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Welcome to the *Gospel Primer*. Thank you for your interest in the *Holy Bible Aionian Edition ®*, found at AionianBible.org. The Aionian Bible project invites you to reconsider traditional Christian understanding. It may seem utterly ridiculous to suggest that the most well-known verse in the history of Christianity, John 3:16, was improperly translated. And it may seem preposterous to propose that a destiny of Heaven or Hell is not the complete picture. Yet have we or our forefathers ever carried ignorance and errors along for centuries in the past? We have. Even so, the Aionian Bible project does not abandon tradition or Christian heritage. We have much to learn from the belief and practice of godly men and women throughout all ages. And this booklet is a primer to the good news of Jesus Christ, the savior of all mankind.

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The *Holy Bible Aionian Edition* ® is the world's first Bible *un-translation*! What is an *un-translation*? Bibles are translated into each of our languages from the original Hebrew, Aramaic, and Koine Greek. Occasionally, the best word translation cannot be found and these words are transliterated letter by letter. Four well known transliterations are *Christ*, *baptism*, *angel*, and *apostle*. The meaning is then preserved more accurately through context and a dictionary. The Aionian Bible un-translates and instead transliterates eleven additional Aionian Glossary words to help us better understand God's love for individuals and all mankind, and the nature of afterlife destinies.

The first three words are *aiōn*, *aiōnios*, and *aīdios*, typically translated as *eternal* and also *world* or *eon*. The Aionian Bible is named after an alternative spelling of *aiōnios*. Consider that researchers question if *aiōn* and *aiōnios* actually mean *eternal*. Translating *aiōn* as *eternal* in Matthew 28:20 makes no sense, as all agree. The Greek word for *eternal* is *aīdios*, used in Romans 1:20 about God and in Jude 6 about demon imprisonment. Yet what about *aiōnios* in John 3:16? Certainly we do not question whether salvation is *eternal*! However, *aiōnios* means something much more wonderful than infinite time! Ancient Greeks used *aiōn* to mean *eon* or *age*. They also used the adjective *aiōnios* to mean *entirety*, such as *complete* or even *consummate*, but never infinite time. Read Dr. Heleen Keizer and Ramelli and Konstan for proofs. So *aiōnios* is the perfect description of God's Word which has *everything* we need for life and godliness! And the *aiōnios* life promised in John 3:16 is not simply a ticket to *eternal* life in the future, but the invitation through faith to the *consummate* life beginning now!

The next seven words are *Sheol*, *Hadēs*, *Geenna*, *Tartaroō*, *Abyssos*, and *Limnē Pyr*. These words are often translated as *Hell*, the place of *eternal punishment*. However, *Hell* is ill-defined when compared with the Hebrew and Greek. For example, *Sheol* is the abode of deceased believers and unbelievers and should never be translated as *Hell*. *Hadēs* is a temporary place of punishment, Revelation 20:13-14. *Geenna* is the Valley of Hinnom, Jerusalem's refuse dump, a temporal judgment for sin. *Tartaroō* is a prison for demons, mentioned once in 2 Peter 2:4. *Abyssos* is a temporary prison for the Beast and Satan. Translators are also inconsistent because *Hell* is used by the King James Version 54 times, the New International Version 14 times, and the World English Bible zero times. Finally, *Limnē Pyr* is the Lake of Fire, yet Matthew 25:41 explains that these fires are prepared for the Devil and his angels. So there is reason to review our conclusions about the destinies of redeemed mankind and fallen angels.

The eleventh word, *eleēsē*, reveals the grand conclusion of grace in Romans 11:32. Take the time to understand these eleven words. The original translation is unaltered and a highlighted note is added to 64 Old Testament and 200 New Testament verses. To help parallel study and Strong's Concordance use, apocryphal text is removed and most variant verse numbering is mapped to the English standard. We thank our sources at eBible.org, Crosswire.org, unbound.Biola.edu, Bible4u.net, and NHEB.net. The Aionian Bible is copyrighted with creativecommons.org/licenses/by/4.0, allowing 100% freedom to copy and print, if respecting source copyrights. Check the Reader's Guide and read online at AionianBible.org, with Android, and TOR network. Why purple? King Jesus' Word is royal... and purple is the color of royalty!



Esemxotshile umuntu wamisa ngempumalanga kweSivande se-Edeni amakherubhi lenkemba
ebhebhayo, iphazima isiyale lale ukulinda indlela eya esihlahleni sokuphila.

UGenesis 3:24

UGenesisI

1 Ekuqaleni uNkulunkulu wadala amazulu lomhlaba. **2** Umhlabo wawungelasimo njalo ungelalutho, ubumnyama babengame phezulu kolwandle njalo uMoya kaNkulunkulu wayehambahamba phezu kwamanzi. **3** Ngakho uNkulunkulu wasesithi, “Akubekhona ukukhanya,” lakanye kwabakhona ukukhanya. **4** UNkulunkulu wabona ukuthi ukukhanya kwakukuhle, wasesehlukanisa ukukhanya lobumnyama. **5** UNkulunkulu wabiza ukukhanya ngokuthi “yimini,” ubumnyama wabubiza ngokuthi “yibusuku.” Ngakho kwabakhona ukuhlwa lokusa, kwaba lusuku lwakuqala. **6** Njalo uNkulunkulu wathi, “Kakube lomkhandlu phakathi kwamanzi ukwehlukanisa amanzi kwamanye amanzi.” **7** Ngakho yazo, lezinyoni zonke ezilamaphiko, ngemihlobo uNkulunkulu wehlukanisa amanzi angaphansi komkhandlu kulawo amanzi angaphezulu kwawo. Kwabanjalo. **8** UNkulunkulu wabiza umkhandlu lo ngokuthi “ngumkhathi.” Njalo kwabakhona ukuhlwa, kwabakhona njalo ukusa, usuku lwasibili. **9** Njalo uNkulunkulu wathi, “Kakuthi amanzi angaphansi komkhathi abuthane ndawonye njalo kakuvele umhlabathi owomileyo.” Ngakho kwabanjalo. **10** yazo: izinanakazana ezihuquzelu emhlabathini, UNkulunkulu wabiza umhlabo owomileyo ngokuthi “ngumhlabathi,” lamanzi abutheneyo wathi “lulwandle.” Njalo uNkulunkulu wabona ukuthi kwakukuhle. **11** UNkulunkulu wasesithi, “Umhlabathi kawuthele izimila: imlimela ethela intanga lezihlahla emhlabathini ezithela izithelo ezilentanga phakathi, kusiya ngemihlobo yazo ehlukeneyo.” Kwabanjalo. **12** kusiya ngemihlobo yazo, lezihlahla ezithela izithelo ezilentanga phakathi kwazo kusiya ngemihlobo yazo. Njalo uNkulunkulu wabona ukuthi kwakukuhle. **13** Kwabakhona njalo kwazo zonke izinanakazana ezihuquzelu ukuhlwa lokusa, usuku lwasithathu. **14** emhlabathini.” **15** UNkulunkulu wasesithi, “Akube lezibane imini lobusuku, njalo zibe lumphawu lokubonisa izigaba zomnyaka, lezinsuku lemnyaka, njalo zibe yizibane emkhandlwini womkhathi ukuletha ukukhanya emhlabeni.” Kwabanjalo.

16 UNkulunkulu wenza izibane ezimbili ezinkulu, isibane esikhulu ukubusa emini lesibane esincinyane ukubusa ebusuku. Wenza futhi lezinkanyezi. **17** UNkulunkulu wazibeka emkhandlwini womkhathi ukuletha ukukhanya emhlabeni, **18** ukubusa imini lobusuku, kanye lokwahlukanisa ukukhanya lobumnyama. Njalo uNkulunkulu wabona ukuthi kwakukuhle. **19** Njalo kwabakhona ukuhlwa lokusa, usuku lwasine. **20** Njalo uNkulunkulu wathi, “Akube lezidalwa eziphilayo emanzini, njalo akuthi izinyoni ziphaphe ngaphezulu komhlaba zidabule emkhandlwini womkhathi.” **21** Yikho uNkulunkulu wadala izidalwa ezinkulu zolwandle layo yonke into ephilayo lehambayo lenyakazelayo emanzini, kusiya ngemihlobo amanzi olwandle, njalo akuthi lezinyoni lazo zande emhlabeni.” **23** Kwabakhona ukuhlwa, kwabakhona njalo lokusa, usuku lwasihlanu. **24** UNkulunkulu wabuya wathi, “Akuthi umhlabo amanzi olwandle, njalo akuthi lezinyoni lazo zande emhlabeni.” **25** Kwabakhona ukuhlwa, kwabakhona njalo lokusa, usuku lwasihlanu. **26** UNkulunkulu wabona ukuthi kusiya ngemihlobo yazo.” Lakanye kwabanjalo. **27** UNkulunkulu wenza izinyamazana zeganga, yilezo kusiya ngemihlobo yazo.” **28** UNkulunkulu wababusa wathi, “Zalanani lande ngobunengi; liwugcwaliise umuntu ngesimo sethu langomfanekiso wethu ukuze abuse phezu kwenhlanzi zolwandle lezinyoni zemkhathini, phezu kwezfuyo, phezu kwawo wonke umhlabo laphezu umuntu ngomfanekiso wakhe, ngomfanekiso kaNkulunkulu wabadala, owesilisa lowesifazane. **29** UNkulunkulu wababusa wathi kubo, umhlabo, liwubuse. Busani phezu kwenhlanzi zolwandle lezinyoni zemkhathini laphezu

kwezidalwa zonke ezhambayo emhlabathini.” wehlukana waba yimifudlana emine. **11** Ibizo **29** UNkulunkulu wasesithi, “Ngilnika zonke lowokuqala yiPhishoni; ozungeze lonke ilizwe izihlahla ezithela intanga ezisemhlabeni wonke laseHavila, lapho okulegolide khona. **12** (Igolide lazozonke izihlahla ezilezithelo ezilentanga lalelolizwe lihle; amakhaerezini le-onikisi lawo phakathi. Zingezeno ukuba lizidle. **30** Njalo akhona.) **13** Ibizo lomfudlana wesibili yiGihoni; nginika zonke izihlahla eziluhlaza kuzozonke usekele kulolonke ilizwe laseKhushi. **14** Ibizo izinyamazana zomhlaba lakuzo zonke izinyoni lomfudlana wesithathu yiThigrisi; ubhoda zemkhathini lakuzo zonke izidalwa ezhambayo ngempumalanga kwe-Asiriya. Njalo umfudlana emhlabathini, yonke into ephefumula impilo wesine yiYufrathe. **15** Uthixo uNkulunkulu phakathi kwayo ukuba zibe yikudla kwazo.” wamthatha umuntu wambeka eSivandeni se-Kwabanjalo. **31** UNkulunkulu wakubona Edeni ukuthi asisebenze njalo asinakekele. **16** konke lokho ayesekwenzile, njalo kwakukuhle Njalo uThixo uNkulunkulu wamlaya umuntu kakhulu. Kwabakhona ukuhlwa lokusa, usuku wathi, “Ukhululekile ukudla loba yisiphi isihlahla esivandeni; **17** kodwa ungadli isihlahla sokwazi okuhle lokubi, ngoba ungaze usidle uzakufa ngempela.” **18** UThixo uNkulunkulu wathi, “Kakukuhle ukuba indoda ibe yodwa. Ngizayenzela umsizi oyifaneleyo.” **19** UThixo uNkulunkulu wayesezibumbile ngomhlabathi zonke izinyamazana zeganga lazozonke izinyoni zemoyeni. Waziletha emuntwini ukuthi aziphe amabizo; kwathi loba yiliphi ibizo asibiza ngalo isidalwa esiphilayo, kwaba yilo ibizo laso. **20** Ngakho umuntu wapha amabizo zonke izifuyo, lezinyoni zemkhathini lazozonke izinyamazana zeganga. Kodwa u-Adamu wayengelaye umsizi omfaneleyo. **21** Ngakho uThixo uNkulunkulu wenza indoda yalala ubuthongo bokufa; kwathi khonapho isalele wathatha olunye ubhambo lwendoda waseyivala leyondawo ngenyama. **22** Emva kwalokho uThixo uNkulunkulu wasesenza umfazi ngobhambo ayeluthethe endodeni, wasemletha endodeni. **23** Indoda yathi, “Lo manje uselithambo lamathambo ami lenyama yenyama yami; usezabizwa ngokuthi ‘mfazi,’ ngoba wakhitshwa endodeni.” **24** Ngalesisizatho indoda izatshiya uyise lonina imanyane lomkayo, babe nyamanye. **25** Indoda lomkayo babehambaze, bengelazo inhloni.

2 Kanjalo amazulu lomhlaba kwaphelisiswa ngakho konke ukuhlotsiswa okukhulu. **2** Ngosuku Iwesikhombisa uNkulunkulu wayesewuqedile umsebenzi ayewenza; ngakho wasephumula kuwo wonke umsebenzi wakhe. **3** Njalo uNkulunkulu walibusisa usuku Iwesikhombisa walwenza Iwaba ngcwele ngoba waphumula kuwo wonke umsebenzi wokudala lokho ayesekwenzile. **4** Lo ngumlando wamazulu lomhlaba ekudalweni kwakho, lapho uThixo uNkulunkulu enza khona umhlaba lamazulu. **5** Kwakungakabi lesihlahlakazana seganga emhlabathini njalo kungakamili loba yini emila emhlabathini, ngoba uThixo uNkulunkulu wayengakanisi izulu emhlabeni, njalo kwakungelamuntu wokusebenza umhlabathi, **6** kodwa inkungu yayisenyuka emhlabathini, ithelele umhlabathi wonke. **7** Ngakho uThixo uNkulunkulu waseumba umuntu ngothuli lomhlabathi, waphefumulela emakhaleni akhe umphefumulo wokuphila, umuntu wasesiba yisidalwa esiphilayo. **8** Ngalesosikhathi uThixo uNkulunkulu wayelungise isivande empumalanga, e-Edeni; wambeka khona umuntu ayembumbile. **9** Njalo uThixo uNkulunkulu wenza yonke imihlobo yezihlahla ukuthi zikhule emhlabathini, izihlahla ezazibukeka emehlwani njalo zizinhle ayezenzile. Yathi kowesifazane, “Kambe ekudleni. Phakathi laphakathi kwesivande uNkulunkulu watsho ngeqiniso ukuthi, ‘Lingadli kwakulesihlahla sokuphila lesihlahla sokwazi noma yisiphi isihlahla esivandeni?’” **2** okuhle lokubi. **10** Umfula owawuthelela isivande Owesifazane wathi enyokeni, “Singadla izithelo wawugeleza usuka e-Edeni; usuka lapho zezihlahla esivandeni, **3** kodwa uNkulunkulu

3 Inyoka yayiliqili ukwedlula zonke izinyamazana zeganga uThixo uNkulunkulu ayezenzile. Yathi kowesifazane, “Kambe ekudleni. Phakathi laphakathi kwesivande uNkulunkulu watsho ngeqiniso ukuthi, ‘Lingadli kwakulesihlahla sokuphila lesihlahla sokwazi noma yisiphi isihlahla esivandeni?’” **2**

wathi, ‘Lingazidli izithelo zesihlahla esiphakathi umhlabathi ngenxa yakho; ngokusebenza laphakathi kwasivande, njalo lingasithinti, nzima uzakudla okuphuma kuwo zonke hlezi life.’” **4** Inyoka yathi kowesifazane, insuku zokuphila kwakho. **18** Uzamila ameva “Kalisoze life ngempela. **5** Ngoba uNkulunkulu lezhlahlakazana zameva azahlaba wena, njalo uyazi ukuthi lingasidla amehlo enu azavuleka, uzakudla izihlahla zeganga. **19** Ngezithukuthuku beselisiba njengoNkulunkulu, lazi okuhle zebunzi lakho uzakudla ukudla kwakho uze lokubi.” **6** Kwathi owesifazane ngokubona ubuyele emhlabathini, njengoba wathathwa ukuthi izithelo zesihlahla leso zaziyikudla kuwo; ngoba uluthuli njalo uzabuyela othulini.” okuhle njalo zibukeka emehlwani, njalo **20** U-Adamu wamutha umkakhe wathi ngukudingeka ukuzuza ukuhlakanipha, wakha Eva, ngoba wayezakuba ngunina wabo ezinye wadla. Wapha njalo ezinye indoda yakhe bonke abaphilayo. **21** UThixo uNkulunkulu ayelayo khonapho, layo yadla. **7** Amehlo abo wenza imvunulo yesikhumba, wenzela ubobabili asevuleka, basebenanzelela ukuthi Adamu lomkakhe, wabagqokisa. **22** Njalo babenqunu; yikho basebethungela ndawonye uThixo uNkulunkulu wathi, “Umuntu manje amahlamvu omkhiwa bazenzela izembatho usenjengomunye wethu, usekwazi okuhle ngawo. **8** Indoda lomkayo basebesizwa umsindo lokubi. Kangavunyelwa ukuthi elule isandla kaThixo uNkulunkulu ehamba esivandeni sakhe akhe njalo isihlahla sokuphila adle, aphile ilanga selithambeme, basebemcatshela uThixo laphakade.” **23** Ngakho uThixo uNkulunkulu uNkulunkulu phakathi kwezihlahla zesivande. wamxotsha eSivandeni se-Edeni ukuthi **9** Kodwa uThixo uNkulunkulu wayimemeza asebenze umhlabathi ayethethwe kuwo. **24** indoda wathi, “Ungaphi?” **10** Yaphendula Esemxotshile umuntu wamisa ngempumalanga yathi, “Ngikuzwile esivandeni, ngesaba ngoba kweSivande se-Edeni amakherubhi lenkemba benginqunu; yikho ngasengicatsha.” **11** ebhebhayo, iphazima isiyale lale ukulinda Wasesithi, “Ngubani okutshelileyo ukuthi indlela eya esihlahleni sokuphila.

unqunu? Usudlile yini isihlahla engalilaya ukuthi lingasidli?” **12** Indoda yathi, “Umfazi owangipha yena, ungiphile ezinye izithelo zesihlahla ngazidla.” **13** Ngakho uThixo uNkulunkulu wathi kowesifazane, “Kuyini lokhu osukwenzile na?” Owesifazane wathi, “Inyoka ingikhohlisile, ngadla.” **14** Ngakho uThixo uNkulunkulu wasesithi enyokeni, “Ngoba usukwenzile lokhu, Uqalekisiwe ngaphezu kwezfuyo zonke kanye lezinyamazana zonke zeganga! Uzahuba phansi ngesisu sakho njalo uzakudla uthuli zonke insuku zokuphila kwakho. **15** Njalo ngizafaka ubutha phakathi kwakho lowesifazane, laphakathi kwenzalo yakho leyowesifazane; uzacobodisa ikhanda lakho, njalo wena uzagamula isithende sakhe.” **16** Kowesifazane wathi, “Ngizakwandisa ngokuphindiweyo inhlungu zakho nxa ubeletha; ngobuhlungu uzazala abantwana. Inkanuko yakho izakuba sendodenzi yakho, njalo yona izabusa phezu kwakho.” **17** Ku-Adamu wathi, “Ngoba ulalele umkakho wadla isihlahla engakulaya ngathi, ‘Ungasidli,’ Uqalekisiwe

4 U-Adamu wembatha lomkakhe u-Eva, wasezithwala, wabeletha uKhayini. Wathi, “Ngosizo lukaThixo sengibelethe indoda.” **2** Muva wabeletha umfowabo u-Abheli. U-Abheli waba ngumfuyi wemihlambi yezimvu, uKhayini yena wasebenza umhlabathi. **3** Ngokuya kwezikathathi uKhayini waletha ezinye izithelo zomhlabathi ukuba ngumnikelo kuThixo. **4** Kodwa u-Abheli waletha izitho ezinonileyo zisuka kwamanye amazibulo omhlambi wakhe. UThixo wathokoza ngo-Abheli kanye lomnikelo wakhe, **5** kodwa kathokozanga ngoKhayini lomnikelo wakhe. Ngakho uKhayini wazonda kakhulu, lobuso bakhe bahloba. **6** UThixo wasesithi kuKhayini, “Uzondeleni na? Kungani ubuso bakho buhblobile? **7** Nxa usenza okulungileyo, kawuyikwamukelwa yini? Kodwa nxa ungenzi okulungileyo, isono sikucathamele emnyango wakho; sinxwanale ukukuthumba, kodwa kumele usehlule.” **8** UKhayini wasesithi kumfowabo u-Abheli, “Ake sihambe siye egangeni.” Kwathi bekhonale egangeni

uKhayini wamhlasel a umfowab o u-Abheli U-Adam u waphinda wembatha lomkakhe wambulala. **9** UThixo wasesithi kuKhayini, njalo, wazala indodana wayithi nguSethi, “Ungaphi umfowenu u-Abheli na?” Waphendula esithi, “UNkulunkulu usengiphile omunye wathi, “Angazi. Ngingumgcini womfowethu umntswana endaweni ka-Abheli, njengoba na?” **10** UThixo wathi, “Usuyenzeni? Lalela! Igazi uKhayini wambulala.” **26** USethi laye waba lomfowenu liyakhala kimi lisuka emhlabathini. lendodana, wayibiza ngokuthi ngu-Enoshi. **11** Manje usuqalekisiwe njalo usuxotshiwe kuwo Ngalesosikhathi abantu baqala ukukhuleka umhlabathi ovule umlomo waho ukwamukela bebiza ibizo likaThixo.

igazi lomfowenu lisuka esandleni sakho.

12 Lapho uwusebenza umhlabathi kawusayi kuthela amabele kuwe. Uzakuba luzulane emhlabeni.” **13** UKhayini wathi kuThixo, “Isijeziso sami singaphezu kwamandla ami.

14 Lamuhla usungixotsha elizweni, ngakho sengizasithela ngingabi khona kuwe; ngizakuba luzulane olungela kuphumula emhlabeni, kuthi loba ngubani ongifumanayo angibulale.”

15 Kodwa uThixo wathi kuye, “Akunjalo; lowo ozabulala uKhayini uzaphindiselwa ngokuphindwe kasikhombisa.” Ngakho uThixo wasebeka uphawu kuKhayini ukuze kuthi lowo omfumanayo angambulali. **16** Ngakho uKhayini wasesuka emehlw eni kaThixo wayahlala elizweni laseNodi, empumalanga kwase-Edeni.

17 UKhayini wembatha lomkakhe, wathatha isisu wazala u-Enoki. Ngalesosikhathi uKhayini wayesakha idolobho alibiza ngendodana yakhe u-Enoki. **18** Ku-Enoki kwazalwa u-Iradi, yena u-Iradi waba nguyise kaMehujayeli, uMehujayeli waba nguyise kaMethushayeli, uMethushayeli waba nguyise kaLameki. **19**

ULameki wathatha abafazi ababili, omunye ethiwa ngu-Ada, omunye ethiwa nguZila. **20** U-Ada wazala uJabhal; owayenguyise walabo abahlala emathenteni befuye izifuyo. **21**

Ibizo lomfowab o lalingujubhal; wayenguyise wabo bonke abatshaya umhubhe lechacho. **22** UZila laye waba lendodana, uThubhal-Khayini, owayekhanda zonke inhlobo zezinto ngethusi langensimbi. Udadewab o kaThubhal-Khayini wayenguNahama. **23** ULameki wathi kubomkakhe, “Ada loZila, ngilalelani; bafazi bakaLameki, zwanini amazwi ami. Sengibulele umuntu ngenxa yokungilimaza, ijaha ngoba lingihlasele. **24** Nxa uKhayini ephindiselwa kasikhombisa ngakho uLameki amatshumi ayisikhombisa lesikhombisa.” **25**



UJesu wathi, "Baba, baxolele, ngoba kabakwazi abakwenzayo."

Njalo basebesabelana izigqoko zakhe ngokutshaya inkatho.

ULukha 23:34

UJohane

1 Ekuqaleni wayekhona uLizwi, uLizwi wathi, “Kangisuye uKhristu.” **2** Bambuza wayeloNkulunkulu, njalo uLizwi bathi, “Pho ungubani na? Ungu-Elija yini?” wayenguNkulunkulu. **3** WayeloNkulunkulu Wathi, “Kangisuye.” “Ungumphrofethi na?” ekuqaleni. **4** Izinto zonke zenziwa ngaye; Waphendula wathi, “Hatshi.” **22** Bacina ngaphandle kwakhe kube akukho okwenzisayo. ngokuthi, “Ungubani? Siphe impendulo **4** Kwakukhona ukuphila kuye, lokho kuphila esizayisa kulabo abasithumileyo. Uzibiza kwakuyikuhanya kwabantu. **5** Ukukhanya ngokuthi ungbani na?” **23** UJohane kukhanya emnyameni, kodwa umnyama wabaphendula ngamazwi ka-Isaya umphrofethi awukakuzwisisi. **6** Kwafika umuntu ethunywe wathi, “Ngiyilizwi lalowo omemezayo enkangala nguNkulunkulu, ibizo lakhe wayenguJohane. lisithi, ‘Lungiselani iNkosi indlela iqonde.’” **7** Weza njengomfakazi ezoqinisa mayelana **24** Kwasekusithi abaFarisi ababethunyiwe **25** lalokho kukhanya ukuze kuthi ngaye bambuza bathi, “Kungani pho ubhaphathiza bonke abantu bakhweli. **8** Yena qobo nxa ungasuye uKhristu, kumbe u-Elija loba lwakhe wayengesi lokho kukhanya; weza umphrofethi na?” **26** UJohane waphendula nje njengomfakazi wokukhanya lokho. **9** wathi, “Mina ngibhaphathiza ngamanzi, Ukukhanya okuliqiniso okunika ukukhanya kodwa phakathi kwenu kumi elingamaziyo. emuntwini wonke kwakusiza emhlabeni. **27** Nguye lowo ozayo ngemva kwami, mina **10** Wayesemhlabeni, kodwa lanxa umhlabu engingafanelanga ukuthukulula imichilo wensiwa ngaye, umhlabu kawumazanga. **11** yamanyathela akhe.” **28** Konke lokhu kwenzeka Weza kulokho okwakungokwakhe, kodwa khona eBhethani ngaphetsheya kweJodani lapho kakumemukelanga. **12** Ikanti kulabo bonke uJohane ayebhaphathiza khona. **29** Ngelanga abamamukelayo, kulabo abakholwayo ebizweni elilandelayo uJohane wabona uJesu esiza lakhe, wabapha ilungelo lokuba ngabantwana kuye wathi, “Khangelani, nanti iWundlu bakaNkulunkulu, **13** abantwana abangazalwanga likaNkulunkulu elisusa isono somhlabu! ngokwemvelo, kumbe ngokukhetha komuntu, loba ngokufuna kwendoda kodwa bezelwe ‘Umuntu ozayo ngemva kwami usengedlule nguNkulunkulu. **14** ULizwi waba yinyama, ngoba wayevele ephambi kwami.’ **31** Mina wahlala phakathi kwethu. Siyibonile inkazimulo yakhe; inkazimulo yeNdodana eyiyo yodwa, eyavela kuYise, igcwele umusa leqiniso. **15** ukuthi abonakaliswe ku-Israyeli.” **32** UJohane UJohane wafakaza ngayo. Wamemeza esithi, waseletha lobubufakazi: “Ngabona uMoya “Lo nguye engangikhuluma ngaye ngisithi, esehla evela ezulwini enjengejuba wahlala ‘Lowo oza ngemva kwami usengedlule ngoba phezu kwakhe. **33** Lami uqobo Iwami wayevele ephambi kwami.” **16** Ngenxa yokujula ngangingamazi, kodwa lowo owangithumayo komusa wakhe sonke sesamukele umusa ukubhaphathiza ngamanzi wathi, ‘Lowomuntu emuseni esasivele siwuphiwe. **17** Ngoba ozabona uMoya usehla uhlala kuye nguye umthetho waletiwa ngoMosi; umusa leqiniso kanye ozabhaphathiza ngoMoya oNgcwele.’ kweza ngoJesu Khristu. **18** Kakho osewake **34** Sengibonile yikho sengifakaza ukuthi wambona uNkulunkulu, kodwa iNdodana lo ungoKhethiweyo kaNkulunkulu.” **35** eyiyo yodwa, yona enguNkulunkulu njalo Ngelanga elilandelayo uJohane wayekhonapho, eseceleni eduze kukaYise, isimenze waziwa. elabafundi bakhe ababili. **36** Wathi ebona **19** Lobu yibo ubufakazi bukaJohane lapho uJesu esedlula lapho wathi, “Khangelani, abakhokheli bamaJuda aseJerusalem abathuma nanti iWundlu likaNkulunkulu!” **37** Abafundi khona abaphristi labaLevi ukuyambuza ababili labo bathi bekuzwa lokhu basebelandela uJesu. **38** UJesu wathi enyemukula wababona

bemlandela, wababuza wathi, "Lifunani na?" iwayini seliphelile unina kajesu wathi kuye, Bathi, "Rabi" (okutsho ukuthi "Mfundisi"), "Sebephelelwe liwayini." 4 Ujesu waphendula "uhlala ngaphi?" 39 Waphendula wathi, wathi, "Mama, mina lawe singena njani "Wozani, lizabona." Ngakho bahamba bayabona kulokho na? Isikhathi sami kasifikiki." 5 lapho ayehlala khona, batshona laye mhlalokho. Unina wasesithi ezincekwini, "Libokwenza loba Kwakungaba lihola letshumi. 40 U-Andreya, kuyini azalitshela khona." 6 Eduze kwalapho umfowabu kaSimoni Phethro wayengomunye kwakumi imbiza zamatshe eziyisithupha, wababili abezwayo okwakukhulunywa uhlobo lolo amajuda ayelusebenzisa ngujohane njalo abayibo abalandela ujesu. 41 enkonzweni yokuzihlambulula, imbiza yinye Into yokuqala ayenzayo u-Andreya yikudinga ingagcwala amalitha alikhulu kusiya ekhulwini umfowabu uSimoni wamtshela wathi, elilamatshumi amahlanu. 7 Ujesu wathi "Sesimfumene uMesiya" (okutsho uKhristu). 42 ezincekwini, "Zigcwaliensi amanzi imbiza Wasemletha kujesu. Ujesu wamkhangela wathi, lezi"; ngakho bazigcwalisu zathi phamu. "UnguSimoni indodana kajohane. Usuzathiwa 8 Wasezitshela wathi, "Khanini-ke liphe unguKhefasi" (okuchasiswa ngokuthi, umphathi wedili." Benza njalo, 9 umphathi nguPhethro). 43 Ngelanga elilandelayo wedili wahubula wawanambitha amanzi ujesu wafuna ukusuka aye eGalile. Wabona ayesephendulwe abaliwayini. Kakwazanga uFilipu wathi kuye, "Ngilandela." 44 UFilipu ukuthi lavela ngaphi, kodwa izinceku wayengowedolobheni lase-Bhethisayida, ezaziwakhile amanzi zazisazi. Wasebizela njengo-Andreya loPhethro. 45 UFilipu wadinga umyeni eceleni 10 wathi, "Wonke umuntu uNathaneli wamtshela wathi, "Sesimfumene uletha iwayini eliminandi kuqala, kuthi nxa lowo uMosi aloba ngaye emthethweni, njalo izethekeli sezinathe kakhulu abeskupha abaphrofethi labo abaloba ngaye, ujesu elibi; kodwa wena ugodele eliminandi kuze waseNazaretha, indodana kajosefa." 46 kube khathesi." 11 Lo waba ngumangaliso UNathaneli wabuza wathi, "ENazaretha! wakhe wokuqala, ujesu awenza eKhana Kulolutho oluhle olungavela khona na?" laseGalile. Wabonakalisa kanjalo inkazimulo UFilipu wathi, "Woza uezbona." 47 Kwathi yakhe, abafundi bakhe basebebeka ukholo ujesu ebona uNathaneli eqhamuka laphaya lwabo kuye. 12 Ngemva komthimba wasuka wathi ngaye, "Nangu um'Israyeli oqotho, waya eKaphenawume wayahlala insukwana okungekho nkohliso kuye." 48 UNathaneli ezimbawela elonina, labafowabu labafundi bakhe. wambuza wathi, "Ungazela ngaphi na?" Ujesu 13 Kwasekuyisikhathi sePhasika lamajuda waphendula wathi, "Ngikubonile usahlezi eleminyaka yonke, ujesu wasesiya ejerusalem, ngaphansi kwasihlahla somkhiwa uFilipu 14 Emagumeni ethempeli wafumana abantu engakakubizi." 49 UNathaneli wasefakaza wathi, bethengisa inkomo, izimvu lamajuba, labanye "Rabi, uyindodana kaNkulunkulu; uyiNkosi ka- behlezi ematafuleni bentshintsha izimali. Israyeli." 50 Ujesu wathi, "Ukholwa ngoba ngithe 15 Waseseluka izintambo wenza isaswebhu ngikubone ngaphansi kwasihlahla somkhiwa. wabadudula bonke emagumeni ethempeli, Usazobona izinto ezinkulu kulalokho." 51 konke izimvu lenkomo; wayichithiza imali Waphinda wengeza wathi, "Ngikutshela yabantsintshi bayo, wagenqula lamatafula iqiniso, uzabona izulu livuleka, lezingilosu abo. 16 Wathi kulabo ababethengisa amajuba, zikaNkulunkulu zikhwela zisehlela eNdodaneni "Akhupheni lapha! Likuthatha ngaphi ukwenza yoMuntu." indlu kaBaba umsika wokuthengiselana

