

Izikhombo Ze-Ncwajana YoMhlangano Wokuphila Nenkonzo

JULAYI 3-9

INGCEBO ESEZWINI LIKANKULUNKULU | EZRA 4-6

“Ningawuphazimisi Umsebenzi”

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Uyakubona Yini Okwabonwa UZakariya?

¹³ Umsebenzi wokwakha kabusha ithempe-li wawumisiwe. Noma kunjalo, amadoda ayemiswe ukuba ahole—uMpristi Ophakeme uJeshuwa (uJoshua) noMbusi uZerubhabhele—“baqala ngaleso sikhathi ukwakha kabusha indlu kaNkulunkulu.” (Ezra 5:1, 2) Leso singumo sasingase sibonakale singahlakaniphile kwamanye amaJuda. Umsebenzi wokwakha ithempeli babengeke bakwazi ukuwufihla ezitheni ezazingenza noma yini ukuze ziuvimbe. Amadoda amabili aholayo, uJoshua noZerubhabhele, ayedinga isiqinisekiso sokuthi uJehova uyawasekela. Asithola. Kanjani?

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Iso Likajehova “Laliphezu Kwamadoda Amadala”

Ngemva kokubuya kwensali engamaJuda eBabiloni kwaba nesikhathi sokungasebenzi esiyiminyaka eyi-16. Abaprofethi uHagayi noZakariya baphumelela ekushukumiseni amaJuda ekudebeseleni kwavo, futhi umsebenzi wokwakha ithempeli likajehova waphinde waqalwa. Nokho ngokushesha lomsebenzi wabekelwa inselele izikhulu ezingamaPheresiya. Abaphikisi babuza, “Ubani oniyale ukuba nakhe le ndlu nokuba niqedele lesi sakhiwo?”—Ezra 5:1-3.

Impendulo kulombuzo yayiyingozi. Uma abadala bazivumela ukuba besatshiswe, ukubuyiselwa kwethempeli kwakuzokuma ngokuzumayo. Uma abadala baphikisa-

na nalezikhulu, ukuvinjelwa okungazele-lwe komsebenzi kwakuzokwenziwa. Ngakho-ke abadala, (ngokungangabazeki ababeho-lwa nguMbusi uZerubabele nomPristi Om-khulu uJoshua) banikeza impendulo yokuhlakaniphia kodwa ephumelelayo. Bakhu-mbuza izikhulu ngomthetho kaKoresi okwa-se kukudala zawukhohlwa owanikeza ama-Juda imvume engokomthetho yokuqhube ka-nalomsebenzi. Ngokwazi isimiso samaPheresiya sokungawushintshi neze umthetho omisiwe, lezikhulu ngokuhlakaniphia zakhe-tha ukugwema ukuphikisana nomthetho we-nkosi. Kanjalo umsebenzi wavunyelwa ukuba uqhubeka kwaze kwaba yilapho iNkosi uDariyu kamuva inikeza imvume yayo engo-komthetho yokuqhube ka!—Ezra 5:11-17; 6:6-12.

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Uyakubona Yini Okwabonwa UZakariya?

⁷ Kunoshintsho olwabanikeza izinga elithile lenkululeko abakhi bethempeli. Yiluphi loloshintsho? Ngo-520 B.C.E., kwase kubusa inkosi entsha ePheresiya, uDariyu I.Onyakeni wesibili wokubusa kwakhe, wathola ukuthi kwakungekho emthethweni ukumiswa komsebenzi wokwakha ithempeli. UDariyu wabe esegunyaza ukuba umsebenzi uqe-delwe. (Ezra 6:1-3) Zabamangaza lezo zindaba—kodwa kwakusekuncane lokho. Inkosi yayala izizwe ezizungezile ukuba ziyeke ukuphazamisa umsebenzi wokwakha kabusha futhi zikhipe imali nezinto zokuwuse-kela! (Ezra 6:7-12) Ngenxa yalokho, ama-Juda aqeda ukwakha ithempeli ngemva nje kancane kweminyaka emine, ngo-515 B.C.E.—Ezra 6:15.

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Uyakubona Yini Okwabonwa UZakariya?

¹⁶ Enye indlela uJehova anikeza ngayo

isiqondiso ukusebenzisa “inceku ethembeki-le neqondayo.” (Mat. 24:45) Ngezinye izi-khathi, le nceku ingase inikeze isiqaondiso esingase singasiqondi kahle. Ngokwesibono-lo, singase sithole iziqondiso ezisensa si-lungele ukusinda enhlekeleleni yemvelo esicabanga ukuthi ingase ingenzeki la sihlala khona. Noma singase sicabange ukuthi le nceku iqapha ngokweqile phakathi nobhu-bhane. Yini okufanele siyenze uma sicaba-nega ukuthi iziqondiso esizinikeziwe azihlakaniphile? Singacabanga ngendlela ama-Isra-yeli azuza ngayo ngokulalela iseluleko asin-kezwa uJoshua noZerubhabhele. Singaca-banga nangezinye izindaba esizifunde eBha-yibhelini. Ngezinye izikhathi, abantu baka-Nkulunkulu babethola iziqondiso ezazibona-kala zingahlakaniphile ngokombono womu-ntu kodwa kamuva zasindisa ukuphila.—Hlu. 7:7; 8:10.

Amagugu Angokomoya

w93 6/15 32 ¶3-5

Ingabe Ungalethemba IBhayibheli?

Loluhamvu Iwemali Iwenziwa eTarsu, ido-lobha elisengxenyeni engaseningizimu-mpu-malanga yalokho namuhla okuthiwa iTurkey. Loluhamvu Iwenziwa ngesikhathi sokubusa kombusi wasePheresiya uMazaeus ngekhulu lesine B.C.E. Lumbonakalisa njengombu-si wesifunda ‘esingaphesheya koMfula,’ oku-ngukuthi, uMfula i-Ewufrathe.

Kodwa kungani leyonkulumo ithakazelisa? Kungenxa yokuthi uyothola isiqu esifanayo eBhayibhelini lakho. Incwadi ka-Ezra 5:6-6:13 iveza ukuvumelana phakathi kwenkosi yasePheresiya uDariyu nombusi okuthi-wa uThathenayi. Impikiswano eyayihileleki-le eyokwakha kabusha kwamaJuda ithempe-li lawo ejerusalema. U-Ezra wayengumkopi-shi onekhono woMthetho kaNkulunkulu, fu-

thi ungalindela ukuba ashaye emhlo- leni, abe ngonembile kulokho akubhala. Uyobona ku-Ezra 5:6 no-6:13 ukuthi wabiza uThathenayi ngokuthi “umbusi waphesheya koMfula.”

