

# AMANANI

## *Ukubalwa Kwabantu*

**1** UJehova wakhuluma kuMosi eThenteni lokuHlanganela eNkangala yaseSinayi ngosuku lwakuqala lwenyanga yesibili emnyakeni wesibili ngemva kokuphuma kwabako-Israyeli eGibhithe. UJehova wathi: <sup>2</sup>“Balanini abantu bonke bako-Israyeli ngosendo langezindlu zabo, lenze uluhlu lwamabizo amadoda, inye ngayinye.

<sup>3</sup> Wena lo-Aroni lizaqoqa ngezigaba wonke amadoda ako-Israyeli kusukela kwabalemnyaka engamatshumi amabili kusiya phezulu abangaba libutho. <sup>4</sup> Kuzo zonke izizwe indoda eyodwa, eyinhloko yendlu, imele ilincedise. <sup>5</sup> La yiwo amabizo amadoda azaliphathisa:

esizwaneni sikaRubheni, u-Elizuri indodana kaShedewuri;

<sup>6</sup> esizwaneni sikaSimiyoni, uShelumiyeli indodana kaZurishadayi;

<sup>7</sup> esizwaneni sikaJuda, uNahashoni indodana ka-Aminadabi;

<sup>8</sup> esizwaneni sika-Isakhari, uNethaneli indodana kaZuwari;

<sup>9</sup> esizwaneni sikaZebhuluni, u-Eliyabi indodana kaHeloni;

<sup>10</sup> emadodaneni kaJosefa:

isizwe sika-Efrayimi, u-Elishama indodana ka-Amihudi;

esizwaneni sikaManase, uGamaliyeli indodana kaPhehahuzuri;

<sup>11</sup> esizwaneni sikaBhenjamini, u-Abhidani indodana kaGidiyoni;

<sup>12</sup> esizwaneni sikaDani, u-Ahiyezeri indodana ka-Amishadayi;

<sup>13</sup> esizwaneni sika-Asheri, uPhagiyeli indodana ka-Okhirani;

<sup>14</sup> esizwaneni sika-Gadi, u-Eliyasafi indodana kaDuweli;

<sup>15</sup> esizwaneni sikaNafthali; u-Ahira indodana ka-Enani.”

<sup>16</sup> La yiwo amadoda ayekhethwe ebantwini bakuleyondawo, bengabakhokheli bezizwe zabokhokho babo. Babezinhloko zezizwana zako-Israyeli.

<sup>17</sup> UMosi lo-Aroni bathatha amadoda la alamabizo ayeqanjiwe <sup>18</sup> basebebizela ndawonye bonke abantu ngosuku lokuqala lwenyanga yesibili. Baziveza umdabuko wabo ngosendo langezindlu zabo, ngakho kusukela emadodeni aleminyaka engamatshumi amabili kusiya phezulu kwabhalwa amabizo awo, inye ngayinye, <sup>19</sup> njengokulaywa kukaMosi nguJehova. Ngakho wababala eNkangala yaseSinayi:

<sup>20</sup> Ezizukulwaneni zikaRubheni indodana ka-Israyeli elizibulo:

Wonke amadoda aleminyaka efika kumatshumi amabili kusiya phezulu ayengaba libutho abhalwa amabizo awo, inye ngayinye, kulandelwa imbali yosendo langezindlu zokuzalwa kwawo.

<sup>21</sup> Inani labesizwana sikaRubheni lalizi 46 500.

<sup>22</sup> Ezizukulwaneni zikaSimiyoni:

Wonke amadoda aleminyaka efika kwangamatshumi amabili kusiya phezulu ayengaba libutho abalwa kwabhalwa amabizo awo, inye ngayinye, kulandelwa imbali yosendo langezindlu zokuzalwa kwabo. <sup>23</sup> Inani labesizwana sikaSimiyoni lalizi 59 300.

<sup>24</sup> Ezizukulwaneni zikaGadi:

Wonke amadoda aleminyaka efika kwengamatshumi amabili kusiya phezulu ayengaba libutho

kwabhalwa amabizo awo, inye ngayinye, kulandelwa imbali yosendo langezindlu zokuzalwa kwawo. <sup>25</sup> Inani labesizwana sikaGadi lalizi 45 650.

<sup>26</sup> Ezizukulwaneni zikaJuda:

Wonke amadoda aleminyaka engamatshumi amabili kusiya phezu ayengaba libutho abhalwa amabizo awo, inye ngayinye, kulandelwa imbali yosendo langezindlu zokuzalwa kwawo.

<sup>27</sup> Inani labesizwana sikaJuda lalizi 74 600.

<sup>28</sup> Ezizukulwaneni zika-Isakhari:

Wonke amadoda aleminyaka engamatshumi amabili kusiya phezu ayengaba libutho abhalwa amabizo awo, inye ngayinye, kulandelwa imbali yosendo langezindlu zokuzalwa kwawo.

<sup>29</sup> Inani labesizwana sika-Isakhari lalizi 54 400.

<sup>30</sup> Ezizukulwaneni zikaZebhuluni:

Wonke amadoda aleminyaka engamatshumi amabili kusiya phezu ayengaba libutho abhalwa amabizo awo, inye ngayinye, kulandelwa imbali yosendo langezindlu zokuzalwa kwawo.

<sup>31</sup> Inani labesizwana sikaZebhuluni lalizi 57 400.

<sup>32</sup> Emadodaneni kaJosefa:

Ezizukulwaneni zika-Efrayimi:

Wonke amadoda aleminyaka engamatshumi amabili kusiya phezu ayengaba libutho abhalwa amabizo awo, inye ngayinye, kulandelwa imbali yosendo langezindlu zokuzalwa kwawo.

<sup>33</sup> Inani labesizwana sika-Efurayimi lalizi 40 500.

<sup>34</sup> Ezizukulwaneni zika-Manase:

Wonke amadoda aleminyaka engamatshumi amabili kusiya phezu ayengaba libutho abhalwa amabizo awo, inye ngayinye, kulandelwa imbali yosendo langezindlu zokuzalwa kwawo.

<sup>35</sup> Inani labesizwana sikaManase lalizi 32 200.

<sup>36</sup> Ezizukulwaneni zikaBhenjamini:

Wonke amadoda aleminyaka engamatshumi amabili kusiya phezu ayengaba libutho abhalwa amabizo awo, inye ngayinye, kulandelwa imbali yosendo langezindlu zokuzalwa kwawo.

<sup>37</sup> Inani labesizwana sikaBhenjamini lalizi 35 400.

<sup>38</sup> Ezizukulwaneni zikaDani:

Wonke amadoda aleminyaka engamatshumi amabili kusiya phezu ayengaba libutho abhalwa amabizo awo, inye ngayinye, kulandelwa imbali yosendo langezindlu zokuzalwa kwawo.

<sup>39</sup> Inani labesizwana sikaDani lalizi 62 700.

<sup>40</sup> Ezizukulwaneni zika-Asheri:

Wonke amadoda aleminyaka angamatshumi amabili kusiya phezu ayengaba libutho abhalwa amabizo awo, inye ngayinye, kulandelwa imbali yosendo langezindlu zokuzalwa kwawo.

<sup>41</sup> Inani labesizwana sika-Asheri lalizi 41 500.

<sup>42</sup> Ezizukulwaneni zikaNafthali:

Wonke amadoda  
 aleminyaka engamatshumi  
 amabibili kusiya phezulu ayengaba  
 libutho abhalwa amabizo awo, inye  
 ngayinye, kulandelwa imbali  
 yosendo langezindlu zokuzalwa  
 kwawo.

<sup>43</sup> Inani labesizwana sikaNafthali  
 lalizi 53 400.

<sup>44</sup> La yiwo amadoda abalwa nguMosi lo-

Aroni kanye labakhokheli bako-  
 Israyeli abalitshumi lambili, munye  
 ngamunye emele abendlu yakhe.

<sup>45</sup> Wonke ama-Israyeli aleminyaka  
 esukela kwengamatshumi amabili  
 kusiya phezulu ayengaba libutho  
 abalwa ngezindlu zawo. <sup>46</sup> Inani lawo  
 esehlangene wonke lalizi 603 550.

<sup>47</sup> Abendlu yesizwana sikaLevi, bonake,  
 ababalwanga kanyekanye lalaba

abanye. <sup>48</sup> UJehova wayethe kuMosi:  
<sup>49</sup> “Ungabali abesizwe sikaLevi njalo  
 ungabahlanganisi kulokhukubalwa  
 kwabanye laba abako-Israyeli. <sup>50</sup> Kodwa,  
 beka abaLevi ukuthi baphathe iThabanikeli  
 loBufakazi – izimpahla zalo zonke kanye  
 lazo zonke izinto ezisetshenziswa kulo.  
 Yibo abazathwala ithabanikeli lezimpahla  
 zalo; bazalinakakela njalo  
 bazaliphonqolozela. <sup>51</sup> Ngezikhathi zonke nxa  
 ithabanikeli lisuswa abaLevi yibo  
 abazalethula, kuthi-ke nxa selimiswa njalo,  
 abaLevi yibo abazalimisa. Loba ngubani  
 osondela phansi kwalo uzabulawa. <sup>52</sup> Abako-  
 Israyeli bazakwakha amathente abo  
 ngezigaba zabo, indoda ngayinye  
 esihonqweni sayo ngaphansi kophawu  
 lwayo. <sup>53</sup> Kodwa abaLevi bazamisa  
 amathente abo ehonqolozele ithabanikeli  
 loBufakazi ukuze isizwe sabako-Israyeli  
 singayikwehlelwa lulaka. AbaLevi

bazasebenza ukulinda iThabalinikeli  
 loBufakazi.”

<sup>54</sup> Abako-Israyeli benza konke  
 njengokulaywa kukaMosi nguJehova.

*Ukuhlelwa Kwezihonqo Ngezizwana*

**2** Jehova wathi kuMosi lo-Aroni:

<sup>2</sup> “Abako-Israyeli bazahlala ezihonqweni  
 begombolozele iThente lokuHlanganela  
 bucwadlana lalo, indoda ngayinye ngaphansi  
 kophawu lwayo kanye lezibonakaliso zendlu  
 yayo.”

<sup>3</sup> Empumalanga, isigaba sezihonqo  
 zakoJuda sizakuba ngaphansi kophawu  
 lwazo. Umkhokheli wabantu bakoJuda  
 nguNahashoni indodana ka-Aminadabi.

<sup>4</sup> Iviyo lakhe lizi 74 600.

<sup>5</sup> Izihonqo zesizwana sika-Isakhari zibe  
 seduze khonapho. Umkhokheli wabantu  
 besizwana sika-Isakhari nguNethaneli  
 indodana kaZowari. <sup>6</sup> Iviyo lakhe lizi 54 400.

<sup>7</sup> Kulandele isizwana sikaZebhuluni.  
 Umkhokheli wabantu besizwana  
 sikaZebhuluni ngu-Eliyabi indodana  
 kaHeloni. <sup>8</sup> Iviyo lakhe lizi 57 400.

<sup>9</sup> Wonke amadodana akhethelwe izihonqo  
 zakoJuda, ngamaviyo awo, ayizi 186 400.  
 Yibo abazaqala ukusuka.

<sup>10</sup> Eningizimu kuzakuba ngamaviyo  
 ezihonqo zikaRubheni ngaphansi kophawu  
 lwazo. Umkhokheli wabantu bakoRubheni  
 ngu-Elizuri indodana kaShedewuri. <sup>11</sup> Iviyo  
 lakhe lizi 46 500.

<sup>12</sup> Izihonqo zesizwana sikaSimiyoni zibe  
 seduzane khonapho. Umkhokheli wabantu  
 bakoSimiyoni nguShelimiyele indodana  
 kaZurishadayi. <sup>13</sup> Iviyo lakhe lizi 59 300.

<sup>14</sup> Kulandele isizwana sikaGadi.  
 Umkhokheli wabantu bakoGadi ngu-  
 Eliyasafi indodana kaDuweli. <sup>15</sup> Iviyo lakhe  
 lizi 45 650.

<sup>16</sup> Wonke amadoda akhethelwe izihonqo zakoRubheni ngamaviyo awo azi 151 450. Bazakuba ngabesibili ukusuka.

<sup>17</sup> Emva kwalokho kuzasuka iThente lokuHlanganela labezihonqo zabaLevi konke kube phakathi kwamaviyo ezihonqo. Bonke abantu bazalandelana ekuhambeni kwabo njengokuma kwezihonqo zabo kube yilowo lalowo endaweni yakhe ngaphansi kophawu lwakhe.

<sup>18</sup> Entshonalanga kuzakuba ngamaviyo ezihonqo zika-Efrayimi ngaphansi kophawu lwawo. Umkhokheli wabantu bako-Efrayimi ngu-Elishama indodana ka-Amihudi. <sup>19</sup> Iviyo lakhe lizi 40 500.

<sup>20</sup> Isizwana sikaManase sibe seduzane khonapho. Umkhokheli wabantu bakoManase nguGamaliyeli indodana kaPhedahuzuri. <sup>21</sup> Iviyo lakhe lizi 32 200.

<sup>22</sup> Kulandele isizwana sikaBhenjamini. Umkhokheli wabantu bakoBhenjamini ngu-Abhidani indodana kaGidiyoni. <sup>23</sup> Iviyo lakhe lizi 35 400.

<sup>24</sup> Wonke amadoda ayekhethelwe izihonqo zako-Efrayimi, ngokwamaviyo awo, ayezi 108 100. Bazakuba ngabesithathu ekusukeni.

<sup>25</sup> Enyakatho kuzakuba ngamaviyo ezihonqo zikaDani, ngaphansi kophawu lwawo. Umkhokheli wabantu bakoDani ngu-Ahiyezeri indodana ka-Amishadayi.

<sup>26</sup> Iviyo lakhe lizi 62 700.

<sup>27</sup> Izihonqo zesizwana sika-Asheri zibe seduzane khonapho. Umkhokheli wabantu bako-Asheri nguPhagiyeli indodana ka-Okrani. <sup>28</sup> Iviyo lakhe lizi 41 500.

<sup>29</sup> Kulandele isizwana sikaNafthali. Umkhokheli wabantu bakoNafthali ngu-Ahira indodana ka-Enani. <sup>30</sup> Iviyo lakhe lizi 53 400.

<sup>31</sup> Wonke amadoda ezihonqo zako- Dani ayizi 157 600. Bazasuka ekucineni, ngaphansi kophawu lwabo.

<sup>32</sup> Laba yibo abako-Israyeli, ababalwa ngezindlu zabo. Bonke labo

ababesezihonqweni, ngokwamaviyo abo, inani labo kuzi 603 550. <sup>33</sup> AbaLevi bona kababalwanga ndawonye labanye bonke abako-Israyeli, njengokulaywa kukaMosi nguJehova.

<sup>34</sup> Ngakho abako-Israyeli benza konke uJehova ayelaye ngakho uMosi; kwaba yiyo indlela abahlala ngayo ezihonqweni ngaphansi kwezimpawu zabo, njalo yiyo indlela ababesuka ngayo nxa sekuhanjwa, munye ngamunye ngesizwana sakhe langendlu yakhe.

### *AbaLevi*

**3** Lezi yizizukulwane zika-Aroni lezikaMosi ngesikhathi sokukhuluma kukaJehova kuMosi entabeni yaseSinayi.

<sup>2</sup> Amabizo amadodana ka-Aroni kwakunguNadabi izibulo lo-Abhihu, u-Eliyazari kanye lo-Ithamari. <sup>3</sup> La ngamabizo amadodana ka-Aroni, agcotshwayo abekwa ukuba ngabaphristi. <sup>4</sup> Kodwa, uNadabi lo-Abhihu, bathi di bafa phambi kukaJehova ngenxa yokunikela ngomlilo ongemukelekiyo kuJehova enkangala yaseSinayi. Babengela - madodana; kungakho u-Eliyazari lo-Ithamari babangabaphristi ngesikhathi uyise u-Aroni esaphila.

