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ISAHLUKO 1

UJehova wakhuluma kuMose ehlane laseSinayi etendeni lokuhlangana ngolokuqala lwenyanga yesibili ngomnyaka wesibili emva kokuphuma kwabo eGibithe, wathi:

² “Balani umumo wenhlangano yonke yabantwana bakwa-Israyeli ngemindeni yabo nangezindlu zawoyise njengokomumo wamagama abo, bonke abesilisa ngezinhloko zabo;

³ kusukela kwabaneminyaka engamashumi amabili kuya phezulu, bonke abakwa-Israyeli abangaphuma impi, wena no-Aroni anobabala ngamabandla abo.

⁴ Kanye nani kuzakuba khona indoda ibe nye kuleso naleso sizwe, yileyo naleyo ibe yinhloko yendlu kayise.

⁵ Lawa angamagama amadoda ayakuma nani: kwaRubeni: u-Elisuri indodana kaShedewuri.

⁶ KwaSimeyoni: uShelumiyeli indodana kaSurishadayi.

⁷ KwaJuda: uNaheshoni indodana ka-Aminadaba.

⁸ Kwa-Isakare: uNethaneli indodana kaSuwari.

⁹ KwaZebuloni: u-Eliyabe indodana kaHeloni.

¹⁰ Kubantwana bakwaJosefa: kwa-Efrayimi: u-Elishama indodana ka-Amihudi; kwaManase: uGamaliyeli indodana kaPedasuri.

¹¹ KwaBenjamini: u-Abidani indodana kaGideyoni.

¹² KwaDani: u-Ahiyezeri indodana ka-Amishadayi.

¹³ Kwa-Asheri: uPagiyeli indodana ka-Okirani.

¹⁴ KwaGadi: u-Eliyasafa indodana kaDehuweli.

¹⁵ KwaNafetali: u-Ahira indodana ka-Enani.”

¹⁶ Yilabo ababebizwa enhlanganweni, izikhulu zezizwe zawoyise; babe yizinhloko zemizi yakwa-Israyeli.

¹⁷ OMose no-Aroni base bethatha lawo madoda aseshiwo ngamagama.

¹⁸ Babutha inhlangano yonke ngolokuqala lwenyanga yesibili, basho okhokho babo ngemindeni yabo nangezindlu zawoyise njengokomumo wamagama, kusukela kwabaneminyaka engamashumi amabili kuya phezulu, ngezinhloko zabo.

¹⁹ Njengalokho uJehova eyalile uMose, wababala kanjalo ehlane laseSinayi.

²⁰ Abantwana bakwaRubeni, izibulo lika-Israyeli, izizukulwane zabo ngemindeni yabo nangezindlu zawoyise njengokomumo wamagama, ngezinhloko zabo, bonke abesilisa kusukela kwabaneminyaka engamashumi amabili kuya phezulu, bonke abangaphuma

impi:

21 labo ababalwayo kubo, abesizwe sakwaRubeni, babe yizinkulungwane ezingamashumi amane nesithupha namakhulu ayisihlanu.

22 Kubantwana bakwaSimeyoni, izizukulwane zabo ngemindeneni yabo nangezindlu zawoyise, labo ababalwayo kubo njengokomumo wamagama, ngezinhlalo zabo, bonke abesilisa kusukela kwabaneminyaka engamashumi amabili kuya phezulu, bonke abangaphuma impi:

23 labo ababalwayo kubo, abesizwe sakwaSimeyoni, babe yizinkulungwane ezingamashumi ayisihlanu nesishiyagalolunye namakhulu amathathu.

24 Kubantwana bakwaGadi, izizukulwane zabo ngemindeneni yabo nangezindlu zawoyise njengokomumo wamagama, kusukela kwabaneminyaka engamashumi amabili kuya phezulu, bonke abangaphuma impi:

25 labo ababalwayo kubo, abesizwe sakwaGadi, babe yizinkulungwane ezingamashumi amane nanhlanu namakhulu ayisithupha namashumi ayisihlanu.

26 Kubantwana bakwaJuda, izizukulwane zabo ngemindeneni yabo nangezindlu zawoyise njengokomumo wamagama, kusukela kwabaneminyaka engamashumi amabili kuya phezulu, bonke abangaphuma impi:

27 labo ababalwayo kubo, abesizwe sakwaJuda, babe yizinkulungwane ezingamashumi ayisikhombisa nane namakhulu ayisithupha.

28 Kubantwana bakwa-Isakare, izizukulwane zabo ngemindeneni yabo nangezindlu zawoyise njengokomumo wamagama, kusukela kwabaneminyaka engamashumi amabili kuya phezulu, bonke abangaphuma impi:

29 labo ababalwayo kubo, abesizwe sakwa-Isakare, babe yizinkulungwane ezingamashumi ayisihlanu nane namakhulu amane.

30 Kubantwana bakwaZebuloni, izizukulwane zabo ngemindeneni yabo nangezindlu zawoyise njengokomumo wamagama, kusukela kwabaneminyaka engamashumi amabili kuya phezulu, bonke abangaphuma impi:

31 labo ababalwayo kubo, abesizwe sakwaZebuloni, babe yizinkulungwane ezingamashumi ayisihlanu nesikhombisa namakhulu amane.

32 Kubantwana bakwaJosefa, okungukuthi kubantwana bakwa-Efrayimi, izizukulwane zabo ngemindeneni yabo nangezindlu zawoyise njengokomumo wamagama, kusukela kwabaneminyaka engamashumi amabili, bonke abangaphuma impi:

33 labo ababalwayo kubo, abesizwe sakwa-Efrayimi, babe yizinkulungwane ezingamashumi amane namakhulu ayisihlanu.

34 Kubantwana bakwaManase, izizukulwane zabo ngemindeneni yabo nangezindlu zawoyise njengokomumo wamagama, kusukela kwabaneminyaka engamashumi amabili kuya phezulu, bonke abangaphuma impi:

35 labo ababalwayo kubo, abesizwe sakwaManase, babe yizinkulungwane ezingamashumi amathathu nambili namakhulu amabili.

36 Kubantwana bakwaBenjamini, izizukulwane zabo ngemindeneni yabo nangezindlu zawoyise njengokomumo wamagama, kusukela kwabaneminyaka engamashumi amabili kuya phezulu, bonke abangaphuma impi:

37 labo ababalwayo kubo, abesizwe sakwaBenjamini, babe yizinkulungwane ezingamashumi amathathu nanhlanu namakhulu amane.

38 Kubantwana bakwaDani, izizukulwane zabo ngemindeneni yabo nangezindlu zawoyise njengokomumo wamagama, kusukela kwabaneminyaka engamashumi amabili kuya phezulu, bonke abangaphuma impi:

- ³⁹ labo ababalwayo kubo, abesizwe sakwaDani, babe yizinkulungwane ezingamashumi ayisithupha nambili namakhulu ayisikhombisa.
- ⁴⁰ Kubantwana bakwa-Asheri, izizukulwane zabo ngemindeneni yabo nangezindlu zawoyise njengokomumo wamagama, kusukela kwabaneminyaka engamashumi amabili kuyo phezulu, bonke abangaphuma impi:
- ⁴¹ labo ababalwayo kubo, abesizwe sakwa-Asheri, babe yizinkulungwane ezingamashumi amane nanye namakhulu ayisihlanu.
- ⁴² Kubantwana bakwaNafetali, izizukulwane zabo ngemindeneni yabo nangezindlu zawoyise njengokomumo wamagama, kusukela kwabenminyaka engamashumi amabili kuya phezulu, bonke abangaphuma impi:
- ⁴³ labo ababalwayo kubo, abesizwe sakwaNafetali, babe yizinkulungwane ezingamashumi ayisihlanu nantathu namakhulu amane.
- ⁴⁴ Yilabo ababalwayo, ababalwa nguMose nangu-Aroni kanye nezikhulu zakwa-Israyeli, zingamadoda ayishumi nambili, kwaba yileyo naleyo yamela indlu kayise.
- ⁴⁵ Bonke ababalwayo babantwana bakwa-Israyeli ngezindlu zawoyise kusukela kwabaneminyaka engamashumi amabili kuya phezulu, bonke abakwa-Israyeli abangaphuma impi,
- ⁴⁶ bonke ababalwayo babe yizinkulungwane ezingamakhulu ayisithupha nantathu namakhulu ayisihlanu namashumi ayisihlanu.
- ⁴⁷ Kepha amaLevi ngokwesizwe sawoyise awabalwanga phakathi kwabo.
- ⁴⁸ Ngokuba uJehova wakhuluma kuMose, wathi:
- ⁴⁹ “Isizwe sakwaLevi kuphela awuyikusibala, ungabali umumo waso phakathi kwabantwana bakwa-Israyeli,
- ⁵⁰ kepha beka amaLevi phezu kwetabernakele lobufakazi, naphezu kwazo zonke izimpahla zalo, nakho konke okwalo; ayakuthwala itabernakele nayo yonke impahla yalo; ayakukhonza kulo, amise alihaqe.
- ⁵¹ Ekusukeni kwetabernakele amaLevi ayakulisusa, ekumisweni kwalo amaLevi alimise; umfokazi osondelayo uyakubulawa.
- ⁵² Abantwana bakwa-Israyeli bayakumisa amatende abo, kube yilowo nalowo ekamu labo, yilowo nalowo ngasebhaneleni labo, ngamabandla abo.
- ⁵³ Kepha amaLevi ayakumisa nxazonke zetabernakele lobufakazi, ukuze kungabikho lulaka phezu kwenhlangano yabantwana bakwa-Israyeli, amaLevi agcine izimfanelo zetabernakele lobufakazi.”
- ⁵⁴ Abantwana bakwa-Israyeli benze njalo; benza kukho konke njengalokho uJehova emyalile uMose.

ISAHLUKO 2

UJehova wakhuluma kuMose naku-Aroni, wathi:

- ² “Abantwana bakwa-Israyeli bayakumisa, kube yilowo nalowo ngasebhaneleni lakhe ngasezibonisweni zezindlu zawoyise; bayakumisa nxazonke maqondana netende lokuhlangana.”
- ³ Abamisa ngasempumalanga ngasekuphumeni kwelanga bayakuba ngabebhanela lekamu lakwaJuda ngamabandla abo; isikhulu sabantwana bakwaJuda sibe nguNaheshoni indodana ka-Aminadaba.
- ⁴ Ibandla lakhe nalabo ababalwayo kubo babe yizinkulungwane ezingamashumi

ayisikhombisa nane namakhulu ayisithupha.

⁵ Abamisa eceleni kwakhe bayakuba yisizwe sakwa-Isakare; isikhulu sabantwana bakwa-Isakare siyakuba nguNethaneli indodana kaSuwari;

⁶ ibandla lakhe nalabo ababalwayo kulo babe yizinkulungwane ezingamashumi ayisihlanu nane namakhulu amane.

⁷ Isizwe sakwaZebuloni: isikhulu sabantwana bakwaZebuloni siyakuba ngu-Eliyabe indodana kaHeloni;

⁸ ibandla lakhe nalabo ababalwayo kulo babe yizinkulungwane ezingamashumi ayisihlanu nesikhombisa namakhulu amane.

⁹ Bonke ababalwayo bekamu lakwaJuda babe yizinkulungwane eziyikhulu namashumi ayisishiyagalombili nesithupha namakhulu amane ngamabandla abo. Labo bayakusuka kuqala.

¹⁰ Ibhanela lekamu lakwaRubeni liyakuba ngaseningizimu ngamabandla abo; isikhulu sabantwana bakwaRubeni siyakuba ngu-Elisuri indodana kaShedewuri.

¹¹ Ibandla lakhe nalabo ababalwayo kulo babe yizinkulungwane ezingamashumi amane nesithupha namakhulu ayisihlanu.

¹² Abamisa eceleni kwakhe bayakuba yisizwe sakwaSimeyoni; isikhulu sabantwana bakwaSimeyoni siyakuba nguShelumiyeli indodana kaSurishadayi.

¹³ Ibandla lakhe nalabo ababalwayo kulo babe yizinkulungwane ezingamashumi ayisihlanu nesishiyagalolunye namakhulu amathathu.

¹⁴ Nesizwe sakwaGadi: isikhulu sabantwana bakwaGadi siyakuba ngu-Eliyasafa indodana kaRehuweli.

¹⁵ Ibandla lakhe nalabo ababalwayo kulo babe yizinkulungwane ezingamashumi amane nanhlanu namakhulu ayisithupha namashumi ayisihlanu.

¹⁶ Bonke ababalwayo bekamu lakwaRubeni babe yizinkulungwane eziyikhulu namashumi ayisihlanu nanye namakhulu amane namashumi ayisihlanu ngamabandla abo. Labo bayakusuka babe ngabesibili.

¹⁷ Itende lokuhlangana liyakusuka kanye nekamu lamaLevi, liphakathi kwamakamu; njengalokhu bemisa, kanjalo bayakusuka, kube yilowo nalowo muntu endaweni yakhe, ngamabhanela abo.

¹⁸ Ibhanela lekamu lakwa-Efrayimi liyakuba ngasentshonalanga ngamabandla abo; isikhulu sabantwana bakwa-Efrayimi siyakuba ngu-Elishama indodana ka-Amihudi.

¹⁹ Ibandla lakhe nalabo ababalwayo kulo babe yizinkulungwane ezingamashumi amane namakhulu ayisihlanu.

²⁰ Eceleni kwakhe kuyakuba khona isizwe sakwaManase; isikhulu sabantwana bakwaManase siyakuba nguGamaliyeli indodana kaPedasuri.

²¹ Ibandla lakhe nalabo ababalwayo kulo babe yizinkulungwane ezingamashumi amathathu nambili namakhulu amabili.

²² Nesizwe sakwaBenjamini; isikhulu sabantwana bakwaBenjamini siyakuba ngu-Abidani indodana kaGideyoni.

²³ Ibandla lakhe nalabo ababalwayo kulo babe yizinkulungwane ezingamashumi amathathu nanhlanu namakhulu amane.

²⁴ Bonke ababalwayo bekamu lakwa-Efrayimi babe yizinkulungwane eziyikhulu nesishiyagalombili nekhulu ngamabandla abo. Labo bayakusuka babe ngabesithathu.

²⁵ Ibhanela lekamu lakwaDani liyakuba ngasenyakatho ngamabandla abo; isikhulu sabantwana bakwaDani siyakuba ngu-Ahiyezeri indodana ka-Amishadayi.

- ²⁶ Ibandla lakhe nalabo ababalwayo kubo babe yizinkulungwane ezingamashumi ayisithupha nambili namakhulu ayisikhombisa.
- ²⁷ Abamisa eceleni kwakhe bayakuba yisizwe sakwa-Asheri; isikhulu sabantwana bakwa-Asheri siyakuba nguPagiyeli indodana ka-Okirani.
- ²⁸ Ibandla lakhe nalabo ababalwayo kubo babe yizinkulungwane ezingamashumi amane nanye namakhulu ayisihlanu.
- ²⁹ Nesizwe sakwaNafetali: isikhulu sabantwana bakwaNafetali siyakuba ngu-Ahira indodana ka-Enani.
- ³⁰ Ibandla lakhe nalabo ababalwayo kubo babe yizinkulungwane ezingamashumi ayisihlanu nantathu namakhulu amane.
- ³¹ Bonke ababalwayo bekamu lakwaDani babe yizinkulungwane eziyikhulu namashumi ayisihlanu nesikhombisa namakhulu ayisithupha. Labo bayakusuka babe ngabokugcina namabhanela abo.
- ³² Yilabo ababalwayo kubantwana bakwa-Israyeli ngezindlu zawoyise; bonke ababalwayo bamakamu ngamabandla abo babe yizinkulungwane ezingamakhulu ayisithupha nantathu namakhulu ayisihlanu namashumi ayisihlanu.
- ³³ Kepha amaLevi ayengabalwa phakathi kwabantwana bakwa-Israyeli, njengalokho uJehova emyalile uMose.
- ³⁴ Benze njalo-ke abantwana bakwa-Israyeli: njengakho konke uJehova amyale ngakho uMose, kanjalo bamisa ngasemabhaneleni abo, kanjalo basuka, kwaba yilowo nalowo ngemindeneni yabo nangezindlu zawoyise.

ISAHLUKO 3

Lezi ziyizizukulwane zika-Aroni nezikaMose ngalolo suku uJehova akhuluma ngalo kuMose entabeni yaseSinayi.

- ² Lawa angamagama amadodana ka-Aroni: uNadabi izibulo, no-Abihu, no-Eleyazare, no-Itamari.
- ³ Yilawo angamagama amadodana ka-Aroni, abapristi abagcotshiweyo, abahlukaniselwa ukukhonza esikhundleni sobupristi.
- ⁴ ONadabi no-Abihu bafa phambi kukaJehova, benikela ngomlilo ongafanele ebusweni bukaJehova ehlane laseSinayi; babengenabantwana. Kwase kukhonza o-Eleyazare no-Itamari esikhundleni sobupristi ebusweni buka-Aroni uyise.
- ⁵ UJehova wakhuluma kuMose, wathi:
- ⁶ “Sondeza isizwe sakwaLevi, usimise phambi kuka-Aroni, umpristi, ukuba simkhonze.
- ⁷ Bayakugcina izimfanelo zakho nezimfanelo zenhlango yonke phambi kwetende lokuhlangana ukwenza inkonzo yetabernakele.
- ⁸ Bayakugcina yonke impahla yetende lokuhlangana nezimfanelo zabantwana bakwa-Israyeli ukwenza inkonzo yetabernakele.
- ⁹ Uyakunikela amaLevi ku-Aroni nakumadodana akhe; ayanikelwa ngempela kuye, evela kubantwana bakwa-Israyeli.
- ¹⁰ Uyakumisa u-Aroni namadodana akhe, bagcine ubupristi babo; umfokazi osondelayo uyakubulawa.”
- ¹¹ UJehova wakhuluma kuMose, wathi:
- ¹² “Mina ngikhiphile amaLevi phakathi kwabantwana bakwa-Israyeli esikhundleni samazibulo onke avula isizalo phakathi kwabantwana bakwa-Israyeli; amaLevi ayakuba

ngawami.

13 Ngokuba onke amazibulo angawami; ngalolo suku engabulala ngalo onke amazibulo ezweni laseGibithe ngazingcwelisela amazibulo onke kwa-Israyeli, awabantu nawezilwane; ayakuba ngawami; nginguJehova.”

14 UJehova wakhuluma kuMose ehlane laseSinayi, wathi:

15 “Bala abantwana bakwaLevi ngezindlu zawoyise nangeminden i yabo; uyakubala bonke abesilisa kusukela kwabanenyanza kuya phezulu.”

16 UMose wababala njengezwi likaJehova, njengalokho wayalwa.

17 Lawa angamadodana kaLevi ngamagama awo: oGereshoni, noKohati, noMerari.

18 Lawa angamagama amadodana kaGereshoni ngeminden i yawo: oLibini noShimeyi.

19 Namadodana kaKohati ngeminden i yawo: o-Amramu, noJisihari, noHebroni, no-Uziyeli.

20 Namadodana kaMerari ngeminden i yawo: oMaheli noMushi. Leyo iyiminden i yamaLevi ngezindlu zawoyise.

21 KwaGereshoni kwavela umnden i wamaLibini nomnden i wamaShimeyi; yileyo eyiminden i yamaGereshoni.

22 Labo ababalwayo kubo njengokomumo wabesilisa bonke kusukela kwabanenyanza kuya phezulu, ababalwayo kubo babe yizinkulungwane eziyisikhombisa namakhulu ayisihlanu.

23 Iminden i yamaGereshoni iyakumisa emva kwetabernakele ngasentshonalanga.

24 Isikhulu sendlu kayise wamaGereshoni siyakuba ngu-Eliyasafa indodana kaLayeli.

25 Imfanelo yamadodana kaGereshoni etenden i lokuhlangana iyakuba yitabernakele, netende, nesimbozo salo, neveli lomnyango wetende lokuhlangana,

26 nezilenge zegceke, neveli lomnyango wegceke elingasetabernakele nangase-altare nxazonke, nezintambo zalo, nayo yonke inkonzo yalokho.

27 KwaKohati kwavela umnden i wama-Amramu, nomnden i wamaJisihari, nomnden i wamaHebroni, nomnden i wama-Uziyeli; yileyo eyiminden i yamaKohati.

28 Njengokomumo wabo bonke abesilisa kusukela kwabanenyanza kuya phezulu babe yizinkulungwane eziyisishiyagalombili namakhulu ayisithupha, begcina inkonzo yendlu engcwele.

29 Iminden i yamadodana kaKohati iyakumisa eceleni kwetabernakele ngaseningizimu.

30 Isikhulu sendlu kayise weminden i yamaKohati siyakuba ngu-Elisafani indodana ka-Uziyeli.

31 Okugcinwa yibo kuyakuba ngumphongolo, netafula, nothi lwezibani, nama-altare, nezimpahla zendlu engcwele abakhonza ngazo, neveli, nayo yonke inkonzo yalokho.

32 U-Eleyazare indodana ka-Aroni umpristi uyakuba yisikhulu sezikhulu zamaLevi, abonise abagcina inkonzo yendlu engcwele.

33 KwaMerari kwavela umnden i wamaMaheli nomnden i wamaMushi; yileyo eyiminden i yamaMerari.

34 Labo ababalwayo kubo njengokomumo wabesilisa bonke kusukela kwabanenyanza kuya phezulu babe yizinkulungwane eziyisithupha namakhulu amabili.

35 Isikhulu sendlu kayise weminden i yamaMerari sasinguSuriyeli indodana ka-Abihayili; bayakumisa eceleni kwetabernakele ngasenyakatho.

36 Imfanelo emiselwe amadodana kaMerari iyakuba ngamapulangwe etabernakele, nemishayo yalo, nezinsika zalo, nezinyawo zalo, nezinto zonke zalo, nenkonzo yonke yalokho,

37 nezinsika zegceke nxazonke, nezinyawo zazo, nezikhonkwane zazo, nezintambo zazo.

- ³⁸ Labo abamisa phambi kwetabernakele ngasempumalanga, ngaphambi kwetende lokuhlangana ngasekuphumeni kwelanga, bayakuba ngoMose no-Aroni namadodana akhe, begcina inkonzo yendlu engcwele, begcina imfanelo yabantwana bakwa-Israyeli; umfokazi osondelayo uyakubulawa.
- ³⁹ Bonke ababalwayo bamaLevi ababalwa nguMose nangu-Aroni ngesiyalezo sikaJehova ngemindeni yabo, bonke abesilisa kusukela kwabanenyanaga kuya phezulu, babe yizinkulungwane ezingamashumi amabili nambili.
- ⁴⁰ UJehova wathi kuMose: “Bala onke amazibulo esilisa abantwana bakwa-Israyeli kusukela kwabanenyanaga kuya phezulu, ubale umumo wamagama abo.
- ⁴¹ Uyakungithabathela amaLevi nginguJehova esikhundleni samazibulo onke abantwana bakwa-Israyeli, nezinkomo zamaLevi esikhundleni samazibulo onke ezinkomo zabantwana bakwa-Israyeli.”
- ⁴² UMose wabala, njengalokho uJehova emyalile, onke amazibulo phakathi kwabantwana bakwa-Israyeli.
- ⁴³ Onke amazibulo esilisa njengokomumo wamagama kusukela kwabanenyanaga kuya phezulu alabo ababalwayo kubo ayeyizinkulungwane ezingamashumi amabili nambili namakhulu amabili namashumi ayisikhombisa nantathu.
- ⁴⁴ UJehova wakhuluma kuMose, wathi:
- ⁴⁵ “Thabatha amaLevi esikhundleni samazibulo onke phakathi kwabantwana bakwa-Israyeli nezinkomo zamaLevi esikhundleni sezinkomo zabo, amaLevi abe ngawami; nginguJehova.
- ⁴⁶ Ukuba kuhlengwe labo abangamakhulu amabili namashumi ayisikhombisa nantathu bamazibulo abantwana bakwa-Israyeli abadlula amaLevi,
- ⁴⁷ uyakuthabatha amashekeli ayisihlanu ngamunye ngenhloko; ngokweshekeli lendlu engcwele uyakuwathabatha ishekeli lingamagera angamashumi amabili;
- ⁴⁸ umnike u-Aroni namadodana akhe imali umumo wabo odlulelayo ohlengwa ngayo.”
- ⁴⁹ UMose wayesethatha imali yokuhlenga kulabo abadlula abahlengiwe ngamaLevi;
- ⁵⁰ kuwo amazibulo abantwana bakwa-Israyeli wayithatha imali, amashekeli ayinkulungwane namakhulu amathathu namashumi ayisithupha nanhlanu ngokweshekeli lendlu engcwele.
- ⁵¹ UMose wamnika u-Aroni namadodana akhe imali yokuhlenga njengezwi likaJehova, njengalokho uJehova emyalile uMose.

ISAHLUKO 4

UJehova wakhuluma kuMose naku-Aroni, wathi:

- ² “Bala umumo wamadodana kaKohati phakathi kwamadodana kaLevi ngemindeni yawo nangezindlu zawoyise,
- ³ kusukela kwabaneminyaka engamashumi amathathu kuya phezulu kuze kufike kwabaneminyaka engamashumi ayisihlanu, bonke abangena enkonzweni ukwenza umsebenzi etendeni lokuhlangana.
- ⁴ “Nanku umsebenzi wamadodana kaKohati etendeni lokuhlangana: izinto ezingcwelengcwele.
- ⁵ Nxa ikamu lisuka, u-Aroni uyakungena kanye namadodana akhe, behlise iveli lesihenko, basibekele umphongolo wobufakazi ngalo,
- ⁶ bawembese isikhumba samatahasi, bendlale phezu kwawo indwangu eluhlaza yonke,

bafake izinti zawo.

⁷ “Etafuleni lezinkwa zokubukwa bayakwendlala indwangu eluhlaza, babeke kuyo izingqwembe, nezinkezo, nezinkamba, nezindebe zokuthela; nesinkwa esinganqamukiyo siyakuba phezu kwalo.

⁸ Bayakwendlala phezu kwazo indwangu ebomvu, bayisibekela ngesikhumba samatahasi, bafake izinti zalo.

⁹ “Bayakuthabatha indwangu eluhlaza, balusibekela uthi lwezibani, nezibani zalo, nezizenze zalo, nezitsha zalo zomlotha, nezitsha zonke zalo zamafutha abakhonza ngazo kulo;

¹⁰ bayakulufaka kanye nezinto zalo zonke esikhumbeni samatahasi, babeke konke ohlakeni.

¹¹ “E-altare legolide bayakwendlala indwangu eluhlaza, bayisibekela ngesikhumba samatahasi, bafake izinti zalo.

¹² “Bayakuthabatha zonke izitsha zokukhonza abakhonza ngazo endlini engcwele, bazifake endwangwini eluhlaza, bazisibekela ngesikhumba samatahasi, bazibekela ohlakeni.

¹³ “Bayakususa umlotha e-altare, bendlale kulo indwangu ebubende,

¹⁴ babeke kuyo zonke izinto zalo abakhonza ngazo kulo, imicengezi yempepho, nezimfoloko, namafosholo, nezitsha, nezinto zonke ze-altare, bendlale phezu kwazo isimbozo sesikhumba samatahasi, bafake izinti zalo.

¹⁵ “Nxaxaxa u-Aroni namadodana akhe sebeqedile ukusibekela indlu engcwele nempahla yonke yendlu engcwele, lapho ikamu liyakusuka, emva kwalokho amadodana kaKohati ayakufika ukukuthwala, kepha awayikuthinta okungcwele, funa afe. Lezo zinto zingumthwalo wamadodana kaKohati etendeni lokuhlangana.

¹⁶ “Imfanelo ka-Eleyazare indodana ka-Aroni umpriyi iyakuba ngamafutha okukhanyisa nemphepho ethaphukayo, nomnikelo wempuphu wemihla yonke, namafutha okugcoba; imfanelo yakhe iyitabernakele lonke nakho konke okukulo, indlu engcwele nezinto zayo.”

