

# IZENZO

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## ISAHLUKO 1

**E**yokuqala imbali, Tiyofilo, ndayenza kambe ndibalisa ngezinto zonke awaqala ngazo uYesu ukuzenza kwanokuzifundisa,

**2** kwada kwayimini awanyuswa ngayo, akuba ebawisele umthetho ngoMoya oyiNgcwele abapostile awayebanyule;

**3** awathi kanjalo, emveni kokuva kwakhe ubunzima, wazimisa ephilile phambi kwabo, ngeziganeko ezininzi, ezibonakalalisa ngokwakhe kubo kwiintsuku ezimashumi mane, ethetha izinto ezingabo ubukumkani bukaThixo.

**4** Uthe, ehlanganisene nabo, wabathethela ngelithi, mabangahlukani neYerusalem; mabalinde idinga loYise, awathi ukuthetha, Naliva kum;

**5** ngokuba uYohane okunene wabaptiza ngamanzi; kodwa nina niya kubaptizwa ngoMoya oyiNgcwele, kungekabi kade emva kwezi ntsuku.

**6** Bona ke ngoko, bebuthelene, babembuza besithi, Nkosi, wobubuyisela ngeli xesha na ubukumkani kuSirayeli?

**7** Uthe ke kubo, Asikokwenu ukwazi amaxesha nokuba ngamathuba, awamise ngelakhe igunya uBawo.

**8** Niya kwamkela ke amandla, akubon' ukuba uMoya oyiNgcwele uhlile phezu kwenu; nibe ngamangqina am eYerusalem, kwanakulo lonke elakwaYuda nelaseSamariya, kude kuse nasekupheleni komhlaba.

**9** Waza etshilo, bakubon' ukuba bakhangele, wafukulwa; lathi ilifu lemka naye emehlwani abo.

**10** Bakuba beqwalasele ezulwini, akubon' ukuba uyemka, kwabonakala kumi ngakubo amadoda amabini eneengubo ezimhlophe,

**11** awatshoyo ukuthi, Madoda, maGalili, nimeleni na nondele ezulwini? Kwayena lo Yesu unyusiweyo kuni, wasiwa emazulwini, uya kuza ngolu hlobo nimbone esiya ngalo emazulwini.

**12** Baza babuyela eYerusalem, bevela entaben iekuthiwa yeyemiNquma, ekufuphi kwiYerusalem, uhambo lwesabatha.

**13** Bathe ke bakungena, banyukela egumbini eliphezulu ababehlala kulo, inguPetros, noYakobi, noYohane, noAndreya, uFilipu, noTomas, uBhartolomeyu, noMateyu, noYakobi ka-Alifeyu, noSimon umZeloti, noYuda umzalwana kaYakobi.

**14** Aba bonke babezingisa ngamxhelo mnye ekuthandazeni nasekukhungeni, ndawonye nabafazi, noMariya unina kaYesu, kwandawonye naba zalwana bakhe.

- 15** Ngaloo mihla wesuka wema uPetros phakathi kwabo abazalwana (laye inani lamagama ndawonye lingathi lilikhulu elinamanci amabini), wathi,
- 16** Madoda, bazalwana, esi sibhalo simelwe kukuba sizaliseke, sathethwayo ngaphambili nguMoya oyiNgcwele ngomlomo kaDavide ngaye uYuda, owaba ngumkhokeli kwabo bambambayo uYesu;
- 17** ngokuba wayebalelw kuthi, wasizuza isabelo solu lungiselelo.
- 18** Lowo ke ngoko wazuza umhlaba ngomvuzo wokungalungisi; wathi ekhahleleke phantsi ngobuso, wagqabhuka phakathi, zaphalala zonke izibilini zakhe.
- 19** Kwazeka oko kubo bonke abemiyo eYerusalem, wada loo mhlaba ngeyabo intetho kwathiwa yiAkeldama, oko kukuthi, ngumhlaba wegazi.
- 20** Kuba kubhaliwe encwadini yeeNdumiso kwathiwa, Umzi wakhe mawube yintlango, Kungabikho umiyo kuwo; Buthi nobuveleli bakhe buthatyathwe ngomnye.
- 21** Ngoko, kuwo amadoda abehamba nathi, ngalo lonke ixesha ebingena iphuma phakathi kwethu iNkosi uYesu,
- 22** iqalele elubhaptizweni lukaYohane, yada yayimini eyanyuswa ngayo kuthi, kumele ukuba kubekho enye kuwo eba lingqina lokuvuka kwayo, kunye nathi.
- 23** Bamisa mabini, uYosefu, okuthiwa nguBharsabhas, ogama limbi linguYusto, noMatiya.
- 24** Bathandaza bathi, Wena, Nkosi, Mazi weentlizyo zabo bonke, yalatha kwaba babini oyena umnyulileyo,
- 25** ukuba asithabathe isabelo solu lungiselelo nobupostile, awaphambukayo kubo uYuda, ukuze aye kweyakhe indawo.
- 26** Bawisa amaqashiso abo; lathi iqashiso laphuma noMatiya; wabalelw ndawonye nabapostile abalishumi elinamnye.

## ISAHLUKO 2

- K**e kaloku, ekuzalisekeni kwavo umhla wepentekoste, baye bonke bemxhelo mnye ndaweni-nye.
- 2** Kwaza ngequbuliso kwaphuma ezulwini isandi esinjengesomoya ovuthuza ngamandla, sayizalisa indlu yonke ababehleli kuyo.
- 3** Kwabonakala kubo iilwimi ezabekayo, ngathi zezomlilo, Iwaolo Iwahlala phezu kwabo bonke ngabanye.
- 4** Bazaliswa bonke nguMoya oyiNgcwele, baqala ukuthetha ngalwimi zimbi, njengoko uMoya wayebanika ukuba bathethe baphimisele.
- 5** Ke kaloku kwakumi eYerusalem apho amaYuda, amadoda awoyika uThixo, evela kuzo zonke iintlanga eziphantsi kwezulu.
- 6** Sithe ke sakubakho esi sandi, yabuthelana inkitha, yadubadubeka, ngokuba bonke ngabanye babebeva bona bethetha ngezakomawabo iintetho.
- 7** Bathi nqa ke bonke, bamangaliswa, wathi omnye komnye, Kanene aba bonke bathethayo asingamaGalili na?
- 8** Kutheni na ke ukuba siveve nje sonke ngabanye bethetha ngezakomawethu iintetho, esazalelw kuzo?
- 9** Thina maParti, namaMedi, namaElam, nathi simiyo kwelaseMesopotami, kwelakwaYuda kwanakwelaseKapadoki, kwelasePonto nakwelaseAsiya,
- 10** kwelaseFrigi kwanakwelasePamfili, kwelaseYiputa, nasemacaleni elaseLibhi ngaseKirene, nathi bahambi baseRoma, singamaYuda kwanabangeni ebuYuden,

- 11** thina maKrete nama-Arabhi, sibeva bona bezithetha ngezakomawethu iilwimi izinto ezinkulu zikaThixo.
- 12** Bathi nqa ke bonke, bakhohlwa, omnye esithi komnye, Azi, ingaba ifuna ukuba yintoni na le nto?
- 13** Abanye ke babelekisa ngabo, besithi, Bahluthi yiwayini enencasa.
- 14** Ke kaloku uPetros, esuke wema nabalistumi elinamnye, waliphakamisa izwi lakhe, waphimisela ukuthetha, wathi kubo: Madoda, maYuda, nani nonke nimiyo eYerusalem, makwazeke oku kuni, niwabekele iindlebe amazwi am.
- 15** Aba abanxilile, njengoko nina niba kunjalo, kuba kuselilixa lesithathu lemini.
- 16** Oku khona koko kuthethiweyo ngomprofeti uYoweli, kwathiwa,
- 17** Kuya kuthi ngayo imihla yokugqibela, utsho uThixo, Ndimthulule uMoya wam phezu kwayo yonke inyama, Baprofete oonyana benu neentombi zenu, Athi amadodana enu abone imibono, Namadoda enu amakhulu aphuphe amaphupha;
- 18** Ewe, ndaye, phezu kwabakhonzi bam, naphezu kwabakhonzazana bam, ngaloo mihla Ndiya kumthulula uMoya wam, baprofete;
- 19** Ndenze izimanga ezulwini phezulu, Nemiqondiso emhlabeni phantsi, Igazi, nomlilo, nentshinyela yomsi.
- 20** Ilanga liya kusuka libe mnyama, Ithi inyanga ibe ligazi; Phambi kokuba ize imini yeNkosi, Leyo inkulu ibalulekileyo.
- 21** Baya kuthi bonke abasukuba belinqula igama leNkosi basindiswe.
- 22** Madoda, maSirayeli, waveni la mazwi: UYesu waseNazarete, indoda eqondakalisiweyo nguThixo kuni ngemisebenzi yamandla, nangezimanga, nangemiqondiso, awayenzayo uThixo ngayo phakathi kwenu, njengokuba nisazi nani ngokwenu:
- 23** yena Iowo, ekhutshwe ngecebo elimisiweyo likaThixo nangokwazi kwakhe kwenxa engaphambili, namthabatha ngezandla zabachasene nomthetho, nambethelela emnqamlezweni, namsika;
- 24** athe uThixo wamvusa, eyikhulule inimba yokufa; ngokokuba ebengenako ukubanjwa kuko.
- 25** Kuba uDavide uthi, esingisele kuye, Ndahlala ndiyibona iNkosi phambi kwamehlo am, Ngokuba ingasekunene kwam, ukuze ndingashukunyiswa.
- 26** Ngenxa yoko intliziyu yam yaba nemihlali, Iwagcoba ulwimi Iwam; Ngaphezu koko ke nenyama yam iya kuphumla inethembu; Ngokuba akuyi kuwushiya umphefumlo wam kwelabafileyo.
- 27** Kananjalo akuyi kumnikela oyiNgcwele wakho ekuboneni ukubola.
- 28** Wandazisa iindlela zobomi; Uya kundizalisa ngemihlali ngokubona ubuso bakho.
- 29** Madoda, bazalwana, mandivunyelwe ndithethu kuni ngokuphandle ngomawokhulu uDavide, ukuba wafa wangcwatwyu; nengcwaba lakhe likho phakathi kwethu unanamhla.
- 30** Ngoko, kuba engumprofeti, esazi nokwazi ukuba uThixo wamfungela isifungo sokuba esiqhameni sesinqe sakhe ngokwenyama uya kuvelisa uKristu, ukuba ahlale phezu kwetrone yakhe:
- 31** uthe ebona ngenxa engaphambili, wathetha ngako ukuvuka kukaKristu, ukuba umphefumlo wakhe ungashiywanga kwelabafileyo nenyama yakhe ingabonanga kubola.
- 32** UThixo wamvusa lo Yesu, esingamangqina ako oko thina sonke.
- 33** Ephakanyisiwe ngoko sisandla sokunene sikaThixo, elamkele kanjalo idinga loMoya oyiNgcwele kuYise, uthulule oku nikubonayo, nikuvayo, kalokunje nina.
- 34** Kuba uDavide, enganyukanga waya emazulwini, ke uthi ngokwakhe, Yathi iNkosi

eNkosini yam, Hlala ngasekunene kwam,

**35** Ndide iintshaba zakho ndizenze isihlalo seenyawo zakho.

**36** Ngoko mayazi ngokuqinisekileyo yonke indlu kaSirayeli, ukuba uThixo wamenza iNkosi noKristu, kwayena lo Yesu nambethelelayo emnqamlezweni nina.

**37** Ke kaloku bathe, bakukuva oko, bahlabeka entliziyweni, bathi kuPetros nakwabanye abapostile, Madoda, bazalwana, sithini na?

**38** Ut he ke uPetros kubo, Guqukani nibhaptizwe nonke ngabanye egameni likaYesu Kristu, ukuze nixolelw izono, namkele isipho soMoya oyiNgcwele.

**39** Kuba idinga likuni, nakubantwana benu, nakubo bonke abakude, esukuba iNkosi uThixo wethu iya kubabiza.

**40** Nangamanye amazwi amaninzi wayeqononondisa, evuselela esithi, Zisindiseni kwesi sizukulwana sigoso.

**41** Bathe ke ngoko, abalamkele ilizwi lakhe ngovuyo, babhaptizwa; kongezelelwa ngaloo mini imiphefumlo engathi imawaka mathathu.

**42** Baye ke bezingisa ukuhlala emfundisweni yabapostile, nasebudlelaneni, nasekuqhekezeni isonka, nasemithandazweni.

**43** Ke kaloku kwabakho ukoyika kwimiphefumlo yonke; kwenzeka izimanga ezininzi kwanemiqondiso ngabapostile.

**44** Bonke ke ababekholwa babendawonye, benobudlelane ngeento zonke.

**45** Baye bethengisa nangemihlab a nangempahla yabo, babele bonke, njengoko ebethi ubani aswele ngako.

**46** Babezingisa ukuhlala bemxhelo mnye etempileni imihla ngemihla, beqhekeza isonka kwizindlu ngezindlu, besidla ukudla benemigcobo, benolungelelwan lwentliziyo,

**47** bemdumisa uThixo, benonelelw ngabantu bonke. Yaye iNkosi isongeza abasiNdiswayo imihla ngemihla kulo ibandla.

## ISAHLUKO 3

**K**e kaloku, uPetros, noYohane babenuka bendawonye, besiya etempileni ngexesha lomthandazo, ililixa lesithoba.

**2** Kwaye ke kuthwelwe ndoda ithile, ibisisiqhwala kwasekuzalweni kwayo, ababeyibeka imihla ngemihla emnyango wetempile, lowo kuthiwa Mhle, ukuba icele amalizo kwabangenayo etempileni;

**3** eyathi, yakubona uPetros noYohane beza kungena etempileni, yacela ukuba bayilize.

**4** Ut he ke uPetros, enoYohane, eqwalasele kuyo wathi, Khangela kuthi apha.

**5** Yabagqala ke, ilinde ukwamkela into kubo.

**6** Wathi ke uPetros, Isilivere negolide andinayo, kodwa endinako ndikunkika khona: egameni likaYesu Kristu umNazarete, vuka uhambe.

**7** Wayibamba ngesandla sokunene, wayivusa; zomelezeka ke kwalapho iinyawo zayo namaqatha ayo.

**8** Yesuka umtsi, yema, yahambahamba, yangena nabo etempileni, ihambahamba itsiba, imdumisa uThixo.

**9** Baza bonke abantu bayibona ihambahamba, idumisa uThixo;

**10** bayazi nokuyazi, ukuba ingulowa uehlalela amalizo eMnyango oMhle wetempile, bathi qhiphu umbilini, bathi nqa yiloo nto ihlileyo kuyo.

**11** Ke kaloku, sakubon' ukuba isiqhwala esiphilisiweyo sibabambe ngesandla ooPetros

noYohane, bonke abantu babalekela kubo evarandeni ekuthiwa yekaSolomon, beqhiphuke umbilini kakubi.

**12** Akukubona ke oko uPetros, waphendula wathi kubo abantu, Madoda, maSirayeli, yini na ukuba nimangaliswe yile nto? Kanjalo yini na ukuba nisijonge, ngathi simenze wahamba ngawethu amandla, nangokwethu ukuhlonela uThixo?

**13** UThixo wooAbraham nolsake noYakobi, uThixo woobawo bethu, umzukisile umkhonzi wakhe uYesu, enamnikelayo, namkhanyela ebusweni bukaPilato nina, akubon' ukuba yena ugwebé ngelithi, makakhululwe.

**14** Ke nina namkhanyela oyiNgcwele, oliLungisa, nacela ukuba ninikwe indoda engumbulali.

**15** Ke yona iMbangi yobomi nayibulala; awayivusayo uThixo kwabafleyo, esingamangqina ako oko thina.

**16** Nangenxa yokukholwa kwigama layo, lo nimbonayo, nimaziyo, limomelezile igama layo; lwathi ukholo olungayo lwamnika oku kuphila kupheleleyo phambi kwenu nonke.

**17** Nangoku, bazalwana, ndiyazi ukuba nenze ngokungazi, njengabo nabo abaphathi benu.

**18** Ke uThixo, izinto awazixela ngenxa engaphambili ngomlomo wabo bonke abaprofeti bakhe, zokuba uKristu eve ubunzima, uzizalisile wenjenje.

**19** Guqukani ke ngoko, nibuye, ukuze zicinywe izono zenu; ngokokuze afike amathuba okuphumza, evela ebusweni beNkosi;

**20** ithume uYesu Kristu, owayevakalisiwe kuni ngenxa engaphambili;

**21** Iwo kumele okunene ukuba amazulu amamkele, kude kufike amaxesha okubuyiswa kweento zonke, awawathethayo uThixo ngomlomo wabo bonke abaprofeti bakhe abangcwele, kususela kunaphakade.

**22** Kuba uMoses okunene wathi koobawo, INkosi uThixo wenu iya kunivelisela umprofeti kubazalwana benu, onjengam nje; ze nimve yena kuzo zonke izinto asukuba eya kuzithetha kuni.

**23** Yothi ke yonke imiphefumlo engathanga imve loo mprofeti, ibhujiswe kuphele phakathi kwabantu.

**24** Nabo ke bonke abaprofeti, bethabathela kuSamuweli nakwabalandelayo, bonke abathethileyo, bayixela loo mihla ngenxa engaphambili.

**25** Nina ningoonyana babo abaprofeti, nabomnqophiso awanqophisana ngawo noobawo bethu uThixo, esithi kuAbraham, Yaye ke iya kusikeleka embewini yakho yonke imizalwane yehlabathi.

**26** Utthe uThixo, akuba emvusile umkhonzi wakhe uYesu, wamthuma kuni kuqala, ukuba aniskelele ngokuniguqula nonke ngabanye kwiinkohlakalo zenu.

## ISAHLUKO 4

**B**akubon' ukuba bayathetha kubo abantu, ababingeleli, nomphathi wetempile, nabaSadusi, bathi gaga phezu kwabo,

**2** bebindekile ngenxa yokuba befundisa abantu, bekuxela ukuvuka kubo abafleyo ngoku kukaYesu ukuvuka.

**3** Babesa izandla, babafaka entolongweni, kwada kwaba lingomso; kuba bekuse kuhlwile.

**4** Ke kaloku into eninzi yabo babelivile ilizwi, yakholwa; lathi inani lamadoda langa limawaka mahlanu.

- <sup>5</sup> Kwathi ke ngengomso, kwahlanganiselana eYerusalem abaphathi babo, namadoda amakhulu, nababhali,
- <sup>6</sup> noAnas umbingeleli omkhulu, noKayafa, noYohane, noAlesandire, nabo bonke abomlibo wombingeleti omkhulu.
- <sup>7</sup> Bathe bakuba bebamise phakathi, bababuza besithi, Le nto nina niyenze ngamandla mani na, nangagama lini na?
- <sup>8</sup> Wandula uPetros, ezele nguMoya oyiNgcwele, wathi kubo, Nina baphathi babantu, nani madoda makhulu akwaSirayeli,
- <sup>9</sup> ukuba thina namhlanje sincinwa ngomsebenzi wokumsiza umntu ongumlwelwe, ukuba uthiweni na ukusindiswa:
- <sup>10</sup> makwazeke kuni nonke, nakubo bonke abantu bakwaSirayeli, ukuba kusegameni likaYesu Kristu waseNazarete, enambethelelayo emnqamlezweni nina, athe uThixo wamvusa kwabafileyo; kungaye lowo, ukuba lo mntu eme apha phambi kwenu ephilile.
- <sup>11</sup> Nguye lo ilitye elenziwa into engento nini bakhi, elisuke laba yintloko yembombo.
- <sup>12</sup> Kananjalo usindiso alukho kuwumbi; kuba akukho gama limbi phantsi kwezulu, linikiwego phakathi kwabantu, esimele ukusindiswa ngalo.
- <sup>13</sup> Ke kaloku, bakubona ukungafihlisikuthetha koPetros noYohane, beqiqa nokuba ngabantu abangenamfundu, abangenakwazi, bamangaliswa; babaqonda ukuba babenaye uYesu.
- <sup>14</sup> Bakumbona ke umntu emi nabo, yena lowo uphilisiwego, ababanga nandawo yakuphika.
- <sup>15</sup> Bakuba bethe mabaphume entlanganisweni yamatyala, bacebisana bodwa, besithi, Siya kubathini na aba bantu?
- <sup>16</sup> Kuba okunene, ukuba kuhle ngabo umqondiso owazekayo, oyinto ebonakalayo kubo bonke abemi eYerusalem, nathi asinakuyikhanyela loo nto.
- <sup>17</sup> Ukuze ke loo nto ingahlakazeki ngakumbi ebantwini, masise sibasongela ngelokuba bangabi sathetha mntwini ngeli gama.
- <sup>18</sup> Bebabizile, babathethela ngelithi, mabangabi sakankanya nakanye, bangafundisi nokufundisa ngegama likaYesu.
- <sup>19</sup> Ke kaloku uPetros noYohane baphendula, bathi kubo, Yahlulani nina, ukuba bubulungisa na emehlweni kaThixo ukuva nina, kunokuva uThixo;
- <sup>20</sup> kuba singenako thina ukuthi singazithethi izinto esazibonayo, esazivayo.
- <sup>21</sup> Bathe ke bona, beqokele ngokubasongela, babandulula; bengafumanizizathu bangababetha ngaso, ngenxa yabantu; ngokuba bonke babemzukisa uThixo ngoko kwakuhlile.
- <sup>22</sup> Kuba wayedlule emashumini amane eminyaka umntu lowo, wawuhle kuye lo mqondiso wokuphiliwa.
- <sup>23</sup> Ke kaloku, bakundululwa, baya kwababo, babika oko zingako izinto abazithethayo kubo ababingeleti abakhulu namadoda amakhulu.
- <sup>24</sup> Bona ke, bekuvile oko, baphakamisa izwi kuThixo ngamxhelo mnye, bathi, Mnini-ntozonke, wena unguThixo owalenzayo izulu nomhlaba nolwandle, neento zonke ezikwezo nto;
- <sup>25</sup> owathi ngomlomo kaDavide umkhonzi wakho, Zazibhavumelani na iintlanga, Zaza izizwe zacamanga izinto ezingento?
- <sup>26</sup> Bazimisa ookumkani behlabathi, Nabaphathi bahlanganisana ndawonye Ngokuyichasa iNkosi, naye uKristu wayo.

