabikho muntu onilahla ngokudla noma ngesiphuzo, noma ngemikhosi, noma ukwethwasa kwenyanga, noma amasabatha, okuyisithunzi nje salokho obekuzakuza; iqiniso, nokho, litholakala kuKristu.

— KwabaseKolose 2:16-17

Nakisisa lokho uPawulu akushoyo. Usuku lweSabatha lwaluyisithunzi sezinto ezazizakuza; iqiniso, nokho, litholakala kuKristu. Usuku lweSabatha lwaluyisithunzi, kwakungelona olwangempela into. Uma uKristu eyinto yangempela, khona-ke usuku lweSabatha lwaluyisithunzi sokuthi Yena ungubani nokuthi Yena wenzani. Akengikusho ngale ndlela: Awekho amandla osuku lweSabatha okususa noma okuguqula uhlelo lwesiqalekiso somhlabeni sokukhandleka okubuhlungu nezithukuthuku u-Adamu asiletha endaweni yasemhlabeni. Uma ulihlonipha ngokwenkolo, ngokwakhe futhi ngokwalo, alinawo amandla okukukhulula. Kodwa kuyisithunzi, isithombe, salokho oyokuthola kuKristu.

Ngenkathi ngisebangeni lokuqala, uthisha wami wasitshela ukuthi sonke senze imidwebo yamakhanda ethu kubukeke ngecele. Bathatha umshini wokudlalisa imifanekiso wasihlalisa phambi kwawo, futhi waphonsa isithunzi samakhanda ethu ephepheni elimhlophe. Base bedweba uhlaka lwezithunzi zethu futhi bakha umfanekiso wezithunzi zethu, esayisika sayisa ekhaya komama bethu ngoSuku lwabo Mama. Isithunzi siye sathwebula ukufana nami, kodwa asizange sithwebule ingqikithi yami, umlingiswa wami, noma ubuntu bami. Kodwa inikeze ulwazi oluthile ngami.

ISabatha lenza into efanayo. Isithunzi saso sathi asisebenzi, akukho ukukhandleka okubuhlungu nezithukuthuku. Kwakuyisithunzi nje, nokho, hhayi into yangempela. Kodwa lalibhekisela kuJesu Kristu, eqinisweni, oye wasikhulula esiqalekisweni somthetho nasohlweni lwesiqalekiso somhlabeni futhi wasimisa kabusha njengamadodana namadodakazi kaNkulunkulu nezakhamuzi zoMbuso kaNkulunkulu omkhulu! Futhi, kwakuyisithombe salokho uJesu ayezosibuyisela kona ngolunye usuku. Kungumsebenzi oqediwe lapho konke esikudingayo ekuphileni kubuyiselwe kithi. Nokho, njengoba amaHeberu esho, singena kulokhu kuphumula ngokukholwa. Khumbula, ukholo luyadingeka ukuze kube semthethweni ukuba izulu libe namandla esikhundla lapha endaweni yasemhlabeni. Esiphambanweni uJesu wamemeza wathi, “Kufeziwe!” njengoba nje uNkulunkulu washo wathi kufeziwe ekupheleni kosuku lwesithupha.

ISabatha labantu abaningi namuhla liwusuku lwenkolo. Abantu babheka iSabatha njengosuku lukaNkulunkulu, usuku lapho sikweleta uNkulunkulu ukuya enkozweni, ukwenzela uNkulunkulu izinto, nokwenza ezinye izinto zenkolo. UJesu kwadingeka aqondise abafundi Bakhe, ababenomqondo ofanayo.

ISabatha lenzelwa umuntu, umuntu akenzelwanga iSabatha.

— NgokukaMarku 2:27

ISabatha lenzelwa umuntu, umuntu akenzelwanga iSabatha. Uyazi ukuthi abantu abaningi bazizwa benecala uma bephuthe ukuya ebandleni? Kungani bengazizwa benecala ngokuphutha ukuya ebandleni kuyilapho, eqinisweni, bona beyibandla? Angisho ukuthi akufanele neze sihlangane ndawonye ekukhulekeleni,

kodwa isimo sengqondo sikhomba ukuthi banombono ongalungile ngeSabatha.

Ngiyazi ukuthi kungenzeka ukuthi usadidekile, ngakho-ke ake ngijule ngokubheka umbono owashiwo uJesu ku NgokukaJohane 11.

Kwathi-ke esefika, uJesu wafumana ukuthi uLazaru esenezinsuku ezine esethuneni. IBethaniya yayingamakhi-lomitha angaphansi kwamabili ukusuka eJerusalema, futhi abaningi kubaJuda babefikile koMarta noMariya ukuze abaduduza ngokufelwa ngumnewabo. Ngakho uMarta esezwile ukuthi uJesu uyeza, waya ukumhlangabeza, kepha uMariya wahlala endlini.

“Nkosi,” wayesho uMarta kuJesu, “uma ubukhona, umnewethu nga engafanga. Kepha ngiyazi nalokhu ukuthi nokuba yini ongakucela kuNkulunkulu, uNkulunkulu uzakukunika khona.”

UJesu wathi kuye: “Umfowenu uzakuvuka futhi.”

UMarta wathi kuye: “Ngiyazi ukuthi uyakuvuka ekuvukeni ngosuku lokugcina.”

UJesu wathi kuye: “Mina ngingukuvuka nokuphila; okholwa yimi, noma efa, wophila; nalowo ophila, akholwe kimi, kasoze afa naphakade. Uyakholwa yilokhu na?”

“Yebo, Nkosi,” kuphendula yena, “Nkosi, ngiyakholwa ukuthi wena unguKristu, iNdodana kaNkulunkulu, obezakuza ezweni.”

— NgokukaJohane 11:17-27

UJesu wathi Yena ungukuvuka; kwakungelona usuku nje. Usuku lweSabatha lwaluyisithunzi salokho uJesu akwenza

esiphambanweni ngenxa yethu. UJesu uyiSabatha leqiniso futhi kuye sithola ukungena eMbusweni kaNkulunkulu nakho konke onakho. Ngakho, singaphumula!

Ngakho ake sibuyele emuva manje emBhalweni wethu weTestamente Elisha KumaHeberu.

Ngakho-ke, kubasasele, abantu bakaNkulunkulu ukuphumula kweSabatha; ngokuba wonke ongenile ekuphumuleni kukaNkulunkulu yena uphumula emisebenzini yakhe, njengoNkulunkulu kweyakhe. Ngakho-ke masikhuthalele ukungena kulokho kuphumula, ukuze kungawi muntu ngaleso siboniso sokungalaleli.

— KumaHeberu 4:9-11

Isithunzi sosuku lweSabatha sithi akuvunyelwe wena ukuba ukukhandleka nezithukuthuku ngenxa yalokho okudingayo ngeSabatha, kodwa sasinikeza amazwibela alokho uJesu akwenzayo, okwakuyikusikhulula ohlelweni lwesiqalekiso somhlaba sokuba ukukhandleka nezithukuthuku ukuze siphile. Ngamanye amazwi, lokho okwakufanekisa kwaba ngokoqobo kuKristu. Eqiniseni, isigijimi sokuqala uJesu ake asishumayela sasiqondiswe ngosuku lweSabatha. Ku-U-Isaya 61, sithola amazwi entshumayelo Yakhe yokuqala, Yena ayishumayela ku NgokukaLuka 4.

UMoya weNkosi uJehova uphezu kwami, ngokuba uJehova ungigcobile ukuba ngishumayele izindaba ezinhle kwabathotshiweyo.

— U-Isaya 61:1

Ngokuthi ikhona indlela yokuphuma ebuphofini, wayethi kunendlela yokuphuma kusimiso sesiqalekiso semhlabeni sokukhanda leka okubuhlungu nezithukuthuku. Kwakuyilobu bugqila bokuthola ukuhlinzekwa okwakuthola amadoda eyiziboshwa futhi angakutholi ukuphumula. Kodwa usuku lweSabatha kwakungesona sodwa isithombe uNkulunkulu asinika abantu Bakhe salokho okwaku-zobuyiselwa ngolunye usuku. Kwakukhona futhi unyaka weSabatha!

Ngasekugcinenii kweminyaka eyisikhombisa njalo uyakwenza uyekelo. Nansi indlela yoyekelo: Yilowo nalowo otshelikileyo uyakuyekela lokho akutshelikile kwabaka-Israyeli nakubafowabo. Akayikukubiza kwabaka-Israyeli nakubafowabo, ngokuba uyekelo lukaJehova lumenyezwe. Koweziwe ungakubiza, kepha noma yikuphi okwakho okukumfowenu. lokho isandla sakho siyakukuyekela.

Nokho ngabe kungabikho obampofu kuwe, ngokuba uJehova uyakukubusisa nokukubusisa ezweni uJehova uNkulunkulu wakho akunika lona ukuba libe yifa lakho ukuba ulidle, uma kuphela ukulalela nokulalela uJehova uNkulunkulu wakho, ulalela nokulalela izwi likaJehova uNkulunkulu wakho kuphela, ugcine ukwenza yonke le imiyalo engikuyala ngayo namuhla. Ngokuba uJehova uNkulunkulu wakho uyakukubusisa njengokukwethembisa kwakhe, utshelake izizwe eziningi, ungatshelaki lutho kuzo uyakubusa izizwe eziningi, kepha zona aziyikubusisa wena.

— UDeteronomi 15:1-6

Phawula ukuthi kwakufanele bayekele konke abakutshelikile njalo ngemva kweminyaka eyisikhombisa. Futhi sibona uNkulunkulu esebenzisa inombolo yesikhombisa ukukhombisa

ukuthi konke sekuphelele. Akukho ukuntula; Unikeze umuntu konke okudingekayo. Nokho uma abanye bebuza ukuhlakanipha Kwakhe ngokubatshelela Wathi: **“Nokho ngabe kungabikho obampofu kuwe, ngokuba uJehova uyakukubusisa nokukubusisa ezweni uJehova uNkulunkulu wakho akunika lona ukuba libe yifa lakho ukuba ulidle.”** Uqhubeke wathi uyakukubusisa njengokwethembisa kwakhe utsheleke izizwe eziningi, kepha ungatshelaki lutho kuzo. Futhi siyabona lapha ukuthi uhlelo lokuqalekisa umhlaba lokukhandleka okubuhlungu nezithukuthuku lwenziwa ize ngomthetho omusha wokuphila owasikhipha esiqalekisweni somthetho wesono nokufa.

Njengangosuku lweSabatha, kwakungafanele bakhandleke kabuhlungu futhi nezithukuthuku unyaka wonke; ngakho babengavunyelwa ukuhlwanyela izitshalo zabo. Kodwa-ke izinto zaba yisicefe. Babengagcini nje ngokuthethelela noma yisiphi isikweletu umuntu ayebakweleta, kodwa futhi babengavunyelwe ukuhlwanyela izitshalo zabo. Kuleli qophelo, omunye angase athi, “Hhayi, ngingaphila ngolunye usuku nalokho okusefrijini, kodwa ukuphila unyaka wonke ngaphandle kokusebenza kunzima kakhulu.”

Ngakho-ke lapha njalo, isithunzi sisitshela ukuthi sithethelele izikweletu zethu. Ubatshela ukuthi ngeke basebenzise isikweletu ngoba bazoba nenqwaba yokuthi kube yibo ababolekisa ngemali hhayi obolekayo. Isikweletu siwuhlelo olusekelwe ekungeneni, kodwa uNkulunkulu uzobahlinzeka ngokuphelele ngakho isikweletu asisadingeki. Isithunzi sithi, “Awuyikutshala izitshalo zakho,” sibhekisa endleleni entsha yokuphila ngaphandle kwesimiso sokuqalekisa umhlaba. Manje, konke lokhu kutholakala kuJesu Kristu.

Kodwa linda, kuningi—sithombe esikhulu kunazo zonke esisazobonisa abantu bakaNkulunkulu lokho okuzayo. Wawubizwa ngokuthi uNyaka weJubili.

ISAHLUKO 7

LOKHU AKUNAKWENZEKA!

Osuzokufunda kuyamangaza. Cha, ake ngikubeke kabusha lokho. Empeleni uzocabanga ukuthi akunakwenzeka nhlobo. Ngikhuluma ngoNyaka weJubili, isithombe esikhulu kunazo zonke salokho uJesu afuna ukukwenza ezimalini zakho ezibhalwe eTestamenteni Elidala, nokho bambalwa abantu abaziyo noma abaqondayo ukuthi uthini. Sesike sakhuluma ngosuku lweSabatha nangonyaka weSabatha, kokubili okuyithunzi lalokho esinakho kuKristu, kodwa manje sifika emcimbini omkhulu, uNyaka weJubili.

Igama nje lizwakala njengomkhosi, akunjalo? Nokho, emkhakheni wezezimali, abantu abaningi—futhi uma ngithi abantu abaningi, ngokudabukisayo, lokhu kusho ukuthi amaKristu amaningi, nawo—awanakho okuningi ongakugubha. Njengoba ngike ngabelana, ngisebenze emkhakheni wezezimali iminyaka engu-36 manje. Ngibe nezinkampani eziningi ngaleso sikhathi futhi ngasebenza namashumi, uma kungewona amakhulu, ezinkulungwane zabantu ngezimali zabo siqu ngaleso sikhathi. Ngakho ngiyazi ukuthi yini ekhona phandle le. Futhi ngiyazi ukuthi yini ngokuvamile okungemuva kwemoto entsha ecwebezelayo noma

ikhaya elihle elikhulu. Ngokuvamile kuba izikweletu eziningi kanye nengcindezi. Heyi, aangikugxeki ukuba nemoto enhle noma nekhaya elikhulu. Kubiza imali eningi nje namuhla ukuphila.

Futhi uhlelo lwesiqalekiso somhlaba luwuhlelo lokusinda oluvame ukuhluleka ukukhulula abantu. Ngithembe, kuzo zonke izinkulungwane nezinkulungwane zabantu engihlangane nabo, iningi lalingebona abantu ababi. Babenza konke okusemandleni abo bebodwa, futhi babengazi ngoMbuso kaNkulunkulu noma lokhu engihlanganyela nakho kule ncwadi. Yebo, uyazi ukuthi mina noDrenda sasiphila impilo yokucindezeleka ngokwezimali iminyaka eyisishiyagalolunye nanzima kwaze kwaba yilapho sifunda ngokuphumula kweSabatha. Ngemva kokuphila ngaleyo ndlela isikhathi eside kangaka, wena awuboni ukuthi kungakanani ukukhubazeka okubekezelelayo futhi ucabanga ukuthi kuyinto evamile.

Eminyakeni embalwa edlule, uNkulunkulu usebenzelana nami mayelana nokucabanga kwami okuncane futhi wangenza ngazi ukuthi kufanele ngijabulele iJubili, idili, kodwa angizange. Yebo, ngangingasenaso isikweletu; yebo, ngangizibonile izinto ezimangalisayo zenzeka; futhi yebo, ngangijabule futhi nganelisekile. Kodwa ngase ngiyekile ukuphupha futhi uNkulunkulu wayekwazi, futhi wayefuna ukuba ngiluleke, ukuze ngiqhubeke ngidala futhi ngiphuphe. Ngase ngiyisidala, ngijabule kodwa ngiyisidala.

Njengoba ngishilo, nginenkampani yezinsizakalo zezezimali, futhi ngangimenywa minyaka yonke, ngomunye wabathengisi bami, emcimbini wokugubha impumelelo yangonyaka odlule. Ababekhona ngokuvamile babebalelwa ku-250 abahlanganyeli abaphezulu nabaphathi. Bekuwuhambo olukhokhelwe zonke-izindleko zawo njalo kuyiwa kwezinye izindawo ezinhle kakhulu, kodwa kwabambalwa abaphezulu, kube nokuqashelwa

okukhethekile nokunikezwa osheke bebhonasi. Ngenxa yokuthi ngangimatasa ngalusa ibandla elikhulu, ngenza imisakazo ku-TV, futhi ngiphethe inkampani lami, ngangihlale nginomuzwa wokuthi ngangingenaso isikhathi sokwenza umsebenzi odingekayo ukuze ngifinyelele izinga eliphezulu lokuqashelwa.

Kodwa ngomunye unyaka, lapho ngihleli emhlanganweni futhi ngibuka ozakwethu abaphezulu abayi-10 beqashelwa futhi bethola amasheke abo ebhonasi ka-\$100,000, ngasengizidla ngizithonisisa. Ngasengicabanga, “Ima kancane! Nami kufanele ngibe phezulu kuleso siteji ngiqashelwe ngokunjalo. Ngingumntwana kaNkulunkulu futhi uMoya oNgcwele unguMeluleki wami. Kufanele ngibe lapho ngisabelana nabo futhi ngibonise ubuhle bukaNkulunkulu!” Ngakho-ke mina noDrenda sanquma khona lapho ukuthi sizobe sesikhuphukela kuleso siteji ngonyaka olandelayo. Kanjani? Sasingazi.

Eminyakeni eyi-10 eyedlule, bengilokhu ngenza cishe-\$3,000,000 kuya kwezi-\$4,000,000 zamadola ngale nkampani eyodwa, kodwa ukukhiqizwa okudingekayo ukuze ufinyelele kwabayi-10 abaphezulu kungaba ngu-\$11,000,000 yamadola. Ngangingazi ukuthi ngizofinyelela kanjani kulelo zinga futhi ngingaqiniseki ukuthi kungenzeka ngezinhlelo zami. Into engangiyifundile nokho ukuthi ngangingeke ngikwazi ukukwenza ngamandla ami. Ngakho mina noDrenda sathandaza futhi sazibekela umgomo wethu, sihlwanyela imbewu yezimali, sikhulula ukholo lwethu, futhi sikubiza ngokuthi sekwenziwe.

Ukwenza indaba ende ibe mfushane, ngoMasingana wonyaka olandelayo, njengoba unyaka omusha wawusanda kuqala, uNkulunkulu wangibonisa indlela yokufinyelela umgomo wami ngephupho. Wangibonisa lokho kanye okwakudingeka ngikwenze;

futhi inqobo nje uma ngenza lokho ayengibonise kona, ngangiyof-
inyelela kukho. Uyazi ukuthi senza lowo mgomo wezigidi ezingu-11

WENA AWUBONI

UKUTHI KUNGAKANANI

UKUKHUBAZEKA

OKUBEKEZELELAYO

FUTHI UCABANGA

UKUTHI KUYINTO

EVAMILE.

zamadola ngalowo nyaka ngokuthengisa
okukodwa! Yeka ukuthi kwakujabulisa
kanjani ukuba kulesositeji emhlan-
ganweni olandelayo kanye nabaphezulu
abangu-10 enkampanini futhi uthole
u\$100,000 ibhonasi. Uyafuna ukwazi
ukuthi lokho kwakujabulisa kanga-
kanani lokho? Bekulidili elikhulu
lelo. Akukhona nje ukuthi safinyelela
umgomo wethu ngebhonasi, kodwa

futhi iholo lethu lalikhuphuke ngamakhulu ezinkulungwane
zamadola ngalowo nyaka. Kuzwakala njengedili kimi!

Ngakho-ke uma ngiqala ukukhuluma ngomcimbi othile
weTestamente Elidala njengoNyaka weJubili, unganqeni ucabange
ukuthi lokhu kuyinto eyisicefe ngoba akunjalo. Khumbula, impilo
ihamba kangcono ngedili, ngakho-ke ake sibheke umcimbi/
idili elikhulu u-Israyeli ayigubha futhi sifunde ukuthi ungaba
kanjani neyakho.

Unyaka weJubili

*Uyakuzibalela amasabatha ayisikhombisa eminyaka—
iminyaka eyisikhombisa iphindwe kasikhombisa—ukuze
amasabatha ayisikhombisa eminyaka kube iminyaka
engamashumi amane nesishiyagalolunye. Uyakuthuma izwi
lecilongo liyakukhala yonke indawo ngolweshumi lwenyanga
yesikhombisa; ngoSuku Lokubuyisana niyakuthuma izwi*

lecilongo ezweni lonke lakini. Niyakuwungcwelisa umnyaka wamashumi ayisihlanu, nimemezele inkululeko ezweni lonke kubo bonke abakhileyo kulo, kuyakuba yiJubili kini; nibuyele kube yilowo nalowo efeni lakhe, nibuyele kube yilowo nalowo kwabomndeni wakhe. Lo mnyaka wamashumi ayisihlanu uyakuba yiJubili kini; aniyikulima, ningavuni amakhikhizela awo, ningakhi ngawo ezomvini engatheniwe; Ngokuba uyiJubili, uyakuba ngcwele kini; nidle kuphela izithelo zawo zasensimini. Ngalo mnyaka weJubili niyakubuyela kube yilowo nalowo efeni lakhe.

— ULevitikusi 25:8-13

Njengoba ngiqala ukuxoxa ngoNyaka weJubili, ake ngibeke isisekelo okufanele ngabe senisibonile. Unyaka weJubili wawuba njalo emva kweminyaka engamatshumi amahlanu; kwenzeka ngemva konyaka weSabatha, unyaka wamashumi amane nesishiyagalolunye. Ngicabanga ukuthi usungabona inkinga enkulu evelayo, akunjalo? Ngonyaka weSabatha, ama-Israyeli ayengavunyelwe ukutshala izitshalo zawo. Unyaka weJubili owalandela lowo nyaka wawunesidingo esifanayo sokungatshali izitshalo. Ngakho empeleni, u-Israyeli akazange abe nesivuno iminyaka emibili ilandelana kwadingeka alinde phakathi nonyaka wesithathu ukuze lezo zitshalo zivuthwe futhi zivunwe ngaphambi kokuba bagcwalise ukudla kwabo. Lokhu kungaba inkinga enkulu kunoma ubani owayejabulela ukudla okumnandi noma owayeziphilisa ngokuthengisa okusanhlamvu. Lapho uMose enikeza iziqondiso eziphathelene noNyaka weJubili, ungase ucabange ukudideka okumelwe ukuba kwakubangela. Yebo, umcabango wokuba nekhefu leminyaka emithathu wawuwumbono omuhle, kodwa othile kwakufanele

awukhokhele. Into yokuqala abambuza yona uMose lapho bezwa ngakho ukuthi, “Kungenzeka kanjani lokho na?”