<sup>5</sup> UJehova wathi kuMosi, <sup>6</sup> ‘Letha abesizwe sikaLevi ubethule ku-Aroni umphristi ukuze bancedise. <sup>7</sup> Bazamsebenzela yena kanye lesizwana sonke eThenteni lokuHlanganela beqhuba umsebenzi wethabanikeli.

<sup>8</sup> Bazalondoloza yonke impahla yeThente lokuHlanganela, benzele abako-Israyeli imisebenzi nxa besenza inkonzo ethabanikeleni. <sup>9</sup> Yethula abaLevi ku-Aroni lakumadodana akhe; bangabako-Israyeli okumele bethulwe ngokugcweleyo kuye. <sup>10</sup> Khethe u-Aroni lamadodana akhe ukuthi babe ngabaphristi; loba ngubani omunye

ozasondela endaweni engcwele kumele abulawe.”

<sup>11</sup> UJehova waphinda wathi kuMosi, <sup>12</sup> “AbaLevi sengibakhetha phakathi kwabako-Israyeli esikhundleni samazibulo angabafana esizweni sonke sako-Israyeli. AbaLevi ngabami, <sup>13</sup> njengoba wonke amazibulo engawami. Ekubulaleni kwami wonke amazibulo aseGibhithe, ngazehlukanisela wonke amazibulo ako-Israyeli, awabantu loba awezinyamazana. Kawabe ngawami. Mina nginguJehova.”

<sup>14</sup> UJehova wathi kuMosi eNkangala yaseSinayi, <sup>15</sup> “Bala abaLevi ngezindlu zabo langosendo lwabo. Bala bonke abesilisa kusukela kwabalenyanga eyodwa bezelwe kusiya phezulu.” <sup>16</sup> Ngakho uMosi wababala, njengokulaywa kwakhe yilizwi likaJehova.

<sup>17</sup> La ngamabizo amadodana kaLevi:  
uGeshoni, uKhohathi kanye loMerari.

<sup>18</sup> La ngamabizo abosendo lukaGeshoni:  
uLibhini loShimeyi.

<sup>19</sup> Abosendo lukaKhohathi:  
u-Amramu, Izari, Hebhroni kanye lo-Uziyeli.

<sup>20</sup> Abosendo luka Merari:  
uMahili loMushi.

Laba kwakungabosendo lwabaLevi, kusiya ngezindlu zabo.

<sup>21</sup> KuGeshoni kwavela usendo lwama-Libhini lolwamaShimeyi; laba yibo abosendo lamaGeshoni. <sup>22</sup> Inani lamadoda wonke kusukela kwabalenyanga eyodwa bezelwe kusiya phezulu ababalwayo babezi 7 500. <sup>23</sup> Abosendo lwamaGeshoni babezhlala ezihonqweni zabo entshonalanga, ngemuva kwethabanikeli.

<sup>24</sup> Umkhokheli wabezindlu zabakoGeshoni kwakungu-Eliyasafi indodana kaLayeli.

<sup>25</sup> Umsebenzi wamadodana kaGeshoni eThenteni lokuHlanganela wawuyikulondoloza ithabanikeli, lethente,

lesembeso salo, ikhetheni lesango leThente lokuHlanganela, <sup>26</sup> amakhetheni eguma, ikhetheni lesango leguma elihonqolozele ithabanikeli kanye le-alithare, lamagoda – lakho konke okuphathelane lalowo msebenzi.

<sup>27</sup> Abosendo lukaKhohathi kwakungama-Amramu, ama-Izari, amaHebhroni kanye lama-Uziyeli. Laba yibo abosendo lwamaKhohathi. <sup>28</sup> Inani lamadoda wonke kusukela kwabalenyanga eyodwa bezelwe kusiya phezulu babezi 3 600. AmaKhohathi yibo ababelomlandu wokugcina indawo engcwele. <sup>29</sup> Abosendo lwamaKhohathi bahlala ezihonqweni zabo eningizimu yethabanikeli. <sup>30</sup> Umkhokheli wabezindlu zabosendo lwamaKhohathi kwakungu-Elizafani indoda ka-Uziyeli.

<sup>31</sup> Babelomlandu wokugcina ibhokisi lesivumelwano, itafula, uluthi lwezibane, ama-alithare, izimpahla zendawo engcwele ezazisetshenziswa emsebenzini wokukhonza. <sup>32</sup> U-Eliyazari indodana ka-Aroni, umphristi, wayengumkhokheli omkhulu wabaLevi. Wabekwa phezu kwalabo ababelomlandu wokugcina indawo engcwele.

<sup>33</sup> Abosendo lukaMerari kwakungamaMahili lamaMushi; laba babengabosendo lwamaMerari. <sup>34</sup> Inani lamadoda asukela kwabalenyanga eyodwa bezelwe kusiya phezulu ababalwayo babezi 6 200. <sup>35</sup> Umkhokheli wezindlu zosendo lwamaMerari kwakunguZuriyeli indodana ka-Abhihayili; babezhlala ezihonqweni zabo enyakatho yethabanikeli. <sup>36</sup> Abosendo lwamaMerari babelomlandu wokugcina amathala ethabanikeli, imithando, izinsika, izisekelo, izitsha zalo zonke lakho konke okuphathelane lemisebenzi yakho, <sup>37</sup> kanye lezinsika lezisekelo zazo ezihonqolozele iguma, izikhonkwane zethente kanye lamagoda.

<sup>38</sup> UMosi kanye lo-Aroni lamadodana akhe babezhlala ezihonqweni zabo empumalanga yethabanikeli, phambi

kweThente lokuHlanganela. Babelomlandu wokugcinela abako-Israyeli indawo engcwele. Loba ngubani omunye owayezasondela endaweni engcwele kwakumele abulawe.

<sup>39</sup>Inani labaLevi bonke ababalwayo njengokulaywa kukaMosi lo-Aroni nguJehova kulandelwa usendo lwabo, kusukela kwabesilisa ababelenyanga eyodwa yokuzalwa kusiya phezulu, babezi 22 000.

<sup>40</sup>UJehova wathi kuMosi, “Bala wonke amazibulo awesilisa ako-Israyeli kusukela kwabalenyanga eyodwa bezelwe kusiya phezulu wenze uluhlu lwamabizo abo.

<sup>41</sup>Esikhundleni samabizo ako-Israyeli nginika abaLevi, njalo lezifuyo zabaLevi esikhundleni samazibulo ezifuyo zabako-Israyeli. Mina nginguJehova.”

<sup>42</sup>Ngalokho-ke u-Mosi wabala wonke amazibulo abako-Israyeli, njengokulaywa kwakhe nguJehova. <sup>43</sup>Inani lawo wonke amazibulo esilisa kusukela kwalenyanga eyodwa yokuzalwa kusiya phezulu, ebhalwe ngoluhlu lwamabizo, ayezi 22 273.

<sup>44</sup>UJehova wabuya wathi kuMosi, <sup>45</sup>“Esikhundleni samazibulo ako-Israyeli thatha abaLevi, lezifuyo zabaLevi esikhundleni sezifuyo zabo. AbaLevi kumele babe ngabami. Mina nginguJehova. <sup>46</sup>Ukuhlenga amazibulo abako-Israyeli angama 273 abangaphezu kwenani labaLevi, <sup>47</sup>thatha amashekeli amahlanu ngamunye wabo, kusiya ngeshekeli lendawo engcwele, elilesisindo samagera angamatshumi amabili. <sup>48</sup>Imali le yokuhlenga abako-Israyeli abangaphezu kwenani iqhubele u-Aroni lamadodana akhe.”

<sup>49</sup>Lakanye uMosi wayibutha imali yokuhlenga labo ababelinani eledlula kwabahlengwa ngabaLevi. <sup>50</sup>Wamukela kuvela kumazibulo abako-Israyeli isiliva esingamashekeli ayi 1 365, ngesilinganiso seshekeli lendawo engcwele. <sup>51</sup>UMosi waqhubela u-Aroni lamadodana akhe imali

yokuhlenga, njengokulaywa kwakhe nguJehova.

### *AmaKhohathi*

## 4 UJehova wathi kuMosi lo-Aroni:

<sup>2</sup>“Balani ingxenye yabaLevi abangamaKhohathi libale ngosendo langezindlu zabo. <sup>3</sup>Balani wonke amadoda kusukela kwabaleminyaka engamatshumi amathathu kusiya kwabaleminyaka engamatshumi amahlanu yokuzalwa abeza bezosebenza emsebenzini weThente lokuHlanganela.

<sup>4</sup>“Lo yiwo umsebenzi ozakwenziwa ngamaKhohathi eThenteni lokuHlanganela: ukulondoloza yonke into engewelengcwele. <sup>5</sup>Nxa kuthuthwa kusukwa ezihonqweni, u-Aroni lamadodana akhe kabangene bayekwethula ikhetheni elisithileyo basibekela ibhokisi lesivumelwano ngalo. <sup>6</sup>Lokhu bazakugubuzela ngezikhumba zezinyamazana, bendlale ilembu eliluhlaza okwesibhakabhaka phezu kwalokho babe sebefaka izibambo endaweni yazo.

<sup>7</sup>Phezu kwetafula yoBhukona bukaJehova kumele bendlale ilembu eliluhlaza okwesibhakabhaka bafake phezu kwalo imiganu, izinditshi lezingubhe, lenkezo zeminikelo enathwayo; kuthi lesosinkwa esihlala sikhonapho sisale phezu kwayo. <sup>8</sup>Phezu kwalokhu bazakwendlala ilembu elibomvu, bembese lokho ngezikhumba zezinyamazana babe sebefaka izibambo ezindaweni zazo.

<sup>9</sup>“Kumele bathathe ilembu eliluhlaza okwesibhakabhaka bembese ngalo uluthi lwesibane esokukhanyisa, kanye lezibane zalo, izintambo zesibane kanye lezibambiso zakhona, lemiganu, lezitsha zamafutha zokuthelisa kuso. <sup>10</sup>Besebelugoqela kanye lezinto zalo zonke ngezikhumba zezinyamazana balufakele izibambo zokuthwala.

<sup>11</sup>“Phezu kwe-alithare legolide kabendlale ilembu eliluhlaza okwesibhakabhaka bagoqele ngezikhumba zezinyamazana babe sebefaka izibambo zokuthwalisa endaweni yazo.

<sup>12</sup>“Bazathatha zonke izinto zokusebenzisa endaweni engcwelengcwele, bazigoqele ngelembu eliluhlaza okwesibhakabhaka, bembese ngezikhumba zezinyamazana bafake phezu kwethala lokuthwalisa.

<sup>13</sup>“Kumele babuthe umlotha bawususe phezu kwe-alithare elilithusi babe sebesendlala ilembu eliyibubende phezu kwalo. Kube yikhona bezafaka zonke izitsha ezisetshenziswa emsebenzini we-alithare, kuHlanganisa lezindengezi zeziko, izitsha zokosa inyama, amafotsholo lemiganu yokuchelisa. <sup>14</sup>Phezu kwalo kumele bendlale isembeso sezikhumba zezinyamazana babe sebefaka izibambo zokuthwalisa endaweni yazo.

<sup>15</sup>“Ngemva kokuba u-Aroni lamadodana akhe sebeqedile ukwembesa izimpahla zonke ezendawo engcwele lazo zonke izinto ezingcwele, kanye lokuthi sebelungele ukusuka, amaKhohathi yiwo okumele eze azothwala. Kodwa akumelanga bathinte izinto ezingcwele ngoba bazakufa. AmaKhohathi azathwala lezozinto eziseThenteni lokuHlanganela.

<sup>16</sup>“U-Eliyazari indodana ka-Aroni, umphristi, uzakhangela amafutha esibane, impepha, umnikelo ojayelekileyo wamabele lamafutha okugcoba abakhethiweyo. Uzagcina ithabanikeli ngonanzelelo layo yonke into ephakathi kwalo, kanye lezimpahla ezingcwele lezitsha zalo.”

<sup>17</sup>UJehova watshela uMosi lo-Aroni wathi, <sup>18</sup>“Nanzelelani ukuthi izizwe zosendo lwamaKhohathi azehlukaniswa laba-Levi. <sup>19</sup>Lokhu kuyikuthi baphile bengafi nxa bethe basondela phansi kwezinto ezingcwelengcwele, balungiseleni lokhu: U-Aroni lamadodana akhe bazakuya endaweni engcwele bayekwabela indoda yinye ngayinye umsebenzi wayo kanye

lalokho okumele bakuthwale. <sup>20</sup>Kodwa amaKhohathi akumelanga angene ukuthi ayebona izinto ezingcwele, loba okomzuzwana nje kuphela, ngoba bazakufa.”

### *AmaGeshoni*

<sup>21</sup>UJehova wathi kuMosi, <sup>22</sup>“Bala njalo amaGeshoni ngezindlu langosendo lwawo. <sup>23</sup>Bala wonke amadoda kusukela kwabaleminyaka engamatshumi amathathu kusiya kwabaleminyaka engamatshumi amahlanu yokuzalwa labo abezayo ukuzosebenza eThenteni lokuHlanganela.

<sup>24</sup>“Lo ngumsebenzi okumele wenziwe ngabosendo lwamaGeshoni ekusebenzeni kwabo lekuthwaleni kwabo imithwalo: <sup>25</sup>Bazathwala amakhetheni ethabanikeli, iThente lokuHlanganela, isembeso salo kanye lesangaphandle esezikhumba zezinyamazana, amakhetheni entuba yeThente lokuHlanganela,

<sup>26</sup> amakhetheni eguma elihonqolozele ithabanikeli le-alithare, ikhetheni lesango, izintambo lakho konke okusetshenziswa kulo umsebenzi. AmaGeshoni azakwenza konke okumele kwenziwe ngalezizinto. <sup>27</sup>Imisebenzi yabo yonke abayenzayo, kumbe yikuthwala kumbe ngumsebenzi othile, bazayenza ngokuqondisa kuka-Aroni lamadodana akhe. Uzabapha kube ngumlandu wabo ukuthwala lokho ozabe uthe bakuthwale. <sup>28</sup>Lokhu kuzakuba ngumsebenzi wabosendo lwamaGeshoni eThenteni lokuHlanganela. Umsebenzi wabo bazawenza ngokuqondisa kuka-Ithamari indodana ka-Aroni, umphristi.

### *AmaMerari*

<sup>29</sup>“Bala amaMerari ngosendo langezindlu zawo. <sup>30</sup>Bala wonke amadoda kusukela kwabaleminyaka engamatshumi amathathu kusiya kwabaleminyaka engamatshumi amahlanu yokuzalwa abezayo ukusebenza eThenteni lokuHlanganela. <sup>31</sup>Lo yiwo

ozakuba ngumsebenzi wabo eThenteni lokuHlanganela: ukuthwala amathala ethabanikeli, imithando yalo, izinsika lezisekelo,<sup>32</sup> kanye lezinsika ezihonqolozele iguma kanye lezisekelo zazo, izikhonkwane zethente, amagoda, izitsha zakhona lakho konke okuhambelana lokusetshenziswa kwazo. Batshengise bonke munye ngamunye lezozinto abafanele bazithwale.<sup>33</sup> Lo yiwo umsebenzi ozakwenziwa ngabosendo lwamaMerari ekusebenzeni kwabo eThenteni lokuHlanganela beqondiswa ngu-Ithamari indodana ka-Aroni, umphristi.

