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1 Ngomnyaka wesibili wenkosi uDariyu, ngosuku lokuqala lwenyanga yesithupha, ilizwi likaJehova lafika ngomphrofethi uHagayi lisija kuZerubhabheli, indodana kaSheyalithiyeli, umbusi wakoJuda, lakuJoshua, indodana kaJehozadaki, umphristi omkhulu:

² Nanku okutshiwo nguJehova, uSomandla: “Abantu laba bathi, ‘Isikhathi sokwakha indlu kaJehova kasikafiki.’ ”

³ Ngakho ilizwi likaJehova lafika ngomphrofethi uHagayi lisithi:

⁴ “Kuyisikhathi senu lina ngokwenu ukuba lihlale ezindlini zenu ezinhle, kodwa indlu le ilokhu ilunxiwa na?”

⁵ Khathesi nanku okutshiwo nguJehova uSomandla: “Cabangani kuhle ngezindlela zenu. ⁶ Lihlanyele okunengi kodwa livuna okulutshwana. Liyadla, kodwa kalisuthi. Liyanatha, kodwa kalikholwa. Liyagqoka iziqqoko, kodwa kalikhudumali. Lihola imiholo liyifake esikhwameni esilembobo.”

⁷ Nanku okutshiwo nguJehova uSomandla: “Cabangani kuhle ngezindlela zenu. ⁸ Khwelani ezintabeni lehlise izigodo lakhe indlu ukuze ngithokoze ngayo njalo ngidunyiswe,” kutsho uJehova. ⁹ “Kade lilindele okunengi, kodwa khangelani, kusuke kwaba yingcosana. Elikulethe ekhaya, mina ngikuphephulele khatshana. Kungani na?” kutsho uJehova uSomandla. “Kungenxa yendlu yami elokhu ilunxiwa, ngesikhathi lina, omunye lomunye, wenu ebambeke ngendlu yakhe. ¹⁰ Ngakho-ke, ngenxa yenu amazulu asegodle amazolo

lomhlaba, amabele. ¹¹ Ngilethe ukoma emasimini lasezintabeni, emabeleni, kuwayini elitsha, emafutheni lakukho konke okuvela emhlabathini, ebantwini lasenkomani kanye lasemsebenzini wezandla zenu.”

¹² Lapho-ke uZerubhabheli, indodana kaSheyalithiyeli, loJoshua, indodana kaJehozadaki, umphristi omkhulu lensalela yonke yabantu balilalela ilizwi likaJehova uNkulunkulu wabo kanye lombiko kaHagayi umphrofethi ngoba wayethunywe nguJehova uNkulunkulu wabo. Abantu bamesaba uJehova.

¹³ Emva kwalokho, uHagayi isithunywa sikaJehova, wanika abantu ilizwi likaJehova leli: “Ngilani,” kutsho uJehova. ¹⁴ Ngakho uJehova waqubula umoya kaZerubhabheli indodana kaSheyalithiyeli, umbusi wakoJuda, lomoya kaJoshua indodana kaJehozadaki, umphristi omkhulu, lomoya wensalela yabantu. Beza baqalisa ukusebenza endlini kaJehova uSomandla uNkulunkulu wabo, ¹⁵ ngosuku lwamatshumi amabili lane lwenyanga yesithupha ngomnyaka wesibili wenkosi uDariyu.

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2 Ngosuku lwamatshumi amabili lanye lwenyanga yesikhombisa ilizwi lafika ngoHagayi umphrofethi lisithi: ² “Khuluma loZerubhabheli indodana kaSheyalithiyeli, umbusi wakoJuda, loJoshua indodana kaJehozadaki, umphristi omkhulu kanye lensalela yabantu. Babuze uthi, ³ ‘Ngubani kini owasalayo owabona indlu le enkazimulweni yayo yakuqala na? Khathesi ikhangeleka injani kini na? Kayikhangeleki njengeze na?’ Kodwa khathesi qina wena Zerubhabheli,’

kutsho uJehova. ‘Qina wena Joshuwa ndodana kaJehozadaki, umphristi omkhulu. Qinani, lonke lina bantu belizwe,’ kutsho uJehova. ‘Lisebenze, ngoba ngilani,’ kutsho uJehova uSomandla.⁵ Lokhu yikho engakuvumelana lani ekuphumeni kwenu eGibhithe. UMoya wami uhlala phakathi kwenu. Lingesabi.’