U-Ezra wakubhala lokho cishe ngo-460 B.C.E., eminyakeni engaba yikhulu ngaphambi kokwenziwa kwaloluhlamvu lwemali. Nokho, abanye abantu bangase babe nomu-zwa wokuthi isiqu somuntu wasendulo oyisi-khulu siyinto encane. Kodwa uma unga-thembela kubalobi beBhayibheli ngisho nase-ntweni ezincane kanjalo, ingabe lokho aku-fanele kwandise ukuthembela kwakho koku-nye abakubhala?

JULAYI 10-16

INGCEBO ESEZWINI LIKANKULUNKULU | EZRA 7-8

“Indlela U-Ezra Aziphatha Ngayo Yamdumisa UJehova”

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Ukutadisha—Kuyavuza Futhi Kuyajabulisa

8 Yebo, uthando Iwethu ngeZwi likaJehova kufanele lusuke enhliziweni, isizinda semi-zwelo. Kufanele sikujabulele ukugxila ezi-ndimeni ezithile esisanda kuzifunda. Kufanele sicabange ngemiqondo ejulile engoko-moya, sigxile kuyo futhi sizindle ngayo. Lokhu kudinga ukucabangisia buthule nom-thandazo. Njengo-Ezra, kudingeka silungise-lele izinhliyiyo zethu ukufunda nokutadisha iZwi likaNkulunkulu. Kubhalwé lokhu ngaye: “U-Ezra wayelungise inhliyiyo yakhe ukuba ahlole uMthetho kaJehova nokuba awenze nokuba afundise kwa-Israyeli.” (Ezra 7:10) Phawula injongo ekathathu yokulungiselela kuka-Ezra inhliyiyo yakhe: ukuze atadishe, akusebenzise kuye akufundile, futhi afundi-se. Kufanele silandele isibonelo sakhe.

si 75-76 ¶5

Incwadi YeBhayibheli Ye-13—1 Izikronike

5 Akekho owayekufanelekela kangcono kunoEzra ukuhlanganisa lomlando oyiqiniso nonembile. “U-Ezra wayelungise inhlizayo yakhe ukuba ahlole uMthetho kaJehova nokuba awenze nokuba afundise kwa-Israyeli.” (Ezra 7:10) UJehova wamsiza ngomya ongcwele. Umbusi wezwe wasePheresiya wakuqaphela ukuhlakanipha kukaNkulunkulu okwakukuEzra wayesemnika isikhundla esiphakeme esifundeni sakwaJuda. (Ezra 7:12-26) Esehlome kanjalo ngegunya laphezulu nelombuso, uEzra wayengahlanganisa ukulandisa kwakhe ekuthatha ezincwadini ezingcono kakhulu ezazitholakala.

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Ukuthobeka

Kuyasiza Ekuqondiseni. Umuntu ozithobayo kuNkulunkulu angalindela ukuqondiswa ngu-ye. U-Ezra wayenomthwalo omkhulu wokuhola abantu abangu-1 500 besuka eBhabhiloni beya eJerusalema, okuhlanganisa abaprости, аманетини, абесифазане незингане. Ngaphezu kwalokho, babephethi igolide ne-siliva eliningi lokuhlobisa ithempeli eJerusalem. Babedinga ukuvikelwa endleleni ko-dwa u-Ezra wayengafuni ukucela enkosini yasePheresiya amasosha ayezobaphelezela, ngaleylo ndlela engafuni ukuba kubonakale sengathi uthembele emandleni abantu. Njen-goba nje ayeshilo enkosini: “Isandla esihle sikaNkulunkulu wethu siphezu kwabo bo-nke abamfunayo.” Ngakho, watshela abantu ukuba bazile ukudla ukuze bezozithoba phambi kukaJehova. Bacela kunkulunkulu futhi wabalalela, wabavikela ezitheni ezazingaba-hlasela endleleni, ngakho bahamba ngokuphepha kulolu hambo oluyingozi. (Ezra 8:1-14, 21-32) Umprofethi uDaniyeli, esekudingi-

sweni eBhabhiloni, uNkulunkulu wambonisa umusa omkhulu ngokuthumela ingelosi ile-the umbono ngenxa yokuthi uDaniyeli wazithoba kuye lapho efuna ukuqonda nesiqondiso sakhe.—Dan 10:12.

Amagugu Angokomoya

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Amaphuzu Avelele Encwadi Ka-Ezra

7:28-8:20—Kungani amaJuda amanangi aseBhabhiloni ayemadolonzima ukukhuphukela eJerusalema no-Ezra? Ngisho noma kwase kudlule iminyaka engaphezu kwengu-60 kusukela iqembu lokuqala lamaJuda labuyela ezweni lawo, eJerusalema kwakusahlala abantu abayingcosana. Uku-buyela eJerusalema kwakusho ukuqala ukuphila okusha ezimweni ezinzima neziyingozi. IJerusalema langaleso sikhathi lalingenazo izinto ezibonakalayo ezikhangayo kuma-Juda okungenzeka ayechuma eBhabhiloni. Okungafanele kunganakwa ukuthi uhambo lwaluyingozi. Ababuyela emuva kwakudingeka babe nokholo oluqinile kuJehova, intshiseko ngokukhulekela kweqiniso kanye nesibindi. Ngisho no-Ezra waziqinisa ngokwesandla sikaJehova esasiphezu kwakhe. Ngenxa yesikhuthazo sika-Ezra, kwasabela imikhaya engu-1 500—mhlawumbe abantu abanga-ba ngu-6 000. Ngemva kokuba u-Ezra enze eminye imizamo, kwasabela amalevi angu-38 namaNethini angu-220.