Uma nibuza ukuthi: “Siyakudlani ngomnyaka wesikhombisa bheka asiyikulima futhi asiyikuvuna ukudla kwethu?” Khona ngiyakuyala isibusiso sami sehlele phezu kwenu ngomnyaka wesithupha, uze uthele ukudla kweminyaka emithathu. Niyakulima ngomnyaka wesishiyagalombili, nidle izithelo zikanyasa, uze ufike umnyaka wesishiyagalolunye, kungene izithelo zawo, niyakudla unyasa.

— ULevitikusi 25:20-22

UNkulunkulu wabaphendula ngempendulo emangalisayo esizochitha isikhathi esiningi siyihlola kungxenye esele yale ncwadi. Yena wathi Yena wayezothumela isibusiso esinjalo ngonyaka wesithupha kangokuthi sasiyothela ngokwanele ukuba siqhubeke iminyaka emithathu kuze kufike ukuvuna okusha ngemva koNyaka weJubili. Kukhona ukufana lapha mayelana nezinsuku zokudala. IBhayibheli lithi uNkulunkulu wayesefezile ngosuku lwesithupha lokudala futhi waphumula. Nakuba Yena waphumula, Wayengakhathali. Kunalokho, Wayesefezile. Konke okwakudingwa umuntu kwadalwa futhi kwatholakala kuye.

Manje uNkulunkulu wayebonisa u-Israyeli isithombe sokungaphezu kokwanele, okuyinto ehluke ngokuphelele ohlelweni lwesiqalekiso somhlaba sokukhandleka okubuhlungu nezithukuthuku. Wayefuna ukuthi bambone Yena njengomhlizeki wabo futhi baqonde ukuthi Yena uhlinzeka ngokuhlinzeka okukhulu. Futhi, nakuba lokhu kwakuwumfanekiso kubo wokuhlinzeka kukaNkulunkulu osukwini lwabo, kwaze kwaba yilapho uJesu

efika lapho sibona khona lokho esasisibonisa khona isithunzi. Ngokwemvelo, yayingekho indlela yokuphila kuleyo minyaka emithathu ngaphandle kokuhlwanyela isivuno. Ngokunjalo, ngokwemvelo, ukuphila ngaphansi kwesimiso sokuqalekisa umhlaba, ibingeke ibe khona indlela yokuphumelela ngokwezimali ngaphandle kokuchitha izinsuku nobusuku bakho ujuluka izithukuthuku. Awukwazi ukugijima ngokushesha ngokwanele ukuze ukwenze. Zama ukuthatha ikhefu leminyaka emithathu emsebenzini wakho wamanje kuyilapho unezibopho ezivelele, futhi ngethemba uzobe uxuba indlela eqinisekile yokungabi namali okwempela. Kodwa uNkulunkulu uzama ukubabonisa isithombe sendlela entsha, lapho Yena anakekela khona abantu Bakhe, njengoba nje u-Adamu wanakekelwa ngakho konke uNkulunkulu ayemlungiselele khona ngesikhathi edala.

Kukhona ezinye izinto ezimbili uNyaka weJubili osikhombisa zona okufanele sizibone. Njalo sibona umhlaba uphumule, kungekho kukhandleka nezithukuthuku kulo nyaka wamashumi amahlanu. Uzoqaphela futhi ukuthi wonke umhlaba wawuzobuyiselwa kumnikazi wawo wokuqala. Lapho ama-Israyeli ewela uMfula uJordani, isizwe ngasinye nomndeni ngamunye banikezwa umhlaba owawuzoba nawo futhi bakhiqize ukudla nenzuzo ababeyidinga ukuze baphile. Empeleni, umhlaba wawuyingcebo yabo. Kuwo babetshala izitshalo bafuye nemfuyo yabo. Ngakho ukubuyisela wonke umhlaba kumnikazi wawo wokuqala kwakuwukubuyisela amandla okuchuma.

Nalapha futhi, lokhu kuyisithunzi salokho uJesu asenzela kona. Isithunzi sithi ukuchuma kwakufanele kubuyiselwe kuzakhamuzi zesizwe sakwa-Israyeli. Iqiniso lisho okufanayo kithi, ukuthi ukuchuma kwethu kubuyiselwe nakithi, ukuthi ifa loMbuso kaNkulunkulu lingelethu futhi.

Kukhona into yesithathu uNyaka weJubili osikhombisa yona, futhi leyo iwukuthi zonke izigqila kwakufanele zikhululwe zibuyeke emindeni yakubo. Lokhu kuyinto enkulu. Nalapha futhi, isithunzi sithi awusesona isigqila kodwa usuyindodana noma indodakazi.

**UMA USUFUNDILE
UKUTHI ISABATHA
LISITSHENGISANI
NGEMPELA,
IZINGUQUKO EZINKULU
ZINGENZEKA
EMPILWENI YAKHO
YEZEMALI.**

Iqiniso kuKristu lithi awusesona isigqila kodwa usuyindodana noma indodakazi endlini kaNkulunkulu enamalungelo aphelele efeni nasekuchumeni kwendlu.

Ngakho cabanga ngalokho osanda kukufunda. UJesu wasibuyisela lokho okwalahlwa ngu-Adamu. UJesu wasikhulula ebugqilini, wasenza amadodana namadodakazi kaNkulunkulu. Wasikhulula ohlelweni lwesiqalekiso semhlabeni sokukhanda okubuhlungu nezithukuthuku,

evumela uNkulunkulu ukuba abusise umsebenzi wezandla zethu ngendlela enkulu kakhulu. Nakuba uJesu wazikhokhela zonke lezi zinto, kusafanele sazi ukuthi singazisebenzisa kanjani lezi zinzuzo ezimpilweni zethu zangempela lapha endawemi yasemhlabeni. Yilapho abaningi, amaKristu amaningi aphuthelwa khona. Bengazi ukuthi uMbuso usebenza ngemithetho, bengazi amalungelo abo angokomthetho njengamadodana namadodakazi futhi nezakhamuzi, bakholelwa ukuthi uNkulunkulu enganakile uzikhethela Yena afuna ukumbusisa. Ngakho-ke, abayifundi imithetho yoMbuso, ephethe izihluthulelo zokujabulela ngempela futhi nokwenza lokho iBhayibheli elithi kungokwabo. Ngiyakutshela lokhu, uma usufundile ukuthi iSabatha lisitshengisani ngempela, izinguquko ezinkulu zingenzeka empilweni yakho yezemali.

Umnumzane othile ebandleni lami waqala ukungizwa ngifundisa ngokwezokholo futhi nendlela uMbuso kaNkulunkulu osebenza ngayo. Umndeni wakhe nezingane zakhe bayifunda ndawonye le mithetho bendawonye njengomndeni. Njengoba kusondela unyaka omusha, banquma ukuthi bazosebenzisa amalungelo abo angokomthetho futhi bakholelwe ukuthi bazokhokhela izakhiwo ezimbili eziqashisayo ababesanda kuzithola ngalowo nyaka. Uma ngikhumbula kahle, ngicabanga ukuthi isamba esidingekayo ukukhokha womabili amakhaya sasilinganiselwa ku-\$400,000. Ngakho-ke bathandaza futhi bahlwanyela imbewu yezimali ebalulekile kulo mgomo wokuzikhokhela zombili izindlu ngalowo nyaka. Lokhu kwakungelula neze kubo lokhu, kodwa lo mnumzane wayesebenza ensimini lapho kwakungenzeka khona ukuthola amakhasimende anele kanye/noma izinkontileka ezinkulu zamakhasimende ezingaxhasa lokho okungenzeka. Umndeni wonke wakhuleka ndawonye wavuma ukuthi kuzokwenzeka. Isonto ngalinye, lo mndeni wawubukeza umgomo wawo futhi ubukeze leyo Imibhalo eyayinikeza isizathu esingokomthetho sokulindela lesi sivuno. Yebo, lomnumzane wayazi ukuthi kufanele enze ingxenye yakhe.

Njengoba unyaka uqhubeka, ngokuqinisekile, izinkontileka ezinkulu ezimbalwa zaba yinto engenzeka, kodwa kuzo zonke izinkampani ezinkulu, izivumelwane zezigidigidi zamadola azifezeki ngokushesha. Cishe phakathi nonyaka, lo mnumzane wafumana futhi wafeza ukuthengiswa okukhulu kwenkampani yakhe, enkulu kangokuthi yathatha cishe u-40% wayo yonke imikhiqizo yenkampani yakhe yonyaka. Ngalelo sheke yekhomishana, wakwazi ukukhokha esinye sezakhiwo eziqashisayo. Ngasekupheleni konyaka, enye inkampani yaveza ukuthi ngempela bazosayina izinkontileka zenkontileka yezigidi zamadola umngane

wami ayebanikeza yona njalo. Kodwa usuku lokuvalwa kwesivumelwano saqhubeka sihamba. Amaphepha ayezolungiswa, bese usuku ludluliselwe phambili futhi amaphepha enziwe kabusha, bese kuthi usuku ludluliselwe futhi. Manje kwase kuhlwile lapho umngane wami etshelwa ukuthi ithimba labaphathi ayesebenza nalo selishintshiwe futhi kuzongena ithimba elisha elizobamba izintambo.

Umngane wami wayedidekile; wayazi ukuthi kusho ukuthini lokhu. Ithimba labaphathi abafikayo belingazi ngenkontileka elisalindiwe, okwakuyikuthi, manje kwase kuyize kungenalutho. Kuzomele aluqale phansi lolu hlelo kusukela ekuqaleni neqembu elisha. Ngenkathi ehlangana nethimba elisha labaphathi, babonakala bethakazelela ukubheka iziphakamiso zenkampani yakhe. Ngemuva kokuyibuyekeza kwasekusepheleni kwenyanga ka ULwezi bathi bafuna ukuqhubekela phambili nayo. Kodwa futhi, amaphepha abambezeleka futhi abhalwa kabusha kwaze kwaba yizinsuku ezimbili ngaphambi konyaka omusha. Umngane wami wathola ucingo lokuthi bafuna ukuhlangana naye futhi basayine amaphepha, kanti bazobe bekhokha ngokheshi uma ehlangana nabo asayine ngalolo suku. Umngane wami wenza umsebenzi owanele kuleso sivumelwano ukuze afinyelele umgomo wakhe wokuzikhokhela zombili izindlu ngonyaka yena nomndeni wakhe ababebeke ukholo lwabo kuzo.

Kwaba ngokufunda izimiso zoMbuso kuphela okwamvumela noma kwamshukumisela ukuba acabange umgomo ophakeme kangaka, njengoba engakaze athole i-akhawunti enkulu kangaka ngaphambili noma enze imali engaka kunoma yimuphi unyaka owandulele okwakuyobonisa ukuthi umgomo wakhe wawungenzeka. Wangitshela ukuthi babenomcimbi omkhulu wokugubha lokho kunqoba!

Enye, “lokho kwenzeka ngempela” indaba yenzeke kwenye yezingane zami. Yebo, zonke izingane zami ziye zabuka uMbuso usebenza ukuphila kwazo konke. Bonke basebenzise izimiso engixoxa ngazo futhi babone uNkulunkulu enza izinto ezimangalisayo. Nakuba benjalo eminyakeni yabo engamashumi amabili, bonke banezimoto zabo ezikhokhelwe ngokuphelele; futhi iningi labo izindlu zabo zikhokhelwe noma zicishe zikhokhelwe ngokuphelele. Indodana yami endala, uTim, yayifuna ukuthenga indlu ngokheshi. Ngakho wahlwanyela imbewu yakhe, ekholelwa kuNkulunkulu ngesivumelwano esihle sendlu ebangeni lakhe lentengo. Futhi uyasebenza kakhulu ekwakheni, ngakho wayengesabi ukuthenga indlu edinga ukulungiswa.

Uchithe isikhathi sakhe ebheka izindlu kodwa engakutholi okufanelana kahle. Kodwa ngolunye usuku, wayehamba ngemoto wayibona le ndlu eyayithengiswa ayengakaze ayibone ngaphambili. Kwakuyindlu eyayidliwa yibhange, futhi lapho eyibheka, wayazi ukuthi likhaya elalidinga umsebenzi othile, kodwa lalibonakala liphelele. Washayela umthengisi wezindlu ucingo futhi wamcela ukuthi ahlole inani lomuzi. Akazange akholwe lokho akuzwa ngezindlebe zakhe—37,000 zamadola. “Kodwa kungenzeka kanjani lokho?” wacabanga.

Umthengisi wacwaninga indlu futhi washo indaba emangalisayo. Ngempela indlu yayidliwe yibhange, futhi yayifakwe ohlwini lwamadola angu-110,000 cishe ezinyangeni eziyisithupha ngaphambili. Leyo kwakuyintengo yokudliwa yibhange, kodwa ikhaya lalinayo empeleni lithengiswe ngama-160,000 amadola eminyakeni embalwa ngaphambili. Ngokusobala akekho owayebonise isithakazelo kule ndlu ezinyangeni eziyisithupha ezedlule kusukela lapho ibaliwe. Ibhange libe selilokhu lehlisa inani,

lingazi ukuthi kungani kungekho muntu obonise ukuyithakazelela. Kodwa kwathi lapho uTim nomthengisi wakhe wezindlu bamba bejula, babona ukuthi kungani kwakungekho sithakazelo endlini. Yayibhalwe edolobheni elihluke ngokuphelele inekheli elihlukile, ngisho nenombolo yocingo yokubuza ngayo yayingalungile. Ngakho akekho owayazi ukuthi indlu yayilapho! Indlu, esemgwaqweni omncane emaphandleni, emgwaqweni ongasekho ongabonakali izimoto. Intengo ilokhu yehliswa kwaze kwaba usuku u-Tim ayibonile. Amazing. Ngatshela uThim ukuthi indlu yayifihlwe ngenxa yakhe! Wawupenda kusha futhi wenza izinto ezimbalwa endlini futhi waseyithengisa ngo-\$160,000 zamadola.

Indodakazi yami u-Amy uhola inkonzo yokukhonza e-*Faith Life Church*. Yena noJason babedinga ikhaya elikhudlwana njengoba umndeni wabo wawukhula usuka kubantu abane kuya kwabahlanu. Amanani ayengabonakali ehlobo lika-2017 lapha e-Ohio, futhi nezindlu ezazisohlwini ngokuvamile zazithengiswa lingakapheli ngisho isonto. Ithemba labo lokuthola ikhaya elalilikhulu ngokwanele elinenani ku-\$250,000 ukuya ngaphansi kwe-\$300,000, elinomhlaba eka angu-5 kuya kwayi-10, kanye nohlu lwezifiso lwamanzi angatholakala kule ndawo alutholakalanga. Amapulazi endaweni eku-1 *acre* ayebiza ngaphezu kwama-\$200,000 ngalelo hlobo. Ngemva kokugijima bebuka imizi eminingi, bayeka ukubheka bathandaza. Behlwanyela imbewu yokuqondisa, batshela iNkosi, “Simatasa kakhulu ukuba siqhubeke sibukeka kanje. Uyazi ukuthi indlu yethu ikuphi, futhi siyakucela ukuba usibonise yona ngesikhathi esifanele. Ngeke siphinde sibheke ku-inthanethi, noma sikhulume nomthengisi wethu wezindlu mayelana nale ndlu!

Kodwa ngobunye ubusuku, kwenzeka into ethakazelisayo. Indodakazi yabo, eyayineminyaka emine ngaleso sikhathi, yathi

lapho befika emzini wabo, “Mama, sekuyisikhathi sokuhamba.” “Usho ukuthini?” kubuza u-Amy. “Sekuyisikhathi sokuhamba siye endlini enezitezi ezinkulu ezihambayo kuze kufike ekamelweni lami,” kusho ingane yakhe eneminyaka emine. “Muphi umuzi? Uphuphile?” kubuza u-Amy. Indodakazi yakhe yathi yebo kunjalo. Nokho, ngalobo busuku ngemva kokuthi beye babeka izingane zabo ezimbili embhedeni, u-Amy akakwazanga ukunyakazisa ingxoxo futhi watshela uJason ukuthi mhlawumbe kufanele babheke ku-inthanethi.

Yebo, empeleni kwakukhona indlu edliwa yibhange eyayisanda kufakwa ohlwini, indawo enezitezi ezimbili eka ayi-10 kanye nechibi phambi kwayo. Intengo, nokho, ibingu-\$26,000 ngaphezu kwebanga lentengo elingu-\$300,000 ababelihlwanyele. Bacabanga ukuthi banganikela ngemali encane ngaso sonke isikhathi, ngakho babiza umthengisi wabo wezindlu. Umthengisi wabo wayelibangise eFlorida ngakusasa kodwa wayengababonisa ikhaya uma bekwenze okokuqala ekuseni ngabo-9:00 ekuseni u-Jason no-Amy bathi bazohlangu naye lapho.

Umthengisi waphuza ukufika kuleli ikhaya, kodwa indlu yayibonakala iphelele. Kanye nazo zonke izilinganiso zekhaya leli kanye ne-10 eka omhlaba, nechibi ngaphambili, yonke into yayibonakala iphelele. Ibhonasi kwakuwukuthi kwakukhona ihlathi elizungeze yonke indawo; kwakumangalisa. Lapho bengena endlini, indodakazi yabo yakhala lapho igijima ikhuphuka ngezitebhisi ezingani ziyisindilinga iqonde ekamelweni layo. Ukwenza indaba ende ibe mfushane, u-Jason no-Amy bathi bangathanda ukusho inani abangafisa ukulinikeza. Njengoba umthengisi ebheka iminin-gwane yekhaya, yathola ukuthi inani abafisa ukulinikeza kwakufanele lingene ngemini ngalolo suku ekuseni. Lokho kwakusekusele

ihora nje! Ukube ingane yabo eneminyaka emine ayizange ibatshele iphupho, futhi ukube abazange bahlole ku-inthanethi ngalobo busuku, ngabe indlu ayisekho.

Banikeze inani eliceliwe lika-\$326,000 futhi bathola ukuvunyelwa ukuthenga. Babejabule kakhulu. Ngesikhathi kuhlolwa, nakuba uphahla lwalusesimweni esihle, umhloli wathi luzodinga ukushintshwa eminyakeni engu-5 noma ngaphezulu. UJason waba nombono. Unqume ukucela ebhange inani eliphansi ngenxa yophahla oludinga umsebenzi esikhathini esiseduze nje. Umthengisi wabo wabatshele ukuze angazami ngisho nokuzama, ukuthi indlu yayinikelwa “njengoba injalo” futhi wayengakaze alibone ibhange lehlisa intengo yokudliwa ngenxa yokukhubazeka kwekhaya. Kodwa u-Jason no-Amy bazizwa benomoya wokubhala incwadi bacele ibhange ukuba lehlise intengo. Ungaqagela, ibhange labanika indlu ngo-\$296,000, ngaphansi kuka-\$300,000 ababekholelwa kuNkulunkulu ukuthi bazoyikhokha. UNkulunkulu wayiletha indlu njengoba nje babemcelile. Lapho bebuza umhloli ukuthi wayecabanga ukuthi umuzi ufaneleka kangakanani, wathi, “\$500,000.” Mngane wami, lokho kuyisabelo esiphindwe kabili!

Njengoba ungase ubone, izingane zami zonke zijabulela indlela yokuphila yoMbuso. Eqinisweni, uthunjana wami, uKirsten, usanda kukhokhela ukheshi endlini yakhe yokuqala kulo nyaka eneminyaka engu-20 ubudala. Kanjani? Bonke bayakwazi ukuhamba ngendlela yoMbuso!

ISAHLUKO 8

ISABELO ESIPHINDWE KABILI

Manje, ngifuna ukumba ngijule ekutheni ukuphumula kweSabbatha kusebenza kanjani ngempela futhi nokuthi kungenzeka kanjani ukuthi uthinte kukho ngokwempilo yakho. Ngifuna ukubuyela endabeni yethu yoNyaka weJubili ngibheke umbhalo wethu. Lapho sithola impendulo kaNkulunkulu kubantu lapho bebuza ukuthi kwakumelwe baphile kanjani bengavuni iminyaka emithathu. Umbuzo omuhle!

Uma nibuza ukuthi: “Siyakudlani ngomnyaka wesikhombisa bheka asiyikulima futhi asiyikuvuna ukudla kwethu?” Khona ngiyakuyala isibusiso sami sehlele phezu kwenu ngomnyaka wesithupha, uze uthele ukudla kweminyaka emithathu. Niyakulima ngomnyaka wesishiyagalombili, nidle izithelo zikanyasa, uze ufike umnyaka wesishiyagalolunye, kungene izithelo zawo, niyakudla unyasa.

— ULevitikusi 25:20-22

Siyabona kulombhalo ukuthi uNyaka weJubili, kanye nonyaka weSabatha owandulelayo, kokubili kwakungenzeka ngenxa yesivuno esikhulu esenzeka ngonyaka wesithupha, kulokhu unyaka wamashumi amane nesishiyagalombili (kusukela ngeJubili lokugcina). Ngaphandle kwaleso sivuno esikhulu, ukuphumula kweSabatha bekungeke kwenzekke. Ake sibheke esinye isigaba engikholwa ukuthi sizokucacisa kakhulu lokhu.

Bakubutha ekuseni njalo imihla ngemihla, kwaba yilowo nalowo muntu njengokudla kwakhe, kepha nxa ilanga selibalele, kwancibilika. Kwathi ngosuku lwesithupha babutha okuphindwe kabili—amawomere amabili kumuntu munye—zonke izinduna zomhlango zafika zamtshela uMose. Wathi kuzo: “Lokhu kuyikho uJehova akukhulumileyo: ‘Kusasa kulusuku lokuphumula, iSabatha elingcwele likaJehova. Ngakho yosani lokho eniyakukosa futhi nipheke lokho eniyakukupheka nizibekele konke okuseleyo. Nikulondolozе kuze kuse.”

Bakubeka kwaze kwasa, njengalokho eyalile uMose; akunukanga, akwaba nampethu. “Yidlani lokhu namuhla,” kusho uMose, “ngokuba namuhla kuyiSabatha likaJehova; Namuhla aniyikukuthola endle. Anokubutha izinsuku eziyisithupha, kepha ngosuku lwesikhombisa, kuyiSabatha, akuyikubakho ngalo.”

Kwathi, ngosuku lwesikhombisa kwaphuma abanye abantu ukuba bakubuthe, kepha kabakutholanga. UJehova wathi kuMose: “Niyakwala kuze kube nini ukugcina imiyalo yami nemithetho yami na? Bhekani, njengalokho uJehova eniphile iSabatha; ngalokho uyaninika ngosuku lwesithupha isinkwa sezinsuku ezimbili. Hlalani, kube yilowo nalowo endaweni

yakhe, kungaphumi muntu endaweni yakhe ngosuku lwesikhombisa.” Ngakho abantu baphumula ngosuku lwesikhombisa.