- 27** Kuba, inyaniso, ngaye uMkhonzi wakho oyingcwele onguYesu, owamthambisayo, kwahlanganisana uHerode, kwanoPontiyo Pilato, ndawonye neentlanga nabantu bakwaSirayeli,
- 28** ukuba benze izinto zonke ezamiswayo ngenxa engaphambili sisandla sakho nalicebo lakho, ukuba zibekho.
- 29** Okwangoku ke, Nkosi, zikhangele izisongelo zabo, ubanike abakhonzi bakho ukuba balithethe ilizwi lakho ngako konke ukungafihlisi,
- 30** ekusoluleni isandla sakho ukuba uphilise, nokuba kubekho imiqondiso nezimanga ngegama loMkhonzi wakho oyingcwele, uYesu.
- 31** Bakubon' ukuba bakhungile, yazanyazanyisa indawo ababehlanganisene kuyo, bazaliswa bonke nguMoya oyiNgcwele, balithetha ilizwi likaThixo ngokungafihlisiyo.
- 32** Ke kaloku inkitha yababekholiwe yayintlizyo-nye, imphefumlo mnye; kwaye kungekho namnye ubesithi kukho nto iyeyakhe empahleni yakhe; zonke izinto zaye zizezobudlelane kubo.
- 33** Baye abapostile bekungqinela ngamandla amakhulu ukuvuka kweNkosi uYesu; kwaye kukho ukubabalwa okukhulu kubo bonke.
- 34** Kuba kwakungekho namnye phakathi kwabo, wayeswele; kuba bonke ababenemihlabo, nokuba zizindlu, babesithi bathengise ngazo, bawazise amaxabiso ezo zinto kuthengisiwego ngazo,
- 35** bawabeke ezinyaweni zabapostile; waye ke elowo esabelwa njengoko ebekuba eswele ngako.
- 36** Ke kaloku uYose, owathiywa ngabapostile elinye igama lokuba nguBharnabhas (elithi, lakuthethwa ngentetho evakalayo, ngumfo wovuselelo), umLevi waseSipro ngokuzalwa,
- 37** wathi enomhlaba wathengisa ngawo, wayizisa imali, wayibeka ezinyaweni zabapostile.

## ISAHLUKO 5

**K**e kaloku indoda ethile, uHananiya ngegama, inoSafira umkayo, yathengisa ngemfuyo yayo.

- 2** Yashinta kulo ixabiso layo, esazi naye umkayo; yazisa nxenye ithile, yayibeka ezinyaweni zabapostile.
- 3** Wathi ke uPetros, Hananiya, kungani na ukuba uSathana azalise intlizyo yakho, ukuba umxokise uMoya oyiNgcwele, ushinte kulo ixabiso lomhlaba?
- 4** Oko ube uhleli, ubungahleli kuwe na? Kanjalo uthengisiwe, ubungekhona na egunyen'i lakho? Yini na ukuba uyibeke le nto entliziyweni yakho? Akuxoke kubantu, uxoke kuThixo.
- 5** Ewavile ke uHananiya la mazwi, wawa, waphuma umphefumlo; kwabakho ukoyika okukhulu kubo bonke ababezivile ezi zinto.
- 6** Asuka ke amadodana amsonga, amthwalela phandle, amngcwaba.
- 7** Kwaba mzuzwana ke, ngathi ngowamaxa amathathu, wathi umkakhe, engayazi loo nto ihlileyo, wangena.
- 8** Umphendule ke uPetros wathi, Ndixelete, umhlaba lo wakhutshelwa inani elingaka na? Wathi ke yena, Ewe, elingako.
- 9** Uthe ke uPetros kuye, Yini na ukuba nivumelane ngokumlinga uMoya weNkosi? Uyabona, iinyawo zabo bangcwabe indoda yakho sezisemnyango; baya kukuthwalela phandle.
- 10** Wawa ke kwalapho ezinyaweni zakhe, waphuma umphefumlo; bangena ke abafana,

bamfumana efile, bamthwalela phandle, bamngcwabela ngasendodeni yakhe.

**11** Kwabakho ukoyika kulo lonke ibandla, nakubo bonke abazivayo ezi zinto.

**12** Ke kaloku, ngazo izandla zabapostile kwabakho imiqondiso nezimanga ezininzi phakathi kwabantu; baye bonke bemxhelo mnye evarandeni kaSolomon.

**13** Ke kaloku, kwabanye akubangakho namnye waba nabuganga bakusinamatheisa kubo; baye abantu bebenze bakhulu.

**14** Kwaba kukhona bekongezwayo abakholwayo kwiNkosi, into eninzi yamadoda neyabafazi;

**15** bada bayithwalela phandle imilwelwe ezitratweni, bayibeka ezingqengqelweni nasezinkukweni, ukuze kuthi, akubon' ukuba uPetros uyeza, kubekho kuyo ethi isityekelwe sisithunzi sakhe.

**16** Yaye ke ibuthelana eYerusalem nenkitha yabemizi ejikelezileyo, ithwele imilwelwe nabakhathazwa ngoomoya abangcolileyo, ababesithi bona baphiliswe bonke.

**17** Ke kaloku wesuka umbingeleti omkhulu, nabo bonke ababenaye (abangabehlelo labaSadusi), bazala ngumsindo;

**18** babesu izandla abapostile, babafaka entolongweni yabantu bonke.

**19** Ke kaloku isithunywa seNkosi sazivula iingcango zentolongo ebusuku, sabakhupha, sathi,

**20** Hambani, niye kuma nithethe etempileni kubo abantu onke amazwi obu bomi.

**21** Bevile ke, bangena kwangesifingo etempileni, bafundisa. Wafika ke umbingeleti omkhulu nabo babenaye, wayibizela ndawonye intlanganiso yamatyala, nawo onke amadoda amakhulu akoonyana bakaSirayeli; bathumela endlwini yamakhonkxwa ukuba beziswe.

**22** Ke kaloku, akufika amadindala, akabafumananga entolongweni; abuya ke abika, esithi,

**23** Indlu yamakhonkxwa siyifumene okunene ivalwe ngokuqinileyo kanye, nabalindi bemi ngaphandle phambi kweminyango. Sivulile ke, asifumananga mntu ngaphakathi.

**24** Bathe ke bakuweva la mazwi umbingeleti kwanomphathi wetempile, nababingeleti abakhulu, labakhohla, bathi,

**25** Azi, ingaba yintoni na le nto? Wafika ke othile, wababikela esithi, Yabonani, amadoda lawa beniwafake entolongweni, nangaya etempileni, emi efundisa abantu.

**26** Wesuka umphathi enamadindala, wabazisa kungengamandla; kuba babesoyika abantu, hleze baxulutywe ngamatye.

**27** Bebazisile ke, babamisa entlanganisweni yamatyala; wababuza umbingeleti omkhulu, esithi,

**28** Besinganithethelanga na kunene ngelithi, maningafundisi ngeli gama? Niyabona, niyizalisile iYerusalem ngemfundiso yenu; nifuna ukulizisa phezu kwethu igazi lalo mntu.

**29** Waphendula ke uPetros nabapostile, bathi, Simelwe kukuthi sive uThixo kunokuba sive abantu.

**30** UThixo woobawo bethu wamvusa uYesu, enambulalayo nina ngokumxhoma emthini.

**31** Yena lowo uThixo wamphakamisa ngesandla sakhe sokunene, wanguMthetheli noMsindisi, ukuze amnike uSirayeli inguquku noxolelo Iwezono.

**32** Saye singamangqina akhe ezo ndawo thina, kwanoMoya oyiNgcwele, awamnika abo bamvayo yena uThixo.

**33** Bathe ke bona bakukuva oko, bahlabeka entliziyweni, babhunga ukuba babasike.

**34** Ke kaloku kwesuka kwema othile entlanganisweni yamatyala, umFarisi ogama linguGamaliyeli, umfundisi womthetho, obekekileyo kubantu bonke, wathi makhe

bakhutshelwe phandle kancinane abapostile;

**35** wathi kubo, Madoda, maSirayeli, zilumkeleni ngento eniza kuyenza kwaba bantu.

**36** Kuba ngaphambi kwale mihla, kwesuka uTuda, esithi yena ngokwakhe unguthile; ekwanamathela kuye inani lamadoda angathi amakhulu mane; ngowasikwayo lowo; bathi bonke ababemthambele babhangazeka, ababa nto.

**37** Emva kwalowo kwesuka uYuda welaseGalili, ngemihla yobhalo lomlibo wokuzalwa, wakhukulisa abantu banela; naye lowo watshabalala; baza bonke ababemthambele bachithwachithwa.

**38** Kungoku ke ndithi kuni, Khwelelani kwaba bantu nibayeke; ngokuba eli cebo, nalo msebenzi, ukuba lingaba lelabantu, lotshitsha:

**39** ukuba ke lelikaThixo, aninakulitshitsisa; hlez nifunyanwe ningabalwa kwanoThixo.

**40** Bamthambela ke; bebabizile abapostile, babatyabula, babathethela ngelithi, mabangathethi ngegama likaYesu; babandulula ke.

**41** Bemka ke ngoko bona ebusweni bentlanganiso yamatyala, bevuya, ngokuba kuthiwe bakufanele ukuhlaziswa ngenxa yegama lakhe.

**42** Kananjalo imihla yonke etempileni, nasemakhaya, babengayeki ukufundisa nokushumayela iindaba ezilungileyo zokuba uYesu unguye uKristu.

## ISAHLUKO 6

**K**e kaloku ngaloo mihla, bakubon' ukuba bayanda abafundi, kwabakho ukukrokra kwawesiGrike amaYuda ngakwawesiHebhore, ngokuba abahlolokazi bawo babesilela ekulungiselelweni kwemihla ngemihla.

**2** Bathe ke abalishumi elinababini bawubizela kubo umhlambi wabafundi, bathi, Akukholekile ukuba thina silishiye ilizwi likaThixo, silungiselele ezitafileni.

**3** Khangelani ngoko, bazalwana, amadoda kuni abe sixhenxe, angqinelwe ukulunga, ezele nguMoya oyiNgcwele nabubulumko, esiya kuwamisela lo msebenzi;

**4** ke thina siya kuzingisa ekuthandazeni nasekulungiseleleni ilizwi.

**5** Lakholeka ilizwi elo emehlwani omhlambi lowo wonke; banyula uStefano, indoda ezele lukholo nanguMoya oyiNgcwele, noFilipu, noProkoro, noNikanore, noTimon, noParmena, noNikolawo wakwa-Antiyokwe owa bengene ebuYudeni:

**6** ababamisayo emehlwani abapostile; bathi bakuthandaza, bazibeka izandla phezu kwabo.

**7** Laye liya likhula ilizwi likaThixo, liya lisanda kakhulu inani labafundi eYerusalem; laye neqela elikhulu lababingeleli lilululamelia ukholo.

**8** Ke kaloku uStefano, ezele lukholo nangamandla, wayesenzo izimanga nemiqondiso emikhulu phakathi kwabantu.

**9** Kwesuka ke abathile basesikhungwini ekuthiwa sesabaKhululwa, nabaseKirene, nabakwa-Alesandire, nabathile belaseKiliki, nabelaseAsiya, bephikisana noStefano;

**10** ababa namandla akumelana nabo ubulumko noMoya, awayethetha ngaye.

**11** Kwakuba njalo, banyebelezisa amadoda awathi, Simve ethetha amazwi okunyelisa uMoses noThixo.

**12** Kanjalo babahlokhla abantu, kwanamadoda amakhulu nababhali; baza bemfikele bamthi hlasi, bamsa ematyaleni amakhulu.

**13** Bamisa namangqina obuxoki, awathi, Lo mntu akayeki ukuthetha amazwi okunyelisa indawo engcwele nomthetho;

**14** kuba simve esithi, UYesu waseNazarete lo uya kuyichitha le ndawo, awenze wambi amasiko awawanikela kuthi uMoses.

**15** Bonke ababehleli entlanganisweni yamatyala, beqwalasele kuye, babubona ubuso bakhe, ngathi bubuso besithunywa sezulu.

## ISAHLUKO 7

**W**athi ke umbingeleli omkhulu, Zinjalo na ke ezi ndawo?

**2** Utthe ke yena: Madoda, bazalwana, nani bobawo, phulaphulani. UThixo wozuko wabonakala kubawo wethu uAbraham, ekwelaseMesopotami, phambi kokuma kwakhe kwelakwaHaran,

**3** wathi kuye, Phuma kuwo umhlaba wakowenu nasemizalwaneni yakho, uze emhlabeni endingakubonisa wona.

**4** Waza waphuma ke emhlabeni wamaKaledi, wema kwelakwaHaran. Emveni kokufa kukayise, wamsusa apho, wamfudusela kulo mhlaba nimiyo kuwo nina ngoku.

**5** Akamnika lifa kuwo, kwanendawo engangonyawo; kodwa wambeka ngedinga lokuba uya kumnika ube ngowakhe, nembewu yakhe emva kwakhe, phofu engekabi namntwana.

**6** Ke kaloku wenjenje uThixo ukuthetha, wathi, imbewu yakhe iya kuba ngabaphambukeli emhla beni wabasemzini; baya kuyenza amakhoboka, bayiphathe kakubi iminyaka engamakhulu omane.

**7** Nohlanga olo, etha yangamakhoboka kulo, ndiya kulugweba mna, watsho uThixo; yaye, emveni kwezi zinto, iya kuphuma indikhonze kule ndawo.

**8** Waza wamnika umnqophiso wolwaluko; wathi yena ekuwo, wazala ulsake, wamalusa ngomhla wesibhozo, waza ulsake wamenjenjalo uYakobi, waza noYakobi wabenjenjalo oomawokhulu abalishumi elinababini.

**9** Bathi oomawokhulu, bemmonele uYosefu, bathengisa ngaye, bamsingisa eYiputa; kodwa uThixo waba naye,

**10** wamncothula kuzo zonke iimbandezelo zakhe, wambabala ngobulumko phambi koFaro, ukumkani waseYiputa; wammisa ukuba abe yirhuluneli phezu kweYiputa nendlu yakhe iphela.

**11** Ke kaloku kwafika indlala kuwo umhlaba waseYiputa uphela, nowakwaKanan, nembandezelo enkulu; baye oobawo bethu bengafumani kudla.

**12** Akuva ke uYakobi ukuba kukho ingqolowa eYiputa, wesusa oobawo bethu okokuqala.

**13** Wathi ngokwesibini, uYosefu wabuya waziwa ngabazalwana bakhe, saza isizalwane sikaYosefu saveliswa kuFaro.

**14** Wathumela ke uYosefu wambiza uyise uYakobi, nabo bonke abazalana naye, bayimiphefumlo engamashumi osixhenxe anesihlanu.

**15** Wehla ke uYakobi, waya eYiputa, wabhubha yena noobawo bethu;

**16** baza bathwalwa basiwa kwaShekem, babekwa engcwabeni awalithengayo uAbraham ngexabiso lemali koonyana bakaHamore, usoShekem.

**17** Lithe ke, lakuba lisondele ixesha ledinga, awalifungayo uThixo kuAbraham, bakhula abantu, banda eYiputa,

**18** kwada kwavela kumkani wumbi, ubengamazi uYosefu.

**19** Lowo wabalumkisa abakowethu, wabaphatha kakubi oobawo bethu, ngokokuze bazilahle iintsana zabo, ukuze zingabudli ubomi.

**20** Ekuthe ke kwelo xesha, kwazalwa uMoses; waye emhle kuThixo, wondliwa iinyanga

zantathu endlwini kayise.

**21** Elahliwe ke, yamchola intombi kaFaro, yazondlela ukuba abe ngunyana wayo.

**22** WaqeQeshwa ke uMoses kubo bonke ubulumko bamaYiputa; waye ke eyinkunkqele ngamazwi nangemisebenzi.

**23** Kuthe ke, kwakuzaliseka kuye ixesha leminyaka engamashumi amane, kwathi qatha entliziyweni yakhe ukukha aye kuvelela abazalwana bakhe, oonyana bakaSirayeli.

**24** Waza, akubona othile esoniwa, wamhlanganisela, wamphindezelela lowo ucinezelweyo ngokumthi qwaka umYiputa:

**25** wayeba ke yena boqonda abazalwana bakhe ukuba uThixo ebeya kubasindisa ngesandla sakhe; abaqondanga ke bona.

**26** Kananjalo ngengomso wabonakala kubo besilwa, wabanyanzela ukuba baxolisane, esithi, Madoda, niyazalana nina; yini na ukuba nonane?

**27** Uthe ke yena owayemonile uwabo wamgiba, esithi, Umiswe ngubani na ukuba ube ngumphathi nomahluli phakathi kwethu?

**28** Ungaba wena ufunu ukundisika na, ngohlolo omsike ngalo umYiputa izolo?

**29** Wasaba ke uMoses ngelo lizwi, wangumphambukeli emhlabeni wakwaMidiyan, apho wazalela khona oonyana bababini.

**30** Kuthe ke kwakuzaliseka iminyaka emashumi mane, kwabonakala kuye kwintlango yentaba yeSinayi isithunywa seNkosi, elangatyeni lomlilo etyholweni.

**31** Ke kaloku, akukubona oko uMoses, wamangaliswa ngumbono lowo. Kuthe ke, akusondela ukuba awuqiqe, kwafika izwi leNkosi kuye lisithi,

**32** Mna ndinguThixo wabo ooyihlo, uThixo ka-Abraham, uThixo kalsake, uThixo kaYakobi. Wesuka ke wagubha uMoses, akaba nabuganga bakuwuqiqa.

**33** Ithe ke kuye iNkosi, Zithukulule iimbadada ezinyaweni zakho; kuba indawo leyo umi kuyo ingumhlaba ongcwele.

**34** Ndikubonile ndakubona ukuphathwa kakubi kwabantu bam abaseYiputa, ndakuva nokuncwina kwabo; ndihlile, ukuze ndibahlangule. Yiza ngoku, ndikuthume eYiputa.

**35** Lo Moses bamkhanyelayo, besithi, Umiswe ngubani na, ukuba ube ngumphathi nomahluli? uThixo wathuma yena, ukuba abe ngumphathi nomhlanguli ngesandla sesithunywa esabonakalayo kuye etyholweni.

**36** Yena lowo wabakhupha, akubon' ukuba wenze izimanga nemiqondiso emhlabeni waseYiputa, naseLwandle oluBomvu, nasentlango, iminyaka engamashumi omane.

**37** Lowo nguloo Moses wathi koonyana bakaSirayeli, INkosi, uThixo wenu, iya kunivelisela umprofeti kubazalwana benu, onjengam nje; nize nimve yena.

**38** Nguye lowo owayephakathi kwalo ibandla entlango, ndawonye nesithunywa sezulu, ebethetha naye entaben iyeSinayi, noobawo bethu; owamkelayo izihlabo zobomi, ukuze azinikele kuthi;

**39** abangathandanga kumlulamel oobawo bethu, besuka bamgiba, babuyela eYiputa ngeentlizyo zabo,

**40** besithi kuAron, Senzele oothixo abaya kuhamba phambi kwethu; kuba lo Moses wasikhuphayo emhlabeni waseYiputa, asiyazi into emhleleyo.

**41** Benza ithole ngaloo mihla, benyusa amadini, bawasa esithixweni eso, baba nemihlali yimisebenzi yezabo izandla.

**42** Wajika ke uThixo, wabanikela ukuba bakhonze umkhosi wezulu; njengoko kubhaliweyo encwadini yabaprofeti kwathiwa, Ningaba nisondeze kum imibingeleo neminikelo yini na iminyaka emashumi mane entlango, ndlu kaSirayeli?

**43** Nathwala umnquba kaMoleki, Nenkwenkwezi yothixo wenu uRemfan, Imifanekiso ke leyo enayenzayo ukuba niqubude kuyo; Ndaye ke ndiya kunifudusela ngaphaya kweBhabheli.

**44** Umnquba wesinqino wawukoobawo bethu entlango, njengoko wayemisele ngako owayethetha noMoses, ukuba awenze ngokomfanekiso abewubonile;

**45** Io kanjalo bawungenisayo, benikelana ngawo oobawo bethu, benoYoshuwa ekuthinjweni kweentlanga, ezo wazigxothayo uThixo ebuswени boobawo bethu, kwada kwayimihla kaDavide;

**46** owababalwayo nguThixo, wacela ukuba amfumanele uThixo kaYakobi umnquba.

**47** NguSolomon ke owamakhela indlu.

**48** Noko Osenyangweni yena akemi zitempileni zenziwe ngazandla; njengokuba esitsho umprofeti ukuthi,

**49** Izulu liyitrone yam, Ke ihlabathi sisihlalo seenyawo zam; Yindlu enjani na eniya kuyakhela mna? itsho iNkosi; Yiyiphi na yona indawo yokuphumla kwam?

**50** Asisisandla sam na, esenza zonke ezo zinto?

**51** Nina bantamo zilukhuni, bangalukileyo ngentliziyo, nangendalebe, nihleli nibambene noMoya oyiNgcwele; njengabo ooyihlo, nani ninjalo.

**52** Kubo abaprofeti nguuphi na ongatshutshiswanga ngooyihlo? Bababulala ababexela ngenxa engaphambili ukuza koliLungisa; enithe kalokunje naba ngabanikeli nababulali, bakhe.

**53** nina nawamkelayo umthetho, niwumiselwa zizithunywa zezulu, anawugcina.

**54** Ke kaloku, bathi bakuziva ezi zinto, bahlabeka ezintliziyweni zabo, bamtshixizela amazinyo.

**55** Ke yena, ezele nguMoya oyiNgcwele, waqwalasela ezulwini, wabona ubuqaqawuli bukaThixo, noYesu emi ngasekunene kukaThixo.

**56** Wathi, Yabonani, ndiwabona amazulu evulekile, ndimbona uNyana woMntu emi ngasekunene kukaThixo.

**57** Badanduluka ke ngezwi elikhulu, bazivingca iindlebe zabo, besuka indulumbane phezu kwakhe ngamxhelo mnye,

**58** bamkhuphela ngaphandle komzi, bamgibisela ngamatye. Amangqina azibeka iingubo zaho ezinyaweni zendodana ekuthiwa nguSawule.

**59** Ayemgibisela ngamatye uStefano, yena ebiza esithi, Nkosi Yesu, wamkele umoya wam.

**60** Uguqile ke ngamadolo, wadanduluka ngezwi elikhulu, wathi, Nkosi, ungabamiseli esi sono. Akutsho, walala ubuthongo.

## ISAHLUKO 8

**W**aye ke uSawule ekuthakazela ukusikwa kwakhe. Ke kaloku kwehla ngaloo mhla intshutshiso enkulu phezu kwalo ibandla eliseYerusalem; kanjalo bonke baba ziintsali emazweni akwaYuda naseSamariya, kwasala abapostile bodwa.

**2** Amthwala ke uStefano amadoda amoyikayo uThixo, aya kumngcwaba, amenzela isililo esikhulu.

**3** Waye ke uSawule elidlavula ibandla, engena kwizindlu ngezindlu, erhola amadoda kwanabafazi, ebaFaka entolongweni.

**4** Bona ke ngoko ababeziintsali batyhutyha ilizwe, beshumayela iindaba ezilungileyo

zelizwi.