JULAYI 17-23

INGCEBO ESEZWINI LIKANKULUNKULU | EZRA 9-10

“Imiphumela Ebuhlungu Yokungalaleli”

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Amaphuzu Avelele Encwadi Ka-Ezra

9:1, 2—Kwakuwusongo olungathí sina kanganani ukuganiselana nabantu bezizwe? Isizwe esibuyiselwe kwakumelwe sitololoze ukukhulekelwa kukaJehova kuze kufike uMesiya. Ukuganiselana nezinye izizwe kwakuwusongo ngempela ekukhulekele-ni kweqiniso. Ngenxa yokuthi abanye babe-shade nabantu abakhulekela izithombe, ekugcineni sonke isizwe sasingase sixubane nezizwe ezingamaqaba. Ukukhulekela okuhlanzekile kwakungase kuphele ebusweni bomhlaba. Ngakho, uMesiya wayezofikela kobani? Akumangalisi ukuthi kwamshaqisa u-Ezra ukubona okwakwenzeka lapho!

w09 10/1 10 ¶6

Yini UJehova Ayicela Kithi?

Ukumlalela ngokuzithandela kuyosilethela izibusiso. UMose uyabhalo: “Ugcine imiyalo kaJehova nemithetho yakhe engikuya-la ngayo namuhla, ukuze kukuhambele kahle.” (Ivesi 13) Yebo, yonke imiyalo kaJehova—konke asicela khona—kuzuzisa thina, futhi kuba njalo ngaso sonke isikhathi. IBhayibheli lithi: “UNkulunkulu uluthando.” (1 Jophane 4:8) Yingakho esinikeze imiyalo eyosisuzisa phakade. (Isaya 48:17) Ukwenza konke lokho uJehova asicela ukuba sikwenze kuyosiphephisa ekukhungathekeni okuningi manje futhi kuyosilethela izibusiso ezingapheli lapho sekubusa uMbuso wakhe.

Amagugu Angokomoya

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Amaphuzu Avelele Encwadi Ka-Ezra

10:3, 44—Kungani abantwana balahlwa kanye nabafazi? Ukube abantwana basala, ayengaba maningi amathuba okuba lababafazi ababexoshiwe babuye ngenxa yabo. Ngaphezu kwalokho, ngokuvamile abantwana badinga ukunakekelwa onina.

JULAYI 24-30

INGCEBO ESEZWINI LIKANKULUNKULU | NEHEMIYA 1-2

“Ngaso Leso Sikhathi Ngathandaza”

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Gcina UJehova Ephambi Kwakho Njalo

⁵ Ngezinye izikhathi, kungase kudingke sit-handazele usizo lukaNkulunkulu ngokushesha. Ngesinye isikhathi, inkosi yase-Pheresiya u-Aritahishashita yaphawula ukuthi umphathindebe wayo, uNehemiya, wayehwaqabele. Inkosi yambuza: “‘Yini ofuna yenziwe?’ Ngaso leso sikhathi [uNehemiya wathandaza] kuNkulunkulu wama-zulu.” Kwadingeka enze umthandazo omfushane futhi kusobala ukuthi wathanda-za ngenhliziyo. Noma kunjalo, uNkulunkulu wawuphendula ngoba inkosi yamnike-za usizo ukuze ayokwakha kabusha izindo-na zaseJerusalema. (*Funda uNehemiya 2:1-8.*) Yebo, ngisho nomthandazo omfushane, oshiwo ngenhliziyo ungasebenza.

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Ukukhuluma Ngamazwi Akho

Lapho ucelwa ukuba uchaze ngezinkolelo zakho ungalungiselelanga kusengaphambili, yini engakusiza ukuba izimpendulo zakho zi-zwakale? Lingisa uNehemiya owathandaza buthule ngaphambi kokuphendula umbuzo weNkosi u-Aritahishashita. (Neh. 2:4) Ngokushesha yibe sewakha uhlaka engqondweni. Izinyathelo eziyisisekelo zingase zihle-lwe ngale ndlela: (1) Khetha iphuzu elilodwa noma amabili okumelwe avele encazelweni (ungase usebenzise amaphuzu atholakala kwethi Ukubonisana NgemiBhalo). (2) Nqu-ma ukuthi imiphi imibhalo oyoyisebenzisa ukuze usekele lawo maphuzu. (3) Hlela ukuthi uyoyiqala kanjani incazelo yakho ngobu-

nyoninco ukuze obuzile azimisele ukulalela.
Yibe usukhuluma-ke.

Amagugu Angokomoya

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Ukukhulekela Kweqiniso Kuyanqoba

Cha, ngoba incithakalo eyayiseJerusalema kwase kunesikhathi eside uNehemiya eyithandazel “ubusuku nemini.” (1:4, 6) Lapho enikezwa ithuba lokutshela iNkosi uAritahishashita ngesifiso sakhe sokwakha kabusha izindonga zeJerusalema, uNehemiya waphinde wathandaza, ngaleyondlela enza loko kakade ayekwenza ngokuphindaphindewe. Impendulo kaJehova yomusa yaphumela ekuthunyweni ukuyokwakha kabusha izindonga zomuzi.

Isifundo esisitholayo: UNehemiya wayebheka kuJehova ngokuvumelana nokuqondisa kukaJehova.—Roma 12:12.

JULAYI 31—AGASTI 6

INGCEBO ESEZWINI LIKANKULUNKULU | NEHEMIYA 3-4

“Ingabe Umsebenzi Okhandlayo Uwubona Ungakufanele?”

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Amaphuzu Avelele Encwadi KaNehemiya

3:5, 27. Akufanele sicabange ukuthi imisebenzi yezandla ethuthukisa ukukhulekela kweqiniso ayisifanele njengoba kwenza “abakhulu” baseThekhowa. Kunalokho, singabalingisa abantu baseThekhowa abavamile abazidela ngokuzithandela emsebenzini.

w19.10 23 ¶11

Yini UJehova Azobangela Ukuba Ube Yiyo?

¹¹ Eminyakeni eminingi kamuva, amadodakazi kaShalumi ayephakathi kwalabo uJehova abasebenzisela ukulungisa izindonga zase-Jerusalema. (Neh. 2:20; 3:12) Nakuba uyise ayeyisikhulu, amadodakazi kaShalumi ayezimisele ukwenza lowo msebenzi onzima noyingozi. (Neh. 4:15-18) Ayehluke ngokuphellele kwabakhulu baseThekhowa, ‘awazange azithobe ukuze asebenze’! (Neh. 3:5) Cabanga ngenjabulo amadodakazi kaShalumi aba nayo lapho umsebenzi usuqedie nge-mva nje kwezinsuku ezingu-52! (Neh. 6:15) Namuhla, odade abakhuthele bayakujabulela ukwenza inkonzo engcwele ekhethekile—ukwakhiwa nokulungiswa kwezakhiwo ezinikezelwe kuJehova. Amakhono abo, umoya wabo ovumayo nobuqotho babo buwusizo ekufezeni lo msebenz.

