

HEZEKELI

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ISAHLUKO 1

Kwathi ngomnyaka wamashumi amathathu ngenyanga yesine ngolwesihlanu, ngiphakathi kwabathunjwa ngasemfuleni iKhebari, lavuleka izulu, ngabona imibono ngoNkulunkulu.

- 2** Ngolwesihlanu lwenyanga ngomnyaka wesihlanu wokuthunjwa kukaJehoyakini
- 3** izwi likaJehova lafika kuHezekeli umpristi, indodana kaBuzi, ezweni lamaKaledi ngasemfuleni iKhebari. Isandla sikaJehova sasiphezu kwakhe lapho.
- 4** Ngabona, bheka, kwavela umoya wesivunguvungu enyakatho, ifu elikhulu elinomlilo ovuthayo nokukhanya nxazonke zalo, kuphuma phakathi kwalo kungathi ithusi elikhazimulayo, kuvela emililweni.
- 5** Phakathi kwakho kwaphuma umfanekiso wezidalwa ezine, nesimo sazo sasiyilesi: zafana nabantu,
- 6** kepha yileso naleso sasinobuso obune, futhi sasinamaphiko amane;
- 7** imilenze yazo yayiqondile, amathe ezinyawo zazo ayenjengamathe ezinyawo zethole; zazimenyezela njengethusi eliphucuziwego.
- 8** Zazinezandla zomuntu phansi kwamaphiko azo ezinhlangothini zazo zozine. Ubuso namaphiko alezi ezine kwakunje:
- 9** amaphiko azo ayehlangene, elinye nelinye; aziphendukanga ekuhambeni kwazo, yileso naleso sahamba ngokuqonda kobuso baso.
- 10** Isimo sobuso bazo sasingubuso bomuntu, zozine zinobuso bengonyama ngakwesokunene, zozine zinobuso benkomo ngakwesokhohlo, zozine zinobuso bokhozi futhi.
- 11** Babunjalo ubuso bazo. Amaphiko azo ayahlukene phezulu; kuleso naleso amabili ayehlangene, elinye nelinye; amabili ayembesa imizimba yazo.
- 12** Zahamba zonke ngokuqonda kobuso bazo, zaya khona, lapho umoya wayethanda ukuya khona, aziphendukanga ekuhambeni kwazo.
- 13** Isimo sezidalwa sasinjengamalahle omlilo avutha njengezibani, ahambahamba phakathi kwezidalwa; umlilo wamenyezela, nasemlilweni kwaphuma unyazi.
- 14** Izidalwa zagijima, zabuya njengombani.
- 15** Ngisabuka izidalwa, bheka, nanto isondo emhlabathini eceleni kwezidalwa, kuleso naleso sazo zozine.
- 16** Ukubonakala kwamasondo nokwenziwa kwawo kwakunjengekrisolithe, nezimo zawo

omane zaziyintonye. Ukubonakala kwavo nokwenziwa kwavo kwakunjengokuba kukhona isondo phakathi kwesondo.

17 Ekuhambeni kwavo aya ezinhlangothini zozine; awaphendukanga ekuhambeni kwavo.

18 Amafelange awo ayephakeme, ayesabeka; amafelange omane ayegcwele amehlo nxazonke.

19 Ekuhambeni kwezidalwa amasondo ahamba eceleni kwazo, nasekuphakanyisweni kwezidalwa emhlabeni namasondo aphakanyiswa.

20 Lapho umoya wayethanda ukuya khona, aya khona, yebo, lapho umoya wayethanda khona; namasondo aphakanyiswa kanye nazo, ngokuba umoya wezidalwa wayesemasondweni.

21 Ekuhambeni kwazo nawo ahamba; ekumeni kwazo nawo ema; ekuphakanyisweni kwazo emhlabeni aphakanyiswa namasondo kanye nazo, ngokuba umoya wezidalwa wayesemasondweni.

22 Phezu kwamakhanda ezidalwa kwakukhona kungathi umkhathi unjengekristalu elimangalisayo, owenekwe phezu kwamakhanda azo phezulu.

23 Phansi komkhathi amaphiko azo ayeqondene, elinye nelinye, yilesa naleso sinamabili embesa imizimba yazo ngalapha, sinamabili embesa ngalapha.

24 Ekuhambeni kwazo ngezwa umsindo wamaphiko azo njengomsindo wamanzi amanangi njengezwi likaSomandla, nomsindo wesidumo njengomsindo wempi; ekumeni kwazo zawehlisa amaphiko azo.

25 Kwavela izwi phezu komkhathi owawuphezu kwamakhanda azo; ekumeni kwazo zawehlisa amaphiko azo.

26 Phezu komkhathi owawuphezu kwamakhanda azo kwakunjengokungathi isihlalo sobukhos, isimo saso sinjengetshe lesafire. Phezu kokwakunjengesihlalo sobukhos kwakukhona okufana nomuntu phezu kwaso ngaphezulu.

27 Ngase ngibona okunjengethusi elikhazimulayo, kufana nomlilo phakathi kwakho nxazonke, kusukela kokungathi ukhalo lwakhe kuya phezulu; kusukela kokungathi ukhalo lwakhe kuya ngaphansi ngabona okufana nomlilo; kwamenyezela nxazonke kwavo.

28 Njengothingo olusemafwi ngosuku lwemvula kwabonakala kanjalo ukumenyezela nxazonke. Kwakunjengesimo senkazimulo kaJehova. Lapho ngiyibona, ngawa ngobuso, ngezwa izwi lokhulumayo.

ISAHLUKO 2

Wathi kimi: "Ndodana yomuntu, yima ngezinyawo zakho, ngiyakukhuluma nawe."

2 Kwangena kimi uMoya esakhuluma kimi, wangimisa ngezinyawo zami, ngamuzwa owakhuluma kimi.

3 Wathi kimi: "Ndodana yomuntu, ngiyakuthuma kubantwana bakwa-Israyeli, izizwe ezambukayo ezingihlubukile; bona nawoyise baphambukile kimi kuze kube namuhla.

4 Bangabantwana abanobuso obulukhuni nenhliziyo enqala; ngiyakuthuma kubo; uyakuthi kubo: 'Isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi:'

5 Bona-ke, noma bezwa noma benganaki, ngokuba bayindlu ehlubukayo, bayakwazi nokho ukuthi kade ekhona umprofethi phakathi kwabo.

6 Wena ndodana yomuntu, ungabesabi, ungesabi namazwi abo, noma amakhakhasi nameva kukuwe, uhlezi phakathi kwawofezela; ungawesabi amazwi abo, ungapheli amandla ngobuso babo, ngokuba bayindlu ehlubukayo.

- 7** Uyakukhuluma amazwi ami kubo, noma bezwa noma benganaki, ngokuba bangabahlubuki.
- 8** Kepha wena ndodana yomuntu, yizwa engikukhulumayo kuwe, ungabi ngumhlubuki njengale ndlu ehlubukayo; vula umlomo wakho, udle engikunika khona.”
- 9** Ngase ngibheka, naso isandla saselulelwé kimi, naphakathi kwaso, bheka, ngumqulu wencwadi.
- 10** Waweneka phambi kwami; wawulotshiwe ngaphakathi nangaphandle, kubhaliwe kuwo izililo nezililiselo, nokuthi: “Maye!”

ISAHLUKO 3

- W**ayesethi kimi: “Ndodana yomuntu, yidla okufumanayo, udle lo mqulu, uye ukhulume kuyo indlu yakwa-Israyeli.”
- 2** Ngavula umlomo wami, wangidlisa umqulu.
- 3** Wathi kimi: “Ndodana yomuntu, sidlise isisu sakho, ugcwalise izibilini zakho ngalo mqulu engikunika wona.” Ngase ngiwudla, wawumnandi emlonyeni wami njengezinyosi.
- 4** Wayesethi kimi: “Ndodana yomuntu, hamba uye endlini yakwa-Israyeli, ukhulume kuyo ngamazwi ami.
- 5** Ngokuba awuthunywa kubantu abankulomo yabo ilukhuni nolimi lwabo lungaqondakali, kepha endlini yakwa-Israyeli,
- 6** kungekubantu abanigi abankulomo yabo ilukhuni nolimi lwabo lungaqondakali, ongawewza amazwi abo. Impela uma bengikuthume kubo, bona babeyakukuzwa.
- 7** Kepha indlu yakwa-Israyeli kayiyikukuzwa, ngokuba ayingizwa mina, lokhu indlu yakwa-Israyeli inebunzi elilukhuni nenhliziyo enqala.
- 8** Bheka, ngenze ubuso bakho bube luhkuni njengobuso babo, nebunzi lakho libe nqala njengamabunzi abo.
- 9** Ngenze ibunzi lakho njengedayimani, elilukhuni kunensengetsha; ungabesabi, ungapheli amandla ngobuso babo, noma beyindlu ehlubukayo.”
- 10** Futhi wathi kimi: “Ndodana yomuntu, onke amazwi ami engiyakuwakhuluma kuwe wamukele enhliziweni yakho, uzwe ngezindlebe zakho.
- 11** Hamba uye kubathunjwa, kubantwana babantu bakho, ukhulume kubo, uthi kubo: ‘Isho njalo iNkosi uJehova,’ noma bezwa noma benganaki.”
- 12** Wayesengiphakamisa uMoya, ngezwa emva kwami izwi lokuduma okukhulu, lathi: “Mayibusiswe inkazimulo kaJehova endaweni yakhe;”
- 13** nomsindo wamaphiko ezidalwa athintanayo, nomsindo wamasondo eceleni kwazo, umsindo wokukhulu ukuduma.
- 14** UMoya wayesengiphakamisa, wangisusa; ngahamba nginomunyu ngokufutheka komoya wami; isandla sikaJehova saba namandla phezu kwami.
- 15** Ngafika kubathunjwa ngaseTheli Abibi ababehlezi ngasemfuleni iKhebari, lapho babehlala khona; ngahlala khona phakathi kwabo izinsuku eziyisikhombisa ngimangele.
- 16** Kwathi ekugcineni kwezinsuku eziyisikhombisa izwi likaJehova lafika kimi, lathi:
- 17** “Ndodana yomuntu, ngikwenze umlindi kuyo indlu yakwa-Israyeli; ngalokho yizwa izwi emlonyeni wami, ungixwayisele bona.
- 18** Lapho ngithi komubi: ‘Uyakufa nokufa,’ bese wungamxwayisi, ungakhulumi ukumxwayisa omubi ngendlela yakhe ukuba umsindise, yena lowo omubi uyakufela ezonweni zakhe, kepha igazi lakhe ngiyakulibiza esandleni sakho.

19 Kepha wena, uma umxwayisa omubi, angaze abuya ebubini bakhe nasendleleni yakhe embi, uyakufela ezonweni zakhe, kepha wena uwophulile umphefumulo wakho.

20 "Lapho olungileyo ephenduka ekulungeni kwakhe, enze okubi, ngibeke isikhubekiso phambi kwakhe, uyakufa. Uma ungamxwayisanga, uyakufela ezonweni zakhe, nezenzo zakhe ezilungileyo azenzileyo aziyikukhunjulwa, kepha igazi lakhe ngiyakulibiza esandleni sakho.

21 Kepha uma umxwayisa olungileyo ukuba olungileyo angoni, abese engoni, uyakuphila nokuphila, ngokuba exwayile; wena-ke uwophulile umphefumulo wakho."

22 Isandla sikaJehova saba phezu kwami lapho, wathi kimi: "Suka, uphume uye ethafeni, ngiyakukhuluma nawe khona."

23 Ngasuka, ngaphuma ngaya ethafeni; bheka, inkazimulo kaJehova yayimi khona njengenkazimulo engayibona ngasemfuleni iKhebari, ngawa ngobuso bami.

24 UMoya wayesengena kimi, wangimisa ngezinyawo zami, wakhuluma kimi, wathi kimi: "Hamba uvizalele endlini yakho.

25 Kepha wena ndodana yomuntu, bheka, bayakufaka amagoda kuwe, bakubophe ngawo; awuyikuphumela phakathi kwabo.

26 Ngiyakunamatelisa ulimi Iwakho olwangeni Iwakho ukuba ubi yisimungulu, ungabi ngumuntu obayalayo, ngokuba bayindlu ehlubukayo.

27 Kepha lapho ngikhuluma nawe, ngiyakuwuvula umlomo wakho, wena uthi kubo: 'Isho njalo iNkosi uJehova.' Ozwayo makezwe, onganakiyo kayeke, ngokuba bayindlu ehlubukayo.

ISAHLUKO 4

"Wena ndodana yomuntu, zithatеле isitini, usibeke phambi kwakho, uqophe kuso umuzi, iJerusalema,

2 uwuvimbezele, wakhe inqaba ngakuwo, uwunqwabele iduli, umise amakamu ngakuwo, ubeke ngakuwo nxazonke izinqama zokungqubuza.

3 Zithatеле ucwecwe Iwensimbi, ulubeke lube ludonga Iwensimbi phakathi kwakho nomuzi, uqondise ubuso bakho kuwo, wona uvinjezelwe, uvinjezelwe nguwe. Lokhu kuyakuba yisibonakaliso kuyo indlu yakwa-Israyeli.

4 "Futhi lala ngohlangothi Iwakho Iwasokhohlo, ubeke ukona kuka-Israyeli phezu kwalo; ngokomumo wezinsuku zokulala kwakho ngalo uyakuthwala ukona kwabo.

5 Ngokuba ngikunqumele iminyaka yokona kwabo ukuba ibe ngumumo wezinsuku, zingamakhulu amathathu namashumi ayisishiyagalolunye, bese wuthwala ukona kwendlu yakwa-Israyeli.

6 "Nxa usuziqedile lezi, uyakulala ngohlangothi Iwakho lokunene, uthwale ukona kwendlu yakwaJuda, ngikunqumele izinsuku ezingamashumi amane, yilolo nalolo suku lube ngumnyaka.

7 Uyakubhekisa ubuso bakho kukho ukuvinjezelwa kweJerusalema, ingalo yakho yambuliwe, uprefethe ngalo.

8 Bheka, ngifaka amagoda phezu kwakho, awuyikuphenduka uhlangothi ngohlangothi, uze uqedie izinsuku zokuvimbezela kwakho.

9 "Futhi zithatèle ukolweni, nebhali, nobhontshisi, nembumba, nonyaluthi, nesipelite, ukubeke esitsheni sibe sinye, uzenzele isinkwa ngakho ngokomumo wezinsuku oyakulala ngazo ngohlangothi Iwakho, izinsuku ezingamakhulu amathathu namashumi ayisishiyagalolunye, usidle.

- 10** Ukuudla kwakho oyakukudla kuyakuba ngesilinganiso, amashekeli angamashumi amabili ngosuku, ukudle izikhathi ngezikhathi.
- 11** Namanzi uyakuwaphuza ngesilinganiso, inxenye yesithupha yehini, uphuze izikhathi ngezikhathi.
- 12** Uyakukudla kungathi amaqebelengwane ebhali, uwenze phambi kwabo ngendle ephuma kumuntu.”
- 13** Wathi uJehova: “Kanjalo nabantwana bakwa-Israyeli bayakusidla isinkwa sabo singcolile phakathi kwezizwe engiyakubaxoshela kuzo.”
- 14** Ngase ngithi: “O Nkosi Jehova, bheka, umphefumulo wami awuzange ungcoliswe, ngokuba kusukela ebusheni bami kuze kube manje angidlanga okuzifeleyo nokudweshuliweyo, nenyama enengekayo ayingenanga emlonyeni wami.”
- 15** Wathi kimi: “Bheka, ngikunike umquba esikhundleni sendle yomuntu; uyakusenza isinkwa sakho phezu kwawo.”
- 16** Wathi futhi kimi: “Ndodana yomuntu, bheka, ngiyakwaphula uzime lvesinkwa eJerusalem, badle isinkwa ngesilinganiso ngokwesaba, baphuze amanzi ngesilinganiso ngokumangala
- 17** ukuba baswele isinkwa namanzi, bamangale omunye nomunye, babune ebubini babo.

ISAHLUKO 5

- “W**ena ndodana yomuntu, zithatthele inkemba ebukhali, uzithatthele yona njengempuco yomgundi, uyihambise ekhanda lakho nasesilevini sakho, uzithatthele isilinganiso sokulinganisa, wahlukanise izinwele.
- 2** Inxenye yesithathu uyakuyishisa ngomlilo phakathi komuzi, seziphelile izinsuku zokuvinjezelwa, uthathe enye inxenye yesithathu, ugalele ngenkemba nxazonke zayo, nenyе inxenye yesithathu uylakaze emoyeni, ngihoshe inkemba emva kwazo.
- 3** Uyakuthatha khona eziyingcosana, uzibophele emiphethweni yengubo yakho.
- 4** Futhi kuzona uyakuthatha, uziphonse phakathi komlilo, uzishise ngomlilo; kuyakuvela lapho umlilo, ungene endlini yonke yakwa-Israyeli.
- 5** “Isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: Lokhu kuiJerusalem; ngilibekile phakathi kwezizwe, namazwe ayalihqa.
- 6** Uhlubukile izahlulelo zami ngokwenza okubi kunezizwe, nezimiso zami kunamazwe alihqaqayo, ngokuba balahlile izahlulelo zami nezimiso zami, abahambanga ngazo.
- 7** “Ngalokho isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: Ngokuba nibanga umsindo kunezizwe ezinihaqayo, ningahambi ngezimiso zami, ningazigcinanga izahlulelo zami, ningenzanga ngemithetho yeziqwe ezinihaqayo,
- 8** ngalokho isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: Bheka, mina, yebo, mina ngimelene nawe; ngiyakwenza izahlulelo phakathi kwakho emehlwani ezizwe.
- 9** Ngiyakwenza kuwe lokho engingazange ngikwenza, nengingasayikukwenza okunjengakho ngenxa yazo zonke izinengiso zakho.
- 10** Ngalokho oyise bayakudla abantwana babo phakathi kwakho, abantwana badle oyise, ngenze izahlulelo phakathi kwakho, ngihlakaze kuyo yonke imimoya yonke insali yakho.
- 11** Ngalokho, kuphila kwami, isho iNkosi uJehova, ngokuba uyingcolisile indlu yami engcwele ngakho konke okuzondekayo kwakho nangazo zonke izinengiso zakho, ngalokho ngiyakukunciphisa impela, iso lami lingahawukeli, ngingabi nabubele.
- 12** Inxenye yesithathu yakho iyakufa ngesifo, baphele nangendlala phakathi kwakho;

inxenyenye yesithathu iyakuwa ngenkemba nxazonke zakho, nenxenyenye yesithathu iyakuhlakazwa kuyo yonke imimoya, ngihoshe inkemba emva kwabo.

13 “Isiyakuphela intukuthelo yami, nganelise ukufutheka kwami ngabo, ngiduduzeke; bayakwazi ukuthi mina Jehova ngikhulumile ngomhawu wami, lapho sengifezile ukufutheka kwami ngabo.

14 “Ngiyakukwenza ube yincithakalo nehlazo phakathi kwezizwe ezikuhaqayo emehlwani abo bonke abadlulayo.

15 Kuyakuba yihlazo, nesaga, nesifundiso, nesimangaliso kuzo izizwe ezikuhaqayo, lapho ngenza izahlulelo phakathi kwakho ngentukuthelo nangokufutheka nangezijeziso ezifuthayo. Mina Jehova ngikhulumile.

16 Lapho ngithumela kini imicibisholo emibi yendlala eyakuba ngukuchitheka kwabo, engiyakuyithuma ukunichitha, ngiyakukhulisa indlala phezu kwenu, ngaphule uzime lwenu lwesinkwa,

17 ngithumele kini indlala nezilwane ezimbi, zikwaphuce abantwana, kndlule phezu kwakho isifo negazi, ngehlisele inkemba phezu kwakho. Mina Jehova ngikhulumile.”

ISAHLUKO 6

1 zwi likaJehova lafika kimi, lathi:

2 “Ndodana yomuntu, bhekisa ubuso bakho ezintabeni zakwa-Israyeli, uprefethe ngazo, uthi:

3 ‘Nina zintaba zakwa-Israyeli, yizwani izwi leNkosi uJehova kuzo izintaba nakuwo amagquma, kuyo imifula yamanzi nakuzo izigodi, lithi: Bhekani, ngiyakwehlisela phezu kwenu inkemba, ngichithe izindawo zenu eziphakemeyo.

4 Ama-altare enu ayakuba yincithakalo, kwaphulwe ama-altare enu empepho, ngilahle ababulewyo benu phambi kwezithombe zenu.

5 Ngiyakubeka izidumbu zabantwana bakwa-Israyeli phambi kwezithombe zabo, ngihlakaze amathambo enu nxazonke zama-altare enu.

6 Kuzo zonke izindawo zokuhlala kwenu imizi iyakuchithwa, izindawo eziphakemeyo zibe yincithakalo ukuba kuchithwe ama-altare enu, achitheke, kwaphulwe izithombe zenu ziphele, ama-altare enu empepho abhidlizwe, imisebenzi yenu ihangulwe.

7 Ababulawayo bayakuwa phakathi kwenu, nazi ukuthi mina nginguJehova.

8 “Kepha ngiyakushiya insali, nibe nabayakuphepha enkembeni phakathi kwezizwe, lapho nihlakazeka emazweni.

9 Abaphephayo benu bayakungikhumbula phakathi kwezizwe abayakuthunjelwa kuzo, lapho ngaphula izinhliziyo zabo eziphingayo, ezichezukile kimi, namehlo abo alandela izithombe zabo ukuba baphinge nazo, banengwe emehlwani abo ngokubi abakwenzileyo ezinengisweni zabo zonke.

10 Bayakwazi ukuthi nginguJehova; angishongo ngeze ukuthi ngiyakwenza lokhu okubi kubo.

11 “Isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: Shaya ngesandla sakho, udubhuze ngonyawo lwakho, uthi: “Maye, ngenxa yazo zonke izinengiso ezimbi zendlu yakwa-Israyeli!” Ngokuba bayakuwa ngenkemba, nangendlala, nangesifo.

12 Okude uyakufa ngesifo, oseduze uyakuwa ngenkemba, oseleyo evinjezelwe uyakufa ngendlala, ngifeze kanjalo ukufutheka kwami kubo.

13 Niyakwazi ukuthi nginguJehova, lapho ababulewyo babo beyakuba phakathi kwezithombe zabo nxazonke zama-altare abo kuwo onke amagquma aphakemeyo,

nakuzo zonke iziqongo zezintaba, naphansi kwayo yonke imithi eluhlaza, naphansi kwavo onke ama-oki adumbileyo, izindawo lapho bebenikela khona ngephunga eliminandi kuzo zonke izithombe zabo.

14 Ngiyakuselulela kubo isandla sami, ngenze izwe libe yincithakalo nokuyize kunehlane laseDibila kuzo zonke izindawo zabo zokuhlala, bazi ukuthi nginguJehova.' "

ISAHLUKO 7

Izwi likaJehova lafika kimi, lathi:

2 "Wena ndodana yomuntu, isho kanje iNkosi uJehova kulo izwe lakwa-Israyeli, ithi: Ukuphela! Ukuphela kufikile emagumbini omane ezwe.

3 Ukuphela sekuphezu kwakho; ngiyakuthuma ukufutheka kwami, ngikwahlulele njengezindlela zakho, ngehlisele phezu kwakho zonke izinengiso zakho.

4 Iso lami aliyikukuhawukela, ngingabi nabubele; ngiyakwehlisela izindlela zakho phezu kwakho, izinengiso zakho zibe phakathi kwakho; niyakwazi ukuthi nginguJehova.

5 "Isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: Ingozi! Ingozi inye nje! Bheka, iyeza.

6 Ukuphela kuyeza; ukuphela kuyeza, kuyakwehlela; bheka, kuyeza!

7 Sekufikile kuwe ohlala ezweni; isikhathi sesifikile, usuku lusondele, olokukhathazeka, kungesilo olokujabula ezintabeni.

8 Manje sengiyakuthulula masinyane ukufutheka kwami phezu kwakho, ngifeze intukuthelo yami kuwe, ngikwahlulele njengezindlela zakho, ngehlisele phezu kwakho zonke izinengiso zakho.

9 Iso lami aliyikuhawukela, ngingabi nabubele, ngehlisele phezu kwakho njengezindlela zakho, izinengiso zakho zibe phakathi kwakho, nazi ukuthi mina Jehova ngiyashaya.

10 "Bhekani usuku! Bhekani luyeza, sekuphezu kwakho; induku iyaqhakaza; ukuzidla kuyahluma.

11 Ubudlova buyavuka, bube yintonga yokubi, kungasali muntu kubo nasesixukwini sabo, kungasali lutho emfuyweni yabo nasebukhosini babo.

12 Isikhathi sesifikile, usuku lusondele; umthengi makangathokozi, nomthengisi makangalili, ngokuba ukufutheka kuphezu kwaso sonke isixuku sabo.

13 Ngokuba umthengisi akayikubuyela kokuthengisiweyo, nakuba esekhona phakathi kwabaphilayo, ngokuba umbono wesixuku sonke awuyikubuya, futhi akuyikubakho muntu ongabambelela ekuphileni ngenxa yobubi bakhe.

14 Babethile icilongo, balungisile konke, kepha akakho ophuma impi, ngokuba ukufutheka kwami kuphezu kwaso sonke isixuku sabo.

15 "Yinkemba ngaphandle, yisifo nendlala ngaphakathi; osensimini uyakufa ngenkemba, osemzini uyakuqedwa yndlala nesifo.

16 Abaphunyukileyo babo bayakuphunya, babe sezintabeni njengamajuba asezigodini, bakhale bonke, kube yilowo nalowo ngezonzo zakhe.

17 Zonke izandla ziyakudangala, nawo onke amadolo abe buthakathaka njengamanzi.

18 Bayakubhinca izindwangu zamasaka, uvalo lubasibele, amahloni abe sebusweni bonke, nobumpandla kuwo onke amakhanda abo.

19 Bayakuphonsa isiliva labo ezitaladini, igolide labo libe yinto engcolileyo, isiliva labo negolide labo kungabi namandla okubophula ngosuku lwentukuthelo kaJehova; abayikusuthisa imiphefumulo yabo, bangagcwaliyi izibilini zabo, ngokuba kade kuyisikhubelela sobubi babo.

- 20** Ukukhazimula kwezimvunulo zakho bakubeka kwaba ngukuziqhenya, benza ngakho izithombe ezinengekayo nezizondekayo; ngalokho ngikwenzile kwaba yinto engcolileyo kubo.
- 21** Ngiyakukunikela esandleni sabafokazi, kudliwe, nakwababi bomhlaba, kube yimpango, bakungcolise.
- 22** Ngiyakufulathelisa ubuso bami kubo, balingcolise igugu lami, kungene kulo abaphangi, balingcolise.
- 23** "Yenza iketanga, ngokuba izwe ligcwele amacala egazi, nomuzi ugcwele ubudlova.
- 24** Ngiyakuletha izizwe ezimbi kakhulu, zidle izindlu zabo, ngiqede ukuzidla kwabanamandla, izindawo zabo ezingcwele zingcoliswe.
- 25** Ukunqunywa kuyeza; bayakufuna ukuthula, kepha akuyikuba khona.
- 26** Ingozi iyakwelanywa yingozi, umbiko ulandele umbiko; bayakufuna umbono womprofethi, kepha umthetho uyakuphela kumpristi nesiluleko kuwo amalunga.
- 27** Inkosi iyakulila, isikhulu siyakwembatha incithakalo, nezandla zabantu bezwe ziyakuhlushwa; ngiyakwenza kubo njengezindlela zabo, ngibahlulele njengezimfanelo zabo, bazi ukuthi nginguJehova."

ISAHLUKO 8

Kwathi ngomnyaka wesithupha ngenyanga yesithupha ngolwesihlanu lwenyanga lapho nighlezi endlini yami, amalunga akwaJuda ehlezi ngaphambi kwami, isandla seNkosi uJehova sawela lapho phezu kwami.

- 2** Ngase ngibona, bheka, kwakunjengokubonakala komlilo; kusukela kokungathi ukhalo kuya phansi kwakungumlilo, kusukela okhalweni kuya phezulu kwakunjengokukhazimula nanjengethusi elimenyezelayo.
- 3** Wayeselula kungathi isandla, wangibamba ngesihluthu sekhanda lami; uMoya wangiphakamisa phakathi komhlaba nezulu, wangiyisa ngemibono kaNkulunkulu eJerusalem esivalweni sesango legceke elingaphakathi elibheke ngasenyakatho, lapho kwakukhona isihlalo sesithombe somhawu, esibanga umhawu.
- 4** Bheka, inkazimulo kaNkulunkulu ka-Israyeli yayilapho njengokuyibona kwami esigodini.
- 5** Wathi kimi: "Ndodana yomuntu, ake uphakamise amehlo akho ngendlela yasenyakatho." Ngase ngiwaphakamisa amehlo ami ngendlela yasenyakatho; bheka, ngasenyakatho kwesango lase-altare lesi sithombe somhawu sasisentubeni.
- 6** Wathi kimi: "Ndodana yomuntu, uyabona yini abakwenzayo, izinengiso ezinkulu indlu yakwa-Israyeli ezenzayo lapha ukuba ngidede kude nendlu yami engcwele na? Kepha uyakubuye ubone ezinye izinengiso ezinkulu."
- 7** Wayesengiyisa esangweni legceke. Ngabona, bheka, nanso imboobo ogangeni.
- 8** Wathi kimi: "Ndodana yomuntu, gebhula ogangeni." Nanxa sengigebhulile ogangeni, bheka, nanko umnyango.
- 9** Wayesethi kimi: "Ngena ubone izinengiso ezimbi abazenzayo lapha."
- 10** Ngangena, ngabona; bheka, zonke izimo zezilwanyana ezinwabuzelayo, nezilwane ezinengekayo, nazo zonke izithombe zendlu ka-Israyeli kudwetshiwe odongeni nxazonke.
- 11** Kwakumi phambi kwabo abantu abangamashumi ayisikhombisa bamalunga endlu yakwa-Israyeli, naphakathi kwabo uJahazaniya indodana kaShafani, kwaba yilowo nalowo enomcengezi wakhe womlilo esandleni sakhe, nephunga lefu lempepho lenyuka.
- 12** Wayesethi kimi: "Ndodana yomuntu, uyabona yini akwenzayo amalunga endlu yakwa-

Israyeli ebumnyameni, kube yilelo nalelo ekamelweni lalo lezithombe, na? Ngokuba athi: ‘UJehova akasiboni, uJehova ulishiyle izwe.’ ”

13 Futhi wathi kimi: “Uyakubuye ubone ezinye izinengiso ezinkulu abazenzayo.”

14 Wayesengiyisa esivalweni sesango lendlu kaJehova elingasenyakatho; bheka, nampo abesifazane behlezi belilela uTamuzi.

15 Wathi kimi: “Uyakubona lokho wena ndodana yomuntu na? Uyakubuye ubone izinengiso ezinkulu kunalezi.”

16 Wayesengingenisa egcekeni elingaphakathi lendlu kaJehova; bheka, ngasemnyango wethempeli likaJehova phakathi kompheme ne-altare kwakukhona kungathi amadoda angamashumi amabili nanhlanu efulathele ithempeli likaJehova, ubuso bawo bubhekene nempumalanga, ekhonza ilanga ngasempumalanga.

17 Wathi kimi: “Uyakubona lokhu wena ndodana yomuntu na? Kuyinto elula kuyo indlu yakwaJuda ukwenza izinengiso abazenzayo lapho na? Ngokuba sebeligcwalisile izwe ngobudlova, babuye bangicunula. Bhekani, babeka amagatsha emakhali abo.

18 Ngalokho ngiyakusebenza ngokufutheka; iso lami aliyikubahawukela, ngingabi nabubele; noma bememeza ezindlebeni zami ngezwi elikhulu, angiyikubezwa.”