¹⁷ UJehova wakhuluma kuMose naku-Aroni, wathi:

¹⁸ “Ningqanqami isizwe semindeni yamaKohati kumaLevi,

¹⁹ kepha ukuba baphile, bangafi, lapho besondela ezintweni ezingcwelengcwele, nenze kanje kubo: u-Aroni namadodana akhe bayakungena, babamisa, kube yilowo nalowo emsebenzini wakhe nasemthwalweni wakhe;

²⁰ kepha abayikungena ukubona okungcwele nangesikhashana nje, funa bafe.”

²¹ UJehova wakhuluma kuMose, wathi:

²² “Bala umumo wamadodana kaGereshoni nawo ngezindlu zawoyise nangemindeni yawo

²³ kusukela kwabaneminyaka engamashumi amathathu kuya phezulu kuze kube kwabaneminyaka engamashumi ayisihlanu, bonke abangena enkonzweni ukwenza umsebenzi etendeni lokuhlangana.

²⁴ “Nanku umsebenzi wemindeni yamaGereshoni ngokukhonza nangokuthwala:

²⁵ bayakuthwala izilenge zetabernakele, netende lokuhlangana, nesimbozo salo, nesimbozo sesikhumba samatahasi esiphezu kwalo, neveli lomnyango wetende lokuhlangana,

²⁶ nezilenge zegceke, neveli lomnyango wesango legceke elingasetabernakele nangase-altare nxazonke, nezintambo zakho, nezinto zonke zokukhonza kwabo; nakho konke okwenzelwa zona bayakukwenza.

²⁷ Ngesiyalezo sika-Aroni nangesamadodana akhe uyakwenziwa wonke umsebenzi

wamadodana amaGereshoni emithwalweni yawo yonke nasemisebenzini yawo yonke; niwamisele yonke imithwalo yawo ezakugcinwa yiwo.

28 Lowo ungumsebenzi wemindeni yamadodana amaGereshoni etendeni lokuhlangana; okugcinwa yiwo kube phansi kwesandla sika-Itamari indodana ka-Aroni umpri.

29 “Amadodana kaMerari uwabale ngemindeni yawo nangezindlu zawoyise;

30 kusukela kwabaneminyaka engamashumi amathathu kuya phezulu kuze kube kwabaneminyaka engamashumi ayisihlanu wobabala bonke abangena emsebenzini ukwenza umsebenzi wetende lokuhlangana.

31 Nakhu okuzakugcinwa yiwo ukuba bakuthwale ngokomsebenzi wabo wonke etendeni lokuhlangana: amapulungwe etabernakele, nemishayo yalo, nezinsika zalo, nezinyawo zalo,

32 nezinsika zegceke nxazonke, nezinyawo zazo, nezikhonkwane zazo, nezintambo zazo, nempahla yonke yazo, nenkonzo yonke yazo, nibamisele ngamagama impahla abafanele ukuyithwala.

33 Lowo ungumsebenzi wemindeni yamadodana kaMerari ngokomsebenzi wabo wonke etendeni lokuhlangana phansi kwesandla sika-Itamari indodana ka-Aroni umpri.”

34 OMose no-Aroni nezikhulu zenhlango babala amadodana amaKohati ngemindeni yawo nangezindlu zawoyise,

35 kusukela kwabaneminyaka engamashumi amathathu kuya phezulu kuze kube kwabaneminyaka engamashumi ayisihlanu, bonke abangena emsebenzini ukukhonza etendeni lokuhlangana;

36 labo ababalwayo kubo ngemindeni yabo babe yizinkulungwane ezimbili namakhulu ayisikhombisa namashumi ayisihlanu.

37 Yilabo ababalwayo bemindeni yamaKohati, bonke abakhonza etendeni lokuhlangana, ababalwa nguMose nangu-Aroni njengesiyalezo sikaJehova ngesandla sikaMose.

38 Labo ababalwayo bamadodana kaGereshoni ngemindeni yawo nangezindlu zawoyise,

39 kusukela kwabaneminyaka engamashumi amathathu kuya phezulu kuze kube kwabaneminyaka engamashumi ayisihlanu, bonke abangena emsebenzini ukukhonza etendeni lokuhlangana,

40 labo ababalwayo kubo ngemindeni yabo nangezindlu zawoyise babe yizinkulungwane ezimbili namakhulu ayisithupha namashumi amathathu.

41 Yilabo ababalwayo bemindeni yamadodana kaGereshoni, bonke abakhonza etendeni lokuhlangana, ababalwa nguMose nangu-Aroni njengesiyalezo sikaJehova.

42 Labo ababalwayo bemindeni yamadodana kaMerari ngemindeni yawo nangezindlu zawoyise,

43 kusukela kwabaneminyaka engamashumi amathathu kuya phezulu kuze kube kwabaneminyaka engamashumi ayisihlanu, bonke abangena emsebenzini ukukhonza etendeni lokuhlangana,

44 labo ababalwayo kubo ngemindeni yabo babe yizinkulungwane ezintathu namakhulu amabili.

45 Yilabo ababalwayo bemindeni yamadodana kaMerari ababalwa nguMose nangu-Aroni njengesiyalezo sikaJehova ngesandla sikaMose.

46 Bonke ababalwayo bamaLevi ababalwa nguMose nangu-Aroni nayizikhulu zakwa-Israyeli ngemindeni yabo nangezindlu zawoyise,

47 kusukela kwabaneminyaka engamashumi amathathu kuya phezulu kuze kube kwabaneminyaka engamashumi ayisihlanu, bonke abangena ukwenza umsebenzi wenkonzo nomsebenzi wokuthwala etendeni lokuhlangana,

⁴⁸ labo ababalwayo kubo babe yizinkulungwane eziyisishiyagalombili namakhulu ayisihlanu namashumi ayisishiyagalombili.

⁴⁹ Njengesiyalezo sikaJehova babalwa ngesandla sikaMose, yilowo nalowo ngokomsebenzi wakhe nangokomthwalo wakhe. Base bebalwa-ke, njengalokho uJehova emyalile uMose.

ISAHLUKO 5

UJehova wakhuluma kuMose, wathi:

² “Yala abantwana bakwa-Israyeli ukuba bakhiphe ekamu bonke abanochoko, nabo bonke abacucayo, nabo bonke abangcoliswe ngabafileyo,

³ nikhiphe abesilisa nabesifazane, nibakhiphele ngaphandle kwekamu ukuba bangangcolisi ikamu engihlala phakathi kwalo.”

⁴ Abantwana bakwa-Israyeli benze njalo, babakhiphela ngaphandle kwekamu; njengalokho uJehova ekhulume kuMose, benze njalo-ke abantwana bakwa-Israyeli.

⁵ UJehova wakhuluma kuMose, wathi:

⁶ “Yisho kubantwana bakwa-Israyeli, uthi: ‘Nxa owesilisa noma owesifazane enza isono esenziwa ngabantu ukuphambeka kuJehova, lowo muntu abeseba necala,

⁷ uyakuvuma isono sakhe asenzileyo, alikhokhe icala lakhe ngokupheleleyo, athasisele kukho okwesihlanu, akunike lowo abenecala kuye.

⁸ Kepha uma umuntu engenasihlobo elingakhokhelwa kuso icala, inkokhelo yecala eyenzelwa uJehova iyakuba ngeyompristi, ngaphandle kwenqama yokubuyisana ayakwenzelwa ukubuyisana ngayo.

⁹ Yonke iminikelo yokuphakanyiswa yezinto ezingcwele zabantwana bakwa-Israyeli abanikela ngayo kumpristi iyakuba ngeyakhe.

¹⁰ Izinto ezingcwele zalowo nalowo ziyakuba ngezakhe; noma kungaba yini umuntu akunika umpristi, kuyakuba ngokwakhe.’ ”

¹¹ UJehova wakhuluma kuMose, wathi:

¹² “Yisho kubantwana bakwa-Israyeli, uthi kubo: ‘Uma umfazi womuntu eduka, aphambuke kuye,

¹³ alale nenye indoda kusithekile emehlweni endoda yakhe, kufihlwe, angcoliswe, kungekho fakazi nokho ngaye, futhi engabanjwanga,

¹⁴ afikelwe ngumoya wesikhwele, abenesikhwele ngomkakhe, yena engcolisiwe, noma efikelwe ngumoya wesikhwele, abenesikhwele ngomkakhe kodwa yena engangcoliswanga,

¹⁵ indoda iyakuletha umkayo kumpristi, imlethele umnikelo wakhe, ube ngokweshumi kwe-efa lempuphu yebhali, angatheli mafutha kuyo, angabeki nanhlaka kuyo, ngokuba kungumnikelo wempuphu wesikhwele, umnikelo wempuphu wesikhumbuzo sokukhumbuzo ngobubi.

¹⁶ “ ‘Umpristi uyakumsondeza, ambeke phambi kukaJehova,

¹⁷ umpristi athathe amanzi angcwele esitsheni sebumba, athathe kulo uthuli oluphansi etabernakele, alufake emanzini,

¹⁸ umpristi ambeke owesifazane phambi kukaJehova, athukulule izinwele zekhanda lowesifazane, afake umnikelo wempuphu wesikhumbuzo ezandleni zakhe, ongumnikelo wempuphu wesikhwele; umpristi abe namanzi ababayi esandleni sakhe aveza isiqalekiso.

- ¹⁹ Umpristi amfungise, athi kowesifazane: “Uma kungalalanga ndoda nawe, ungadukelanga ekungcoleni usephansi kwendoda yakho, mawukhululeke kulawa manzi ababayo aveza isiqalekiso;
- ²⁰ kepha uma udukile usephansi kwendoda yakho, futhi ungcolisiwe, kulale nawe enye indoda ngaphandle kwendoda yakho,”
- ²¹ umpristi uyakufungisa owesifazane ngesifungo sesiqalekiso, umpristi athi kowesifazane: “UJehova makakwenze isiqalekiso nesifungo phakathi kwabantu bakini, lapho uJehova eshwabanisa ithanga lakho, avuvukalise isisu sakho.
- ²² Lawa manzi aveza isiqalekiso ayakungena ezibilini zakho, avuvukalise isisu sakho, ashwabanise ithanga lakho.” “ ‘Owesifazane uyakuthi: “Amen! Amen!”
- ²³ “ ‘Umpristi uyakubala lezi ziqalekiso encwadini, azesule ngamanzi ababayo,
- ²⁴ aphuzise owesifazane amanzi ababayo aveza isiqalekiso; amanzi aveza isiqalekiso ayakungena kuye, ababe.
- ²⁵ Umpristi uyakuthatha umnikelo wempuphu wesikhwele esandleni sowesifazane, azulise umnikelo wempuphu phambi kukaJehova, awulethe e-altare;
- ²⁶ umpristi uyakucaphuna ukhweshe womnikelo wempuphu, ube yisikhumbuzo sawo, awushise e-altare, andukuba amphuzise owesifazane amanzi.
- ²⁷ Nxa esemphuzisile amanzi, kuyakuthi uma engcolisiwe waphambuka endodeni yakhe, amanzi aveza isiqalekiso angene kuye, ababe, isisu sakhe sivuvukale, ithanga lakhe lishwabane, owesifazane aqalekiswe phakathi kwabantu bakubo.
- ²⁸ Kepha uma owesifazane engangcolisiwe kodwa ehlambulukile, uyakukhululeka, athole inzalo.
- ²⁹ “ ‘Lowo ungumthetho wesikhwele, lapho umfazi esephansi kwendoda yakhe eduka, angcoliswe,
- ³⁰ noma lapho indoda ifikelwa ngumoya wesikhwele, ibe nesikhwele ngomkayo; khona iyakumbeka owesifazane phambi kukaJehova, umpristi agcine wonke lo mthetho kuye.
- ³¹ Indoda iyakukhululeka ebubini, kepha owesifazane uyakubuthwala ububi bakhe.’ ”

ISAHLUKO 6

UJehova wakhuluma kuMose, wathi:

- ² “Yisho kubantwana bakwa-Israyeli, uthi kubo: ‘Nxa owesilisa noma owesifazane enza isithembiso esithile, isithembiso somNaziri, ukuzahlukanisela kuJehova,
- ³ uyakuzahlukanisa newayini nophuzo olunamandla, angaphuzi uviniga wewayini, noviniga wophuzo olunamandla, angaphuzi okwezithelo zomvini, futhi angadli izithelo zomvini ezimanzi nezomileyo.
- ⁴ Zonke izinsuku zobuNaziri bakhe akayikudla lutho olwenziwe ngewayini lezithelo zomvini, kusukela ezimbumbulwini kuze kufike emakhasini.
- ⁵ “ ‘Zonke izinsuku zesithembiso sakhe sobuNaziri kungasondeli mpucio ekhanda lakhe; uyakuba ngcwele zize ziphelele izinsuku azahlukanisela ngazo kuJehova, avume isihluthu sezinwele zekhanda lakhe sibe side.
- ⁶ Zonke izinsuku engumNaziri kaJehova akayikusondela esidumbini.
- ⁷ Akayikuzingcolisa ngoyise noma ngonina, noma ngomfowabo noma ngodadewabo, nxa befile, ngokuba isithembiso sakhe sobuNaziri sisekhanda lakhe.
- ⁸ Zonke izinsuku zobuNaziri bakhe ungcwele kuJehova.
- ⁹ “ ‘Uma umuntu efa ngokuzumayo eceleni kwakhe, angcolise ikhanda lobuNaziri bakhe,

uyakuphucula ikhanda lakhe ngosuku lokuhlanjululwa kwakhe, aliphucule ngosuku lwesikhombisa.

10 Ngosuku lwesishiyagalombili uyakuletha amahobhe amabili noma amaphuphu amabili amajuba kumpristi ngasemnyango wetende lokuhlangana;

11 umpristi uyakunikela ngelinye libe ngumnikelo wesono nangelinye libe ngumnikelo wokushiswa, amenzele ukubuyisana, ngokuba wona ngenxa yofileyo; abesengcwelisa ikhanda lakhe ngalolo suku.

12 Uyakwahlukanisela kuJehova izinsuku zobuNaziri bakhe, alethe imvu yeduna enomnyaka munye, ibe ngumnikelo wecala; kepha izinsuku zakuqala ziyakuba yize, ngokuba ubuNaziri bakhe bungcolisiwe.

13 “ ‘Nanku umthetho womNaziri lapho izinsuku zobuNaziri bakhe seziphelele wokuthi uyakulethwa emnyango wetende lokuhlangana,

14 anikele ngomnikelo wakhe kuJehova, imvu yeduna enomnyaka munye engenasici ibe ngumnikelo wokushiswa, neyensikazi enomnyaka munye engenasici ibe ngumnikelo wesono, nenqama engenasici ibe ngumnikelo wokuthula,

15 neqoma lesinkwa esingenamvubelo, amaqebelengwane empuphu ecolokileyo exovwe namafutha, nemiqathane engenamvubelo, egcotshwe ngamafutha, nomnikelo wempuphu nowokuphuzwa walokho.

16 “ ‘Umpristi uyakukuletha phambi kukaJehova, anikele ngomnikelo wakhe wesono nangowokushiswa wakhe.

17 Uyakunikela ngenqama ibe ngumhlatshele womnikelo wokuthula kaJehova kanye neqoma lesinkwa esingenamvubelo; futhi umpristi anikele ngomnikelo wayo wempuphu nangomnikelo wayo wokuphuzwa.

18 “ ‘UmNaziri uyakuphucula ikhanda lobuNaziri bakhe ngasemnyango wetende lokuhlangana, athathe izinwele zekhanda lobuNaziri bakhe, azibeke emlilweni ophansi komhlatshele weminikelo yokuthula.

19 “ ‘Umpristi uyakuthabatha umkhono ophekiweyo wenqama, neqebelengwane eqomeni, nomqathane ongenamvubelo, akufake ezandleni zomNaziri, nxa esephuculile ubuNaziri bakhe,

20 umpristi akuzulise, kube ngumnikelo wokuzuliswa phambi kukaJehova; lokhu kungcwele kumpristi kanye nesifuba sokuzuliswa nethanga lokuphakanyiswa; emva kwalokho umNaziri angaphuza iwayini.

21 “ ‘Lowo ungumthetho womNaziri owenzile isithembiso nowomnikelo wakhe kuJehova ngenxa yobuNaziri bakhe, ngaphandle kokunye angaphumelela kukho; njengesithembiso sakhe asenzayo uyakwenza kanjalo njengomthetho wobuNaziri.’ ”

22 UJehova wakhuluma kuMose, wathi:

23 “Yisho ku-Aroni nakumadodana akhe, uthi: ‘Niyakubusisa kanje abantwana bakwa-Israyeli, niyakusho kubo, nithi:

24 “ ‘UJehova makakubusise, akulondoloze;

25 uJehova makakhanyise ubuso bakhe phezu kwakho, abe nomusa kuwe;

26 uJehova makaphakamise ubuso bakhe phezu kwakho, akuphe ukuthula.” ’

27 “Bayakubeka kanjalo igama lami kubantwana bakwa-Israyeli, mina ngibabusise.”

ISAHLUKO 7

Kwathi ngosuku uMose aqeda ngalo ukumisa itabernakele, waligcoba, walingcwelisa kanye nayo yonke impahla yalo, ne-altare, nazo zonke izitsha zalo, wazigcoba, wazingcwelisa,

² izikhulu zakwa-Israyeli, izinhloko zezindlu zawoyise zanikela; lezo zaziyizikhulu zezizwe, zazibekwe phezu kwababalwayo.

³ Zaletha iminikelo yazo phambi kukaJehova, izinqola eziyisithupha ezimboziwe, nezinkabi eziyishumi nambili, yilezo zikhulu ezimbili zinenqola inye, yilesi sinenkunzi; zazethula phambi kwetabernakele.

⁴ UJehova wakhuluma kuMose, wathi:

⁵ “Zamukele kuzo, ukuze zenze inkonzo yetende lokuhlangana, uzinike amaLevi, kube yilowo nalowo muntu ngokomsebenzi wakhe.”

⁶ UMose wathatha izinqola nezinkabi, wazinika amaLevi.

⁷ Izinqola ezimbili nezinkabi ezine wazinika amadodana kaGereshoni ngomsebenzi wawo,

⁸ nezinqola ezine nezinkabi eziyisishiyagalombili wazinika amadodana kaMerari ngomsebenzi wawo phansi kwesandla sika-Itamari indodana ka-Aroni umpristi.

⁹ Kepha amadodana kaKohati akawanikanga lutho, ngokuba inkonzo yendlu engcwele yayiyiwo eyawo; ayithwala emahlombe awo.

¹⁰ Izikhulu zanikelela ukwahlukaniselwa kwe-altare ngosuku lokugcotshwa kwalo, izikhulu zanikela ngomnikelo wazo phambi kwe-altare.

¹¹ UJehova wathi kuMose: “Izikhulu ziyakunikela ngomnikelo wazo, yilesi naleso ngosuku lwaso, ube ngowahlukaniselwa kwe-altare.”

¹² Owanikela ngomnikelo wakhe ngosuku lokuqala nguNaheshoni indodana ka-Aminadaba, owesizwe sakwaJuda.

¹³ Umnikelo wakhe wawuluqwembe lwesiliva, isisindo salo singamashekeli ayikhulu namashumi amathathu, nokhamba lwesiliva olungamashekeli angamashumi ayisikhombisa ngokweshekeli lendlu engcwele, zombili zigcwele impuphu ecolekileyo exovwe namafutha, kube ngumnikelo wempuphu,

¹⁴ nenkezo yegolide engamashekeli ayishumi egcwele impepho,

¹⁵ neduna libe linye, nenqama ibe nye, nemvu yeduna enomnyaka munye, kube ngumnikelo wokushiswa,

¹⁶ nempongo ibe nye, ibe ngumnikelo wesono.

¹⁷ Okomhlathshelo kweminikelo yokuthula nakhu: izinkabi ezimbili, nezinqama eziyisihlanu, nezimpongo eziyisihlanu, nezimvu eziyisihlanu zamaduna ezinomnyaka munye; lokho kwakungumnikelo kaNaheshoni indodana ka-Aminadaba.

¹⁸ Ngosuku lwesibili kwanikela uNethaneli indodana kaSuwari, isikhulu sakwa-Isakare.

¹⁹ Wanikela kwaba ngumnikelo wakhe uqwembe lwesiliva, isisindo salo singamashekeli ayikhulu namashumi amathathu, nokhamba olungamashekeli angamashumi ayisikhombisa ngokweshekeli lendlu engcwele, zombili zigcwele impuphu ecolekileyo exovwe namafutha, kube ngumnikelo wempuphu,

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- ²⁴ Ngosuku lwesithathu ngu-Eliyabe indodana kaHeloni, isikhulu sabantwana bakwaZebuloni.
- ²⁵ Umnikelo wakhe wawuluqwembe lwesiliva, isisindo salo singamashekeli ayikhulu namashumi amathathu, nokhamba lwesiliva olungamashekeli angamashumi ayisikhombisa ngokweshekeli lendlu engcwele, zombili zigcwele impuphu ecolekileyo exovwe namafutha, kube ngumnikelo wempuphu,
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- ²⁹ Okomhlathshelo weminikelo yokuthula nakhu: izinkabi ezimbili, nezinqama eziyisihlanu, nezimpongo eziyisihlanu, nezimvu eziyisihlanu zamaduna ezinomnyaka munye; lokho kwakungumnikelo ka-Eliyabe indodana kaHeloni.
- ³⁰ Ngosuku lwesine ngu-Elisuri indodana kaShedewuri, isikhulu sabantwana bakwaRubeni.
- ³¹ Umnikelo wakhe wawuluqwembe lwesiliva, isisindo salo singamashekeli ayikhulu namashumi amathathu nokhamba lwesiliva olungamashekeli angamashumi ayisikhombisa ngokweshekeli lendlu engcwele, zombili zigcwele impuphu ecolekileyo exovwe namafutha, kube ngumnikelo wempuphu,
- ³² nenkezo yegolide engamashekeli ayishumi egcwele impepho,
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- ³⁶ Ngosuku lwesihlanu nguShelumiyeli indodana kaSurishadayi, isikhulu sabantwana bakwaSimeyoni.
- ³⁷ Umnikelo wakhe wawuluqwembe lwesiliva, isisindo salo singamashekeli ayikhulu namashumi amathathu, nokhamba lwesiliva olungamashekeli angamashumi ayisikhombisa ngokweshekeli lendlu engcwele, zombili zigcwele impuphu ecolekileyo exovwe namafutha, kube ngumnikelo wempuphu,
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- ⁴² Ngosuku lwesithupha ngu-Eliyasafa indodana kaDehuweli, isikhulu sabantwana bakwaGadi.
- ⁴³ Umnikelo wakhe wawuluqwembe lwesiliva, isisindo salo singamashekeli ayikhulu namashumi amathathu, nokhamba lwesiliva olungamashekeli angamashumi ayisikhombisa ngokweshekeli lendlu engcwele, zombili zigcwele impuphu ecolekileyo exovwe namafutha, kube ngumnikelo wempuphu,
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- ⁴⁸ Ngosuku lwesikhombisa ngu-Elishama indodana ka-Amihudi, isikhulu sabantwana bakwa-Efrayimi.
- ⁴⁹ Umnikelo wakhe wawuluqwembe lwesiliva, isindo salo singamashekeli ayikhulu namashumi amathathu, nokhamba lwesiliva olungamashekeli angamashumi ayisikhombisa ngokweshekeli lendlu engcwele, zombili zigcwele impuphu ecolekileyo exovwe namafutha, kube ngumnikelo wempuphu,
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- ⁵⁴ Ngosuku lwesishiyagalombili nguGamaliyeli indodana kaPedasuri, isikhulu sabantwana bakwaManase.
- ⁵⁵ Umnikelo wakhe wawuluqwembe lwesiliva, isisindo salo singamashekeli ayikhulu namashumi amathathu, nokhamba lwesiliva olungamashekeli angamashumi ayisikhombisa ngokweshekeli lendlu engcwele, zombili zigcwele impuphu ecolekileyo exovwe namafutha, kube ngumnikelo wempuphu,
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- ⁶⁰ Ngosuku lwesishiyagalolunye ngu-Abidani indodana kaGideyoni, isikhulu sabantwana bakwaBenjamini.
- ⁶¹ Unikelo wakhe wawuluqwembe lwesiliva, isisindo salo singamashekeli ayikhulu namashumi amathathu, nokhamba lwesiliva olungamashekeli angamashumi ayisikhombisa ngokweshekeli lendlu engcwele, zombili zigcwele impuphu ecolekileyo exovwe namafutha, kube ngumnikelo wempuphu,
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- ⁶⁶ Ngosuku lweshumi ngu-Ahiyezeri indodana ka-Amishadayi, isikhulu sabantwana

bakwaDani.

⁶⁷ Umnikelo wakhe wawuluqwembe lwesiliva, isisindo salo singamashekeli ayikhulu namashumi amathathu, nokhamba lwesiliva olungamashekeli angamashumi ayisikhombisa ngokweshekeli lendlu engcwele, zombili zigcwele impuphu ecolekileyo exovwe namafutha, kube ngumnikelo wempuphu,

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⁷² Ngosuku lweshumi nanye nguPagiyeli indodana ka-Okirani, isikhulu sabantwana bakwa-Asheri.

⁷³ Umnikelo wakhe wawuluqwembe lwesiliva, isisindo salo singamashekeli ayikhulu namashumi amathathu, nokhamba lwesiliva olungamashekeli angamashumi ayisikhombisa ngokweshekeli lendlu engcwele, zombili zigcwele impuphu ecolekileyo exovwe namafutha, kube ngumnikelo wempuphu,

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⁷⁸ Ngosuku lweshumi nambili ngu-Ahira indodana ka-Enani, isikhulu sabantwana bakwaNafetali.

⁷⁹ Umnikelo wakhe wawuluqwembe lwesiliva, isisindo salo singamashekeli ayikhulu namashumi amathathu, nokhamba lwesiliva olungamashekeli ayisikhombisa ngokweshekeli lendlu engcwele, zombili zigcwele impuphu ecolekileyo exovwe namafutha, kube ngumnikelo wempuphu,

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⁸⁴ Lokho kwakungukwahlukaniselwa kwe-altare ngosuku lokugcotshwa kwalo ngezandla zezikhulu zakwa-Israyeli: izingqwembe eziyishumi nambili zesiliva, nezinkamba eziyishumi nambili zesiliva, nezinkezo eziyishumi nambili zegolide,

⁸⁵ yilolo nalolo qwembe lwesiliva lungamashekeli ayikhulu namashumi amathathu, yilolo nalolo khamba lungamashumi ayisikhombisa, lonke isiliva lezitsha libe yizinkulungwane ezimbili namakhulu amane ngokweshekeli lendlu engcwele,

⁸⁶ nezinkezo zegolide eziyishumi nambili ezigcwele impepho, yileyo naleyo ingamashekeli ayishumi ngokweshekeli lendlu engcwele; lonke igolide lezinkezo lalingamashekeli ayikhulu namashumi amabili;

⁸⁷ zonke izinkomo zomnikelo wokushiswa zaziyizinkunzi eziyishumi nambili, nezinqama eziyishumi nambili, nezimvu zamaduna ezinomnyaka munye eziyishumi nambili kanye nomnikelo wazo wempuphu, nezimpongo zomnikelo wesono eziyishumi nambili;

⁸⁸ izinkomo zonke zomhlathelo weminikelo yokuthula zaziyizinkunzi ezingamashumi amabili nane, nezinqama ezingamashumi ayisithupha, nezimpongo ezingamashumi ayisithupha, nezimvu zamaduna ezingamashumi ayisithupha. Lokho kwakungukwahlukaniselwa kwe-altare; lapho lase ligcotshiwe.

⁸⁹ Nanxa uMose engena etendeni lokuhlangana ukuba akhulume naye, wezwa izwi likhuluma kuye, livela ngaphezu kwesihlalo somusa esisemphongolweni wobufakazi ngaphakathi kwamakherubi omabili; wayesekhuluma kuye.

ISAHLUKO 8

UJehova wakhuluma kuMose, wathi:

² “Yisho ku-Aroni, uthi kuye: ‘Nxaxa ubeka izibani, izibani eziyisikhombisa mazikhanyise ngaphambi kothi lwezibani.’ ”

³ U-Aroni wenze njalo; wabeka izibani zalo ukuba zikhanyise ngaphambi kothi lwezibani, njengalokho uJehova emyalile uMose.

