

# ZAKARIYA

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## ISAPHLUKO 1

**N**genyanga yesishiyagalombili ngomnyaka wesibili kaDaryu izwi likaJehova lafika kuZakariya indodana kaBerekiya ka-Ido, umprofethi, lathi:

<sup>2</sup> “UJehova wathukuthelela nokuthukuthelela oyihlo.

<sup>3</sup> Kepha yisho wena kubo, uthi: Usho kanje uJehova Sebawoti, uthi: ‘Buyelani kimi,’ usho uJehova Sebawoti, ‘ngiyakubuyela kini,’ usho uJehova Sebawoti.

<sup>4</sup> Ningabi njengawoyihlo abaprofethi bokuqala abamemeza kubo, bathi: Usho kanje uJehova Sebawoti, uthi: ‘Ake nibuye ezindleleni zenu ezimbi nasezenzweni zenu ezimbi,’ kepha kabalalelanga, kabangiqaphelanga, usho uJehova.

<sup>5</sup> Oyihlo baphi na? Nabaprofethi bakhona kuze kube phakade na?

<sup>6</sup> Kanti amazwi ami nezimiso zami engayala ngakho izinceku zami abaprofethi akubaficanga yini oyihlo, baze baphenduka, bathi: ‘Njengalokho uJehova Sebawoti ebehlosa ukwenza kithi njengezindlela zethu nemisebenzi yethu, wenze kanjalo kithina, na?’ ”

<sup>7</sup> Ngosuku lwamashumi amabili nane lwenyanga yeshumi nanye eyinyanga kaShebati ngomnyaka wesibili kaDaryu izwi likaJehova lafika kuZakariya indodana kaBerekiya ka-Ido, umprofethi, lathi:

<sup>8</sup> Ngabona ebusuku; bheka, nango umuntu ekhwele ihhashi elibomvu, wema phakathi kwemibomvana eyayisesigodini, nasemva kwakhe kwakukhona amahhashi abomvu, nalufipha, namhlophe.

<sup>9</sup> Ngase ngithi: “Bayini laba?” Ingelosi eyayikhuluma nami yathi kimi: “Ngiyakukubonisa ukuthi bayini laba.”

<sup>10</sup> Umuntu owayemi phakathi kwemibomvana wathatha wathi: “Laba yibo uJehova abathumile ukuba bahambahambe emhlabeni.”

<sup>11</sup> Base bethatha, bathi kuyo ingelosi kaJehova eyayimi phakathi kwemibomvana: “Sihambahambile emhlabeni; bheka, wonke umhlaba uhlezi uthule.”

<sup>12</sup> Yayisithatha ingelosi kaJehova, yathi: “Jehova Sebawoti, koze kube nini ungabi nasihe kulo iJerusalema nakuyo imizi yakwaJuda oyithukuthelele le minyaka engamashumi ayisikhombisa na?”

<sup>13</sup> UJehova wayesephendula ingelosi eyayikhuluma kimi ngamazwi amahle, amazwi amnandi.

<sup>14</sup> Yayisithi kimi ingelosi eyayikhuluma nami: “Memeza uthi: Usho kanje uJehova Sebawoti, uthi: ‘Ngihawukela iJerusalema neSiyoni ngokuhawukela okukhulu.

<sup>15</sup> Ngentukuthelo enkulu ngiyathukuthelela izizwe ezizinzileyo, ngokuba lapho ngithukuthele kancane nje, zandisa okubi.’

- 16** “Ngalokho usho kanje uJehova, uthi: ‘Ngiyakubuyela eJerusalema ngomusa, indlu yami yakhiwe kulo,’ usho uJehova Sebawoti, ‘kwelulwe umucu wokulinganisa phezu kweJerusalema.’
- 17** “Phinda umemeze, uthi: Usho kanje uJehova Sebawoti, uthi: ‘Imizi yami isayakuchichima okuhle, uJehova abuye aliduduze iSiyoni, abuye alikhethe iJerusalema.’ ”
- 18** Ngase ngiphakamisa amehlo ami, ngabona; bheka, nazo izimpondo ezine.
- 19** Ngathi kuyo ingelosi eyayikhuluma nami: “Ziyini lezi?” Yathi kimi: “Lezi ziyizimpondo ezihlakazile oJuda, no-Israyeli, neJerusalema.”
- 20** UJehova wayesengibonisa abakhandi abane bensimbi.
- 21** Ngathi: “Laba bafike ukwenzani na?” Wakhuluma wathi: “Leziya ziyizimpondo ezazimhlakaza uJuda ngangokuba kungabangakho muntu ophakamisa ikhanda lakhe, kepha laba bafikile ukubashaya ngovalo, bawise phansi izimpondo zabezizwe ezaziphakamisa uphondo ngezwe lakwaJuda ukuba lihlakazwe.”

