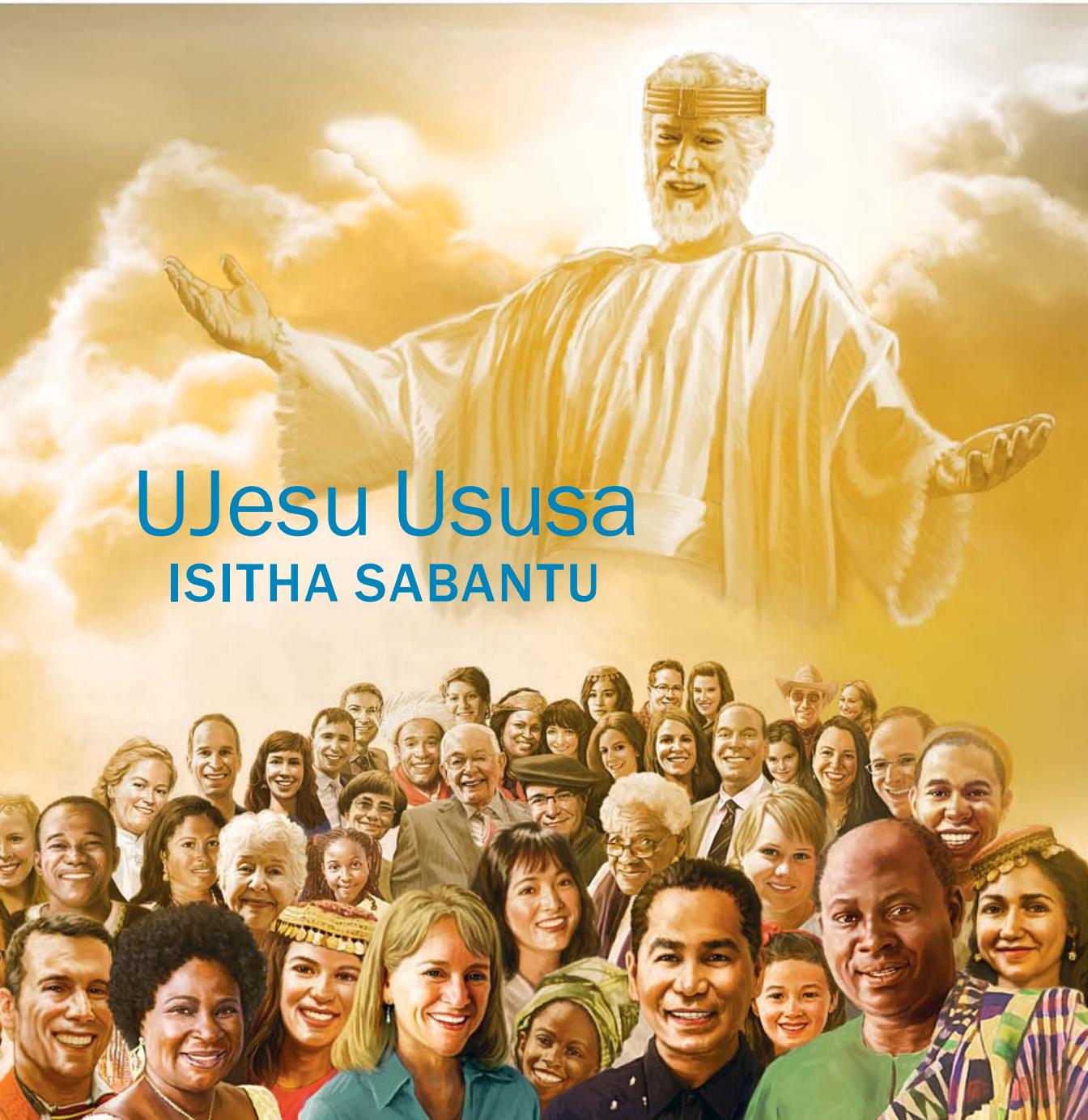


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Ujesu wathi ekhuluma ngesiboniso sokuba khona kwakhe walanda imizekeliso emibili esizaxoxa ngayo. Omunye uphathelane lezinceku ezaphiwa amathalenta njalo omunye uphathelane lokwahlukanisa kwabantu njengezimvu zisahlukanisa ezimbuzini. Asifundeni ukuthi kungani uJesu walanda imizekeliso le lokuthi thina isinceda ngani.

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Kungani Kumele Sisindiswe?

“Umuntu ozelwe ngumfazi ulezinsuku ezilutshwana njalo ezigcwele uhlupho. Uyaqhakaza njengeluba aphinde abune; njengesithunzi esithi tshazi, akemi.”—UJobe 14:1, 2.

Akulamuhla abantu befisa ukuthi ngabe bayaphila kuze kube nini lanini beqine saka njengezintombi lama jaha. Kodwa iqiniso elibuhlungu yikuthi sonke siyafa. Sekwadlula iminyaka ephezu kwengu-3 500 uJobe wakhuluma amazwi la aphezulu kodwa lalamu hla alokhu eliqiniso.

Bonke abantu emhlabeni bakufuna ngabomvu ukuphila kuze kube nininini. IBhayibhili lisitshela ukuthi uNkulunkulu wafaka isifiso sokuphila phakade ezinhлизијени zethu kanye lesifiso sokuzwisa ukuthi kunjani ukuphila okungapheliyo. (UmTshumayeli 3:11) Kodwa phela uNkulunkulu olothando kangeke asinike isifiso sokuphila kuze kube nini lanini nxa kuyikuthi asingeke sakuthola. ILizwi lika-Nkulunkulu lithi ukufa kuyisitha njalo lithembisa ukuthi isitha lesi ‘sizachithwa,’ okutsho ukuthi siza-tshabalaliswa.—1 KwabaseKhorinte 15:26.

Ukuva kuyisitha sibili. Akulamuntu ongakulanda ekukhangele. Nxa singabona ingozi simela khatshana, sicatshe kumbe sibaleke. Kanti njalo nxa singagula siyazama ukuyathola uncedo kwabezempilakalle. Senza konke esingakwenza ukuze singafi.

Sikhona yini isizatho esingenza sikholtse ukuthi ukufa kuzaphela du? Sikhona sibili ngoba uMdali

wethu uJehova uNkulunkulu wayengahlosanga ukuthi abantu baphile iminyaka emilutshwana nje besebesifa. Wayevele engahlosanga ukuthi bafe. Wayefuna baphile emhlabeni kuze kube nini lanini njalo lokho akuhlosileyo uyakufenza loba sekutheni.—U-Isaya 55:11.

Kodwa ukufa kuzaqedwa njani? Kusukela kudala abantu bebelokhu betshukana lakho ukufa kodwa kabaphumelelanga. Lalamuhla balokhu belwisanu lakho. Abezesayensi sebalungisa imithi kanye lezinye izinto zokwelapha ezincede ukuthi kunqandwe eminye imikhuhlane. Sebezame lezindlela ezinengi bechwayisisa ukuthi imizimba yezinto eziphilayo yakhiwe njani. Kwezinye izindawo abantu sebephila iminyaka eminengi ukwedlula leyo eyayiphilawa eminyakeni engu-100 eyadlulayo. Lanxa kunjalo, ukufa kulokhu kubahlezi amadundulu abantu ngoaba vele iBhayibhili lithi: “Konke kubuyela othulini.”—UmTshumayeli 3:20.

Asingeke sithembe ukuthi ukufa kuzasuswa ngabantu ngoba sekulesikhathi eside kubahlupha. Kodwa nanzi izindaba ezinhle: UJehova uNkulunkulu kudala walungisa indlela yokusindisa abantu ekufeni njalo wasebenzisa uJesu Khristu ukuze lokhu kumphumelele.

UKUFA KUKAJESU LOKUVUSWA KWAKHE Kungakunceda Ngani?

“Kholwa eNkosini uJesu, uzasindiswa.”—ImiSebenzi 16:31.

Amazwi la akhulunywa ngumphostoli uPhawuli loSila bewatshela indoda eyayilinda izibotshwa ejele, edolobheni leMakhedoniya okuthiwa yiFilipi. Atshoni? Nxa sifuna ukuzwisia ukuthi ukukholwa kuJesu kusinceda njani ukuthi sikhululwe ekufeni, kumele siqale sizwisise ukuthi kungani sisifa. Ake sizwe ukuthi iBhayibhili lithini.



UNkulunkulu wayengahlosanga ukuthi abantu bafe

“UJehova uNkulunkulu wamthatha umuntu wambeka eSivandeni sase-Edeni ukuthi asisebenze njalo asinakekele. Njalo uJehova uNkulunkulu wamlaya umuntu wathi, ‘Ukhululekile ukudla loba yisiphi isihlahla esivandeni; kodwa ungadli isihlahla sokwazi okuhle lokubi, ngoba ungaze usidle uzakufa ngempela.’ ”—UGenesis 2: 15-17.

UNkulunkulu wafaka umuntu wokuqala u-Adamu esivandeni sase-Edeni esasilpharadayisi elalisemhlabeni elaligcwele izinyamazana kanye lezihlahla ezinhle kakhulu. Kwakulezihlahla zezithelo, njalo u-Adamu wayengazidlela santando. Kodwa uJehova uNkulunkulu wamtshela ngesinye isihlahla okwakungamelanga asidle, wamxwayisa lokuthi wayezakufa nxa angasidla.

U-Adamu wayezwisia ukuthi uJehova wayesitshoni nxa esithi uzakufa ngoba wayeke abone izinyamazana zisifa. Kanti njalo nxa kwakuyikuthi u-Adamu wayedallelwe ukuthi aphile isikhathi esithile abesefisa, phela isixwayiso sikaNkulunkulu sasingasoze sitsho lutho kuye. Wayekwazi ukuthi nxa wayezalalela uNkulunkulu angadli isihlahla sokwazi okuhle lokubi wayezaphila kuze kube nini lanini, okutsho ukuthi wayengasoze afe.

Abanye bakholwa ukuthi ukuya kuka-Adamu lo-Eva emacansini yiso isihlahla okukhulunywa ngaso. Kodwa lokhuakuqondanga ngoba uJehova watshela u-Adamu lomkakhe u-Eva wathi, “Zalani lande ngorbunengi,” waphinda wathi, “Wugcwaliiseni umhlabala, liwubuse.” (UGenesis 1:28) Yikholapho uJehova ebatshele ngesihlahla, wayesitsho isihlahla ngokwaso. Wasibiza ngokuthi ‘yisihlahla sokwazi okuhle lokubi’ ngoba sasimela ilungelo lakhe lokutshayela abantu umthetho mayelana lokuthi kuyini okuhle lokubi. Nxa u-Adamu wayengasoze adle isihlahla kwakuzakhanya ukuthi uyalalela lokuthi uyambonga sibili uMdali wakhe ngazo zonke izibusiso ezinhle kakhulu ayemnike zona.



U-Adamu wafa ngenxa yokuthi kamlalelanga uNkulunkulu

“Ku-Adamu [uNkulunkulu] wathi, ‘Ngokuba . . . wadla isihlahla engangikulaye ngathi ungaqali ukusidla, . . . ngezithukuthuku zebunzi lakho uzakudla ukudla kwakho uze ubuyele emhlabathini, njengoba wathathwa kuwo; ngokuba uluthuli njalo uzabuyela othulini.’”—UGenesis 3:17, 19.

U-Adamu wadla isihlahla ayeqonqoselwe ukuthi angasidli. Lokhu akwenzayo kwa-kulicala elesabekayo. Kwakuyikuhamuka okwatshengisa Ukuhamuka kwakhe kwa-tshengisa ukuthi wayengelandaba lakho konke uJehova ayemenzele khona. Lapho esidla isihlahla watshengisa lokuthi wayengasafuni ukubuswa nguJehova njalo lokhu kwakuzakwenza ukuthi impilo ibe nzima kakhulu.

Njengoba nje uJehova wayevele etshilo, u-Adamu wafa. UNkulunkulu wayebumbe u-Adamu “ngothuli lomhlabathi” njalo wayemtshela ukuthi “uzabuyela othulini.” U-Adamu wathi esefile kazange ayephila kwenye indawo kumbe abe ngesinye isida-lwa. Wahle wafa, okutsho ukuthi wayengasaphili, njengoba nje inhlabathi ayethethwe kuyo ingaphili.—UGenesis 2:7; UmTshumayeli 9:5, 10.

Siyafa ngoba savela ku-Adamu

“Isono sangena emhlabeni ngomuntu oyedwa, lokufa ngesono, njalo ngale indlela ukufa kwafika ebantwini bonke, ngoba bonke benze isono.”
—KwabaseRoma 5:12.

Ukungalaleli kuka-Adamu loba ukona kwa-khe kwabangela umonakalo omkhulu kakhulu. Walahlekela lithuba lokuphila kuze kube nini lanini hatshi elokuphila iminyaka engu-70 kumbe engu-80 kuphela. Kanti njalo lapho esona waba ngumuntu ongaphelelanga, okutsho ukuthi wayezagula, aguge njalo afe. Labantwana ayezabazala babeza-kuba njalo.

Sonke siyizizukulwane zika-Adamu. Imizimba yethu yathola isono kuye, yikho ihlaselwa yikugula, ukuguga kanye lokufa. UPhawuli wakucacisa lokhu lapho esithi: “Mina kangisuwomoya, ngathengiswa esonweni njengesigqili. Yeka isinothongwana esengiyiso sona. Ngubani ozangihleunga kulo umzimba wokufa?” Wawuphendula umbuzo wakhe wathi: “Kabongwe uNkulunkulu—ngoJesu Khristu iNkosi yethu!” —KwabaseRoma 7:14, 24, 25.



UJesu wanikela ngokuphila kwakhe ukuze sithole ukuphila okungapheliyo

“UBaba uyithumele iNdodana yakhe ukuba ibe nguMsindisi womhlaba.”
—1 UJohane 4:14.

UJehova uNkulunkulu wahlela ukuthi abantu bakhululwe ebuhlungwini obubangeliwa yisono lokufa. Wakwenza njani lokhu? Wathumela iNdodana yakhe ayithandayo emhlabeni, yasizalwa ingumuntu ongelaso-no. U-Adamu wona kodwa uJesu “kenzanga sono.” (1 UPetro 2:22) UJesu wazalwa ephelele yikho engatholanga isijeziso sokufa njalo wayengaphila kuze kube nini lanini emhlabeni.

Kodwa uJehova wavumela ukuthi uJesu abulawe yizitha zakhe. Ngemva kwamala-naga amathathu uJehova wamvusa eseyi-dalwa somoya ukuze ngokuya kjesikhathi abuyele ezulwini. Yikho-ke uJesu wanikela ngokuphila kwakhe okupheleleyo ukuze kwesulwe isono esabanglwana ngu-Adamu. UJehova wawemukela umnikelo lo, njalo lokhu kwanika abantu abalokholo kujesu

ithuba lokuthi bathole impilo engapheliyo.
—KwabaseRoma 3:23, 24; 1 UJohane 2:2.

Yikho uJesu wenza ukuthi abantu babele-thuba lokuthola lokho okwakulahlwe ngu-Adamu. Wasifela ukuze sithole ukuphila okuphakade. IBhayibhili lithi: ‘UJesu wavuma ukufa ukuze kuthi ngomusa kaNkulunkulu ezwe ukufa ngenxa yabantu bonke.’