⁴ Nanku umsebenzi wothi lwezibani, umsebenzi wegolide elikhandiweyo: kuze kube sesinqeni salo nasezimbalini zalo kwakungumsebenzi okhandiweyo; njengesifanekiso uJehova asibonise uMose, wenze njalo uthi lwezibani.

⁵ UJehova wakhuluma kuMose, wathi:

⁶ “Thabatha amaLevi phakathi kwabantwana bakwa-Israyeli, ubahlambulule.

⁷ Uyakwenza kanje kubo ukuba ubahlambulule: fafaza amanzi okuphothula, baziphucule umzimba wonke, bahlanze izingubo zabo, bazihlambulule.

⁸ Bathabathe iduna nomnikelo walo wempuphu, impuphu ecolokileyo exovwe namafutha; nelinye iduna uyakulithabatha libe ngumnikelo wesono.

⁹ Uyakuletha amaLevi phambi kwetende lokuhlangana, ubuthe yonke inhlangano yabantwana bakwa-Israyeli,

¹⁰ ulethe amaLevi phambi kukaJehova; abantwana bakwa-Israyeli babeke izandla zabo phezu kwamaLevi,

¹¹ u-Aroni azulise amaLevi phambi kukaJehova abe ngumnikelo wokuzuliswa ovela kubantwana bakwa-Israyeli, aze asebenze umsebenzi kaJehova.

¹² “AmaLevi ayakubeka izandla zawo ezinhloko zezinkunzi, wena unikele ngenye ibe ngumnikelo wesono, enye ibe ngumnikelo wokushiswa kuJehova ukwenzela amaLevi ukubuyisana.

¹³ Uyakubeka amaLevi phambi kuka-Aroni naphambi kwamadodana akhe, unikele ngawo abe ngumnikelo wokuzuliswa kuJehova.

¹⁴ Uyakwahlukanisa amaLevi phakathi kwabantwana bakwa-Israyeli, amaLevi abe ngawami.

¹⁵ “Emva kwalokho amaLevi ayakungena ukwenza inkonzo yetende lokuhlangana; uyakuwahlambulula, unikele ngawo abe ngumnikelo wokuzuliswa.

¹⁶ Ngokuba mina nginikiwe wona phakathi kwabantwana bakwa-Israyeli; esikhundleni sakho konke okuvula isizalo, amazibulo abo bonke abantwana bakwa-Israyeli, ngizithabathele wona.

¹⁷ Ngokuba onke amazibulo phakathi kwabantwana bakwa-Israyeli angawami, awabantu

nawezilwane; mhla ngishaya amazibulo onke ezweni laseGibithe ngazingcwelisela wona.

¹⁸ Ngithabathile amaLevi esikhundleni samazibulo onke abantwana bakwa-Israyeli.

¹⁹ Ngiwanikile amaLevi abe yisipho sika-Aroni nesamadodana akhe esivela kubantwana bakwa-Israyeli ukusebenza umsebenzi wabantwana bakwa-Israyeli etendeni lokuhlangana nokwenzela abantwana bakwa-Israyeli ukubuyisana, ukuze kungabikho sifo phakathi kwabantwana bakwa-Israyeli, lapho abantwana bakwa-Israyeli besondela endlini engcwele.”

²⁰ Benze njalo-ke oMose no-Aroni nayo yonke inhlangano yabantwana bakwa-Israyeli kumaLevi; njengakho konke uJehova amyala ngakho uMose ngamaLevi, benze njalo kuwo abantwana bakwa-Israyeli.

²¹ AmaLevi aziphothula, ahlanza izingubo zawo; u-Aroni wanikela ngawo abe ngumnikelo wokuzuliswa phambi kukaJehova; u-Aroni wawenzela ukubuyisana ukuwahlambulula.

²² Emva kwalokho amaLevi angena ukwenza umsebenzi wawo etendeni lokuhlangana phambi kuka-Aroni naphambi kwamadodana akhe; njengalokho uJehova emyalile uMose ngamaLevi, benze njalo-ke kuwo.

²³ UJehova wakhuluma kuMose, wathi:

²⁴ “Yilokhu okungokwamaLevi: kusukela kwabaneminyaka engamashumi amabili nanhlanu kuya phezulu ayakungena ukugcina umsebenzi wenkonzo yetende lokuhlangana:

²⁵ kusukela kwabaneminyaka engamashumi ayisihlanu bayakuphuma emsebenzini wenkonzo, bangabe besakhonza;

²⁶ kodwa bayakukhonza kanye nabafowabo etendeni lokuhlangana, bagcine imfanelo kepha bangabe besakhonza. Uyakwenze njalo kumaLevi ngezimfanelo zawo.”

ISAHLUKO 9

UJehova wakhuluma kuMose ehlane laseSinayi ngenyanga yokuqala yomnyaka wesibili, sebephumile ezweni laseGibithe, wathi:

² “Futhi abantwana bakwa-Israyeli bayakugcina iphasika ngesikhathi salo esinqunyiweyo.

³ Ngosuku lweshumi nane lwaleyo nyanga ngakusihlwa niyakuligcina ngesikhathi salo esinqunyiweyo; ngokwezimiso zalo zonke nangokwemithetho yalo anoligcina.”

⁴ UMose wakhuluma kubantwana bakwa-Israyeli ukuthi bolenza iphasika.

⁵ Balenza-ke iphasika ngenyanga yokuqala ngosuku lweshumi nane ngakusihlwa ehlane laseSinayi; njengakho konke uJehova amyala ngakho uMose, benze njalo-ke abantwana bakwa-Israyeli.

⁶ Kwakukhona amadoda athile ayengcolisiwe yisidumbu somuntu, engenakulenza iphasika ngalolo suku; eza phambi kukaMose naphambi kuka-Aroni ngalowo muhla.

⁷ Lawo madoda athi kuye: “Singcolisiwe yisidumbu somuntu; sivinjelelwani ukunikela ngomnikelo kaJehova ngesikhathi sawo esinqunyiweyo phakathi kwabantwana bakwa-Israyeli na?”

⁸ UMose wathi kuwo: “Yimani ukuba ngizwe ukuthi uJehova uyakuyalani ngani.”

⁹ UJehova wakhuluma kuMose, wathi:

¹⁰ “Yisho kubantwana bakwa-Israyeli, uthi: ‘Uma umuntu wakini noma owezizukulwane zenu engcoliswa yisidumbu noma esekuhambeni, ekude, uyakulenza nokho iphasika kuJehova;

¹¹ ngenyanga yesibili ngosuku lweshumi nane ngakusihlwa bayakulenza; bayakulidla

nesinkwa esingenamvubelo nemifino eBABAYO;

¹² abayikushiya lutho kuze kube sekuseni, bangaphuli thambo lalo; ngokwezimiso zonke zephasika bayakulenza.

¹³ Kepha umuntu ohlambulukileyo, engekho ekuhambeni, oyeka ukulenza iphasika, lowo muntu uyakunqunywa kubantu bakubo, ngokuba akanikelanga ngomnikelo kaJehova ngesikhathi esinqunyiweyo; lowo muntu uyakuthwala ububi bakhe.

¹⁴ “ ‘Uma umfokazi egogobele phakathi kwenu, ethanda ukulenza iphasika kuJehova ngokwesimiso sephasika nangokomthetho walo, uyakwenze njalo; niyakuba nesimiso sinye kumfokazi nakowokuzalwa ezweni.’ ”

¹⁵ Ngosuku itabernakele elamiswa ngalo ifu lalisibekela itabernakele, itende lobufakazi; ngakusihlwa laliphezu kwetabernakele njengokubonakala komlilo kwaze kwaba sekuseni.

¹⁶ Kwakunjalo ngesikhathi sonke: ifu lalisibekela, kwabonakala umlilo ebusuku.

¹⁷ Nalapho ifu lenyuswa etendeni, base behamba abantwana bakwa-Israyeli, nasendaweni lapho ifu lalima khona, lapho abantwana bakwa-Israyeli bamisa khona.

¹⁸ Ngesiyalezo sikaJehova abantwana bakwa-Israyeli bahamba, nangesiyalezo sikaJehova bamisa; ngesikhathi ifu lihlala phezu kwetabernakele bahlala ekamu.

¹⁹ Nalapho ifu lihlala phezu kwetabernakele izinsuku eziningi, abantwana bakwa-Israyeli bagcina isiyalezo sikaJehova, abahambanga.

²⁰ Ngesinye isikhathi ifu laliphezu kwetabernakele izinsuku eziyingcosana nje; khona ngesiyalezo sikaJehova bahlala ekamu, nangesiyalezo sikaJehova bahamba.

²¹ Nangesinye isikhathi ifu lahlala kusihlwa kwaze kwaba sekuseni; nalapho ifu lenyuswa ekuseni, bahamba; noma lahlala ubusuku nemini, bahamba lapho ifu lenyuswa.

²² Noma kwakuyizinsuku ezimbili, noma inyanga, noma isikhathi esingakanani ifu lisahlezi phezu kwetabernakele, abantwana bakwa-Israyeli bahlala ekamu, abahambanga; kepha lapho lenyuswa, bahamba.

²³ Ngesiyalezo sikaJehova bamisa, nangesiyalezo sikaJehova bahamba; bagcina inkonzo kaJehova ngesiyalezo sikaJehova ngesandla sikaMose.

ISAHLUKO 10

UJehova wakhuluma kuMose, wathi:

² “Uzenzele amacilongo amabili esiliva, uwenze ngomsebenzi okhandiweyo, uwasebenzise ekubizeni inhlangano nasekusukeni kwamakamu.

³ Nxa bewabetha, yonke inhlangano iyakubuthana kuwe ngasemnyango wetende lokuhlangana.

⁴ Uma bebetha elilodwa, izikhulu, izinhloko zezinkulungwane zakwa-Israyeli, ziyakubuthana kuwe.

⁵ Nxa nihlaba umkhosi, amakamu asohlangothini lwasempumalanga ayakusuka.

⁶ Nanxa nihlaba umkhosi ngokwesibili, amakamu asohlangothini lwaseningizimu ayakusuka; bayakuhlaba umkhosi ekusukeni kwabo.

⁷ Kepha lapho liyakubuthwa ibandla, niyakubetha, ningahlabi umkhosi kodwa.

⁸ “Amadodana ka-Aroni, abapristi, ayakubetha amacilongo; kuyakuba kini isimiso esiphakade ezizukulwaneni zenu.

⁹ Nxa niphuma impi ezweni lakini ukuyokulwa nesitha esinicindezelayo, khona niyakuhlaba umkhosi ngamacilongo, nikhumbuleke phambi kukaJehova uNkulunkulu wenu, nisindiswe ezitheni zenu.

- ¹⁰ Nangezinsuku zokuthokoza kwenu, nangemikhosi emisiweyo, nasekwethwaseni kwenyanga niyakubetha amacilongo enu phezu kweminikelo yenu yokushiswa naphezu kwemihlatshelo yeminikelo yenu yokuthula, ibe yisikhumbuzo senu phambi kukaNkulunkulu wenu; nginguJehova uNkulunkulu wenu.”
- ¹¹ Kwathi ngomnyaka wesibili ngenyanga yesibili ngolwamashumi amabili lwenyanga ifu lenyuswa etabernakele lobufakazi.
- ¹² Abantwana bakwa-Israyeli basuka ehlane laseSinayi amabanga ngamabanga; ifu lema ehlane lasePharanu.
- ¹³ Ngokokuqala basuka ngokwesiyalezo sikaJehova ngesandla sikaMose.
- ¹⁴ Kuqala lasuka ibhanela lekamu labantwana bakwaJuda ngamabandla abo; uNaheshoni indodana ka-Aminadaba wayephezu kwalelo bandla.
- ¹⁵ Phezu kwebandla lesizwe sabantwana bakwa-Isakare kwakunguNethaneli indodana kaSuwari.
- ¹⁶ Phezu kwebandla lesizwe sabantwana bakwaZebuloni kwakungu-Eliyabe indodana kaHeloni.
- ¹⁷ Itabernakele lasuswa; amadodana kaGereshoni namadodana kaMerari asuka elithwala itabernakele.
- ¹⁸ Lase lisuka ibhanela lekamu likaRubeni ngamabandla abo; phezu kwalelo bandla kwakungu-Elisuri indodana kaShedewuri.
- ¹⁹ Phezu kwebandla lesizwe sabantwana bakwaSimeyoni kwakunguShelumiyeli indodana kaSurishadayi.
- ²⁰ Phezu kwebandla lesizwe sabantwana bakwaGadi kwakungu-Eliyasafa indodana kaDehuweli.
- ²¹ Kwase kusuka amaKohati ethwala izinto ezingcwele; itabernakele lamiswa, wona engakafiki.
- ²² Lase lisuka ibhanela lekamu labantwana bakwa-Efrayimi ngamabandla abo; phezu kwebandla lakhe kwakungu-Elishama indodana ka-Amihudi.
- ²³ Phezu kwebandla lesizwe sabantwana bakwaManase kwakunguGamaliyeli indodana kaPedasuri.
- ²⁴ Phezu kwebandla lesizwe sabantwana bakwaBenjamini kwakungu-Abidani indodana kaGideyoni.
- ²⁵ Lase lisuka ibhanela lekamu labantwana bakwaDani elalisemva kwawo onke amakamu ngamabandla abo; phezu kwebandla lakhe kwakungu-Ahiyezeri indodana ka-Amishadayi.
- ²⁶ Phezu kwebandla lesizwe sabantwana bakwa-Asheri kwakunguPagiyeli indodana ka-Okirani.
- ²⁷ Phezu kwebandla lesizwe sabantwana bakwaNafetali kwakungu-Ahira indodana ka-Enani.
- ²⁸ Abantwana bakwa-Israyeli bahamba ngokulandelana kanjalo ngamabandla abo; base besuka-ke.
- ²⁹ UMose wathi kuHobabi indodana kaRehuweli wakwaMidiyani, umukhwe kaMose: “Siya endaweni ashilo ngayo uJehova, wathi: ‘Ngiyakunika yona.’ Woza wena, uhambe nathi, siyakukwenzela okuhle, ngokuba uJehova ukhulumile okuhle ngo-Israyeli.”
- ³⁰ Wathi kuye: “Angiyikuhamba; kepha ngiyakusuka, ngiye ezweni lakithi nasezihlotsheni zami.”
- ³¹ Kepha wathi: “Ake ungasishiyi; njengokuba uyazi ukuthi siyakumisa kanjani ehlane, uyakuba ngamehlo ethu.

- ³² Kuyakuthi uma uhamba nathi, yebo, kwenzeke ukuthi, noma yikuphi okuhle uJehova asenzela khona, khona lokho uyakukwenzela nawe.”
- ³³ Basuka entabeni kaJehova, bahamba ibanga lezinsuku ezintathu; umphongolo wesivumelwano sikaJehova wahamba phambi kwabo ibanga lezinsuku ezintathu ukubafunela indawo yokuphumula.
- ³⁴ Ifu likaJehova laliphezu kwabo emini, lapho besuka ekamu.
- ³⁵ Kwathi ekusukeni komphongolo uMose washo wathi: “Vuka, Jehova; mazihlakazeke izitha zakho; abakuzondayo mababaleke ebusweni bakho.”
- ³⁶ Ekumeni kwawo wathi: “Buyela, Jehova, emindenini eyizinkulungwane zakwa-Israyeli.”

ISAHLUKO 11

Kwathi abantu bakhonona, kwabakubi ezindlebeni zikaJehova; esekuzwile uJehova, yavutha intukuthelo yakhe; umlilo kaJehova washa phakathi kwabo, wabaqeda abasemkhawulweni wekamu.

- ² Abantu base bekhala kuMose; uMose wakhuleka kuJehova, umlilo wabohla.
- ³ Igama laleyo ndawo laqanjwa ngokuthi iThabehera, ngokuba umlilo kaJehova washa phakathi kwabo.
- ⁴ Ingxubevange eyayiphakathi kwabo yaqala ukufisa nokufisa; nabantwana bakwa-Israyeli babuye bakhala, bathi: “Ngubani oyakusipha inyama ukuba sidle na?”
- ⁵ Siyakhumbula izinhlanzi esazidla eGibithe ngesihle, namakukamba, namakhabe, namaliki, nohanyanisi, nesweli;
- ⁶ Kepha manje umphefumulo wethu usuwomile; akukho lutho impela; ngaphandle kwaleli mana akukho lutho emehlweni ethu.”
- ⁷ Imana lafana nembewu yekoriyanderi, nokubonakala kwalo kwakunjengokubonakala kwenhlaka yebedola.
- ⁸ Abantwana baphuma ukuliqoqa, baligaya ematsheni, noma beligqula ezigqulweni, balipheka emakhanzini, benza ngalo amaqebelengwane; ukuzwakala kwalo kwakunjengokuzwakala kweqebelengwane lamafutha.
- ⁹ Nxa amazolo elala phezu kwekamu ebusuku, imana lawela phezu kwawo.
- ¹⁰ UMose wezwa abantu bekhala emindenini yabo, kwaba yilowo nalowo muntu ngasemnyango wetende lakhe; intukuthelo kaJehova yavutha kakhulu; kwakukubi emehlweni kaMose.
- ¹¹ UMose wathi kuJehova: “Uyiphatheleni kabi inceku yakho na? Angifumananga ngani umusa emehlweni akho ukuba ubeke umthwalo wabo bonke laba bantu phezu kwami na?”
- ¹² Ngakhulelwa bonke laba bantu yini, ngabazala, ukuze uthi kimi: ‘Bagone ngasesifubeni sakho njengomondli egona umntwana oncelayo, ubayise ezweni owalifungela oyise,’ na?”
- ¹³ Ngingathathaphi inyama ukubanika bonke laba bantu na? Ngokuba bakhala kimi, bathi: ‘Siphe inyama ukuba sidle.’
- ¹⁴ Anginakuthwala bonke laba bantu ngedwa, ngokuba kuyangisinda.
- ¹⁵ Uma ungiphatha kanje, ake ungibulale nokungibulala, uma ngifumene umusa emehlweni akho; mangingaluboni usizi lwami.”
- ¹⁶ UJehova wakhuluma kuMose, wathi: “Ngibuthele amadoda angamashumi ayisikhombisa amalunga akwa-Israyeli, owaziyo ukuthi angamalunga abantu nezinduna zabo, uwalethe etendeni lokuhlangana ukuba eme khona nawe.
- ¹⁷ Ngiyakwehla, ngikhulume nawe khona, ngithathe okomoya ophezu kwakho, ngikubeke

kuwo; ayakuthwala umthwalo wabantu kanye nawe, ukuze ungawuthwali wedwa.

18 “Yisho kubantu ukuthi: ‘Zingcweliseleni olwangakusasa, niyakudla inyama, lokhu nikhalile ezindlebeni zikaJehova ngokuthi: “Ngubani oyakusipha inyama ukuba sidle, ngokuba kwakukuhle kithi eGibithe,” ngalokho uJehova uyakuninika inyama, nize nidle.

19 Aniyikuyidla usuku lube lunye, noma izinsuku zibe zimbili, noma izinsuku zibe yisihlanu, noma izinsuku zibe yishumi, noma izinsuku zibe ngamashumi amabili,

20 kepha inyanga epheleleyo, ize iphume ngamakhala enu, inengeke kini, ngokuba nimlahlile uJehova ophakathi kwenu, nakhala phambi kwakhe ngokuthi: “Saphumelani eGibithe na?” ’ ’ ”

21 Wayesethi uMose: “Abantu engiphakathi kwabo bayizinkulungwane ezingamakhulu ayisithupha abayimigundatshani; wena-ke uthi: ‘Ngiyakubanika inyama ukuba badle inyanga epheleleyo.’

22 Bayakuhlatshelewa izimvu nezinkomo ukuba zibanele na? Noma bayakubuthelwa yini izinhlanzi zonke zolwandle ukuba zibanele na?”

23 UJehova wathi kuMose: “Isandla sikaJehova sifinyele na? Usuyakubona uma izwi lami liyakwenzeka kuwe noma qha.”

24 UMose waphuma, wabatshela abantu amazwi kaJehova; wabutha amadoda angamashumi ayisikhombisa amalunga abantu, wawamisa ngasetendeni nxazonke.

25 UJehova wehla ngefu, wakhuluma kuye, wathabatha okomoya ophezu kwakhe, wakubeka kumalunga angamashumi ayisikhombisa; kwathi umoya esahlezi kuwo, aprofetha, kepha awaze akuphinda.

26 Kodwa kwasala amadoda amabili ekamu, igama lenye lalingu-Elidadi, igama leyesibili linguMedadi; umoya wayehlala phezu kwawo; ayephakathi kwalawo alotshiweyo, kepha awayanga etendeni; aprofetha ekamu.

27 Kwagijima insizwa, yabika kuMose, yathi: “O-Elidadi noMedadi bayaprofetha ekamu.”

28 UJoshuwa indodana kaNuni, inceku kaMose, owabakhethiweyo bakhe, waphendula wathi: “Nkosi yami, Mose, benqabele.”

29 UMose wathi kubo: “Unomhawu ngenxa yami na? Sengathi bonke abantu bakaJehova bangaba ngabaprofethi, uJehova abeke uMoya wakhe phezu kwabo.”

30 UMose wangena ekamu, yena namalunga akwa-Israyeli.

31 Kwavuka umoya ovela kuJehova, waletha izigwaca zivela ngaselwandle, waziwisa ngasekamu kungathi ibanga losuku ngalapha nebanga losuku ngalapha kwekamu nxazonke, nokuphakama phezu komhlaba kungathi izingalo ezimbili.

32 Abantu bavuka lonke lolo suku, nobusuku bonke, nalo lonke usuku olulandelayo, babutha izigwaca; owabutha okuncane wabutha amahomere ayishumi; bazenekela ngasekamu nxazonke.

33 Inyama isekhona phakathi kwamazinyo abo, ingakahlafunwa, ulaka lukaJehova lwavuthela abantu, uJehova wabashaya abantu ngokufa okukhulu kakhulu.

34 Igama laleyo ndawo laqanjwa ngokuthi iKibiroti Hathawa, ngokuba bambela abantu abafisayo.

35 Abantu basuka eKibiroti Hathawa, baya eHaseroti; bahlala eHaseroti.

ISAHLUKO 12

OMiriyamu no-Aroni bakhuluma bemelene noMose ngenxa yowesifazane wakwaKushe amthathile; ngokube wayethathile owesifazane wakwaKushe.

² Bathi: “Imbala uJehova ukhulumile kuMose kuphela na? Akakhulumanga nakithi na?” UJehova wakuzwa.

³ Kodwa lowo muntu uMose wayemnene kunabo bonke abantu ababesebusweni bomhlaba.

⁴ UJehova wayesekhuluma ngokuzumayo kuMose naku-Aroni nakuMiriyamu, wathi: “Wozani nina nobathathu etendeni lokuhlangana.” Baphuma bobathathu.

⁵ UJehova wehla esensikeni yefu, wema ngasemnyango wetende, wabiza o-Aroni noMiriyamu; baphuma bobabili.

⁶ Wayesethi: “Yizwani manje amazwi ami: uma kukhona umprofethi phakathi kwenu, mina Jehova ngiyakuzibonakalisa kuye ngombono, ngikhulume kuye ngephupho.

⁷ Inceku yami uMose akanjalo; uthembekile endlini yami yonke;

⁸ ngiyakukhuluma naye umlomo nomlomo ngokusobala, kungabi ngamazwi ayimfumbe; isimo sikaJehova uyakusibona; anesabanga ngani ukukhuluma ngenceku yami uMose na?”

⁹ Intukuthelo kaJehova yabavuthela; wayesemuka.

¹⁰ Ifu lasuka phezu kwetende; bheka, uMiriyamu wayesenochoko, enjengeqhwa; u-Aroni wambheka uMiriyamu; bheka, wayenochoko.

¹¹ U-Aroni wathi kuMose: “O nkosi, ake ungabeki isono phezu kwethu ngalokho esikwenzile ngobuwula, nangalokho esone ngakho.

¹² Ake angabi njengofileyo, onyama yakhe idliwe inxenywe, nxa ephuma esizalweni sikanina.”

¹³ UMose wakhala kuJehova, wathi: “O Nkulunkulu, mawumphulukise, ngiyakuncenga.”

¹⁴ UJehova wathi kuMose: “Uma uyise ebemkhafulele ebusweni, ubengebe namahloni izinsuku eziyisikhombisa na? Makavalelwe ngaphandle kwekamu izinsuku eziyisikhombisa; ngasemva kwalokho uyakubuye angeniswe.”

¹⁵ UMiriyamu wavalelwa ngaphandle kwekamu izinsuku eziyisikhombisa; abantu abahambanga, waze wabuyiswa uMiriyamu.

¹⁶ Ngasemuva abantu basuka eHaseroti, bamisa ehlane lasePharanu.

ISAHLUKO 13

UJehova wakhuluma kuMose, wathi:

² “Thuma wena abantu ukuba bahlale izwe laseKhanani engibanika lona abantwana bakwa-Israyeli; uthume umuntu waleso naleso sizwe sawoyise, kube yilowo nalowo abe yinduna phakathi kwabo.”

³ UMose wabathuma-ke besuka ehlane lasePharanu ngesiyalezo sikaJehova; bonke babo babe ngabantu abayizinhloko zabantwana bakwa-Israyeli.

⁴ Lawa angamagama abo: Owesizwe sakwaRubeni: uShamuwa indodana kaZakuri.

⁵ Owesizwe sakwaSimeyoni: uShafati indodana kaHori.

⁶ Owesizwe sakwaJuda: uKalebi indodana kaJefune.

⁷ Owesizwe sakwa-Isakare: u-Igali indodana kaJosefa.

⁸ Owesizwe sakwa-Efrayimi: uHosheya indodana kaNuni.

⁹ Owesizwe sakwaBenjamini: uPaliti indodana kaRafu.

- 10** Owesizwe sakwaZebuloni: uGadiyeli indodana kaSodi.
- 11** Owesizwe sakwaJosefa, owesizwe sakwaManase: uGadi indodana kaSusi.
- 12** Owesizwe sakwaDani: u-Amiyeli indodana kaGemali.
- 13** Owesizwe sakwa-Asheri: uSethuru indodana kaMikayeli.
- 14** Owesizwe sakwaNafetali: uNabi indodana kaVofisi.
- 15** Owesizwe sakwaGadi: uGewuweli indodana kaMaki.
- 16** Yilawo amagama amadoda athunywa nguMose ukuhlola izwe. UMose wambiza uHosheya indodana kaNuni ngokuthi uJoshuwa.
- 17** UMose wabathuma ukuhlola izwe laseKhanani, wathi kubo: “Yenyukani ngalapha, niye ngaseningizimu, nikhuphukele ezintabeni,
- 18** nibone izwe ukuthi linjani, nabantu abakhe kulo ukuthi banamandla noma babuthakathaka, bayingcosana noma baningi yini,
- 19** nokuthi izwe abakhe kulo linjani, noma lihle noma libi, nokuthi imizi abahlala kuyo injani, noma ngamakamu noma yizingaba,
- 20** nokuthi izwe linjani, noma livundile noma limpofu, noma linezinkuni noma qha. Yibani nesibindi, nibuye nezithelo zezwe.” Kwase kuyisikhathi sezithelo zokuqala zomvini.
- 21** Base behamba-ke, bahlola izwe kusukela ehlane laseSini kuze kube seRehobe ekuyeni ngaseHamati.
- 22** Benyukela ngaseningizimu, bafika eHebroni; o-Ahimani, noSheshayi, noTalimayi, abantwana bakwa-Anaki, babelapho. IHebroni lakhiwa iminyaka eyisikhombisa lingakakhiwa iSowani laseGibithe.
- 23** Bafika esiGodini sase-Eshikoli, banquma khona igatsha elinehlukuzo lezithelo zomvini, balithwala ngothi phakathi kwababili, kanye namapomegranati namakhiwane.
- 24** Leyo ndawo yathiwa isiGodi sase-Eshikoli ngenxa yehhlukuzo abantwana bakwa-Israyeli abalinquma khona.
- 25** Base bebuya ekuhloleni izwe ngasekupheleni kwezinsuku ezingamashumi amane.
- 26** Baya bafika kuMose naku-Aroni nakuyo yonke inhlango yabantwana bakwa-Israyeli ehlane lasePharanu eKadeshi, babuyisela izwi kubo nakuyo yonke inhlango, bababonisa izithelo zezwe.
- 27** Bamtshela bathi: “Safika-ke ezweni owasithuma kulo; ngempela livame ubisi nezinyosi; lokhu kuyizithelo zalo.
- 28** Nokho abantu abakhe ezweni banamandla, imizi ibiyelwe, mikhulu kakhulu; futhi sabona abantwana bakwa-Anaki khona.
- 29** U-Amaleki wakhile ezweni laseningizimu; amaHet, namaJebusi, nama-Amori ahlala ezintabeni; amaKhanani akhile ngaselwandle naseceleni kweJordani.”
- 30** UKalebi wathulisa abantu phambi kukaMose, wathi: “Masenyuke khona manje, silidle, ngokuba sinamandla okulingqoba.”
- 31** Kepha amadoda ayenyuke naye athi: “Asinakwenyuka, sihlasele labo bantu, ngokuba banamandla kunathi.”
- 32** Base belandisa abantwana bakwa-Israyeli umbiko omubi ngezwe ababelihlolile, bathi: “Izwe esilidabulile ukulihlola liyizwe elidla abakhileyo kulo; bonke abantu esababona kulo bangabantu abajahaleyo.
- 33** Sabona khona iziqhwaga, amadodana ka-Anaki ayela eziqhwageni; emehlweni ethu saba njengezintethe, saba njalo nasemehlweni abo.”