- 5** Wehla ke uFilipu, waya emzini welaseSamariya, wamvakalisa uKristu kubo.
- 6** Zaye kanjalo izihlweli zizinyamekela ngamxhelo mnye izinto ezibe zithethwa nguFilipu, ekuyiveni nasekuyiboneni kwazo imiqondiso abeyenza.
- 7** Kuba oomoya abangcolileyo babephuma kwinto eninzi ebinabo, bebhomboloza ngezwi elikhulu; yathi ke into eninzi enedumbe neziziqhwa yaphiliswa.
- 8** Kwabakho uvuyo olukhulu kuloo mzi.
- 9** Ke kaloku bekukho ndoda ithile, igama linguSimon, kwangaphambili kuloo mzi, ebinyanga, ibethe luthi nqa uhlanga IwaseSamariya, isithi yona ngokwayo inguthile omkhulu;
- 10** ababeyiphulaphula bonke, bethabathela komncinane base komkhulu, besithi, Lo ungamandla kaThixo amakhulu.
- 11** Baye ke bemphulaphula, ngenxa yokuba ixesha elide wabetha bee nqa ngobunyangi bakhe.
- 12** Xenikweni ke bakholwayo nguFilipu, eshumayela iindaba ezilungileyo zezinto zobukumkani bukaThixo, nezegama likaYesu Kristu, babhaptizwa amadoda kwanabafazi.
- 13** Wakholwa ke kwanaye uSimon; wathi akubhaptizwa, wazingisa ukuhlala noFilipu, ebona imiqondiso kwanemisebenzi emikhulu yamandla isenzeka, wathi nqa.
- 14** Ke kaloku, bakuva abapostile aba beseYerusalem, ukuba abaseSamariya balamkele ilizwi likaThixo, bathuma uPetros noYohane kubo;
- 15** abathi bona bakuhla, babathandazela, ukuba bamkele uMoya oyiNgcwele;
- 16** kuba ebengekaweli namnye kubo; babebhaptizelwe nje kodwa egameni leNkosi uYesu.
- 17** Bandula ukubeka izandla phezu kwabo, bamamkela ke uMoya oyiNgcwele.
- 18** Ke kaloku uSimon, akubona ukuba ngokubekwa kwezandla zabapostile uyanikwa uMoya oyiNgcwele, wezisa kubo imali,
- 19** esithi, Ndinikeni nam eli gunya, ukuze lowo, ndithe ndazibeka izandla phezu kwakhe, amkele uMoya oyiNgcwele.
- 20** Uthe ke uPetros kuye, Isilivere yakho mayiye kutshabalala nawe; ngokuba ububa isipho sikaThixo singazuzwa ngemali.
- 21** Akunasahlulo nasabelo kule nto; kuba intlizyo yakho ayithe tye emehlweni kaThixo.
- 22** Guquka ngoko kobo bubi bakho, ukhunge kuThixo, ukuba ingathi mhlawumbi ixolelwe ingcingane yentlizyo yakho.
- 23** Kuba ndiyabona ukuba usenyongweni yobukrakra, nasentanjeni yentswela-bulungisa.
- 24** Waphendula ke uSimon wathi, Ndikhungeleni nina eNkosini, ukuze ndingahlelwa nanye yezo zinto nizithethileyo.
- 25** Bona ke ngoko, bakuba beqononondisile, belithetha ilizwi leNkosi, babuya beza eYerusalem; kanjalo imizi emininzi yelaseSamariya bayishumayeza iindaba ezilungileyo.
- 26** Ke kaloku kwathetha isithunywa seNkosi kuFilipu, sisithi, Suka usinge ezantsi, ngendlela ehla ivela eYerusalem, eya eGaza, yona iyintlango.
- 27** Usukile ke waya. Kwavela indoda engumTiyopiya, ithenwa, isikhulu sikaKandase, ukumkanikazi wamaTiyopiya, ebiphethe bonke ubutyebi bakhe, eyayize kunqula uThixo eYerusalem.
- 28** Yayibuya, ihleli enqwelweni yayo, ilesa incwadi yomprofeti ulsaya.
- 29** Uthe ke uMoya kuFilipu, Yiya ukhwele kule nqwelo.
- 30** Wabaleka ke uFilipu, waya kuyo, wayiva ilesa incwadi yomprofeti ulsaya; wathi, Uyaziqonda na kodwa izinto ozilesayo?

- 31** Ithe ke yona, Ndingaba nako ngani na, kungekho undikhokelayo nje? Kanjalo yambongoza uFilipu ukuba akhwele ahlale nayo.
- 32** Ke kaloku indawo yesibhalo eyayilesa yona ibiyile ithi, Njengemvu esiwa ekuxhelweni, Njengemvana esisimumu phambi komchebi wayo, Wenjenjalo yena ukungawuvuli umlomo wakhe.
- 33** Ekuthobekeni kwakhe umgwebo wakhe wasuswa; Ngubani na ke owosicacisa ukusixela isizukulwana sakhe? Ngokuba buyasuswa ubomi bakhe emhlabeni.
- 34** Laphendula ke ithenwa lathi kuFilipu, Ndiyakukhunga, umprofeti lo uyithetha ngabani na le nto; uzithetha yena na, uthetha mntu wumbi, kusini na?
- 35** Wawuvula ke uFilipu umlomo wakhe, waqalela kweso sibhalo, walishumayeza iindaba ezilungileyo zikaYesu.
- 36** Ke kaloku, xa bahambayo ngendlela, bafika manzini athile; lathi ithenwa, Nanga amanzi; kwala ntoni na ukuba ndingabhaptizwa?
- 37** Uthe ke uFilipu, Ukuba uyakholwa ngentliziyo yakho iphela, kuvumelekile. Laphendula ke lathi, Ndiyakholwa ukuba uYesu Kristu unguNyana kaThixo.
- 38** Lathi mayime inqwelo; behla bobabini, baya emanzini, uFilipu kwanethenwa; walibhaptiza.
- 39** Xeshikweni ke babenyukile, baphuma emanzini, uMoya weNkosi wamthi xwi uFilipu; alaba sambona ithenwa, kuba lalihamba ngeyalo indlela livuya.
- 40** UFilipu ke wafunyanwa eAzoto; watyhutyha ilizwe, eyishumayeza imizi yonke iindaba ezilungileyo, wada weza eKesareya.

## ISAHLUKO 9

- K**e kaloku uSawule, esabafuthela ngeentsongelo neembulalo abafundi beNkosi, waya kumbingeleli omkhulu;
- 2** wacela kuye iincwadi zokuya eDamasko ezindlwini zesikhungu, ukuze athi, etha wafumana abathile bale Ndlela, amadoda kwanabafazi, abazisebekhonksiwe eYerusalem.
- 3** Kuthe ke ekuhambeni kwakhe, wasondela eDamasko; waza ngesiquphe wabanekelwa ngeenxa zonke lukhanyiso oluvela ezulwini;
- 4** wawa emhlabeni, weva izwi lisithi kuye, Sawule, Sawule, unditshutshiselani na?
- 5** Wathi ke yena, Ungubani na, Nkosi? Ithe ke iNkosi, Mna ndinguye uYesu omtshutshisayo wena; wenzakala, ukhaba iimviko nje.
- 6** Waza egubha, eqhiphuke umbilini, wathi, Nkosi, ufunu ukuba ndenze ntoni na? Yathi iNkosi kuye, Vuka, uye kungena emzini lowo; woyixeletwa into omelwe kukuyenza.
- 7** Ke kaloku amadoda abehamba naye ema engenakuthetha, eliva okunene lona izwi, kodwa engaboni mntu.
- 8** Wavuka ke uSawule emhlabeni; wathi akuvulwa amehlo akhe, akabona mntu; bamrhola ke ngesandla, baza kumngenisa eDamasko.
- 9** Waye emihla mithathu engaboni, engadli, engaseli nokusela.
- 10** Ke kaloku bekukho mfundi uthile eDamasko, ugama linguHananiya; yathi iNkosi kuye embonweni, Hananiya. Uthe ke yena, Ndilapha, Nkosi.
- 11** Ithe ke iNkosi kuye, Phakama, uye esitratweni ekuthiwa sesithe Tye, ubuzise endlwini kaYuda umntu ogama linguSawule waseTarso; kuba nanko ethandaza;
- 12** waye ebone embonweni indoda egama linguHananiya ingena, ibeka isandla phezu

kwakhe, ukuze abuye abone.

**13** Uphendule ke uHananiya wathi, Nkosi, ndivile kwabaninzi ngale ndoda, ukuba zinkulu kwazo izinto ezimbi ezenze kwabangcwele bakho eYerusalem;

**14** nalapha, ikho nje, inegunya kubabingelei abakhulu lokukhonkxa bonke abo balinqulayo igama lakho.

**15** Yathi ke kuye iNkosi, Yiya; ngokuba lowo usisitya esinyuliwego ndim, sokuphatha igama lam emehlwani eentlanga, nookumkani, kwanoonyana bakaSirayeli;

**16** kuba mna ndiya kumbonisa ukuba zinkulu kwezinto ezinzima, amelwe kukuziva ngenxa yegama lam.

**17** Wemka ke uHananiya, waya kungena endlwini; ebeke izandla phezu kwakhe, wathi, Sawule, mzalwana, indithumile iNkosi uYesu, ebonakele kuwe endleleni oze ngayo, ukuze ubuye ubone, uzaliswe nguMoya oyiNgcwele.

**18** Kwaoko kwawa emehlwani akhe izinto ezingathi ziinkwethu; wabuya wabona kwaoko, wavuka, wabhaptizwa;

**19** wathi akuba edlile, womelezeka. Ke kaloku uSawule waba nemihla ethile kubafundi abaseDamasko.

**20** Waye kwaoko, ezindlwini zesikungu, emvakalisa uYesu, ukuba lowo unguye uNyana kaThixo.

**21** Bathi nqa ke bonke abamvayo, bathi, Lo kanene asinguye na owababhuqa eYerusalem abo babelinqula eli gama? Waye nalapha ezele le nto, ukuba abasebekhonxiwe kubabingelei abakhulu.

**22** Kwaba kuhkona ke womelelayo uSawule; wabetha adubadubeka amaYuda abemi eDamasko, ebonakalala ukuba lo nguye uKristu. Ke kaloku, kwakuzaliseka imihla eyaneleyo, abhunga amaYuda ukuba amsike.

**23** Laziwa ke nguSawule iyelenqe lawo elo.

**24** Awagcina ke namasango imini nobusuku, ukuba amsike.

**25** Bamthabatha ke abafundi ebusuku, bamhlisa ngodonga, bemthoba ngengobozi.

**26** Ke kaloku, akufika uSawule eYerusalem, wamana elinga ukuzibandakanya nabafundi; kodwa bamoyika bonke, bengakholwa ukuba ungumfundu.

**27** UBharnabhas ke wamthabatha wamsa kubapostile, wabacacisela ukuyibona kwakhe iNkosi endleleni, nokuba yathetha naye, nokuthetha kwakhe ngokungafihliyo eDamasko egameni likaYesu.

**28** Waye enabo ke, engena ephuma eYerusalem, ethetha ngokungafihliyo egameni leNkosi uYesu.

**29** Wamana ethetha ephikisana namaYuda esiGrike; ayezamela ke wona ukumsika.

**30** Bekwazile ke oko abazalwana, bamhlisela eKesareya, bamthumela eTarso.

**31** Laye ke ngoko ibandla kulo lonke elakwaYuda, nelaseGalili, nelaseSamariya, linoxolo, lisakheka, lihamba liyoyika iNkosi; laye lisanda ngentuthuzelo yoMoya oyiNgcwele.

**32** Ke kaloku, akuba uPetros etyhutyha iindawo zonke, wehla weza nakwabangcwele ababemi eLida.

**33** Wafumana ke khona umntu othile, ogama linguEneya, eminyaka isibhozo elele elukhukweni enedumbe.

**34** Wathi uPetros kuye, Eneya, uyakuphilisa uYesu Kristu; vuka, wandlule. Wavuka kwaoko.

**35** Bambona bonke ababemi eLida naseSharon, babuyela eNkosini.

**36** Ke kaloku, eYopa kwakukho mfundikazi uthile, ugama linguTabhita, ekuthiwa ngentetho

evakalayo nguDorkas; yena lowo wayezele yimisebenzi elungileyo, nasisisa abenaso.

**37** Wathi ke ngaloo mihla, wahliwa sisifo, wafa; bathe ke bakuba bermhlambile, bambeka egumbini eliphezulu.

**38** Ke kaloku iLida ibikufuphi nje neYopa; bathi abafundi, bevile ukuba uPetros ukhona, bathuma amadoda amabini kuye, bembongoza ukuba eze kubo, angalibali.

**39** Wesuka ke uPetros, wahamba nawo. Efikile, bamsa egumbini eliphezulu; bema ngakuye bonke abahlolokazi, belila, bemonisa ukuba zininzi kwazo iingubo zangaphantsi nezokwaleka abezenza uDorkas oko ebenabo.

**40** Wabakhuphela phandle ke bonke uPetros, waguqa ngamadolo, wathandaza; waza eguqukele esidumbini wathi, Tabhita, vuka. Wawavula ke amehlo akhe; wathi akubona uPetros, wesuka wahlala.

**41** Wamnika ke isandla sakhe, wamphakamisa; wababiza abangcwele nabahlolokazi abo, wammisa phambi kwabo ephilile.

**42** Kwesuka ke oko kwazeka kuyo yonke iYopa; baba baninzi abakholwayo eNkosini.

**43** Wathi ke wahlala imihla emininzi eYopa naSimon uthile, ungumsuki wezikhumba.

## ISAHLUKO 10

**K**e kaloku, kwaye kukho eKesareya ndoda ithile, igama linguKorneli, umthetheli-khulu wasebuthweni lamasoldati ekuthiwa lelaseltali, emhlonelayo,

**2** emoyikayo uThixo, kunye nayo yonke indlu yayo; ibaliza abantu kunene; kanjalo yayimana ikhunga kuThixo.

**3** Yabona embonweni kakuhle, malunga nelixa lesithoba lenini, kufika kuyo isithunywa sikaThixo, sisithi kuyo, Hina, Korneli!

**4** Eqwalasele ke kuso, wangenelwa kukoyika, wathi, Yintoni na, Nkosi? Sithe ke kuye, Imithandazo yakho namalizo akho anyukile, aba sisikhumbuzo emehlwani kaThixo.

**5** Susa kwangoku amadoda, aye eYopa, ubize eze uSimon, ogama limbi linguPetros;

**6** yena ulundwendwe lukaSimon, umsuki wezikhumba, ondlu ingaselwandle; yena lowo uya kukuxelela into omelwe kukuyenza.

**7** Ke kaloku, sakuba simkile isithunywa eso besithetha noKorneli, wabiza zazibini kwizicaka zakhe zasendlwini, nesoldati elimhlonelayo uThixo kwabehlala ehleli naye;

**8** waza, ebacacisele zonke iindawo, wabathuma eYopa.

**9** Ke kaloku ngengomso, bakubon' ukuba basendleleni bona, besondela kuwo umzi, wenyuka uPetros, waya phezu kwendlu, malunga nelixa lesithandathu, ukuba athandaze.

**10** Wesuka ke walamba kakhulu, wanga angakhe afumane into edliwayo; kuthe ke, bakubon' ukuba ke bayamlungisela, wawelwa lithongo:

**11** wabona izulu livulekile, kusihla phezu kwakhe sitya sithile, ngathi yilinen enkulu ebotshwe kumasondo omane, sithotyelwa emhlaben;

**12** ekwaye kukho kuso zonke izinto zomhlaba ezizitho zine, namarhamncwa, nezinambuzane, neentaka zezulu.

**13** Kwabakho izwi lisithi kuye, Vuka, Petros, xhela udle.

**14** Utthe ke uPetros, Nakanye, Nkosi; ngokuba yonke into eyinqambi, nokuba yengcolileyo, andizanga ndiyidle.

**15** Laphinda izwi okwesibini lathi kuye, Izinto uThixo azihlambululeyo, musa ukuzenza inqambi wena.

**16** Kwabakho ke oku kathathu; sabuya isitya eso senyuswa, sasiwa ezulwini.

- 17** Ke kaloku, xa uPetros wayethingaza ngaphakathi kwakhe, ukuba ungaba uyintoni na umbono lo awubonileyo, kwasuka kwathi gqi amadoda abethunyiwe evela kuKorneli, ebuza indlu kaSimon, emi esangweni;
- 18** akhwaza, ebuza ukuba uSimon, ogama limbi linguPetros, ulundwendwe apha na.
- 19** Ke kaloku, akubon' ukuba uPetros uyacinga ngawo umbono lowo, wathi uMoya kuye, Nanga amadoda amathathu ekufuna;
- 20** suka uhle, uhambe nawo, ungathandabuzi nento, ngokokuba athunywe ndim.
- 21** Wehla ke uPetros, waya kuwo amadoda abethunyiwe kuye evela kuKorneli, wathi, Niyabona, ndingulowo nimfunayo; ngumcimbi mni na enize ngawo?
- 22** Athe ke wona, UKorneli umthetheli-khulu, indoda elilungisa, emoyikayo uThixo, kanjalo engqinelwe ukulunga lulo lonke uhlanga IwamaYuda, uhlatyelwe sisithunywa esingcwele ukuba akubize, uze endlwini yakhe, eve amazwi kuwe.
- 23** Wawabizela phakathi ngoko, aba lundwendwe Iwakhe. Ke kaloku ngengomso, uPetros wemka nawo, nabazalwana abathile baseYopa bahamba naye.
- 24** Baza ngengomsomnye bangena eKesareya. Waye ke uKorneli ebalindile; wayebizele ndawonye imizalwane yakhe, nezihlobo zakhe ezibuhlungu.
- 25** Kwathi ke, xa angenayo uPetros, uKorneli wamhlangabeza, wawa ezinyaweni zakhe, waqubuda kuye.
- 26** Ut he ke uPetros wamvusa, esithi, Phakama; nam ngokwam ndingumntu.
- 27** Wangena encokola naye, wabafumana bebuthelene bebaninzi.
- 28** Kananjalo wathi kubo, Niyazi kakuhle nina, ukuba akusesikweni ukuthi indoda engumYuda inamathele isondele kowolunye uhlanga; mna ke uThixo undibonisile, ukuba ndingabizi mntu ngokuthi uyinqambi, ungongcolileyo.
- 29** Kungoko ke ndizileyo ndingaphikanga ndakubizwa. Ndizile ke; ndiyabuza ngoko, ukuba hindibize ngandawoni na?
- 30** UKorneli wathi, Kuse kuntsuku ne ndizila ukudla, kwada kwaleli lixa lemini. Ngelixa lesithoba ke bendithandaza endlwini yam, kwesuka kwathi gqi indoda, yema phambi kwam, inengubo eqaqambileyo;
- 31** yathi, Korneli, umthandazo wakho uviwe, namalizo akho akhunjulwe phambi koThixo;
- 32** thumela ngoko eYopa, ubize eze uSimon, ogama limbi linguPetros; lowo ulundwendwe endlwini kaSimon, umsuki wezikhumba, ngaselwandle; oya kuthi akufika athethe nawe.
- 33** Ndathumela ngoko kuwe kwaoko; nawe utyaphile ufile. Kaloku ngoko sikho thina sonke emehlwani kaThixo, ukuze sizive zonke izinto ozimiselweyo nguThixo.
- 34** Ke kaloku uPetros wawuvula umlomo wakhe wathi, Ndiyaqqa okwenyaniso ukuba uThixo akamkhethi wabuso bamntu;
- 35** kwiintlanga zonke, lowo umoyikayo, asebenze ubulungisa, wamkelekile kuye.
- 36** Ilizwi elo walithumelayo koonyana bakaSirayeli, eshumayela iindaba ezilungileyo zoxolo ngoYesu Kristu (nguye iNkosi yabo bonke),
- 37** nina niyalazi ilizwi elenzekayo kulo lonke elakwaYuda, liqalela kwelaseGalili, emva kobhaptizo awaluvakalisayo uYohane:
- 38** okokuba uThixo wamthambisa ngoMoya oyiNgcwele nangamandla uYesu waseNazarete, owaggiba ilizwe esiza, ephilisa bonke abaxinzelelweyo nguye uMtyholi; ngokuba uThixo ubenaye.
- 39** Thina singamangqina ezinto zonke awazenzayo ezweni lamaYuda, kwanaseYerusalem; abamsikayo ngokumxhoma emthini.
- 40** Yena lowo uThixo wamvusa ngomhla wesithathu, wenza ukuba abonakale,

- 41** kungekubo abantu bonke, kukumangqina abenyuliwe ngenxa engaphambili nguThixo: kuthi thina, sadlayo saselayo naye emveni kokuvuka kwakhe kwabafileyo.
- 42** Wasithethela ngelithi, masivakalise ebantwini, siqononondise ukuba yena nguye omisiweyo nguThixo, ukuba abe ngumgwebi wabaphilileyo nabafileyo.
- 43** Bonke abaprofeti bayamngqinela yena lo, ukuba, ngegama lakhe, bamkeliswa uxolelo lwezono bonke abakholwayo kuye.
- 44** Uthe akubon' ukuba usawathetha uPetros la mazwi, wasuka wabawela uMoya oyiNgcwele bonke ababeliva ilizwi.
- 45** Amangaliswa amakholwa olwaluko onke abeze noPetros; ngokuba isipho soMoya oyiNgcwele sathululwa naphezu kweentlanga;
- 46** kuba aziva zithetha ngalwimi zimbi, zimentza mkhulu uThixo. Wandula waphendula uPetros wathi,
- 47** Kukho unako yini na ukuthintela amanzi, ukuba bangabhaptizwa aba bamamkeleyo uMoya oyiNgcwele, kwanjengathi nje?
- 48** Wamisa ukuthi mababhaptizwe egameni leNkosi. Baza bamcela ukuba akhe ahlale iintsuku ezithile.