2 Ngosuku lwasithathu kwaba khona na?" 17 Abafundi bakhe bakhumbula ukuthi umthimba eKhana laseGalile. Unina kutothi: "Ukunqinekela indlu yakho kuzangidla ngaphakathi." 18 Lapho amajuda asemncindezelu ngokuthi, "Ungasitshengisa simangaliso bani ukubonisa amandla akho

okwenza zonke lezizinto?" 19 Wabaphendula ngithi sikhuluma ngesikwaziyo njalo sifakaza ujesu wathi, "Dilizani ithempeli leli, kodwa ngesikubonileyo, kodwa lina bantu kalibamukeli mina ngizalimisa njalo ngezinsuku ezintathu." ubufakazi bethu. 20 Ngikhulume kini ngezinto 20 AmaJuda aphendula athi, "Sekuthethe zalapha emhlabeni, kodwa kalikhulwa; pho iminyaka engamatshumi amane lesithupha lizakholwa kanjani nxa ngingakhuluma ukwakha ithempeli leli, kodwa wena ungalivusa ngokwasezulwini? 21 Kakho osewake waya ngezinsuku ezintathu na?" 21 Kodwa ithempeli ezulwini ngaphandle kwalowo owavela ayekhulume ngalo kwakungumzimba wakhe. ezulwini, iNdodana yoMuntu. 22 NjengoMosi 22 Ngemva kokuvuswa kwabafileyo abafundi bakhe bakukhumbula lokho ayekuhulumile. Ngakho bawukholwa uMbhalo kanye lamazwi ujesu awakhulumayo. 23 Kwathi ngesikhathi eseMkhosini wePhasika eJerusalem, abantu abanengi bayibona imimangaliso ayeyenza basebekholwa ebizweni lakhe. 24 Kodwa ujesu kazange azidele kubo, ngoba wayebazi bonke abantu. 25 Wayengabudingi ubufakazi bomuntu ngoba wayekwazi okungaphakathi komuntu munye ngamunye.

3 Kwakulendoda engumFarisi eyayithiya nguNikhodimasi, ililunga lomphakathi wamajuda abusayo. 2 Yaya kujesu ebusuku yathi, "Rabi, siyazi ukuthi ungumfundisi ovela kuNkulunkulu. Ngoba kakho obengayenza imimangaliso oyenzayo wena nxa uNkulunkulu engelaye." 3 Ujesu waphendula wathi, "Ngempela ngiqinisile ngithi kini, akakho ozawubona umbuso kaNkulunkulu ngaphandle kokuba azalwe kutsha." 4 UNikhodimasi wathi, "Kanti umuntu angazalwa kanjani yena esemdala na? Ngeqiniso, angazake angene ngokwesibili esiswini sikanina ukuze azalwe!" 5 Ujesu waphendula wathi, "Ngempela ngiqinisile ngithi, ngaphandle kokuthi umuntu azalwe ngamanzi langomoya, angeke awungene umbuso kaNkulunkulu. 6 Inyama izala inyama, kodwa uMoya uzala umoya. 7 Ungamangaliswa yikuthi ngithi, 'Kumele lizalwe kutsha.' 8 Umoya uphephethela loba kungaphi lapho othanda khona. Ungakuzwa ukuvunguza kwavo, kodwa ungeke utsho ukuthi uvela ngaphi loba ukuthi uya ngaphi. Ngakho kunjalo emuntwini wonke ozelwe ngoMoya." 9 UNikhodimasi wabuza wathi, "Lokhu kungenzeka kanjani na?" 10 Ujesu wathi, "Ungumfundisi wako-Israyeli, pho kungani ungazwisisi izinto lezi na? 11 Ngiqinisile 15 ukuze kuthi lowo lalowo okholwa kuyo abe lokuphila okungapheliyo." (aiōnios g166) 16 UNkulunkulu walithanda ilizwe kangaka waze wanikela iNdodana yakhe eyiyo yodwa ukuze kuthi loba ngubani okholwa kuyo angabhubhi, kodwa abe lokuphila okungapheliyo. (aiōnios g166) 17 Ngoba uNkulunkulu kathumanga iNdodana yakhe emhlabeni ukuze iwulahle umhlaba, kodwa ukuze umhlaba usindiswe ngayo. 18 Loba ngubani okholwa kuyo kalahlwa, kodwa ongakholwayo uvele uselahliwe ngoba kakholwanga ebizweni leNdodana eyiyo yodwa kaNkulunkulu. 19 Nanku ukuqunywa kwecala: Urukhanza sekufikile emhlabeni, kodwa abantu bathanda ubumnyama kulokukhanya ngoba imisebenzi yabo yayimbi. 20 Wonke umuntu owenza ububi uyakuzonda ukukhanya, njalo kezi ekukhanyeni ngoba esesaba ukuthi izenzo zakhe zizabekwa obala. 21 Kodwa loba ngubani ophila ngeqiniso uyeza ekukhanyeni ukuze kubonakale kamhlophe ukuthi lokho akwenzileyo ukwenze ngoNkulunkulu. 22 Ngemva kwalokhu uJesu labafundi bakhe basuka baya emaphandleni aseJudiya lapho ahlala labo okwesikhathi esithile ebhaphathiza. 23 Ngalesosikhathi uJohane laye wayebhaphathiza e-Ayenoni eduze leSalimi ngoba kwakulamanzi amanengi njalo abantu babethululeka kokuphela bezobhaphathizwa. 24 (Lokhu kwakumandulo kokuphoselwa kukaJohane entolongweni.) 25 Kwavuka ukuphikisana phakathi kwabanye abafundi bakajohane lomunye umJuda mayelana lomkhuba wokuzihlambulula. 26 Beza kuJohane bathi kuye, "Rabi, indoda leyana eyayilawe ngaphetsheya kweJodani; yona leyana owafakaza ngayo; iyabhaphathiza bonke abantu sebesiya kuyo." 27 Waphendula

ujohane wathi, "Umuntu wamukela kuphela "UngumJuda, mina ngingumfazi waseSamariya. lokho akuphiwayo kuvela ezulwini. 28 Lina Pho ungacela kanjani ukuthi unathiswe yimi?" ngokwenu lingakufakaza ukuthi ngathi, (Phela amajuda kawadlelani lamaSamariya.) 'Kangisuye uKhristu, kodwa ngithunyiwe 10 Ujesu wamprendula wathi, "Aluba ubusazi ukumandulela.' 29 Umtshakazi ngowomyeni. isipho sikaNkulunkulu lokuthi ungubani lowo Umkhaphi womyeneyi uyamnakekela, amlalele, ocela ukuthi umnathise, ngabe umcelile abelokuthokoza nxa esizwa ilizwi lomyeni. wakupha amanzi okuphila." 11 Umfazi wathi, Lokho kuthokoza ngokwami njalo okwamanje "Nkosi, wena kawulaho okokukhisa amanzi, sekuphelele. 30 Yena ufanele abemkhulu; mina futhi umthombo uyatshona. Ungawathatha kufanele kunciphe ukuqakatheka kwami." 31 ngaphi lawomanzi okuphila na? 12 Wena Lowo ovela phezulu ungapezulu kwakho umkhulu na kulobaba ujakhobe owasipha konke; lowo ovela emhlabeni ungowomhlabu, umthombo lo laye wanatha kuwo kanye ukhuluma njengalowo ovela emhlabeni. Lowo lamadodana akhe lezimvu zakhe kanye lezfifuyo ovela ezulwini ungapezu kwakho konke. 32 zakhe?" 13 Ujesu waphendula wathi, "Wonke Ufakaza ngalokho akubonileyo lakuzwileyo, umuntu onatha amanzi la uzaphinda ome futhi, kodwa kakho owamukela ubufakazi bakhe. 14 kodwa lowo onatha amanzi engimnika wona, 33 Lowomuntu obamukelayo usegcizelele ukuthi uNkulunkulu uqinisile. 34 Ngoba lowo uNkulunkulu amthumileyo ukhuluma amazwi kaNkulunkulu; yena uNkulunkulu umupha umoya kungelakulinganiswa. 35 UYise uyayithanda iNdodana njalo useyiphe amandla phezu kwezinto zonke. 36 Loba ngubani obeke ithemba lakhe eNdodaneni ulokuphila okungapheliyo, kodwa loba ngubani oyilahlayo iNdodana kazukuyibona leyompilo ngoba ulaka lukaNkulunkulu lohlala luphezu kwakhe. (aiōnios g166)

g166) 4 Ujesu wezwa ukuthi abaFarisi basebekuzwile ukuthi usebhaphathize abantu wabuye waba labafundi abanengi kuloJohane, 2 loba nje iqiniso kuyikuthi kwakungasuye ujesu owayebhaphathiza, kodwa kubhaphathiza abafundi bakhe. 3 Kwathi esekuzwile lokho, wasuka ejudiya wabuyela futhi eGalile. 4 Manje kwakumele adabule eSamariya. 5 Ngakho wafika emzini waseSamariya owawuthiwa yiSikhari, eduzane lesiqinti uJakhobe ayesinike indodana yakhe uJosefa. 6 Umthombo kaJakhobe wawukhonapho, ujesu wathi esediniwe ngohambo, wahlala phansi malungana lomthombo. Kwakusemini enku. 7 Kwathi umfazi waseSamariya efika ukuzakukha amanzi ujesu wathi kuye, "Ake unginathise." 8 (Abafundi bakhe babeye emzini ukuyathenga ukudla.) 9 Umfazi waseSamariya wathi kuye,

15 Umfazi wathi kuye, "Nkosi, ngipha lawomanzi engimnika wona azakuba ngumfula ogelezela ekuphileni okungapheliyo." (aiōn g165, aiōnios g166) 16 Wathi kowesifazane, "Hamba uyebiza umkakho uze laye lapha." 17 Waphendula wathi, "Kangilandoda." Ujesu wathi kuye, "Uqondile nxa usithi kawulandoda. 18 Iqiniso yikuthi usube lamadoda amahlanu, futhi indoda le olayo khathesi kayisiyakho. Lokho okutshiloy kuliqiniso." 19 Owesifazane wathi, "Nkosi, sengibona ukuthi ungumphrofethi. 20 Okhokho bethu babekhonza phezu kwentaba le, kodwa lina majuda lithi indawo okumele sikhonzele kuyo iseJerusalem." 21 Ujesu wathi, "nkosazana, ngikhomba, siyeza isikhathi lapho elingeZukumkhonza uBaba entaben kumbe eJerusalem. 22 Lina maSamariya likhonza elingakwaziyo; thina sikhonza lokho esikwaziyo, ngoba insindiso ivela kumajuda. 23 Kodwa siyeza isikhathi, yebo manje sesifikile lapho abakhonzi beqiniso bezamkhonza uBaba ngomoya langeqiniso, ngoba yibo abakhonzi abanjalo uBaba abadingayo. 24 UNkulunkulu ungumoya, labo abamkhonzayo kumele bamkhonze ngomoya langeqiniso." 25 Owesifazane wathi, "Ngiyakwazi ukuthi uMesiya (othiwa nguKhristu) uyeza. Esefikile uzasichazela konke." 26 Ujesu wasesithi,

"Mina engikhuluma lawe nginguye." 27 eJerusalema, eMkhosini wePhasika, ngoba Ngalesosikhathi abafundi bakhe baphenduka, lawo ayekhona khonale. 46 Wabuya njalo bamangala ukufumana uJesu ekhuluma wethekelela eKhana laseGalile, lapho aphendula lowesifazane. Kodwa kakho owabuzayo wathi, khona amanzi abaliwayini. Kwakukhona lapho "Ufunani na?" kumbe athi, "Kungani ukhuluma isiphathamandla sasesikhosini esasigulelwa lowesifazane na?" 28 Owesifazane watshiya yindodana yaso eKhaphenawume. 47 inkonxa yakhe wabuyela emzini wakibo Kwathi indoda leyo isizwile ukuthi uJesu wathi ebantwini, 29 "Wozani lizobona indoda wayesefikile eGalile evela ejudiya, yaya kuye engitshele konke esengake ngakwenza. Kambe yamncenga ukuthi eze azosilisa indodana angaba nguye yini uKhristu?" 30 Baphuma yayo eyayisibangwa lezibi. 48 UJesu wasitshela emzini lowo baqonda kuye. 31 Kusenzakala wathi, "Ngaphandle kokuthi lina bantu libone konke lokhu abafundi bakhe bamncenga bathi, izibonakaliso ezididayo lezimangaliso kalisoze "Rabi, ake udle ulutho." 32 Kodwa wathi lafa lakhola." 49 Sathi isiphathamandla kubo, "Ngilokudla engikudlayo elingakwaziyo sasesikhosini, "Nkosi, woza umntanami lina." 33 Abafundi babuzana bathi, "Kambe engakafi." 50 UJesu waphendula wathi, ngabe ukhona omlethele ukudla na?" 34 "Usungahamba. Indodana yakho izaphila." UJesu wathi, "Okwami ukudla yikwenza Indoda yalikhola ilizwi likaJesu yahamba. intando yalowo ongithumileyo lokuphelelisa 51 Yathi ilokhu isesendleleni, izinceku zayo umsebenzi wakhe. 35 Kanti angithi lithi, zayihlangabeza zayibikela ukuthi indodana 'Kusele izinyanga ezine ukuthi kufike isikhathi yayo yayisiluleme. 52 Isibuzile ukuthi sokuvuna? Ngithi vulani amehlo enu likhangele kwakuyisikhathi bani lapho indodana yayo amasimu! Amabele aselungele ukuvunwa. 36 eyasila ngaso, zathi kuyo, "Umkhuhlane Khathesi lokhu, umvuni uvele usehle ezuza iholo lakhe, usebuthela amabele ekuphileni kwaphakade, ukuze umhlanyeli lomvuni bajabule ndawonye. (aiōnios 9:166) 37 Ngakho izaphila." Ngakho yena kanye labendlu yakhe ilizwi elithi, 'Omunye uyahlanyela, omunye bonke bakhola. 54 Lo kwakungumangaliso avune' liliqiniso. 38 Ngalithuma ukuyavuna wesibili uJesu awenzayo esefikile eGalile evela lokho elingakusebenzelanga. Abanye bawenzile ejudiya.

umsebenzi onzima, lina selivune umvuzo womsebenzi wabo." 39 AmaSamariya amanengi akulowomuzi akholwa kuye ngenxa yobufakazi bowesifazane owathi, "Ungitshele konke esengake ngakwenza." 40 Ngakho amaSamariya esefike kuye amcela ukuthi ahiale labo, wasehlala insuku ezimbili. 41 Ngenxa yamazwi akhe abanengi baba ngamakholwa. 42 Bathi kowesifazane, "Kasisakholwa kuphela ngenxa yalokho okutshiloy; manje sesizizwele thina ngokwethu, ngakho sesisazi ukuthi umuntu lo ngeqiniso unguMsindisi womhlaba." 43 Ngemva kwalezensuku ezimbili, uJesu wasuka waya eGalile. 44 (Phela uJesu yena ngokwakhe wayetshilo ukuthi umphrofethi kalalo udumo elizweni lakibo.) 45 Wathi efika eGalile, amagalile amamukela ngokumthakazelela. Ayekubonile konke lokho akwenzayo

5 Emva kwasikhathi esithile uJesu waya eJerusalema emkhosini wamaJuda. 2 EJerusalema kukhona ichibi eduze lesango leZimvu, elithiwa ngesi-Aramu yiBhethisayida, elalihonqolozelwe ngensika ezinhlanu ezibiyelweyo. 3 Khonapho abantu abayizilima abanengi babandise ukuhlala khona, iziphofu, abaqhulayo, abome imihlubulo [belindele ukudungwa kwamanzi; 4 ngoba kwakusithi ngezikhathi ezithile ingilosu yeNkosi yayisehlela echibini, idungadunge amanzi besekusithi umuntu oqalayo ukungena emanzini ngemva kokudungeka kwavo asiliswe loba kuwuphi umkhuhlane owawumbambile]. 5 Omunye owayelapho wayeyisigoga okweminyaka engamatshumi amathathu lesificaminwembili. 6 Kwathi uJesu embona elele khonapho

njalo esetsheliwe ukuthi kade abanjalo Lowo ongayidumisiyo iNdodana kamdumisi okwesikhathi eside, wambuza wathi, "Uyafuna uYise oyithumileyo. **24** Ngiqinisile ngithi na ukusila?" **7** Oyisilima waphendula wathi, lowo ovezwayo amazwi ami amkholwe lowo "Nkosi, kangilamuntu wokungisiza angingenise ongithumileyo ulokuphila okungapheliyo njalo echibini lapho amanzi edungwa. Ngithi lapho kazukulahlwa; usechaphile wasuka ekufeni ngizama ukungena omunye angingenele waya ekuphileni. (aiōnios g166) **25** Ngiqinisile kuqala." **8** UJesu wasethi kuye, "Sukuma! Thatha ngithi, isikhathi siyeza njalo sivele sesifikile icansi lakho uhambe." **9** Khonokho nje indoda lapho abafileyo bezalizwa ilizwi leNdodana yasila; yathatha icansi layo yahamba. Lokhu kaNkulunkulu, kuthi bonke abezwayo baphile. kwenzakala ngelanga leSabatha, **10** amaJuda **26** Njengoba uYise elokuphila kuye yena asesithi endodeni eyayisilisiwe, "KuliSabatha; ngokwakhe, ngakho useyinikile iNdodana umthetho uyakwalela ukuthi uthwale icansi ukuba ibe lokuphila kuyo yona ngokwayo. **27** lakho." **11** Kodwa yaphendula yathi, "Umuntu Njalo useyiphile amandla okwahlulela ngoba ongisisileyo uthe, 'Thatha icansi lakho iyinjalo yoMuntu. **28** Kakungalimangalisi uhambe.'" **12** Aseyibuza athi, "Ngubani yena lokhu ngoba siyeza isikhathi lapho bonke lowo okutshele ukuthi uthathe icansi uhambe?" abasemathuneni abo bezalizwa ilizwi layo **29** **13** Indoda leyo eyasiliswayo yayingafanisi baphume, labo abenze okuhle bazavuka baphile, lakufanisa ukuthi kambe ngabe wayengubani, lalabo abenze ububi bazavuka balahlwe. **30** Mina ngoba uJesu wayesethe nyelele wangena ngokwami ngingeke ngenze lutho; ngahlulela phakathi kwabantu. **14** Emva kwalokho uJesu njengokutshelwa kwami, futhi ukwahlulela wayifumana ethempelini indoda leyo wathi kwami kuqondile, ngoba kangidingi kuzithabisa, kuyo, "Khangel-a-ke ususilile njalo. Khawula kodwa ukuthabisa lowo ongithumileyo." **31** "Nxa ukwenza isono funa okubi ukwedlula okokuqala ngizifakazel mina ngokwami ubufakazi bami kukwehlele." **15** Indoda leyo yasuka yayatshela kabuqinisekanga. **32** Ukhona omunye ofakaza amaJuda ukuthi kwakungujujesu owayesisilisile. kuhle ngami njalo ngiyazi ukuthi ubufakazi **16** Ngakho amaJuda amkhahlameza uJesu ngoba bakhe ngami buqinisekile. **33** Selike lathomela wayesenza izinto lezi ngeSabatha. **17** UJesu wathi kuJohane yena walifikazela iqiniso. **34** Kakutsho kubo, "UBaba uhlezi esemsebenzini wakhe ukuthi ngamukela ubufakazi bomuntu; kodwa kuze kuge namuhla, lami njalo ngiyasebenza." ngikuthinta lokhu ukuze lisindiswe. **35** **18** Ngalesisizatho amaJuda azama kakhulu UJohane wayeyisibane esabhebhayo sanika ukumbulala; wayengephuli iSabatha kuphela ukukhanya, lakhetha ukuthokoza ngokukhanya kodwa wayebiza uNkulunkulu ngokuthi kwakhe okwesikhathshana. **36** Ngilabo ubufakazi nguYise, ezenza yena olingana loNkulunkulu. obulesindo esikhulu kulobukajohane. Ngoba **19** UJesu wabanika impendulo le: "Ngiqinisile umsebenzi uBaba anginike wona ukuba ngithi iNdodana ingeke yenze lutho ngokwayo; ngiwuqedise, wona engiwenzayo uyafakaza ingenza kuphela lokho ebona uYise ekwenza, ukuthi uBaba ungithumile. **37** Njalo uBaba ngoba loba kuyini uYise akwenzayo leNdodana ongithumileyo usefakazile yena ngokwakhe iyakwenza. **20** Ngoba uYise uyayithanda ngami. Kalikaze lilizwe ilizwi lakhe kumbe iNdodana, uytshengisa konke akwenzayo. libone isimo sakhe **38** njalo ilizwi lakhe kalihlali Yebo, lizamangala ukuthi uzayitshengisa izinto kini ngoba kalimkholwa lowo amthumileyo. **39** ezinkulu kulalezi. **21** Njengalokhu uYise evusa Liphenyisisa imibhalo liyihlola ngoba licabanga abafileyo abaphe ukuphila, kanjalo iNdodana ukuthi ngayo lilakho ukuphila okungapheliyo. inika ukuphila kulabo ethanda ukubanika **40** Yiyo le imibhalo efakaza ngami, (aiōnios g166) **41** khona. **22** Okunye njalo, uYise kahluleli muntu, ikanti liyala ukuza kimi lizozuza ukuphila. **42** kodwa usebeke konke ukwahlulela ezandleni Kangilwamukeli udumo olusuka ebantwini, **43** zeNdodana, **23** ukuze bonke bayidumise kodwa ngiyalazi lina. Ngiyazi ukuthi kalilalo iNdodana njengalokhu bedumisa uYise. uthando lukaNkulunkulu ezinhliziyweni

zenu. **43** Ngibuye ngebizo likaBaba kodwa ababedlile. **14** Abantu sebewubonile umangaliso kalingamukeli; kodwa nxa omunye efika awenzayo uJesu baqalisa ukuthi, “Ngeqiniso ngebizo lakhe, lizamamukela. **44** Lingakholwa lo nguye uMphrofethi ozafika emhlabeni.” **15** kanjani nxa lisamukela udumo elizipha lona UJesu esazi ukuthi babeqonde ukuzomenza kodwa lingenzi mizamo yokuzuza udumo inkosi ngenkani, wathi nyelele wabuyela oluvela kuNkulunkulu onguye yedwa na? **45** entaben i yedwa. **16** Kwathi kusihlw abafundi Kodwa lingacabangi ukuthi ngizalethesa icala behlela esizibeni, **17** lapho abawela khona phambi kukaBaba. Umangaleli wenu nguMosi, isikepe bachapha isiziba baya eKhaphenawume. okukuye elibeke khona amathemba enu. **46** Ngalesosikhathi kwasekuhlwile, uJesu elokhu Kube lamkholwa uMosi, ngabe liyangikholwa engakabuyi kubo. **18** Kwakuvunguza umoya ngoba wabhala ngami. **47** Kodwa njengoba omkhulu amanzi asequbuka kubi. **19** Sebegwedle lingakukholwa lokho akubhalayo, lizakukholwa okwamakhilomitha amahlanu loba ayisithupha kanjani lokho engikutshoyo na?”