ISAHLUKO 9

Wayesememeza ezindlebeni zami ngezwi elikhulu, ethi: “Mazisondele izijeziso zomuzi, kube yilovo nalowo abe nezikhali zokubulala esandleni sakhe.”

2 Bheka, kwafika amadoda ayisithupha evela endleleni yasesangweni lasenhla, elingasenyakatho, yileyo naleyo ineskhalu sokubulala esandleni sayo, enye phakathi kwawo yembethe ilineni, inophondo lukayinki womlobi ngasokhalweni Iwayo. Angena, ema ngaseceleni le-altare lethusi.

3 Inkazimulo kaNkulunkulu ka-Israyeli yayenyukile ekherubini eyayiphezu kwalo, yaya embundwini wendlu, wayibiza indoda eyembethe ilineni, eyayinophondo lukayinki womlobi ngasokhalweni Iwayo.

4 UJehova wathi kuyo: “Dabula emzini, phakathi kweJerusalema, ubeke uphawu emabunzini abantu ababubula bekhala ngazo zonke izinengiso ezenziwa phakathi kwalo.”

5 Kwamanye washo ezindlebeni zami, wathi: “Dabulani emzini emva kwayo, nibulale, iso lenu lingahawukeli, ningabi nabubele,

6 nibulale nichithe amaxhegu, nezinsizwa, nezintombi, nezingane, nabesifazane, ningasondeli kodwa kumuntu okukuye uphawu, niqale endlini yami engcwele.” Ayeseqala ngamadoda amadala ayephambi kwendlu.

7 Wathi kuwo: “Ngcolisani indlu, nigcwalise amagceke ngababulewego. Phuman!” Aphuma, abulala emzini.

8 Kwathi esabulala, kwasala mina; ngawa ngobuso, ngakhala ngathi: “Maye, Nkosi Jehova! Uyakubulala yonke insali yakwa-Israyeli ekutheleni kwakho ukufutheka kwakho phezu kweJerusalema na?”

9 Wathi kimi: “Ububi bendlu yakwa-Israyeli neyakwaJuda bukhulu kakhulu impela, nezwe ligcwele igazi, nomuzi ugcwele ukuhlanekezelu, ngokuba bathi: ‘UJehova ulishiyle izwe, uJehova akakuboni.’ ”

10 Nami-ke, iso lami aliyikubahawukela, ngingabi nabubele, kepha ngiyakwehlisela indlela

yabo phezu kwekhanda labo."

11 Bheka, indoda eyembethe ilineni, inophondo lukayinki ngasokhalweni lwayo, yabuyisa izwi, yathi: "Ngenzile njengokungiyala kwakho."

ISAHLUKO 10

Ngase ngibona, bheka, emkhathini owawuphezu kwamakhanda amakherubi kwabonakala okunjengegetshe lesafire, kufana kungathi nesihlalo sobukhosi.

2 Wakhuluma kuyo indoda eyembethe ilineni, wathi: "Ngena phakathi kwamasondo ayingilizayo phansi kwekherubi, ugcwalise izandla zakho zombili ngamalahle omlilo ophakathi kwamakherubi, uwahlakaze phezu komuzi." Yangena phambi kwamehlo ami.

3 Amakherubi ayemi ngakwesokunene kwendlu ekungeneni kwendoda, ifu lagcwala igceke elingaphakathi.

4 Inkazimulo kaJehova yenyuka ekherubini, yaya embundwini wendlu; indlu yagcwala ifu, igceke lagcwala ukumenyezela kwenkazimulo kaJehova.

5 Umsindo wamaphiko amakherubi wezwakala kwaze kwaba segcekeni elingaphandle njengezwi likaNkulunkulu uSomandla, lapho ekhuluma.

6 Kwathi lapho eyala indoda eyembethe ilineni, ethi: "Thatha umlilo phakathi kwamasondo ayingilizayo phakathi kwamakherubi," yangena, eceleni kwesondo.

7 Ikherubi lelulela isandla salo liphakathi kwamakherubi kuwo umlilo owawuphakathi kwamakherubi, lawuthatha, lawubeka ezandleni zakhe owembethe ilineni; wawuthatha, waphuma.

8 Kwabonakala kuwo amakherubi isimo sesandla somuntu phansi kwamaphiko awo.

9 Ngabona, bheka, nanko amasondo amane eceleni kwamakherubi, elinye isondo eceleni kwelinye ikherubi nelinye isondo eceleni kwelinye ikherubi; ukubonakala kwamasondo kwakunjengestshe lekrisolithe.

10 Kungathi omane ayenesimo sinye, njengalokho kwakukhona isondo phakathi kwesondo.

11 Ekuhambeni kwavo aya ezinhlangothini zozine, awaphendukanga ekuhambeni kwavo, kepha lapho ikhanda lalibhekisa khona alilandela; awaphendukanga ekuhambeni kwavo.

12 Wonke umzimba wawo, nemihlane yawo, nezandla zawo, namaphiko awo, namasondo kwakugcwele amehlo nxazonke; yebo, amasondo lawa omane ayenawo.

13 Amasondo ayebizwa ezindlebeni zami ngokuthi ayingilizayo.

14 Yilelo nalelo lalinobuso obune; ubuso bokuqala babungubuso bekherubi, ubuso besibili babungubuso bomuntu, obesithathu babungubuso bengonyama, nobesine babungubuso bokhozi.

15 Amakherubi aziphakamisa; yilezi zidalwa engazibona ngasemfuleni iKhebari.

16 Ekuhambeni kwamakherubi amasondo ahamba eceleni kwavo, nalapho amakherubi ephakamisa amaphiko awo ukwenyuka emhlabathini, amasondo awaphendukanga eceleni kwavo.

17 Ekumeni kwavo nalawa ema; ekwenykeni kwavo enyuka nawo, ngokuba umoya wezidalwa wayekuwo.

18 Inkazimulo kaJehova yaphuma phezu kombundu wendlu, yema phezu kwamakherubi.

19 Amakherubi aphakamisa amaphiko awo, enyuka emhlabathini phambi kwamehlo ami ekuphumeni kwavo, amasondo eseceleni kwavo; ema ngasesivalweni sesango lasempumalanga lendlu kaJehova; inkazimulo kaNkulunkulu ka-Israyeli yayiphezu kwavo.

20 Yilezi zidalwa engazibona phansi kukaNkulunkulu ngasemfuleni iKhebari, ngazi ukuthi zazingamakherubi.

21 Yilelo nalelo lalinobuso obune, yilelo lalinamaphiko amane, nesimo sezandla zomuntu sasiphansi kwamaphiko awo.

22 Isimo sobuso bawo, bona babungubuso engabubona ngasemfuleni iKhebari, ukubonakala kwabo, yebo, bona uqobo lwabo; yilelo nalelo lahamba ngokuqonda kobuso balo.

ISAHLUKO 11

UMoya wangiphakamisa, wangiyisa esangweni lendlu kaJehova lasempumalanga, elibhekene nempumalanga; bheka, ngasesivalweni sesango kwakukhona amadoda angamashumi amabili nanhlanu; ngabona phakathi kwavo uJahazaniya indodana ka-Azuri noPhelathiya indodana kaBenaya, izikhulu zabantu.

2 Wathi kimi: "Ndodana yomuntu, yilawa madoda aceba okubi, anika iziluleko ezimbi kulo muzi,

3 athi: 'Akuseduze yini ukuba kwakhwiwe izindlu? Lo muzi uyikhanzi, thina siyinyama.'

4 Ngalokho profetha ngabo, uprefethe, ndodana yomuntu."

5 UMoya kaJehova wehlela phezu kwami, wathi kimi: "Yisho uthi: Usho kanje uJehova, uthi: Nisho njalo nina ndlu ka-Israyeli; ngiyazi mina okungena emoyeni wenu.

6 Nandisile ababulewego benu kulo muzi, nigcwalisile izitaladi zavo ngababulewego.

7 "Ngalokho isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: Ababulewego benu enibabekile phakathi kwavo bayinyama, nawo uqobo uyikhanzi, kepha nina ngiyakunikhapha phakathi kwavo.

8 Niyesabile inkemba; ngiyakunehlisela inkemba, isho iNkosi uJehova.

9 Ngiyakunikhapha phakathi kwavo, ngininikele esandleni sabafokazi, ngahlulele phakathi kwenu.

10 Niyakuwa ngenkemba, nginahlulele emkhawulweni wakwa-Israyeli; nazi ukuthi nginguJehova.

11 Lo muzi awuyikuba yikhanzi, nani aniyikuba yinyama phakathi kwalo; ngiyakunahlulela emkhawulweni wakwa-Israyeli,

12 nazi ukuthi nginguJehova, ngokuba anihambanga ngezimiso zami, nezahlulelo zami anizenzanga, kepha nenze njengezahlulelo zezizwe ezinihaqayo."

13 Kwathi lapho ngiprofetha, uPhelathiya indodana kaBenaya wafa. Ngase ngiwa ngobuso, ngakhala ngezwi elikhulu, ngathi: "O Nkosi Jehova, uyakwenza ukuba iphele insali yakwa-Israyeli na?"

14 Izwi likaJehova lafika kimi, lathi:

15 "Ndodana yomuntu, abafowenu, yebo, abafowenu abayizihlobo zakho nayo yonke indlu yakwa-Israyeli, bonke abakhileyo eJerusalema abashilo kubo ukuthi: 'Dedani kuJehova; leli zwe linikiwe thina libe yifa.'

16 "Thana ngabo: 'Isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: Noma ngibadedisele kude phakathi kwezizwe, ngabahlakazela emazweni, ngaba yindlu engcwele nokho kubo isikhashana emazweni ababhlakazelwe kuwo.'

17 "Ngalokho thana: 'Isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: Ngiyakunibutha ezizweni, nginiqoqe emazweni enihlakazekelwe kuwo, ngininike izwe lakwa-Israyeli.'

18 "Bayakufika khona, basuse lapho konke okuzondekayo kwalo nazo zonke izinengiso zalo.

- 19** Ngiyakubanika inhliziyo ibe nye, ngibeke umoya omusha phakathi kwabo, ngikhiphe inhliziyo yetshe enyameni yabo, ngibanike inhliziyo yenyama
- 20** ukuba bahambe ngezimiso zami, bagcine izahlulelo zami, bazenze, babe ngabantu bami, mina ngibe nguNkulunkulu wabo.
- 21** Kepha labo abanhliziyo zabo zilandela izinhliziyo zokuzondekayo kwabo nezinengiso zabo, ngiyakwehlisela phezu kwamakhanda abo indlela yabo, isho iNkosi uJehova.”
- 22** Amakherubi ayesephakamisa amaphiko awo namasondo ayeseceleni kwavo; inkazimulo kaNkulunkulu ka-Israyeli yayiphezu kwavo.
- 23** Inkazimulo kaJehova yakhuphuka phakathi komuzi, yema entabeni engasempumalanga komuzi.
- 24** UMoya wayesengiphakamisa, wangiyisa ngombono ngoMoya kaNkulunkulu eKalideya kubathunjwa. Wase wenyuka kimi umbono engiwubonileyo.
- 25** Ngase ngikhuluma kubathunjwa zonke izinto uJehova angibonisile zona.

ISAHLUKO 12

- 1** Izwi likaJehova lafika kimi, lathi:
- 2** “Ndodana yomuntu, wena uhlala phakathi kwendlu ehlubukayo nabanamehlo okubona bengaboni kodwa, abanezindlebe zokuzwa bengezwa nokho, ngokuba bayindlu ehlubukayo.
- 3** “Wena ndodana yomuntu, zenzele impahla yokuhamba, usuke emini emehlwani abo, umuke endaweni yakho emehlwani abo, uye kwenye; mhlawumbe bayakubona ukuthi bayindlu ehlubukayo.
- 4** Uyakukhipha impahla yakho emini emehlwani abo njengempahla yokuhamba, wena uphume kusihlwa emehlwani abo njengokuphuma ukuya ekuthunjweni.
- 5** Gebhula ogangeni emehlwani abo, uyikhiphe impahla khona.
- 6** Uyakuyithwala ehlombe emehlwani abo, uyikhiphe sekumnyama, usibekele ubuso bakho, ukuze ungaboni izwe, ngokuba ngikubeke ukuba ube yisibonakaliso kuyo indlu yakwa-Israyeli.”
- 7** Ngenza njengokungiyala kwakhe; ngayikhipha impahla yami emini njengempahla yokuhamba, kusihlwa ngagebhula ogangeni ngesandla, nanxa sekumnyama ngayikhipha, ngayithwala ehlombe emehlwani abo.
- 8** Lase lifika izwi likaJehova ekuseni, lathi:
- 9** “Ndodana yomuntu, ayishongo kuwe yini indlu yakwa-Israyeli, indlu ehlubukayo, yathi: ‘Wenzani na?’
- 10** “Thana kubo: ‘Isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: Lesi siprofetho ngesesikhulu saseJerusalema nesabo bonke abendlu yakwa-Israyeli abaphakathi kwalo.’
- 11** Thana: ‘Ngiyisibonakaliso senu;’ njengalokho ngenzile, kuyakwenziwa kanjalo kubo; bayakuya ekuthunjweni, baboshwe.
- 12** “Isikhulu esiphakathi kwabo siyakuthwala ehlombe sekumnyama, siphume, bagebhule ogangeni ukuba bakhiphe khona, sisibekele usubo baso, ngokuba asiyikubona izwe ngamehlo aso.
- 13** Ngiyakuleneka inetha lami phezu kwaso, sibanjwe ogiben iwmami; ngiyakusiyisa eBabele ezweni lamaKaledi. Kepha asiyikulibona, noma sifela khona.
- 14** Bonke abasizungezayo ukusisiza namaviyo aso ngiyakubahlakazela kuyo yonke imimoya, ngihoshe inkemba emva kwabo.

15 "Bayakwazi ukuthi nginguJehova, lapho ngibahlakazela ezizweni, ngibasabalalisele emazweni.

16 Kepha ngiyakushiya kubo abantu abayingcosana besala enkembeni, nasendlaleni, nasesifweni, ukuba balande ngazo zonke izinengiso zabo phakathi kwezizwe lapho befika khona, bazi ukuthi nginguJehova."

17 Izwi likaJehova lafika kimi, lathi:

18 "Ndodana yomuntu, yidla isinkwa sakho ngokuqhaqhaqzela, uphuze amanzi akho ngokuthuthumela nangokwesaba,

19 uthi kubantu bezwe: 'Isho kanje iNkosi uJehova ngabakhileyo eJerusalema ezweni lakwa-Israyeli, ithi: Bayakudla isinkwa sabo ngokwesaba, baphuze amanzi abo ngokumangala, ngokuba izwe lalo liyakuchithwa, laphucwe konke ukugcwala kwalo ngenxa yobudlova babo bonke abahlala kulo.

20 Imizi ehlalwayo iyakuchithwa, izwe libe yincithakalo, nazi ukuthi nginguJehova.' "

21 Izwi likaJehova lafika kimi, lathi:

22 "Ndodana yomuntu, siyini lesu saga eninaso ezweni lakwa-Israyeli sokuthi: 'Izinsuku ziyajobeleleka, nayo yonke imibono iphuthile,' na?

23 Ngalokho thana kubo: 'Isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: Ngiyakwenza ukuba siphele lesu saga, bangabe besafanisa ngaso kwa-Israyeli,' kepha khulumka kubo ngokuthi: 'Izinsuku sezisondele nokugcwaliyeka kwemibono yonke.

24 Ngokuba akusayikuba khona umbono oyize nokubhula okuthophayo endlini yakwa-Israyeli.

25 Ngokuba mina Jehova ngiyakukhuluma izwi engiyakulikhuluma, lenzeke, lingabe lisalitshaziswa, ngokuba ezinsukwini zenu nina ndlu ehlubukayo ngiyakukhuluma izwi, ngilenze, isho iNkosi uJehova.' "

26 Izwi likaJehova lafika kimi, lathi:

27 "Ndodana yomuntu, bheka, abendlu ka-Israyeli bathi: 'Umbono awubonayo ungowejzinsuku ezizayo, uprofetha ngezikathu ezisekude.'

28 "Ngalokho thana kubo: 'Isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: Akusayikulitshaziswa zwi, kepha izwi engiyakulikhuluma liyakwenzeka, isho iNkosi uJehova.' "

ISAHLUKO 13

Izwi likaJehova lafika kimi, lathi:

2 "Ndodana yomuntu, profetha ngabaprofethi bakwa-Israyeli abaprofethayo, uthi kwabaprofetha okwenhliziyo yabo: 'Zwanini izwi likaJehova.

3 Isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: Wo kubaprofethi abayiziwula, abalandela umoya wabo nabangakubonanga!

4 O Israyeli, abaprofethi bakho banjengezimpungushe ezindaweni ezichithekileyo.

5 Anenyukelanga ezikheleni, anibiyelanga nokubiyela indlu yakwa-Israyeli ukuba ime ekulweni ngosuku lukaJehova.

6 Babonile okuyize nokubhula kwamanga abathi: "Kusho uJehova," kepha uJehova kabathumanga, kodwa bethemba ukuthi ubeyakuqinisa izwi labo.

7 Anibonanga umbono oyize, anikhulumanga ukubhula kwamanga, lapho nithi: "Kusho uJehova," mina ngingakhulumanga, na?

8 "Ngalokho isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: Ngokuba nikhulumile okuyize, nibonile amanga, ngalokho bhekani, ngimelene nani, isho iNkosi uJehova.

- 9** Isandla sami siyakumelana nabaprofethi ababona okuyize nababhula amanga; abayikuba semkhandlwini wabantu bami, bangalotshwa encwadini yendlu yakwa-Israyeli, bangangeni ezweni lakwa-Israyeli, nazi ukuthi ngiyiNkosi uJehova.
- 10** “Ngokuba, yebo, ngokuba bedukisile abantu bami ngokuthi: “Ngukuthula,” kungekho ukuthula, nangokuba lapho kwakhiwa ugange, bheka, balunameka ngodaka olungavuthiwe,
- 11** yisho kwabanamekayo ukuthi luyakuwa; kuyakuwa imvula ekhukhulayo; nina matshe esichotho niyakuwa, nomoya wesivunguvungu uyakuludabula.
- 12** Bheka, lapho ugange seluwile, akuyikushiwo kini ukuthi: “Luphi udaka enanameka ngalo na?”
- 13** “Ngalokho isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: Ngiyakuludabula ngomoya wesivunguvungu ngokufutheka kwami, kube yimvula ekhukhulayo ngentukuthelo yami, namatshe esichotho ngokufutheka ukuba aluqede.
- 14** Ngiyakulubhidliza ugange enalunameka ngodaka olungavuthiwe, ngiludilizele phansi, lunamathele emhlabathini, kwambulwe isisekelo salo; yebo, luyakuwa, nina niphele phakathi kwalo, nazi ukuthi nginguJehova.
- 15** Ngiyakufeza ukufutheka kwami ogangeni nakubo abalunameka ngodaka olungavuthiwe, ngithi kini: “Alusekho ugange, abasekho abalunamekayo,
- 16** abaprofethi bakwa-Israyeli abaprofetha ngeJerusalema, ababona imibono yokuthula ngalo, ukuthula kungekho, isho iNkosi uJehova.” ’
- 17** “Wena ndodana yomuntu, bhekisa ubuso bakho kuwo amadodakazi abantu bakho aprofetha okwenhlizyo yawo, uprofethe ngawo,
- 18** uthi: ‘Isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: Wo kwabesifazane abathungela zonke izindololwane izicamelo, benze imigubuzelo yamakhanda ezimo zonke ukuba bazingele imiphefumulo. Niyakuzingela yini imiphefumulo yabantu bami, nisindise imiphefumulo yenu,
- 19** nina eningingcolisa phakathi kwabantu bami ngezinkweshe zebhali nangezingcezu zesinkwa ngokubulala imiphefumulo ebingayikufa nokusindisa imiphefumulo ebingayikuphila ngokuqamba kwenu amanga kubantu bami abalalela amanga, na?
- 20** “Qha! Ngalokho isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: Bheka, ngimelene nezicamelo zenu enizingela ngazo lapha imiphefumulo njengezinyoni; ngiyakuzihlwitha ezingalweni zenu, ngivumele imiphefumulo ukuba ihambe, le miphefumulo eniyizingelayo njengezinyoni.
- 21** Ngiyakulebhula nemigubuzelo yenu, ngibophule abantu bami esandleni senu, bangabe besababikho esandleni senu ukuba bazingelwe, nazi ukuthi nginguJehova.
- 22** Ngokuba nidabukisile inhliziyo yolungileyo ngamanga, engingamdabukisanga mina, naqinisa izandla zababi ukuba bangabuyi endleleni yabo embi, basindiswe,
- 23** ngalokho anisayikubona okuyize, ningabe nisabhula ukubhula; ngiyakubophula abantu bami esandleni senu, nazi ukuthi nginguJehova.’ ”

ISAHLUKO 14

Kwafika kimi amadoda amalunga akwa-Israyeli, ahlala phambi kwami.

2 Izwi likaJehova lafika kimi, lathi:

3 “Ndodana yomuntu, lawa madoda angenisile izithombe zaho ezinhliziyweni zaho, abeka isikhubeleko sokona kwano phambi kobuso bawo. Impela ngiyakubuzwa yiwo na?

4 Qha! Ngalokho khuluma kuwona, uthi kuwo: ‘Isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: Yilovo

nalowo muntu wakwa-Israyeli ongenisa izithombe zakhe enhliziyeni yakhe, abeke isikhubekiso sokona kwakhe phambi kobuso bakhe, eze kumprofethi, mina Jehova ngiyakumphendula ngokobuningi bezithombe zakhe,

5 ukuze ngibambe indlu yakwa-Israyeli ngenhlizyo yabo, ngokuba bonke bazahlukanisile nami ngezithombe zabo.'

6 "Ngalokho yisho kuyo indlu yakwa-Israyeli, uthi: 'Isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: Phendukani, nibuye ezithombeni zenu, nifulatelle zonke izinengiso zenu.

7 " 'Ngokuba yilovo nalowo muntu wendlu ka-Israyeli nomfokazi ogogobele kwa-Israyeli, ozahlukanisa nami, angenise izithombe zakhe enhliziyeni yakhe, abeke isikhubekiso sokona kwakhe phambi kobuso bakhe, eze kumprofethi ukuba azibuzele kimi, mina Jehova ngiyakumphendula ngokwami,

8 ngibhekise ubuso bami bumelane nalowo muntu, ngimbeke abe yisibonakaliso nesaga, ngimnqume, asuke phakathi kwabantu bami, nazi ukuthi nginguJehova.

9 " 'Uma umprofethi eyengwa akhulume izwi, mina Jehova ngimyengile lowo mprofethi; ngiyakwelulela isandla sami phezu kwakhe, ngimchithe phakathi kwabantu bami u-Israyeli.

10 Bayakuthwala ukona kwabo, ukona kobuzayo kube njengokona komprofethi,

11 ukuze indlu yakwa-Israyeli ingabe isaduka kimi, ingabe isazingcolisa ngeziphambeko zayo zonke, kepha ibe ngabantu bami, mina ngibe nguNkulunkulu wabo, isho iNkosi uJehova.' "

12 Izwi likaJehova lafika kimi, lathi:

13 "Ndodana yomuntu, lapho izwe lona kimi ngokwenza iziphambeko, ngelulele isandla sami phezu kwalo, ngaphule uzime lwalo lwasinkwa, ngithume indlala kulo, nginqume kulo abantu nezilwane,

14 noma ebekhona phakathi kwalo lawa madoda amathathu, oNowa, noDaniyeli, noJobe, wona ayeyakophula imiphefumulo yawo kuphela ngokulunga kwabo, isho iNkosi uJehova.

15 "Uma ngidabulisa izilwane ezimbi ezweni, ziliphange libe yincithakalo, ukuze kungadluli muntu ngenxa yezilwane,

16 noma ebekhona lawo madoda amathathu phakathi kwalo, kuphila kwami, isho iNkosi uJehova, ayengayikophula amadodana noma amadodakazi, ophulwe wona odwa, izwe libe yincithakalo.

17 "Nokuba bengiyakwehlisela inkemba phezu kwalelo zwe, ngithi: 'Inkemba mayidabule ezweni,' ukuze nginqume kulo abantu nezilwane,

18 noma ebekhona lawo madoda amathathu phakathi kwalo, kuphila kwami, isho iNkosi uJehova, ayengayikophula amadodana noma amadodakazi, ophulwe wona odwa.

19 "Nokuba bengiyakuthuma isifo kulelo zwe, ngithele ukufutheka kwami phezu kwalo ngegazi ukuba nginqume kulo abantu nezilwane,

20 noma bebekhona oNowa, noDaniyeli, noJobe phakathi kwalo, kuphila kwami, isho iNkosi uJehova, bebengayikophula amadodana noma amadodakazi, bophule imiphefumulo yabo kuphela ngokulunga kwabo.

21 "Ngokuba isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: Kakhulu kangakanani, lapho ngithuma eJerusalema izahlulelo zami ezimbi, inkemba, nendlala, nezilwane ezesabekayo, nesifo ukuba nginqume kulo abantu nezilwane, na?

22 Kepha bheka, kuyakushiywa kulo ababalekileyo abayakukhishwa, amadodana namadodakazi; bheka, ayakuphumela kini, nibone indlela yawo nemisebenzi yawo, niduduzwe ngokubi engehlisele khona phezu kweJerusalema, yebo, ngakho konke

engehlisele khona phezu kwalo.

23 Ayakuniduduza, lapho nibona indlela yawo nemisebenzi yawo, nazi ukuthi angenzanga ngaphandle kwasizathu konke engikwenzileyo phakathi kwalo, isho iNkosi uJehova."

ISAHLUKO 15

■ zwi likaJehova lafika kimi, lathi:

- 2** "Ndodana yomuntu, umuthi womvini udlula ngani imithi yonke, igatsha lomvini eliphakathi kwemithi yasehlathini, na?
- 3** Kuyakuthathwa kuwo umuthi wokwenza umsebenzi, noma kuthathwe kuwo isikhonkwane ukuphanyeka isitsha, na?
- 4** Bheka, uyafakwa emlilweni ukuba udliwe, ziqedwe ngumlilo izihloko zawo zombili, kuhanguke okuphakathi kwazo; usulungele umsebenzi na?
- 5** Bheka, usaphelele awenziwanga waba ngokomsebenzi; kakhulu kangakanani, lapho umlilo uwuqedile wahanguka, uyobe usenziwa ube ngokomsebenzi, na?
- 6** "Ngalokho isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: Njengomuthi womvini phakathi kwemithi yasehlathini engiwunike umlilo ukuba uqedwe, kanjalo ngiyakunikela abakhileyo eJerusalema.
- 7** Ngiyakubhekisa ubuso bami bumelane nabo; baphumile emlilweni, kepha umlilo uyakubaqed; niyakwazi ukuthi nginguJehova, lapho ngibhekisa ubuso bami bumelane nabo.
- 8** Ngiyakwenza izwe libe yincithakalo, ngokuba benze isiphambeko, isho iNkosi uJehova."

ISAHLUKO 16

■ zwi likaJehova lafika kimi, lathi:

- 2** "Ndodana yomuntu, yazisa iJerusalema izinengiso zalo,
- 3** uthi: 'Isho kanje iNkosi uJehova kulo iJerusalema, ithi: Ukudabuka kwakho nokuzalwa kwakho kungokwezwe laseKhanani; uyhlo wayengumAmori, nonyoko wayengumHetikazi.
- 4** Ekuzalweni kwakho inkaba yakho ayinqunywanga ngosuku lokuzalwa kwakho, awugezwanga ngamanzi ukuba uhlambuluke, awuhlikhlwanga nakanye ngosawoti, awusongwanga nokusongwa.
- 5** Awuhawukelwanga yiso ukuba kwensiwe lokhu kuwe, uphathwe ngobubele, kepha waphonswa endle, lokhu wanengeka ngosuku lokuzalwa kwakho.
- 6** " 'Lapho ngidlula kuwe, ngikubona unqasha egazini lakho, ngathi kuwe: Wena osegazini lakho: "Phila!" yebo, ngathi kuwe, wena osegazini lakho: "Phila!"'
- 7** Wande njengehlumela lasendle; wanda, wakhula, wabukeka nokubukeka; amabele akho aphuhla, izinwele zakho zazimilile, kepha wawunqunu, wawuze.
- 8** " 'Lapho ngidlula kuwe, ngikubona, bheka, kwakuyisikhathi sakho, isikhathi sokuthanda; ngeneka ingubo yami phezu kwakho, ngembathisa ubunqunu bakho; yebo, ngafunga kuwe, ngangena esivumelwaneni nawe, isho iNkosi uJehova, waba ngowami.
- 9** " 'Ngakugeza ngamanzi, ngahlanzisia igazi lakho kuwe, ngakugcoba ngamafutha.'
- 10** Ngakwembathisa imifekethiso, ngakufaka izicathulo zesikhumba samatahasi, ngakubhincisa ilineni elicolekileyo, ngakusibekela ngosilika.
- 11** Ngakuvunulisa ngezivunulo, ngafaka amasongo ezandleni zakho nomnaka entanyeni yakho.

- 12** Ngafaka icici emakhaleni akho, namagenqeza ezindlebeni zakho, nomqhele omuhle ekhanda lakho.
- 13** Wawusuhlotshisiwe ngegolide nangesiliva, isambatho sakho sasiyilenen elicolekileyo, nosilika, nemifekekethiso; wadla impuphu ecolekileyo, nezinyosi, namafutha; wawumuhle kakhulu impela, wahlahlamela, waze wathola ubukhosikazi.
- 14** Igama lakho laphumela ezizweni ngobuhle bakho, ngokuba laliphelele ngemihlobiso engangiyibeke kuwe, isho iNkosi uJehova.
- 15** “ ‘Kepha wethemba ebuhleni bakho, wafebelia igama lakho, wathululela bonke abadlulayo ubufebe bakho, baba ngobakhe.
- 16** Wathatha ezingutsheni zakho, wazenzela izindawo eziphakemeyo ezingamagqabaghqabha, wafeba kuzo, okungazange kwenzeke nokungasoze kwenziwa.
- 17** Wathatha izinto zakho ezinhle, egolideni lami nasesiliveni lami engangikunike khona, wazenzela izithombe zabisilisa, wafeba nazo.
- 18** Wathatha izingubo zakho ezifekethisiwego, wazisibekela, wabeka amafutha ami nempepho yami phambi kwazo.
- 19** Nesinkwa sami engangikunike sona, impuphu ecolekileyo, namafutha, nezinyosi engangikudlise khona, wakubeka phambi kwazo, kwaba yiphunga eliminandi; kwaba njalo, isho iNkosi uJehova.
- 20** “ ‘Wawathatha amadodana akho namadodakazi akho owangizalela wona, wawahlabela zona ukuba adliwe. Babubuncane ubufebe bakho
- 21** ukuba ubulale abantwana bami, unikele ngabo kuzo ngokubadabulisa emlilweni, na?
- 22** Kuzo zonke izinengiso zakho nakubo bonke ubufebe bakho awukhumbulanga izinsuku zobusha bakho, lapho wawunqunu, wawuze, wangqasha egazini lakho.
- 23** “ ‘Kwathi emva kwabo bonke ububi bakho — maye, maye kuwe! isho iNkosi uJehova —
- 24** wazakhela iqhugwane, wazenzela indawo ephakemeyo ezigcawini zonke.
- 25** Ezingosini zonke zezitaladi wakha izindawo zakho eziphakemeyo, wenza ubuhle bakho baba yisinengiso, wenekela bonke abadlulayo imilenze yakho, wandisa ubufebe bakho.
- 26** Wafeba nabaseGibithe, abakhelwane bakho, abanyama inkulu, wandisa ubufebe ukungicunula.
- 27** Bheka, ngase ngelulela isandla sami kuwe, nganciphisa ukudla owakunqunyelwayo, ngakunikela entandweni yabakuzondayo, amadodakazi amaFilisti, ayenamahloni ngendlela yakho yokukhanuka.
- 28** Wafeba nama-Asiriya ngokuba wawungakadel; yebo wafeba nawo, kepha namanje wawungakadel.
- 29** Wandisa ubufebe bakho kuze kubesezweni labathengi, iKalideya, kepha nangalokho awudelanga.
- 30** “ ‘Yeka ubuthakathaka benhliziyo yakho, isho iNkosi uJehova, lokhu wenza zonke lezi zinto, izenzo zowesifazane oyisifebe esingazibambiyo.
- 31** Wakha iqhugwane lakho ezingosini zezitaladi, wenza indawo yakho ephakemeyo kuzo zonke izigcawu, ungaba nganjengezifebe ngokudelela inkokhelo,
- 32** wena mfazi ophingayo, othatha abafokazi esikhundleni sendoda yakhe.
- 33** Zonke izifebe ziphiwa imivuzo, kepha wena unika zonke izithandwa zakho imivuzo, uziqashe ukuba zifike kuwe nxazonke ekufebeni kwakho.
- 34** Wahlukene nabanye abesifazane ekufebeni kwakho ngalokho ukuthi akakho olandela wena ukuyofeba; ngokuniqa kwakho imivuzo, ungaphiwa imivuzo kodwa wena, ngalokho wahlukene.