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Ukuhlakulela Umbono OnjengokaKristu Ngobukhulu

¹⁶ Wonke amaKristu, amancane namadala, kufanele afune ukuhlakulela umbono onjengokaKristu ngobukhulu. Miningi imisebenzi okumelwe yenziwe ebandleni. Ungalokothi ucasuke uma ucelwa ukuba wenze izinto ezingase zibonakale ziphansi. (1 Samuweli 25: 41; 2 AmaKhosi 3:11) Bazali, niyazikhuthaza na izingane zenu ezincane nesezhulile ukuba zisenze ngentokozo noma isiphi isabelo ezinikwa sona, kungaba seHholo LoMbuso, enkundleni yomhlangano omncane noma omkhulu? Ziyanibona yini nina nenza imisebenzi ephansi? Omunye umzalwane, manje okhonza endlunkulu yomhlaba wonke yoFakazi Bakajehova, usikhumbula kahle isibanelo sabazali bakhe. Wathi: “Indlela ababenzenza ngayo umsebenzi wokuhlanza iHollo LoMbuso noma inkundla yomhlangano

omkhulu yangitshela ukuthi babewubheka njengobalulekile. Babevame ukuvolontiyela ukwenza imisebenzi eyayizozuzisa ibandla noma abazalwane, kungakhathaliseki ukuthi yayingase ibonakale ideleleke kangakanani. Leso simo sengqondo singisizile ekwamuke-leni noma isiphi isabelo somsebenzi ngenhli-ziyo emhlopho lapha eBethel.”

Amagugu Angokomoya

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Amaphuzu Avelele Encwadi KaNehemya

4:17, 18—Umsebenzi wokwakha kabusha udonga wawungenziwa kanjani ngesandla esisodwa? Lokhu kwakungeke kube inkinga kubathwali bemithwalo. Lapho nje imithwalo isisemakhanda noma emahlombe abo, ba-bengakwazi ukuyisekela kalula ngesinye isandla bebe ‘bephethe isikhali ngesinye.’ Abakhi ababezidinga zombili izandla ukuze benze umsebenzi wabo “ngamunye wayebhini-
ce inkomba yakhe okhalweni kuyilapho akha.” Babekulungele ukulwa uma kwenzeka isitha sihlasela.

Inkulumo

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Bona Okuhle Ngomsebenzi Wakho Onzima

¹ Umuntu wadalwa ngendlela yokuba ‘athole injabulo ngenxa yomsebenzi wakhe onzima.’ (Shu. 2:24) Nokho, lapho singayiboni imiphumela emihle enkonzwensi yethu, ukudangala kungasiphuca injabulo futhi kunciphise intshiseko yethu. Yini engasisiza sihlale sinombono ofanele?

² Ungalindeli Okukhulu: Khumbula ukuthi nakuba bembalwa abasabela kuJesu, aku-ngapabazeki ukuthi inkonzo yakhe yaba impumelelo. (Joh. 17:4) Emfanekisweni wakhe womhlwanyeli, uJesu wabikezela ukuthi izi-nhliziyo eziningi zaziyogcina zingasamuke-

langa isigijimi soMbuso esinjengembewu. (Mat. 13:3-8, 18-22) Noma kunjalo, imizamo yethu yokuzikhandla isafeza lukhulu.

³ Indlela Esithela Ngayo Izithelo Eziningi: Ngokomfanekiso kaJesu, labo abamukela isigijimi ‘babeyothela.’ (Mat. 13:23) Ngemva kokuba isiqu sikakolo sihlumile futhi sa-khula, asitheli iziqu zikakolo ezincane, kodwa sithela imbewu entsha. Ngakho izithelo ezithelwa amaKristu aphumelelayo azibona ngempela abafundi abasha, kodwa ziyimbe-wu yoMbuso ephindwe kaningi—ukukhulumka-wethu ngoMbuso. Lokhu kuphumela ‘ebuhleni’ obukhulu obusilethela ukwaneliseka, kungakhathaliseki ukuthi abantu bayasabe-la yini noma cha. Siba nesandla ekungcweli-swemi kwegama likaJehova. (Isaya 43:10-12; Mat. 6:9) Siba nelungelo lokuba izisebenzi ezikanye noNkulunkulu. (1 Ko. 3:9) “Ama-zwi aphuma emilonyeni yethu” ayamjabulisa uJehova.—Heb. 13:15, 16.

⁴ Ngaphezu kwalokho, kungenzeka singayiboni imiphumela yokuzikhandla kwethu. Kun-genzenka ukuthi abanye abezwa uJesu eshumayela abazange babe abafundi bakhe kwaze kwaba ngemva kokuba eqede inkonzo yakhe yasemhlabeni. Ngokufanayo, imbewu yoMbuso esiyihlwanyela enhliziyweni yomantu ingase ihlume futhi ikhule ngesinye isikhathi, futhi kungenzeka lowo muntu agcine elamukele iquiniso singazi. Ngempela, inkonzo yethu ifeza ubuhle obukhulu kakhulu. Ngakho-ke, kwangathi ‘singaqhubeka sithe-la izithelo eziningi’ futhi sizibonakalise si-nqabafundi bakajesu.—Joh. 15:8.

AGASTI 7-13

INGCEBO ESEZWINI LIKANKULUNKULU | NEHEMIYA 5-7

“UNehemya Wayefuna Ukukhonza, Hhayi Ukukhonza”

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Abasekeli Bokukhulekela Kweqiniso—Endu- lo Nanamuha

UNehemiya wanikela ngokungaphezu kwe-
sikhathi namakhono akhe okuhlela. Wase-
benzisa nezimpahla zakhe ukuze asekele
ukukhulekela kweqiniso. Wasebenzisa imali
yakhe ukuze athenge abafowabobo abanga-
maJuda ebuggilini. Wayebolekisa ngemali
engafuni nzalo. Akazange ‘awathwese’ ama-
Juda ngokufuna iholo njengombusi, into
ayenelungelo lokuyithola. Kunalokho, ikhaya
lakhe lalihlala livuliwe ukuze kudle “abantu
abangu-150, . . . kanye nalabo ababeza ki-
thi bevela ezizweni.” Usuku ngalunye izava-
kashi zakhe wayezihlabela “inkunzi eyodwa,
izimvu eziyisithupha zekhethelo nezinyoni.”
Ngaphezu kwalokho, kanye ngemva kwezi-
nsuku eziyishumi wayezihlinzeka ‘ngewayini
eliningi lazo zonke izinhlobo.’—Nehemiya 5:
8, 10, 14-18.