6 Ngemva kwalokhu uJesu wachaphela ngaphetsheya koLwandle lwaseGalile (kutshiwo uLwandle lwaseThibheriyasi), **2** njalo walandelwa lixuku elikhulu labantu ngoba babona imimangaliso ayeyenzile kwababegula. **3** UJesu wasesiya eceleni kwentaba wahlala khona labafundi bakhe. **4** UMkhosi wePhasika wamajuda wawususondele. **5** UJesu wathi uyakhangela wabona ixuku labantu elikhulu lisiza kuye, wathi kuFiliphu, “Singasithenga ngaphi isinkwa ukuze abantu laba badle?” **6** Wabuza lokhu emlinga nje kuphela ngoba wayevele esekwazi ayezakwenza. **7** UFiliphu wamphendula wathi, “Amadenari angamakhulu amabili ngeke athenge isinkwa esenela ukuthi umuntu munye nje azuze ucezwana!” **8** Omunye wabafundi bakhe, u-Andreya, umfowabo kaSimoni Phethro wakhulumu wathi, **9** “Nangu umfana olezinkwa zebhali ezinhlanu lenhlanzi ezimbili ezincinyane, kodwa zingafika ngaphi ebantwini abanengi kangaka na?” **10** UJesu wathi, “Hlalisani abantu phansi.” Kwakulotshani obunengi kuleyondawo, asehlala phansi (amadoda ubunengi bawo bungaba zinkulungwane ezinhlanu). **11** UJesu wasezithatha izinkwa, wakhuleka, wasezabela labo abasebehlezi phansi, wabapha njengokufuna kwabo. Wenzo njalo langenhlanzi. **12** Kwathi bonke sebesuthi, wasesithi kubafundi bakhe, “Buthani imvuthu eziseleyo. Kakungalahlwa lutho.” **13** Ngakho bazibutha bagcwalisu izitsha ezilitshumi lambili ngemvuthu zezikwa zebhali ezatshiywa yilabo bambona uJesu esiza esikepeni ehamba phezu kwamanzi; bethuka kakhulu. **20** Kodwa wathi kubo, “Yimi; lingesabi.” **21** Babefuna ukumngenis esikepeni, kwathi masinyane isikepe sahle safika ekhunjini lapho ababeqonde khona. **22** Ngelanga elilandelayo ixuku labantu elalisele ekhunjini elinganeno lananzelela ukuthi kwakukade kulesikepe esisodwa, lokuthi uJesu kangenanga kuso kanye labafundi bakhe, kodwa babehambe bodwa. **23** Kwasekuflka ezinye izikepe zivela eThibheriyasi zamiswa eduze lalapho abantu ababedle khona isinkwa ngemva kokuba iNkosi isiqale yakhuleka. **24** Ixuku lonela ukunanzela ukuthi uJesu kanye labafundi bakhe babengasekho lapho, bangena ezikepeni baya eKhaphenawume ukuyadinga uJesu. **25** Bathi sebemfumene ngaphetsheya kwechibi bambuza bathi, “Rabi, kanti ufike nini lapha?” **26** UJesu waphendula wathi, “Ngiqinisile ukuthi kalingidingi ngoba libone imimangaliso, kodwa ngoba lidle izinkwa lasutha. **27** Lingasebenzeli ukudla okubolayo, kodwa sebenzelani ukudla okuhlala okwempilo engapheliyo elizakuphiwa yiNdodana yoMuntu. UBaba uNkulunkulu usebeke kuyo uphawu lwakhe.” (*aiōnios g166*) **28** Basebembuza bathi, “Kumele senzeni ukuze senze umsebenzi kaNkulunkulu na?” **29** UJesu waphendula wathi, “Umsebenzi kaNkulunkulu yilo: ukukholwa kulowo amthumileyo.” **30** Basebembuza bathi, “Uzasitshengisa simangaliso bani esizasibona ukute sikukholwe na? Kuyini ozakwenza? **31** Okhokho badla imana enkangala; njengoba kuletshiwe ukuthi: ‘Wabapha isinkwa sivila ezulwini ukuba badle.’” **32** UJesu wathi kubo,

“Ngiqinisile ngithi, kakusuye uMosi olinike (aiōn g165) 52 Lapho-ke, amajuda aseqalisa isinkwa sivela ezulwini, kodwa nguBaba ukuphikisana ngamandla esithi, “Umuntu lo olinika isinkwa seqiniso sivela ezulwini. 33 angasipha kanjani inyama yakhe ukuba siyidle Ngoba isinkwa sikaNkulunkulu singulowo na?” 53 UJesu wathi kubo, “Ngiqinisile ngithi, owehla ezulwini anike ukuphila emhlabeni.” ngaphandle kokuba lidle inyama yeNdodana 34 Bathi, “Nkosi, kusukela manje siphe yoMuntu, linathe igazi layo, kalilakuphila lesinkwa sokuphila.” 35 UJesu wachaza wathi, phakathi kwenu. 54 Lowo odla inyama yami njalo “Ngiyisinkwa sokuphila. Lowo ozayo kimi anathe igazi lami ulokuphila okungapheliyo kasoze afa alamba, lalowo okholwa kimi kasoze njalo ngizamvusa ngosuku lokucina. (aiōnios aphinde ome. 36 Kodwa njengoba ngilitshelile g166) 55 Ngoba inyama iyikhona kudla okuqotho selingibonile, kodwa lokhe lingakhola. 37 legazi lami liyikunatha okuqotho. 56 Lowo odla Konke lokho uBaba anginika khona kuzakuza inyama yami njalo anathe igazi lami uhlala kimi njalo lowo oza kimi kangisoze ngimlahle. kimi, lami kuye. 57 Njengoba uBaba ophilayo 38 Ngoba ngehlile ezulwini, hatshi ukuzokwenza wangithuma njalo ngiphila ngenxa kaBaba, eyami intando kodwa ukwenza intando kanjalo lowo odla mina uzaphila ngenxa yami. yalowo ongithumileyo. 39 Intando yakhe ongithumileyo yile, ukuthi ngingalahlekela Okhokho benu badla imana, kodwa bafa, kodwa langokukodwa kwalokho anginike khona, odla lesinkwa uzaphila lanininini.” (aiōn g165) kodwa ngibavuse ngosuku lokucina. 40 Ngoba 58 Lesi yiso isinkwa esehla sivela ezulwini. intando kaBaba iyikuthi bonke abakhangela eKhaphenawume. 60 Bathi bekuzwa lokhu eNdodaneni bakholwe kuyo bazakuba lokuphila abafundi bakhe abanengi bathi, “Le yimfundiso okungapheliyo njalo ngizabavusa ngosuku enzima. Kambe ngubani ongayamukela na?” 61 lokucina.” (aiōnios g166) 41 Esizwa lokhu amajuda UJesu wathi ngokunanzela ukuthi abafundi aqalisa ukukhonona ngaye ngoba wathi, bakhe babekhonona ngalokhu wathi kubo, “Ngiyisinkwa esehlalo sivela ezulwini.” 42 Athi, “Lokhu kuyalikhuba yini? 62 Kungaba njani pho “Kanti kasuJesu lo indodana kajosefa na? Oyise nxa lingayibona iNdodana yoMuntu isenyuka lonina kasibazi na? Pho angakutsho kanjani ibuyela lapho eyayikhona ngaphambilini! manje ukuthi, ‘Ngehla ngivela ezulwini?’” 43 63 UMoya unika ukuphila; inyama kayisizi UJesu wathi, “Yekelani ukukhonona phakathi lutho. Amazwi engiwakhulume kini angumoya kwenu. 44 Kakho ongeza kimi ngaphandle njalo ayikuphila. 64 Kodwa bakhona abanye kokuthi uBaba ongithumileyo amsondeze, benu abangakholwayo.” Ngoba uJesu wayevele mina-ke ngizamvusa ngosuku lokucina. 45 esazi kusukela ekuqaleni ukuba yibaphi Kulotshiwe kubaphrefethi ukuthi: ‘Bonke phakathi kwabo ababengakhola lokuthi bazafundiswa nguNkulunkulu.’ Wonke lowo ngubani owavezamnikela. 65 Waqhubeka wathi, olalela uBaba afunde kuye uyeza kimi. 46 “Yikho ngalitshela ngathi kakho ongeza kimi Kakho osewake wambona uBaba ngaphandle ngaphandle kokuba ephiwe amandla nguBaba.” kwalowo ovela kuNkulunkulu; nguye kuphela 66 Kusukela kulesosikhathi abafundi bakhe onbonileyo uBaba. 47 Ngiqinisile ukuthi abanengi bamdela ababe besamlandela. 67 UJesu lowo okholwayo ulokuphila okungapheliyo. wabuza abalitshumi lambili wathi, “Lina kalifuni (aiōnios g166) 48 Ngiyisinkwa sokuphila. 49 kudela lihambe na?” 68 USimoni Phethro Okhokho benu bayidla imana enkangala, kodwa wamphendula wathi, “Nkosi, sizakuya kubani bafa. 50 Kodwa nansi isinkwa esehla sivela na? Wena ulamazwi okuphila okungapheliyo. ezulwini, umuntu angasidla angabe esafa. 51 (aiōnios g166) 69 Thina siyaholwa njalo siyazi Ngiyisinkwa esiphilayo esehlela phansi sivela ukuthi ungoNgcwele kaNkulunkulu.” 70 UJesu ezulwini. Nxa umuntu angasidla lesinkwa, wasephendula wathi, “Kangilikhethanga yini, uzaphila laphakade. Lesosinkwa siyinyama lina elilitshumi lambili na? Ikanti omunye yami engizayinikela ukuphila komhlaba.” wenu unguSathane!” 71 (Wayesitsho uJudasi,

indodana kaSimoni Iskariyothi, owathi loba engomunye wabalitshumi lambili wamnikela.)

7 Ngemva kwalokhu uJesu wahambahamba eGalile, kazathanda ukuya ejudiya ngoba amajuda alapho ayefuna indlela yokumbulala. **2** Kwathi uMkhosi wamajuda weziHonqo ususondele **3** abafowabo bakajesu bathi kuye, “Sekumele usuke lapha uye ejudiya ukuze abafundi bakho babone imimangaliso oyenzayo. **4** Kakho umuntu othi efuna ukuba lodumo asebenzele ensitha. Njengoba usenza izinto lezi ziveze emhlabeni.” **5** Ngoba labafowabo babengakholwa kuye. **6** Ngakho uJesu wabatshela wathi, “Kasikafiki isikhathi sami salokho; kiri loba yisiphi isikhathi sililungele. **7** Umhlabla ngeke ulizonde, kodwa mina uyangizonda ngoba ngiveza ukuthi lokho okwenzayo kubi. **8** Hambani lina emkhosini. Mina kangikayi emkhosini lowo ngoba kimi kasikafiki isikhathi esifaneleyo.” **9** Esetsho lokhu wazihlalela eGalile. **10** Kodwa ngemva kokuba abafowabo sebehambile emkhosini laye waya khona, hatshi obala kodwa wahamba ensitha. **11** Khonapho emkhosini amajuda ayemlindele ebuza esithi, “Ingaphi indoda leyana?” **12** Phakathi kwamaxuku abantu kwakulokunyenyezelana ngaye. Abanye bathi, “Ungumuntu olungileyo.” Abanye baphendula bathi, “Hatshi, ukhohlisa abantu.” **13** Kodwa kakho owakhulumma ngaye obala ngokwesaba amajuda. **14** Kwathi isikhathi somkhosi sesiphakathi laphakathi uJesu wasesiya egumeni lethempeli waqalisu ukufundisa. **15** Amajuda amangala, abuza athi, “Indoda le yaluzuza kanjani ulwazi olungaka yona ingafundanga?” **16** UJesu waphendula wathi, “Imfundiso yami kayisiyami. Ivela kulowo ongithumileyo. **17** Nxa umuntu ekhetha ukwenza intando kaNkulunkulu uzabona ingabe imfundiso yami ivela kuNkulunkulu loba ngiyazikhulumela. **18** Lowo ozikhulumelayo wenzela ukuzizuzela udumo, kodwa lowo osebenzela udumo lwalowo omthumileyo ngumuntu weqiniso; kakulankohliso kuye. **19** UMosi kallinikanga yini umthetho? Kodwa kakho lamunye kini owugcinayo umthetho. Kungani lifuna ukungibulala na?” **20** Ixuku labantu laphendula lathi, “Ulamadimoni wena. Ngubani ofuna ukukubulala?” **21** UJesu wathi kubo, “Ngenza umangaliso owodwa lamangala kakhulu lonke. **22** Kodwa ngoba uMosi walipha ukusoka (loba iqiniso liyikuthi kakuvelanga kuMosi kodwa kubokhokho), liyamsoka umntwana ngeSabatha. **23** Manje-ke, nxa umntwana engasokwa ngeSabatha kungabi yikuwephula umthetho kaMosi, pho mina lingizondelani ngokuthi ngisilise umuntu ngokupheleleyo ngeSabatha na? **24** Khawulani ukusola ngokubona kwamehlo kodwa yahlulelani ngokuqondileyo.” **25** Ngalesosikhathi abanye abantu baseJerusalem babuza bathi, “Kanti kasuye yini umuntu lo abafuna ukumbulala na? **26** Nangu phela ekhulumma egcekeni kodwa kabatsho lutho kuye. Kambe iziphathamandla zingabe sezibone ukuthi nguye uKhristu na? **27** Kodwa siyawazi thina lapha indoda le edabuka khona; nxa uKhristu esefika, kakho ozakwazi lapho avela khona.” **28** Kwathi uJesu elokhu esafundisa egumeni lethempeli, wamemeza wathi, “Yebo, liyangazi njalo liyakwazi lapho engivelwa khona. Kangizibuyelanga lapha kodwa lowo ongithumileyo uqinisile. Kalimazi **29** kodwa mina ngiyamazi ngoba ngivelwa kuye, nguye ongithumileyo.” **30** Besizwa lokhu bazama ukumbamba kodwa kakho owambeka isandla ngoba isikhathi sakhe sasingakafiki. **31** Loba kunjalo, abanengi exukwini labantu bakholwa kuye. Bathi, “Nxa uKhristu angafika, kambe uzakwenza imimangaliso okwedlula umuntu lo?” **32** AbaFarisi bezwa abantu benyenyeza izinto ezinjalo ngaye. AbaFarisi labaphristi abakhulu basebethuma amanxusa ethempelini ukuba ayembophya. **33** UJesu wathi, “Ngilani okwesikhathi esifitshane, besengihamba ngisiya kuye ongithumileyo. **34** Lizangidinga kodwa lingangifumanji; lalapho engikhona lingke lifike.” **35** Amajuda abuzana athi, “Umuntu lo ufunwa ukuya ngaphi lapho esingeke samfumana khona na? Uzakuya ebantwini bakithi abahlakazekileyo abahlala phakathi kwamaGrikhi, afundise amaGrikhi na? **36** Ubesitshoni esithi, ‘Lizangidinga, kodwa lingangifumanji,’ njalo wathi, ‘Lapho

engikhona lingkeke lifike?" 37 Ngelanga owesifazane lo ukhandwe efeba. 5 EMthethweni lokicina elaliqakatheke kakhulu emkhosini, uMosi wasilaya ukuthi abesifazane abanjalo uJesu wasukuma wakhulumu ngelizwi elikhulu kabakhandwe ngamatshe. Manje wena wathi, "Nxa ekhona owomileyo keze kimi uthini?" 6 Umbuzo lo wawungumjibila azonatha. 38 Loba ngubani okholwa kimi wabo ukuze bazuze izaba lokumbeka icala. njengoba uMbhalo utshilo, imifula yamanzi Kodwa uJesu wakhothama waseloba phansi aphilayo izageleza ngaphakathi kwakhe." 39 ngomunwe. 7 Kwathi ngoba belokhu bephikelela Ngalokhu wayesitsho uMoya, okwakuzakuthi ngokumbuza wabakhangela wathi kubo, labo abakhola kuye bamamukele ngesikhathi "Nxa ekhona phakathi kwenu ongelasono esizayo. Kuze kube yilesosikhathi uMoya kaqale ukumkhanda ngamatshe." 8 Waphinda wawungakathelwa ebantwini, njengoba uJesu wakhothama waloba phansi emhlabathini. wayengakakhazimulisa. 40 Sebewazwile 9 Esetshonjalo labo abezwayo baqala ukuthi amazwi akhe abanye bathi, "Ngeqiniso nyelele munye ngamunye bahamba, kwaqala umuntu lo nguye umphrofethi." 41 Abanye ngabadala bakhona, kwaze kwasala uJesu yedwa bathi, "Nguye uKhristu." Abanye njalo lowesifazane lowo elokhu emi khonapho. babuza bathi, "Kungenzeka kanjani ukuthi 10 UJesu wamkhangela wambuza wathi, uKhristu avele eGalile na? 42 UMbhalo "Mama, kanti sebeye ngaphi? Kasekho yini kawutsho yini ukuthi uKhristu uzavela kusendo okwethesa icala?" 11 Owesifazane wathi, lukaDavid, eBhethilehema, umuzi lapho "Kabasekho, nkosi." UJesu waphendula wathi, uDavid ayeahlala khona." 43 Kanjalo abantu "Lami-ke, kangikulahli, zihambele, kodwa badabukana phakathi ngenxa kajesu. 44 ungaphindi wenze isono futhi."] 12 Kwathi Abanye babefuna ukumbamba, kodwa kakho uJesu esekhuluma ebantwini njalo wathi, owambeka isandla. 45 Amanxusa ethempelini "Ngyiyukhanya komhlaba. Loba ngubani acina esebuyela kubaphristi abakhulu labaFarisi ongilandelayo kasoze ahambe ebumnyameni athi, "Kungani lingezanga laye?" 46 Amanxusa lanini kodwa uzakuba lokukhanya kokuphila." afakaza athi, "Kakho osewake wakhulumu 13 AbaFarisi bahle bamqaga bathi, "Nankonjengaloyamuntu." 47 AbaFarisi bakhwaza bathi, ke, wena uyazifikazel; ubufakazi bakho "Litsho ukuthi lani uselikhohlisile? 48 Ukhona na kabulaqiniso." 14 UJesu waphendula wathi, kubabusi loba kubaFarisi osebeke ithemba lakhe "Loba ngizifikazel mina, ubufakazi bami kuye? 49 Hatshi! Kodwa inkunkuma yabantu buqinisile ngoba ngiyakwazi lapho engavela le engazilutho ngezomthetho, iqalekisiwe." khona lalapho engiyakhona. Kodwa lina 50 UNikhodimasi owayeye kuJesu mandulo, kumnyama nje kini ukuthi ngivela ngaphi owayengomunye wabo wabuza wathi, 51 lokuthi ngiya ngaphi. 15 Lina lahlulela "Kanti umthetho wakithi uyamlaha na umuntu ngendlela yabantu; mina kangahluleli muntu. engaqalanga wabuzwa ukuthi yena uthini 16 Kodwa ngithi nxa ngingehlulela, izinqumo ngokwakhe?" 52 Baphendula bathi, "Lawe uvela zami zilungile ngoba kangedwa. Ngimi eGalile yini? Ake ukudingisise, uzabona ukuthi loBaba ongithumileyo. 17 Emthethweni wenu kakulamphrofethi ongaphuma eGalile." [53 kolutshiwe ukuthi ubufakazi babantu ababili Ngakho bonke basuka baya emizini yabo.

8 Kodwa uJesu waya eNtabeni yama-Oliva. 2 Kwathi kusisa wabonakala njalo emagumeni ethempeli, abantu borke babuthana kuye, wahlala phansi wabafundisa. 3 Abafundisi bomthetho labaFarisi baletsha owesifazane owayebanjwe ephinga. Bamisa phambi kwabantu 4 bathi kuJesu, "Mfundisi,

buqinisile. 18 Yimi ngokwami engizifikazelayo; omunye umfakazi nguBaba ongithumileyo." 19 Basebembuza bathi, "Ungaphi uyihlo?" UJesu waphendula wathi, "Kalingazi mina kanye loBaba. Aluba belingazi, belizamazi loBaba njalo." 20 Wawakhuluma amazwi la efundisa egumeni lethempeli eduze lalapho okwakubekwa khona iminikelo. Kodwa kakho owambambayo ngoba isikhathini

sakhe sasingakafiki. 21 Waphinda njalo UJesu wathi, "Aluba belingabantwana baka-uJesu wathi kubo, "Ngiyasuka lapha, futhi Abhrahamma ngabe lenza izinto ezenziwa lizangidinga, kodwa lizafela esonweni senu. nguye u-Abhrahamma. 40 Kodwa kunje njelapho engiyakhona alingeke lize khona." 22 lizimisele ukungibulala, mina muntu oseletshele Amajuda asebuzana athi, "Uzazibulala yini? iqiniso engilizwileyo livela kuNkulunkulu. Yikho yini esithi, 'Lapho engiyakhona lingek U-Abhrahamma kazenzanga izinto ezinjalo. lize khona?'" 23 Kodwa waqhubeka wathi, "Lina 41 Lenza izinto ezenziwa ngowenu uyihlo." lingabalapha phansi; mina ngivela phezulu. Amvukela athi, "Kasisibantwana abazuzwa Lingabomhlaba; mina kangisiwalo umhlabo. ngobufobe thina. UBaba esilaye kuphela 24 Ngilitshelile ukuthi lizafela ezonweni zenu; ngenkulunkulu ngokwakhe." 42 UJesu wathi nxalingakholwa ukuthi nginguelyengithi kuwo, "Kube uNkulunkulu ubenguYihlo, nginguye, ngempela lizafela ezonweni zenu." belizangithanda ngoba ngavela kuNkulunkulu, 25 Bambuza bathi, "Uvele unguubani?" UJesu okwamanje sengilapha. Kangizibuyelanga waphendula wathi, "Khonokho ebengivele kodwa uNkulunkulu wangithuma. 43 Kungani ngikutsho sonke lesisikhathi. 26 Kunengi lingaluzwisisi ulimi engilukhulumayo na? engingalahlulela ngakho. Kodwa lowo Ngoba liyehluleka ukuzwa engikutshoyo. ongithumileyo uthembekile njalo lokho 44 Lingabakayihlo uSathane ngakho lifuna engikuzwileyo kusuka kuye ngikutshela ukusenza isifiso sikayihlo. Wavele waba umhlabo." 27 Kabazange bazwisisi ukuthi ngumbulali mdabuko wakhe, kemanga wayebatshela ngoYise. 28 Ngakho uJesu eqinisweni ngoba uvele engelalo iqiniso. wasesithi, "Lapho seliyiphakamisile iNdodana Uthi nxalingaqamba amanga, akhulume ulimi yoMuntu lizakwazi ukuthi ngingubani lokuthi lomdabuko wakhe ngoba ungu somangase kangenzi lutho ngokwami kodwa ngikhuluma loyise wamanga. 45 Kodwa kalingikhulwa kuphela lokho uBaba angifundise khona. 29 ngoba ngilitshela iqiniso! 46 Ukhona na Lowo ongithumileyo ulami; kangitshiyanga kini ongaveza ukuthi ngilecalala lesono? Nxa ngingedwa ngoba nighlezi ngisenza lokho ngikhuluma iqiniso kungani lingangikhulwa okumthokozisayo." 30 Wathi esakhuluma lokhu na? 47 Lowo ongokaNkulunkulu uyakuzwa abanengi bakhulwa kuye. 31 UJesu wathi lokho uNkulunkulu akutshoyo. Isizatho sokuthi kumajuda amkholwayo, "Nxa libambelela lingezwa yikuthi kalisibo bakaNkulunkulu." 48 emfundisweni yami lingabafundi bami Amajuda aphendula athi, "Siyalahleka yini nxa ngempela. 32 Ngakho lizalazi iqiniso, njalo sisithi ungumSamariya njalo ulamadimoni?" iqiniso lizalikhulula." 33 Amphendula athi, 49 UJesu wathi, "Kangiladimoni mina, kodwa "Siyinzalo ka-Abhrahamma futhi kasizange ngidumisa uBaba ikanti lina liyangigcna. 50 lanini sibe yiziqqili zamuntu. UkuSho Kangizidingeli udumo mina kodwa ukhona kanjani pho ukuthi sizakhululwa?" 34 UJesu olufunayo, yena ungumahluleli. 51 Ngiyainisa waphendula wathi, "Ngiqinisisle ngithi wonke ngithi, nxa umuntu egcina ilizwi lami kasoze owenza isono uysigqili sesono. 35 Phela akubone ukufa lanini." (aiōn g165) 52 Esizwa lokhu isiqqili kasilandawo emiyo emulini, kodwa amajuda ababaza athi, "Khathesi sesisazi ukuthi oyindodana unguwakhona lanininini. (aiōn g165) 36 Ngakho-ke, nxa iNdodana ilikhulula, abaphrofethi kodwa wena uthi nxa umuntu lizakhululeka ngempela. 37 Ngiyakwazi egcina ilizwi lakho kasoze akuzwe ukufa ukuthi lingabosendo luka-Abhrahamma. Kodwa lanini. (aiōn g165) 53 Wena umkhulu kulobaba uselizimisele ukungibulala ngoba ilizwi lami Abhrahamma na? Wafa, kanye labo abaphrofethi. kalilandawo kini. 38 Ngilitshela lokho Wena uzenza banu na?" 54 UJesu waphendula engikubone phambi kukaBaba kodwa lina wathi, "Nxa ngizidumisa mina ngokwami, luyize lenza lokho elikuzwileyo ngoyihlo." 39 udumo lwami. UBaba, elithi unguNkulunkulu Aphendula athi, "U-Abhrahamma nguye ubaba." wenu nguye ongidumisayo. 55 Lanxa lina

lingamazi, mina ngiyamazi. Ngabe ngithe kubaFarisi. **14** Usuku uJesu enza ngalo udaka kangimazi, bengizabe ngingumqambi wamanga wavula amehlo endoda leyo lwaluyiSabatha. njengani kodwa ngiyamazi njalo ngiyaligcina **15** AbaFarisi baphinde bayibuzisisa ukuthi ilizwi lakhe. **56** Uyihlo u-Abrahama kwenziwani ukuze ibone. Indoda yaphendula wathakazelela umnakano wokulubona usuku yathi, “Uninde udaka emehlweni ami, ngageza, lwami; walubona wathokoza.” **57** AmaJuda athi manje sengibona.” **16** Abanye abaFarisi bathi, kuye, “Kawukafikisi iminyaka engamatshumi “Umuntu lo kaveli kuNkulunkulu ngoba amahlanu obudala, kodwa uthi usumbonile kaligcini iSabatha.” Kodwa abanye babuza u-Abrahama!” **58** UJesu waphendula wathi, bathi, “Isoni singayenza kanjani imimangaliso “Ngilitshela iqiniso ukuthi u-Abrahama enje na?” Kanjalo adabukana. **17** Bacina engakazalwa, mina ngasengikhonal” **59** Besizwa sebephendukela endodeni eyayiyisiphofu lokhu badobha amatshe befuna ukumkhanda njalo bathi, “Wena uthini ngaye? Ngamehlo kodwa uJesu wasithela, waphunyuka wasuka emagumeni ethempeli.

9 UJesu wathi elokhu ehamba wabona indoda eyayiyisiphofu kusukela ekuzalweni kwayo. **2** Abafundi bakhe bambuza bathi, “Rabi, ngubani owenza isono, indoda le loba abazali bayo ukuze izalwe iyisiphofu na?” **3** UJesu wathi, “Kakusikho ukuthi abazali bayo loba yona indoda le yenza isono kodwa lokhu kwenzakala ukuze umsebenzi kaNkulunkulu ubonakaliswe empilweni yayo. **4** Nxa kulokhu kusemini kumele siwenze umsebenzi wakhe ongithumileyo. Ubusuku buyeza lapho kungelamuntu ongasebenza khona. **5** Nxa ngisesemhlabeni, ngiyikuhanya komhlaba.” **6** Esekutshilo lokhu wakhafulela emhlabathini, wavuba udaka ngamathe walunameka emehlweni endoda. **7** Wayitshela wathi, “Hamba uyegeza esizibeni saseSilowami” (ibizo leli litsho ukuthi “Ukuthunywa”). Ngakho indoda yahamba yayageza, yabuyela ekhaya isibona. **8** Omakhelwane bayo lalabo abahlezi beyibona icela babuza bathi, “Kakusyo yini indoda le eyayihlala icela?” **9** Abanye baqinisa ukuthi kwakuyiyo. Abanye bathi, “Hatshi, lo ufana layo nje kuphela.” Kodwa yona yagcizelela yathi, “Ngiyivo leyondoda.” **10** Bamjinga ngemibuzo bathi, “Pho amehlo akho avuleke kanjani?” **11** Waphendula wathi, “Indoda abayithi nguJesu ivube udaka yalunameka emehlweni ami. Ingitshele yathi kangije eSilowami ngiyegeza. Ngakho ngiyile ngayageza, ngasengibona.” **12** Bayibuza bathi, “Ingaphi leyondoda?” Wathi, “Kangazi.” **13** Indoda leyo eyayikade iyisiphofu yalethwa

“Ungumphrofethi.” **18** AmaJuda kawazange akholwe ukuthi indoda le yayikade iyisiphofu lokuthi yayisiyeniwe yabona kwaze kwabizwa abazali bayo. **19** Bababuza bathi, “Lo yindodana yenu yini? Nguye lo elithi wazalwa eyisiphofu? Sekwenzeke kanjani ukuthi khathesi usebona?” **20** Abazali baphendula bathi, “Thina sazi ukuthi uyindodana yethu, njalo siyakwazi ukuthi wazalwa eyisiphofu. **21** Kodwa ukuthi khathesi usebona lokuthi amehlo akhe avulwe ngubani kasikwazi. Mbuzeni. Usekhulile; uzazikhulumela.” **22** Abazali bakhe bakutsho lokhu ngoba babesesaba amaJuda, ngoba amajuda ayesevele aquma ukuthi loba ngubani owayezakuthi uJesu nguKhristu wayezaxotshwa esinagogweni. **23** Yikho abazali bakhe bathi, “Usekhulile; mbuzeni yena.” **24** Aphinda ayibiza okwesibili indoda eyayiyisiphofu athi, “Nika udumo kuNkulunkulu. Siyakwazi ukuthi umuntu lo uyisoni.” **25** Yaphendula yathi, “Ukuthi uyisoni kumbe hatshi kangikwazi. Mina kunye engikwaziyo. Bengiyisiphofu kodwa manje sengibona!” **26** Aseyibuza athi, “Wenzeni kuwe na? Uwavule njani amehlo akho?” **27** Yaphendula yathi, “Sengilitshelile kodwa kalifunanga ukuzwa. Lifunelani ukukuzwa njalo? Lani lifuna ukuba ngabafundi bakhe na?” **28** Khonapho asemthuka esithi, “Ungumfundu walumuntu! Thina singabafundi bakaMosi! **29** Siyakwazi ukuthi uNkulunkulu wakhulumu kuMosi, kodwa umfokazi lo kasimazi lokuthi uvela ngaphi.” **30** Indoda yaphendula yathi, “Manje lokhu kuyamangalisa! Kalimazi lapho avela khona kodwa uwavulile amehlo ami.