## ISAHLUKO 2

**N**gaphakamisa amehlo ami, ngabona; bheka, nango umuntu enentambo yokulinganisa esandleni sakhe.

- 2** Ngathi: “Uya ngaphi?” Wathi kimi: “Ngiya ukulinganisa iJerusalema, ngibone ukuthi bungakanani ububanzi balo, bungakanani nobude balo.”
- 3** Bheka, ingelosi eyayikhuluma nami yayisiphuma, nenye ingelosi yaphuma ukuyihlangabeza,
- 4** yathi kuyo: “Gijima ukhulume kule nsizwa ukuthi iJerusalema liyakwakhiwa njengemizi engenanzingange ngenxa yobuningi babantu nezinkomo okuphakathi kwalo.
- 5** ‘Kepha mina,’ usho uJehova, ‘ngiyakuba lugange lomlilo kulo nxazonke, futhi ngibe yinkazimulo phakathi kwalo.’
- 6** “Hheyi, hheyi, balekelani izwe lasenyakatho!” usho uJehova, “ngokuba nginihlakazile njengemimoya yomine yezulu,” usho uJehova.
- 7** “Hheyi, zikhulule, uye eSiyoni, wena ohlezi nendodakazi yaseBabele!”
- 8** Ngokuba usho kanje uJehova Sebawoti ongithumile ukulanda inkazimulo yakhe ezizweni ezaziniphanga ngokuba othinta nina uthinta inhlamvu yeso lakhe uthi:
- 9** “Bhekani, ngiyakuqhweba ngesandla phezu kwabo, babe yimpango yababebakhonza, nazi ukuthi nguJehova Sebawoti ongithumileyo.
- 10** “Hlabelela ngokujabula, uthokoze, ndodakazi yaseSiyoni, ngokuba bhekani, ngiyeza, ngiyakuhlala phakathi kwakho,” usho uJehova.
- 11** “Izizwe eziningi ziyakuzihlanganisa noJehova ngalolo suku, zibe ngabantu bami; ngiyakuhlala phakathi kwakho, wazi ukuthi nguJehova Sebawoti ongithumile kuwe.
- 12** UJehova uyakudla ifa lakwaJuda, libe yisabelo sakhe ezweni elingcwele, abuye akhethe iJerusalema.
- 13** Thula, nyama yonke, phambi kukaJehova, ngokuba uvukile, waphuma endaweni yakhe engcwele.”

## ISAHLUKO 3

**W**ayesengibonisa uJoshuwa umpristi omkhulu emi phambi kwengelosi kaJehova, noSathane emi ngakwesokunene sakhe ukumelana naye.

<sup>2</sup> UJehova wathi kuSathane: “UJehova uyakukukhuza, Sathane, yebo, uJehova olikhethile iJerusalema uyakukukhuza; lo akasiso isikhuni esophulwe emlilweni na?”

<sup>3</sup> UJoshuwa wayembethe izingubo ezingcolileyo; wayemi phambi kwengelosi.

<sup>4</sup> Yathatha yasho kwababemi phambi kwayo, yathi: “Mkhumuleni izingubo ezingcolileyo.” Kuyena yathi: “Bheka, ngidedisile kuwe ububi bakho; ngiyakukwembathisa ezobukhosi.”

<sup>5</sup> Ngase ngithi: “Mababeke isigqoko esihlanzekileyo ekhanda lakhe.” Base bebeka isigqoko esihlanzekileyo ekhanda lakhe, bamembathisa izingubo, ingelosi kaJehova isemi khona.

<sup>6</sup> Ingelosi kaJehova yagomela kuJoshuwa, yathi:

<sup>7</sup> “Usho kanje uJehova Sebawoti, uthi: ‘Uma uhamba ngezindlela zami, ugcine inkonzo yami, uyakwahlulela endlini yami, ugcine namagceke ami; ngiyakukunika ukuba uhambe phakathi kwalaba abemi lapha.

<sup>8</sup> “ ‘Ake uzwe, Joshuwa, mpristi omkhulu, wena nabangane bakho abahlala phambi kwakho, ngokuba bangabantu abayisibonakaliso: bhekani, ngiyakuveza inceku yami, uHlumela.

<sup>9</sup> Ngokuba bheka, itshe engilibeke phambi kukaJoshuwa kukhona amehlo ayisikhombisa etsheni lilodwa ngiyakuqopha ukuqoshwa kwalo,’ usho uJehova Sebawoti, ‘ngidedisele kude ububi balelo zwe ngalusuku lunye.

<sup>10</sup> “ ‘Ngalolo suku,’ usho uJehova Sebawoti, ‘niyakumema, kube yilowo nalowo umngane wakhe phansi komvini naphansi komkhiwane.’ ”

## ISAHLUKO 4

**I**ngelosi eyayikhuluma nami yabuya, yangivusa njengomuntu evuswa ebuthongweni bakhe.

<sup>2</sup> Yathi kimi: “Ubonani na?” Ngathi: “Ngibona, bheka, uthi lwezibani luyigolide lonke, lunembizana yalo phezu kwalo, nezibani zalo eziyisikhombisa zikulo; kukhona imibhobho eyisikhombisa kuleso naleso sibani esiphezu kwalo,

<sup>3</sup> neminqumo emibili eseceleni kwalo, omunye ungakwesokunene sembizana, nomunye ungakwesokhohlo sayo.”

<sup>4</sup> Ngathatha ngasho kuyo ingelosi eyayikhuluma nami, ngathi: “Ziyini lezi, nkosi?”

<sup>5</sup> Ingelosi eyayikhuluma nami yaphendula, yathi kimi: “Awazi yini ukuthi ziyini lezi?” Ngathi: “Qha, nkosi.”

<sup>6</sup> Yayisithatha isho kimi, ithi: “Lokhu kuyizwi likaJehova kaZerubabele lokuthi: ‘Kungabi ngempi, kungabi ngamandla, kepha kube ngomoya wami kuphela,’ usho uJehova Sebawoti.

<sup>7</sup> “Ungubani wena ntaba enkulu? Phambi kukaZerubabele uyakuba yithafa; uyakukhipha itshe eliyinhloko ngokumemeza ukuthi: ‘Umusa, mawube kulo!’ ”

<sup>8</sup> Izwi likaJehova lafika kimi, lathi:

<sup>9</sup> “Izandla zikaZerubabele zibeke isisekelo sale ndlu, futhi izandla zakhe ziyakuyiqeda, wazi ukuthi nguJehova Sebawoti ongithumile kini.

<sup>10</sup> “Ngokuba ngubani oyakudelela usuku lwezinto ezincane, lapho ethokoza lawa mehlo ayisikhombisa kaJehova aqalaza emhlabeni wonke ukubona umthofu wokumisa esandleni sikaZerubabele, na?”