—KumaHebheru 2:9.

Lokhu kusifundisani ngoJehova? Kusifundi-sa ukuthi ulemithetho yakhe ayiseben-zisa nxo esahlulela, yikho wabona ukuthi akulamuntu olesono owayengakhulula abantu. Kodwa uthando lwakhe kanye lomusa wakhe kwamfuqa ukuthi avume ukulahle-kelwa kabuhlungs, wanikela ngeNdodana yakhe eyiyo yodwa ukuze asindise abantu.

—KwabaseRoma 5:6-8.

UJesu wavuswa kwabafleyo njalo labanye abantu bazavuswa

“UKhristu wavuswa impela kwabafleyo, izithelo zakuqala zalabo asebele-le. Ngoba njengoba ukufa kweza ngomuntu, ukuvuka kwabafleyo lakho kuza ngomuntu. Ngoba njengoba ku-Adamu bonke besifa, ngokunjalo ku-Khristu bonke bazaphiliswa.”—1 KwabaseKhorinte 15:20-22.

Asithandabuzi ukuthi uJesu waphila njalo wafa. Kodwa bukhona yini ubufakazi obutshengisa ukuthi wavuswa kwabafleyo? Obunye ubufakazi obukhona yikuthi uJesu wathi esevisiwe wabonakala ebantwi-ni abanengi ezindaweni ezitshiyeneyo. Wake wabonakala ebantwini abedlula 500. Umphostoli uPhawuli wakhulumo ngodaba lolu lapho ebbalela abaseKho-rinte. Waveza ukuthi abanye ofakazi babelokhu besa-phiла, esitsho ukuthi babengafakaza ngalokho ababe-kubonile lababekuzwile.—1 KwabaseKhorinte 15:3-8.



Lapho uPhawuli ebbala ukuthi uKhristu nguye “izithelo zakuqala” kulabo abavuswayo, wayetshe-ningisa ukuthi kulabanye futhi ababezavuswa ngesikhathi esizayo. UJesu laye wathi isikhathi siyeza la-pho ‘bonke abasemathuneni bezaphuma.’—UJohane 5:28, 29.

Kumele sibe lokholo kuJesu ukuze sithole impilo engapheliyo

“UNkulunkulu walithanda ilizwe waze wanikela iNdodana yakhe iyiyo yodwa ukuze kuthi loba ngubani okholwa kuyo angabhubhi kodwa abe lokuphila okungapheliyo.”—UJohane 3:16.

Ekuqaliseni kweBhayibhili siyatshelwa ukuthi ukufa kwafika njani lokuthi iPharadayisi lalahleka njani. Ekucineni kwalo sitshe-lwa ukuthi ukufa kuzasuswa lokuthi uNkulunkulu uzabuyisela iPharadayisi emhlabeni. Ngalesosikhathiabantu bazaphila impilo emnandi kakhulu kuze kube nini lanini. ISambulo 21:4 sithi: “Akusayikuba khona futhi ukufa.” Ivesi 5 igcizelela ukuthi lokhu kzagwaliseka sibili ngoba ithi: “Amazwi la aqotho njalo aliqiniso.” UJehova uyenelisa ukwenza konke asithembisa khona.

Wena uyakukholwa yini ukuthi “amazwi la aqotho njalo aliqiniso”? Nxa ukholwa fonda okunengi ngoJesu Khristu njalo ube lokholo kuye ngoba lokhu kuzakwenza ukuthi uJehova akwamukele. Uzakubusisa njalo ngesikhathi esizayo uzathola impilo engapheliyo emhlabeni oliPharadayisi lapho okuyabe ‘kungaselakufa loba ukulila loba ukukhala loba ubuhlungu.’

Ukunanza llanga Lokufa KukaJesu NINI NJALO NGAPHI?

UJesu engakafi watshela abalandeli bakhe ukuthi bananze llanga lokufa kwakhe. Wabatshela wathi: “Kwenzeni lokhu kube yisikhumbuzo sami.”—ULukha 22:19.

Lonyaka iSikhumbuzo sokufa kukaJesu sizakwensiwa **ngolwesihlanu mhlaka 3 April** llanga selitshonile. OFakazi bakaJehova bayakunxusa wena kanye lemuli yakho ukuthi libuye eSikhumbuzweni lizolalela inkulomo ezachaza ukuthi kungani ukufa kukaJesu kuqakathekile lokuthi kungalinceda ngani.



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“Lokhu Kwakuyikuthanda Kwakho”

“Uzifhlile lezizinto kwabahlakaniphileyo labafundileyo wazambula ebantwaneni abancinyane.” –LUK. 10:21.

UNGAPHENDULA NJANI?

Kuyini okwenzakale eminya-keni esanda kwedlula okutshengisa ukuthi kuyikuthanda kukaJehova ukuthi sifunde ngendlela elula lecacileyo?

Indlela ebesichasisa ngayo izindaba eziseBhayibhilini ibilokhu intshintsha njani?

Indlela ebesizwisisa ngayo imizekeliso kaJesu ilungisiswe njani?

UBONA angani abantu ababona uJesu Khristu ‘egcwele intokozo ngomoya ongcwele’ bezwa njani? Mhlawumbe lawe uyambona nge-lihlo lengqondo ebobotheka futhi lentokozo ibhaliwe ebusweni bakhe. Kuyini okwakubangele ukuthi uJesu athokoze kangaka? Waye-sanda kuthuma abafundi bakhe abangu-70 ukuthi bayetshumayela izindaba ezinhle zoMbuso kaNkulunkulu.* Ngakho-ke wayefuna ukubona ukuthi babezaphumelela yini. Kwakulabanengi ababengazithandi ngitsho izindaba ezinhle njalo abanye babo kwakungababhal labaFarisi ababeyizikhwciamfundo futhi ababekhaliphile. Babangela ukuthi abantu abanengi babone uJesu njengombazi nje ongatsho lutho, futhi babesenza lokuthi abafundi bakhanye ‘bengabantu makhaza ababengafundanga.’ (ImiSeb. 4:13; Mak. 6:3) Kodwa abafundi bakaJesu bathi bevela ekutshumayeleni babethabe befile. Babewenzile umsebenzi ababewuthunyiwe lanxa babephiki-swya ngabantu langamadimoni. Kuyini okwabenza bathokoza kangaka futhi baba lesibindi?—**Bala uLukha 10:1, 17-21.**

2 UJesu wathi kuJehova: “Ngiyakubonga, Baba, Nkosi yezulu lo-

* Emyne imibhalo yeBhayibhili yasendulo ithi abafundi babengu-“70” kodwa emi-nye ithi babengu-“72.”

1. Kuyini okwabangela ukuthi uJesu ‘agcwale intokozo ngomoya ongcwele?’ (Khangela umfanekiso osekualiseni.)

2. (a) Kungani uJesu wathi abafundi bakhe bangabantwana? (b) Kuyini okwanceda abalandeli bakaKhristu ukuthi bazwisise iqiniso elijulileyo eliseMibhalweni?

mhlaba, ngokuba uzifihlile lezizinto kwabahla-kaniphileyo labafundileyo, wazambulela abantwana abancinyane. Yebo, Baba, lokhu kwaba yikuthanda kwakho." (Mat. 11:25, 26) Akusikho ukuthi wayesitsho ukuthi abafundi bakhe ba-bengabantwana abancinyane. Wayekwazi ukuthi babekhangelewa phansi emphakathini, kodwa izifundiswa lezikhwicamfundu ezazizi-bona zihlakaniphile yizo ezazikhanya angani zingabantu kuzwa. UJesu wayeke wafundisa abalandeli bakhe ukuthi babe njengabantwa-na, okutsho ukuthi bahlale bethobekile futhi bakwamukele ababekufundiswa. (Mat. 18:1-4) Ukuthobeka kwabo kwabanceda sibili ngoba uJehova wasebenzisa umoya ongcwele ukuze abasize ukuthi bazwisise iqiniso elizikileyo eli-seMibhalweni. Kodwa izikhwicamfundu kanye labahlakaniphileyo ababeseyisa abalandeli ba-kajesu babelokhu benqundwe izingqondo ngu-Sathane kanye lokuzikhukhumeza kwabo.

³ Siyabona-ke ukuthi kungani uJesu watthokoza kakhulu! Kwamthokozisa ukubona indlela uJehova ayencedisa ngayo abathobekileyo ukuthi bazwisise iqiniso elizikileyo eli-seMibhalweni kungelani lokuthi babefundile loba bengafundanga. Kwamjabulisa kakhu-lu ukuthi kwakuyikuthanda kukaYise ukuthi abantu abathobekileyo balizwisise iqini-so. UJehova sentshintshile yini, njalo kuyini akwenzayo okutshengisa ukuthi kulokhu ku-yikuthanda kwakhe ukuthi abantu bafundi-swe ngendlela elula lecacileyo? Sizaxoxa ngo-mbu zo lo njalo impendulo esizayithola ingasi-thokozisa lathi njengoJesu.

IQINISO ELIJULILEYO LICACISELWA BONKE

Khathesi inhlanganiso kaJehova isiqaka-thekisa kakhulu ukufundisa iqiniso eliseBha-yibhilini ngendlela elula lecacileyo. Kasixoxe-ni ngezibonelo ezintathu. Okokuqala, kwezi-nye izindimi sekule-*Nqabayokulinda* ebhalwe

3. Sizaxoxa ngani esihlokweni lesi?

☞ Kwezinye izindawo *iNqabayokulinda* ebhalwe ngolimi olulula ibanceda njani abanengi?

ngolimi olulula.* Imagazini le ibe yisipho esihle kakhulu kulabo abangalwazisisi kuhle ulimi abalusebenzisayo kumbe abalohlupo lokubala. *iNqabayokulinda* yiyo esetshenziswa kakhulu nxa sifundiswa iqiniso eliseBhayibhi-lini njalo izinhloko zezimuli sezikunanzelele ukuthi abantwana abasebenzisa ebhalwe ngolimi olulula sebephendula kanengi emihlanganweni. Abantu abanengi baze babbhalela iQula Elibusayo bebonga kakhulu. Omunye udade-wethu wabbala ukuthi wayesesaba ukuphe-nacula esifundweni *seNqabayokulinda*. Wathi: "Ngangifika ngikhudumeze ibhentshi nje. Kodwa sekwaphela lokho." Eseqalise ukusebenzisa *iNqabayokulinda* ebhalwe ngolimi olulula wathi: "Khathesi sengiphendula sibili, futhi angisesabi ngitsho! Ngiyambonga uJehova ngiphinde ngibonge lani."

5 Okwesibili, mhlaka-5 October 2013, emhlanganweni waboFakazi bakajehova owe-nziwa minyaka yonke kwethulwa *i-New World Translation of the Holy Scriptures* eguqlwe kutsha.[#] IMibhalo eminengi isilamabala amalutshwana kodwa lokho ekutshoyo kakuntshintshanga njalo sekulula ukuyizwisa. Ngokwesibonelo umbhalo kaJobe 10:1 wawulama-bala angu-27 kodwa khathesi usulangu-19 kuperha; uZaga 8:6 wayelamabala angu-20 kodwa khathesi selangu-13. Amavesi la womabili ase-caca kakhulu. Omunye umfowethu ogcotshiveyo oseleminyaka eminengi ekhonza uJehova ethembekile wathi: "Bengibala uJobe eBhayibhilini eliguqlwe kutsha, njalo bekungani ngiya-qalisa ukuzwisa okumunyethwe ebhukwi-ni leli!" Abanye abafowethu labo batsho njalo.

6 Okwesithathu *yikulungisiswa okusanda kwenziwa endleleni esizwisia* ngayo eminye

* *iNqabayokulinda* ebhalwe ngolimi olulula yaqala ukutholakala ngesiNgisi ngo-July 2011. Kodwa khathesi isi-tholakala langezinye izindimi ezilutshwana.

[#] Khathesi kuhlela ukuthi itholakale langezinye izindimi.

5. Inceda ngani *i-New World Translation of the Holy Scriptures* eguqlwe kutsha?

6. Wena uthini ngesakucaciselwayo mayelana lo-Mathewu 24:45-47?

iMibhalo. Ngokwesibonelo, *kuNqabayokulinda yesiNdebele kaJuly 1, 2013*, kwasithokozisa ukucaciselwa iqiniso eliphathelane ‘lenceku ethembekileyo lehlakaniphileyo.’ (Mat. 24:45-47) Kwacaciswa ukuthi inceku ethembekileyo ibunjwa liQula Elibusayo kuphela, lokuthi “izisebenzi zalapha ekhaya” yibo bonke abanikwa ulwazi oluvela eBhayibhilini kungelani lokuthi ngabagcotshiweyo kumbe ‘ngabezinye izimvu.’ (Joh. 10:16) Kuyasithokozisa kakhu-lu ukuqhube ka sicaciselwa iqiniso kanye lokulifundisa abanye. Kuyini okunye uJehova akwenzayo okutshengisa ukuthi kuyikuthanda kwakhe ukuthi abantu bafundiswe ngendlala elula lecacileyo?

UKUCHASISA IZINDABA EZISEBHAYIBHILINI NGENDLELA ELULA LECACILEYO

⁷ Nxa usuleminyaka eminengi ukhonza uJehova, mhlawumbe ukunenzelele ukuthi indlela izindaba ezinengi eziseBhayibhilini ebez-chasiswa ngayo emabhukwini ethu ibilokhu intshintsha kancane kancane. Njani? Kudala emabhukwini ethu sasijayele ukuchaza ukuthi okumunyethwego endaben iethile eseBhayibhilini kuyisithunzi salokho okuzakwenzakala, ngokwesibonelo umuntu okwakukhulunywa ngaye, isenzakalo sakhona kumbe okunye okunengenengi. Kodwa zikhona yini izi-zatho zokuthi sichaze izindaba eziseMibhalweni ngendlela le? Ye zikhona. Ngokwesibonelo uJesu wakhulum ‘ngesiboniso sikamphrofethi uJona.’ (**Bala uMathewu 12:39, 40.**) Wachaza ukuthi amalanga ahlalwa nguJona esiswini senhlanzi ayemela amalanga ayezahlalwa nguye engcwaben.

⁸ Zikhona ezinye izindaba eziseBhayibhilini ezazimela okwakuzakwenzakala ngesikhati esizayo. UPhawuli wakhulum negezinye zakhona. Ngokwesibonelo, ubuhlobo buka-Abhraham loHagari kanye lobuhlobo bakhe loSara babumela ubuhlobo bukaJehova lesi-

7, 8. Yiziphi ezinye izindaba eziseBhayibhilini ezimela okuthile okwakuzakwenzakala esikhathini esizayo?

zwe sako-Israyeli kanye lengxene eseulwi-ni yenhlanganiso kaNkulunkulu. (Gal. 4:22-26) Kanti njalo kwakulethabanikeli, ithempe-li, iLanga Lokubuyisana, umphristi omkhulu kanye lezinye izingxene zoMthetho kaMosi. Konke lokhu ‘kwakuyisithunzi nje sezinto ezi-nhle ezizayo.’ (Heb. 9:23-25; 10:1) Kumnandi kakhulu ukutaditsha izindaba lezi njalo kuya-luqinisa ukholo lwethu. IBhayibhili lilezinda-ba ezinengi ezikhulumga ngabantu, ngezenza-kalo lokunye okunengi. Kambe sesingathi izi-nto zonke lezi ziyisithunzi salokho okuzakwe-nzakala yini?