Inhlangano yonke yayisiphakamisa izwi layo, yakhala. Abantu bakhala izinyembezi ngalobo busuku.

² Bonke abantwana bakwa-Israyeli bakhonona ngoMose nango-Aroni; yonke inhlangano yathi kubo: “Sengathi nga safa ezweni laseGibithe, noma sengathi nga safa kuleli hlane.

³ UJehova usilethelani kuleli zwe, siwe ngenkemba na? Omkethu nabancane bethu bayakuba yimpango; bekungengcono yini kithi ukubuyela eGibithe na?”

⁴ Bathi omunye komunye: “Masibeke induna, sibuyele eGibithe.”

⁵ Khona oMose no-Aroni bawa ngobuso babo phambi kwebandla lonke lenhlangano yabantwana bakwa-Israyeli.

⁶ UJoshuwa indodana kaNuni noKalebi indodana kaJefune ababephakathi kwabahlola izwe baklebhula izingubo zabo,

⁷ bakhuluma kuyo yonke inhlangano yabantwana bakwa-Israyeli, bathi: “Izwe esalidabula ukulihlola liyizwe elihle kakhulu.

⁸ Uma uJehova esithanda, uyakusingenisa kulelo zwe, asinike lona, izwe elivame ubisi nezinyosi.

⁹ Kodwa ningahlubuki kuJehova, futhi ningesabi abantu balelo zwe; ngokuba bayisinkwa kithi; umthunzi wabo usukile phezu kwabo, kodwa uJehova unathi; ningabesabi.”

¹⁰ Kepha inhlangano yonke yathi mabakhandwe ngamatshe. Inkazimulo kaJehova yabonakala etendeni lokuhlangana kubo bonke abantwana bakwa-Israyeli.

¹¹ UJehova wayesekhuluma kuMose, wathi: “Koze kube nini laba bantu bengidelela na? Koze kube nini bengakholwa yimi ngezibonakaliso zonke engizenzile phakathi kwabo na?

¹² Ngiyakubashaya ngesifo, ngibaphuce ifa, ngikwenze isizwe esikhulu nesinamandla kunabo.”

¹³ UMose wathi kuJehova: “Khona abaseGibithe bayakukuzwa, ngokuba wakhuphula laba bantu ngamandla akho phakathi kwabo,

¹⁴ babatshela abakhe kuleli zwe; bezwile ukuthi wena Jehova uphakathi kwalaba bantu, babonane nawe Jehova ubuso nobuso; ifu lakho limi phezu kwabo, wena uhamba phambi kwabo usensikeni yefu emini nasensikeni yomlilo ebusuku.

¹⁵ Manje-ke uma ubulala laba bantu njengomuntu munye, izizwe ezizwe udumo lwakho ziyakukhuluma zithi:

¹⁶ ‘Ngokuba uJehova ebengenamandla okungenisa abantu bakhe ezweni alifungela kubo, ngalokho ubabulele ehlane.’

¹⁷ “Kalokhu ake abe makhulu amandla eNkosi njengokusho kwakho ukuthi:

¹⁸ ‘UJehova uyephuza ukuthukuthela, uvame umusa, uthethelela ububi neziphambeko, angayekeli nokho onecala, kepha ahambele ububi bawoyise kubantwana, kuze kube sezizukulwaneni sesithathu nesesine.’

¹⁹ Ake uthethelele ububi balaba bantu ngokobukhulu bomusa wakho, njengalokho uyekele laba bantu kusukela eGibithe kuze kube manje.”

²⁰ UJehova wathi: “Yebo, ngiyathethelela njengezwi lakho;

²¹ kepha impela, kuphila kwami nenkazimulo kaJehova eyakugcwalisa wonke umhlaba,

²² lokhu bonke labo bantu ababone inkazimulo yami nezibonakaliso zami engazenza eGibithe nasehlane bengilingile kayishumi, abalalela izwi lami,

²³ abayikubona ngempela izwe engalifungela oyise, futhi aliyikubonwa muntu walabo abangidelela;

²⁴ kepha inceku yami uKalebi, lokhu wayenomunye umoya, wangilandela ngokupheleleyo, yena ngiyakumngenisa ezweni aya kulo; inzalo yakhe iyakulidla.

- ²⁵ Ama-Amaleki namaKhanani akhile esigodini; jikani kusasa, ningene ehlane ngasendleleni eya eLwandle Olubomvu.”
- ²⁶ UJehova wakhuluma kuMose naku-Aroni, wathi:
- ²⁷ “Koze kube nini le nhlangano embi ikhonona ngami na? Ngizwile ukukhonona kwabantwana bakwa-Israyeli abakhonona ngakho ngami.
- ²⁸ Yisho kubo ukuthi: ‘Kuphila kwami, ngiyakwenza kini impela njengalokho nikhulumile ezindlebeni zami:
- ²⁹ izidumbu zenu ziyakuwa kuleli hlane, nabo bonke ababalwayo kini njengokomumo wenu wonke, kusukela kwabaneminyaka engamashumi amabili kuya phezulu, abakhononile ngami,
- ³⁰ abayikungena ngempela ezweni engaphakamisa ngalo isandla sami ukuthi bengiyakunakhisa kulo, ngaphandle kukaKalebi indodana kaJefune noJoshuwa indodana kaNuni.
- ³¹ Kepha abancane benu enasho ngabo ukuthi bayakuba yimpango, bona ngiyakubangenisa, balazi izwe enalilahla.
- ³² Nina-ke, izidumbu zenu ziyakuwa kuleli hlane.
- ³³ Abantwana benu bayakuba ngabelusi ehlane iminyaka engamashumi amane, bathwale ukuphinga kwenu, izidumbu zenu zize ziqedwe ehlane.
- ³⁴ Njengokomumo wezinsuku enahlola ngazo izwe, izinsuku ezingamashumi amane, umnyaka ngosuku, niyakuthwala ububi benu, yebo, iminyaka engamashumi amane, nize nazi ukuthi kunjani uma ngimelana nani.’
- ³⁵ Mina Jehova ngikhulumile; ngiyakwenza lokho ngempela kuyo yonke le nhlangano embi engihlanganyeleyo; kuleli hlane bayakuqedwa, bafele khona.”
- ³⁶ Nalawo madoda athunywa nguMose ukuhlola izwe, abuya akhononisa yonke inhlangano ngaye ngokuletha umbiko omubi ngezwe,
- ³⁷ wona lawo madoda aletha umbiko omubi ngezwe afa ngesifo phambi kukaJehova.
- ³⁸ Kepha uJoshuwa indodana kaNuni noKalebi indodana kaJefune ababenalawo madoda ukuhlola izwe basinda.
- ³⁹ UMose wakhuluma lawo mazwi kubo bonke abantwana bakwa-Israyeli; abantu balila kakhulu.
- ⁴⁰ Bavuka ekuseni kakhulu, benyukela esiqongweni sentaba, bathi: “Bhekani, sesilapha, kepha siyakuya endaweni ayithembisile uJehova, ngokuba sonile.”
- ⁴¹ UMose wathi: “Neqelani izwi likaJehova na? Akuyikuphumelela.
- ⁴² Ningenyuki, ngokuba uJehova akakho phakathi kwenu, ukuba ningashaywa ebusweni bezitha zenu.
- ⁴³ Ngokuba ama-Amaleki namaKhanani alapho ngaphambi kwenu; niyakuwa ngenkemba, lokhu nibuyele emuva ekumlandeleni uJehova; ngalokho uJehova akayikuba khona phakathi kwenu.”
- ⁴⁴ Ngokuzidla bakhuphukela nokho esiqongweni sentaba, kepha umphongolo wesivumelwano sikaJehova noMose awuphumanga ekamu.
- ⁴⁵ Ayesehla ama-Amaleki kanye namaKhanani ayehlala kuleyo ntaba, abashaya, abaqothula kwaze kwaba seHorma.

UJehova wakhuluma kuMose, wathi:

- ² “Yisho kubantwana bakwa-Israyeli, uthi kubo: ‘Nxa nifika ezweni eniyakwakha kulo, engininika lona,
- ³ nenze umnikelo womlilo kuJehova, umnikelo wokushiswa, noma umhlatsshelo wokugcwalisa isithembiso, noma umnikelo wesihle, noma owemikhosi yenu emisiweyo, ukwenza iphunga eliminandi kuJehova, owezinkomo noma owezimvu,
- ⁴ khona-ke onikela ngomnikelo wakhe woletsha kuJehova umnikelo wempuphu wokweshumi kwempuphu ecolekileyo exovwe nokwesine kwehini lamafutha;
- ⁵ newayini libe ngumnikelo wokuphuzwa, okwesine kwehini ngemvana inye, wolilungisela umnikelo wokushiswa noma umhlatsshelo.
- ⁶ “ ‘Kepha ingama uyakuyilungisela okweshumi okubili kwempuphu ecolekileyo exovwe nokwesithathu kwehini lamafutha, kube ngumnikelo wempuphu;
- ⁷ uyakunikela okwesithathu kwehini lewayini libe ngumnikelo wokuphuzwa nephunga eliminandi kuJehova.
- ⁸ “ ‘Nxa ulungisa iduna libe ngumnikelo wokushiswa, noma umhlatsshelo wokugcwalisa isithembiso, noma kube yiminikelo yokuthula kuJehova,
- ⁹ uyakunikela ngomnikelo wempuphu wokweshumi okuthathu kwempuphu ecolekileyo exovwe nenxenye yehini lamafutha kanye neduna.
- ¹⁰ Uyakunikela ngenxenye yehini lewayini libe ngumnikelo wokuphuzwa, kube ngumnikelo womlilo wephunga eliminandi kuJehova.
- ¹¹ Kuyakwenziwa kanjalo ngaleyo naleyo nkunzi, noma ngaleyo naleyo nqama, noma ngaleyo naleyo mvana yeduna, noma ngamazinyane ezimbuzi.
- ¹² Njengokomumo eniwulungisayo niyakwenze njalo kuleyo naleyo njengokomumo wazo.
- ¹³ “ ‘Bonke abokuzalwa ekhaya bayakwenza lezo zinto ngaleyo ndlela, benikela ngomnikelo womlilo wephunga eliminandi kuJehova.
- ¹⁴ Uma umfokazi egogobele kuwe, noma ubani ophakathi kwenu ezizukulwaneni zenu eyakunikela ngomnikelo womlilo wephunga eliminandi kuJehova, uyakwenza njengalokhu nenza nina.
- ¹⁵ Ebandleni kuyakuba yisimiso sinye kini nakumfokazi ogogobeleyo kini, isimiso esiphakade ezizukulwaneni zenu; njengani uyakuba njalo umfokazi phambi kukaJehova.
- ¹⁶ Kuyakuba ngumthetho munye nesimiso sinye kinina nakumfokazi ogogobeleyo kini.’ ”
- ¹⁷ UJehova wakhuluma kuMose, wathi:
- ¹⁸ “Yisho kubantwana bakwa-Israyeli, uthi kubo: ‘Nxa nifika ezweni enginiyisa kulo,
- ¹⁹ kuyakuthi, lapho nidla isinkwa sezwe, ninikele ngomnikelo wokuphakanyiswa kuJehova.
- ²⁰ Ngolibo lomgqakazo wenu niyakunikela ngeqebelengwane libe ngumnikelo wokuphakanyiswa; njengalokhu nenza umnikelo wokuphakanyiswa wesibuya, niyakuwenza kanjalo.
- ²¹ Ngolibo lomgqakazo wenu niyakunika uJehova umnikelo wokuphakanyiswa ezizukulwaneni zenu.
- ²² “ ‘Nxa niduka ningagcini yonke le miyalo uJehova ayikhulumile kuMose,
- ²³ konke uJehova aniyalile ngesandla sikaMose, kusukela osukwini uJehova ayala ngalo nangasemuva ezizukulwaneni zenu,
- ²⁴ kuyakuthi uma kwenziwe kungengamabomu, futhi kungesemehlweni enhlangano, inhlango yonke inikele ngeduna libe ngumnikelo wokushiswa wephunga eliminandi kuJehova kanye nomnikelo wayo wempuphu, nomnikelo wayo wokuphuzwa

ngokomthetho, nempongo ibe nye, ibe ngumnikelo wesono.

²⁵ Umpristi uyakuyenzela yonke inhlango yabantwana bakwa-Israyeli ukubuyisana, baze bathethelelwe, ngokuba kwakungengamabomu, futhi balethile umnikelo wabo, umnikelo womlilo kuJehova, nomnikelo wabo wesono phambi kukaJehova ngesiphosiso sabo;

²⁶ yonke inhlango yabantwana bakwa-Israyeli iyakuthethelelwa kanye nomfokazi ogogobeleyo kubo, ngokuba kubo bonke abantu kwakungesiphosiso.

²⁷ “ ‘Uma umuntu ona kungengamabomu, uyakunikela ngembuzikazi enomnyaka munye, ibe ngumnikelo wesono.

²⁸ Umpristi uyakwenzela umuntu ophosisayo ukubuyisana, nxa ona kungengamabomu phambi kukaJehova ukumenzela ukubuyisana, athethelelwe.

²⁹ Niyakuba nomthetho munye kowenza kungengamabomu, nakowokuzalwa ekhaya phakathi kwabantwana bakwa-Israyeli nakumfokazi ogogobeleyo phakathi kwabo.

³⁰ “ ‘Kepha okwenza ngesandla esiphakemeyo, noma engowokuzalwa ekhaya noma engumfokazi, uyamhlambalaza uJehova; lowo muntu uyakunqunywa kubantu bakubo.

³¹ Ngokuba udelele izwi likaJehova, nomyalo wakhe uwaphulile; lowo muntu uyakunqunywa impela, ububi bakhe bube phezu kwakhe.’ ”

³² Abantwana bakwa-Israyeli besesehlane bafumana umuntu otheza izinkuni ngosuku lwesabatha.

³³ Abamfumana etheza izinkuni bamyisa kuMose naku-Aroni nakuyo yonke inhlango.

³⁴ Bambeka ukuba alindwe, ngokuba kwakungakanqunywa ukuthi kuyakwenziwani kuye.

³⁵ UJehova wathi kuMose: “Lowo muntu wobulawa nokubulawa; yonke inhlango iyakumkhanda ngamatshe ngaphandle kwekamu.”

³⁶ Yonke inhlango yamkhiphela ngaphandle kwekamu, yamkhanda ngamatshe, wafa, njengalokho uJehova emyalile uMose.

³⁷ UJehova wakhuluma kuMose, wathi:

³⁸ “Yisho kubantwana bakwa-Israyeli, usho kubo ukuba bazenzele insephe emiphethweni yezingubo zabo ezizukulwaneni zabo, futhi ukuba babeke igoda eliluhlaza ensepheni yemiphetho yonke;

³⁹ lokhu kuyakuba kini insephe ukuba niyibheke, nikhumbule yonke imiyalo kaJehova, niyenze, ningahambi ngeyenu inhleziyo nangawenu amehlo enanivama ukukulandela ngokuphinga,

⁴⁰ ukuba nikhumbule, niyenze yonke imiyalo yami, nibe ngcwele kuNkulunkulu wenu.

⁴¹ NginguJehova uNkulunkulu wenu owanikhipha ezweni laseGibithe, ngibe nguNkulunkulu wenu; nginguJehova uNkulunkulu wenu.”

ISAHLUKO 16

UKora kaJisihari kaKohati kaLevi, kanye noDathani no-Abiramu, amadodana ka-Eliyabe, no-Oni indodana kaPheleti, amadodana kaRubeni, bathatha amadoda,

² bamvukela uMose benabathile babantwana bakwa-Israyeli, abangamakhulu amabili namashumi ayisihlanu, izikhulu zenhlango, amanxusa ebandla, amadoda adumileyo;

³ babahlanganyela oMose no-Aroni, bathi kubo: “Sekwanele okwenu, lokhu inhlango yonke ingcwele, bonke bayo, noJehova ekubo; niziphakamiselani, pho, phezu kwebandla likaJehova na?”

⁴ UMose esekuzwile wawa ngobuso bakhe;

- ⁵ wakhuluma kuKora nakulo iviyo lakhe, wathi: “Kusasa uJehova uyakwazisa ukuthi ngubani ongowakhe nokuthi ngubani ongcwele, amsondeze kuye; lowo ayakumkhetha uyakumsondeza kuye.
- ⁶ Yenzani lokhu: zithabatheleni imicengezi yomlilo, wena Kora neviyo lakho lonke,
- ⁷ nifake kuyo umlilo, nibeke impepho kuyo phambi kukaJehova kusasa; kuyakuthi umuntu amkhethayo uJehova, abengcwele; sekwanele okwenu, madodana kaLevi.”
- ⁸ UMose wathi kuKora: “Ake nizwe, madodana kaLevi:
- ⁹ kuyinto encane yini kini ukuthi uNkulunkulu ka-Israyeli unahlukanisile nenhlangano ka-Israyeli, wanisondeza kuye ukwenza inkonzo yetabernakele likaJehova nokuma phambi kwenhlangano ukuyikhonza,
- ¹⁰ nokuthi ukusondezile wena, nabafowenu bonke, amadodana kaLevi, kanye nawe na? Senifisa nobupristi futhi na?
- ¹¹ Ngalokho wena nalo lonke iviyo lakho nimhlanganyele uJehova; no-Aroni uyini yena ukuba nikhonone ngaye na?”
- ¹² UMose wathuma wabiza oDathani no-Abiramu, amadodana ka-Eliyabe; bathi: “Asiyikukhuphuka;
- ¹³ kuyinto encane yini ukuthi wasikhuphula ezweni elivame ubisi nezinyosi ukuba usibulale ehlane; usuyazenza nesikhulu phezu kwethu na?
- ¹⁴ Futhi awusingenisanga ezweni elivame ubisi nezinyosi, awusinikanga ifa lamasimu nelezivini; uyakubhoboza amehlo alaba bantu na? Asiyikukhuphuka.”
- ¹⁵ UMose wathukuthela kakhulu, wathi kuJehova: “Unganaki umnikelo wabo; angithathanga nayinye imbongolo kubo, futhi angilimazanga namunye kubo.”
- ¹⁶ UMose wayesethi kuKora: “Wena yiba nayo yonke inhlangothi yakho phambi kukaJehova kusasa, wena, nabo, no-Aroni;
- ¹⁷ thabathani, kube yilowo nalowo umcengezi wakhe womlilo, nibeke impepho kuyo, nilethe phambi kukaJehova kube yilowo nalowo umcengezi wakhe, imicengezi yomlilo engamakhulu amabili namashumi ayisihlanu, nawe futhi no-Aroni, kube yilowo nalowo umcengezi wakhe.”
- ¹⁸ Base bethatha, kwaba yilowo nalowo umcengezi wakhe womlilo, bafaka kuyo umlilo, babeka impepho ngaphezulu, bema ngasemnyango wetende lokuhlangana kanye noMose no-Aroni.
- ¹⁹ UKora wahlanganisela kubo yonke inhlangothi ngasemnyango wetende lokuhlangana; inkazimulo kaJehova yabonakala kuyo yonke inhlangothi.
- ²⁰ UJehova wayesekhuluma kuMose naku-Aroni, wathi:
- ²¹ “Zahlukaniseni nale nhlangano ukuba ngibaqede ngokuphazima kweso.”
- ²² Bawa ngobuso babo, bathi: “Nkulunkulu, Nkulunkulu wemimoya yenyama yonke, kona umuntu munye, uthukuthelele inhlangothi yonke, na?”
- ²³ UJehova wakhuluma kuMose, wathi:
- ²⁴ “Yisho kuyo inhlangothi, uthi: ‘Khuphukani ngasekamu likaKora nelikaDathani nelika-Abiramu.’ ”
- ²⁵ UMose wavuka waya kuDathani naku-Abiramu; amalunga akwa-Israyeli amlandela.
- ²⁶ Wayesekhuluma kuyo inhlangothi, wathi: “Ake nisuke ematendeni alaba bantu ababi, ningathinti lutho olwabo, funa niqedwe ngezono zabo zonke.”
- ²⁷ Base bekhuphuka ekamu likaKora nelikaDathani nelika Abiramu nxazonke; oDathani no-Abiramu baphuma, bema ngasemnyango wamatende abo kanye nawomkabo, namadodana abo, nezingane zabo.

- 28** UMose wathi: “Niyakwazi ngalokhu ukuthi uJehova ungithumile ukwenza yonke le misebenzi, ngokuba angiyenzanga ngowami umqondo.
- 29** Uma laba bantu befa ngokufa kwabantu bonke, noma behlelwa ngokwehlela abantu bonke, uJehova uyakube kangithumanga.
- 30** Kepha uma uJehova edala into entsha, umhlaba uvule umlomo wawo, ubagwinye kanye nakho konke okwabo, bashone besezwa endaweni yabafileyo, niyakuqonda ukuthi laba bantu bamdelele uJehova.”
- 31** Kwathi eseqedile onke lawo mazwi, umhlaba ophansi kwabo waqhekezeka;
- 32** umhlaba wavula umlomo wawo, wabagwinya nezindlu zabo, nabantu bonke bakaKora, nempahla yabo yonke.
- 33** Bona bashona besezwa nakho konke okwabo endaweni yabafileyo; umhlaba wabaggiba, baqothulwa ebandleni.
- 34** Bonke abakwa-Israyeli ababebazungeza babaleka ngokukhala kwabo, ngokuba bathi: “Funa umhlaba usigwinye nathi.”
- 35** Umlilo waphuma kuJehova, waqeda abantu abangamakhulu amabili namashumi ayisihlanu, ababenikele ngempepho.
- 36** UJehova wakhuluma kuMose, wathi:
- 37** “Yisho ku-Eleyazare indodana ka-Aroni umpristi ukuba akhiphe imicengezi yomlilo ekusheni, wena uwuhlakaze umlilo laphaya, ngokuba ingcwele,
- 38** imicengezi yalaba boni abone imiphefumulo yabo ibe ngongcwecwe abakhandiweyo abayakulimboza i-altare, ngokuba banikela ngayo phambi kukaJehova; ngalokho ingcwele; iyakuba luphawu kubantwana bakwa-Israyeli.”
- 39** U-Eleyazare umpristi wayithatha imicengezi yethusi abanikele ngayo abashileyo; babakhanda baba yisimbozo se-altare,
- 40** babe yisikhumbuzo kubantwana bakwa-Israyeli, ukuze umfokazi ongesiye owenzalo ka-Aroni angasondeli ukushisa impepho phambi kukaJehova, angabi njengoKora neviyo lakhe, njengalokho uJehova wakhuluma kuye ngesandla sikaMose.
- 41** Kepha ngolwangakusasa yonke inhlango yabantwana bakwa-Israyeli yakhonona ngoMose nango-Aroni, yathi: “Nibabulele abantu bakaJehova.”
- 42** Kwathi inhlango isibahlanganyele oMose no-Aroni, babheka ngasetendeni lokuhlangana; bheka, ifu lalisibekela, inkazimulo kaJehova yabonakala.
- 43** OMose no-Aroni bafika ngaphambi kwetende lokuhlangana.
- 44** UJehova wakhuluma kuMose, wathi:
- 45** “Khuphuka kule nhlangano ukuba ngibaqede ngokuphazima kweso.” Bawa ngobuso babo.
- 46** UMose wathi ku-Aroni: “Thatha umcengezi wakho womlilo, ubeke kuwo umlilo wase-altare, ufake impepho ngaphezulu, ukuyise masinyane kuyo inhlango, uyenzele ukubuyisana, ngokuba kuphume intukuthelo kuJehova; isifo sesiqalile.”
- 47** U-Aroni wayesekuthatha njengalokho ekhulumile uMose, wagijima phakathi kwebandla; bheka, isifo sase siqalile phakathi kwabantu; wabeka impepho, wabenzela abantu ukubuyisana.
- 48** Wema phakathi kwabafileyo nabaphilayo; isifo sanqamuka.
- 49** Abafile ngesifo babe yizinkulungwane eziyishumi nane namakhulu ayisikhombisa ngaphandle kwalabo abafa ngendaba kaKora.
- 50** U-Aroni wabuyela kuMose ngasemnyango wetende lokuhlangana; isifo sanqamuka.

ISAHLUKO 17

UJehova wakhuluma kuMose, wathi:

² “Khuluma kubantwana bakwa-Israyeli, uthabathe kubo izintonga, ibe nye kuleyo naleyo ndlu kayise, kuzo zonke izikhulu njengezindlu zawoyise, izintonga eziyishumi nambili; loba wena igama lalowo nalowo muntu entongeni yakhe.

³ Uyakuloba igama lika-Aroni entongeni kaLevi, ngokuba kuyakuba yintonga inye kuleyo naleyo nhloko yezindlu zawoyise.

⁴ Uyakuzibekela etendeni lokuhlangana ngaphambi kobufakazi, lapho ngihlangana khona nawe.

⁵ Kuyakuthi umuntu engiyakumkhetha, intonga yakhe ihlume, ngenze ukuba kuphele ngakimi ukukhonona kwabantwana bakwa-Israyeli abakhonona ngakho ngani.”

⁶ UMose wakhuluma kubantwana bakwa-Israyeli, zonke izikhulu zamnika izintonga ngayinye kuleso naleso sikhulu njengezindlu zawoyise, izintonga eziyishumi nambili.

⁷ UMose wazibeka izintonga phambi kukaJehova etendeni lobufakazi.

⁸ Kwathi ngolwangakusasa uMose wangena etendeni lobufakazi; bheka, intonga ka-Aroni yendlu kaLevi ibisihlumile, izezile imiqumbe, iqhakazile izimbali, ithele ama-alimondi avuthiweyo.

⁹ UMose wakhiphela bonke abantwana bakwa-Israyeli zonke izintonga ngaphambi kukaJehova, babheka, yilowo nalowo wathatha intonga yakhe.

¹⁰ UJehova wathi kuMose: “Buyisa intonga ka-Aroni ngaphambi kobufakazi, igcinwe ibe luphawu kubahlubuki, ukuze uqede ukukhonona kwabo ngami ukuba bangafi.”

¹¹ UMose wenze njalo; njengalokho uJehova emyalile, wenze njalo-ke.

¹² Abantwana bakwa-Israyeli bakhuluma kuMose, bathi: “Bheka, siyaphela, siyashabalala, sishabalala sonke.

¹³ Bonke abasondelayo abasondela etabernakele likaJehova bayakufa; siyakuphela sonke na?”

ISAHLUKO 18

UJehova wathi ku-Aroni: “Wena namadodana akho nendlu kayihlo kanye nawe niyakuthwala ububi bendlu engcwele; wena namadodana akho kanye nawe niyakuthwala ububi bobupristi benu.

² Nabafowenu, isizwe sakwaLevi, isizwe sikayihlo, sondela nabo ukuba bahlanganiswe nawe, bakukhonze; kepha wena namadodana akho kanye nawe niyakuba ngaphambi kwetende lobufakazi.

³ Bayakugcina imfanelo yakho nenkonzo yetende lonke; kodwa abayikusondela empahleni yendlu engcwele nase-altare, ukuze bangafi, nabo nani.