- 35** “ ‘Ngalokho yizwa, sifebe, izwi likaJehova.
- 36** Isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: Ngokuba uthululile amahloni akho, nobunqunu bakho bambulwa ngobufube bakho nezithandwa zakho, nangenxa yazo zonke izithombe zezinengiso zakho, nangegazi labantwana bakho owabanika lona,
- 37** ngalokho bheka, ngiyakubutha zonke izithandwa zakho ozenamisile nazo, nazo zonke ozithandileyo, nazo zonke ozizondileyo, ngizibuthe ngakuwe zivela nxazonke, ngizambulele ubunqunu bakho ukuba zibone bonke ubunqunu bakho.
- 38** Ngiyakukwahlulela ngesahlulelo seziphingikazi nesabachithi begazi, ngehlisele phezu kwakho igazi lokufutheka nomhawu.
- 39** Ngiyakukunikela esandleni sazo, zilibhidlize iqhugwane lakho, zizidilize izindawo zakho eziphakemeyo, zikuhlubule izingubo zakho, zithathe izinto zakho ezinhle, zikushiye unqunu, uze.
- 40** Ziyakukwenyusela isixuku, zikukhande ngamatshe, zikuhlahlele ngezinkemba zazo.
- 41** Ziyakushisa izindlu zakho ngomlilo, zikwahlulele emehlwani abesifazane abanangi, ngenze ukuba uyeke ukufeba, wena ungabe usanika umvuzo.
- 42** Ngiyakuqedu ukufutheka kwami kuwe, umhawu wami usuke kuwe, ngibe nokuthula, ngingabe ngisacunuka.
- 43** “ ‘Ngokuba awukhumbulanga izinsuku zobusha bakho, kepha ungikhathazile kukho konke lokhu, ngiyakwehlisela indlela yakho phezu kwekhanda lakho, isho iNkosi uJehova, ungenzi ukukhanuka phezu kwazo zonke ezinye izinengiso.
- 44** “ ‘Bonke abalinganisa ngezaga bayakulinganisa ngalesi kuwe, bathi: “Njengonina, injalo indodakazi.”
- 45** Uyindodakazi kanyoko owanengwa yindoda yakhe nabantwana bakhe; ungudade wawodadewenu abanengwa ngamadoda abo nabantwana babo; unyoko wayengumHetikazi, uyihlo wayengumAmori.
- 46** Udadewenu omkhulu uyiSamariya elihlezi namadodakazi alo ngakwesokhohlo sakho; udadewenu omncane ohlezi ngakwesokunene sakho uyiSodoma namadodakazi alo.
- 47** Awuhambanga ngezindlela zabo, awenzanga ngezinengiso zabo, kepha njengokuba lokho kwakuyinto encane nje, wonakala kuzo zonke izindlela zakho kunabo.
- 48** Kuphila kwami, isho iNkosi uJehova, iSodoma udadewenu alenzanga lona namadodakazi alo njengalokho wenzile wena namadodakazi akho.
- 49** “ ‘Bheka, nakhu ukona kukadadewenu iSodoma; ukuzidla, nokusutha ukudla, nokuzinza okuthuleyo kwakukhona kulo nakuwo amadodakazi alo, kepha aliqinisanga isandla sabampofu nabaswelayo.
- 50** Babeziphamisa, benza izinengiso phambi kwami; ngase ngibasusa njengokubona kwami.
- 51** ISamariya alenzanga inxenyenye yezono zakho; kepha wandisile izinengiso zakho kunabo, wathetha odadewenu ngazo zonke izinengiso ozenzileyo.
- 52** Thwala wena ihlazo lakho, lokhu wathetha odadewenu; ngezono zakho ozenzileyo ezinengekayo balungile kunawe; yebo, mawujabhe, uthwale ihlazo lakho ngokuthetha odadewenu.
- 53** “ ‘Ngiyakubuyisa ukuthunjwa kwabo, ukuthunjwa kweSodoma nokwamadodakazi alo, nokuthunjwa kweSamariya nokwamadodakazi alo, nokuthunjwa kwabathunjwa bakho phakathi kwavo
- 54** ukuba uthwale ihlazo lakho, ujabhe ngenxa yakho konke okwenzileyo, ube yinduduzo kubo.
- 55** Odadewenu, iSodoma namadodakazi alo, bayakubuyela esimweni sabo sokuqala,

neSamariya namadodakazi alo bayakubuyela esimweni sabo sokuqala, wena namadodakazi akho nibuyelesi esimweni senu sokuqala.

56 Ngokuba udadewenu iSodoma akaphathwanga ngomlomo wakho ngosuku lokuzidla kwakho,

57 bungakambulwa ububi bakho, njengasesikhathini sehlazo lamadodakazi ase-Aramu nawo onke amadodakazi amaFilisti alihaqayo, akudumaza nxazonke.

58 Usuyathwala ukukhanuka kwakho nezinengiso zakho, usho uJehova.

59 “Ngokuba isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: Ngiyakwenza kuwe njengalokho okwenzileyo, udelele isifungo, waphula isivumelwano.

60 Kepha mina ngiyakusikhumbula isivumelwano sami nawe ebusheni bakho, ngikumisele isivumelwano esiphakade.

61 Usuyakuzikhumbula izindlela zakho, ujabhe, lapho uyakubamukela odadewenu, omkhulu nomncane, ngikunike wona abe ngamadodakazi, kungabi ngesivumelwano sakho kodwa.

62 Sengiyakumisa isivumelwano sami nawe, wazi ukuthi nginguJehova

63 ukuba ukhumbule, ube namahloni, ungabe usavula umlomo wakho ngenxa yehlazo lakho, lapho ngikuthethelele konke okwenzileyo, isho iNkosi uJehova.””

ISAHLUKO 17

Izwi likaJehova lafika kimi, lathi:

2 “Ndodana yomuntu, yisho imfumbe, ukhulume ngomfanekiso kuyo indlu yakwa-Israyeli,

3 uthi: ‘Isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: Uckozi olukhulu olunamaphiko amakhulu noluzimpaphe zalo zinkulu, lugcwele izimpaphe ezinemibala eyahlukene, lweza eLebanoni, lwathatha isihloko somsedari,

4 Iwanquma igatsha elisha eliphezulu, lwalisyisa ezweni labahwebi, lwalibeka emzini wabathengi.

5 “Lwathatha nasembewini yezwe, lwayitshala emhlabathini othelayo, lwayibeka ngasemanzini amaningi, lwayifaka njengomnyezane.

6 Yamila, yaba ngumvini owenabayo, omfushane ngesimo, ukuze amagatsha awo abhekane nalo, nezimpande zaho zibe phansi kwalo; waba ngumvini-ke, waveza amagatsha, wakhipha amahlumela.

7 “Kepha kwakukhona nolunye uckozi olukhulu olunamaphiko amakhulu nezimpaphe eziningi; bheka, lo mvini wabekisa izimpande zaho kulo, waphumisela kulo amagatsha awo ukuba luwunisele kunemisele lapho wawutshalwe khona.

8 Wawusemhlabathini omuhle ngasemanzini amaningi ukuba uveze amagatsha, uthelo izithelo, ube ngumvini omuhle.’

9 “Thana: ‘Isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: Uyakuphumelela na? Aluyikusiphula izimpande zaho, lunqume izithelo zaho, ukuze ubune, kubune onke amaqabunga ahlumelelayo, bese kungafuneki amandla amakhulu nabantu abaningi ukuwusiphula ngezimpande zaho, na?’

10 Bheka, lapho usutshaliwe, uyakuphumelela na? Awuyikubuna nokubuna, lapho umoya wasempumalanga uwuthinta, ubune emiseleni lapho uhlumele khona, na?’”

11 Izwi likaJehova lafika kimi, lathi:

12 “Thana kuyo indlu ehlubukayo: ‘Anazi ukuthi lezi zinto ziyini?’ Yisho ukuthi: ‘Bheka, inkosi yaseBabele yafika eJerusalema, yathatha inkosi yalo nezikhulu zalo, yabayisa kuyo

eBabele.

13 Yayisithatha owenzalo yobukhos, yenza isivumelwano naye, yamngenisa phansi kwesifungo, yasusa abakhulu bezwe,

14 ukuze umbuso uthotshiswe, ungaziphakamisi, kepha ume ngokugcina isivumelwano sakhe.

15 Kepha wahlubuka kuyo ngokuthuma izithunywa zakhe eGibithe ukuba aphiwe amahhashi nabantu abaningi. Uyakuphumelela, uyakubaleka yini owenzayo lokho, uyakusaphula isivumelwano, aphunyuke, na?

16 “ ‘Kuphila kwami, isho iNkosi uJehova, impela endaweni yenkosy eyambeka inkosi, esifungo sayo wasidelela, nesivumelwano sayo wasaphula, uyakufa naye phakathi kweBabele.

17 UFaro akayikumenzela impi enkulu nebandla elikhulu empini, lapho benqwabela iduli, bakhe izinqaba, ukuze banqume abantu abaningi.

18 Ngokuba udelele isifungo ngokusaphula isivumelwano, wakwenza konke lokhu, noma enikile isithembiso sakhe; bheka, kayikuphunyuka.

19 “ ‘Ngalokho isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: Kuphila kwami, impela isifungo sami asideleleyo nesivumelwano sami asaphulileyo ngiyakukwehlisela phezu kwekhanda lakhe.

20 Ngiyakweneka inetha lami, abanjwe ogibeni lwami, ngimyise eBabele, ngimahlulele khona ngeseqo sakhe eqe ngaso kimi.

21 Bonke ababalekayo bakhe kuwo onke amaviyo akhe bayakuwa ngenkemba, nabaseleyo bayakuhlakazelwa kuyo imimoya yonke, nazi ukuthi mina Jehova ngikukhulumile.

22 “ ‘Isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: Nami ngiyakuthatha esihlokweni somsedari omude, ngisitshale, nginqume emagatsheni amasha aphezulu elithambileyo, ngilitshale entaben ende ephakemeyo,

23 ngilitshale empakameni yentaba yakwa-Israyeli, liveze amagatsha, lithele izithelo, libe ngumsedari omuhle, kuhlale phansi kwamagatsha onke izinyoni zezihlobo zonke, zihlale ethunzini lamagatsha alo.

24 Yonke imithi yasendle iyakwazi ukuthi mina Jehova ngiweisile umuthi omude, ngiphakamisile umuthi omfushane; ngomisile umuthi oluahlaza, ngihlumisile umuthi owomileyo. “ ‘Mina Jehova ngikukhulumile, ngakwenza.’ ”

ISAHLUKO 18

1 zwi likaJehova lafika kimi, lathi:

2 “Kuyini kini ukuba nilinganise ngalesi saga ezweni lakwa-Israyeli sokuthi: “ ‘Oyise badlile izithelo zomvini ezimuncu, amazinyo abantwana aba bushelezi,’ na?

3 “Kuphila kwami, isho iNkosi uJehova, akusayikubakho ukulinganisa ngalesi saga kwa-Israyeli.

4 Bheka, yonke imiphefumulo ingeyami, umphefumulo kayise njengomphefumulo womntwana; ingeyami; umphefumulo owonayo uyakufa.

5 “Kepha uma umuntu olungileyo enza ukwahlulela nokulunga,

6 engadli ezintabeni, engaphakamisi amehlo akhe ezithombeni zendlu yakwa-Israyeli, engangcolisi umkamakhelwane wakhe, engasondeli kowesifazane ekungcoleni kwakhe;

7 engacindezeli muntu, ebuyisela kotshelekayo isibambiso sakhe, engaphangi

nokuphanga, kepha enika abalambileyo isinkwa sakhe, embathisa abanqunu izingubo;

8 enganiki ngenzalo, engamukeli inzuzo, ebuyisa isandla sakhe ebubini, enza ukwahlulela okuqinisileyo phakathi komuntu nomuntu;

9 ehamba ngezimiso zami, egcina izahlulelo zami ukuba enze iqiniso, ulungile, uyakuphila nokuphila, isho iNkosi uJehova.

10 “Uma ezala indodana engumphangi nomchithi wegazi, ikwenza okunye kwalokho,

11 yena engakwenzanga kodwa: Idla ezintabeni, ingcolisa umkamakhelwane wayo,

12 icindezela abampofu nabaswelayo, iphanga nokuphanga, ingabuyisi isibambiso, iphakamisa amehlo ayo ezithombeni, yenza izinengiso;

13 inika ngenzalo, yamukela inzuzo. Iyakuphila na? Cha, ayiyikuphila. Yenzile zonke lezi zinengiso; iyakubulawa nokubulawa, igazi layo libe phezu kwayo.

14 “Bheka, uma ezala indodana ebona zonke izono zikayise azenzileyo, ibone ingenzi njengazo:

15 Ingadli ezintabeni, ingaphakamisi amehlo ayo ezithombeni zendlu yakwa-Israyeli, ingangcolisi umkamakhelwane wayo;

16 ingacindezeli muntu, ingamukeli isibambiso, ingaphangi nokuphanga, kepha inika abampofu isinkwa sayo, yembathisa abanqunu izingubo.

17 Ibuyisa isandla sayo kwabampofu, ingamukeli inzalo nenzuzo, yenza izahlulelo zami, ihamba ngezimiso zami. Yona ayiyikufa ngokona kukayise, iyakuphila nokuphila.

18 Uyise, ngokuba wacindezela nokucindezela, waphanga nokuphanga umfowabo, wenza okungekuhle phakathi kwabantu bakhe, bheka, yena uyakufa ngokona kwakhe.

19 “Kepha nithi: ‘Indodana ayithwali ngani ukona kukayise na?’ Indodana isikwenzile ukwahlulela nokulunga, yagcina zonke izimiso zami, yazenza, iyakuphila nokuphila.

20 Umphefumulo owonayo uyakufa; indodana ayiyikuthwala ukona kukayise, uyise angathwali ukona kwendodana; ukulunga kolungileyo kuyakuba phezu kwakhe, nobubi bomubi buyakuba phezu kwakhe.

21 “Kepha uma omubi ebuya kuzo zonke izono zakhe azenzileyo, agcine zonke izimiso zami, enze ukwahlulela nokulunga, uyakuphila nokuphila; kayikufa.

22 Iziphambeko zakhe, nesisodwa asenzileyo asiyikukhunjulewa kuye, aphile ngokulunga akwenzileyo.

23 Ngiyenamela nokwenamela ukufa komubi yini, isho iNkosi uJehova, kungabi ukuba abuye endleleni yakhe, aphile, na?

24 “Kepha lapho olungileyo ephenduka ekulungeni kwakhe, enze okubi, enze zonke izinengiso azenzayo omubi, uyakuphila na? Izenzo zakhe ezelungileyo, nesisodwa asenzileyo asiyikukhunjulwa, afele ezeqwani eqe ngazo nasezonweni one ngazo.

25 “Kodwa nithi: ‘Idlela yeNkosi ayilingani.’ Yizwani nina ndlu yakwa-Israyeli: Idlela yami ayilingani na? Angithi yizindlela zenu ezingalingani na?

26 Lapho olungileyo ephenduka ekulungeni kwakhe, enze okubi, uyakufa ngakho, afe ngenxa yokubi akwenzileyo.

27 Lapho omubi ephenduka ebubini bakhe abenzileyo, enze ukwahlulela nokulunga, uyakusindisa umphefumulo wakhe.

28 Ngokuba ebona, abuye ezeqwani zakhe zonke azenzileyo, uyakuphila nokuphila, angafi.

29 Kepha indlu yakwa-Israyeli ithi: ‘Idlela yeNkosi ayilingani.’ Wena ndlu yakwa-Israyeli, izindlela zami azilingani na? Angithi yizindlela zenu ezingalingani na?

30 “Ngalokho ngiyakunahlulela nina ndlu yakwa-Israyeli, kube yilowo nalowo

njengezindlela zakhe, isho iNkosi uJehova. Phendukani, nibuye ezeqweni zenu zonke, ububi bungabi yisikhube kiso senu.

31 Lahlani kini zonke izeqo zenu eneqe ngazo, nizenzele inhliziyo entsha nomoya omusha, ngokuba uyakufelani wena ndlu yakwa-Israyeli na?

32 Ngokuba angenameli ukufa kofayo, isho iNkosi uJehova; ngalokho buyani, niphile.”

ISAHLUKO 19

“Phakamisa wena isililo ngezikhulu zakwa-Israyeli, uthi:

2 “ ‘Unyoko wayeyingonyamakazi enjani phakathi kwezingonyama! Yabuthisa phakathi kwamabhongo, yondla amawundlu ayo.

3 Yakhulisa elinye lamawundlu ayo, laba yibhongo; lafunda ukubamba impango, ladla abantu.

4 Izizwe zezwa ngalo, labanjwa emgodini wazo; zaliyisa ngezingwegwe ezweni laseGibithe.

5 “ ‘Nxa isilindile, yabona ukuthi ithemba layo liphelile; yathatha elinye lamawundlu ayo, yalenza ibhongo.

6 Lahambahamba phakathi kwezingonyama, liyibhongo; lafunda ukubamba impango, ladla abantu.

7 Labhidliza izinqaba zabo, lachitha imizi yabo, izwe lachitheka nokugcwala kwalo ngomsindo wokubhonga kwalo.

8 Izizwe zase zilihlelela nxazonke, zivela emazweni, zeneka phezu kwalo inetha, labanjwa emgodini wazo.

9 Zalifaka endlwaneni evaliwego ngezingwegwe, zaliyisa enkosini yaseBabele, zalingenisa ezinqabeni ukuba izwi lalo lingabe lisezwakala ezintabeni zakwa-Israyeli.

10 “ ‘Unyoko wayenjengomvini, usahlezi ngokuthula, utshalwe ngasemanzini; wawunezithelo namahlumela ngenxa yamanzi amaningi.

11 Wawunezingatsha ezinamandla ezaba yizintonga zababusayo; isiqu sawo sasiphakeme phakathi kwamaqabunga amaningi, waze wabonakala phezulu phakathi kwamahlumela awo amaningi.

12 Kepha wasishulwa ngokufutheka, waphonselwa phansi, umoya wasempumalanga womisa izithelo zaho; isiqu sawo esiqinileyo saphulwa, sabuna, umlilo wasiqeda.

13 Manje usutshaliwe ehlane ezweni elishileyo nelomileyo.

14 Umlilo uphumile esiqwini sawo, wadla amagatsha awo nezithelo zaho, kwaze kwangabe kusaba khona kuwo igatsha eliqinileyo, nantonga yokubusa.’ Lokhu kuyisililo; makube yisililo.”

ISAHLUKO 20

Kwathi ngomnyaka wesikhombisa, ngenyanga yesihlanu, ngolweshumi lwenyanga kwafika amadoda athile amalunga akwa-Israyeli ukuba abuze kuJehova; ahlala phambi kwami.

2 Izwi likaJehova lafika kimi, lathi:

3 “Ndodana yomuntu, khuluma emalungeni akwa-Israyeli, uthi kuwo: ‘Isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: Nifike ukubuza kimi na? Kuphila kwami, isho iNkosi uJehova, angiyikubuzwa yinina.’

- ⁴ “Uma ubahlulela, uma ubahlulela, ndodana yomuntu, bazise izinengiso zawoyise,
- ⁵ uthi kubo: ‘Isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: Ngosuku engakhetha ngalo u-Israyeli ngaphakamisela inzalo yendlu yakwaJakobe isandla sami, ngazazisa kubo ezweni laseGibithe, ngabaphakamisela isandla sami, ngathi: “NginguJehova uNkulunkulu wenu.”
- ⁶ Ngalolo suku ngabaphakamisela isandla sami ukuba ngibakhiphe ezweni laseGibithe, ngibayise ezweni engangibafunele Iona, lichichima ubisi nezinyosi, elihle kunawo onke amazwe.
- ⁷ Ngathi kubo: “Lahlani, kube yilowo nalowo okuzondekayo kwamehlo akhe, ningazingcolisi ngezithombe zaseGibithe. NginguJehova uNkulunkulu wenu.”
- ⁸ “ ‘Kepha bangihlubuka, abangilalelanga, abalahlanga, kwaba yilowo nalowo okuzondekayo kwamehlo akhe, abazishiyanga izithombe zaseGibithe; ngase ngithi ngiyakuthulula ukufutheka kwami phezu kwabo, ngifeze intukuthelo yami kubo phakathi kwezwe laseGibithe.
- ⁹ Ngakwenza ngenxa yegama lami ukuba lingangcoliswa emehlwani ezizwe ababephakathi kwazo, nengazazisa emehlwani azo kubo ngokubakhipha ezweni laseGibithe.
- ¹⁰ Ngase ngibakhipha ezweni laseGibithe, ngabangenisa ehlane.
- ¹¹ Ngabanika izimiso zami, ngabazisa izahlulelo zami umuntu ayakuphila ngazo uma ezenza.
- ¹² Ngabanika futhi amasabatha ami abe yisibonakaliso phakathi kwami nabo, ukuze bazi ukuthi nginguJehova obangcwelisayo.
- ¹³ “ ‘Kepha indlu yakwa-Israyeli yangihlubuka ehlane; abahambanga ngezimiso zami, balahla izahlulelo zami umuntu ayakuphila ngazo uma ezenza; amasabatha ami bawona kakhulu; ngase ngithi ngiyakuthulula ukufutheka kwami phezu kwabo ehlane ukuba kubaqede.
- ¹⁴ Ngakwenza ngenxa yegama lami ukuba lingangcoliswa emehlwani ezizwe engabakhipha emehlwani azo.
- ¹⁵ Yebo, ngabaphakamisela isandla sami ehlane ukuba ngingabangenisi ezweni engangibanike Iona, lichichima ubisi nezinyosi, elihle kunawo onke amazwe,
- ¹⁶ ngokuba balahla izahlulelo zami, abahambanga ngezimiso zami, bawona amasabatha ami, ngokuba izinhliziyo zabo zalandela izithombe zabo.
- ¹⁷ Nokho iso lami labahawukela ukuze bangachithwa, angibaqedanga ngokupheleleyo ehlane.
- ¹⁸ Ngathi kubantwana babo ehlane: “Ningahambi ngezimiso zawoyihlo, ningagcini izahlulelo zabo, ningazingcolisi ngezithombe zabo.
- ¹⁹ NginguJehova uNkulunkulu wenu: hambani ngezimiso zami, nigcine izahlulelo zami, nizenze,
- ²⁰ ningcwelise amasabatha ami, abe yisibonakaliso phakathi kwami nani, ukuze nazi ukuthi nginguJehova uNkulunkulu wenu.”
- ²¹ “ ‘Kepha abantwana bangihlubuka, abahambanga ngezimiso zami, abagcinanga izahlulelo zami ukuba bazenze, umuntu ayakuphila ngazo uma ezenza; bawona amasabatha ami; ngase ngithi ngiyakuthulula ukufutheka kwami phezu kwabo, ngifeze intukuthelo yami kubo ehlane.
- ²² Nokho ngabuyisa isandla sami, ngakwenza ngenxa yegama lami ukuba lingangcoliswa emehlwani ezizwe engabakhipha emehlwani azo.
- ²³ Futhi ngabaphakamisela isandla sami ehlane ukuba ngibahlakazele phakathi kwezizwe, ngibasabalisele emazweni,

- 24** ngenxa yokuba bengenzanga izahlulelo zami, belahla izimiso zami, bewona amasabatha ami, amehlo abo elandela izithombe zawoyise.
- 25** Nami ngabanika izimiso ezazingezinhle nezahlulelo ababengayikuphila ngazo.
- 26** Ngabangcolisa eminkelweni yabo ngokudabulisa emlilweni konke okuvula izizalo, ukuze ngibachithe, bazi ukuthi nginguJehova.'
- 27** "Ngalokho, ndodana yomuntu, khuluma kuyo indlu yakwa-Israyeli, uthi kubo: 'Isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, uthi: Kulokho oyihlo bangihlambalazile ngokwenza isiphambeko kimi.
- 28** Lapho ngangibangenise ezweni engaphakamisela isandla sami ukubanika lona, bebona amagguma onke aphakemeyo nayo yonke imithi edumbileyo, bese benikela khona ngemihlatshelo yabo, banika khona isicunulo somnikelo wabo, babeka lapho iphunga labo eliminandi, bathulula khona iminikelo yabo yokuphuzwa.
- 29** Ngase ngithi kubo: Iyini indawo ephakemeyo eniya kuyo na?" "Lase libizwa igama layo ngokuthi indawo ephakemeyo kuze kube namuhla.
- 30** "Ngalokho thana kuyo indlu yakwa-Israyeli: 'Isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: Niyakuzingcolisa ngendlela yawoyihlo, nilandele ngokuphinga okuzondekayo kwabo, na?
- 31** Ekuletheni iminikelo yenu nasekudabuliseni amadodana enu emlilweni niyazingcolisa ngazo zonke izithombe zenu kuze cube namuhla. Mina ngiyakubuzwa yinina, nina ndlu yakwa-Israyeli, na? Qha, kuphila kwami, isho iNkosi uJehova, angiyikubuzwa yinina.
- 32** "Okungenayo ezinhliziyweni zenu akuyikuba khona impela, lokhu enikushoyo ukuthi: "Siyakuba njengezizwe, njengeminden i yamazwe, ukuba sikhonze umuthi namatshe."
- 33** Kuphila kwami, isho iNkosi uJehova, impela ngesandla esinamandla, nangengalo eyeluliwego, nangokufutheka okuthululiwego ngiyakuba yinkosi phezu kwenu.
- 34** Ngiyakunikhipha phakathi kwabantu, nginibuthe emazweni lapho nihlakazekele khona ngesandla esinamandla, nangengalo eyeluliwego, nangokufutheka okuthululiwego,
- 35** nginiyise ehlane labantu, ngahlulelana nani khona ubuso nobuso.
- 36** Njengalokho ngahlulelana nawoyihlo ehlane lezwe laseGibithe, kanjalo ngiyakwahluelana nani, isho iNkosi uJehova.
- 37** Ngiyakunidlulisa phansi kwentonga, nginingenise phansi kwesibopho sesivumelwano,
- 38** ngihlunge kini abahlubuki nabeqayo kimi, ngibakhiphe ezweni lapho begogobele khona, bangangeni ezweni lakwa-Israyeli kodwa, nazi ukuthi nginguJehova.
- 39** "Nina ndlu yakwa-Israyeli, isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: Hambani nikhonze, cube yilowo isithombe sakhe, kepha impela ngasemuva niyakungilalela, ningabe nisalingcolisa igama lami elingcwele ngeminikelo yenu nangezithombe zenu.
- 40** Ngokuba entaben yami engcwele, empakameni yentaba yakwa-Israyeli, isho iNkosi uJehova, indlu yonke yakwa-Israyeli, yonke yayo, iyakungikhonza ezweni; ngiyakubamukela khona, ngibize iminikelo yenu, nolibo lweminikelo yenu, nakho konke okungcwele kwenu.
- 41** Ngephunga eliminandi ngiyakunamukela, lapho nginikhipha kabantu, nginibuthe emazweni lapho nihlakazekele khona, ngingcweliswe kini emehlwani ezizwe.
- 42** Niyakwazi ukuthi nginguJehova, lapho nginingenisa ezweni lakwa-Israyeli, izwe engaliphakamisela isandla sami ukuba ngilinike oyihlo.
- 43** Niyakukhumbula khona izindlela zenu, nazo zonke izenzo zenu enizingcolise ngazo, ninengeke emehlwani enu ngakho konke okubi enikwenzileyo.
- 44** Niyakwazi ukuthi nginguJehova, lapho ngisebenza kini ngokwegama lami kungengokwezindlela zenu ezimbi nezenzo zenu ezonakeleyo nina ndlu yakwa-Israyeli, isho iNkosi uJehova.' "

45 Izwi likaJehova lafika kimi, lathi:

46 “Ndodana yomuntu, bhekisa ubuso bakho ngaseningizimu, izwi liconsele ngenzansi, uporfethe ngehlathi lasendle eningizimu,

47 uthi kulo ihlathi laseningizimu: ‘Yizwa izwi likaJehova elithi: Isto kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: Bheka, ngiyakuphemba umlilo kuwe, udle yonke imithi eluhlaza kuwe nayo yonke imithi eyomileyo, ilangabi elivuthayo lingacimeki, kuhwamuke ngalo bonke ubuso kusukela eningizimu kuye enyakatho.

48 Inyama yonke iyakubona ukuthi mina Jehova ngiwuphembile, awuyikucimeka.’ ”

49 Ngathi: “Awu, Nkosi Jehova! Bathi ngami: ‘Asithi uyalinganisa ngezaga na?’ ”

ISAHLUKO 21

Izwi likaJehova lafika kimi, lathi:

2 “Ndodana yomuntu, bhekisa ubuso bakho ngaseJerusalema, izwi lakho liconsele ngasezindaweni ezingcwele, uporfethe ngezwe lakwa-Israyeli,

3 uthi kulo izwe lakwa-Israyeli: ‘Usho kanje uJehova, uthi: Bheka, ngimelene nawe; ngiyakuhosha inkemba yami emgodleni wayo, nginqume abalungileyo nababi.

4 Ngenxa yokuba ngiyakunquma kuwe abalungileyo nababi, ngalokho inkemba yami iyakuphuma emgodleni wayo, iphumele inyama yonke kusukela eningizimu kuye enyakatho.

5 Yonke inyama iyakwazi ukuthi mina Jehova ngihoshile inkemba emgodleni wayo, ayisayikubuya.’

6 “Kepha wena ndodana yomuntu, bubula, ububule ngomunyu emehlwani abo ngokwaphuka kokhalo lwakho.

7 Kuyakuthi lapho besho kuwe ukuthi: ‘Ububulelani wena na?’ uthi: ‘Ngenxa yombiko, ngokuba lapho ufika, izinhliziyo zonke ziyakuphela amandla, izandla zonke zidangale, kuhlwe emimoyeni yonke, amadolo onke abe buthakathaka njengamanzi.’ Bheka, kuyeza, futhi kuyakwenzeka, isto iNkosi uJehova.” 21:7 Hez. 7:17.

8 Izwi likaJehova lafika kimi, lathi:

9 “Ndodana yomuntu, profetha uthi: ‘Isto kanje iNkosi, ithi: Thana: “ ‘Inkemba, inkemba iloliwe, futhi iphucuziwe.