⁹ Eminyakeni eyadlulayo izindaba ezine-nga zazichazwa ngokuthi ziyisithunzi salokho okwakuzakwenzakala. Ngokwesibonelo kulendaba kaNabothi. INdlovukazi uJezebeli eya-yilomoya omubi yenza ukuthi abulawe lanxa wayengelaca ngoba yayifuna ukuthi umkayo u-Ahabi athathe isivini sikaNabothi. (1 Ama-Kho. 21:1-16) Ngo-1932 indaba le yachazwa ngokuthi yayiyisiphrofetho. U-Ahabi loJezebeli kwathiwa bamela uSathane kanye lenhlanganiso yakhe; uNabothi kwathiwa umela uJe-su njalo ukufa kukaNabothi kwathiwa kume-la ukubulawa kukaJesu. Kodwa eminyakeni eyalandelayo, ebhukwini elithi “*Let Your Name Be Sanctified*” eladindwa ngo-1961, kwaphinda kwachazwa ukuthi uNabothi umela abagcotshiweyo njalo uJezebeli kwasekuthiwa ume-la amasonto amanga. Yikho-ke indlela uJezebeli aphatha ngayo uNabothi kwasekuthi-wa imela ukuhlukuluzwa kwabagcotshiweyo ezinsukwini zokucina. Okweminyaka emine-ningi, indlela le eyayisetshenziswa ukuchaza izi-ndaba eziseBhayibhilini yayibaqinisa ukholo abantu bakaNkulunkulu. Kodwa kungani izi-ndaba eziseBhayibhilini sezichazwa ngenye indlela?

¹⁰ UJehova ubelokhu eyincedisa “inceku ethembekileyo lehlakaniphileyo” ukuthi iqhu-

9. Indaba kaNabothi yayichazwa njani?

10. (a) Ukuhlakanipha kuqhube kuyinceda njani inceku ethembekileyo? (b) Kuyini osekugcizele-wa kakhulu emabhukwini ethu?



Sithola isifundo esiqakathekileyo
endabenii kaNabothi
(Khangelia indima 11)

Khathesi amabhuku ethu asegcizelela izifundo ezilula ukuziwisa futhi ezisince dayo. Izifundo lezi ziphatelane lokholo, ukubeketela, ukuzinikela kuNkulunkulu kanye lobunye ubuntu obuqakathekileyo esibufunda ebantwini okukhulunya ngabo eBhayibhili ni.*

11 Khathesi sesiyizwisisa njani indaba kaNabothi? Sesiyizwisisa ngendlela elula njalo ecacileyo. Kayisikho ukuthi ukufa kwendoda le eyayilungile kwakumela lo kho okwakuzakwenzakala kuJesu loba kwa bagcotshiweyo, kodwa yafa ngenxa yokuthi yayiyindoda eqotho. Ayizange ilahle umthe tho kaJehova lanxa yahlukuluzwa kabuhlungu ngabantu ababesebenzisa isikhundla nge ndlela engayisiyo. (AmaN. 36:7; 1 AmaKho. 21:3) Indaba kaNabothi iyisifundo esihle kithi ngoba lathi singavuka sesihlukuluzwa ngenxa yokuthi siyabe sikhetha ukulalela uJehova. (**Bala u-2 Thimothi 3:12.**) Sekungaba lula ukuthi sonke siyizwisise indaba le eqinisa ukholo kanye lokuthi siyikhumbule siphinde siyise benzise ezimpilweni zethu.

12 Pho sesingatsho yini ukuthi zonke izindaba eziseBhayibhilini zimumethe izifundo kuphela? Hatshi, zikhona ezinye ezimela okuthile. Kodwa akusandanga ukuthi nxa

* Ngokwesiboneko ibhuku elithi *Imitate Their Faith* li chaza okunengi ngezimpilo zabantu abathile abangu-14 okukhulunya ngabo eBhayibhilini. Ligcizelela izifundo ezisince dayo empilweni hatshi ukuthi lokhu kwakuyisithunzi salokhu.

11. Khathesi sesiyizwisisa njani indaba kaNabothi, futhi isiboneko sakhe sisinceda ngani sonke?

12. (a) Zonke izindaba eziseBhayibhilini zimumethe izifundo esingazisebenzisa empilweni kuphela yini? Chaza. (b) Kuyini okwenza senelise ukuzwisa izindaba ezizikileyo eziseMibhalweni? (Khangelia amabala angaphansi.)

beke isiba lokuhlakanipha. Ukuhlakanipha lo khu kusize ukuthi inceku ethembekileyo ina nzelele ukuthi nxa isithi indaba eseBhayibhili ni iyisithunzi salokho okuzakwenzakala kumele kube lobufakazi obucacileyo obuse Mibhalweni. Kanti njalo kutholakale lokuthi ezinye izindaba ezazichazwa ngokuthi zi yi sithunzi sokuthile okuzayo bezingazwisiseki lula kwabanengi. Kungaba nzima ukuzwisa ukuthi omunye umuntu wayemela bani lokuthi kungani kunjalo, futhi akulula ukukukhumbula kanye lokukusebenzisa empilweni. Olunye uhlupho olukhulu yikuthi izifundo zingacina zingasacaci ngoba siyabe sizama ukuhlolisa ukuthi indaba eseBhayibhili ni yam elani kanye lokuthi yagcwaliseka njani.

kuchasiswa izindaba eziseBhayibhilini kube kulokhu kuthiwa lokhu kwakumele lokhuya kumbe kwakuyisithunzi salokhu. Khathesi amabhuku ethu andise ukusitshela ukuthi into ethile isikhumbuzani, kumbe ukuthi ingumzekeliso wani. Ngokwesibonelo se-singatsho ukuthi ukuzimisela kukaNabothi ukuhlala eqotho lanxa wayehlukuluzwa kusikhumbuza ubuqotho bukaKhristu kanye loku-thembeka kwabagcotshiweyo. Kuphinda kusikhumbuze lokuthi 'kulezinye izimvu' zeNkosi ezinengi ezithembekileyo. Ukuchazwa kwezi-ndaba lezi ngendlela elula lecacileyo kutshe-ngisa ukuthi kuyikuthanda kukaNkulunkulu ukuthi sifundiswe ngendlela le.*

IMIZEKELISO KAJESU ICHASISWA NGENDLELA ELULA

¹³ Ujesu Khristu wayeyingcitshi yokufundiwa ukwedlula bonke abantu abake baphila emhlabeni. Wayethanda ukusebenzisa imizekeliso nxa efundisa. (Mat. 13:34) Imizekeliso yenza ukuthi umuntu acabangisise ngalokho okukhulunywayo njalo yenza kuthophelle enhliziyweni yakhe. Ubona angani amabhuku ethu abeyichasisa njani imizekeliso kaJesu eminyakeni esanda kwedlula? Akuthandabuzwa ukuthi ibichasiswa nge-ndlela elula lecacileyo. Kumele ukuthi sonke sajabula lapho *iNqabayokulinda* kaJuly 15, 2008 isicacisela indlela esesizwisisa ngayo umzekeliso kaJesu wemvubelo, owentanga yemastadi lowombule. Sesikwazi mhlophe ukuthi imizekeliso le iphathelelo Mbuso kaNkulunkulu kanye lokuphumelela kwavo

* ILizwi likaNkulunkulu lilazo sibili izinto okungaba 'nzima ukuzizwisa,' futhi eziyne zakhona ngezabhalwa nguPhawuli. Lanxa kunjalo, bonke abaloba iBhayibhilis babephefumulele ngomoya ongcwele. Yiwo futhi once-da amaKhristu eqiniso lamuhla ukuthi azwisisce iqiniso eliseMibhalweni, kanye lokuthi "izinto ezizikileyo zikan-Nkulunkulu" zisicacele futhi senelise ukuziqonda lanxa singabantu abalesono.—2 Phet. 3:16, 17; 1 Khor. 2:10.

13. Yiziphi izibonelo ezitshengisa ukuthi khathesi eminye imizekeliso kaJesu isichasiswa ngendlela elula lecacileyo?

emsebenzini wokuncedisa abantu ukuthi batshiye izenzo zomhlaba lo omubi, babe ngabalaneli bakaKhristu beqiniso.

¹ Singathini ngezinye izindaba eziyimizeliso ezakhulunywa nguJesu? Ezinye ziysisithunzi salokho okwakuzakwenzakala kodwa eziyne zigcizelela izifundo esingazisebenzisa ekuphileni kwethu. Manje singakwazi njani ukuthi indaba eseBhayibhilini imela okuthile loba ukuthi imumethe izifundo? Impendulo ibilokhu icaca kancane kanca-ne. Ngokwesibonelo aka sikhangele indlela okwakuchasiswa ngayo umzekeliso womSamariya olesihawu. (Luk. 10:30-37) Ngo-1924, *iNqabayokulinda* yathi umSamariya wayemela uJesu; umgwaqo owehlileyo owawusuka eJerusalem usiya ejerikho wona wawumela ukuziphatha kwabantu okuqhube ka kuse-hla kusiba kubi kusukela abantu bahlamuka e-Edeni. Abaphangi ababesemgwaqweni bona kwathiwa babemela izinhlanganiso ezi-nkulu kanye labezamabhzimusi abayizihwa-ba njalo umphristi lomLevi babemela amaso-nto amanga. Lamuhla emabhukwini ethu umzekeliso lo ususetshenziswa nxa kukhunjuzwa wonke amaKhristu ukuthi akumela-nga abe lobandlululo ikakhulu nxa efundisa abantu ngoNkulunkulu. Kuyasithokozisa sibili ukuthi uJehova uyasicacisela izinto nxa esifundisa.

¹⁵ Esihlokweni esilandelayo sizakhanga-umzekeliso kaJesu ophathelane lezintombi ezilitshumi. (Mat. 25:1-13) Ujesu wayefuna ukuthi abalandeli bakhe ababezaphila ezi-nukwini zokucina bawuzwisisce njani umze-kelelo lo oqakathekileyo? Kambe wayefuna baphethe ngokuthi uyisithunzi salokho okwakuzakwenzakala na, kumbe wayefuna bathole isifundo esasizabanceda ngezinsuku zokucina? Sizaphela sizwe.

1 (a) Wawuchazwa njani umzekeliso womSamariya olesihawu? (b) Khathesi umzekeliso lo ususetshenziswa njani?

15. Sizaxoxa ngani esihlokweni esilandelayo?



Uzahlala ‘Ulindile’ Yini?

*“Ngakho lindani ngokuba kalilwazi usuku
loba isikhathi.”*—MAT. 25:13.

UPHETRO, u-Andreya, uJakhobe kanye loJohane babethe gwaqa eNtabeni yama-Oliva eyayikhanglane lethempeli elaliseJerusalem. Babethiye indlebe belalele uJesu ebalandisela isiphrofetho esimangalisayo esasiphathelane lekusasa. Kumele ukuthi babengeke balikhohlwa lelolanga. Wabatshela izinto ezinengi ezazizakwenza-kala ezinsukwini zokucina zomhlaba lo omubi lapho ayezabe eseyi-Nkosi eMbusweni kaNkulunkulu. Wabatshela ukuthi ngesikhathi leso inceku yakhe “ethembekileyo lehlakaniphileyo” yayizammela njalo yayizafeza umsebenzi wokupha abalandeli bakhe ukudla ngesikhathi esifaneleyo.—Mat. 24:45-47.

2 UJesu kazange acine khonapho kodwa wathi esabatshela isiphrofetho leso wasengerisa lomzekeliso wezintombi ezilitshumi. (**Bala uMathewu 25:1-13.**) Ake sihlolisise imibuzo elandelayo: (1) Yisiphi isixwayiso esisemzekelisweni lo? (2) Abagcotshiwedo abathembekileyo basisebenzise njani iseluleko esisemzekelisweni wezintombi njalo kube lawuphi umpumela? (3) Umzekeliso lo ungasicenda njani thina?

1, 2. (a) UJesu wavezani mayelana lezinsuku zokucina? (b) Sizaxoxa ngayiphi imibuzo?

UNGAPHENDULA NJANI?

Yisiphi isixwayiso esisemzekelisweni wezintombi ezilitshumi?

Abagcotshiwedo basisebenzisa njani isixwayiso esisemzekelisweni kajesu wezintombi ezilitshumi?

Umzekeliso wezintombi ezilitshumi ungañisiza njani “ezinye izimvu”?

YISIPHI ISIXWAYISO ESISEMZEKELISWENI WEZINTOMBI?

³ Esihlokweni esidlulileyo sibonile ukuthi eminyakeni esanda kwedlula indlela obekuchasiswa ngayo iMibhalo ibilokhu intshintsha kancane kancane. Inceku ethembekileyo isigcizelela kakhulu ukuthi sifundani, hatshi ukuthi okutshivo yiMibhalo kumelani. Kudala amabhuku ethu ayechasisa lezinto ezincane nje esisemzekelisweni kaJesu wezintombi ezilitshumi. Kwakuchazwa ukuthi izibane, amafutha, amagabha kanye lokunye okunengi kwakumelani. Kodwa kungenzeka yini ukuthi indlela ebescasisa ngayo umzekeliso lo ibisenza ukuthi umcijo oqakathekileyo ucine ungasakhanyi? Isihloko lesi sizasitshengisa ukuthi impenndulo yombuzo lo iqakathike kakhulu.

“Ake sikhangle ukuthi yiwuphi umcijo owarezwa nguJesu emzekelisweni lo. Kasiqale-ni ngokukhangela abantu okukhulunya ngabo emzekelisweni. *Umyeni* ngubani? Ngelinye ilanga uJesu wake wathi yena unguymeni. (Luk. 5:34, 35) Yikho-ke kusegcekeni ukuthi umyeni nguJesu. *Izintombi* zona-ke? Emzekelisweni lo uJesu watshengisa ukuthi lapho umyeni efika, kwakumele athole izintombi zilindile njalo izibane zazo zibhebha. UJesu wake wakutsho lokhu kubalandeli bakhe abagcotshiweyo ababumba ‘umhlambi omncane.’ Wathi: “Gqokani lillindele inkondo, izibane zenu zihlale zibhebha, njengamadoda elindele inkosi yawo ukuba ibuye edilini lomthimba.” (Luk. 12:32, 35, 36) Kanti njalo umphostoli uPhawuli laye waphefumulewa ukuthi afanise abalandeli bakaKhristu abagcotshiweyo lentombi epheleleyo kumbe egcweleyo. (2 Khor. 11:2) Kuyakhanya-ke ukuthi uJesu wayehlose ukuthi abalandeli bakhe abagcotshiweyo bathole iseluleko kanye lesixwayiso emzekelisweni lo okuMathewu 25: 1-13.

3. Kudala umzekeliso kaJesu wezintombi ezilitshumi ubuchasiswa njani emabhukwini ethu, njalo lokhu kungabe kwakubangelani?

“ Singabona njani ukuthi (a) ngubani umyeni okukhulunya ngaye emzekelisweni? (b) izintombi ngobani?