- <sup>11</sup> Ngase ngithatha, ngithi kuyo: “Iyini le minqumo emibili ngakwesokunene sothi lwezibani nangakwesokhohlo salo na?”
- <sup>12</sup> Ngathatha ngokwesibili, ngathi kuyo: “Ayini lawa magatsha amabili eminqumo aseceleni kwemibhobho emibili yegolide, athululwa ngayo amafutha egolide na?”
- <sup>13</sup> Yangiphendula yathi: “Awazi ukuthi ayini?” Ngathi: “Qha, nkosi.”
- <sup>14</sup> Yayisithi: “Lawa angabagcotshweyo ababili abemi ngaseNkosini yomhlaba wonke.”

## ISAHLUKO 5

**N**gabuye ngaphakamisa amehlo ami, ngabona; bheka, nanko umqulu wencwadi ondizayo.

- <sup>2</sup> Yathi kimi: “Ubonani na?” Ngathi: “Ngibona umqulu wencwadi ondizayo, ubude bawo buyizingalo ezingamashumi amabili, nobubanzi bawo buyizingalo eziyishumi.”
- <sup>3</sup> Yayisithi kimi: “Nasi isiqalekiso esiphumela ebusweni bomhlaba wonke, ngokuba ngokusho kwaso bonke abebayo bayakunqunywa lapha, nabo bonke abafungayo bayakunqunywa lapha ngokusho kwaso.
- <sup>4</sup> ‘Ngiyakusiphumisa,’ usho uJehova Sebawoti, ‘singene endlini yesela nasendlini yofunga amanga ngegama lami, sihlale phakathi kwendlu yakhe, siyiqede kanye nemithi yayo namatshe ayo.’ ”
- <sup>5</sup> Yayisiphuma ingelosi eyayikhuluma nami, yathi kimi: “Ake uphakamise amehlo akho, ubone ukuthi kuyini lokhu okuphumayo.”
- <sup>6</sup> Ngathi: “Kuyini?” Yathi: “Lokhu kuyi-efa eliphumayo.” Yabuye yathi: “Lokhu kungububi babo ezweni lonke.”
- <sup>7</sup> Bheka, isisibekelo somthofu saziphakamisa, kwakungowesifazane owahlala phakathi kwe-efa.
- <sup>8</sup> Yathi: “Lokhu kungububi.” Wamphonsa phakathi kwe-efa, waphonsa isisindo somthofu emlonyeni walo.
- <sup>9</sup> Ngase ngiphakamisa amehlo ami, ngabona; bheka, kwaphuma abesifazane ababili, umoya usemaphikweni abo; babe namaphiko njengamaphiko kanogolantethe, baliphakamisa i-efa emkhathini wezulu nomhlaba.
- <sup>10</sup> Ngase ngithi kuyo ingelosi eyayikhuluma nami: “Laba baliyisaphi i-efa na?”
- <sup>11</sup> Yathi kimi: “Ukulakhela indlu ezweni laseShineyari; isilungisiwe liyakubekwa khona endaweni yalo.”

## ISAHLUKO 6

**N**gabuye ngaphakamisa amehlo ami, ngabona; bheka, kwaphuma izinqola ezine phakathi kwezintaba ezimbili; izintaba zaziyizintaba zethusi.

- <sup>2</sup> Enqoleni yokuqala kwakukhona amahhashi abomvu, nasenqoleni yesibili amahhashi amnyama,
- <sup>3</sup> nasenqoleni yesithathu amahhashi amhlophe, nasenqoleni yesine amahhashi anala alufipha.
- <sup>4</sup> Ngase ngithatha, ngithi kuyo ingelosi eyayikhuluma nami: “Ayini lana, nkosi?”
- <sup>5</sup> Ingelosi yaphendula, yathi kimi: “Lana ayimimoya yomine yezulu ephuma ekumeni phambi kweNkosi yomhlaba wonke.
- <sup>6</sup> Enamahhashi amnyama iphumela ezweni lasenyakatho; amhlophe ayawalandela; anala

aphumela ezweni laseningizimu.”

<sup>7</sup> Alufipha aphuma, afuna ukuhambahamba emhlabeni; yathi: “Hambani, nihambahambe emhlabeni.” Ayesehambahamba emhlabeni.

<sup>8</sup> Yayisimemeza kimi, yakhuluma kimi, yathi: “Bheka, aphumela ezweni lasenyakatho, ayakuthulisa uMoya wami ezweni lasenyakatho.”

<sup>9</sup> Lase lifika izwi likaJehova, lathi;

<sup>10</sup> “Yamukela kubathunjwa, kuHelidayi, nakuThobiya, nakuJedaya izipho, uhambe wena ngalona lolo suku, ungene endlini kaJosiya indodana kaZefaniya, lapho befike khona bevela eBabele.

<sup>11</sup> Lapho wamukele isiliva negolide, yenza umqhele, uwubeke ekhanda likaJoshuwa indodana kaJehosadaki, umpri omkhulu,

<sup>12</sup> usho kuye, uthi: ‘Usho kanje uJehova Sebawoti, uthi: Bheka, kukhona indoda egama layo linguHlumela; uyakumila endaweni yakhe, akhe ithempeli likaJehova.

<sup>13</sup> Yebo, yena uyakulakha ithempeli likaJehova, athwale ubukhosi, ahlale, abuse esihlalweni sakhe sobukhosi, kube khona nompri esihlalweni sakhe sobukhosi, kube khona ukululekana ngokuthula phakathi kwabo bobabili.’

<sup>14</sup> Imiqhele iyakuba yisikhumbuzo sikaHelemi, nesikaThobiya, nesikaJedaya, nesikaHenri, indodana kaZefaniya, ethempelini likaJehova.

<sup>15</sup> Abakude bayakufika, bakhe ithempeli likaJehova, nazi ukuthi nguJehova Sebawoti ongithumile kini. Kuyakwenzeka, uma nilalela nokulalela izwi likaJehova uNkulunkulu wenu.”