— U-Eksodusi 16:21-30 (imana)

Yebo, lesi siqephu, sikhuluma ngemana elaliwa ezulwini nsuku zonke ukuze londle abantu futhi lichaza ukuthi lalingeke libonakale ngosuku lwesikhombisa, iSabatha. Babengakwazi ukuligcina usuku nosuku, njengoba lalizobola ngokushesha. Ngosuku lwesithupha kuphela babengakubutha futhi bakugcine ubusuku bonke ngaphandle kokonakala. Umbhalo oseceleni othakazelisayo mayelana nokuthi kungani imana izokonakala ngokushesha usuku ngalunye utholakala ku-**UDuteronomi 8:16**.

Wakupha imana ukuba udle ehlane, oyihlo ababengalazi, ukuba akuthobise, akwivinye, akwenzele okuhle ngasekugcineni.

UNkulunkulu wayeqeqesha isizwe ukuba sibheke Kuye nsuku zonke ukuze sithole ukudla kwaso, yebo, kodwa futhi nakho konke okunye ekuphileni kwabo. UNkulunkulu wayazi ukuthi babebheke kokungaphezu nje kokudinga ukudla; ngokushesha babezobhekana namadolobha anezindonga nemidondoshiya. Ukuncika kwabo ngokuqinile Kuye kuleso simo kwakuyoba umehluko phakathi kokuphila nokufa.

Ake sibuyele ku-**U-Eksodusi 16:29**. Lapha, ungabona ngokucacile ukuthi ukuphumula kweSabatha kwakungenzeka kuphela ngesabelo esiphindwe kabili abanikezwa sona ngosuku lwesithupha.

Bhekani, njengalokho uJehova eniphile iSabatha; ngalokho

*uyaninika ngosuku lwesithupha isinkwa sezinsuku ezimbili.
Hlalani, kube yilowo nalowo endaweni yakhe, kungaphumi
muntu endaweni yakhe ngosuku lwesikhombisa.*

Uyakubona yini? Ukuphumula kweSabatha kwenziwa kuphela ngesabelo esiphindwe kabili. Lokhu kubaluleke kakhulu kangango-kuthi ngizokucela ukuthi ukubhale phansi lokhu.

UKUPHUMULA KWESABATHA AKUNAKWENZEKA NGAPHANDLE KWESABELO ESIPHINDWE KABILI!

Ake ngikubeke kwesinye isimo. Ngaphandle uma unokuningi kunokwanele, awusoze wakuthola ukuphumula ekusebenzeni nakuzithukuthuku zohlelo lwesiqalekiso somhlabeni. Njengoba mina noDrenda sitshela abantu yonke indawo lapho siya khona, “Ngaphandle kokuthi ulungise into yemali, awusoze wasibona isiphetho sakho!” Kungani? Ngoba ngaphandle kokuba nokuningi kunokwanele, ngeke ube nezinketho futhi uzoba yisigqila sokusinda impilo yakho yonke.

Khumbula lapho sifunda izinzuzo zeSibusiso sika-Abrahama ku UDuteronomi 28:11-13 esahlukweni esingaphambili. Lapho sabona ngokusobala ukuthi ukuphila impilo yokusinda akusona isiphetho sakho! Uma kwenzeka ukhohliwe, ake sikubuyekeze futhi.

*UJehova uyakukwandisela okuhle—inzalo yesisu sakho,
nenzalo yezinkomo zakho, futhi nezithelo zomhlabathi
wakho—zweni uJehova alifungela oyihlo ukukunika lona.*

UJehova uyakukuvulela indlu yakhe yengcebo, izulu, anise imvula yezwe lakho ngesikhathi sayo, abusise wonke umsebenzi wesandla sakho. Uyakutsheleka izizwe eziningi, kepha ungatsholeki lutho kuzo. UJehova uyakukwenza ube yinhloko, ungabi ngumsila. Woba phezulu kuphela, ungabi ngaphansi uma uyilalela imiyalo kaJehova uNkulunkulu wakho engikuyala ngayo namuhla ukuba uyigcine, uyenze.

— UDuteronomi 28:11-13

Ubumpofu, ukusinda, nesimo sokungabi namali akusona isiphetho sakho. Kepha uyakutsholeka izizwe eziningi kepha ungatsholeki lutho kuzo, ube inhloko ungabi umsila! Le nala yindlela uMbuso obukeka ngayo. Lokhu kungukuphumula kweSabatha, ngaphezu kwalokho, isabelo esiphindwe kabili!

Ngiyazi ukuthi ucabangani, “Ake ucabange, lokho kungaba kuhle, Gary, kodwa impilo yami ayibukeki kanjalo njengamanje.” Kulungile lokho, asibheki emuva, kodwa sibheke lokho uNkulunkulu akushoyo futhi silindele ukuthi uMbuso uthini ngathi. Ngaphandle kwesithombe esifanele, sazi ukuthi izimpilo zethu kufanele zibe njani, sizowela amaqhinga nezingibe nokucabanga okuhlanekezelwe kohlelo lwesiqalekiso somhlaba. Ukholo luwukuhlala kusivumelwano nalokho uNkulunkulu akushoyo, hhayi nezimo zethu.

Ngaphambi kokuthi ngihlanganyele nani ngendlela uNkulunkulu asifundisa ngayo mina noDrenda mayelana nesabelo

**UKHOLO
LUWUKUHLALA
KUSIVUMELWANO
NALOKHO
UNKULUNKULU
AKUSHOYO, HHAYI
NEZIMO ZETHU.**

esiphindwe kabili, ngifuna ukwabelana nani ngendaba engikholelwa ukuthi iyindaba enkulu kunazo zonke yesabelo esiphindwe kabili ku Testamente Elisha.

Indaba engifuna ukwabelana nawe ngayo yileyo osuyizwe kaningi ngaphambili, kodwa mhlawumbe akunjalo ngokwengq-ikithi yesabelo esiphindwe kabili noma nokuqonda koMbuso eninakho manje. Sithola le ndaba ku NgokukaLuka 15, indaba ye Ndongana Yolahleko. Futhi, hlala nami lapha. Ngiyazi ukuthi uke wayifunda ngaphambilini, kodwa ake siyihlole ndawonye ngokuqonda okusha.

UJesu waqhubeka wayesethi: “Kwakukhona umuntu othile wayenamadodana amabili. Indodana encane yayisithi kuyise, ‘Baba, nginike isabelo sefa esiqondene nami.’ Wawahlukanisela impahla. Kwathi emva kwezinsuku ezingeziningi indodana encane yayisibutha konke, yamuka, yaya ezweni elikude, yachitha khona imfuyo yayo ihamba ngokonakala. Isisaphaze konke, kwavela indlala enkulu kulelo zwe, yaqala ukuswela. Yayisiya kukhonza komunye umuntu walelo zwe, yena wayithuma emadlweni akhe ukuba yaluse izingulube. Yafisa ukuzisuthisa ngemidumba edliwa yizingulube, kepha kayiphiwanga muntu.

Kuthe sekusile kuyo, yathi, ‘Bangaki abaqashwa bakababa abanokudla okuningi, kanti mina ngifa indlala lapha! Ngiyakusuka, ngiye kubaba, ngithi: ‘Baba, ngonile kulo izulu naphambi kwakho. angisafanele ukuthiwa indodana yakho; ngenze ngibe njengomunye wabaqashwa bakho.’ Yayisisuka, yafika kuyise.

Kepha kuthe isekude, uyise wayibona, waba nesibe; wagi-jima, wayisingatha entanyeni, wayanga. Indodana yayisithi

kuye, 'Baba, ngonile kulo izulu naphambi kwakho. angisafanele ukuthiwa indodana yakho.'

Kepha uyise wathi ezincekwini zakhe, 'Sheshani! nikhiphe ingubo enhle kunazo zonke, niyembathise. Nifake indandatho esandleni sayo nezicathulo ezinyaweni. Nilethe ithole elikhuluphalisiweyo nilihlabe. Masidle futhi sijabule. Ngokuba le ndodana yami ibifile, yabuye yaphila; ibilahlekile futhi seyatholakala.' Ngakho base beqala ukujabula.

Kepha, indodana yakhe enkulu yayisensimini. Yathi izeza isondela endlini, yezwa ukuhlabelela nokusina. Yabiza enye yezinceku yabuza ukuthi kwenze njani lokho. 'Kufike umfowenu,' ephendula, 'uyihlo wahlaba ithole elikhuluphalisiweyo ngokuba ubuye wamthola ephilile.'

Umfowabo omdala wathukuthela, kayivumanga ukungena; uyise wayesephuma, wayincenga. Kodwa yaphendula, yathi kuyise, 'Bheka! iminyaka engaka ngikukhonzile futhi angizange ngeqe umyalo wakho. Kepha mina awuzange ungi phe nazinyane lembuzi ukuba ngijabule nabahlobo bami. Kodwa kuthe ukuba ifike leyo ndodana yakho eqede imfuyo yakho nezifebe, wayihlabisa ithole elikhuluphalisiweyo!'

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— NgokukaLuka 15:11-32

Kule ndaba, sibona ukuthi indodana encane ishiya ikhaya nesabelo sayo sefa. Lena imininingwane ebalulekile yendaba njengoba injalo ebhekisele esabelweni sakhe sefa. Ngakho phawula

ukuthi le ndodana encane isisitholile kakade isabelo sayo sefa; angeke aphinde enze isimangalo ngefa.

Indodana encane yawo yayisithi kuyise, “Baba, nginike isabelo sefa esiqondene nami.” Wawahlukanisela impahla.

Ngokulandelayo, indaba isitshela ukuthi lendodana encane yamsuka: yaya ezweni elikude. Kubalulekile ukuthi uqonde ukuthi indodana encane yashiya umuzi kayise, okusho ukuthi yashiya ngemuva ukuhlinzekwa kwayo, isivikelo sayo, nemithetho yesizwe indlu kayise eyayihlala kuwo. Yaya esizweni esikude, esinemithetho ehlukenene nendlela yokuphila ehlukenene. Nginyaqiniseka ukuthi le ndodana encane yayingazi ngempela ukuthi yenzani. Wajabulela inzuzo yokuba yindodana ngesikhathi ehlala endlini kayise. Konke uyise ayenakho wayekuthola ngesikhathi ehlala khona. Kodwa ngasizathu esithile, waba nomuzwa wokuthi kukhona aphuthelwa kona, ukuthi wayeqhathwe ithuba elingcono elitholakala kwenye indawo.

Uma ungakakuqondi, empeleni, uJesu usitshela indaba yesintu, indaba ka-Adamu. U-Adamu uyindodana encane endabeni le eyashiya indlu kaYise. U-Adamu nguye owaba nomuzwa wokuthi unekusasa elingcono kwenye indawo kunokuqhubeka ekhonzwa uNkulunkulu, uYise. Ngiyazi ukuthi ucabangani, “Khona-ke, uma u-Adamu eyindodana encane, iyiphi indodana endala endabeni esalayo?” Ngizowuphendula lowo mbuzo ekupheleni kwale ngxoxo, kodwa okwamanje, khumbula nje ukuthi u-Adamu uyindodana encane eyahambayo.

Nakuba babenakho konke, u-Adamu no-Eva bakhohliswa ukuba bakholelwe ukuthi kwakunokunye okungcono kwenye indawo ngaphandle kokuhlala endlini kaYise. Lapho u-Adamu ehlubuka endlini kayise futhi ekhetha ukuhamba, waba ngaphansi

kukahulumeni omusha, umbuso omusha onomthetho wokusebenza okusha. IBhayibheli liwubiza ngokuthi umbuso wobumnyama, obuswa uSathane. Ngiqinisekile ukuthi u-Adamu washaqeka ngobumpofu nokungabi nathemba kwalombuso omusha. Ekuqaleni, konke kwakubonakala kukuhle. Ngenkathi imali yakhe isekhona, kwakusibalidili elikhulu lodwa nje! Kodwa ngesikhathi ebona ukuthi wenze iphutha, kwase kwephuze kakhulu. Khona-ke, kwathi lapho ifa lakhe selichithekile, wazithola elahlekile. Inqondo yakhe, eyake yayigcwele imibono, yabe isigxila emsebenzini wansuku zonke wokuphila. Bekungeke kusaba khona kusasa. Kuyoba njalo namuhla futhi namuhla ayinazo izithembiso.

Kwathi emva kwezinsuku ezingeziningi indodana encane yayisibutha konke, yamuka, yaya ezweni elikude, yachitha khona imfuyo yayo ihamba ngokonakala.

Indodana encane manje izithola isembusweni ongenamali ngokuphelele, umbuso osesimweni esingapheli sendlala enkulu. Indodana izama ukubamba lokho ekubonayo—abantu bebulawa indlala. Njengoba ephuma ekhaya elinenala enkulu, ingqondo yakhe inzima ukucabanga ngalokho akubonayo. Kodwa izinhlungu zendlala ezisiswini zimkhumbuza ukuthi lokho akubonayo kuyiqiniso. Ukuze asinde, useyaziphoqa manje ukuba acele emigwaqweni. Kulo mbuso wobumnyama, umhlaba uthela ameva namakhakhasi kuphela, futhi ukuze ukhiqize nhlobo, ukhandleka okubuhlungu nezithukuthuku kufanele kwenziwe. Ukuba kusimo sokuswela kakhulu, indodana icela othile ukuba ayisize. Kodwa wonke umuntu usemkhunjini munye ofanayo. Akekho ozomnika okuningi ngoba bonke babhekene nendlala enzima njengaye.

Umzuzu obalulekile uyenzeka lapha endodaneni encane, ushintsho oluthinte mina nawe kanye naso sonke isintu. Ngokokuqala ngqá kukho konke ukuphila kwayo, indodana encane icela ukukhokhelwa njengenceku, umqashwa, owenza umsebenzi wezandla. Lokhu kuwukuhlanekezelwa okuphelele kweqiniso lakhe lobuyena bakhe nokuthi ungubani ngempela. Akaseyona indodana yendoda encomekayo kakhulu, ohloniphekayo, nocebile kakhulu, yena ungumqaphi, noma umthengisi wenyama, noma umthengisi wezindlu, noma othumela incwadi, futhi uhlu lungaqhubeka njalo. Manje uyaziwa ngalokho akwenzayo hhayi ukuthi ungubani! Uselahlekelwe ubuyena! Ukuze agcizelele ukulahlekelwa ubuyena ngisho nangokwengeziwe, uJesu uthi waphelwa yithemba kangangokuthi wathatha umsebenzi wokufunza izingulube. Izingulube zazibhekwa njengezingcolile kumaJuda, futhi uJesu utshela isixuku ukuthi lendodana manje isiphelele yithemba kangangokuthi ayisayiboni injongo yokuphila kwayo okungenzeka yayinakho. Manje uphila impilo yamahloni nehlazo. Ubukhosi ayebujabulele manje sekuyinkumbulo ekude.

Isisaphaze konke, kwavela indlala enkulu kulelo zwe, yaqala ukuswela. Yayisiya kukhonza komunye umuntu walelo zwe, yena wayithuma emadlelweni akhe ukuba yaluse izingulube. Yafisa ukuzisuthisa ngemidumba edliwa yizingulube, kepha kayiphawanga muntu.

Ngethemba ukuthi uyakubona ukufana phakathi kwendaba nesintu namuhla. Lapho amadoda amabili ehlangana, athini? “Uziphilisa ngani?” noma “Usebenza kuphi?” noma “Wenzani?” Uma ubuza umuntu ukuthi ungubani, ngokuvamile uzokutshela

ukuthi benzani. Kungani? Ngoba ohlelweni lokuqalekisa umhlaba, sonke silahlekelwe ubuthina, futhi sizama ngamandla ukubuthola. Sifanekisa noma ubani oheha ukunakwa futhi obonakala enokubaluleka. Konke lokhu kwavela kusinqumo sika-Adamu sokushiya indlu kaYise. Emicabangweni yethu yokusinda, sesilahlekelwe umbono wokuthi singobani ngempela. Kodwa khuthazeka, lendodana encane endabeni yethu ayizange ihlale esibayeni sengulube; futhi njengoba silandela indaba, ngithemba ukuthi uzothola ukuthi nawe awudingi ukuhlala lapho.

IBhayibheli lithi ngolunye usuku le ndodana encane yathi sekusile kuyo futhi ikhumbula indlu kayise lapho ngisho nezinceku zinokudla okungaphezu kwalokho ezingakudla. Ngingacabanga ukuthi esimweni sakhe sokulamba kakhulu waba nezinkumbulo zakho konke ukudla okumnandi ake wakujabulela. Umalume wami uHarold wayengumqondisi emsakazweni i-B-17 ngesikhathi se *World War II*. Wayephuma emphakathini wabalimi futhi ephuma emndenini wabalimi. Njalo iSonto zonke unina wayephaka inkukhu ethosiwe, amazambane agayiwe, isinkwa esenziwe ekhaya, ubhontshisi oluhlaza neminye imifino emnandi. Yiqiniso, kwakuhlala kukhona uphaya noma ikhekhe lokuzenzela. Ngiyazi mathupha ukuthi lokho kudla kwakumnandi kanjani njengoba umama wakhe kwakungugogo wami.

Indiza kamalume yadutshulwa yawela eGermany ngesikhathi sempi, futhi wachitha izinyanga eziningi esekamu eliyijele lase Germany. Ukudla cishe kwakungasekho. Ngolunye usuku, ngabuza umalume wami ukuthi wayesinde kanjani ngalezo zinsuku, futhi wangitshela ukuthi ayengacabanga ngakho kwakuwukufika ekhaya ethole inkukhu ethosiwe kanina namazambane agayiwe. Ngiyaqiniseka ukuthi le ndodana encane yaba nokuhlengenwe nakho

okufanayo futhi yayibona lokho eyayikuswela. Kodwa wayengenaso esinye isicelo sefa, esethole konke okwakumkweleta uyise. Ngakho wacabanga isu. Wayesegoduka ayoncenga uyise ukuthi amqashe njengesisebenzi. Engqondweni yakhe, ukusebenza njengomuntu oqashiwe, umqashwa, kwakuwukuphela kwento ayengayenza.

Kuthe sekusile kuyo, yathi, “Bangaki abaqashwa baka-baba abanokudla okuningi, kanti mina ngifa indlala lapha! Ngiyakusuka, ngiye kubaba, ngithi: ‘Baba, ngonile kulo izulu naphambi kwakho. angisafanele ukuthiwa indodana yakho; ngenze ngibe njengomunye wabaqashwa bakho.’ Yayisisuka, yafika kuyise.”

Ngakho ubuyela ekhaya necebo lakhe futhi ukuyoncenga uyise ithuba lokuthi okungenani asebenze ukuze athole indawo yokulala futhi nokudla okudliwayo. Kodwa iBhayibheli lisitshela umphumela omangalisayo kule ndaba. Njengoba esondela ekhaya, uyise umbona esekude futhi aphume egijima amhlangabeze ngokumanga okukhulu. Kusukela manje le ndaba kufanele ibizwe ngendaba yothando lukaBaba ngoba loya baba wamgona nakuba egcwele ubulongwe bengulube. Ngokwenza kanjalo, izilaleli zikaJesu ezingamaJuda zazazi ukuthi ukwanga kwakuyongcolisa uyise ngokomoya. Kodwa lo baba ngokuzithandela waba ongcolile ngenxa yendodana yakhe. Ube esebiza ingubo enhle kakhulu anayo futhi ayibeke phezu kwendodana yakhe ukuze avale ukungcola kwayo. Wathatha indandatho eyayimelela igunya lakhe wayibuyisela esandleni sendodana yakhe. Umnika izicathulo ukuthi azigqoke, okusho ukuthi usekwazi ukungena kulo lonke ifa. Kodwa into yokugcina uyise amnikeza yona eyenza indodana endala ithukuthele. Ubaba ucela ukuba ithole elikhuluphalisiweyo lihlatshwe

futhi linikezwe egAmenii lokubuya kwendodana. Indodana encane, nakuba ingafaneleki, ibuyiselwa isikhundla nezinzuzo zokuba indodana, ehlonishwa obala nangokukhululekile njengendodana, futhi ibuyiselwe ngokuphelele esikhundleni sayo sangaphambili njengendodana endlini.

Kulungile, konke lokhu kuhlangele ngani ngesabelo esiphindwe kabili? Konke. UJesu wasebenzisa indaba lapho indodana encane ihamba futhi ibuya ngoba izilaleli Zakhe, isiko lamaJuda, zazizogqonda ukuthi le ndaba isho ukuthini nokuthi ngizokutshela khona. Ngokwesiko lamaJuda, indodana endala yayithola isabelo esiphindwe kabili ngokuzenzakalelayo. Uma ukhumbula ukuthi indodana endala ayizange ihambe, kodwa indodana encane yahamba yabuya. Uzokhumbula futhi ukuthi lapho ehamba, wathatha isabelo sakhe esingokomthetho sefa, isabelo sakhe esingokomthetho naye. Manje wayengasenaso esinye isicelo sefa nanoma yini ekuso. Kodwa lapho indodana encane ibuya futhi uyise eyibuyisela njengendodana futhi, ngokukhethekile, eyinika ithole elikhuluphalisiweyo ukuze ijabulele ukubuya kwayo, indodana enkulu yathukuthela. Engqondweni yendodana endala, lelo thole lalingelakhe njengoba laliyinxenye yesabelo sakhe sefa.

Ngakho nali iphuzu. Nakuba umzalwane omncane wayese-sitholile kakade isabelo sakhe sefa, wabuyiselwa njengendodana futhi manje wayesejabulela isabelo sesibili. Lokhu kungasho ukuthi empeleni wathola isabelo esiphindwe kabili sefa. Ngokombono womfowabo omdala, lokhu kwakungalungile, futhi ngokuthukuthela, utshela uyise kanjalo. Uthi ubethembekile emsebenzela yonke le minyaka kanti lo mfowethu omncane akukho akwenzile ngaphandle kokuhlaza umndeni. Kungani-ke engathola isabelo esiphindwe kabili?