w16.09 6 ¶16

“Kwangathi Izandla Zakho Zingeyethe”

¹⁶ Ngosizo lukaJehova, uNehemiya nalabo
ayenabo baqinisa izandla zabo ukuze ba-
sebenze. Yingakho bakwazi ukuqedza izindo-
nga zaseJerusalema ngezinsuku ezingu-52
nje kuphela! (Neh. 2:18; 6:15, 16) UNehemi-
ya akagcinanga nje ngokukhipha iziqondi-
so. Kodwa naye wahlanganyela ngokoqo-
bo ekwakhiweni kabusha kwezindonga zase-
Jerusalema. (Neh. 5:16) Ngokufanayo, aba-
dala abanangi abanothando baye balingisa
uNehemiya ngokusiza ekwakhiweni kweza-
khiwo ezingokwasezulwini noma ngokuhla-
nza nangokunakekela iHholo labo loMbuso.
Ngokusebenza nabamemezel enkonzweni
yasensimini nangokwenza ukuhambela ko-
kwalusa, baqinisa izandla eziyethile zalabo
abakhathazekile.—Funda u-Isaya 35:3, 4.

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UJehova Uzokukhumbula Kanjani?

Ngokungaguquguuki, iBhayibheli liboni-
sa ukuthi kuNkulunkulu, ‘ukunaka’ kusho
ukuthatha isinyathelo esiqinisekile. Ngo-
kwesibonelo, ngemva kokuba sekuyizinsu-
ku ezingu-150 umhlaba uphuphuma amanzi,
“uNkulunkulu wamnaka uNowa, . . . uNkulu-
nkulu wenza ukuba kuvunguze umoya em-
hlabeni, amanzi aqala ukubohla.” (Genesi-
se 8:1) Ngemva kwamakhulu athile eminya-
ka, uSamsoni, owayenziwe waba yimpumpu-
the futhi waboshwa amaFilisti, wathanda-
za: “Jehova, ngicela ungikhumbule, ungiqi-
nise, ngiyacela, kulokhu nje kuphela.” UJe-
hova wamkhumbula uSamsoni ngokumnika
amandla angaphezu kwavamile ukuze akwa-
zi ukuziphindiselela ezitheni zikaNkulunku-
lu. (AbaHluleli 16:28-30) UJehova wawubu-
sisa umzamo kaNehemiya, futhi ukukhuleke-
la kweqiniso kwabuyiselwa eJerusalem.

Amagugu Angokomoya

w07 7/1 30 ¶15

“Qhubeka Unqoba Okubi Ngokuhle”

¹⁵ Okwesithathu, izitha zikaNehemiya zase-
benzisa umkhapheli, uShemaya ongumlrsra-
yeli, ukuba azame ukwenza uNehemiya uku-
ba aphule uMthetho kaNkulunkulu. UShe-
maya wathi kuNehemiya: “Masibeke isikha-
thi esizohlangana ngaso endlini kaNkulu-
nkulu weqiniso, ngaphakathi ethempelini,
sivale iminyango yethempeli, ngoba baye-
za bazokubulala.” UShemaya wathi uNehe-
miya wayesezobulawa kodwa wayengasindi-
sa ukuphila kwakhe ngokucasha ethempelini.
Nokho, uNehemiya wayengeyena um-
pristi. Wayeyobe wenza isono ngokuca-
sha endlini kaNkulunkulu. Ingabe wayeyo-
wuphula uMthetho kaNkulunkulu ukuze aza-
me ukusindisa ukuphila kwakhe? UNehemiya

waphendula: "Umuntu onjengami anganga-na yini ethempelini futhi aqhubeke ephila? Ngeke ngingene!" Yini eyenza uNehemiya angaweli esicuphweni ayesibekelwe? Ukwazi ukuthi nakuba uShemaya ayengumlsra-yeli njengaye, "wayengathunywanga uNkulunkulu." Phela umprofethi weqiniso akaso-ze ameluleka ngokuthi aphule uMthetho ka-Nkulunkulu. Nakulokhu, uNehemiya akaza-nge azivumele ukuba anqotshwe abaphikisi ababi. Ngokushesha ngemva kwalokho wa-kwazi ukwenza lo mbiko: "Ekugcineni udo-nга Iwaphela ngomhla ka-25 ku-Eluli, nge-mva kwezinsuku ezingu-52."—Nehemiya 6: 10-15; Numeri 1:51; 18:7.

Inkulumo

w13 5/15 7 ¶17-19

Abavangeli Abaphumelelayo Bayasizana

¹⁷ UJesu wabathuma ngababili abafundi ba-khe ukuba bayoshumayela. (Marku 6:7; Luka 10:1) Kamuva, umphostoli uPawulu wakhu-luma 'ngezisebenzi ayekanye nazo,' ezaziye 'zazabalaza kanye naye ezindabeni ezinhle.' (Fil. 4:3) Ngokuvumelana naleso sandule-la esingokomBhalo, ngo-1953, abamemezel-boMbuso baqala isimiso sokuqequesha aba-nye enkonzweni.

¹⁸ Lapho uhamba nothile enkonzweni yobu-Kristu, ningakwazi kanjani ukusebenza ngo-kubambisana? (**Funda eyoku-1 Korinte 3: 6-9.**) Yivule nawe imiBhalo ayifundayo. Mbheke umata wakho nomninikhaya lapho behkuluma. Yilalelisise ingxoxo ukuze usi-ze uma kwenzeka kuba nempikiswano. (Shu. 4:12) Kodwa nakhu esifuna ukukuqaphe-la: Melana nesifiso sokumngena emlonyeni umuntu ohamba naye lapho esayichaza ka-hle indaba. Ukungazibambi kwakho kunga-se kumqede amandla umata wakho noma kukhungathekise umninikhaya. Ngezinye izi-

khathi kungase kufaneleke ukuba uhlanga-nyele engxoxweni. Kodwa uma ukhetha uku-sho okuthile, qinisekisa ukuthi uphawu-la kafushane kube kanye noma kabilu. Yibe usuvumela umata wakho aqhubeke ehola ingxoxo.