## ISAHLUKO 11

**K**e kaloku, abapostile nabazalwana ababekwelakwaYuda beva ukuba nazo iintlanga zilamkele ilizwi likaThixo.

- 2** Uthe ke uPetros akuba enyuke waya eYerusalem, babambana naye abolwaluko,
- 3** besithi, Uye wangena kumadoda angalukileyo, wadla nawo.
- 4** Waqala ke uPetros wabatyhilela ngokucacileyo, esithi,
- 5** Mna ndandisemzini oyiYopa ndithandaza; ndabona ethongweni umbono, kusihla isitya esithile, ngathi yilinen enkulu, ithotywa ezulwini ngamasondo omane, yada yaza kufika kum;
- 6** endithe ndakuqwalasela kuyo, ndaqqa, ndabona izinto zomhlaba ezizitho zine, namarhamncwa, nezinambuzane, neentaka zezulu.
- 7** Ndeva ke izwi lisithi kum, Vuka, Petros, xhela udle.
- 8** Ndithe ke mna, Nakanye, Nkosi; ngokuba yonke into eyinqambi, nokuba yengcolileyo, ayizanga ingene emlonyeni wam.
- 9** Landiphendula ke ilizwi okwesibini, liphuma ezulwini, lathi, Izinto azihlambululeyo uThixo, musa ukuzenza iinqambi wena.
- 10** Oku ke kwabakho kathathu; zaza zonke ezo zinto zabuya zarholelwya ezulwini.
- 11** Gqi! kwaoko amadoda amathathu, ema ngasendlwini ebendikuyo, esuswe eKesareya ukuba eze kum.
- 12** Wathi ke uMoya kum, mandihambe nawo, ndingathandabuzi nto. Bahamba ke nam, naba bazalwana bobathandathu; sangena endlwini yendoda leyo;
- 13** yasibikela kananjalo ukubona kwayo isithunywa sezulu endlwini yayo, esemayo sathi kuyo, Thuma amadoda eYopa, ubize eze uSimon, ogama limbi linguPetros,
- 14** oya kuthetha kuwe amazwi, owosindiswa ngawo wena, nayo yonke indlu yakho.
- 15** Ke kaloku, ekuqaleni kwam ukuthetha, uMoya oyiNgcwele wabawela, njengoko wasiwelayo nathi ekuqaleni.
- 16** Ndakhumbula ke izwi leNkosi lokokuba ibithe, UYohane okunene wabhaptiza ngamanzi, kodwa nina niya kubhaptizwa ngoMoya oyiNgcwele.

**17** Ukuba ngoko uThixo wabapha isipho esingangeso wasiphayo nathi thina sakholwayo eNkosini uYesu Kristu, mna ke bendingubani na, ukuba ndide ndibe nako ukumthintela uThixo?

**18** Bakuziva ke ezo zinto, bathi cwaka, bamzukisa uThixo, besithi, Kanti na ke neentlanga ezi uThixo uziphe ukuguqukela ebomini.

**19** Abaya ke ngoko, babeziintsali ngembandezelo eyabakho ngoStefano, batyhutyha ilizwe, bada beza kwelaseFenike, naseSipro, nakwa-Antiyokwe, bengalithethi bantwini bambi, belithetha kumaYuda odwa.

**20** Yaye ke inxene kubo ingamadoda aseSipro naseKirene; eyathi yona yakufika kwa-Antiyokwe, yathetha kwawesiGrike amaYuda, ishumayela iindaba ezilungileyo zeNkosi uYesu.

**21** Saye ke isandla seNkosi sinawo, kanjalo kwakholwa inani elikhulu, labuyela eNkosini.

**22** Lwavakala ke udaba lwabo ezindlebeni zebandla laseYerusalem; bakhupha uBharnabhas, ukuba ahambe, ade aye kufika kwa-Antiyokwe;

**23** othe akufika, walubona ubabalo lukaThixo, wavuya, wabavuselela bonke, ukuba bathi ngengqibo yentlizyo bahlale bethe nca eNkosini.

**24** Ngokuba ebeyindoda elungileyo, ezele nguMoya oyiNgcwele nalukholo. Kongezelelwa eNkosini inani elaneleyo.

**25** Wemka ke uBharnabhas, waya eTarso, esiya kufuna uSawule;

**26** wathi akuba emfumene, wamsa kwa-Antiyokwe. Kwathi ke, umnyaka uphela, bahlangana nebandla, bafundisa inani elaneleyo. Kananjalo abafundi baqala ukubizwa ukuba ngamaKristu kwa-Antiyokwe.

**27** Ke kaloku ngaloo mihla, kwehla abaprofeti, besuka eYerusalem, beza kwa-Antiyokwe.

**28** Kwesuka ke omnye wabo, ogama linguAgabho, waqondisa ngaye uMoya ukuba kuza kubakho indlala enkulu kulo lonke elimiweyo; eyabakho ke ngemihla kaKlawudiyo Kesare.

**29** Kubo ke abafundi, njengoko uthile ebenabo ubutyebi, wathi elowo kubo wagqiba ukuthumela into yokubanceda abazalwana ababemi kwelamaYuda;

**30** abathe bakwenza nokukwenza, bathumela kuwo amadoda amakhulu ngesandla sikaBharnabhas noSawule.

## ISAHLUKO 12

**K**e kaloku, ngelo xesha uHerode ukumkani wabesa izandla abathile balo ibandla, ukuba abaphathe kakubi;

**2** wambulala ke uYakobi, umzalwana kaYohane, ngekrele.

**3** Wathi, akubona ukuba oko kuwakholisile amaYuda, waqokela ngokubamba noPetros (yaye ke iyimihla yezonka ezingenagwele leyo).

**4** Akuba ke embamble, wamfaka entolongweni, wamnikela kumaqela amane amasoldati angamane, ukuba amgcine; engxamele ukuze emveni kwepasika amkhuphe, amse ebantwini.

**5** Wagcinwa ngoko okunene uPetros entolongweni; ke kwathandazwa libandla ngenyameko kuThixo ngenxa yakhe.

**6** Xa ke uHerode wayeza kumkhupha, uPetros ngobo busuku wayelele phakathi kwamasoldati amabini, ekhonksiwe ngemixokelelwane emibini; baye nabalindi beyigcinile intolongo phambi kwesango.

**7** Yabona, naso isithunywa seNkosi, sisithi gaga phezu kwakhe, kwakhanya nokukhanya

kwelo gumbi lentolongo; sambetha ecaleni uPetros, samvusa, sisithi, Phakama msinya. Yawa imixokelelwane yakhe ezandleni.

**8** Sathi kanjalo isithunywa eso kuye, Bhinqa, ubophe izixathula zakho. Wenjenjalo ke. Sithi kuye, Yithi wambu ingubo yakho, undilandele.

**9** Waphuma, wasilandela; wayengazi ukuba iyunene le nto yenziweyo ngesithunywa eso; ebeba ke ubone umbono.

**10** Begqithile ke kwelokuqala nakwelesibini iqela labalindi, bafika esangweni lentsimbi elibhekisa kuwo umzi, elathi lavuleka kubo ngokwalo; bakuphuma, bahamba isitrato sasinye; sathi kwaoko semka isithunywa eso kuye.

**11** Waza uPetros akuziqonda wathi, Kaloku ndiyazi okwenyaniso, ukuba iNkosi ithume isithunywa sayo, yandihlutha esandleni sikaHerode, nakuko konke ukulindela kwabantu bamaYuda.

**12** Uthe ke akuyiqonda loo nto, weza endlwini kaMariya, unina kaYohane ogama limbi linguMarko, aphi bekuqukene khona into eyaneleyo ithandaza.

**13** Akubon' ukuba ke unkqonkqozile uPetros elucangweni lwsango, kweza kuphulaphula isicakazana esigama linguRoda.

**14** Silazile ke izwi likaPetros, asilivulanga isango, ngenxa yokuvuya; sabalekela ke phakathi, saxela ukuba uPetros umi phambi kwesango.

**15** Bathe ke bona kuso, Uyageza. Saqinisela ke sathi, Hayi, kunjalo. Babesithi ke bona, Sisithunywa sakhe.

**16** Uthe ke uPetros wamana enkqonkqoza; bathi ke bakuvula bambona, bathi nqa.

**17** Uwangawangisile ke ngesandla kubo, ukuba bathi cwaka, wabacacisela ukumkhupha kwayo iNkosi entolongweni. Wathi ke, Babikeleni ooYakobi nabazalwana ezi zinto. Waphuma waya kwenye indawo.

**18** Ke kaloku, kwakusa, ayibanga ncinane inkathazeko phakathi kwamasoldati, yokuba angaba utheni na uPetros.

**19** Uthe ke uHerode, akuba emfuna engamfumani, wabancina abalindi, wathi makumkiwe nabo, baye kubulawa. Waza uPetros wehla kwelakwaYuda, waya eKesareya, walibala khona.

**20** Ke kaloku uHerode wayebaqumbele kakhulu abaseTire nabaseTsidon. Beza ke kuye bemxhelo mnye; bathi, bemthomalalisile uBlasto, obephethe igumbi lokulala ukumkani, bazicelela uxolo, ngenxa yokuba ilizwe labo belisondliwa lelokumkani.

**21** Ke kaloku uHerode, ngemini emisiweyo, ambethe ingubo yobukumkani, wahlala etroneni yakhe, wawisa ukuthetha kwakhe kubo.

**22** Baduma ke abantu, besithi, Lilizwi lothixo elo, asilamntu.

**23** Samthi qwaka ke kwalapho isithunywa seNkosi, ngenxa enokuba engamzukisanga uThixo; wadliwa ziimpethu, waphuma umphefumlo.

**24** Laye ke likhula, lisanda ilizwi likaThixo.

**25** Ke kaloku uBharnabhas noSawule babuya eYerusalem, belufezile ulungiselelo olo, bethabathe nabo uYohane, ogama limbi linguMarko.

## ISAHLUKO 13

**K**e kaloku, kwaye kukho kwa-Antiyokwe, ebandleni ebelikhona, abaprofeti nabafundisi abathile, abangooBharnabhas, noSimon ekuthiwa nguNigere, noLukiyo waseKirene, kwanoManayen owondliwa noHerode umphathi wesahlulo sesine, noSawule.

- <sup>2</sup> Bakubon' ukuba ke bayabusa eNkosini, bezila ukudla, wathi uMoya oyiNgcwele, Ndahluleleni ke uBharnabhas kwanoSawule, baye emsebenzini endibabizele kuwo.
- <sup>3</sup> Bathe ke, bakuba bezile ukudla, bathandaza, babeka nezandla phezu kwabo, babandulula.
- <sup>4</sup> Bona ke ngoko, bakuthunywa nguMoya oyiNgcwele, behla baya kwaSeluki; kanjalo besuka apho ngomkhombe, baya eSipro.
- <sup>5</sup> Bathe bakufika eSalamis, balishumayela ilizwi likaThixo ezindlwini zesikhungu zamaYuda. Baye ke benoYohane, ebancedisa.
- <sup>6</sup> Besigqibile ke isiqhithi ngokuhamba, bada bafika ePafo; bafumana siyazi uthile, ungumprofeti wobuxoki, umYuda ogama linguBhar-yesu,
- <sup>7</sup> owayehlala kwibamba uSergiyo Pawulos, indoda enokuqonda; eyababizela kuyo ooBharnabhas noSawule, yangxamela ukuliva ilizwi likaThixo.
- <sup>8</sup> Wamelana nabo ke uElima, usiyazi lowo (kuba litsho igama lakhe lakuthethwa ngentetho evakalayo), efuna ukulijika ibamba elo elukholweni.
- <sup>9</sup> Ke kaloku uSawule, okwanguPawulos, ezele nguMoya oyiNgcwele, wamjonga,
- <sup>10</sup> wathi, Wena uzeleyo yiyo yonke inkohliso, nabubo bonke ubutshijolo, nyanandini woMtyholi, lutshabandini lobulungisa bonke, akuyi kupheza na ukuzijika iindlela ezithe tye zeNkosi?
- <sup>11</sup> Uyabona, nangoku isandla seNkosi siphezu kwakho; uya kuba yimfama, kube mzuzu ungaliboni ilanga. Kwalapho ke wawelwa lurhatyazo nobumnyama; wayephambela, efuna abangamrhola ngesandla.
- <sup>12</sup> Lithe ke ibamba, lakukubona oko kwenzekileyo, lakkholwa, likhwankqisiwe yiyo imfundiso yeNkosi.
- <sup>13</sup> Ke kaloku, bakunduluka ngomkhombe ePafo abo babenoPawulos, beza ePerga yelasePamfili. Wahlukana ke nabo uYohane, wabuyela eYerusalem.
- <sup>14</sup> Bendulukile ke bona ePerga, batyhutyha beza kufika kwa-Antiyokwe kwelasePisidi. Bangena endlwini yesikhungu ngomhla wesabatha, bahlala phantsi.
- <sup>15</sup> Ke kaloku, emva kokuleswa komthetho nabaprofeti, abaphathi bendlu yesikhungu bathumela kubo besithi, Madoda, bazalwana, ukuba ninelizwi lokuvuselela abantu, thethani.
- <sup>16</sup> Usukile ke uPawulos, wawangawangisa ngesandla, wathi: Madoda, maSirayeli, nani nimoyikayo uThixo, phulaphulani.
- <sup>17</sup> UThixo waba bantu amaSirayeli wabanyula oobawo bethu, wabaphakamisa abantu ekuphambukeleni kwabo emhlabeni waseYiputa, wabakhupha kuwo ngengalo ephakamileyo.
- <sup>18</sup> Wathi ngexesha eliyiminyaka engathi imashumi mane, wayithwala imikhwa yabo entlango;
- <sup>19</sup> wathi akuwisa iintlanga ezsixhenxe emhlabeni wakwaKanan, wababela umhlaba wazo ngeqashiso.
- <sup>20</sup> Emva koko, iminyaka engathi imakhulu mane anamanci mahlanu, wabanika abagwebi, kwada kwakuSamuweli umprofeti.
- <sup>21</sup> Emva koko bacela ukumkani, uThixo wabanika uSawule, unyana kaKishe, indoda yesizwe sakwaBhenjamin, iminyaka emashumi mane.
- <sup>22</sup> Akumkhupha yena, wabavelisela uDavide, wangukumkani; awamngqinelayo kanjalo, wathi, Ndimfumene uDavide okaYe, indoda engantlizyo yam, eya kukwenza konke ukuthanda kwam.

- 23** Embewini yalowo, uthe uThixo ngokwedinga wavelisa uYesu, ukuba abe nguMsindisi kuSirayeli;
- 24** kwakubon' ukuba uYohane uvakalise tanci, phambi kokungena kwakhe, ubhaptizo loguquko kubo bonke abantu bakwaSirayeli.
- 25** Xa ke uYohane ebesekulufezeni uhambo lwakhe, ubesithi, Nithi nina ndingubani na? Andinguye. Yabonani, kuza emva kwam endingafanelekileyo ukuba ndizithukulule iimbadada ezinyaweni zakhe.
- 26** Madoda, bazalwana, nyana bomlibo wakwa-Abraham, nabo phakathi kwenu bamoyikayo uThixo, ilizwi lolu lusindiso lathunyelwa kuni.
- 27** Kuba abo bemijo eYerusalem, nabaphathi babo, bengamazanga lowo, kwanamazwi abaprofeti aleswayo iisabatha ngeesabatha zonke, bawazalisa ngokumgweba;
- 28** bathi, bengafumananga nalinye ityala lokufa, bacela kuPilato ukuba asikwe.
- 29** Xa ke babezifezile zonke izinto ezibhaliweyo ngaye, bamthula emthini, bambeka engcwabeni.
- 30** Utthe ke uThixo wamvusa kwabafileyo,
- 31** Yena lowo wabonwa imihla emininzi ngabo babenyeke naye, bevela kwelaseGalili besiya eYerusalem; ngabo ke abangamangqina akhe ebantwini.
- 32** Nathi sinishumayeza iindaba ezilungileyo zedinga elo labakho koobawo bethu,
- 33** zokokuba uThixo ulizalisile lona kuthi, bantwana babo, ngokumvusa uYesu; njengokuba nakwiNdumiso yesibini kubhaliwe kwathiwa, Wena unguNyana wam, ndikuzele mna namhla.
- 34** Malunga ke nokumvusa kwakhe kwabafileyo, angabi sabuyela ekuboleni, uselethe ukuthetha, Ndiya kuninika iinceba eziqinisekileyo zikaDavide.
- 35** Kungoko athi nakwenye iNdumiso, Akuyi kumyekela oyiNgcwele wakho ukuba abone ukubola.
- 36** Kuba uDavide okunene, akuba elisebenzele kwesakhe isizukulwana icebo likaThixo, walala ubuthongo, wabekwa kooyise, wakubona ukubola;
- 37** ke yena owavuswayo nguThixo, akabonanga kubola.
- 38** Makwazeke ngoko kuni, madoda, bazalwana, ukuba ngaye lowo kuxelwa kuni uxolelo Iwezono;
- 39** nakuzo zonke izinto ebeningenako ukugwetyelwa nikhululeke kuzo ngomthetho kaMoses, bonke abakholwayo bayagwetyelwa ngaye yena lowo.
- 40** Lumkani ke ngoko, ningafikelwa koko kuthethiweyo ebaprofetini, kusithiwa,
- 41** Bonani, nina badeli, nimangaliswe, nithi shwaka; Ngokuba mna ndisebenza umsebenzi ngemihla yenu, Umsebenzi eningasayi kukholwa kuwo, nokuba kukho othi anicacisele.
- 42** Ke kaloku, akubon' ukuba ayaphuma amaYuda endlwini yesikhungu, babongoza abeentlanga, ukuba la mazwi athethwe kubo ngesabatha ezayo.
- 43** Sakubon' ukuba ke sichithakele isikhungu, into eninzi yamaYuda neyabangene ebuYuden, abamhlonelayo uThixo, yabalandela ooPawulos noBharnabhas; abathi bona, bethetha kubo, babeyisela ekuthini, mabahlale behleli elubabalweni lukaThixo.
- 44** Kuthe ke ngelandelayo isabatha, waphantsa ukuhlanganisana umzi wonke, ukuba ulive ilizwi likaThixo.
- 45** Ke kaloku amaYuda, akuzibona izihlweli, azala ngumona, aziphika izinto ezibe zithethwa nguPawulos, aphika enyelisa.
- 46** Bathetha ke ngokungafihlisiyo uPawulos noBharnabhas, bathi, Bekufuneka ukuba lithethwe kuni kuqala ilizwi likaThixo; ekubeni ke niligibile, nazigweba ukuba anibufanele

ubomi obungunaphakade, niyabona, sibheka kuzo iintlanga.

**47** Kuba isiwisele umthetho ngokunjalo iNkosi, yathi, Ndikubekile ukuba ube lukhanyiselo lweentlanga, Ukuze ube ngowosindiso, kude kuse ekupheleni kwehlabathi.

**48** Bakuva ke oko abeentlanga, bavuya, balizukisa ilizwi leNkosi, bakholwa bonke ababemiselwe ubomi obungunaphakade.

**49** Laye ke ilizwi leNkosi lihanjisa kulo lonke ilizwe elo.

**50** Ke kaloku amaYuda abaxhokonxa abafazi ababehlonela uThixo, ababekekileyo, nabaninimzi; abaxhoxhela intshutshiso ooPawulos noBharnabhas, abakhupha emideni yawo.

**51** Bathe ke bona bawavuthululela uthuli lweenyawo zabo, beza elkoniy.

**52** Baye ke abafundi bezaliswe luvuyo nanguMoya oyiNgcwele.

## ISAHLUKO 14

**K**wathi ke elkoniy, bangena kunye endlwini yesikhungu yamaYuda, bathetha ngokokude kukholwe inkitha enku yamaYuda kwanamaGrike.

**2** Asuka ke wona amaYuda angavumiyo ukuva, ayenza yamibi imiphefumlo yabeentlanga ngakubo abazalwana.

**3** Balibala ke ngoko ixesha elaneleyo, bethetha ngokungafihliyo ngeNkosi, eyalingqinelayo ilizwi lobabalo Iwayo, inika nokuba kwenzeke imiqondiso nezimanga ngezandla zabo.

**4** Yahlulelana ke inkoliso yomzi; inxene yangakumaYuda, inxene yangakubapostile.

**5** Bathe ke, bakubon' ukuba abeentlanga nabangamaYuda, kunye nabaphathi bawo, bangxamele ukubaphatha kakubi, babagibisele ngamatye:

**6** bakuqiqa oko bona, basabela emizini yelaseLikawoni, iListra neDerbhe, nakuloo mimandla;

**7** baye bezishumayela nalapho iindaba ezilungileyo.

**8** Kwakuhleli ke ndoda ithile eListra, ife iinyawo, isisiqhawa kwasesizalweni sonina, ingazanga ihambe.

**9** Yona leyo yayimva uPawulos ethetha; owathi, eqwalasele kuyo, ebona ukuba inokholo lokusindiswa,

**10** wathi ngezwi elikhulu, Suka, ume ngeenyawo zakho, uthi nkqo; yesuka umtsi, yahambahamba.

**11** Ke kaloku iindimbane, zakukubona oko akwenzileyo uPawulos, zaphakamisa izwi lazo ngokwesiLikawoni, zisithi, Oothixo bahlile beza kuthi, befana nabantu.

**12** Kanjalo zazimbiza uBharnabhas ngokuthi nguZeyus, noPawulos ngokuthi nguHermes, ekubeni ke ibinguye obesisithethi.

**13** Kuthe ke umbingelei kaZeyus, obephambi komzi wabo, wazisa iinkunzi zeenkomu nezidanga zeentyantyambo emasangweni, wafuna ukubingelela, kunye neendimbane.

**14** Bekuvile ke oko abapostile, ooBharnabhas noPawulos, bazikrazula iingubo zabo, batsiba phakathi kwendimbane, bedanduluka,

**15** besithi, Madoda, yini na ukuba nenjenje? Nathi singabantu abeva enikuvayo nina; sinishumayeza iindaba ezilungileyo zokuba nibuye kwaba thixo bangento, nibuyele kuThixo ophilileyo, owenza izulu nomhlaba nolwandle, neento zonke ezikwezo zinto;

**16** owathi ezizukulwaneni ezadlulayo waziyeka zonke iintlanga, ukuba zihambe ngezazo iindlela;

- 17** kanti ke noko akayekanga ukuzingqinela, esenza okulungileyo, esinika imvula evela ezulwini, namaxesha aneendyebo, ezanelisa iintliziy o zethu ngokudla nangemihlali.
- 18** Besitsho, kwaba ngenkankulu ukuzidambisa iindimbane, ukuba zingabingeleli kubo.
- 19** Ke kaloku kwafika amaYuda evela kwa-Antiyokwe naselkoniyo, azixhokonxa iindimbane, amxuluba ngamatye uPawulos, amrholela ngaphandle komzi, eba ufile.
- 20** Ut he, bakubon' ukuba bamngqongile ke abafundi, wavuka waya kungena kuwo umzi. Ngengomso waphuma enoBharnabhas, waya eDerbhe.
- 21** Bewushumayezile loo mzi iindaba ezilungileyo, benze nabafundi abaneleyo, babuya beza eListra, naselkoniyo, nakwa-Antiyokwe,
- 22** besomeleza imiphefumlo yabafundi, beba vuselela ukuba bahlale behleli elukholweni; besithi, Simelwe kukuphumela ezimbandezelweni ezininzi, ukungena ebukumkanini bukaThixo.
- 23** Bathe ke bakuba benyule amadoda amakhulu kwibandla ngebandla, bethandazile kunye nokuzila ukudla, bawayaleza eNkosini awayekholwe kuyo.
- 24** Betyhutyhe elasePisidi, bafika kwelasePamfili.
- 25** Bathi, belithethile ilizwi ePerga; behla baya kwa-Atali.
- 26** Besuka khona apho ngomkhombe, baya kwa-Antiyokwe, apho babenikelwe khona elubabalweni lukaThixo, ukuba baye emsebenzini, lo ke bawufezileyo.
- 27** Befikile ke, balihlanganisa ibandla, balibikela oko zingako izinto awazenzayo uThixo enabo, nokokuba iintlanga wazivulela ucango lokholo.
- 28** Balibala ke khona apho ixesha elingelincinane, ndawonye nabafundi.