Ngakho kwakulungile lokhu na? Ngokombono wesimiso sokuqalekisa umhlaba sokukhandleka okubuhlungu nezithukuthuku, sonke singasho ukuthi kwakungenjalo. Cishe besiyoba ohlangothini lwendodana endala eyayisebenze ngokwethembeka futhi eyayingasho ukungabi nabulungisa ngezizathu zalokho eyayikwenzele uyise.

Kodwa sahlulela ngani okulungile? Akuyena yini ubaba owahlulelayo futhi anqume ukuthi ubani afuna ukumbonisa umusa wakhe? Ukuqeqeshwa kwesimiso sesiqalekiso somhlaba ebesingaba nakho sonke bekuyosho ukuthi uma ubaba enika indodana encane nesinye isabelo sefa, indodana enkulu izobhekana nokuncane. Kodwa akunjalo. Ubaba ucebe kangangokuthi nezinceku zinothile. Kakhulu kangakanani kumadodana akhe.

USathane akafuni ukuba wazi ukuthi uNkulunkulu wethu mkhulu kangakanani nokuthi ungubani ngempela. Ubelokhu ebhebhethekisa amanga ngoBaba wethu kwasekuqaleni. Imithetho yomshwalense ithi uma ugadla izinhlekelele ziyisenzo sikaNkulunkulu. Izinhlango zenkolo zithi uNkulunkulu uyasijabulela isifungo sobumpofu. Abantu bathi uNkulunkulu wenza izinto ezimbi kubantu abalungile. USathane angathanda ukuba ungaboni ukuthi ungubani nokuthi uYihlo mkhulu kangakanani ukuba ubuyele kuye futhi ubuyele kuye ngayo yonke inhliziyoyakho. Ngingakuqinisekisa ukuthi lapho uphendukela Kuye, uyothola ukwamukelwa okufanayo okufana le ndodana encane kule indaba.

“Ubani indodana endala?” usho wena. Ake sibone ukuthi ungakwazi yini ukukuthola.

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Indodana enkulu yathi kuminyaka engaka wayemkhonzile uyise, nokho phakathi naso sonke leso sikhathi, akazange nakanye uyise aamuphe ngisho nazinyane lembuzi azojabula nabahlobo bakhe. Ake ngihumushe akushoyo. “Baba, awunabo ubulungiswa!” Kodwa phawula lokho ubaba akushoyo ephendula. “Wena uhlala nami njalo, futhi KONKE OKWAMI kungokwakho.”

Ima!!!!

Manje, ungakwazi yini ukuthola ukuthi ingubani indodana endala? Indodana endala ibimatasa kakhulu isebenzela uyise ngombono ongalungile ukuzenza olungile ukuze empeleni ajabulele ubuhle bukayise. Konke ubaba anakho bekungokwakhe.

**USATHANE AKAFUNI
UKUBA WAZI UKUTHI
UNKULUNKULU
WETHU MKHULU
KANGAKANANI
NOKUTHI UNGUBANI
NGEMPELA.**

Uqinisile, indodana endala imelela umthetho wesivumelwano sokuqala. Indodana yokuqala yayingenakukwazi ukujabulela izinzuzo zendlu kayise ngoba yayimatasa kakhulu isebenzela ukuvunyelwa uyise. Nakuba indodana endala yayinelungelo lokuthola isabelo esiphindwe kabili, kwakuyindodana encane kuphela eyayikujabulela lokho.

Wena uyindodana encane!

Unesabelo esiphindwe kabili. Uyindodana eyamukelwa hhayi ngenxa yalokho okwenzayo kodwa ngokusekelwe kulokho oyikho kuKristu-indodana noma indodakazi kaNkulunkulu, ujabulela ifa okwakungadingeki ulisebenzele kodwa olamukela ngesihle kuYihlo.

ISAHLUKO 9

OKUNGAPHEZU KOKWANELE!

Ngियाqonda ukuthi ungase ube nokungabaza ngesihloko salesi sahluko, kodwa yilapho uya khona, okungaphezu kokwanele. Hhayi ngoba ngikukhombisa uhlelo lwakamuva, olushisa kakhulu lokwenza imali kodwa ngoba njengomntwana kaNkulunkulu kuyilungelo lakho elingokomthetho ukujabulela ubuhle kanye nokuchuma kwendlu kayihlo. Umqondo wesabelo esiphindwe kabili, sokuba nokungaphezu kokwanele, kungase kubonakale kungenakwenzeka ukukubona ngeso lengqondo njengamanje uma kuqhathaniswa nalapho uzibona khona njengamanje empilweni yakho. Kodwa yilapho okudingeka uqale khona uhambo lwakho lokuya enkululekweni—ekucabangeni kwakho. Ngaphandle uma imicabango yakho ivumelana neZwi likaNkulunkulu, awusoze wajabulela izinzuzo Zakhe. Ngakho phakamisa amehlo akho kulokho okubona eduze kwakho futhi uwabeke kulokho uNkulunkulu athi kungokwakho eMbusweni Wakhe. Yeka ukuphikisana nalokhu uNkulunkulu akushoyo ngoba awukuboni empilweni yakho. Kunalokho, qala ukuphikisana nezimo zakho

ngeZwi likaNkulunkulu, ukholelwa ukuthi kufanele zihambisane nakho konke uNkulunkulu athi kungokwakho. Ngingumuntu nje

**UMQONDO WESABELO
ESIPHINDWE KABILI,
SOKUBA NOKUNGAPHEZU
KOKWANELE, KUNGASE
KUBONAKALE
KUNGENAKWENZEKA
UKUKUBONA NGESO
LENGQONDO NJENGAMANJE
UMA KUQHATHANISWA
NALAPHO UZIBONA KHONA
NJENGAMANJE EMPILWENI
YAKHO. KODWA YILAPHO
OKUDINGEKA UQALE KHONA
UHAMBO LWAKHO LOKUYA
ENKULULEKWENI—
EKUCABANGENI KWAKHO.**

gaphezu kweminyaka engama-22 edlule. Kusukela ngaleso sikhathi, “into yemali” yayiwumthombo ongapheli wobuhlungu nokudonsa kanzima, futhi ukholo lwami lwalulokhu luhlehla ngoba ngangingaqondi ukuthi kungani lokho Imibhalo eyayithi kwakufanele kwenzeka kungenzeki. Uma iZwi likaNkulunkulu

onjengawe ovele wenza lokhu engikutshela ukuba ukwenze. Kholwa lokho uNkulunkulu akushoyo! IZwi likaNkulunkulu alinakuhluleka futhi lizoletha ushintsho kunoma yisiphi isimo. Ngokwesibonelo, nansi i-imeyili engiyithole kumlaleli owayenokungabaza, wayekuzwile konke, noma ukunzwile na?

“Ngizozama ukubeka iminyaka engu-22 ngidonsa kanzima kumisho embalwa ngangokunokwenzeka. Sobabili mina nomyeni wami sakhulela emindenini yamaKristu futhi siya njalo nje ebandleni. Saze sabandakanyeka ebusheni, nesikoleni se Sonto, njll. Lapho sishada, unyaka wethu wokuqala ngokwezimali wawumuhle ... lokho kwakun-

lalingunaphakade futhi lingonakali futhi Unguye izolo, namuhla, naphakade, manje-ke yini enzakalayo na? Kungaba ukuthi wayengumfelu kholo, umqambimanga, noma uhlanya!

“Ake siye ngokushesha ku uMasingana 28, 2013 ... Ngatshela umyeni wami, ‘Kungaba ukuthi uNkulunkulu uyavela noma mina ngihambe.’ ... ngangingenandaba nesonto kanye noNkulunkulu. Ngenkathi ngiphuma endlini ngiyokwenza imisebenzi embalwa, umyeni wami wagcina elalele ukunxusa kukaMoya oNgcwele futhi wabiza umngane wethu othandekayo ukuba bakhulume. Ngemva sebeqedile, wathi kunento okufanele siyilalele—uGary Keese. Wabelana ngobufakazi bakhe ukuthi kwenzekalani kuye. Ngakho, lapho ngifika ekhaya umyeni wami wangitshela lokho ayekushilo nokuthi wayezohamba ngakusasa eyoyithatha.

“Angazi ukuthi kwenzekeni (ngoba ngase ngizwe okwanele kubefundisi nakothisha ngazo zonke “izinto ezingokomoya”), kodwa ngamshayela ucingo, futhi ngambuza ukuthi wayekhona yini ngalobo busuku. Phakathi nobusuku obuneqhwa kakhulu, ngakwazi ukufika emzini wakhe. Lapho ngishayela, ngatshela uNkulunkulu, ‘Lokhu kungcono kube njalo!’

“Ngakusasa, saqala ukulalela, futhi sobabili sakhungatheka ngokuphelele. Kwaqala ukuba nomqondo. Wonke lawo mavesi: ukhoho, ukubambelela ngokuqinile ekuvumeni kwakho. Zonke izingcezu zenkinga ekugcineni zase zisendaweni yazo eqondileyo. Sasizwile ngoMbuso eminyakeni embalwa edlule, KODWA akekho owayezihlupha ngokufundisa INQUBO ... indlela yokufika kokuthi ‘NANSO-KE!’ Wena ukwenzile.

“Ngakho masinyane, senza lokho esikufundile ... besidinga imali yokukhokhela indlu yethu. KwakungoLwesine, futhi umyeni wami wayeseqede ukwenza imisebenzi encane emzini wabazali

bami ... babelokhu bengibuza ukuthi kufanele bamnikeze malini umyeni wami (babazi ukuthi izinto zinzima). Ngabatshela, 'Noma yini ababeyifuna.' Kwakunganele ukukhokhela inkokhelo yendlu ... KODWA kwakuselokhu kungoLwesine.

"NgaLwesihlanu, besihlele ukubonana nomngani osiboleke amaCD. Kwaba nesiphepho esikhulu seqhwa, kodwa mina nomyeni wami sasifuna ukuhlala phansi sixoxe naye ngoMbuso nendlela osebenza ngayo.

"Ngaphambi kokuba sihambe, wayefuna ukukhuleka, futhi wasinika isheke ... iNkosi yayifake enhliziyweni yakhe ukuthi ayitshale ezimpilweni zethu. Lokho kwasiqeda amandla. Ngakho sasesivula isheke ... KWAKUNGAPHEZU KOKWANELE ukukhokhela imali yendlu kanye nezinye izikweletu ezincane!

"Ngatshela umyeni wami ukuthi yilokhu kuphela engangikudinga! Ngathatha isithombe sesheke ukuze kungikhumbuze ukwethembeka Kwakhe. Hhayi-ke, isitha asikuthandanga lokho akubona kusenzeka futhi ngokushesha (futhi mfana, ingabe ngisho ngokushesha !!!!) wazama ukweba imbewu yethu. Sasinqume ukuthi leli iqiniso, futhi sasingeke sikhulume noma yini eyayizolimaza ikusasa lethu. Wayengapheli amandla ... kodwa sasigcina izithende zethu emhlabathini futhi siphethe isihlangu sethu phezulu.

"(Manje ngaphambi kokuthi ngiqhubeke, ngidinga ukuthi uqonde ukuthi ngangingu Italian onekhanda eliqinile futhi okhathele nge 'izimfundiso zokuchuma' engangizizwile ... futhi umyeni wami wayekwazi lokhu. Isimangaliso sangempela kwaba ukuthi ngalibamba ngokugcwele futhi ngabambelela kuso ... ngesinye isikhathi umyeni wami uyangibuka futhi azibuze ukuthi kanti pho kwenzekeni!

“Sakhulula ukhoho lwethu futhi sahlwanyela ukuthola inkontileka yenkampani yethu yokwakha ngo-3/13 inkontileka esheshayo engu-\$150,000 ukuze sikhokhe izikweletu, izintela, njll. Ngo-uMbaso 5 sathola izinkontileka ezimbili ezihlanganisa u\$450,000 ngoSUKU OLULODWA!!!! Lokhu kwakungemva kwezinyanga ezimbili kuphela selokhu saqala ukusebenzisa izimiso zoMbuso.

“Sasihlela izingane zethu futhi zabona ukuthi ‘nanso ke.’ Manje, sezizenzele olwazo uhlu futhi zahlwanyela kumabhanga azo ukuze zitshale imbewu yalokho ezikufunayo. Sinamavesi kuwo wonke amagumbi, futhi ingane yethu eneminyaka emihlanu iya kuwo futhi amemezele athi, ‘Ngiyakholwa ukuthi ngiyitholile.’

“Siyabonga kakhulu ngokuthi manje sesinemali eyengeziwe yokupha futhi sekuseduze nosuku olulodwa ukuba singabi nezikweletu futhi sikwazi ukuqeda izabelo zethu!

“Ngiyabonga, Umfundisi uGary, ngokuzinika isikhathi sokuphendula ama-imeyili ebengikuthumele wona. Siyaqonda ukuthi isikhathi sakho silinganiselwe, futhi iqiniso lokuthi uzinike isikhathi sokwenza lokhu kubonisa ukuthi ufuna kangakanani ukuhlanganyela lomlayezo omangalisayo woMbuso kaNkulunkulu omkhulu.”

Ngithola ama-imeyili afana nalawa nsuku zonke. Abantu abafana nami nawe bathola iqiniso lokuthi bangobani kuKristu, bafunda indlela uMbuso kaNkulunkulu osebenza ngayo, futhi bajabulela izinzuzo. Pho mina no-Drenda sathola kanjani isabelo esiphindwe kabili? Ngizokutshela kulesi sahluko futhi ngiyazi izindaba zethu uzozithola zikhuthaza.

Lapho mina noDrenda siqala ukufunda imithetho nezimiso zoMbuso kaNkulunkulu, ukuphila kwethu kwashintsha kakhulu,

njengoba nginitshelile kungxenywe yokuqala yale ncwadi, kusukela ekuphileni ngokutholayo, ekubhekaneni nokuhlaselwa luvalo, ama-*antidepressant*, kanye nokungabi nathemba okukhulu ekuphileni okunenjongo nokuhlinzekwa. Sabona izinto zenzeka ngokuphindaphindiwe ezasenza sama sathi, “Ukubonile lokho na? Hewu!” Siyohlala njalo sibona uMbuso kaNkulunkulu usebenza njengoba nje iBhayibheli lashi, futhi sasibuza imibuzo, “Kwenzeka kanjani noma kungani lokho kwenzeka? noma “Yisiphi isimiso esingene kuso?” Nakuba besijabulela okungaphezu kokwanele, asizange sibone isabelo esiphindwe kabili ngokucacile njengezindaba engizokubonisa zona. Sasijabulela isabelo esiphindwe kabili, nokho, sasingazi nje ukuthi sikubize kanjani ngempela lokho esasikubona ngokuthi kuyisabelo esiphindwe kabili kwaze kwaba yilapho uNkulunkulu eqhubeka ekhulisa ukuqonda kwethu ngakho. Ngaphambi kokuba ngichaze ukuthi uNkulunkulu wasisiza kanjani ukuba siqonde isabelo esiphindwe kabili ngendlela enkulu, ngifuna ukubukeza Umbhalo wethu oyinhloko futhi ngomzuzu lo. (Amagama akubakaki angamanothi ami, hhayi ingxenywe yoMbhalo wangempela.)

Ngakho-ke kubasalele abantu bakaNkulunkulu ukuphumula kweSabatha. Ngokuba ongenile ekuphumuleni kukaNkulunkulu [ukholo] yena uphumula emsebenzini yakhe [isimiso sokuqalekisa umhlaba sokukhandleka okubuhlungu, izithukuthuku, nokusinda] njengoNkulunkulu kweyakhe. [ngoba wayeseqedile].

— KumaHeberu 4:9-10

Manje seniyazi ukuthi lokhu kuphumula kweSabatha

kuyisithembiso kuwo wonke amakholwa eTestamente Elisha akholwa kuKristu futhi akuyona nje into yeTestamente Elidala. Nani niyazi manje ukuthi iSabatha alinakwenzeka ngaphandle kokuba nokungaphezu kokwanele, noma njengoba sibonile ku-U-Eksodusi 16, isabelo esiphindwe kabili. Ngicela ungadidanisi ukuhamba ngesabelo esiphindwe kabili ukuba kusho ukuthi kuzo zonke izimo uyoba nemali eningi esalayo lapho uNkulunkulu ekucela ukuba uqhubeke nomsebenzi othile.

Kuke kwaba nezikhathi empilweni yami lapho uJesu engitshela ukuthi ngiqhubeke nomsebenzi othile ngingenayo imali ebhange. Ngaqaphela kamuva ukuthi uNkulunkulu wayengakaze abe novalo ngemali futhi azi ukuthi yayizovelaphi. Kodwa Yena akazange akuvumele ukuthi ibonakale, funa isitha sizame ukuyeba ngaphambi kokuba idingeke ngempela. Ake ngikuxwayise, thatha kuphela isinqumo sokuqhubekele phambili kusimo esinjalo uma uqinisekile ukuthi uzwile kuMoya oNgcwele ukuba wenze kanjalo. Futhi, ngaphandle uma uJesu ekutshela ukuthi uqhubekele phambili ngomsebenzi othile ngaphandle kwezimali ezikhona, ungaqhubekeli phambili kuwo. Linda kuze kufike isikhathi sikaNkulunkulu kanye nokuhlinzeka kutholakale.

Ngokuvamile, thina njengamakholwa sibizelwe ukuphila ngaphandle kokuchichima ngokwezimali kwezimpilo zethu. Asibona abampofu kodwa siyakwazi ukuphana ngazo zonke izikhathi njengoba nje noBaba wethu enjalo. Ngikusho lokho kuphela ngoba ngithole ama-imeyili amaningi lapho abantu begxumela khona futhi bephuthelwa isikhathi sikaNkulunkulu. Lalela, ukuthi uNkulunkulu ekukhombisa okuthile akusho ukuthi sekuyisikhathi sokukwenza. Izikhathi eziningi, Ukukhombisa okuthile ukuze akunikeze isiqondiso futhi nesikhathi sokulungiselela.

Ngokuhlangenwe nakho kwami, isikhathi sibaluleke kakhulu njengokuzwa ukuqondiswa kwasekuqaleni.

Lapho uJesu eqala inkonzo Yakhe edolobheni lakubo, ngemva kokubhaphathizwa Kwakhe emfuleni uJordani nguJohane uMbhapathizi futhi nangemva kwezinsuku ezingamashumi amane nobusuku obungu-40 eshlane, Yena wangena esinagogeni lendawo wathatha incwadi ka-Isaya wavula isahluko samashumi ayisithupha nanye futhi wafunda. Sithola lesi sigameko silotshwe kuNgokukaLuka 4:18-21.

UMoya weNkosi uphezu kwami, ngokuba ingigcobile ukuba ngishumayele ivangeli kwabampofu. Ingithumele ukumemezela ukukhululwa kwabathunjiweyo nokubona kwabayizimpumpithe, nokuhlenga abacindezelweyo, nokumemezela umnyaka omuhle weNkosi.

Wayigoqonga incwadi, wayinika isikhonzi, wahlala phansi; Amehlo abo bonke ababesinagogeni amggolozela, waqala ukukhuluma kubo, ethi: "Namuhlanje ugcwalisekile lo mbalo ezindlebeni zenu."

Yebo, babemthukuthelele kakhulu ngaye ngoba wayesikisela ukuthi Nguye lowo okwakubhekiselwa kuye. Kodwa lalelisisa lapho uJesu ayeka khona ukufunda. Ivesi lokuqala kuya kwelesibili lika U-Isaya 61 lithi,

Ungithumele ukubopha abanhliziyi ezaphukileyo, nokumemezela ukukhululwa kwabathunjwa nokuvulelwa kweziboshwa itilongo, ngimemezele umnyaka womusa kaJehova nosuku lokuphindisela lukaNkulunkulu wethu.

Phawula ukuthi uJesu wema phakathi komusho. Akazange afunde ukuthi, “nosuku lokuphindisela lukaNkulunkulu wethu.” Kungani? Ngoba wayefuna ukuma kungxenye yokuqala yalowo musho, “umnyaka womusa kaJehova.” Uyini umnyaka womusa weNkosi? Unyaka weJubili! Ngokuyisisekelo uJesu wayememezela ukuthi yonke into isithunzi soSuku lweSabatha, uNyaka weSabatha, kanye noNyaka weJubili esisibonise yona kwase kugcwalisekile futhi manje sekukhona ngoba Yena wayesefikile. Isahluko sonke sika-U-Isaya 61 sisitshela lokho uJesu asenzele kona. Mayelana nesabelo esiphindwe kabili, bheka amavesi esikhombisa kuya kwelesishiyagalolunye.

Esikhundleni sehlazo labo abantu bami niyakuphiwa isabelo esiphindwe kabili, futhi abadumeleyo ukujabula kuyakuba yisabelo sabo; ngalokho ezweni lakubo bayadla ifa lesabelo esiphindwe kabili, futhi intokozo engapheliyo iyoba ngeyabo. Ngokuba mina, Jehova, ngithanda ukulunga; ngizonda ukuphanga kanye nokubi. Ngiyakubanikai umvuzo wabo ngeqiniso, ngenze isivumelwano esiphakade nabo. Inzalo yabo iyakwaziwa phakathi kwezizwe nabantwana babo phakathi kwabantu. Bonke abababonayo bayakubavuma ukuthi bayinzalo uJehova ayibusisile.

— U-Isaya 61:7-9

Ngokuqinisekile ngiyakuqonda ukuba namahloni ngenxa yezinkinga zezimali eziwohlozayo. Kaningi ngangizithola ngilulazekile futhi nginamahloni ngenxa yesimo sethu sezimali. Ngiyakhumbula ngesinye isikhathi ngangiqoqe abangani bethu abangaba ngu-20 siye esidlweni sakusihlwa endaweni yokudlela

yasendaweni. Angisakhumbuli umcimbi okhethekile esasiwugubha, kodwa mina ngangivumile ukukhokhelela lomcimbi. Ngikhumbula

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ngithukile ngesikhathi sokudla ngoba ngangingenayo imali yokusingatha umcimbi onjalo. Imali ebengilindele ukuthi izovela kubhizinisini ebengisebenza kulo ibambezelekile. Okuwukuphela kwekhadi lesikweletu enganginalo alikhanselwanga, kodwa lakhishwa ngoba liphelelwe amandla futhi ngangingenaso isiqiniseko sokuthi izosebenza kanye nje noma cha. Impela, ekupheleni kokudla ikhadi lenqatshelwe. Kwadingeka ngokuzithoba ngicele, ngokukhulu

ukuhlazeka, esinye sezivakashi zami ukuba sikhokhele umcimbi.