31 Siyakwazi ukuthi uNkulunkulu kazilaleli ngilande ukuze zibe lokuphila, zibe lakho izoni. Ulalela umuntu olobunkulunkulu, owenza ngokugcweleyo. **11** Ngingumelusi olungileyo. intando yakhe. **32** Kakho osewake wezwa Umelusi olungileyo unikela ukuphila kwakhe ngokuvulwa kwamehlo omuntu owazalwa izimvu zakhe. **12** Oqhatshiwedo kasuye umelusi eyisiphofu. (aiōn g165) **33** Aluba umuntu lo ongumnini wezimvu. Yikho nxax bona iganyana ubengaveli kuNkulunkulu ubengasoze enze lisiza, uyzitshiya izimvu abaleke. Iganyana lutho.” **34** Aphendula lokhu ngokuthi, “Wazalwa beseliuhlasela umhlambi liuhlakaze. **13** ucwile nya esonweni; ngeke sifundiswe Umuntu lo ubaleka ngoba eyisiqhatsisha, nguwe thina!” Asemxotshela phandle. **35** kazikhathaleli izimvu. **14** Mina ngingumelusi UJesu wakuzwa ukuthi ayemxotshela phandle, olungileyo; ngiyazazi izimvu zami njalo wathi esembonile wathi kuye, “Uyakholwa lezimvu zami ziyangazi **15** njengoba uBaba eNdodaneni yoMuntu na?” **36** Indoda yabuza engazi lami ngiyamazi, ngnikela ukuphila yathi, “Ingubani na, nkosi? Ngitshela ukuze kwami ezimvini zami. **16** Ngilazo ezinye ngikholve kuyo.” **37** UJesu wathi, “Khathesi izimvu ezingasizo zalumhlambi. Lazo kumele usuyibonile; iqiniso yikuthi yiyo le ekhuluma ngizilethe. Lazo futhi zizalilalela ilizwi lami lawe.” **38** Indoda yasisithi, “Nkosi, ngiyakholwa,” ukuze kube lomhlambi owodwa lomelusi yasimkhonza. **39** UJesu wathi, “Ngeza lapha oyedwa. **17** Isizatho sokuba uBaba angithande emhlabeni ukuzakwahlulela, ukuze iziphofu yikuthi ngiyayinikela impilo yami, ngizaphinde zibone kuthi labo ababonayo babonakale ngiyithathe futhi. **18** Kakho ongithathela yona beyiziphofu.” **40** Abanye abaFarisi ababelaye kodwa ngiyinikela ngokufisa kwami. Ngilalo bamuzwa uJesu esitsho lokhu babuza bathi, ilungelo lokuyinikela lelungelo lokuphinde “Uthini? Lathi siyiziphofu yini?” **41** UJesu ngiyithathe. Umlayo lo ngawamukela uvela waphendula wathi, “Kube beliyiziphofu ngabe kuBaba.” **19** Amazwi aphinda enza amajuda kalilamlandu wesono. Kodwa umlandu wenu adabuka phakathi. **20** Amanengi kuwo athi, umi ngoba lizenza abakwaziyo abakwenzayo.” “Uledimoni, uyawumana njalo uyahlanya. Limlalelelani?” **21** Kodwa amanye athi, “La kayisiwo mazwi omuntu oledimoni. Idimoni lingawavula njani amehlo esiphofu?” **22** Kwafika uMkhosi Wokuzinikela ejerusalem. Kwakusebusika, **23** uJesu esemagumeni ethempeli ezihambelo eKhulusini likaSolomoni. **24** Amajuda ayembuthanele athi kuye, “Kuzaze kube nini ulokhu usitsiya silengile na? Nxa unguye uKhristu, sitshele kuhle.” **25** UJesu waphendula wathi, “Ngalitshela kodwa kalikhola. Imimangaliso engiyenzayo ngebizo likaBaba iyangifakazela, **26** kodwa kalikhola ngoba kalisizo zimvu zami. **27** Ezami izimvu ziyalilalela ilizwi lami; ngiyazazi lazo ziyangilandela. **28** Ngizipha ukuphila okungapheliyo, kazisoze zabhubha; kakho ongazihlwitha esandleni sikaBaba. (aiōn g165, aiōnios g166) **29** UBaba wami yena ongiphe zona mkhulu kulakho konke, kakho ongazihlwitha esandleni sikaBaba **30** Mina loBaba simunye.” **31** Aphinda njalo amajuda adobha amatshe ukuba amkhande, **32** kodwa uJesu wathi

10 “Ngikhuluma iqiniso ukuthi umuntu ongangeni ngesango esibayeni sezimvu kodwa akhwele kwenye indawo ulisela lomphangi. **2** Umuntu ongena ngesango nguye umelusi wezimvu. **3** Umlindi wesango uyamvulela, lezimvu ziyalilalela ilizwi lakhe. Izimvu zakhe uzibiza ngamabizo azikhokhle. **4** Nxa esezipulele zonke ezakhe, uhamba phambi kwazo, izimvu zakhe zimlandele ngoba ziyalazi ilizwi lakhe. **5** Kodwa kazisoze zilandele owemzini; iqiniso yikuthi zizambalekela ngoba kazilazi ilizwi lowemzini.” **6** UJesu wasebenzisa umzekeliso lo kodwa kabakuzwisisanga lokho ayebatshela khona. **7** Ngakho uJesu waphinda wathi, “Ngilitshela iqiniso ukuthi mina ngiyilo isango lezimvu. **8** Bonke asebake bafika phambi kwami babengamasela labaphangi kodwa izimvu kazibalalelanga. **9** Mina ngiyilo isango; lobu ngubani ongena ngami uzasindiswa. Uzangena, aphume, afumane idlelo. **10** Isela lilanda ukweba lokubulala lokubhubhisa kuphela; mina

kuwo, “Ngilitshengisile imimangaliso emikhulu Bathi, “Oh, Rabi, muvana nje amajuda ake eminengi evela kuBaba. Yiwuphi phakathi azama ukukukhanda ngamatshe kodwa wena kwayo elingikhandela wona ngamatshe?” **33** usubuyela khona futhi?” **9** UJesu waphendula “Kasikukhandeli misebenzi emihle oyenzileyo wathi, “Kakusikho yini ukuthi kulamahola kodwa sikukhandela ukuhlambaza, ngoba alitshumi lambili okukhanyisa kwelanga na? wena, umuntu nje, uzenza uNkulunkulu.” **34** Umuntu ohamba emini kayikukhubeka ngoba UJesu waphendula wathi, “Kakulotshwanga ebona ngokukhanya kwalapha emhlabeni. **10** yini eMthethweni wenu ukuthi, ‘Ngitshilo Ukhubeka nxa ehamba ebusuku ngoba kalakho ukuthi “lingonkulunkulu?”’ **35** Nxa wababiza ukukhanya.” **11** Esekutshilo lokhu wasebatshela ngokuthi ‘ngonkulunkulu,’ bona labo ilizwi wathi, “Umngane wethu uLazaro uselele kodwa elafika kubo, njalo uMbhalo kawephulwa **36** pho- ngiya khonale ukuyamvusa.” **12** Abafundi bakhe ke kungathiwani kulowo uBaba amkhethileyo baphendula bathi, “Nkosi, nxa kuvuma ukuthi ukuba ngowakhe wamthumela emhlabeni na? alale, uzabangcono.” **13** UJesu wayekhuluma Kungani pho lingibeka icala lokuhlambaza ngokufa kwakhe kodwa abafundi bakhe ngoba ngitie ngiyiNdodana kaNkulunkulu? **37** babesithi kumbe utsho ukulala okujayelekileyo. Lingangikhola ngaphandle kokuba ngenze **14** Wasebatshela ephumela egcekeni wathi, okwenziwa nguBaba. **38** Kodwa nxa ngikwenza, “ULazaro usefile, **15** kodwa ukuze lina likholwe, lanxa lingangikhola, kholwani ubufakazi ngiyathaba ukuthi bengingekho lapho. Kodwa bemimangaliso ukuze lifunde njalo lizwisise kasiyeni khona.” **16** UThomasi (othiwa ukuthi uBaba ukimi, lami ngikuBaba.” **39** nguDidimasi) wathi kwabanye abafundi, Baphinda njalo bazama ukumbamba kodwa “Lathi kasihambeni ukuze siyekufa laye.” **17** waphunyuka. **40** UJesu wabuyela ngaphetsheya Ekufikeni kwakhe uJesu uLazaro wayeshlale kweJodani kuleyondawo lapho uJohane ethuneni okwensuku ezine. **18** EBhethani ayebhaphathizela khona ensukwini ezedulayo. kwakungaphansi kwamakhilomitha amathathu Wahlala khona, **41** abantu abanengi beza usuka ejerusalem, **19** yikho amajuda amanengi kuye. Bathi, “Lanxa uJohane engazange enze ayebuyile ukuzakhalela uMatha loMariya umangaliso, kodwa konke lokho uJohane ngokulahlekelwa kwabo ngumnewab. **20** akutshoyo ngomuntu lo kwakuliqiniso.” **42** Kwathi uMatha esizwa ukuthi uJesu wayesiza, Kuleyondawo abanengi bakhola kuJesu.

11 Kwakulendoda eyayithiwa nguLazaro eyayigula. YayingeyaseBhethani, umuzi okwakuhlala khona uMariya lodadewabo uMatha. **2** (UMariya lo olomnewab uLazaro owayephethwe ngumkhuhlane nguye owathela amakha ezinyaweni zeNkosi wazesula ngenwele zakhe.) **3** Ngakho odadewabo laba bathumela ilizwi kuJesu bathi, “Nkosi, lowo omthandayo uyagula.” **4** UJesu esekuzwile lokhu wathi, “Ukugula lokhu kakuzukucina ngokufa. Kodwa kungokodumo lukaNkulunkulu ukuze iNdodana kaNkulunkulu idunyiswe ngakho.” **5** UJesu wayemthanda uMatha lodadewabo kanye loLazaro. **6** Kodwa loba esezwile ukuthi uLazaro wayegula wazihlalela khona lapho ayekhona okwezinye insuku ezimbili. **7** Wasesithi kubafundi bakhe, “Kasibuyeleni eJudiya.” **8**

waphuma wamhlangabeza kodwa uMariya wasala ngekhaya. **21** UMatha wathi kuJesu, “Nkosi, aluba ubukhonapha ngabe umnewethu kafanga. **22** Kodwa ngiyazi ukuthi lamanje uNkulunkulu uzakunika loba yini oyicelayo.” **23** UJesu wathi kuye, “Umfowenu uzavuka njalo.” **24** UMatha waphendula wathi, “Ngiyazi ukuthi uzavuka futhi ekuvukeni kwabafileyo ngosuku lokucina.” **25** UJesu wathi kuye, “Mina ngiyikuvuka kwabafileyo lokuphila. Lowo okholwa kimi uzaphila loba engafa; **26** njalo lowo ophilayo ekholwa kimi kasoze afa lanini. Uyakukholwa lokhu na?” (**aīōn g165**) **27** Waphendula wathi, “Yebo Nkosi, ngiyakholwa ukuthi unguye uKhristu, iNdodana kaNkulunkulu, ozabuya emhlabeni.” **28** Esekutshilo lokho wabuyela ngekhaya wabizela udadewabo uMariya eceleni wathi, “UMfundisi usekhona, uyakucela.” **29** UMariya wathi

ekuzwa lokhu wasuka masinyane waya kuJesu. lo esenza imimangaliso eminengi. 48

30 UJesu wayelokhu engakangeni phakathi Singamyekela aqhubeke ngalindlela, wonke komuzi elokhu elapho ayehlangane khona umuntu uzakhola kuye njalo amaRoma loMatha. 31 Kwathi amajuda ayeloMariya azakuza athathe indawo yethu lesizwe endlini emduduza esebonile ukuthi wasukuma sethu.” 49 Kwasekusithi omunye wabo masinyane njani ephuma, amlandela ecabanga owayethiwa nguKhayifasi, owayengumphristi ukuthi mhlawumbe wayesiya ethuneni omkhulu ngalowomnyaka, wakhulumwa wathi, ukuyakhalela khona. 32 UMariya wonela ukufika “Kalazi lutho! 50 Kalikuboni lina ukuthi lapho uJesu ayekhona, wambona, wazilahla kungcono ukuba umuntu oyedwa afele phansi ezinyaweni zakhe wathi, “Nkosi, kube abantu kulokuthi kubhubhe isizwe sonke.” 51 ubukhona lapha, umnewethu ngabe kafanga.” Lokhu kazikhulumelanga yena ngokwakhe, 33 UJesu embona ekhala kanye lamajuda kodwa njengomphristi omkhulu kwabanye ayemlandele wadabuka kakhulu emoyeni, ngalowomnyaka waphrofitha ukuthi uJesu wakhathazeka. 34 Wabuza wathi, “Limbeke wayezafela isizwe samajuda, 52 kungasisizwe ngaphi na?” Baphendula bathi, “Woza uzobona leso sodwa, kodwa labantwana bakankulunkulu Nkosi.” 35 UJesu wakhala. 36 AmaJuda asesithi, abahlakazekileyo ukuze baletthwe ndawonye, “Liyabona ukuthi wayemthanda njani!” 37 benziwe babemunye. 53 Kusukela Kodwa amanye awo athi, “Kanti yena lo owavula ngalesosikhathi bakha amacebo okumbulala. amehlo endoda eyayiyisiphofu wehlulekile 54 Ngakho uJesu wayengasahambahambi ukwenza ukuthi umuntu lo angafi na?” 38 obala phakathi kwamajuda. Wasuka lapho UJesu waphinda njalo wadabuka, wasondela waya emangweni owawuseduze kwenkangala, ethuneni. Ithuna lalilubhalu, kulelitshe emzini owawuthiwa yi-Efrayimu, lapho elalivale intuba. 39 Wathi, “Lisuseni ilitshe.” ahlala khona labafundi bakhe. 55 Kwathi UMatha, udadewabo wendoda efileyo wathi, sekuzakuba yisikhathi sePhasika lamajuda, “Nkosi, khathesi sekulephunga elibi ngoba abanengi baqubuka elizweni baya ejeruselema selensuku ezine simbekile.” 40 UJesu wasesithi, ukuyahlanjululwa ngokomkhuba kungakabi “Kangikutshelanga ukuthi nxa ukholwa yiPhasika. 56 Babelokhu bethalaza befuna uJesu, uzabona inkazimulo kaNkulunkulu na?” 41 kwathi bemi egumeni lethempeli babuzana Ngakho balisusa ilitshe. UJesu wasekhangela bathi, “Licabangan? Ukuthi angaphutha yini phezulu wathi, “Baba ngiyakubonga ukuthi emkhosini?” 57 Kodwa abaphristi abakhulu ungizwile. 42 Mina bengisazi ukuthi uhlala labaFarisi basebelayele ukuthi nxa ekhona ungizwa, kodwa ngikutshela lokhu ngisenzela owayekwazi ukuthi uJesu wayengaphi, ahle abantu abemi lapha ukuze bakholwe ukuthi abike ukuze bambole.

ungithumile.” 43 Esekutshilo lokhu uJesu wamemeza ngelizwi elikhulu wathi, “Lazar, phuma!” 44 Umuyi waphuma, izandla lenyawo zakhe zithandelwe ngamaqhele elineni, kulelinye ilembu elalembese ubuso bakhe. UJesu wathi kubo, “Khuphani izivunulo zokungcwaba limyekеле ahambé.” 45 Ngakho amajuda amanengi ayeze ukuzakhalela uMariya esekubonile uJesu akwenzayo, amkhola. 46 Kodwa amanye aya kubaFarisi bayabatshela lokho okwakwenziwe nguJesu. 47 Abaphristi abakhulu labaFarisi basebebiza umhlangano weSanihedrini. Babuzana bathi, “Kanti sivele senzani? Nangu phela umuntu

12 Kwasekusele insuku eziyisithupha ukuthi kufike iPhasika, uJesu waya eBhethani, lapho okwakuhlala khona uLazaro owayevuswe kwabafileyo nguJesu. 2 Kwaphekwa ukudla kwakusihlwa kuhlonitshwa yena uJesu. UMatha nguye owayedidizela, uLazaro ehlezi labanye etafuleni loJesu. 3 UMariya wasethatha amafutha enadi acengekileyo njalo adulayo kakhulu, ayengaba yingxenyen yelitha, wawathela ezinyaweni zikajesu wasezesula ngenwele zakhe. Indlu yagcwala ngephunga eliminandi lamakha lawo. 4 Kodwa omunye wabafundi bakhe, uJudas Iskariyothi

owayezamnikela wasola wathi, 5 “Kungani Andreyo loFiliphu basebemtshela ujesu. 23 amakha la engathengiswanga imali yaphiwa Ujesu waphendula wathi, “Sesifikile isikhathi abampofu? Intengo yawo ibinganelu umholo sokuba iNdodana yoMuntu ikhazimulisse. 24 womnyaka wonke.” 6 Kakutshongo lokhu Ngilitshela iqiniso ukuthi ngaphandle kokuthi ngoba ebanakekela abampofu, kodwa ngoba uhlamu lwengqoloyi luwele emhlabathini lufe, elisela; njengomgciniskhwama wayandise lusala lulokhu luluhlamvu olulodwa. Kodwa ukuzisiza ngalokho okwakufakwa phakathi lungaze lufe luthela inhlamu ezinengi. 25 kwaso. 7 Ujesu waphendula wathi, “Myekele. Umuntu othanda impilo yakhe izamlahlekela Kwakuqondwe ukuthi amakha la awabekelo ikanti umuntu ozonda impilo yakhe kulo usuku lokungcwatshwa kwami. 8 Lizahlala umhlaba uzayilondolozela ingunaphakade. lilabo abampofu phakathi kwenu kodwa (aiōnios g166) 26 Lowo ongikhonzayo kumele mina kalyikuhlala lilami.” 9 Ngalesosikhathi angilandele, lalapho engikhona lesikhonzi ixuku elikhulu lamajuda lezwa ukuthi ujesu sami sikhona. UBaba uzamdumisu lowo wayelapho, leza lingalandanga yena kuphela ongikhonzayo. 27 Khathesi inhliziyo yami kodwa lokuthi libone uLazaro ayemvuse ikhathazekile. Kambe ngingatsho na ngithi, kwabafileyo. 10 Ngakho abapristi abakhulu ‘Baba, ngihlenga singafiki lesosikhathi?’ Hatshi, benza amacebo okuba bambulale laye uLazaro, kwakungenxa yalesisizatho ukuze ngingene 11 ngoba ngenxa yakhe amajuda amanengi kulesisikhathi. 28 Baba, khazimulisa ibizo ayesiya kujesu ebeka ukholo lwavo kuye. 12 lakh!” Kwasekufika ilizwi livela ezulwini Ngosuku olulandelayo ixuku elikhulu elalize lisithi, “Sengilikhazimulisile, ngizaphinda emkhosini lezwa ukuthi ujesu wayesendleleni ngilikhazimulise.” 29 Ixuku labantu elalapho esiza ejerusalem. 13 Lathatha amagatsha elalizwayo ilizwi lathi kube lomdumo wezulu; elala laphuma ukuyamhlangabeza, limemeza abanye bathi ingilosu yayikhulume laye. lisithi, “Hosana!” “Ubusisiwe lowo obuya 30 Ujesu wathi, “Ilizwi leli belingelokusiza ngebizo likaThixo!” “Ubusisiwe oyinkosi lina, hayi mina. 31 Manje sekuyisikhathi ka-Israyeli!” 14 Ujesu wathola inkonyane sokwahlulela kulo umhlaba; manje inkosi kababhemi wayigada njengoba kulotshiwe yalo umhlaba isizaxotshwa. 32 Kodwa mina ukuthi: 15 “Ungesabi, Oh Ndodakazi yeZiyoni; nxo sengiphakanyisiwe ngisuswa emhlabeni, khangela, inkosi yakho iyeza, ihlezi phezu ngizabadonsela kimi bonke abantu.” 33 kwenkonyane kababhemi.” 16 Kuqala abafundi Wakutsho lokhu eveza ukuthi wayezakufa bakhe kabakuzwisisanga konke lokhu. Kwaze ukufa okunjani. 34 Ixuku labhoboka lathi, kwaba ngemva kokuba ujesu esekhazimulisiwe “Sezwa eMthethweni ukuthi uKhristu uzahlala lapho abanenzelela khona ukuba izinto lezi kokuphela, pho ukutsho kanjani ukuthi, zazilotshwe ngaye lokuthi babezenzile kuye ‘INdodana yoMuntu imele iphakanyiswe na?’ lezozinto. 17 Ngalesosikhathi ixuku elalilaye Ingubani yona ‘iNdodana yoMuntu’ le?” (aiōn mhla ebiza uLazaro ethuneni wabuye wamvusa g165) 35 Ujesu wabatshela wathi, “Lizakuba ekufeni laqhubeka liliakaza ilizwi. 18 Abantu lakho ukukhanya okwesikhathshana esithile. abanengi bahamba ukuyamhlangabeza ngoba Hambani liseselakho ukukhanya, ubumnyama basebezwile ukuthi wayewenzile umangaliso bungakaligubuzeli. Umuntu ophumputha lo. 19 Abafarisi bakhulumisana besithi, emnyameni kakwazi lapho aya khona. 36 “Liyabona, into le izasitshiya esikhaleni. Bekani ithembu lenu ekukhanyeni liseselakho Khangelani ukuthi umhlaba wonke usuthe ukuze libe ngamadodana okukhanya.” Wathi zalezale kuye!” 20 Kwakukhona amaGrikhi eseqedile ukukhuluma ujesu wasuka kubo phakathi kwalabo abayakhonza emkhosini. wayazifihla. 37 Lanxa ujesu wayeseyenze yonke 21 Beza kuFiliphu owayevela eBhethisayida imimangaliso le emehlwani abo babelokhu eGalile lesicelo esithi, “Nkosi, sifuna ukubona bengakholwa kuye. 38 Lokhu kwakugcwalisa ujesu.” 22 UFiliphu wayatshela u-Andreyo; u- ilizwi lika-Isaya umphrofethi elithi: “Nkosi,

ngubani olkholiwego ilizwi lethu na, njalo wayenikele zonke izinto emandleni akhe, amandla eNkosi ambulelwu ubani na?" 39 lokuthi yena wayevela kuNkulunkulu njalo Ngalesisizatho babengeke bakhola ngoba wayebuyela kuNkulunkulu, 40 ngakho wasukuma u-Isaya uyatsho komunye umbhalo ukuthi: ekudleni, wakhulula isembatho saphezulu, 41 "Uwafiphazile amehlo abo wathundubeza wabophela ithawulo ekhalweni lwakhe. 5 inhlizyo zabo ukuze bangaboni ngamehlo Ngemva kwalokho, wathela amanzi enditshini abo njalo bangezwisisi ngenhlizyo zabo, loba waseqalisa ukugezisa inyawo zabafundi bakhe, baphenduke, ukuze ngibasilise." 42 U-Isaya wazesula ngethawulo leyo ayezibophe ngayo. wakutsho lokhu ngoba wayibona inkazimulo 6 Wafika kuSimoni Phethro owathi kuye, kajesu njalo wayekhuluma ngaye. 43 Kodwa "Nkosi, kambe wena nguwe ongagerezisa loba kunjalo, abanengi labanye abakhokheli inyawo zami na?" 7 UJesu waphendula wathi, bakhola kuye. Kodwa ngenxa yabaFarisi "Kawukuzwisisi lokhu engikwenzayo khathesi kabaluFakazanga ukholo lwabo besesaba ukuthi bazaxotshwa esinagogweni; 44 ngoba UPethro wathi, "Hatshi, kawusoze lanini babetanda ukubukwa ngabantu okwedlula ukubukwa okuvela kuNkulunkulu. 45 Nxa umuntu ekholwa lami." (aiōn g165) 9 UPethro waphendula kimi, kakholwa kimi kuphela kodwa kuye wathi, "Nkosi, nxa kunjalo, kakungabi zinyawo lowo ongithumileyo. 46 Ngibuye lekhanda lami!" 10 UJesu waphendula wathi, emhlabeni ngiyikukhanya ukuze angabikhona "Lowo ogeze umzimba udinga ukugeza okholwa kimi ozahlala ebunyameni. 47 inyawo zakhe kuphela, ngoba umzimba wakhe Nxa umuntu ewezwa amazwi ami kodwa wonke uhlanzekile. Njalo lina lihlanzekile angawagcini, angimahluleli mina. Phela loba nje kungayisini lonke elihlanzekileyo." kangilandanga ukuzowahlulela umhlabu 11 Ngoba wayemazi lowo owayezamnikela, kodwa ukuzowusindisa. 48 Ukhona umahluleli yikho wathi kakusibo bonke ababehlanzekile. walowo ongalayo, ongawemukeliyo amazwi 12 Eseqedile ukubagezisa inyawo, wagqoka ami; lawomazwi engawakhulumayo uqobo isembatho saphezulu wasebuyela endaweni azamlahla ngosuku lokucina. 49 Ngoba yakhe. Wababuza wathi, "Liyakuzwisisa kangizikhulumelanga ngokwentando yami na esengilenze khona? 13 Lingibiza lithi kodwa uBaba owangithumayo wangilaya ukuthi ngithini lokuthi ngikutsho kanjani. 50 Ngiyazi ukuthi umlayo wakhe uholela ekuphileni kwaphakade. Ngakho loba kuyini engikutshoyo yikho lokho uBaba angitshele khona ukuthi ngikutsho." (aiōnios g166)

13 Kwakuyisikhathi lapho uMkhosi wePhasika ususondele. UJesu wayekwazi ukuthi isikhathi sokuthi asuke kulumhlaba aye kuYise sasesisondele. Wayehlezi ebathanda abakhe abasemhlabeni, lesi kwasekuyisikhathi sokubatshengisa ukujula kothando lwakhe. 2 Kwathi kudliwa ukudla kwakusihlwa, uSathane wayevele esemtshutshisile ujudasi Iskariyothi, indodana kaSimoni, ukuthi anikele uJesu. 3 UJesu wayekwazi ukuthi uYise

wamukela mina njalo lowo owamukela mina kwami kuwe.” 38 UJesu wasemphendula wathi, wamukela lowo ongithumileyo.” 21 UJesu “Kambe uzinikele ukuphila kwakho ngenxa esatsho lokhu wakhathazeka kakhulu wafakaza yami? Ngiqinisile ngithi uzangiphika kathathu wathi, “Ngilitshela iquiniso ukuthi omunye wenu iqhude lingakkhal!”

uzanginikela.” 22 Abafundi bakhe bakhangelana bedidekile ukuthi kambe angabe esitsho wuphi kubo. 23 Omunye wabo owayethandwa nguJesu wayeyeme etafuleni eduzane laye. 24 USimonu Phethro wasemqhwiba lowomfundu wathi kuye, “Mbuze ukuthi utsho bani.”

25 Waseseyama kuJesu wambuza wathi, “Nkosi, ngubani?” 26 UJesu waphendula wathi, “Kungulowo engizamupha ucezu lwesinkwa nxa sengisitshebile emganwini.” Kwathi esesitshebile isinkwa wasiqhubela uJudasi Iskariyothi, indodana kaSimoni. 27

Wonela ukusithatha isinkwa uJudasi uSathane wasengena kuye. UJesu wathi kuye, “Lokho osufuna ukukwenza, kwenze masinyane.” 28 Kodwa kakho etafuleni owazwisisayo ukuthi kungani uJesu watsho njalo kuye. 29 Ngenxa yokuthi uJudasi nguye owayephatha imali, abanye bacabanga ukuthi uJesu wayemtshela ukuthi athenge lokho okwakuzafuneka emkhosini kumbe ukuthi anike okuthile kwabampofu. 30 Wonela ukuthi athathe isinkwa waphuma. Kwasekusebusuku.

31 Esehambile uJesu wathi, “Khathesi iNdodana yoMuntu isikhazimulisiwe njalo uNkulunkulu ukhazimulisiwe kuyo. 32 Nxa uNkulunkulu ekhazimulisiwe kuyo, uNkulunkulu laye uzayikhazimulisa iNdodana kuye njalo uzayikhazimulisa masinyane. 33 Bantwabami, ngizakuba lani okwesikhathshana esincane. Lizangidinga kodwa njengoba ngawatshela amajuda, lani sengilitshela khathesi ukuthi: Lapho engiyakhona, alingeke lifike. 34

Ngilinika umlayo omutsha: Thandanani. Kumele lithandane njengoba lami ngilithandile. 35 Bonke abantu bazakwazi ukuthi lingabafundi bami nxa lithandana.” 36 USimonu Phethro wambuza wathi, “Nkosi, kanti uya ngaphi na?” UJesu waphendula wathi, “Lapho engiyakhona ungazake ungilande khathesi kodwa uzangilandela ngesikhathi esizayo.” 37 Wabuza uPhethro wathi, “Nkosi, kungani ngingahle ngikulandele khathesi? Ngizanikela ukuphila

14 “Inhlizyo zenu kazingakhathazeki. Kholwani kuNkulunkulu; likholwe lakimi.

2 Emzini kaBaba kulezindlu ezinengi; aluba kwakungenjalo ngabe ngalitshela. Ngiya khona ukuyalungisela indawo. 3 Njalo nxa sengiyile ukulilungisela indawo ngizabuya ngizolithatha ukuthi libe lami, ukuze libe lami lapho engikhona. 4 Liyayazi indlela eya lapho engiyakhona.” 5 UThomasi wathi kuye, “Nkosi, kasikwazi lapho oya khona, pho singayazi kanjani indlela na?” 6 UJesu waphendula wathi, “Mina ngiyiyo indlela njalo ngiliqiniso lokuphila. Kakho oza kuBaba ngaphandle kwami. 7 Aluba belingazi ngempela, belizamazi loBaba. Kusukela khathesi, selimazi njalo selimbonile.” 8

UFiliphu wathi, “Nkosi, sitshengise uBaba ngoba yikho lokho okuzasanelisa.” 9 UJesu waphendula wathi, “Lokhe ungangazi na Filiphu, emva kwasikhathi eside kangaka ngilani? Lowo ongibonileyo usembonile uBaba. Ungatsho kanjani ukuthi, ‘Sitshengise uBaba?’