## ISAHLUKO 7

**K**wathi ngomnyaka wesine wenkosi uDariyu izwi likaJehova lafika kuZakariya ngolwesine lwenyanga eyisishiyagalolunye, ekaKhisilevi.

<sup>2</sup> IBethele lalithume oSareseri noRegemi Meleki namadoda abo ukunxusa kuJehova

<sup>3</sup> nokukhuluma kubapristi abasendlini kaJehova Sebawoti nakubaprofethi ngokuthi: “Ngikhale ngenyanga yesihlanu, ngizile, njengalokho ngenzile le minyaka eminingi, na?”

<sup>4</sup> Lase lifika izwi likaJehova Sebawoti kimi, lathi:

<sup>5</sup> “Khuluma kubo bonke abantu bezwe nakubo abapristi, uthi: ‘Ekuzileni kwenu nasekulileni ngenyanga yesihlanu nangeyesikhombisa le minyaka engamashumi ayisikhombisa nangizilela nokungizilela mina na?’

<sup>6</sup> Lapho nidlayo nalapho niphuzayo, anizidleli, niziphuzela nina, na?

<sup>7</sup> Akusiwo lawa mazwi uJehova awamemezayo ngesandla sabaprofethi bokuqala, lapho iJerusalema lalaxhiwe lisabusa, nalapho imizi yalo nxazonke zalo nelaseningizimu nehlanze kwakwaxhiwe, na?’ ”

<sup>8</sup> Izwi likaJehova lafika kuZakariya, lathi:

<sup>9</sup> “Washo kanje uJehova Sebawoti, wathi: ‘Yahlulelani izahlulelo eziqinisileyo, nenze umusa nobubele, kube yilowo nalowo kumfowabo,

<sup>10</sup> ningacindezeli abafelokazi, nezintandane, nabafokazi, nabampofu, kungabi ngoceba okubi ngomfowabo enhliziyweni yakhe.’

<sup>11</sup> “Kepha bala ukulalela, baphekula ihlombe, benza izindlebe zabo zaba buthuntu ukuba bangezwa.

<sup>12</sup> Benza izinhliziyiyo zabo zaba yidayimani, funa bezwe umthetho namazwi ayewathume uJehova Sebawoti ngoMoya wakhe ngesandla sabaprofethi bokuqala; ngalokho kwavela

intukuthelo enkulu ivela kuJehova Sebawoti.

**13** “ ‘Kwathi njengalokho wamemeza, bona bengezwanga, kanjalo,’ usho uJehova Sebawoti, ‘bayakumemeza bona, ngingezwa mina.

**14** Ngiyakubahlakazela phakathi kwezizwe zonke abangazazanga. Izwe selichithekile emva kwabo, ukuze kungabikho muntu odlulayo nobuyayo, ngokuba benza izwe elihle laba yincithakalo.’ ”

## ISAHLUKO 8

**I**zwi likaJehova Sebawoti lafika lathi:

**2** Usho kanje uJehova Sebawoti, uthi: “Ngihawukela iJerusalema ngokuhawukela okukhulu, yebo, ngilihawukela ngokufutheka okukhulu.”

**3** Usho kanje uJehova, uthi: “Ngiyakubuyela eSiyoni, ngihlale phakathi kweJerusalema; iJerusalema liyakuthiwa uMuzi Weqiniso nentaba kaJehova Sebawoti iNtaba Engcwele.”

**4** Usho kanje uJehova Sebawoti, uthi: “Kusazakuhlala amaxhegu nezalukazi ezitaladini zaseJerusalema, yilowo nalowo abe nodondolo esandleni sakhe ngenxa yobuningi bezinsuku zakhe.

**5** Izitaladi zasemzini ziyakugcwala abafana namantombazana bedlala ezitaladini zawo.”

**6** Usho kanje uJehova Sebawoti, uthi: “Uma kuyisimangaliso emehlweni ensali yalaba bantu ngalezo zinsuku, kuyakuba yisimangaliso emehlweni ami na?” usho uJehova Sebawoti.

**7** Usho kanje uJehova Sebawoti, uthi: “Bhekani, ngiyakusindisa abantu bami ezweni lasempumalanga nasezweni lasentshonalanga,

**8** ngibahambise, bakhe phakathi kweJerusalema, babe ngabantu bami, mina ngibe nguNkulunkulu wabo ngeqiniso nangokulunga.”

**9** Usho kanje uJehova Sebawoti, uthi: “Maziqine izandla zenu nina enizwa kulezi zinsuku lawa mazwi avela emlonyeni wabaprofethi ababe khona mhla sibekwa isisekelo sendlu kaJehova Sebawoti, ithempeli, ukuba yakhiwe.

**10** Ngokuba ngaphambi kwalezo zinsuku kwakungekho nkokhelo yomuntu nanzuzo yenkomo, nakophumayo nakongenayo kwakungekho ukuthula ngenxa yesitha, ngokuba ngakhulula bonke abantu, kwaba yilowo nalowo wamelana nomfowabo.

**11** Kepha angisayikuba njalo kuyo insali yalaba bantu njengasezinsukwini zakuqala,” usho uJehova Sebawoti.

**12** “Ngokuba kuyakuba khona imbewu yokuthula; umvini uyakuthela izithelo zawo, umhlabathi uveze ukudla kwawo, amazulu anike amazolo awo, ngenze ukuba insali yalaba bantu idle ifa lazo zonke lezi zinto.

**13** Kuyakuthi, njengalokho wawuyisiqalekiso phakathi kwabezizwe wena ndlu yakwaJuda nawe ndlu yakwa-Israyeli, kanjalo nginisindise, nibe yisibusiso; ningesabi, kepha maziqine izandla zenu.”