O, nginezindaba eziningi ezinjengalezo, kodwa anginaso isiqiniseko sokuthi unezicubu ezanele eduze uqalise ukubala okunjalo. Kodwa makabongwe uNkulunkulu, ngoJesu, bonke abasi-bonayo kuyomele bavume ukuthi singabantu iNkosi ehabusisile!

Isabelo esiphindwe kabili kungokwakho, uJesu uyiSabatha lakho lokuphumula, futhi uyisabelo sakho esiphindwe kabili! Uma uke wafunda noma iyiphi yezincwadi zami ezedlule, uyazi ukuthi iNkosi yangifundisa okuningi ngoMbuso ngokuzingela izinyamazane. Eqinisweni, ukuzingela izinyamazane kwakuyindlela uNkulunkulu ayeyisebenzisa okokuqala ukubamba ukunaka kwami ngoMbuso. Sekuphele iminyaka eminingi ngizingela izinyamazane ngingaphumeleli. Nakuba ngangifaka isikhathi nemali emizamweni

yami, ngagcina ngingaphumelelanga futhi ngingenayo nyenama nyenamazane. Uma ngikhuluma iqiniso ngempela, angikaze ngidubule. Kulo nyaka othile njengoba ngangicabanga ngenkathi ezayo yokuzingela izinyamazane, uNkulunkulu wakhuluma nami futhi wathi, “Kungani ungangivumeli ngikusize ngokuzingela kwakho izinyamazane kulo nyaka? Yebo, ngangingazi ukuthi lokho kusho ukuthini, kodwa Yena wangitshela ukuthi ngithathe isheke bese ngibhala, “Eyenamazane yami ka-1987” engxenyeni kuphetshana elikusheke, kanye nenani elithile lemali, bese ngiyithumela enkonzweni lapho ebengiyalela khona ukuba ngiyithumele. Wabuye wangitshela ukuthi mina noDrenda sibeke izandla zethu kulelo sheke futhi sicele njengokulotshiwe ku NgokukaMarku 11:24 lapho sisayikhulekela.

NgokukaMarku 11:24 uthi,

*Ngalokho ngithi kini: Konke enkukhulekelayo nenikuce-
layo, kholwani ukuthi nikwamukele, futhi nizakuba nakho.*

Ukwenza indaba ende ibe mfushane, ngaphuma ngaya endaweni engingayazi nhlobo ngalowo nyaka futhi ngathola inyamazane yami kumizuzu angaba ngu-40. Mina noDrenda siye salandela lezi zinyathelo iminyaka engu-30 edlule, futhi bengilokhu ngivuna inyamazane yami kumizuzu engu-30 kuya kwangu-40 njalo nje ngonyaka yonke kusukela ngaleso sikhathi. Kuyo yonke le minyaka, ngiye ngabona uNkulunkulu enza izinto ezimangalisayo ngenkathi ngiphume ngiyozingela, futhi ngiye ngafunda izifundo ezimbalwa ngemithetho yoMbuso nangokuzingela. (Zonke lezo zindaba zakuqala zilotshwe encwadini yami ethi *Faith Hunt*.)

Ngivame ukukhetha ukuzingela ngomnsalo lapho kufudumala

ngenkwindla bese ngizingela ngenkathi ebandayo ngesibhamu lapha e-Ohio. Umkhawulo wenani lezinyamazane ongazivuna ungcono kakhulu lapha e-Ohio, futhi kunoma yimuphi unyaka, umkhawulo yizinyamazane eziyisithupha ngonyaka. Angikaze ngivune izinyamazane ezingaka ukuze ngiphakele umndeni wami. Isiqandisi sami sivame ukugcwala ngezinyamazane ezimbili noma ezintathu ngonyaka. Ukwazisa engizokutshela kona, udinga ukwazi ukuthi ngenkathi ngizingela yonke leyo minyaka ngangikaze ngidubule inyamazane ezimbili esihlahleni sinye ngekuseni kunye noma ngokuzingela ngokuhlwa okufanayo. Ngenyindlela, uma ungeyena umzingeli, yebo, sizingela ngomnsalo sisesihlahleni. Ngokuvamile, lapho ngibulala inyamazane, ngangiphuma ehlathini ngibuye ngolunye usuku ngithathe enye. Kodwa iNkosi ibifuna ukungifundisa okuthile kulokhu kuzingelwa kwakusihlwa.

Kwakungenye yalezo zinsuku zokuzingela ikwindla eziphelele, ukumboza kancane kwefu kanye nokuthonta okulula kwakuthobisa umhlabathi ngezikhathi ezithile. KwakuyiSonto kusihlwa, ngangikhathele ngenxa yokuqhuba izinkonzo eziningi zebandleni ekuseni walolosuku, futhi ngangikubheke ngabomvu ukuba khona ehlathini. UDrenda wayephuma eyothenga izinto ezimbalwa, futhi mina naye sasivumelene ngokuthi lobu kungaba ubusuku obuhle ukufaka inyamazane kusiqandisi sethu. Ngangigqoka ikhomo yami futhi ngiqoqa izinto zami lapho yena ephuma eya emotweni. Ngaphuma phandle esaqala imoto ukuthi aphume. Lapho eqala imoto, wehlisa ifasiteli wathi kimi, “Isabelo esiphindwe kabili.” Angazi ukuthi kungani esho lokho, nakuba kamuva wathi wezwa iNkosi isho lokho kuye ngaleso sikhathi futhi wazizwa eholeleka ukuba angitshela lokho.

Satshala izinyamazane ezintathu ngalowo nyaka, futhi lolu

kwakuwusuku lokuqala sizingela ngaleyonkathi. Ngamqabula ngokushesha ngamtshela ukuthi ngiyavuma, futhi ngaphuma ngibheke ehlathini lakithi. Ngizingela kundawo yami, ngakho ngangijwayele kakhulu nokuthi ngiyaphi. Njengoba ngigibela esihlahleni sami, ngishaye amagalelo ambalwa. Phakathi nemizuzu engu-15, kwangena amaphuzu angu-8 egijima, ngadubula ngikude okwamayadi angu-40, futhi inyamazane yami yayiphansi. Kwakumangalisa lokho! Ngehla ngahamba ngaya enyamazaneni, kodwa ngase ngikhumbula ukuthi uDrenda wayeshilo, isabelo esiphindwe kabili, ngakho ngashiya inyamazane lapho eyayiwele khona ngabuyela esihlahleni sami futhi ngagibela emuva endaweni yami.

Ngacabanga ngaso sonke isiphithiphithi engangisenzile ngehla, ngihambahamba, ngase ngibuyela endaweni yokumisa futhi ngigibela phezulu, ngingaliphathi-ke lonke iphunga engangilhlakaze, ukuthi ngokwemvelo kuzoba mancane amathuba okuba ngibulale enye emizuzwini embalwa esele yokukhanya okusemthethweni kokudubula. Kodwa kungakapheli nemizuzu engu-15 ngisesihlahleni, inyamazane enekinobho lahamba laqonda ngaphansi kwesihlahla sami, ngayilahla phansi ngokuyidubula okuphelele. Hawu, ukudubula kabili nezinyamazane ezimbili zilandelana ziphuma esihlahleni esisodwa. Ngangingakaze ngikwenze lokho ngaphambili. Lokho kwangibamba ukunakwa kwami futhi ngangazi ukuthi kwakuyi Sabelo esiphindwe kabili uDrenda ayekhulume ngaso.

Eminyakeni emihlanu eyalandelayo, ngaba nokuhlangenwe nakho okufanayo. Njalo uma ngiyozingela ngeminsalo, manje ngase ngithola izinyamazane ezimbili esihlahleni esisodwa ngokuhlukana ngemizuzu. Ngangazi ukuthi lokhu kwakungeyona into evamile, futhi ngaqala ukugxila kusabelo esiphindwe kabili, ngiqaphela

ukuthi ngokunjalo uNkulunkulu waphinde wangifundisa esinye isifundo ngoMbuso Wakhe.

Bengilokhu ngithanda izibhamu futhi, ngokunjalo, ngiyakuthanda ukuzingela. Ngineqoqo lami lezibhamu engizisebenzisayo ekuzingeleni, futhi ngangijabule kakhulu ngezibhamu enganginazo. Mina noDrenda sinomhlaba wama eka angama-60 nama eka angama-25 ehlathi kanye namanye ama eka ayi-15 lexhaphozi. Kunoma ikuphi ikwindla, ixhaphozi lingoma noma ligcwele amanzi, kuye ngokuthi ihlobo belimanzi kangakanani.

Kulo nyaka, sibe nehlobo elimanzi impela, ngakho ixhaphozi laligcwele amanzi njengoba kungena inkathi yamadada ekwindla. Kwakuhlale kukhona amadada eza exhaphozini noma yimuphi unyaka uma kunamanzi, kodwa nganginganakile kukho kangako. . Kodwa kulo nyaka kwakunemihlambi emikhulu eyayiza exhaphozini namanzi ayephakeme kakhulu, futhi angikwazanga ukumelana nakho. Nakuba ngingakaze ngizingele esikhathini esidlule, ngacabanga ukuthi ngizokwehla ngiye exhaphozini ngiyozama ukuzingela amadada. Ukuzingela kwakukuhle. Kwakukhona amadada yonke indawo, futhi saba nezidlo ezimbalwa zamadada ngalowo nyaka.

Lapho ngizingela amadada ngalowo nyaka, ngathola ukuthi izikhathi eziningi amadada ayedlula eduze nje kwebanga lwezibhamu. Bengisebenzisa izibhamu sami sansuku zonke, esilungele konke engangijwayele ukusisebenzisa onogwaja nenyoni ye *pheasant*, kodwa njengoba amadada endiza ngaphandle nje kwebanga lezibhamu, ngakhumbula ukuthi ngangizwile ngohlobo olusha lwesibhamu esiklanyelwe ukuzingela amadada. Sasifihlilakele futhi ukwazi ukudubula inengi yamadada kabusha eyayithwele inhlamvu zokudubula eziningi, okwavumela ukudutshulwa kude

kakhulu. Ngikhumbula ngicabanga ukuthi kufanele ngiyihlole ngesinye isikhathi.

Hhayi-ke, kwenzeka nje ukuthi ngisesitolo sendawo sezimpahla zezemidlalo ngemva kwenyanga kuphele isikhathi samadada lapho ngabona indawo enezibhamu zibhalwe ukuthi -isibhamu sezinyoni zamanzi. Ngazibheka okwesikhashana, kodwa ngepheshana yentengo engu-\$2,000 kanye neqiniso lokuthi ngeke ngidinge isibhamu ezinye izinyanga ezingu-10 lapho inkathi yedada ivulwa kabusha, nganquma ukulinda ekuthengeni. Kodwa ngaphandle kokucabanga, ngasho ngokuzwakalayo, “Nkosi, ngiyayithanda lena.” Angizange ngicabange kakhulu ngakho njengoba ngiphuma esitolo, kodwa emasontweni ambalwa kamuva ngangikhuluma emhlanganweni wokuthengisa wezinkampani, hhayi umhlangano wesonto, umhlangano wokuthengisa wezinkampani. Ekupheleni kwesethulo sami, u-CEO wangibonga ngokukhuluma futhi wathi, “Besifuna ukukubonga ngokukhuluma kusihlwa nesipho.” Ngangishaqekile lapho ekhipha isibhamu engangisibheke esitolo sezimpahla zezemidlalo emasontweni ambalwa ngaphambili. Amazwi ami, “Nkosi, ngizoyithatha leyo,” kanye neqiniso lokuthi nganginikele ngezibhamu esikhathini esidlule kwalethe leso sivuno.

Encwadini yokuqala yalolu chungechunge, *Uguquko Lwakho Lwezizimali: Amandla Okwethembeka*, ngikhuluma ngomgomo obangele ukuthi leso sibhamu sibonakale. Ngiwubiza ngomgomo wesikela, futhi utholakala kuNgokukaMarku 4:26-29. Ngingaphakamisa ukuthi uthole ikhophi yalencwadi uma ungakayifundi. Leso sibhamu esasivela sasimangalisa ngokuqinisekile, kodwa akuyona indaba yangempela engifuna ukugxila kuyo. Kodwa ivusile indaba engifuna ukukutshela yona.

Ngemva kokuba leso sibhamu sibonakale, futhi ngabona indlela

engangisifake ngaso leso sivuno, ngacabanga okwesikhashana ngolunye usuku nganoma iziphi ezinye izibhamu engangicabanga ukuthi ngangingathanda ukuba nazo. Phela ngangitshale inqwaba yezibhamu, ngakho ngacabanga ukuthi ngizozama ngemithetho yoMbuso. Okuwukuphela kwesibhamu engangingenaso eqoqweni lami kwakuyi-*over and under shotgun*. Ziyizibhamu ezinhle, futhi ngokuvamile azishibhile nazo. Ngakho ngathi, “Nkosi, ngithanda ukuba nesinye salezo zibhamu ezinhle kakhulu *i-over and under shotgun!*”

Cishe ngemva kwenyanga, ngathola ucingo luvela komunye engangisebenza naye enkonzweni, wathi ufuna ukungithengela isibhamu, *i-over and under shotgun*. Ngajabula kakhulu futhi wathi uzoyithumela ngeposi. Nokho, ezinsukwini ezimbalwa kamuva ngathola izibhamu ezimbili ezinhle ama *over and under shotgun* eposini, zizinhle kakhulu! Phawula ukuthi ngithole izibhamu ezimbili. “Hawu,” ngicabanga. Ngamshayela ucingo umlingani wami futhi ngambonga ngezibhamu ezinhle ayezithumele. Ezinsukwini ezimbalwa wathumela ezinye ezimbili. Lapho ngiphinda ngimshayela ucingo ngimbonga njalo, wathi, “Ngihlabeke umxhwele kangangokuthi ungishayeke ucingo ukuze ubonge, bengifuna ukukuthumelela ezinye ezimbili.” Ngaxakwa yizipho, kodwa ngase ngiqala ukubona. Izibhamu ezimbili ngesikhathi sinye? Kuzwakala njengesabelo esiphindwe kabili.

Cishe ezinyangeni ezimbili ezedlule, ngangifundisa ebandleni ekuseni futhi ngangizofundisa edolobheni elifanayo kwelinye ibandla ngalobo busuku. Ngemva kwenkonzo yasekuseni, indoda ethile iza kimi futhi ithi, “Ngizokuthumela isibhamu esihle se-*Browning semi-automatic shotgun* enginaso.” Ngaphinde ngajabula. Ngokumangalisayo, enkonzweni yakusihlwa kwelinye

ibandla, indoda ethile iyafika ithi, “Ngiphethe isibhamu esisha sha esisekhona ebhokisini engifuna ukukunika sona.” Bekukuhle, kuphenywe i-*Marlin 30/30*, isibhamu ebengihlale ngisithakasela kodwa engingakaze ngibe naso. Futhi, ngamangala kodwa ngasengi-kuzwisisa—isabelo esiphindwe kabili.

Njalo, emasontweni ambalwa ngemva kwalokho, kwenzeka okufanayo—nganikezwa izibhamu ezimbili ngosuku olulodwa. Hhayi-ke, engingakusho nje ukuthi ngiyindoda ebusiswe ngezibhamu ezinkulu impela. Kodwa njengazo zonke izindaba engizixoxayo, ngihlala ngibuza, “Kwenzeka kanjani lokho?” Kunjalo, besengivele ngikutshelile ukuthi ngitshale izibhamu eziningi esikhathini esidlule kodwa angikaze ngithi, “Ngizoyithatha leyo, Nkosi,” kuze kube yilesosikhathi. Futhi, lesi yisimiso sesikela okudingeka ukwazi. Kodwa ngedlule isimiso sesikela, ngangingena ku sabelo esiphindwe kabili ngendlela ehluke kakhulu nesobala futhi ngangifuna ukwazi kahle ukuthi ngangikwenza kanjani lokho. Ngikholelwa ukuthi iNkosi yangibonisa ukuthi abaningi bethu baye baphuthelwa yilesi sici esibaluleke kakhulu sokuvuna eMbusweni, futhi ngizochitha isikhathi esithile esahlukweni esilandelayo esidingida lesosihloko. Kodwa ngaphambi kokuba ngikwenze lokho, kufanele nje ngihlanganyele nawe ukuthi lowo nyaka waqhubeka kanjani.

Ngemva kokuba ngithole izibhamu eposini, le ndaba yenzeka—futhi ingenye yezindaba ezimangalisa kakhulu ezenzeke mayelana nokubona isabelo esiphindwe kabili ziboniswa ngokucacile, okusobala, kungekho mbuzo ebuzwayo, lena isibonelo sesabelo esiphindwe kabili. Le ndaba iphathelele nezimoto zami, ikakhu-lukazi *Cadillac Escalade* eyiparele elimhlophe enginikezwe yona engikhulume ngayo ezahlukweni ezimbalwa ezedlule. Njengoba ngike ngasho ekuqaleni encwadini, mina noDrenda asikho

ezimotweni ngempela. Ngokuvamile sivele sizishayele zize ziyeke ukusebenza noma zingabonakali kahle.

Futhi kule ndaba, ngidinga ukusho ukuthi mina noDrenda sasinikeze izimoto ezimbalwa ngaphambili futhi sasingazange sibeke isidingo esicacile okholweni lwethu mayelana nokuthi yini esasikholelwa ukuthi sizovuna kulokho kupha. Kodwa uma ukhumbula leyondaba, ngenkathi sishayela i-*Escalade* eqashiwe ngesikhathi senkomfa yethu futhi sithi, “Sithanda lena; sicabanga ukuthi kufanele sithole eyodwa yalezi,” besingalindele ngempela ukuthi umuntu avele asibize athi ufuna ukusithengela. Kodwa-ke, yilokho okwenzeka. Futhi-ke, sasingakaze sitshela muntu ukuthi sifuna eyodwa yazo. Ngakho-ke njengoba ngike ngakutshela ngaphambili, ngaphambili, i-*Escalade* eyiparele elimhlophe, inguqulo emfushane yavela futhi yayinhle futhi imangalisa. Ngiyayithanda.

Kodwa kunesinye isici esimangazayo nakakhulu kule ndaba esenzeka nje ngehlobo eledlule. Sasishayele le-*Escalade*

**NGIPHISHEKELA
INKOSI NOMBUSO
WAYO, KODWA
EMBUSWENI
NGITHOLA
OKUNGAPHEZU
KOKWANELE, ISABELO
ESIPHINDWE KABILI!**

isikhathi esingangonyaka nesigamu ngesikhathi kufika ihlobo elidlule, futhi ngolunye usuku ngaphawula ukuthi ilambu lenjini lalikhanyisa. “Akunankinga,” ngacabanga, kodwa ngangifuna ukuthi ihlolwe, ngakho ngaba nomthengisi ayibheke. Bathi ngempela kwakungeyona into embi. Inzwa ibicosha ingcosana yamafutha kupayipi yokukhipha umoya, kodwa ibingeke ibangele inkinga. Injini yayizohlala isikhathi eside uma ngifuna

ukuyishayela. Ngababuza ukuthi kungani izobe icosha amafutha.

I-*Escalade* yami yayinendlela yokukhipha umoya yangokwezifiso okwakufakiwe kuyo, futhi bacabanga ukuthi lokho kungaba yisizathu sokuthi ibonakale isenza njalo. Baphinde bathi injini ngokwayo ilungile futhi kufanele ngilindele ukuthi injini izohlala isikhathi eside.

Ngolunye usuku, engxoxweni evamile nendoda eyayinginike imoto, ngakhuluma ngodaba lwelambu lenzwa enganginalo. Wathi, "Yebo, ngikubonile lokho kwenzeka ngezinye izimoto ze-GMC." "Eqinisweni," esho, "kuvame kakhulu kwezindala." Eqhubeka wathi ngeke kuphazamise nakancane imoto ngakho kufanele ngikwazi ukushayela imoto iminyaka engu-10 nangaphezulu ngaphandle kwenkinga.

Wayazi ukuthi mina noDrenda sinomuzi eFlorida engangisanda kuwuthenga. Ngahlala lapho ngimangele njengoba wabe esethi, "Ngizokutshela ukuthini. Wena shayela lemota uye eFlorida futhi uyisebenzise khona lapho, futhi mina ngizokuthengela enye ozoyishayela usiza ngapha e-Ohio." Yebo, mina manje nginamabili ama *Escalade* ayiparele elimhlophe, amafushane aphelele ngayo yonke indlela, ngaphandle kwesibani senzwa esikhanyisa kanye ngesikhathi kweyokuqala. Zombili ziphelele ngazo zonke izindlela! Futhi, kwakungomunye walezo "Uke wakubona lokho?" izikhathi. Mina noDrenda kufanele sizincinze njengoba sishayela lezo zimoto ezinhle. Asizange siyikhokhele neyodwa yalezo zimoto. Kodwa kulokhu, sasazi ukuthi kwakuyisabelo esiphindwe kabili.

Angikutsheli lezi zindaba ukuze uziqhayise nganoma iyiphi indlela, kodwa mngane, mina ngibusisiwe! Ngijabulela isabelo esiphindwe kabili, njengoba wazi manje, ukuba nokungaphezu kokwanele. Nginesisefo sezibhamu esigcwele izibhamu, ezingaphezu kokwanele. Nginama-*Escalade* amabili afanayo engingazange

ngiwakhokhele. Ngicabanga ukuthi ungavuma ukuthi kungaphezu kokwanele! Futhi akukhona ukuthi nginikhuthaza ukuba nifune izinto ezibonakalayo, akunjalo. Ngibamba izinto ngokukhululeka, futhi angizikhonzi izinto noma ngiziphishekele. Ngiphishekela iNkosi noMbuso Wayo, kodwa eMbusweni ngithola okungaphezu kokwanele, isabelo esiphindwe kabili!

Linda, angikaqedi ukufakaza ngobuhle beNkosi kanye nesabelo esiphindwe kabili okwamanje.