10 Ilololwe ukubulala nokubulala, iphucuziwe ukuba ibe njengonyazi. “ ‘Besiyakujabula na? Le ntonga, ndodana yami, idelela konke okomuthi.

11 “ ‘Uyinikele ukuphucuzwa ukuba ibanjwe ngesandla; yebo, isiloliwe inkemba, isiphucuziwe ukuba inikelwe esandleni sombulali.

12 Khala, uhhewule, ndodana yomuntu, ngokuba iyakuba phezu kwabantu bami, ibe phezu kwazo zonke izikhulu zakwa-Israyeli, zinikelwe enkembeni kanye nabantu bami; ngalokho shaya ithanga lakho.

13 “ ‘Sekuyalingwa; kunjani uma intonga edelela manje ayisayikubakho na? isto iNkosi uJehova.’

14 “Wena ndodana yomuntu, profetha, ushayanise izandla, inkemba iphindwe kathathu, ibe neyababulawayo nenkemba yokubulawa komkhulu, ibahaqe.

15 Ukuba izinhliziyo zabo ziphele amandla, nezikhubekiso zabo zande, ngiyakubeka inkemba ekhazimulayo kuwo onke amasango abo; awu, yensiwe njengonyazi, ihoshelwe ukubulala!

16 Nquma ngakwesokunene, usukele ngakwesokhohlo, lapho ubuso bakho bubheka

khona.

17 Ngiyakushayanisa izandla zami, ngiphumuze ukufutheka kwami; mina Jehova ngikhulumile."

18 Izwi likaJehova lafika kimi, lathi:

19 "Wena ndodana yomuntu, zibekele izindlela ezimbili zokufika kwenkemba yenkosiyaseBabele, zombili ziphume ezweni linye, wenze isiqondiso sendlela, usibeke engosini yezindlela zomuzi.

20 Misa indlela yokufika kwenkemba eRaba labantwana bakwa-Amoni nakwaJuda eJerusalema elibiyelwego.

21 Ngokuba inkosi yaseBabele isimi egumbini lezindlela engosini yezindlela zombili ukuba ibhule; ixhakazisa imicibisholo, ibuza amatherafi, ibheka esibindini.

22 Kwesokunene sayo kukhona inkatho iJerusalema ukuba kubekwe izinqama zokungquba, kuvulwe umlomo ngokumemeza, kuphakanyiswe izwi ngokukhala, ukuze kubekwe izinqama zokungquba emasangweni, kunqwatselwe amaduli, kwakhiwe izinqaba.

23 Kukubo njengokubhula kwamanga emehlweni abo, njengalokhu bekhona abafunge izifungo kubo. Kepha iyakhumbuza ukona, ukuze babanjwe.

24 "Ngalokho isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: 'Ngokuba nikhumbuzile ukona kwenu ekwambulweni kwezeqo zenu, ukuze izono zenu zibonakale kuzo zonke izenzo zenu, yebo, ngokuba senikhunjulwa, niyakubanwa ngesandla.

25 " 'Wena sikhulu sakwa-Israyeli, shinga elibulawayo, elilusuku lwakho lufika ngesikhathi sokuphela kobubi,

26 isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: Susa isiggoko, wethule umqhele; lokhu akuyikuba yikho; phakamisa okuthobekileyo, uthobise okuphakemeyo.

27 Kuyakugumbuqelwa, kugumbuqelwe, kugumbuqelwe yimi; nalokhu akuyikuba khona, aze afike yena omfanelo ingeyakhe, ngimnike khona.'

28 "Wena ndodana yomuntu, profetha uthi: 'Isho kanje iNkosi uNkulunkulu ngabantwana bakwa-Amoni nangehlazo labo, ithi: Thana wena: " 'Inkemba, inkemba ihoshiwe, iphucuzelwe ukubulala nokuqothula, ibe njengonyazi,

29 besakubonisa amanga, bekubhulela inkohliso yokuthi uyakubekwa ezintanyeni zababi ababulawayo, abalusuku lwabo lufika ngesikhathi sokuphela kokubi.

30 Mayibuyiselwe emgodleni. Endaweni lapho wadalwa khona, ezweni lokudabuka kwakho, lapho ngiyakukwahlulela khona.

31 Ngiyakuthulula phezu kwakho intukuthelo yami, ngikufuthe ngomlilo wolaka lwami, ngikunikele ezandleni zabantu abanonya, abayizingcweti zokuchitha.

32 Uyakuba ngukudla komlilo, igazi lakho libe phakathi kwezwe; awusayikuhunjulwa, ngokuba mina Jehova ngikhulumile.' "

ISAHLUKO 22

Izwi likaJehova lafika kimi, lathi:

2 "Wena ndodana yomuntu uyakuwahlulela, uyakuwahlulela umuzi wegazi na?

Uyakuwazisa-ke zonke izinengiso zawo,

3 uthi: 'Isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: Wena muzi ochitha igazi phakathi kwakho, ukuze isikhathi sakho sifike, nowenza izithombe kuwe ukizingcolisa,

4 ngegazi olichithileyo unecala, nangezithombe zakho ozenzileyo ungcilile; usondezile

izinsuku zakho, ufkile eminyakeni yakho; ngalokho ngikwenzile ihlazo ezizweni nenhlekiso emazweni onke.

5 Abaseduze nabakude nawe bayakukuhleka wena onegama elingcolileyo, ogcwele isiphithiphithi.

6 “ ‘Bheka, izikhulu zakwa-Israyeli, kwaba yilesu naleso njengamandla aso, zaziphakathi kwakho ukuchitha igazi.

7 Bathukile kuwe uyise nonina, bacindezela abezizwe phakathi kwakho, bona phakathi kwakho izintandane nabafelokazi.

8 Okungcwele kwami ukudelele, wawona amasabatha ami.

9 Abantu abahlebayo babekuve ukuchitha igazi, badla kuwe ezintabeni, benza ubufube phakathi kwakho.

10 Bahlubulile kuwe ubunqunu bukayise, bamona yena owayahlukene ekungcoleni kwakhe.

11 Omunye wenzile isinengiso nomkamakhelwane wakhe; omunye ungcolisile ngobufebe umalokazana wakhe; omunye wonile phakathi kwakho udadewabo, indodakazi kayise.

12 Bamukele imivuzo phakathi kwakho ukuba bachithe igazi; wena uthathe inzalo nenzozo, waphanga abakhelwane bakho ngokubacindezela, wangikhohlwa mina, isho iNkosi uJehova.

13 “ ‘Bheka, ngishayile isandla sami ngokuphangwa kwakho okwenzileyo nangenxa yegazi lakho elaliphakathi kwakho.

14 Inhliziyo yakho iyakuma yini, izandla zakho ziqine ezinsukwini engiyakuphathana nawe ngazo, na? Mina Jehova ngikukhulumile, ngiyakukwenza.

15 Ngiyakukuhlakazelwa ezizweni, ngikusabalalisele emazweni, ngiqede ukungcola kwakho kuwe.

16 Uyakungcoliswa phakathi kwakho emehlwani ezizwe; uyakwazi ukuthi nginguJehova.’ ”

17 Izwi likaJehova lafika kimi, lathi:

18 “Ndodana yomuntu, indlu yakwa-Israyeli isingamanyela kimi; bonke babo bayithusi nethini nensimbi nomthofu phakathi kwsithando; bangamanyela esiliva.

19 Ngalokho isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: ‘Ngenxa yokuba seningamanyela nonke, ngalokho bhekani, ngiyakunibuthela phakathi kweJerusalema.

20 Njengokuqoqwa kwesiliva nethusi nensimbi nomthofu nethini phakathi kwsithando ukuba kufuthwe umlilo phezu kwakho ukukuncibilisika, kanjalo ngiyakunibutha ngentukuthelo yami nangokufuthuka kwami, nginibeke khona, nginincibilisika.

21 Yebo, ngiyakunibutha, nginifuthe ngomlilo wentukuthelo yami, nincibilisika phakathi kwavo.

22 Njengokuncibilisika kwesiliva phakathi kwsithando, kanjalo niyakuncibilisika phakathi kwaso, nazi ukuthi mina Jehova ngithululile ukufuthuka kwami phezu kwenu.’ ”

23 Izwi likaJehova lafika kimi, lathi:

24 “Ndodana yomuntu, yisho kuwo ukuthi: ‘Uyizwe elingahlanjululwanga, elinganelwanga ngosuku lokufuthuka.’ ”

25 Kukhona uzungu lwabaprofethi bawo phakathi kwavo njengengonyama ebhongayo edwengula impango; badlile imiphefumulo, bathatha ingcebo nokuyigugu; benzile abafelokazi babo babe baningi phakathi kwavo.

26 Abapristi bawo badlovile umthetho wami; bangcolisile izinto zami ezingcwele, abahlukanisanga okungcwele nokuyichilo, abafundisanga abantu ukwahlukanisa okungcolileyo nokuhlambulukileyo, bafihlele amasabatha ami amehlo abo;

sengidumazekile phakathi kwabo.

27 Izikhulu zaho phakathi kwabo zinjengezimpisi ezidwengula impango ukuchitha igazi nokuqeda imiphefumulo ukuba ziphange nokuphanga.

28 Abaprofethi bawo babanamekele ngodaka olungavuthiwe, bebona okuyize, bebabhulela amanga, bethi: 'Isho kanje iNkosi uJehova,' noma uJehova engakhulumanga.

29 Abantu bezwe bacindezele nokucindezelwa, baphangile nokuphanga, yebo, bakhathazile abampofu nabaswelayo, bacindezele abafokazi ngokungengamthetho.

30 "Ngafuna kubo umuntu wokubiya uthango, eme esikhaliyi ngaphambi kwami ngenxa yezwe ukuba ngingalichithi, kepha angifumananga.

31 Ngase ngithulula ukufutheka kwami phezu kwabo; ngibaqedile ngomlilo wentukuthelo yami, ngehlisela indlela yabo phezu kwamakhanda abo, isho iNkosi uJehova."

ISAHLUKO 23

Izwi likajehova lafika kimi, lathi:

2 "Ndodana yomuntu, kwakukhona abesifazane ababili, amadodakazi omfazi munye.

3 Babefeba eGibithe, bafeba ebusheni babo; bapotozwa khona amabele abo, zacindezela khona izingono zobuntombi babo.

4 Amagama abo ayengu-Ohola, omkhulu, no-Oholiba udadewabo; baba ngabami, bazala amadodana namadodakazi. Amagama abo: iSamariya lingu-Ohola, neJerusalema lingu-Oholiba.

5 "U-Ohola wafeba esengowami, wakhanukela izithandwa zakhe, abase-Asiriya, abakhelwane bakhe,

6 ababembethe okuluhlaza, izinduna nababusi, izinsizwa ezinxanelekayo zonke, izinkweli ezikhwele amahhashi.

7 Wabanika ubufebe bakhe, bengamadoda akhethekileyo ase-Asiriya; bonke abakhanukelayo, wangcoliswa ngazo zonke izithombe zabo.

8 Kepha akashiyanga ubufebe bakhe baseGibithe, ngokuba balala naye ebusheni bakhe, bacindezelwa izingono zobuntombi bakhe, bathulula ubufebe babo phezu kwakhe.

9 "Ngalokho ngamnikela esandleni sezithandwa zakhe, isandla sabase-Asiriya abakhanukelayo.

10 Bona bambula ubunqunu bakhe, bathatha amadodana akhe namadodakazi akhe; yena bambulala ngenkemba, waba yisaga phakathi kwabesifazane, lapho kwenziwa ukwahluelwa kuye.

11 "Udadewabo u-Oholiba wakubona, kepha wonakala ekukhanukeni kwakhe kunaye, nasebufebe bakhe obadlula ubufebe bukadadewabo.

12 Wakhanukela abase-Asiriya, izinduna nababusi, abakhelwane, ababembethe kahle kakhulu, beyizinkweli ezikhwele amahhashi, zonke ziyizinsizwa ezinxanelekayo.

13 Ngabona ukuthi wangcoliswa; bobibili bahamba ngandlelanye.

14 "Wengezela ebubebe bakhe, ngokuba wabona amadoda ayedwetshwe odongeni, imifanekiso yamaKaledi eyayilotshwe ngebomvu,

15 ebhince amabhante okhalweni lwano, enemishuqulo ebanzi emakhanda, onke ebonakala njengezikhulu ngokwesimo sabaseBabele ababezlwwe ezweni laseKalideya.

16 Ekubaboneni kwamehlo akhe wabakhanukela, wathuma kubo izithunywa eKalideya.

17 Amadodana aseBabele afika kuye embhedeni wothando, amngcolisa ngobufebe bawo; esengcolisiwe yiwo umphefumulo wakhe wahlukana nawo.

- 18** Wambula ubufebe bakhe, wambula ubunqunu bakhe. Wase wahlukana naye umphefumulo wami, njengalokho umphefumulo wami wahlukana nodadewabo.
- 19** Kepha wandisa ubufebe bakhe, ekhumbula izinsuku zobusha bakhe afebe ngazo ezweni laseGibithe.
- 20** Wakhanukela amashende akhona, anyama yawo injengenyama yezimbongolo, namaphambili awo anjengawamahhashi.
- 21** Walangazelela ukukhanuka kobusha bakho ekucindezelweni kwezingono zakho ngabaseGibithe ngenxa yobusha bamabele akho.
- 22** “Ngalokho-ke, Oholiba, isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: Bheka, ngiyakukuvusela izithandwa zakho, umphefumulo wakho osahlukene nazo, ngiziyise kuwe nxazonke,
- 23** abaseBabele, nawo onke amaKaledi, iPhekodi, neShowa, neKhowa, nabo bonke abase-Asiriya kanye nabo, izinsizwa ezinxanelekayo, izinduna, nababusi, nabakhulu, nezikhulu, nabadumileyo, bonke behkwele amahhashi.
- 24** Bayakufika kuwe benezikhali, nezincola, nokunamasondo, nesixuku sabantu, baziHlelele wena benamahawu, nezihlangu, neziggoko nxazonke, nginiukele kubo ukwahlulela, bakwahlulele njengezahlulelo zabo.
- 25** Ngiyakubeka kuwe umhawu wami, bakuphathe ngokufuthuka, basuse ikhala lakho nezindlebe zakho, abaseleyo bakho bawe ngenkemba; bayakuthatha amadodana akho amadodakazi akho, abaseleyo bakho badliwe ngumlilo.
- 26** Bayakukuhlubula izingubo zakho, basuse izivunulo zakho ezinhle.
- 27** Ngiyakuqedu kuwe ukukhanuka kwakho nobufebe bakho basezweni laseGibithe, ungabe usaphakamisa amehlo akho kubo, ungabe usalikhumbula iGibithe.
- 28** “Ngokuba isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: Bheka, ngiyakunikela esandleni sabo obazondayo, esandleni sabo umphefumulo wakho owahlukene nabo,
- 29** bakuphathe ngenzondo, basuse yonke inzuso yakho, bakushiye uze, unqunu, kwambulwe ubunqunu bobufebe bakho, kanye nokungcola kwakho nobufebe bakho.
- 30** Lokhu kuyakwenziwa kuwe ngokuba ulandele abezizwe ngokufeba, wangcoliswa ngezithombe zabo.
- 31** Uhambile ngendlela kadadewenu; ngalokho ngiyakunikela indebe yakhe esandleni sakho.
- 32** “Isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: “Uyakuphuza indebe kadadewenu ejulileyo, ebanzi, ube yinhlekiso nosulu; ifumbethe okuningi.
- 33** Uyakugcwaliswa ngokudakwa nosizi: ngendebe yesimangaliso neyencithakalo, indebe kadadewenu iSamariya.
- 34** Uyakuyiphuza, uyikhame, ugedle izindengezi zayo, uklebhule amabele akho, ngokuba mina ngikukhulumile, isho iNkosi uJehova.
- 35** “Ngalokho isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: Ngokuba ungikhohliwe, wangilahla nyovane, uyakuthwala ukungcola kwakho nobufebe bakho.”
- 36** Wayesethi uJehova kimi: “Ndodana yomuntu, uyakwahlulela o-Ohola no-Oholiba na? Batshele-ke izinengiso zabo.
- 37** Ngokuba baphingile, negazi lisezandleni zabo; baphingile nezithombe zabo, badabulise emlilweni amadodana abo abangizalela wona, abe ngukudla kwazo.
- 38** Futhi benza lokhu kimi: ngalona lolo suku abangcolisa ngalo indlu yami engcwele bawona namasabatha ami.
- 39** Ekubulaleleni kwabo izithombe zabo amadodana abo bangena, ngalona lolo suku, endlini yami engcwele ukuyingcolisa. Bheka, benza kanjalo phakathi kwendlu yami.

40 "Futhi nithumele amadoda avela kude, okwathunywa kuwo isithunywa; bheka, afika; wazihlanzela wona, wawaggabelo amehlo akho, wazivunulisa ngezivunulo,

41 wahlala embhedeni omuhle, itafula elilungisiweyo liphambi kwavo, owabeka kulo impepho yami namafutha ami.

42 "Umsindo wesixuku esihlezi kahle wawulapho; kwangeniswa kanye nabantukazana izidakwa zasehlane; bafaka amasongo ezandleni zabo nemiqhele emihle emakhanda abo.

43 Ngase ngithi ngaye ophelile ekufebeni: 'Impela bayakufeba naye, yebo, naye,' na?

44 Bangena kuye njengalokhu kungenwa esifebeni; bangena kanjalo ko-Ohola no-Oholiba, abesifazane abakhanukayo.

45 Abantu abalungileyo bayakubahlulela ngokwahlulewa kweziphingikazi nangokwahlulewa kwabesifazane abachitha igazi, ngokuba bayiziphingikazi, negazi lisezandleni zabo.

46 "Ngokuba isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: Ngiyakubenyusela isixuku, ngibanikele ukuba babe yingebhe nempango.

47 Isixuku siyakubakhanda ngamatshe sibahlahlele ngezinkemba zaso, sibulale amadodana abo namadodakazi abo, sishise izindlu zabo ngomlilo.

48 "Ngiyakuqedu ukukhanuka ezwensi, baxwayiswe bonke abesifazane ukuba bangenzi njengokukhanuka kwenu.

49 Bayakwehlisela ukukhanuka kwenu phezu kwenu, nthwale izono zezithombe zenu, nazi ukuthi ngyiNkosi uJehova."

ISAHLUKO 24

1 zwi likaJehova lafika kimi ngomnyaka wesishiyagalolunye, ngenyanga yeshumi ngolweshumi lwenyanga, lathi:

2 "Ndodana yomuntu, zilobele igama losuku, Iona lolo suku; inkosi yaseBabele ihlasele iJerusalema ngalolu suku.

3 Fanekisa ngomfanekiso kuyo indlu ehlubukayo, uthi kubo: 'Isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: " 'Beka ikhanzi, libeke, utheli amanzi kulo,

4 uqoqele kulo izinqamu zalo, zonke izinqamu ezinhle, ithanga nehlombe, uligcwalise ngamathambo akhethekileyo.

5 Thatha okukhethekileyo komhlambi, ubungele izinkuni phansi kwalo, ulibilise nokulibilisa, kuphekwe namathambo phakathi kwalo.

6 " 'Ngalokho isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: " 'Maye kumuzi wezingazi, kulo ikhanzi elinokugqwala, nokugqwala kwalo kungaphumanga kulo! Khipha kulo izinqamu ngezinqamu; alidliwanga yinkatho.

7 " 'Ngokuba izingazi zaho ziphakathi kwavo; wazibeka edwaleni eliyinyabule; akazithelanga emhlabathini ukuzisibekela ngothuli.

8 Ukuze kuvuswe ukufutheka kubo yimpindiselo, ngabeka izingazi zaho edwaleni eliyinyabule ukuba zingasitshekewa.

9 " 'Ngalokho isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: " 'Maye kumuzi wezingazi! Nami ngiyakwandisa ukubungela izinkuni.

10 Fumbela izinkuni, ukhwezele umlilo, uqede inyama, wome umhluzi, amathambo ashiswe.

11 Besewulibeka emalahleni awo lingenalutho, ukuze lishise, kushe ithusi lalo,

kuncibiliwikwe ukungcola kwalo phakathi kwalo ukuba kuqedwe ukugqwala kwalo.

12 Ngizikhathazile ngeze, nokho ukugqwala kwalo okuningi akuphumanga kulo; ukugqwala kwalo kumelwe kube semlilweni.

13 “Ngokungcola kobufebe bakho nangokuba ngikuhlambululile ungahlanjululwanga kodwa awusayikuhanjululwa ekungcoleni kwakho, ngize nganelise ukufutheka kwami kuwe.

14 “Mina Jehova ngikukhulumile; kuyakwenzeka, ngiyakukwenza; angiyikuyekela, angiyikuhanwukela, angiyikuzisola; bayakukwahlulela njengezindlela zakho nezenzo zakho, isho iNkosi uJehova.”

15 Izwi likaJehova lafika kimi, lathi:

16 “Ndodana yomuntu, bheka, ngiyasusa okunxanelekayo emehlwani akho ngesishayo, kepha awuyikudabuka, awuyikukhala, nezinyembezi azyikwehla.

17 Bubula, uthule; ungenzi isililo sabafileyo, uzibophele isigqoko sakho, ufake izicathulo zakho ezinyaweni zakho, ungambozi amadevu akho, ungadli isinkwa sabantu.”

18 Ngase ngikhuluma kubantu ekuseni; kusihlwa wafa umkami; kusasa ngenza njengalokho ngiyaliwe.

19 Abantu bathi kimi: “Ungesitshele yini ukuthi lezi zinto ziyini kithina, njengokuba wenze njalo, na?”

20 Ngathi kubo: “Izwi likaJehova lafika kimi, lathi:

21 Yisho kuyo indlu yakwa-Israyeli, uthi: ‘Isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: Bheka, ngiyakuyingcolisa indlu yami engcwele, ukuziqhenya kwamandla enu, okunxanelekayo emehlwani enu, okuhawukelwa ngumphefumulo wenu; amadodakazi enu eniwashiyile ayakuwa ngenkemba.

22 Niyakwenza njengami: aniyikumboza amadevu enu, ningadli isinkwa sabantu.

23 Izigqoko zenu ziyakuba semakhanda enu nezicathulo ezinyaweni zenu; aniyikudabuka, ningakhali, kepha niyakonda ebubini benu, nibubulelane omunye nomunye.

24 UHezekeli uyakuba yisibonakaliso kini; niyakwenza njengakho konke ukwenza kwakhe; lapho kufikile lokhu, niyakwazi ukuthi ngiyiNkosi uJehova.’

25 “Wena ndodana yomuntu, angithi kuyakwenzeka mhla ngisusa inqaba yabo, intokozo nobuhle babo, okunxanelekayo emehlwani abo, nababeke umphefumulo wabo kukho, amadodana abo namadodakazi abo,

26 ngalolo suku obalekayo uyakufika kuwe, akuzwise lokhu ngezindlebe zakho, na?

27 Ngalolo suku umlomo wakho uyakuvulwa kobalekileyo; wena uyakukhuluma, ungabe usaba yisimungulu; uyakuba yisibonakaliso kubo, bazi ukuthi nginguJehova.”

ISAHLUKO 25

Izwi likaJehova lafika kimi, lathi:

2 “Ndodana yomuntu, bhekisa ubuso bakho kwabakwa-Amoni, uprefethe ngabo,

3 uthi kubantwana bakwa-Amoni: ‘Zwanini izwi leNkosi uJehova; isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: Ngokuba wathi ashila ngendlu yami engcwele lapho yangcoliswa, nangezwe lapho lachithwa, nangendlu yakwaJuda lapho beya ekuthunjweni,

4 bheka, ngaloko ngiyakukunikela kwabasempumalanga, ube yifa labo, bamise amakamu abo phakathi kwakho, babeke amakhaya abo kuwe, badle isithelo sakho, baphuze ubisi Iwakho.

5 Ngiyakwenza iRaba libe yindawo yokuhlala amakamela, abantwana bakwa-Amoni babe

yindawo yokubuthisa kwezimvu, nazi ukuthi nginguJehova.

6 Ngokuba isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: Ngokuba ushaye ihlombe, wadubhuza ngezinyawo, wathokozela izwe lakwa-Israyeli ngawo onke amafundululu akho emphefumulweni,

7 bheka, ngalokho ngiyakwelulela isandla sami kuwe, ngikunikele ukuba ube yimpango yezizwe, ngikunqume kubantu, ngikuchithe emazweni, ngikuqothule, wazi ukuthi nginguJehova.’ ”

8 “Isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: ‘Ngenxa yokuba oMowabi noSeyiri besho ukuthi: ‘Bheka, indlu yakwaJuda injengazo zonke izizwe,’ ”

9 bheka, ngalokho ngiyakuvula umthambeka kaMowabi angabe esaba nemizi, kusukela emizini yasemikhawulweni, ubukhosibezwe: iBeti Jeshimoti, neBali Mehoni, neKiriyatayimi,

10 ngiwuniike abasempumalanga kanye nabantwana bakwa-Amoni, ube yifa labo, ukuze abantwana bakwa-Amoni bangabe besakhunjulwa phakathi kwezizwe,

11 ngenze ukwahlulela kuMowabi, bazi ukuthi nginguJehova.’ ”

12 “Isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: ‘Ngenxa yokuba u-Edomi ephathe indlu yakwaJuda ngokuphindisela, wacunula nokucunula, waziphindisela kubo,

13 ngalokho isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: Ngiyakwelulela isandla sami ku-Edomi, nginqume kuye abantu nezilwane, ngimenze ize kusukela eThemani, bawe ngenkemba kuze kube seDedani.

14 Ngiyakubeka impindiselo yami phezu kuka-Edomi ngesandla sabantu bami u-Israyeli, benze kwa-Edomi njengentukuthelo yami nokufutheka kwami, bazi impindiselo yami, isho iNkosi uJehova.’ ”

15 “Isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: ‘Ngenxa yokuba amaFilisti enze impindiselo, ephindisele nokuphindisela ngamafundululu emphefumulweni ukuchitha ngobutha obungapheliyo,

16 ngalokho isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: Bheka, ngiyakwelulela isandla sami kumaFilisti, nginqume amaKhereti, ngichithe insali yasogwini lolwandle.

17 Ngiyakwenza impindiselo enku kubo ngezijeziso ezifuthayo, bazi ukuthi nginguJehova, lapho ngibeka impindiselo yami kubo.’ ”

ISAHLUKO 26

Kwathi ngomnyaka weshumi nanye ngolokuqala lwenyanga izwi likaJehova lafika kimi, lathi:

2 “Ndodana yomuntu, ngenxa yokuba iTire lishilo ngeJerusalema ukuthi: ‘Ashila; laphukile ebe liyisango labantu; seliphendukele kimi; ngiyakugcwala lapho selichithekile,’ ”

3 ngalokho isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: Bheka, ngiphezu kwakho, Tire; ngiyakwenyusela kuwe izizwe eziningi njengolwandle lukhuphula amaza alo.

4 Ziyakuchitha izingange zaseTire, zibhidlize imibhoshongo yalo; ngiyakukhukhuza umhlabathi walo kulo, ngilenze idwala eliyinyabule.

5 Liyakuba yindawo yokweneka amanetha phakathi kolwandle, ngokuba mina ngikuhulumile, isho iNkosi uJehova; liyakuba yimpango yezizwe.

6 Amadodakazi alo asendle ayakubulawa ngenkemba, bazi ukuthi nginguJehova.

7 “Ngokuba isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: Bheka, ngiyakuyisa eTire uNebukadinesari inkosi yaseBabele, evela enyakatho, eyinkosi yamakhosi, enamahhashi, nezinqola,

nabamahhashi, nesixuku sabantu abaningi.

- 8** Uyakubulala amadodakazi akho endle ngenkemba, enze inqaba ngakuwe, akunqwabele iduli, akumisele ihawu.
- 9** Uyakubekisa izinqama zakhe zokungquba ezingangeni zakho, abhidlize imibhoshongo yakho ngamazembe akhe.
- 10** Ngenxa yobuningi bamahhashi akhe ibhuqu lawo liyakukusibekela, izingange zakho zizamazame ngomdumo wabamahhashi, nowokunamasondo, nowezinqola, lapho engena esangweni lakho njengalokhu kungenwa emzini ofohliwego.
- 11** Ngezinselo zamahhashi akhe uyakunyathela zonke izitaladi zakho, abulale abantu bakho ngenkemba, kuwe phansi izinsika zemandla akho.
- 12** Bayakuphanga imfuyo yakho, bagcugce impahla yakho ethengiswayo, babhidlize izingange zakho, badilize izindlu zakho ezinhle, babeke amatshe akho nemithi yakho nesihlabathi sakho phakathi kwamanzi.
- 13** Ngiyakwenza ukuba isiho sezihlabelelo zakho siphele, nezwi lamahabhu akho alisayikuzwakala.
- 14** Ngiyakukwenza idwala eliyinyabule, ube yindawo yokweneka amanetha; awusayikwakhiwa, ngokuba mina Jehova ngikukhulumile, isho iNkosi uJehova.
- 15** “Isho kanje iNkosi uJehova kulo iTire, ithi: Ngomdumo wokuwa kwakho, lapho abagwaziwego bebubula nabafayo bebulawa phakathi kwakho, iziqhingi ziakuzamazama.
- 16** Zonke izikhulu zolwandle ziyakwehla ezihlalweni zazo zobukhosi, zikhumule izingubo zazo, zihlubule izambahatho zazo ezifekethisiwego, zembathe ukuthuthumela, zihlale emhlabathini, zithuthumele njalonjalo, zimangale ngawe.
- 17** Ziyakwenza isililiselo ngawe, zithi kuwe: “Yeka ukuchitheka kwakho, wena owahlalwa ngabasolwandle, muzi odumileyo, owawunamandla olwandle, wena nabakhileyo kuwe, owenza ukuba besatshwe bonke abakhileyo kuwe.
- 18** Manje iziqhingi ziakuzamazama ngosuku lokuwa kwakho; iziqhingi eziisolwandle ziyakuphela amandla ngokumuka kwakho.
- 19** “Ngokuba isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: Lapho ngiyakukwenza umuzi ochithekileyo njengemizi engahlalwayo, nalapho ngiyakukhuphulela utwa phezu kwakho, amanzi amanangi akusibekile,
- 20** ngiyakukwehlisa nabehlela egodini, kubantu basendulo, ngikuhalise ekujuleni komhlaba kanye nabehlela egodini njengasezindaweni ezichithekiyelo kwasendulo, ukuze ungahlalwa, ngisabeka udumo ezwensi labaphilayo.
- 21** Ngiyakukwenza incithakalo, ungabe usabakho; uyakufunwa, kepha awusayikufunyanwa kuze kube phakade, isho iNkosi uJehova.”

ISAHLUKO 27

Izwi likaJehova lafika kimi, lathi:

- 2** “Wena ndodana yomuntu, yenza isililiselo ngeTire,
- 3** uthi kulo iTire: Wena ohlala ekungeneni kolwandle, ongumthengi wabantu eziqhingini eziningi, iNkosi uJehova isho kanje, ithi: ‘‘Tire, wena ushilo ukuthi: “Ngiphelele ebuhleni.”’’
- 4** Imikhawulo yakho isenhliyweni yolwandle; abakhi bakho baphelelisile ubuhle bakho.
- 5** Ngemisayipuresi yaseSeniri benzile onke amapulangwe akho; balandile umsedari eLebanoni ukwenza insika yakho.