#### *Ukubalwa kwabosendo lwamaLevi*

<sup>34</sup>UMosi, u-Aroni labakhokheli babantu babala amaKhohathi ngosendo langezindlu zawo.<sup>35</sup> Wonke amadoda aleminyaka esukela kwaba leminyaka engamatshumi amathathu kusiya kwabaleminyaka engamatshumi amahlanu abezayo ukusebenza eThenteni lokuHlanganela,<sup>36</sup> bebalwa ngosendo, baba zi 2 750.

<sup>37</sup>Leli linani eligcweleyo lalabo abosendo lwamaKhohathi abasebenza eThenteni lokuHlanganela. UMosi lo-Aroni babala njengokulaywa kwabo nguJehova etshela uMosi.

<sup>38</sup>AmaGeshoni abalwa ngosendo langezindlu zawo.<sup>39</sup> Wonke amadoda asukela kwabaleminyaka yokuzalwa engamatshumi amathathu kusiya kwabaleminyaka engamatshumi amahlanu ababesebenza eThenteni lokuHlanganela,<sup>40</sup> bebalwa ngosendo langezindlu zabo, baba zi 2630.<sup>41</sup> Leli linani eligcweleyo labosendo lwamaGeshoni abasebenza eThenteni lokuHlanganela. UMosi lo-Aroni babala njengokulaywa kwabo nguJehova.

<sup>42</sup>AmaMerari abalwa ngosendo langezindlu zawo.<sup>43</sup> Wonke amadoda ayeleminyaka yokuzalwa esukela kwabalamatshumi amathathu kusiya kwabaleminyaka engamatshumi amahlanu ababezosebenza eThenteni lokuHlanganela,

<sup>44</sup>sebebaliwe ngosendo lwabo, babazi 3 200.

<sup>45</sup>Leli kwaba linani eligcweleyo kwabosendo lwamaMerari. UMosi lo-Aroni babala njengokulaya kukaJehova elaya uMosi.

<sup>46</sup>Ngalokho uMosi, u-Aroni labakhokheli bako-Israyeli babala bonke abaLevi ngosendo langezindlu zabo.<sup>47</sup> Wonke amadoda asukela kwabaleminyaka engamatshumi amathathu kusiya kwabaleminyaka engamatshumi amahlanu yokuzalwa abeza ukulungisa kanye lokuthwala iThente lokuHlanganela<sup>48</sup> babezi 8 580.

<sup>49</sup>Ngokulaya kukaJehova elaya uMosi, ngulowo lalowo wabelwa umsebenzi wakhe ayezawenza lokwakumele akuthwale.

Yiyole indlela ababalwa ngayo, njengokulaywa kukaMosi nguJehova.

#### *Ubungcwele bezihonqo*

**5** UJehova wathi kuMosi,<sup>2</sup>“Tshela abako-Israyeli ukuthi basuse ezihonqweni wonke olomkhuhlane wejwabu othelwanayo loba ophuma ubovu loba bungobunjani, loba engongcolileyo ngokomkhuba ngenxa yesidumbu sofileyo.

<sup>3</sup>Susani ngokufananayo loba ngowesilisa loba ngowesifazana; kumele limsuse ukuze angangcolisi isihonqo sakwabo; ngoba ngihlala khona phakathi kwabo.”

<sup>4</sup>Abako-Israyeli bakwenza lokho; babakhuphela ngaphandle kwezihonqo. Bakwenza njengokulaywa kukaMosi nguJehova.

#### *Umlayo omayelana lokuhlawula komuntu olecala*

<sup>5</sup>UJehova wathi kuMosi,<sup>6</sup>“Tshono kwabako-Israyeli uthi: ‘Nxaxa indoda loba umfazi onele omunye loba ngayiphi indlela etshengisele ukungathembeki kuJehova, lowomuntu ulomlandu<sup>7</sup> njalo kumele avume



isono sakhe. Kahlawule ngokugcweleyo icala lakhe, engezelele ingxenye yesihlanu ekuhlawuleni lowo amoneleyo.

<sup>8</sup> Kodwa uba lowo engelasihlobo okungahlawulwa kuso icala, ihlawulo ngelikaJehova, kodwa lizaphiwa umphristi, kanye lenqama azamenzela ngayo indlela yokubuyisana. <sup>9</sup> Izipho zonke ezingcwele ezilethwa ngabako-Israyeli kumphristi zizakuba ngezakhe. <sup>10</sup> Izipho zendoda inye ngayinye ezingcwele ngezayo, kodwa lokho indoda ezakupha umphristi ngokomphristi.’ ”

*Ukuhlolwa kowendileyo ongaziphethe*

<sup>11</sup> UJehova wathi kuMosi, <sup>12</sup> “Khuluma labako-Israyeli ubatshele ukuthi: ‘Nxa umfazi wendoda ephambuka engathembeki endodeni <sup>13</sup> ngokulala lamanye amadoda, kodwa lokhu kungasobala endodeni yakhe lehlazo lelo lingabonakali (njengoba kungelafakazi njalo engabanjwanga ekwenza), <sup>14</sup> kodwa indoda ikhulelwe yibukhwele ibe isimnakanela umfazi wayo kanti ungcolile – loba ilobukhwele imnakanela kodwa yena engangcolanga – <sup>15</sup> kumele ithathe umfazi wayo iye laye kumphristi. Phezu kwalokho kumele amphathele ifulawa yebhali eyingxenye yetshumi yehefa. Akumelanga athele amafutha phezu kwayo loba afake impepha phezu kwayo, ngoba kungumnikelo wobukhwele wamabele, umnikelo wokukhumbuza ukuthi kulecala.

<sup>16</sup> “ ‘ Umphristi uzamletha owesifazana ammise phambi kukaJehova.

<sup>17</sup> Abesethatha amanzi angcwele ngembiza yomdaka athele emanzini uthuli olubuthwe phansi ethabanikeleni. <sup>18</sup> Ngemva kokuba umphristi eseke wamisa owesifazana phambi kukaJehova kumele atshombulule izinwele zakhe abesefaka ezandleni zakhe umnikelo wokukhumbuza, umnikelo wobukhwele wamabele, umphristi yena

uzabe ephethe amanzi ababayo aletha isithuko. <sup>19</sup> Ngalokho-ke umphristi uzafungisa owesifazana athi kuye, “Nxa kungelandoda eke yalala lawe loba ungazange uphambuke ungcole wena wendele endodeni yakho, akuthi lamanzi ababayo aletha isithuko angakulimazi.

<sup>20</sup> Kodwa nxa uphambukile wena wendele endodeni wazingcolisa ngokulala lenye indoda engasumkakho” – <sup>21</sup> lapho umphristi kufanele afungise owesifazana ngesithuko lesi – “sengathi uJehova angenza abakini bakuthuke bakuhlumuke lapho esebangela ukuba ithangazi lakho linciphe kuthi isisu sakho sikhukhumale.

<sup>22</sup> Akuthi amanzi la aletha isethuko angene emzimbeni wakho ukuze isisu sakho sikhukhumale lethangazi lakho linciphe.”

“ ‘ Ngakho owesifazana uzakuthi, “Ameni. Akube njalo.”

<sup>23</sup> “ ‘ Umphristi uzaloba lezi zethuko ogwalweni azigezisele emanzini ababayo. <sup>24</sup> Uzanathisa owesifazana amanzi ababayo aletha isethuko, wona amanzi azamzwise ubuhlungu nxa esewanathile. <sup>25</sup> Umphristi uzasusa ezandleni zowesifazana umnikelo wamabele obukhwele, awuzunguze phambi kukaJehova abesewuletha e-alithareni.

<sup>26</sup> Umphristi abesechupha-ke ngesandla umnikelo wamabele njengomnikelo wesikhumbuzo awutshisele e-alithareni; ngemva kwalokho kumele anathise owesifazana amanzi la. <sup>27</sup> Nxa ezingcolisile ngokungathembeki kumkakhe, kuzakuthi lapho enatha amanzi aletha isethuko, angene emzimbeni abangele ubuhlungu; isisu sakhe sizakhukhumala ithangazi lakhe linciphe, abe ngothukiweyo ebantwini bakibo.

<sup>28</sup> Kodwa-ke nxa lo owesifazana engazingcolisanga emsulwa, uzakhululwa kulelo cala abelakho ukuthola inzalo.

<sup>29</sup> “ ‘ Ngakho-ke, lo yiwo umlayo wobukhwele nxa owesifazana ephambukile wazingcolisa yena endile, <sup>30</sup> loba nxa indoda ifikelwa yibukhwele ngoba ilesazela ngomkayo. Umphristi uzamisa owesifazana

phambi kukaJehova asebenzise  
lumlayo ngokugcweleyo kowesifazana.  
<sup>31</sup>Indoda izabe imsulwa ekoneni konke,  
kodwa owesifazana uzathwala izehlakalo  
zonke zesono sakhe.’ ”

### *UmNaziri*

**6** UJehova wathi kuMosi, <sup>2</sup>“Khuluma  
labako-Israyeli ubatshele lokhu: ‘Nxa  
owesilisa loba owesifazana efuna ukwenza  
isifungo esibalulekileyo, isifungo  
sokuzahlukanisela kuJehova ukuba abe  
ngumNaziri, <sup>3</sup>kumele angabe esanatha  
iwayini loba yikuphi okunathwayo  
okulembiliso njalo akumelanga ukuthi  
anathe iviniga eyenziwe ngewayini loba  
okunathwayo okulembiliso. Kanganathi  
umhluzi wezithelo zevini, njalo angadli  
izithelo zevini ezimanzi loba ezomileyo.  
<sup>4</sup>Nxa elokhu engumNaziri kangadli lutho  
oluvela esivinini kungakhathalekile ukuthi  
zintanga loba ngamakhasi esithelo.

<sup>5</sup>“ ‘Ngaso sonke isikhathi esemi  
esifungweni sokuzahlukanisela akumelanga  
kuba lempuco ekhanda lakhe. Kumele abe  
ngcwele size sedlule isikhathi sakhe  
sokuzahlukanisela uJehova; kayekele  
izinwele zakhe zikhule zibende. <sup>6</sup>Kuso  
sonke isikhathi sakhe sokuzahlukanisela  
uJehova kangasondeli esidunjini. <sup>7</sup>Loba  
kungaze kube kufe uyise loba unina loba  
umfowabo loba udadewabo, akumelanga  
azingcolise ngokomlayo ngenxa yabo,  
ngoba uphawu lokuzahlukanisela  
uNkulunkulu lusekhanda lakhe. <sup>8</sup>Ngaso  
sonke isikhathi sokuzahlukanisela kwakhe  
ungokhethiweyo kuJehova.

<sup>9</sup>“ ‘ Nxa kungafa umuntu emehlweni  
akhe, ngakho besekungcolisa izinwele zakhe  
asezinikele, kumele aphuce ikhanda  
ngosuku lokuhlanjululwa kwakhe – usuku  
lwesikhombisa. <sup>10</sup>Ngakho ngosuku lwesifika  
mibili kalethe kumphristi esangweni  
leThente lokuHlanganela amajuba amabili

loba inkwilimba ezincane ezimbili.  
<sup>11</sup>Umphesti uzanikela umnikelo wesono  
ngenye inyoni kuthi enye ibe ngumnikelo  
wokutshiswa ukumenzela indlela  
yokubuyisana ngoba enze isono ngokuba  
lapho okulesidumbu khona. Ngalo lolosuku  
kumele angwelise ikhanda lakhe.  
<sup>12</sup>Kazinikele kuJehova okwesikhathi leso  
azahlukanisele sona njalo alethe izinyane  
lemvu elilomnyaka owodwa eliduna libe  
njengomnikelo wecala. Izinsuku ezadlulayo  
kazibalwa, ngoba ube ngongcolileyo  
ngesikhathi sokuzahlukanisela kwakhe.

<sup>13</sup>“ ‘ Lo ngumlayo womNaziri nxa  
isikhathi sakhe sokuzahlukanisela  
sesiphelile. Kumele alethe esangweni  
leThente lokuHlanganela. <sup>14</sup>Kethule lapho  
umnikelo wakhe kuJehova: izinyane lemvu  
elilomnyaka owodwa eliduna elingelasici  
libe ngumnikelo wokutshiswa, izinyane  
lemvu elisikazi elilomnyaka owodwa  
elingelasici libe ngumnikelo wesono,  
inqama engelasici ibe ngumnikelo  
wobudlelwano, <sup>15</sup>ndawonye lemnikelo  
yamabele leyokunathwayo, kanye lesitsha  
sesinkwa esingelamvubelo - amakhekhe  
enziwe ngefulawa ecolikileyo ixutshwe  
ngamafutha, njalo lamaqebelengwana  
anindwe ngamafutha.

<sup>16</sup>“ ‘ Umphesti uzakwethula lokhu phambi  
kukaJehova enze umnikelo wesono  
lowokutshiswa. <sup>17</sup>Umphesti uzakwethula  
isitsha esilesinkwa esingelamvubelo njalo  
enze umhlatshelelo ngenqama kube  
ngumnikelo wobudlelwano kuJehova,  
ndawonye lomnikelo wakho wamabele  
lowokunathwayo.

<sup>18</sup>“ ‘ Ngakho umNaziri uzaphucela  
izinwele zakhe zokwahlukanisela esangweni  
leThente lokuHlanganela. Uzaphosela  
izinwele lezo emlilweni ongaphansi  
komhlatshelelo wobudlelwano.

<sup>19</sup>“ ‘ Nxa umNaziri esephuce izinwele  
zokuzahlukanisela kwakhe, umphesti  
uzabeka ezandleni zakhe umkhono  
wenqama ephekiweyo, kanye lekhekhe

leqebelengwana esitsheni, kokubili kungelamvubelo.<sup>20</sup> Umphristi uzakuzunguza phambi kukaJehova njengomnikelo wokuzunguza; kungewe njalo kungokomphristi, kuhlanganisela lesifuba esizunguziweyo kanye lomlenze owethuliweyo. Ngemva kwalokho, umNaziri usenganatha iwayini.

<sup>21</sup>“ ‘ Lo ngumlayo womNaziri ofunga ngokunikela kuJehova kusiya ngokuzahlukanisela, kuyikwengeza kulokho ayabe ekwenelisile. Kagcwalise isifungo asenzileyo, ngokomlayo womNaziri.’ ”

*Ukubusiswa kwabantu ngabaphristi*

<sup>22</sup>uJehova wathi kuMosi,<sup>23</sup>“Tshela u-Aroni lamadodana akhe uthi, ‘Le yiyo indlela elizabusisa ngayo abako-Israyeli. Khulumani lithi kubo:

<sup>24</sup>“ ‘ “ UJehova alibusise njalo aligcine;

<sup>25</sup>uJehova kakhazimulise ubuso bakhe phezu kwenu njalo abe lomusa kini;

<sup>26</sup>uJehova kakhangelise ubuso bakhe kini njalo aliphe ukuthula.’ ”

<sup>27</sup>“ Ngokunjalo bazabiza ibizo lami phezu kwabako-Israyeli, mina ngizababusisa.”

*Iminikelo ekubusisweni kweThabanikeli*

**7** Kwathi uMosi eseqedile ukumisa ithabanikeli, waligcoba njalo walibusisa kanye lempahla yalo yonke. Wabuye wagcoba njalo wabusisa i-alithare kanye lezitsha zalo zonke.<sup>2</sup> Kwasekusithi abakhokheli bako-Israyeli, izinhloko zezimuli ezazingabakhokheli zabosendo ziphethe labo ababebalwa, zanikela.<sup>3</sup> Zaletha izipho zazo kuJehova, izinqola eziyisithupha ezembesiweyo lezinkabi ezilitshumi lambili – kuyikuthi indoda inye inikela ngenkabi eyodwa kuthi amadoda amabili ahlangeanye inqola eyodwa . Lokhu bakuletha ethabanikeleni.