Umkami wayefuna ikhaya elisogwini iminyaka engu-20 edlule. Cha, ake ngikubeke kabusha lokho. Useyifune unomphela! Uthanda ulwandle nje! Noma kunjalo, useneminyaka ebuka impahla yasolwandle. Esikhathini esidlule lapho kunentengo enkulu emzini ayewuthanda, imali yethu yayiboshelwa emisebenzini yenkonzo futhi sasilinda. Hhayi-ke, kulo nyaka bengikhuleka egumbini elingaphansi njengoba ngigibele ibhayisikili lami elingashintshi. Kungazelelwe, iNkosi yagcizelela kimi ngendlela enamandla kakhulu, “Tshela uDrenda ukuya eFlorida, kulelo dolobha afisa ukuba nomuzi kulo, futhi amtshele ukuthi athenge umuzi wakhe osolwandle kuleli sonto.” Hawu, kuleli sonto? Kwaba nokuphuthuma okukhulu emoyeni wami lapho ngizwa lokho. Ngakho ngatshela uDrenda lokho iNkosi eyayikushilo kimi, futhi saxhumana nomngane wethu owayehlala kulelo dolobha ukuze abone ukuthi angathanda yini ukushayela uDrenda izinsukwana abheke ezindlini. Wathi angathanda.

Ngakho-ke uDrenda wangena ku-inthanethi futhi wenza uhlu lwezindlu ezingaba ngu-25 ayefuna ukuzihlola. Sebefikile, uDrenda wanciphisa uhlu lwakhe lwezindlu ezingu-25 wehlela kwezi-5 okungenzeka ukuthi eyodwa yazo wayengathi uyayithanda. Kuleli qophelo, ngehla ngendiza ngayahlangana naye futhi wangikhombisa

izindlu ezi-5 kanye naleyo ayithandayo. Sanciphisa u-5 kuya ku-2—leyo ayeyithanda kanye nenye indlu eyayiyinhle kakhulu kodwa ingenhle njengaleyo ayeyithanda. Kuzomele ngivume ukuthi lapho ngibona umuzi ayewuthanda ngangazi ukuthi nguDrenda, sagcina sesifaka isithembiso kuwo. Umnikazi wasamukela isicelo sethu futhi sasinenkontileka ngokuvumelana nge`khaya lethu elisha.

Ngemva kwamasono ambalwa, lapho sisekhaya e-Ohio siphumule nje, uDrenda wahefuzela wathi, “Yindlu yami leyo!” “Ngiyazi,” ngathi, “Yindlu yakho lena. UNkulunkulu wangitshela ukuthi ngizokuthengela ikhaya lakho olwandle ngesonto engakuthumela ngaso olwandle.”

Wathi, “Cha, aniqondi; yindlu yami leyo.” Uqhube wathi sekuneminyaka eminingi efuna imizi kuleyo ndawo, kwathi ngelinye ilanga wabona isithombe sendlu esasiyithenga kubathengisi bezindlu. Lapho eyibona, wayithanda. Wayethanda yonke into ngakho, izakhiwo zaseSpain Mediterranean, ipulani yaphansi, indawo, into yonke ngayo. Wakhumbula ebeka umunwe wakhe kuleso sithombe ethi, “Nkosi, ngiyayifuna leyo!” Kodwa wayazi ukuthi leyo ndlu ibiza kakhulu futhi imali yethu sase siyinikele komunye umsebenzi, ngakho wayelokhu ebheka izindlu ezazisezingeni lethu lentengo ngaleso sikhathi. Kodwa ayikho enye indlu athinteka ngayo, futhi asikaze safinyelele eqophelweni lokubeka inkontileka kwenye yazo. Sasingakabi nakho nje ukuthula ngendlu.

Kufanele futhi wazi ukuthi sasihlwanyele imbewu yendlu eselwandle kuleli dolobha eminyakeni emibili ngaphambili. Ukuvuma kwethu ngalesi sikhathi kwaba ukuthi sinendlu eselwandle kuleli dolobha, sesinayo, futhi sayemukela ngosuku esayihlwanyela ngayo. Ngiyakhumbula indawo kanye nomzuzu lapho sibambene izandla futhi savumelana egAmenii lendlu eselwandle ka Drenda.

Kodwa manje njengoba sasinenkontileka, uDrenda wavele wakhumbula isithombe ayesibone eminyakeni emibili edlule futhi waqaphela ukuthi lena kwakuyindlu efanayo, indlu yakhe!

Ngemuva kophenyo ngomlando walo muzi, sathola ukuthi umnikazi wendlu wayeke wazama ngempela ukuyithengisa eminyakeni embalwa edlule, kodwa ayizange ithengiswe, ngakho waseyikhipha emakethe. Kungaleso sikhathi lapho uDrenda asibona isithombe sendlu ohlwini lwayo lwezindlu kubathengisi bezindlu. Kodwa umnikazi wayenqume ukuyifaka ohlwini lwezindlu njalo, futhi lokhu kuchaza ukuthi kungani ngaba nokuphuthuma kungazelelwe ukuthumela uDrenda olwandle neziyalezo, “Kuzofanele uthenge indlu kuleli sonto.” Uzokutshela ukuthi akuyona indlela engivame ukusebenzisa ngayo imali leyo. Isikhathi siyikho konke. Kulokhu, imali yami yayingahlanganyeli kweminye imisebenzi futhi yayitholakala ngendlu. Nginesiqiniseko sokuthi babebaningi abantu ababebuka leyo ndlu futhi kwakuyisizathu sokuphuthuma. Ngokumangalisayo, intengo yayingakhuphukanga enanini elalibhalwe eminyakeni emibili ngaphambili lapho eqala ukuyibona. Ngikholwa ukuthi uNkulunkulu ubembambele yona!

Kodwa nansi isabelo esiphindwe kabili sendaba. Ngesikhathi indlu yethu isenkontileka ilindele ukuvalwa, sathola ucingo oluvela kumama kaDrenda. Babenomuzi eCanada iminyaka engu-32 edlule. Besike saba khona izikhathi eziningi phakathi neminyaka futhi silithanda ikhaya nendawo. Ikhaya lisesiqhingini khona kanye emanzini. Eqinisweni, ulwandle lucishe lube ngamamitha angu-30 ukusuka emphemeni wangemuva. Abazali bakaDrenda base bekhulile futhi banquma ukuthi abafuni ukuyigcina kanye nezindleko zekhaya elikude kangaka. Beza kithina basibuza ukuthi sinaso yini isithakazelo sokuyithenga ngaphendula ngathi

cha. Kwakuwuhambo lwamahora angu-31 ukusuka e-Ohio, futhi nakuba ngangiyithanda indawo, angizange ngiyibone njengento engangingafika kuyo njalo ngenxa yesikhathi sohambo. Ngakho bafaka indlu ohlwini lwezindlu nomthengisi wezindlu, kodwa ngemva kokuba nayo emakethe iminyaka emibili, akekho umthengi owabonisa isithakazelo esikhulu.

Ngakho manje lapho sisalinde olwandle, bashaya ucingo bachaza ukuthi bazamile ukuthengisa indlu ngaphandle kwempumelelo futhi sizimisele ukwehlisa intengo ngesigamu uma sifuna ukuyithenga futhi siyigcine isemndenini. Lapho ngasengingangicabanga ngakho, izingane zami zase zikhule ziya lapho futhi iyindawo enhle. Ngakho mina noDrenda sathandaza ngakho futhi sathi sizoyithatha. Besinemali eyanele nje ukuze siyithenge. Ngaphandle kwalokho, sasithengele inkampani yami indiza ngonyaka owandulele, okwasivumela ukuba sifike lapho ngamahora angu-5 esikhundleni samahora angu-31 eyayiwadinga ngemoto. Lokho kwenza ukuya lapho kwaba nokwenzeka kakhulu.

Ngemva kokuba sizivale zombili lezi zindlu, ngolunye usuku ngangihlezi ehhovisi lami lapho kungazelelwe kwangishaya, “Ima kancane, lena yisabelo esiphindwe kabili!” Umkami wayeseneminyaka ephupha ngokuba nekhaya ngasolwandle. Manje, phakathi kwezinyanga ezimbili, wathola ikhaya elingaphakathi

ukuvala endlini yethu

**UNGACABANGI
UKUTHI ISABELO
ESIPHINDWE KABILI
SILINGANISELWE
EKUBENI NOKUBILI
KOKUTHILE.
EQINISWENI, ISABELO
ESIPHINDWE
KABILI IMANE
IWUKUBA NEZINTO
OKUNGAPHEZU
KOKWANELE.**

eseningizimu ye-United States, efudumele ebusika kodwa enishisa kakhulu ukuthi ungayisebenzisa kakhulu ehlobo. Kodwa ikhaya eliseCanada ilezinga lokushisa elihle kakhulu ehlobo kodwa libanda kakhulu ebusika. Sabona ukuthi manje unendlu yasolwandle enazo zonke zombili izinkathi zonyaka. Okungakholeki. Ngokuqinisekile sathi, “Ukubonile lokho na?” ngenkathi lokho kuvalwa okubili kuthatha indawo. Ngicabanga ukuthi ungavuma lokhu kubukeka futhi kunuka njengesabelo esiphindwe kabili! Kuyamangalisa!

Ngisebenzise izibonelo ezimbalwa zendlela uNkulunkulu alethe ngayo okubili kokuthile kimina noDrenda, engikholelwa ukuthi uNkulunkulu wayevame ukusivumela ukuba sibone ngokucacile isabelo esiphindiweyo kabili iyasebenza. Kodwa ngifuna ukwenza isiqiniseko sokuthi ungacabangi ukuthi isabelo esiphindwe kabili silinganiselwe ekubeni nokubili kokuthile. Eqinisweni, isabelo esiphindwe kabili imane iwukuba nezinto okungaphezu kokwanele. UNkulunkulu wayesebenzisa lezi zibonelo ezihluke kakhulu zezinto ezimbili ukuze abambe ukunaka kwami mayelana nesabelo esiphindwe kabili. Ngakho-ke noma ngabe iyini, ukuba nayo ngokuchichimayo kuyisabelo esiphindwe kabili. Ngethemba ukuthi uyalibamba iqiniso lesabelo esiphindwe kabili kanye nokuphumula kweSabatha. Ukuphila kuyamangalisa kakhulu eMbusweni! Njengoba ngibhala lesi sahluko, ngizihlalele ekhaya eCanada, ngibuka ngefasitela olwandle. Kukhona inyoni ama-*sea gull* namadada adlala ogwini oluqhele ngamayadi angama-25 kuphela ukusuka endlini. Kukhona ukuthula, akukho ukulwisa, ikhokhelwe ngokuphelele, futhi isibusiso. Ngisesabelweni, ngabelana izindaba ezinhle zoMbuso kaBaba, ngiyindodana endlini Yakhe, isakhamuzi soMbuso Wakhe omkhulu, futhi ngijabulela isabelo esiphindwe kabili!

Mina noDrenda singabhala izindaba eziningi kakhulu zokuthi uMbuso kaNkulunkulu nemithetho ewulawulayo kube nomthelela kanjani ezimpilweni zethu, kanye nezinkulungwane zabantu abasithumelela izindaba zabo ngama-imeyili. Njengoba ngihlanganyele, ungazifunda zonke lezi zinto eBhayibhelini, kodwa kujabulisa kakhulu ukubona iBhayibheli lidlala phambi kwamehlo akho.

Amazwana nje engingathanda ukukwengeza lapha. Kuwukugembula ngempela ngakimi ukutshela abantu ukuthi uNkulunkulu usibusise kanjani mina noDrenda kanye nohambo esiluhambile. Abantu izikhathi eziningi bayithatha kabi. Ngezinye izikhathi bangase bacabange ukuthi siyazidla noma siyaziqhayisa. Noma bacabanga ukuthi sithathe imali yokweshumi kwabo noma iminikelo yabo futhi sizichithele thina. Ngicela uqonde ukuthi mina noDrenda asithathi mali esuka kumsakazo wethu weTV, futhi asithathi mali ekuthengiseni kwezinsiza zethu. Yebo, siyawuthola umholo, ngokunjalo, ebandleni esishumayela kulo. Kodwa sinamabhezini futhi sihlala sinawo, futhi uNkulunkulu uyawabusisa. Bengifuna nje ukwenza isiqiniseko sokuthi uyazazi izinhliziyi zethu ekwabelaneni ngezindaba zethu zomuntu siqu. Ngaba nomuzwa wokuthi kufanele ngikutshela lokho esikubonile ngempela kwenzeka, nalokho uNkulunkulu asifundise kona ngalezo zenzakalo. Imiphumela engabelana ngayo nawe akuyona imiphumela kaGary noDrenda Keese; asisihle kangako! Cha, esikubonile nesikujabulelayo kuwumphumela kaBaba wethu noMbuso wakhe ekuphileni kwethu. Sabelana ngalezi zindaba ngoba sifuna nje ukuthi wena ukuthole! Hhayi, sivele kungena lutho, futhi isizathu esisodwa sokuthi ngibhale le ncwadi ingeyakho! Ngifuna nazi ukuthi kusebenza kanjani ukuze niqonde futhi namukele konke uNkulunkulu anakho ngawe njalo.

Qonda ukuthi ngiyabuzonda ubumpofu ngentshiseko. Leyominyaka eyisishiyagalolunye yokuphila ngokucindezeleka nokwesaba njalo yayiyisihogo esiphilayo emhlabeni, ngokoqobo! Ngethemba ukuthi uzokhumbula ukuthi ukuphumula kweSabatha kungokwakho kanye nami! Esahlukweni esilandelayo, ngizokusiza uqonde ukuthi ungangena kanjani ekuphumuleni kweSabatha.

Amazwana nje kulesi sahluko. Ngathi ngiqeda ukubhala lomusho ongenhla, kwangena unobhala wami ehhovisi lami wathi ngifikelwe ibhokisi. Ngamangala uma ngiyivula ngathola izibhamu ezimbili ezinhle kakhulu. Wewu, kwakukhuthaza lokho! Kwaba sengathi uNkulunkulu wayebeka u-“Amenii” kulokho engangisanda kukusho.

Ngemva kokuba le ncwadi isiyonyatheliswa futhi ngithole iloli lokuqala eligcwele izincwadi, ngajabulela ukufundisa le migomo ngokokuqala ngqa enkomfeni yethu yase-*Atlanta Revolution*. Ngakujabulela nokuba nencwadi yami entsha ukuze ngiye kubantu. Ngathi ngilungiselela ukwehlela eholweni yokusina ukuze ngikhulume, unobhala wami wangibiza wathi kukhona ucingo engibiza ngalo luvela kumnumzane owayenginikeze izibhamu zokuqala, wathi udinga ukukhuluma nami manje. Ngakho ngamshayele ucingo ngokushesha. Wajabula kakhulu lapho echaza ukuthi wayesanda kufika ehhovisi le-*UPS* futhi ubengithumele ezinye izibhamu ezimbili! Ngaphandle kwalokho, wayethumele nesibhamu uDrenda, futhi ngenxa yokuthi wayazi ukuthi akazingeli, wamthumela u-\$1,500 ingamadola awekhulu. Ngashaqeka. Ngezwa ukuthi kwakunguNkulunkulu futhi owayeqinisekisa engangikwenza futhi, ngandlela ethize, engitshela ukuthi ngiqhubeke. Abantu badinga ukwazi lezi zinto—uNkulunkulu ufuna nazi lokhu! Noma kunjalo, lapho ngifika ekhaya, ngajabulela ukuvula ibhokisi. Mina

no-Drenda sathola izibhamu ezinhle kakhulu zika-*Browning over and under izibhamu ezimfishane* ezifanayo engake ngazibona. Zombili zintsha. Nami ngangine-*Browning gold semiautomatic 2 gauge* futhi, ngokunjalo, uDrenda wayene-\$1,500 yakhe. Isabelo esiphindwe kabili!

Ungase uzibuze ukuthi kungani kunezibhamu ezingaka. Hhayi-ke, kufanele ngivume ukuthi manje nginezibhamu eziningi ezinhle kakhulu, hhayi ezishibhile, futhi ngabuza umbuzo ofanayo. UNkulunkulu wangenza ngazi ukuthi wayethumele izibhamu eziningi ezibizayo nezinhle ukuze angenze ngibone ukuthi izinsiza Zakhe zaziningi kangakanani, ukuthi ukuhlinzeka Kwakhe kungaphezu kwalokho engangikulindele futhi kudlula kakhulu ukusinda. Ngiyakuthola! Ngiyayibona!

ISAHLUKO 10

IMFIHLAKALO YESABELO ESIPHINDWE KABILI

Manje sengichaze konke kuthi ukuphumula kweSabatha kuyini futhi nokuthi kungenzeka kanjani ngesabelo esiphindwe kabili. Umbuzo okufanele ube sengqondweni yakho uthi, “Ngingena kanjani kusabelo esiphindwe kabili?” Hhayi-ke, ngiyajabula ngokuthi ubuzile! Ukuze sithole impendulo yalowo mbuzo, ake sibuyele endabeni lapho uJesu ondla khona amadoda angu-5,000 ngezinkwa ezinhlanu nenhlanzi ezimbili.

Kwathi sikhathi sesihambile, beza kuye abafundi bakhe. “Le ndawo iyinhlane,” besho, “futhi isikhathi sesidlulile. Bamukise abantu ukuba baye emaphandleni nasemizaneni ezizungezileyo, bazithengele ukudla.”

Wayesephendula ethi kubo: Bapheni nina ukudla.

Bathi kuye, “Lokho kungathatha iholo lomuntu ngaphezu kwezinyanga eziyisishiyagalombili! Siyakuchitha imali engaka sithenge isinkwa, sibaphe badle na?”

“Ninezinkwa ezingaki na? wabuza. “Hambani nibone.”

Sebazi bathi: Ziyisihlanu—nezinhlanzi ezimbili.

Khona-ke uJesu wabayala ukuba bonke abantu bahlale phansi otshanini obuluhlaza izigaba ngezigaba. Base behlala phansi amaviyo ngamaviyo, kwaba ngamakhulu nangamashumi ayisihlanu. Wazithabatha izinkwa eziyisihlanu nezinhlanzi ezimbili wabheka ngasezulwini, wazibusisa, wazihlephula izinkwa. Wazinika abafundi bakhe ukuba bazibeke phambi kwabantu. Nezinhlanzi ezimbili wababela bonke ngazo. Badla bonke, basutha, futhi abafundi babutha imvuthuluka yezinkwa nezinhlanzi, izinqabetho eziyishumi nambili ezigcwele. Inani lababedlile babengamadoda ayizinkulungwane eziyisihlanu.

—NgokukaMarko 6:35-44

Sike sakhuluma ngaphambili ngale ndaba, kodwa kukhona imikhondo emikhulu ngempela mayelana ngesabelo esiphindwe kabili. Endabeni, uJesu ngokungaphezu kwemvelo wandisa isinkwa nezinhlanzi, badla bonke abantu, basutha. Ngicabanga ukuthi bekunabantu ababalelwa ku-20,000, okuhlanganisa abesifazane nezingane; futhi nokuthi abantu abaningi baphakelwa izinkwa ezinhlanu nezinhlanzi ezimbili badla baze basutha bonke ngobukhulu ubuqotho bukaNkulunkulu. Futhi ngenxa yalokho, singagubha uMbuso nendlela owawusebenza ngayo. Kodwa ukuba nje nabantu besondlwa akusona sonke isithombe salokho okwenzekile, futhi uma ume lapho, uzophuthelwa isabelo esiphindwe kabili. Ake sijule kancane.

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Ngakho umbhalo usitshelani? Ukuthi ngemva kokuba bonke sebesuthi, babutha invuthuluka yezinkwa nezinhlanzi, iziqabetho ezingu-12 ezigcwele. Incazelo yesabelo esiphindwe kabili yikuba nokungaphezu kokwanele. Okwanele kuyikutsuthiswa, kodwa iziqabetho ezingu-12 ezisele ngemva kokuba abantu sebesuthi kuyisabelo esiphindwe kabili, okungaphezu kokwanele. Ngicela ukuthi lowo mehluko uzinze ekwazini kwakho kancane. Ngifuna ukuthi uthole isithombe esicacile sokwaneliseka kuqathaniswa nesabelo esiphindwe kabili engqondweni yakho. Anginaso isikhathi lapha sokujula kakhulu ngendlela uJesu aletha ngayo amandla oMbuso kuleso simo ukuze afeze ingxenye yokuqala yale ndaba—abantu abayi-5,000 besaneliseka. Kodwa ungayithola incazelo ephelele encwadini yokuqala yalolu chungechunge, ebizwa ngokuthi *Uguquko Lwakho Lwezizimali: Amandla Okwethembeka*.

Kunalokho, ngifuna ukugxila kusabelo esiphindwe kabili, ukuchichima, nokuthi kwenzeke kanjani kule ndaba. Yebo, yindaba

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emangalisayo—abantu abangu-20,000 bonke banelisekile, wewu! Kodwa kunokuningi eMbusweni kunokumane waneliseke, nakuba ngokuqinisekile udinga ukwaneliseka ngaphambi kokuba udlulele ekuchichimeni. Ukwaneliseka kuhle, kodwa kuthiwani ngekusasa? Engizama ukukusho ukuthi uma inhloso yakho kuwukwanelisa kuphela, kwenzekani lapho uphinda ulamba njalo? AmaKristu amaningi asesimweni sokwaneliseka kodwa aphuthelwe yisabelo esiphindwekabili. Kuyisabelo esiphindwekabili esiletha ukuphumula kweSabatha kukaNkulunkulu. Ukwaneliseka kuwukulungiswa kwesikhashana kuphela. Akuyixazululi inkinga yokuhlizeka. Ukwazi ukuthi uzophinde ulambe noma ungalambile okwamanje kusakuvulela umnyango wokwesaba, okukubangela ukuba ugijime futhi usebenze unomqondo wokusinda. Cha, kunendlela engcono yokuphila kunokumane uhlose ukwaneliseka. Awukwazi ukwakha okuningi ngomqondo wokwaneliseka. Umbono usalinganiselwe ezingeni lokwaneliseka lokugxila kuphela namuhla. Ukuba waneliseke njengomgomo kusewumgomo wokuphila ngokusinda emhlabeni wesiqalekiso wokukhandleka okubuhlungu kanye nenhlelo zezithukuthuku.

Ukwaneliseka ukudla okwanamuhla; isabelo esiphindwe kabili sakha ikusasa!