⁵ Khathesi kasioxoxeni ngokuthi uJesu wayekhuluma ngokwakuzakwenzakala ngasiphi isikhathi. Wathi esezauphetha umzekeliso wakhe wakhuluma okuthile okungasincreda ukuthi sisazi isikhathi leso. Wathi: “Umyeni *wafka*.” (Mat. 25:10) INqabayokulinda yesiNdebele kajuly 1, 2013 yacacisa ukuthi isiphrofetho si-kajesu esikuMathewu izahluko 24 lo-25 sikhuluma ka-8 ‘ngokufika’ kwakhe kumbe ‘ukuza’ kwakhe. Kuzo zonke izikhathi lezo uJesu wayekhuluma ngesikhathi sokuhlupheka okukhulu lapho ayezafika khona ezokwahlulela njalo ezbhubhisa umhlabo lo omubi. Yikho-ke kuya-khanya ukuthi emzekelisweni lo, uJesu wayekhuluma ngezinsuku zokucina kanye lokufika kwakhe ngesikhathi sokuhlupheka okukhulu.

⁶ Yisiphi isixwayiso esisemzekelisweni lo? Khumbula ukuthi uJesu wayevele ekhuluma ngani. Wayesanda kukhuluma ngenceku yakhe ethembekileyo lehlakaniphileyo. Inceku le yayizabunjwa liqembu elincane lamadoda agcotshiweyo ayezakhkhela abalandeli bakaKhristu ezinsukwini zokucina. UJesu waxwayisa amadoda la ukuthi kwakuzamele ahlale ethembekile. Ngemva kwalokhu walandisa umzekeliso wezintombi ezilitshumi exwayisa *bonke* abalandeli bakhe abagcotshiweyo ababezaphila ngezinsuku zokucina ukuthi bahlale ‘belindile’ ukuze umvuzo wabo wokuya ezulwini ungabaphunyuki. (Mat. 25:13) Kasehleni lawo umzekeliso lo sibone ukuthi abagcotshiweyo basisebenzise njani iseluleko esisithola kuwo.

ABAGCOTSHIWEYO BASISEBENZISE NJANI ISELULEKO ESISEMZEKELISWENI WEZINTOMBI?

⁷ Umzekeliso kaJesu utshengisa ukuthi ngesikhathi umyeni efika izintombi ezihlakale-

5. UJesu wasiveza njani isikhathi ayekhuluma naga-so emzekelisweni lo?

6. Yisiphi isixwayiso esisemzekelisweni kaJesu?

7, 8. (a) Yiziphi izinto ezimbili ezasiza izintombi ezihlakaniphileyo ukuthi zihlale zilindile? (b) Kukhanya njani ukuthi abagcotshiweyo bazilungiselele?

niphileyo zazilindile kodwa eziyiziwula zazinagalindanga. Kuyini okwasiza ezihlakaniphileyo ukuthi zilinde? Yikuthi zazilungiselele njalo zaziphapheme. Zonke izintombi ezazilindlele umyeni kwakumele zigcine izibane zazo zibhebha futhi zihlale ziphapheme ubusuku bonke umyeni aze afike. Ezinhlanu ezazihlakaniphile kazenzanga njengabosowabo ababeyizithutha, kodwa zona zazilungiselela zabuya lezibane kanye lamanye amafutha okwenegezelela. Manje abagcotshiweyo abathembekileyo bona bazilungiselele yini njengezintombi lezi?

8 Bazilungiselele sibili! Ezinsukwini zokucina amaKhristu agcotshiweyo abelokhu esenza njengezintombi ezihlakaniphileyo. Azimisele ukufeza umsebenzi awuphiweyo kuze kube sekucineni. Ayakunanzelela ukuthi ukuze aphumelele emsebenzini wawo kumele atshiye izinto ezinengi ezisemhlabeni lo obuswa nguSathane futhi ayawkazi ukuthi ukuthembeka kwavo kuzakwenza athole umvuzzo. Ayamthanda uJehova njalo aqotho kuye la-seNdodaneni yakhe yikho ezinikela ukuthi akhonze yena kuphela. Kamkhonzeli ukuthi ayawkazi ukuthi ukuphela sekusemnyango. Aqhubeqa eqotho njalo kawalandeli izenzo zabantu bomhlaba lo omubi abathanda inotho, abangaziphathanga njalo abangelanda ba lomunye umuntu. Konke lokhu kuwasiza ukuthi ahiale elindile, eqhubeka ecwebezele njengezinkanyezi futhi kawakhathali lanxa kungakhanya angani uMyeni usephuza ukufika.—Flp. 2:15.

9 Okunye okwasiza izintombi lezo ukuthi zihlale zilindile yikuthi zaziphapheme. Kunzenzakala yini ukuthi umKhristu ogcotshiweyo awozele ngesikhathi esalinde ukuthi uMyeni afike? Kunzenzakala sibili. Nanzelela ukuthi uJesu wachaza ukuthi izintombi "zo-

9. (a) Emzekelisweni kaJesu sithola siph i sixwayiso mayelana lokuwozela? (b) Kuyini obekulokhu kusensiwa ngabagcotshiweyo okutshengisa ukuthi bayezwa kumenyezelwa kuthiwa, "Nangu umyeni"? (Khangela lamabala angaphansi.)

nke zaze zawozela zathathwa yibuthongo" ngesikhathi sekukhanya angani umyeni usephuza ukufika. Wayekwazi mhlophe ukuthi lanxa umuntu elesifiso njalo ezimisele ukulinda, angaphanjaniswa yikuba buthakathaka emzimbeni. Abagcotshiweyo abathembekileyo bayakunanzelela ukuthi uJesu wayebaxwanya yikho besebenza gadalala ukuze bahlale bephapheme futhi belindile. Emzekelisweni lo zonke izintombi zaphaphama ngesikhathi zisizwa kumenyezelwa phakathi kobusuku kuthiwa: "Nangu umyeni!" Kodwa ezazihlakaniphile yizo kuphela ezama zaqina kwaze kwaba sekupheleni. (Mat. 25:5, 6; 26:41) Abagcotshiweyo abathembekileyo lamuhla bona ke? Kusukela kwaqalisa izinsuku zokucina bebelokhu betshengisa ukuthi bayabubona ubufakazi bokuthi umyeni usezafika. Kabapheli amandla, kodwa balokhu belindele ukuthi uMyeni afike.* Bekungani bayezwa kumenyezelwa kuthiwa, "Nangu umyeni!" Lanxa kunjalo isiphetho somzekeliso lo sisitshela ngalokho okwakuzakwenzakala ngesinye isikhathi. Ake sixoxe ngakho.

ABAHLAKANIPHILEYO BATHOLA UMVUZO KODWA ABAYIZIWULA BAYAJEZISWA

10 Okungabe kuphica kakhulu yingxoxo ebakhona phakathi kwezintombi ezihlakaniphileyo leziyiziwula esiyithola nxa umzekeliso ususiyaphela. (**Bala uMathewu 25:8, 9.**) Ingxoxo le yenza kube lombuzo othi: "Kwaku-zakwenzakala nini embalini yabantu bakan-kulunkulu ukuthi abagcotshiweyo abathembekileyo bale ukuncedisa abanye abacela

* Emzekelisweni lo kuqala kumenyezelwe kuthiwe, "Nangu umyeni!" (ivesi 6) besekudlula isikhathi esithile, umyeni abesefika (ivesi 10). Kusukela kwaqala izinsuku zokucina abagcotshiweyo abaphaphemeyo bebekunanzelela ukuthi uJesu usekhona okutsho ukuthi usebusa eMbusweni. Yikho-ke kumele bazimisele ukuhlala belindile aze afike.

10. Ingxoxo ephakathi kwezintombi ezihlakaniphileyo leziyiziwula yenza kube lawuphi umbuzo ophicayo?

usizo?" Okungasisiza ukuthi sithole impendulo yikukhangela ukuthi umzekeliso lo usebenza nini. Khumbula ukuthi sacaciselwa ukuthi uJesu, ongye uMyeni, uzafika esezokwahlulela nxa ukuhlupheka okukhulu sekusiya komlindi uyangina. Kambe lokhu kungabe kusitsho ukuthi ingxoxo ephakathi kwezintombi lezo itsengisa okuzakwenzakala ukuhlupheka okukhulu sekusiyaphela yini? Kungenzenka, ngoba ngaleso sikhathi abagcotshiweyo bayabe sebebekwe uphawu okokucina.

11 Kuyakhanya-ke ukuthi ukuhlupheka okukhulu *kungakaqalisi*, bonke abagcotshiweyo abathembekileyo abayabe besemhlabeni bazabe sebebekwe uphawu okokucina. (Isam. 7:1-4) Umvuzo wabo wokuya ezulwini uyabe usuqinisekile. Kodwa kuyini okunye okuzakwenzakala ukuhlupheka okukhulu kunga-kaqalisi? Ngaleso sikhathi, abagcotshiweyo abangazange bahlale belindile njalo beqotho bazalahlekelwa ngumvuzo wokuya ezulwini. Kusegekeni ukuthi nxa sekubekwa uphawu okokucina, bona kabasoze babekwe uphawu. Kodwa kuzagcotshwa abanye abathembekileyo ukuze bathathe indawo yalabo abayabe bengazange bathebbeke. Ukuhlupheka okukhulu kuzathi kuqalisa, abayiziwula kungabethusa ukubona iBhabhiloni eNkulu isibhuji-swa. Kungenzenka ukuthi kulapho-ke okuzathi dlwe sebebona ukuthi uMyeni ufile bengazilungiselelanga. Kuzakwenzakalani nxa sebetatazela becela usizo? Sithola impendulo ebulhungu emzekelisweni kajesu. Nansi: Izintombi ezihlakaniphileyo kazizange zivume lamafutha azo, zathi izintombi eziyiziwula kazihambe ziyeadinga kulabo abawathengisayo. Kodwa khumbula ukuthi 'kwakuphakathi kobusuku.' Kambe zazingabathola yini abathengisa amafutha ebusuku? Zazingasoze zibathole, zaseziphuzile.

11. (a) Kuyini okuzakwenzakala ukuhlupheka okukhulu kungakaqalisi? (b) Impendulo eyanikwa izintombi eziyiziwula lapho sezicela amafutha ebusuku isitsengisani?

12 Ngesikhathi sokuhlupheka okukhulu abagcotshiweyo abathembekileyo ngeke benelise ukuphathisa ogcotshiweyo ongazange athembeke. Kuyabe kungasela abangakwenza. Ayabe esechiphekile engasabutheki. Pho bazaphetha ngani laba abangazange bathebbeke? Ujesu wachaza ukuthi kwahamba njani lapho izintombi eziyiziwula ziyedinga amafutha phakathi kobusuku. Wathi: "Umyeni wafika. Izintombi ezazizilungiselele zanga-na laye edilini lomthimba. Umnyango wase uvalwa." Ngesikhathi uKhristu efika enkazimulweni yakhe ukuhlupheka okukhulu sekusiyaphela, uzaqoqa abagcotshiweyo bakhe abathembekileyo baye ezulwini. (Mat. 24:31; 25:10; Joh. 14:1-3; 1 Thes. 4:17) Kuyakhanya-ke ukuthi abagcotshiweyo abangasoze bathebbeke njengezintombi eziyiziwula bazavale-lwa phandle. Kuzabe sekungani bayamemeza njengezintombi lezi besithi: "Mnumzana! Mnumzana! Ake usivulele umnyango!" Kodwa bazaphendulwa njengabo bonke abanye abafana lezimbuzi abazakwahlulewa ngaleso sikhathi, kuthiwe kubo: "Ngiqinisile, kangila-zi." Lokhu kuyadanisa sibili.—Mat. 7:21-23; 25:11, 12.

13 Pho sesingaphetha ngokuthini nxa si-khangela esesixoxe ngakho? Kambe uJesu wayesitsho ukuthi izinceku zakhe ezine-nji ezigcotshiweyo zizaphambuka yini bese-kubangela ukuthi kucine kugcotshwa abanye? Hatshi. Khumbula ukuthi wayesanda kuxwayisa 'inceku ethembekileyo lehlakani-phileyo' ukuthi ingantshintshi ibe yinceku embi. Lokhu akutsho ukuthi wayekhangelele

12. (a) Ngesikhathi sokuhlupheka okukhulu, abagcotshiweyo abathembekileyo bazakwenelisa yini ukusiza abagcotshiweyo abayabe bengathembekanga? Chaza. (b) Bazaphetha ngani labo abazakwenza njengezintombi eziyiziwula?

13. (a) Kungani kungamelanga sihle siphethe ngo-kuthi inengi labalandeli bakaKhristu abagcotshiweyo kalisoze lithembeke? (b) Kungani isixwayiso sikajesu singabe sitshengisa lokuthi uyabathemba abagcotshiweyo? (Khangela umfanekiso osekuqali-seni.)

Ukucela amafutha kwezintombi eziyiziwula kusifundisa ukuthi kumele sithembeke njalo sihlale silindile, singathembeli kwabanye

ukuthi izantshintsha. Yikho-ke umzekeliso lo uyisixwayiso esiqakathekileyo. Sibonile ukuthi izintombi ezinhlanu zaba yiziwula kodwa ezinhlanu zahlakanipha. Lokhu kutshengisa ukuthi umuntu munye ngamunye ogcotshiweyo ulethuba lokuzikhethela lokho afuna ukukwenza. Omunye angakhetha ukuzilungiselela lokuphaphama, kodwa omunye angakhetha ukuba yisiwula futhi angathembeki. Ngakho-ke kungani sisithi isixwayiso esimezekelisweni kajesu laso sitshengisa ukuthi uyabathanda abagcotshiweyo lokuthi uyabathema? Umphostoli uPhawuli laye waphefumulelwa ukuthi atsho isixwayiso esifanana lalesi lapho ebhalela amaKhristu agcotshiweyo. (**Bala uHebheru 6:4-9;** khangela loDutheronomi 30:19.) Nanzelela ukuthi uPhawuli waxwayisa engakhekhelezi, kodwa waphinda wakhuluma ‘ngezinto ezingcono’ okutshengisa ukuthi wayelethemba lokuthi abafowabo labodadewabo abangamaKhristu babezawuthola umvuzo wabo. Ngakho-ke uKhristu uya-kwazi ukuthi bonke abagcotshiweyo bange-nelisa ukuhlala bethembekile futhi bathole umvuzo omuhle kakhulu!

“EZINYE IZIMVU” ZIKAKHRISTU ZONA ZINCEDAKALA NJANI?

1^o Sesibonile ukuthi uJesu wayekhuluma ngabalandeli bakhe abagcotshiweyo lapho elandisa umzekeliso wezintombi ezilitshumi. Manje sesingathi indaba le kayizincedi ngalutho

1^o Kungani umzekeliso wezintombi ezilitshumi ungasiza ‘ezinye izimvu’?

“ezinye izimvu” zikaKhristu yini? (Joh. 10:16) Akungeke kube njalo! Khumbula ukuthi isi-fundo esisemzekelisweni lo sicacile. Nansi: “Lindani.” Lokhu kumele kwensiwe ngabagcotshiweyo kuphela yini? UJesu wake wathi: “Engikutshoyo kini ngikutsho emuntwini *wonke: ‘Lindani!’*” (Mak. 13:37) UJesu ufunu ukuthi bonke abalandeli bakhe balungise izinhliziyazo zabo ukuze bakhonze bethembekile, njalo ufunu bonke bahlale belindile. Yikho-ke wonke amaKhristu kumele ahlale elindile njengabagcotshiweyo, alingisele isibonelo sabo esihle njalo aqakathekise inkonzo ukwedlula loba kuyini okunye empilweni. Kuqakathekile ukuthi sonke singakhohlwa ukuthi izintombi eziyiziwula zacula amafutha ezintombi ezihlakaniphi-leyo, kodwa kazizange zithole lutho. Lokhu kusikhumbuza ukuthi akumelanga sithembele kwabanye abantu. Kumele thina ngokwethu sithembele, sinamathele eqinisweni, njalo sihlale silindile. Munye ngamunye wethu uzaziphendulela kuMahluli olungileyo okhethwe nguJehova. Kufanele sihlale sizilungiselele ngoba usezafika!