⁴ Bayakuhlanganiswa nawe, bagcine inkonzo yetende lokuhlangana kuwo wonke umsebenzi wetende; umfokazi akayikusondela kuwe.

⁵ “Niyakugcina inkonzo yendlu engcwele nenkonzo yase-altare, ukuze ulaka lungabe lusaba khona phezu kwabantwana bakwa-Israyeli.

⁶ Bhekani, mina ngithabathe abafowenu amaLevi phakathi kwabantwana bakwa-Israyeli; bayisipho kini, benikelwe kuJehova ukwenza umsebenzi wetende lokuhlangana.

⁷ Wena namadodana akho kanye nawe niyakugcina ubupristi kukho konke okwe-altare, nakukho konke okuphakathi kwesihenqo; niyakukhonza; ngiyaninika ubupristi

njengenkonzo yesipho; umfokazi osondelayo wobulawa.”

⁸ UJehova wakhuluma ku-Aroni, wathi: “Bheka, mina ngikunike ukugcina iminikelo yami yokuphakanyiswa; zonke izinto ezingcwelisiwe zabantwana bakwa-Israyeli ngikunikile zona wena namadodana akho ngenxa yokugcotshwa, kube yisimiso esiphakade.

⁹ Lokhu kuyakuba ngokwakho ezintweni ezingcwelengcwele ezisale emlilweni: yonke iminikelo yabo, yonke iminikelo yabo yempuphu, nayo yonke iminikelo yabo yesono, nayo yonke iminikelo yabo yecala abanikela ngayo kimi iyakuba ngcwelengcwele kuwe nakumadodana akho.

¹⁰ Niyakudlela lokhu endaweni engcwelengcwele; bonke abesilisa bayakukudla; kuyakuba ngcwele kuwe.

¹¹ “Lokhu kungokwakho: umnikelo wokuphakanyiswa wesipho sabo, nayo yonke iminikelo yokuzuliswa yabantwana bakwa-Israyeli; ngiyinikile wena namadodana akho namadodakazi akho kanye nawe ibe yimfanelo ephakade; yilowo nalowo ohlambulukileyo endlini yakho uyakukudla.

¹² “Konke okuhle kwamanoni nakho konke okuhle kwewayini nokwamabele, ulibo lwalokho abanikela ngakho kuJehova ngikunikile khona.

¹³ Ulibo oluvuthwa kuqala lwakho konke okusezweni lakubo abaluletha kuJehova luyakuba ngolwakho; yilowo nalowo ohlambulukileyo endlini yakho uyakukudla.

¹⁴ “Konke okwahlukanisiwe kwa-Israyeli kuyakuba ngokwakho.

¹⁵ Konke okuvula isizalo senyama yonke abanikela ngakho kuJehova, okomuntu nokwesilwane, kuyakuba ngokwakho; nokho izibulo lomuntu wolihlenga ngempela, nezibulo lezilwane ezingcolileyo wolihlenga.

¹⁶ Okuhlengwayo kuyakuhlengwa kusukela kokunenyanga ngokulinganisa kwakho ngemali yamashekeli ayisihlanu ngokweshekeli lendlu engcwele elingamagera angamashumi amabili.

¹⁷ “Kepha izibulo lenkomo, noma izibulo lemvu, noma izibulo lembuzi, awuyikulihlenga, lingcwele; uyakufafaza i-altare ngegazi lazo, ushise amanoni azo abe ngumnikelo womlilo wephunga eliminandi kuJehova.

¹⁸ Inyama yazo iyakuba ngeyakho; njengesifuba sokuzuliswa nomlenze wokunene iyakuba ngeyakho.

¹⁹ Yonke iminikelo yezinto ezingcwele abantwana bakwa-Israyeli abanikela ngayo ngiyinikile wena namadodana akho namadodakazi akho kanye nawe ibe yimfanelo ephakade; kuyisivumelwano sikasawoti kuze kube phakade ngaphambi kukaJehova kuwena nakuyo inzalo yakho kanye nawe.”

²⁰ UJehova wathi ku-Aroni: “Awuyikuba nafa ezweni lakubo, futhi ungabi nasabelo phakathi kwabo; mina ngiyisabelo sakho nefa lakho phakathi kwabantwana bakwa-Israyeli.

²¹ “Bhekani, ngibanikile abantwana bakwa-Levi konke okweshumi kwa-Israyeli, kube yifa labo, ngomsebenzi abawusebenzayo, inkonzo yetende lokuhlangana.

²² Abantwana bakwa-Israyeli mabangabe besasondela etendeni lokuhlangana, funa bathwale isono, bafe.

²³ Kepha ama-Levi ayakugcina inkonzo yetende lokuhlangana, athwale ububi bawo; kuyakuba yisimiso esiphakade ezizukulwaneni zenu; naphakathi kwabantwana bakwa-Israyeli abayikuba nafa.

²⁴ Ngokuba okweshumi kwabantwana bakwa-Israyeli abanikela ngakho, kube ngumnikelo wokuphakanyiswa kuJehova, ngikunikile ama-Levi kube yifa lawo; ngalokho ngishilo kuwo, ngathi: ‘Phakathi kwabantwana bakwa-Israyeli aniyikubanafa.’ ”

²⁵ UJehova wakhuluma kuMose, wathi:

²⁶ “Futhi uyakukhuluma kumaLevi, uthi kuwo: ‘Nxa nithabatha kwabakwa-Israyeli okweshumi enginike khona kuvela kubo, kube yifa lenu, niyakunikela ngomnikelo wokuphakanyiswa kuJehova, okweshumi kokweshumi.

²⁷ Umnikelo wenu wokuphakanyiswa uyakubalelwa nina, njengalokho bekungamabele esibuya nanjengokugcwala kwesikhamo sewayini.

²⁸ Kanjalo nani niyakunikela ngomnikelo wokuphakanyiswa kuJehova ngakho konke okweshumi kwenu enikwamukelayo kubantwana bakwa-Israyeli; niyakunikela ku-Aroni umpristi ngomnikelo wokuphakanyiswa kaJehova.

²⁹ Kuzo zonke izipho zenu niyakunikela ngayo yonke iminikelo yokuphakanyiswa kuJehova, konke okuhle kwayo, inxenye yayo engcwelisiweyo.’

³⁰ “Ngalokho uyakusho kubo ukuthi: ‘Nxa niphakamisa okuhle kwayo, kuyakubalelwa amaLevi njengokwanda kwesibuya nokwanda kwesikhamo sewayini.

³¹ Niyakukudlela ezindaweni zonke, nina nabezindlu zenu, ngokuba kungumvuzo wenu ngomsebenzi wenu etendeni lokuhlangana.

³² Aniyikuthwala sono ngenxa yakho, lapho seniphakamisile okuhle kwakho, ningahlambalazi izinto ezingcwele zabantwana bakwa-Israyeli ukuba ningafi.’ ”

IS AHLUKO 19

UJehova wakhuluma kuMose naku-Aroni, wathi:

² “Lokhu kuyisimiso somthetho uJehova ayalile ngaso ukuthi: ‘Yisho kubantwana bakwa-Israyeli ukuba balethe kuwe isithole esibomvu esingenasici, singenansolo, okungazange kubekwe ijoka phezu kwaso,

³ nisinike u-Eleyazare umpristi, yena asikhiphele ngaphandle kwekamu, sihlatshe phambi kwakhe;

⁴ u-Eleyazare umpristi uyakuthabatha igazi laso ngomunwe wakhe, afafaze kasikhombisa ngaphambi kwetende lokuhlangana ngegazi laso,

⁵ isithole sishiswe phambi kwakhe, isikhumba saso, nenyama yaso, negazi laso, kanye nomswani waso kushiswe;

⁶ umpristi uyakuthabatha umsedari, nehisopi, nendwangu ebomvu, akuphonse phakathi kokushayo kwesithole.

⁷ Umpristi useyakhlanza izingubo zakhe, ageze umzimba wakhe ngamanzi, andukuba angene ekamu, umpristi abe ngongcolile kuze kuhlwe.

⁸ Osishisayo uyakhlanza izingubo zakhe ngamanzi, ageze umzimba wakhe ngamanzi, abe ngongcolile kuze kuhlwe.

⁹ “ ‘Umuntu ohlambulukileyo uyakubutha umlotha wesithole, awubekele ngaphandle kwekamu endaweni ehlabulukileyo, ugcinelwe inhlangano yabantwana bakwa-Israyeli kube ngamanzi okuphothula; kungumnikelo wesono.

¹⁰ Obutha umlotha wesithole uyakhlanza izingubo zakhe, abe ngongcolile kuze kuhlwe; kuyakuba yisimiso esiphakade kubantwana bakwa-Israyeli nakumfokazi ogogobeleyo phakathi kwabo.

¹¹ “ ‘Othinta isidumbu somuntu uyakuba ngongcolile izinsuku eziyisikhombisa.

¹² Uyakuziphothula ngawo ngosuku lwesithathu, nangosuku lwesikhombisa uyakuhlambuluka; kepha uma engaziphothuli ngosuku lwesithathu, akayikuhlambuluka ngosuku lwesikhombisa.

- ¹³ Yilowo nalowo othinta isidumbu somuntu ofileyo, angaziphothuli, uyangcolisa itabernakele likaJehova; lowo muntu uyakunqunywa ku-Israyeli, ngokuba amanzi okuphothula akafafazwanga ngawo; uyakuba ngongcolile; ukungcola kwakhe kuse kuye.
- ¹⁴ “ ‘Nanku umthetho, uma umuntu efela etendeni: yilowo nalowo ongena etendeni nalowo osetendeni uyakuba ngongcolile izinsuku eziyisikhombisa.
- ¹⁵ Nazo zonke izitsha ezivulekileyo ezingenaso isisibekelo esiboshwe kuzo zingcolile.
- ¹⁶ “ ‘Yilowo nalowo othinta endle obulewe ngenkamba, noma isidumbu, noma ithambo lomuntu, noma ithuna, uyakuba ngongcolile izinsuku eziyisikhombisa.
- ¹⁷ “ ‘Abangcolileyo bayakuthatha umlotha wokushayo komnikelo wesono, namanzi agobhozayo ayakuthelwa kanye nawo esitsheni,
- ¹⁸ umuntu ohlambulukileyo athabathe ihisopi, aligcobhoze emanzini, afafaze ngawo itende, nezitsha zonke, nabantu ababelapho, nowathinta ithambo, noma ababuleweyo, noma abafileyo, noma ithuna,
- ¹⁹ umuntu ohlambulukileyo amfafaze ongcolileyo ngosuku lwesithathu nangosuku lwesikhombisa, amphothule ngosuku lwesikhombisa, ahlanze izingubo zakhe, ageze ngamanzi, ahlambuluke ngakusihlwa.
- ²⁰ Kepha umuntu ongcolayo engaziphothuli, lowo muntu uyakunqunywa phakathi kwebandla, ngokuba ungcolisile indlu engcwele kaJehova; amanzi okuphothula akafafazwanga ngawo; ungcolile.
- ²¹ Kuyakuba yisimiso esiphakade kubo; ofafaza amanzi okuphothula uyakuhlana izingubo zakhe, nothinta amanzi okuphothula uyakuba ngongcolile kuze kuhlwe.
- ²² Lokhu umuntu ongcolileyo akuthintayo kuyakuba ngokungcolile; umuntu okuthintayo uyakuba ngongcolile kuze kuhlwe.’ ”

ISAHLUKO 20

Abantwana bakwa-Israyeli, yonke inhlango, bafika ehlane laseSini ngenyanga yokuqala; abantu bahlala eKadeshi; uMiryamu wafela khona, wembelwa khona futhi.

- ² Kwakungekho manzi lapho kuyo inhlango; babahlanganyela oMose no-Aroni.
- ³ Abantu balwa noMose, bakhuluma bathi: “Sengathi ngabe safu ekufeni kwabafowethu phambi kukaJehova.
- ⁴ Niletheleni ibandla likaJehova kuleli hlane, ukuze sifele lapha, thina nezinkomo zethu, na?
- ⁵ Nasikhuphulelani eGibthe, ukuze silethwe kule ndawo embi, na? Akusiyo indawo yembewu, noma eyamakhwane, noma eyemivini, noma eyamapomegranati, kungekho futhi amanzi okuphuza.”
- ⁶ OMose no-Aroni basuka ebusweni bebandla ukuya ngasemnyango wetende lokuhlangana, bawa ngobuso babo; inkazimulo kaJehova yabonakala kubo.
- ⁷ UJehova wakhuluma kuMose, wathi:
- ⁸ “Thabatha intonga, ubuthe inhlango, wena no-Aroni umfowenu, nikhulume kulo idwala eliphambi kwamehlo abo ukuba liveze amanzi alo; uyakubavezela amanzi edwaleni, ukuze unike inhlango nezinkomo zayo ukuphuza.”
- ⁹ UMose wathabatha intonga phambi kukaJehova, njengalokho eyalile.
- ¹⁰ OMose no-Aroni babutha ibandla phambi kwedwala; wathi-ke kubo: “Yizwani manje nina bahlubuki; siyakunivezela yini amanzi kuleli dwala na?”
- ¹¹ UMose waphakamisa isandla sakhe, walishaya idwala kabili ngentonga yakhe,

kwaphuma amanzi amaningi, inhlangotho yaphuza kanye nezinkomo zayo.

¹² UJehova wathi kuMose naku-Aroni: “Njengokuba anikholwanga yimi ukungingcwelisa emehlweni abantwana bakwa-Israyeli, ngalokho aniyikungenisa leli bandla ezweni engibanike lona.”

¹³ Lokhu kwakungamanzi aseMeriba, ngokuba abantwana bakwa-Israyeli balwa noJehova, wangcweliswa kubo.

¹⁴ UMose wathuma izithunywa enkosini yakwa-Edomi, zisuka eKadeshi, wathi: “Usho kanje umfowenu u-Israyeli: ‘Uyazazi zonke izinkathazo ezisehlele

¹⁵ ukuthi obaba behlela eGibithe, sahlala eGibithe isikhathi eside; abaseGibithe basiphatha kabi thina nawobaba;

¹⁶ lapho sakhala kuJehova, walizwa izwi lethu, wathuma ingelosi, wasikhipha eGibithe; bheka sesiseKadeshi, umuzi oseceleni komkhawulo wakho;

¹⁷ ake sidabule izwe lakho; asiyikudabula amasimu nezivini, singaphuzi amanzi emithombo; siyakhamba ngomgwaqo wenkosi, singajiki ngakwesokunene nangakwesokhohlo size sidlule umkhawulo wakho.’ ”

¹⁸ U-Edomi wathi kuye: “Awuyikudabula kimi, funa ngikusukele ngenkamba.”

¹⁹ Abantwana bakwa-Israyeli bathi kuye: “Siyakukhuphuka ngomgwaqo; uma siphuza amanzi akho, mina nezinkomo zami, ngiyakukhokhela imali yawo. Mangidabule nje ngezinyawo zami, kungabi ngokunye.”

²⁰ Kepha wathi: “Awuyikudabula.” U-Edomi wayesephuma wamsukela nabantu abaningi nesandla esinamandla.

²¹ Kanjalo u-Edomi wala ukuba u-Israyeli adabule izwe lakhe; ngalokho u-Israyeli wachezuka kuye.

²² Basuka eKadeshi; abantwana bakwa-Israyeli, inhlangotho yonke, bafika entabeni yaseHori.

²³ UJehova wakhuluma kuMose naku-Aroni entabeni yaseHori ngasemkhawulweni wezwe lakwa-Edomi, wathi:

²⁴ “U-Aroni uyakubuthelwa kubantu bakhe, ngokuba akayikungena ezweni engibanike lona abantwana bakwa-Israyeli, lokhu nahlubuka ezwini lami ngasemanzini aseMeriba.

²⁵ Thabatha o-Aroni no-Eleyazare, indodana yakhe, ubakhuphulele entabeni yaseHori,

²⁶ umkhumule u-Aroni izambatho zakhe, uzifake ku-Eleyazare indodana yakhe; u-Aroni uyakubuthelwa kubantu bakhe, afele khona.”

²⁷ UMose wenza njengalokho uJehova eyalile; bakhuphukela entabeni yaseHori emehlweni enhlangano yonke.

²⁸ UMose wamkhumula u-Aroni izambatho zakhe, wazifaka ku-Eleyazare indodana yakhe; u-Aroni wafela khona esiqongweni sentaba; oMose no-Eleyazare behla entabeni.

²⁹ Lapho inhlangotho yonke ibona ukuthi u-Aroni ufile, bamlilela u-Aroni izinsuku ezingamashumi amathathu, yonke indlu yakwa-Israyeli.

ISAYILUKO 21

UmKhanani, inkosi yase-Arabi, owayakhe eningizimu, wezwa ukuthi u-Israyeli uyeza ngendlela yase-Atarimi; walwa no-Israyeli, wathumba abanye kubo.

² U-Israyeli wenza isithembiso kuJehova, wathi: “Uma unikela nokunikela laba bantu esandleni sami, ngiyakuchitha impela imizi yabo.”

³ UJehova walilalela izwi lika-Israyeli, wanikela amaKhanani; bawaqothula kanye nemizi

yawo; igama laleyo ndawo lathiwa iHorma.

⁴ Basuka entabeni yaseHori ngendlela yoLwandle Olubomvu ukuba bazungeze izwe lakwa-Edomi; inhliziyi yabantu yaphela amandla ngenxa yendlela.

⁵ Abantu bakhuluma kabi ngoNkulunkulu nangoMose, bathi: “Nisikhuphuleleni eGibithe ukuba sifele ehlane na? Ngokuba akukho sinkwa, akukho manzi; umphefumulo wethu uyanengwa yilesi sinkwa esilulana.”

⁶ UJehova wathuma izinyoka ezinesihlungu phakathi kwabantu, zabaluma abantu; abantu abaningi bakwa-Israyeli bafa.

⁷ Abantu bafika kuMose, bathi: “Sonile, ngokuba sikhulume kabi ngoJehova nangawe; khuleka kuJehova ukuba asuse izinyoka kithi.” UMose wabakhulekela abantu.

⁸ UJehova wathi kuMose: “Zenzele inyoka enesihlungu, uyibeke ensikeni; kuyakuthi yilowo nalowo olunywayo, lapho eyibheka, uyakusinda.”

⁹ UMose wenza inyoka yethusi, wayibeka ensikeni; kwathi lapho inyoka imlumile umuntu, uma ebeyibheka inyoka yethusi, wasinda.

¹⁰ Abantwana bakwa-Israyeli bahamba, bamisa e-Oboti.

¹¹ Basuka e-Oboti, bamisa e-Iye Abarimi ehlane elingaphandle kwelakwaMowabi ngasempumalanga.

¹² Basuka lapho, bamisa esiGodini saseZeredi.

¹³ Basuka lapho, bamisa ngaphesheya kwe-Arinoni elisehlane, elivela emkhawulweni wama-Amori, ngokuba i-Arinoni lingumkhawulo welakwaMowabi, phakathi kwelakwaMowabi nama-Amori.

¹⁴ Ngalokho kuthiwa eNcwadini yeziMpi zikaJehova: “IVahebi laseSufa, nezigodi zase-Arinoni,

¹⁵ nomthambeka wezigodi othambeka ngasezweni le-Ari, oncike emkhawulweni wakwaMowabi.”

¹⁶ Basuka lapho, baya eBeri; lokhu kungumthombo asho ngawo uJehova kuMose, wathi: “Butha abantu, ngibaphe amanzi.”

¹⁷ U-Israyeli wayesehlabelela lesi sihlabelelo sokuthi: “Mpompoza, mthombo, nihlabelele kuwo,

¹⁸ umthombo ezawumba izikhulu, abawugubha abakhulu babantu ngentonga yobukhosi nangezindondolo zabo.” Basuka ehlane, baya eMathana.

¹⁹ Basuka eMathana, baya eNahaliyeli; basuka eNahaliyeli, baya eBamoti;

²⁰ basuka eBamoti, baya esigodini esisezweni lakwaMowabi nasesiqongweni sasePisiga, elibheke ngenzansi ngasehlane.

²¹ U-Israyeli wathuma izithunywa kuSihoni inkosi yama-Amori, wathi:

²² “Ake sidabule izwe lakho; asiyikuchezukela emasimini noma ezivinini, singaphuzi amanzi emithombo; siyakuhamba ngomgwaqo wenkosi, size sidlule umkhawulo wakho.”

²³ USihoni wayengamvumeli u-Israyeli ukudabula izwe lakhe, kepha uSihoni wabutha bonke abantu bakhe, waphuma eyomhlasela u-Israyeli ehlane, wafika eJahasi, walwa no-Israyeli.

²⁴ U-Israyeli wamnqoba ngosiko lwenkemba, wadla izwe lakhe, kusukela e-Arinoni kuze kufike eJaboki nakubo abantwana bakwa-Amoni, ngokuba umkhawulo wabantwana bakwa-Amoni wawunamandla.

²⁵ U-Israyeli wathatha yonke le mizi; u-Israyeli wahlala emizini yonke yama-Amori eHeshiboni nasemizini yonke yalo.

²⁶ Ngokuba iHeshiboni lalingumuzi kaSihoni inkosi yama-Amori owayelwile nenkosi

endala yakwaMowabi, wathatha lonke izwe lakhe esandleni sakhe kwaze kwafika e-Arinoni.

²⁷ Ngalokho abakhulu ngezaga basho bathi: “Wozani eHeshiboni; makwakiwe, umuzi kaSihoni umiswe;

²⁸ ngokuba umlilo uphumile eHeshiboni; ilangabi livelile emzini kaSihoni; liqedile i-Ari lakwaMowabi nabakhe emadulini ase-Arinoni.

²⁹ Maye kuwena Mowabi! Niphelile, nina bantu bakaKemoshi; unikele amadodana akhe abe ngababaleki, namadodakazi akhe athunjwe kuSihoni inkosi yama-Amori.

³⁰ “Sibacibishele; iHeshiboni liphelile kuze kube seDiboni; sichithile kuze kube seNofa elingaseMedeba.”

³¹ Kanjalo u-Israyeli wahlala ezweni lama-Amori.

³² UMose wathuma ukuhlola iJazeri, bathatha imizi yalo, baxosha ama-Amori ayelapho.

³³ Baphenduka, bakhuphuka ngendlela yaseBashani; u-Ogi inkosi yaseBashani waphuma, wabasukela, yena nabo bonke abantu bakhe, ukuyokulwa ngase-Edireyi.

³⁴ UJehova wathi kuMose: “Ningamesabi, ngokuba ngimnikele esandleni sakho kanye nabantu bakhe bonke nezwe lakhe; uyakwenza kuye njengalokho wenza kuSihoni inkosi yama-Amori owahlala eHeshiboni.”

³⁵ Base bemnqoba-ke, namadodana akhe, nabo bonke abantu bakhe, waze wangasalelwa muntu; badla izwe lakubo.

IS AHLUKO 22

Abantwana bakwa-Israyeli bahamba, bamisa emathafeni akwaMowabi ngaphesheya kweJordani ngaseJeriko.

² UBalaki indodana kaSipori wabona konke akwenzile u-Israyeli kuwo ama-Amori.

³ UMowabi wayesesaba kakhulu abantu, ngokuba babebaningi; uMowabi waba nosizi ngenxa yabantwana bakwa-Israyeli.

⁴ UMowabi wathi kumalunga akwaMidiyani: “Manje leli bandla liyakukhotha konke okungakithi nxazonke, njengalokhu inkabi ikhotha utshani bedlelo.” UBalaki indodana kaSipori wayeyinkosi yakwaMowabi ngaleso sikhathi.

⁵ Wathuma izithunywa kuBileyam indodana kaBeyori ePethori elingasemfuleni ezweni labantwana babantu bakhe ukumbiza ngokuthi: “Bheka, nampa abantu abaphumile eGibithe; bheka, basibekela ubuso bomhlaba; sebhala malungana nami;

⁶ ngalokho ake uze manje, ungiqalekisele laba bantu, ngokuba bayangahlula; mhlawumbe ngingaze ngibe namandla ukuba sibanoqobe, ngibaxoshe ezweni, ngokuba ngiyazi ukuthi ombusisayo ubusisiwe, nomqalekisayo uqalekisiwe.”

⁷ Amalunga akwaMowabi namalunga akwaMidiyani asuka enenkokhelo yokubhula esandleni sawo; ayesefika kuBileyam, akhuluma kuye amazwi kaBalaki.

⁸ Wathi-ke kuwo: “Hlalani lapha lobu busuku, nginibuyisele izwi, njengalokhu uJehova eyakukhuluma kimi.” Izikhulu zakwaMowabi zahlala-ke kuBileyam.

⁹ UNkulunkulu wafika kuBileyam, wathi: “Ngobani lawa madoda akuwe na?”

¹⁰ UBileyam wathi kuNkulunkulu: “UBalaki indodana kaSipori, inkosi yakwaMowabi, uthumile kimi wathi:

¹¹ ‘Bheka, abantu abaphumile eGibithe basibekela ubuso bomhlaba; woza kalokhu, ungiqalekisele bona; mhlawumbe ngingaze ngibe namandla ukulwa nabo, ngibaxoshe.’ ”

¹² UNkulunkulu wathi kuBileyam: “Awuyikuhamba nawo; awuyikuqalekisa abantu,

ngokuba babusisiwe.”

13 UBileyamu wavuka ekuseni, wathi kuzo izikhulu zikaBalaki: “Buyelani ezweni lakini, ngokuba uJehova uyangalela ukuba ngihambe nani.”

14 Izikhulu zakwaMowabi zasuka, zaya kuBalaki, zathi: “UBileyamu uyala ukufika nathi.”

15 UBalaki wabuye wathuma izikhulu, ziningi, zidumile kunezokuqala.

16 Zafika kuBileyamu, zathi kuye: “Usho kanje uBalaki indodana kaSipori, uthi: ‘Ake ungavinjwa lutho ukuza kimi,

17 ngokuba ngiyakukunika udumo olukhulu, nakho konke ongitshela khona ngiyakukwenza; ake uze ngalokho manje, ungiqalekisele laba bantu.’ ”

18 UBileyamu waphendula wathi kuzo izinceku zikaBalaki: “Noma uBalaki ebeyakunginika indlu yakhe igcwele isiliva negolide, anginakulidlula izwi likaJehova uNkulunkulu wami ukwenza okuncane nokukhulu.

19 Ngalokho ake nihlale nani lapha lobu busuku, ukuze ngazi ukuthi uJehova useyakukhulumani kimi futhi.”

20 UNkulunkulu weza kuBileyamu ebusuku, wathi kuye: “Uma amadoda efika ukukubiza, vuka uhambe nawo; kepha lelo zwi kuphela engilikhuluma kuwe uyakulenza.”

21 UBileyamu wavuka ekuseni, wabophela imbongolo yakhe, wahamba nezikhulu zakwaMowabi.

22 Intukuthelo kaNkulunkulu yavutha ngokuba wahamba; ingelosi kaNkulunkulu yema endleleni ukuba imelane naye. Wayekhwele imbongolo yakhe, izinceku zakhe ezimbili zinaye.

23 Imbongolo yabona ingelosi kaJehova imi endleleni, inenkemba yayo ehoshiweyo esandleni sayo; imbongolo yachezuka endleleni, yaya ensimini, kepha uBileyamu wayishaya imbongolo ukuyibuyisela endleleni.

24 Ingelosi kaJehova yayisima endleleni engumngcingo phakathi kwezivini, kwaba ludonga ngalapha nodonga ngalapha.

25 Imbongolo yayibona ingelosi kaJehova, yazigqula odongeni, yalimaza unyawo lukaBileyamu ngasodongeni; wabuye wayishaya.

26 Ingelosi kaJehova yaqhubeka yema endaweni eminyeneyo, lapho kwakungekho khona indlela yokujika ngakwesokunene noma ngakwesokhohlo.

27 Imbongolo yayibona ingelosi kaJehova, yalala phansi kukaBileyamu; intukuthelo kaBileyamu yavutha, wayishaya imbongolo ngenduku yakhe.

28 UJehova wavula umlomo wembongolo, yathi kuBileyamu: “Ngenzeni kuwe ukuba ungishaye kathathu na?”

29 UBileyamu wathi embongolweni: “Ngokuba ungiswabulele; sengathi ngabe kukhona inkemba esandleni sami, ngokuba ngabe sengikubulele.”