10 Kawukholwa yini ukuthi ngikuBaba lokuthi uBaba ukimi? Amazwi engiwakhulumayo kini akusiwami. Kodwa nguBaba ophila kimi owenzayo umsebenzi wakhe. 11 Kholwani kimi nxa ngisithi ngikuBaba loBaba ukimi; loba ukukholwa ubufakazi bermimangaliso ngokwayo nje zwi. 12 Ngiqinisile ukuthi lowo okholwa kimi uzakwenza lokho ebengkwenza. Uzakwenza izinto ezinkulu kulalezi ngoba ngiya kuBaba. 13 Njalo ngizakwenza noma yini eliyicelayo ngebizo lami ukuze iNdodana ilethe inkazimulo kuBaba. 14 Lingacela noma yini ngebizo lami, ngizakwenza.” 15 “Nxa lingithanda, gcinani imilayo yami. 16 Ngizacela kuBaba ukuthi alinike omunye umeli ukuthi alisize abe lani kuze kube laphakade, (aīōn g165)

17 uMoya weqiniso. Ilizwe ngeke limamukele ngoba kalimboni njalo kalimazi. Kodwa lina liyamazi ngoba uhlala lani njalo uzakuba lani. 18 Kangisoze ngilitshiye lizintandane,

ngizabuya kini. **19** Kakusekhatsana ukuthi ngilivini; lina lizingatsha. Nxa umuntu ehlala umhlaba ungabe usangibona njalo kodwa lina kimi lami kuye, uzathela izithelo ezinengi; lizangibona. Ngenxa yokuthi ngiyaphila, lani ngaphandle kwami kakukho elingakwenza. lizaphila futhi. **20** Ngalolosuku lizakunanzelela **6** Nxa lingahlali kimi, lizabe lifana logatsha ukuthi ngikuBaba, lina likimi, lami ngikini. olulahliewyo lwabuna; ingatsha ezinjalo **21** Lowo olayo imilayo yami, ayigcine, nguye ziyathezwa, zibaswe besezisitsha. **7** Nxa ongithandayo. Lowo ongithandayo uzathandwa lihlala kimi lamazwi ami ehlala kini, nguBaba njalo lami ngizamthanda ngiziveze celani loba yini eliyifunayo, lizayiphiwa. **8** kuye.” **22** Ngakho ujudasi (hatshi ujudasi Lokhu kungokwenkazimulo kaBaba ukuze Iskariyothi) wathi, “Kodwa Nkosi, kungani lithele izithelo ezinengi, lizitshengisa ukuthi ujongo ukuziveza kithi, hatshi emhlabeni na?” **23** lingabafundi bami. **9** Njengoba uBaba UJesu waphendula wathi, “Lowo ongithandayo engithanda, lami ngilithande ngendlela uzalalela imfundiso yami. UBaba uzamthanda angithanda ngayo. Ngakho-ke, hlalani njalo sizakuza kuye sakhe umuzi wethu kanye ethandweni lwami. **10** Nxa ligcina imilayo laye. **24** Lowo ongangithandiyo kayikulalela yami, lizahlala lisethandweni lwami, njengoba imfundiso yami. Amazwi la eliwezwayo kayisiwo lami ngilalele imilayo kaBaba ngihlala wami, ngakaBaba ongithumileyo. **25** Konke ngisethandweni lwakhe. **11** Ngilitshele lokhu lokhu ngikukhulume ngiseselani. **26** Kodwa ukuze ukuthokoza kwami kube kini lokuthi uMeli, uMoya ONgcwele, uBaba azamthumela ukuthokoza kwenu kuphelele. **12** Umlayo ebizweni lami, uzalifundisa zonke izinto njalo wami yilo: Thandanani njengoba ngilithandile uzalikhumbuza konke engikukhulume kini. **27** lani. **13** Kakho olothando olukhulu kulonikela Ukuthula ngikutshiya kini; ukuthula kwami ukuphila kwakhe ngenxa yabangane bakhe. **14** ngilinika khona. Kangiliniki njengokunika Lingabangane bami nxa lisenza lokho engililaya komhlaba. Lingakhathazeki ezinhliziyeweni khona. **15** Kangisalibizi ngokuthi liyizinceku zenu njalo lingesabi. **28** Langizwa ngisithi, ngoba inceku kayiwazisisi umsebenzi wenkosi ‘Ngiyahamba njalo ngizabuya kini.’ Kube yayo. Kodwa ngithe kini lingabangane ngoba belingithanda, ngabe liyathokoza ukuthi konke engakufunda kuBaba ngilazisile. **16** ngiya kuBaba, ngoba uBaba mkhulu kulami. Kalingikhethanga, kodwa yimi engalikhethayo, **29** Sengilitshelile manje kungakenzakali ngalibeka ukuze liyethela izithelo, izithelo ukuze kuthi nxa sekusenzakala likholwe. **30** ezizahlala isikhathi eside ukuze kuthi konke Kangisayukhuluma okunengi kini ngoba elikucela ngebizo lami uBaba alinike khona. inkosi yalo umhlaba isisiza. Kayilamandla **17** Nanku umlayo wami: Thandanani.” **18** phezu kwami, **31** kodwa umhlaba umele wazi “Nxa umhlaba ulizonda, khumbulani ukuthi ukuthi ngiyamthanda uBaba lokuthi ngenza wangizonda kuqala. **19** Ngabe belingabomhlaba, khona kanye uBaba angilaye khona. Wozani ubuzalithanda njengabantu bawo. Njengoba manje; kasisukeni lapha.”

15 “Mina ngilivini eliqotho, uBaba ungumlimi. **2** Zonke ingatsha ezingatheli izithelo uyaziquma, kuthi zonke ingatsha ezithelayo uyazithena kuhle ukuze zithele kakhulu. **3** Lina selihlambulukile ngenxa yelizwi esengilikhulume kini. **4** Hlalani kimi, lami ngizahlala kini. Kalukho ugatsha olungathela izithelo ngokwalo kodwa kumele luhlale lusevinini. Lani lingeke lithele izithelo ngaphandle kokuthi lihlale kimi. **5** Mina

loBaba. **24** Aluba angenzanga umangaliso kungibona, kodwa ngemva kjesikhathshana ongenziwanga ngomunye wabo phakathi lizangibona.” **17** Abanye babafundi bakhe kwabo, babengayikuba lomlandu wesono. bakhulumisana bathi, “Utshoni ngokuthi, Kodwa khathesi sebeyibonile imimangaliso ‘Ngemva kjesikhathshana kalisayikungibona,’ le, kodwa baphinde bangizonde mina kanye njalo athi, ‘Kuthi ngemva kjesikhathshana loBaba. **25** Kodwa lokhu kwenzeka ukuze lizangibona njalo, Ngoba ngiya kuBaba’ na?” kugcwalise okulotshiweyo eMthethweni wabo **18** Babelokhu bebuza besithi, “Utshoni nxa ukuthi: ‘Bangizonda kungelasizatho.’” **26** esithi ‘isikhathshana’? Kasikuzwisisi lokho “Angaze afike uMeli engizamthumela kini evela akutshoyo.” **19** UJesu wabona ukuthi kuBaba, uMoya weqiniso ophuma kuBaba, babefuna ukumbuza ngalokhu, wasesithi kubo, uzafakaza ngami; **27** lani kumele lifakaze, ngoba “Liyabuzana ukuthi bengitshoni ngize ngithi, laba lami kusukela ekuqaleni.”

16 “Ngilitshela konke lokhu ukuze ukholo

lwenu lunganyikinyeki. **2** Bazalixotsha esinagogweni; ngempela siyeza isikhathi lapho abazalibulala khona bezitshela ukuthi benzela uNkulunkulu into enhle. **3** Bazakwenza lokhu ngoba kabamazanga uBaba loba mina. **4** Ngilitshela lokhu ukuze kuthi isikhathi lesi sifika likhumbule ukuthi ngalixwayisa ngaso. Kangilitshelanga lokhu ekuqaleni ngoba ngangilani.” **5** “Kodwa khathesi sengisiya kuye ongithumileyo. Kakho kini ongibuzayo ukuthi, ‘Uya ngaphi na?’ **6** Kodwa ngenxa yokuba sengizitsilo lezizinto, selihlulukelwe. **7** Ngilitshela iqiniso ngithi: Kulungele lina ukuba ngihambe. Ngaphandle kokuthi ngihambe, uMeli akayikuza kini; kodwa nxa ngihamba, ngizamthuma kini. **8** Lapho efika uusatshengisa umhlaba ukuthi ulahlekile ngesono, ngokulunga langokwahluelwa: **9** ngokwesono, ngoba abantu kabakholwa kimi; **10** ngokulunga, ngoba ngiya kuBaba, lapho elingasayi kungibona khona njalo; **11** langokwahluelwa, ngoba umbusi walo umhlaba usemiselwe ukulahlwa. **12** Kusasekunengi engingakutsho kini, kodwa kungalisinda. **13** Kodwa yena uMoya weqiniso nxa esefikile uzalikhokhelela kulolonke iqiniso. Kazukuzikhulumela yena; uzakhulumka lokho akuzwayo kuphela, njalo uzalitshela lokho okusazobuya. **14** Uzaletha inkazimulo kini ngokuthatha kulokho okungokwami akwenze kwazakale kini. **15** Konke okungokukababa ngokwami. Yikho ngithe uMoya uzathatha kokungokwami akwenze kwazakale kini.” **16** UJesu waqhubeka esithi, “Ngesikhathshana aliyi

“Ngemva kjesikhathshana kalisayikungibona”?

20 Ngilitshela iqiniso ukuthi lizakhala lilile kodwa umhlaba wona uthokoza. Lizakuba losizi, kodwa usizi lwenu luzakuba yintokozo. **21** Owesifazane nxa ebeletha uza ubuhlungu ngoba isikhathi sakhe sesifikile; kodwa nxa umntwana esezelwe uyabukhohlwa ubuhlungu lobo ngenxa yentokozo yokuthi sekuzelwe umntwana emhlabeni. **22** Kunjalo lakini: Manje yisikhathi senu sosizi, kodwa ngizaphinda ngilibone beselithokoza, njalo kakho ozaphinda alemuke intokozo yenu. **23** Ngalolosuku kaliyi kungibuza lutho. Ngiqinisile ngithi kini, uBaba wami uzalinika loba yini eliyicela ngebizo lami. **24** Kuze kube manje kalikaceli lutho ngebizo lami. Celani, lizakwamukeliswa, ukuze ukuthokoza kwenu kuphelele. **25** Lanxa bengikhulumka ngemizekeliso, siyeza isikhathi lapho ngingasayikuhulumka ngaleyondlela, kodwa engizalitshela khona kamhlophe ngoBaba. **26** Ngalelolanga lizacela ngebizo lami. Kangitsho ukuthi ngizalicelela kuBaba. **27** Hatshi, uBaba yena ngokwakhe uyalithanda ngoba lingithandile, lakukholwa ukuthi ngavela kuNkulunkulu. **28** Ngavela kuBaba ngangena emhlabeni; okwamanje sengiwutshya umhlaba sangibuyela kuBaba.” **29** Abafundi bakajesu basebesithi, “Khathesi usukhulumka kamhlophe ungasazekelisi. **30** Khathesi sesibona ukuthi uyazazi izinto zonke lokuthi kakudingeki ukuthi ubuzwe imibuzo. Lokhu kwenza ukuthi sikholwe ukuba wavela kuNkulunkulu.” **31** UJesu waphendula wathi, “Khathesi selikholwa na? **32** Kodwa siyeza isikhathi, sesifikile, lapho elizachitheka khona, ngulowo aye ngakibo. Lizangitshya ngedwa lonke. Ikanti

kangingedwa ngoba uBaba ulami. 33 Ngilitshele Umkhuleko wami kawusi wokuthi ubasuse izinto lezi ukuze libe lokuthula kimi. emhlabeni, kodwa ukuthi ubavikele komubi. Kulumhlaba lizahlupheka. Kodwa wobani lesibindi! Sengiwunqobile umhlaba.”

17 Ujesu esekutshilo lokhu, wakhangela

ezulwini wakhuleka wathi: “Baba, isikhathi sesifikile. Khazimulisa iNdodana yakho, ukuze iNdodana yakho ikukhazimulise. 2 Ngoba wayinika amandla phezu kwabantu bonke ukuthi ibaphe ukuphila okungapheliyo kubo bonke labo obanike yona. (aiōnios g166) 3 Manje-ke yilokhu ukuphila okungapheliyo: ukuthi bakwazi wena, onguwe wedwa uNkulunkulu weqiniso, loJesu Khristu omthumileyo.

(aiōnios g166) 4 Sengikulethele inkazimulo emhlabeni ngokuphelelisa umsebenzi owanginika wona ukuthi ngiwenze. 5 Manje, Baba, akungikhazimulise phambi kwakho ngaleyonkazimulo esasilayo sobabili umhlaba ungakabi khona.” 6 “Ngikuvezile kulabo owangipha bona emhlabeni. Babengabakho; wangipha bona njalo labo balilalele ilizwi lakho. 7 Khathesi sebesazi ukuthi konke lokho onginike khona kuvela kuwe. 8 Ngoba ngabanika amazwi owanginika wona bawemukela. Bakwazi ngeqiniso ukuthi ngavela kuwe njalo bakholwa ukuthi ungithumile. 9 Ngikhulekela bona. Kangikhulekeli umhlaba kodwa labo onginike bona ngoba bangabakho. 10 Konke engilakho ngokwakho, lakho konke olakho ngokwami.

Lenkazimulo isikimi ngabo. 11 Kangisayikuhlala emhlabeni kusukela khathesi ngoba sengisiza kuwe, kodwa bona balokhu besemhlabeni. Baba Ongcwele, bavikele ngamandla ebizo lakho, ibizo owanginika lona ukuze babemunye njengaloku thina simunye. 12 Ngesikhathi ngiphakathi ngoba uJesu wayehlezi esiyahlangana khona kwabo ngabavikela, ngabagcina bephephile labafundi bakhe. 3 Ngakho uJudasi weza ngalelobizo owanginika lona. Kakulahlekanga ensimini leyo, ehola ixuku lamanxusa kanye loyedwa ngaphandle koyedwa owayefanele lezinye izikhulu ezazivela kubaphristi abakhulu ukubhubha ukuze kugcwaleise uMbhalo. 13 labaFarisi. Babephethetizibane lezikhal. Sengisiza kuwe manje, kodwa ngiyazitsho 4 UJesu esazi konke okwakuzakwenzakala lezizinto ngisesemhlabeni ukuze babe lentokozo kuye waya phambili wababuza wathi, yami ngokugcwaleyo ngaphakathi kwabo. “Lifuna bani na?” 5 Baphendula bathi, 14 Ngibaphile ilizwi lakho ngakho umhlaba “uJesu waseNazaretha.” UJesu wathi, usubazonda ngoba bengaseyibo bomhlaba “Nginguye.” (UJudasi, umthengisi wayemi njengoba lami ngingasuye womhlaba. 15 khonapho labo.) 6 UJesu esethe, “Nginguye,”

16 Kabasibo bomhlaba, njengoba lami ngingasiwawo. 17 Bangcwelise ngalo iqiniso;

ilizwi lakho liliqiniso. 18 Njengalokhu wangithuma emhlabeni, lami ngibathumile emhlabeni. 19 Ngenxa yabo ngiyazingcwelisa ukuze labo bangcweliswe ngobuqotho.”

20 “Umkhuleko wami kawusiwabo bodwa. Ngikhulekela njalo labo abazakhola kimi ngenxa yobufakazi babo, 21 ukuthi bonke babemunye Baba njengoba wena ukimi lami ngikuwe. Sengathi labo bangaba kithi ukuze umhlaba ukholwe ukuthi ungithumile. 22

Ngibaphile inkazimulo owangipha yona ukuze babemunye njengalokhu thina simunye: 23 mina ngibe kubo lawe ukimi. Sengathi bangaba lokumanyana okupheleleyo ukutshengisa umhlaba ukuthi ungithumile njalo ubathandile njengalokhu ungithandile lami. 24 Baba, ngifuna ukuthi labo ongiphe bona babe lami lapho engikhona njalo bayibone inkazimulo yami, inkazimulo onginike yona ngoba wangithanda umhlaba ungakadalwa. 25 Baba olungileyo, loba umhlaba ungakwazi, mina ngiyakwazi, njalo bayakwazi ukuthi ungithumile. 26 Ngikuvezile wena kubo njalo ngizaqhubea ukwenza ukuthi waziwe ukuze kuthi uthando olalo kimi lube ngolwabo njalo lokuthi mina ngokwami ngibe kubo.”

18 Wathi eseqedile ukukhuleka, uJesu wasuka

kanye labafundi bakhe bakhuphuka iSigodi seKhidroni. Ngaphetsheya kwakulensimu yama- Oliva lapho angena khona labafundi bakhe. 2

UJudasoi owamnikelayo wayeyazi leyondawo ngoba uJesu wayehlezi esiyahlangana khona

kwabo ngabavikela, ngabagcina bephephile labafundi bakhe. 3 Ngakho uJudasoi weza

ngalelobizo owanginika lona. Kakulahlekanga ensimini leyo, ehola ixuku lamanxusa kanye

loyedwa ngaphandle koyedwa owayefanele lezinye izikhulu ezazivela kubaphristi abakhulu ukubhubha ukuze kugcwaleise uMbhalo. 13 labaFarisi. Babephethetizibane lezikhal.

Sengisiza kuwe manje, kodwa ngiyazitsho 4 UJesu esazi konke okwakuzakwenzakala lezizinto ngisesemhlabeni ukuze babe lentokozo kuye waya phambili wababuza wathi,

yami ngokugcwaleyo ngaphakathi kwabo. “Lifuna bani na?” 5 Baphendula bathi, 14 Ngibaphile ilizwi lakho ngakho umhlaba “uJesu waseNazaretha.” UJesu wathi,

usubazonda ngoba bengaseyibo bomhlaba “Nginguye.” (UJudasoi, umthengisi wayemi

njengoba lami ngingasuye womhlaba. 15 khonapho labo.) 6 UJesu esethe, “Nginguye,”

batsheda bawela phansi. 7 Wababuza njalo indlela yokuphendula umphristi omkhulu wathi, “Lifuna bani na?” Bathi, “UJesu leyo na?” 23 UJesu waphendula wathi, “Nxa waseNazaretha.” 8 UJesu waphendula wathi, ngikhulume okungafanelanga kutsho. Kodwa “Ngilitshelile ngathi nginguye. Nxa lidinga nxa ngikhulume iqiniso, ungitshayelani mina, yekelani amadoda la azihambele.” 9 Lokhu na?” 24 U-Anasi wasemedluliselwa kuKhayifasi kwenzakala ukuze amazwi awakhulumayo athi: umphristi omkhulu elokhu ebotshiwe. 25 “Kangilahlekewanga lamunye walabo ongiphe USimoni Phethro wayelokhu emi esotha umlilo, bona agcwaiseke.” 10 Kwasekusithi uSimoni abanye bambuza bathi, “Kakusiqiniso yini Phethro owayelenkemba, wayikhokha wagalela ukuthi ungomunye wabafundi bakhe na?” inceku yomphristi omkhulu, wayiquma indlebe Waphika wathi, “Kangisuye.” 26 Omunye yayo yakwesokunene. (Ibizo lenceku leyo wezinceku zomphristi omkhulu, owayeyisihlobo lalinguMalikhusi.) 11 UJesu wamkhaliela sendoda eyaqunyuwa indlebe nguPhethro uPhethro wathi, “Beka khatshana inkemba yamqonda yathi, “Kangikubonanga yini ulaye yakho! Ngingayinathi inkezo uBaba asengiphe esivandeni sama-oliva na?” 27 UPhethro yona na?” 12 Kwasekusithi iqembu lamanxusa waphika njalo, khonokho nje iqhude lakhala. lomlawuli walo kanye lezikhulu zamajuda 28 AmaJuda asemthatha uJesu kuKhayifasi bambamba uJesu. Bambopha, 13 bamusa ku- amusa esigodlweli sombusi ongumRoma. Anasi kuqala owayenguyisezala kaKhayifasi Khonapho kwasekusempozankomo njalo owayengumphristi omkhulu ngalowomnyaka. 14 ukuze angazingcolisi ngokwenkonzo yawo UKhayifasi nguye owayecebise amajuda ukuthi amajuda kawangenanga esigodlweli; ayefuna kwakuzaba kuhle ukuthi indoda eyodwa ifele ukuthi akulungele ukudla iPhasika. 29 abantu. 15 USimoni Phethro lomunye umfundi Ngakho uPhilathu waphuma weza kuwo babemlandela uJesu. Kwathi ngoba lowomfundu wawabuza wathi, “Limbe ka cala bani lumuntu wayesaziwa ngumphristi omkhulu wangena na?” 30 Aphendula athi, “Kube ubengesiso lojesu egumeni lomphristi omkhulu, 16 kodwa isikliwi besingasoze simlethe kuwe.” 31 uPhethro yena walinda ngaphandle komnyango. UPhilathu wathi, “Mthatheni lina limahlulele Lowomfundu owayesaziwa ngumphristi ngokomthetho wenu.” AmaJuda atshinga omkhulu wabuya wakhuluma lentombazana athi, “Phela thina kasilawo amandla okuquma eyayilindile khonapho, wasengenisa uPhethro. umuntu.” 32 Lokhu kwenzakala ukuze amazwi 17 Intombazana eyayilinde emnyango yambuza uJesu ayewakhulumile ngendlela ayezakufa uPhethro yathi, “Konje wena lawe ungomunye ngayo agcwaiseke. 33 UPhilathu wasengena wabafundi bendoda le?” Waphendula wathi, njalo esigodlweli, wabiza uJesu wambuza “Kangisuye.” 18 Kwakuqanda, ngakho izinceku wathi, “Wena uyinkosi yamaJuda na?” 34 lezikhulu zazimi zisotha umlilo ezaziwubasile. UJesu waphendula wathi, “Lowo ngumcabango UPhethro laye wayemi lazo esotha umlilo. wakho yini kumbe kulabanye abake bakhuluma 19 Ngalesosikhathi umphristi omkhulu lawe ngami?” 35 UPhilathu waphendula wayebuzabuza uJesu mayelana labafundi bakhe wathi, “Ucabanga ukuthi ngingumJuda langemfundiso yakhe. 20 UJesu waphendula na? Ngabantu bakini labaphristi abakhulu wathi, “Ngikhulume obala kuwo umhlaba. abakulethe lapha kimi. Kanti uvele woneni?” Kokuphela ngangifundisa emasinagogweni 36 UJesu wathi, “Umbuso wami kawusi kumbe ethempelini lapho amajuda onke walumhlaba. Aluba kwakunjalo izinceku abuthana khona. Kangikhulumanga lutho zami bezizakulwa ukwenqabela ukuthi ensitha. 21 Libuzelani mina? Buzani ngingabotshwa ngamaJuda. Kodwa hatshi, labo abangizwayo. Ngiqinisisile bayakwazi umbuso wami uvela kwenye indawo.” 37 engakukhulumayo.” 22 UJesu esetshonjalo, UPhilathu wathi, “Ngakho uyinkosi phela?” omunye wezikhulu ezaziseduze kwakhe UJesu waphendula wathi, “Uqondile ukuthi wamhlankala ebusweni, wambuza wathi, “Yiyo ngiyinkosi. Ngeqiniso ngazalelwlo lokho njalo

ngalanda khona emhlabeni, ukuzaFakaza loKhesari.” 13 UPhilathu eseZwe lokhu, iqiniso. Bonke abemi eqinisweni bayangilalela.” wamletha phandle ujesu, yena wasehlala 38 UPhilathu wabuza wathi, “Yiliphi iqiniso?” esihlalweni sakhe sokwahlulela endaweni Esekutshilo lokhu waphinda waphuma waya eyayithiwa yisiGcawu Esigandelwe Ngamatshes kumajuda wathi, “Angifumanu lutho lokumbeka (okuthiwa ngesiHebheru yiGabatha). 14 icala. 39 Kodwa kungumkhuba wenu ukuthi Kwakulusuku lokuLungisela iViki yePhasika, ngilikhululele esinye isibotshwa ngesikhathi ngeholo lesithupha. UPhilathu wathi kumajuda, sePhasika. Lifuna ukuthi ngilikhululele inkosi “Nansi inkosi yenu.” 15 Kodwa amemeza yamajuda na?” 40 Amemeza athi, “Hatshi, athi, “Msuse! Msuse! Mbetheli!” UPhilathu hayi lo! Siphe uBharabhasi!” UBharabhasi wabuza wathi, “Ngibetheli inkosi yenu na?” wayephathetheke ekukhokheleni umvukela.

19 UPhilathu wasemthatha uJesu wathi katshaywe ngemvubu. 2 Amabutho eluka umqhele wameva awubeka ekhanda lakhe. Amgqokisa isiqqoko esiyibubende 3 aya kuye aphindaphinda ememeza esithi, “Bayeth! Nkosi yamajuda!” 4 UPhilathu waphinda waphuma wathi kumajuda, “Khangelani, sengimkhupha ngimlethe kini ngilazisa ukuthi kangifumanu sizatho sokumethesa icala.” 5 Kwathi uJesu ephuma egqoke umqhele wameva, egqoke isiqqoko esiyibubende, uPhilathu wathi kubo, “Iboneni-ke, nansi indoda!” 6 Abaphristi abakhulu lezikhulu zabo bonela ukumbona bamemeza bathi, “Mbetheli! Mbetheli!” Kodwa uPhilathu waphendula wathi, “Mthatheni limbetheli lina. Mina, kangifumanu sizatho sokumethesa icala.” 7 AmaJuda aphikelela athi, “Thina silomthetho, ngakho mayelana lalowomthetho kumele afe ngoba uzithi uyiNdodana kaNkulunkulu.” 8 UPhilathu wathi ekuzwa lokhu wesaba kakhulu, 9 wasebuyela esigodlwani. Wabuza uJesu wathi, “Ungowangaphi wena?” Kodwa uJesu kamphendulanga. 10 UPhilathu wathi, “Kawufuni kukhuluma lami? Awuboni yini ukuthi mina ngilamandla okukhulula lawokukubethela?” 11 UJesu waphendula wathi, “Kawulawo amandla phezu kwami ongawaphiwanga evela phezulu. Ngakho-ke, lowo onginikele kuwe ulecalu lesono esikhulu kakhulu.” 12 Kusukela lapho uPhilathu wazama ukukhulula uJesu, kodwa amajuda aqhube kaememeza esithi, “Nxa uyekela umuntu lo ahambe, kawulabungane loKhesari. Lowo ozitshaya inkosi uphikisana

Abaphristi abakhulu bamphendula bathi, “Kasilankosi ngaphandle kukaKhesari.” 16 Ekucineni uPhilathu wamnikela kubo ukuba abethelwe. Ngakho amabutho amthatha uJesu. 17 Wathwala isiphambano, wasuka waya endaweni yoKhakhayi (okuthiwa ngesiHebheru yiGoligotha). 18 Bambethela khona lapho kanye labanye ababili, ngapha langapha kwakhe, uJesu waba phakathi. 19 UPhilathu waloba umbhalo wananyathiselwa esiphambanweni. Wawubhalwe ukuthi: UJesu waseNazaretha, iNkosi yamajuda. 20 AmaJuda amanengi awufunda umbhalo lowo ngoba lapho uJesu ayebethelwe khona kwakuseduze ledolobho, umbhalo lowo wawulotshwe ngesiHebheru, ngesiLathini langesiGrikhi. 21 Abaphristi abakhulu bamaJuda basola kuPhilathu bathi, “Ungalobi uthi ‘INkosi yamajuda,’ kodwa umuntu lo wayezibiza ngokuthi uyinkosi yamajuda.” 22 UPhilathu waphendula wathi, “Esengikulobile, sengikulobile.” 23 Kwathi amabutho esembetheli uJesu, athatha iziqqoko zakhe azabelana, zaba zingxenye ezine, zilingene ibutho linye ngalinye, kwasala isiqqoko sangaphansi. Sona sasingelamthungo, silukwe sonke kusukela phezulu kusiya phansi. 24 Bacebisana bathi, “Kasingasidabuli. Kasikhetheni ngenkatho ukuthi sibe ngesikabani.” Lokhu kwenzakala ukuze kugcwaliiseke umbhalo owathi: “Babelana izembatho zami benza inkatho ngezigqoko zami.” Yikho lokhu amabutho akwenzayo. 25 Eduze kwasiphambano sakhe uJesu kwakumi unina, udadewabo kanina, uMariya umkaKlopasi loMariya Magadalini. 26 UJesu wathi ebona unina lapho lomfundu ayemthanda emi lapho eduze, wathi kunina, “Mama,

nansi indodana yakho,” 27 wathi kumfundu, okwakungakaze kungcwatshwe muntu kulo. 42 “Nangu unyoko.” Kusukela kulesosikhathi Ngenxa yokuthi kwakulusuku lokulungiselela umfundu lowo wamthatha unina wamuska lwamajuda njalo ngenxa yokuthi ithuna ekhaya lakhe. 28 Ngemva kwalessosikhathi, laliseduze, bamngcwaba khonapho uJesu.

uJesu esesazi ukuthi konke kwasekuphelele njalo ukuze umbhalo ugcwäliseke, wathi, “Ngomile.” 29 Kwakubekwe imbodylala yewayini yeviniga khonapho, basebegxamuza kuyo uzipho balux huma eluthini lwestihlahlakazana sehisophi, baluphakamisela endebeni zikaJesu. 30 Esenathile wathi, “Sekupheli.” Esetshonjalo wagobisa ikhanda lakhe wafa. 31 Lolo kwakulusuku lokuLungiselela, ngosuku olulandelayo kwakuzakuba liSabatha eliqakathekileyo. Ngenxa yokuthi amajuda ayengafuni izidumbu zisale eziphambanweni ngeSabatha, acela uPhilathu ukuthi kwephulwe amalunga emilenze lezidumbu zethulwe. 32 Yikho amabutho eza ephula imilenze yendoda yakuqala eyayibethelwe loJesu, aphinda lakweyinye. 33 Kodwa athi efika kuJesu ebona ukuthi wayevele esefile, kawasazephulanga izitho zakhe. 34 Endaweni yalokho elinye ibutho lamciba uJesu ngomkhonto ohlangothini, kwantshaza igazi lamanzi. 35 Umuntu owakubonayo usebulethile ubufakazi, njalo ubufakazi bakhe buliqiniso. Uyazi ukuthi ukhuluma iqiniso njalo ufakazela ukuthi lani libe lokukholwa. 36 Lezizinto zenzakala ukuze kugcwäliseke umbhalo othi: “Kalikho lalinye ithambo lakhe elizakwephulwa,” 37 lomunye umbhalo uthi, “Bazakhangelu kulowo abamgwazayo.” 38 Ngemva kwalokho, uJosefa wase-Arimathiya wacela isidumbu sikaJesu kuPhilathu. UJosefa lo wayengumfundu kajesu kodwa wayekufihla ngoba wayesesaba amajuda. Eselemvumo kaPhilathu weza wasithatha isidumbu. 39 Wayephathiswa nguNikhodimasi, indoda leyana eyayike yeza kuJesu ebusuku. UNikhodimasi weza lamakha emure lenhlaba engaba lesisindo samaphawundi angamatshumi ayisikhombisa lanhlana. 40 Bobabili bathatha isidumbu sikaJesu basigcoba ngalawomakha njalo basigoqela ngamaqhele elineni. Lokhu kwakungumkhuba wamajuda wokungcwaba. 41 Endaweni lapho uJesu abethelwa khona kwakulesivande, esivanden i kulethuna elitsha