<sup>4</sup>UJehova wathi kuMosi,<sup>5</sup>“Yamukela izipho ezivela kubo ukuze zisetshenziswe eThenteni lokuHlanganela. Yabela abaLevi kusiya ngomsebenzi wendoda.”

<sup>6</sup>Ngakho uMosi wathatha izinqola kanye lezinkabi wazinika abaLevi.

<sup>7</sup>Wanika abako-Geshoni izinqola ezimbili kanye lezinkabi ezine, kusiya ngomsebenzi wabo,<sup>8</sup> abakoMerari bona wabapha izinqola ezine kanye lezinkabi ezifika mibili, kusiya ngomsebenzi wabo. Bonke babelawulwa ngu-Ithamari indodana ka-Aroni, umphristi.<sup>9</sup> Kodwa uMosi kazange aphe lokukodwa kumaKhohathi, ngenxa yokuthi kwakungumlandu wabo wokuthwala ngamahlombe abo zonke izinto ezingcwele.

<sup>10</sup>Ekugcotshweni kwe-alithare, abakhokheli baletha phambi kwalo iminikelo yabo yokulahlukanisela. Ngoba uJehova wayethe kuMosi,<sup>11</sup>“Umkhokheli oyedwa ngelanga uzalethe umnikelo wakhe wokwahlukaniselwa kwe-alithare.”

<sup>12</sup>Owaletha umnikelo wakhe ngosuku lwakuqala nguNashoni indodana ka-Aminadabi owesizwana sakoJuda.

<sup>13</sup>Umnikelo wakhe wawungumganu wesiliva isisindo sawo singamashekeli alikhulu lamatshumi amathathu, lomganu oyingubhe wokuchela wesiliva isisindo sawo ungamashekeli angamatshumi ayisikhombisa, yomibili kulinganiswa ngeshekeli lendlu engcwele, ngamunye ugcwele ifulawa ecolekileyo ixutshaniswe lamafutha njengomnikelo wamabele;<sup>14</sup> inditshi yegolide eyodwa isisindo sayo kungamashekeli alitshumi, igcwele impepha;<sup>15</sup> inkunzi eliguqa, inqama eyodwa lezinyane lemvu eliduna elilomnyaka owodwa, kungumnikelo wokutshiswa;<sup>16</sup> imbuzi eyodwa enduna kungumnikelo wesono;<sup>17</sup> kanye lezinkabi ezimbili, izinqama ezinhlanu, izimbuzi ezinhlanu ezinduna kanye lamazinyane amaduna ezimvu alomnyaka owodwa, kube ngumhlatshele womnikelo

wobudlelwano. Lo kwaba ngumnikelo kaNashoni indodana ka-Aminadabi.

<sup>18</sup>Ngosuku lwesibili uNethaneli indodana kaZuwari umkhokheli wabendlu ka-Isakhari, waletha umnikelo wakhe.

<sup>19</sup>Umnikelo awulethayo kwakungumganu wesiliva isisindo sawo ungamashekeli alikhulu elilamatshumi amathathu, lomganu owodwa wesiliva oyingubhe owokuchela olesisindo samashekeli angamatshumi ayisikhombisa, yomibili kulinganiswa ngeshekeli lendlu engcwele, ngamunye ugcwele ifulawa ecolekileyo ixutshaniswe lamafutha njengomnikelo wamabele; <sup>20</sup>inditshi yegolide elesisindo samashekeli alitshumi igcwele impepha; <sup>21</sup>inkunzi eliguqa, inqama eyodwa kanye lezinyane lemvu eliduna elilomnyaka owodwa, kungumnikelo wokutshiswa; <sup>22</sup>imbuzi eyodwa enduna kungumnikelo wesono; <sup>23</sup>lezinkabi ezimbili, izinqama ezinhlanu, izimbuzi ezinduna ezinhlanu kanye lamazinyane ezimvu amahlanu alomnyaka owodwa, kube ngumhlathshelo womnikelo wobudlelwano. Lo kwaba ngumnikelo kaNethaneli indodana kaZuwari.

<sup>24</sup>Ngosuku lwesithathu, u-Eliyabi indodana kaHeloni, umkhokheli wabantu bakaZebhuluni, waletha umnikelo wakhe.

<sup>25</sup>Umnikelo wakhe wawungumganu wesiliva olesisindo esingamashekeli alikhulu lamatshumi amathathu, lomganu wesiliva owodwa oyingubhe wokuchela olesisindo samashekeli angamatshumi ayisikhombisa, yomibili kulinganiswa ngeshekeli lendlu engcwele, ngamunye

ugcwele ifulawa ecolekileyo ixutshaniswe lamafutha njengomnikelo wamabele; <sup>26</sup>inditshi yegolide elesisindo samashekeli alitshumi, igcwele impepha; <sup>27</sup>inkunzi eliguqa, inqama kanye lezinyane eliduna lemvu elilomnyaka owodwa, kungumnikelo wokutshiswa; <sup>28</sup>imbuzi enduna kungumnikelo wesono; <sup>29</sup>kanye lezinkabi ezimbili, izinqama ezinhlanu, izimbuzi ezinduna ezinhlanu kanye lamazinyane ezimvu amaduna alomnyaka owodwa, kube ngumhlathshelo womnikelo wobudlelwano. Lo kwakungumnikelo ka-Eliyabi indodana kaHeloni.

<sup>30</sup>Ngosuku lwesine u-Elizuri indodana kaShedewuri, umkhokheli wabantu bakaRubheni, waletha umnikelo wakhe.

<sup>31</sup>Umnikelo wakhe wawungumganu wesiliva olesisindo esingamashekeli alikhulu lamatshumi amathathu, lomganu wesiliva oyingubhe wokuchela olesisindo esingamashekeli angamatshumi ayisikhombisa, yomibili kuyisilinganiso samashekeli endlu engcwele, ngamunye ugcwele ifulawa elicolekeleyo exutshwaniswe lamafutha njengomnikelo wamabele; <sup>32</sup>inditshi eyodwa yegolide elesisindo samashekeli alitshumi igcwele impepha; <sup>33</sup>inkunzi eliguqa, inqama eyodwa kanye lezinyane eliduna lemvu elilomnyaka owodwa, kungumnikelo wokutshiswa; <sup>34</sup>imbuzi eyodwa enduna kungumnikelo wesono; <sup>35</sup>kanye lezinkabi ezimbili, izinqama ezinhlanu, izimbuzi ezinduna ezinhlanu kanye lamazinyane ezimvu amaduna amahlanu alomnyaka owodwa kube ngumhlathshelo womnikelo wobudlelwano. Lo kwakungumnikelo ka-Elizuri indodana kaShedewuri.

<sup>36</sup>Ngosuku lwesihlanu uShelumiyeli indodana kaZurishadayi, umkhokheli wabantu bakaSimeyoni waletha umnikelo wakhe.

<sup>37</sup>Umnikelo wakhe wawungumganu wesiliva olesisindo esingamashekeli alikhulu lamatshumi amathathu, lomganu wesiliva oyingubhe wokuchela olesisindo esingamashekeli angamatshumi ayisikhombisa, yomibili kuyisilinganiso samashekeli endlu engcwele, ngamunye ugcwele ifulawa ecolokileyo exutshaniswe lamafutha njengomnikelo wamabele; <sup>38</sup> inditshi yegolide elesisindo samashekeli alitshumi igcwele impepha; <sup>39</sup> inkunzi eliguqa inqama eyodwa kanye lezinyane eliduna lemvu elilomnyaka owodwa, kungumnikelo wokutshiswa; <sup>40</sup> imbuzi eyodwa enduna kungumnikelo wesono; <sup>41</sup> kanye lezinkabi ezimbili, lezinqama ezinhlanu, izimbuzi ezinduna ezinhlanu kanye lamazinyane ezimvu amaduna amahlanu alomnyaka owodwa kube ngumhlatshe womnikelo wobudlelwano. Lo kwakungumnikelo kaShelumiyeli indodana kaZurishadayi.

<sup>42</sup>Ngosuku lwesithupha u-Eliyasafi indodana kaDewuweli, umkhokheli wabantu bakaGadi, waletha umnikelo wakhe.

<sup>43</sup>Umnikelo wakhe wawungumganu wesiliva olesisindo esingamashekeli alikhulu lamatshumi amathathu, lomganu wesiliva oyingubhe wokuchela olesisindo esingamashekeli angamatshumi ayisikhombisa, yomibili kuyisilinganiso samashekeli endlu engcwele, ngamunye ugcwele ifulawa ecolokileyo exutshaniswe lamafutha njengomnikelo wamabele; <sup>44</sup> inditshi yegolide elesisindo samashekeli alitshumi igcwele impepha; <sup>45</sup> inkunzi eliguqa, inqama eyodwa kanye lezinyane eliduna lemvu elilomnyaka owodwa, kungumnikelo wokutshiswa; <sup>46</sup> imbuzi eyodwa enduna kungumnikelo wesono; <sup>47</sup> kanye lezinkabi ezimbili, lezinqama ezinhlanu, izimbuzi ezinduna ezinhlanu kanye lamazinyane ezimvu amaduna amahlanu alomnyaka owodwa kube ngumhlatshe womnikelo

wobudlelwano. Lo kwakungumnikelo ka-Elisafi indodana kaDewuweli.

<sup>48</sup>Ngosuku lwesikhombisa u-Elishama indodana ka-Amihudi, umkhokheli wabantu baka-Efrayimi, waletha umnikelo wakhe.

<sup>49</sup>Umnikelo wakhe wawungumganu wesiliva olesisindo esingamashekeli alikhulu lamatshumi amathathu, lomganu wesiliva oyingubhe wokuchela olesisindo esingamashekeli angamatshumi ayisikhombisa, yomibili kuyisilinganiso samashekeli endlu engcwele, ngamunye ugcwele ifulawa ecolokileyo exutshaniswe lamafutha njengomnikelo wamabele; <sup>50</sup> inditshi yegolide elesisindo samashekeli alitshumi igcwele impepha; <sup>51</sup> inkunzi eliguqa, inqama eyodwa kanye lezinyane eliduna lemvu elilomnyaka owodwa, kungumnikelo wokutshiswa; <sup>52</sup> imbuzi eyodwa enduna kungumnikelo wesono; <sup>53</sup> kanye lezinkabi ezimbili, lezinqama ezinhlanu, izimbuzi ezinduna ezinhlanu kanye lamazinyane ezimvu amaduna amahlanu alomnyaka owodwa kube ngumhlatshe womnikelo wobudlelwano. Lo kwakungumnikelo ka-Elishama indodana ka-Amihudi.

<sup>54</sup>Ngosuku lwefica mibili uGamaliyeli indodana kaPhedazuri, umkhokheli wabantu bakaManase, waletha umnikelo wakhe.

<sup>55</sup>Umnikelo wakhe wawungumganu wesiliva olesisindo esingamashekeli alikhulu lamatshumi amathathu, lomganu wesiliva oyingubhe wokuchela olesisindo esingamashekeli angamatshumi ayisikhombisa, yomibili kuyisilinganiso samashekeli endlu engcwele, ngamunye ugcwele ifulawa ecolokileyo exutshaniswe lamafutha njengomnikelo wamabele; <sup>56</sup> inditshi yegolide elesisindo samashekeli alitshumi igcwele impepha; <sup>57</sup> inkunzi eliguqa, inqama eyodwa kanye lezinyane eliduna lemvu elilomnyaka owodwa, kungumnikelo wokutshiswa; <sup>58</sup> imbuzi

eyodwa enduna kungumnikelo wesono; <sup>59</sup>kanye lezinkabi ezimbili, izinqama ezinhlanu, izimbuzi ezinduna ezinhlanu kanye lamazinyane ezimvuamaduna amahlanu alomnyaka owodwa kube ngumhlatshele womnikelo wobudlelwano. Lo kwakungumnikelo ka-Gamaliyeli indodana kaPhedazuri.

<sup>60</sup>Ngosuku lwefica munye u-Abhidani indodana kaGidiyoni, umkhokheli wabantu bakaBhenjamini, waletha umnikelo wakhe.

<sup>61</sup>Umnikelo wakhe wawungumganu wesiliva olesisindo esingamashekeli alikhulu lamatshumi amathathu, lomganu wesiliva oyingubhe wokuchela olesisindo esingamashekeli angamatshumi ayisikhombisa, yomibili kuyisilinganiso samashekeli endlu engcwele, ngamunye ugcwele ifulawa ecolekileyo exutshaniswe lamafutha njengomnikelo wamabele; <sup>62</sup>inditshi yegolide elesisindo samashekeli alitshumi, igcwele impepha; <sup>63</sup>inkunzi eliguqa, inqama eyodwa kanye lezinyane eliduna lemvu elilomnyaka owodwa, kungumnikelo wokutshiswa; <sup>64</sup>imbuzi eyodwa enduna kungumnikelo wesono; <sup>65</sup>kanye lezinkabi ezimbili, izinqama ezinhlanu, izimbuzi ezinduna ezinhlanu kanye lamazinyane ezimvuamaduna amahlanu alomnyaka owodwa, kube ngumhlatshele womnikelo wobudlelwano. Lo kwakungumnikelo ka-Abhidani indodana kaGidiyoni.

<sup>66</sup>Ngosuku lwetshumi u-Ahiyezeri indodana ka-Amishadayi, umkhokheli wabantu bakaDani, waletha umnikelo wakhe.

<sup>67</sup>Umnikelo wakhe wawungumganu wesiliva olesisindo esingamashekeli alikhulu lamatshumi amathathu, lomganu wesiliva oyingubhe wokuchela olesisindo esingamashekeli angamatshumi ayisikhombisa, yomibili kuyisilinganiso

samashekeli endlu engcwele, ngamunye ugcwele ifulawa ecolekileyo exutshaniswe lamafutha njengomnikelo wamabele; <sup>68</sup>inditshi yegolide elesisindo samashekeli alitshumi, igcwele impepha; <sup>69</sup>inkunzi eliguqa, inqama eyodwa kanye lezinyane eliduna lemvu elilomnyaka owodwa, kungumnikelo wokutshiswa; <sup>70</sup>imbuzi eyodwa enduna kungumnikelo wesono; <sup>71</sup>kanye lezinkabi ezimbili, izinqama ezinhlanu, izimbuzi ezinduna ezinhlanu kanye lamazinyane ezimvuamaduna amahlanu alomnyaka owodwa, kube ngumhlatshele womnikelo wobudlelwano. Lo kwakungumnikelo ka-Ahiyezeri indodana ka-Amihudi.

<sup>72</sup>Ngosuku lwetshumi lanye uPhagiyeli indodana ka-Okhrani, umkhokheli wabantu baka-Asheri, waletha umnikelo wakhe.

<sup>73</sup>Umnikelo wakhe wawungumganu wesiliva olesisindo esingamashekeli alikhulu lamatshumi amathathu, lomganu wesiliva oyingubhe wokuchela olesisindo esingamashekeli angamatshumi ayisikhombisa, yomibili kuyisilinganiso samashekeli endlu engcwele, ngamunye ugcwele ifulawa ecolekileyo exutshaniswe lamafutha njengomnikelo wamabele; <sup>74</sup>inditshi yegolide elesisindo samashekeli alitshumi, igcwele impepha; <sup>75</sup>inkunzi eliguqa, inqama eyodwa kanye lezinyane eliduna lemvu elilomnyaka owodwa, kungumnikelo wokutshiswa; <sup>76</sup>imbuzi eyodwa enduna kungumnikelo wesono; <sup>77</sup>kanye lezinkabi ezimbili, izinqama ezinhlanu, izimbuzi ezinduna ezinhlanu kanye lamazinyane ezimvuamaduna amahlanu alomnyaka owodwa, kube ngumhlatshele womnikelo wobudlelwano. Lo kwakungumnikelo kaPhagiyeli indodana kaOkhirani.