30 Kepha imbongolo yathi kuBileyamu: “Angisiyo imbongolo yakho oyikhwele konke ukuhamba kwakho kuze kube manje na? Ngangivama ukwenza kanjalo kuwe na?” Wathi: “Qha.”

31 UJehova wayesevula-ke amehlo kaBileyamu, wayibona ingelosi kaJehova imi endleleni, inenkemba yayo ehoshiweyo esandleni sayo; wagoba ikhanda, wawa ngobuso bakhe.

32 Ingelosi kaJehova yathi kuye: “Uyishayeleni imbongolo yakho kathathu na? Bheka, ngiphumele ukumelana nawe, ngokuba indlela yakho iyingozi phambi kwami;

33 imbongolo yangibona, yachezuka phambi kwami kathathu; uma ibingachezukanga kimi, ngabe sengikubulele, ngayisindisa yona.”

- ³⁴ Wathi uBileyamu kuyo ingelosi kaJehova: “Ngonile; ngokuba bengingazi ukuthi umi endleleni umelene nami; ngalokho uma kukubi emehlweni akho, ngiyakubuyela emuva.”
- ³⁵ Yayisithi ingelosi kaJehova kuBileyamu: “Hamba nalawa madoda, kepha lelo zwi kuphela engiyakulikhuluma kuwe uyakulikhuluma.” UBileyamu wayesehamba nezikhulu zikaBalaki.
- ³⁶ UBalaki esezwa ukuthi uBileyamu uyeza, waphuma ukumhlangabeza e-Iri Mowabi elisemkhawulweni wase-Arinoni, liseceleni komkhawulo.
- ³⁷ UBalaki wathi kuBileyamu: “Angithumanga nokuthuma kuwe ukukubiza na? Awufikanga ngani kimi? Anginamandla yini okukunika udumo na?”
- ³⁸ UBileyamu wathi kuBalaki: “Bheka, sengifikile kuwe, anginamandla nokho manje okukhuluma utho. Izwi uNkulunkulu alifaka emlonyeni wami, ngiyakukhuluma lona.”
- ³⁹ UBileyamu wahamba noBalaki, bafika eKiriyati Husoti.
- ⁴⁰ UBalaki wanikela ngezinkabi nangezimvu, wazithuma kuBileyamu nakuzo izikhulu ezinaye.
- ⁴¹ Kwathi ekuseni uBalaki wamthatha uBileyamu, wamyisa ezindaweni eziphakemeyo zikaBali, wabona elapho inxenye yabantu.

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- U**Bileyamu wathi kuBalaki: “Ngakhele lapha ama-altare ayisikhombisa, ungilungisele lapha izinkunzi eziyisikhombisa nezinqama eziyisikhombisa.”
- ² UBalaki wenza-ke njengalokho uBileyamu ekhulumile; oBalaki noBileyamu banikela kulelo nalelo altare inkunzi nenqama.
- ³ UBileyamu wathi kuBalaki: “Yima ngasemnikelweni wakho wokushiswa, mina ngihambe; mhlawumbe uJehova angafika ukungihlangabeza; konke angitshengisa khona ngiyakukutshela.” Waya edulini elingenalutho.
- ⁴ UNkulunkulu wahlangana noBileyamu; yena wathi kuye: “Sengilungisile ama-altare ayisikhombisa, nganikela ngenkunzi nangenqama kulelo nalelo altare.”
- ⁵ UJehova wafaka izwi emlonyeni kaBileyamu, wathi: “Buyela kuBalaki, ukhulume kanje.”
- ⁶ Wayesebuyela kuye; bheka, wayemi ngasemnikelweni wokushiswa, yena nazo zonke izikhulu zakwaMowabi.
- ⁷ Wayesethatha isisho sakhe, wathi: “E-Aramu uBalaki ungilandile, inkosi yakwaMowabi ezintabeni zasempumalanga: woza ungiqalekisele uJakobe; woza umdlelesele u-Israyeli.
- ⁸ Ngingamqalekisa kanjani ongaqalekiswa nguNkulunkulu na? Ngingamdlelesela ongadleleselwanga nguNkulunkulu na?
- ⁹ Ngokuba ngisesiqongweni samadwala ngiyambona, ngisemadulini ngiyambuka; bheka, kungabantu abahlala bodwa, abangayikubalwa phakathi kwezizwe.
- ¹⁰ Ngubani ongabala uthuli lukaJakobe, abale okwesine kuka-Israyeli, na? Mangife ukufa kolungileyo, nokuphela kwami makube njengokwakhe.”
- ¹¹ UBalaki wathumela kuBileyamu, wathi: “Wenzeni kimi na? Ngakuthatha ukuba uqalekise izitha zami; bheka, uzibusisile nokuzibusisa.”
- ¹² Waphendula wathi: “Angiyikuqaphela ukukhuluma lokhu uNkulunkulu akufakile emlonyeni wami na?”
- ¹³ UBalaki wayesethi kuye: “Ake uze nami, siye kwenye indawo, lapho ungababona khona; uyakubona inxenye yabo kuphela, ungaboni bonke; ungiqalekisele bona uselapho.”

- ¹⁴ Wamyisa ensimini yaseSofimu esiqongweni sasePisiga, wakha ama-altare ayisikhombisa, wanikela ngenkunzi nangenqama kulelo nalelo altare.
- ¹⁵ Wathi kuBalaki: “Yima lapha ngasemnikelweni wakho wokushiswa, mina ngilinde laphaya.”
- ¹⁶ UJehova wayesehlangana noBileyam, wafaka izwi emlonyeni wakhe, wathi: “Buyela kuBalaki, ukhulume kanje.”
- ¹⁷ Wayesefika kuye; bheka, wayemi ngasemnikelweni wakhe wokushiswa, izikhulu zakwaMowabi zinaye. UBalaki wathi kuye: “UJehova ukhulume ngokuthini na?”
- ¹⁸ Wayesethatha isisho sakhe, wathi: “Vuka, Balaki, uzwe; ngilalele, wena ndodana kaSipori:
- ¹⁹ uNkulunkulu akasiye umuntu ukuba aqambe amanga, nandodana yomuntu ukuba azisole; ushilo, angayikukwenza, na? Ukhulumile, angayikukuphelelisa, na?”
- ²⁰ Bheka, ngiyaliwe ukubusisa; yena ubusisile, anginakukubuyisa.
- ²¹ Akabonanga ingozi kuJakobe, akabukanga nankathazo kwa-Israyeli. UJehova uNkulunkulu wakhe unaye, nesenanelo senkosi siphakathi kwabo.
- ²² UNkulunkulu wabakhipha eGibithe; unjengezimpondo zenyathi kubo.
- ²³ Ayikho imilingo engamelana noJakobe; akukho ukubhula okungamelana no-Israyeli; manje sekuyashiwo ngoJakobe nango-Israyeli ukuthi uNkulunkulu wenzeni.
- ²⁴ Bheka, abantu bavuka njengengonyamakazi, nanjengengonyama bayaziphakamisa; abayikulala phansi, bengakayidli impango, baphuze igazi lababuleweyo.”
- ²⁵ UBalaki wayesethi kuBileyam: “Ungabaqalekisi nokubaqalekisa, futhi ungababusisi nokubabusisa.”
- ²⁶ Kepha uBileyam waphendula, wathi kuBalaki: “Angikutshelanga yini ukuthi konke uNkulunkulu akukhulumayo ngiyakukwenza na?”
- ²⁷ Wathi uBalaki kuBileyam: “Ake uze, ngikuyise kwenye indawo; mhlawumbe kungaba kuhle emehlweni kaNkulunkulu ukuba ungiqalekisele bona uselapho.”
- ²⁸ UBalaki wamyisa uBileyam esiqongweni sasePeyori elibheke ngenzansi ngasehlane.
- ²⁹ UBileyam wayesethi kuBalaki: “Ngakhele lapha ama-altare ayisikhombisa, ungilungisele izinkunzi eziyisikhombisa nezingqama eziyisikhombisa.”
- ³⁰ UBalaki wenza-ke njengalokho eshilo uBileyam; wanikela ngenkunzi nangenqama kulelo nalelo altare.

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- U**Bileyam esebonile ukuthi kwakukuhle kuJehova ukubusisa u-Israyeli, akayanga njengakuqala ukulindela imilingo, kepha wabhekisa ubuso bakhe ngasehlane.
- ² UBileyam waphakamisa amehlo akhe, wabona u-Israyeli ehlezi ngokwezizwe zakhe; uMoya kaJehova wehlela phezu kwakhe.
- ³ Wayesethatha isisho sakhe, wathi: “UBileyam indodana kaBeyori uthi, umuntu omehlo akhe avuliwe uthi,
- ⁴ ozwileyo amazwi kaNkulunkulu, obonile umbono kaSomandla uthi, ewela phansi, kuvulwe amehlo akhe:
- ⁵ “Mahle kangaka amatende akho, Jakobe, namatabernakele akho, Israyeli.
- ⁶ Elulekile njengezigodi, njengamasimu ngasemfuleni, njengemihlaba ayitshalile uJehova, njengemisedari ngaseceleni kwamanzi.
- ⁷ Amanzi ayakugobhoza, aphume ezimbizeni zakhe, imbewu yakhe ibe semanzini

amaningi, inkosi yakhe ibe nkulu kuno-Agagi, umbuso wakhe uphakame.

⁸ “UNKulunkulu wamkhipha eGibithe; unjengezimpondo zenyathi kubo; uyakuqeda izizwe, izitha zakhe, aphule amathambo azo, azigwaze ngemicibisholo yakhe.

⁹ Wabuthalala, walala phansi njengengonyama, nanjengengonyamakazi, ngubani oyakumvusa na? “Mababusiswe bonke abakubusisayo, baqalekiswe bonke abakuqalekisayo.”

¹⁰ Ulaka lukaBalaki lwamvuthela uBileyam, washaya izandla zakhe; uBalaki wathi kuBileyam: “Ngakubiza ukuba uqalekise izitha zami; bheka, ubabusisile nokubabusisa kathathu.

¹¹ Ngelokho baleka uye endaweni yakho; bengithi ngiyakukunika udumo olukhulu; kepha bheka, uJehova ugodlile udumo kuwe.”

¹² UBileyam wathi kuBalaki: “Angikhulumanga yini kuzo izithunywa zakho owazithuma kimi ukuthi:

¹³ ‘Noma uBalaki ebeyakunginika indlu yakhe igcwele isiliva negolide, anginakulidlula izwi likaJehova ngenhliziyo yami ukwenza okuhle noma okubi; akukhulumayo uJehova lokhu ngiyakukukhuluma,’ na?

¹⁴ Bheka manje, ngibuyela kubantu bakithi; woza ngikumemezelele ukuthi laba bantu bayakwenzani kubantu bakini ngezinsuku ezizayo.”

¹⁵ Wayesethatha isisho sakhe, wathi: “UBileyam indodana kaBeyori uthi, umuntu oso lakhe livuliwe uthi,

¹⁶ ozwileyo amazwi kaNkulunkulu, owazi ukwazi koPhezukonke, obonile umbono kaSomandla, ewela phansi, kuvulwe amehlo akhe, uthi:

¹⁷ “Ngiyambona, kepha kungemanje; ngiyambheka, kodwa kungeseduze; kuyakuvela inkanyezi kuJakobe, nentonga yobukhosi iyakuvuka kwa-Israyeli, ishaye uMowabi emaceleni, ichithe onke amadodana kaSheti.

¹⁸ U-Edomi uyakuba yifa; uSeyiri uyakuba yifa naye, owayengowezitha zakhe, u-Israyeli esenza okubuqhawe.

¹⁹ Uyakuvela kuJakobe, achithe insali emzini.”

²⁰ Wayesembuka u-Amaleki, wathatha isisho sakhe, wathi: “U-Amaleki wayengesokuqala sezizwe, kepha ukugcina kwakhe kungukubhubha.”

²¹ Wayesewabuka amaKheni, wathatha isisho sakhe, wathi: “Inamandla indawo yakho yokuhlala; isidleke sakho simisiwe edwaleni.

²² Nokho uKayini uyakuchithwa uze uthunjwe ngu-Ashuri.”

²³ Wathatha isisho sakhe, wathi: “Maye, ngubani oyakuphila, lapho uNkulunkulu ekwenza lokhu, na?

²⁴ Imikhumbi iyakuvela ogwini lwaseKitimi, imhluphe u-Ashuri, imhluphe u-Ebere, naye aye ekubhujisweni.”

²⁵ UBileyam wayesesuka, wahamba, wabuyela endaweni yakhe; uBalaki wahamba ngeyakhe indlela.

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U-Israyeli wahlala eShithimi; abantu baqala ukuphinga namadodakazi akwaMowabi,

² ngokuba babiza abantu ukuba beze emihlatshelweni yawonkulunkulu babo; abantu badla, bakhothamela onkulunkulu babo.

³ U-Israyeli wazihlanganisa noBali Peyori. Intukuthelo kaJehova yayisimvuthela u-Israyeli.

- ⁴ UJehova wathi kuMose: “Thabatha zonke izinhloko zabantu, uziphanyekele uJehova elangeni, ukuze intukuthelo evuthayo kaJehova ibuye ku-Israyeli.”
- ⁵ UMose wathi kubo abahluleli bakwa-Israyeli: “Bulalani, kube yilowo nalowo abantu bakhe abazihlanganisile noBali Peyori.”
- ⁶ Bheka, umuntu wabantwana bakwa-Israyeli wafika eletha kubafowabo owesifazane wakwaMidiyani emehlweni kaMose nasemehlweni enhlangano yonke yabantwana bakwa-Israyeli, besakhala ngasemnyango wetende lokuhlangana.
- ⁷ Esekubona uFinehasi ka-Eleyazare ka-Aroni umpristi wavuka ephakathi kwenhlangano, wathatha umkhonto ngesandla sakhe,
- ⁸ wamlandela umuntu wakwa-Israyeli, wangena etendeni, wabagwaza bobabili, indoda yakwa-Israyeli nowesifazane esiswini sakhe. Sanqamuka-ke kanjalo isifo kubantwana bakwa-Israyeli.
- ⁹ Abafayo ngaleso sifo babe yizinkulungwane ezingamashumi amabili nane.
- ¹⁰ UJehova wayesekhuluma kuMose, wathi:
- ¹¹ “UFinehasi ka-Eleyazare ka-Aroni umpristi ukhalimile intukuthelo yami kubantwana bakwa-Israyeli, ngokuba wayehawuka ngomhawu wami phakathi kwabo, ukuze ngingaqothuli abantwana bakwa-Israyeli ngomhawu wami.
- ¹² Ngalokho yisho ukuthi: ‘Bheka, ngiyamnika isivumelwano sami sokuthula;
- ¹³ siyakuba kuye nakuyo inzalo yakhe emva kwakhe isivumelwano sobupristi obuphakade, ngokuba wayenomhawu ngoNkulunkulu wakhe, wabenzela abantwana bakwa-Israyeli ukubuyisana.’ ”
- ¹⁴ Igama lendoda yakwa-Israyeli eyabulawa, eyabulawa kanye nowesifazane wakwaMidiyani, lalinguZimri indodana kaSalu, isikhulu sendlu kayise phakathi kwabakwaSimeyoni.
- ¹⁵ Igama lowesifazane wakwaMidiyani owabulawa lalinguKozibi indodakazi kaSuri owayeyinhloko yabantu bendlu kayise kwaMidiyani.
- ¹⁶ UJehova wakhuluma kuMose, wathi:
- ¹⁷ “Khathaza abakwaMidiyani, ubashaye,
- ¹⁸ ngokuba bayanikhathaza nina ngamacebo abanikhohlise ngawo endabeni kaPeyori nangendaba kaKozibi indodakazi yesikhulu sakwaMidiyani, udadewabo, owabulawa ngosuku lwesifo ngendaba kaPeyori.”

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Kwathi emva kwaleso sifo uJehova wakhuluma kuMose naku-Eleyazare indodana ka-Aroni umpristi, wathi:

- ² “Balani umumo wenhlangano yonke yabantwana bakwa-Israyeli kusukela kwabaneminyaka engamashumi amabili kuya phezulu, ngezindlu zawoyise, bonke abakwa-Israyeli abangaphuma impi.”
- ³ OMose no-Eleyazare umpristi bakhuluma nabo emathafeni akwaMowabi ngaseJordani ngaseJeriko, bathi:
- ⁴ “Yebo, bona abaneminyaka engamashumi amabili kuya phezulu, njengalokho uJehova eyalile uMose nabantwana bakwa-Israyeli abaphuma ezweni laseGibithe.”
- ⁵ URubeni, izibulo lika-Israyeli: amadodana kaRubeni: kwaHanoki: ngumndeni wakwaHanoki; kwaPhalu: ngumndeni wakwaPhalu;
- ⁶ kwaHesironi: ngumndeni wakwaHesironi; kwaKarmi: ngumndeni wakwaKarmi.

- ⁷ Yileyo eyimindeni yabakwaRubeni; ababalwayo kuyo babe yizinkulungwane ezingamashumi amane nantathu namakhulu ayisikhombisa namashumi amathathu.
- ⁸ Amadodana kaPhalu: ngu-Eliyabe.
- ⁹ Amadodana ka-Eliyabe: ngoNemuweli, noDathani, no-Abiramu. Laba bangoDathani no-Abiramu labo ababizwa yinhlangano ukuba balwe noMose no-Aroni bekulo iviyo likaKora, lilwa noJehova;
- ¹⁰ umhlaba wavula umlomo wawo, wabagwinya kanye noKora ekufeni kwalelo viyo, lapho umlilo waqeda amadoda angamakhulu amabili namashumi ayisihlanu, aba yisixwayiso.
- ¹¹ Kepha amadodana kaKora awafanga.
- ¹² Amadodana kaSimeyoni ngemindeni yawo: kwaNemuweli: ngumndeni wakwaNemuweli; kwaJamini: ngumndeni wakwaJamini; kwaJakini: ngumndeni wakwaJakini;
- ¹³ kwaZera: ngumndeni wakwaZera; kwaShawule: ngumndeni wakwaShawule.
- ¹⁴ Yileyo eyimindeni yabakwaSimeyoni, izinkulungwane ezingamashumi amabili nambili namakhulu amabili.
- ¹⁵ Amadodana kaGadi ngemindeni yawo: kwaSefoni: ngumndeni wakwaSefoni; kwaHagi: ngumndeni wakwaHagi; kwaShuni: ngumndeni wakwaShuni;
- ¹⁶ kwa-Ozini: ngumndeni wakwa-Ozini; kwa-Eri: ngumndeni wakwa-Eri;
- ¹⁷ kwa-Arodi: ngumndeni wakwa-Arodi; kwa-Areli: ngumndeni wakwa-Areli.
- ¹⁸ Yileyo eyimindeni yamadodana kaGadi ngokwababalwayo kubo, izinkulungwane ezingamashumi amane namakhulu ayisihlanu.
- ¹⁹ Amadodana kaJuda: ngo-Eri no-Onani; o-Eri no-Onani bafela ezweni laseKhanani.
- ²⁰ Amadodana kaJuda ngemindeni yawo: kwaShela: ngumndeni wakwaShela; kwaPheresi: ngumndeni wakwaPheresi; kwaZera: ngumndeni wakwaZera.
- ²¹ Amadodana kaPheresi: kwaHesironi: ngumndeni wakwaHesironi; kwaHamule: ngumndeni wakwaHamule.
- ²² Yileyo eyimindeni kaJuda ngokwababalwayo kubo, izinkulungwane ezingamashumi ayisikhombisa nesithupha namakhulu ayisihlanu.
- ²³ Amadodana ka-Isakare ngemindeni yawo: kwaThola: ngumndeni wakwaThola; kwaPhuva: ngumndeni wakwaPhuva;
- ²⁴ kwaJashubi: ngumndeni wakwaJashubi; kwaShimroni: ngumndeni wakwaShimroni.
- ²⁵ Yileyo eyimindeni ka-Isakare ngokwababalwayo kubo, izinkulungwane ezingamashumi ayisithupha nane namakhulu amathathu.
- ²⁶ Amadodana kaZebuloni ngemindeni yawo: kwaSeredi: ngumndeni wakwaSeredi; kwa-Eloni: ngumndeni wakwa-Eloni; kwaJaleli: ngumndeni wakwaJaleli.
- ²⁷ Yileyo eyimindeni yabakwaZebuloni ngokwababalwayo kubo, izinkulungwane ezingamashumi ayisithupha namakhulu ayisihlanu.
- ²⁸ Amadodana kaJosefa ngemindeni yawo: ngoManase no-Efrayimi.
- ²⁹ Amadodana kaManase: kwaMakiri: ngumndeni wakwaMakiri; uMakiri wazala uGileyadi; kwaGileyadi: ngumndeni wakwaGileyadi.
- ³⁰ Lawa angamadodana kaGileyadi: kwa-Iyezeri: ngumndeni wakwa-Iyezeri; kwaHeleki: ngumndeni wakwaHeleki;
- ³¹ kwa-Asiriyeli: ngumndeni wakwa-Asiriyeli; kwaShekemi: ngumndeni wakwaShekemi;
- ³² kwaShemida: ngumndeni wakwaShemida; kwaHeferi: ngumndeni wakwaHeferi.
- ³³ USelofehadi indodana kaHeferi wayengenamadodana enamadodakazi odwa; amagama amadodakazi kaSelofehadi ayengoMahela, noHogila, noMilka, noTirisa.

- ³⁴ Yileyo eyimindeni kaManase; ababalwayo kubo babeyizinkulungwane ezingamashumi ayisihlanu nambili namakhulu ayisikhombisa.
- ³⁵ Lawa angamadodana ka-Efrayimi ngemindeni yawo: kwaShuthela: ngumndeni wakwaShuthela; kwaBekeri: ngumndeni wakwaBekeri; kwaThahani: ngumndeni wakwaThahani.
- ³⁶ Lawa angamadodana kaShuthela: kwa-Eranu: ngumndeni wakwa-Eranu.
- ³⁷ Yileyo eyimindeni yamadodana ka-Efrayimi ngokwababalwayo kubo, izinkulungwane ezingamashumi amathathu nambili namakhulu ayisihlanu. Lawo angamadodana kaJosefa ngemindeni yawo.
- ³⁸ Amadodana kaBenjamini ngemindeni yawo: kwaBela: ngumndeni wakwaBela; kwa-Ashibeli: ngumndeni wakwa-Ashibeli; kwa-Ahiramu: ngumndeni wakwa-Ahiramu;
- ³⁹ kwaShefufamu: ngumndeni wakwaShufamu; kwaHufamu: ngumndeni wakwaHufamu.
- ⁴⁰ Amadodana kaBela ayengo-Arida noNahamani; kwa-Arida: ngumndeni wakwa-Arida; kwaNahamani: ngumndeni wakwaNahamani.
- ⁴¹ Yilawo angamadodana kaBenjamini ngemindeni yawo; ababalwayo kubo babe yizinkulungwane ezingamashumi amane nanhlanu namakhulu ayisithupha.
- ⁴² Lawa angamadodana kaDani ngemindeni yawo: kwaShuhamu: ngumndeni wakwaShuhamu. Yileyo eyimindeni kaDani ngemindeni yayo.
- ⁴³ Yonke imindeni yabakwaShuhamu ngokwababalwayo kubo yayiyizinkulungwane ezingamashumi ayisithupha nane namakhulu amane.
- ⁴⁴ Amadodana ka-Asheri ngemindeni yawo: kwaJimna: ngumndeni wakwaJimna; kwaJishiwi: ngumndeni wakwaJishiwi; kwaBeriya: ngumndeni wakwaBeriya.
- ⁴⁵ Kumadodana kaBeriya: kwaHebere: ngumndeni wakwaHebere; kwaMalikiyeli: ngumndeni wakwaMalikiyeli.
- ⁴⁶ Igama lendodakazi ka-Asheri lalinguSera.
- ⁴⁷ Yileyo eyimindeni yamadodana ka-Asheri ngokwababalwayo kubo, izinkulungwane ezingamashumi ayisihlanu nantathu namakhulu amane.
- ⁴⁸ Amadodana kaNafetali ngemindeni yawo: kwaJaseli: ngumndeni wakwaJaseli; kwaGuni: ngumndeni wakwaGuni;
- ⁴⁹ kwaJeseri: ngumndeni wakwaJeseri; kwaShilemi: ngumndeni wakwaShilemi.
- ⁵⁰ Yileyo eyimindeni kaNafetali ngemindeni yayo; ababalwayo kubo babe yizinkulungwane ezingamashumi amane nanhlanu namakhulu amane.
- ⁵¹ Yilabo ababalwayo babantwana bakwa-Israyeli, izinkulungwane ezingamakhulu ayisithupha nanye namakhulu ayisikhombisa namashumi amathathu.
- ⁵² UJehova wakhuluma kuMose, wathi:
- ⁵³ “Izwe liyakhahlukaniselwa bona labo, libe yifa labo njengokomumo wamagama.
- ⁵⁴ Abaningi uyakubanika ifa elikhulu, abayingcosana uyakubanika ifa elincane, yilowo nalowo anikwe ifa ngokwababalwayo kuye.
- ⁵⁵ Izwe liyakhahlukaniswa nokho ngenkatho; bayakulidla ifa ngokwamagama ezizwe zawoyise.
- ⁵⁶ Ngokwenkatho izwe liyakhahlukaniswa phakathi kwabalingi nabayingcosana.”
- ⁵⁷ Nampa ababalwayo babaLevi ngemindeni yawo: kwaGereshoni: ngumndeni wakwaGereshoni; kwaKohati: ngumndeni wakwaKohati; kwaMerari: ngumndeni wakwaMerari.
- ⁵⁸ Nansi imindeni yamaLevi: ngumndeni wakwaLibini, nomndeni wakwaHebroni, nomndeni wakwaMaheli, nomndeni wakwaMushi, nomndeni wakwaKora. UKohati wazala

u-Amramu.

⁵⁹ Igama lomka-Amramu lalinguJokebedi indodakazi kaLevi, owazalelwa uLevi eGibithe; wazalela u-Amramu o-Aroni noMose noMiryamu udadewabo.

⁶⁰ U-Aroni wazala oNadabi, no-Abihu, no-Eleyazare, no-Itamari.

⁶¹ ONadabi no-Abihu bafa, lapho benikela ngomlilo ongafanele phambi kukaJehova.

⁶² Ababalwayo kubo babe yizinkulungwane ezingamashumi amabili nantathu, bonke abesilisa kusukela kwabanenyanza kuya phezulu; ngokuba ababalwanga phakathi kwabantwana bakwa-Israyeli, lokhu abanikwanga ifa phakathi kwabantwana bakwa-Israyeli.

⁶³ Yilabo ababalwa nguMose nangu-Eleyazare umpri ababala abantwana bakwa-Israyeli emathafeni akwaMowabi ngaseJordani ngaseJeriko.

⁶⁴ Kepha phakathi kwalabo kwakungekho muntu wababebaliwe nguMose nangu-Aroni umpri, ababala abantwana bakwa-Israyeli ehlane laseSinayi.

⁶⁵ Ngokuba uJehova wayeshilo ngabo wathi: “Bayakufa nokufa ehlane.” Akusalanga muntu kubo ngaphandle kukaKalebi indodana kaJefune noJoshuwa indodana kaNuni.

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Kwase kusondela amadodakazi kaSelofehadi kaHeferi kaGileyadi kaMakiri kaManase, awemindeni kaManase indodana kaJosefa; lawa angamagama amadodakazi akhe: oMahela, noNowa, noHogila, noMilka, noTirisa.

² Ema phambi kukaMose naphambi kuka-Eleyazare umpri, naphambi kwezikhulu, naphambi kwayo yonke inhlangano ngasemnyango wetende lokuhlangana, athi:

³ “Ubaba wafela ehlane; wayengekho phakathi kweviyo labahlanganyela uJehova kulo iviyo likaKora; kepha wafa ngesakhe isono engenamadodana.

⁴ Igama likababa liyakusulelwani emndenini wakhe, lokhu engenandodana na? Siphe ifa phakathi kwabafowabo bakababa.”

⁵ UMose wayiletha indaba yawo phambi kukaJehova.