- ⁶ Ngama-oki aseBashani benzile amaphini akho; indeki yakho bayenzile ngophondo Iwendlovu, lufakelwe emthini womkhoba ovela eziqhingini zaseKitimi.
- ⁷ Ilineni elicolekileyo elifekethisiwego elivela eGibithe lalinguseyili wakho, laze laba yibhanelu kuwe; isimbozo sakho sasiluhlaza sibubende, sivela eziqhingini zase-Elisha.
- ⁸ Abakhileyo eSidoni nase-Arvadi babe ngabagwedli bakho; izihlakaniphi zakho, Tire, zazikuwe, zazingabashayeli bakho.
- ⁹ Amalunga aseGebali nezihlakaniphi zalo babe ngabavimbi zimfa bakho kuwe. Yonke imikhumbi yaselwandle namatilosy ayo babe kuwe ukuba bathengise ngempahla yakho.
- ¹⁰ “ ‘AbasePheresiya noLude noPhuthi babe sempini yakho, amadoda empi yakho; baphanyeka izihlangu nezigqoko kuwe; baveza ubuhle bakho.
- ¹¹ Abantu base-Arvadi kanye nempi yakho babe sezingangeni zakho nxazonke, nabaseGamadi babe semibhoshongweni yakho; baphanyeka izihlangu zabo ezingangeni zakho nxazonke; baphelelisa ubuhle bakho.
- ¹² “ ‘ITharishishi lalingumthengi wakho ngenxa yobuningi bayo yonke ingcebo yakho; benana impahla yakho ngesiliva nangensimbi nangethini nangomthofu.
- ¹³ “ ‘IJavani noThubali noMesheke bona babe ngabathengi bakho, benana abantu boqobo nezitsha zethusi ngempahla yakho.
- ¹⁴ “ ‘Abendlu yaseThogarma benana impahla yakho ngamahhashi nangamahhashi empi nangeminyuzi.
- ¹⁵ “ ‘Abantu baseDedani babe ngabathengi bakho, iziqhingi eziningi zaziyizindawo zokuthengelana zesandla sakho; babuyisela kuwe uphondo Iwendlovu ne-eboni, kwaba yisipho sakho.
- ¹⁶ “ ‘I-Aramu lalingumthengi wakho ngenxa yobuningi bemisebenzi yakho; benana impahla yakho ngama-emeralidu, nangokububende, nangokufekethisiwego, nangelineni elicolekileyo, nangekorali, nangamarubi.
- ¹⁷ “ ‘UJuda nezwe lakwa-Israyeli babe ngabathengi bakho; benana impahla yakho ngokolweni waseMiniti, nangawojeqe, nangezinyosi, nangamafutha, nangebhaisamu.
- ¹⁸ “ ‘IDamaseku lalingumthengi wakho ngenxa yobuningi bemisebenzi yakho, ngobuningi bayo yonke ingcebo, linewayini laseHeliboni noboya obumhlophe bezimvu.
- ¹⁹ “ ‘IVedani neJavani enana impahla yakho ngotwayibana; insimbi ekhandiwego, nekasiya, nomhlanga kwakuphakathi kwempahla yakho.
- ²⁰ “ ‘IDedani lalingumthengi wakho ngezindwangu ezinhle zokugibela.
- ²¹ “ ‘I-Arabiya nazo zonke izikhulu zaseKedari zazingabathengi besandla sakho; zazingabathengi bakho ngamawundlu, nangezinqama, nangezimpongo.
- ²² “ ‘Abathengi baseSheba naseRama babe ngabathengi bakho, benana impahla yakho ngawo onke amakha aphambili, nangawo onke amatshe anqabileyo, nangegolide.
- ²³ “ ‘IHarana neKhane ne-Edene, abathengi baseSheba, ne-Asiriya, neKilimadi babe ngabathengi bakho.
- ²⁴ Bona babe ngabathengi bakho ngempahla enhle, ngezambatho eziluhlaza nezifekethisiwego, nangezindwangu ezimibalabala, nangezintambo ezalukiwego eziqinileyo, ezindaweni zakho zokuthengelana.
- ²⁵ “ ‘Imikhumbi yaseTharishishi yayihambisa impahla yakho. Wagcwaliswa, wadunyiswa kakhulu enhliziyweni yolwandle.
- ²⁶ Abagwedli bakho bakuyisa emanzini amaningi; umoya wasempumalanga wawusukwaphula usenhliziyweni yolwandle.
- ²⁷ Ingcebo yakho, nempahla yakho, nentutho yakho, amatilosy akho, nabashayeli bakho,

abavimbi zimfa bakho, nabaphathi bakho bokuthenga, nawo onke amadoda akho empiakuwe, naso sonke isixuku esiphakathi kwakho kuyakuwela enhliziyweni yolwandlengosuku lokuwa kwakho.

28 Ngezwi lokukhala kwabashayeli bakho amaza ayazamazama.

29 Bonke ababambe amaphini, amatilos nabo bonke abashayeli baselwandle, bayakwehla emikhunjini yabo, beme emhlabathini,

30 bezwakalise izwi labo phezu kwakho, bakhale ngomunyu, bathele uthuli emakhanda abo, buhuquzele emlotheni,

31 baziphucule izimpandla ngenxa yakho, babhince izindwangu zamasaka, bakukhalelezinyembezi ngomunyu womphefumulo.

32 Ekulileni kwabo bayakwenza isililiselo ngawe, bakulilele, bathi: “Ngubani onjengeTire, njengalo eselithulisiwe phakathi kolwandle, na?”

33 Ekuphumeni kwempahla yakho elwandle wasuthisa abantu abaningi; ngobuningi bengcebo yakho nempahla yakho wacebisa amakhosi omhlaba.

34 Ngesikhathi sokwaphulwa kwakho ngamanzi ekujuleni kolwandle impahla yakho naso sonke isixuku sakho kwawela phakathi kwakho.

35 Bonke abakhileyo eziqhingini bamangala ngawe; amakhosi azo ayaqhakanyeka, aphaphatheke ebusweni.

36 Abathengi phakathi kwabantu bayakuncimfela; usuyincithakalo; awusayikubakho kuze kube phakade.’ ”

ISAHLUKO 28

Izwi likaJehova lafika kimi, lathi:

2 “Ndodana yomuntu, thana kuso isikhulu saseTire: ‘Isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: “Ngokuba inhlizyo yakho iziphakamisile, wathi: “Ngingunkulunkulu, njihlala esihlalweni sikaNkulunkulu enhliziyweni yolwandle,” ingani ungumuntu, ungesiye uNkulunkulu, noma umise inhlizyo yakho njengenhlizyo kaNkulunkulu

3 bheka, uhlakaniphile kunoDaniyeli, ayikho imfihlakalo abangakufihlela yona;

4 ngokuhlakanipha kwakho nangokuqonda kwakho uzizuzele imfuyo, wafaka igolide nesiliva engcebeni yakho;

5 ngokuhlakanipha kwakho okukhulu kokuthenga wandisile imfuyo yakho; inhlizyo yakho iziphakamisile ngenxa yengcebo yakho.

6 “‘Ngalokho isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: “‘Ngenxa yokuba umisile inhlizyo yakho njengenhlizyo kaNkulunkulu,

7 ngalokho bheka, ngiyakukwehlisela abafokazi, abesabekayo bezizwe; bayakuhoshela ubuhle bokuhlakanipha kwakho izinkemba zabo, bangcolise ukukhazimula kwakho.

8 Bayakukwehlisela egodini, ufe ukufa kwabagwaziweyo enhliziyweni yolwandle.

9 Usasho phambi kokubulalayo ukuthi: “Ngingunkulunkulu mina,” ingani ungumuntu, ungesiye uNkulunkulu, esandleni sokugwazayo, na?

10 Uyakufa ukufa kwabangasokile ngesandla sabafokazi, ngokuba mina ngikhulumile, isho iNkosi uJehova.’ ”

11 Izwi likaNkulunkulu lafika kimi, lathi:

12 “Ndodana yomuntu, yenza isililiselo ngenkosi yaseTire, uthi kuyo: ‘Isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: “‘Wawuluphawu lokupheleleyo; wawugcwele ukuhlakanipha, wawuphelele ngobuhle.

13 Wawuse-Edene, insimu kaNkulunkulu; onke amatshe anqabileyo ayeysisibekelo sakho, isardiyu, netopazi, nedayimani, neshohamu, nejaspi, nesafire, nesimaragidu, nekrisolithe; nezivunulo zakho nezisekelo zamatshe zaziyigolide, zilungisiwe ngosuku lokudalwa kwakho.

14 Wawuyikherubi eligcotshiweyo elisibekelayo; ngakubeka, waba sentabeni engcwele kaNkulunkulu, wahamba phakathi kwamatshe omlilo.

15 Wawuphelele ezindleleni zakho kusukela osukwini lokudalwa kwakho kwaze kwafumaniseka ukungalungi kuwe.

16 Ngobuningi bokuthenga kwakho wagcwaliswa ngobudlova, wonile; ngalokho ngakulahlala ungcilile entabenikaNkulunkulu, ngakuchitha wena kherubi elisibekelayo, ungabikho phakathi kwamatshe omlilo.

17 Inhliziyo yakho yakhukhumala ngobuhle bakho, wonakalisa ukuhlakanipha kwakho ngokukhazimula kwakho; ngikulahlele phansi, ngikubeke phambi kwamakhosi ukuba akubone.

18 Ngobuningi bobubi bakho ekuthengeni kwakho okungalungile ungcilisile izindlu zakho ezingcwele; ngase ngiphumisa umlilo phakathi kwakho, wakuqedu; ngakwenza umlotha emhlabeni emehlwani abo bonke abakubonayo.

19 Bonke abakubonayo phakathi kwabantu bamangala ngawe; usuluvalo, awusayikubakho kuze kube phakade.' "

20 Izwi likaJehova lafika kimi, lathi:

21 "Ndodana yomuntu, bhekisa ubuso bakho kulo iSidoni, uprofethe ngalo,

22 uthi: 'Isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: " 'Bheka, ngimelene nawe Sidoni; ngiyakudunyiswa phakathi kwakho, bazi ukuthi nginguJehova, lapho ngenza ukwahlulela kulo, ngingcweliswe phakathi kwalo.

23 Ngiyakuthuma kulo isifo negazi ezitaladini zalo; abagwaziweyo bayakuwa phakathi kwalo ngenkemba ephezu kwalo nxazonke, bazi ukuthi nginguJehova.

24 " 'Akusayikubakho ikhakhasi elihlabayo neva elilimazayo kuyo indlu yakwa-Israyeli kubo ababahaqayo nababenza okwamafundululu kubo, bazi ukuthi ngiyiNkosi uJehova.

25 " 'Isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: Lapho ngibutha indlu yakwa-Israyeli ezizweni abahlakazekele phakathi kwazo, ngingcweliswe kubo emehlwani ezizwe, bayakuhlala ezweni labo engalinika inceku yami uJakobe.

26 Bayakuhlala kulo belondekile, bakhe izindlu, batshale izivini, yebo, bahlale ngokulonduka, lapho ngenza ukwahlulela kubo bonke abanamafundululu kubo phakathi kwababahaqayo, bazi ukuthi nginguJehova uNkulunkulu wabo.' "

ISAHLUKO 29

Ngomnyaka weshumi, ngenyanga yeshumi, ngolweshumi nambili lwenyanga lafika kimi izwi likaJehova, lathi:

2 "Ndodana yomuntu, bhekisa ubuso bakho kuFaro inkosi yaseGibithe, uprofethe ngaye nangalo lonke iGibithe,

3 ukhulume uthi: 'Isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: " 'Bheka, ngimelene nawe Faro, nkosi yaseGibithe, drako omkhulu, obuthisa phakathi kwemifula yakho uthi: "Umfula ungowami, mina ngiwenzile."

4 Ngiyakufaka izindobo emihlathini yakho, nginamatelise izinhlanzi zemifula yakho ezingcwecweni zakho, ngikukhuphule phakathi kwemifula yakho kanye nazo zonke izinhlanzi zemifula yakho ezinamatela ezingcwecweni zakho.

- ⁵ Ngiyakukulahla ehlane, wena nazo zonke izinhlanzi zemifula yakho, uwe ebusweni bomhlabathi; awuyikubuthwa, ulandwe; ngiyakukunika ube ngukudla kwezilwane zomhlaba nokwezinyoni zezulu.
- ⁶ Bonke abakhileyo eGibithe bayakwazi ukuthi nginguJehova, ngokuba bebeludondolo lohlanga kuyo indlu yakwa-Israyeli.
- ⁷ Lapho bekubamba ngesandla, uyaphuka, uklebhula zonke izinhlangothi zabo; nalapho bencika kuwe, uyaphuka, untengantengise zonke izinkalo zabo.
- ⁸ “ ‘Ngalokho isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: Bheka, ngiyakwehlisela phezu kwakho inkemba, ngingume kuwe abantu nezilwane.
- ⁹ Izwe laseGibithe liyakuba yincithakalo nehlane, bazi ukuthi nginguJehova, ngokuba wathi: “Umfula ungowami, mina ngiwenzile.”
- ¹⁰ Bheka, ngalokho ngimelene nawe nemifula yakho; ngiyakwenza izwe laseGibithe libe yihlane lamahlane nencithakalo, kusukela eMigidoli kuze kube seSevene, kuze kube semkhawulweni waseKushe.
- ¹¹ Akuyikudabula kulo unyawo lomuntu, akuyikudabula kulo unyawo Iwesilwane, aliyikuhlalwa iminyaka engamashumi amane.
- ¹² Ngiyakwenza izwe laseGibithe libe yincithakalo phakathi kwamazwe ayincithakalo, imizi yalo phakathi kwemizi echithekileyo ibe yincithakalo iminyaka engamashumi amane, ngihlakazele abaseGibithe ezizweni, ngibasabalalisele emazweni.
- ¹³ “ ‘Ngokuba isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: Ngasekupheleni kweminyaka engamashumi amane ngiyakubabutha abaseGibithe kubantu abahlakazekele kubo,
- ¹⁴ ngibuyise ukuthunjwa kwaseGibithe, ngibabuyisele ezweni lasePhatirosi, izwe lokudabuka kwabo, babe ngumbuso ophansi khona.
- ¹⁵ Liyakuba phansi emibusweni, alisayikuziphakamisa phezu kwezizwe; futhi ngizakubanciphisa ukuba bangabusi izizwe.
- ¹⁶ Alisayikuba yithemba kuyo indlu yakwa-Israyeli, likhumbuza ngokona lapho bebaphendukela, bazi ukuthi ngiyiNkosi uJehova.’ ”
- ¹⁷ Kwathi ngomnyaka wamashumi amabili nesikhombisa ngenyanga yokuqala, ngolokuqala lwenyanga, lafika kimi izwi likaJehova, lathi:
- ¹⁸ “Ndodana yomuntu, uNebukadinesari inkosi yaseBabele wasebenzisa impi yakhe umsebenzi omkhulu ngeTire; onke amakhanda aphuculwa, onke amahlombe acothulwa, nokho yena nempi yakhe babengenankokhelo evela eTire ngomsebenzi abalenzela wona.
- ¹⁹ Ngalokho isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: Bheka, ngizakunika uNebukadinesari, inkosi yaseBabele, izwe laseGibithe; uyakuyisusa ingcebo yalo, aphange impango yalo, agcugce ingcugco yalo, kube yinkokhelo yempi yakhe.
- ²⁰ Ngiyamnika izwe laseGibithe ngomsebenzi owakhonza ngawo, abawenza kimi, isho iNkosi uJehova.
- ²¹ “Ngalolo suku ngiyakuhlumisa uphondo endlini ka-Israyeli, ngikuvumele ukuba uvule umlomo phakathi kwabo, bazi ukuthi nginguJehova.”

ISAHLUKO 30

Izwi likaJehova lafika kimi, lathi:

² “Ndodana yomuntu, profetha uthi: ‘Isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: “ ‘Hhewulani, nithi: “Wo ngalolo suku!”

³ Ngokuba usuku luseduze, usuku lukaJehova luseduze; luyakuba lusuku lwamafu

nesikhathi sabezizwe.

- 4** Inkemba iyakulehlela iGibithe, kube yimihelo eKushe, lapho abagwaziwego bewa eGibithe; bayakususa ingcebo yalo, kudilizwe izisekelo zalo.
- 5** IKushe, noPhuthi, noLude, nayo yonke ingxubevange yezizwe, neKhubi, nabamazwe ahlangeneyo bayakuwa nabo ngenkemba.
- 6** “Usho kanje uJehova, uthi: “Nabo abaliphasa iGibithe bayakuwa, ukukhukhumala kwamandla alo kuyakwehla; kusukela eMigidoli kuze cube seSevene bayakuwa kulo ngenkemba, isho iNkosi uJehova.
- 7** “Bayakuchithakala phakathi kwamazwe achithekileyo, imizi yalo ibe phakathi kwemizi echithekileyo.
- 8** Bayakwazi ukuthi nginguJehova, lapho sengiphembe umlilo eGibithe, bachotshozwe bonke abasizi balo.
- 9** “Ngalolo suku kuyakuphuma izithunywa phambi kwami ngemikhumbi ukwesabisa amaKushe anokwethemba, kube yimihelo phezu kwavo ngosuku IweGibithe, ngokuba bheka, luyeza.
- 10** “Isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: “Ngiyakuqeda isixuku saseGibithe ngesandla sikaNebukadinesari, inkosi yaseBabele.
- 11** Yena nabantu bakhe kanye naye, abesabekayo bezizwe, bayakulethwa ukuba bachithe izwe, bahoshele iGibithe izinkemba zabo, bagcwaliye izwe ngabagwaziwego.
- 12** Ngiyakwenza imifula ishe, ngithengise ngezwe esandleni sababi, ngichithe izwe nokugcwala kwalo ngesandla sabafokazi; mina Jehova ngikukhulumile.
- 13** “Isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: “Ngiyakuzichitha izithombe, ngiqede onkulunkulu eNofi; akusayikubakho sikhulu esivela ezweni laseGibithe, ngibeke ukwesaba ezweni laseGibithe.
- 14** Ngiyakwenza ize iPhatirosi, ngiphembe umlilo eSowani, ngenze ukwahlulela eNo.
- 15** Ngiyakuthulula ukufutheka kwami phezu kweSini, inqaba yaseGibithe, nginqume isixuku saseNo.
- 16** Ngiyakuphemba umlilo eGibithe, iSini libe nemihelo emikhulu, iNo lifohlwe, iNofi lihlaselwe emini.
- 17** Izinsizwa zase-Aveni nasePhi Beseti ziyakuwa ngenkemba, imizi iye ekuthunjweni.
- 18** EThehafenehesi usuku luyakuba myama, lapho ngaphula khona amajoka aseGibithe, nokukhukhumala kwamandla kuyakuphela kulo; Iona-ke, ifu liyakulisibekela, namadodakazi alo ayakuya ekuthunjweni.
- 19** Ngiyakwenza-ke izahlulelo eGibithe, bazi ukuthi nginguJehova.” ”
- 20** Kwathi ngomnyaka weshumi nanye ngenyanga yokuqala ngolwesikhombisa Iwenyanga Iafika kimi izwi likaJehova, lathi:
- 21** “Ndodana yomuntu, ngaphulile ingalo kaFaro inkosi yaseGibithe; bheka, ayiboshiwe ukuba kuthelwe imithi, kufakwe umzongolozelo wokubopha, ukuze iqiniselwe ukubamba inkemba.
- 22** Ngalokho isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: Bheka, ngimelene noFaro inkosi yaseGibithe; ngiyakwaphula izingalo zakhe, eqinileyo neyaphukileyo, ngenze ukuba inkemba iwe esandleni sakhe.
- 23** Ngiyakubahlakazela abaseGibithe ezizweni, ngibasabalalisele emazweni.
- 24** Ngiyakuqinisa izingalo zenkosi yaseBabele, ngibeke inkemba yami esandleni sayo; kepha ngiyakwaphula izingalo zikaFaro, abubule phambi kwami ngokububula kogwaziwego.

25 Yebo, ngiyakuqinisa izingalo zenkosi yaseBabele, izingalo zikaFaro ziwe, bazi ukuthi nginguJehova, lapho ngibeka inkemba yami esandleni senkosi yaseBabele; yona iyakuyelula phezu kwezwe laseGibithe.

26 Ngiyakubahlakazela abaseGibithe ezizweni, ngibasabalalisele emazweni, bazi ukuthi nginguJehova.”

ISAHLUKO 31

Kwathi ngomnyaka weshumi nanye ngenyanga yesithathu ngolokuqala Iwenyanga lafika kimi izwi likaJehova, lathi:

2 “Ndodana yomuntu, thana kuFaro inkosi yaseGibithe nasesixukwini sakhe: “ ‘Ufana nobani ebukhulwini bakho na?

3 Bheka, ungumkhoba, ungumsedari waseLebanoni; unamagatsha amahle, namaqabunga anomthunzi, nesiqu esiphakemeyo; isihloko sawo siphakathi kwamafu.

4 Amanzi awukhulisa, utwa Iwawuphakamisa; imifula yaho yahamba yazungeza indawo yokutshalwa kwavo; yayisithuma imisele yayo kuyo yonke imithi yasendle.

5 Ngalokho isiqu sawo sasiphakeme kunayo yonke imithi yasendle; izingatsha zawo zandiswa, namagatsha awo elulwa ngamanzi amaningi ekuwaxhantiseni kwavo.

6 Zonke izinyoni zezulu zakha emagatsheni awo, zonke izilwane zasendle zazalela phansi kwezingatsha zawo; emthunzini waho Zahlala zonke izizwe ezinkulu.

7 Wawusumuhle ebukhulwini bawo, ngobude bamagatsha awo, ngokuba impande yaho yayingasemanzini amaningi.

8 Imisedari yasensimini kaNkulunkulu yayingenakuwusitha, imisayipuresi yayingafani nezingatsha zawo, nemipelatani yayingnjengamagatsha awo, futhi kwakungekho nowodwa umuthi ensimini kaNkulunkulu ofana nawo ngobuhle.

9 Ngawenza waba muhle ngobuningi bamagatsha awo, imithi yonke yase-Edene eyayisensimini kaNkulunkulu yaze yaba nomhawu.

10 “ ‘Ngalokho isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: Ngenxa yokuba uphakeme ngobude, wabeka isihloko sawo phakathi kwamafu, nenhliziyo yakhukhumala ngokuphakama kwavo,

11 ngiyakuwunikela esandleni sonamandla wezizwe uyakwenza nokwenza kuye njengobubi bawo ngiwuxoshe.

12 Abafokazi, abesabekayo bezizwe, bawunqumile, bawushiya. Amagatsha awo awele ezintabeni nasezigodini, nezingatsha zawo zaphukile kuyo yonke imifudlana yezwe, nabo bonke abantu behlile emthunzini waho, bawushiya.

13 Encithakalweni yaho kuyakuhlala zonke izinyoni zeZulu, zonke izilwane zasendle zibe semagatsheni awo

14 ukuba kungabikho muthi ngasemanzini okhukhumala ngokuphakama kwavo, ungabeki isihloko sawo emafwini, yebo, nemamandla ingemi ngokuziphakamisa, yonke ephuze amanzi; ngokuba yonke inikelwe ekufeni kokuphansi komhlaba phakathi kwabantwana babantu, kwabehlelayo egodini.

15 “ ‘Isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: Ngosuku owelela ngalo endaweni yabafileyo ngalwenza utwa ukuba lulile, ngalusibekela, ngavimba imifula yalo, namanzi amaningi avalelwa; ngalenza iLebanoni libe mnyama ngenxa yaho; imithi yonke yasendle yadangala ngenxa yaho.

16 Ngomdumo wokuwa kwavo ngathuthumelisa izizwe, lapho ngiwehlisela endaweni yabafileyo kanye nabehlela egodini; yonke imithi yase-Edene ekhethekileyo nemihle

yaseLebanoni, yonke ephuze amanzi, yaduduzwa kokuphansi komhlaba.

17 Nayo yehlela kanye nawo endaweni yabafileyo kwabagwaziweyo ngenkemba, ababe yingalo yawo, ababehlela emthunzini wawo phakathi kwezizwe.

18 “ ‘Pho, ufana nobani ngodumo nangobukhulu phakathi kwemithi yase-Edene na? Nokho uyakwehliselwa kokuphansi komhlaba kanye nemithi yase-Edene, ulale phakathi kwabangasokile nabagwazwe ngenkemba. Lo unguFaro nesixuku sakhe sonke, isho iNkosi uJehova.’ ”

ISAHLUKO 32

Kwathi ngomnyaka weshumi nambili, ngenyanga yeshumi nambili, ngolokuqala lwenyanga lafika kimi izwi likaJehova, lathi:

2 “Ndodana yomuntu, yenza isililiselo ngoFaro inkosi yaseGibithe, uthi kuye: “ ‘Wazifanisa nebhongo lengonyama phakathi kwezizwe, kephaunjengodrako elwandle, lapho ufohlela emifudlaneni yakho, unyakazisa amanzi ngasezinyaweni zakho, udunga izikhukhula zavo.

3 “ ‘Isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: “ ‘Ngiyakweneka inetha lami phezu kwakho ngesixuku sabantu abanangi, bakukhuphule ngenetha lami.

4 Ngiyakukuphona emhlabathini, ngikuntshinge endle, ngihlalise phezu kwakho zonke izinyoni zezulu, ngsuthise zonke izilwane zomhlaba ngawe.

5 Ngiyakubeka inyama yakho ezintabeni, ngigcwaliise izigodi ngezidumbu zakho.

6 Ngiyakuliminzisa izwe lokukhukhula kwakho ngegazi lakho kuze kube sezintabeni, imifudlana igcwale ngawe.

7 Lapho ngikucisha, ngiyakusibekela izulu, ngenze mnyama izinkanyezi, ngimboze ilanga ngefu, inyanga ingakhanyisi ngokukhanya kwayo.

8 Ngiyakwenza mnyama phezu kwakho zonke izinkanyiso zezulu ezikhanyayo, ngibeke ubumnyama ezweni lakho, isho iNkosi uJehova.

9 Ngiyakukhathaza izinhlizyo zabantu abanangi, lapho sengiletha ukwaphulwa kwakho ezizweni emazweni ongawazanga.

10 Ngiyakwenza ukuba abantu abanangi bamangale ngawe, amakhosi abo aqhakanyeke, lapho ngisikaza ngenkemba phambi kwano, aqhahazele imizuzwana yonke, kube yileyo naleyngokuphila kwayo ngosuku lokuwa kwakho.

11 “ ‘Ngokuba isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: “ ‘Inkemba yenkosiyaseBabeleyakukwehlela.

12 Ngezinkemba zamaqhawe ngiyakuwisa isixuku sakho, bonke bengabesabekayo bezizwe; bayakuchitha ukuziphakamisa kweGibithe, sonke isixuku salo sichitheke.

13 Ngiyakuqothula zonke izinkomo zalo ezingasemanzini amanangi, angabe esanyakazisa lunyawo lomuntu, anganyakazisa yizinselo zezinkomo.

14 Ngiyakwenza ukuba amanzi abo abohle, ngihambise imifula yabo njengamafutha, isho iNkosi uJehova.

15 Lapho ngiyakwenza izwe laseGibithe libe yincithakalo nehlane, izwe elingasenokugcwala kwalo, lapho ngibulala bonke abakhe kulo, khona baykwazi ukuthi nginguJehova.’ ”

16 “Lokhu kuyisililo abayakulila ngaso; amadodakazi ezizwe ayakulilisela ngaso, alilele iGibithe nesixuku salo ngaso, isho iNkosi uJehova.”

17 Kwathi ngomnyaka weshumi nambili, ngolweshumi nanhlanu lwenyanga, izwi

likaJehova lafika kimi, lathi:

- 18** “Ndodana yomuntu, khalela isixuku saseGibithe, usehlisele ezindaweni eziphansi komhlaba, sona namadodakazi ezizwe ezidumileyo, kanye nabehlela egodini.
- 19** Udlula bani ngobuhle na? Yehla, ulaliswe phakathi kwabangasokile.
- 20** Bayakuwa phakathi kwabagwazwe ngenkemba; linikelwe enkembeni; lihuduleni nazozonke izixuku zalo.
- 21** Abanamandla bamaqhawe bayakukhuluma ngalo nangabasizi balo, bephakathi kwendawo yabafileyo, bathi: ‘Sebehlile, sebelele abangasokile, bebulewe ngenkemba.’
- 22** “Lapho kukhona i-Asiriya neviyo lalo lonke, amathuna alo engakulo nxazonke, bonkebebulewe bewe ngenkemba,
- 23** amathuna alo engaphakathi kwegodi, iviyo lalo lizungeza ithuna nxazonke, bonke balobebulewe bewe ngenkemba, labo ababebanga ukuba besatshwe ezweni labaphilayo.
- 24** “Lapho kukhona i-Elamu nesixuku sonke salo nxazonke zethuna, bebulewe bonkebewe ngenkemba, abehlele ezindaweni eziphansi komhlaba bengasokile, ababebanga ukuba besatshwe ezweni labaphilayo; sebethwala amahloni abo kanye nabehlela egodini.
- 25** Phakathi kwabagwaziweyo balibekele umbhede kanye naso sonke isixuku salo, amathuna aso engakulo nxazonke, bonke balo bengabangasokile, bebulewe ngenkemba, ngokuba kwabangwa ukuba besatshwe ezweni labaphilayo; sebethwala amahloni abo kanye nabehlela egodini; yebo, libekiwe phakathi kwababuleweyo.
- 26** “Lapho kukhona oMesheke noThubali naso sonke isixuku sabo, amathuna abo engakubo nxazonke, bonke babo bengabangasokile, bebulewe ngenkemba, ngokuba babebanga ukuba besatshwe ezweni labaphilayo.
- 27** Laba babangasokile abawileyo abayikulala namaqhawe ehlela endaweni yabafileyo enezikhali zaho zokulwa, abekwa izinkemba zaho phansi kwamakhanda, nezihlangu zaho ziphezu kwamathambo awo, ngokuba besabisa amaqhawe ezweni labaphilayo.
- 28** “Nawe uyakwaphulwa phakathi kwabangasokile, ulale nababulewe ngenkemba.
- 29** “Lapho kukhona u-Edomi, amakhosi akhe nazozonke izikhulu zakhe, abathe nakuba bebe nobuqhawe babekwa nababulewe ngenkemba; bayakulala nabangasokile nabehlela egodini.
- 30** “Lapho kukhona izikhulu zasenyakatho, zonke zazo, nabo bonke abaseSidoni, abehlile nabagwaziweyo; nakuba bebesatshwa ngenxa yobuqhawe babo, sebejabhile, balele bengasokile nababulewe ngenkemba, bethwala amahloni kanye nabehlela egodini.
- 31** “UFaro uyakubabona, aduduzeke ngaso sonke isixuku sakhe; ubulewe ngenkemba uFaro nayo yonke impi yakhe, isho iNkosi uJehova.
- 32** Ngenza ukuba esatshwe ezweni labaphilayo, kepha useyakulalisa uFaro naso sonke isixuku sakhe phakathi kwabangasokile nababulewe ngenkemba, isho iNkosi uJehova.”

ISAHLUKO 33

Izwi likaJehova lafika kimi, lathi:

- 2** “Ndodana yomuntu, khuluma kubantwana babantu bakho, uthi kubo: ‘Lapho ngehliselphezu kwezwe inkemba, abantu bezwe bese bethatha umuntu phakathi kwabo, bambekeumlindi wabo,
- 3** nalapho yena esebona inkemba yehla phezu kwezwe, abethe icilongo, axwayiseabantu,
- 4** okuzwayo ukukhala kwecilongo angaxwayi kodwa, bese yehla inkemba, imsuse, igazi

lakhe liyakuba sekhanda lakhe.

5 Ukukhala kwecilongo wakuzwa, kepha akaxwayanga; igazi lakhe liyakuba kuye; uma exwayile, nga ezophulile.

6 Kepha uma umlindi ebona inkemba yehla, angabetti icilongo, abantu bangaxwayi, bese yehla inkemba, isuse umuntu kubo, uyasuswa ngenxa yobubi bakhe kepha igazi lakhe ngiyakulibiza esandleni somlindi.'