Ake ngininikeze isibonelo sokuthi amasiko kanye neningi lebandla licabanga kanjani. Buza noma ubani ukuthi uqhuba kanjani ngokwezimali futhi uzothola izimpendulo ezingi, mhlawumbe hhayi ezingi ezinhle. Kodwa uma uthola enhle, kumbe othile othi, “Siqhuba kahle,” babuze uthi, “Pho unesikhathi esingakanani ukhokhelwe indlu yakho ngokuphelele?” Bangase bakugqolozele

bese bethi, “Hhayi-ke, umuzi wami awukakhokhelwa. Bengiqonde ukuthi sikhokhela zonke izikweletu futhi sinemali ebhange.” “Kuhle!” usho wena, “Bafu nenza kahle ngempela. Ngitshele, ingabe unayo imali engaphezu kuka-\$10,000 ebhange?” Vele, akekho obengabuza lokhu, ngicabanga, kepha uma ukwenzile futhi bazophendula, bathi, “Cha, kepha sine \$800.” Eqinisweni, laba bantu bacabanga ukuthi benza kahle ngokwezimali ngoba banemoto enhle, indlu enhle, kanye nemali embalwa ebhange. Baphila impilo yokwanelisa. Kodwa kukhona okuningi! Kuthiwani ngokuthi ukhokhelwe indlu yakho ne-\$100,000 ebhange, noma u-\$500,000 ebhange? Lokho kungaba isithombe sokungaphezu kokwanele kwempilo kubantu abanengi. Ukwaneliseka kukhulu futhi kuyadingeka, kodwa ukuba neziqabetho ezingu-12 zesinkwa nezinhlanzi esipheleni sokudla kungaphezu kokwanele, futhi kunokuthula!

Ngahlala phansi nekhasimende ngolunye usuku futhi sasixoxa ngezezimali zakhe. Lapho ngangibheka ezikweletini zakhe, ngabona ukuthi wayenesikweletu sekhadi lesikweletu esingaba ngu-\$40,000. Futhi njengoba ngibheka izimpahla zakhe, ngabona ukuthi wayenemali engaba ngu-\$40,000 ngokheshi ku-akhawunti yakhe. “Joe,” ngathi, “lokhu akunangqondo. Unemali yokukhokha ngokuphelele amakhadi akho esikweletu amathathu. Inzalo yakho esikweletini sekhadi lesikweletu ngu-18%, kanti izinga lenzalo ye-akhawunti yakho ngu-1%. Khokha amakhadi esikweletu ngokheshi! Kodwa uyazi yini? UJoe uthe akafuni ukwenza lokho. Ngahlala lapho ngididekile, futhi ngambuza ukuthi kungani. Uthe ukuba nemali ku-akhawunti yakhe kwAmeniza wazizwa ephephile futhi ecebile ngokwezimali. Ngavele ngambheka nje. “Uqonde ukuthini ukuthi kukwenza uzizwe ucebile? Lokhu

kuwukukhohlisa. Nakuba unayo i-\$40,000 ku-akhawunti yakho, awunayo ngempela\$40,000 ngoba ukweleta izinkampani zekhadi lakho lesikweletu u-\$40,000. Umbono wakho ungamanga, futhi ukhokha imali eningi ukuze ukholelwe inkohliso.”

Saxoxa isikhathi esingangehora, futhi akazange aqonde ukuthi kungani kufanele acabangele okungenani ukubeka inqwaba yokuqokethwe ku-akhawunti yakhe ngokumelene nesikweletu, wangikhumbuza ukuthi wayeyisebenzele kanzima. Ngadela ngemva kwelinye ihora futhi ngabuyela ekhaya. Wayekhohlisiwe; wayengenakho ukuvikeleka ekuzAmenii ukugcina leyo mali ku-akhawunti yakhe. O, ngiyazi ukuthi kube kuhle ngesikhathi lesi sitatimende sifika ngeposi futhi sibonisa ukuthi u-\$40,000 ebhange. Kodwa ukuze athole isithombe sangempela salapho ayekhona, kwakudingeka avule nezikweletu zekhadi lesikweletu.

Ukwaneliseka kukhulu, futhi kungakuyenga ube nomuzwa oyiphutha wokulondeka. Udinga ukubheka ikusasa lakho kancane futhi wazi ukuthi osanda kukudla ngeke ukwazi ukuhlinzeka ngalokho okudingayo emahoreni ambalwa. Uzolamba futhi. Uma ufuna kuphela okusheshayo, ukwaneliseka okusheshayo kokuhlinzeka, uzophuthelwa into kuphela engashintsha impilo yakho— isabelo esiphindwe kabili.

Lapho sonke sikhula kuhlelo lwesiqalekiso somhlaba lwezimali lokukhandleka okubuhlungu nezithukuthuku, siphupha into eyodwa, ukuma! Ngishilo lokhu esahlukweni esandulele. Asizange siphuphe ngomsebenzi owengeziwe noma elinye ithuba ngokuba, eqinisweni, besesivele sikhungathekile ngokuphila futhi sibambelele nje kuze kufike ikhefu elilandelayo. Uyabona, izigqila aziphuphi ngomsebenzi owengeziwe. Izigqila ziphupha into eyodwa— ngoLwesihlanu ebusuku, hhayi uMsombuluko ekuseni. Kungani?

Kungoba izigqila ziphupha into eyodwa kuphela—ukuma. Lalela, isimo sengqondo ekhungathekile futhi “engakwazi ukulinda ukuze ime” ngeke ikuyise noma yikuphi. Ngisho noma ingelosi ingena ekamelweni lakho lokulala futhi ikutshele umbono ovela kuNkulunkulu, isimo sengqondo yakho sisazokubamba. Bhala phansi lokhu.

KUMELE UBONE OKWEDLULE UKWANELISEKA UKUZE UBAMBE ISABELO ESIPHINDWE KABILI!

Lesi sitatimende siyisihluthulelo kusabelo esiphindwe kabili. Ngiyazi ukuthi akwenzi mqondo omuhle njengamanje, kodwa kuzokwenza. Ukukukhombisa ukuthi ngiqonde ukuthini, ngifuna ukuphinda ngibheke indaba yokondla abantu abayizi-5,000 encwadini kaNgokukaJohane, esikhundleni sencwadi kaNgokukaMarku. Ngokombono kaJohane ngalendaba, sithola indaba efanayo kodwa eneminingwane embalwa esingayitholi enguqulweni kaNgokukaMarku.

UJesu wazithatha izinkwa, wabonga, wayesezabela ababehlezi phansi, kanjalo futhi nezinhlanzana njengokuthanda kwabo. Kuthe sebesuthi bonke, wathi kubafundi bakhe: Buthani imvuthuluka eseleyo. Kungachitheki lutho.”

— NgokukaJohane 6:11-12

Kule nguqulo yendaba, siyabona ukuthi kwakunguJesu owabatshela ukuthi bahambe bayobutha izimvuthuluka, noma ingcezu futhi kungachitheki lutho. Ngifuna ukuthole lokhu.

Kwakumele abatshela ukuthi benze lokho ngoba babengaliboni ithuba. Zibeke esikhundleni sabo. Usuthi futhi wanelisekile, futhi okufunayo nje ukucambalala ushaye isathongwana. Ngenxa yokuqeqeshwa kwakho kwesiqalekiso somhlaba kanye nengqondo yakho yobugqila, lapho usuwanelisekile, sekuyisikhathi sokuma. Uyabona, ingqondo yesigqila isebenza kuphela uma kufanele, futhi lapho kungadingeki, lapho yanelisekile, iyama. UJesu kwadingeka abatshela ukuthi baqoqe okulungile emehlweni abo. Izingcezu zazibazungezile phansi, nokho abenzanga mzamo wokuzicosha. Kodwa futhi, ezingqondweni zabo, yiziphi izimvuthuluka ezazifan- eleka ngaphandle kokuba zishiyelwe izinyoni?

UJesu wayezama ukubafundisa okuthile, into ebaluleke kakhulu. UJesu uyaphawula ngemva kokuba ebatshele ukuba baqoqe imvuthuluka, kungachitheki lutho! Kodwa kusho ukuthini lokho? Wonke umuntu usuthi, wonke umuntu wenelisekile, futhi akekho ofuna esinye isinkwa noma ezinye inhlanzi, okungenani okwamanje. Kodwa nansi inkinga—akukho ukuphumula kweSa- batha ngaphandle kokubutha okungaphezu kwalokho okudingayo. Lapho ama-Israyeli ebutha imana ngosuku lwesithupha, ayalwa ukuba abuthe okungaphezu kwalokho ayekudinga. Lapho bona bebutha okungaphezu kwalokho ababekudinga ngalolo suku kwaba ukuhlinzekwa kwabo ngosuku lwesikhombisa, usuku lokuphumula. UJesu wayefundisa abafundi bakhe ukuba bangabheki ngaphandle kokwaneliseka futhi babone ukuhlinzekwa okugcwele koMbuso. Futhi, awukwazi ukwakha ngokwanelisa, kodwa ungakha ngesabelo esiphindwe kabili. Ukwaneliseka sokudle isinkwa sanamuhla kodwa iziqabetho ezingu-12 ezisele zikunikeza izinketho zakusasa.

Nasi isimiso esiyinhloko engifuna ukuba usibone.

Nakuba abafundi bengazange bazibone izingcezwana kwaze

kwabayilapho uJesu eba bonisa, uNkulunkulu **wayesebanike kakade ukuphumula kweSabatha**, isabelo esiphindwe kabili. Abazange bakubone. UMbuso wawusukunikezile kakade ukudla, wandisa isinkwa nezinhlanzi, futhi wabondla bonke labo bantu—kodwa uMbuso uhlala unikeza isabelo esiphindwe kabili. UNkulunkulu ngeke nje anikeze ukwaneliseka; **Uyohlale enikeza okungaphezu kokwanele**. Inkinga ukuthi kungenzeka awukuboni!

Yiphani, khona niyakuphiwa; bayakunipha esifubeni senu isilinganiso esihle, esigxushiweyo, esigqishiweyo, esichichimayo, Ngokuba ngesilinganiso enilinganisa ngaso nani niyakulinganiselwa ngaso.

— NgokukaLuka 6:38

Yiphani khona niyakuphiwa, isilinganiso esihle, esigxushiweyo, esigqishiweyo. Kodwa akukho lapho leli vesi lime khona. Isilinganiso senu esigxushiweyo futhi esigqishiweyo sikuhlangezeka kwenu kwalolo suku. Kodwa leli vesi liqhubeka lithi, “esichichimayo!” Esichichimayo kuyisabelo esiphindwe kabili. UNkulunkulu uhlala enikeza isabelo esiphindwe kabili, neze nje ngokwanele!!!! Kodwa uma ubungakwazi lokho, futhi okusanhlamvu kuyachichima, ubungase ukuyeke kuwele phansi njengoba ubugxile ngokuphelele kusabelo sokwaneliseka esiphambi kwakho futhi ungazimisele ukubamba ukuchichima. Ngokwenza kanjalo, uzohluleka ukubamba futhi nokujabulela isabelo esiphindwe kabili. Kodwa uma ubuqaphela ukuthi uMbuso usebenza kanjani, wazi futhi ulindele ukuhlinzekwa okugcwele, ubuyokulungela ukwenza futhi ubambe konke lokho uNkulunkulu akuhlinzekayo.

Ake ngikunike esinye isibonelo.

*USimoni waphendula wathi: “Nkosi, sishikile ubusuku bonke, asibambanga lutho. Kepha ngezwi lakho, ngiyakuwehlisa amanetha.”*Sebekwenzile lokho babamba izinhlanzi eziningi kakhulu, aze agqabuka amanetha abo. Babaqhweba omana babo abakomunye umkhumbi ukuba beze, bababambise, beza-ke bayigcwalisa imikhumbi yomibili yaze yaqala ukucwila. Kuthe uSimoni Petru ekubona lokhu, waziphonsa phansi ngasemadolweni kaJesu, wathi: “Suka kimi, Nkosi, ngokuba ngingumuntu oyisoni!” Ngokuba ubehlelwa ngukwesaba, yena kanye nabo bonke ababe naye ngobuningi bezinhlanzi ababezibambile, kanjalo-ke noJakobe noJohane, amadodana kaZebedewu, ababesebenzisana noSimoni.

— NgokukaLuka 5:5-10

Lena ingxenywe yendaba esiyifunde ekuqaleni. UPetru wayenemikhumbi emibili ezacishe zacwila nezinhlanzi ngenxa yoMbuso. Lokhu kwakuphambene nokuqonda kwakhe ukudoba futhi kwamangaza. Kodwa kwakuyokwenzekani ngokulandelayo lapho uJesu ethi, “Hey, Petru, phumela emanzini ajulile, futhi uzokwazi ukubamba izinhlanzi eziningi ngokuthanda kwakho”? Ucabanga ukuthi wayezothatha izikebhe ezimbili? Angiboni. Wayezokwenza aqoqe imikhumbi eminingi ngangokukokwenzeka ayeziboleka kubangane bakhe. Kungani? Ngoba wayeyoba nokulindela okuhlukile futhi nolwazi ngendlela uMbuso osebenza ngayo.

Iphuzu layo yonke le ngxoxo ukuqinisekisa ukuthi uyaqonda ukuthi awukuboni konke ukuhlinzekwa okuthunyelwa uNkulunkulu. Ngeqiniso, isikhathi esiningi lokho kuhlinzekwa ngeke kube ngendlela yemali yamadola aluhlaza. Kodwa kuzoba ngendlela yemibono, ukuqokwa kwaphezulu, kanye nokuqondiswa

kukaMoya oNgcwele. Uma singalungiselelwanga ngokuqonda okufanele kwesabelo esiphindwe kabili, sizohamba ngqo kuzo ngenxa yokuqeqeshwa kwethu kokuphila ngokusinda ngaphansi kwesiqalekiso sasemhlabeni.

Endabeni yesinkwa siphindaphindekayo, uJesu uzama ukufundisa abafundi bakhe indlela uMbuso osebenza ngayo, yini okufanele bayilindele, nokuthi yini okufanele bakwandulele. Ngenxa yokuthi umqondo wabo wobugqila wawungawuboni okungenzeka ngazo zonke izinkwa ezazigcwele kuyo yonke indawo, kwadingeka abaqeqeshe ukuba babheke: “Nibonani na? Bhekani! Anikuboni konke uNkulunkulu anilungiselele kona.”

Ngifuna ukukukhumbuza u-Eksodusi 16 okwesikhashana njengoba kunento eyodwa futhi engifuna ukuyiveza.

Bakubutha ekuseni njalo imihla ngemihla, kwaba yilowo nalowo muntu njengokudla kwakhe, kepha nxa ilanga seli-balele, kwancibilika. Kwathi ngosuku lwesithupha babutha okuphindwe kabili—amawomere amabili kumuntu munye—zonke izinduna zomhlangano zafika zamtshela uMose. Wathi kuzo: “Lokhu kuyikho uJehova akukhulumileyo: ‘Kusasa kulusuku lokuphumula, iSabatha elingcwele likaJehova. Ngakho yosani lokho eniyakukosa futhi nipeke lokho eniyakukupheka nizebekele konke okuseleyo. Nikulondoloze kuze kuse.’”

Bakubeka kwaze kwasa, njengalokho eyalile uMose; akunukanga, akwaba nampethu. “Yidlani lokhu namuhla,” kusho uMose, “ngokuba namuhla kuyiSabatha likaJehova; Namuhla aniyikukuthola endle. Anokubutha izinsuku ezizisithupha, kepha ngosuku lwesikhombisa, kuyiSabatha, akuyikubakho ngalo.”

Kwathi, ngosuku lwesikhombisa kwaphuma abanye abantu ukuba bakubuthe, kepha kabakutholanga. UJehova wathi kuMose: “Niyakwala kuze kube nini ukugcina imiyalo yami nemithetho yami na? Bhekani, njengalokho uJehova eniphile iSabatha; ngalokho uyaninika ngosuku lwesithupha isinkwa sezinsuku ezimbili. Hlalani, kube yilowo nalowo endaweni yakhe, kungaphumi muntu endaweni yakhe ngosuku lwesikhombisa.” Ngakho abantu baphumula ngosuku lwesikhombisa.

— U-Eksodusi 16:21-30 (imana)

Njengoba kade sisho, isabelo esiphindwe kabili yikho okwenza ukuphumula kweSabatha kube nokwenzeka. Kodwa ngokumangalisayo, nakuba uNkulunkulu wayesevele ebanike isabelo esiphindwe kabili ngosuku lwesithupha, abaningi kubo baphuma beyokufuna kodwa abatholanga lutho ngeSabatha. Akukhona ukuthi uNkulunkulu wayengathembekile ukukunikeza. Abazange bakubone ngoba babengasiqondi kahle isabelo esiphindwe kabili esasenikezwe ngosuku lwesithupha. Babebuthe okwanele usuku olulodwa nje, njengenjwayelo. Manje, njengoba belambile ngosuku lwesikhombisa, abatholanga lutho. Mhlawumbe ngokombono wabo uNkulunkulu wayebaphoxile. Kodwa uNkulunkulu wayengahlulekanga; babemane bengawazi isimiso sesabelo esiphindwe kabili. Ukube bebazi ngabe bahlela ngendlela ehluKile.

Bangaki abantu namuhla abazulazula bezama ukuthola abakudingayo, bengaboni ukuthi uNkulunkulu usekuthumile kakade? Ngicabanga ukuthi kuyathakazelisa ngempela kulesi siqephu ukuthi uNkulunkulu ubathukuthelele ngokungaqoqi ngokwanele!!!! Ngizazibuza ukuthi kambe lokho bekuzoshumayela kanjani emabandleni ethu.

Kepha yena onika ohlwanyelayo inhlwanyelo futhi nesinkwa sokudliwa uyakulungisela, futhi andise imbewu yenu, futhi andise izithelo zokulunga kwenu. Ukuze ezintweni zonke nicetshiswe ngazo zonke izindlela ukuze nibe nokuphana ngazo zonke izikhathi.

—2 KwabaseKorinte 9:10-11

UPawulu ucacile lapha njengoba echaza uMbuso womphumela kaNkulunkulu nicetshiswe ngazo zonke izindlela ukuze nibe nokuphana ngazo zonke izikhathi. Mngane wami, lokho kudinga isabelo esiphindwe kabili. Awukwazi ukupha ngaso sonke isikhathi ngaphandle kokungaphezu kokwanele.

Esahlukweni esingaphambili, ngabelane nawe ukuthi ibhizinisi lami liqhube kanjani ukusukela ezingeni lokukhiqiza izigidi zamadola ezi-3 kuya kwezingu-4 ngonyaka nomunye wabathengisi bethu laze lakhiqiza ngaphezu kwezigidi ezingu-11 zamadola ngonyaka kumthengisi ofanayo. Konke lokhu ukwanda kwenzeka ngonyaka owodwa nje. Ngakutshela futhi ukuthi lokho kwenzeka kanjani, ukuthi uNkulunkulu wanginika iphupho ebusuku futhi wangitshela ukuthi ngenze kanjani. Kodwa manje ngidinga ukukutshela lokho angitshela khona ngoba manje kuzozwakala kuwe. Ephusheni lami, Yena wamane wanginika amazwi amathathu. Kulungile, amagama amathathu nje. Lawo magama amathathu ashintsha imali yami engenayo ngamakhulu ezinkulungwane zamadola ngalowo nyaka ngaphandle kokuthi ngenze noma yikuphi ukumaketha noma ukukhangisa kunalokho engangivele ngikwenza. Angishintshanga lutho mayelana nokusebenza kwenkampani yami ngaphandle kwami. Lawo magama amathathu anginikeza umyalo wokushintsha indlela mina mathupha engangenza ngayo okuthile,

futhi lokho kwashintsha ibhizinisi lethu kanye nemali yami engenayo ngokuphindwe kane. “Athini amagama amathathu?” uyabuza. Kalula nje lokhu—Sebenzisa Ngokugcwele Isikhathi!

Yebo, sebenzisa ngokugcwele isikhathi. “Yilokho kuphela? Lawo mazwi amathathu akwenza konke lokho?” Yebo, bakwenzile. Uma usuqonda ukuthi uNkulunkulu UHLALA ethumela isabelo esiphindwe kabili kanye nokuhlinzekwa Kwakhe, uzokuqonda lokho Yena ayengitshela khona.

**INKOSI YAYINGITSHELA
UKUTHI UKUCHICHIMA,
UKUPHUMULA
KWESABATHA,
KWA SEKUKHONA
KAKADE, KWASE
KUHLINZEKELWE
KAKADE.
BENGINAKUBONI NJE!**

Inkampani yami, njengazo zonke izinkampani zokuthengisa, yenza inzuzo ngokusiza abantu. Uma inkampani iba ngcono ekusizeni abantu, kuba nemali eningi abazoyenza. Nakuba lokhu kuyiqiniso, kuyiqiniso futhi ukuthi izinkampani eziningi ezithengisayo ziyehluleka ukuhlangabezana nezidingo zamakhasimende azo noma ngokungalandeleli kahle kanye nenkonzo yamakhasimende

noma ukuntuleka kokuphishekela nokuthola amakhasimende amasha enkampani.

Esimeni sethu, sasimatasa kakhulu, futhi nakuba lokho kwakungeyona into embi, ngezinye izikhathi asizange sinikeze isikhathi sokuphendula esisheshayo engangingathanda ukusibona kumakhasimende ethu. Ngokwami, ngisebenza namakhasimende ethu otshalomali futhi ngiyakuthanda. Kodwa ngenxa yohlelo lwami, lapho ikhasimende elifuna ukutshala izimali lingashaya ucingo futhi linikezwe kimi ukuze ngifinyelele kuye mathupha, ngezinye

izikhathi angikwazi ukuphendula lolucingo njalo emahoreni angu-24 okuqala. Izinhloso zami zinhle, kodwa angikwenzi nje.

Njengoba nazi, lapho abantu bebuza imibuzo, yinkampani enikeza izimpendulo ezizothola umsebenzi wabo. Kwesinye isikhathi ukwephuza ukuphendula ucingo lwekhasimende ukuxoxa ngezidingo zabo zomuntu siqu zokutshala izimali kungaba sekwephuze kakhulu. Babekwazi ukungashayela ucingo omunye umuntu owayekulungele ukuphendula imibuzo yabo. Kunezinto eziningi ezingahamba kabi, kodwa isisombululo kungaba ukuba khona nezimpendulo lapho abantu befuna ukwazi.