⁶ UJehova wakhuluma kuMose, wathi:

⁷ “Amadodakazi kaSelofehadi akhulume kahle; uyakuwanika nokuwanika izwe eliyifa phakathi kwabafowabo bakayise ngokulidlulisela kuwo ifa likayise.

⁸ “Wokhuluma kubantwana bakwa-Israyeli ngokuthi: ‘Uma umuntu efa engenandodana, wolidlulisela ifa lakhe kuyo indodakazi yakhe.

⁹ Uma engenandodakazi, niyakunika abafowabo ifa lakhe.

¹⁰ Uma engenabafowabo, niyakunika abafowabo bakayise ifa lakhe.

¹¹ Uma uyise engenabafowabo, niyakunika isihlobo sakhe esiseduze naye emndenini wabo ifa lakhe, alidle. Lokhu kuyakuba yisimiso sesahlulelo kubantwana bakwa-Israyeli, njengalokho uJehova emyalile uMose.’ ”

¹² UJehova wathi kuMose: “Khuphukela entabeni yase-Abarimi, ubheke izwe engibanikile lona abantwana bakwa-Israyeli.

¹³ Lapho ulibonile, nawe uyakubuthelwa kubantu bakini, njengalokho wabuthwa u-Aroni,

¹⁴ ngokuba ehlane laseSini ekulweni kwenhlangano nahlubuka ezwini lami lokungingcwelisa ngasemanzini phambi kwamehlo abo.” Lawa angamanzi aseMeriba laseKadeshi ehlane laseSini.

¹⁵ UMose wayesekhuluma kuJehova, wathi:

¹⁶ “UJehova uNkulunkulu wemimoya yenyama yonke makamise umuntu phezu

kwenhlangano,

¹⁷ ongaphuma phambi kwabo, angene phambi kwabo, abakhiphe, abangenise, ukuze inhlango kaJehova ingabi njengezimvu ezingenamalusi.”

¹⁸ UJehova wathi kuMose: “Zithathele uJoshuwa indodana kaNuni, umuntu onomoya, ubeke isandla sakho phezu kwakhe,

¹⁹ ummise ngaphambi kuka-Eleyazare umpristi naphambi kwayo yonke inhlango, umnike isikhundla emehlweni abo.

²⁰ Uyakubeka udumo lwakho phezu kwakhe ukuba yonke inhlango yabantwana bakwa-Israyeli ilalele.

²¹ Uyakuma phambi kuka-Eleyazare umpristi oyakumbuzela ngokunquma kwe-Urimi phambi kukaJehova; ngezwi lakhe bayakuphuma nangezwi lakhe bayakungena, yena nabo bonke abantwana bakwa-Israyeli kanye naye, yebo, yonke inhlango.”

²² UMose wenza-ke njengalokho uJehova emyalile; wamthatha uJoshuwa, wambeka phambi kuka-Eleyazare umpristi naphambi kwenhlango yonke,

²³ wabeka izandla zakhe phezu kwakhe, wamnika isikhundla, njengalokho uJehova ekhulumile ngesandla sikaMose.

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UJehova wakhuluma kuMose, wathi:

² “Yala abantwana bakwa-Israyeli, uthi kubo: ‘Umnikelo wami, isinkwa sami seminikelo yami yomlilo yephunga eliminandi kimi, niyakuqaphela ukunikela ngawo kimi ngesikhathi sawo.’

³ Wothi kubo: ‘Lo ungumnikelo womlilo eniyakunikela ngawo kuJehova: izimvu zamaduna ezinomnyaka munye ezingenasici, zibe zimbili njalo ngosuku, zibe ngumnikelo oshiswa imihla yonke.

⁴ Enye imvu uyakunikela ngayo ekuseni, enye imvu unikele ngayo kusihlwa,

⁵ kanye nokweshumi kwe-efa lempuphu ecolekileyo ibe ngumnikelo wempuphu, exovwe nokwesine kwehini lamafutha agxotshelweyo.

⁶ Kungumnikelo oshiswa imihla yonke, owamiswa entabeni yaseSinayi ube yiphunga eliminandi, umnikelo womlilo kuJehova.

⁷ Umnikelo wawo wokuphuzwa uyakuba ngokwesine kwehini ngemvu inye; endaweni engcwele uyakuthululela uJehova umnikelo wokuphuzwa wophuzo olunamandla.

⁸ Enye imvu uyakunikela ngayo kusihlwa, unikele ngayo ibe njengomnikelo wempuphu wasekuseni nomnikelo wawo wokuphuzwa, umnikelo womlilo wephunga eliminandi kuJehova.

⁹ “ ‘Ngosuku lwesabatha izimvu zamaduna ezimbili ezinomnyaka munye ezingenasici, nokweshumi okubili kwempuphu ecolekileyo kube ngumnikelo wempuphu exovwe namafutha kanye nomnikelo wawo wokuphuzwa:

¹⁰ lokhu kungumnikelo oshiswa amasabatha onke ngaphandle komnikelo oshiswa imihla yonke nomnikelo wawo wokuphuzwa.

¹¹ “ ‘Ekwethwaseni kwenyanga niyakunikela ngomnikelo wokushiswa kuJehova: amaduna amabili, nenqama ibe nye, nezimvu zamaduna eziyisikhombisa ezinomnyaka munye ezingenasici,

¹² kanye nokweshumi okuthathu kwempuphu ecolekileyo ibe ngumnikelo wempuphu exovwe namafutha ngaleyo naleyo nkunzi, kanye nokweshumi okubili kwempuphu

ecolekileyo kube ngumnikelo wempuphu exovwe namafutha ngenqama inye,

¹³ nokweshumi kwempuphu ecolekileyo exovwe namafutha kube ngumnikelo wempuphu ngaleyo naleyo mvu, umnikelo wokushiswa wephunga elimnandi, umnikelo womlilo kuJehova.

¹⁴ Umnikelo wabo wokuphuzwa uyakuba yinxenye yehini lewayini ngenkunzi, nokwesithathu kwehini ngenqama, nokwesine kwehini ngemvu; lokhu kungumnikelo wokushiswa wezinyanga zonke kuzo zonke izinyanga zomnyaka.

¹⁵ Nempongo ibe nye, ibe ngumnikelo wesono kuJehova; kuyakunikelwa ngayo kanye nomnikelo oshiswa imihla yonke nomnikelo wawo wokuphuzwa.

¹⁶ “ ‘Ngenyanga yokuqala ngosuku lweshumi nane lwenyanga kuyiphasika likaJehova.

¹⁷ Ngosuku lweshumi nanhlano lwaleyo nyanga kuyakuba ngumkhosi, kudliwe isinkwa esingenamvubelo izinsuku eziyisikhombisa.

¹⁸ Ngosuku lokuqala kuyakuba khona umhlangano ongcwele; ningasebenzi msebenzi,

¹⁹ kepha ninikele ngomnikelo womlilo, umnikelo wokushiswa kuJehova, amaduna amabili, nenqama ibe nye, nezimvu zamaduna eziyisikhombisa ezinomnyaka munye, zibe ngezingenasici kini,

²⁰ kanye nomnikelo wazo wempuphu, impuphu ecolekileyo exovwe namafutha, ninikele ngokweshumi okuthathu ngenkunzi nangokweshumi okubili ngenqama,

²¹ unikele ngokweshumi ngaleyo naleyo mvu yezimvana eziyisikhombisa,

²² nempongo ibe nye, ibe ngumnikelo wesono, ukunenzela ukubuyisana;

²³ ninikele ngalokho kanye nomnikelo oshiswa ekuseni, ongumnikelo oshiswa imihla yonke.

²⁴ Niyakunikela kanjalo imihla yonke kube yizinsuku eziyisikhombisa, isinkwa somnikelo womlilo wephunga elimnandi kuJehova; kuyakunikelwa ngakho kanye nomnikelo oshiswa imihla yonke nomnikelo wawo wokuphuzwa.

²⁵ Ngosuku lwesikhombisa niyakuba nomhlangano ongcwele; ningasebenzi msebenzi.

²⁶ “ ‘Ngosuku lolibo, lapho ninikela ngomnikelo omusha wempuphu kuJehova emkhosini wenu wamasonto, niyakuba nomhlangano ongcwele; ningasebenzi msebenzi,

²⁷ kepha ninikele ngomnikelo wokushiswa wephunga elimnandi: amaduna amabili, nenqama ibe nye, nezimvu zamaduna eziyisikhombisa ezinomnyaka munye,

²⁸ kanye nomnikelo wazo wempuphu, impuphu exovwe namafutha, okweshumi okuthathu ngaleyo naleyo nkunzi, nokweshumi okubili ngenqama inye,

²⁹ nokweshumi ngaleyo naleyo mvu yezimvana eziyisikhombisa,

³⁰ nempongo ibe nye ukunenzela ukubuyisana.

³¹ Niyakunikela ngazo ngaphandle komnikelo oshiswa imihla yonke nomnikelo wawo wempuphu, zibe ngezingenasici kini, kanye neminikelo yazo yokuphuzwa.

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“Ngenyanga yesikhombisa ngolokuqala lwenyanga niyakuba nomhlangano ongcwele; ningasebenzi msebenzi; kulusuku lokubetha amacilongo kini.

² Niyakunikela ngomnikelo wokushiswa ube yiphunga elimnandi kuJehova: iduna, nenqama, nezimvu zamaduna eziyisikhombisa ezinomnyaka munye ezingenasici,

³ kanye nomnikelo wazo wempuphu, impuphu ecolekileyo exovwe namafutha, okweshumi okuthathu ngenkunzi, nokweshumi okubili ngenqama,

⁴ nokweshumi ngaleyo naleyo mvu yezimvana eziyisikhombisa,

- ⁵ nempongo ibe nye, ibe ngumnikelo wesono, ukunenzela ukubuyisana,
- ⁶ ngaphandle komnikelo wokushiswa wenyanga eyethwasayo nomnikelo wawo wempuphu, nomnikelo oshiswa imihla yonke nomnikelo wawo wempuphu, neminikelo yayo yokuphuzwa ngokwesimiso sayo, kube yiphunga elimnandi, umnikelo womlilo kuJehova.
- ⁷ “ ‘Ngolweshumi lwaleyo nyanga yesikhombisa niyakuba nomhlangano ongcwele, nithobise imiphefumulo yenu; ningasebenzi msebenzi,
- ⁸ kepha ninikele ngomnikelo wokushiswa kuJehova ube yiphunga elimnandi: iduna, nenqama, nezimvu zamaduna eziyisikhombisa ezinomnyaka munye, zibe ngezingenasici kini,
- ⁹ kanye nomnikelo wazo wempuphu, impuphu ecolekileyo exovwe namafutha, okweshumi okuthathu ngenkunzi, nokweshumi okubili ngenqama,
- ¹⁰ nokweshumi ngaleyo naleyo mvu yezimvana eziyisikhombisa,
- ¹¹ nempongo ibe nye, ibe ngumnikelo wesono, ngaphandle komnikelo wesono wokubuyisana, nomnikelo oshiswa imihla yonke nomnikelo wawo wempuphu, neminikelo yayo yokuphuzwa.
- ¹² “ ‘Ngosuku lweshumi nanhlano lwenyanga yesikhombisa niyakuba nomhlangano ongcwele; ningasebenzi msebenzi, nimgcinele uJehova umkhosi izinsuku eziyisikhombisa,
- ¹³ ninikele ngomnikelo wokushiswa, umnikelo womlilo wephunga elimnandi kuJehova: amaduna ayishumi nantathu, nezinqama ezimbili, nezimvu zamaduna eziyishumi nane ezinomnyaka munye, zibe ngezingenasici,
- ¹⁴ kanye nomnikelo wazo wempuphu, impuphu ecolekileyo exovwe namafutha, okweshumi okuthathu ngaleyo naleyo nkunzi yezinkunzi eziyishumi nantathu, nokweshumi okubili ngaleyo naleyo nqama yezinqama ezimbili,
- ¹⁵ nokweshumi ngaleyo naleyo mvu yezimvana eziyishumi nane,
- ¹⁶ nempongo ibe nye, ibe ngumnikelo wesono, ngaphandle komnikelo oshiswa imihla yonke nomnikelo wawo wempuphu nomnikelo wawo wokuphuzwa.
- ¹⁷ “ ‘Ngosuku lwesibili: amaduna ayishumi nambili, nezinqama ezimbili, nezimvu zamaduna eziyishumi nane ezinomnyaka munye ezingenasici,
- ¹⁸ kanye nomnikelo wazo wempuphu, neminikelo yazo yokuphuzwa ngezinkunzi nangezinqama nangezimvu, njengokomumo wazo ngokwesimiso,
- ¹⁹ nempongo ibe nye, ibe ngumnikelo wesono, ngaphandle komnikelo oshiswa imihla yonke nomnikelo wawo wempuphu neminikelo yayo yokuphuzwa.
- ²⁰ “ ‘Ngosuku lwesithathu: izinkunzi eziyishumi nanye, nezinqama ezimbili, nezimvu zamaduna eziyishumi nane ezinomnyaka munye ezingenasici,
- ²¹ kanye nomnikelo wazo wempuphu, neminikelo yazo yokuphuzwa ngezinkunzi nangezinqama nangezimvu, njengokomumo wazo ngokwesimiso,
- ²² nempongo ibe nye, ibe ngumnikelo wesono, ngaphandle komnikelo oshiswa imihla yonke nomnikelo wawo wempuphu nomnikelo wawo wokuphuzwa.
- ²³ “ ‘Ngosuku lwesine: izinkunzi eziyishumi, nezinqama ezimbili, nezimvu zamaduna eziyishumi nane ezinomnyaka munye ezingenasici,
- ²⁴ kanye nomnikelo wazo wempuphu, neminikelo yazo yokuphuzwa ngezinkunzi nangezinqama nangezimvu, njengokomumo wazo ngokwesimiso,
- ²⁵ nempongo ibe nye, ibe ngumnikelo wesono, ngaphandle komnikelo oshiswa imihla yonke nomnikelo wawo wempuphu nomnikelo wawo wokuphuzwa.

- ²⁶ “ ‘Ngosuku lwesihlanu: izinkunzi eziyisishiyagalolunye, nezinqama ezimbili, nezimvu zamaduna eziyishumi nane ezinomnyaka munye ezingenasici,
- ²⁷ kanye nomnikelo wazo wempuphu, neminikelo yazo yokuphuzwa ngezinkunzi nangezinqama nangezimvu, njengokomumo wazo ngokwesimiso,
- ²⁸ nempongo ibe nye ibe ngumnikelo wesono, ngaphandle komnikelo oshiswa imihla yonke nomnikelo wawo wempuphu nomnikelo wawo wokuphuzwa.
- ²⁹ “ ‘Ngosuku lwesithupha: izinkunzi eziyisishiyagalombili, nezinqama ezimbili, nezimvu zamaduna eziyishumi nane ezinomnyaka munye ezingenasici,
- ³⁰ kanye nomnikelo wazo wempuphu, neminikelo yazo yokuphuzwa ngezinkunzi nangezinqama nangezimvu, njengokomumo wazo ngokwesimiso,
- ³¹ nempongo ibe nye, ibe ngumnikelo wesono, ngaphandle komnikelo oshiswa imihla yonke nomnikelo wawo wempuphu neminikelo yawo wokuphuzwa.
- ³² “ ‘Ngosuku lwesikhombisa: izinkunzi eziyisikhombisa, nezinqama ezimbili, nezimvu zamaduna eziyishumi nane ezinomnyaka munye ezingenasici,
- ³³ kanye nomnikelo wazo wempuphu, neminikelo yazo yokuphuzwa ngezinkunzi nangezinqama nangezimvu, njengokomumo wazo ngokwesimiso,
- ³⁴ nempongo ibe nye, ibe ngumnikelo wesono, ngaphandle komnikelo oshiswa imihla yonke nomnikelo wawo wempuphu nomnikelo wawo wokuphuzwa.
- ³⁵ “ ‘Ngosuku lwesishiyagalombili niyakuba nomhlangano ozothileyo; ningasebenzi msebenzi,
- ³⁶ kepha ninikele ngomnikelo wokushiswa, umnikelo womlilo wephunga elimnandi kuJehova: inkunzi ibe nye, nenqama ibe nye, nezimvu zamaduna eziyisikhombisa ezinomnyaka munye ezingenasici,
- ³⁷ kanye nomnikelo wazo wempuphu neminikelo yazo yokuphuzwa ngenkunzi nangenqama nangezimvu, njengokomumo wazo ngokwesimiso,
- ³⁸ nempongo ibe nye, ibe ngumnikelo wesono, ngaphandle komnikelo oshiswa imihla yonke nomnikelo wawo wempuphu nomnikelo wawo wokuphuzwa.
- ³⁹ “ ‘Lokho niyakunikela ngakho kuJehova ngemikhosi yenu emisiweyo, ngaphandle kwezithembiso zenu neminikelo yenu yesihle, kube yiminikelo yenu yokushiswa, neminikelo yenu yempuphu, neminikelo yenu yokuphuzwa, neminikelo yenu yokuthula.’ ”
- ⁴⁰ UMose wabatshela abantwana bakwa-Israyeli njengakho konke uJehova amyale ngakho uMose.

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UMose wayesekhuluma kuzo izinhloko zezizwe zabantwana bakwa-Israyeli, ethi: “Yilokhu uJehova ayale ngakho ukuthi:

- ² ‘Nxa umuntu enza isithembiso kuJehova, noma efunga isifungo ukubopha umphefumulo wakhe ngesibopho esithile, akayikwaphula izwi lakhe; uyakwenza njengakho konke okuphuma emlonyeni wakhe.
- ³ “ ‘Uma owesifazane enza isithembiso kuJehova, azibophe ngesibopho esithile esendlini kayise, esemusha,
- ⁴ uyise esizwa isithembiso sakhe nesibopho sakhe abophe ngaso umphefumulo wakhe, engasho lutho kuye, izithembiso zakhe zonke ziyakuma, nazo zonke izibopho abophe ngazo umphefumulo wakhe ziyakuma;
- ⁵ kepha uma uyise emalela ngosuku akuzwa ngalo, akuyikuma nesisodwa sezithembiso

zakhe nesezibopho zakhe abophe ngazo umphefumulo wakhe; uJehova uyakumthethelela, ngokuba uyise umalele.

⁶ “ ‘Uma engowendoda, izithembiso zakhe zisephezu kwakhe noma okuphahlukiwe ngumlomo wakhe abophe ngakho umphefumulo wakhe,

⁷ indoda yakhe bese ikuzwa, ingasho lutho kuye ngosuku ekuzwa ngalo, izithembiso zakhe ziyakuma, nezibopho zakhe abophe ngazo umphefumulo wakhe ziyakuma;

⁸ kepha uma indoda yakhe imalela ngosuku ekuzwa ngalo, iyakwenza ize isithembiso sakhe esiphezu kwakhe nokuphahlukiwe ngumlomo wakhe abophe ngakho umphefumulo wakhe, uJehova amthethelele.

⁹ “ ‘Kepha isithembiso somfelokazi noma esolahliweyo, konke abophe ngakho umphefumulo wakhe kuyakuma kuye.

¹⁰ “ ‘Uma enzile isithembiso endlini yendoda yakhe, noma ebophe ngesibopho umphefumulo wakhe ngesifungo,

¹¹ indoda yakhe bese ikuzwa, ingasho lutho kuye, ingamalelanga, zonke izithembiso zakhe ziyakuma, nazo zonke izibopho abophe ngazo umphefumulo wakhe ziyakuma;

¹² kepha uma indoda yakhe izenza ize ngosuku ezizwa ngalo, konke okuphuma emlonyeni wakhe mayelana nezithembiso zakhe namayelana nesibopho somphefumulo wakhe akuyikuma; indoda yakhe ikwenzile ize; uJehova uyakumthethelela.

¹³ Zonke izithembiso nazo zonke izifungo ezibophayo zokuthobisa umphefumulo, indoda yakhe ingaziqinisa, noma indoda yakhe izenze ize.

¹⁴ Kepha uma indoda yakhe ithula nokuthula kuye izinsuku ngezinsuku, iyaqinisa zonke izithembiso zakhe nazo zonke izibopho zakhe eziphezu kwakhe; iziqinisele, ngokuba ithulile kuye ngosuku eyazizwa ngalo;

¹⁵ kepha uma izenza ize lapho isizizwile, iyakuthwala ububi bakhe.’ ”

¹⁶ Yilezo izimiso uJehova ayala ngazo uMose phakathi kwendoda nomkayo, naphakathi kukayise nendodakazi yakhe isentsha endlini kayise.

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UJehova wakhuluma kuMose, wathi:

² “Baphindisele abantwana bakwa-Israyeli kwabakwaMidiyani, andukuba ubuthelwe kubantu bakini.”

³ UMose wayesekhuluma kubantu, wathi: “Hlomiselani impi amadoda phakathi kwenu ukuba ahlasele abakwaMidiyani, aphindisele uJehova kwabakwaMidiyani;

⁴ kuleso naleso sizwe njalo anoyithuma empini inkulungwane ezizweni zonke zakwa-Israyeli.”

⁵ Kwase kunikelwa ezinkulungwaneni zakwa-Israyeli inkulungwane kuleso naleso sizwe, izinkulungwane eziyishumi nambili, zihlonyselwe impi.

⁶ UMose wabathuma empini, kwaba yinkulungwane kuleso naleso sizwe, bona noFinehasi indodana ka-Eleyazare umpristi, baye naye empini ephethe impahla yendlu engcwele namacilongo okuhlaba umkhosi esandleni sakhe.

⁷ Balwa noMidiyani, njengalokho uJehova emyalile uMose, babulala abesilisa bonke.

⁸ Babulala amakhosi akwaMidiyani kanye nabanye ababulawayo: o-Evi, noRekemi, noSuri, noHure, noReba, amakhosi ayisihlanu akwaMidiyani; noBileyamu indodana kaBeyori bambulala ngemkamba.

⁹ Abantwana bakwa-Israyeli bathumba abesifazane bakwaMidiyani nabancane babo;

nazo zonke izinkomo zabo, nazo zonke izimvu zabo, nayo yonke impahla yabo bakuthatha kwaba yimpango yabo.

10 Yonke imizi yabo yasezindaweni, lapho bebehla khona, nawo onke amakamu abo bakushisa ngomlilo.

11 Bathatha yonke impango nayo yonke impahla edliweyo, abantu nezilwane.

12 Baletha abathunjwa, nempango, nempahla edliweyo kuMose naku-Eleyazare umpristi, nakuyo inhlangano yabantwana bakwa-Israyeli ekamu emathafeni akwaMowabi angaseJordan ngaseJeriko.

13 OMose, no-Eleyazare umpristi, nazo zonke izikhulu zenhlangano baphuma ukubahlangebeza ngaphandle kwekamu.

14 UMose wazithukuthelela iziphathimandla zebandla, izinduna zezinkulungwane nezinduna zamakhulu ezazibuya empini.

15 UMose wathi kuzo: “Nisindisile bonke abesifazane na?”

16 Bhekani, laba benza ukuba abantwana bakwa-Israyeli ngesiluleko sikaBileyam baphambeke kuJehova ngendaba yasePeyori, kwaba khona isifo phakathi kwenhlangano kaJehova.

17 Ngalokho bulalani manje bonke abesilisa phakathi kwabantwana, nibulale nabo bonke abesifazane abayazi indoda ngokulala nayo.

18 Kepha onke amantombazana angazanga ndoda ngokulala nayo, nisisindisele wona.

19 “Misani ngaphandle kwekamu izinsuku eziyisikhombisa; yilowo nalowo obulele umuntu, nalowo othintile obuleweyo, makaziphothule ngosuku lwesithathu nangosuku lwesikhombisa, nina nabathunjwa benu.

20 Nazo zonke izingubo, nakho konke okwenziwe ngesikhumba, nayo yonke imisebenzi yoboya bezimbuzi, nazo zonke izinto ezenziwe ngomuthi, niyakuziphothula mayelana nakho.”

21 Umpristi u-Eleyazare wathi kumadoda empi ayeyile ekulweni: “Lokhu kuyisimiso somthetho uJehova ayale ngaso uMose:

22 kuphela igolide, nesiliva, nethusi, nensimbi, nethini, nomthofu,

23 konke okungahlala emlilweni, niyakukudabulisa emlilweni, kuhlambuluke; kodwa kuyakuhlanjululwa ngamanzi okuphuthula, kepha konke okungenakuhlala emlilweni niyakukudabulisa emanzini.

24 Niyakuhlanza izingubo zenu ngosuku lwesikhombisa, nihlambuluke, andukuba ningene ekamu.”

25 UJehova wakhuluma kuMose, wathi:

26 “Balani impango yonke ethathiweyo, abantu nezilwane, wena no-Eleyazare umpristi, nezinhloko zezindlu zawoyise benhlangano,

27 wena wahlukanisele impango kabili phakathi kwamadoda empi aya ekulweni nenhlangano yonke,

28 uthelisele uJehova amadoda empi aya ekulweni, kube kunye emakhulwini ayisihlanu, awabantu, nawezinkomo, nawezimbongolo, nawezimvu,

29 nikuthathe enxenyeni yabo, nikunike u-Eleyazare umpristi, kube ngumnikelo wokuphakanyiswa kaJehova.

30 Enxenyeni yabantwana bakwa-Israyeli wothabatha kube kunye emashumini ayisihlanu, awabantu, nawezinkomo, nawezimbongolo, nawezimvu, yebo, awezilwane zonke, ukunike amaLevi agcina inkonzo yetabernakele likaJehova.”

31 OMose no-Eleyazare umpristi benza njengalokho uJehova emyalile uMose.

- ³² Impango-ke eyayisele kwethathiwe ngamadoda empi yayiyizimvu eziyizinkulungwane ezingamakhulu ayisithupha namashumi ayisikhombisa nanhlanu,
- ³³ nezinkomo eziyizinkulungwane ezingamashumi ayisikhombisa nambili,
- ³⁴ nezimbongolo eziyizinkulungwane ezingamashumi ayisithupha nanye,
- ³⁵ nabantu, abesifazane abangazangandoda ngokulala nayo, abayizinkulungwane ezingamashumi amathathu nambili, bebonke.
- ³⁶ Nenxenye eyayiyisabelo sabaphuma impi umumo wayo wawuyizimvu eziyizinkulungwane ezingamakhulu amathathu namashumi amathathu nesikhombisa namakhulu ayisihlanu,
- ³⁷ nentela kaJehova yezimvu yayingamakhulu ayisithupha namashumi ayisikhombisa nanhlanu.
- ³⁸ Izinkomo zaziyizinkulungwane ezingamashumi amathathu nesithupha, intela kaJehova kuzo ingamashumi ayisikhombisa nambili.
- ³⁹ Izimbongolo zaziyizinkulungwane ezingamashumi amathathu namakhulu ayisihlanu, intela kaJehova kuzo ingamashumi ayisithupha nanye.
- ⁴⁰ Abantu babe yizinkulungwane eziyishumi nesithupha, intela kaJehova kubo ingamashumi amathathu nambili.
- ⁴¹ UMose wamnika u-Eleyazare umpristi intela eyayingumnikelo wokuphakanyiswa kaJehova, njengalokho uJehova emyalile uMose.
- ⁴² Enxenyeni yabantwana bakwa-Israyeli uMose ayahlukanisa neyamadoda ayelwile
- ⁴³ inxenye yenhlangano yayiyizimvu eziyizinkulungwane ezingamakhulu amathathu namashumi amathathu nesikhombisa namakhulu ayisihlanu,
- ⁴⁴ nezinkomo eziyizinkulungwane ezingamashumi amathathu nesithupha,
- ⁴⁵ nezimbongolo eziyizinkulungwane ezingamashumi amathathu namakhulu ayisihlanu,
- ⁴⁶ nabantu abayizinkulungwane eziyishumi nesithupha
- ⁴⁷ yebo, kule nxenye yabantwana bakwa-Israyeli uMose wathatha kube kunye emashumini ayisihlanu, awabantu nawezilwane, wakunika amaLevi agcina inkonzo yetabernakele likaJehova, njengalokho uJehova emyalile uMose.
- ⁴⁸ Iziphathimandla ezaziphezu kwezinkulungwane zebandla, izinduna zezinkulungwane nezinduna zamakhulu, zasondela kuMose, zathi kuMose:
- ⁴⁹ “Izinceku zakho zibale onke amadoda empi asesandleni sethu, akwasala neyodwa yethu.
- ⁵⁰ Silethile umnikelo kaJehova, kwaba yilowo nalowo lokho akutholileyo, izinto zegolide, nezigqizo, namasongo, nezindandatho, namacici, nemigexo ukuyenzela imiphefumulo yethu ukubuyisana phambi kukaJehova.”
- ⁵¹ OMose no-Eleyazare bamukela igolide kubo, namagugu asetshenziweyo.
- ⁵² Lonke igolide lomnikelo wokuphakanyiswa abanikela ngalo kuJehova, elezinduna zezinkulungwane nelezinduna zamakhulu, lalingamashekeli ayizinkulungwane eziyishumi nesithupha namakhulu ayisikhombisa namashumi ayisihlanu.
- ⁵³ Ngokuba amadoda empi ayezithathele impango, kwaba yileyo naleyo ngokwayo.
- ⁵⁴ OMose no-Eleyazare umpristi bamukela igolide kuzo izinduna zezinkulungwane nakwezamakhulu, baliletha etendeni lokuhlangana, laba yisikhumbuzo sabantwana bakwa-Israyeli phambi kukaJehova.