¹⁹ Wena nalowo ohamba naye ensimini ni-ngasizana kanjani lapho nisaya kwenye indlu? Kungaba njani nisebenzise leso si-khathi nioxo ngendlela eningathuthukisa ngayo izintshumayelo zenu? Qikelelani uku-ba ningakhulumi izinto ezidumazayo ngaba-nantu abahlala ensimini yenu. Gwemani nogibe lokukhuluma ngemikhuba eningayi-thandi kubavangeli esikanye nabo. (IzA-ga 18:24) Siyokwenza kahle nangokukhu-mbulu ukuthi siyizitsha zobumba. UJehova usibonise umusa omkhulu kakhulu ngokusiphathisa ingcebo yenkonzo yezindaba ezi-nhle. (**Funda eyesi-2 Korinte 4:1, 7.**) Ngakho, kwangathi sonke singabonisa ukuyazi-sa leyo ngcebo ngokwenza konke okusemandlensi ethu ukuba sifeze indima yethu nje-nagabavangeli.

AGASTI 14-20

INGCEBO ESEZWINI LIKANKULUNKULU | NEHEMIYA 8-9

"Injabulo KaJehova lyisiphephelo Senu"

w13 10/15 21 ¶2

Izifundo Esizithola Emthandazweni Olungi-selelwwe Kahle

² AmaJuda ayeqede ukwakha kabusha izi-ndonga zaseJerusalema esikhathini esiyi-nyanga ngaphambi kwalo mhlangano oshi-wo ngenhla. (Neh. 6:15) Abantu bakaNku-lunkulu babenze lowo msebenzi ngezinsu-ku ezingaba ngu-52 kuphela, babe sebe-na ka ngokukhethekile izidingo zabo ezingo-komoya. Ngakho, ngosuku lokuqala lwenya-

nga entsha kaThishri, babuthana ndawonye esigcawini ukuze balalele lapho u-Ezra namanye amaLevi befunda uMthetho kaNkulunkulu ngokuzwakalayo futhi bewuchaza. (Isithombe 1) Wonke amalungu emikha ya, okuhlanganisa “bonke ababekwazi ukunqonda,” ama alalela “kusukela ekuntwele ni kokusa kwaze kwaba semini bebade.” Yeka ukuthi basibekela isibonelo esihle kanjani thina sonke namuhla esiba khona emihlanganweni yebandla emaHholo OMbu so athokomele! Noma kunjalo, ingabe ngalezo zikhathi uye uthole ukuthi ingqondo yakho iyazula futhi ugale ukucabanga ngezinto ezingathi shu? Uma kunjalo, phi nde ucabange ngesibonelo salawo ma-Israyeli asendulo angagcinanga nje ngokulalela, kodwa afaka ezinhliziyweni zaho lokho ayekuzwa kangangokuthi aqala ukukhala lapho eqaphela ukuthi ayehlulekile njengesizwe ukulalela uMthetho kaNkulunkulu.—Neh. 8:1-9.

w07 7/15 22 ¶9-10

Ingabe ‘Uyoqhubeka Uhamba Ngomoya’?

⁹ Injabulo iyisimo sentokozo enkulu. UJehova ‘unguNkulunkulu ojabulayo.’ (1 Thimothewu 1:11; IHubo 104:31) INdodana iyakujabulela ukwenza intando kaYise. (IHubo 40:8; Hebheru 10:7-9) Futhi “injabulo kaJehova iyisiphephelo [sethu].”—Nehemiya 8:10.

¹⁰ Injabulo evela kuNkulunkulu isenza sane-liseke ngokujulile lapho senza intando yake ngisho nalapho sisebunzimeni, sisosizini, noma sishushiswa. Yeka injabulo esi-yithola ngokuba ‘nolwazi ngoNkulunkulu’! (IzAga 2:1-5) Ubuhlolo obujabulisayo esinabo noNkulunkulu busekelwe olwazini olunembile, nasokholweni esinalo kuye nasem-hlatshelweni kaJesu wesihlengo. (1 Johane 2:1, 2) Okunye okusinika injabulo ukuba yingxenye yobuzalwane beqiniso obunguku-

phela kwabo obuhlanganisa izizwe ezihluka-hlkene. (Zefaniya 3:9; Hagayi 2:7) Ithemba lethu loMbuso nelungelo elikhulu lokumeme-zela izindaba ezinhle kusenza sijabule. (Matthew 6:9, 10; 24:14) Kunjalo nanethemba lokuphila phakade. (Johane 17:3) Njengoba sinethemba elihle kangaka, kufanele ‘sijabule nje kuphela.’—Duteronomi 16:15.

Amagugu Angokomoya

it-1-E 145 ¶2

Isi-Aramu

Ngemva kweminyaka eminingi amaJuda ebuyile ekudingisweni eBhabhiloni, umpristi u-Ezra wawafundela uMthetho ama-Juda ayehlangene eJerusalem futhi ama-Levi awuchazela abantu, uNehemiya 8:8 uthi: “Baqhubeka beyifunda ngokuzwakalayo incwadi, uMthetho kaNkulunkulu weqiniso, bewuchaza kahle futhi bewucacisa; ngaleyo ndlela babasiza abantu ukuba bakuonde lokho okwakufundwa.” Lokhu kuchazwa koMthetho noma ukuhunyushwa kwavo kungase kuhlanganise ukudlulisela emazwi esi-Hebheru ngesi-Aramu, okungenze ka ukuthi amaHebheru asifunda ngenkathi eseBhabhiloni. Akungabazeki ukuthi uMthetho wachazwa ngendlela ecacile, ngisho noma amajuda ayesiqonda isiHebheru akwazi ukugonda ukuthi kwakusho ukuthini lokho okwakufundwa.