<sup>78</sup>Ngosuku lwetshumi lambili

u-Ahira indodana ka-Enani,  
umkhokheli wabantu bakaNafthali, waletha  
umnikelo wakhe.

<sup>79</sup>Umnikelo wakhe wawungumanu  
wesiliva olesisindo esingamashekeli  
alikhulu lamatshumi amathathu, lomganu  
wesiliva oyingubhe wokuchela olesisindo  
esingamashekeli angamatshumi  
ayisikhombisa, yomibili kuyisilinganiso  
samashekeli endlu engcwele, ngamunye  
ugcwele ifulawa ecolikileyo exutshaniswe  
lamafutha njengomnikelo wamabele;  
<sup>80</sup>inditshi yegolide elesisindo samashekeli  
alitshumi, igcwele impepha; <sup>81</sup>inkunzi  
eyodwa eliguqa, inqama eyodwa kanye  
lezinyane eliduna lemvu elilomnyaka  
owodwa, kungumnikelo wokutshiswa;  
<sup>82</sup>imbuzi eyodwa enduna kungumnikelo  
wesono; <sup>83</sup>kanye lezinkabi ezimbili,  
izingama ezinhlanu, izimbuzi ezinduna  
ezinhlanu kanye lamazinyane ezimvu  
amaduna amahlanu alomnyaka owodwa,  
kuba ngumhlatshele womnikelo  
wobudlelwano. Lo kwakungumnikelo  
ka-Ahira indodana ka-Enani.

<sup>84</sup>Le yayiyiminikelo yabakhokheli bako-  
Israyeli yokwahlukaniselwa kwe-alithare  
mhla ligcotshwa: imiganu elitshumi lambili  
yesiliva, imiganu yokuchela yesiliva  
eyingubhe elitshumi lambili kanye lezinkezo  
zegolide ezilitshumi lambili. <sup>85</sup>Unganu  
munye wesiliva ulesisindo samashekeli  
alikhulu lamatshumi amathathu, njalo  
umganu oyingubhe wokuchela ngamunye  
ulesisindo samashekeli angamatshumi  
ayisikhombisa. Sezihlangene, izitsha  
zesiliva zazilesisindo esingamashekeli  
azinkulungwane ezimbili lamakhulu amane,  
kulinganiswa ngesisindo seshekeli lendlu  
engcwele. <sup>86</sup>Izinditshi ezilitshumi lambili  
zegolide zigcwele impepha zilesisindo  
samashekeli alitshumi inye, kulinganiswa  
ngesisindo seshekeli lendlu engcwele.  
Sezindawonye, izinkezo zegolide zilesisindo  
samashekeli alikhulu elilamatshumi amabili.

<sup>87</sup>Inani lezinyamazana zonke ezomnikelo  
wokutshiswa zazibalisa itshumi lambili  
lezinkunzi ezingamaguqa, itshumi lambili  
lezinqama kanye letshumi lambili  
lamazinyane ezimvu amaduna alomnyaka  
owodwa, kanye lomnikelo wazo wamabele.  
Izimpongo ezilitshumi lambili zaba  
ngezomnikelo wesono. <sup>88</sup>Sezihlangene  
zonke izinyamazana zomhlatshele  
womnikelo wobudlelwano kwaba zinkabi  
ezingamatshumi amabili lane, izingama  
ezingamatshumi ayisithupha, izimbuzi  
ezinduna ezingamatshumi ayisithupha kanye  
lamazinyane amaduna ezimvu alomnyaka  
owodwa angamatshumi ayisithupha. Le  
kwakuyiminikelo yokwahlukaniselwa kwe-  
alithare emva kokugcotshwa kwalo.

<sup>89</sup>Kwathi uMosi engena eThenteni  
lokuHlanganela ukuba ayekhuluma  
loJehova, wezwa ilizwi likhuluma laye  
liphuma sengathi liphahlwe ngamakherubhi  
amabili ngaphezu kwesisibekelo sesihlalo  
somusa, phezu kwebhokisi lobuFakazi.  
Wasekhuluma laye.

*Ukumiswa kwezibane*

**8** UJehova wathi kuMosi, <sup>2</sup>“Tshono  
ku-Aroni uthi, ‘Nxa usumisa izibane  
eziyisikhombisa, zifanele zikhanyise indawo  
ephambi koluthi lwezibane.’ ”

<sup>3</sup>U-Aroni wenza njalo; wamisa izibane  
oluthini zikhangele phambili,  
njengokulaywa kukaMosi nguJehova.

<sup>4</sup>Uluthi lwesibane lwalwenziwe ngale  
indlela: Lwalwenziwe ngegolide  
elicanduliweyo – kusukela esidindini salo  
kusiya embaxeni zamaluba alo. Uluthi  
lwesibane lwenziwa lwafana xathu lalokho  
uJehova ayekutshengise uMosi.

*Ukwahlukaniswa kwabaLevi*

<sup>5</sup>UJehova wathi kuMosi: <sup>6</sup>“Yahlukanisa  
abaLevi kwabanye bonke abako-Israyeli  
ubahlambulule ngokomlayo. <sup>7</sup>Nanku

ozakwenza nxa usubahlambulula: Bachele ngamanzi okuhlambulula, uthi kabaphuce imizimba yabo yonke njalo bagezise izigqoko zabo, bazihlambulule.

<sup>8</sup>Kabathathe inkunzi eliguqa ndawonye lomnikelo wayo wamabele ayifulawa ecolokileyo exutshaniswe lamafutha; ube usuthatha inkunzi yesibili ibe ngumnikelo wesono. <sup>9</sup>Letha abaLevi phambi kweThente lokuHlanganela ube usubuthanisa isizwe sonke sako-Israyeli. <sup>10</sup>Letha abaLevi phambi kukaJehova, abako-Israyeli babeke izandla zabo phezu kwabaLevi. <sup>11</sup>U-Aroni kethule abaLevi phambi kukaJehova njengomnikelo wabako-Israyeli wokuzunguzwa, ukuze balungele ukwenza umsebenzi kaJehova.

<sup>12</sup>“Nxa abaLevi sebebeke izandla zabo phezu kwamakhanda ezinkunzi, uzakwenza umnikelo wesono kuJehova ngenye yazo, ukwenzela abaLevi indlela yokubuyisana. <sup>13</sup>Misa abaLevi phambi kuka-Aroni kanye lamadodana akhe ubethule njengomnikelo wokuzunguzwa phambi kukaJehova. <sup>14</sup>Ngalokhu uzakube usuwahlukanise abaLevi kwabanye bonke abako-Israyeli, ngakho abaLevi bazakuba ngabami.

<sup>15</sup>“Ngemva kokuba usuhlambulule wethula abaLevi njengomnikelo wokuzunguzwa, kabeze benze umsebenzi wabo eThenteni lokuHlanganela.

<sup>16</sup>Bangabako-Israyeli abaphiwe mina ngokugcweleyo. Sengibathethe baba ngabami esikhundleni samazibulo, wonke umntwana ongumfana wokuqala ozelwe ngowesifazana wako-Israyeli.

<sup>17</sup>Wonke amazibulo ako-Israyeli, awabantu kumbe awezinyamazana, angawami. Ngazehlukanisela wona mhla ngibulala amazibulo wonke eGibhithe.

<sup>18</sup>Ngakho-ke sengithethe abaLevi esikhundleni samazibulo wonke angabafana bako-Israyeli. <sup>19</sup>Kubo bonke abako-Israyeli, senginike abaLevi ku-Aroni kanye lamadodana akhe ukuba babe yizipho ukuze benzele abako-Israyeli umsebenzi kanye lendlela yokubuyisana eThenteni

lokuHlanganela ukuze abako-Israyeli bangahlaselwa yisifo nxa besondela endlini engcwele.”

<sup>20</sup>UMosi lo-Aroni kanye labo bonke abako-Israyeli benza njalo kubaLevi njengalokhu uJehova walaya uMosi. <sup>21</sup>AbaLevi bazihlambulula njalo bagezisa izigqoko zabo. Ngakho u-Aroni wabethula phambi kukaJehova njengomnikelo wokuzunguzwa njalo wabenzela indlela yokubuyisana ebahlambulula. <sup>22</sup>Ngemva kwalokho, abaLevi beza eThenteni lokuHlanganela ukuzakwenza umsebenzi wabo ngaphansi kuka-Aroni kanye lamadodana akhe. Benza njalo kubaLevi njengokulaywa kukaMosi nguJehova.

<sup>23</sup>UJehova wathi kuMosi, <sup>24</sup>“Lokhu kuqondane labaLevi: Abesilisa abaleminyaka esukela kwengamatshumi amabili lanhlano kusiya phezulu bazakwenza umsebenzi eThenteni lokuHlanganela, <sup>25</sup>kodwa asebeleminyaka engamatshumi amahlanu okuzalwa, bazamiswa ukuphatha imisebenzi yabo yensuku ngensuku bangabe besasebenza futhi. <sup>26</sup>Bangasiza nje abafowabo nxa besenza imisebenzi yabo eThenteni lokuHlanganela, kodwa bona ngokwabo bangasebenzi. Le yiyo-ke indlela ozakupha ngayo abaLevi imisebenzi.

### *IPhasika*

**9** Ngenyanga yakuqala ngomnyaka wesibili ngemva kokuphuma kwabo eGibhithe uJehova wakhuluma loMosi eNkangala yaseSinayi, wathi, <sup>2</sup>“Yenza abako-Israyeli bagcine umkhosi wePhasika ngesikhathi esimisiweyo. <sup>3</sup>Gcinani umkhosi walo ngesikhathi esimisiweyo, kusihlwa ngosuku lwetshumi lane lwayonale inyanga, ngokwezimiso kanye lemithetho yawo.”

<sup>4</sup>Ngakho uMosi watshela abako-Israyeli ukuthi bagcine umkhosi wePhasika, <sup>5</sup>benza njalo kusihlwa ngosuku lwetshumi lane



lwenyanga yakuqala eNkangala yaseSinayi. Abako-Israyeli benza konke njengokulaywa kukaMosi nguJehova.

<sup>6</sup>Kodwa abanye babo abazange bagcine umkhosi wePhasika ngalolosuku ngoba babengcolile ngokomlayo ngenxa yesidumbu. Ngakho beza kuMosi lo-Aroni ngalolosuku <sup>7</sup>bathi kuMosi, “Sesingcolile ngenxa yesidumbu, kambe kungani sinqatshelwa ukwethula umnikelo kaJehova kanye labanye bako-Israyeli ngesikhathi esimisiweyo na?”

<sup>8</sup>UMosi wabaphendula wathi, “Manini, ukuze ngizwe ukuthi uJehova uzakuthini ngani.”

<sup>9</sup>Ngakho uJehova wathi kuMosi, <sup>10</sup>“Tshono kwabako-Israyeli uthi: ‘Nxa loba ngubani wakini kumbe izizukulwane zenu engcoliswe yisidumbu kumbe ethethe uhambo, angagcina umkhosi wePhasika likaJehova. <sup>11</sup>Bangagcina lumkhosi kusihlwa ngosuku lwetshumi lane lwenyanga yesibili. Kabadle iwundlu, kanye lesinkwa esingelamvubelo lemibhida ebabayo. <sup>12</sup>Bangatshiyi lutho lwakho kuze kuse kumbe ukwephula loba yiliphi lamathambo alo. Nxa begcina umkhosi wePhasika, kabalandele yonke imithetho yalo. <sup>13</sup>Kodwa nxa umuntu ehlambulukile ngokomlayo njalo engekho ehanjeni ehluleke ukugcina umkhosi wePhasika, lowo muntu kasuswe ebantwini bakibo ngoba engethulanga umnikelo kaJehova ngesikhathi esimisiweyo. Lowomuntu uzathwala umvuzo besono sakhe.

<sup>14</sup>“ ‘Owezizweni ohlala phakathi kwenu ofuna ukugcina umkhosi wePhasika kakwenze ngokwezimiso kanye lemithetho yalo. Wobani lezimiso zinye kowezizweni kanye langowenzalo yakini.’ ”

*Iyezi phezu kweThabanikeli*

<sup>15</sup>Ngosuku okwamiswa ngalo ithabanikeli, iThente lobuFakazi, iyezi lalisibekela. Kusukela kusihlwa kuze kuse iyezi

elaliphezu kwethabanikeli linjengomlilo.

<sup>16</sup>Laqhubeka linjalo; lembeswe liyezi, ebusuku lalinjengomlilo. <sup>17</sup>Ngesikhathi sonke lapho iyezi liphakama lisuka phezu kweThente, abako-Israyeli labo babesuka bahambe kuthi lapho elima khona, abako-Israyeli bamise izihonqo zabo khona.

<sup>18</sup>Abako-Israyeli babesuka bahambe ngokulaya kukaJehova, kuthi njalo ngokulaya kwake bamise izihonqo zabo. Ngesikhathi sonke iyezi limi phezu kwethabanekeli, abako-Israyeli bahlala ezihonqweni zabo. <sup>19</sup>Lapho iyezi lihlala isikhathi eside phezu kwethabanikeli, abako-Israyeli bamlalela uJehova abaze bahamba.

<sup>20</sup>Kwesinye isikhathi iyezi lalisima phezu kwethabanikeli okwezinsukwana nje kuphela; ngokulaya kukaJehova babehlala ezihonqweni khonapho, kuthi njalo ngokulaya kwakhe basuke bahambe.

<sup>21</sup>Kwesinye isikhathi iyezi lalisima kusukela kusihlwa kuze kuse, kuthi nxa lisuka ekuseni, labo bahambe. Kungakhathalekile ukuthi kusemini loba kusebusuku, sonke isikhathi lapho iyezi lisuka babesuka bahambe.

<sup>22</sup>Loba iyezi lalisima phezu kwethabanikeli okwezinsuku ezimbili, kumbe okwenyanga eyodwa kumbe umnyaka, abako-Israyeli babehlala khonapho ezihonqweni bangasuki; kodwa nxa lingasuka, labo babesuka. <sup>23</sup>Ngokulaya kukaJehova babehlala ezihonqweni, langokulaya kwakhe njalo babesuka bahambe. Balalela okwakutshiwo nguJehova ngokulaya kwakhe ngoMosi.

*Amacilongo eSiliva*

**10** UJehova wathi kuMosi: <sup>2</sup>“Yenza amacilongo amabili ngesiliva esicanduliweyo, ukuze uwasebenzise nxa ubizela abako-Israyeli ndawonye lanxa izihonqo sezifanele ukususwa ukuba kuhanjwe. <sup>3</sup>Kuzakuthi nxa amacilongo

womabili angakhala sikhathi sinye, isizwe sonke sako-Israyeli sibuthane phambi kwakho esangweni leThente lokuHlanganela. <sup>4</sup>Kungakhala elilodwa nje, abakhokheli – izinhloko zezizwana zako-Israyeli, kumele babuthane phambi kwakho. <sup>5</sup>Nxa icilongo lingakhala kakhulu, izizwana ezihlala ezihonqweni ezisempumalanga zizasuka. <sup>6</sup>Lingakhala kakhulu okwesibili izihonqo ezingeningizimu zizasuka. Ukukhala kakhulu kwecilongo kutsho ukuthi kakusukwe. <sup>7</sup>Ekubuthanisweni kwabantu ndawonye, lizakhalisa amacilongo, kodwa kube lomahluko ukukhala kwawo.