## ISAHLUKO 15

- K**wehla abathile bevela kwelakwaYuda, babafundisa abazalwana, besithi, Ukuba anithanga naluswe ngokwesiko likaMoses, aninako ukusindiswa.
- 2** Kuthe ngoko, kwakubon' ukuba uPawulos noBharnabhas baba nempikiswano nembuzwano engencinane nabo, kwaggitywa kwelokuba uPawulos noBharnabhas, nabanye abathile kubo, mabenyuke baye kubapostile namadoda amakhulu eYerusalem, ngawo lo mbuzo.
- 3** Bathi ke ngoko, bephelekelelwe libandla, balityhutyha elaseFenike nelaseSamariya, bexela ukuguquka kwazo iintlanga; babanga uvuyo olukhulu kubo bonke abazalwana.
- 4** Befikile ke eYerusalem, bamkelwa libandla nangabapostile nangamadoda amakhulu; kananjalo babika ukuba zinkulu kwazo izinto awazenzayo uThixo enabo.
- 5** Kwasuka kwema ke abathile abakholiweyo behlelo labaFarisi, besithi, Bamelwe kukuba baluke, nokuthi bathethelwe ngelithi, mabawugcine umthetho kaMoses.
- 6** Bahlanganisana ke abapostile namadoda amakhulu, ukuba bayikhangele loo ndawo.
- 7** Ke kaloku, kwakubon' ukuba kubekho imbuzwano enkulu, wesuka uPetros wathi kubo, Madoda, bazalwana, niyazi kakuhle nina, ukuba uThixo kwangemihla yakudala wanyula phakathi kwethu, ukuba iintlanga zilive ngawo umlomo wam ilizwi leendaba ezilungileyo, zikholve.
- 8** UThixo, umazi-ntliziy o, wazingqinela, ezinika uMoya oyiNgewe kwanjengathi;
- 9** akacalula phakathi kwethu nazo, ezihlambulule iintliziy o zazo ngokholo.
- 10** Phofu ke nimlingelani na uThixo, ngokubeka idyokhwe entanyeni yabafundi, esibe singenamandla okuyithwala, thina kwanoobawo bethu?
- 11** Ke ngalo ubabalo IweNkosi uYesu Kristu, siyakholwa ukuba sosindiswa kwangohlobo

ezisindiswa ngalo nazo.

**12** Yathi cwaka ke yonke inkitha yabantu, yaphulaphula ooBharnabhas noPawulos, becacisa oko yayingako imiqondiso nezimanga, awazenzayo uThixo phakathi kwazo iintlanga ngabo.

**13** Ke kaloku, emva kokuthi cwaka kwabo, waphendula uYakobi esithi, Madoda, bazalwana, ndiphulaphulen.

**14** USimon lo ukucacisile ukuba wathini na ekuqaleni uThixo ukuzivelela iintlanga, ukuba kuzo alinyulele abantu elakhe igama.

**15** Ayavumelana nako oko amazwi abaprofeti, njengokuba kubhaliwe kwathiwa,

**16** Emveni koku ndiya kubuya, Ndize ndibuye ndiwakhe umnquba owileyo kaDavide, Amanxuwa awo ndibuye ndiwakhe kanjalo, Ndibuye ndiwumise;

**17** Okokuze amaqongqolo abantu ayifune iNkosi, Zifune zonke iintlanga ezibizwe ngalo igama lam; Itsho iNkosi, leyo izenzayo zonke ezi zinto.

**18** Iyaziwa ke nguThixo kuselokwaphakade yonke imisebenzi yakhe.

**19** Kungoko mna ndigqiba kwelithi, masingabakhathazi abo beentlanga babuyelayo kuThixo;

**20** kodwa masibabhalele ukuba bazikhwebule kwizingcoliso zezithixo, nombulo, nento ekrwitshiweyo, negazi.

**21** Kuba uMoses kwakwizizukulwana zakudala unabamvakalisayo kwimizi ngemizi, eleswa ezindlwini zesikhungu ezi iisabatha ngeesabatha.

**22** Kwaza kwabonakala kulungile kubapostile nakumadoda amakhulu, ndawonye nalo ibandla liphela, ukuba banyule amadoda kwakubo, bawathume kwa-Antiyokwe ndawonye noPawulos noBharnabhas; angooYuda ogama limbi linguBharsabhas, noSilas, amadoda angabakhokeli kubazalwana.

**23** Babhala incwadi ngesandla sawo, besithi: Abapostile namadoda amakhulu nabazalwana bayabulisa kubo abazalwana basezintlangeni, abakwa-Antiyokwe nakwelaseSiriya nakwelaseKiliki.

**24** Ekuben ike sivile ukuba abathile kuthi baphuma baya banikhathaza ngamazwi, beyikhukulisa imiphefumlo yenu, besithi, makwalukwe, kugcinwe umthetho, esingabayalelanga wona:

**25** kwabonakala kulungile kuthi, simxhelo mnye, ukuba sinyule amadoda ukuba siwathume kuni, ndawonye neentanda zethu, uBharnabhas noPawulos,

**26** abantu ababuncamileyo ubomi babo ngenxa yegama leNkosi yethu uYesu Kristu.

**27** Sibathumile ngoko ooYuda noSilas, abothi nabo banibikele ezi ndawo ngomlomo.

**28** Kuba kwabonakala kulungile kuye uMoya oyiNgcwele, nakuthi, ukuba kungabekwa phezu kwenu mthwalo ungaphezu kwezi ndawo zifunekayo:

**29** zokuba nizile izinto ezibingelelwe kwizithixo, negazi, nento ekrwitshiweyo, nombulo; enothi nakuzigcina kuzo, nibe niyalungisa. Hlalani kakuhle.

**30** Bathe ke ngoko, bakunduluka, beza kwa-Antiyokwe; bawuhlanganisa umhlambi wabazalwana, bayinikela incwadi leyo.

**31** Beyilesile ke bona, baluvuyela uthuthuzelo olu.

**32** Ke kaloku ooYuda noSilas, kuba engabaprofeti nabo, babathuthuzela abazalwana ngokuthetha okukhulu, babomeleza.

**33** Bakuba ke benze ixesha, banduluka bexolile kubazalwana, baya kubapostile.

**34** Kodwa kuSilas kwabonakala kulungile ukuba akhe ahlale khona.

**35** Balibala ke ooPawulos noBharnabhas kwa-Antiyokwe, befundisa, beshumayela iindaba

ezilungileyo zelizwi leNkosi, kwanabanye abaninzi.

**36** Ke kaloku, emva kwemihla ethile, wathi uPawulos kuBharnabhas, Makhe sibuye siye kuvelela abazalwana bethu, kuyo yonke imizi ngemizi esalazisayo kuyo ilizwi leNkosi, sibone ukuba banjani na.

**37** Ke kaloku uBharnabhas wangxamela ukuba bathabathe nabo uYohane, ekuthiwa nguMarko;

**38** kodwa uPawulos wathi akufanelekile ukumthabatha, ahambe nabo, lowo wemkayo kubo kwelasePamfili, akaya nabo emsebenzini.

**39** Kwabakho ngoko amazwi abukhali phakathi kwabo, ngokokude bahlukane; athi uBharnabhas amthabathe uMarko, anduluke ngomkhombe aye eSipro;

**40** kodwa uPawulos wanyula uSilas, wemka, enikelwe kubabalo lukaThixo ngabazalwana.

**41** Walityhutyha ke elaseSiriya nelaseKiliki, ewomeleza amabandla.

## ISAHLUKO 16

**K**e kaloku wafika eDerbhe naseListra. Kwabonakala kukho mfundi uthile apho, ugama linguTimoti, unyana wentokazi ethile engumYudakazi okholiweyo, kodwa uyise engumGrike;

**2** obengqinelwe kakuhle ngabazalwana baseListra naseLkoniyo.

**3** Lowo uPawulos wathanda ukuba aphume naye; wamthabatha wamalusa, ngenxa yamaYuda abekwezo ndawo; kuba bonke babemazi uyise ukuba ungumGrike.

**4** Ke kaloku, xa babeyihamba imizi, babanikela imimiselo ukuba bayigcine, leyo ibimiswe ngabapostile namadoda amakhulu aseYerusalem.

**5** Ayezimaseka ke ngoko amabandla elukholweni, esanda ngenani imihla ngemihla.

**6** Ke kaloku, bakulityhutyha ilizwe laseFrigi nelaseGalati, balelwa nguMoya oyiNgcwele ukulithetha ilizwi kwelaseAsiya.

**7** Befikile kwelaseMisi, balinga ukuya nakwelaseBhitini, kodwa akabavumelanga uMoya lowo;

**8** badlula ke kwelaseMisi, behla baya eTrowa.

**9** Kwabonakala umbono kuPawulos ebusuku. Kwema ndoda ithile yelaseMakedoni, imbongoza isithi, Wela uze kwelaseMakedoni, usisize.

**10** Ke kaloku, akuwubona umbono lowo, safuna thina kwaoko ukuphuma siye kwelaseMakedoni, sigqibe kwelithi, iNkosi isibizele ukuba sibashumayeye iindaba ezilungileyo.

**11** Sindulukile ngoko ngomkhombe eTrowa, sathi ngqo ukuya eSamotraki, sathi ngengomso sez aNeyapol;

**12** ukusuka apho, sez aFilipi, owona mzi wokuqala wecala elo lilelaseMakedoni, uylkoloni. Salibala ke kuloo mzi imihla ethile.

**13** Sathi ngomhla wesabatha, saphuma saya ngaphandle komzi ngasemlanjeni, apho umthandazo ubusakwenziwa khona; sahlala phantsi, samana sithetha kubafazi ababebuthelene khona.

**14** Kwaye kuphulaphula intokazi ethile egama linguLidiya, umthengisi weengubo ezibomvu, womzi weTiyatira, emhlonelayo uThixo, entliziyo yayivulayo iNkosi ukuba izinyamekele izinto ezazithethwa nguPawulos.

**15** Ke kaloku, yakuba ibhaptiziwe nendlu yayo, yasibongoza isithi, Ukuba nithi ndikholiwe eNkosini, ngenani endlwini yam, nihlale. Yasizama.

**16** Ke kaloku kwathi, kwakubon' ukuba siyaya endaweni yokuthandaza, sahlangatyezwa sisicakazana esithile, sinomoya wemilozi; sona besizizuzisa iinkosi zaso inzuko enkulu ngokuvumisa.

**17** Sona eso sithene mbende noPawulos nathi, samana sidanduluka sisithi, Aba bantu bangabakhonzi bakaThixo Osenyangweni, bona basazisayo indlela yosindiso.

**18** Oko ke sakwenza sona imihla emininzi. Ebindekile ke uPawulos, wathi guququ, wathi kuwo umoya, Ndiyakuthethela egameni likaYesu Kristu ukuba uphume kuso. Waphuma ke kwangelo lixa.

**19** Ke kaloku, zakubona iinkosi zaso ukuba liphumile ithemba lenzozo yazo, zababamba ooPawulos noSilas, zabarholela endaweni yembutho, kubaphathi:

**20** zabazisa kubo abathetheli, zathi, Aba bantu bayawukhathaza kakhulu umzi wethu, bengamaYuda;

**21** basifundisa amasiko ekungavumelekileyo ukuba siwamkele, nokuba siwenze, singamaRoma.

**22** Isihlwele sabahlanganyela; nabathetheli bazithi qwengeqwenge iingubo zabo, bathi mababewhe ngeentswazi.

**23** Bathi, bakuba bebabethe imivumbo emininzi, babaphosa entolongweni, bamthethela umgcini wababanjwa ukuba abagcine ngokunqabileyo;

**24** owathi, amkele umyalelo onjalo, wabaphosa kwengaphakathi intolongo, waziqinisa iinyawo zabo emithini.

**25** Ke kaloku, malunga phakathi kobusuku, ooPawulos noSilas babethandaza, bevuma elokudumisa uThixo; babephulaphula ke ababanjwa.

**26** Kwabakho ke ngequbuliso unyikimo olukhulu lomhlaba, ngokokude zizanyazanyiswe iziseko zentolongo; zavuleka kwaoko iingcango zonke, athukululeka amakhamandela abo bonke.

**27** Ethe tyithi ke ebuthongweni umgcini wababanjwa, ebona iingcango zentolongo zivulekile, warhola ikrele, eza kuzibulala, eba ababanjwa babalekile.

**28** UPawulos wabiza ke ngezwi elikhulu wathi, Ungazenzakalisi; kuba sikho sonke apha.

**29** Ebize ke izibane, watsiba phakathi, waza egubha, wawa phantsi phambi koPawulos noSilas.

**30** Wabazisa phandle, wathi, Zinkosi, ndimelwe kukuthini na, ukuze ndisindiswe?

**31** Bathi ke bona, Kholwa kuyo iNkosi uYesu Kristu, wosindiswa wena nendlu yakho.

**32** Balithetha kuye ilizwi leNkosi, nakubo bonke ababesendlwini yakhe.

**33** Wabathabatha ngelo lixa lobusuku, wayihlamba imivumbo yabo; wabhaptizwa yena kwalapho, nabo bonke abakhe.

**34** Kananjalo, ebanyuse wabasa endlwini yakhe, wabeka ukudla phambi kwabo, wagcoba nendlu yakhe yonke, kuba ekholwa kuThixo.

**35** Kwakusa, abathetheli bathuma amadindala, besithi, Bakhulule abo bantu.

**36** Uwaxelile ke umgcini wababanjwa la mazwi kuPawulos, wathi, Abathetheli bathumele ukuba nikhululwe; ke ngoko phumanu, nihambe ngoxolo.

**37** Utte ke uPawulos kuwo, Basityabule ekuhleni singagwetywanga, sibantu bangamaRoma; basiphosa entolongweni; ngoku basikhupha ngasese na? Nakanye; mabeze bona ngokwabo, basikhuphe.

**38** Awaxela ke la mazwi amadindala kubathetheli; boyika, bakuva ukuba bangamaRoma.

**39** Beza bababongoza, babakhupha, babacela ukuba baphume kuwo umzi.

**40** Bephumile ke entolongweni, baya kungena kwaLidiya; bathi, bebabonile abazalwana, babayala, bemka.

## ISAHLUKO 17

**K**e kaloku, bakuba beyihambile iAmfipoli neApoloni, beza eTesonika, aphi yayikhona indlu yesikhungu yamaYuda.

**2** Ngokwesiko ke likaPawulos wangena kuwo; waye iisabatha ezintathu exoxa nawo, ethabatha ezibhalweni,

**3** etyhila, ebeka phambi kwavo ukuba uKristu ubemelwe kukuva ubunzima, aze avuke kwabafileyo; nokuthi, Nguye ke uKristu, lo Yesu ndinazisa yena mna.

**4** Inxene kuwo yoyiseka, yazibandakanya noPawulos noSilas, kwanenkitha enkulu yamaGrike amhlonelayo uThixo; nakubafazi abaziintloko ababa mbalwa.

**5** Ke kaloku amaYuda angoyisekileyo, enomsindo, azithabathela amadoda athile angendawo, angamahilihili, enza ibubu, awuphithizelisa umzi, ayifikela nendlu kaYason, efuna ukubarholela eluntwini.

**6** Akuba engabafumananga ke, amrholela uYason nabazalwana abathile kubaphathi bomzi, ebhomboloza esithi, Aba baliqungaungileyo elimiweyo, bona bafikile nalapha;

**7** athe uYason wabamkela ngobubele; baye bonke aba besenza okuchasene nemimiselo kaKesare, besithi, Kukho kumkani wumbi unguYesu.

**8** Asikhathaza ke isihlwele nabaphathi bomzi, bakuziva ezi zinto.

**9** Bethabathe isibambiso kuYason nakwabanye, babakhulula.

**10** Ke kaloku bathi abazalwana kwaoko bamndulula uPawulos noSilas ngobusuku, ukuba baye eBhereya; abathi bona bakufika, baya endlwini yesikhungu yamaYuda.

**11** La ke aye enobuntu kunawaseTesonika; la wona alamkela ilizwi ngentumekelol yonke, ezincina izibhalo imihla ngemihla, ukuba zingaba zinjalo na ezi zinto.

**12** Kwakholwa ke ngoko into eninzi kuwo, nakumaGrikekazi abekekileyo, nakumadoda, ababa mbalwa.

**13** Akuqonda ke awaseTesonika amaYuda, ukuba ilizwi likaThixo lazisiwe nguPawulos naseBhereya, eza azizamazamisa nalapho izihlwele.

**14** Bandula ke kwaoko abazalwana, bamsusa uPawulos ukuba abheke ngaselwandle; kwasala uSilas kwanoTimoti khona.

**15** Bathe ke bona abamkhaphayo uPawulos, bamsa eAtene; bakuba bamkele umthetho oya kooSilas noTimoti, wokuba beze kuye kwakamsinya, bemka.

**16** Ke kaloku, akubon' ukuba uPawulos ubalindile eAtene, wacaphuka, akuwubona umzi uzizithixo kuphela.

**17** Wayexoxa ke ngoko endlwini yesikhungu namaYuda, nabamhlonelayo uThixo; nasendaweni yembutho imihla ngemihla, nabasukuba bekhona.

**18** Ke kaloku izithanda-bulumko ezithile zamaEpikure nezamaStoyike zamhlanganyela; yayisithi inxene, Azi lifuna ukuthini na eli pholopholo? Abanye ke bathi, Ngathi ngumazisi wezithixo zasemzini; ngokuba wayebashumayeza iindaba ezilungileyo zikaYesu, novuko lwabafileyo.

**19** Bamthabatha ke bamsa eAreyopago, besithi, Singakhe siyive na le mfundiso intsha ithethwa nguwe, ukuba iyini na?

**20** Kuba uzisa izinto ezithile zasemzini ezindlebeni zethu; singa singazi ngoko, ukuba

zingaba zifuna ukuba yintoni na ezi zinto.

**21** Ke kaloku abaseAtene bonke, nabasemzini abangabahambi, babengazilibazisi nganto yimbi, ngaphandle kokuxela nokuva olona daba lutsha.

**22** Wema ke uPawulos esazulwini seAreyopago, wathi: Madoda aseAtene, ndiyabona ukuba ezintweni zonke nincamisile ukuhlonela izithixo.

**23** Kuba ndithe, ndihamba ndisingasinga izinto enizihlonelayo, ndafumana nesibingelelo ekubhalwe kuso, kwathiwa, kongaziwayo uThixo. Lowo ngoko nimhlonelayo ningamazi, ndinazisa yena mna.

**24** UThixo yena, owenza ihlabathi neento zonke ezikulo, lowo, eyiNkosi nje yezulu nomhlaba, akahlali zitempileni zenziwe ngazandla.

**25** Kananjalo akaphiliswa zizandla zabantu, ngokoswele into, inguye nje obanika bonke ubomi, nomphefumlo, nazo zonke izinto.

**26** Kanjalo wazenza ngagazi-nye zonke iintlanga zabantu, ukuba zime phezu kwavo wonke umhlaba, emisa amaxesha abekwe ngenxa engaphambili, nemida yokuma kwazo;

**27** ukuze bayifune iNkosi, ukuba kambe bangaphuthaphutha bayifumane, nakuba ingekude kuthi sonke ngabanye.

**28** Kuba kuyo sihleli, siyashukuma, sikho; njengokuba neembongi ezithile zenu zitshilo ukuthi, Kuba nathi siyinzala yakhe.

**29** Siyinzala kaThixo nje ke, akusifanele ukuba sibe ubuthixo obu bufana negolide nesilivere nelitye, into eqingqwe ngobungcibi nangengcinga yomntu.

**30** Loo maxesha ke ngoko okungazi, uThixo wawayeka ngabomi; kungoku uyala abantu bonke ezindaweni zonke ukuba baguquke;

**31** ngokokuba emise umhla, aza kuligweba ngawo elimiwego ngobulungisa, ngendoda awayimisayo, ebanike bonke ukholo ngokuyivusa kwabafileyo.

**32** Ke kaloku, bakuva ngokuvuka kwabafileyo, inxenyayihlekisa ngaloo nto, abanye bathi, Sobuya sikuve wena ngale nto.

**33** Waphuma njalo ke uPawulos phakathi kwabo.

**34** Kodwa amadoda athile anamathele kuye, akholwa, anoDiyonisiyo waseAreyopago, nomfazi ogama linguDamari, nabanye ndawonye nabo.

## ISAHLUKO 18

**K**e kaloku, emva kwezi zinto, wahlukana uPawulos neAtene, weza eKorinte.

**2** Wafumana umYuda othile wasePonto ngokuzalwa, ogama linguAkwila, esandula ukuvela eltali, noPrisila umkakhe, weza kubo (ngenxa yokuba uKlawudiyo ebemise ukuthi, makahlukane neRoma onke amaYuda).

**3** Kuthe ke, ngenxa yokuba belilinye ishishini labo, waselehlala nabo esebenza; kuba babengabenzi beentente, ishishini labo.

**4** Wayexoxa ke endlwini yesikhungu iisabatha ngeesabatha zonke, ezamela ukweyisa amaYuda namaGrike.

**5** Ke kaloku, bakuha bevela kwelaseMakedoni ooSillas noTimoti, uPawulos waxinwa ngumoya, waqononondisa kumaYuda ukuba uYesu lo nguye uKristu.

**6** Uthe ke, akuchasa, akunyelisa, wavuthulula iingubo zakhe, wathi kuwo, Igazi lenu malibe phezu kwentloko yenu; ndihlambulukile mna; kuthabathela kweli xesha, ndiya kuya kwiintlanga.

**7** Esuka khona, weza endlwini yothile ogama linguYusto, omhlonelayo uThixo, ondlu

yayamene nendlu yesikhungu.

**8** Utethe ke uKrispo, umphathi wendlu yesikhungu, wakholwa yiNkosi, nendlu yakhe iphela; nento eninzi yamaKorinte yakuva yaholwa, yabaptizwa.

**9** Yathi ke iNkosi ngombono ebusuku kuPawulos, Musa ukoyika, thetha ungathi tu;

**10** ngokokuba mna ndinawe, kanjalo akukho namnye uya kukusa sandla, akuphathe kakubi; ngokokuba ndinabantu abaninzi kulo mzi.