**14** Ngokuba usho kanje uJehova Sebawoti, uthi: “Njengalokho ngahlosa ukwenza okubi kini, lapho oyihlo babengithukuthelisa,” usho uJehova Sebawoti, “ngingazisolanga,

**15** kanjalo ngibuye ngahlosa kulezi zinsuku ukwenzela iJerusalema nendlu yakwaJuda okuhle; ningesabi.

**16** Yilezi zinto eniyakuzenza: khulumani iqiniso, kube yilowo nalowo nomfowabo, nahlulele izahlulelo zeqiniso nezokuthula emasangweni enu,

**17** ningacebi okubi ezinhliziyweni zenu, kube yilowo nalowo ngomakhelwane wakhe,

ningathandi izifungo zamanga, ngokuba lezo zinto yilezo engizizondayo,” usho uJehova.

<sup>18</sup> Izwi likaJehova Sebawoti lafika kimi, lathi:

<sup>19</sup> Usho kanje uJehova Sebawoti, uthi: “Ukuzila kwenyanga yesine, nokuzila kweyesihlanu, nokuzila kweyesikhombisa, nokuzila kweyeshumi kuyakuba ngukujabula nokuthokoza nemikhosi emihle kuyo indlu yakwaJuda; thandani iqiniso nokuthula.”

<sup>20</sup> Usho kanje uJehova Sebawoti, uthi: “Kusazakufika izizwe nabakhe emizini eminingi,

<sup>21</sup> bahambe abakhileyo komunye, baye komunye, bathi: ‘Masiye impela ukunxusa ebusweni bukaJehova, simfune uJehova Sebawoti; nami ngiyakuhamba.’

<sup>22</sup> Kuyakufika abantu abaningi nezizwe ezinamandla ukufuna uJehova Sebawoti eJerusalema nokunxusa ebusweni bukaJehova.”

<sup>23</sup> Usho kanje uJehova Sebawoti, uthi: “Ngalezo zinsuku amadoda ayishumi azo zonke izilimi zabezizwe ayakubamba umphetho womuntu wakwaJuda ngokuthi: ‘Siyakuhamba nani, ngokuba sizwile ukuthi uNkulunkulu unani.’ ”

## ISAPHELA 9

**I**siprofetho sezwi likaJehova phezu kwezwe lakwaHadiraki; nalo iDamaseku liyakuba yindawo yokuhlala kwaso, ngokuba uJehova uneso kubantu, ikakhulu kuzo zonke izizwe zakwa-Israyeli,

<sup>2</sup> kanye neHamati elikhawula kulo, neTire neSidoni, ngokuba kuhlakaniphile kakhulu.

<sup>3</sup> ITire lazakhela inqaba, lanqwabela isiliva njengothuli, negolide elicwengekileyo njengodaka lwasezitaladini.

<sup>4</sup> Bheka, iNkosi iyakulaphuca, iphonse imfuyo yalo elwandle, lona lidliwe ngumlilo.

<sup>5</sup> I-Ashikeloni liyakukubona, lesabe, neGaza futhi, bese lithuthumela kakhulu, kanye ne-Ekroni, ngokuba ukwethemba kwalo kuyakujabha; inkosi iyakubhubha eGaza, ne-Ashikeloni aliyikuhlalwa.

<sup>6</sup> E-Ashidodi kuyakuhlala umntwana wesihlahla; ngiyakunquma ukuziphakamisa kwamaFilisti.

<sup>7</sup> Ngiyakukhipha igazi labo emlonyeni wabo, nezinengiso zabo phakathi kwamazinyo abo, nabo uqobo babe yinsali kuNkulunkulu wethu, babe ngababusi kwaJuda nase-Ekroni njengamaJebusi.

<sup>8</sup> Ngiyakumisa ngibe yinqaba yendlu yami, ukuze kungabikho odlulayo nobuyayo; akusayikudlula mcindezeli kubo, ngokuba sengibonile ngawami amehlo.

<sup>9</sup> Thokoza kakhulu, ndodakazi yaseSiyoni; jabula nokujabula, ndodakazi yaseJerusalema; bheka, iNkosi yakho iza kuwe, ilungile, inensindiso, ithobekile, ikhwele imbongolo, ithole, inkonyane yembongolokazi.

<sup>10</sup> Ngiyakunquma inqola kwa-Efrayimi nehhashi eJerusalema, nomnsalo wokulwa uyakunqunywa; iyakukhuluma ukuthula kwabezizwe, nokubusa kwayo kuyakusukela elwandle kuze kufike elwandle, kusukela eMfuleni kuze kufike emajukujukwini omhlaba.

<sup>11</sup> Nawe, ngenxa yegazi lesivumelwano sakho, ngikhiphile iziboshwa zakho emgodini okungekho kuwo amanzi.

<sup>12</sup> Buyelani enqabeni, ziboshwa esezinethemba; namuhla ngiyanitshela ukuthi ngiyakubuyisela kini okuphindwe kabili.

<sup>13</sup> Ngokuba ngizigobela uJuda njengomnsalo, ngibeka u-Efrayimi kuwo, ngivusela amadodana akho, Siyoni, kumadodana akho, Javani, ngikwenze inkemba yeqhawe.

<sup>14</sup> UJehova abesebonakala phezu kwabo, umcibisholo wakhe uphume njengonyazi;



iNkosi uJehova iyakubetha icilongo, ihambe ngezivunguvungu zaseningizimu.

<sup>15</sup> UJehova Sebowoti uyakubavikela, badle, banyathele phansi amatshe endwayimana; bayakuphuza igazi labo njengewayini, bagcwale njengemikhele, njengamagumbi e-altare.

<sup>16</sup> UJehova uNkulunkulu wabo uyakubasindisa ngalolo suku njengomhlambi wabantu bakhe, ngokuba bangamatshe omqhele abengezela phezu kwezwe lakhe.