AGASTI 21-27

INGCEBO ESEZWINI LIKANKULUNKULU | NEHEMIYA 10-11

“Bazidela Ngenxa KaJehova”

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IJerusalem Elivumelana Negama Lalo

¹³ “Isivumelwano esiqinisileyo” esenziwa osukwini lukaNehemiya salungiselela abantu

bakaNkulunkulu basendulo usuku lokunikezelwa kogange IwaseJerusalema. Ko-dwa kwakusenolunye udaba oluphuthumayo olwaludinga ukunakekelwa. Njengoba manje lase libiyelwe ngogangekazi olunama-sango angu-12, iJerusalema lalidinka izakhamuzi ezengeziwe. Nakuba kwakunama-Israyeli athile ayehlala kuwo, "idolobha lali-banzi futhi lilikhulu, kunabantu abambalwa kulo." (Nehemiya 7:4) Ukuze kuxazululwe le nkinga, abantu "benza inkatho ukuze bakhetha umndeni owodwa kweyishumi ukuba uhlale eJerusalema idolobha elingcwe-le." Ukusabela ngokuzimisela kuleli lungise-lelo kwashukumisela abantu ukuba babusise "wonke amadoda azinikela ngokuzithandela ukuba ahlale eJerusalema." (Nehemiya 11: 1, 2) Yeka isibonelo esihle kubakhulekeli be-qiniso namuhla abazimo zabo ziyabavumela ukuba bathuthele lapho kunesidingo esikhudlwana khona sosizo IwamaKristu avuthiwe!

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Ukukhulekela Kweqiniso Kuyanqoba

Ukushiya ifa nokuthuthela eJerusalema kwakungaphumela ezindlekwani ezithile na-sekulahlekelweni okuthile. Labo abahlala ku-lowomuzi nabo kwakungenzeka bahlanga-bezane nezingozi ezhilukahlukene. Ngaphansi kwezimo ezinjalo, abanye babebhaka izisebenzi zokuzithandela njengezitusekayo futhi ngokungangabazeki bathandaza ukuba uJehova azibusise.

w16.04 7 ¶15

Ukwethembeka Kuholela Ekwamukelweni UNkulunkulu

¹⁵ Lapho sinikezela ukuphila kwethu kuJehova, samthembisa ukuthi sizokwenza intando yakhe kumnyama kubomvu. Sasaki ukuthi ngeke kube lula ngaso sonke isikhathi ukugcina leso sithembiso. Kodwa sisabela kanjani lapho sicelwa ukuba senze

okuthile esingakuthandi? Uma singayivu-meli imizwa yethu futhi silalela uNkulunkulu wethu ngokuzithandela, sinikeza ubufakazi bokuthi sithembekile kulokho esiku-thembisile. Singase sibhekane nobunzima lapho sizidela, kodwa ngaso sonke isikha-thi izibusiso zikaJehova zikudlula kude lo-kho kuzidela. (Mal. 3:10) Kodwa kuthi-wani ngendodakazi kaJefta? Yasabela kanja-ni esithembisweni esasenziwe uyise?

Amagugu Angokomoya

w06 2/1 11 ¶1

Amaphuzu Avelele Encwadi KaNehemiya

10:34—Kungani kwakudingeka ukuba aba-ntu balethe izinkuni? Iminikelo yezinkuni yayingekho eMthethweni KaMose. Imfuneko yayo yaba khona ngenxa yesidingo. Kwa-kudingeka izinkuni eziningi ukuze kushiswe iminikelo e-altare. Kusobala ukuthi ayenge-maningi ngokwanele amaNethini ayekhonza ethempelini njengezigqila ezingewona ama-Israyeli. Ngakho, kwenziwa inkatho ukuze kuqinisekiswe ukuthi kuhlale kunezinkuni.

Inkulumo

w11 2/15 15-16 ¶12-15

Imihlatshelo Eyamukelwa UNkulunkulu

¹² Encwadini ayibhalela abaseRoma, um-phostoli uPawulu wathi: "[Nikelani] imizimba yenu ibe umhlatshelo ophilayo, ongcwele, owamukelekayo kuNkulunkulu, inkonzo engcwele ngamandla enu okucabanga." (Roma 12:1) Ukuze umuntu amukelwe uNkulunkulu kudingeka agcine umzimba wakhe wamukeleka kuYe. Uma engase azingcolise ngogwayi, i-betel nut, izidakamizwa ezingemthetho noma ngokuse-benzisa kabi utshwala, Iowo mnikelo wa-wuyoba ize. (2 Ko. 7:1) Ngaphezu kwa-lokho, njengoba umuntu 'oziphatha kabi

ngokocansi ona owakhe umzimba,’ ukuziphatha okubi kwanoma iluphi uhlobo kwenza umhlatshelo wakhe unengeke kuJehova. (1 Ko. 6:18) Ukuze ajabulise uNkulunkulu, umuntu kumelwe ‘abe ngcwele kuhko konke ukuziphatha kwakhe.’—1 Pe. 1: 14-16.

¹³ Omunye umhlatshelo uJehova awujabulelayo uphathelelene nendlela esisebenzisa ngayo ulimi lwethu. Labo abathanda uJehova ngaso sonke isikhathi bakhulum ka-hle ngaye obala nalapho bebobwa emizini yabo. (Funda iHubo 34:1-3.) Funda ama-Hubo 148-150, uphawule indlela womathathu asikhuthaza kaningi ngayo ukuba sidumise uJehova. Ngempela, “kuyafaneleka ukuba abaqotho bamdumise.” (IH. 33:1) UJesu Kristu, iSibonelo sethu, naye wagci-zelela ukubaluleka kokudumisa uNkulunkulu ngokushumayela izindaba ezinhle.—Luka 4:18, 43, 44.

¹⁴ Ngokushumayela ngentshiseko, sinikeza ubufakazi bokuthi siyamthanda uJehova futhi sifisa ukwamukelwa nguye. Ngokwesibonelo, cabangela indlela umprofethi uHoseya anxusa ngayo ama-Israyeli ayeseqhuba ukukhulekela kwamanga futhi ese-lahlekelwe umusa kaNkulunkulu. (Hos. 13: 1-3) UHoseya wawatshela ukuba ancenge uJehova ngala mazwi: “Kwangathi ungaxolela isiphambeko sethu; wamukele okuhle, sizonikela ngokudumisa kwezindebe zethu ngendlela ebésinganikela ngayo ngezinkunzi zezinkomo eziencane.”—Hos. 14:1, 2.

¹⁵ Inkunzi yayiyisilwane esibiza kakhulu um-Israyeli ayengasinkela kuJehova. Ngakho, ‘ukudumisa ngezindebe zethu ngendlela ebésinganikela ngayo ngezinkunzi zezi-nkomo’ kwakubhekisela emazwini aqotho, acatshangelwe kahle okudumisa uNkulunkulu weqiniso. UJehova wasabela kanja-

ni kulabo abenza leyo mihlatshelo? Wathi: “Ngizobathanda ngokuzithandela.” (Hos. 14:4) Labo abanikela leyo mihlatshelo yokudumisa, uJehova wabathethelela, wabamukela futhi wabenza abangane bakhe.