- A**bantwana bakwaRubeni nabantwana bakwaGadi babenemfuyo eningi, nalapho belibona izwe laseJazeri nezwe lakwaGileyadi ukuthi leyo ndawo iyindawo yezinkomo,
- ² abantwana bakwaGadi nabantwana bakwaRubeni beza bakhuluma kuMose, naku-Eleyazare umpristi, nakuzo izikhulu zenhlango, bathi:
- ³ “I-Atharoti, neDiboni, neJazeri, neNimra, neHeshiboni, ne-Elehale, neSebamu, neNebo, neBehoni,
- ⁴ izwe alinqoba uJehova phambi kwenhlango ka-Israyeli liyizwe lezinkomo, futhi izinceku zakho zinezinkomo.”
- ⁵ Bathi futhi: “Uma sifumene umusa emehlweni akho, leli zwe malinikwe izinceku zakho libe yifa lazo; ungasiwelisi iJordani.”
- ⁶ UMose wayesethi kubantwana bakwaGadi nakubantwana bakwaRubeni: “Abafowenu bayakuphuma impi, nina nihlale lapha, na?”
- ⁷ Niqedelani inhliziyo yabantwana bakwa-Israyeli ukuba bangaweli ukuya ezweni uJehova abanike lona na?
- ⁸ Benze njalo oyihlo mhla ngibathuma besuka eKadeshi Barineya ukubona izwe.
- ⁹ Ngokuba ekukhuphukeni kwabo ukuya esiGodini sase-Eshikoli balibona izwe, baqeda inhliziyo yabantwana bakwa-Israyeli ukuba bangangeni ezweni uJehova abanike lona.
- ¹⁰ Intukuthelo kaJehova yavutha ngalolo suku, wafunga wathi:
- ¹¹ ‘Impela kulaba bantu abaphuma eGibithe, kusukela kwabaneminyaka engamashumi amabili kuya phezulu, akayikubona noyedwa izwe engalifungela u-Abrahama, no-Isaka, noJakobe, ngokuba abangilandelanga ngokupheleleyo,
- ¹² ngaphandle kukaKalebi indodana kaJefune, umKhenizi, noJoshuwa indodana kaNuni, ngokuba bamlandele uJehova ngokupheleleyo.’
- ¹³ Intukuthelo kaJehova yabavuthela abakwa-Israyeli, wabazulisa ehlane iminyaka engamashumi amane, saze saphela sonke leso sizukulwane esasenzile okubi emehlweni kaJehova.
- ¹⁴ “Bhekani, senivukile nina esikhundleni sawoyihlo, inzalo yabantu abonayo, ukwandisa futhi intukuthelo kaJehova evuthela u-Israyeli.
- ¹⁵ Ngokuba uma nibuyela emuva ekumlandeleni, uyakubuye abashiye ehlane, nize nibhubhise laba bantu.”
- ¹⁶ Basondela kuye, bathi: “Siyakwakhela lapha izinkomo zethu izibaya nabancane bethu imizi;
- ¹⁷ kepha thina uqobo lwethu siyakushesha sihlome, sihambe phambi kwabantwana bakwa-Israyeli, size sibafinyelelise endaweni yabo, abancane bethu bahlale emizini ebiyelweyo ngenxa yabakhileyo ezweni.
- ¹⁸ Asiyikubuyela ezindlini zethu, abantwana bakwa-Israyeli bengakalidli ifa labo, kube yilowo nalowo wabo.
- ¹⁹ Ngokuba asiyikulidla ifa nabo ngaphesheya kweJordani nangaphambili, lokhu silidlile elethu nganeno kweJordani ngasempumalanga.”
- ²⁰ UMose wayesethi kubo: “Uma nenza lokhu, uma nihloma ukuba nihambe phambi kukaJehova, niphume impi,
- ²¹ kuwele iJordani onke amadoda enu ahlomileyo phambi kukaJehova, aze axoshe izitha zakhe phambi kwakhe,
- ²² izwe lingotshwe phambi kukaJehova, khona ngasemuva niyakubuya, nibe ngabangenacala kuJehova naku-Israyeli, leli zwe libe yifa lenu phambi kukaJehova.
- ²³ “Kepha uma ningenzi njalo, bhekani, nonile kuJehova; yazini ukuthi isono senu

siyakunifumana.

24 Zakheleni imizi yabancane benu nezibaya zezimvu zenu, nikwenze lokho okuphumileyo emlonyeni wenu.”

25 Abantwana bakwaGadi nabantwana bakwaRubeni bakhuluma kuMose, bathi: “Izinceku zakho ziyakwenza njengalokhu inkosi yami iyala.

26 Abancane bethu, nawomkethu, nezimvu zethu, nazo zonke izinkomo zethu kuyakuba laphe emizini yakwaGileyadi,

27 kepha izinceku zakho ziyakuwela, kube yilowo nalowo ohlomele ukulwa, phambi kukaJehova, ziphume impi, njengalokhu isho inkosi yami.”

28 UMose wayeseyala u-Eleyazare umpri, noJoshuwa indodana kaNuni, nezinhloko zezindlu zawoyise bezizwe zabantwana bakwa-Israyeli ngabo.

29 UMose wathi kubo: “Uma abantwana bakwaGadi nabantwana bakwaRubeni bewela nani iJordani, bonke abahlomele ukulwa, phambi kukaJehova, izwe linqotshwe phambi kwenu, niyakubanika izwe lakwaGileyadi libe yifa labo;

30 kepha uma bengaweli nani behlomile, bayakunikwa ifa phakathi kwenu ezweni laseKhanani.”

31 Abantwana bakwaGadi nabantwana bakwaRubeni baphendula bathi: “Njengalokho uJehova eshilo kuzo izinceku zakho, siyakwenze njalo.

32 Siyakuwela, siye ezweni laseKhanani phambi kukaJehova sihlomile, izwe lefa lethu lisale nokho ngaphesheya kweJordani.”

33 UMose wayesebanika abantwana bakwaGadi nabantwana bakwaRubeni nenxenye yesizwe sakwaManase indodana kaJosefa umbuso kaSihoni inkosi yama-Amori nombuso ka-Ogi inkosi yaseBashani, izwe nemizi yalo namaphethelo ayo, imizi yezwe nxazonke.

34 Abantwana bakwaGadi bakha iDiboni, ne-Athoriti, ne-Aroweri,

35 ne-Athiroti Shofanu, neJazeri, neJogibeha,

36 neBeti Nimra, neBeti Harana, imizi ebiyelweyo nezibaya zezimvu.

37 Abantwana bakwaRubeni babuye bakha iHeshiboni, ne-Elehale, neKiryatayimi,

38 neNebo, neBali Mehoni iphendulwe ngamagama neSibima; banika imizi abayakhayo amanye amagama.

39 Abantwana bakwaMakiri indodana kaManase baya kwaGileyadi, balithatha, baxosha ama-Amori ayekulo.

40 UMose wanika uMakiri indodana kaManase elakwaGileyadi, wahlala kulo.

41 UJayire indodana kaManase wahamba wathatha imizana yalo, wayibiza ngokuthi iHawoti Jayire.

42 UNoba wahamba wathatha iKhenati nemizana yalo, walibiza ngokuthi iNoba ngegama lakhe.

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Nanka amabanga ohambo lwabantwana bakwa-Israyeli abaphuma ngawo ezweni laseGibithe ngamabandla abo phansi kwesandla sikaMose nesika-Aroni.

2 UMose waloba ngokuhamba kwabo ngamabanga abo ngesiyalezo sikaJehova; nanka amabanga abo njengokuhamba kwabo.

3 Basuka eRamsesi ngenyanga yokuqala ngosuku lweshumi nanhlanu lwenyanga yokuqala; ngolwangakusasa emva kwephasika abantwana bakwa-Israyeli baphuma ngesandla esiphakemeyo emehlweni abo bonke abaseGibithe,

- ⁴ abaseGibithe besembela onke amazibulo abo abulawa kubo nguJehova, uJehova ebahlulele nawonkulunkulu babo.
- ⁵ Abantwana bakwa-Israyeli basuka-ke eRamsesi, bamisa eSukoti.
- ⁶ Basuka eSukoti, bamisa e-Etamu eliseceleni kwehlane.
- ⁷ Basuka e-Etamu, babuyela ePhi Hahiroti elingaphambi kweBali Sefoni; bamisa phambi kweMigidoli.
- ⁸ Basuka eHahiroti, badabula phakathi kolwandle, baya ehlane, bahamba ibanga lezinsuku ezintathu ehlane lase-Etamu, bamisa eMara.
- ⁹ Basuka eMara, bafika e-Elimi; e-Elimi kwakukhona imithombo eyishumi nambili yamanzi namasundu angamashumi ayisikhombisa; bamisa khona.
- ¹⁰ Basuka e-Elimi, bamisa ngaseLwandle Olubomvu.
- ¹¹ Basuka eLwandle oluBomvu, bamisa ehlane laseSini.
- ¹² Basuka ehlane laseSini, bamisa eDofika.
- ¹³ Basuka eDofika, bamisa e-Alushi.
- ¹⁴ Basuka e-Alushi, bamisa eRefidimi, lapho kwakungekho manzi khona ukuba abantu baphuze.
- ¹⁵ Basuka eRefidimi, bamisa ehlane laseSinayi.
- ¹⁶ Basuka ehlane laseSinayi, bamisa eKibiroti Hathawa.
- ¹⁷ Basuka eKibiroti Hathawa, bamisa eHaseroti.
- ¹⁸ Basuka eHaseroti, bamisa eRitima.
- ¹⁹ Basuka eRitima, bamisa eRimoni Pheresi.
- ²⁰ Basuka eRimoni Pheresi, bamisa eLibina.
- ²¹ Basuka eLibina, bamisa eRisa.
- ²² Basuka eRisa, bamisa eKehelatha.
- ²³ Basuka eKehelatha, bamisa entabeni yaseSheferi.
- ²⁴ Basuka entabeni yaseSheferi, bamisa eHarada.
- ²⁵ Basuka eHarada, bamisa eMakeloti.
- ²⁶ Basuka eMakeloti, bamisa eTahati.
- ²⁷ Basuka eTahati, bamisa eThera.
- ²⁸ Basuka eThera, bamisa eMitika.
- ²⁹ Basuka eMitika, bamisa eHashimona.
- ³⁰ Basuka eHashimona, bamisa eMoseroti.
- ³¹ Basuka eMoseroti, bamisa eBene Jahakani.
- ³² Basuka eBene Jahakani, bamisa eHori Hagidigadi.
- ³³ Basuka eHori Hagidigadi, bamisa eJothabata.
- ³⁴ Basuka eJothabata, bamisa e-Abrona.
- ³⁵ Basuka e-Abrona, bamisa e-Esiyoni Geberi.
- ³⁶ Basuka e-Esiyoni Geberi, bamisa ehlane laseSini eliyiKadeshi.
- ³⁷ Basuka eKadeshi, bamisa entabeni yaseHori eceleni kwezwe lakwa-Edomi.
- ³⁸ U-Aroni umpristi wakhuphukela entabeni yaseHori ngesiyalezo sikaJehova, wafela khona ngomnyaka wamashumi amane emva kokuphuma kwabantwana bakwa-Israyeli ezweni laseGibithe, ngenyanga yesihlanu ngolokuqala lwenyanga.
- ³⁹ U-Aroni wayeneminyaka eyikhulu namashumi amabili nantathu mhla efela entabeni yaseHori.

- ⁴⁰ UmKhanani, inkosi yase-Aradi, owahlala eningizimu ezweni laseKhanani, wezwa ngokufika kwabantwana bakwa-Israyeli.
- ⁴¹ Basuka entabeni yaseHori, bamisa eSalimona.
- ⁴² Basuka eSalimona, bamisa ePunoni.
- ⁴³ Basuka ePunoni, bamisa e-Oboti.
- ⁴⁴ Basuka e-Oboti, bamisa e-Iye Abarimi emkhawulweni wakwaMowabi.
- ⁴⁵ Basuka e-Iyimi, bamisa eDiboniGadi.
- ⁴⁶ Basuka eDiboni Gadi, bamisa e-Alimoni Dibilatayimi.
- ⁴⁷ Basuka e-Alimoni Dibilatayimi, bamisa ezintabeni zase-Abarimi ngaphambi kweNebo.
- ⁴⁸ Basuka ezintabeni zase-Abarimi, bamisa emathafeni akwaMowabi ngaseJordani ngaseJeriko.
- ⁴⁹ Bamisa ngaseJordani kusukela eBeti Jeshimoti kuze kufike e-Abela Shithimi emathafeni akwaMowabi.
- ⁵⁰ UJehova wakhuluma kuMose emathafeni akwaMowabi ngaseJordani ngaseJeriko, wathi:
- ⁵¹ “Yisho kubantwana bakwa-Israyeli, uthi kubo: ‘Nxa niwela iJordani ukuba ningene ezweni laseKhanani,
- ⁵² niyakuxosha bonke abakhileyo ezweni phambi kwenu, nichithe yonke imifanekiso yabo, nibulale zonke izithombe zabo ezibunjiweyo, nibhidlize zonke izindawo zabo eziphakemeyo,
- ⁵³ nidle ifa lezwe, nihlale kulo, ngokuba ngininikile izwe ukuba nilidle.
- ⁵⁴ Niyakulidla izwe ngenkatho ngokweminden yakini, abaningi nibanike ifa elikhulu, nabayingcosana nibanike ifa elincane, nakuphi lapho inkatho imudla khona umuntu, kuzakuba ngelakhe; niyakulidla ifa ngokwezizwe zawoyihlo.
- ⁵⁵ “ ‘Kepha uma ningaxoshi abantu bezwe phambi kwenu, labo enibashiyayo bayakuba njengezinkandi emehlweni enu nanjengameva ezinhlangothini zenu, banikhathaze ezweni enihlala kulo.
- ⁵⁶ Kuyakuthi njengalokho bengithi ngiyakwenza kubo, ngenze njalo nakini.’ ”

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UJehova wakhuluma kuMose, wathi:

- ² “Yala abantwana bakwa-Israyeli, uthi kubo: ‘Nxa nifika ezweni laseKhanani lokhu kuyizwe eliyakuba yifa lenu, izwe laseKhanani ngokwemikhawulo yalo —
- ³ uhlangothi lwaseningizimu luyakusuka ehlane laseSini, lugudle elakwa-Edomi, umkhawulo wenu waseningizimu usuke ekugcineni koLwandle Lukasawoti ngasempumalanga,
- ⁴ umkhawulo wenu ujike ngaseningizimu kokhalo lwe-Akarabimi, uze ufike eSini, uphume eningizimu kwaseKadeshi Barineya, uye eHasari Adari, uze ufike e-Asimoni,
- ⁵ umkhawulo ujike ngase-Asimoni, uye emfuleni waseGibithe, uphume elwandle.
- ⁶ “ ‘Umkhawulo wasentshonalanga uyakuba luLwandle Olukhulu, lona lube ngumkhawulo wenu wasentshonalanga.
- ⁷ “ ‘Lokhu kuyakuba ngumkhawulo wenu wasenyakatho: kusukela eLwandle Olukhulu anoziphawulela intaba yaseHori;
- ⁸ kusukela entabeni yaseHori anoziphawulela indlela eya eHamati, umkhawulo uphume

eSedadi,

⁹ andukuba umkhawulo uye eZifroni, uphume eHasari Enani; lokho kuyakuba ngumkhawulo wenu wasenyakatho.

¹⁰ “ ‘Anoziphawulela umkhawulo wenu wasempumalanga, usukela eHasari Enani uze ufike eShefamu;

¹¹ umkhawulo wehle eShefamu, uye eRibila ngasempumalanga kwase-Ayini, umkhawulo wehle njalo, uze ufinyelele emmangweni wangaselwandle lwaseKinereti ngasempumalanga,

¹² umkhawulo wehlele eJordani, uphume ngaseLwandle Lukasawoti; lokho kuyakuba yizwe lakini ngokwemikhawulo yalo nxazonke.’ ”

¹³ UMose wayala abantwana bakwa-Israyeli, wathi: “Lelo liyizwe eniyakulidla ngenkatho, uJehova ayale ngalo ukuba linikwe izizwe eziyisishiyagalolunye nenxenye,

¹⁴ ngokuba isizwe sabantwana bakwaRubeni njengezindlu zawoyise nesizwe sabantwana bakwaGadi njengezindlu zawoyise sezilitholile, nenxenye yesizwe sakwaManase isilitholile ifa layo;

¹⁵ lezi zizwe ezimbili nenxenye zathola ifa lazo ngaphesheya kweJordani ngaseJeriko ngasempumalanga, lapho kuphuma khona ilanga.”

¹⁶ UJehova wakhuluma kuMose, wathi:

¹⁷ “Lawa angamagama amadoda ayakwahlukanisela izwe libe yifa lenu: u-Eleyazare umpristi noJoshuwa indodana kaNuni.

¹⁸ Niyakuthabatha isikhulu sibe sinye kuleso naleso sizwe ukwahlukanisa izwe libe yifa lenu.

¹⁹ “Yilawa-ke amagama amadoda: esizweni sakwaJuda: nguKalebi indodana kaJefune.

²⁰ Esizweni sabantwana bakwaSimeyoni: nguShemuweli indodana ka-Amihudi.

²¹ Esizweni sakwaBenjamini: ngu-Elidadi indodana kaKisiloni.

²² Esizweni sabantwana bakwaDani: yisikhulu uBuki indodana kaJogili.

²³ Kubantwana bakwaJosefa: esizweni sabantwana bakwaManase: yisikhulu uHaniyeli indodana ka-Efodi.

²⁴ Esizweni sabantwana bakwa-Efrayimi: yisikhulu uKemuweli indodana kaShifethani.

²⁵ Esizweni sabantwana bakwaZebuloni: yisikhulu u-Elisafani indodana kaParinaki.

²⁶ Esizweni sabantwana bakwa-Isakare: yisikhulu uPalitiyeli indodana ka-Azani.

²⁷ Esizweni sabantwana bakwa Asheri: yisikhulu u-Ahihudi indodana kaShelomi.

²⁸ Esizweni sabantwana bakwaNafetali: yisikhulu uPedaheli indodana ka-Amihudi.”

²⁹ Yilabo uJehova abayala ukwahlukanisela abantwana bakwa-Israyeli ifa ezweni laseKhanani.

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UJehova wakhuluma kuMose emathafeni akwaMowabi ngaseJordani ngaseJeriko, wathi:

² “Yala abantwana bakwa-Israyeli ukuba banike amaLevi kulo izwe eliyifa labo imizi ukuba ahlale kuyo; niyakunika amaLevi namadlelo emizi nxazonke.

³ Imizi ayakuhlala kuyo, amadlelo awo abe ngawezinkomo zawo, nawempahla yawo, nawezilwane zonke zawo.

⁴ “Amadlelo emizi eniyakunika wona amaLevi ayakusuka ogangeni lomuzi izingalo

eziyinkulungwane nxazonke.

⁵ Niyakulinganisa ngaphandle komuzi izingalo eziyizinkulungwane ezimbili ngasempumalanga, nezingalo eziyizinkulungwane ezimbili ngaseningizimu, nezingalo eziyizinkulungwane ezimbili ngasentshonalanga, nezingalo eziyizinkulungwane ezimbili ngasenyakatho, umuzi ube phakathi. Lokho kuyakuba ngamadlelo emizi yawo.

⁶ “Imizi eniyakuyinika amaLevi iyakuba yimizi eyisithupha yokuphephela, eniyakuyinika umbulali ukuba abalekele kuyo; ngaphandle kwayo niyakuwanika imizi engamashumi amane nambili.

⁷ Yonke imizi eniyakuyinika amaLevi iyakuba ngamashumi amane nesishiyagalombili, yona kanye namadlelo ayo.

⁸ Mayelana nemizi eniyakuyinika nithathe kulo izwe labantwana bakwa-Israyeli, kwabaningi nithathe eminingi, kwabayingcosana nithathe eyingcosana, yilowo nalowo anike amaLevi ngokuthatha kuyo imizi yakhe njengefa lakhe alidlayo.”

⁹ UJehova wakhuluma kuMose, wathi:

¹⁰ “Yisho kubantwana bakwa-Israyeli, uthi kubo: ‘Nxa niwela iJordani ningena ezweni laseKhanani,

¹¹ niyakumisela imizi ibe yimizi yokuphephela ukuba umbulali obulala umuntu kungengamabomu abalekele khona.

¹² Iyakuba yimizi yenu yokuphepha kumphindiseli, ukuze umbulali angafi engakemi phambi kwenhlangano, ahlulelwe.

¹³ Imizi eniyakuwanika yona iyakuba yimizi yenu eyisithupha yokuphephela.

¹⁴ Niyakunikela imizi emithathu ngaphesheya kweJordani, ninikele imizi emithathu ezweni laseKhanani ibe yimizi yokuphephela.

¹⁵ Kubantwana bakwa-Israyeli, nakumfokazi, nakogogobeleyo phakathi kwabo lemizi iyakuba ngeyokuphephela ukuba yilowo nalowo obulala umuntu kungengamabomu abalekele khona.

¹⁶ “ ‘Kepha uma umuntu eshaya omunye ngento yensimbi aze afe, ungumbulali; umbulali wobulawa nokubulawa.

¹⁷ Uma emshaya ngetshe elisesandleni sakhe, umuntu angafa ngalo, aze afe, ungumbulali; umbulali wobulawa nokubulawa.

¹⁸ Uma emshaya ngesikhali somuthi esisesandleni sakhe, umuntu angafa ngaso, aze afe, ungumbulali; umbulali wobulawa nokubulawa.

¹⁹ Umphindiseli wegazi uyakumbulala umbulali uqobo lwakhe; lapho ehlangana naye, uyakumbulala.

²⁰ Uma emgqula ngenzondo noma emphonsa emqamekele aze afe,

²¹ noma emshaya ngesandla sakhe ngobutha aze afe, omshayileyo wobulawa nokubulawa; ungumbulali; umphindiseli wegazi uyakumbulala umbulali, lapho ehlangana naye.

²² “ ‘Kepha uma emgqula engazelele kungengabutha, noma emphonsa ngento engamqamekelanga,

²³ noma ngetshe umuntu angafa ngalo, engamboni, amphonse ngalo aze afe, engeyiso isitha sakhe, ebengafuni futhi ukumona,

²⁴ khona inhlangano iyakwahlulela phakathi koshayileyo nomphindiseli wegazi ngokwalezi zahlulelo;

²⁵ inhlangano imophule umbulali esandleni somphindiseli wegazi, inhlangano imbuyisele emzini wakhe wokuphephela lapho ebebalekele khona, ahlale kuwo aze afe umpristi omkhulu owayegcotshiwe ngamafutha angcwele.

- ²⁶ “ ‘Kepha uma umbulali edlula ngesikhathi esithile umkhawulo womuzi wakhe wokuphephela lapho ebalekele khona,
- ²⁷ umphindiseli wegazi emfica ngaphandle komkhawulo womuzi wakhe wokuphephela, umphindiseli wegazi embulala umbulali, akayikuba nacala legazi,
- ²⁸ ngokuba nga ehlalile emzini wakhe wokuphephela waze wafa umpristi omkhulu; kepha emva kokufa kompristi omkhulu umbulali uyakubuyela ezweni eliyifa lakhe.
- ²⁹ “ ‘Lezi zinto ziyakuba yisimiso sesahlulelo kini ezizukulwaneni zenu kuzo zonke izindlu zenu.
- ³⁰ “ ‘Noma ubani obulala umuntu, umbulali uyakubulawa ngemilomo yawofakazi; kepha ufakazi oyedwa akayikufakazela muntu aze afe.
- ³¹ “ ‘Futhi aniyikuthatha ihlawulo lokuphila kombulali onecala lokubulala, kodwa wobulawa nokubulawa.
- ³² “ ‘Aniyikuthatha ihlawulo lobalekele emzini wakhe wokuphephela ukuba abuye ahlale ezweni, engakafi umpristi.
- ³³ “ ‘Aniyikungcolisa izwe enikulo, ngokuba igazi liyalingcolisa izwe; alikho ihlawulo lezwe ngegazi elichithakele kulo, kuphela ngegazi lolichithile.
- ³⁴ Aniyikungcolisa izwe enakhe kulo, ngokuba mina Jehova ngihlala phakathi kwabantwana bakwa-Israyeli.’ ”

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- I**zinhloko zezindlu zawoyise bomndeni wabantwana bakwaGileyadi kaMakiri kaManase, abemindeni yamadodana kaJosefa, zasondela, zakhuluma phambi kukaMose naphambi kwezikhulu, izinhloko zezindlu zawoyise babantwana bakwa-Israyeli,
- ² zathi: UJehova wayiyala inkosi yami ukubanika abantwana bakwa-Israyeli izwe libe yifa labo ngenkatho; inkosi yami yayalwa futhi nguJehova ukuba ifa likaSelofehadi umfowethu iwanike lona amadodakazi akhe.
- ³ Uma egana amadodana ezinye izizwe zabantwana bakwa-Israyeli, ifa lawo liyakususwa efeni lawobaba, lithasiselwe efeni laleso sizwe ayakuba ngawaso, kususwe efeni lezwe lethu.
- ⁴ Lapho liyakuba khona ijubili labantwana bakwa-Israyeli, ifa lawo liyakuthasiselwa efeni lalesosizwe ayakuba ngawaso, ifa lawo lisuswe efeni lesizwe sawobaba.
- ⁵ UMose wabayala abantwana bakwa-Israyeli njengezwi likaJehova, wathi: Isizwe samadodana kaJosefa sikhulume kahle.
- ⁶ Yilokho ayala ngakho uJehova ngamadodakazi kaSelofehadi, ethi: Mawagane njengokuhle emehlweni awo, kodwa agane nokho emndenini wesizwe sikayise.
- ⁷ Ifa labantwana bakwa-Israyeli aliyikuhamba izizwe ngezizwe, ngokuba abantwana bakwa-Israyeli bayakunamathela, kube yilowo nalowo efeni lesizwe sawoyise.
- ⁸ Yileyo naleyo ndodakazi enefa esizweni esithile sabantwana bakwa-Israyeli iyakuba ngumfazi womndeni wesizwe sikayise, ukuze yilowo nalowo wabantwana bakwa-Israyeli abe nefa lawoyise.
- ⁹ Ifa aliyikuhamba izizwe ngezizwe, ngokuba izizwe zabantwana bakwa-Israyeli ziyakunamathela, kube yilesa naleso efeni laso.
- ¹⁰ Njengalokho uJehova emyalile uMose, enze njalo-ke amadodakazi kaSelofehadi,
- ¹¹ ngokuba oMahela, noTirisa, noHogila, noMilka, noNowa, amadodakazi kaSelofehadi, agana amadodana awoyisekazi.

¹² Agana emindenini yamadodana kaManase indodana kaJosefa, nefa lawo lahlala esizweni somndeni kayise.

¹³ Leyo iyimiyalo nezahlulelo uJehova ayala ngakho ngesandla sikaMose abantwana bakwa-Israyeli emathafeni akwaMowabi ngaseJordani ngaseJeriko.

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