7 "Wena-ke, ndodana yomuntu, ngikubeke umlindi kuyo indlu yakwa-Israyeli; yizwa izwi lomlomo wami, ubaxwayise, kuvela kimi.

8 Lapho ngithi komubi: 'Muntu omubi, uyakufa nokufa,' bese wungakhulumi ukuba uxwayise omubi ashiye indlela yakhe, lowo muntu omubi uyakufa ngenxa yobubi bakhe, kepha igazi lakhe ngiyakulibiza esandleni sakho.

9 Kepha uma umxwayisa omubi ukuba ashiye indlela yakhe, abuye kuyo, angabuyi kodwa endleleni yakhe, uyakufa ngenxa yobubi bakhe, kepha wena uzikhululile.

10 "Wena ndodana yomuntu, yisho kuyo indlu yakwa-Israyeli, uthi: 'Nisho kanje, nithi: 'Impela iziphambeko zethu nezono zethu ziphezu kwethu, siyonda ngenxa yazo; pho, siyakuphila kanjani na?'"'

11 Yisho kubo, uthi: 'Kuphila kwami, isho iNkosi uJehova, angithokozi ngokufa komubi, kuphela ngokubuya komubi endleleni yakhe aze aphile. Buyani, buyani ezindleleni zenu ezimbi; niyakufelani nina ndlu yakwa-Israyeli na?'

12 "Kepha wena ndodana yomuntu, yisho kubantwana babantu bakho, uthi: 'Ukulunga kolungileyo akuyikumophula ngosuku lwasiphambeko sakhe, nobubi-ke bomubi akayikuwa ngabo ngosuku lokubuya kwakhe ebubini bakhe, nolungileyo akanakuphila ngakho ngosuku lokona kwakhe.'

13 Lapho ngisho kolungileyo ukuthi uyakuphila nokuphila, yena abesethemba ekulungeni kwakhe kodwa, enze okubi, akuyikukhunjulwa nesisodwa sezenzo zakhe ezilungileyo, kepha uyakufela kokubi akwenzileyo.

14 Lapho ngithi komubi: 'Uyakufa nokufa,' yena abesephenduka kodwa esonweni sakhe, enze okufaneleyo nokulungileyo,

15 yena lo mubi abuyise isibambiso, akhokhe ayekuthathile, ahambe ngezimiso zokuphila, angenzi okubi, uyakuphila nokuphila, angafi.

16 Akayikukhunjulelw nesisodwa sezono zakhe azenzileyo; wenzile okufaneleyo nokulungileyo; uyakuphila nokuphila.

17 "Kodwa abantwana babantu bakho bathi: 'Indlela yeNkosi ayilingani.' Kepha ngeyabo indlela engalingani.

18 Lapho olungileyo ebuya ekulungeni kwakhe, enze okubi, uyakufa ngakho.

19 Nalapho omubi ebuya ebubini bakhe, enze okufaneleyo nokulungileyo, uyakuphila ngakho.

20 Nokho nisho nithi: 'Indlela yeNkosi ayilingani.' Ngiyakunahlulela nina ndlu yakwa-Israyeli, kube yilowo nalowo ngendlela yakhe."

21 Kwathi ngomnyaka weshumi nambili wokuthunjwa kwethu, ngenyanga yeshumi, ngolwesihlanu lwenyanga, kwafika kimi ophunyukileyo eJerusalema, wathi: "Umuzi unqotshiwe."

22 Isandla sikaJehova sasiphezu kwami kusihlwa, engakafiki ophunyukileyo, kepha wavula umlomo wami engakafiki kimi ekuseni; wavulwa umlomo wami, angabe ngisaba yisimungulu.

23 Izwi likaJehova lafika kimi, lathi:

24 "Ndodana yomuntu, abakhe ezincithakalweni ezweni lakwa-Israyeli basho bathi: 'U-

Abrahama wayemunye, wadla ifa lezwe; kepha thina sibanningi, siphewe lona libe yifa lethu.'

25 Ngalokho thana kubo: 'Isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: Nidla okunegazi, niphakamisa amehlo enu ezithombeni zenu, nichitha igazi. Pho, niyakudla ifa lezwe na?

26 Niyethembra enkembeni yenu, nenza izinengiso, ningcolisa, kube yilowo nalowo umkamakhelwane wakhe. Pho, niyakudla ifa lezwe na?'

27 "Uyakusho kanje kubo, uthi: 'Isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: Kuphila kwami, abasezincithakalweni, ngempela, bayakuwa ngenkemba, nosendle ngiyakumnika izilwane ukuba adliwe, nabasezingabeni nasemihumeni bayakufa ngesifo.

28 Ngiyakwenza izwe libe yincithakalo nokuyize, kuphele ukuzidla kwamandla alo; izintaba zakwa-Israyeli ziyakuchithwa ukuze kungabikho odlulayo.

29 Bayakwazi ukuthi nginguJehova, lapho ngenzile izwe libe yincithakalo nokuyize ngenxa yazo zonke izinengiso zabo abazenzileyo.'

30 "Wena-ke, ndodana yomuntu, abantwana babantu bakho bakhuluma ngawe ngasezindongeni naseminyango yezindlu, basho omunye komunye, omunye kumfowabo, bathi: 'Woza uwwe ukuthi yizwi lini eliphuma kuJehova.'

31 Bafika kuwe njengokufika kwabantu, bahlala phambi kwakho njengabantu bami, bezwa amazwi akho, abawenzi kodwa, ngokuba ngomlomo wabo babonakalisa uthando olukhulu, kepha inhliziyo yabo ilandela inzozo yabo.

32 Bheka, uyisihlabelelo esithandekayo sonephimbo eliminandi kubo, obetha kahle ngogubhu, ngokuba bezwa amazwi akho, abawenzi kodwa.

33 "Lapho lokhu kufika — bheka, kuyeza! — bayakwazi ukuthi kwakukhona umprofethi phakathi kwabo."

ISAHLUKO 34

Izwi likajehova lafika kimi, lathi:

2 "Ndodana yomuntu, profetha ngabelusi bakwa-Israyeli; profetha uthi kubo, kubelusi: 'Isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: Wo kubelusi bakwa-Israyeli abazibonelela bona! Abelusi bebengayikuzalusa izimvu na?

3 Niyadla amanoni, nembatha uboya, nihlaba ezikhulupheleyo, kepha izimvu anizalus.

4 Ezibuthakathaka aniziqinisanga, negulayo aniyiphilisanga, neyaphukileyo aniyibophanga, nexoshiwego aniyibuyisanga, nelahlekileyo aniyifunanga, kepha nizibusile ngamandla alukhuni.

5 Zazihlakazekile, ngokuba umalusi wayengekho; zaba ngukudla kwazo zonke izilwane zasendle, zahlakazeka.

6 Izimvu zami zazulazula kuzo zonke izintaba nakuwo onke amagquma aphakemeyo, yebo, izimvu zami zazihlakazekele ebusweni bonke bomhlaba, akwabakho ozifunayo nozicingayo.

7 " 'Ngalokho, belusi, zwanini izwi likajehova lokuthi:

8 Kuphila kwami, isho iNkosi uJehova, impela ngenxa yokuba izimvu zami zaba yimpango, nangokuba izimvu zami zaba ngukudla kwazo zonke izilwane zasendle, lokhu umalusi engekho, nangokuba abelusi bami bengafunanga izimvu zami, abelusi bezibonelela bona, bengazalus iizimvu zami,

9 ngalokho, belusi, zwanini izwi likajehova lokuthi:

10 Isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: Bhekani, ngimelene nabelusi, ngiyakuzibiza izimvu

zami esandleni sabo, ngenze ukuba bangabe besazalusa izimvu, abelusi bangabe besazibonelela bona, ngophule izimvu zami emlonyeni wabo, zingabi ngukudla kwabo.

11 “ Ngokuba isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: Bhekani, mina ngiyakuzifuna izimvu zami, ngizinginge.

12 Njengomalusi efuna umhlambi wakhe mhla ephakathi kwezimvu zakhe ezilahlekileyo, kanjalo ngiyakufuna izimvu zami, ngizophule kuzo zonke izindawo ezihlakazekele kuzo ngosuku lwamafu nolobumnyama.

13 Ngiyakuzikhipha kubantu, ngiziqoqe emazweni, ngiziyise ezweni lazo, ngizaluse ezintabeni zakwa-Israyeli, ngasemifuleni, nasezindaweni zonke ezakhiewyo zezwe.

14 Ngiyakuzalusela emadlelweni amahle, isibaya sazo sibe sezintabeni zempakama yakwa-Israyeli; ziyakubuthisa khona esibayeni esihle, ziklabe emadlelweni aluhlaza ezintabeni zakwa-Israyeli.

15 Mina ngiyakuzalusa izimvu zami, ngenze ukuba zibuthise, isho iNkosi uJehova.

16 Ngiyakufuna ezilahlekileyo, ngibuyise ezixoshiwego, ngibophe ezaphukileyo, ngiqinise ezigulayo; kepha ezikhulupheleyo nezinamandla ngiyakuzichitha, ngizaluse ngokwahlulela.

17 “ Nina-ke, zimvu zami, isho iNkosi uJehova, ithi: Bheka, ngiyakwahlulela phakathi kwemu nemvu naphakathi kwezimpongo.

18 Kuncane kini yini ukuklaba edlelweni elihle nize ninyathele ngezinyawo zenu okuseleyo kwedlelo lenu, nokuphuza amanzi acwebileyo nize nidunge aseleyo ngezinyawo zenu na?

19 Izimvu zami ziyadla okunyathelwe ngezinyawo zenu, ziphuza okudungiwe ngezinyawo zenu.

20 “ Ngalokho isho kanje iNkosi uJehova kuzo, ithi: Bhekani, mina ngiyakwahlulela phakathi kwezimvu ezikhulupheleyo nezimvu ezondileyo.

21 Ngokuba nisunduza ngohlangothi nangehlombe, niqhubukusha zonke ezigulayo ngezimondo zenu, nize nizihlakazele ngaphandle,

22 ngiyakusindisa izimvu zami, azisayikuba yimpango, ngahlulele phakathi kwezimvu nezimvu.

23 Ngiyakumisa umalusi phezu kwazo, azaluse: inceku yami uDavide; uyakuzalusa, abe ngumalusi wazo.

24 Mina Jehova ngiyakuba nguNkulunkulu wazo, inceku yami uDavide ibe yisikhulu phakathi kwazo; mina Jehova ngikhulumile.

25 “ Ngiyakwenza nazo isivumelwano sokuthula, ngiqede izilwane ezimbi ezweni, zihlale zilondekile ehlane, zilale emahlathini.

26 Ngiyakuzenza zona nezindawo ezizungeza intaba yami zibe yisibusiso, ngehlise imvula ngesikhathi sayo, ibe yizihlambi zesibusiso.

27 Umuthi osendle uyakuthela izithelo zawo, umhlabathi utheli ukudla kwavo, zihlale zilondekile ezweni lazo, zazi ukuthi nginguJehova, lapho sengaphulile izikeyi zejoka lazo, ngazophula esandleni salabo ezenziwa izikhonzi yibo.

28 Azisayikuba yimpango yabezizwe, nesilwane somhlaba asiyikuzidla, kepha ziyakuhlala zilondekile, zingesatshiswa muntu.

29 Ngiyakuzivusela insimu edumileyo; azisayikususwa yndlala ezweni, zingasalithwali ihlazo labezizwe.

30 Ziyakwazi ukuthi mina Jehova uNkulunkulu wazo ngnazo nokuthi zona, indlu yakwa-

Israyeli, zingabantu bami, isho iNkosi uJehova.

31 Nina niyizimvu zami, niyizimvu zedlelo lami; ningabantu, mina nginguNkulunkulu wenu, isho iNkosi uJehova.’ ”

ISAHLUKO 35

Izwi likaJehova lafika kimi, lathi:

2 “Ndodana yomuntu, bhekisa ubuso bakho ngasentabeni yaseSeyiri, uprofethe ngayo,

3 uthi kuyo: ‘Isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: Bheka, ngimelene nawe ntaba yaseSeyiri; ngiyakwelulela kuwe isandla sami, ngikwenze incithakalo nokuyize.

4 Ngiyakwenza imizi yakho ibe yihlane, wena ube yincithakalo, wazi ukuthi nginguJehova.

5 “Ngokuba unobutha obuphakade, futhi unikele abantwana bakwa-Israyeli osikweni lwenkemba ngesikhathi sesigemegeme sabo, ngesikhathi sokuphela kokubi,

6 ngalokho, kuphila kwami, isho iNkosi uJehova, ngiyakwenza ube yigazi, igazi likuxoshe; ngokuba ungazondanga igazi, igazi liyakukulandela.

7 Ngiyakwenza intaba yaseSeyiri ibe yincithakalo nokuyize, nginqume kuyo odlulayo nobuyayo.

8 Ngiyakugcwalisa izintaba zayo ngababulewyo bayo, abagwazwe ngenkemba bawa emagqumeni akho, nasezigidini zakho, nakuyo yonke imifula yakho.

9 Ngiyakukwenza incithakalo ephakade, imizi yakho ingabe isahlalwa, nazi ukuthi nginguJehova.

10 “Ngokuba wathi: “Lezi zizwe ezimbili nalawa mazwe amabili kuyakuba ngokwami, sidle ifa lakho,” noma uJehova ebelapho,

11 ngalokho, kuphila kwami, isho iNkosi uJehova, ngiyakwenza njengolaka lwakho nanjengomhawu wakho obafele wona ngokubazonda kwakho, ngizazise kubo, lapho ngikwahlulela.

12 Uyakwazi ukuthi nginguJehova; ngizwile zonke izithuko zakho ozikhulume ngezintaba zakwa-Israyeli ngokuthi: “Yincithakalo; siphewe zona ukuba sizidle.”

13 Nizikhulisile kimi ngomlomo wenu, nandisile amazwi enu kimi; mina ngiwezwile.

14 Isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: Lapho uthokoza umhlaba wonke, ngiyakukwenza incithakalo.

15 Njengokuthokoza kwakho ngefa lendlu yakwa-Israyeli, ngokuba ibiyincithakalo, kanjalo ngiyakwenza kuwe: uyakuba yincithakalo, ntaba yaseSeyiri, naye wonke u-Edomi, yebo, wonke wakhe, bazi ukuthi nginguJehova.’ ”

ISAHLUKO 36

“Wena ndodana yomuntu, profetha ngezintaba zakwa-Israyeli, uthi: ‘Nina zintaba zakwa-Israyeli, zwanini izwi likaJehova.

2 Isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: Ngokuba isitha sisho kuwe, sithi: “Ashila,” nokuthi: “Izindawo eziphakemayo zamandulo seziyifa lethu,” ’

3 ngalokho profetha, uthi: ‘Isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: Ngokuba, yebo, ngokuba banenza incithakalo, banigwinya nxazonke ukuba nibe yifa lezizwe eziseleyo, futhi niphathwa ngezindebe zezideleli nangokuhleba kwabantu,

4 ngalokho, zintaba zakwa-Israyeli, zwanini izwi leNkosi uJehova lokuthi: Isho kanje iNkosi uJehova kuzo izintaba nakuwo amagguma, kuyo imifula nakuzo izigodi, nakuzo izindawo

ezichithekileyo, nakuyo imizi eshiyiweyo, osekuyimpango nenhlekiso yezizwe eziseleyo
ezikhona nxazonke,

5 yebo, ngalokho isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: Impela ngomlilo womhawu wami
ngikhulumile ngensali yezizwe nangawo wonke u-Edomi, ababeke izwe lami libe yifa labo
ngentokozo yenhliziyo yabo yonke nangamafundululu omphefumulo, ukuze lilahlwe libe
yimpango;

6 ngalokho profetha ngezwe lakwa-Israyeli, uthi kuzo izintaba nakuwo amagguma, kuyo
imifula nakuzo izigodi: ‘Isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: Bhekani, ngikhulume ngomhawu
wami nangokufutheka kwami, ngokuba nithwele ihlazo labezizwe.

7 Ngalokho isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: Ngiphakamisile isandla sami ngokuthi: Impela
abezizwe abakini nxazonke bayakuthwala ihlazo labo.

8 “ ‘Kepha nina zintaba zakwa-Israyeli niyakuveza amagatsha enu, nithelele abantu bami
izithelo zenu, ngokuba sebeseduze ukubuya.

9 Ngokuba bhekani, nginani; ngiyakuphendukela kini, niyakulinywa, nihlwanyelwe.

10 Ngiyakwandisa abantu phezu kwenu, yonke indlu yakwa-Israyeli, yonke yayo; imizi
iyakuhlalwa, nezindawo ezichithekileyo ziyakwakhiwa.

11 Ngiyakwandisa phezu kwenu abantu nezilwane; kuyakwanda, kuzale; ngiyakwenza
ukuba nihlalwe njengakuqala, kube kuhle kini kunakuqala, nazi ukuthi nginguJehova.

12 Ngiyakuhamisa abantu phezu kwenu, abantu bami u-Israyeli; bayakukuzuza, ube yifa
labo; awusayikubaphuca abantwana.

13 “ ‘Isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: Ngokuba bathi kuwe: “Wena ungodlayo abantu,
waphucile abantwana besizwe sakini,”

14 ngalokho awusayikudla abantu, ungasaphuci abantwana besizwe sakini, isho iNkosi
uJehova.

15 Angisayikukuzwisa ihlazo labezizwe, ungasathwali amahloni abantu, ungasakhubekisi
isizwe sakini, isho iNkosi uJehova.’ ”

16 Izwi likaJehova lafika kimi, lathi:

17 “Ndodana yomuntu, indlu yakwa-Israyeli isahlala ezweni layo balingcolisa ngezindlela
zabo nangezenzo zabo; indlela yabo yayingcolile phambi kwami njengowesifazane
ekungcoleni kwakhe.

18 Ngase ngithulula ukufutheka kwami phezu kwabo ngenxa yegazi ababelichithe ezweni,
nangokuba babelingcolisile ngezithombe zabo.

19 Ngabahlakazela phakathi kwezizwe, basabalaliselwa emazweni; ngabahlulela
njengendlela yabo nezenzo zabo.

20 Nxa sebefika ezizweni lapho beya khona, balihlambalaza igama lami elingcwele, lapho
kwakuthiwa ngabo: ‘Laba bangabantu bakaJehova, kepha nokho baphumile ezweni
lakubo.’

21 Kodwa ngalihawukela igama lami elingcwele eyayilingcolisile indlu yakwa-Israyeli
phakathi kwezizwe, lapho yaya khona.

22 “Ngalokho yisho kuyo indlu yakwa-Israyeli, uthi: ‘Isho kanje iNkosi, uJehova, ithi:
Angikwenzi lokho ngenxa yenu nina ndlu yakwa-Israyeli, kepha ngenxa yegama lami
elingcwele enilihlambalazile phakathi kwezizwe, lapho naya khona.

23 Ngiyakulingcwelisa igama lami elikhulu elihlanjalaziwe phakathi kwezizwe,
enilihlambalazile phakathi kwazo, izizwe zazi ukuthi nginguJehova, isho iNkosi uJehova,
lapho ngiyakungcweliseka ngani emehlwani abo.

24 “ ‘Ngiyakunithabatha ezizweni, nginibuthe emazweni onke, nginiyise ezweni lakini.

25 Ngiyakunifafaza ngamanzi ahlambulukileyo, nihlambuluke, nginihlambulule kukho

konke ukungcola kwenu nakuzo zonke izithombe zenu.

26 Ngiyakuninika inhlizyo entsha, ngifake phakathi kwenu umoya omusha, ngikhiphe inhlizyo yetshe enyameni yenu, ngininike inhlizyo yenyama.

27 Ngiyakufaka umoya wami phakathi kwenu, ngenze ukuba nihambe ngezimiso zami; niyakugcina izahlulelo zami, nizenze.

28 Niyakuhlala ezweni engalinika oyihlo, nibe ngabantu bami, mina ngibe nguNkulunkulu wenu.

29 Ngiyakunisindisa kukho konke ukungcola kwenu, ngibize amabele, ngiwandise, ngingabeki indlala phezu kwenu.

30 Ngiyakwandisa izithelo zomuthi nokudla komhlabathi, ningabe nisamukeliswa ihlazo lendlala phakathi kwezizwe.

31 Seniyakukhumbula izindlela zenu ezimbi nezenzo zenu ezingezinhle, ninengeke emehlwani enu ngenxa yobubi benu nangenxa yezinengiso zenu.

32 Angikwenzi lokhu ngenxa yenu, isho iNkosi uJehova; makwaziwe kini; jabhani, nibe namahloni ngenxa yezindlela zenu nina ndlu yakwa-Israyeli.

33 “Isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: Mhla nginihlambulula ebubini benu bonke, ngiyakwenza ukuba imizi ihlalwe, zakhiwe izindawo ezichithekileyo.

34 Izwe elaliyize liyakulinywa esikhundleni sokuba yincithakalo emehlwani abo bonke abadlulayo.

35 Bayakuthi: “Leli zwe ekade laliyize selnjengensimu yase-Edene, nemizi echithekileyo neyayiyincithakalo nediliziweyo isibiyelwe, iyahlalwa.”

36 Seziyakwazi izizwe ezisele nxazonke zenu ukuthi mina Jehova ngakhile izindawo ezidiliziweyo, ngatshala lokhu okukade kwakuyincithakalo; mina Jehova ngikhulumile, ngiyakukwenza.’

37 “Isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: Nangalokhu ngiyakucelwa yindlu yakwa-Israyeli ukuba ngiyenzele: ngiyakuyandisela abantu njengezimvu.

38 Njengomhlambi ongcwelisiweyo, njengomhlambi waseJerusalema emikhosini yalo emisiweyo, kanjalo imizi echithekileyo iyakugcwala imihlambi yabantu, bazi ukuthi nginguJehova.”

ISAHLUKO 37

I sandla sikaJehova sasiphezu kwami, sangikhipha ngoMoya kaJehova, sangibeka phakathi kwasigodi; sasicwele amathambo.

2 Wangidlulisa kuwo, ngawazungeza; bheka, ayemaningi kakhulu ebusweni besigodi, futhi bheka, ayomile kakhulu.

3 Wayesethi kimi: “Ndodana yomuntu, lawa mathambo angaphila na?” Ngathi: “Nkosi Jehova, wena uyazi.”

4 Wayesethi kimi: “Profetha phezu kwalawa mathambo, uthi kuwo: ‘Nina mathambo omileyo, zwanini izwi likaJehova.

5 Isho kanje iNkosi uJehova kulawa mathambo, ithi: Bhekani, ngiyakungenisa kini umoya, niphile.

6 Ngiyakubeka imisipha phezu kwenu, ngihlumise inyama phezu kwenu, nginimboze ngesikhumba, nginike umoya, niphile, nazi ukuthi nginguJehova.’ ”

7 Ngaprofetha njengalokho ngiyaliwe, nalapho ngiprofetha kwaba khona umsindo nokugunquza; amathambo asondelana, ithambo kulo ithambo.

- ⁸ Ngase ngibona; bheka, kwakukhona imisipha phezu kwavo, kwahluma nenyama, nesikhumba sawasibekela ngaphezulu, kepha umoya wawungekho kuwo.
- ⁹ Wayesethi kimi: "Profetha kuwo umoya, profetha, ndodana yomuntu, uthi kuwo umoya: 'Isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: Woza, moya, uvele emimoyeni yomine, uphefumulele laba ababulewego ukuba baphile.' "
- ¹⁰ Ngaprofetha njengalokho ngiyaliwe; umoya wangena kuwo, aphila, ema ngezinyawo zawo, impi enkulu kakhulu impela.
- ¹¹ Wayesethi kimi: "Ndodana yomuntu, lawa mathambo ayindlu yonke yakwa-Israyeli; bathi: 'Bheka, amathambo ethu omile, ithemba lethu liphelile, sinquyiwe.'
- ¹² Ngalokho profetha, uthi kubo: 'Isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: Bheka, ngiyakuvula amathuna enu, nginikhuphule emathuneni enu nina bantu bami, nginiyise ezweni lakwa-Israyeli.
- ¹³ Niyakwazi ukuthi nginguJehova, lapho sengiwavulile amathuna enu, nganikhuphula emathuneni enu nina bantu bami.
- ¹⁴ Ngiyakuwufaka uMoya wami kini, nize niphile, nginibeke ezweni lakini, nazi ukuthi mina Jehova ngikhulumile, ngakwenza, usho uJehova.' "
- ¹⁵ Izwi likaJehova lafika kimi, lathi:
- ¹⁶ "Wena ndodana yomuntu, zithathiele induku, ulobe kuyo ngokuthi: 'EkaJuda neyabantwana bakwa-Israyeli, abangane bakhe.' Thatha enye induku, ulobe kuyo ngokuthi: 'EkaJosefa, induku ka-Efrayimi neyendlu yonke yakwa-Israyeli, abangane bakhe,'
- ¹⁷ uzisondeze enye kwenye, zibe yinduku inye, zibe nye esandleni sakho.
- ¹⁸ "Lapho abantu bakho behuluma kuwe, bathi: 'Ungesitshelle ukuthi lezi ziyini kuwe na?'
- ¹⁹ khuluma kubo, uthi: 'Isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: Bheka, ngiyakuyithatha induku kaJosefa esesandleni sika-Efrayimi nezizwe zakwa-Israyeli, abangane bakhe, ngiyibeke endukwini kaJuda, ngizenze zibe yinduku inye, babe munye esandleni sami.'
- ²⁰ Izinduku oloba kuzo ziyakuba sesandleni sakho phambi kwamehlo abo.
- ²¹ Khuluma kubo, uthi: 'Isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: Bheka, ngiyakuthabatha abantwana bakwa-Israyeli ezizweni lapho baya khona, ngibabuthe nxazonke, ngibayise ezweni lakubo,
- ²² ngibenze isizwe sinye ezweni, ezintabeni zakwa-Israyeli, kube yinkosi inye kubo bonke, bangabe besaba yizizwe ezimbili, bangabe besahlukaniselwa imibuso emibili.
- ²³ Abasayikizingcolisa ngezithombe zabo, nangokuzondekayo kwabo, nangesisodwa seziphambeko zabo, kepha ngiyakubasindisa kukho konke ukuhlehlwa kwabo abone ngakho, ngibahlambulule, baze babe ngabantu bami, mina ngibe nguNkulunkulu wabo.
- ²⁴ "Inceku yami uDavide iyakuba yinkosi phezu kwabo, kube ngumalusi munye kubo bonke; bayakuhamba ezahlulelweni zami, bagcine izimiso zami, bazenze.
- ²⁵ Bayakuhlala ezweni engilinike inceku yami uJakobe, ababehlala kulo oyihlo; bayakuhlala kulo, bona nabantwana babo, nabantwana babantwana babo kuze kube phakade, uDavide inceku yami abe yisikhulu sabo kuze kube phakade.
- ²⁶ Ngiyakwenza isivumelwano sokuthula nabo, sibe yisivumelwano esiphakade nabo; ngiyakubamisa, ngibandise, ngibeke indlu yami engcwele phakathi kwabo kuze kube phakade.
- ²⁷ Itabernakele lami liyakuba phezu kwabo; ngiyakuba nguNkulunkulu wabo, bona babe

ngabantu bami.

28 Izizwe ziyakwazi ukuthi mina Jehova ngyangcwelisa u-Israyeli, lapho indlu yami engcwele ikhona phakathi kwabo kuze kube phakade.' "

ISAHLUKO 38

Izwi likaJehova lafika kimi, lathi:

2 "Ndodana yomuntu, bhekisa ubuso bakho kuGogi, izwe likaMagogi, isikhulu sakwaRoshe noMesheke noThubali, uprofethe ngaye,

3 uthi: 'Isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: Bheka, ngimelene nawe Gogi, isikhulu sakwaRoshe noMesheke noThubali;

4 ngyakukuguqula, ngifake izingwegwe emihlathini yakho, ngikukhiphe kanye nayo yonke impi yakho, amahhashi nabamahhashi, bonke bembethe kahle kakhulu, iviyo elikhulu elinamahawu nezhilangu, bonke bephethe izinkemba,

5 iPheresiya, neKushe, noPhuthi kukanye nabo, bonke benezhilangu nezigqoko zensimbi,

6 iGomere nawo onke amaviyo alo, indlu kaThogarma ngasekugcineni kwasenyakatho nawo onke amaviyo akhe, abantu abanangi kanye nawe.

7 " 'Lungela, yebo, uzilungisele, wena nawo onke amaviyo akho abuthene kuwe, ube ngumgcini wawo.

8 Emva kwezinsuku eziningi uyakubuthwa; ngeminyaka yokugcina uyakungena ezweni elibuyiswe enkembeni, liqoqwe ezizweni eziningi, ezintabeni zakwa-Israyeli ezaziyincithakalo njalo, eselikhishiwe kubantu, bahlale belondekile bonke.

9 Uyakukhuphuka, ufile njengesivunguvungu, usibekele izwe njengetu, wena nawo onke amaviyo akho, nabantu abanangi kanye nawe.

10 " 'Isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: Kuyakuthi ngalolo suku kuvele izinto enhliziyweni yakho, ucebe amacebo amabi.

11 Uyakuthi: "Ngiyakwenyukela ezweni elisobala, ngiye kwabazinzileyo abahlala belondekile, bonke abahlala bengenalugange, kungekho kubo imigoqo nezicabha,

12 ukuze uphange impango, ubamuke impahla, bese wuphendulela isandla sakho ezindaweni ezichithekileyo esezaekiwe nakubantu asebebuthiwe ezizweni, bezuza imfuyo nempahla, behlala enkabeni yezwe."

13 ISheba, neDedani, nabathengi baseTharishishi kanye nazo zonke izingonyama zakho kuyakusho kuwe, kuthi: "Ufile ukuphangna na? Ubuthile iviyo lakho ukuba wamuke impahla, ususe isiliva negolide, uthathe imfuyo nempahla, uphange impango enkulu, na?" ,

14 "Ngalokho profetha, ndodana yomuntu, uthi kuGogi: 'Isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: Ngalolo suku, lapho abantu bami u-Israyeli behlala belondekile, angithi uyakukwazi na?

15 Uyakuvela endaweni yakho ekugcineni kwasenyakatho, wena nabantu abanangi kanye nawe, bonke bekhwele amahhashi, iviyo elikhulu nempi enamandla,

16 ukhuphukele ukulwa nabantu bami u-Israyeli njengetu lokusibekela izwe; kuyakuthi ngezinsuku ezizayo ngikuyise kubantu bami ukuze izizwe zingazi, lapho ngizingcwelisa ngawe Gogi emehlwani azo.

17 " 'Isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: Wena unguye engakhulumu ngaye ngezinsuku zamandulo ngezandla zezincku zami abaprofethi bakwa-Israyeli ababeprofetha ngalezo zinsuku iminyaka eminingi ukuthi ngiyakukuyisa kubo na?

18 Kuyakuthi ngalolo suku lapho uGogi efika ezweni lakwa-Israyeli, isho iNkosi uJehova,

ukufuthuka kwami kuhuphukele emakhaleni ami.

19 Ngomhawu wami nangomlilo wolaka lwami ngikhulumile, ngathi: Impela ngalolo suku kuyakuba ngukuthuthumela okukhulu ezweni lakwa-Israyeli

20 ukuba kuthuthumele phambi kwami izinhlanzi zolwandle, nezinyoni zezulu, nezilwane zasendle, nazo zonke izilwanyana ezinwabuzelayo emhlaben, nabo bonke abantu abasebusweni bomhlaba, izintaba zidilizelwe phansi, amawa awe, nezingange zonke ziwele phansi.

21 Ngiyakumbizela inkemba kuzo zonke izintaba zami, isho iNkosi uJehova, inkemba yalowo nalowo imelane nomfowabo.

22 Ngiyakumahlulela ngesifo nangegazi, nginise phezu kwakhe, namaviyo akhe, nabantu abanangi abanaye, imvula ekhukhulayo, namatshe esichotho, nomlilo, nesibabule.