“Nanku okutshiwo nguJehova uSomandla: ‘Ngesikhhatshana nje ngizaphinda nginyikinye amazulu lomhlaba, ulwandle lelizwe elomileyo. Ngizanyikinya izizwe zonke, abathandwayo kuzo zonke izizwe bazakuza, njalo indlu le ngizayigcwalisa ngenkazimulo,’ kutsho uJehova uSomandla,⁸ ‘Isiliva ngesami legolide ngelami,’ kutsho uJehova uSomandla. ‘Inkazimulo yale indlu yakhathesi izakuba nkulu kuleyendlu yakuqala,’ kutsho uJehova uSomandla. ‘Njalo indawo le ngizayipha ukuthula,’ kutsho uJehova uSomandla.

Izibusiso Zabantu Abangcolisiweyo

¹⁰ Ngosuku lwamatshumi amabili lane lwenyanga yesificamunwe munye, ngomnyaka wesibili kaDariyu, ilizwi likaJehova lafika kuHagayi umphrofethi lisithi:¹¹ “Nanku okutshiwo nguJehova uSomandla uthi: ‘Buza abaphristi ukuthi umthetho uthini:¹² Uma umuntu ethwele inyama engcwele ngomphetho wesigqoko sakhe, umphetho lowo uthinte isinkwa loba inyama ephekiweyo, iwayini, amafutha loba okunye ukudla, kuba ngcwele na?’” Abaphristi baphendula bathi, “Hatshi.”

¹³ UHagayi wasesithi, “Uma umuntu ongcoliswe yikuthinta isidumbu ethinta okunye kwalezizinto, kuyangcola na?”

“Ye,” kwaphendula abaphristi, “kuyangcola.”

¹⁴ UHagayi wasesithi, “Kunjalo-ke emehlweni ami ngabantu laba

langesizwe lesi,’ kutsho uJehova. ‘Lokho abakwenzayo loba abakunikelayo lapho kungcolile.

¹⁵ “Khathesi cabangani kuhle ngalokhu kusukela ngalolosuku kusiya phambili – khumbulani ukuthi izinto zazinjani kungakabekwa elinye ilitshe phezu kwelinye ethempelini likaJehova.

¹⁶ Kwakusithi lapho umuntu efika enqunjini yezilinganiso ezingamatshumi amabili, kwakulezilitshumi kuphela. Kuthi lapho umuntu aye efatshini lewayini ukuba akhe izilinganiso ezingamatshumi amahlanu,

kwakulezingamatshumi amabili kuphela.¹⁷ Wonke umsebenzi wezandla zenu ngawutshaya ngomkhuhlane,

ngesikhwekhwe langesiqhoho, kodwa kaliphendukelanga kimi,’ kutsho uJehova.¹⁸ ‘Kusukela lamhla kusiya phambili, kusukela ngalolosuku lwamatshumi amabili lane lwenyanga yesificamunwe munye, cabangani kuhle ngosuku okwabekwa ngalo isisekelo sethempeli likaJehova. Cabangani kuhle:

¹⁹ Kuselenhlanyelo eseleyo esiphaleneni na? Kuze kube khathesi, ivini lomkhiwa, iphomegranathe lesihlahla sama-oliva akukatheli izithelo.

“‘Kusukela ngalolosuku kusiya phambili ngizalibusisa.’”

UZerubhabheli Lisongo Eliluphawu LukaJehova

²⁰ Ilizwi likaJehova lafika ngokwesibili kuHagayi ngosuku lwamatshumi amabili lane lwenyanga lisithi:²¹ “Tshela uZerubhabheli umbusi wakoJuda ukuthi ngizanyikinya amazulu lomhlaba.

²² Ngizagenqula izihlalo zobukhosи ngichithe amandla emibuso yezizwени. Ngizagenqula izinqola zempi labagadi bazo; amabhiza labagadi bawo bazakuwa, ngamunye ngenkemba yomfowabo.

²³ “ ‘Ngalolosuku,’ kutsho uJehova
uSomandla, ‘ngizakuthatha wena nceku
yami Zerubhabheli ndodana
kaSheyalithiyeli,’ kutsho uJehova, ‘njalo
ngizakwenza ube njengesongo
eliluphawu lwami, ngoba
sengikukhethile,’ kutsho uJehova
uSomandla.”