**11** Wahlala khona ke umnyaka oneenyanga ezintandathu, efundisa ilizwi likaThixo phakathi kwabo.

**12** Ke kaloku, akubon' ukuba uGaliyo ulibamba kwelaseAkaya, amwela uPawulos amaYuda ngamxhelo mnye, amsa esihlalweni sokugweba,

**13** esithi, Lo uzamela ukweyisa abantu ukuba bamhlonele uThixo ngokunxamnye nomthetho.

**14** Utethe ke xa uPawulos aza kuvula umlomo, wathi uGaliyo kumaYuda, Ukuba ke ngoko ibiyinto yentswela-bulungisa, nokuba ibiyeyobutshijolo obungendawo, maYuda, ngekufanelekile ukuba ndininyamezele;

**15** kodwa ukuba yimbuzwano ngelizwi, namagama, nomthetho ongowenu, zikhangeleleni nina; kuba mna andingi ndingaba ngumgwebi wezo zinto.

**16** Wawagxotha esihlalweni sokugweba.

**17** Ambamba ke onke amaGrike uSostene, umphathi wendlu yesikhungu, ambetha phambi kwesihlalo sokugweba. Akwabakho nanye yezo zinto ayikhathalelayo uGaliyo.

**18** Ke kaloku uPawulos ukhe wahlala imihla eyaneleyo. Waza, ebabulisile abazalwana, wemka ngomkhombe waya kwelaseSiriya, enoPrisila noAkwila; eyichebile intloko eKenkreyo, kuba waye enesibambiso.

**19** Wehla ke wafika e-Efese, wabashiya bona apho; ke yena wangena endlwini yesikhungu, waxoxa namaYuda.

**20** Utethe ke, akumcela ukuba akhe ahlale umzuzu kuwo, akavuma;

**21** wawabulisa ke esithi, Nokuba kutheni, ndimelwe kukuwenzela eYerusalem umthendeleko ozayo; kodwa ndobuya ndize kuni, ukuba uThixo uyavuma. Waza wemka ngomkhombe e-Efese.

**22** Utethe, ehle weza eKesareya, wenyuka walibulisa ibandla, wehla waya kwa-Antiyokwe.

**23** Enze ixesha elithile khona, wemka, walityhutyha ilizwe laseGalati, nelaseFrigi, ebomeleza bonke abafundi.

**24** Ke kaloku wathi umYuda othile, ogama linguApolo, wakwa-Alesandire ngokuzalwa, umfo oliciko, wehla waya e-Efese, enobunkunkqeze ezibhalweni.

**25** Lowo ke wayeyifundisiwe ngomlomo indlela yeNkosi; waza evutha ngumoya wathetha, wafundisa ngokucokisekileyo izinto ezingayo iNkosi, esazi kakuhle ubhaptizo lukaYohane lodwa.

**26** Yena kanjalo waqala ukuthetha ngokungafihliyo endlwini yesikhungu. Bathe ke bakumva ooAkwila noPrisila, bamhabathela kubo, bamthihlela ngokucokisekileyo ngakumbi indlela kaThixo.

**27** Ke kaloku, akubon' ukuba unga angadlula aye kwelaseAkaya, abazalwana babbala bebayala abafundi ukuba bamamkele; owathi akufika, wabanceda kakhulu abakholiweyo ngalo ubabalo;

**28** kuba waweyisa, wawancamisa ekuhleni amaYuda, ebonakalalisa ngazo izibhalo ukuba uYesu lo unguye uKristu.

## ISAHLUKO 19

- K**e kaloku kwathi, xa uApolo aseKorinte, uPawulos, ewatyhutyhile amacala asentla, weza e-Efese;
- 2** wafumana bafundi bathile, wathi kubo, UMoya oyiNgcwele namamkela na, nakholwayo nje? Bathi ke bona kuye, Asizanga sive nokuva ukuba kukho uMoya oyiNgcwele.
- 3** Wathi kubo, Nanibhaptizelwe enini na phofu? Bathe ke bona, Elubhaptizweni lukaYohane.
- 4** Wathi ke uPawulos, UYohane okunene wabaptiza ubhaptizo lwenguquko, esithi ebantwini, mabakholwe kulowo uzayo emva kwakhe, oko kukuthi, kuKristu Yesu.
- 5** Bevile ke, babhaptizelwa egameni leNkosi uYesu.
- 6** Uthe uPawulos akubeka izandla phezu kwabo, wehla uMoya oyiNgcwele phezu kwabo, baye bethetha ngeelwimi, beprofeta.
- 7** Aye ke amadoda lawo ewonke engathi alishumi elinamabini.
- 8** Ke kaloku, wangena endlwini yesikhungu, wathetha ngokungafahlisiyo iinyanga zantathu, exoxa nabantu, ebeyisela kwizinto ezingabo ubukumkani bukaThixo.
- 9** Ke bakuba abathile belukhuni, bengaphulaphuli, bethetha okubi ngayo iNdlela leyo phambi komhlambi, wesuka kubo, wabahlula abafundi, exoxa imihla ngemihla esikolweni sikaTirano.
- 10** Oku ke kwenzeka iminyaka emibini, ngokokude bonke abemiyo kwelaseAsiya balive ilizwi leNkosi uYesu, amaYuda kwanamaGrike.
- 11** Waye noThixo esenze ngezandla zikaPawulos imisebenzi yamandla engahlali isihla;
- 12** ngokokude kusiwe nakwimilwelwe iiqhiya nemibhinqo, ivela emzimbeni wakhe, zisuke kubo izifo, bathi noomoya abakhohlakeleyo baphume kubo.
- 13** Ke kaloku bathi abathile bakumaYuda abhadulayo, angabafungisi, bazamela ukulibiza igama leNkosi uYesu phezu kwabanoomoya abakhohlakeleyo, besithi, Sinifungisa uYesu lowo uvakaliswayo nguPawulos.
- 14** Kwaye kukho ke nyana bathile basixhenxe bakaSkeva, umYuda, umbingeleli omkhulu, ababekwenza oko.
- 15** Waphendula ke umoya okhohlakeleyo, wathi. UYesu ndiyamazi, noPawulos ndiyamazi kakuhle; ke nina ningobani na?
- 16** Wesuka umntu obukuye umoya okhohlakeleyo, wabatsibela, wabagagamela wabeyisa, ngokokude babaleke baphume kuloo ndlu bengxwelerhiwe, beze.
- 17** Kwathi ke oko kwazeka kuwo onke amaYuda, kwanakumaGrike amiyo e-Efese; angewa kukoyika onke, lenziwa likhulu igama leNkosi uYesu.
- 18** Yaye nento eninzi yabakholiweyo isiza, izivuma izixela izenzo zabo.
- 19** Yathi ke nento eyaneleyo yabasebenza izenzo zobugqi, yazizisa ndaweni-nye iincwadi zayo, bawayazitshisa phambi kwabo bonke; bawabala amaxabiso azo, bafumana engamawaka amashumi mahlanu esilivere.
- 20** Lenjenjalo ke ilizwi leNkosi ukwanda ngamandla nokweyisa.
- 21** Ke kaloku, zakuzaliseka ezi zinto, wamisa emoyeni wakhe uPawulos ukuba athi, elityhutyhile elaseMakedoni nelaseAkaya, aye eYerusalem, esithi, Emveni kokuba ndithe ndakhona, ndimelwe kukuba ndibone neRoma.
- 22** Wathuma ke kwelaseMakedoni bababini kwabamlungiselelayo, uTimoti noErasto; yena ke wakha walibala umzuzu kwelaseAsiya.
- 23** Ke kaloku kwabakho ngelo xesha inkathazeko engencinane ngayo iNdlela le.

- 24** Kuba uthile, ogama linguDemetriyo, umkhandi wesilivere, obesenza iitempile zesilivere zika-Artemis, wayezizuzisa iingcibi inzuzo engencinane.
- 25** Waziqukela ndawonye, kwanabasebenzi bezinto ezinjalo, wathi, Madoda, niyazi kakuhle ukuba buphuma kule nzuzo ubutyebi bethu;
- 26** kananjalo niyabona, niyeva, ukuba akuse-Efese kodwa, kuphantse ukuba kulo lonke elaseAsiya, athe lo Pawulos waphambukisa isihlwele esaneleyo, ngokusoyisa ngamazwi athi, asingoothixo abo benziwa ngesandla.
- 27** Asisiso ke esi sabelo sethu sodwa esisichenge sokudelwa; kwanetempile yothixokazi omkhulu uArtemis iza kubalelwa ekuthini yinto engento, butshabalale ke nobungangamela bakhe, ohlonelwa lelaseAsiya liphela nelimiwego.
- 28** Bakukuva ke oko, bazala ngumsindo, bankqangaza, besithi, Mkhulu uArtemis wabase-Efese!
- 29** Wazala umzi uphela sisidubedube; besuka indulumbane ngamxhelo mnye endaweni yokubonela, bamthi hlesi uGayno noAristarko, abelaseMakedoni, ababehamba noPawulos.
- 30** Ut he ke uPawulos, enga angangena entlanganisweni yabantu, abamvumela abafundi.
- 31** Abathile ke bakubaphathi belaseAsiya, benobuhlobo kuye, bathumela kuye, bambongoza ukuba angazinikeli endaweni yokubonela.
- 32** Abanye ke ngoko babenkqangaza enye into, abanye yimbi, kuba ibandla labe lidubadubekile; baye abaninzi bengazi ukuba babuthelene ngenxa yantoni na.
- 33** Bamrhola ke esihlweleni uAlesandire, akubon' ukuba amayuda amtyhalela phambili; uwangawangisile ke uAlesandire ngesandla, wafuna ukuziphendulela eluntwini.
- 34** Kodwa bakuqonda ukuba ungumYuda, benza inzwinini enye bonke bephela, benkqangaza umzuzu omaxa mabini, besithi, Mkhulu uArtemis wabase-Efese!
- 35** Esizolisile ke umbhali isihlwele, uthe, Madoda ase-Efese, kanene nguuphi na umntu ongaziyo, ukuba umzi wase-Efese ungumgcini-tempile wothixokazi omkhulu uArtemis, nowomfanekiselo owawa kuZeyus.
- 36** Zingenakuphikwa nje ke ezo zinto, nimelwe kukuthi nizole, ningenzi nanye into ngobutyhuthu-tyhuthu,
- 37** Kuba niwazise apha la madoda, engebaphangi batempile, nabanyelisi bothixokazi wenu.
- 38** Ukuba ke ngoko uDemetriyo neengcibi ezinaye banendawo emntwini, zikho iimini zamatyala, akho namabamba; mabamangalelane.
- 39** Ke ukuba nifuna into nganto zimbi, yoconjululwa ksesikweni intlanganiso.
- 40** Kuba sizizichenge zokumangalelwa ngesaqunge sanamhla, kungekho nasinye isizathu nje, esingaba nako ngaso ukwenza ilizwi ngale mbuthumbuthu.
- 41** Akutsho, wayindulula intlanganiso.

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- K**e kaloku, emva kokuphela kwesiphithiphithi eso, uPawulos wababizela kuye abafundi, wababulisa, waphuma waya kwelaseMakedoni.
- 2** Ewatyhutyhile ke loo macala, ebayalile ngokuthetha okukhulu, weza kwelamaGrike.
- 3** Wenza aphi iinyanga zantathu. Ut he ke, kwakwenziwa iyelenqe ngaye ngamaYuda, xa aza kuya ngomkhombe kwelaseSiriya, wagqiba kwelokuba acande kwelaseMakedoni ngokubuya.
- 4** Waphelekelelwa ke, kwada kweza kwelaseAsiya, nguSopatro waseBhereya;

kumaTesalonika ke yanguAristarko noSekundo; noGayo waseDerbhe, noTimoti; kwabelaseAsiya yanguTikiko noTrofimo;

**5** abo basandulela, basilinda eTrowa.

**6** Semka ke thina ngomkhombe eFilipi, emva kwemihla yezonka ezingenagwele, seza kubo eTrowa ngeentsuku ezintlanu; salibala khona iiintsuku zasixhenxe.

**7** Ke kaloku, ngolokuqala usuku lweveki, bakubon' ukuba abafundi bahlanganisene ukuba baqhekeze isonka, uPawulos wayexoxa nabo, eza kumka ngengomso; wayolula intetho yakhe kwada kwaphakathi kobusuku.

**8** Zaye ke izibane zanele egumbini eliphezulu, apho babehtanganisene khona.

**9** Kwakuhleli ke efestileni ndodana ithile ingama linguYutiko, isindwa bubuthongo obukhulu. Akubon' ukuba ke uPawulos kukade exoxa, yoyiswa bubuthongo, yawa phantsi isuka kolwesithathu udidi, yafunqulwa ifile.

**10** Ehlide ke uPawulos, waziphosa phezu kwayo; eyiwolile wathi, Musani ukwenza isiphithiphithi; kuba umphefumlo wayo ukuyo.

**11** Wenyuka ke, waqhekeza isonka, wadla; kananjalo waxoxa ngokwaneleyo kwada kwasa, wemka njalo.

**12** Bamzisa ke umfana lwo ehleli, bathuthuzeleka ngokungenamlinganiselo.

**13** Ke kaloku thina sandulela saya emkhombeni, sasinga eAso, apho besiza kumthabatha khona uPawulos; kuba ebemisele ngokunjalo, yena eza kuhamba ngeenyawo.

**14** Sithe ke, akuhlangu nathi eAso, samthabatha seza eMitilene.

**15** Sesuka apho ngomkhombe, ngengomso safika malungana neKiyo; sathi ke ngengomsomnye sagaleleka eSamo, sahlala eTrogiliyo; ngolandelayo seza eMiletu.

**16** Kuba uPawulos wagqiba kwelokuba kudlulwe ngomkhombe e-Efese, ukuze angabi nakwenza xesha lide kwelaseAsiya; kuba wayekhawulezele ukuthi, ukuba unako, awenze umhla wepentekoste eYerusalem.

**17** Ke kaloku eMiletu apho wathumela e-Efese, wawabizela khona amadoda amakhulu alo ibandla.

**18** Akufika ke kuye, wathi kuwo: Niyazi kakuhle nina, kususela kwimini yokuqala endathi qatha ngayo kwelaseAsiya, ukuba ndathini na ukuhlala kwam nani lonke ixesha,

**19** ndikhonza eNkosini, ndinako konke ukuthobeka kwentliziyo, neenyembezi ezininzi, nokulingwa okwandihlelayo ngamayelenqe amaYuda:

**20** okokuba andinifihlelanga nto, ndanityela onke amalungelo; ndanifundisa ekuhleni nakwizindlu ngezindlu,

**21** ndiqononondisa kuma Yuda nakumaGrike ukuguqukela kuThixo, nokukholwa kuyo iNkosi yethu, uYesu Kristu.

**22** Nangoku, yabonani, ndiya mna eYerusalem, ndibotshiwe nguMoya, ndingazazi izinto eziya kundihlela khona;

**23** ndanele ukwazi ukuba uMoya oyiNgcwele uqononondisa kwimizi ngemizi, esithi ndilindwe ngamakhamandela naziimbandezelo.

**24** Andikhathalele nanye yezi zinto; kanjalo nobomi bam obu andinqabe nabo, ukuze ndilufeze uhambo lwam ngovuyo, nolungiselelo endalwamkelayo eNkosini uYesu, lokuqononondisa iindaba ezilungileyo zobabalo lukaThixo.

**25** Nangoku, yabonani, ndiyazi mna, ukuba nina nonke ndahambayo phakathi kwenu, ndibuvakalisa ubukumkani bukaThixo, anisayi kuba sabubona ubuso bam.

**26** Kungoko ndingqinayo kuni ngayo le mini yanamhla, ukuba mna ndimsulwa egazini labo bonke; kuba andinifihlelanga nto;

- 27** ndanityela lonke icebo likaThixo.
- 28** Zilumkeleni ngoko, nawo wonke umhlambi, athe uMoya oyiNgcwele wanimisa ukuba ngabaveleli bawo, ukuba nilaluse ibandla likaThixo, awazizuelayo ngelilelakhe igazi.
- 29** Kuba mna ndiyakwazi oku, ukuba emva kokumka kwam, kuya kungena phakathi kwenu iingcuka ezibawayo, zingawucongi umhlambi.
- 30** Nakuni ngokwenu kuya kuvela amadoda athetha izinto ezigwenxa, ukuba abarhole abafundi emva kwawo.
- 31** Kungoko ndithi, Phaphani, nikhumbla ukuba iminyaka emithathu, ubusuku nemini, andiyekanga ukululeka bonke ngabanye, ndineenyembezi.
- 32** Kungoku, bazalwana, ndiyaniyaleza kuThixo nakwilizwi lobabalo lwakhe, onako ukunakha, aninike ilifa phakathi kwabo bonke abangcwaliwego.
- 33** Andinqwenelanga silivere nagolide nangubo kabani.
- 34** Nina ke ngokwenu niyazi ukuba ezi zandla zazisebenzela iintswelo zam, nezababenam.
- 35** Ndabanisa zonke izinto, ukuba ngokwenjenjalo ukubulaleka nimelwe kukuthi niyisize imilwelwe, nikumbule namazwi eNkosi uYesu; ngokuba yena wathi, Ukupha kunoyolo ngaphezu kokuphiwa.
- 36** Akutsho, waguqa ngamadolo, wathandaza nabo bonke.
- 37** Basitsho ke isiliro esikhulu bonke, bawa phezu kwentamo kaPawulos, bamanga kakhulu,
- 38** bebuhlungu kakhulu, ngokukodwa lilizwi alithethileyo lokuthi, abasayi kubuya babubone ubuso bakhe. Bamphelekelela ke, baya emkhombeni.

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- K**e kaloku kwathi, sakunduluka ngomkhombe, siziqhawule kubo, see ngqo seza eKos; ngomhla olandelayo ke seza eRodo, sesuka apha seza ePatara.
- 2** Sathi, sifumene umkhombe uwelela kwelaseFenike, sangena kuwo sanduluka.
- 3** Sithe sakuthi thu ke eSipro, sayishiya ngasekhohlo, saya ngomkhombe kwelaseSiriya, saphuma eTire; kuba umkhombe ubuya kuyithula apha impahla.
- 4** Sathi sibafumene abafundi, sahlala khona iintsuku zasixhenxe; bona babesithi kuPawulos ngoMoya, makangenyuki aye eYerusalem.
- 5** Ke kaloku sithe, xa siziqibileyo iintsuku ezo, saphuma sahamba; besiphelekelela bonke, ndawonye nabafazi nabantwana, sada sangaphandle komzi; saguqa ngamadolo elunxwemeni, sathandaza.
- 6** Sathi sibilisene nabo, sangena emkhombeni thina, bona ke babuyela emakhaya.
- 7** Sathi ke thina, sakulufeza uhambo ngomkhombe sivela eTire, safika eTolimayi, sababulisa abazalwana, sahlala nabo usuku lwalunye.
- 8** Ke kaloku ngengomso, thina besinoPawulos, semka seza eKesareya; sangena endlwini kaFilipu, umshumayeli weendaba ezilungileyo, obengowabaya basixhenxe, sahlala kuye.
- 9** Lowo ke wayeneentombi ezine, ziseziintombi, ziprofeta.
- 10** Sakubon' ukuba ke sihleli khona iintsuku ezininzi, kwehla kwelakwaYuda mprofeti uthile, ugama linguAgabho.
- 11** Wathi akufika kuthi, wathabatha umbhinqo kaPawulos, wazibopha izandla neenyawo, wathi, Utsho ke uMoya oyiNgcwele ukuthi, Indoda ongowayo lo mbhinqo, aya kwenjenje amaYuda ukuyibopha eYerusalem, ayinikele ezandleni zeentlanga.

**12** Ke kaloku, sakukuva oku, sambongoza thina, kwanabakuloo ndawo, ukuba angenyuki aye eYerusalem.

**13** Waphendula ke uPawulos, wathi, Nenzani na ukulila niyityumze intliziyo yam? kuba mna ndingalungele kubotshwa kodwa; ndilungele nokufa eYerusalem, ngenxa yegama leNkosi uYesu.

**14** Akuba ke engoyiseki, sathi cwaka, sisithi, Makwenzeke ukuthanda kweNkosi.

**15** Ke kaloku emva kwezo ntsuku, sabopha impahla, senyuka saya eYerusalem.

**16** Kwahamba ke nathi abathile nakubafundi abavela eKesareya, besisa thina kuMnaso waseSipro, obengumfundu kwakudala, esaba lundwendwe lwakhe.

**17** Ke kaloku, sakufika eYerusalem, basamkela ngovuyo abazalwana.

**18** Ngengomso ke, uPawulos wangena kunye nathi kuYakobi; ayekho namadoda amakhulu onke.

**19** Ubabulisile, wamana ebacacisela zonke ngazinye izinto awazenzayo uThixo phakathi kweenatlanga, ngalo ulungiselelo lwakhe.

**20** Bathe ke bona bakukuva oko, bayizukisa iNkosi, batsho nokuthi kuye, Uyabona, mzalwana, oko angako amawakawaka amaYuda akholiwego; abe ke onke ewuzondelele umthetho.

**21** Atyelwe ke ngawe, ukuba uyawafundisa onke amaYuda aphakathi kweenatlanga, ukuba ahlukane noMoses, usithi, makangabalusi abantwana bawo, angahambi ngawo amasiko.

**22** Kuthiweni na ke? Kakade kuya kuhlanganisana inkitha; kuba aya kuva ukuba ufikile.

**23** Ngoko yenza le nto sikuxelela yona: kukho kuthi apha amadoda amane, anesibambiso azibophe ngaso;

**24** wathabathe ke, uzenze nyulu kunye nawo, ube nokudleka ngenxa yawo, ukuze agugule iintloko; bazi bonke ukuba ezo nto bazityelwego ngawe azilutho, nawe ngokwakho uhambe uwugcinile umthetho.

**25** Kodwa ngazo iintlanga ezikholiwego, sabhala sagqiba kwelokuba zingabambi nto injalo; kuphela ibe kukuzigcina entweni ebingeletwe izithixo, nasegazini, nasentweni ekrwitshiwego, nasembulweni.

**26** Wandula uPawulos wawathabatha ke amadoda lawo, wathi ngengomso, ezenze nyulu kunye nawo, wangena etempileni, eqondisisa inzaliseko yeentsuku zokwenza nyulu, ude usondezwe umnikelo ngenxa yabo bonke ngabanye.

**27** Ke kaloku, xa iintsuku ezisixhenxe ezo beziza kuphela, athi amaYuda avela kwelaseAsiya, akumbona etempileni, asidubaduba sonke isihlweli, amsa izandla,

**28** enkqangaza esithi, Madoda, maSirayeli, sizani. Nanku lo mntu ufundisa bonke ezindaweni zonke okuchasene nabantu, nomthetho, nale ndawo; othe ngaphezu koko wawangenisa amaGrike etempileni, wayenza inqambi le ndawo ingcwele.

