

NGEINA LEH UPNA

Thukong honna: Mihing icih in, khatkia (tangkia) in i nungta theikei hi. I pian limin, minih kigawmna pan apiang te ihihi. I pianna thu, athupi tak in, i ngaihsut kikkik ciangin zong, alam dang leh athuthuk thupawl khat i phawkkhia thei hi. Numei khat le pasal khat (Piancil 2:18, 21-24, Mt 19: 4-5)(numei le numei, pasal le pasal hi lo) kigawmna hangin, mihinga apiang te ihih manin, eite in, mithumna te ihihi. Tua in banghong thei sak hiam i cih leh, mikhat a i piankhiat tak ciangin, gui le nam (minam) tawh kipelh theihloh zia hong phawksak hi. Tua napianna gui le nam (minam) pen na nuntakpih, nakhanpih, na kizoppih minam hongsuak in, tua in nangteeltheih thu, nang nial theihthu, khuttung lumleh bangin deihbanga khektheih thu hilo in, tua minam, tua gui ahoihsak ding, alamsang ding, apuahpha ding, aci phasak ding, Pasian atheisak ding, tua napian na, naminam te, Upna khuavak apia ding, vantung nopna lei-ah angahsak dingin, Pasian in nang pen tuagui, tua minam sungah mihing in ahong piangsak ahi zaw hi.

Kizopna leh ngeina: Minam khat ii pianziangeina² (*culture*) i cih in kizopna panin ahong piangkha ahihi. Tua kizopna sung ah ‘ngaihsutzia kizopna, thuakzia kizopna, gamtatzia kizopna (*patterns of thinking, feeling and acting*)thuthum in minam

² *Culture* pen hi lai ah pianziangeina kaci hi. Atangzai mahmah kammal khat ahih manin, anengatawng in ihgen kei a, lomgenna (general term)in ihzang hi. Hi *culture* cih sungah, pianzia, nuntakzia, gamtatzia, nek le dawnzia akipan minamkhat, mi hon khat, innkuan khat leh gamkhat ahih kei leh, *contemporary culture* acih tuhun khangpaizia leh pianzia cihbangin atangzai mahmah khat ahih natawh, atom in pianziangeina ci in ihzat ahi hi. Adiakdiak in, hi sungah pianziangeina (*culture*) pen minam khattawh kisai pianzia, zatzia, nuntak zia, nuamna dahna ah kizopkivak zia te genna in kazangpha diak hi. Tua hi in, hih laisungah (*culture*) pianziangeina in *traditions and customs* –Zongeina, pupa ngeina, behngeina, sung le pu kizopna ngeina, sihvui ngeina, mopii mokhak ngeina, cih te khempeuh huamin kizang hi.

khat ihihna hong kilangsak hi. Amasa pen mihing te kizopna ngeina in *paukibang pauna (common language)*³ ahihi. Tua paukibang azang mite pen minam khat hongsuakto in, tua te in nisim kizopna ah, nuamna dahna ah, sepna bawlina te ah, zat khawmding thukhun, sephawm bawlkhawmding nasep, neihkhawmding van leh mun, thuciin le laciin a kipan, lasakzia, laamzia, silhzia teenzia, mokipii mo kilakzia cih atuamtuam ngeina (*customs and traditions*) te hongbawltu to uhhi. Tua ahih manin, minam khat ii pianziangeina (*culture*) i cih in, minam khat ii nuntakna bu hi cileng i khial hetkei ding hi. Greek minamte ading in, pianziangeina (*culture*) in *paideia* ci-in, tua in mihingte apicing nuntakna lamah hongmakaih den asangpen pilna leh ciimna ahihi.⁴ Tua ahih manin, pianzia ngeina (*culture*) i cih in, mihing picing i suah nanging, hong makaih, lam honghilh, hongcing hongkem minam khat ii neih ahi, asangpen pilna leh ciimna kici thei hi. Atom in genleng, minam khat ii pianziangeina (*culture*) in, tua minam ii neih asangpen pilna leh ciimna pan hongpiang khia kizopna ahihi.