23 Ngiyakuzenza mkhulu, ngizingcwelise, ngizazise emehlwani ezizwe eziningi, zazi ukuthi nginguJehova.'

ISAHLUKO 39

“Wena ndodana yomuntu, profetha ngoGogi, uthi: 'Isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: Bheka, ngimelene nave Gogi, isikhulu sakwaRoshe noMesheke noThubali.

2 Ngiyakukuguqula, ngikuhole, ngikwenyuse ekugcineni komhlaba, ngikuyise ezintabeni zakwa-Israyeli,

3 ngishaye phansi umnsalo esandleni sakho sokhohlo, ngiwise imicibisholo yakho esandleni sakho sokunene.

4 Uyakuwa ezintabeni zakwa-Israyeli, wena namaviyo akho onke, nabantu abanawe, ngikunikele ezinyonini eziyoculayo zezinhlubo zonke nasezilwaneni zasendle ukuba udliwe.

5 Uyakuwa ebusweni bomhlaba, ngokuba mina ngikhulumile, isho iNkosi uJehova.

6 Ngiyakuthuma umlilo kuMagogi nakwabahlala belondekile eziqhingini, bazi ukuthi nginguJehova.

7 “ ‘Ngiyakwenza ukuba laziwe igama lami elingcwele phakathi kwabantu bami u-Israyeli, ngingabe ngisavuma ukuba igama lami elingcwele lingcoliswe, izizwe zazi ukuthi nginguJehova, oNgewe wakwa-Israyeli.

8 Bheka, kuyeza, kuyakwenzeka, isho iNkosi uJehova; yilolo suku engikhulume ngalo.

9 “ ‘Abahlala emizini yakwa-Israyeli bayakuphuma, baphembe umlilo ngezikhali, bazishise, izihlangu namahawu, iminsalo nemicibisholo, nezinduku, nemikhonto, benze umlilo ngakho iminyaka eyisikhombisa.

10 Abayikuthatha muthi endle, bangagawuli emahlathini, ngokuba bayakuphemba umlilo ngezikhali, baphange ababaphangayo, bamuke ababamukileyo, isho iNkosi uJehova.

11 “ ‘Kuyakuthi ngalolo suku ngimniye uGogi lapho indawo yethuna, kwa-Israyeli, isiGodi Sabadlulayo ngasempumalanga kolwandle, ivimbe abadlulayo, bembele khona uGogi naso sonke isixuku sakhe, bayibize ngokuthi isiGodi saseHamoni Gogi.

12 “ ‘Indlu yakwa-Israyeli iyakubembela izinyanga eziyisikhombisa, ukuze ihlambulule izwe.

13 Bonke abantu bezwe bayakubembela, kube ludumo lwabo ngosuku engiyakukhazimulisa ngalo, isho iNkosi uJehova.

14 “ ‘Bayakwahlukanisa njalo abantu abayakudabula izwe, bembele ababedabula besasele ebusweni bomhlaba, baze balihlambulule; bayakucinga ngasekugcineni

kwezinyanga eziyisikhombisa.

15 Lapho abadlula ezweni bedlula babone ithambo lomuntu, bayakumisa isiboniso eceleni kwalo, abembelayo baze balimbele esiGodini saseHamoni Gogi.

16 Kuyakuba khona futhi nomuzi ogama lawo liyakuba yiHamoni. Bayakuhlambulula kanjalo izwe.'

17 "Wena ndodana yomuntu, isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: Yisho ezinyonini zezinhlolo zonke nasezilwaneni zasendle, uthi: 'Buthani, nifike, nihlanganyele umhlatshelo wami nxazonke engiwuhlabu ngenxa yenu, umhlatshelo omkhulu ezintabeni zakwa-Israyeli, ukuba nidle inyama, niphuze igazi.

18 Niyakudla inyama yamaqhawe, niphuze igazi lezikhulu zomhlaba, elezingama, nelamawundlu, nelezimbuzi, nelezinkunzi, ezikhulupheleyo zaseBashani zonke.

19 Niyakudla amanoni nize nisuthe, niphuze igazi nize nidakwe emhlatshelweni wami engiwuhlabu ngenxa yenu.

20 Niyakusutha etafuleni lami ngamahhashi, nangezingola, nangamaqhawe, nangawo onke amadoda empi,' isho iNkosi uJehova.

21 "Ngiyakubeka inkazimulo yami phakathi kwezizwe, zonke izizwe zibone isahlulelo sami engisenzileyo, nesandla sami engisibeke kuzo.

22 Isiyakwazi indlu yakwa-Israyeli ukuthi nginguJehova uNkulunkulu wabo, kusukela kulolo suku kuya phambili.

23 Izizwe ziyakwazi ukuthi indlu yakwa-Israyeli yathunjwa ngenxa yobubi bayo, ngokuba baphambuka kimi, ngasitheza ubuso bami kubo; ngabanikela esandleni sezitha zabo, bawa bonke ngenkemba.

24 Ngenza kubo njengokungcola kwabo nanjengezeqo zabo, ngasitheza ubuso bami kubo.

25 "Ngalokho isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: Ngiyakubuya ukuthunjwa kukaJakobe, ngihawukele yonke indlu yakwa-Israyeli, ngibe nomhawu ngegama lami elingcwele.

26 Bayakuthwala ihlazo labo nazo zonke izeqo zabo abeqe ngazo kimi, lapho beyakuhlala belondekile ezweni lakubo, kungabikho obesabisayo,

27 lapho ngibabuvisile kabantu, ngibabuthile emazweni ezitha zabo, ngingcwelisiwe emehlwani ezizwe eziningi.

28 Bayakwazi ukuthi nginguJehova uNkulunkulu wabo ngokubathumba kwami phakathi kwezizwe, nangokuba ngababutha ezweni lakubo; angisayikushiya muntu wabo khona;

29 angisayikusitheza ubuso bami kubo, ngokuba ngiyakuthulula uMoya wami phezu kwendlu yakwa-Israyeli, isho iNkosi uJehova."

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Ngomnyaka wamashumi amabili nanhlanu, wokuthunjwa kwethu ekuqaleni komnyaka, ngolweshumi lwenyanga, ngomnyaka weshumi nane, emva kokunqotshwa komuzi, ngalona lolo suku, isandla sikaJehova sasiphezu kwami, wangiyisa khona.

2 Ngemibono kaNkulunkulu wangiyisa ezweni lakwa-Israyeli, wangibeka entabeni ephakeme kakhulu, okwakuphezu kwayo kungathi isakhiwo somuzi ngaseningizimu.

3 Wangiyisa khona; bheka, umuntu osimo sakhe sasinjengesimo sethusi, ephethe intambo yefilakisi esandleni sakhe, nohlanga lokulinganisa, wayemi esangweni.

4 Lo muntu wathi kimi: "Ndodana yomuntu, bheka ngamehlo akho, uzwe ngezindlebe zakho, ubeke inhliziyo yakho kukho konke engiyakukubonisa khona, ngokuba ulethiwe

ukuba ngikubonise; yitshele indlu yakwa-Israyeli konke okubonayo."

5 Bheka, kwakukhona ugange ngaphandle kwendlu nxazonke, nasesandleni somuntu kwakukhona uhlanga lokulinganisa, luyizingalo eziyisithupha, yileyo naleyo iyingalo nobubanzi besandla; walinganisa ububanzi besakhiwo: luhlanga lunye; nokuphakama: luhlanga lunye.

6 Wayeseya esangweni elalibheke empumalanga, wakhuphuka ngezinyathelo zalo, walinganisa umbundu wesango; ububanzi bawo babuluuhlanya lunye.

7 Ubude bekamelo labalindi babuluuhlanya lunye, nobubanzi balo buluhlanga lunye; okwakuphakathi kwamakamelo kwakuyizingalo eziyisihlanu; umbundu wesango eceleni kompheme wesango ngasendlini wawuluuhlanya lunye.

8 Walinganisa nompheme wesango ngasendlini: luhlanga lunye.

9 Wayeselinganisa umpheme wesango: yizingalo eziyisishiyagalombili; nezinsika zalo: yizingalo ezimbili; umpheme wesango wawungasendlini.

10 Amakamelo abalindi asesangweni ngasempumalanga ayemathathu ngalapha, emathathu nangalapha, eyisilinganiso sinye; nezinsika zaziyisilinganiso sinye ngalapha nangalapha.

11 Walinganisa ububanzi besikhala sesango: yizingalo eziyishumi; nobude besango: yizingalo eziyishumi nantathu;

12 nomkhawulo ngaphambi kwamakamelo abalindi: yingalo inye; nomkhawulo ngalapha: yingalo inye; namakamelo abalindi: yizingalo eziyisithupha ngalapha nezingalo eziyisithupha ngalapha.

13 Walinganisa isango kusukela ophahleni lwelinye ikamelo kuze kube sophahleni lwelinye, ububanzi buyizingalo ezingamashumi amabili nanhlanu, umnyango ubhekene nomnyango.

14 Wenza nezinsika: yizingalo ezingamashumi ayisithupha, isango lifinyelela ensikeni yegceke nxazonke.

15 Kusukela phambi kwesango ngasekungeneni kuze kube phambi kompheme wesango elingaphakathi kwakuyizingalo ezingamashumi ayisihlanu.

16 Kwakukhona amafasitele avaliwego, kuwo amakamelo nakuzo izinsika ngaphakathi kwesango nxazonke, kanjalo nakuyo imengamo; kwakukhona amafasitele nxazonke ngaphakathi namasundu ezinsikeni.

17 Wayesengingenisa egcekeni elingaphandle; bheka, lapho kwakukhona amakamelo nendawo egandayiwego eyenzelwe igceke nxazonke; kwakukhona amakamelo angamashumi amathathu endaweni egandayiwego.

18 Indawo egandayiwego yayiseleni kwamasango, ilingene nobude bamasango; lokhu kwakuyindawo egandayiwego ephansi.

19 Wayeselinganisa ububanzi kusukela phambi kwesango elingenzansi kuze kube phambi kwegceke elingaphakathi ngaphandle: yizingalo eziyikhulu ngasempumalanga nangasenyakatho.

20 Wayeselinganisa ubude nobubanzi besango legceke elingaphandle elibheke ngasenyakatho.

21 Amakamelo alo abalindi ayemathathu ngalapha, emathathu nangalapha; izinsika zalo nemengamo yalo kwakunjengesilinganiso sesango sokuqala; ubude balo babuyizingalo ezingamashumi ayisihlanu, nobubanzi buyizingalo ezingamashumi amabili nanhlanu.

22 Amafasitele alo, nemengamo yalo, namasundu alo kwakunjengesilinganiso sesango elibheke ngasempumalanga; bakhuphukela kulo ngezinyathelo eziyisikhombisa; imengamo yalo yayiphambi kwalezi.

- 23** Kwakukhona isango legceke elingaphakathi malungana naleli sango ngasenyakatho nangasempumalanga; walinganisa, kusukela esangweni kuze kube sesangweni, izingalo eziyikhulu.
- 24** Wayesengiyisa ngaseningizimu; bheka, isango lingaseningizimu; walinganisa izinsika zalo nemengamo yalo njengezilinganiso zasenhla.
- 25** Kwakukhona amafasitele kulo nakuyo imengamo yalo nxazonke njengamafasitele angenhla; ubude babuyizingalo ezingamashumi ayisihlanu, nobubanzi buyizingalo ezingamashumi amabili nanhlanu.
- 26** Kwakukhona izinyathelo eziyisikhombisa zokukhuphukela kulo, imengamo iphambi kwazo; lalinamasundu, lilinye ngalapha nelinye ngalapha ezinsikeni zalo.
- 27** Kwakukhona isango legceke elingaphakathi ngaseningizimu; walinganisa, kusukela esangweni kuze kube sesangweni ngaseningizimu, izingalo eziyikhulu.
- 28** Wayesengingenisa egcekeni elingaphakathi ngesango laseningizimu; walilinganisa isango laseningizimu njengezilinganiso zasenhla.
- 29** Amakamelo alo abalindi, nezinsika zalo, nemengamo yalo kwakunjengezilinganiso zasenhla; kwakukhona amafasitele kulo nakuyo imengamo nxazonke; ubude balo babuyizingalo ezingamashumi ayisihlanu, nobubanzi balo babuyizingalo ezingamashumi amabili nanhlanu.
- 30** Kwakukhona imengamo nxazonke, ubude bayo buyizingalo ezingamashumi amabili nanhlanu, nobubanzi bayo buyizingalo eziyisihlanu.
- 31** Imengamo yalo yayibheke egcekeni elingaphandle; amasundu ayekhona ezinsikeni zalo; kwakhushukelwa kulo ngezinyathelo eziyisihiyagalombili.
- 32** Wayesengingenisa egcekeni elingaphakathi ngasempumalanga, walilinganisa isango njengezilinganiso zasenhla,
- 33** namakamelo alo abalindi, nezinsika zalo, nemengamo yalo njengezilinganiso zasenhla; kwakukhona amafasitele kulo nakuyo imengamo yalo nxazonke; ubude babuyizingalo ezingamashumi ayisihlanu, nobubanzi buyizingalo ezingamashumi amabili nanhlanu.
- 34** Imengamo yalo yayibheke egcekeni elingaphandle; amasundu ayekhona ezinsikeni zalo ngalapha nangalapha; kwakhushukelwa kulo ngezinyathelo eziyisishiyagalombili.
- 35** Wayesengiyisa esangweni lasenyakatho, walilinganisa njengezilinganiso zasenhla,
- 36** namakamelo alo abalindi, nezinsika zalo, nemengamo yalo; kwakukhona amafasitele kulo nxazonke; ubude babuyizingalo ezingamashumi ayisihlanu, nobubanzi buyizingalo ezingamashumi amabili nanhlanu.
- 37** Izinsika zalo zazibheke egcekeni elingaphandle; amasundu ayekhona ezinsikeni zalo ngalapha nangalapha; kwakhushukelwa kulo ngezinyathelo eziyisishiyagalombili.
- 38** Kwakukhona ikamelo nomnyango walo ngasezinsikeni emasangweni; bahlanza khona umnikelo wokushiswa.
- 39** Emphemeni wesango kwakukhona amatafula amabili ngalapha namatafula amabili ngalapha ukuba kuhlatshelwe kuwo umnikelo wokushiswa nomnikelo wesono nomnikelo wecala.
- 40** Eceleni ngaphandle lapho kukhushukelwa esivalweni sesango ngasenyakatho kwakukhona amatafula amabili, nakolunye uhlangothi olungasemphe meni wesango amatafula amabili.
- 41** Amatafula amane ayengalapha, namatafula amane ayengalapha eceleni kwesango, amatafula ayisishiyagalombili ababehlabela kuwo.
- 42** Kwakungamatafula amane omnikelo wokushiswa amatshe abaziweyo, ubude buyingalo nenxenye, nobubanzi buyingalo nenzenye, nokuphakama kuyingalo, ababeka phezu

kwawo izinto abahlaba ngazo umnikelo wokushiswa nomhlatshelo.

43 Izingwegwe, ubude bazo bungububanzi besandla, zazifakiwe ngaphakathi nxazonke; ematafuleni kwakukhona inyama yomnikelo.

44 Ngaphandle kwesango elingaphakathi kwakukhona amakamelo abahlabeleli egcekeni elingaphakathi, eliseceleni kwesango lasenyakatho, libheke ngaseningizimu, elinye eliseceleni kwesango lasempumalanga, libheke ngasenyakatho.

45 Wathi kimi: "Leli kamelo elibheke ngaseningizimu ngelabapristi abagcina inkonzo yasendlini.

46 Ikamelo elibheke ngasenyakatho ngelabapristi abagcina inkonzo yase-altare; bangamadodana kaSadoki aphakathi kwamadodana kaLevi, asondela kuJehova ukumkhonza."

47 Wayeselilinganisa igceke, ubude balo buyizingalo eziyikhulu, nobubanzi buyizingalo eziyikhulu, yizinhlangothi ezine; i-altare laliphambi kwendlu.

48 Wayesengingenisa emphemeni wendlu, walinganisa izinsika zompheme: yizingalo eziyisihlanu ngalapha nezingalo eziyisihlanu ngalapha; ububanzi besango babuyizingalo ezintathu ngalapha nezingalo ezintathu ngalapha.

49 Ubude bompheme babuyizingalo ezingamashumi amabili, nobubanzi buyizingalo eziyishumi nanye ngasezinyathelweni okwakukhushukelwa ngazo kulo; kwakukhona nezibonda ngasezinsikeni, esinye ngalapha nesinye ngalapha.

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Wayesengingenisa ethempelini, walinganisa izinsika, ububanzi buyizingalo eziyisithupha ngalapha, ububanzi buyizingalo eziyisithupha nangalapha, ububanzi betabernakele.

2 Ububanzi bomnyango babuyizingalo eziyishumi; amacele omnyango ayeyizingalo eziyisihlanu ngalapha nezingalo eziyisihlanu ngalapha; walinganisa ubude balo: yizingalo ezingamashumi amane; nobubanzi balo: yizingalo ezingamashumi amabili.

3 Wayesengena phakathi, walinganisa izinsika zomnyango: yizingalo ezimbili; nomnyango: yizingalo eziyisithupha; nobubanzi bomnyango: yizingalo eziyisikhombisa.

4 Walinganisa ubude bokuphakathi: yizingalo ezingamashumi amabili; nobubanzi: yizingalo ezingamashumi amabili phambi kwethempeli; wathi kimi: "Lokhu kuyindawo engcwele kakhulu."

5 Wayeselinganisa udonga lwendlu: yizingalo eziyisithupha; nobubanzi bamakamelo ezinhlangothi: yizingalo ezine nxazonke zendlu emaceleni onke.

6 Amakamelo ezinhlangothi ayemathathu elakanyene elinye phezu kwelinje, engamashumi amathathu ngomumo. Angena odongeni olwalungolwendlu lwamakamelo ezinhlangothi nxazonke ukuba abambelele kulo, angabambeleli odongeni lwendlu.

7 Amakamelo ezinhlangothi aba banzi ekukhuphukeni njalo nxazonke, ngokuba okuzungeza indlu kwakhuphuka njalo nxazonke zendlu; ngalokho indlu yaba banzi ekukhuphukeni njalo; kwakhushukwa ekamelweni eliphansi kwaze kwaba kweliphezulu ngeliphakathi.

8 Ngabona ukuthi indlu yayinendunduma nxazonke; izisekelo zamakamelo ezinhlangothi zaziluhlanga olupheleleyo lwezingalo eziyisithupha kuze kubo sekuhlanganisweni phezulu.

9 Uhlonze lodonga olwalungolwamakamelo ezinhlangothi ngaphandle lwaluyizingalo eziyisihlanu; indawo eseleyo yayingeyamakamelo ezinhlangothi endlu.

- 10** Phakathi kwamakamelو kwakukhona ububanzi obuyizingalo ezingamashumi amabili nxazonke zendlu emaceleni onke.
- 11** Iminyango yamakamelو ezinhlangothi yayibheke endaweni eseleyo, omunye umnyango ngasenyakatho nomunye umnyango ngaseningizimu; ububanzi bendawo eseleyo babuyizingalo eziyisihlanu nxazonke.
- 12** Isakhiwo esasiphambi kwendawo eyahlukanisiweyo ngasentshonalanga, ububanzi baso babuyizingalo ezingamashumi ayisikhombisa; uhlonze lodonga lwendlu lwaluyizingalo eziyisihlanu nxazonke, nobude balo buyizingalo ezingamashumi ayisishiyagalolunye.
- 13** Wayeselinganisa indlu, ubude bayo buyizingalo eziyikhulu; indawo eyahlukanisiweyo nesakhiwo kanye nezindonga zaso, ubude bakho babuyizingalo eziyikhulu,
- 14** nobubanzi bobuso bendlu kanye nendawo eyahlukanisiweyo ngasempumalanga: yizingalo eziyikhulu.
- 15** Wayeselinganisa ubude besakhiwo phambi kwendawo eyahlukanisiweyo eyayisemva kwaso nemipheme yayo ngalapha nangalapha: yizingalo eziyikhulu, nethempeli elingaphakathi, nemipheme yegceke,
- 16** imibundu, namafasitele avaliweyo, nemipheme nxazonke eyelakanyene kathathu malungana nombundu, kwembeswe umuthi nxazonke, kusukela phansi kuze kube semafasiteleni; amafasitele ayemboziwe;
- 17** kuze kube phezu komnyango nasendlini engaphakathi, nangaphandle, nakulo lonke udonga nxazonke ngaphakathi nangaphandle kwakulinganisiwe,
- 18** kwenziwe ngamakherubi nangamasundu; isundu laliphakathi kwekherubi nekherubi, ikherubi lilinye linobuso obubili;
- 19** kwakungubuso bomuntu bubheke isundu ngalapha, nobuso bebhongo lengonyama bubheke isundu ngalapha; kwakwenziwe kanjalo kuyo yonke indlu nxazonke.
- 20** Kusukela phansi kuze kube phezu komnyango kwakwenziwe amakherubi namasundu, kanjalo nasodongeni lwethempeli.
- 21** Ithempeli-ke, izinsika zomnyango zazinezhlangothi ezine, nobuso bendawo engcwelengcwele, isimo sabo sasinjengesimo sethempeli.
- 22** I-altare lalingumuthi, ukuphakama kwalo kuyizingalo ezintathu, nobude balo buyizingalo ezimbili; lalinamagumbi; ubude balo nezindonga zalo kwakungumuthi; wathi kimi: "Lokhu kuyitafula eliyakuba ngaphambi kukaJehova."
- 23** Ithempeli nendawo engcwelengcwele kwakunezivalo ezimbili.
- 24** Izivalo zazinezicabha ezimbili, icabha ezimbili eziphendukayo, ezimbili ngezesinye isivalo, nezicabha ezimbili ngezesinye.
- 25** Kwakwenziwe kuzo, ezivalweni zethempeli, amakherubi namasundu njengokwenziwe ezindongeni; kwakukhona isivikelo somuthi phezu kompheme ngaphandle.
- 26** Kwakukhona amafasitele avaliweyo namasundu ngalapha nangalapha emaceleni ompheme, nasemakamelweni ezinhlangothi zendlu, nasesivikelweni.

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Wayesengiphumisela egcekeni elingaphandle ngasenyakatho, wangingenisa ekamelweni elibhekene nendawo eyahlukanisiweyo, elimalungana nesakhiwo ngasenyakatho,

2 ohlangothini olude, ubude balo buyizingalo eziyikhulu, umnyango ungasenyakatho;

ububanzi babuyizingalo ezingamashumi ayisihlanu.

3 Malungana nezingalo ezingamashumi amabili ezazingezegceke elingaphakathi, namalungana nendawo egandayiwego eyayingeyegceke elingaphandle kwakukhona umpheme malungana nompheme eyelakanyene kathathu.

4 Ngaphambi kwamakamelo kwakukhona indlela yokuhamba, ububanzi bayo buyizingalo eziyishumi ngaphakathi, nobude bayo buyizingalo eziyikhulu; iminyango yawo yayingasenyakatho.

5 Amakamelo aphezulu ayemafushane, ngokuba imipheme yanciphisa kulawa kunakwaphansi naphakathi esakhiweni.

6 Ngokuba ayelakanyene kathathu; ayengenazinsika njengezinsika zamagceke; ngalokho angaphezulu ayehlehlide kunaphansi naphakathi kusukela emhlabathini.

7 Ugange olwalungaphandle eceleni kwamakamelo ngasegcekeni elingaphandle babuyizingalo ezingamashumi ayisihlanu.

8 Ngokuba ubude bamakamelo ayesegcekeni elingaphandle babuyizingalo ezingamashumi ayisihlanu, kepha bheka, ngaphambi kwethempeli kwakuyizingalo eziyikhulu.

9 Kusukela phansi kwalawa makamelo kwakukhona ukungena ngasempumalanga, lapho kwangenwa kuwo kuvelwa egcekeni elingaphandle.

10 Lapho ugange Iwegceke Iwaludumbile khona ngasempumalanga, ngaphambi kwendawo eyahlukanisiwego naphambi kwesakhiwo, kwakukhona amakamelo nalapho.

11 Indlela phambi kwawo yayinjengesimo seyamakamelo angasenyakatho; ububanzi babunjengobude; izindawo zawo zokuphuma zazinjengemithetho yazo nanjengeminyango yazo.

12 Njengeminyango yamakamelo aseningizimu kwakukhona umnyango esihlokweni sendlela, indlela malungana nogange ngasempumalanga, lapho kungenwa kuwo.

13 Wayesethi kimi: "Amakamelo asenyakatho namakamelo aseningizimu aphambi kwendawo eyahlukanisiwego mawabe ngamakamelo angcwele, lapho abapristi abaseduze noJehova beyakudla khona okungcwelengcwele, babeke khona okungcwelengcwele, nomnikelo wempuphu, nomnikelo wesono, nomnikelo wecala, ngokuba indawo ingcwele.

14 Lapho abapristi bengena, abayikuphuma endaweni engcwele ukuya egcekeni elingaphandle, kepha bayakubeka lapho izambatho zabo abakhonze ngazo, ngokuba bayingcwele; bayakwembatha ezinye izingubo, basondele kulokhu okungokwabantu."

15 Lapho eseqedede ukulinganisa indlu engaphakathi, wangiphumisa ngendlela yesango elingasempumalanga, walinganisa ukuzungeza.

16 Walinganisa uhlangothi Iwasempumalanga ngohlanga lokulinganisa: yizinhlanga ezingamakhulu ayisihlanu ngohlanga lokulinganisa nxazonke.

17 Walinganisa uhlangothi Iwasenyakatho: yizinhlanga ezingamakhulu ayisihlanu ngohlanga lokulinganisa nxazonke.

18 Walinganisa uhlangothi Iwaseningizimu: yizinhlanga ezingamakhulu ayisihlanu ngohlanga lokulinganisa.

19 Wayesephendukela ohlangothini Iwasentshonalanga, walinganisa izinhlanga ezingamakhulu ayisihlanu ngohlanga lokulinganisa.

20 Wayilinganisa ezinhlangothini zozine; yayinogange nxazonke, ubude balo buyizingalo ezingamakhulu ayisihlanu, nobubanzi buyizingalo ezingamakhulu ayisihlanu ukwahlukanisa phakathi kokungcwele nokungengcwele.

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- W**ayesengiyisa esangweni, isango elibheke ngasempumalanga;
- 2** bheka, inkazimulo kaJehova ka-Israyeli yavela ngasempumalanga, izwi lakhe lalinjengokuholoba kwamanzi amanangi, umhlaba wakhanya ngenkazimulo yakhe.
- 3** Kwaba njengesimo sombono engawubonayo, yebo, njengombono engawubona lapho ngeza ukuwuchitha umuzi; imibono yayinjengombono engawubona ngasemfuleni iKhebari; ngawa ngobuso bami.
- 4** Inkazimulo kaJehova yangena endlini ngendlela yesango elibheke ngasempumalanga.
- 5** UMoya wangiphakamisa, wangingenisa egcekeni elingaphakathi; bheka, inkazimulo kaJehova yayigcwalisa indlu.
- 6** Ngase ngizwa okhuluma kimi ephakathi kwendlu; kwakumi umuntu eceleni kwami.
- 7** Wathi kimi: "Ndodana yomuntu, lokhu kuyindawo yesihlalo sami sobukhos, nendawo yamathe ezinyawo zami, lapho ngiyakuhlala khona phakathi kwabantwana bakwa-Israyeli kuze kube phakade; indlu yakwa-Israyeli ayisayikulingcolisa igama lami elingcwele, yona namakhosi ayo, ngokuphinga kwayo nangezidumbu zamakhosi ayo ezindaweni zayo eziphakemeyo,
- 8** bebeka umbundu wabo ngasembundwini wami, nensika yabo yomnyango eceleni kwensika yami, kube ludonga kuphela phakathi kwami nabo, belingcolisa igama lami elingcwele ngezinengiso zabo abazenzileyo, okungalokho ngabaqeda ngolaka lwami.
- 9** Manje mabadedisele kude nami ukuphinga kwabo, nezidumbu zamakhosi abo, ngihlale phakathi kwabo kuze kube phakade.
- 10** "Wena ndodana yomuntu, bonisa abendlu yakwa-Israyeli le ndlu ukuba babe namahloni ngobubi babo, balinganise isimo sayo.
- 11** Uma benamahloni ngakho konke abakwenzileyo, mawubazise isimo sendlu, nokubonakala kwayo, nezindawo zayo zokuphuma, nezindawo zayo zokungena, yebo, sonke isimo sayo kanye nazo zonke izimiso zayo, nazo zonke izimo zazo kanye nayo yonke imithetho yayo, ukulobe emehlwani abo ukuba bagcine sonke isimo sayo nazo zonke izimiso zayo, bazenze.
- 12** "Nanku umthetho wendlu: esiqongweni sentaba wonke umkhawulo wayo nxazonke uyakuba ngcwele kakhulu. Bheka, lokhu kungumthetho wendlu.
- 13** "Lezi zaziyizilinganiso ze-altare ngezingalo, ingalo iyingalo nobubanzi besandla: isinqe sasiyingalo ukuphakama kwaso, nobubanzi buyingalo; umncele walo ngaseceleni kwalo nxazonke wawunjengokudazuluka kweminwe; lokhu kwakungukuphakama kwe-altare;
- 14** kusukela esinqeni emhlabathini kuze kube sonqenqemeni oluphansi kwakuyizingalo ezimbili, ububanzi buyingalo; kusukela onqenqemeni oluncane kuze kube sonqenqemeni olukhulu kwakuyizingalo ezine, ububanzi buyingalo.
- 15** I-altare laliyizingalo ezine; kusukela e-altare kuya phezulu kwakukhona izimpondo ezine.
- 16** I-altare, ubude balo babuyizingalo eziyishumi nambili, ububanzi balo buyizingalo eziyishumi nambili, linezinhlangothi ezine ezilingeneyo.
- 17** Unqenqema, ubude balo, babuyizingalo eziyishumi nane, ububanzi balo bungeziyishumi nane ezinhlangothini zalo zozine; umncele nxazonke kwalo wawuyinxene yengalo; isinqe salo sasiyingalo nxazonke, izinyathelo zalo zibheke ngasempumalanga."
- 18** Wayesethi kimi: "Ndodana yomuntu, isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: Nazi izimiso ze-altare mhla beyakulenza ukuba bashise umnikelo wokushiswa phezu kwalo, balifafaze

ngegazi.

- 19** Uyakunika abapristi bamaLevi abozalo lukaSadoki, abaseduze kimi, isho iNkosi uJehova, ukuba bangikhonze, iduna libe ngumnikelo wesono.
- 20** Uyakuthatha okwegazi layo, ulibhece ezimpondweni zalo zozine, nasemagumbini omane onqenqema, nasemnceleni nxazonke, ulihlambulule, ulenzele ukubuyisana.
- 21** Uyakuthatha inkunzi yomnikelo wesono, ishiswe endaweni yendlu emiselweyo ngaphandle kwendlu engcwele.
- 22** “Ngosuku lwsibili uyakunikela ngempongo engenasici, ibe ngumnikelo wesono; bayakuhlambulula i-altare njengokulihlambulula ngenkunzi.
- 23** Lapho usuqede ukulihlambulula, uyakunikela ngeduna elingenasici nangenqama yezimvu engenasici.
- 24** Uyakukusondeza phambi kukaJehova, abapristi bathele usawoti kukho, banikele ngakho, kube ngumnikelo wokushiswa kuJehova.
- 25** “Izinsuku eziyisikhombisa uyakulungisa imihla yonke impongo ibe ngumnikelo wesono, kulungiswe neduna nenqama yezimvu, okungenasici.
- 26** Izinsuku eziyisikhombisa bayakwenzela i-altare ukubuyisana, balihlambulule, balingcwelise.
- 27** Lapho seziphelile izinsuku, kuyakuba ngosuku lwsishiyagalombili naphambili ukuba abapristi bayilungise iminikelo yenu yokushiswa e-altare neminikelo yenu yokuthula, nginamukele, isho iNkosi uJehova.”