**29** Kuba abebone ngeenxa engaphambili uTrophimo wase-Efese, ndawonye naye phakathi komzi; abeba uPawulos umngenise etempileni.

**30** Washukuma umzi uphela, babalekela ndawonye abantu; bamthabatha uPawulos, bamrholela ngaphandle kwetempile; zavalwa kwaoko iingcango.

**31** Ke kaloku, xa babeza kumbulala, lwafika udaba kumthetheli-waka webutho, lokuba iYerusalem iphela idubadubekile;

**32** owathi kwangelo lixa wathabatha amasoldati nabathetheli-khulu, wabaleka, wehla waya kubo. Bakumbona ke umthetheli-waka namasoldati, bayeka ukumbetha uPawulos.

**33** Waza wasondela umthetheli-waka, wambamba, wathi makakhonkxwe ngemixokelelwane emibini; wayebuza ukuba angaba ungubani na, nokuthi wenze ntoni

na.

- 34** Abanye ke phakathi kwesihlwele babhomboloza enye into, abanye enye. Akuba engenako ke ukuyazi inyaniso ngenxa yesiphithiphithi, wathi makasiwe enqabeni yomkhosi.
- 35** Xeshikweni wafikayo ke kumatye okunyuka, usuke wathwalwa ngamasoldati, ngenxa yamandla esihlwele;
- 36** kuba yayilandela inkitha yabantu, inkqangaza isithi, Msuseni.
- 37** Xa ke wayeza kungeniswa enqabeni yomkhosi, wathi uPawulos kumthetheli-waka, Kuvumelekile na ukuba ndithethe into kuwe? Wathi ke yena, Uyasazi na isiGrike?
- 38** Akunguye na kanene laa mYiputa, wathi phambi kwale mihla wenza isaqunge, wakhukulisela entlango laa madoda angamawaka amane azizigebenga?
- 39** Uthe ke yena uPawulos, Mna ndingumtu ongumYuda waseTarso, umntu okowabo lingumzi ongadume ngako welaseKiliki; ndiyakucela ke, ndivumele ndikhe ndithethe kubo abantu.
- 40** Ke kaloku, akubon' ukuba umvumele, wema uPawulos ematyeni okunyuka, wawangawangisa ngesandla kubo abantu. Kwakuthiwa cwaka kakhulu, wadanduluka ngentetho yesiHebhore, esithi:

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- M**adoda, bazalwana, nani bobawo, kuphulaphuleni ukuziphendulela kwam kuni ngoku.
- 2** Bakuva ke ukuba udanduluka ngentetho yesiHebhore kubo, bazola okunye. Waza wathi:
- 3** Mna ndiyindoda engumYuda; ndizalelwwe okunene eTarso yelaseKiliki, kodwa ndondlelwwe kulo mzi ezinyaweni zikaGamaliyeli; ndiqeqeshwe ngohlobo olucokisekileyo lomthetho woobawo, ndizondelela uThixo, njengokuba ninjalo nani nonke namhlanje.
- 4** Ndingowayitshutshisayo yona le Ndlela, ndada ndesa ekufeni, ndibopha, ndifaka ezintolongweni amadoda kwanabafazi;
- 5** njengokuba nombingelei omkhulu endingqinela, nayo yonke intlanganiso yamadoda amakhulu; endamkela kubo iincwadi zokuya kubazalwana, ndahambela eDamasko, ndiya kuzisa nababekhona bebotshiwe eYerusalem, ukuze babethwe.
- 6** Ke kaloku kwathi, ndihamba, ndisondela eDamasko, malunga emini enkulu, ngesiquphe ndabanekelwa ngeenxa zonke lukhanyiselo olukhulu lumphuma ezulwini.
- 7** Ndawa emhlaben, ndeva ilizwi lisithi kum, Sawule, Sawule, unditshutshiselani na?
- 8** Ndaphendula ke mna ndathi, Ungubani na, Nkosi? Yathi kum, Mna ndinguYesu waseNazarete, omtshutshisayo wena.
- 9** Bona ke ababenam balubona okunene ukhanyiselo olo, besuka boyika; kodwa abalivanga ilizwi lalowo wayethetha nam.
- 10** Ndathi ke, Ndithini na, Nkosi? Yathi ke iNkosi kum, Vuka, uye eDamasko; woxeletwa khona ngazo zonke izinto ozimiselweyo ukuba uzenze.
- 11** Ndakuba ke ndingenakondela ngenxa yobuqaqwuli bolo lukhanyiselo, ndarholwa ngesandla ngabo babenam, ndafika eDamasko.
- 12** Ke kaloku, Hananiya uthile, indoda emhlonelayo uThixo ngokomthetho, engqinelwe kakuhle ngawo onke amaYuda amiyo khona,
- 13** weza kum, wema kufuphi, wathi kum, Sawule, mzalwana, buya ubone. Ndaza mna kwangelo lixa ndabheka phezulu kuye.
- 14** Wathi ke yena, UThixo woobawo bethu ukumisile wena ukuba ukwazi ukuthanda

kwakhe, umbone lowo uliLungisa, uve ilizwi eliphuma emlonyeni wakhe;

**15** ngokuba uya kuba lingqina lakhe kubo bonke abantu, lezinto ozibonileyo.

**16** Nakaloku usalibele yini na? Suk' ume, ubhaptizwe, uhlambulule izono zakho, unqula igama leNkosi.

**17** Ke kaloku kwathi, ndakuba ndibuyelete eYerusalem, ndakubon' ukuba ndiyathandaza etempileni, ndaba sethongweni;

**18** ndayibona isithi kum, Ngxama, uphume kamsinya eYerusalem; ngokokuba bengayi kubamkela ubungqina bakho ngam.

**19** Ndathi mna, Nkosi, bayazi kakuhle bona ukuba mna ndandibafaka entolongweni, ndibatyabula kuzo zonke izindlu zesikhungu abo bakholwayo kuwe;

**20** naxeshikweni laphalazwayo igazi likaStefano, ingqina lakho, ndaye ndimi kufuphi nam, ndikuthakazela ukusikwa kwakhe, ndizigcinile iingubo zabo babemsika.

**21** Yathi kum, Hamba; ngokuba mna ndiya kukuthuma kude kwiintlanga.

**22** Bamphulaphula ke, wada wafika kwelo lizwi, baza baphakamisa izwi labo besithi, Msuseni emhlabeni umntu onje; kuba akufanelekile ukuba adle ubomi.

**23** Ke kaloku, bakubon' ukuba bayankqangaza, belahla iingubo zabo, bephosa uthuli esibhakabhakeni,

**24** wathi umthetheli-waka, makangeniswe enqabeni yomkhosi; wathi makancinwe ngekatsi, ukuze azi ukuba kungathuba lini na ukuba benjenje ukunkqangaza ngaye.

**25** Ke kaloku, xa bamolulayo ngeentambo, wathi uPawulos kumthetheli-khulu obemi khona, Kuvumelekile na, ukuba nimtyakatye umntu ongumRoma, engagwetywanga nokugwetywa?

**26** Evile ke umthetheli-khulu, waya wabika kumthetheli-waka, esithi, Yilumkele into oza kuyenza; kuba lo mntu ongumRoma.

**27** Weza ke umthetheli-waka wathi kuye, Ndixelete, ongumRoma na? Wathi ke yena, Ewe.

**28** Waphendula umthetheli-waka wathi, Mna ukungeniswa kwam kulo mzi waseRoma, ndakuzuza ngenani elikhulu. Wathi ke uPawulos. Ke mna ndizelwe ndinako.

**29** Basuka kuye kwaoko ngoko abo babeza kumncina; woyika ke nomthetheli-waka akuqonda ukuba ongumRoma, nangenxa yokuba ebembophile.

**30** Ke kaloku ngengomso, enga angayazi inyaniso yento amangalelwwe ngayo ngamaYuda, wamkhulula ezintanjeni, wathi, mabeze ababingeleti abakhulu, nayo yonke intlanganiso yabo yamatyala; waza wamhlisa uPawulos, wammisa phakathi kwabo.

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**W**aqwelasela ke uPawulos entlanganisweni yamatyala, wathi, Madoda, bazalwana, mna ndahlala ngokwalowo ungowakwaThixo, ndinesazela esilungileyo, kwada kwayile mini.

**2** Ke kaloku umbingeleti omkhulu, uHananiya, wathi kwabo babemi ngakuye, mabambethe emlonyeni.

**3** Waza wathi uPawulos kuye, Uza kukubetha uThixo, ludongandini luqatyiwego. Wena uthi uhlalele ukuba uthethe ityala lam ngokomthetho, ubuye waphule umthetho, uthi mandibethwe?

**4** Bona ke ababemi khona bathi, Uyamthuka na umbingeleti omkhulu kaThixo?

**5** Wathi uPawulos, Bendingazi, bazalwana, ukuba ungumbingeleti omkhulu; kuba kubhaliwe kwathiwa, Uze ungathethi kakubi ngomphathi wabantu bakowenu.

**6** Ke kaloku uPawulos, esazi ukuba elinye icala lelabaSadusi, elinye ke lelabaFarisi, wadanduluka entlanganisweni yamatyala esithi, Madoda, bazalwana, mna ndingumFarisi, ndingowomFarisi; ndimangalelwwe mna ngalo ithemba nangovuko lwabafileyo.

**7** Uthe ke akukuthetha oko, kwabakho impambano phakathi kwabaFarisi nabaSadusi, yahlulelana inkitha leyo;

**8** kuba okunene abaSadusi babesithi, akukho luvuko, nasithunywa sazulu, namoya; kodwa abaFarisi bazivuma zombini ezo ndawo.

**9** Kwabakho ke unkqangazo olukhulu; besuka ababhali becalalababFarisi balwa kakhulu, besithi, Asifumaninanye into embi kulo mntu; ke ukuba kuthethe umoya kuye, nokubasisithunywa sezulu, masinalwi noThixo thina.

**10** Kuthe ke, yakuba nkulu impambano, wathi umthetheli-waka, esoyikela ukuba uPawulos angaqwengwa ngabo, wathi mawuhle umkhosi, umxwile phakathi kwabo, umzise enqabeni yawo.

**11** Ke kaloku ngobo busuku iNkosi yema ngakuye, yathi, Yomelela, Pawulos; kuba njengokuba waqononondisa izinto ngam eYerusalem, kwangokunjalo umelwe kukuthi ungqine naseRoma.

**12** Ke kaloku kwakusa, abathile kumaYuda bathuthelana bazibopha ngesiqalekiso, besithi abayi kudla, abayi kusela nokusela, bade bambulale uPawulos.

**13** Baye ke bengaphezu kwamashumi omane ababefungele ukuyenza loo nto;

**14** abathi bona beza kubabingeleti abakhulu nakumadoda amakhulu, bathi, Sizibophile ngesiqalekiso esikhulu, ukuba singafaki nto emlonyeni, side simbulale uPawulos;

**15** ke ngoku nina bhekisani kumthetheli-waka kune nentlanganiso yamatyala, ukuba amhlise, eze naye kuni ngomso, ngokungathi niza kuziqiqa ngokukhona kucokisekileyo iindawo ezithethwa ngaye; sibe ke thina, engekasondeli, sesilungiselele ukumbulala.

**16** Ke kaloku, akukuva unyana wodade boPawulos ukumlalela kwabo, wafika wangena enqabeni yomkhosi, wambikela uPawulos.

**17** UPawulos ubizele ke kuye omnye wakubathetheli-khulu, wathi, Yisa le ndodana kumthetheli-waka; kuba inento eza kuyibika kuye.

**18** Uyithabathile ke yena, wayizisa kumthetheli-waka, wathi, UPawulos, umbanjwa undibizele kuye, wacela ukuba ndizise le ndodana kuwe; inento eza kuyithetha kuwe.

**19** Wayibamba ke ngesandla umthetheli-waka, waya nayo ngasese, wayibuza wathi, Unantoni na oza kuyibika kum?

**20** Yathi ke, AmaYuda avumelene ukukucela ukuba umhlise uPawulos, umse ngomso entlanganisweni yamatyala, ngokungathi aza kubuza ngokukhona kucokisekileyo into ngaye.

**21** Ke wena uze ungoysisakali ngawo; kuba kuwo apho ulalelwwe ngamadoda angaphezu kwamashumi amane, azibophileyo ngeziqalekiso, ukuba angadli angaseli ade ambulale; nangoku aselelungile, elinde idinga elivela kuwe.

**22** Umthetheli-waka wayindulula ke indodana leyo, akuba eyithethelo ngelithi, mayingaxeleti bani, ukuba izibonakalalisile kuye ezo ndawo.

**23** Ebizele kuye abathetheli-khulu abathile ababini, wathi, Lungisani amasoldati abe makhulu mabini, ukuba aye eKesareya, nabamahashe babe mashumi asixhenxe, nababinzi babe makhulu mabini, ngelesithathu ilixa lobusuku;

**24** nilungise namaqegu, ukuze bamkhwelise uPawulos, bamse kuFelikis irhuluneli, asinde.

**25** Wabhalal incwadi ethi:

**26** UKlawudiyo Lisiya uyabulisa kuFelikis, irhuluneli edume kunene.

- 27** Le ndoda yayibanjwe ngamaYuda, iza kubulawa ngawo; koko ndathi gaxa kuwo ndinomkhosi, ndayihlangula, ndakuqonda ukuba ingumRoma.
- 28** Ndakuba ke ndingalazi ityala abeyimangalela ngalo, ndayihlisa, ndayisa entlanganisweni yawo yamatyala;
- 29** ndayifumana imangalelwwe ngeembuzwano zomthetho wawo, kodwa ingenalo nalinye ityala elilingene ukufa, nokufakwa iintambo.
- 30** Ke kaloku, kwakubon' ukuba ndilihletyelwe iyelenqe ebeliza kwenziwa ngayo le ndoda ngamaYuda, ndithumele kuwe kwangelo lixa, ndathi nakubamangaleli bayo, mabazithethe kuwe iindawo abanazo ngakuyo. Hlala kakuhle.
- 31** Amasoldati ke amthabatha uPawulos, njengoko amiselwe ngako, amsa kwa-Antipatri ebusuku.
- 32** Kuthe ke ngengomso abashiya abamahashe, ukuba bahambe naye, wona abuyela enqabeni yomkhosi;
- 33** bathi bona, bakufika eKesareya, bayinikela incwadi kwirhuluneli, bammisa noPawulos phambi kwayo.
- 34** Iyilesile ke irhuluneli, yabuza nokuba ungowabuphi na uburhulumente; ithe yakuqonda ukuba ungowelaseKiliki,
- 35** yathi, Ndokuva kakuhle, xa bathe bafika nabamangaleli bakho; yatsho yathi, makagcinwe endlwini yerhuluneli ebiyekaHerode.

## ISAHLUKO 24

**K**e kaloku, emva kweentsuku ezintlanu, wehla umbingeleli omkhulu, uHananiya, enamadoda amakhulu, neciko elithile elinguTertulo, bona bengabamangaleli bakaPawulos kwirhuluneli.

- 2** Uthe ke akubizwa, waqala uTertulo ukummangalela, esithi:
- 3** Sisiva uxolo olukhulu ngawe nje, zikho nje nezenzo eziluncedo ezenzelwe olu hlanga ngokwazalela kwakho, sikwamkela oko sibulela ngako konke, amaxesha onke, nasezindaweni zonke, Felikis odume kunene.
- 4** Ke ukuze ndingabi sakubambezela ngakumbi, ndiyakubongoza ukuba ukhe usive kancinane ngokuthantamisa kwakho.
- 5** Kuba siyifumene le ndoda isisifo, umphambanisi kuwo onke amaYuda akwelimiwego, ingumkhokeli walo ihlelo lamaNazarete;
- 6** eyathi yalinga ukuyihlambela netempile: esathi sayibamba, safuna ukuyigweba ngowethu umthetho;
- 7** usuke uLisiya, umthetheli-waka, wafika, wayihlutha ngamandla amakhulu ezandleni zethu;
- 8** wathi, mabeze kuwe abamangaleli bayo, ongathi wena ngokwakho, wakuzincina zonke iindawo, ube nako ukuziqonda kuye ezo siyimangalela ngazo thina.
- 9** NamaYuda ke avumelana naye, athi kunjalo kanye.
- 10** Ke kaloku waphendula uPawulos, yakunqwala kuye irhuluneli ukuba athethe, wathi: Ndisazi kakuhle nje, ukuba sekuyiminyaka emininzi ungumgwebi kolu hlanga, kokukhona ndiziphendulela ngomxhelo owonwabileyo ngazo iindawo ezingam.
- 11** Kuba unganokuqonda, ukuba akuntsuku zingaphezu kweshumi elinambini, ndenyukayo ndaya kunqula eYerusalem;
- 12** nasetempileni abandifumananga ndixoxa namntu, ndisenza nasiphendu, nasezindlwini

zesikhungu, naphi phakathi komzi.

- 13** Kananjalo abanako ukuzimisa izinto abandimangalela ngazo ngoku.
- 14** Ke ndiyakuvuma oku kuwe, ukuba ngeNdlela abathi bona sisiphambusa, ndenjenjalo ukumkhonza uThixo wakowethu, ndikholwa zizinto zonke ezibhaliwego emthethweni nasebaprofetini;
- 15** ndinethemba kuThixo, into ke abayilindileyo nabo ngokwabo, ukuba kuza kubakho uvuko Iwabafileyo, Iwamalungisa kwanolwabangemalungisa.
- 16** Ke kaloku, kule nto nam ngokwam ndiyazama, ukuba ngamaxesha onke ndingabi nasazela sikhubevisa nganto ngakuThixo nangakubantu.
- 17** Emva kweminyaka emininzi, ndafika ndizisa amalizo neminikelo kuhlanga Iwakowethu.
- 18** Kwezo nto andifumana etempileni ndensiwe nyulu, ndingenzi siphendu, ndingenzi nasiphithiphithi, amaYuda athile elaseAsiya;
- 19** abemelwe kukubakho apha phambi kwakho, andimangalele, ukuba angaba anendawo ngakum;
- 20** okanye mabathi bona aba, ukuba kukho nto yokungalungisi bayifumeneyo kum, bayixe, ndakubon' ukuba ndimi apha entlanganisweni yamatyalala;
- 21** ingelilo elo lizwi linye, ndadandulukayo ngalo ndimi phakathi kwabo, lokuthi, Kungalo uvuko Iwabafileyo endimangalelwayo mna nini namhla.
- 22** Ke kaloku, akuziva ezi zinto uFelikis, uthe, ezazi ngokhona kucokisekileyo iindawo zale Ndlela, wabalibazisa, wathi, Xa athe wehla uLisiya umthetheli-waka, ndoziqiqa kakuhle iindawo zenu.
- 23** Kanjalo wammisela umthetheli-khulu, ukuba agcinwe uPawulos, abe nokuyekelewa, kungalelwa nabani wakowabo ukumnceda, nokuba eze kuye.
- 24** Ke kaloku, emva kwemihla ethile, wafika uFelikis enoDrusila umkakhe, umYudakazi, wathumela wambiza uPawulos, wamva ethetha ngako ukukholwa kuKristu.
- 25** Akubon' ukuba ke uthetha ngobulungisa, nokuzeyisa, nangogwebo oluza kubakho, wangenwa kukoyika uFelikis, waphendula wathi, Hamba okwakalokunje: ke ndakuzuza ithuba, ndokubiza uze.
- 26** Kunye ke noko, wayethembe ukuba wonikwa imali nguPawulos, ukuze amkhulule; ngako oko kwaba kukhona ambiza futhi, ukuba eze axoxe naye.
- 27** Ke kaloku, kwakubon' ukuba kudlule iminyaka emibini, uFelikis wakhululana noPorkiyo Festo; kanjalo wathi uFelikis, efuna ukuzithandisa kumaYuda, wamshiya uPawulos ekhonkxiwe.

## ISAHLUKO 25

**U**the ngoko uFesto, akuba engene eburhulumenteni, wathi emva kwemihla emithathu, wenyuka waya eYerusalem, esuka eKesareya.

- 2** Ke kaloku, umbingelei omkhulu nabaziintloko kumaYuda bammangalela uPawulos kuye, bambongoza,
- 3** becela ukuba abababale ngokumbiza eze eYerusalem; bemlalele ukuze bambulale endleleni.
- 4** Waphendula ke ngoko uFesto, wathi, ugcinwe eKesareya uPawulos; naye ke ngokwakhe uza kuya kamsinya.
- 5** Wathi, Mabathi ngoko abanako phakathi kwenu, behle kunye nam, bayimangalele, ukuba kukho into kule ndoda.