20 Ekuseni kakhulu ngosuku lokuqala lweviki, kulokhu kusemnyama, uMariya Magadalini waya ethuneni wafumana ukuthi ilitshe laselisusiwe emlonyeni wethuna. 2 Ngakho wafika egijima kuSimoni Phethro elomunye umfundu, lowo uJesu ayemthanda, wathi, “Sebeyithethe iNkosi ethuneni, kodwa kasazi ukuthi bayise ngaphi!” 3 Yikho uPhethro lalowomfundu omunye baqonda ethuneni. 4 Bobabili babegijima, kodwa lowo omunye umfundu wamtshiya uPhethro wayafika kuqala ethuneni. 5 Wakhothama walunguza phakathi wabona amaqhele elineni ekhonapho, kodwa kangenanga. 6 Khonokho uSimoni Phethro owayengemuva kwakhe wafika wangena ethuneni. Wawabona amaqhele elineni ethe qekele khonapho, 7 kanye lelembu lokungcwaba elalithandele ikhanda likajesu. Ilembu lelo laseligoqiwe lodwa lingekho kwawelineni. 8 Ekucineni lowo omunye umfundu owayefike kuqala ethuneni laye wangena. Wabona, wakholwa. 9 (Babelokhu bengewisisi emibhalweni ukuthi uJesu wayemele avuke kwabafileyo.) 10 Abafundi basebebuya emizini yabo. 11 Kodwa uMariya wasala emi ngaphandle kwethuna ekhala. Wathi elokhu ekhala wakhothama walunguza ethuneni 12 wabona izingilosu ezimbili zigqoke okumhlophe zihlezi lapho isidumbu sikaJesu sasikade sikhona, enye ngasemakhanda, enye ngasezinyaweni. 13 Zambuza zathi, “Mama, ukhalelani na?” Wathi, “Bayisusile iNkosi yami, kangazi ukuthi bayibeke ngaphi.” 14 Wasephenduka wabona uJesu emi khonapho, kodwa kananzelangka ukuthi kwakunguJesu. 15 Wathi, “Mama, ukhalelani na? Ufuna ubani na?” UMariya wayesithi kumbe ngumlimi, wasesithi, “Nkosi, nxa kunguwe omthetheyo, ngitshela ukuthi umbeke ngaphi ukuze ngiyemthatha.” 16 UJesu wathi, “Mariya.” Waphendukela kuye wamemeza ngesiHebheru wathi, “Rabboni!” (okutsho ukuthi “Mfundisi”). 17 UJesu

wathi, "Ungangibambi, ngoba kangikabuyeli **21** Ngemva kwasikhathi uJesu waphinda kuBaba. Kodwa hamba kubafowethu ubatshela waziveza kubafundi bakhe oLwandle uthi, 'Sengibuyela kuBaba njalo uYihlo, lwaseThibheriyasi. Kwenzakala kanje: **2** kuNkulunkulu wami, uNkulunkulu wenu.'" **18** USimoni Phethro, loThomasi (othiya UMariya Magadalini waya kubafundi elombiko nguDidimasi) loNathaneli waseKhana eseGalile, othi, "ngiyibonile iNkosi!" Njalo wabatshela lamadodana kaZebhediya labanye abafundi ukuthi wayekutshilo lokhu kuye. **19** Kusihlwa ababili babendawonye. **3** USimoni Phethro ngalolosuku lokuqala lweviki, abafundi wabatshela wathi, "Ngisayagola inhlanzi" bona babendawonye behluthulele iminyango ngoba bathi, "Sizahamba lawe." Ngakho baphuma besesaba amajuda, uJesu wafika wema phakathi bayangena esikepeni kodwa kababambanga kwabo wathi, "Ukuthula kakube kini!" **20** lutho ngalobobusuku. **4** Ekuseni kakhulu Esekutshilo lokhu wabatshengisa izandla zakhe uJesu wema ekhunjini kodwa abafundi lohlangothi lwakhe. Abafundi bathaba kakhulu kabananzelelanga ukuthi kwakunguJesu beyibona iNkosi. **21** UJesu waphinda wathi, **5** Wabamemeza wathi, "Bangane, lilokhu "Ukuthula kakube kini! Njengoba uBaba lingabambanga nhlanzi yini?" Baphendula engithumile, lami ngiyalithuma." **22** Esitsho bathi, "Hatshi." **6** Wathi, "Phoselani umambule lokho wabaphefumulela wathi, "Yamukelani wenu ngakwesokunene kwasikepe lizagola uMoya oNgewe." **23** Nxa lithethelela loba khona." Bathe sebenze njalo behluleka ngubani izono zakhe, zizathethelela lezenu, ukudonsa umambule ngenxa yobunengi kodwa nxa lingathetheleli ezabanye kazisoze benhlanzi. **7** Lowomfundu owayethandwa zithethelelw lezenu." **24** UThomasi (othiya nguJesu wathi kuPhethro, "YiNkosi!" USimoni nguDidimasi), omunye wabalitshumi lambili, Phethro wonela ukuzwa esithi, "YiNkosi," wayengkho kwabanye abafundi uJesu aze afike. wazembathisa ngesigqoko sakhe sejazi **25** Kwathi lapho abanye abafundi bentshela (ngoba wayeskikhulule) weqela emanzini. bathi "sesiyibonile iNkosi," wathandabuza **8** Abanye abafundi balandela ngesikepe wathi, "Ngaphandle kokuthi ngibone amanxeba bedonsa umambule ugcwele inhlanzi ngoba ezipikili ezandleni zakhe ngibeke umunwe babengakhatsana lasokhunjini, kwakungaba wami emanxebeni ezipikili, ngifake isandla sami yizinyathelo ezilikhulu. **9** Ekufikeni kwabo ehlangothini lwakhe, kangisoze ngikholwe." **26** okhunjini babona umlilo wamalahle uvutha Sekudlule iviki abafundi bakhe babesendlini kulenhlanzi phezulu kanye lesinkwa. **10** njalo, loThomasi elabo. Njengoba iminyango UJesu wathi kubo, "Lethani ezinye inhlanzi yayihluthulelw uJesu wafika wema phakathi elizibambleyo." **11** USimoni Phethro wagada kwabo wathi, "Ukuthula kakube kini!" **27** esikepeni, wadonsela umambule okhunjini. Wasesithi kuThomasi, "Faka umunwe wakho Wawugcwele inhlanzi ezinkulu, zilikhulu lapha; bona izandla zami. Yelula isandla lamatshumi amahlanu lantathu, kodwa loba sakho usibeke ehlangothini lwami. Yekela zinengi kangaka umambule kawudabukanga. ukuthandabuza ukholwe." **28** UThomasi **12** UJesu wathi kubo, "Wozani lizokudla." wathi kuye, "Nkosi yami, Nkulunkulu wami!" Kakho kubafundi owaqunga isibindi sokumbuza **29** UJesu wasemtshela wathi, "Usukholiwe ukuthi, "Ungubani wena?" Bakwazi ukuthi ngoba usungibonile; babusisiwe labo abathi yiNkosi. **13** UJesu weza, wathatha isinkwa bengabonanga, kodwa sebekholiwe." **30** UJesu wabanika, wenza njalo langenhlanzi. **14** wenza eminye imimangaliso eminengi abafundi Lesi kwasekuyisikhathi sesithathu uJesu bakhe bekhangale, kodwa engabhalwanga ezibonakalisa kubafundi bakhe ngemva kule incwadi. **31** Kodwa le ibhaliwe ukuze kokuvuswa kwabafileyo. **15** Sebeqedile ukudla, likholwe ukuthi uJesu unguKhristu, iNdodana uJesu wathi kuSimoni Phethro, "Simoni, kaNkulunkulu, njalo ukuze kuthi ngokukholwa ndodana kajohane, ungithanda ngeqiniso libe lokuphila ngebizo lakhe. na okudlula laba abanye?" Wathi, "Yebo,

Nkosi, uyakwazi ukuthi ngiyakuthanda.” UJesu wathi, “Phana amawundlu ami ukudla.” ¹⁶ UJesu waphinda wathi, “Simoni, ndodana kajohane, uyangithanda ngeqiniso na?” Waphendula wathi, “Yebo, Nkosi, uyakwazi ukuthi ngiyakuthanda.” UJesu wathi, “Gcina izimvu zami.” ¹⁷ Wasesithi kuye okwesithathu, “Simoni, ndodana kajohane, uyangithanda na?” UPhethro wadabuka ngoba uJesu wambuba okwesithathu wathi, “Uyangithanda na?” Wathi, “Nkosi, uyazazi izinto zonke; uyakwazi ukuthi ngiyakuthanda.” UJesu wathi, “Phana izimvu zami ukudla.” ¹⁸ Ngikutshela iqiniso ngithi, usesemutsha wawuzigqokisa, uziyele lapho othanda khona; kodwa nxa usuluphele, uzakwelula izandla zakho, ugqokiswe ngomunye, akuhole akuse lapho ongafuni ukuya khona.” ¹⁹ UJesu wakutsho lokhu ebonisa indlela yokufa uPhethro ayezadumisa uNkulunkulu ngayo. Wasesithi kuye, “Ngilandela!” ²⁰ UPhethro wanyemukula wabona umfundu uJesu ayemthanda ebalandela. (Nguye lowo oweyama kuJesu esidlweni, owabuzayo wathi, “Nkosi, ngubani ozakuthengisa?”) ²¹ UPhethro wathi embona wathi, “Nkosi, kanti lo-ke?” ²² UJesu waphendula wathi, “Nxa ngifuna ukuthi asale ephila ngize ngibuye kulani lawe lokho? Wena kumele ungilande.” ²³ Ngenxa yalokhu, kwaba lehungahunga phakathi kwabazalwane lokuthi umfundu lo wayengezukufa. Kodwa uJesu katshongo ukuthi wayengezukufa; wathi nje kuphela, “Nxa ngifuna ukuthi asale ephila ngize ngibuye, kulani lawe lokho?” ²⁴ Lo nguye umfundu ozifakazayo lezizinto, onguye owazibhala phansi. Siyazi ukuthi ubufakazi bakhe buqotho. ²⁵ UJesu wenza ezinye izinto ezinengi njalo. Aluba zonke zazingabhalwa phansi, ngibona ingathi lomhlaba wonke wawuzaswela indawo yezincwadi ezazingabhalwa.



*Ngabona iDolobho eliNgcwele, iJerusalema elitsha, lisehlela phansi liphuma ezulwini
kuNkulunkulu lilungiswe njengomlobokazi ececele umkakhe. Ngezwa ilizwi elikhulu livela
esihlalweni sobukhosи lisithi, "Khathesi ikhaya likaNkulunkulu selisebantwini, uzahlala labo.*

*Bazakuba ngabantu bakhe njalo uNkulunkulu yena uqobo
uzakuba labo abe nguNkulunkulu wabo.*

Isambulo 21:2-3

Isambulo

19 Emva kwalokhu ngezwa umsindo onjengokuhlokomu kwexuku elikhulu ezulwini limemeza lisithi; “Haleluya! UKusindisa lodumo lamandla ngokukaNkulunkulu wethu 2 ngoba ukwahlulela kwakhe kuqotho njalo kulungile. Usilahlile isiphingi esikhulu esaxhwalisa umhlaba ngobufabe baso. Uphindisele kuso igazi lezincke zakhe.” **3** Bamemeza njalo bathi: “Haleluya! Intuthu yokutsha kwaso ithunqa kuze kuge nininini.”

(aiōn g165) **4** Abadala abangamatshumi amabili lane lezidalwa ezine eziphilayo bawela phansi bakhonza uNkulunkulu owayehlezi esihlalweni sobukhos. Bamemeza njalo bathi: “Ameni, Haleluya!” **5** Kwasekuzwakala ilizwi elavela esihlalweni sobukhos, lisithi: “Dumisani uNkulunkulu wethu, lonke lina zinceku zakhe, lina elimesabayo, abancane labakhulu!” **6** Ngabuya ngezwa okwakungathi lixuku elikhulu, kunjengokuhlokomu kwamanzi agelezayo lanjengokukhwaza kwezulu besithi: “Haleluya! Ngoba iNkosi yethu uNkulunkulu uSomandla uyabusa. **7** Kasithokozeni sijabule simuphe udumo. Ngoba umthimba weWundlu usufikile, lomlobokazi walo usezilungisele. **8** Ilineni elihle elicazimulayo elihlanzekileyo uliphiwe ukuba agqoke.” (Ilineni elihle limele imisebenzi emihle yabangcweli.) **9** Ingilos yasisithi kimi, “Loba ukuthi: Babusisiwe labo abanxusiwego edilini lomtshado weWundlu!” Yengeza yathi, “La ngamazwi aqotho kaNkulunkulu.” **10** Ngawela ezinyaweni zayo ngayikhonza.

Kodwa yathi kimi, “Ungakwenzi lokhu! Mina ngiyinceku kanye lawe kanye labazalwane bakho abalobufakazi bukajesu. Khonza uNkulunkulu! Ngoba ubufakazi bukajesu bungumoya wesiphrofethi.” **11** Ngabona izulu livulekile njalo khonapho phambi kwami kwakulebhiza elimhlophe, umgadi walo ethiwa nguThembekile loQiniso. Wahlulela ngokulunga alwe impi. **12** Amehlo akhe anjengomlilo ovuthayo njalo ekhanda lakhe kulemiqhele eminengi. Ulebizo elilotshwe kuye elingaziwa mutnu ngaphandle kwakhe

yena ngokwakhe. **13** Uggoke isembatho esigxanyuzwe egazini njalo ibizo lakhe nguLizwi likaNkulunkulu. **14** Amabutho asezulwini ayemlandela egade amabhiza amhlophe njalo egqoke ilineni elihle elimhlophe njalo lihlanzekile. **15** Emlonyeni wakhe kuphuma inkemba ebukhali agalela ngayo izizwe. “Uzazibusa ngentonga yensimbi.” Unyathela isikhamelo sewayini sentukuthelo yolaka lukaNkulunkulu uSomandla. **16** Esambathweni sakhe lasemlenzeni wakhe kolutshwe ibizo leli elithi: INkosi yamakhosi loMbusi wababusi. **17** Ngasengibona ingilos imi elangeni eyamemezela ngelizwi elikhulu ezinyonini zonke ezazindiza emoyeni isithi, “Wozani libuthanele idili elikhulu likaNkulunkulu **18** ukuze lidle inyama yemizimba yamakhosi, eyezinduna zempi, eyamadoda alamandla, eyamabhiza labagadi bawo kanye leyabantu bonke abakhululekileyo leziggili, abancane labakhulu.” **19** Ngabuya ngabona isilo lamakhosi asemhlabeni lamabutho awo ebuthanele ukulwa impi lomgadi webhiza kanye lebutho lakhe. **20** Kodwa isilo sathunjwa ndawonye lomphrofethi wamanga oyawenze izibonakaliso ezimangalisayo emele sona. Ngalezi zibonakaliso wabedukisa labo ababebekwe uphawu Iwesilo bakhonza umfanekiso waso. Sona lomphrofethi wamanga baphosela bephila echibini lomlilo wesolufa ovuthayo. (Limnē Pyr g3041 g4442) **21** Abanye babo babulawa ngenkemba eyaphuma emlonyeni womgadi webhiza njalo izinyoni zonke zazitika ngenyama yemizimba yabo.

20 Ngasengibona ingilos isebole phansi isuka ezulwini ilesihluthulelo soMgodis ongelamkhawulo iphethe ngesandla sayo iketane enkulu. (Abyssos g12) **2** Yabamba umgobho, nyoka leyana endala, engoMubi loba uSathane, yambophya okweminyaka eyinkulungwane. **3** Yamphosela eMgodini ongelamkhawulo, yawuhluthulela, yauvala silikici, ukumvimbela ukuba angakhohlisi izizwe futhi kuze kuphele iminyaka eyinkulungwane. Emva kwalokho kumele akhululwe okwesikhatshana. (Abyssos g12) **4** Ngabona izihlalo zobukhos okwakuhlezi kuzo

labo ababephiwe amandla okwahlulela. Ngabona imiphefumulo yalabo ababequnywe amakhanda ngenxa yobufakazi bukaJesu langenxa yelizwi likaNkulunkulu. Babengasikhonzanga isilo loba umfanekiso waso njalo bengabekwanga uphawu lwaso emabunzini abo loba ezandleni zabo. Bavuka baphila njalo babusa loKhristu iminyaka eyinkulungwane. 5 (Inengi labafileyo kalivukanga kwaze kwaphela iminyaka eyinkulungwane.) Lokhu yikuvuka ekufeni kwakuqala. 6 Babusisiwe njalo bangcwele labo abahlanganyaela ekuvukeni kwakuqala. Ukuva kwsibili akulamandla phezu kwabo, kodwa bazakuba ngabaphristi bakaNkulunkulu labakaKhristu njalo bazabusa laye okweminyaka eyinkulungwane. 7 Iminyaka eyinkulungwane isidlule uSathane uzakhululwa entolongweni yakhe 8 aphume ukuyakhohlisa izizwe emagumbini womane omhlabu, uGogi loMagogi, ukuba abaqoqele empini. Ngobunengi bangangenhlabathi okhunjini lolwandle. 9 Badabula phakathi komhlabu bahonqolozela izihonqo zabantu bakaNkulunkulu, idolobho alithandayo. Kodwa kwehla umlilo uvela ezulwini wabaqothula. 10 Omubi owayebakhohlisile waphoselwa echibini lesolufa elivuthayo, lapho okwakuphoselwe khona isilo lomphrofethi wamanga. Bazakutsha emini lebusuku kuze kube nininini. (aion g165, Limnē Pyr g3041 g4442) 11 Ngabuya ngabona isihlalo sobukhosu esikhulu kanye lalowo owayehlezi kuso. Umhlabu lomkhathi kwabaleka phambi kwakhe, akwaze kwaba lendawo yakho. 12 Ngasengibona abafileyo, abancane labakhulu, bemi phambi kwesihlalo sobukhosu, kwasekuvulwa izincwadi. Kwavulwa enye incwadi, eyincwadi yokuphila. Abafileyo bahluelwa mayelana lalokho ababekwenzile okwakulotshwe ezincwadini. 13 Ulwandle lwakhupha abafileyo ababekulo, ukuva leHadesi kwakhupha abafileyo ababekukho, umuntu ngamunye wahluelwa mayelana lalokho akwenzayo. (Hadēs g86) 14 Ukuva leHadesi kwaphoselwa echibini lomlilo. Ichibi lomlilo liyikufa kwsibili. (Hadēs g86, Limnē Pyr g3041 g4442) 15 Nxa umuntu ibizo lakhe lalitholakala lingalotshwanga encwadini yokuphila wayephoselwa echibini lomlilo. (Limnē Pyr g3041 g4442)

21 Ngabuya ngabona “izulu elitsha lomhlaba omutsha,” ngoba izulu lakuqala lomhlaba wakuqala kwasekudlule njalo ulwandle lwalungasekho. 2 Ngabona iDolobho eliNgcwele, iJerusalem elitsha, lisehlela phansi liphuma ezulwini kuNkulunkulu lilungiswe njengomlobokazi ececele umkakhe. 3 Ngezwa ilizwi elikhulu livela esihlalweni sobukhosu lisithi, “Khathesi ikhaya likaNkulunkulu selisebantwini, uzahlala labo. Bazakuba ngabantu bakhe njalo uNkulunkulu yena uqobo uzakuba labo abe nguNkulunkulu wabo. 4 Uzazesula zonke inyembezi emehlwani abo. Akusayikuba khona futhi ukuva loba ukulila loba ukukhala loba ubuhlungu ngoba umumo omdala wezinto usudlule.” 5 Lowo owayehlezi esihlalweni sobukhosu wathi, “Ngenza izinto zonke zibe zintsha!” Wabuya wathi, “Kulobe lokhu ngoba amazwi la aqotho njalo aliqiniso.” 6 Wasesithi kimi, “Sekwenzakele. Ngingu-Alfa lo-Omega, isiQalo lesiPhetho. Lowo owomileyo ngizamnathisa emthonjeni wamanzi okuphila kungekho mbadalo. 7 Lowo onqobayo uzakudla ilifa lakho konke lokhu njalo ngizakuba nguNkulunkulu wakhe yena abe yindodana yami. 8 Kodwa amagwala, abangakholwayo, abaxhwalileyo, ababulali, iziphingi, abathakathi, abakhonza izithombe labo bonke abaqamba amanga; indawo yabo izakuba sechibini lomlilo wesolufa ovuthayo. Lokhu yikuva kwsibili.” (Limnē Pyr g3041 g4442) 9 Enye yezingilosu eziyiiskhombisa eyayilemiganu eyisikhombisa eyayigcwele izifo zokucina eziyiiskhombisa yeza yathi kimi, “Woza, ngizakutshengisa umlobokazi, umkaWundlu.” 10 Yangithwala ngiseMoyeni yangisa entaben'i enkulu ende yangitshengisa iDolobho eliNgcwele, iJerusalem lisehla liphuma ezulwini kuNkulunkulu, ukucwebezela kwalo kwakufana lokwelitshe eliligugu, njengejaspa, licwebezela njengelitshe elikhanyisayo. 12 Lalilomduli omkhulu, ophakemeyo lamasango alitshumi lambili kanye lezingilosu ezilitshumi lambili

emasangweni. Emasangweni kwakulotshwe 27 Akulalutho olungcolileyo oluzake lungene amabizo ezizwana ezilitshumi lambili zako- kulo, loba ngubani owenza amanyala kumbe Israyeli. 13 Kwakulamasango amathathu inkohliso, kodwa labo kuphela abalamabizo abo ngasempumalanga, lamathathu ngasenyakatho, aloatshwe encwadini yokuphila yeWundlu. lamathathu ngaseningizimu, kanye lamathathu ngasentshonalanga. 14 Umduli wedolobho wawulezisekelo ezilitshumi lambili njalo phezu kwazo kwakulamabizo abapostoli beWundlu abalitshumi lambili. 15 Ingilosи eyakhulumа lami yayilomqwayi wegolide owokulinganisa idolobho, amasango alo lomduli walo. 16 Idolobho lalakhiwe lalingana inxa zonke, lilide okungangobubanzi balo. Yalilinganisa idolobho ngomqwayi yathola lingaba ngamakhilomitha azinkulungwane ezimbili lamakhulu amabili ubude njalo libanzi liphakeme okulingana lobude balo. 17 Yalinganisa umduli walo isebezisa isilinganiso sabantu, wawuzingalo ezilikhulu lamatshumi amane lane ubuqatha bawo. 18 Umduli wawakhiwe ngejaspa, idolobho lakhiwe ngegolide elicengeke njengengilazi. 19 Isekelo zemiduli yedolobho zaziceciswe ngezinhlolo zonke zamatshe aligugu. Isekelo sakuqala sasiyijaspa, esesibili kuyisafire, esesithathu kuyikhalsedoni, esesine kuyi-emaralidi, 20 esesihlanu kuyisadonikisi, esesithupha kuyikhaneliyani, esesikhombisa kuyikhrisolithe, esesificaminwembili kuyibherili, esesificamunwemuye kuyithophazi, esetshumi kuyikhrisopirase, esetshumi lanye kuyijasinti, esetshumi lambili kuyi-amethisithi. 21 Amasango alitshumi lambili ayengamatshe obuhlalu alitshumi lambili, isango ngalinye lenziwe ngelitshe elilodwa lobuhlalu. Umgwaqо omkhulu wedolobho wawuligolide elicengekileyo njengengilazi elibonisa okungale kwalo. 22 Kangibonanga thempeli edolobheni ngoba iNkosi uNkulunkulu uSomandla leWundlu balithempeli lalo. 23 Idolobho kaliswelі langa loba inyanga yokukhanyisa kulo ngoba inkazimulo kaNkulunkulu ilinika ukukhanya leWundlu liyisibane salo. 24 Izizwe zizahamba ekukhanyeni kwalo lamakhosi omhlaba azaletha ubukhazikhazi bawo kulo. 25 Akulasuku lapho amasango alo azake avalwe ngalo ngoba akuyikuba lobusuku khona. 26 Inkazimulo lodumo lwezizwe kuzalethwa kulo.

22 Ingilosи yasingitshengisa umfula wamanzi okuphila acengekileyo kakhulu egeleza evela esihlalweni sobukhosи sikaNkulunkulu leseWundlu 2 esehla ephakathi komgwaqо omkhulu wedolobho. Eceleni ngalinye lomfula kwakulesihlahla sokuphila sithela izithelo ezilitshumi lambili, sithela izithelo zaso nyanga zonke. Amahlamvu esihlahla lesо ngawokwelapha izizwe. 3 Akusoze kube lesiqalekiso futhi. Isihlalo sobukhosи sikaNkulunkulu leseWundlu zizakuba sedolobheni njalo izinceku zakhe zizamkhonza. 4 Zizabubona ubuso bakhe lebizo lakhe lizakuba semabunzini azo. 5 Akusayikuba lobusuku futhi. Kaziyikukuswela ukukhanya kwesibane loba okwelanga ngoba iNkosi uNkulunkulu izazikhanyisela. Njalo zizabusa kuze kube nininini. (aiōn g165) 6 Ingilosи yasisithi kimi, “Amazwi la aqotho njalo aliquiniso. INkosi, uNkulunkulu wemimoya yabaphrofethi wathuma ingilosи yakhe ukuba itshengise izinceku zakhe izinto okumele zenzakale masinyane.” 7 “Khangelani, ngiyeza masinyane! Ubusisiwe lowo ogcina amazwi esiphrofethi asencwadini le.” 8 Mina Johane, yimi engazibonayo njalo ngazizwa izinto lezi. Kwathi lapho sengizwile njalo ngazibona, ngawela phansi ukuba ngikhonze eziriyaweni zengilosи eyayingitshengisa zona. 9 Kodwa yathi kimi, “Ungakwenzi lokhu! Mina ngiyinceku njengawe kanye labazalwane bakho abaphrofethi labo bonke abagcina amazwi encwadi le. Khonza uNkulunkulu!” 10 Yabuya yathi kimi, “Ungawagciki amazwi esiphrofethi sencwadi le, ngoba isikhathi sesiseduze. 11 Owenza okubi kaqhubeke esenza okubi; oxhwalileyo kaqhubeke ngokuxhwala; olungileyo kaqhubeke esenza okulungileyo; njalo ongcwele kaqhubeke engcwele.” 12 “Khangelani, ngiyeza masinyane! Ngilomvuzo wami, njalo ngizakupha umuntu munye ngamunye ngalokho akwenzayo. 13 Ngingu-Alfa lo-Omega, ngiyiKuqala loKucina,

isiQalo lesiPhetho. **14** Babusisiwe labo abagezisa izembatho zabo ukuze babe lelungelo esihlahleni sokuphila njalo bangene ngesango edolobheni. **15** Ngaphandle kulezinja, labo abenza imisebenzi yobuthakathi, izifebe ezixhwalileyo, lababulali, labakhonza izithombe labo bonke abathanda inkohliso njalo beyenza. **16** Mina Jesu, ngithume ingilosи yami ukuba ilinike ubufakazi lobu emabandleni. NgiyiMpande leNzalo kaDavida, kanye leNdonsakusa ekhanyayo.” **17** UMoya lomlobokazi bathi, “Woza!” Ozwayo katsho athi, “Woza!” Loba ngubani owomileyo, keze; njalo loba ngubani ofisayo, kathathe isipho esingahlawulelwayo samanzi okuphila. **18** Ngiyabaxwayisa bonke abezwa amazwi esiphrofethi sencwadi le: Nxa umuntu ezakwengeza olunye ulutho kuwo, uNkulunkulu uzazeneza kuye izifo ezibaliswe kule incwadi. **19** Njalo nxa umuntu esusa amazwi kule incwadi yesiphrofethi, uNkulunkulu uzamthathela isabelo sakhe esihlahleni sokuphila laseDolobheni eliNgewe, okubaliswe kule incwadi. **20** Yena lowo ofakaza izinto lezi uthi, “Yebo, ngiyeza masinyane.” Ameni. Woza, Nkosi Jesu. **21** Umusa weNkosi uJesu kawube sebantwini bakaNkulunkulu. Ameni.

66 Amavesi

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UGenesisi 9:8 UNkulunkulu wasesithi kuNowa lakumadodana akhe ayelawo: 9:9 “Manje sengimisa isivumelwano sami lani lezizukulwane zenu ezilandelayo 9:10 lasosonke isidalwa esiphilayo esasilawe, izinyoni, izifuyo lezinyamazana zeganga, zonke lezo ezaphuma lani emkhunjini, sonke isidalwa esiphilayo emhlaben. 9:11 Ngiyasmisa isivumelwano sami lani: Kakusoze njalo impilo yonke iqunywe ngamanzi kazamcolo; kakusoze njalo kube lozamcolo ozabhubhisa umhlabu.” 9:12 UNkulunkulu wathi, “Lesi yisiboniso sesivumelwano engisenzayo phakathi kwami lani lasosonke isidalwa esiphilayo elilaso, isivumelwano sezizukulwane zonke ezizayo: 9:13 Sengibeke umchilowamakhosikazi wami emayezini, wona uzakuba yisiboniso sesivumelwano phakathi kwami lomhlabu.