<sup>17</sup> Yeka ubuhle balo! Yeka ukubukeka kwalo! Amabele abo ayakuhlumisa izinsizwa zalo, newayini elisha izintombi zalo.

## ISAHLUKO 10

**C**elani kuJehova imvula ngesikhathi semvula yamuva, uJehova owenza imibani, abesebanika izihlambi zemvula, yilowo nalowo aphiwe utshani ezweni lakhe.

<sup>2</sup> Ngokuba amatherafi akhulumile okuyize, nababhuli babone okungamanga; bakhuluma amaphupho angelutho, baduduza ngeze; ngalokho bayasuka njengezimvu, bathotshisiwe, ngokuba kungekho umalusi.

<sup>3</sup> “Intukuthelo yami ivuthele abelusi; ngiyakujezisa izimpongo, ngokuba uJehova Sebowoti uyakuhambela umhlambi wakhe, indlu yakwaJuda, abenze babe njengehhashi elinobukhosi ekulweni.

<sup>4</sup> Kuyena kuyakuphuma itshe legumbi, kuyena isikhonkwane, kuyena umnsalo wempi, kuyena bonke ababusi kanyekanye.

<sup>5</sup> Bayakuba njengamaqhawe anyathela udaka ezitaladini ekulweni; bayakulwa, ngokuba uJehova unabo, nezinkweli zamahhashi ziyakujabha.

<sup>6</sup> “Ngiyakuqinisa indlu yakwaJuda, ngisindise indlu yakwaJosefa, ngibabuyise, ngokuba nginomusa kubo, babe kungathi angizange ngibalahle, ngokuba nginguJehova uNkulunkulu wabo; ngiyakubezwa.

<sup>7</sup> U-Efrayimi uyakuba njengeqhawe; inhliziyo yabo iyakuthokoza njengangewayini; abantwana babo bayakukubona, bathokoze; inhliziyo yabo iyakujabula kuJehova.

<sup>8</sup> Ngiyakubahlabela ikhwelo, ngibabuthe, ngokuba ngibahlengile; bayakwanda njengalokho kade banda.

<sup>9</sup> Nalapho ngibahlwanyela phakathi kwabantu, bayakungikhumbula ezindaweni ezikude, baphile kanye nabantwana babo, babuye.

<sup>10</sup> Ngiyakubabuyisa ezweni laseGibithe, ngibabuthe e-Asiriya, ngibangenise ezweni lakwaGileyadi naseLebanoni, abayikutholelwa indawo.

<sup>11</sup> Bayakudabula elwandle lokuhlupheka, kushaywe amaza olwandle, nezintwa zonke zeNayile ziyakoma, kwehliswe ukuziphakamisa kwe-Asiriya, isuke intonga yaseGibithe.

<sup>12</sup> Ngiyakubaqinisa kuJehova, bahambe egameni lakhe,” usho uJehova.

## ISAHLUKO 11

**V**ula iminyango yakho, Lebanoni, ukuba umlilo udle imisedari yakho.

<sup>2</sup> Hhewula, msayipuresi, ngokuba umsedari uyawa, ngokuba emihle iyachithwa; hewulani nina ma-oki aseBashani, ngokuba ihlathi elingenakudatshulwa liyawa.

<sup>3</sup> Izwi lokukhala kwabelusi! ngokuba udumo lwabo luyachithwa; izwi lokubhonga kwamabhongo ezingonyama! ngokuba ubuhle beJordani buyaqothulwa.

<sup>4</sup> Usho kanje uJehova uNkulunkulu wami, uthi: “Yalusa izimvu zokuhlatsywa,

<sup>5</sup> ezibathengi bazo bazihlaba, bengazithwesi icala bona kodwa, nezibathengisi bazo bathi:



'Makabongwe uJehova, ngokuba ngiceba njalo,' nezibelusi bazo bangazihawukeli.

<sup>6</sup> Ngokuba angisayikubahawukela abakhileyo ezweni," usho uJehova, "kepha bheka, ngiyakunikela abantu, kube yilowo nalowo esandleni somakhelwane wakhe nasesandleni senkosi yakhe; bona bayakushaya izwe labo, kepha angiyikubophula esandleni sabo."

<sup>7</sup> Ngase ngalusa izimvu zokuhlathiswa, izimvu ezihluphekayo. Ngazithathela izintonga ezimbili, enye ngayibiza ngokuthi uMusa, nenye ngayibiza ngokuthi uZibopho; ngalusa-ke izimvu.

<sup>8</sup> Ngabanquma abelusi bobathathu ngenyanga inye, ngokuba umphefumulo wami wadinwa yibo, nganengwa ngumphefumulo wabo.

<sup>9</sup> Ngase ngithi: "Angisayikunalusa; efayo mayife, eyakuchithwa mayichithwe, neziseleyo mazidle, kube yileyo naleyo inyama yenye."

<sup>10</sup> Ngase ngithatha induku yami uMusa, ngayingqamula, ukuze ngaphule isivumelwano sami engangisenzile nabantu bonke.

<sup>11</sup> Saphulwa ngalona lolo suku, bese zazi izimvu ezihluphekayo ezangilalela ukuthi kwakuyizwi likaJehova.

<sup>12</sup> Ngase ngithi kuzo: "Uma kukuhle emehlweni enu, ngipheni inkokhelo yami, kepha uma kungenjalo, yekani." Zase zilinganisela inkokhelo yami izinhlamvu ezingamashumi amathathu zesiliva.

<sup>13</sup> Wathi kimi uJehova: "Ziphonse kumbumbi," inani elikhulu engilinganisiwe nalo yibo. Ngazamukela izinhlamvu ezingamashumi amathathu zesiliva, ngaziphonsa kumbumbi endlini kaJehova.

<sup>14</sup> Ngase ngiyinqamula intonga yami yesibili, uZibopho, ukuba ngaphule ubuzalwane phakathi kukaJuda no-Israyeli.