<sup>8</sup>“Amadodana ka-Aroni, abaphristi, yibo abazatshaya amacilongo. Lesi siyisimiso esizakuma njalo kini lakuzizukulwane ezizayo. <sup>9</sup>Nxa lililwa impi lesitha esilincindezelayo elizweni lakini, lizakhalisa kakhulu amacilongo. Ngalokho uJehova uNkulunkulu wenu uzalikhumbula njalo lilanyulelwe ezitheni zenu. <sup>10</sup>Njalo lasezikhathini zenu zentokozo – emadilini amisiweyo kanye lemikhosini yokuThwasa kwenyanga – lizakhalisa amacilongo phezu kwemihlatshelo yokutshiswa kanye leminikelo yobudlelwano, ngakho izakuba yisikhumbuzo senu phambi kukaNkulunkulu wenu. Mina nginguJehova uNkulunkulu wenu.”

#### *Abako-Israyeli basuka eSinayi*

<sup>11</sup>Ngosuku lwamatshumi amabili ngenyanga yesibili ngomnyaka wesibili, iyezi lasuka ngaphezu kweThabanikeli lobuFakazi. <sup>12</sup>Ngalokho abako-Israyeli basuka eNkangala yaseSinayi bazula indawo ngendawo iyezi laze layakuma eNkangala yasePharani. <sup>13</sup>Basuka, okwehlandla lakuqala ngokulaya kukaJehova ngoMosi. <sup>14</sup>Izigaba zezihonqo zakoJuda zasuka kuqala, ngophawu lwazo. Zazilawulwa nguNahashoni indodana ka-Aminadabi. <sup>15</sup>UNethaneli indodana kaZuwari ekhokhele izigaba zezizwana sika-Isakhari, <sup>16</sup>“Kuthi

u-Eliyabi indodana kaHeloni ekhokhele isigaba zezizwana sikaZebhulumi. <sup>17</sup>Ngakho basebechitha ithabanikeli, kwathi amaGeshoni lamaMerari ayelithwala, lawo asuka.

<sup>18</sup>Kwalandela izigaba zezihonqo zikaRubheni, lazo zingaphansi kophawu lwazo. U-Elizuri indodana kaShedewuri wayekhokhele. <sup>19</sup>UShelumiyeli indodana kaZurishadayi ekhokhele isigaba sesizwana sikaSimeyoni, <sup>20</sup>kanti u-Eliyasafi indodana kaDewuweli wayekhokhele isigaba sesizwana sikaGadi. <sup>21</sup>Kwasekusuka amaKhohathi, wona asuka ethwele izinto ezingcwele. Ithabanikeli kwakumele limiswe abako-Israyeli bengakafiki.

<sup>22</sup>Izigaba zezihonqo zika-Efrayimi zalandela, ngaphansi kophawu lwazo. Owayekhokhele ngu-Elishama indodana ka-Amihudi. <sup>23</sup>UGamaliyeli indodana kaPhedazuri wayekhokhele isigaba sesizwana sikaManase, <sup>24</sup>kanti u-Abhidani indodana kaGidiyoni wakhokhela isigaba sezihonqo zezizwana sikaBhenjamini.

<sup>25</sup>Ekucineni, beliviyo elalivimbe emuva kwazo zonke izigaba, kwaba ngabezihonqo zezizwana sikaDani, abasuka ekucineni labo bengaphansi kophawu lwabo. Owayekhokhele kwakungu-Ahiyezeri indodana ka-Amishadayi. <sup>26</sup>UPhagiyeli indodana ka-Okhrani wayekhokhele isigaba sesizwana sika-Asheri, <sup>27</sup>kanti u-Ahira indodana ka-Enani wayekhokhele isigaba sesizwana sikaNafthali. <sup>28</sup>Lokhu kwakuyindlela yokulandelana kokuhamba kwezigaba zaba-Israyeli ekusukeni kwabo.

<sup>29</sup>UMosi wathi kuHobabi indodana kaRuweli ongumMidiyani uyisezala kaMosi, “Sesisuka sisiya elizweni lelo elatshiwo nguJehova ukuthi ‘Ngizalipha lona.’ Woza sihambe lawe thina sizakuphatha kuhle, uJehova uthembise abako-Israyeli izinto ezinhle.”

<sup>30</sup>Waphendula wathi, “Hatshi, angiyikuhamba, ngizabuyela kwelakithi ebantwini bakithi.”

<sup>31</sup> Kodwa uMosi wathi,  
 “Ngiyakuncenga ungasuki phakathi kwethu.  
 Nguwe owazi lapha okufanele sihlale khona  
 enkangala, njalo ongaba ngamehlo ethu.  
<sup>32</sup> Nxa unгахamba lathi, sizakwabelana lawe  
 izinto ezinhle esiyabe siziphiwe nguJehova.”  
<sup>33</sup> Ngakho basuka entabeni kaJehova  
 bahamba okwezinsuku ezintathu. Ibhokisi  
 lesivumelwano sikaJehova lahamba phambi  
 kwabo okwalezozinsuku ezintathu  
 ukubafunela indawo yokuphumula. <sup>34</sup> Iyezi  
 likaJehova lalisiba phezu kwabo emini lapho  
 sebesuka ezihonqweni.  
<sup>35</sup> Kwakusithi lapho ibhokisi  
 lesivumelwano selisuka, uMosi athi,

“Phakama, Jehova!  
 Sengathi izitha zingahlazeka;  
 Singathi izitha zakho zingabaleka phambi  
 kwakho.”

<sup>36</sup> Kwakusithi lingema, athi,  
 “Buya, Jehova,  
 kuzinkulungwane zako-Israyeli  
 ezingabalwe.”

*Umlilo ovela kuJehova*

**11** Abantu basola ngobunzima  
 ababelabo uJehova esizwa, kwathi ekuzwa  
 lokho wathukuthela kakhulu. Kwasekusithi  
 umlilo ovela kuJehova wavutha phakathi  
 kwabo waze waqothula lezinye izindawo  
 ezisemaphethelweni ezihonqo. <sup>2</sup> Kwathi  
 lapho abantu sebekhale kuMosi, yena  
 wakhuleka kuJehova ngakho umlilo  
 wadeda.

<sup>3</sup> Indawo leyo yasibizwa ngokuthi  
 yiThabhera, ngoba umlilo kaJehova wavutha  
 phakathi kwabo.

*Izigcwaca ezivela kuJehova*

<sup>4</sup> Ududu lwabantu olwaluphakathi kwabo  
 lwaqala ukufisa okunye njalo ukudla,  
 ngakho labako-Israyeli baqala ukulila bathi,  
 “Aluba besingazuza inyama yokudla nje  
 kodwa lokhu! <sup>5</sup> Sesikhumbula izinhlanzi  
 esasizidla eGibhithe kungelambadalo  
 lamakhomane, amakhabe, amalikhi  
 lemihlobo yonke yehyanisi kanye  
 legalikhi. <sup>6</sup> Pho khatesi lapha sesize  
 singasakhwabithi lokudla; kasiboni lutho  
 ngaphandle kwemana yonale zwi!”

<sup>7</sup> Imana yayiphose ilingane lentanga  
 yekhoriyanda ilombala ofana lowenhlaka.  
<sup>8</sup> Abantu babephuma bayeyibutha, bayichole  
 kumbe bayigige. Babeyipheka embizeni  
 kumbe benze amaqebelengwana ngayo.  
 Yayinambitheka njengento ephekwe  
 ngamafutha e-oliva. <sup>9</sup> Kwakusithi nxa kusiba  
 lamazolo ezihonqweni ebusuku, imana layo  
 yayikhithika.

<sup>10</sup> UMosi wezwa abantu bedlu inye  
 ngayinye bekhala, ngulowo esemnyango  
 wethente lakhe. UJehova wathukuthela  
 kakhulu, njalo uMosi wakhathazeka. UMosi  
 wathi kuJehova, “<sup>11</sup> Kungani wehlisele  
 ubunzima encekwini yakho na? Kuyini  
 engikwenzileyo okungakuthokozisanga  
 ukuze ungisindise ngobunzima babantu  
 bonke laba na? <sup>12</sup> Ngingunina wabo na?  
 Yimi engabazalayo yini? Kungani usithi  
 ngibaphathe ngezandla zami  
 njengomongikazi ephethe usane, ngibase  
 elizweni lesithembiso owafunga ngalo  
 kubokhokho babo na?”

<sup>13</sup> Ngingayithatha ngaphi inyama yokupha  
 abantu bonke laba? Lokhu bengikhalela  
 besithi, ‘Sinike inyama sidle!’ <sup>14</sup> Ngeke  
 ngibathwale abantu bonke laba ngingedwa;  
 umthwalo lo unzima kakhulu kimi. <sup>15</sup> Nxa  
 kuyiyo indlela ozangiphatha ngayo,  
 ngibulala khatesi – aluba ngifumane umusa  
 kuwe – ukuze ngingaboni ukuhlupheka  
 kwami.”

<sup>16</sup> UJehova wathi kuMosi: “Ngilethela  
 ebadaleni bako-Israyeli abangamatshumi  
 ayisikhombisa obaziyo ukuthi

bangabakhokheli futhi yizikhulu zabantu. Balethe eThenteni lokuHlanganela ukuze bame lawe khonapho. <sup>17</sup>Ngizakwehla ngizekhuluma lawe khonapho, ngizathatha ingxenye yoMoya okuwe ngiwufake uMoya lowo phezu kwabo. Bazakuncedisa ukuthwala umthwalo wabantu bako-Israyeli ukuze ungawuthwali wedwa.

<sup>18</sup>Tshela abantu uthi : ‘Zingweliseni lilungiselela usuku lwakusasa, lapho esizakudla khona inyama. UJehova ulizwile likhala kuye lisithi, “Ngubani ozasipha inyama ukuba sidle? Kwakungcono kithi siseGibhithe!” Khathesi uJehova uzalinika inyama, njalo lizayidla. <sup>19</sup>Aliyikuyidla okosuku olulodwa loba ezimbili, loba ezinhlanu, ezilitshumi loba ezingamatshumi amabili, <sup>20</sup>kodwa lizayidla okwenyanga yonke – ize iphume ngamakhala enu, ilitshiphele, ngoba limhlamukele uJehova, ephakathi kwenu, njalo likhalile phambi kwakhe, lisithi, “Kanti sivele sasukelani eGibhithe” ’ ”

<sup>21</sup>Kodwa uMosi wathi, “Mina ngilapha phakathi kwamadoda azi 600 000 ahamba ngezinyawo, kodwa wena uthi,

‘Ngizabanika inyama abazayidla okwenyanga yonke!’ <sup>22</sup>Bebengeneliswa na aluba bebehlatshelwe imihlambi yezimvu leyezifuyo? Babezakweneliswa na aluba begolelwe izinhlanzi zonke zasolwandle?’

<sup>23</sup>UJehova wamphendula uMosi wathi, “Kambe ingalo kaJehova imfitshane na? Uzabona-ke khathesi longabe yebo loba hayi ukuthi engikutshoyo kuzagcwaliseka kuwe.”

<sup>24</sup>Ngakho uMosi waphuma wayatshela abantu lokho okwakutshiwo nguJehova. Wahlanganisa abadala abangamatshumi ayisikhombisa wabamisa bahunqozela ithente. <sup>25</sup>Ngalokho uJehova wehla ngeyezi wakhuluma laye, yena wasethatha uMoya owawuphezu kwakhe wawethula uMoya phezu kwalabo abangamatshumi ayisikhombisa. Kwathi uMoya usuphezu kwabo, baphrofetha, kodwa kabazange baphinde bakwenze muva kwalokho.

<sup>26</sup>Kodwa-ke, kwakukhona amadoda amabili, kungu-Elidadi loMedadi ababesele esihonqweni. Lanxa babebalelwa ebadaleni, kodwa kabazange baphume ukuya eThenteni. Kanti-ke uMoya wawehlele phezu kwabo labo, njalo babephrofetha besesihonqweni. <sup>27</sup>Ijahana elincinyane lagijima layabikela uMosi lathi, “U-Elidadi loMedadi bayaphrofetha besesihonqweni.”

<sup>28</sup>UJoshuwa indodana kaNuni, owayekade engumsekeli kaMosi kusukela ebutsheni bakhe, waphakamisa ilizwi wathi, “Mosi, nkosi yami, bathulise!”

<sup>29</sup>Kodwa uMosi waphendula wathi, “Uyangikhwelezela na? Ngiyafisa ukuthi ngabe bonke abantu bakaJehova bangabaphrofethi njalo lokuthi uJehova wehlisele uMoya wakhe phezu kwabo!”

<sup>30</sup>Ngakho uMosi labadala bako-Israyeli babuyela ezihonqweni.

<sup>31</sup>Kwasekuphephetha umoya uvela kuJehova wathinta izagcwaca zivela olwandle. Zakhithika zelekana ukusuka phansi okwezingalo ezimbili ezihonqweni, zendlaleka okommango ongahanjwa okosuku lonke nxa zonke. <sup>32</sup>Mhlalokho emini lebusuku njalo langosuku olulandelayo abantu baphuma bayabutha izagcwaca. Akekho owabutha izagcwaca ezinganeno kwamahomeri alitshumi. Ngakho basebezichaya ndawana zonke ezihonqweni. <sup>33</sup>Kodwa kwathi belokhu besayihlafuna inyama bengakayiginyi, ulaka luka Jehova lwavutha phezu kwabantu, njalo wabatshaya ngokubehlisela umkhuhlane. <sup>34</sup>Ngakho indawo leyo yabizwa ngokuthi yiKhibhrothi Hathava, ngoba kulapho okwangcwatshwa khona abantu ababebukhali kokunye ukudla.

<sup>35</sup>Ekusukeni kwabo eKhibhrothi Hathava abantu bahamba baze bayafika eHazerothi bahlala khona.

*UMiriyamu lo-Aroni baphikisa uMosi*

## 12 UMiriyamu lo-Aroni basuka

basebeqalisa ukusola uMosi ngenxa yomkakhe ongumKhushi, njengoba wayethe the umKhushi. <sup>2</sup>Babuzana bathi: “Kambe uMosi nguyeyedwa ongumlomo kaJehova na?” “Kanti lathi kazange asenze izikhulumeli zakhe na?” UJehova wakuzwa lokhu.

<sup>3</sup>(UMosi wayeyindoda ethobeke kakhulu, ethobeke ukwedlula wonke amadoda asemhlabeni.)

<sup>4</sup>Khonokho nje uJehova wathi kuMosi, lo-Aroni loMiriyamu, “Phumani lize eThenteni lokuHlanganela, lonke lobathathu.” Lakanye beza bobathathu. <sup>5</sup>UJehova wehla ngensika yeyezi; wema esangweni leThente wasebiza u-Aroni loMiriyamu. Kwathi lapho sebesondele bobabili, <sup>6</sup>uJehova wasesithi, “Lalelani amazwi ami:

“Nxa kulomprofethi kaJehova phakathi kwenu, ngiziveza kuye ngemibono, ngikhuluma laye emaphutsheni.

<sup>7</sup>Kodwa akunjalo ngencekuni yami uMosi; uthembekile endlini yami yonke.

<sup>8</sup>Nxa ngikhuluma laye siqondana ubuso ngobuso, ngokucacileyo kungesikuphicana; uyasibona isimo sikaJehova.

Kungani pho belingesabi ukusola inceku yami uMosi na?”

<sup>9</sup>Ulaka luka Jehova lwavutha phezu kwabo, uJehova wasesuka kubo.