Tuhun leh pianziangeina: Tuhun ciangin, paunamdang pau te tawh i kizopna hangin, pianziangeina dang (*other cultures*) nei te tawh, nisim naisim in i kizomta hi. Tua banga kizopna in, ngeina kithupuaklohna (*cultural clashes*) leh ngeina helhzauna (*relativism*) sungah eite hongtunpih hi. Tua in, minamkhat ii pianzia ngeina sungkhat nangawnah kileh dona, kithupuakloh na (*internal contradictions*) te hongtung sakin, tua minam sungnatna adamsakding zatui muhhak i sa mahmah hi. Tua zatui manpha amukhia ding, azangsiamding leh, tua zatui muhzia, zatzia te mite tu'ng ahawmkikding mite in, tuhun khangthak Christian te (Christian khangnote) ihihi. Philipian mite tungah Paul in hici bangin lai nakhak hi:

³ Joseph Ratzinger, *On the Way to Jesus Christ*, Trans. Michael J. Miller (San Francisco: Ignatius Press, 2004) 42.

⁴ Cf. Joseph Ratzinger, *On the Way to Jesus Christ*, 42.

Sanggamte aw, thuhaih thupha ahi te, azahtaakhuai leh aphathuai thute, asiangtho thu te, thumanthutak tawh kisai thu te leh, aman, adik, atang, asiangtho, adeihhuai thute ngaihsut in na nei ding uhhi.⁵

Hi Laisiangtho in tuhun khangthak Christian ahi eite ading ahi hi. Hih (Zominam) minam sungpan mihing khat a hongpiang khiasak pa, Pasian i upna hangin, minamdang te ii neih ahi, thuhaih thupha, azahtaakhuai thu, adeihhuai, apha huai thu, aman, adik, atang, asiangtho thu te tawh i minam leh i minam ngeina i puah i lamsang ding hi. Tua in, ei pianzia ngeina te mite atawh helhzau ding cihna hilo in, asangpen pilna leh ciimna zangin, i minam sungah, mihing picing taktak i suak dingleh, mite zong tuamah bangin mihing picing asuak sakdingte ihihi. Ei neih (ei ngeina) sungpan ahoih, amanpha, adeih huai, asiangtho, a etlawm te mite lakah, pakbang tawi siam in, mualtung kilamkhua bangin kilangsak a (Mt 5:14), Khosang tung kide meivak bangin tangsak in (Mt 5:15), Pasian hong piak asangpen pilna leh ciimna, siamna leh theihna i neih te zatkhiaht ding ahihi. Tua in tuhun paizia leh i pianzia ngeina te Pasian sungah hong lemtuahding a, asiangtho, acidam leh akhangto minam hongsuaksak ding hi. Ngeina (*culture*) thu atom in i genkhit ciangin, tu in upna in tua ngeina tawh bangci kizopna nei hiam cih enlai ni.

Upna in Ngeina Lamsang: Leitungngeina leh leitungah pupa khangpan a i luahsuk i ngeina tuamtuum te (*culture here includes customs, traditions*) leh asiangtho Pasian' ngeina leh Pasian pianzia honglemtuah (*reconciliation*) thei thukhat bek om a, tua in Pasian sungah “Upna” ahihi. Kamsangpa Isaiah tungtawnin Pasian in,

⁵ Philipians 4: 8 (KJV), KJV pan in, keima ii konglet khiattawm hi. Tedim Laisiangtho leh hi KJV sunga kigelhzia ka etkaak ciangin, KJV sunga kigelh zia tawmkha picing sazaw kahih manhi.

“No ngeina in kei ngeina hilo in, no ngaihsutna, no paiziate te in kei ngaihsutna leh keipaizia hilo hi. Vantung in leitung sangin asanzawk mah bangin, keima paiziate, keima ngaihsut na te note ngaihsutna sangin sangzaw hi,” (Is 51:8-9) ci hi.

Upna in Pasion ngeina, Pasion ngaihsutna leh mihing ngeina, mihingngaisutna (Pupa khangpan i luahsuk ngeina tuamtuan te akipan) kikal ah hongkidawh **“Lei”** (*bridge*) ahihi. Christian khat (Christian khangno khat) i hihna in, “ngaihsutzia, thuak zia leh gamtatzia” cih, hih thuthum te Topa Jesu tungah phutin, ama sungah zungkha a, ama tungmah ah alamto (*built up on Christ* [Col 2:6]) ding cihna ahihi. Lam khatpan in genleng, Upna pilna zangin, Pasion ngeina te ei ngeina suak sakin, ei ngeina tezong Pasion deihna tawh kituak ngeina asuah, khang thak Christian momno te ihih dinghun hong tungta hi.

Jesu Topa tungah i upna in, i ngeina hoihlo, Pasion deihna tawh akituak lo, aki lemtuah theilo ngeina pianzia (*cultures*) te sawpsiangan Pasion mai-ah asiangtho leh anamtui ngeina pianziate suaksak (*purification*) in i lamsangto (*transformation*) dinghi. Hih nasep asemding te in ei khangthak Christian te ihihi.