U-Eksodus 14:13 UMosi wabaphendula abantu wathi, “Lingesabi. Manini isibindi, lizabona ukuthi uThixo uzalihlenga njani lamuhla. AmaGibhithe eliwabonayo lamuhla kalisoz ephinde liwabone futhi. 14:14 UThixo uzalilwela; lina manini lithule.”

ULevi 20:26 Kumele libengcwele kimi ngoba mina Thixo ngingcwele njalo ngilahlukanisile kwabeszizwe ukuthi libe ngabami.

Amanani 6:24 “UTHixo alibusise njalo aligcine; 6:25 UTHixo kakhazimulise ubuso bakhe phezu kwenu njalo abe lomusa kini; 6:26 UTHixo kakhangelise ubuso bakhe kini njalo aliphe ukuthula.”

UDutheronomi 18:18 Ngizabavezela umphrofethi onjengawe phakathi kwabafowabo; ngizamfunza amazwi ami, yena nguye ozabatshela konke engizamlaya ngakho. 18:19 Nxa loba ngubani ongayikulalela amazwi ami azakhulunywa ngumphrofethi ngebizo lami, mina ngokwami yimi engizamelana laye.

UJoshua 1:7 Qina ube lesibindi. Ugcine yonke imithetho owayiphiwa nguMosi inceku yami, ungaze waphambuka kuyo uye kwesokunene kumbe kwesokhohlo ukuze uphumelele kuzozonke izindawo ozakuya kuzo. 1:8 INCwadi yoMthetho le kayingasuki emlonyen i wakho, cabanga ngayo emini lebusuku ukuze unanzelele ukugcina konke okulotshwe kuyo. Ngokwena njalo uzaphumelela. 1:9 Angikulayanga na? Qina ube lesibindi, ungethuki njalo ungalahli ithemba, ngoba uThixo uNkulunkulu wakho uzakuba lawe loba kungaphi lapho oya khona.”

Abahluleli 2:7 Abantu bamkhonza uThixo ngezinsuku zokuphila kukaJoshua labadala kulaye ababesele bephila njalo beyibonile imisebenzi emikhulu uThixo ayeyenzele abako-Israyeli.

URuthe 1:16 URuthe waphendula wathi, "Ungangincengi ukuba ngikutshiye loba ukuba ngikufulatthele. Lapho oya khona ngizakuya khona, lalapho ozahlala khona ngizahlala khona. Abantu bakini bazakuba ngabakithi loNkulunkulu wakho uzakuba nguNkulunkulu wami. 1:17 Lapho ozafela khona lami ngizafela khona njalo ngizangcwatshelwa khona. Sengathi uThixo angangihlanekela nxa ngingehlukana lawe ngenxa yolunye ulutho olungesikufa."

1 USamuyeli 16:7 Kodwa uThixo wathi kuSamuyeli, "Ungakhangeli isimo sakhe loba ubude bakhe, ngoba ngimalile. Uthixo kakhangeli izinto ezikhangelwa ngabantu. Abantu bakhangela isimo somuntu, kodwa uThixo ukhangela inhliziyo."

2 USamuyeli 7:22 Yeka ubukhulu bakho, awu Thixo Wobukhos! Kakho ofanana lawe, njalo kakho uNkulunkulu ngaphandle kwakho, njengoba sizizwele ngezindlebe zethu.

1 Amakhosi 2:3 unanzelele lokho okufunwa nguThixo uNkulunkulu wakho: Ukuhamba endleleni yakhe, ugcine imilayo leziqondiso zakhe, imithetho yakhe kanye lezilayezelo zayo: Hamba ezindleleni zakhe, ugcine izimiso zakhe leziqondiso zakhe, imithetho yakhe lokulotshiweyo ngokoMthetho kaMosi, ukuze uphumelele kukho konke okwenzayo kanye lalapho oya khona,

2 Amakhosi 22:19 Ngenxa yokuthi inhliziyo yakho ivumile njalo uzithobile phambi kukaThixo lapho usizwa engikukhulume ngendawo le labantu bayo, ukuthi bazakuba ngabaqalekisiweyo bachithwe, njalo ngenxa yokuthi udabule iziqqoko zakho wakhala phambi kwami, ngikuzwile, kutsho uThixo.

1 Imilando 29:17 Ngiyazi, Nkulunkulu wami, uhlola inhliziyo njalo uyabuthanda ubuqotho. Zonke lezizirito ngizirinikele ngokufisa langenhliziyo yobuqotho. Khathesi ngikhangele ngentokozo abantu bakho abalapha ukuthi banikele ngesifiso kuwe.

2 Imilando 7:14 nxa abantu bami, ababizwa ngebizo lami, bezazithoba bakhuleke badinge ubuso bami njalo batshiye izindlela zabo ezimbi, kulapho ngizakuzwa khona ngisezulwini ngithethelele izono zabo njalo ngiphephise ilizwe labo.

U-Ezra 7:10 Ngoba u-Ezra wayezinikele ekufundeni lokugcina uMthetho kaThixo lokufundisa izimiso zawo ko-Israyeli.

UNehemiya 6:3 yikho ngasengithuma izithunywa kubo lale impendulo: "Ngiphezu komsebenzi omkhulu yikho ngeke ngize. Kungani umsebenzi ufanele ume ngiwutshiyele ukuza kini na?"

U-Esta 4:14 Nxa ungala uthule ngalesisikhathi, usizo lokukhululwa kwamajuda kuzavela kwenye indawo, kodwa wena kanye lemuli kayihlo lizabhubha. Njalo kwazi bani, ukuthi uze kulesi sikhundla sobukhos ngenxa yesikhathi esinjengalesi na?"

UJobe 19:25 Ngiyazi ukuthi uMhleli wami uyaphila, lokuthi ekupheleni uzakuma emhlabeni.

Amahubo 23:1 Ihubo likaDavid. UThixo ungumelusi wami, angiyikuswela lutho. 23:2 Ungilalisa emadlelweni aluhlaza, ungikhokhelela emanzini apholileyo, 23:3 uvuselela umphefumulo wami. Uyangihola ezindleleni zokulunga ngenxa yebizo lakhe. 23:4 Loba ngidabula esigodini sethunzi lokufa, angiyikwesaba okubi ngoba wena ulami; intonga Yakho lodondolo Lwakho kuyangiduduza. 23:5 Ulungisa itafula phambi kwami emehlwani ezitha zami. Ugcoba ikhanda lami ngamafutha; inkomitsho yami igcwelle iyaphuphuma. 23:6 Impela okuhle lothando kuzangilandela zonke insuku zokuphila kwami, njalo ngizahlala endlini kaThixo kuze kube nininini.

Izaga 3:5 Themba kuThixo ngenhliziyo yakho yonke, ungathembi ekuzwisiseni kwakho; 3:6 mvume kuzozonke izindlela zakho, yena uzaqondisa zonke izindlela zakho.

UmTshumayeli **3:10** Sengiwubonile umthwalo uNkulunkulu awethese abantu. **3:11** Yonke into uyenze yabanhle ngesikhathi sayo. Wamupha umuntu iphakade enhliziyewi yakhe; kodwa abantu bangeke bafinyelele kulokho uNkulunkulu asakwenzayo kwasekuqaleni kusiya ekupheleni.

Ingoma Yezingoma **2:4** Useke wangisa endlini yedili, lophawu lwakhe kimi luthando.

U-Isaya **9:6** Ngoba sizalelwé umntswana, siphíwe indodana, umbuso uzakuba phezu kwamahlombe akhe. Uzabizwa ngokuthi uMeluleki Omangalisiyo, uNkulunkulu uSomandla, uBaba Waphakade, iNkosana yokuThula. **9:7** Ukwanda kombuso wakhe lokuthula akuyikuba lomkhawulo. Uzabusa esihlalweni sobukhosí sikaDavida laphezu kombuso wakhe, ewumisa njalo ewuqinisa ngokufaneleyo langokulunga, kusukela ngalesikhathi kuze kube nini lanini. Ukutshiseka kukaThixo uSomandla kuzakufeza lokhu.

UJeremiya **29:11** Ngoba ngiyawazi amacebo engilawo ngani,” kutsho uThixo, “amacebo okuliphumelelisa hatshi ukulilimaza, amacebo okulinika ithemba kanye lesikhathi esizayo.

Izililo **3:21** Kodwa ngikhumbula lokhu ngibe lethembá: **3:22** Ngenxa yothando olukhulu lukaThixo kasibhujiswanga, ngoba isihawu sakhe kasipheli. **3:23** Siba sitsha ukusa kwamalanga; kukhulu ukuthembeka kwakho.

UHezekheli **36:26** Ngizakunika inhliziyi entsha ngifake lomoya omutsha phakathi kwakho; ngizasusa kuwe inhliziyi yakho yelitshe ngikunike inhliziyi yenyama. **36:27** Njalo ngizafaka uMoya wami phakathi kwakho ngikwenze ulandele izimiso zami njalo unanzelele ukugcina imithetho yami.

UDanyeli **3:16** OShadreki, loMeshaki lo-Abhediniko bayiphendula inkosi bathi, “Nkosi Nebhukhadineza, kasidigi kuzilwela phambi kwakho ngale indaba. **3:17** Singaphoselwa esithandweni somlilo olavuzayo, uNkulunkulu esimkhonzayo ulamandla okusisindisa kuwo, njalo uzasilamulela esandleni sakho, wena nkosi. **3:18** Loba engasisindisi, sithanda ukuba ukwazi, wena nkosi, ukuthi sivele kasisoze sibakhonze onkulunkulu bakho kumbe sisidumise isifanekiso segolide lesó osimisileyo.”

UHoseya **6:6** Ngoba mina ngifuna isihawu, hatshi umhlatshelo, lokwamukela uNkulunkulu kuleminikelo yokutshiswa.

UJoweli **2:28** “Emva kwalokho, ngizathululela uMoya wami kubo bonke abantu. Amadodana lamadodakazi enu azaphrofitha, izinsizwa zenu zizabona imibono, lamaxhegu enu azaphupha amaphupho. **2:29** Lasezinckwini zami, ezesilisa lezesifazane, ngizawuthulula uMoya warni ngalelezonsuku. **2:30** Ngizabonakalisa izimangaliso emazulwini lasemhlabeni, igazi lomlilo lezikhatha zentuthu. **2:31** Ilanga lizaphendulwa libe yibumnyama lenyanga ibeligazi phambi kokuba kufike usuku olukhulu lukaThixo, olwesabekayo. **2:32** Njalo wonke obiza ibizo likaThixo uzasindiswa; ngoba eNtabeni iZiyoni laseJerusalem kuzakuba lokukhululwa, njengoba uThixo etshilo, iloba phakathi kwabasindileyo labo ababizwa nguThixo.”

U-Amosi **5:24** Kodwa ukulunga kakugeleze njengamanzi, lobuqotho njengesifula esingatshiyó!

U-Obhadiya **1:15** Usuku lukaThixo selusondele ezizweni zonke. Njengalokho okwenzileyo, yikho okuzakwenziwa kuwe; izenzo zakho zizaphendukela phezu kwekhanda lakho.

UJona **2:6** Ngagalula ngatshona empandení zezintaba; umhlaba ongaphansi wangivalela okwaphakade. Kodwa wena wayikhupha impilo yami egodini, wena Thixo, Nkulunkulu wami. **2:7** Lapho impilo yami yayisincipha, ngakhumbula wena, Thixo, umkhuleko wami waphakamelá

kuwe, ethempelini lakho elingcwele. **2:8** Labo ababambelela ezithombeni ezingelamsebeni balahlekelwa ngumusa ongaba ngowabo. **2:9** Kodwa mina, ngizakuthi nighlabela ingoma yokubonga ngenze umhlatshelo kuwe. Engikufungileyo ngizakugcwala. Insindiso ivela kuThixo.”

UMikha **6:8** Uktutshengisile wena mutu okuhle. UThixo ufunani kuwe na? Ukwenza okulungileyo lokuthanda umusa kanye lokuhamba ngokuzithoba loNkulunkulu wakho.

UNahume **1:2** UThixo uNkulunkulu olobukhwele lophindiselayo; uThixo uyaphindisela njalo ulolaka olukhulu. UThixo uyaphindisela ezitheni zakhe lolaka lwakhe lukhulu ezitheni zakhe. **1:3** UThixo uyaphuza ukuthukuthela njalo ulamandla amakhulu; uThixo kayikumyekela olecalia engajeziqwanga. Indlela yakhe iphakathi kwesivunguzane lesiphepho, amayezi aluthuli lwezinyawo zakhe.

UHabakhukhi **3:17** Lanxa isihlahla somkhiwa singanunkuli lamavini engekho emivinini; lanxa ama-oliva engathelanga, lamasimu engabanga lokudla, lanxa kungelazimvu esibayeni lenkomu zingekho ezibayeni, **3:18** kodwa ngizathokoza kuThixo, ngizajabula kuNkulunkulu uMsindisi wami. **3:19** UThixo Wobukhosu ungamandla ami; wenza inyawo zami zibe njengezempsala, ungenza ngihambe ezindaweni eziphakemeyo.

UZefaniya **3:17** UThixo uNkulunkulu wakho ulawe, ulamandla okusindisa. Uzathokoza kakhulu ngawe, uzakududuza ngothando lwakhe, uzakuthokozela ngokuhlabelela.”

UHagayi **1:4** “Kuyisikhathi senu lina ngokwenu ukuba lihlale ezindlini zenu ezinhle, kodwa indlu le ilokhu ilunxiwa na?” **1:5** Khathesi narku okutshiwo nguThixo uSomandla: “Cabangani kuhle ngezindlela zenu. **1:6** Lihlanyele okunengi kodwa livuna okulutshwana. Liyadla, kodwa kalisuthi. Liyanatha, kodwa kalikholwa. Liyagqoka iziqqoko, kodwa kalifudumali. Lihola imiholo liyifake esikhwameni esivuzayo.” **1:7** Nanku okutshiwo nguThixo uSomandla: “Cabangani kuhle ngezindlela zenu.

UZekhariya **12:10** “Ngizathululela phezu kwendlu kaDavida laphezu kwabakhileyo ejerusalem umoya womusa lobubele. Bazakhangelu kimi, mina abamgwazayo, bangililele njengomuntu elilela umntanakhe ozelwe yedwa, bamkhalele kabuhlungu njengomuntu ekhalela indodana yakhe elizibulo.

UMalaki **4:2** Kodwa lina elilesabayo ibizo lami, ilanga lokulunga lizaphuma lilokusiliswa emaphikweni alo. Njalo lizaphuma liqolotshe njengamatole evulelw esibayeni sawo. **4:3** Laphoke lizabanyatbezela phansi ababi; bazakuba ngumlotha ngaphansi kwezinyawo zenu ngosuku lolo engizazenza ngalo lezizinto,” kutsho uThixo uSomandla.

UMathewu **28:18** UJesu weza kubo wathi, “Wonke amandla ezulwini lasemhlabeni aphiwe mina. **28:19** Ngakho hambani lenze abafundi ezizweni zonke, libabhaphathize ebizweni likaBaba, leleNdodana lelikoMoya oNgcwele, **28:20** njalo libafundise ukulalela konke engililaye ngakho. Ngempela ngilani kokuphela, kuze kube sekupheleni kwesikhathi.” (*aiōn g165*)

UMakho **1:14** UJohane esevalelw entolongweni, uJesu waya eGalile ememezelia izindaba ezinhle zikaNkulunkulu. **1:15** Wathi, “Isikhathi sesifikile. Umbuso kaNkulunkulu ususeduze. Phendukani likholwe izindaba ezinhle!” **1:16** Kwathi uJesu ehambahamba okhunjini loLwandle lwaseGalile wabona uSimoni lomfowabo u-Andreya bephosa umambule olwandle ngoba babengabagoli benhlanzi. **1:17** Wathi kubo, “Wozani lingilandele, ngizalenza abagoli babantu.” **1:18** Bahle batshiya omambule babo bamlandela.

ULukha 4:18 "Umoya kaThixo uphezu kwami, ngoba uThixo ungigcobile ukuba ngitshumayele izindaba ezhinhle kwabampofu. Ungithumile ukuba ngimemezele ukukhululwa kwabathunjewyo lokusiliswa kweziphofu ukuthi zibone, ukukhululwa kwabancindezelweyo,

UJohane 3:16 UNkulunkulu walithanda ilizwe kangaka waze wanikela iNdodana yakhe eyiyo yodwa ukuze kuthi loba ngubani okholwa kuyo angabhubhi, kodwa abe lokuphila okungapheliyo. (aiōnios g166) 3:17 Ngoba uNkulunkulu kathumanga iNdodana yakhe emhlabeni ukuze iwulahle umhlaba, kodwa ukuze umhlaba usindiswe ngayo.

Imisebenzi 1:7 Wathi kubo: "Kakusikho kwenu ukwazi izikhathi loba insuku uBaba azimisileyo ngamandla akhe. 1:8 Kodwa lina lizakwamukela amandla nxa uMoya oNgcwele esefikile kini, njalo lizakuba ngofakazi bami eJerusalem lakulo lonke eleJudiya laseSamariya kanye lasemikhawulweni yomhlaba."

KwabaseRoma 11:32 Ngoba uNkulunkulu ubophele abantu bonke ekudeleleni ukuze abe lomusa kubo bonke. (eleēsē g1653) 11:33 Yeka ukuzika kwenotho yenhlakanipho kanye lokwazi kukaNkulunkulu! Yeka ukwahlulela kwakhe okungeke kuhlolwe, kanye lezindlela zakhe ezingeke zilandelwe! 11:34 "Ngubani owake wayazi ingqondo yeNkosi na? Loba owake waba ngumcebisi wayo na?" 11:35 "Ngubani owake wanika uNkulunkulu ulutho ukuba uNkulunkulu aluhlawule na?" 11:36 Ngoba izinto zonke zivela kuye langaye njalo futhi zikuye. Uduomo kalube kuye kuze kuge laphakade! Ameni. (aiōn g165)

1 KwabaseKhorinte 6:9 Kalazi yini ukuthi abonayo kabayikuba zindlalifa zombuso kaNkulunkulu? Lingakhohliswa. Akulazifebe ezixhwaliyelo loba abakhonza izithombe kumbe iziphingi loba izitabane 6:10 kumbe amasela loba izihwaba kumbe izidakwa loba abanyeyayo kumbe amaqlili azakudla ilifa lombuso kaNkulunkulu. 6:11 Njalo lokho yikho abanye benu ababeyikho. Kodwa selageziswa, selangcweliswa, selalungiswa ngebizo leNkosi uJesu Khristu langomoya kaNkulunkulu wethu.

2 KwabaseKhorinte 5:17 Ngakho-ke, nxa umuntu ekuKhristu, uyisidalwa esitsha; okudala akusekho, sekufike okutsha. 5:18 Konke lokhu kuvela kuNkulunkulu owasibuyisela kuye ngoKhristu wasinika imfundiso yokubuyisana: 5:19 ukuthi uNkulunkulu wayebuyisa umhlaba kuye ngoKhristu, abantu engababaleli izono zabo. Njalo usesinike ilizwi lokubuyisana. 5:20 Ngokunjalo, singabameli bakaKhristu, ngokungathi uNkulunkulu wenza isikhala sakhe ngathi. Siyalincenga simele uKhristu sithi: Buyisanani loNkulunkulu. 5:21 UNkulunkulu wamenza waba yisono owayengelasono ngenxa yethu ukuze kuthi kuye sibe yikulunga kukaNkulunkulu.

KwabaseGalathiya 1:6 Ngiyamangala ukuthi limdela masinya kangaka lowo owalibiza ngomusa kaKhristu njalo liphendukela evangelini elehlukileyo, 1:7 elingsavangeli langempela ngitsho. Kusobala abanye abantu bayaliphambanisa njalo bazama ukungcolisa ivangeli likaKhristu.

Kwabase-Efesu 2:1 Lina lalifile eziphambekweni lasezonweni zenu, 2:2 elaliphila kuzo ngesikhathi lisalandela izindlela zalo umhlaba lezombusi wombuso wasemoyeni, umoya osebenzayo lakhathesi kulabo abangalaleliyo. (aiōn g165) 2:3 Lathi sonke sake saphila phakathi kwabo ekuqaleni, sithokozisa izinkanuko zemvelo yethu yesono, silandela lezifiso kanye lemicabango yazo. Njengabanye, ngokwemvelo sasifanele ulaka. 2:4 Kodwa ngenxa yothando lwakhe olukhulu kithi, uNkulunkulu olesihawu esikhulu, 2:5 wasenza saba ngabaphilayo loKhristu lanxa sasifile eziphambekweni, ngomusa selisindisiwe. 2:6 UNkulunkulu wasivusa ekufeni kanye loKhristu wasihlalisa laye ebukhosini basezulwini kuKhristu uJesu 2:7 ukuze kuthi ezikhathini ezizayo atshengise inotho yomusa wakhe engeke ilinganiswe, ebalulwe yibubele bakhe kithi kuKhristu uJesu. (aiōn g165) 2:8 Ngoba ngomusa lisindisiwe, kungokukholwa njalo lokhu akuveli kini, kuyisipho

sikaNkulunkulu, 2:9 hatshi ngemisebenzi, ukuze kungabi lozazincoma. 2:10 Ngoba siyibuciko bukaNkulunkulu, sidalelwe kuKhristu uJesu ukuba senze imisebenzi emihle, uNkulunkulu ayilungisa ngaphambili ukuba siyenze.

KwabaseFiliphi 3:7 Kodwa loba kuyini okwakuyinzuzo kimi khathesi ngikubala njengokulahlekelwa ngenxa kaKhristu. 3:8 Phezu kwalokho, konke ngikubona kuyize lapho kulinganiswa lobukhulu obumangalisayo bokwazi uKhristu Jesu iNkosi yami esengilahlekelwe yizinto zonke ngenxa yakhe. Ngikubona kuyimfucuza ukuze ngizuze uKhristu 3:9 njalo ngitholakale kuye, ngingelakulunga okungokwami okuveleta emthethweni, kodwa lokho kungenxa yokukholwa kuKhristu, ukulunga okuvela kuNkulunkulu njalo okungokukholwa.

KwabaseKholose 1:15 Indodana ingumfanekiso kaNkulunkulu ongabonakaliyo, izibulo kukho konke okwadalwayo. 1:16 Ngoba izinto zonke zadalwa ngayo: izinto ezisezulwini lezisemhlabeni, eziponakalayo lezingabonakaliyo loba kuyizahlalo zobukhos*i* kumbe amandla loba ababus*i* kumbe abaphathi; izinto zonke zadalwa ngayo zidalelw*a* yona. 1:17 Yona iphambi kwezinto zonke njalo kuyo izinto zonke zibambene. 1:18 Iyinhloko yomzimba okulibandla; iyikuqala lezibulo elivela kwabafileyo ukuze yona ibe ngeyokuqala ezintweni zonke. 1:19 Ngoba uNkulunkulu wathokoza ukuba ukuphelela kwakhe kube kuyo 1:20 lokuthi ngayo abuyisane lezinto zonke, loba kuyizinto ezisemhlabeni kumbe izinto ezisezulwini ngokwenza ukuthula ngegazi layo elachithwa esiphambanweni.

1 KwabaseThesalonika 4:1 Okokucina bazalwane, salifundisa ukuba liphile njani ukuze limthokozise uNkulunkulu njengoba impela liphila. Siyalicela njalo silincenga ngeNkosi uJesu ukuba lokhu likwenze kokuphela. 4:2 Liyayazi imilayo esalinika yona ngokulaya kweNkosi uJesu. 4:3 Kuyintando kaNkulunkulu ukuba libengcwele: ukuba lixwaye ukuhlobonga; 4:4 ukuba omunye lomunye wenu afunde ukuthiba umzimba wakhe ngendlela engcwele lehloniphekayo 4:5 hatshi ngomfutho wenkanuko njengabezizweni abangamaziyo uNkulunkulu.

2 KwabaseThesalonika 3:6 Ebizweni leNkosi uJesu Khristu, siyalilaya bazalwane ukuba libaxwaye bonke abazalwane abangamavila, abangaphili ngokwemfundiso elayamukela kithi. 3:7 Ngoba lina ngokwenu liyawazi ukuba kufanele lisilandele njani isibonelo sethu. Sasingavilaphi lapho siseselani 3:8 njalo kasidlanga kudla komuntu singakuhlawulelanga. Kodwa sasebenza ebusuku lemimi, sisebenza nzima njalo sitshikatshika ukuze singabi ngumthwalo lakubani phakathi kwenu. 3:9 Lokhu sakwenza kungayisikho ukuthi kasilalungelo losizo olunjalo kodwa ukuba sizenze sibe yisibonelo kini ukuba lisilandele. 3:10 Ngoba langesikhathi silani salinika umlayo othi: "Nxa umuntu engafuni ukusebenza, kangadli."

1 KuThimothi 2:1 Ngakho-ke, phezu kwakho konke ngiyakhuthaza ukuba izicelo, lemikhuleko, lokukhulekela abanye kanye lokubonga kwenzelwe abantu bonke, 2:2 amakhosi labo bonke abaphethe amandla ukuze sihlale ngokuthula empilweni enhle kukho konke ukumesaba uNkulunkulu lobungcwele. 2:3 Lokhu kuhle njalo kuyamthokozisa uNkulunkulu uMsindisi wethu 2:4 ofuna ukuba abantu bonke basindiswe njalo balazi iqiniso. 2:5 Ngoba uNkulunkulu munye njalo lomeli munye phakathi kukaNkulunkulu labantu, umuntu uKhristu Jesu,

2 KuThimothi 2:8 Khumbula uJesu Khristu owavuka kwabafileyo, wadabuka kuDavid. Leli yilo ivangeli lami 2:9 engilihlphekelayo ngize ngibotshwe ngamaketane njengesigangi. Kodwa ilizwi likaNkulunkulu kalibotshwanga. 2:10 Ngakho-ke, ngibekezelela konke ngenxa yabakhethiweyo ukuze labo bazuze ukusindiswa okukuKhristu uJesu lenkazimulo engapheliyo. (*aiōnios g166*)

KuThithusi 2:11 Ngoba umusa kaNkulunkulu oletha insindiso usubonakele ebantwini bonke. 2:12 Uyasifundisa ukuthi "Hayi" ekweyiseni uNkulunkulu lasezinkanukweni zasemhlabeni njalo

siphile ngokuzikuza, ngokuqonda empilweni yokulalela uNkulunkulu ngesikhathi samanje, (aiōn g165) 2:13 lapho sisalindele ithemba elibusisiweyo lokubonakala ngenkazimulo kaNkulunkulu wethu omkhulu longuMsindisi uJesu Khristu 2:14 owazinikela ngenxa yethu ukuba asihlenge ebubini bonke kanye lokuthi azihlambululele abantu abangabakhe, abatshisekela ukwenza okuhle.

UFilimoni 1:3 Umusa kawube kuwe kanye lokuthula okuvela kuNkulunkulu uBaba leNkosini uJesu Khristu. 1:4 Nighlezi ngimbonga kokuphela uNkulunkulu wami lapho ngikukhumbula emikhulekweni yami 1:5 ngoba ngiyewza ngothando lwakho lokukholwa eNkosini uJesu kanye lothando lwakho kubo bonke abangcwele. 1:6 Ngikhulekela ukuba ukuhlanganyela kwakho kanye lathi ekukholweni kube lomfutho ngokujula ekuqedisensi kwakho konke ukulunga esikwabelana ngenxa kaKhristu. 1:7 Uthando lwakho lungiphe ukuthokoza okukhulu lokududuzeka ngoba wena, mzalwane, uvuselele inhliziyo zabangcwele.

KumaHebheru 1:1 Kudala uNkulunkulu wakhuluma kubokhokho kanengenengi ngabaphrofethi langezindlela ezelhukeneyo 1:2 kodwa ngalezizinsuku zokucina ukhulume kithi ngeNdodana yakhe, ayibeka ukuba yindlalifa yezinto zonke, yona adala ngayo izulu lomhlaba. (aiōn g165) 1:3 INDodana iyikubenyezela kwenkazimulo kaNkulunkulu kanye lomfanekiso wokuba nguye kwakhe uqobo, iquinisa izinto zonke ngelizwi layo elilamandla. Emva kokuba isikufezile ukuhlanjululwa kwezono, yahlala phansi esandleni sokunene sobukhosи ezulwini.

UJakhobe 1:16 Lingakhohliswa bazalwane bami abathandekayo. 1:17 Zonke izipho ezinhle lezipheleleyo zivela phezulu, zehlele phansi zivela kuYise wezibane zasezulwini, ongaguqukiyo njalo ongelathunzi lokuphenduka. 1:18 Wakhetha ukusizala ngelizwi leqiniso ukuze sibe luhlobo lwezithelo zakuqala kukho konke akudalayo.

1 UPhetro 3:18 Ngoba uKhristu wafela izono zenu kwaba kanye, olungileyo efela abangalunganga, ukuze alise kuNkulunkulu. Wabulawa emzimbeni, kodwa wavuswa nguMoya,

2 UPhetro 1:3 Amandla akhe obuNkulunkulu asesinike konke esikudingayo ekuphileni kanye lokumesaba uNkulunkulu ngokumazi kwethu yena owasibiza ngenkazimulo yakhe langokulunga. 1:4 Ngalokhu-ke usesinike izithembiso zakhe ezinkulu kakhulu eziligu, ukuze kuthi ngazo lihlanganye esimeni sobuNkulunkulu njalo liphephe ekonakaleni kwasemhlabeni okubangelwa yizinkanuko ezimbi.