15 Okulandiswa nguJesu emzekelisweni lo mayelana lomtshado kungawanceda wonke amaKhristu. Abagcotshiweyo bazabe sebesezulwini, njalo bazakuba ngumlobokazi kaKhristu ngemva kwempi ye-Amagedoni. (Isam. 19: 7-9) Akuthandabuzwa ukuthi sonke siwulindle ngabomvu umtshado lo oyabe usezulwini. Ngaleso sikhathi bonke abantu abazabe bese-mhlabeni bazathola izibuso ngoba ukuhlanganiswa komyen i lomlobokazi kutsho ukuthi kuyabe sekulohulumende omuhle ozabusabantu. Ngakho-ke kasizimiseleni ukusebenissa isifundo esiqakathekileyo esisithola emzekelisweni wezintombi ezilitshumi, kungelani lokuthi silethemba lokuphila emhlabeni loba ezulwini. Kasihlaleni siphapheme njalo silindile, sime siqine futhi silungise izinhliziyozethu. Singenza njalo sizathola impilo enhle kakhulu uJehova asithembisa yona!

15. Kungani wonke amaKhristu eqinisso ewulindle ngabomvu umtshado kaKhristu lomlobokazi?



Ukutshada ‘eNkosini’ Kuphela Sekwaphelwa Yisikhathi Yini?

“Sengidinge ngaswela umuntu osebandleni engingatshada laye, njalo sengisesaba ukuthi ngizacina ngiphelelwa yisikhathi.”

“Amanye amajaha angakhonziyo alomusa, alothando njalo ayazwisa. Kawaphikisan ni lendlela engikhonza ngayo futhi akhanya elothondo ukwedlula amanye amajaha asebandleni.”

Yikho kanye okucatshangwa ngezinye izinceku zikaNkulunkulu endaben i yokutshada eNkosini. Kodwa bakwazi mhlophe ukuthi umphostoli uPhawuli wakubeka kwacaca ukuthi wonke amaKhristu kumele atshade ‘eNkosini’ kuphela. (1 Khor. 7:39) Pho kungani becabanga ukuthi kunzima ukulandela umlayo lo?

KUNGANI ABANYE BEKUBONA KUNZIMA?

Amanye amaKhristu angabe ebona angani se-

kunzima ukutshada eNkosini ngoba kuyabe ku-khanya angani emabandleni odade banengi ukwedlula abafowethu. Emazweni amanengi kunjalo sibili. Ngokwesibonelo eKorea, phakathi kwaboFakazi abangu-100, uzathola ukuthi abangu-57 ngodade njalo abangu-43 ngabafowethu. Kanti njalo eColombia kubikwa ukuthi oFakazi abangamaphesenti angu-66 ngodade njalo abafowethu bona bangamaphesenti angu-34.

Kwamanye amazwe ubunzima obukhona yikuthi abazali abangayisibo boFakazi bangabiza amalobolo adula kakhulu, besekusenza ukuthi abanye abafowethu bakhethe ukuhlala bengatshadanga. Nxa udade esekhangela konke lokhu, angabona angani yena kasoze afa athola umuntu wokutshada laye ‘eNkosini.’ Angazibuza athi, “Kambe phakathi kwamaKhristu asebandleni usesekhona yini umuntu ofaneleyo engingatshada laye?”*

KUQAKATHEKILE UKUTHEMBA UJEHOVA

Nxa lawe ikuhlupha indaba le, woba leqiniso lokuthi uJehova ukhangele. Uyakwazi sibili ukuthi indaba le ikuphatha njani.—2 ImiLan. 6:29, 30.

* Esihllokweni lesi, kukhulunywa kakhulu ngokwenzakala kubodadewethu, kodwa indaba le iyasebenza lakubafowethu.

Pho kungani uJehova esipha umlayo wokuthi sitshade eNkosini kuphela? Uyakwazi ukuthi kuyini okunganceda abantu bakhe. Ufuna sithokozé njalo kafuni ukuthi sikhethethe indlela engayisiyo besezisizwa ubuhlungu. Endulo uNehemiyá wakhulumá ngesibonelo sikaSolomoni lapho ekhuza amajuda amanengi ayetshada labezizweni ababengamkhonzi uJehova. Lanxa uSolomoni 'wayethandwa nguNkulunkulu wakhe, wahuge-lwa esonweni ngabafazi bezizweni.' (Neh. 13:23-26) Siyabona-ke ukuthi lamuhla uNkulunkulu usilaya ukuthi sitshade eNkosini kuphela ngoba singenza njalo kuzasihambela kuhle. (Hubo. 19:7-10; Isaya. 48:17, 18) AmaKhristu eqiniso ayabonga ngokuthi uJehova uyawathanda futhi ayazithembia izeluleko zakhe. Nxa emlalela uMbusi Wendawo yonke, ayabe evuma ukuthi nguye olelungelo lokuwatshela okokwenza.—Zaga. 1:5.

Kambe ungafuna yini 'ukuzibophela ndawonye' lomuntu ozakwenza ukuthi utshiye uNkulunkulu? (2 Khor. 6:14) Lamuhla amaKhristu amanengi ayasilalela iseluleko sikaNkulunkulu esesilesikhati eside sisebenza njalo ayakunanzelela ukuthi le yiyo indlela eqondileyo sibili. Kodwa abanye bakhetha ukungawulandeli umlayo lo.

AKUKAPHEELWA YISIKHATHI

Omunye udadewethu wase-Australia okuthiwa nguMaggy* uyasitshela ukuthi kwahamba njani lapho equalisa ukuthandana lomuntu ongaisuye-Fakazi. Uthi: "Ngangilova kanengi emhlanganweni ukuze ngiyembona nje kuphela. Ngasengiphambukile sibili." URatana wase-India wathandana lejaha ayefunda lalo futhi laqalisa ukufunda iBhayibhili. Kodwa ngokuya kwasikhathi kwakhanya ukuthi ijaha leli elalikufuna yikuthandana laye kuphela. URatana wacina esetshiya iqiniso esesi yangena enye insonto ukuze enelise ukutshada.

Esinye isibonelo ngesikadadewethu waseCameroun okuthiwa nguNdenguè. Watshada eleminya ka engu-19 njalo ijaha lakhe lamthembisa ukuthi uzabe ekhululekile ukuthi azihambele emihlanganweni. Kodwa ngemva kwamaviki amabili betsha-

dile umkakhe wamalisa ukuya emihlanganweni yobuKhristu. Uthi: "Ngaqaliswa ukuba lesizungu njalo ngangitshona ngikhala. Ngangihlala ngizisola futhi ngizibuba lokuthi ngiphilelani."

Kuliqiniso sibili ukuthi bangabe bekhana abantu abatshade labantu abangayisibo boFakazi njalo abantu bakhona bakhanya belomusa futhi beingahluphi. Kodwa wena nxa ungakwenza lokhu, ubuhlobo bakho loYihlo osezulwini olothando bungaba njani? Ungezwa njani sibili ngokuthi kawuzange ulalele umlayo akuphe wona ukuze ukunce-de? Omunye umbuzo oqakathekileyo nanku: Yena uBaba osezulwini angezwa njani ngalokho oyabe usukukhethile?—Zaga. 1:33.

Abafowethu labodadewethu emhlabeni wonke bayavuma ukuthi ukutshada 'eNkosini' kuphela kuyanceda kakhulu. Abangakatshadi bazimisele ukuthokozisa inhliziyo kaNkulunkulu ngokulinda baze bamthole umuntu onguFakazi futhi ofaneleyo abangatshada laye. UMichiko waseJapan wathi engakatshadi wayelezihlobo zakhe ezazimyenga ukuthi atshade lomuntu ongaisuyeFakazi. Wathi okunye okwakumthwalisa nzima yikubona abanye abangane bakhe labanye ayengena labo ebandleni bebatola abantu abangoFakazi abangatshada labo. Uthi: "Ngangilokhu ngizitshela ukuthi njengoba uJehova 'enguNkulunkulu othokoza-yo,' ukuthokoza kwethu akuyi ngokuthi sitshadile kumbe kasitshadanga. Ngiyakholwa lokuthi uyasinika lokho esikufisayo. Lokhu kutsho ukuthi lanxa sesifuna sibili ukutshada kodwa singakamtholi umuntu wokutshada laye kungcono ukuzihlalela, izinto zize zilunge." (1 Tim. 1:11, NW) UMichiko wacina esemtholile umfowethu wokutshada laye ofaneleyo njalo uyathokoza ngokuthi walinda.

Kulabanye abafowethu ababekezelayo baze bamthole umuntu wokutshada laye ofaneleyo. Omunye owakwenzayo lokhu nguBill wase-Australia. Uthi kwezinye izikhathi wayehawukela amankazana angayisiwo boFakazi. Kodwa wayezama ukuthi angajayelani lawo. Ngani? Wayengafuni ukuthi azithezele olulenkume 'ngokuzibophela ndawonye' lomuntu ongakholwayo.

* Amanye amabizo antshintshiwe.



Abangatshadanga balusizo kakhulu ebandleni njalo bajayele ukuncedisa izimuli labantwana

Eminyakeni yonke le engakamtholi umuntu wokutshada laye, wayeke azibike kubodade abathile kodwa babemala. UBill walinda okweminyaka engu-30 waze wamthola-ke udade ayeambelana laye. Uthi: "Angizisoli. Ngizibona ngibusisiwe sibili ngoba mina lomkami sihamba sonke enkonzweni, sitaditsha sonke futhi sikhonza ndawonye. Ukwazana labangane bomkami kuyangithokozisa ngoba bonke bayamkhonza uJehova. Sisebenzisa izimiso zeBhayibhili emtshadweni wethu."

UNGENZANI USALINDELE UJEHOVA?

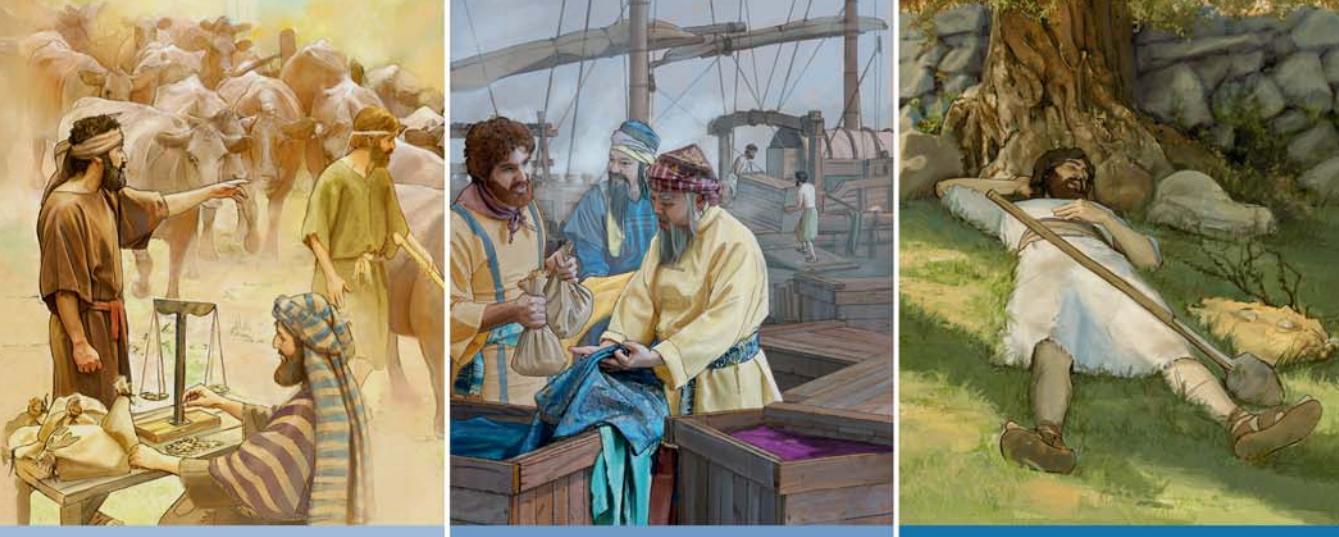
Kuyini ongakwenza ngesikhathi usalindele ukuthi uJehova akuncedise ukuthi uthole ongatshada laye? Okunye ongakwenza yikucabanga ngokuthi vele kungani ungakatshadi. Nxa isizatho esikhulu kuyikuthi ulalela umlayo oseBhayibhili wokuthi utshade 'eNkosini' kuphela, kuhle kakhulu okwenzayo ngoba uhlonipha uNkulunkulu. Woba leqiniso lokuthi uJehova uyathokoza nxa ekubona uzimisele ukulalela iLizwi la-khe. (1 Sam. 15:22; Zaga. 27:11) Kumele uqhubeka uthandaza kuye, 'ukhuphe konke okusenhlizi-yweni yakho.' (Hubo. 62:8) Nxa uqhubeka umcela ngenhliziyo yakho yonke, uzathola ukuthi imithandazo yakho izakuba lohlonzi. Ubuholo bakho loNkulunkulu buzabe bulokhu buqina kakhulu

lanxa ungabe ulwisana lezifiso zemvelo kanye lezinye izilingo. Hlala ukwazi ukuthi oPhezukonke uyabathanda abantu abaqhube ka bemkhonza be-thembekile lokuthi lawe uligugu kuye. Ulendaba lezifiso zakho kanye lokuthi kuyini okumele ukuthole empilweni. Lanxa engathembisi ukuthi uza-kunika umuntu wokutshada laye, nguye okwazi indlela engcono kakhulu yokugcwalisa izifiso zakho.—Hubo. 145:16; Mat. 6:32.

Kwezinye izikhathi ungazizwa usunjengo Davida owaze wathi: "Ngiphendula masinyane, hawu Jehova; umoya wami uyaphela. Ungangifheli ubuso bakho." (Hubo. 143:5-7, 10) Nxa sekunje mniike isikhathi uBaba wethu osezulwini ukuze akutshengise lokho afuna ukwenze. Lokhu unga-kwenza ngokubala iLizwi lakhe langokunaka-na ngalokho okufundayo. Uzayazi imilayo yakhe futhi uzabona lokuthi wabenzelani abantu bakhe endulo. Ukumalela kuzakusiza ubone ukuthi ukwenza intando yakhe akusikho kuba yisithu-tha.

Okunye ongakwenza ukuze uthokoze nxa ungakatshadi yikufunda ezinye izinto ezizakunceda nxa usulemuli. Izinto lezi zigoqela ukuba ngumuntu oqedisisayo nxa esenza izinqumo, ophanayo, okhuthetheleyo, olomusa, owesaba uNkulunkulu njalo ongumuntu wabantu. (Gen. 24:16-21; Rut. 1:16, 17; 2:6, 7, 11; Zaga. 31:10-27) Funa kuqala uMbuso njalo ukutshengise lokhu ngokukhuthala enkonzweni lakweminye imisebenzi yobuKhristu. Lokhu kuzakuvikela. UBill oqanjwe phezulu wakhulumo ngeminyaka yakhe engakatshadi, wathi: "Angibonanga lokuthi yaphela nini iminyaka yonke le ngoba ngangiphayona."

