

KUTHITHU

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ISAHLUKO 1

1 Pawulu, inceku kaNkulunkulu nomphostoli kaJesu Kristu ngokokukholwa kwabakhethiweyo bakaNkulunkulu nangokokwazi iqiniso elingokokukhonza uNkulunkulu,

2 ethembeni lokuphila okuphakade uNkulunkulu ongaqambi amanga akwethembisa phambi kwezikhathi zaphakade,

3 kepha ngesikhathi esifaneleyo ubonakalisile izwi lakhe entshumayelweni engayiphathiswayo ngokomyalo kaNkulunkulu uMsindisi wethu,

4 kuThithu, umntanami ngempela ngokokukholwa esikuLanganyele sonke: Makube kuwe umusa nokuthula okuvela kuNkulunkulu uBaba nakuKristu Jesu uMsindisi wethu.

5 Ngakushiya eKrethe ngenxa yalokhu ukuba uhlele okusaseleyo, umise amalunga emizini yonke, njengokuba ngakuyala,

6 uma kukhona ongasolekiyo, indoda emfazi munye, enabantwana abakholwayo abangenakusolwa ngokushinga nabangalaleliyo.

7 Ngokuba umberni umelwe ukuba abe ngongasolekiyo njengomphathimuzi kaNkulunkulu, ongaziqhenyi, ongesiso isififane, ongesiso isiphuzi, ongesiso isilwi, ongesiye ohahela inzupo embi,

8 kepha ophatha kahle izihambi, othanda okuhle, oqondileyo, olungileyo, ongcwele, ozithibayo,

9 obambelele ezwini elithembekileyo ngokwesifundo, aze abe nakho nokuyala ngesifundo esiphilileyo nokwahlula abaphikayo.

10 Ngokuba baningi abangalaleliyo abakhulumu ize, nabakhohlisayo, ikakhulu abokusoka,

11 abamelwe ukuthuliswa, abachitha indlu iphela, befundisa okungafanele ngenxa yenzozo embi.

12 Omunye kubona, umprofethi wakubo, washo wathi: "AbaseKrethe bangabaqambimanga njalo, izilwane ezimbi, iziminzi ezivilaphayo."

13 Lobo bufakazi buqinisile. Ngalokho-ke ubayalisise, ukuze baphile ekukholweni,

14 benganaki izinganekwane zabaJuda nemiyalo yabantu abafulathela iqiniso.

15 Kwabahlanzekileyo konke kuhlanzekile; kepha kwabangcolileyo nabangakholwayo akukho lutho oluhanzekileyo, kodwa kungcole ingqondo yabo nonembeza wabo.

16 Bavuma ukuthi bayamazi uNkulunkulu, kepha bayamphika ngemisebenzi yabo bengabenyanekayo, nabangalaleliyo, nasemisebenzini yonke emihle kabasizi lutho.

ISAHLUKO 2

Kepha wena khuluma lokhu okufanele isifundiso esiphilileyo

- 2** sokuthi: Amadoda amadala mawabe ngazithibayo, azothileyo, aqondileyo, aphilile ekukholweni, nasothandweni, nasekubekezeleni;
- 3** kanjalo nabesifazane abadala baziphathe ngokufanele abangcwele, bangabi ngabahlebi, bangabi yizigqila zewayini eliningi, babe ngabafundisi bokuhle,
- 4** ukuze bafundise abesifazane abasha ukuthanda amadoda abo, bathande nabantwana babo;
- 5** babe ngabaqondileyo, abamhlophe, abaphatha kahle amakhaya, abamnene, abathobela amadoda abo ukuba izwi likaNkulunkulu lingahlajalazwa.
- 6** Ngokunjalo ubayale abesilisa abasha ukuba babe ngabaqondileyo,
- 7** uzibonakalise kukho konke ube yisibonelo semisebenzi emihle, nasekufundiseni kwakho ubonakalise ukungonakali, ube nesizotha,
- 8** ukhulume okuqondileyo okungasolekiyo, ukuze omelana nathi abe namahloni, engenalutho olubi angalukhuluma ngathi.
- 9** Yala izinceku ukuba zithobele amakhosi azo, zikholeke ezintweni zonke, zingaphiki nkani,
- 10** zingantshontshi, zibonakalise konke ukwethemba okuhle, ukuze zihlobise isifundiso sikaNkulunkulu uMsindisi wethu ezintweni zonke.
- 11** Ngokuba umusa kaNkulunkulu wokusindisa ubonakalisiwe kubantu bonke;
- 12** uyasifundisa ukuba sidele ukungakholwa nezinkanuko zewe, sihambe ngokuqonda, nangokulunga, nangokumesaba uNkulunkulu kulesi sikhathi samanje,
- 13** sibheke ithemba elibusisiweyo nokuvela kwenkazimulo kaNkulunkulu omkhulu noMsindisi wethu uJesu Kristu
- 14** owazinikela ngenxa yethu, ukuze asihlenge ebubini bonke, asihlambulule isizwe esingesakhe, sishisekele imisebenzi emihle.
- 15** Khuluma lokho, uyale, ukhuze ngamandla onke. Ungadelelwu muntu.

ISAHLUKO 3

Bakhumbuze ukuba bathobele ababusi neziphathimandla, balalele, balungele imisebenzi yonke emihle,

- 2** bangahlambalazi muntu, bangabi yizilwi, babe ngabavileyo, bebonakalisa ubumnene obukhulu kubantu bonke.
- 3** Ngokuba nathi kade sasiyiziwula, abangalaleliyo, abadukiswayo, sikhonza izinkanuko nokutamasa okuyizinhlobonhlobo, sihlezi ebubini nangomhawu, sizondekile sizondana.
- 4** Kepha lapho sekubonakalisiwe ububele bukaNkulunkulu uMsindisi wethu nothando Iwakhe kubantu,
- 5** wasisindisa kungengamisebenzi yokulunga esayenzayo thina kepha ngokwesihawu sakhe ngesigezo sokuphindukuzalwa nokwenziwa sibe basha ngoMoya oNgcwele,
- 6** amthelayo kakhulu phezu kwethu ngaye uJesu Kristu uMsindisi wethu,
- 7** ukuze silungisiswe ngomusa wakhe, sibe yizindlalifa zokuphila okuphakade ngokwethemba.
- 8** Lithembekile leli zwi. Ngithanda ukuba uqinise impela ngalezo zinto, ukuze abakholwa nguNkulunkulu bakhuthalele ukwenza imisebenzi emihle. Lezo zinto zinhle, zinosizo kubantu;

- ⁹ kepha gwema imibuzo yobuwula, nezindaba zolibo lokuzalana, nokubanga nokuphikisana ngomthetho; ngokuba lokho akusizi, kuyize.
- ¹⁰ Umuntu onezifundiso ezidukisayo, eselulekwe kanye nakabili male,
- ¹¹ wazi ukuthi onjalo uphambukile, uyona, ezahlulela yena.
- ¹² Nxa sengithuma u-Arethema noma uThikhiku kuwe, woshesha ukuza kimi eNikopholi; ngokuba nginqumile ukuthi ngizakuhlala lapho ubusika.
- ¹³ UZena, ummeli, no-Apholo wobahambisa ngokunakekela, bangasweli lutho.
- ¹⁴ Nabakithi mabafunde ukukhuthalela imisebenzi emihle njengokuswelekileyo, ukuze bangabi ngabangenazithelo.
- ¹⁵ Bonke abanami bayakhonza kuwe. Khonza kwabasithandayo ekukholweni. Umusa mawube nani nonke.

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