- <sup>6</sup> Akuba ke elibebe kubo imihla engaphezu kweshumi, wehla waya eKesareya; ngengomso, akuba ehleli esihlalweni sokugweba, wathi makaziswe uPawulos.
- <sup>7</sup> Uthe ke akufika, amaYuda abehle evela eYerusalem, amngqonga, emtyhola ngamatyala amaninzi anzima uPawulos, awayengenako ukuwamisa;
- <sup>8</sup> esithi yena ukuziphendulela, Nasemthethweni wamaYuda, nasetempileni, nakuKesare, andonanga nto.
- <sup>9</sup> Ke uFesto, efuna ukuzithandisa kumaYuda, umphendule uPawulos wathi, Uyathanda na ukunyuka uye eYerusalem, lithethwe khona ityala lezi zinto phambi kwam?
- <sup>10</sup> Uthe ke uPawulos, Ndimi esihlalweni sokugweba sikaKesare, apho limele ukuthethwa khona ityala lam. AmaYuda andiwonanga nganto, njengokuba nawe usazi kakuhle.
- <sup>11</sup> Kuba okunene ukuba ndonile, ndenza into elingene ukufa, andali kufa; kodwa ukuba akukho nanye yezo zinto bandimangalela ngazo aba, akukho namnye unako ukundinikela kubo. Ndibhenele kuKesare.
- <sup>12</sup> Waza uFesto, akuba ethethe nephakathi, waphendula wathi, Ubhenele kuKesare; uya kuya kuKesare.
- <sup>13</sup> Ke kaloku, kwakubon' ukuba kudlule imihla ethile, uAgripa, ukumkani, noBhernike bafika eKesareya, besiza kubulisa uFesto.
- <sup>14</sup> Bakulibala khona ke imihla emininzi, uFesto wazandlala phambi kokumkani lowo izinto ezingaye uPawulos, esithi, Kukho ndoda ithile ishiyiweyo nguFelikis,
- <sup>15</sup> ikhonkxiwe, abathe ababingeleli abakhulu namadoda amakhulu amaYuda, oko ndibe ndiseYerusalem, bayimangalela, becela ukuba igwetywe.
- <sup>16</sup> Endathi ukubaphendula, Asilosiko lamaRoma ukubabala ngomntu abulawe, phambi kokuba lowo umangaleweyo akhangelane nabamangaleli bakhe, azuze nethuba lokuziphendulela ngalo ityala lakhe.
- <sup>17</sup> Bakuba ngoko bebuthelene apha, andilibazisanga; ngomhla olandelayo ndahlala esihlalweni sokugweba, ndathi mayiziswe indoda leyo.
- <sup>18</sup> Abamangaleli bayo, bakuvela, abamisanga nalinye ityala lezo zinto bendizindlela kuzo mna;
- <sup>19</sup> ke baye beneembuzwano ezithile nayo ngokuhlonela kwabo izithixo, nangaYesu uthile ufileyo, abesithi yena uPawulos uhleli.
- <sup>20</sup> Ndakuthingaza ke mna ngawo umbuzo wale ndawo, ndathi, Unga ungaya eYerusalem na, lithethwe khona ityala lezi zinto?
- <sup>21</sup> Akubon' ukuba ke uPawulos ubhenele ukuba agcinelwe isigwebo soMhlekazi, ndathi makagcinwe, ndide ndimthumele kuKesare.
- <sup>22</sup> Wathi ke uAgripa kuFesto, Bendinga nam ndingakhe ndimve umntu lowo. Wathi ke yena, Uya kumva ngomso.
- <sup>23</sup> Uthe ke akufika ngengomso uAgripa enoBhernike, benendili enkulu, bengene nasendaweni yokuphulaphulela amatyala, benabathetheli-waka namadoda amakhulu omzi, waziswa uPawulos ngezwi likaFesto.
- <sup>24</sup> Wathi uFesto, Agripa kumkani, nani nonke madoda akhoyo nathi, niyambona lo mntu, ethe yonke inkitha yamaYuda yasingisa kum ngaye, naseYerusalem nalapha, ibhomboloza kakhulu isithi, akasafanele kudla ubomi;
- <sup>25</sup> mna ke ndithe ndakuqonda ukuba akenzanga nto ilingene ukufa, akubon' ukuba naye ngokwakhe ubhenele kuMhlekazi, ndaggiba kwelokuba ndimthumele kuye,
- <sup>26</sup> endingenanto iyinyaniso ndingayibhalayo ngaye enkosini yam. Ngako oko ndimzise phambi kwenu, ngokukodwa phambi kwakho, kumkani Agripa, ukuze, kwakubon' ukuba

kunciniwe, ndibe nento endingayibhalayo;

**27** kuba kum kubonakala ibubudenge, ukuba kuthunyelwe ikhonkxwa, lingaqondakaliswa netyala elinalo.

## ISAHLUKO 26

**W**athi ke uAgripa kuPawulos, Uvunyelwe ukuba uziphendulele. Wandula uPawulos waziphendulela, esolule isandla, wathi:

**2** Ndiva kamnandi, kumkani Agripa, ndiza kuziphendulela nje phambi kwakho namhla, ngazo zonke izinto endimangalelwa ngazo ngamaYuda;

**3** ngokukodwa ekubeni usazana nawo onke amasiko neembuzwano zamaYuda. Kungoko ndiyakuthandaza ukuba undive, undinyamezele.

**4** Ukuhlala kwam ke kwasebuncinaneni bam, okwabakho kwasekuqalekeni phakathi kohlanga Iwakowethu eYerusalem, ayakwazi onke amaYuda;

**5** endazi ngenxa engaphambil (ukuba athe athanda ukungqina), okokuba, ngelona licokisekileyo ihlelo lonqulo Iwakowethu, ndahlala ndingumFarisi.

**6** Nangoku ndimi ndimangalelwa ngenxa yethemba ledinga elabekwa nguThixo kobawo;

**7** ezithembe ukufika kulo izizwe zakowethu ezilishumi elinazibini, zimkhonza nje uThixo ngenyameko ubusuku nemini; ekungenxa yelo themba endimangalelwayo ngamaYuda, kumkani Agripa.

**8** Yini na ukuba nithi, yinto eningenakukholwa yiyo, ukuba uThixo uyabavusa abafileyo?

**9** Mna okunene ke bendiba ngelam, ndimelwe kukwenza izinto ezininzi ezichasene negama likaYesu waseNazarete.

**10** Endakwenzayo ke oko eYerusalem; nento eninzi yabangcwele ndayitshixela ezintolongweni, ndakuba ndamkele igunya kubabingelei abakhulu; ndaza, bakuba besikwa, ndavuma.

**11** Nakuzo zonke izindlu zesikhungu ndibe ndibohlwaya futhi, ndibanyanzela ukuba banyelise; ndathi, ndibagezela ngokuncamisileyo, ndabatshutshisa, ndada ndesa kwimizi engaphandle.

**12** Kunjalonje ke, kwathi, xa ndiyayo eDamasko, ndinegunya nemvume kubabingelei abakhulu,

**13** emini enku endleleni, kumkani, ndabona ukukhanya kuvela ezulwini, okungaphezu kokuqaqamba kwelanga, kundibaneleka ngeenxa zonke, nabo babehamba nam.

**14** Sithe ke sakubon' ukuba siwile sonke emhlabeni, ndeva izwi lithetha nam ngentetho yesiHebhore, lisithi, Sawule, Sawule, unditshutshiselani na? wenzakala, ukhaba iimviko nje.

**15** Ndathi ke mna, Ungubani na, Nkosi? Yathi ke yona, Mna ndinguYesu omtshutshisayo.

**16** Vuka, ume ngeenyawo; kuba ndibonakele kuwe ngenxa yoku, ukuba ndikumise ube ngumkhonzi nengqina lezi zinto uzibonileyo, nendiya kubonakala kuwe ngazo;

**17** ndikunyothula ebantwini nasezintlangeni, endikuthuma kuzo ngokunje;

**18** ukuba uvule amehlo abo, ukuze babuye ebumnyameni, beze ebumhlotsheni; babuye egunyenli likaSathana, beze kuThixo; ukuze bamkele uxolelo Iwezono, nelifa phakathi kwabangcwalisiweyo, ngokukholwa kum.

**19** Ekuthe koko, kumkani Agripa, andaba nguye ongawululamelio umbono wasemazulwini;

**20** ndesuka ndababikela abaseDamasko kuqala, nabaseYerusalem, nakulo lonke ilizwe

IakwaYuda, nakuzo iintlanga, ukuba baguquke babuyele kuThixo, benze imisebenzi efanele inguquko.

- 21** Ngenxa yezi zinto amaYuda andibamba etempileni, azamela ukundibulala.
- 22** Ngoko ndizuze uncedo kuThixo nje, ndimisile kude kube yile mini, ndingqina komncinane nakomkhulu, ndingathethi nanye into ngaphandle kwezo, bathi abaprofeti noMoses ziza kubakho;
- 23** zokuba uKristu ubeza kuva iintlungu, nokuba ubeza kuthi, engowokuqala eluvukweni lwabafileyo, azise ukukhanya ebantwini nasezintlangeni.
- 24** Ke kaloku, akubon' ukuba uyaziphendulela ngokunjalo, uFesto wathi ngezwi elikhulu, Uyageza, Pawulos; imfundu eninzi iyakugezisa.
- 25** Wathi ke yena, Andigezi, Festo odume kunene; ndiphimisela amazwi enyaniso nawengqondo ephilileyo.
- 26** Kuba ezo ndawo uyazazi kakuhle ukumkani, endithetha kuye ngokungafihlisiyo; kuba ndikholosekile kukuba akukho nanye yezi zinto ifihlakeleyo kuye; kuba le nto ibingenzelwanga egumbini.
- 27** Uyakholwa na, kumkani Agripa, ngabaprofeti? Ndiyazi ukuba uyakholwa.
- 28** Wathi ke uAgripa kuPawulos, Ngokuncinane undeyisela ukuba ndibe ngumKristu.
- 29** Wathi ke uPawulos, Ndithandaza kuThixo, ukuba ingabi nguwe wedwa, ibe ngabo bonke abandivayo namhlanje, abaya kuthi, nangokuncinane nangokukhulu, babe njengam nje, ngaphandle kwezi ntambo.
- 30** Akuba etshilo, besuka ukumkani, nerhuluneli, noBhernike, kwanababehleli nabo;
- 31** beshenxile, bathetha bodwa bathi, Lo mntu akenze nanye into elingene ukufa neentambo.
- 32** Wathi ke uAgripa kuFesto, Lo mntu ange enokukhululwa, ukuba ubengabhenene kuKesare.

## ISAHLUKO 27

**K**e kaloku, kwakuggitywa kwelokuba sisuke ngomkhombe siye kwelaseltali, bamnikela uPawulos kwanabanye ababanjwa abathile kumthetheli-khulu, ogama linguYuliyo, webutho loMhlekazi.

- 2** Singenile ke emkhombeni waseAdramita, sisiza kudlula ngakwimimandla yelaseAsiya, sanduluka, kwakubon' ukuba uAristarko, umMakedoni waseTesonika, unathi.
- 3** Sathi ngengomso safika eTsidon; waza uYuliyo wamphatha uPawulos ngobubele, wamvumela ukuba aye ezihlotyeni zakhe, ongiwe.
- 4** Sanduluka nalapho, sahamba ngomkhombe, sabetha ezantsi kweSipro, ngenxa yokuba imimoya ibivela ngaphambili.
- 5** Sakulucanda nolwandle olungakwelaseKiliki nelasePamfili, safika eMira yelaseLiki.
- 6** Apho ke umthetheli-khulu wafumana umkhombe wakwa-Alesandire, usiya kwelaseltali, wasikhwelisa kuwo.
- 7** Ke kaloku iiantsuku zanelo sihamba kancinane, kwaba ngenkankulu ukuba sifike ngaseKinido. Uthe wakuba umoya ungasivumeli ukuba sisondele, sabetha ezantsi kweKrete ngaseSalimone.
- 8** Saza sadlula kuyo ngenkankulu, safika ndaweni ithile kuthiwa ngamaChweba aMahle, obukufuphi kuyo umzi waseLaseya.
- 9** Lithe ke lakudlula ixesha elaneleyo, nokuhamba ngomkhombe kunengozi, ngenxa

yokuba nozilo beluse ludlule, uPawulos wamana ebaluleka,

**10** esithi kubo, Madoda, ndiyabona ukuba uhambo olu luza kuba nenkwaleko nokonakala okukhulu, kungekwamthwalo namkhombe wodwa, kukokobomi bethu nabo.

**11** Kodwa umthetheli-khulu wayethambele okomqhubi nokomnininimkhombe ukuthetha, kunokukaPawulos.

**12** Ke kaloku, ichweba lingakulungele nje ukuba kudluliswe busika kulo, abona baninzi kubo baceba ukuba kundulukwe khona, ukuba mhlawumbi banganokufikelela badlulise ubusika eFinikis, elichweba laseKrete; elibheke kwintshonalanga engasezantsi, nakwintshonalanga engasentla.

**13** Kuthe ke, wakubetha impepho umoya wasezantsi, beba bakuzuzile ababekungxamele, banduluka, badlula kufuphi neKrete.

**14** Kodwa kungekabi mzuzu, kwagaleleka khona umoya osisaqhwithi, ekuthiwa yiYuroklidon.

**15** Kuthe ke kwakubon' ukuba uthiwe hiasi umkhombe, awaba nako ukumelana nomoya, sasesiwuyeka; saqhutywa.

**16** Sathi sakubaleka ke, sibetha ngaphantsi kwesiqithana esithile, ekuthiwa yiKlawuda, kwaba ngenkankulu ukuba sibe nako ukuwubamba umkhonjana;

**17** abathe bakuwufunqula, basebenza ngezinto zokunceda, bewubhinqisa umkhombe; kananjalo bathi, besoyika ukuba bangeyela esihlabeni, bazifinyeza iiseyile, baqhutywa benjalo.

**18** Sithe ke, sakubon' ukuba ke sibandezelwe kakubi liliqhw, ngomhla olandelayo bawuphungula umthwalo;

**19** nangowesithathu sayilahla ngezandla zethu impahla yomkhombe.

**20** Kuthe ke, kwakubon' ukuba akubonakali langa nankwenkwezi iintsuku ezininzi, kucinezele neliqhw eelingelincinane, laphela kwathi tu lonke ithemba lokuba singasindiswa.

**21** Emva kokuzila ukudla ixesha elide, wesuka wema uPawulos phakathi kwabo, wathi, Hina madoda, ninge naniphulaphule kum, ananduluka eKrete, nizuzane nale nkxwaleko noku konakala.

**22** Nangoku ndiyaniluleka ukuba nibe nomxhelo owonwabileyo; kuba kuni aba, akukho uya kulahlekelwa bubomi bakhe, yoba ngumkhombe wodwa.

**23** Kuba ngobu busuku bekumi ngakumisithunywa sikaThixo, endingowakhe, endimkhonzayo,

**24** sisithi, Musa ukoyika, Pawulos, umelwe kukuma phambi koKesare; uyabona, uThixo ukubabale ngabo bonke abasemkhombeni nawe.

**25** Kungoko ndithi, Yibani nomxhelo owonwabileyo, madoda; kuba ndiyakholwa nguThixo, ukuba kuya kuba njalo hlolo athethe ngalo kum.

**26** Kodwa simelwe kukuphoseka siqithini sithile.

**27** Ke kaloku, kwakufika ubusuku beshumi elinesine, sakubon' ukuba siqhutywaqhutywa ngumoya eAdriya, mayela phakathi kobusuku, oomatrose bazindla ukuba kukho mhlaba uthile basondelayo kuwo.

**28** Baza bakuba beyiphosile ilothe, bafumana ukuba ziifatom ezimashumi mabini; bethe tyi ke kancinane, baphinda bayiphosa ilothe, bafumana ukuba ziifatom ezilishumi elinantlanu.

**29** Baza, besoyika ukuthi bangaphoseka ezindaweni ezibungqagala, baphosa iiankile zane esinqeni somkhombe, banga kungasa.

**30** Ke kaloku, bakubon' ukuba oomatrose bangxamele ukubaleka baphume emkhombeni, bewuhlisele elwandle umkhonjana, bengathi baza kuyekelela iankile ngaphambili,

- 31** wathi uPawulos kumthetheli-khulu nakumasoldati, Ukuba aba abathanga bahlale emkhombeni, aninakusindiswa nina.
- 32** Andula amasoldati azinqamla iintsontelo zomkhonjana, awuyeka wawa, wemka.
- 33** Ke kaloku kwada kwaza kusa, uPawulos ebabongoza bonke ukuba badle ukudla, esithi, Namhla ngumhla weshumi elinesine nilinda, nimana nizila ukudla, ningafaki nto emlonyeni;
- 34** ke ngoko ndiyanibongoza ukuba nidle ukudla; kuba oko kuyeelene nokusindiswa kwenu; kuba akuyi kuwa nalunwele Iwentloko kabani kuni.
- 35** Ke kaloku, akuba etshilo, wathabatha isonka, wabulela kuThixo emehlwani abo bonke; waqhekeza, waqala wadla.
- 36** Bonke ke baba nomxhelo owonwabileyo, bathabatha ukudla nabo.
- 37** Saye ke emkhombeni apho sonke siyimiphefumlo emakhulu mabini anamanci asixhenxe anamithandathu.
- 38** Bathe ke, bakuhlutha, bawenza khaphukhaphu umkhombe, beyiphosa elwandle ingqolowa.
- 39** Kwakusa ke, abawazanga loo mhlaba; ke babona ichwetyana elithile linonxweme, babhunga ukuwutyhalela kulo umkhombe, ukuba bangaba nako.
- 40** Baza, bezinqumla zonke iiankile, baziyekela elwandle, bezikhulule kunye nezibophelelo zemithi yokujika; bayitwabulula iseyilana ngasemoyeni, babhekisa elunxwemeni.
- 41** Bakuba ke begaxelete endaweni enolwandle ngeenxa zombini, wangqubeka khona umkhombe; umphambili wagxumekeka khona, wahlala awashukuma; ke sona isinqe saqhekeka ngamandla amaza.
- 42** Ke kaloku icebo lamasoldati laba lelokuba babulawe ababanjwa, hleze kubekho obaleka ngokudada, aphume.
- 43** Kodwa umthetheli-khulu, enga angamsindisa uPawulos, wawalela kwicebo lawo; kananjalo wathi, abo banako ukudada mabaziphose kuqala baphumele emhlabeni;
- 44** bathi abaseleyo, inxenyi ikhwele eziplangeni, inxenyi ikhwele kwezinye izinto zomkhombe. Kwaza kwathi ngokunjalo bafika emhlabeni, basinda bonke.

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- B**akuba besindile, baqala ukuqonda ukuba isiqhithi eso kuthiya yiMelita.
- 2** Amabharbhari ke lawo asenzela ububele obungahlali busihla; kuba aphemba umlilo, asamkela sonke ngenxa yemvula esifikeleyo, nangenxa yokubanda.
- 3** Ke kaloku, akubon' ukuba uPawulos uteze inyanda yeentsasa, wayibeka phezu komlilo, kwaphuma inyoka ebushushwini obo, yanamatheka esandleni sakhe.
- 4** Atha ke amabharbhari, akusibona isilo eso silengalenga esandleni sakhe, athetha odwa athi, Okwenene lo mntu ungumbulali; nakuba esindile elwandle, impindezelo ayivumi ukuba adle ubomi.
- 5** Yena ngoko wasivuthululela emlilweni isilo eso, akeva buhlungu noko.
- 6** Ke bona babelinde ukuba uza kudumba, mhlawumbi athi qwaka, afe; bakulinda futhi ke, bakubona engahliwa nto imbi, bajika bathi unguthixo.
- 7** Ke kaloku, kuloo mmandla bekukho imihlaba yomntu omkhulu wesiqithi, ogama linguPubliyo; owasamkela ngobubele, wasenza undwendwe Iwakhe iintsuku zantathu.
- 8** Kwathi ke, uyise kaPubliyo walala phantsi, ebanjwe yicesina nokuxaxaza igazi; awathi uPawulos, engene kuye, wathandaza; wabeka izandla phezu kwakhe, wamphilisa.

- <sup>9</sup> Kuthe ke kwakwenzeka oko, bathi nabanye ababenezifo esiqithini apha, beza baphiliswa; bathi bona basenzela iimbeko ezinanzi;
- <sup>10</sup> bathi, xa sindulukayo, basithwesa ngezinto esizisweleyo.
- <sup>11</sup> Ke kaloku, emva kweenyanga ezintathu, sanduluka ngomkhombe wakwa-Alesandire, obudlulise ubusika esiqithini eso, onembasa yamaWele.
- <sup>12</sup> Sathi sakufika eSirakusi, sahlala khona iintsuku zantathu.
- <sup>13</sup> Sisuka khona, sajikeleza safika eRegiyo; emva kosuku olunye, kwakubon' ukuba umoya wasezantsi uvukile, safika ngowesibini umhla ePotiyoli;
- <sup>14</sup> safumana abazalwana apha, basibongoza ukuba sihlale nabo iintsuku zibe sixhenxe; sez a ngokunjalo eRoma.
- <sup>15</sup> Bathi abazalwana, bakusiva, baphuma khona apha, beza kusihlangabeza, bada beza eApiyoforo, naseTritabherne; athe uPawulos, akubabona, wabulela kuThixo, womelezeka.
- <sup>16</sup> Ke kaloku, xeshikweni sifikileyo eRoma, umthetheli-khulu wabanikela ababanjwa kumthetheli-mkhosi; ke yena uPawulos wavunyelwa ukuba ahlale yedwa, nesoldati elimgcinayo.
- <sup>17</sup> Kwathi ke, emva kweentsuku ezintathu, uPawulos wabizela ndawonye abaziintloko bamaYuda; abathe bakubon' ukuba ke babuthelene, wathi kubo, Madoda, bazalwana, mna ndithe, ndingenzanga nto ichasene nabantu namasiko akowethu, ndesuka eYerusalem ndingumbanjwa, ndanikelwa ezandleni zamaRoma.
- <sup>18</sup> Athe wona akundincina, afuna ukundikhulula, ngenxa yokuba kungekho tyala lakufa ndinalo.
- <sup>19</sup> Atha ke amaYuda akuphika, ndanyanzeleka ukuba ndibhenele kuKesare; kungengakuba ndibe ndinento yokulumangalela ngayo uhlanga Iwakowethu.
- <sup>20</sup> Ndinibongoze ke ngenxa yeso sizathu ukuba nize, ndinibone, ndithethe nani; kuba kungenxa yethemba lakwaSirayeli endinxitywe lo mxokelelwane.
- <sup>21</sup> Wona ke athi kuye, Thina asizuzanga zincwadi zithetha ngawe, zivele kwelakwaYuda; kananjalo akufikanga bani wakubazalwana, owabika, wathetha nto ikhohlakeleyo ngawe.
- <sup>22</sup> Singa ke singeva kuwe izinto ozicingayo; kuba okunene ngalo elo hlelo kuyazeka kuthi, ukuba lichasiwe ezindaweni zonke.
- <sup>23</sup> Ke kaloku, bakummisela imini, kweza kuye into eninzi endlwini abehlala kuyo, wabatyhilela, ebaqanonondisa kunene, ubukumkani bukaThixo; kananjalo ebebeyisela kokungoYesu, ethabatha emthethweni kaMoses kwanakubaprofeti, eqala kusasa ahlwise.
- <sup>24</sup> Yaye inxenyiseka ngaloo mazwi athethwa nguye, yaye inxenyiseka ngakholwa.
- <sup>25</sup> Bakuba ke bengavumelani, banduluka, akubon' ukuba uPawulos uthethe zwi-nye, wathi, Watyapha uMoya oyiNgcwele ukuthetha ngolsaya umprofeti koobawo bethu,
- <sup>26</sup> esithi, Hamba uye kwaba bantu, uthi, Ukuva oku niya kuva, ningakhe niqonde; Nithi nibona nje, nibone, ningakhe niqiqe.
- <sup>27</sup> Kuba intliziyo yaba bantu ithe fithi kukutyeba; Beva nzima ngeendlebe, Bewacima namehlo abo; Hleze babone ngamehlo, Beve ngeendlebe, Baqonde ngeentliziyo, Bajike, ndibaphilise.
- <sup>28</sup> Makwazeke ngoko kuni, ukuba usindiso lukaThixo luthunyelwe kuzo iintlanga; ziya kuluva zona.
- <sup>29</sup> Akuba etshilo, emka amaYuda, enembuzwano enkulu phakathi kwawo.
- <sup>30</sup> Ke kaloku, uPawulos wahlala iminyaka emibini iphela kweyakhe indlu ayiqeshileyo,

wabamkela bonke ababesiza kuye,

**31** ebuvakalisa ubukumkani bukaThixo, efundisa iindawo ezingeNkosi uYesu Kristu ngako konke ukungafihlisi, engalelw bani.

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