<sup>10</sup>Ekusukeni kweyezi phezu kweThente, kwabonakala uMiriyamu esemi lapho eselobulephero obunjengongqoqwane. U-Aroni uthe emkhangela wambona eselobulephero; <sup>11</sup>wasesithi kuMosi, “Awu,

nkosi yami, ungasibeki icala ngenxa yesono esisenze ngobuwula. <sup>12</sup>Ungamyekeli enjengomntwana ozelwe efile, inyama yakhe idliwe nganxanye.”

<sup>13</sup>Ngakho uMosi wakhala kuJehova wathi, “Nkulunkulu, ngiyakucela, msilise.”

<sup>14</sup>UJehova waphendula uMosi wathi, “Kambe ngabe uyise ubemkhafulele ebusweni, ubengayikuthwala ihlazo okwezinsuku eziyisikhombisa na? Mkhupheni ahlale ngaphandle kwezihonqo okwezinsuku eziyisikhombisa; ngemva kwalokho selingambuyisa.” <sup>15</sup>Ngakho uMiriyamu wahlaliswa ngaphandle kwezihonqo okwezinsuku eziyisikhombisa, ngakho abantu kabaqhubekanga ngohambo waze wabuyiswa.

<sup>16</sup>Ngemva kwalokho, abantu basuka eHazerothi bayamisa izihonqo eNkangala yasePharani.

*Ukuhlolwa kwelizwe laseKhenani*

## 13 UJehova wathi kuMosi, <sup>2</sup>“Thuma

amadoda athile ukuba ayehlola ilizwe laseKhenani, engilinika abako-Israyeli. Kusendo ngalunye lwesizwe thuma umkhokheli oyedwa.”

<sup>3</sup>Ngakho ngokulaya kukaJehova uMosi wabakhupha labo eNkangala yePharani. Bonke babengabakhokheli bako-Israyeli.

<sup>4</sup>Nanka amabizo abo: esizwaneni sikaRubheni, kwakunguShamuwa indodana kaZakhuri;

<sup>5</sup>esizwaneni sikaSimeyoni, kwakunguShafathi indodana kaHori;

<sup>6</sup>esizwaneni sikaJuda, kwakunguKhalebi indodana kaJefune;

<sup>7</sup>esizwaneni sika-Isakhari, kwakungu-Igali indodana kaJosefa;

<sup>8</sup>esizwaneni sika-Efrayimi, kwakunguHosheya indodana kaNuni;

<sup>9</sup>esizwaneni sikaBhenjamini, kwakunguPhalithi indodana kaRafu;

<sup>10</sup> esizwaneni sikaZebhuluni,  
kwakunguGadiyeli indodana kaSodi;

<sup>11</sup> esizwaneni sikaManase (owesizwe  
sikaJosefa), kwakunguGadi indodana  
kaSusi;

<sup>12</sup> esizwaneni sikaDani, kwakungu-  
Amiyeli indodana kaGemali;

<sup>13</sup> esizwaneni sika-Asheri,  
kwakunguSethuri indodana kaMikhayeli;

<sup>14</sup> esizwaneni sikaNafthali,  
kwakunguNabhi indodana kaVofisi;

<sup>15</sup> esizwaneni sikaGadi,  
kwakunguGewuweli indodana kaMakhi.

<sup>16</sup> La ngamabizo alawomadoda athunywa  
nguMosi ukuyahlola ilizwe. (UMosi wetha  
uHosheya indodana kaNuni ibizo elithi  
Joshuwa.)

<sup>17</sup> Ekubathumeni kwakhe ukuyahlola  
ilizwe laseKhenani, uMosi wathi kubo,  
“Hambani liye eNegebi likhuphukele  
elizweni lezintaba. <sup>18</sup> Likhangele ukuthi  
ilizwe lakhona linjani njalo lokuthi abantu  
bakhona balamandla kumbe babuthakathaka,  
balutshwana kumbe banengi. <sup>19</sup> Ilizwe  
abahlala kulo linjani? Lihle na loba libi?  
Amadolobho abahlala kuwo anjani?  
Agonjolozelwe ngemiduli loba asegcakeni  
nje? <sup>20</sup> Umhlabathi wakhona unjani?  
Uvundile na loba ulugwadule? Langabe  
lilezihlahla loba hayi? Yenzani ubungcono  
benu libuye lezinye zezithelo  
zakulelolizwe.” (Kwakuyisikhathi  
sokuvuthwa kwezithelo zakuqala zevini.)

<sup>21</sup> Ngakho bahamba ukuyahlola ilizwe  
besukela eNkangala yaseZini kuze kuyefika  
eRehobi, ngokuya eLebho Hamathi.

<sup>22</sup> Bahamba-ke badabula eNegebi baze  
bayafika eHebhroni, lapho okwakuhlala  
khona u-Ahimani, loSheshayi kanye  
loThalimayi, izizukulwane zika-Anakhi.  
(IHebhroni yakhiwa iminyaka  
eyisikhombisa kungakakhiwa idolobho  
laseZowani eGibhithe.) <sup>23</sup> Bathi befika  
esiHotsheni sase-Eshikhole baquma ugatsha

olwalulesixha sezithelo zevini. Ababili babo  
basithwala besigaxe egodweni ndawonye  
lamaphomogranethi kanye lomkhiwa.

<sup>24</sup> Lindawo yabizwa ngokuthi yisiHotsha  
sase-Eshikhole ngenxa yesixha sezithelo  
zevini esaqunywa khona. <sup>25</sup> Ngemva  
kwezinsuku ezingamatshumi amane  
zokuhlola ilizwe izinhlozi zabuyela emuva.

*Umbiko mayelana lokuhlolwa kwelizwe*

<sup>26</sup> Babuyela kuMosi lo-Aroni lakuso sonke  
isizwe sako-Israyeli eKhadeshi, eNkangala  
yasePharani. Babikela uMosi lo-Aroni  
kanye labo bonke abako-Israyeli njalo  
batshengisa lezithelo zakulelolizwe.

<sup>27</sup> Balandisela uMosi bathi: “Sihambile  
elizweni lelo obukade usithume kulo,  
ngempela ligeleza uchago loluju! Nanzi  
izithelo zalo. <sup>28</sup> Kodwa abantu abahlala  
khona balamandla kanti lamadolobho  
akhona makhulu njalo avikelwe. Size  
sabona lezizukulwane zika-Anakhi khonale.

<sup>29</sup> Ama-Amaleki ahlala eNegebi;  
amaHithi, lamaJebusi lama-Amori bahlala  
elizweni lezintaba, amaKhenani wona  
ahlala eduzane lolwandle esekele umfula  
uJodani.”

<sup>30</sup> Emva kwalokho uKhalebi wathulisa  
abantu phambi kukaMosi wasesithi,  
“Kufanele ukuthi sihambe siyethatha ilizwe  
leli libe ngelethu, ngoba singakwenza  
sibili.”

<sup>31</sup> Kodwa amadoda lawo ayehambe laye  
athi, “Singeke sibahlasele abantu labo;  
balamandla kulathi.” <sup>32</sup> Basebetshela abantu  
bako-Israyeli umbiko omubi ngelizwe  
ababelihlolile. Bathi, “Ilizwe esilihlolileyo  
liyabagabhela labantu abahlala kulo. Bonke  
abantu esibabone khonale yiziqhwaga.

<sup>33</sup> Sibone khona amaNefilimi (isizukulwane  
sika-Anakhi sivela kumaNefilimi.)  
Emehlweni ethu besingangethohoviyane  
phambi kwabo, lasemehlweni abo  
besinjalo.”

*Ukuhlamuka kwabantu***14** Ngalobobusuku abantu bonke

bakuleyondawo baphakamisa amazwi abo bakhala kakhulu. <sup>2</sup> Bonke abako-Israyeli bakhonona besola uMosi lo-Aroni, yonke inhlangotho yathi kubo, “Ngabe sahle sazifela eGibhithe, kumbe khonapha enkangala!” <sup>3</sup> Kungani uJehova esilethe kulelilizwe ukuthi sife sibulawa ngenkemba na? Amakhosikazi ethu kanye labantwana bethu bazakuba yimpango. Kambe kakungcono yini ukuthi sibuyele eGibhithe na?” <sup>4</sup> Bakhulumisana besithi, “Asikhethe omunye umkhokheli asibuyisele eGibhithe.”

<sup>5</sup> Ngakho uMosi lo-Aroni bathi mbo ngobuso phansi phambi kwabantu bonke bako-Israyeli ababebuthene lapho. <sup>6</sup> Kwathi uJoshuwa indodana kaNuni kanye loKhalebi indodana kaJefune, ababengabanye balabo ababeyehlola ilizwe, badabula izigqoko zabo <sup>7</sup> bathi kubo bonke abako-Israyeli ababebuthene, “Ilizwe esadabula kulo salihlola lihle kakhulu. <sup>8</sup> Nxa uJehova ethokoza ngathi, uzasikhokhelela kulo, ilizwe eligeleza uchago loluju, njalo uzakusinika lona. <sup>9</sup> Kuphela nje lingamhlamukeli uJehova. Futhi lingabesabi abantu bakulelolizwe, ngoba sizabadla sibaqede. Kabaselaso isivikeli, kodwa uJehova ulathi. Lingabesabi.”

<sup>10</sup> Kodwa umbuthano wonke wathi kabakhandwe ngamatshe. Inkazimulo kaJehova yasibonakala kubo bonke abako-Israyeli eThenteni lokuHlanganela.

<sup>11</sup> UJehova wasesithi kuMosi, “Koze kube nini abantu laba bengeyisa na? Kuzaze kube nini bengangikholwa, loba sengenze izinto ezimangalisayo phakathi kwabo na?”

<sup>12</sup> Ngizabatshaya ngomkhuhlane ngibabhubhise, kodwa wena ngizakwenza ube yisizwe esikhulu njalo esilamandla kulabo.”

<sup>13</sup> UMosi wasesithi kuJehova, “AmaGibhithe azakuzwa lokhu! Abantu laba bakhutshwa nguwe emaGibhitheni ngamandla akho. <sup>14</sup> Ngakho bazatshela abakhileyo kulelilizwe ngalesisenzakalo. Bavele sebezile ukuthi wena, O Jehova, ulabo lababantu njalo lokuthi wena, Jehova, ubonakale uqondene labo ubuso ngobuso, lokuthi iyezi lakho lihlala lingaphezu kwabo, njalo lokuthi uhamba phambi kwabo ngensika yeyezi lakho emini kuthi ebusuku ngensika yomlilo. <sup>15</sup> Pho ungababhubhisa abantu bonke laba ngasikhathi sinye, izizwe esezizwile ngalezizindaba ngawe zizakuthi, <sup>16</sup> ‘UJehova wehlulekile ukungenisa abantu laba elizweni abathembisa lona ngesifungo; ngakho usebabhubhisele enkangala.’”

<sup>17</sup> “Amandla kaJehova kabonakaliswe khathesi, njengokutsho kwakho ukuthi: <sup>18</sup> ‘UJehova uyaphuza ukuthukuthela, ugcwele ngothando njalo uyathethelela isono lokuhlama. Kodwa kayikubayekela abalecala bengajeziswanga; ujezisa abantwana ngenxa yezono zaboyise kuze kube kusizukulwane esithathu lesesine.’ <sup>19</sup> Thethelela isono salababantu, ngenxa yothando lwakho olukhulu, ubaxolele njengokubaxolela kwakho kusukela ngesikhathi abasuka ngaso eGibhithe kuze kube khathesi.”

<sup>20</sup> UJehova waphendula wathi, “Sengibaxolele njengesicelo sakho.

<sup>21</sup> Impela njengoba ngiphila, lanjengoba inkazimulo kaJehova igcwalise umhlaba wonke, <sup>22</sup> akulamuntu loyedwa owabona inkazimulo yami kanye lezibonakaliso zezimanga engazenza eGibhithe lasenkangala kodwa kaze angilalela njalo wangilinga okungaba ngamahlandla alitshumi – <sup>23</sup> akukho loyedwa wabo ozalibona ilizwe engalithembisayo mina ngesifungo kubokhokho babo. Futhi kakho loyedwa ongidelelayo ozalibona. <sup>24</sup> Kodwa ngenxa yokuthi inceku yami uKhalebi ulomoya owehlukileyo njalo ungilandela ngenhlizinyo yakhe yonke, ngizamngenisisa

elizweni afika kulo, lizakuba yilifa lezizukulwane zakhe. <sup>25</sup> Njengoba ama-Amaleki lamaKhenani ehlala ezigodini, lina phendukani kusasa liqonde enkangala ngendlela yasoLwandle oLubomvu.

<sup>26</sup> UJehova wathi kuMosi lo-Aroni:

<sup>27</sup> “Koze kube nini lababantu abangalunganga bekhonona bengisola na? Sengizwile ukusola lokukhonona kwabako-Israyeli. <sup>28</sup> Ngakho batshele uthi, ‘Njengoba ngiphila impela, utsho uJehova, ngizakwenza kini zona lezozinto engilizwe lizikhuluma. <sup>29</sup> Izidumbu zenu zizagcwala enkangala yonale – lina lonke elabalwayo ngesikhathi sokubalwa kwabantu elileminyaka yokuzalwa engamatshumi amabili kusiya phezulu labo bonke abakade bekhonona bengisola. <sup>30</sup> Kakho loyedwa wenu ozangena elizweni engafunga ngokuphakamisa isandla ukuthi libe likhaya lenu, ngaphandle kukaKhalebi indodana kaJefune loJoshuwa indodana kaNuni. <sup>31</sup> Mayelana labantwana benu labo elathi bazakuba yimpango, ngizabangenisa elizweni lelo elilalileyo ukuze bathokoze kilo. <sup>32</sup> Kodwa lina – izidumbu zenu zizawohlokelo kule inkangala. <sup>33</sup> Abantwana benu bazakuba ngabelusi lapha okweminyaka engamatshumi amane, behlupheka ngenxa yokungathembeki kwenu, kuze kungcwatshwe isidumbu sokucina enkangala. <sup>34</sup> Okweminyaka engamatshumi amane – umnyaka munye umele usuku lunye elahlola ngalo ilizwe – lizahlupheka ngenxa yezono zenu lize lazi ukuthi kuyinto enjani nxa mina ngimelana lani.’ <sup>35</sup> Mina, uJehova, sengikhulumile, njalo ngempela ngizazenza lezizinto ebantwini laba bonke, abamanyeneyo bemelana lami. Bazabhubha kuyonale inkangala; bazafela khonapha.”

<sup>36</sup> Ngakho amadoda ayethunywe nguMosi ukuthi ayehlola ilizwe, lawo athi ekuphendukeni kwawo amemethekisa umbiko omubi owabangela ukuthi abantu

bakhonone besola uMosi – <sup>37</sup> lawomadoda amemethekisa umbiko ongalunganga mayelana lelizwe atshaywa ngomkhuhlane afa phambi kukaJehova. <sup>38</sup> Emadodeni ayeyehlola ilizwe, kwasila kuphela uJoshuwa indodana kaNuni kanye loKhalebi indodana kaJefune.

<sup>39</sup> Kwathi lapho uMosi esebikele bonke abako-Israyeli, bakhala kabuhlungu.

<sup>40</sup> Ngosuku olulandelayo ekuseni kakhulu baqonda elizweni lezintaba eziphakemeyo. Bathi, “Sonile, sizakuya kuleyondawo esayithenjiswa nguJehova.”

<sup>41</sup> Kodwa uMosi wathi kubo, “Kungani lingalaleli umlayo kaJehova? Lokhu elikwenzayo akusoze kuphumelele!

<sup>42</sup> Lingakhuphuki, ngoba uJehova kalisekeli. Lizaqotshwa yizitha zenu, <sup>43</sup> ngoba lizaqondana lama-Amaleki kanye lamaKhenani khonale. Ngenxa yokuthi limhlamukile uJehova, yena kayiyikuba lani ngakho lizabhujiswa ngenkamba.”