Siphetha ngani? Ngokuthi ukutshada 'eNkosini' kuphela akukaphelela yisikhathi. Ukulalela umlayo lo kuzatshengisa ukuthi uymahloniphia uJehova njalo kuzakwenza ukuthi uthokoze kuze kube nininini. IBhayibhili lithi: "Ubusisiwe umuntu oyesaba uJehova, othokoza kakhulu ngemilayo yakhe. Inotho lenzozo kusendlini yakhe, lokulunga kwakhe kumi laphakade." (Hubo. 112:1, 3) Yikho-ke zimisele ukuhlala ulalela umlayo ka-Nkulunkulu wokutshada 'eNkosini' kuphela.



Umzekeliso Wamathalenta Usifundisani?

“Oyedwa yamupha amathalenta amahlanu emali, omunye amabili omunye njalo ithalenta elilodwa.” —MAT. 25:15.

EMZEKELISWENI wamathalenta uJesu wawuveza egcekeni umsebenzi okumele wenziwe ngabalandeli bakhe abagcotshiweyo. Kumele sikuzwisisi ukuthi umzekeliso lo utshoni ngoba ulezifundo ezi-nhle kuwo wonke amaKhristu eqiniso, kungelani lokuthi alethembalaokuphila ezulwini loba emhlabeni.

² UJesu walandisa umzekeliso lo lapho ephendula umbuzo wabafundi bakhe owawuphathelane ‘lesiboniso sokuba khona kwakhe lesokucina komumo wezinto.’ (Mat. 24:3, NW) Yikho-ke umzekeliso lo ugcwaiseka esikhathini sethu futhi uyingxenyi yesiboniso esitsheengisa ukuthi uJesu usekhona, okutsho ukuthi useyiNkosi.

³ KuMathewu 24:45 kusiya kuMathewu 25:46 kulemizekeliso emine eyalandiswa nguJesu. Walandisa umzekeliso wamathalenta, lowenceku ethembekileyo lehlakaniphileyo, lowezintombi ezilitshumi kanye lowezimvu lezimbazi. Imizekeliso le wayitsho lapho ephendula abafundi bakhe ababembuze ukuthi sizakuba yini isiboniso sokuba khona kwakhe. Kuyo yonke imizekeliso le uJesu waveza okunengi okwakuzatshengisa ukuthi ngobani abalandeli bakhe beqiniso ezi-nukwini zokucina. Okwakhulunywa nguJesu lapho elandisa umzekeliso wezintombi lowamathalenta kanye lowenceku ethembekileyo

- 1, 2. Kungani uJesu walandisa umzekeliso wamathalenta?
3. Yiziphi izifundo esizithola emizekelisweni ekuMathewu izahluko 24 lo-25?

UNGAPHENDULA NJANI?

Kungani uJesu walandisa umzekeliso wamathalenta?

UMqhatshi uzabuya nini esezohlola ukuthi izinceku zakhe zisebenze njani?

Yiziphi izifundo esizithole emizekelisweni wamathalenta?

kuqondane labalandeli bakhe abagcotshiweyo. Emzekelisweni wenceku ethembekileyo uJesu waveza ukuthi ezinsukwini zokucina kwakuzamele iqembu elincane labagcotshiweyo *lihlakaniphe njalo lithembeke* emsebenzini wokufundisa izisebenzi zalapha ekhaya. Ko-wezintombi waqonqosela *bonke* abalandeli bakhe abagcotshiweyo ukuthi kwakuzamele *bazilungiselele futhi baphaphame* ngoba bekwazi ukuthi uJesu uyeza lanxa bengalwazi usuku loba ihora. Kowamathalenta uJesu watshengisa ukuthi abagcotshiweyo kwakuzamele *bakhuthale* emisebenzini yobuKhristu abayiphathisiweyo. Emzekelisweni wokucina, ophathelane lezimvu lezimbuzi, wayeskhuluma ngabalandeli bakhe abazaphila emhlabeni. Wagcizelela lokuthi kwakuzamele *babeqotho* njalo benze konke abangakwenza ukuze basekele abalandeli bakajesu abagcotshiweyo abasemhlabeni.* Khatthesi kasihloliseni umzekeliso wamathalenta.

UMQHATSHI UNIKA IZISEBENZI ZAKHE AMATHALENTA

Bala uMathewu 25:14-30. Sekulesikhathi eside amabhuku ethu echaza ukuthi uJesu nguye indoda loba umnini wezisebenzi okukhulunywa ngaye emzekelisweni wamathalenta lokuthi wahamba elizweni elikude lapho esenyukela ezulwini ngo-33 C.E. Komunye umzekeliso ohambelana lowamathalenta uJesu waveza ukuthi waya elizweni elikude ukuze ‘ayegcotshwa ubukhos.’ (Luk. 19:12) UJesu kazange ahle aphiwe wonke amandla okubusa lapho efika ezulwini.* Kodwa wafika “wahlala phansi

* Nxa ufunu ukwazi ukuthi ingubani inceku ethembekileyo lehlakaniphileyo khangela *iNqabayokulinda* yesiNdebele kajuly 1, 2013, amakhasi 27-28 izindima 8-10. Ukuthi izintombi ngobani sixoxe ngakho esihlokweni esidlulileyo. Umzekeliso wezimvu lezimbuzi uchasiswa esihlokweni esilandelayo *lakuNqabayokulinda* ka-October 15, 1995, amakhasi 23-28.

Khangela ibhokisi elithi “Ukuhambelana Okukhona Phakathi Komzekeliso Wamathalenta Lowamamina.”

” 5. Imela bani indoda kumbe umnini wezisebenzi, njalo ithalenta elilodwa lilingana lemali enganani?

esandleni sokunene sikaNkulunkulu. Kusukela ngalesosikhathi ulindele izitha zakhe ukuba zibe yisinabelo sakhe.”—Heb. 10:12, 13.

5 Indoda esemzekelisweni lo yayilamathalenta angu-8 njalo le kwakuyimali enengi okwamagama ngalesosikhathi.* Indoda le ingakayi elizweni elikude yanika izisebenzi zayo amathalenta la ikhangelele ukuthi zisale zisenza ibhizimus ngawo. UJesu laye ufanana lendoda esemzekelisweni ngoba engakenyukeli ezulwini wayelenotho eligugu okumangalisayo. Kwakuyinotho bani leyo? Kwakungumsebenzi ayewenza esesemhlabeni.

6 UJesu wayewuqakatheska kakhulu umsebenzi wakhe wokutshumayela lokufundisa. (**Bala uLukha 4:43.**) Lapho esenza umsebenzi lo kufanana lokuthi wayelima insimu eyayizakhupha inala emangalisayo. Wayeke watshela abalandeli bakhe wathi: “Vulanı amehlo enu likhangele amasimu! Amabele aselungele ukuvunwa.” (Joh. 4:35-38) Wayekhuluma ngokuqoqwa kwabantu abanengi ababezakwamukela izindaba ezinhle babe ngabalandeli bakhe. Akulamlimi okhutheleyo ongaphongutshiya insimu isilungele ukuvunwa. UJesu laye wayengeke ayitshiye ingelazisebenzi insimu eyayisilungele ukuvunwa. Yikho-ke esanda kuvuswa njalo engakenyukeli ezulwini wanika abalandeli bakhe umsebenzi oqakattheke kakhulu, wathi: “Ngakho hambani lenze abafundi.” (Mat. 28:18-20) Siyabona-ke ukuthi wabaphathisa inotho eligugu kakhulu, okutsho inkonzo yobuKhristu.—2 Khor. 4:7.

7 Lokhu kusitshengisani? Kusitshengisa ukuthi lapho uJesu enika abalandeli bakhe umsebenzi wokwenza abafundi, wayebaphathisa ‘impahla yakhe’ loba amathalenta akhe. (Mat. 25:14) Ngamazwi alula nje singa

* Ngesikhathi uJesu esemhlabeni ithalenta elilodwa lalingana labodenariyu abangaba yi-6 000. Imali eyayiholwa yizisebenzi ezinengi ngelanga kwakungudenariyu oyedwa, okutsho ukuthi isisebenzi kwakumele sisebenze iminyaka engaba ngu-20 ukuze sithole ithalenta elilodwa nje.

6, 7. Amelani amathalenta?

Ukuhambelana Okukhona Phakathi Komzekeliso Wamathalenta Lowamamina

Kulezinto ezinengi ezihambelanayo emzekelisweni wamathalenta lowamamina. Yonke ikhulumu ngendoda eyayilezinceku eyathi ingakathathi uhambo lwayo yazibiza yasizipha imali yayo, yazilaya ukuthi zisale ziyyisebenzia ukuze ithole inzozo. Lapho iphenduka yafisa ukwazi ukuthi izinceku zayo zaziyyisebenzise njani imali. (Mat. 25: 14-30; Luk. 19:12-27) Kuyo yonke imizekeliso le, umqhatshi ① nguJesu, izinceku ② ngabalandeli bakhe abagcotshiweyo njalo imali ezayinikwayo ③ yisibusiso esiligugu sokwenza abafundi. Yonke imizekeliso le ilesixwayiso esiphathelane lalokho okwakuzakwenzakala kubalandeli bakaKhristu nxa bengaba njengenceku embi.



thi amathalenta ngumsebenzi wokutshumaye-la lokwenza abafundi.

⁸ Emzekelisweni wamathalenta sitshelwa ukuthi umqhatshi wanika isisebenzi esisodwa amathalenta amahlanu, esinye wasinika amabili njalo esinye wasipha elilodwa nje. (Mat. 25: 15) Lanxa izisebenzi lezi zaphiwa inani elitshiyenyeo lamathalenta, umqhatshi wazo wayekhangelele ukuthi zonke zikhuthale nxa sezi-senza ibhizimusi ngamathalenta la, okutsho ukuthi zenze konke ezingakwenza ukuze zifeze inkonzo. (Mat. 22:37; Kol. 3:23) Kusukela ngePhentekhosti ngomnyaka ka-33 C.E., abalandeli bakaKhristu baqalisa ukwenza ibhizimusi ngamathalenta. Indlela ababekhuthele ngayo emsebenzini wokutshumayela lokwe-

8. Umqhatshi wayekhangeleleni lanxa wayenike izisebenzi zakhe amathalenta angalinganiyo?

nza abafundi ibekwe yacaca ebhukwini leMi-Sebenzi.*—ImiSeb. 6:7; 12:24; 19:20.

UKWENZA IBHIZIMUSI NGAMATHALENTA ESIKHATHINI SOKUPHELA

⁹ Ngesikhathi sokuphela, ikakhulu kusukela ngo-1919 izinceku zikaKhristu ezigcotshiweyo njalo ezithembekileyo bezilokhu zisenza

* Abaphostoli sebefile, uSathane wabangela ukuthi kube lokuhlamuka okwaqhube ka kumemetheka okweminyaka eminengi kakhulu. Ngalesosikhathi kulutshwana kakhulu okwakusenziwa emsebenzini wokwenza abafundi bakaKhristu beqiniso. Kodwa lokhu kwakuza-nthintsha esikhathini "sokuvuna" okutsho izinsuku zo-kucina. (Mat. 13:24-30, 36-43) Khangela iNqabayokulinda yesiNdebele kajuly 1, 2013 amakhasi 15-18.

9. (a) Izinceku ezimbili ezithembekileyo zawa-sebenzisa njani amathalenta, njalo lokhu kusifundi-sani? (b) Yisiphi isibusiso esinikwe "ezinye izi-mvu"?

ibhizimus i ngamathalenta oMqhatshi wazo. Abafowethu labodadewethu abagcotshiwego bebelokhu besenza konke abangakwenza nje-ngezisebenzi ezimbili ezesemzekelisweni wamathalenta. Akumelanga sithone sizihlupha ngokuthi ngubani owathola amathalenta amahlana lokuthi ngubani owathola amabili. Umzekeliso utshengisa ukuthi zonke izinceku zazisebenza gadalala zaze zathola inzuso elingana lalokho ezazikuphiwe, okutshengisa ukuthi akula eyayingcono kulenye. Abalethemba lokuphila emhlabeni bona bangena njani endaben le? Balomsebenzi oqakatheke kakhulu! Umzekeliso kajesu wezimvu lezimbuзи usifundisa ukuthi abalethemba lokuphila emhlabeni balesibuso sokuncedisa abagcotshiwego emsebenzini wokutshumayela lokufundisa. Kulezinsuku zokucina ezinzima amaqembu la womabili ayatshiseka emsebenzini wokwenza abafundi futhi asebenza emanyene 'njengomhlambi owodwa.'—Joh. 10:16.

10. UMqhatshi ukhangelele ukuthi izisebenzi zakhe zibuthe abafundi abanengi. Sibonile ukuthi ekhulwini lokuqala abalandeli bakhe ababethembekile bakwenza lo-khu. Kodwa njengoba umzekeliso wamathalenta ugcwaliseka kulesisikhathi sokuphela,

10. Yiwuphi umsebenzi omkhulu owenziwayo oyisiboniso sokuba khona kukaJesu?

uyenziwa yini umsebenzi lo? Khathesi izinceku zikajesu ezithembekileyo njalo ezikhutheleyo zenza umsebenzi wokutshumayela lokwenza abafundi omkhulu kakhulu emhlabeni jikelele. Ukukhuthala kwazo kwenza ukuthi umnyaka munye ngamunye kubhaphathizwe izinkulungwane lezinkulungwane zabantu besiba ngabamemzeloi boMbuso. Lokhu kwenza kucace ukuthi umsebenzi wokutshumayela lokufundisa uyisiboniso esiqakatheke kakhulu esitshengisa ukuthi uJesu useyiNkosi. Kumele ukuthi uMqhatshi wazo uyathokoza sibili!

UMQHATSHI UZABUYA NINI UKUZOHLOLA UMSEBENZI WEZINCEKU ZAKHE?

11. UJesu uzabuya nini eseohlola ukuthi izisebenzi zakhe ziwenze njani umsebenzi aziphathise wona? Uzabuya ukuhlupheka okukhulu sekusiyaphela. Kungani sisitsho njalo? Esiphrofethweni sakhe esilotshwe kuMathe-wu izahluko 24 lo-25, uJesu wakhulumka nangi ngokuza kwakhe loba ukufika kwakhe. Lapho ekhuluma ngokwahluela okuzakwenzakala ngesikhathi sokuhlupheka okukhulu wathi abantu 'bazabona iNdodana yoMuntu isiza ngamayezi esibhakabhakeni.' Wakhuthaza

11. Kuyini okwenza sithi uJesu uzabuya ngesikhathi sokuhlupheka okukhulu eseohlola ukuthi izineceu zakhe zisebenze njani?



UKhristu unike izinceku zakhe umsebenzi oligugu kakhulu wokutshumayela (Khangelia indima 10)



Abagcotshiweyo Abafa Ukuhlupheka Okukhulu Kungakaqalisi Babekwa Nini Uphawu?