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Wayesengibuyisa ngendlela yesango elingaphandle lendlu engcwele, elibheke ngasempumalanga.

- 2** UJehova wathi kimi: “Leli sango liyakuvalwa, aliyikuvulwa, akuyikungena muntu ngalo, ngokuba uJehova uNkulunkulu ka-Israyeli ungenile ngalo; liyakuhlala livaliwe.
- 3** Kepha isikhulu, siyisikhulu, siyakuhlala kulo, sidle phambi kukaJehova; siyakungena ngendlela yompheme wesango, siphume ngendlela yawo futhi.”
- 4** Wayesengiyisa ngaphambi kwendlu ngendlela yesango lasenyakatho; ngabuka, bheka, inkazimulo kaJehova yagcwalisa indlu kaJehova, ngawa ngobuso bami.
- 5** UJehova wathi kimi: “Ndodana yomuntu, beka inhliziyo yakho, ubone ngamehlo akho, uzwe ngezindlebe zakho konke engikukhuluma kuwe ngazo zonke izimiso zendlu kaJehova nangayo yonke imithetho yayo, uqaphele indawo yendlu yokungena nazo zonke izindawo zokuphuma zendlu engcwele.
- 6** Uyakusho kuyo indlu ehlubukileyo yakwa-Israyeli, uthi: ‘Isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: Nina ndlu yakwa-Israyeli, mazanele kini zonke izinengiso zenu,
- 7** lokhu ningenisile abezizwe abangasokile ngenhliziyo nabangasokile ngenyama ukuba babe sendlini yami engcwele, bayingcolise indlu yami, lapho ninikela ngesinkwa sami, nangamanoni, nangegazi, naphula isivumelwano sami ngazo zonke izinengiso zenu.
- 8** Anigcinanga inkonzo yezinto zami ezingcwele, kepha nibeke abayakunigcinela inkonzo endlini yami engcwele.
- 9** Isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: Akuyikungena endlini yami engcwele ovezizwe ongasokile ngenhliziyo nongasokile ngenyama kubo bonke abezizwe abaphakathi kwabantwana bakwa-Israyeli.
- 10** “Kepha amaLevi adeda kude nami lapho u-Israyeli eduka, eduka elandela izithombe

zawo, ayakuthwala ububi bawo,

11 abe yizikhonzi endlini yami engcwele, abonise amasango endlu, akhonze endlini, ahlabi iminikelo yokushiswa nemihlatshelo yabantu, eme phambi kwabo ukuba abakhonze.

12 Ngokuba ebebakhonza phambi kwezithombe zabo, aba yisikhukiso sobubi kuyo indlu yakwa-Israyeli, ngalokho ngiphakamisile isandla sami kuwo, isho iNkosi uJehova, athwale ububi bawo.

13 Awayikusondela kimi abe ngabapristi kimi, angasondeli nasezintweni zami ezingcwele, izinto ezingcwele kakhulu, kepha ayakuthwala ihlazo lawo nezinengiso zawo azenzileyo.

14 Yebo, ngiyakuwabeka abagcini benkonzo yendlu emsebenzini wonke wayo kukho konke okuyakwensiwa kuyo.

15 “Kepha abapristi bamaLevi, amadodana kaSadoki, ababegcina inkonzo yendlu yami engcwele lapho abantwana bakwa-Israyeli beduka kimi, bayakusondela kimi, bangikhonze, beme phambi kwami, banikele kimi ngamanoni nangegazi, isho iNkosi uJehova;

16 bayakungena endlini yami engcwele, basondele etafuleni lami ukuba bangikhonze, bagcine inkonzo yami.

17 “Kuyakuthi lapho bengena emasangweni egceke elingaphakathi, bembathiswe izambatho zelineni, uboya bezimvu bungabathinti, lapho bekhonza emasangweni egceke elingaphakathi nasendlini.

18 Bayakuba nezigqoko zelineni emakhanda abo, babe namabhulukwe elineni okhalweni lwabo, bangabhinci okujulukisayo.

19 Lapho bephumela egcekeni elingaphandle, igceke elingaphandle labantu, bayakukhumula izambatho zabo abakhonza ngazo, bazibeke emakamelweni angcwele, bembathe ezinye izingubo, funa bangcwelise abantu ngezambatho zabo.

20 “Abayikuphucula amakhanda abo, bangavumi izihluthu zabo zibe zide, kepha bayakugunda amakhanda abo.

21 Akuyikuphuza iwayini noyedwa umpristi, lapho bengena egcekeni elingaphakathi.

22 Abayikuthatha umfelokazi nolahliwego babe ngabafazi babo, kepha bathathe izintombi zozalo lwendlu yakwa-Israyeli, noma umfelokazi ongumfelokazi wompristi.

23 Bayakufundisa abantu bami ukwahlukanisa okungcwele nokuyichilo, benze umahluko phakathi kokungcolileyo nokuhlambulukileyo.

24 “Ekuphikisaneni bayakuma ukwahlulela, bakwahlulele njengezahlulelo zami, bagcine imithetho yami nezimiso zami emikhosini yonke yami, balingcwelise isabatha lami.

25 “Abayikuthinta ofileyo, funa bazingcolise, kepha ngoyise, nangonina, nangendodana, nangendodakazi, nangomfowabo, nangodadewabo ongenandoda bangazingcolisa.

26 Nxa esehlambulukile, uyakubalelwia izinsuku eziyisikhombisa.

27 Ngosuku angena ngalo endlini engcwele egcekeni elingaphakathi ukuyokhonza endlini engcwele, uyakunikela ngomnikelo wakhe wesono, isho iNkosi uJehova.

28 “Bayakuba nef; mina ngiyifa labo; aniyikubanika imfuyo kwa-Israyeli; mina ngiyimfuyo yabo.

29 Bayakudla umnikelo wempuphu, nomnikelo wesono, nomnikelo wecala, konke okwahlukanisiwego kwa-Israyeli kube ngokwabo.

30 Lonke ulibo lokuqala lwakho konke nayo yonke iminikelo yakho konke eminikelweni yenu yonke kuyakuba ngokwabapristi, nimnike umpristi ulibo lomgqakazo wenu ukuhlalisa

isibusiso phezu kwendlu yakho.

31 Abapristi abayikudla okuzifeleyo nokudweshuliweyo, noma ezinyonini noma ezinkomeni.

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“Kuyakuthi ekwahlukanisweni kwezwe ngenkatho libe ngamafa, ninikele kuJehova ngomnikelo, okungwele kwezwe, ubude bube ngubude bezinhlanga eziyizinkulungwane ezingamashumi amabili nanhlanu, ububanzi bube yizinkulungwane eziyishumi, kube ngcwele emikhawulweni yonke nxazonke.

2 Kulokhu kuyakuba ngokwendlu engcwele okubude bakho bungezamakhulu ayisihsanu nokobubanzi bakho bungamakhulu ayisihsanu, kunezinhlangothi ezine nxazonke, nezingalo ezingamashumi ayisihsanu zibe ngezamadlelo akho nxazonke.

3 Kuso lesi silinganiso uyakulinganisa ubude obuyizinkulungwane ezingamashumi amabili nanhlanu nobubanzi obuyizinkulungwane eziyishumi, kube yindawo engcwele kakhulu.

4 Kungokungwele kwezwe, kungokwabapristi, izikhonzi zendlu engcwele ezisondela ukumkhonza uJehova, kube yindawo yezindlu zabo nendawo engcwele yendlu engcwele.

5 Izinkulungwane ezingamashumi amabili nanhlanu ubude nezinkulungwane eziyishumi ububanzi ziyakuba ngezamaLevi, izikhonzi zendlu, zibe yifa lawo lemizi ukuhlala kuyo.

6 “ ‘Niyakunika umuzi ifa lezinkulungwane eziyisihlanu ububanzi nezinkulungwane ezingamashumi amabili nanhlanu ubude eceleni komnikelo wokungcwele, libe ngelendlu yonke yakwa-Israyeli.

7 “ ‘Okungokwesikhulu kuyakuba ngalapha nangalapha komnikelo wokungcwele nefi lomuzi, phambi komnikelo wokungcwele naphambi kwefa lomuzi, ngasohlangothini Iwasentshonalanga kubheke entshonalanga, nangasohlangothini Iwasempumalanga kubheke empumalanga, ngobude kulingane nesinye sezabelo zezizwe, kusukela emkhawulweni wasentshonalanga kuze kube semkhawulweni wasempumalanga.

8 Kuyakuba yifa laso ezweni lakwa-Israyeli, izikhulu zami zingasacindezeli abantu bami, kepha zinike indlu yakwa-Israyeli njengezizwe zayo.

9 “ ‘Isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: Makwanele kini nina zikhulu zakwa-Israyeli; susani ubudlova nokuphangwa, nenze ukwahlulela nokulunga, niyeke ukuxosha abantu bami, isho iNkosi uJehova.

10 Niyakuba nezilinganiso ezilungileyo, ne-efa elilungileyo, nebhati elilungileyo.

11 I-efa nebhati kuyakuba yisilinganiso sinye, ukuze ibhati lifumbathe okweshumi kwehomere, ne-efa okweshumi kwehomere, isilinganiso salo sibe ngokwehomere.

12 Ishekeli liyakuba ngamagera angamashumi amabili; amashekeli angamashumi amabili, namashekeli angamashumi amabili nanhlanu, namashekeli ayishumi nanhlanu ayakuba yimane kini.

13 “ ‘Lokhu kungumnikelo eniyakunikela ngawo: inxenye yesithupha ye-efa lehomere likakolweni nenxenye yesithupha ye-efa lehomere lebhali,

14 namafutha anqunyiweyo, ibhati lamafutha: inxenye yeshumi yebhati lekhori elingamabhati ayishumi njengehomere, ngokuba amabhati ayishumi ayihomere,

15 newundlu linye ezimvini ezingamakhulu amabili zasemadlelweni anamanzi akwa-Israyeli, libe ngumnikelo wempuphu, nomnikelo wokushiswa, nomnikelo wokuthula ukubenzela ukubuyisana, isho iNkosi uJehova.

16 Bonke abantu bezwe bayakuba kulo mnikelo wesikhulu sakwa-Israyeli.

17 Kuyakuba phezu kwesikhulu ukunikela ngeminikelo yokushiswa, nangeminikelo

yempuphu, nangeminikelo yokuphuzwa emikhosini, nasekwethwaseni kwenyanga, nangamasabatha emikhosini yonke emisiwego yendlu yakwa-Israyeli, silungise umnikelo wesono, nomnikelo wempuphu, nomnikelo wokushiswa, neminikelo yokuthula ukwenzela indlu yakwa-Israyeli ukubuyisana.

18 “ ‘Isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: Ngenyanga yokuqala, ngolokuqala lwenyanga, uyakuthatha inkunzi, iduna elingenasici, uhlambulule indlu engcwele.

19 Umpristi uyakuthatha kulo igazi lomnikelo wesono, alibhece ezinsikeni zendlu, nasemagumbini omane onqenqema lwe-altare, nasezinsikeni zesango legceke elingaphakathi.

20 Uyakwenze njalo ngolwesikhombisa lwenyanga ngaye wonke umuntu odukayo nongenalwazi, nenzele indlu ukubuyisana.

21 “ ‘Ngenyanga yokuqala, ngosuku lweshumi nane lwenyanga, niyakuba nephasika, umkhosi wezinsuku eziyisikhombisa, kudliwe isinkwa esingenamvubelo.

22 Ngalolo suku isikhulu siyakuzilungisela sona nabantu bonke bezwe inkunzi ibe ngumnikelo wesono.

23 Izinsuku eziyisikhombisa zomkhosi siyakulungisela uJehova umnikelo wokushiswa, izinkunzi eziyisikhombisa nezinqama eziyisikhombisa ezingenasici imihla ngemihla ngalezo zinsuku eziyisikhombisa, kanye nempongo imihla ngemihla ibe ngumnikelo wesono.

24 Siyakulungisela inkunzi umnikelo wempuphu, i-efa, ne-efa ngenqama, nehini lamafutha nge-efa.

25 “ ‘Ngenyanga yesikhombisa ngosuku lweshumi nanhlanu lwenyanga emkhosini siyakwenza okunjengalezo zinsuku eziyisikhombisa, kunjengomnikelo wesono, nomnikelo wokushiswa, nomnikelo wempuphu, namafutha.

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“Isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: Isango legceke elingaphakathi, elibheke ngasempumalanga liyakuvalwa izinsuku eziyisithupha zokusebenza, kepha ngosuku lwesabatha liyakuvalwa, livulwe futhi nangosuku lokwethwasa kwenyanga.

2 Isikhulu siyakungena ngendlela yompheme wesango ngaphandle, sime ngasensikeni yesango, abapristi balungise umnikelo waso wokushiswa neminikelo yaso yokuthula, sikhuleke ngasembundwini wesango; bese siphuma, kepha isango aliyikuvalwa kuze kube kusihlwa.

3 Abantu bayakukhuleka esivalweni salelo sango phambi kukaJehova ngamasabatha nangokwethwasa kwenyanga.

4 Umnikelo wokushiswa isikhulu esiyakunikela ngawo kuJehova ngosuku lwesabatha uyakuba ngamawundlu ayisithupha angenasici nenqama engenasici;

5 umnikelo wempuphu uyakuba yi-efa ngenqama, umnikelo wempuphu owamawundlu ube njengamandla aso, kube yihini lamafutha nge-efa.

6 Ngosuku lokwethwasa kwenyanga kube yiduna elingenasici, namawundlu ayisithupha, nenqama, okungenasici.

7 Siyakulungisa umnikelo wempuphu: i-efa ngenkunzi ne-efa ngenqama, ngamawundlu kube njengamandla aso, kube yihini lamafutha nge-efa.

8 Lapho isikhulu singena, siyakungena ngendlela yompheme wesango, siphume futhi ngendlela yawo.

9 Kepha lapho abantu bezwe bengena phambi kukaJehova emikhosini emisiwego,

ongena ngendlela yesango lasenyakatho ukuyokhuleka uyakuphuma ngendlela yesango laseningizimu; ongena ngendlela yesango laseningizimu uyakuphuma ngendlela yesango lasenyakatho; kayikubuya ngendlela yesango angene ngalo, kepha kuyakuphunya kwelimalungana nalo.

10 Ekungeneni kwabo isikhulu siyakuhamba phakathi kwabo; ekuphumeni bayakuphuma kanyekanye.

11 “Emikhosini nasemihlanganweni umnikelo wempuphu uyakuba yi-efa ngenkunzi ne-efa ngenqama, ngamawundlu ube njengamandla aso, kube yihini lamafutha nge-efa.

12 Lapho isikhulu siyakulungisa umnikelo wesihle, umnikelo wokushiswa neminikelo yokuthula ibe ngumnikelo wesihle kuJehova, siyakuvulewa isango elibheke ngasempumalanga, silungise umnikelo waso wokushiswa neminikelo yaso yokuthula njengokwenza kwaso ngosuku lwasabatha, bese siphuma; nalapho sesiphumile, isango liyakuvalwa.

13 “Uyakulungisa iwundlu elinomnyaka munye elingenasici libe ngumnikelo wokushiswa kuJehova imihla ngemihla, ulilungise ekuseni njalo.

14 Uyakuwulungisela umnikelo wempuphu ekuseni njalo, inxenye yesithupha ye-efa nenxenye yesithathu yehini lamafutha ukugcoba impuphu ecolekileyo, kube ngumnikelo wempuphu kuJehova njalonjalo ngesimiso esiphakade.

15 Bayakulungisa-ke iwundlu, nomnikelo wempuphu, namafutha ekuseni njalo, kube ngumnikelo wokushiswa imihla yonke.

16 “Isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: Uma isikhulu sinika enye yamadodana aso isipho, kuyifa layo, yimfuyo yayo ngokobufa.

17 Kepha uma sinika enye yezinceku zaso isipho sasefeni laso, siyakuba ngesayo kuze kube semnyakeni wokukhululeka, bese sibuyela esikhulwini; kepha ifa laso liyakuba ngelamadodana aso.

18 Isikhulu asiyikuthatha efeni labantu ukubaphuca imfuyo yabo; sithatha emfuyweni yaso siyakuwanika amadodana aso ifa ukuze abantu bami bangahlukani, kube yilowo nalowo nemfuyo yakhe.”

19 Wayesengingenisa ngendawo yokungena eseceleni kwesango emakamelweni angcwele abapristi, abheke ngasenyakatho; bheka, kwakukhona lapho indawo ngasemuva ngasentshonalanga.

20 Wathi kimi: “Nansi indawo lapho abapristi beyakuphekela khona umnikelo wecala nomnikelo wesono, nalapho beyakwenza khona umnikelo wempuphu, ukuze bangawuphumiseli egcekeni elingaphandle, bangcwelise abantu.”

21 Wayesengiphumisela egcekeni elingaphandle, wangidlulisa ezingosini zozine zegceke; bheka, ezingosini zonke zegceke kwakukhona ibala.

22 Ezingosini zozine zegceke kwakukhona amabala ahlukanisiweyo, ubude buyizingalo ezingamashumi amane, nobubanzi bungezingamashumi amathathu; lawa omane asezingosini ayeyisilinganiso sinye.

23 Phakathi kwavo nxazonke, nxazonke zawo omene, kwakukhona ugange olwenziwe lunamaziko phansi ogangeni nxazonke.

24 Wathi kimi: “Nazi izindlu zokuphekela izikhonzi zendlu eziyakuphekela kuzo imihlatshelo yabantu.”

Wayesengibuyisela emnyango wendlu; bheka, amanzi aphuma phansi kombundu wendlu ngasempumalanga, ngokuba ubuso bendlu babungasempumalanga; amanzi ehla evela phansi, ohlangothini lokunene lwendlu, ngaseningizimu kwe-altare.

2 Wayesengiphumisa ngendlela yesango ngasenyakatho, wangizungezisa ngendlela engaphandle esangweni elingaphandle, elibheke endleleni yasempumalanga; bheka, kwampompoza amanzi ohlangothini lokunene.

3 Lapho umuntu esephuma, eya ngasempumalanga, enomucu wokulinganisa esandleni sakhe, walinganisa izingalo eziyinkulungwane, wangidabulisa emanzini, amanzi efinyelela emaqakaleni.

4 Wabuye walinganisa inkulungwane, wangidabulisa emanzini, amanzi efinyelela emadolweni. Walinganisa futhi inkulungwane, wangidabulisa, amanzi efinyelela okhalweni.

5 Wayesebuye walinganisa inkulungwane; kwakungumfula engingenakuwudabula, ngokuba amanzi ayekhulile, angamanzi okuhlamba, angumfula ongenakudatshulwa.

6 Wathi kimi: "Ndodana yomuntu, usubonile na?" Wayesengihambisa, wangibuyisela osebeni lomfula.

7 Sengibuyile, bheka, kwakukhona imithi eminingi kakhulu osebeni lomfula, ngalapha nangalapha.

8 Wayesethi kimi: "Lawa manzi aphumela esifundeni sasempumalanga, ehlele e-Araba, aye elwandle, aye elwandle lana aphyuniyiweyo, kuphiliswe amanzi alo.

9 Kuyakuthi konke okuphilayo okuswebezelayo kophile ezindaweni zonke lapho ifika khona leyo mifula emibili, kube yizinhlanzi eziningi kakhulu, ngokuba esefike khona lawa manzi, awolwandle ayakuphiliswa, kophile konke, lapho umfula ufika khona.

10 Kuyakuthi kume kuwo abadobi kusukela e-Eni Gedi kuze cube se-Enegelayimi, cube ngokokwenekwa kwamanetha; kuyakuba khona izinhlanzi ngezinhlobo zazo njengezinhlanzi zoLwandle Olukhulu, zibe ziningi kakhulu.

11 Kepha amaxhaphozi alo nezimbuku zalo akuyikuphiliswa; kuyakunikelwa cube ngusawoti.

12 Ngasemfuleni osebeni lwavo ngalapha nangalapha kuyakumila yonke imithi edliwayo emaqabunga ayo angayikubuna, nezithelo zayo zingayikuphela; iyakuthela ezintsha izinyanga zonke, ngokuba amanzi ayo avela endlini engcwele; izithelo zayo ziyakuba ngukudla, amaqabunga ayo abe ngawokuphilisa."

13 Isho kanje iNkosi uJehova, ithi: "Nanku umkhawulo eniyakwahlukanisa ngawo ifa lezwe ngokwezizwe eziyishumi nambili zakwa-Israyeli, uJosefa abe nezabelo ezimbili.

14 Niyakulidla, cube yilovo nalowo, ngokuba ngasiphakamisa isandla sami ukulinika oyihlo; leli zwe liyakuba yifa lenu.

15 "Nanku umkhawulo wezwe: ohlangothini Iwasenyakatho, kusukela eLwandle Olukhulu ngendlela yaseHetiloni kuze cube sekuyen eSedadi,

16 naseHamati, naseBertha, naseSibirayimi eliphakathi komkhawulo waseDamaseku nomkhawulo waseHamati, naseHaseri eliphakathi elingasemkhawulweni waseHawurana.

17 Umkhawulo osuka elwandle uyakuba yiHasari Enani ngasemkhawulweni waseDamaseku, nasenyakatho ngasenyakatho umkhawulo uyiHamati. Lolu luluhlangothi Iwasenyakatho.

18 "Uhlangothi Iwasempumalanga, kusukela phakathi kweHawurana neDamaseku, naphakathi kwelakwaGileyadi nezwe lakwa-Israyeli, luyakuba yiJordan; Iusukela kulo mkhawulo, luze lube selwandle Iwasempumalanga naseTamari. Lolu luluhlangothi Iwasempumalanga.

19 "Uhlangothi Iwaseningizimu ngaseningizimu luyakusukela eTamari, luze lube semanzini aseMeribati Kadeshi nasemfudlaneni ngaselWandle Olukhulu. Lolu luluhlangothi Iwaseningizimu ngaseningizimu.

20 "Uhlangothi Iwasentshonalanga luyakuba luLwandle Olukhulu, kusukela emkhawulweni kuze kuqondane nokuya eHamati. Lolu luluhlangothi Iwasentshonalanga.

21 "Niyakuzahlukanisela leli zwe ngokwezizwe zakwa-Israyeli.

22 Kuyakuthi nilahlukanise ngenkatho, libe yifa lenu nelabafokazi abagogobala phakathi kwenu nabazele abantwana phakathi kwenu. Bona bayakuba njengabokuzalwa ekhaya phakathi kwabantwana bakwa-Israyeli, badle kanye nani ifa phakathi kwezizwe zakwa-Israyeli.

23 Kuyakuthi esizweni lapho umfokazi egogobele khona, nimnike lapho ifa lakhe, isho iNkosi uJehova.

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"Nanka amagama ezizwe. Kusukela ekugcineni kwasenyakatho eceleni kwendlela yaseHetiloni kuze kube sekuyeni eHamati naseHasari Enani, emkhawulweni waseDamaseku ngasenyakatho, eceleni kweHamati, uDani uyakuba nesabelo, abe nohlangothi Iwasempumalanga kuze kube sentshonalanga.

2 "Ngasemkhawulweni wakwaDani, kusukela ohlangothini Iwasempumalanga kuze kube sohlangothini Iwasentshonalanga, u-Asher uyanguba nesabelo.

3 "Ngasemkhawulweni wakwa-Asher, kusukela ohlangothini Iwasempumalanga kuze kube sohlangothini Iwasentshonalanga, uNafetali uyakuba nesabelo.

4 "Ngasemkhawulweni wakwaNafetali, kusukela ohlangothini Iwasempumalanga kuze kube sohlangothini Iwasentshonalanga, uManase uyakuba nesabelo.

5 "Ngasemkhawulweni wakwaManase, kusukela ohlangothini Iwasempumalanga kuze kube sohlangothini Iwasentshonalanga, u-Efrayimi uyakuba nesabelo.

6 "Ngasemkhawulweni wakwa-Efrayimi, kusukela ohlangothini Iwasempumalanga kuze kube sohlangothini Iwasentshonalanga, uRubeni uyakuba nesabelo.

7 "Ngasemkhawulweni wakwaRubeni, kusukela ohlangothini Iwasempumalanga kuze kube sohlangothini Iwasentshonalanga, uJuda uyakuba nesabelo.

8 "Ngasemkhawulweni wakwaJuda, kusukela ohlangothini Iwasempumalanga kuze kube sohlangothini Iwasentshonalanga, kuyakuba ngumnikelo eniyakunikela ngawo, ububanzi bube yizingalo eziyizinkulungwane ezingamashumi amabili nanhlanu, ubude bube njengesinye sezabelo, kusukela ohlangothini Iwasempumalanga kuze kube sohlangothini Iwasentshonalanga, indlu engcwele ibe phakathi naso.

9 "Umnikelo eniyakunikela ngawo kuJehova uyakuba yizingalo eziyizinkulungwane ezingamashumi amabili nanhlanu ubude, ububanzi bube yizinkulungwane eziyishumi.

10 Nanku umnikelo ongcwele: owabapristi uyakuba yizinkulungwane ezingamashumi amabili nanhlanu ngasenyakatho, nangasentshonalanga izinkulungwane eziyishumi ububanzi, nangasempumalanga izinkulungwane eziyishumi ububanzi, nangaseningizimu izinkulungwane ezingamashumi amabili nanhlanu ubude, indlu engcwele kaJehova ibe phakathi nawo.

11 Uyakuba ngowabapristi, abangcwelisiweyo bamadodana kaSadoki, abagcine inkonzo yami; abadukanga lapho beduka abantwana bakwa-Israyeli, njengalokho aduka amaLevi.

12 Uyakuba kubo umnikelo womnikelo wezwe, into engcwelengcwele, ngasemkhawulweni wamaLevi.

13 "Maqondana nomkhawulo wabapristi amaLevi ayakuba nezinkulungwane ezingamashumi amabili nanhlanu ubude nezinkulungwane eziyishumi ububanzi, bonke ubude bube yizinkulungwane ezingamashumi amabili nanhlanu, ububanzi bube yizinkulungwane eziyishumi.

14 Abayikuthengisa ngawo, bangenani ngawo, bangahlukaniseli abanye ulibo Iwezwe, ngokuba lingcwele kuJehova.

15 "Izinkulungwane eziyishlanu ezisele ebubanzini nezinkulungwane ezingamashumi amabili nanhlanu zasebudenzi ziyakuba ngezokungengcwele, zibe ngezomuzi, ezokwakha nezamadlelo, umuzi ube phakathi nazo.

16 Nazi izilinganiso zalo: uhlangothi Iwasenyakatho yizinkulungwane ezine namakhulu ayisihlanu, nohlangothi Iwaseningizimu izinkulungwane ezine namakhulu ayisihlanu, nasohlangothini Iwasempumalanga izinkulungwane ezine namakhulu ayisihlanu, nohlangothi Iwasentshonalanga izinkulungwane ezine namakhulu ayisihlanu.

17 Umuzi uyakuba namadlelo: ngasenyakatho ngamakhulu amabili namashumi ayisihlanu, nangaseningizimu amakhulu amabili namashumi ayisihlanu, nangasempumalanga amakhulu amabili namashumi ayisihlanu, nangasentshonalanga amakhulu amabili namashumi ayisihlanu.

18 Okusele ebudenzi maqondana nomnikelo ongcwele kuyakuba yizinkulungwane eziyishumi ngasempumalanga, nezinkulungwane eziyishumi ngasentshonalanga, kuqondane nomnikelo ongcwele, izithelo zaho zibe ngukudla kwabasebenza emzini.

19 Abasebenza emzini bayakuwulima, bevela ezizweni zonke zakwa-Israyeli.

20 Wonke umnikelo uyakuba yizinkulungwane ezingamashumi amabili nanhlanu nezinkulungwane ezingamashumi amabili nanhlanu, ninikele ngomnikelo ongcwele, unezinhlangothi ezine kanye nefo lomuzi.

21 "Okuseleyo kuyakuba ngokwesikhulu ngalapha nangalapha komnikelo ongcwele nefo lomuzi maqondana nezinkulungwane ezingamashumi amabili nanhlanu zomnikelo ngasemkhawulweni wasempumalanga, nasentshonalanga maqondana nezinkulungwane ezingamashumi amabili nanhlanu ngasemkhawulweni wasentshonalanga, kuqondane nezabelo, kube ngokwesikhulu; umnikelo ongcwele nendlu engcwele kube phakathi nakho.

22 Okusukela efeni lamaLevi nasefeni lomuzi kuyakuba phakathi kokwesikhulu, okwesikhulu kube phakathi komkhawulo wakwaJuda nomkhawulo wakwaBenjamini.

23 "Izizwe eziseleyo-ke: kusukela ohlangothini Iwasempumalanga kuze kube sohlangothini Iwasentshonalanga uBenjamini uyakuba nesabelo.

24 "Ngasemkhawulweni wakwaBenjamini, kusukela ohlangothini Iwasempumalanga kuze kube sohlangothini Iwasentshonalanga, uSimeyoni uyakuba nesabelo.

25 "Ngasemkhawulweni wakwaSimeyoni, kusukela ohlangothini Iwasempumalanga kuze kube sohlangothini Iwasentshonalanga, u-Isakare uyakuba nesabelo.

26 "Ngasemkhawulweni wakwa-Isakare, kusukela ohlangothini Iwasempumalanga kuze kube sohlangothini Iwasentshonalanga, uZebuloni uyakuba nesabelo.

27 "Ngasemkhawulweni wakwaZebuloni, kusukela ohlangothi Iwasempumalanga kuze kube sohlangothini Iwasentshonalanga uGadi uyakuba nesabelo.

28 "Ngasemkhawulweni wakwaGadi, ohlangothini Iwaseningizimu ngaseningizimu, umkhawulo uyakusuka eTamari kuze kube semanzini aseMeribati Kadeshi nasemfulaneni, ngaseLwandle Olukhulu.

29 "Yilo leli zwe eniyakulahlukanisa ngenkatho, libe yifa lezizwe zakwa-Israyeli; yilezi izabelo zazo, isho iNkosi uJehova.

30 "Nanka amacele omuzi: kusukela ohlangothini Iwasenyakatho yizingalo eziyizinkulungwane ezine namakhulu ayisihlanu ngokulinganisa.

31 Amasango omuzi ayakubizwa ngamagama ezizwe zakwa-Israyeli, amasango amathathu abe ngasenyakatho: elinye yisango lakwaRubeni, elinye yisango lakwaJuda, elinye yisango lakwaLevi.

32 "Nasohlangothini Iwasempumalanga yizingalo eziyizinkulungwane ezine namakhulu ayisihlanu, namasango amathathu: elinye yisango lakwaJosefa, elinye yisango lakwaBenjamini, elinye yisango lakwaDani.

33 "Nasohlangothini Iwaseningizimu yizingalo eziyizinkulungwane ezine namakhulu ayisihlanu ngokulinganisa, namasango, amathathu: elinye yisango lakwaSimeyoni, elinye yisango lakwa-Isakare, elinye yisango lakwaZebuloni.

34 "Ohlangothini Iwasentshonalanga yizingalo eziyizinkulungwane ezine namakhulu ayisihlanu, namasango azo amathathu: elinye yisango lakwaGadi, elinye yisango lakwa-Asheri, elinye yisango lakwaNafetali.

35 "Nxazonke kuyakuba yizingalo eziyizinkulungwane eziyishumi nesishiyagalombili. "Igama lomuzi kusukela kulolu suku liyakuthiwa UJEHOVA ULAPHA."

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