AGASTI 28-SEPTHEMBA 3

INGCEBO ESEZWINI LIKANKULUNKULU | NEHEMIYA 12-13

“Yiba Qotho KuJehova Lapho Ukhetha Abangani”

it-1-E 95 ¶5

Ama-Amoni

Njengoba uThobiya axoshwa emagcekeni ethempeli, umthetho kaNkulunkulu okuDuteronomi 23:3-6 onqabela ama-Amoni nabakwaMowabi ukuba bangene ebandleni lakwa-Israyeli wafundwa futhi wasetshenizswa. (Neh 13:1-3) Lo mthetho, wamiswa eminyakeni ecishe ibe ngu-1 000 ngaphambili ngenxa yokuthi ama-Amoni nabakwa-Mowabi benqaba ukusiza ama-Israyeli ngenkathi esezofika eZweni Lesithembiso, lokhu kwakusho ukuthi laba bantu babengeke baziqlanganise nesizwe sakwa-Israyeli ngo-komthetho futhi bengeke bazithole zonke izinto ezazitholwa isizwe. Lokhu akusho ukuthi umAmoni nomMowabi babengeke bahlangane noma bahlale nama-Israyeli futhi ba-zuze ezibusisweni ezazitholwa abantu bakanlkulunkulu, lokhu sikubona kahle endabeni kaZeleti, okukhulunywe ngaye ekuqaleni, owayeyiqhawe ebuthweni likaDavide, kuphinde bonakale nasemlandweni ophathelene noRuthe umMowabikazi.—Rut 1:4, 16-18.

w13 8/15 4 ¶5-6

Niye Nangcweliswa

5 Funda uNehemiya 13:4-9. Sizungezwe amathonya angcolile, ngakho akulula ngathi

ukuhlale singcwele. Cabanga ngo-Eliyashi-bi noThobiya. U-Eliyashibi wayengumpristi ophakeme, uThobiya engumAmoni okunge-nzeka ukuthi wayengesinye sezikhudlwana embusweni wasePheresiya ezibekwe phezu kwelaseJudiya. UThobiya nabangane bakhe babeye bamelana nemizamo kaNehemiya yokwakha kabusha izindonga zaseJerusa-lema. (Neh. 2:10) Ama-Amoni ayenqatshe-lwe ukungena emagcekeni ethempeli. (Dut. 23:3) Pho kungani umpristi ophakeme ani-ka umuntu onjengoThobiya indawo egumbi-ni lokudlela ethempelini?

¶ UThobiya wayesengumngane omkhulu ka-Eliyashibi. UThobiya nendodana yakhe uJe-hohanani babeshade nabesifazane abanga-maJuda, futhi amaJuda amaningi ayekhulu-ma kahle ngoThobiya. (Neh. 6:17-19) Omu-nye wabazukulu baka-Eliyashibi wayeshade nendodakazi kaSanibhalati, umbusi wase-Samariya owayengomunye wabangane aba-khulu bakaThobiya. (Neh. 13:28) Lobu bu-hlobo busenza sibone ukuthi kungani um-Prsti Ophakeme u-Eliyashibi avumela umu-ntu ongakholwa nongumphikisi ukuba am-thonye. Kodwa uNehemiya wabonisa ubuquo-tho kuJehova, wayijikijela ngaphandle kwe-gumbi lokudlela yonke impahla kaThobiya.

w96 3/15 16 ¶6

Ukubhekana Nenselele Yokwethembeka

¶ Uma sithembekile kuJehova uNkulunkulu, siyogwema ukuba abangane babo bonke abayizitha zakhe. Kungakho umfundu uJakobe abhala: “Ziphingi, anazi yini ukuthi ubu-ngane nezwe bungubutha noNkulunkulu? Ngakho-ke, noma ubani ofuna ukuba um-ngane wezwe uzenza isitha sikaNkulunkulu.” (Jakobe 4:4) Sifuna ukuba nokwethembeka iNkosi uDavid eyakubonisa lapho ithi: “Angibazondi yini labo abakuzondayo, Jeho-

va, angibenyanyi yini abakuvukelayo? Ngibazonda ngokuphelele; Sebeyizitha zami za-ngempela.” (IHu 139:21, 22) Asifuni ukudlelana nezoni zangabomu, ngoba asihlobene ngalutho nazo. Ingabe ukwethembeka kuNkulunkulu ngeke kusivimbele ukuba sibe nobudlelwane nezitha zikaJehova ezi-njalo, kungakhathaliseki ukuthi ngokuqondi-le noma ngethelevishini?

Amagugu Angokomoya

it-2-E 452 ¶9

Umculo

Umculo wawubalulekile ngenxa yokuthi wa-wukhona nasethempelini. Lokhu kubonaka-la emiBhalweni eminingi ekhulumu ngabacu-li, ephinde ikhulume ngokuthi ‘babekhululwa kweminye imisebenzi’ eyayenziwa amanye amaLevi ukuze bagxile emsebenzini wabo wokucula. (1Kr 9:33) Ukuqhube ka kwabo beyiqembu elikhethekile lamaLevi kugcize-lwa ngokuthi babizwa ngamagama ngoku-ngefani nalabo ababuya nabo eBhabhiloni. (Ezr 2:40, 41) Ngisho nenkosi yasePheresiya u-Aritahishashita (Longimanus) yavu-melana nomthetho owawubavuna ukuba ba-khululwe, bona namanye amaqembu akhet-hekile ukuba bangayikhokhi ‘intela, inkokhi-so nemali yomgwaqo.’ (Ezr 7:24) Ngokuha-mba kwasikhathi inkosi yayala ukuba “aba-culi balungiselelwe okuthile ngokwesidingo sosuku ngalunye.” Nakuba u-Aritahishashita awuvumela lo myalo, cishe wawukhishwe u-Ezra esebezzisa igunya ayelinikwe u-Arita-hishashita. (Neh 11:23; Ezr 7:18-26) Ngakho kuyaqondakala ukuthi nakuba bonke abacu-li babengamaLevi, iBhayibheli libabiza nge-qembu elikhethekile, ngokuthi lithi ‘abacu-li namaLevi.’—Neh 7:1; 13:10.