Kusukela ngekhulu lokuqala abagcotshiweyo belokhu besamukela amathalenta. Ngakho-ke kumele baziphendulele ukuthi bawufeze njani umsebenzi wokutshumayela. Abagcotshiweyo abathembekileyo abafa ukuhlupheka okukhulu kungakafiki babekwa uphawu okokucina ngesi-

khathi bengakafi. Kodwa umzekeliso wamatnalenta ukuhuluma ngesikhathi uJesu azabuya ngaso esezechola ukuthi abagcotshiweyo abazabe bese-sekhona emhlabeni ngesikhathi sokuhlupheka okukhulu bawenze njani umsebenzi.

abalandeli bakhe ababezaphila ezinsukwini zokucina ukuthi bahlale bephapheme, wathi: "Kalikwazi ukuthi iNkosi yenu izafika ngaluphi usuku." Waphinda wathi: "INDodana yo-Muntu izafika ngesikhathi leso elizabe lingayikhumbuleli sona." (Mat. 24:30, 42, 44) Yikhole lapho uJesu esithi "umnini walezozisebenzi wabuya wafisa ukwazi ukuthi babehambise njani ngaleyomali," kumele ukuthi wayesitsho isikhathi ayezabuya ngaso ekupheleni komhla-ba lo omubi esezokwahlulela.*—Mat. 25:19.

¹² Emzekelisweni sitshelwa ukuthi lapho umqhatshi ephenduka wathola izinceku ezi-mbili zithembekile. Eyayiphiwe amathalenta amahlanu yayisilamanye futhi amahlanu, leya-yiphiwe amabili yayisilamanye amabili. Zombili umqhatshi wazitshela wathi: "Wenze kuhle, nceku elungileyo lethembekileyo! Utetembekile ezintweni ezilutshwana; ngizakuphathisa izinto ezinengi." (Mat. 25:21, 23) Manje kuyini okumele sikukhangelele nxa uJesu onguye uMqhatshi esebuya ukuzokwahlulela ngesikhathi esizayo?

¹³ Izinceku ezimbili zimela abalandeli bakhe abagcotshiweyo abakhutheleyo enkon-zweni. Abagcotshiweyo bazabekwa uphawu

* Khangela iNqabayokulinda yesiNdebele kaJuly 1, 2013, amakhasi 13-14, izindima 14-18.

12, 13. (a) Umqhatshi wathini ezincekwini ezi-mbili, futhi kungani watsho njalo? (b) Abagcotshiweyo bazabekwa nini uphawu okokucina? (Khangela ibhokisi elithi "Abagcotshiweyo Abafa Ukuhlupheka Okukhulu Kungakaqalisi Babekwa Nini Uphawu?") (c) Ngemva kokwahlulewa, abyiazimvu bazathola mvuzo bani?

okokucina nxa ukuhlupheka okukhulu sekuz-aqalisa. (Isam. 7:1-3) I-Amagedoni ingakaqalisi, uJesu uzabanika umvuzo wabo abawuthe-njisiweyo wokuya ezulwini. Kuzakwenzakalan-i kulabo abalethemba lokuphila emhlabeni abancedisa abagcotshiweyo emsebenzini wokutshumayela? Bazabe sebahlulelw kwathiwa bayizimvu njalo bazaphiwa isibusiso sokuphila emhlabeni bebuswa nguMbuso kaNkulunkulu.—Mat. 25:34.

INCEKU EMBI, ELIVILA VOXO

¹⁴ Emzekelisweni sitshelwa ukuthi inceku yesithathu yaggibela ithalenta layo kulokuthi yenze ibhizimus ngalo kumbe ilifake ebanga ukuze umqhatshi athole imali isizele. Inceku le yaba yisiqholo sibili ngoba yekela ngabomo ukwenza lokho okwakufunwa ngumqhatshi. Yikho umqhatshi wayibiza ngokuthi 'yinceku embi, elivila.' Wahle wayithathela ithalenta waselinika leyo eyayisilamathalenta alitshumi. Ngemva kwalokho yaphoselwa 'ngaphandle ebumnyameni lapho okuzakuba khona ukukhala lokugedla amazinyo.'—Mat. 25:24-30; Luk. 19:22, 23.

¹⁵ Kambe sesingathi lapho uJesu ekhuluma ngenceku eyafihla ithalenta layo, wayesitsho ukuthi kulenani labagcotshiweyo ababezaku-ba yinceku embi njalo elivila? Hatshi. Okungasineda ukuthi sikuzwisise lokhu yiku-khangela okwakhulunywa nguJesu kweminye

^{16, 15.} UJesu wayesitsho ukuthi inengi labafowa-bo abagcotshiweyo lizantshintsha lenze njengenceku embi yini? Chaza.

Ukuzwisia Umzekeliso Wamathalenta



UMqhatshi Uzinika Nini Umvuzo Izingeku Zakhe?

Ukuchasiswa kwakudala:

Ngo-1919 uJesu wapha izinceku zakhe ezigcotshiwego ezisemhlabeni umvuzo lapho esengezelela umsebenzi wazo.

Ukuchasiswa okutsha:

Lapho uKhristu ebuya ngesikhathi esizayo uzinika abagcotshiwego abathembekileyo umvuzo wokuyaphila ezulwini.



Inceku Embi Njalo Elivila.

Ukuchasiswa kwakudala:

Inceku embi njalo elivila imela abagcotshiwego abangazange bavume ukutshumayela ngeminyaka yabo-1914.

Ukuchasiswa okutsha:

UJesu wayengakhulumi ngokuthi kuzaba leqe-mbu labalandeli bakhe abagcotshiwego elaliza-phambuka libe yinceku embi. Kodwa wayebawwayisa ngalokho okwakuzakwenzakala nxa bengaba lemicabango kanye lezenzo ezimbi njengenceku embi njalo elivila.

imizekeliso emibili. Emzekelisweni wenceku ethembekileyo lehlakaniphileyo wakhuluma ngenceku embi eyatshaya ezinye izisebenzi. Kayisikho ukuthi uJesu wayesithi kwaku-zakuba lenceku enjalo. Kodwa wayexwayisa inceku ethembekileyo ukuthi ingabi yinceku embi. Lasemzekelisweni wezintombi ezilitshumi akusikho ukuthi uJesu wayesithi ingxene ye yabalandeli bakhe abagcotshiwego izakuba njengezintombi ezinhlanu eziyiziwula. Kodwa wayexwayisa abafowabo abagcotshiwego mayelana lengozi eyayingabehlela nxa bengayekela ukuhlala bephaphefuthi bezilungisele.* Imizekeliso le emibili yenza sibone ukuthi lasemzekelisweni wamathalenta, uJesu wayengahlosanga ukusitshela ukuthi ezinsukwini zokucina inengi labafowabo abagcotshiwego lalizakuba yinceku embi njalo elivila. Kodwa wayexwayisa abalandeli bakhe abagcotshiwego ukuthi bahlale behuthele emsebenzini 'wokudayisa' amathalenta abo, okutsho ukwenza ibhizimus ngawo, kanye lokuthi bangalandeli imicabango kanye lezenzo zenceku embi.—Mat. 25:16.

¹⁶ Yiziphi izifundo ezimbili esizitholileyo emzekelisweni wamathalenta? Okwakuqala, sifunde ukuthi uKhristu ongye uMqhatshi unike izinceku zakhe ezigcotshiwego umsebenzi oligugu kakhulu wokutshumayela lokwenza abafundi. Okwesibili esikufundileyo yikuthi uKhristu ukhangelele ukuthi sonke si-khuthale emsebenzini wokutshumayela. Nxa singenza njalo sizakuba lesiqiniselo sokuthi uMqhatshi wethu uzasinika umvuzo ngenxa yokuthi siyabe siphaphefume, silokholo njalo si-qotho.—Mat. 25:21, 23, 34.

* Khangela kukhasi 16, indima 13, esihlokweni esiku-Nqabayokulinda le esithi, "Uzahlala 'Ulindile' Yini?"

16. (a) Sifundeni emzekelisweni wamathalenta?
(b) Sesiwuzwisia njani umzekeliso wamathalenta?
(Khangela ibhokisi elithi "Ukuzwisia Umzekeliso Wamathalenta.")



Asiqhubekeni Sincedisa Abazalwane BakaKhristu

"Loba yini elayenzela loba ngomncinyane kanganani walaba abazalwane bami, lakwenzela mina." —MAT. 25:40.

UJESU wayekade ekhuluma labangane bakhe, uPhetro, u-Andreya, uJakhobe kanye loJohane. Babesanda kuzwa ebalandisela umzekeliso wenceku ethembekileyo lehlakaniphileyo lowezintombi ezilitshumi kanye lowamathalenta. UJesu wathi esephetha ingxoxo yakhe wabatshela omunye futhi umzekeliso. Wakhuluma ngesikhathi la-pho "iNdodana yoMuntu" eyayizakwahlulela ngaso "zonke izizwe." Kumele ukuthi abafundi bakhe babengafuni ukweqiwa layibalala eliodwa ngesikhathi ebalandisela. Emzekelisweni lo, uJesu wakhuluma ngamaqembu amabili, elezimvu kanye lelezimbu. Kanti njalo waphinda wakhuluma ngeqembu lesithathu eliqakathekileyo alibiza ngokuthi 'ngabazalwane' 'beNkosi.' —**Bala uMathewu 25:31-46.**

2 Sekuleminyaka umzekeliso lo uyindaba esegudwini ebantwini bakaJehova ngoba kuwo uJesu wakhuluma ngokuzakwenzakala ebantwini. Waveza ukuthi kungani abanye bezathola impilo engapheliyo lokuthi kungani abanye bezabhujiswa. Ukuthi sizaphila loba sizakufa kuzakuya ngokuthi siyawuzwisisa na umzekeliso kaJesu lokuthi siyakwenza yini ayekutsho. Yikho-ke nanku esingazibuza

1, 2. (a) UJesu wabalandisela yiphi imizekeliso abangane bakhe? (Khange-la umfanekiso osekuqaliseni.) **(b)** Yiyiphi imibuzo esingazibuza yona maye-lana lomzekeliso wezimvu lezimbu?

UNGAPHENDULA NJANI?

UJehova ubelokhu ewucacisa njani umzekeliso wezimvu lezimbu?

Ngobani okumele batshumayeleye?

Kungani khathesi kuyisikhathi sokuncedisa abazalwane bakaKhristu?

khona: UJehova usincedise njani ukuthi siqhubeke siwuzwisa umzekeliso lo? Kungani singathi umzekeliso lo usifundisa ukuthi umsebenzi wokutshumayela uqakathike kakulu? Ngobani okumele batshumayele? Kungani lesi kuyisikhathi sokuthi siqhubeke sinedisa "iNkosi" kanye 'labazalwane bayo'?

SIWUCACISELWE NJANI UMZEKELISO LO?

³ Okungasineda ukuthi siwuzwisis ekuhle umzekeliso wezimvu lezimbuzi yikuthi sikwazi izinto ezintathu eziqakathekileyo ezikuwo: ukuthi *ngobani* okukhulunywa ngabo, abantu bazakwahlulelw *nini*, kanye lokuthi yisiphi *isizathu* esizakwenza ukuthi abanye bathiwe bayizimvu loba izimbuzi.

“Ngo-1881, *iNqabayokulinda* isabizwa ngo-kuthi yi-Zion’s Watch Tower kwachazwa ukuthi emzekelisweni lo, “iNdodana yoMuntu” loba “iNkosi” nguJesu. Ngaleso sikhathi aBafundi beBhayibhili babesithi umutsho ohunyutshwe ngokuthi “abazalwane bami” ku-King James Version utsho abazabusa loKhristu kanye labantu bonke abazaphila emhlabeni bengaselasono. Babecabanga ukuthi ukwahluksawa kwezimvu lezimbuzi kwakuzakwenzakala ngesikhathi sokubusa kukaKhristu kweminyaka eyinkulungwane. Babekholwa lokuthi abazakwahlulelw ukuthi bayizimvu yilabo ababezabe betshengisa ukuthi balothando njengoNkulunkulu kukho konke abakwenzayo.

⁵ Ekuqaliseni kweminyaka yabo-1920, uJehova wancedisa abantu bakhe ukuthi baphinde bawucacise umzekeliso wezimvu lezimbuzi. *iNqabayokulinda* ka-October 15, 1923, yachaza ukuthi “iNdodana yoMuntu” nguJesu. Kodwa yaphinda yachasisa leMibhalo eyaitshengisa ukuthi *ngobani* abazalw-

3. (a) Kuyini okumele sikhathi ukuze siwuzwisis ekuhle umzekeliso wezimvu lezimbuzi?
(b) Ngo-1881, *iNqabayokulinda* yawuchaza njani umzekeliso lo?

5. Ngeminyaka yabo-1920 abantu bakaNkulunkulu basebewuzwisa njani umzekeliso wezimvu lezimbuzi?

ne bakaKhristu. Yathi yilabo kuphela abazabusa laye ezulwini njalo yaphinda yathi izimvu yilabo abalethemba lokuphila emhlabeni bebuswa nguMbuso kaKhristu. Ukwahlukaniswa kwezimvu lezimbuzi khona kwakuza-kwenziwa *nini*? Isihloko leso sachaza ukuthi abazalwane bakaKhristu babezabe sebebusa laye ezulwini ngesikhathi sokubusa kwakhe kweminyaka eyinkulungwane. Yikho-ke babengasoze bancediswe liqembu lasemhlabeni bona sebesezulwini. Lokhu kutshengisa ukuthi ukwahluksawa kwezimvu lezimbuzi kwakuzamele kwenzakale ukubusa kweminyaka eyinkulungwane kungakaqali. Kanti njalo kwaphethwa ngokuthi *isizathu* esasizakwenza ukuthi umuntu athiwe yimvu yikholwa ukuthi uJesu uyiNkosi kanye lokuba lethembu lokuthi uMbuso kaNkulunkulu yiwo kuphela ozakwenza ukuthi izinto zibe ngcono emhlabeni.

⁶ Ngemva kokucaciswa lokhu, abantu bakaJehova basebecabanga ukuthi abantu babesahlulelw kulesikhathi sokucina. Nxa umuntu engafuni ukulalela izindaba ezinhle zo-Mbuso kwakuthi yimbuza, nxa elalela kuthiwe yimvu. Kodwa phakathi kwabo-1990, umzekeliso lo wacaciswa. *KuNqabayokulinda* ka-October 15, 1995, izihloko ezimbili zacacisa ukuhambelana okukhona phakathi kwanmazwi kaJesu abhalwe **kuMathewu 24:29-31 (bala)** lalawo **akuMathewu 25:31, 32. (Bala.)*** Kwaphethwa ngokuthini? Isihloko sokuqala kulezi ezimbili sachaza ukuthi: “Ukwahlulelw kwezimvu kanye lezimbuzi kuzakwenzakala esikhathini esizayo?” Nini? Kwachazwa ukuthi “kuzakwenzakala ngemva kokuqalisa “kokuhlupheka” okukhulunywa ngakho kuMathewu 24:29, 30 ngesikhathi iNdodana yoMuntu ‘isiza ilobukhos.’ . . . Nxa umumo we-

* Ukuze uthole okunengi mayelana lomzekeliso lo, khangela isihloko esithi “How Will You Stand Before the Judgment Seat?” lesithi “What Future for the Sheep and the Goats?” *kuNqabayokulinda* ka-October 15, 1995.