1 UJohane 2:1 Bantwabami abathandekayo, ngililobela incwadi le ukuze lingenzi izono. Kodwa nxu umuntu enze isono, silaye osimelayo kuBaba esivikela yena uJesu Khristu oLungileyo. 2:2 Ungumhlatsheho wenhlawulo yezono zethu, kungasizono zethu kuphela kodwa lezono zomhlaba wonke.

2 UJohane 1:7 Ngitsho lokhu ngoba abakhohlisi abanengi abangavumiyo ukuthi uJesu Khristu weza engumuntu sebekhona emhlabeni. Lowomuntu onjalo ungumkhohlisu lomphikuKhristu.

3 UJohane 1:4 Angilakuthokoza okukhulu okudlula ukuzwa ukuthi abantwabami baphila ngokweqiniso.

UJuda 1:3 Bangane abathandekayo, lanxa kade ngitshisekela kakhulu ukulilobela mayelana lensindiso esilayo, kodwa ngibone kufanele ukuthi ngilobele ukulikhuthaza ukuba lilwele ukholo lolu olwaphiwa abangcwele bakaNkulunkulu 1:4 Ngoba abantu abathile abokulahlwa kwabo okwalotshwa ngakho endulo sebengene phakathi kwenu ngasese. Bangabantu abangamesabiyo uNkulunkulu abaguqulela umusa kaNkulunkulu ukuthi ubeyimvumo yokuganga bamphike loJesu Khristu onguye kuphela iNkosi yethu Yobukhosи.

Isambulo 3:19 Labo engibathandayo ngiyabakhuzi ngibajezise. Ngakho-ke, woba lokutshiseka uphenduke. 3:20 Mina ngilapha! Ngimi emnyango ngiqoqoda. Nxa kukhona ozwa ilizwi lami avule umnyango, ngizangena ngidle laye, laye adle lami. 3:21 Lowo onqobayo, ngizamnika ilungelo lokuhlala lami esihlalweni sami sobukhosi, njengoba lami nganqoba ngasengahlala loBaba esihlalweni sakhe sobukhosi. 3:22 Lowo olendlebe, akezwe okutshiwo nguMoya emabandleni.”

Isiqondiso sabafundayo

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Who has the authority to interpret the Bible and examine the underlying Hebrew and Greek words? That is a good question! We read in 1 John 2:27, "*As for you, the anointing which you received from him remains in you, and you do not need for anyone to teach you. But as his anointing teaches you concerning all things, and is true, and is no lie, and even as it taught you, you remain in him.*" Every Christian is qualified to interpret the Bible! Now that does not mean we will all agree. Each of us is still growing in our understanding of the truth. However, it does mean that there is no infallible human or tradition to answer all our questions. Instead the Holy Spirit helps each of us to know the truth and grow closer to God and each other.

The Bible is a library with 66 books in the Protestant Canon. The best way to learn God's word is to read entire books. Read the book of Genesis. Read the book of John. Read the entire Bible library. Topical studies and cross-referencing can be good. However, the safest way to understand context and meaning is to read whole Bible books. Chapter and verse numbers were added for convenience in the 16th century, but unfortunately they can cause the Bible to seem like an encyclopedia. The Aionian Bible is formatted with simple verse numbering, minimal notes, and no cross-referencing in order to encourage the reading of Bible books.

Bible reading must also begin with prayer. Any Christian is qualified to interpret the Bible with God's help. However, this freedom is also a responsibility because without the Holy Spirit we cannot interpret accurately. We read in 1 Corinthians 2:13-14, "*And we speak of these things, not with words taught by human wisdom, but with those taught by the Spirit, comparing spiritual things with spiritual things. Now the natural person does not receive the things of the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him, and he cannot understand them, because they are spiritually discerned.*" So we cannot understand in our natural self, but we can with God's help through prayer.

The Holy Spirit is the best writer and he uses literary devices such as introductions, conclusions, paragraphs, and metaphors. He also writes various genres including historical narrative, prose, and poetry. So Bible study must spiritually discern and understand literature. Pray, read, observe, interpret, and apply. Finally, "*Do your best to present yourself approved by God, a worker who does not need to be ashamed, properly handling the word of truth.*" 2 Timothy 2:15. "*God has granted to us his precious and exceedingly great promises; that through these you may become partakers of the divine nature, having escaped from the corruption that is in the world by lust. Yes, and for this very cause adding on your part all diligence, in your faith supply moral excellence; and in moral excellence, knowledge; and in knowledge, self-control; and in self-control patience; and in patience godliness; and in godliness brotherly affection; and in brotherly affection, love. For if these things are yours and abound, they make you to be not idle nor unfruitful to the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ,*" 2 Peter 1:4-8.

Uhlelo Iwamagama

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Abyssos g12

Greek: proper noun, place

Usage: 9 times in 3 books, 6 chapters, and 9 verses

Meaning:

Temporary prison for special fallen angels such as Apollyon, the Beast, and Satan.

aīdios g126

Greek: adjective

Usage: 2 times in Romans 1:20 and Jude 6

Meaning:

Lasting, enduring forever, eternal.

aiōn g165

Greek: noun

Usage: 127 times in 22 books, 75 chapters, and 102 verses

Meaning:

A lifetime or time period with a beginning and end, an era, an age, the completion of which is beyond human perception, but known only to God the creator of the aiōns, Hebrews 1:2. Never meaning simple endless or infinite chronological time in Greek usage. Read Dr. Heleen Keizer and Ramelli and Konstan for proofs.

aiōnios g166

Greek: adjective

Usage: 71 times in 19 books, 44 chapters, and 69 verses

Meaning:

From start to finish, pertaining to the age, lifetime, entirety, complete, or even consummate. Never meaning simple endless or infinite chronological time in Koine Greek usage. Read Dr. Heleen Keizer and Ramelli and Konstan for proofs.

eleēsē g1653

Greek: verb, aorist tense, active voice, subjunctive mood, 3rd person singular

Usage: 1 time in this conjugation, Romans 11:32

Meaning:

To have pity on, to show mercy. Typically, the subjunctive mood indicates possibility, not certainty. However, a subjunctive in a purpose clause is a resulting action as certain as the causal action. The subjunctive in a purpose clause functions as an indicative, not an optative. Thus, the grand conclusion of grace theology in Romans 11:32 must be clarified. God's mercy on all is not a possibility, but a certainty. See ntgreek.org.

Geenna g1067

Greek: proper noun, place

Usage: 12 times in 4 books, 7 chapters, and 12 verses

Meaning:

Valley of Hinnom, Jerusalem's trash dump, a place of ruin, destruction, and judgment in this life, or the next, though not eternal to Jesus' audience.

Hades g86

Greek: proper noun, place

Usage: 11 times in 5 books, 9 chapters, and 11 verses

Meaning:

Synonomous with Sheol, though in New Testament usage Hades is the temporal place of punishment for deceased unbelieving mankind, distinct from Paradise for deceased believers.

Limnē Pyr g3041 g4442

Greek: proper noun, place

Usage: Phrase 5 times in the New Testament

Meaning:

Lake of Fire, final punishment for those not named in the Book of Life, prepared for the Devil and his angels, Matthew 25:41.

Sheol h7585

Hebrew: proper noun, place

Usage: 66 times in 17 books, 50 chapters, and 64 verses

Meaning:

The grave or temporal afterlife world of both the righteous and unrighteous, believing and unbelieving, until the general resurrection.

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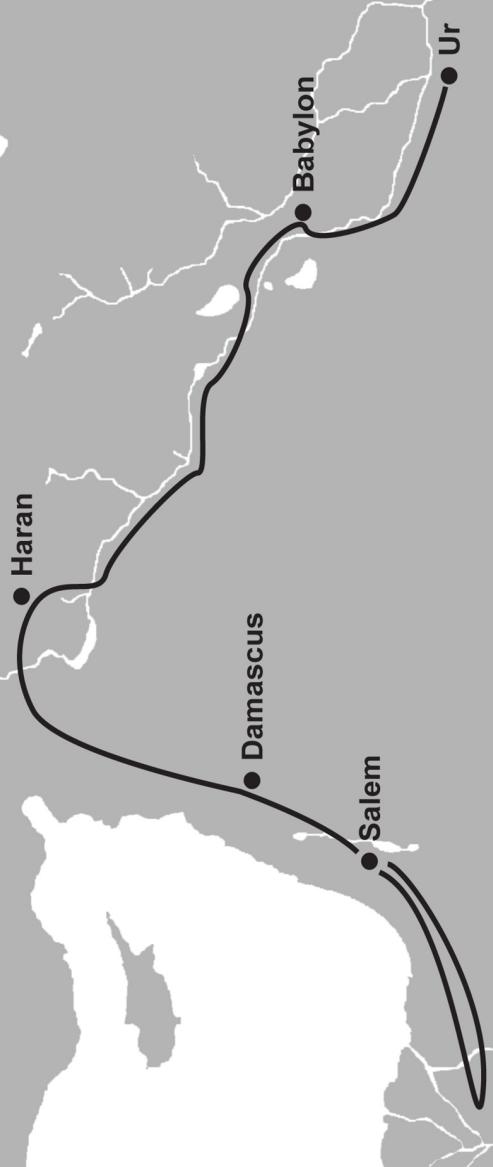
Greek: proper noun, place

Usage: 1 time in 2 Peter 2:4

Meaning:

Temporary prison for particular fallen angels awaiting final judgment.

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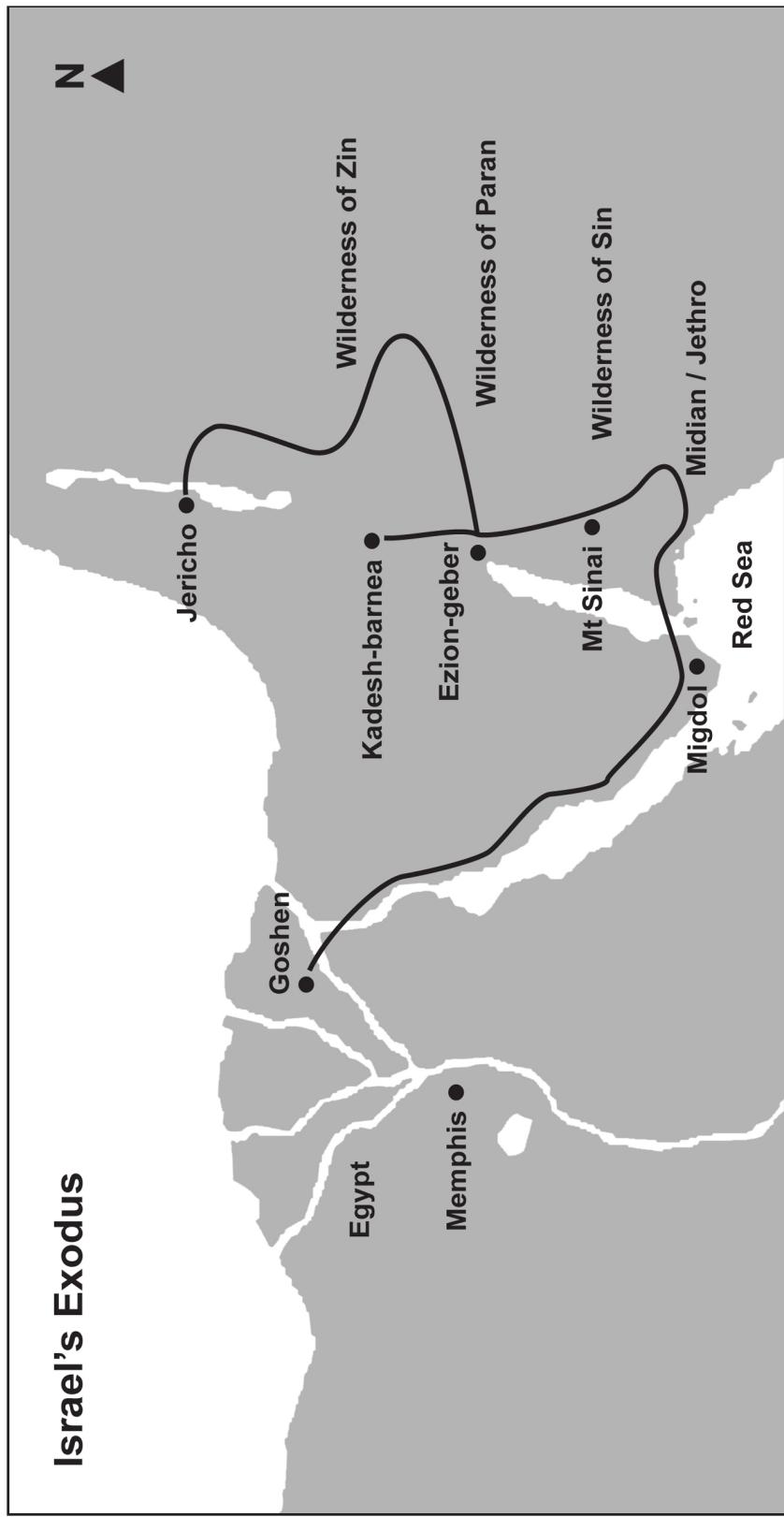


Abraham's Journey

Ngokukholwa u-Abrahama esebizelwe ukuba aye endaweni ayezayamutela muva njengelifa lakhe,
walaleta wahamba, lanxa wayengakwazi lapho ayesija khona. - KumaHebheru 11:8

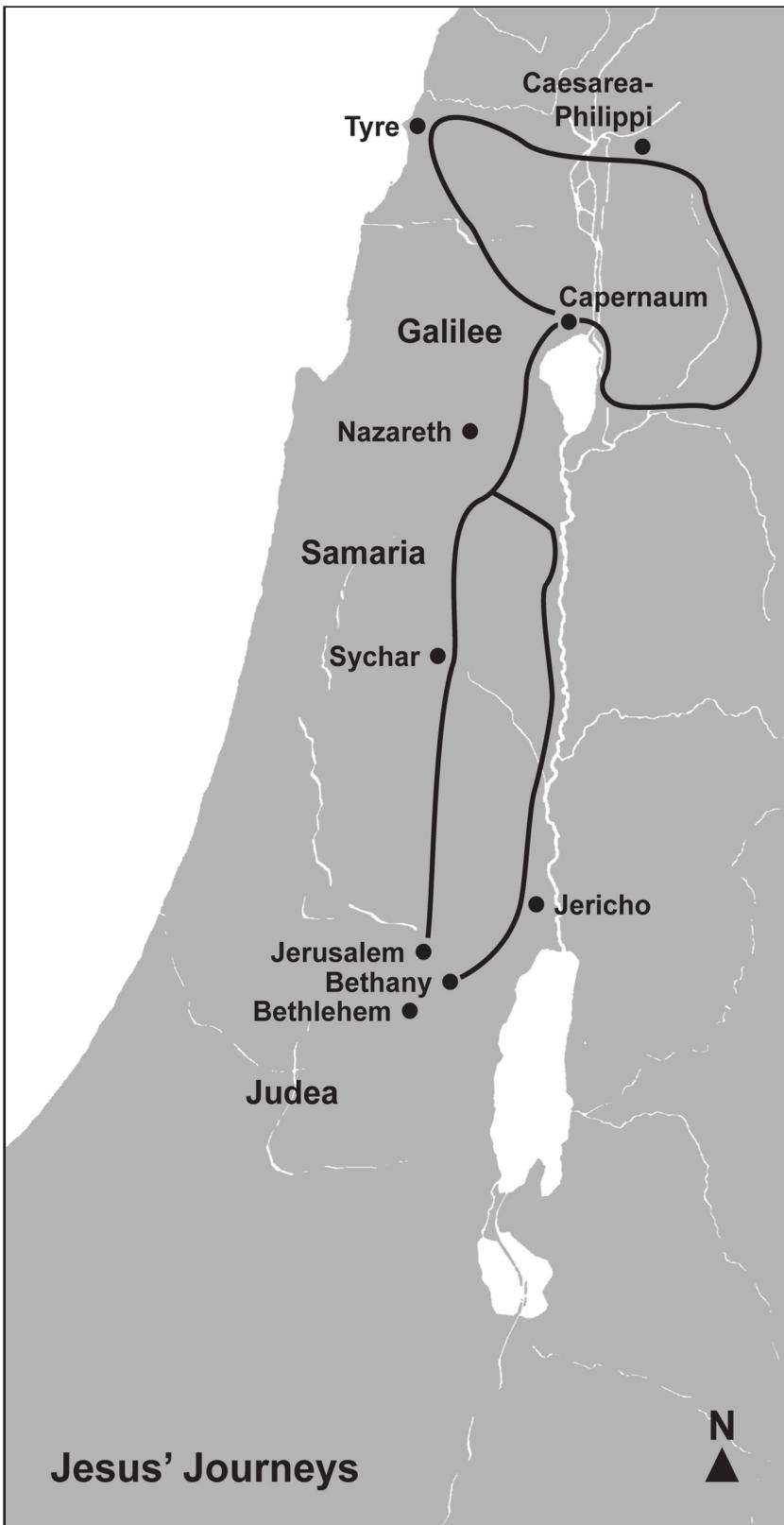
Israel's Exodus

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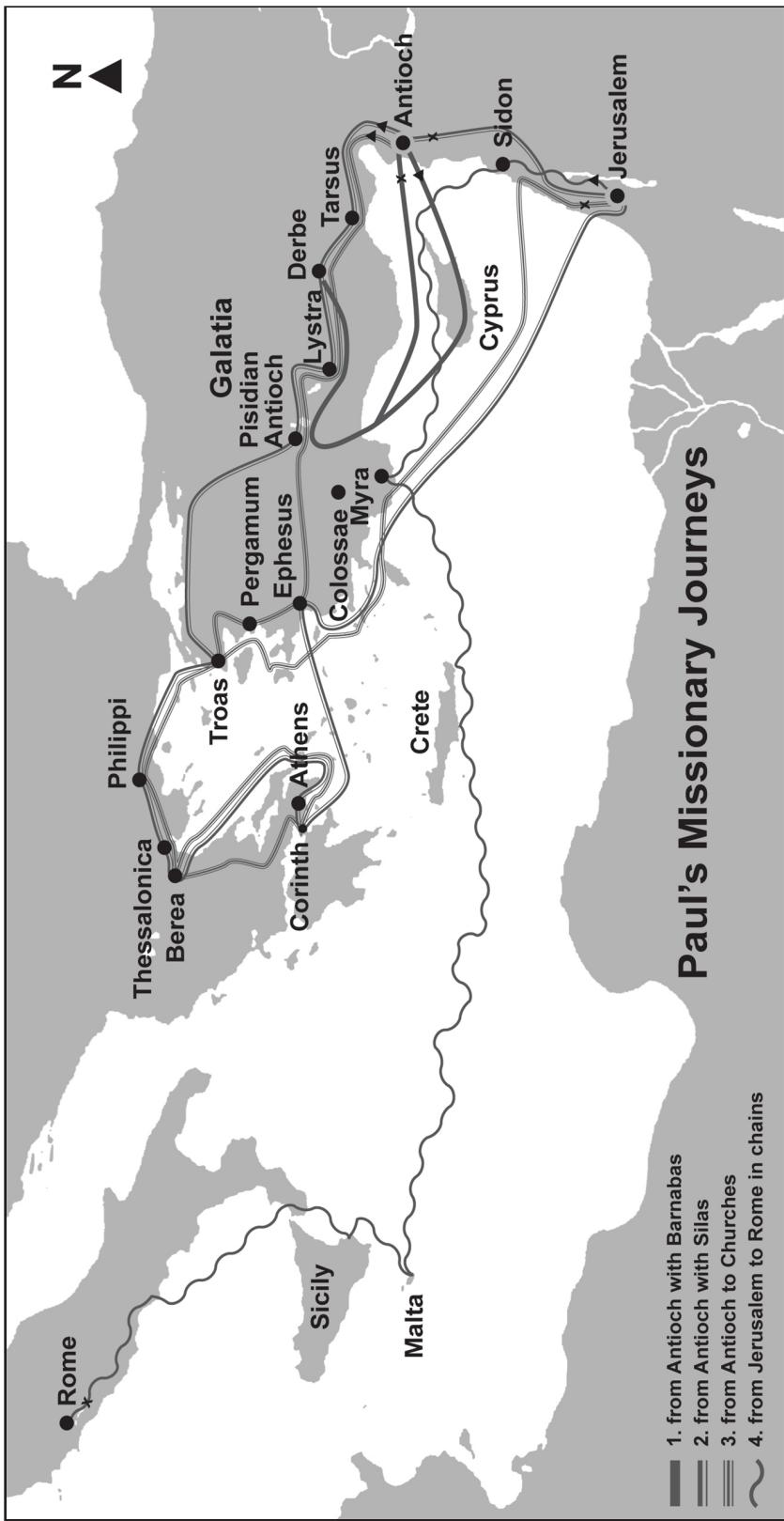
Ufaro esebarumle abantu ukuthi bahambe, uNkulunkulu kabakhokhelanga ngendela edabula elizweni lamaFilistiya lobaya yayiquma.
Ngoba uNkulunkulu wathi, "Nxa behlangana lempu mhlawumbe bangethuka babuyele eGibhithe." - U-Eksodusu 13:17

Jesus' Journeys



Ngoba leNddana yoMuntu kayibuyelanga ukuzokhonza, kodwa ukuzokhonza lokunikela impilo yayo njengemlawulo yatanengi. - U Makho 10:45

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Paul's Missionary Journeys

UpHawuli, inceku kaKhristu wjesu, owabizelwa ukuba ngumpostoli njalo wahukanselwa ivangeli likaNkulunkulu, - KwabaseRoma 1:1

Creation 4004 B.C.

Adam and Eve created	4004
Tubal-cain forges metal	3300
Enoch walks with God	3017
Methuselah dies at age 969	2349
God floods the Earth	2349
Tower of Babel thwarted	2247
Abraham sojourns to Canaan	1922
Jacob moves to Egypt	1706
Moses leads Exodus from Egypt	1491
Gideon judges Israel	1245
Ruth embraces the God of Israel	1168
David installed as King	1055
King Solomon builds the Temple	1018
Elijah defeats Baal's prophets	896
Jonah preaches to Nineveh	800
Assyrians conquer Israelites	721
King Josiah reforms Judah	630
Babylonians capture Judah	605
Persians conquer Babylonians	539
Cyrus frees Jews, rebuilds Temple	537
Nehemiah rebuilds the wall	454
Malachi prophesies the Messiah	416
Greeks conquer Persians	331
Seleucids conquer Greeks	312
Hebrew Bible translated to Greek	250
Maccabees defeat Seleucids	165
Romans subject Judea	63
Herod the Great rules Judea	37

(The Annals of the World, James Usher)



Jesus Christ born 4 B.C.

New Heavens and Earth



- Christ returns for his people
- 1956 Jim Elliot martyrd in Ecuador
 - 1830 John Williams reaches Polynesia
 - 1731 Zinzendorf leads Moravian mission
 - 1614 Japanese kill 40,000 Christians
 - 1572 Jesuits reach Mexico
 - 1517 Martin Luther leads Reformation
 - 1455 Gutenberg prints first Bible
 - 1323 Franciscans reach Sumatra
 - 1276 Ramon Llull trains missionaries
 - 1100 Crusades tarnish the church
 - 1054 The Great Schism
 - 997 Adalbert martyrd in Prussia
 - 864 Bulgarian Prince Boris converts
 - 716 Boniface reaches Germany
 - 635 Alopen reaches China
 - 569 Longinus reaches Alodia / Sudan
 - 432 Saint Patrick reaches Ireland
 - 397 Carthage ratifies Bible Canon
 - 341 Ulfilas reaches Goth / Romania
 - 325 Niceae proclaims God is Trinity
 - 250 Denis reaches Paris, France
 - 197 Tertullian writes Christian literature
 - 70 Titus destroys the Jewish Temple
 - 61 Paul imprisoned in Rome, Italy
 - 52 Thomas reaches Malabar, India
 - 39 Peter reaches Gentile Cornelius
 - 33 Holy Spirit empowers the Church

(Wikipedia, Timeline of Christian missions)

Resurrected 33 A.D.

► Who are we?	What are we? ►		Genesis 1:26 - 2:3	
	How are we sinful? ►		Romans 5:12-19	
	Where are we? ◀		Innocence	
			Eternity Past	Creation 4004 B.C.
	God	Father	John 10:30 God's perfect fellowship	Genesis 1:31 God's perfect fellowship with Adam in The Garden of Eden
		Son		
		Holy Spirit		
	Mankind	Living	Genesis 1:1 No Creation No people	Genesis 1:31 No Fall No unholy Angels
		Deceased believing		
		Deceased unbelieving		
	Angels	Holy		
		Imprisoned		
		Fugitive		
		First Beast		
		False Prophet		
		Satan		
Why are we? ►		Romans 11:25-36, Ephesian 2:7		

Mankind is created in God's image, male and female He created us

Sin entered the world through Adam and then death through sin

When are we?



Fallen				Glory
Fall to sin No Law	Moses' Law 1500 B.C.	Christ 33 A.D.	Church Age Kingdom Age	New Heavens and Earth
1 Timothy 6:16 Living in unapproachable light				Acts 3:21 Philippians 2:11 Revelation 20:3
John 8:58 Pre-incarnate	John 1:14 Incarnate	Luke 23:43 Paradise		
Psalm 139:7 Everywhere	John 14:17 Living in believers			
Ephesians 2:1-5 Serving the Savior or Satan on Earth				God's perfectly restored fellowship with all Mankind praising Christ as Lord in the Holy City
Luke 16:22 Blessed in Paradise				
Luke 16:23, Revelation 20:5,13 Punished in Hades until the final judgment				
Hebrews 1:14 Serving mankind at God's command				
2 Peter 2:4, Jude 6 Imprisoned in Tartarus				Matthew 25:41 Revelation 20:10
1 Peter 5:8, Revelation 12:10 Rebelling against Christ Accusing mankind				Revelation 20:13 Thalaasa
				Revelation 19:20 Lake of Fire
				Revelation 20:2 Abyss
Lake of Fire prepared for the Devil and his Angels				

For God has bound all over to disobedience in order to show mercy to all

Isiphetho

Ndebele at AionianBible.org/Destiny

The Aionian Bible shows the location of eleven special Greek and Hebrew Aionian Glossary words to help us better understand God's love for individuals and for all mankind, and the nature of after-life destinies. The underlying Hebrew and Greek words typically translated as *Hell* show us that there are not just two after-life destinies, Heaven or Hell. Instead, there are a number of different locations, each with different purposes, different durations, and different inhabitants. Locations include 1) Old Testament *Sheol* and New Testament *Hadēs*, 2) *Geenna*, 3) *Tartaroō*, 4) *Abyssos*, 5) *Limnē Pyr*, 6) *Paradise*, 7) *The New Heaven*, and 8) *The New Earth*. So there is reason to review our conclusions about the destinies of redeemed mankind and fallen angels.

The key observation is that fallen angels will be present at the final judgment, 2 Peter 2:4 and Jude 6. Traditionally, we understand the separation of the Sheep and the Goats at the final judgment to divide believing from unbelieving mankind, Matthew 25:31-46 and Revelation 20:11-15. However, the presence of fallen angels alternatively suggests that Jesus is separating redeemed mankind from the fallen angels. We do know that Jesus is the helper of mankind and not the helper of the Devil, Hebrews 2. We also know that Jesus has atoned for the sins of all mankind, both believer and unbeliever alike, 1 John 2:1-2. Deceased believers are rewarded in Paradise, Luke 23:43, while unbelievers are punished in Hades as the story of Lazarus makes plain, Luke 16:19-31. Yet less commonly known, the punishment of this selfish man and all unbelievers is before the final judgment, is temporal, and is punctuated when Hades is evacuated, Revelation 20:13. So is there hope beyond Hades for unbelieving mankind? Jesus promised, "*the gates of Hades will not prevail*," Matthew 16:18. Paul asks, "*Hades where is your victory?*" 1 Corinthians 15:55. John wrote, "*Hades gives up*," Revelation 20:13.

Jesus comforts us saying, "*Do not be afraid*," because he holds the keys to *unlock* death and Hades, Revelation 1:18. Yet too often our Good News sounds like a warning to "*be afraid*" because Jesus holds the keys to *lock* Hades! Wow, we have it backwards! Hades will be evacuated! And to guarantee hope, once emptied, Hades is thrown into the Lake of Fire, never needed again, Revelation 20:14.

Finally, we read that anyone whose name is not written in the Book of Life is thrown into the Lake of Fire, the second death, with no exit ever mentioned or promised, Revelation 21:1-8. So are those evacuated from Hades then, "*out of the frying pan, into the fire?*" Certainly, the Lake of Fire is the destiny of the Goats. But, do not be afraid. Instead, read the Bible's explicit mention of the purpose of the Lake of Fire and the identity of the Goats, "*Then he will say also to those on the left hand, 'Depart from me, you cursed, into the consummate fire which is prepared for... the devil and his angels,'*" Matthew 25:41. Bad news for the Devil. Good news for all mankind!

Faith is not a pen to write your own name in the Book of Life. Instead, faith is the glasses to see that the love of Christ for all mankind has already written our names in Heaven. Jesus said, "*You did not choose me, but I chose you*," John 15:16. Though unbelievers will suffer regrettable punishment in Hades, redeemed mankind will never enter the Lake of Fire, prepared for the devil and his angels. And as God promised, all mankind will worship Christ together forever, Philippians 2:9-11.

World Nations

Ngakho hambari lenze abafundi ezzweni zonke, libabaphathize ebizweni likaBaba, leleNdodana lelikalMoya oNgcwele, - UMathewu 28:19