<sup>15</sup> UJehova wayesethi kimi: "Zithathele izikhali zomalusi oyisiwula.

<sup>16</sup> Ngokuba bheka, ngiyakuvusa umalusi ezweni ongayikuhambela ezilahlekileyo, angafuni ezihlakazekileyo, angazelaphi ezaphukileyo, angaboneleli eziphilayo, kepha adle inyama yezikhulupheleyo, adwebule izinselo zazo.

<sup>17</sup> "Maye kumalusi oyisiwula oshiya izimvu! Inkemba iyakuba sengalweni yakhe nasesweni lakhe lokunene; ingalo yakhe iyakubuna nokubuna, neso lakhe lokunene liyakufiphala nokufiphala."

## ISAHLUKO 12

**I**siprofetho. Izwi likaJehova ngo-Israyeli. UJehova oweneka amazulu, wabeka isisekelo somhlaba, wabumba umoya womuntu phakathi kwakhe, uthi:

<sup>2</sup> "Bheka, ngiyakwenza iJerusalema libe yindebe yokutengezela kubo bonke abantu nxazonke nakulo iJuda ekuvinjezelweni kweJerusalema.

<sup>3</sup> Kuyakuthi ngalolo suku ngenze iJerusalema libe yitshe elisindayo kuzo zonke izizwe; zonke ezizithwesa lona ziyakusikwa nokusikwa; zonke izizwe zomhlaba ziyakulihlanganyela.

<sup>4</sup> Ngalolo suku," usho uJehova, "ngiyakushaya onke amahhashi ngokugcwaneka nezinkweli zawo ngobuhlanya; ngiyakuvula amehlo ami phezu kwendlu yakwaJuda, ngishaye onke amahhashi abezizwe ngobumpumputhe.

<sup>5</sup> Ababusi bakwaJuda bayakusho ezinhliziyweni zabo ukuthi: 'Abakhileyo eJerusalema bangamandla ami kuJehova Sebawoti, uNkulunkulu wabo.'

<sup>6</sup> "Ngalolo suku ngiyakwenza ababusi bakwaJuda babe ngumcengezi womlilo phakathi kwemithi nobhaqa lomlilo phakathi kwezithungu; bayakuqeda bonke abantu nxazonke

ngakwesokunene nangakwesokhohlo, iJerusalema libe lisahlala endaweni yalo eJerusalema.

<sup>7</sup> “UJehova uyakusindisa amatende akwaJuda kuqala, ukuze udumo lwendlu yakwaDavide nodumo lwabakhileyo eJerusalema lungakhuliswa phezu kukaJuda.

<sup>8</sup> Ngalolo suku uJehova uyakulondoloza abakhileyo eJerusalema; okhubekayo phakathi kwabo ngalolo suku uyakuba njengoDavide, indlu kaDavide ibe njengoNkulunkulu, njengengelosi kaJehova ngaphambi kwabo.

<sup>9</sup> Kuyakuthi ngalolo suku ngifune ukuchitha bonke abezizwe abahlasela iJerusalema.

<sup>10</sup> “Ngiyakuthululela phezu kwendlu kaDavide naphezu kwabakhileyo eJerusalema umoya womusa nowokunxusa, bambheke abamgwazileyo, bamlilele njengokulilela ozelwe yedwa, babe nomunyu ngaye njengonomunyu ngezibulo lakhe.

<sup>11</sup> Ngalolo suku kuyakuba khona ukulila okukhulu eJerusalema njengokulila kweHadadi Rimoni esigodini saseMegidoni.

<sup>12</sup> Izwe liyakulila imindeni ngemindeni ngokwayo: umndeni wendlu yakwaDavide ngokwawo nabesifazane bawo ngokwabo; umndeni wendlu yakwaNathani ngokwawo nabesifazane bawo ngokwabo;

<sup>13</sup> umndeni wendlu yakwaLevi ngokwawo nabesifazane bawo ngokwabo; umndeni kaShimeyi ngokwawo nabesifazane bawo ngokwabo,

<sup>14</sup> nayo yonke imindeni eseleyo, imindeni ngemindeni ngokwayo nabesifazane bayo ngokwabo.

## ISAHLUKO 13

**“N**galolo suku kuyakuba khona umthombo ovulelwa izono nokungcola kwendlu kaDavide nabakhileyo eJerusalema.

<sup>2</sup> “Kuyakuthi ngalolo suku,” usho uJehova Sebawoti, “nginqume amagama ezithombe ezweni, zingabe zisakhunjulwa, ngidlulise abaprofethi nawomoya abangcolileyo ezweni.

<sup>3</sup> Kuyakuthi uma kusaprofetha umuntu, uyise nonina abamzalayo basho kuye ukuthi: ‘Awuyikuphila, ngokuba ukhuluma amanga egameni likaJehova,’ uyise nonina abamzalayo bamgwaze esaprofetha.

<sup>4</sup> “Kuyakuthi ngalolo suku abaprofethi babe namahloni, kube yilowo nalowo ngombono wakhe ekuprofetheni kwakhe, bangembathi ingubo yoboya ukuyokhohlisa;

<sup>5</sup> kepha uyakuthi: ‘Angisiye umprofethi, ngingumlimi womhlabathi, ngokuba umuntu wangithenga ebusheni bami.’

<sup>6</sup> Uma sekuthiwa kuye: ‘Iyini leyo mivimbo esezandleni zakho na?’ uyakuthi: ‘Engashaywa ngayo endlini yabathandiweyo bami.’

<sup>7</sup> “Vuka, nkemba, uvukele umalusi wami, uvukele umuntu ongumngane wami,” usho uJehova Sebawoti. “Shaya umalusi, zize zihlakazeke izimvu, bese ngiphendulela abancane isandla sami.

<sup>8</sup> Kuyakuthi ezweni lonke,” usho uJehova, “kunqunywe izinxenye ezimbili kulo, zibhubhe, kusale eyesithathu kulo.