6. Ngabo-1990, umzekeliso wezimvu lezimbuzi waphinda wacaciswa njani?

zinto omubi lo ususemaphethelweni, uJesu uzakwahlulela abantu.”

7 Khathesi sesiwuzwisia ngendlela ecacileyo umzekeliso wezimvu lezimbuzi. Sesikwazi ukuthi *ngobani* okwakukhulunywa ngabo. UJesu nguye “iNdodana yoMuntu” loba iNkosi njalo labo okuthiwa ‘ngabazalwane bami’ ngamadoda labesifazana abagcotshwe ngomoya abazabusa loKhristu ezulwini. (Rom. 8:16, 17) ‘Izimvu lezimbuzi’ ngabantu abavela ezi-zweni zonke. Laba abagcotshwanga ngomoya ongcwele. Abantu bazakwahlulelwa *nini?* Bazakwahlulelwa ukuhlupheka okuhulu sekusiyaphela. Yisiphi *isizathu* esizakwenza ukuthi abantu bahlulelwé ngokuthi bayizimvu loba izimbuzi? UJesu uzakwahlulela abantu kusuya ngokuthi bebewaphatha njani amaKhristu agcotshwe ngomoya ngesikhathi esesemhlabeni. Kuyasithokozisa kakhulu ukuthi uJehova ubelokhu eqhubeka esicacisela umzekeliso lo kanye leminte ebhalwe kuMathewu 24 lo-25 ngoba sekuseduze kakhulu ukuthi kususwe bonke ububi emhlabeni.

UMZEKELISO LO UGCIZELELA UKUTHI UMSEBENZI WOKUTSHUMAYELA UQAKATHEKE KAKHULU

8 Emzekelisweni wezimvu lezimbuzi, akula lapho esibona khona uJesu eqamba umsebenzi wokutshumayela. Manje kungani kuthiwa umzekeliso lo usifundisa ukuthi umsebenzi wokutshumayela uqakathekile?

9 Okokuqala okumele sikunanzelele yikuthi uJesu wayefundisa esebezisa umzekeliso. Kuyazicacela ukuthi lapho ekhuluma ngo-kwahluksa kwezimvu lezimbuzi wayengakhulumi ngezifuyo. Kanti njalo ayisikho ukuthi wayesithi umuntu munye ngamunye kumele aphe abazalwane bakhe ukudla, abanathise, abagqokise, abonge nxa begula lokuthi ayebabona besentolongweni. Kodwa wa-

7. Khathesi sesiwuzwisia njani umzekeliso wezimvu lezimbuzi?

8, 9. Kungani izimvu zichazwa ngokuthi ‘zilungle’?

yesebenzisa umzekeliso lo ukuze atshengise ukuthi bonke abafaniswa lezimvu kumele babaphathe njani abazalwane bakhe. Wathi izimvu ‘zilungle’ ngoba ziyakunanzelela ukuthi uKhristu uleqembu labazalwane bakhe abagcotshwego abalokhu besesemhlabeni njalo ziqhube ka zibancedisa abagcotshwego kulezi zinsuku zokucina ezinzima.—Mat. 10:40-42; 25:40, 46; 2 Tim. 3:1-5.

10 Okwesibili, asikhangeleni ukuthi uJesu wayevele ekhuluma ngani. Wayekhuluma ngesiboniso sokuba khona kwakhe lesokucina komumo wezinto. (Mat. 24:3, NW) Enkulumeni yakhe, uJesu watshengisa ukuthi isiboniso lesi sasizakhanya langomsebenzi oqakathike kakhulu wokutshumayela izindaba ezinhlle zoMbuso ‘kuwo wonke umhlaba.’ (Mat. 24:14) Kanti njalo engakakhulumi ngezimvu lezimbuzi waqala walanda umzekeliso wamatthalenta. Esihlokweni esidlulileyo sibonile ukuthi uJesu walanda umzekeliso wamatthalenta ukuze atshengise “abazalwane” bakhe, okutsho abalandeli bakhe abagcotshwe ngomoya, ukuthi kumele batshiseke emsebenzini wokutshumayela. Kulesisikhathi sokuba khona kukaJesu, abagcotshwego abalutshwana abasasemhlabeni balomsebenzi omkhulu kakhulu wokutshumayela “kuzo zonke izizwe” ukucina kungakafiki. Umzekeliso wezimvu lezimbuzi utshengisa ukuthi kulabanye ababecandedisa abagcotshwego. Yikho-ke indlela eqakathekileyo esingancedisa ngayo abazalwane bakaKhristu yikubambisan labo emsebenzini wokutshumayela. Kodwa yiziphi eziyne izindlela zokubancedisa? Kungaba yiku-bakhuthaza kanye lokunikela ngemali yini, kumbe kulokunye okukhangelenwe ukuthi si-kwenze?

NGOBANI OKUMELE BATSHUMAYELE?

11 Lamuhla phakathi kwabalandeli

10. Izimvu zingabancedisa njani abazalwane baka-Khristu?

11. Yiwuphi umbuzo esingazibuza wona, futhi kungani?



abantu abanjengezimvu babancedisa ngezindlela ezitshiyeneyo abazalwane bakaKhristu
(Khangela indima 17)

bakaJesu abayi-8 miliyoni kulabalutshwana kakhulu abagcotshwe ngomoya. Bonke abangetho egenjini labagcotshiweyo kabawatholanga amathalenta uJesu awanika izinceku zakhe ezigcotshiweyo. (Mat. 25:14-18) Yikhole nanku umbuzo ongaba khona, ‘Abangagcotshwanga kumele bawenze yini umsebenzi wokutshumayela?’ Kumele bawenze sibili. Ake sibone ukuthi kungani kumele batshumayeleye.

12 UJesu walaya bonke abafundi bakhe ukuthi batshumayele. Wathi esevesiwe watshela abalandeli bakhe ukuthi benze abafundi, babafundise ukulalela “konke” ayebalaye ngakho. Ngakho-ke okunye ayebalaye khona kwakuyikuthi benze umsebenzi wokutshumayela. (**Bala uMathewu 28:19, 20.**) Lokhu kutshengisa ukuthi *bonke abafundi* bakaKhristu kumele batshumayele, kungelani lokuthi balethemba lokuyabusa ezulwini kumbe elo-kuphila emhlabeni.—ImiSeb. 10:42.

12. Amazwi kajesu akuMathewu 28:19, 20 asifundisani?

13 Ibhuku leSambulo litshengisa ukuthi umsebenzi wokutshumayela wawuzakwenziwa ngabagcotshiweyo kanye labanye abantu. UJesu wanika umphostoli uJohane umbono ‘womlobokazi,’ enxusa abantu ukuthi ‘bathathe isipho esingabhadalewayo samanzi okuphila.’ Umllobokazi lo liqembu labangu-144 000 abagcotshiweyo abazabusa loKhristu ezulwini. (Isam. 14:1, 3; 22:17) Amanzi la amela lokho okwensiwa nguJehova ukuze akhulule abantu esonweni lasekufeni esebezisa umhlatshele wenhlawulo kaKhristu. (Mat. 20: 28; Joh. 3:16; 1 Joh. 4:9, 10) Nxa sisekutshumayeleni kuqakathethe kakhulu ukuthi sitshele abantu ngenhlawulo njalo abagcotshiweyo bayakhokhela emsebenzini wokuncedisa abantu ukuthi bafunde ngayo ukuze ibancede. (1 Khor. 1:23) Kodwa embonweni wakhe, uJohane wabona abanye futhi abangekho egenjini lomlobokazi. Lalaba *bayatshelwa* ukuthi bathi, “Woza!” Bayakulalela lokhu njalo baqhubeka benxusa abanye ukuthi bathathe ama-

13. Umbono kaJohane usifundisani?

nzi okuphila. Iqembu leli ngelalabo abalethema lokuphila emhlabeni. Siyabona-ke ukuthi umbono lo utshengisa ngendlela ecacileyo ukuthi *bonke* abavumayo nxa betshelwa ukuthi "woza" kumele batshumayeze abanye.

14 Bonke abangaphansi 'komthetho kaKhristu' kumele batshumayeze. (Gal. 6:2) Imithetho kaJehova isebenza ngendlela efananyo emuntwini wonke. Ngokwesibonelo, watsheba abako-Israyeli wathi: "Umthetho lo ugoqela bonke abantu—abanini belizwe labemzini abahlala phakathi kwenu." (Eks. 12:49; Levi. 24:22) AmaKhristu kawakho ngaphansi koMthetho kaMosi. Kodwa sonke, kungelani lokuthi singabagcotshiweyo kumbe singabeziyene izimvu, kumele siwulalele "umthetho kaKhristu." Umthetho lo ugoqela konke okwafundiswa nguJesu. Okuqakatheke kakhulu phakathi kwezinto ezafundiswa nguJesu yikuthi abalandeli bakhe kumele babe lothando. (Joh. 13:35; Jak. 2:8) Uktshumayela izindaba ezhinle zoMbuso ngenye indlela eqakatheke kakhulu esingatshengisa ngayo ukuthi siyamthanda uNkulunkulu, uKhristu kanye lomakhelwana wethu.—Joh. 15:10; ImiSeb. 1:8.

15 Amazwi uJesu awatshela iqembu elinane angasebenza laseqenjini elikhulu. Ngokwesibonelo uJesu wenza isivumelwano soMbuso labafundi bakhe abangu-11 kuphela, kodwa isivumelwano leso sisebenza kubo bonke abangu-144 000. (Luk. 22:29, 30; Isam. 5:10; 7:4-8) Kanti njalo uJesu wathi elaya abalandeli bakhe ukuthi bayetshumayela wakhuluma labalutshwana kuphela ayebonakale kubo nge-mva kokuvuswa kwakhe. (ImiSeb. 10:40-42; 1 Khor. 15:6) Kodwa bonke abafundi bakaJesu behkulu lokuqala ababethembekile bananzelela ukuthi kwakumele bawulalele sibili umlayo lo, lanxa babengekho ngesikhathi uJesu ekhuluma. (ImiSeb. 8:4; 1 Phet. 1:8) Lalamuhla abatshumayeli boMbuso abakhutheleyo

15.1 Kuyini esingakwenza ukuze sitshengise ukuthi siyawulalela "umthetho kaKhristu"?

15.2 Kungani sisithi umlayo kajaJesu uyasebenza kubo bonke abalandeli bakhe?

abangu-8 miliyoni abazange bamuzwe ngezabo uJesu ebatsheba ukuthi batshumayele. Kodwa bonke bayananzelela ukuthi kumele babelokholo kuKhristu njalo batshumayele ukuze ukholo lwabo lukhanye ngezenzo.—Jak. 2:18.

KHATHESI YISIKHATHI SOKUTHI SIQHUBEKE SINCEDISA ABAGCOTSHIWEYO

16 USathane ulokhu elwisana labazalwane bakaKhristu abagcotshwe ngomoya abase-mhlabeni njalo uzabahlasela ngazo zonke izindlela ngoba 'isikhathi sakhe esifitshane' sesidliwe ngumangoye. (Isam. 12:9, 12, 17) Lanxa besehlelwa yizilingo ezinengi, abagcotshiweyo baqhubekela phambili behkohkhela emsebenzini omkhulu kakhulu wokutshumayela. UJesu uzaqhubeka elabo, ebakhokhela kukho konke abakwenzayo.—Mat. 28:20.

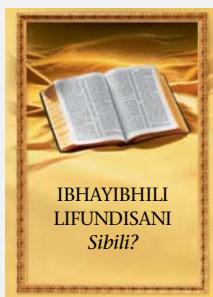
17 Abalethembala lokuthi bazathola isibusiso sokuba yizimvu bayathokoza kakhulu ngokuncedisa abafowabo bakaKhristu emsebenzini wokutshumayela lakwezinye izinto ezitshiyeneyo. Ngokwesibonelo banikela ngezimali, bancedise nxa kusakhiwa amaWolu oMbuso, amaWolu eMihlangano eMikhulu, amawofisi amagatsha njalo baqhubeka belalela labo abakhokhelayo ababekwe 'yinceku ethembekileyo lehlakaniphileyo.'—Mat. 24:45-47; Heb. 13:17.

18 Sekuseduze ukuthi izingilosи zivumelle ukuthi imimoya yokuhlupheka okukhulu etshabalalisayo ivunguze emhlabeni. Lokhu kuzakwenzakala nxa bonke abazalwane bakaKhristu abazabe besesemhlabeni sebebekte uphawu okokucina. (Isam. 7:1-3) Abagcotshiweyo bazakuya ezulwini i-Amagedoni ingakalisi. (Mat. 13:41-43) Sesibonile-ke ukuthi lesi yisikhathi sokuthi abalethembala lokuthi bazathola isibusiso sokuba yizimvu baqhubekhe bencedisa abazalwane bakaKhristu.

16-18. Abalethembala lokuthi bazathola isibusiso sokuba yizimvu bangabancedisa njani abazalwane bakaKhristu, njalo kungani kumele benze njalo khathesi?



UKUFA KUKAJESU KUSINIKA ITHEMBA LOKUTHOLA IMPilo ENJANI?—U-ISAYA 25:8; 33:24



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Kungani kumele sikhumbule ukufa kukaJesu?

Ukufa kukaJesu kwakuyisenzakalo esiqakatheke kulazo zonke emhlabeni ngoba wafa ukuze sithole impilo uNkulunkulu ayehlose ukuthi siyiphile. Lapho edala abantu wayengahlosanga ukuthi babe lesifiso sokwenza okubi, ukuthi bagule kumbe bafe. (UGenesisi 1:31) Isono sangena emhlabeni ngomuntu wakuqala u-Adamu. Yikho-ke ujesu wanikela ngokuphila kwakhe ukuze sikhululwe esonweni lasekufeni.—**Bala uMathewu 20:28 loRoma 6:23.**

UNkulunkulu wasitshengisa ukuthi uyasithanda kakhu lu ngokuthumela iNdodana yakhe emhlabeni ukuthi izosifela. (1 UJohane 4:9, 10) Ujesu watshela abafundi bakhe ukuthi bakhumbule ukufa kwakhe ngokwenza umbuthano ongelazinto ezinenginengi besebenzisa isinkwa lewayini kuphela. Nxa lokhu singakwenza minyaka yonke siyabe sitshengisa ukuthi siyabonga ngalokho esakwenzelwa nguNkulunkulu loJesu. —**Bala uLukha 22:19, 20.**

Ngobani okumele badle isinkwa banathe lewayini?

Ngesikhathi uJesu etshela abafundi bakhe ukuthi bakhumbule ukufa kwakhe, wakhulumu ngesivumelwano. (UMathewu 26: 26-28) Isivumelwano lesi sanika abafundi kanye labanye abalutshwana ithuba lokuthi babe ngamakhosi labaphristi beloJesus ezulwini. Lanxa ukufa kukaJesu kukhunjulwa ngamamiliyonu abantu, abadla isinkwa labanatha iwayini ngabasesivume-lwaneni lesi kuphela.—**Bala iSambulo 5:10.**

Sekuleminyaka ephosa ibe ngu-2 000 uJehova ekhetha abazakuba ngamakhosi. (ULukha 12:32) Balutshwana kakhu lu kualabu abazaphila emhlabeni kuze kuge nini lanini.—**Bala iSambulo 7:9, 17.**

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