Ngakho lapho iNkosi inginika lawo mazwi amathathu, ngangazi ukuthi ayesho ukuthini. Bekufanele ngibheke izinto ngendlela ehlukile uma ngabe ngempela ngizokhuphukela enkundleni leyo kwabangu-10 abaphezulu futhi ngithole leyo bhonasi engu-\$100,000. Kwadingeka ngisebenzise ngokugcwele lomzuzu! Ngakho ngenza ushintsho ngendlela engangisenza ngayo izinto. Ngeza umthetho wokuthi uma kukhona oshayela ucingo ukuze athole iseluleko mayelana nokutshalwa kwezimali, ngizomshayela ucingo ngemva kwemizuzu embalwa, uma kungenzeka, futhi ngimvakashele ngokushesha. Amakhasimende ami akhona izwe lonke futhi lesi sibopho yisona okwakuzoba nzima ukusigcina. Kodwa ngangizibophezele kukho. Ngashayela umphathi wenkampani yami ngamtshela lokho uNkulunkulu ayekushilo futhi ngamtshela ukuthi atshele bonke abameleli bami ukuba babe nesimo sengqondo esifanayo sokusebenzisa wonke amathuba lapho bevela. Lapho unyaka usuphelile, senze ngaphezu kwezigidi ezingu-11 ezidingekayo ukuze sibe kwabayishumi abahamba phambili kuba thengisi. Kodwa ngaphezu kwalokho, sasiphinde sathola ibhizinisi elengeziwe ngezigididi zabanye abathengisi bethu.

Nasi isikhathi esikhulu sokuveza. Akukho okuhlukile esikwenzile kodwa samane sasabela ngokushesha lapho sile ikhasimende elifuna ukukhuluma nathi. Uyabona, iNkosi yayingitshela ukuthi ukuchi-chima, ukuphumula kweSabatha, kwasekukhona kakade, kwase kuhlinzekelwe kakade. Bengingakuboni nje!

Ngakho awukho umthetho woMbuso wesabelo esiphindwe kabili wokuthi kumiswe kanjani isabelo esiphindwe kabili. Isabelo esiphindwe kabili sihlala sikhona. UNkulunkulu uhlale ehlinzeka ngezinga lesabelo eliphindwe kabili.

**UNKULUNKULU AKAZE ATHUMELE
UKUHLINZEKWA KWANAMUHLE KUPHELA.
UHLALE ETHUMELA ISABELO ESIPHINDWE
KABILI KANYE NAKHO!**

Futhi, inkinga yethu ukuthi asiboni kanjalo isabelo esiphindwe kabili.

**Kodwa inkinga enkulu ukuthi besingazi nokuthi
kufanele sifune kuphi!!!!**

Ngiyakuthanda okwashiwo uJesu, “Kungachitheki lutho!” UNkulunkulu ukuthumele konke, futhi ufuna ukuba wena ube nakho. Wayecasulwa ukuthi abantu babephumile befuna imana ngosuku lwesikhombisa eselithumile kakade. Wakhumbuza uMose ukuthi wayeyithumele ngosuku lwesithupha ukuze bayibambe futhi bajabulele ukuphumula kweSabatha. Ngokuyisisekelo, wayebatshela, “ISabatha akulona elami, lingelenu. Yingakho nginithumelele isabelo esiphindwe kabili.” Ciske ungamazwa uJesu esho

into efanayo. “Hhawu bafo, thathani lezo zicucu, nizithathe zonke. UNkulunkulu ulithume ukuba likuthathe, ukuze nijabulele isabelo esiphindwe kabili, nithole nokuphumula.”

Endabeni kaJesu esuthisa abangu-5,000 ngezinkwa ezinhlanu nezinhlanzi ezimbili, abafundi abazange bazibone imvuthuluka. Babengabafuni ngisho. Kodwa uJesu wabatshele okwakumelwe bakubuthe futhi ukuvuna akuzange kuphuthe. Namuhla uMoya oNgcwele kufanele usisize sibone okwedlule ukwaneliseka futhi sibambe isabelo esiphindwe kabili. Uzosikhomba izinto esingaziboni uma sizombuza. Isihluthulelo ngethemba ukuthi usufundile kuze kube manje ukuthi isabelo esiphindwe kabili isivele inikezwe wena; udinga nje ukuyithwebula.

Ngoba isabelo esiphindwe kabili iyona KUPHELA yokuphunyuka ohlelweni lwesiqalekiso semhlabeni sokukhandleka okubuhlungu nezithukuthuku, uSathane uyakuzonda. O, angase azame ukwenza amaKristu akholwe ukuthi uma nje ekhokha izikweletu zawo, esebenza imisebenzi emibili ukuze enelise, wenza kahle. Kodwa umKristu onemali yokusekela uMbuso kaNkulunkulu futhi ophila bengenakho ukwesaba futhi nokukhathazeka ngokwezimali—manje yilowomuntu asefuna ukuba ame. Inhloso kaSathane ukukugcina ungena mali zonke izinsuku zokuphila kwakho futhi ugqilazwe indlela encane yokuphila ngokusinda lapho ungenalo ithonya. Imali iyithonya! USathane angathanda ukukumisa ekuzuzeni izibusiso zikaNkulunkulu nakanjani. Kungakho lokhu engizonitshela khona kubaluleke kakhulu ukuthi nikuqonde.

Isabelo esiphindwe kabili sifihliwe!

Kulungile, yisikhathi sokunikeza abafundi ikhefu. Kunesizathu esenza bangaboni ukuchichima. Yebo, ngeqiniso, njengoba besilokhu sisho, bebengakudingi, kepha bekukhona esinye isici. Ngokuvamile awuzicoshi izimvuthuluka! Ngiqonde ukuthi, ezingqondweni zabo, izinkwa nezingcezu zenhlanzi ezaziphansi kwakuyizimvuthuluka nje.

Kungani uhlamvu lwemali uPetru ayeludinga ukuze akhokhe izintela lwalufihlwe emlonyeni wenhlanzi? Ubani owayengacabanga

**INHLOSO KASATHANE
UKUKUGCINA
UNGENA MALI ZONKE
IZINSUKU ZOKUPHILA
KWAKHO FUTHI
UGQILAZWE INDLELA
ENCANE YOKUPHILA
NGOKUSINDA LAPHO
UNGENALO ITHONYA.**

ukuthi imikhumbi emibili yabadobi abachwepheshile ababedobe ubusuku bonke futhi bengabambi lutho bayobamba okukhulu kakhulu kunakho konke ukudoba ekuphileni kwabo ngenxa yezwi lika Rabi? Ubani owayengacabanga ukuthi owesifazane oku-2 AmaKhosi 4 owayengenamali, engenalutho endlini yakhe ngaphandle kwama-futha amancane, futhi owayese-zomemezela ukungabi namali kuthi

ngandlela ethile kwakuyoba nama-futha amaningi kangangokuthi wakhokhela sonke isikweletu sakhe futhi kwamvumela ukuba aphile ngaphandle kwezikweletu? Akekho obengakwenza. Ubani owayengacabanga ukuthi uGary Keese, owaphothula umuntu oyedwa kusukela kuwokugcina ekilasini lakhe, angaba usozigidi namuhla futhi ekhuluma nezinkulungwane zabantu emhlabeni jikelele nsuku zonke? Ekekho neyodwa! Kuzo zonke lezi zindaba, uNkulunkulu wasebenzisa okungalindelekile ukuze aguqule isimo esizungezile.

Uma ukuchichima, isabelo esiphindwe kabili sasisobala, ihlezi nje obala, uSathane wayeyoyibona futhi wayeyozama ukuyivimba futhi ayibe. Yingakho uNkulunkulu engayivezi ingcebo Yakhe ngokusobala. Zifihliwe. USathane uyakuzonda ukuthi weneliseke futhi ejabulela ukuhlinzekwa, kodwa uyakuzonda ngempela uma niwelela ekuchichimeni nasekuphumuleni kweSabatha.

Ake ngikubonise okuthile okudingeka ukuqonde mayelana nendlela uNkulunkulu asebenza ngayo endaweni yasemhlabeni.

Cha, sikhuluma ukuhlakanipha kukaNkulunkulu emfihlakalweni efihliweyo, futhi uNkulunkulu akumisela ngaphambili kube yinkazimulo yethu kusukela kwaphakade. Okungaziwa namunye wababusi balesi sikhathi, ngokuba uma babekwazi, ngabe abazange babengayikuyibethela esiphambanweni iNkosi yenkazimulo.

— 1 KwabaseKorinte 2:7-8

Lesi siqephu sisikhombisa ngokusobala ukuthi ukube uSathane ubelazi icebo likaNkulunkulu, ngabe wawashintsha amaqhinga! Yingakho uNkulunkulu kufanele asebenze ngomshoshaphansi. USathane angasabela kunoma yini esobala. Ukuhlinzekwa kwakho okuchichimayo ngeke kwenziwe kube sobala kuze kube umzuzu ozowuthwebula noma uwuvune ngenxa yesizathu esifanayo. Nginesisho ebengilokhu ngisho okweiminyaka eminingi. Ingcebo kaNkulunkulu ifihliwe, ayifihliwe kuwe kodwa ifihlelwe wena.

Kufihlelwe wena *kungokwakho!*

Abantu abaningi bangitshela ukuthi bafisa sengathi uNkulunkulu angalindi kuze kube yihora laphakathi kwamabili ukuze alethe

izimpendulo Zakhe. Kodwa mngane wami, uNkulunkulu akathukile. Uyazi ukuthi isikweletu sifike nini, futhi kuyinzuzo yakho ukuthi uNkulunkulu angasibonisi isandla Sakhe masinyani funa uSathane asivimbe.

Ngiyakukunika ingcebo jobumnyama, nemfuyo ethukusiweyo ezindaweni ezisithekileyo, ukuba wazi ukuthi nginguJehova okubiza ngegama lakho uNkulunkulu ka-Israyeli.

— U-Isaya 45:3

Nemfuyo ethukusiweyo ezindaweni ezisithekileyo? Sawubona, lokhu kungcono kunokulotshiwe ngefilimu elimangazayo kuna wonke lase Hollywood. Ake ngikunike isibonelo sokuthi uNkulunkulu wangisiza kanjani ukuba ngithole isabelo esiphindwe kabili empilweni yami yebhizinisi. Eminyakeni edlule, bengihlezi phansi ngibheka isitatimende sami senzuzo nokulahlekelwa sonyaka enkampanini yami yezinsizakalo zezemali. Nakuba ngangenelisekile—ngangiphelelwe yisikweletu futhi nginemali ebhange—ngangazi ukuthi kwakunokwengeziwe. Ngabona imisebenzi eminingi engangifuna ukuyixhasa eMbusweni, kuningi kakhulu okufanele kwenziwe, futhi konke kubiza imali.

Lapho ngithandaza ngakho, iNkosi yaqala ukusebenzelana nami negama elithi *izingcezwana*. Ekuqaleni, angizange ngiqonde ukuthi lokho Yena ayekusho, kodwa lapho ngithandaza isikhathi eside ngakho futhi ngilalela, ngakuthola. Izingcezwana ezinjengale ndaba esisanda kuyifunda azinakwa. Ukubaluleka kwawo kwakubhekwa njengento engelutho—kungaba ngenxa yamandla ayengawathatha ukuze athathwe ngoba bebhakwa njengokungafaneleki noma ukubaluleka kwawo kwakusekelwe ohlelweni lokubaluleka

okuphelelwe yisikhathi. Noma kungenzeka, umbono olungiselweyo futhi oyiphutha wokusebenzisa kwabo okungenzeka ukhawulele ukuqonda kwabo ngokwenyuka okungenzeka kwenani kusukela kulokho umbono wabo wamanje owawuyikho.

Uzwile abantu besho lokhu izikhathi eziningi ngiyaqiniseka, “Leyindlela esihlale sikwenza ngayo.” Hhayi-ke, ngingakutshela ukuthi isabelo esiphindwe kabili ngeke size ngaleyo ndlela.

Lapho ngibheka imininingo yonke, uNkulunkulu wavula amehlo ami ngabona izingcezwana eziningi engangizishiya phezu kwetafula okufanele ngizicoshe. Okunye okubalulekile esikwenzayo ngawo wonke amakhasimende yikubhala ngokuphelele yonke imininingo ukuze sibone ukuthi yiziphi izimpahla okungenzeka anazo kanye nesikweletu sawo. Sibe sesenza ukuhlaziya ukuze sibheke noma iyiphi imali esingayithola ukubuyisela ekuqedeni izikweletu. Kunjalo, sibala isimo sabo samanje semali mboleko kanye nezinga lenzalo, okuhlanganisa nemibandela yemali mboleko kumininingo ebhaliwe. Ngaleso sikhathi, saseluleka namakhasimende ethu ukuthi athole indlela yokuthola isikweletu ngokumelene nesilinganiso nendlu zabo ukuze akhokhe isikweletu sekhadi lesikweletu elinenzalo ephezulu, ngaleyo ndlela kwehlise inani lenzalo yawo lisuka ku-21% elivamile liye ku-6% ngaleso sikhathi. Ukongiwa nje okuvela kulo msebenzi kusindise umndeni ojwayelekile u-\$500 kuya ku-\$600 ngenyanga kwemali yokusebenzisa. Lapho lesi simo siziveza, sasithumela amakhasimende ethu ukuthi abuyele emabhange awo ukuze athole imali ebolekiwe ehlanganisa zonke izikweletu.

Ngenkathi ngifunda imininingwane yami, uMoya oNgcwele wangikhomba le nkinga yezikweletu zokubanjiswa kwempahla. “Kungani ungawuphathi lo msebenzi wezikweletu zokubanjiswa

kwempahla?” Njengoba ngangicabanga ngakho, lokho kwakunengqondo. Besesivele sinethemba ngamakhasimende; besesivele sinemininingo yabo; futhi ekugcineni, yithi esasisikisela ukuthi balungise kabusha isikweletu sabo kwasekuqaleni.

Ukusingatha lolu hlangothi lwebhizinisi kuzodinga ukuthi ngifunde ibhizinisi elisha, ngiphumelele kwamalayisensi futhi nokuqeqeshwa kuzifundo, nokunye okuningi. Ngangingenaso isikhathi sokwenza konke lokho. Kodwa njengoba ngiqhubeka ngithandaza ngakho, iNkosi yagcizelela kimina ukuba ngiqashe omunye umuntu ozosungula futhi apha the inkampani yami yezikweletu zokubanjiswa kwempahla, yilokho engakwenza. Ukuzisingatha ngokwethu umsebenzi wezikweletu zokubanjiswa kwempahla kulowo nyaka wokuqala kuphela kwalethe enye imali engu-\$160,000 emalini eyinsalela. Lena kwakuyimali engangingeke ngibe nayo ukube angizange ngivumele uMoya oNgcwele ukuba ukhombwe ucezu engangilugqolozele kodwa ngingaluboni.

Ngaqhubeka ngithwebula ezinye izinto eziningi ezaziyiz-ingcezu engangiboniswa uMoya oNgcwele. Ucezu olulodwa engangilushalazele—ngenxa yemibono yami engangiyicabange ngaphambili engangiyifundile noma ngayizwa kwabanye abantu bethi le ndawo yayingafanele ukungena kuyo—yaba yimpumelelo enkulu kithi. Lapho ekugcineni ngihlala phansi futhi ngayibuka, ngabona ukuthi lonke ulwazi engangiluzwile mayelana nale ndawo yomkhiqizo yayingalungile futhi, empeleni, yayifaneleka kahle kakhulu inkampani yethu. Leyongcezu isikhiqize imali eningi kune bhizinisi lami eliyinhloko, ingenisa izigidi zamadola. Kwakuwucezu lwezigididi zamadola ngempela!

Ngakho ake ngikucacisele ngempela. Isabelo esiphindwe kabili ithathwa ngesambulo! Isambulo simane siyinto uMoya oNgcwele

akubonisa yona obungeke ukwazi ngokwakho. Ngakho uMoya oNgcwele wembula noma uvula amehlo akho entweni ngokwakho ubungayazi. Lokhu kubizwa ngokuthi ulwazi lwesambulo.

Isambulo siyisihluthulelo sesabelo esiphindwe kabili!

Abantu base bengibuza, “Ngimuzwa kanjani uMoya oNgcwele? Ngizwa kanjani ukuthi ngingazibamba kanjani le imibono namathuba afihliwe?” Imibuzo emihle. Anginaso isikhathi kule ncwadi ukuze ngijule mayelana nokuzwa izwi likaNkulunkulu. Ngakho-ke ngizokuqondisa kwenye incwadi engiyibhalile enesihloko esithi, *The Baptism of the Holy Spirit*. Ungayithenga nge-Amazon noma kuwebhusayithi yethu. Kuleyo ncwadi, uzothola ulwazi olwengeziwe mayelana nendlela uMoya oNgcwele osebenza ngayo ukuze usembulele amacebo kaNkulunkulu afihliwe, ukuze siphumelele khona lapha endaweni yasemhlabeni, khona kanye ngaphansi kwekhala likaSathane; futhi akukho angakwenza ngakho. Kodwa ukuze uqonde endleleni efanele, ake sibheke ku-1 **KwabaseKorinte 14:2.**

Ngokuba okhuluma ngezilimi kakhulumi kubantu kepha ukhuluma kuNkulunkulu. Ngokuba, kakho ozwayo; ukhuluma izimfihlakalo ngomoya.

Ivesi 4 lithi,

Okhuluma ngezilimi uyazakha yena.

Igama elithi uyazakha lisho ukuletha imiyalelo noma ukuqonda.

Ngiyakudinga lokho nawe ngokunjalo. Lapho iBhayibheli likhuluma lapha ngokukhuluma ngezilimi noma, njengoba uPawulu ekuchaza, ukukhuleka ngoMoya, ngifuna ukukukhuthaza—kungakhathaliseki ukuthi yini oyizwile ngalomsebenzi kaMoya oNgcwele, noma ngabe othile ukutshelile ukuthi washona nabaphostoli noma ukuthi ngokuka kadeveli—funda iBhayibheli lakho! Ukukhuleka ngoMoya kumane kunguMoya oNgcwele okhuleka ngawe endaweni yasemhlabeni ukuba enze intando yakhe yenzeke udeveli engazi ukuthi kwenzekani. Ukuthandaza ngoMoya kuyisihluthulelo esikhulu ekuzweni isambulo esivela ezulwini, futhi ngiyakukhuthaza ukuthi ufunde lokhu engikushilo. Futhi uma unemibuzo, thola incwadi yami futhi ngiyazi ukuthi izokusiza uthole ukuqonda okwengeziwe ngalomsebenzi omangalisayo kaMoya oNgcwele ezimpilweni zethu.

Ngifuna ukuphetha le ncwadi ngamavesi amabili Emibhalo afingqa lesi sahluko.

Kepha yena onamandla okwenza okukhulu kakhulu kunakho konke esikucelayo nesikugondayo, ngokwamandla asebenza kithi, makube kuye udumo ebandleni nakuKristu Jesu ezizukulwaneni zonke zaphakade naphakade. Amen.

— Kwabase-Efesu 3:20-21

Awusoze wacela into ongazange uyicabange. Qkwamanje ngingezindiza ezimbili, indiza encane engindizela kuyo ukuze ngizijabulise kanye nendiza yami yebhizinisi engiyindiza noma yikuphi ezweni engiya kulo. Ngenkathi ngicabanga ukuthenga indiza yebhizinisi, ngashaqeka ngentengo. Izindiza azishibhile! Ngaqala ukutshedela emuva futhi ngicabanga, “Ngingakwazi ukuphila ngaphandle kwendiza yebhizinisi. Phela, yimali eningi

kakhulu.” Kodwa ngangindiza masonto onke kundiza zendawo, futhi ngenye inyanga ngandiza okuphindwe ka-23. Kwakukhandla. Yebo, ngingasho ukuthi nginakho ukuhlinzekwa. Zonke izindiza zami zazikhokhelwe; zazingekho izinkinga ngemali yokukhokhela. Kodwa ukuhamba kwami ngendiza kwakungelula neze. Izindiza zakhanselwa noma sekwephuzile, futhi kwaba isiphithiphithi. Lokhu kwakungesikho ukuphumula kweSabatha engangikudinga.

Ekugcineni, ngavuma ukuthi ngangikhawulela uNkulunkulu lapha. UnguNkulunkulu wesabelo esiphindwe kabili. Mina noDrenda sangabaza ukuthenga leyo ndiza isikhathi esingaphezu konyaka, ngiyaxolisa ukusho lokhu. Ekugcineni, uNkulunkulu wathola ukunaka kwethu kuleyo ndiza futhi wasitshela ukuthi Yena ubelokhu ezama ukuletha leyo ndiza kithi okweminyaka emibili! Saphenduka futhi senza isinqumo sethu. Sahlwanyela imbewu yethu yendiza yebhizinisi ncamashi esasiyifuna nesiyidingayo; futhi lapho sikwenza, saba nayo phakathi kwezinyanga ezimbili. Ngaleso sikhathi, uNkulunkulu wanginikeza ukuqonda nomusa ngezivumelwano ezithile zebhizinisi, futhi imali yaba khona lapho sengiyidinga.

Yebo, uNkulunkulu unguNkulunkulu wesabelo esiphindwe kabili. Ingabe kwenze umehluko? Nokho, umehluko empilweni yami ukukwazi ukushayela indiza yami uma kuqhathaniswa nokundiza yezohwebo uzofana nokuqhathanisa ukugibela ibhayisikili lakho noma ukushayela imoto uya kumhlangano owawuzoba nawo ebangeni elingamamayela angu-50. Ngempela! Futhi uNkulunkulu wayezama ukuletha lokho kimi iminyaka emibili ngenkathi ngigqolozele nje nganelisekile futhi ngihlala ngiphuphuthekile kusabelo esiphindwe kabili uNkulunkulu asevele angihlinzeke ngazo. Bengidinga nje ukukubona.

Kungenzeka ukuthi ushayela imoto edinga ukulungiswa kangangokuba uze uthandaze ukuba iqale ukusebenza lapho uvuka. Yeka ukubheka i-akhawunti yasebhangeni engenalutho futhi wenze izinqumo zokusinda ngokusekelwe kulokho. Kunalokho, vumela uNkulunkulu wesabelo esiphindwe kabili akubonise izingcezwana, izinto ezifihliwe okudingeka uzazi ukuze ukhululeke futhi ujabulele ukuthula nokuphumula kokuphumula kweSabatha. Uzokunikeza icebo futhi akubonise ukuthi ulenze kanjani uma nje umbuza Yena. Njengoba uJesu asho, “Kungachitheki lutho!” Isabelo esiphindwe kabili sesivele sihlizelwe wena!

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— KwabaseHeberu 4:9-10

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