<sup>9</sup> Ngiyakungenisa inxenye yesithathu emlilweni, ngibacwengisisa njengokucwengisiswa kwesiliva, ngibavivinye njengokuvivinywa kwegolide; bayakubiza igama lami, ngibaphendule, ngithi: ‘Bangabantu bami;’ base bethi: ‘UJehova unguNkulunkulu wami.’ ”

## ISAHLUKO 14

**B**heka, luyeza usuku lukaJehova, lapho impango yakho iyakwahlukaniswa phakathi kwakho.

<sup>2</sup> Ngiyakubuthela iJerusalema bonke abezizwe ukuba balwe nalo; umuzi uyakuthathwa, izindlu ziphangwe, kuphoqwe abesifazane; inxenye yomuzi iyakumuka, iye ekuthunjweni, kepha abantu abaseleyo abayikunqunywa emzini.

<sup>3</sup> UJehova uyakuphuma, alwe nalabo bezizwe njengasosukwini lwempi yakhe ngosuku lokulwa.

<sup>4</sup> Izinyawo zakhe ziyakuma ngalolo suku eNtabeni Yeminqumo ephambi kweJerusalema ngasempumalanga, iNtaba Yeminqumo iqhekezeke phakathi ngasempumalanga nangasentshonalanga, kube yisigodi esikhulu kakhulu; inxenye yentaba iyakuqhekezekela ngasenyakatho nenxenye ngaseningizimu.

<sup>5</sup> Niyakubalekela esigodini sezintaba zami, ngokuba isigodi sezintaba siyakufinyelela e-Aseli, yebo, niyakubaleka njengalokho nabalekela ukuzamazama komhlaba ngezinsuku zika-Uziya inkosi yakwaJuda; lapho kuzakufika uJehova uNkulunkulu wami nabo bonke abangcwele kanye nawe.

<sup>6</sup> Kuyakuthi ngalolo suku kungabikho ukukhanya, amakhaza nesithwathwa kuphela.

<sup>7</sup> Kuyakuba lusuku ngokwalo olwaziwa nguJehova, kungabi yimini, kungabi ngubusuku, kepha kube ngukukhanya ngesikhathi sokuhlwa.

<sup>8</sup> Kuyakuthi ngalolo suku kuphume amanzi aphilayo eJerusalema, inxenye yawo ngaselwandle lwasempumalanga, inxenye yawo ngaselwandle lwasentshonalanga, kube sehlobo nasebusika.

<sup>9</sup> UJehova uyakuba yiNkosi emhlabeni wonke; ngalolo suku uJehova uyakuba munye, negama lakhe libe linye.

<sup>10</sup> Lonke izwe liyakuphenduka ithafa kusukela eGeba kuze kube seRimoni ngaseningizimu kwaseJerusalema; liyakuphakanyiswa, lihlale endaweni yalo, kusukela eSangweni likaBenjamini kuze kube sendaweni yesango lakuqala, kuze kube seSangweni Lasegumbini, kusukela eMbhoshongweni kaHananeli kuze kube sesikhamweni sewayini senkosi.

<sup>11</sup> Kuyakuhlalwa kulo, kungabe kusabakho siqalekiso, kepha iJerusalema liyakuhlala ngokulondeka.

<sup>12</sup> Yikho okuyakuba ngukushaya uJehova ayakushaya ngakho bonke abantu abalwe neJerusalema: inyama yabo iyakudleka besemi ngezinyawo zabo, namehlo abo ayakuphelela ezikhoxeni zawo, ulimi lwabo ludleke emlonyeni wabo.

<sup>13</sup> Kuyakuthi ngalolo suku kube phakathi kwabo isidumo esikhulu esivela kuJehova, babambe, kube yilowo nalowo isandla somakhelwane wakhe, isandla sakhe sivukele isandla somakhelwane wakhe.

<sup>14</sup> NoJuda uyakulwa eJerusalema, kubuthwe ingcebo yazo zonke izizwe ezizungezileyo, igolide, nesiliva, nezambatho, kube kuningi kakhulu.

<sup>15</sup> Kuyakuba njalo ukushaywa kwamahhashi, neminyuzi, namakamela nezimbongolo, nazo zonke izilwane, okuyakuba khona kulawo makamu, njengalokho kushaywa.

<sup>16</sup> Kuyakuthi bonke abaseleyo ezizweni zonke ezazilifikela iJerusalema bakhuphuke iminyaka ngeminyaka ukukhuleka eNkosini uJehova Sebawoti nokugubha umkhosi wamadokodo.

<sup>17</sup> Kuyakuthi abangakhuphuki emindenini yomhlaba, baye eJerusalema ukukhuleka eNkosini uJehova Sebawoti, phezu kwabo kungabi yimvula.

<sup>18</sup> Uma umndeni waseGibithe ungakhuphuki uze ufike, ayiyikuba naphezu kwawo; kepha kuyakuba khona ukushaywa uJehova ayakushaya ngakho izizwe ezingakhuphuki

ukugubha umkhosi wamadokodo.

<sup>19</sup> Lokhu kuyakuba yisijeziso seGibithe nesijeziso sazo zonke izizwe ezingakhuphuki ukugubha umkhosi wamadokodo.

<sup>20</sup> Ngalolo suku kuyakulotshwa ezikhencezweni zamahhashi ukuthi: “Zahlukaniselwe uJehova,” amakhanzi asendlini kaJehova abe njengemikhele phambi kwe-altare.

<sup>21</sup> Onke amakhanzi eJerusalema nakwaJuda ayakwahlukaniselwa uJehova Sebawoti; bonke abahlabayo bayakufika, bathathe kuwo, bapheke kuwo, kungabe kusabakho mthengisi ngalolo suku endlini kaJehova Sebawoti.

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