<sup>44</sup> Loba kunjalo, baqhubeka beqonde elizweni lezintaba benganakile, loba uMosi kumbe ibhokisi lesivumelwano sikaJehova kungasukanga ezihonqweni. <sup>45</sup> Ngakho ama-Amaleki lamaKhenani ayehlala kulelolizwe lezintaba ehla abahlasela abatshaya ebaxotsha baze bayafika eHoma.

*Eminye iminikelo*

**15** UJehova wathi kuMosi, <sup>2</sup> “Tshela abako-Israyeli uthi kubo: ‘Ngemva kokungena kwenu elizweni engilinika lona libe likhaya lenu <sup>3</sup> njalo lethule iminikelo yenu eyenziwa ngomlilo kuJehova, kusukela emihlabini yezinkomo leyezimvu, kube luqhatshi olumnandi kuJehova – kungakhathalekile ukuthi ngumnikelo wokutshiswa kumbe ngumhlatshele, kungokwezifungo eziqakathekileyo loba iminikelo yokuzithandela loba eyemikhosi – <sup>4</sup> ngakho lowo oletha umnikelo wakhe uzakwethula



kuJehova umnikelo wamabele  
oyingxenyeyodwa etshumini lehefa  
lefulawa ecolekileyo exutshaniswe  
lamafutha ayingxenyeyodwa kokune  
eyehini. <sup>5</sup>Lungisa lewundlu ngalinye  
elomnikelo wokutshiswa loba umhlatshelo  
ingxenyeyodwa kokune yehini yewayini  
njengomnikelo wokunathwayo.

<sup>6</sup>“ ‘ Kuthi ngenqama ulungise umnikelo  
wamabele ube yisilinganiso sokubili  
kokulitshumi kwehefa lefulawa ecolekileyo  
exutshaniswe lamafutha ayisilingansio  
esisodwa kokuthathu kwehini, <sup>7</sup>lewayini  
eliyisilinganiso sehini esisodwa kokuthathu  
kuba ngumnikelo wokunathwayo. Kunikele  
kuba luqhatshi olumnandi kuJehova.

<sup>8</sup>“ ‘ Nxa ulungisa inkunzi eliguqa  
njengomnikelo wokutshiswa loba  
umhlatshelo, kusenzelwa isifungo  
esiqakathekileyo loba umnikelo  
wobudlelwano kuJehova, <sup>9</sup>letha ndawonye  
lenkunzi umnikelo wamabele acholiweyo  
aba yifulawa ecolekileyo eyisilinganiso  
sehefa esokuthathu etshumini exutshaniswe  
lamafutha ayingxenyeyehini. <sup>10</sup>Letha njalo  
lewayini eliyizilinganiso zengxenyeyehini  
kuba ngumnikelo wokunathwayo.  
Kuzakuba ngumnikelo owenziwa ngomlilo,  
uqhatshi olumnandi kuJehova. <sup>11</sup>Ngakho  
inkunzi inye ngayinye loba inqama, iwundlu  
ngalinye ngalinye loba izinyane lembuzi,  
akulungiswe ngale indlela. <sup>12</sup>Lokhu kwenze  
emnikelweni ngamunye loba ulungise  
emingaki.

<sup>13</sup>“ ‘ Wonke ozalwa lapha kumele enze  
lezizinto ngale indlela lapho eletha umnikelo  
wakhe owenziwe ngomlilo njengoqhatshi  
olumnandi kuJehova.

<sup>14</sup>Ezizukulwaneni ezilandelayo,  
owezizweni loba ngubani ohlezi lani nxa  
esethula umnikelo owenziwa ngomlilo  
njengoqhatshi olumnandi kuJehova, kumele  
enze khona lokho elikwenzayo. <sup>15</sup>Imithetho  
le kumele uyilandele wena labantu bakule  
indawo kanye labezizweni abahlala phakathi  
kwenu; lesi yisimiso esimi njalo

lakuzizukulwane ezilandelayo. Lina kanye  
labezizweni lizafanana phambi kukaJehova:  
<sup>16</sup>Lizabuswa ngemithetho lemilayo  
efananayo lina kanye labezizwe abahlala  
phakathi kwenu.’ ”

<sup>17</sup>UJehova wathi kuMosi,

<sup>18</sup>“ ‘ Tshela abako-Israyeli uthi:

‘Ekungeneni kwenu elizweni engilisa kulo  
<sup>19</sup>njalo lingadla ukudla kwalelolizwe,  
yethulani ingxenyeyakho ibe ngumnikelo  
kuJehova. <sup>20</sup>Lethani ikhekhe elenziwe  
ngempuphu yakuqala lilethule  
njengomnikelo ovela endaweni yokubhula.  
<sup>21</sup>Kuzo zonke izizukulwane ezilandelayo  
lizakwethula umnikelo kuJehova uthethwe  
emputshini yenu yakuqala.

*Umnikelo wezono ezingenziwanga ngabomo*

<sup>22</sup>“ ‘ Kungakho nxa wehlulekile ukugcina  
loba yiyiphi imilayo uJehova ayinika uMosi  
ungananzelelanga – <sup>23</sup>loba yiyiphi imilayo  
kaJehova alitshela yona ngoMosi, kusukela  
ngosuku uJehova amupha yona kuqhubekela  
ezizukulwaneni ezilandelayo – <sup>24</sup>kanti njalo  
lokhu kwenzakele ngephutha abantu  
bengakunanzelele, kutsho ukuthi abantu  
bonke bakuleyondawo bazanikela ngenkunzi  
eliguqa kube ngumnikelo wokutshiswa  
oloqhatshi olumnandi kuJehova, ndawonye  
lomnikelo wamabele lowokunathwayo,  
kanye lembuzi enduna eyomnikelo wesono  
njengokumisiweyo. <sup>25</sup>Umphristi  
uzakwenzela isizwe sonke sako-Israyeli  
indlela yokubuyisana, ngakho  
bazathethelelwa, ngoba  
bekungayingabomo njalo balethile phambi  
kukaJehova umnikelo owenziwe ngomlilo  
kanye lomnikelo wesono ungowokona  
kwabo. <sup>26</sup>Abantu bonke bako-Israyeli kanye  
labezizwe abahlala labo bazathethelelwa,  
ngoba bonke lababantu babengonanga  
ngabomo.

<sup>27</sup>“ ‘ Kodwa nxa kungumuntu oyedwa  
owonayo kungesikho ngabomo, kumele  
alethe imbuzi ensikazi elomnyaka owodwa  
ibe ngumnikelo wesono.

<sup>28</sup> Umphristi uzamenzela lowo owone ngokwenza isono kungesikho ngabomo indlela yokubuyisana okaJehova, kuthi ngemva kokuba indlela yokubuyisana isiyenziwe, uzathethelelwa. <sup>29</sup> Wonalo umthetho ngowomuntu wonke owonayo kungesikho ngabomo, kungakhathalekile ukuthi ungowako-Israyeli ozalelwe khonapha kumbe ngowezizweni.

<sup>30</sup> “Kodwa loba ngubani owenza isono ngabomo, ongozalwa elizweni loba engowezizweni, athuke uJehova, lowo-muntu uzaxotshwa ebantwini bakibo.

<sup>31</sup> Ngenxa yokweyisa ilizwi likaJehova lokwephula imilayo yakhe, lowo muntu ngempela kaxotshwe kwabakibo; uhlala elokhu elalo icala.”

#### *Ukubulawa komuntu owephula umthetho weSabatha*

<sup>32</sup> Ngesikhathi abako-Israyeli besenkangala, indoda ethile yatholakala itheza inkuni ngosuku lweSabatha. <sup>33</sup> Kwathi labo abamficyo etheza bamusa kuMosi lo-Aroni kanye lakubo bonke abantu, <sup>34</sup> ngoba kungakazakali ukuthi kumele enziweni; wavalelwa entolongweni. <sup>35</sup> UJehova wasesithi kuMosi, “Indoda leyo kumele ife. Abantu bonke kumele bamkhande ngamatshe ngaphandle kwezihonqo.” <sup>36</sup> Ngakho abantu bamusa ngaphandle kwezihonqo bamkhanda ngamatshe waze wafa, njengokulaywa kukaMosi nguJehova.

#### *Izintshaka ezambathweni*

<sup>37</sup> UJehova wathi kuMosi, <sup>38</sup> “Tshela abako-Israyeli uthi kubo: ‘Kuzo zonke izizukulwane ezizayo, alibothungela izixha zezintshaka emiphethweni yezambatho zenu, isixha ngasinye sibe lentambo eluhlaza. <sup>39</sup> Lizakhumbula imilayo yonke kaJehova njalo liyilalele izikhathi zonke nxa likhangela lezintshaka ukuze lingalandeli izinkanuko zezinhliziyi zenu kanye lamehlo

enu liduhe. <sup>40</sup> Ngakho lizakhumbula ukuyilandela yonke imilayo yami ukuze lehlukaniselwe uNkulunkulu wenu.

<sup>41</sup> Mina nginguJehova uNkulunkulu wenu, owalikhupha eGibhithe ukuze ngibe nguNkulunkulu wenu. NginguJehova uNkulunkulu wenu.

#### *UKhora, uDathani lo-Abhiramu*

## 16 UKhora indodana ka-Izhari,

indodana kaKhohathi, indodana kaLevi, labathile abakoRubheni – uDothani kanye lo-Abhiramu, amadodana ka-Eliyabi, kanye lo-Oni indodana kaPhelethi baqala ukuba yiziqholo <sup>2</sup> bavukela uMosi. Bakwenza lokhu bendawonye lamanye amadoda angama 250 ako-Israyeli, abakhokheli abadumileyo babantu bakuleyondawo ababekhethelwe ukuthi babe ngamalunga enkundla. <sup>3</sup> Beza beliqembu ukuzomelana loMosi lo-Aroni bathi kubo, “Seledlulise amalawulo! Abantu bonke bako-Israyeli bangcwele, bonke ngamunye wabo, njalo uJehova uyabasekela. Pho kungani liziphakamisa ngaphezu kwabantu bakaJehova na?”

<sup>4</sup> UMosi wathi ekuzwa lokhu, wawela phansi ngobuso. <sup>5</sup> Wasesithi kuKhora lakubalandeli bakhe: “Kusasa ekuseni uJehova uzaveza obala ukuthi ngubani ongowakhe lokuthi ngubani ongcwele, njalo uzamvumela lowomuntu ukuthi asondele kuye. Indoda azayikhetha azayivumela ukuthi isondele phansi kwakhe. <sup>6</sup> Wena, Khora, kanye labalandeli bakho yenzani lokhu: Thathani izindengezi <sup>7</sup> kuthi kusasa libasele umlilo njalo litshisele impepha kuzo phambi kukaJehova. Indoda ezakhethwa nguJehova yiyo engcwele. Lina baLevi seledlulise amalawulo!”

<sup>8</sup> UMosi wabuye wathi kuKhora, “Khathezi lalelani-ke, lina baLevi! <sup>9</sup> Kanti akulanelisanga yini ukuthi uNkulunkulu ka-Israyeli ulikhethile phakathi kwabo bonke

abako-Israyeli njalo walisondeza phansi kwakhe ukuze lenze umsebenzi eThabanikeleni likaJehova lokuthi lizakuma phambi kwesizwe lisenzele inkonzo na?

<sup>10</sup> Ukusondezile wena kanye labanye bakho abangabaLevi phansi kwakhe, kodwa-ke khathesi selifuna lobuphristi.

<sup>11</sup> Ukubambana kwakho kanye labalandeli bakho kuyikumelana loJehova limphikisa. Kambe ungubani u-Aroni elingakhonona ngaye?" <sup>12</sup> Ngakho uMosi wabiza uDathani lo-Abhiramu amadodana ka-Eliyabi. Kodwa bona bathi, "Vele asizi! <sup>13</sup> Kambe bekungenelanga yini ukuthi wasikhipha elizweni eligeleza uchago kanye loluju ukuzasibulalela enkangala na? Khathesi usufuna lokubusa phezu kwethu?

<sup>14</sup> Kunjalonje, awukasingenisi elizweni eligeleza uchago loluju kumbe ukusipha ilifa lamasimu kanye lezivini. Yebo kambe ufuna ukuze ukhiphe amehlo ala amadoda na? Hayi, asizi!"

<sup>15</sup> Ngalokho uMosi wathukuthela kakhulu wasesithi kuJehova, "Ungawemukeli umnikelo wabo. Angithathanga lutho kubo ngitsho lababhemi kodwa lokhu, njalo kakho loyedwa engimoneleyo."

<sup>16</sup> UMosi wathi kuKhora, "Wena kanye labo bonke abalandeli bakho kumele lime phambi kukaJehova kusasa – wena, labo, kanye lo-Aroni. <sup>17</sup> Indoda inye nganye kumele ithathe udengezi ifake impepha kulo – izindengezi ezingama 250 – njalo uzalwethula phambi kukaJehova. Wena kanye lo-Aroni lani kufanele liveze ezenu izindengezi." <sup>18</sup> Ngakho indoda inye ngayinye yathatha udengezi lwayo, yafaka umlilo kanye lempepha kulo, njalo yema loMosi lo-Aroni esangweni leThente lokuHlanganela. <sup>19</sup> Kwathi uKhora esebaqqile abalandeli bakhe bephikisana labo esangweni leThente lokuHlanganela, inkazimulo kaJehova yabonakala kubo bonke abantu ababebuthene kuleyondawo.

<sup>20</sup> UJehova wathi kuMosi lo-Aroni,

<sup>21</sup> "Sukani phakathi kwalaba ababutheneyo ukuze ngibabhubhise khathesi."

<sup>22</sup> Kodwa uMosi lo-Aroni bawa phansi ngobuso bakhala bathi,

"O Nkulunkulu, Nkulunkulu wemiphefumulo yabantu bonke, uzathukuthelela abantu bonke jikelele ngenxa yomuntu oyedwa owonileyo na?"

<sup>23</sup> Ngakho uJehova wathi kuMosi, <sup>24</sup> "Tshela ibandla uthi, 'Sukani lixekele amathente aboKhora, loDathani lo-Abhiramu.'"

<sup>25</sup> UMosi wasukuma waya kuDathani lo-Abhiramu, kwathi labadala bako-Israyeli bamlandela. <sup>26</sup> Waqonqosela ibandla wathi, "Buyelani emuva lisuke emathenteni abantu laba abangalunganga! Lingathinti lutho olungolwabo ngoba lingenzenjalo lizakhuculwa ngenxa yezono zabo."

<sup>27</sup> Ngalokho basuka emathenteni aboKhora, loDathani lo-Abhiramu. UDathani lo-Abhiramu basebephume phandle bemi labomkabo, labantwababo kanye labancane emasangweni amathente abo.

<sup>28</sup> UMosi wasesithi, "Nansi indlela elizabona ngayo ukuthi uJehova ungithumile ukuzakwenza konke lokhu engikwenzayo kanye lokuthi akusiyongqondo yami.

<sup>29</sup> Nxa amadoda la ezazifela ngendlela abantu abazifela ngayo, kuzabe kusitsho ukuthi uJehova kangithumanga. <sup>30</sup> Kodwa nxa uJehova ezakwenza esingakaze sikubone okunye okutsha kwenzakale ukuthi umhlaba uvuleke ubaginye kanye lakho konke okungokwabo, bangene bephila engcwabeni, kulapho elizakwazi khona ukuthi amadoda la ameyisile uJehova."

<sup>31</sup> Kwathi eqeda ukutsho lokhu, umhlaba wavuleka ngaphansi kwabo,

<sup>32</sup> wavuleka wabaginya bona, kanye labantwababo lamadoda wonke ayekhokhelwa nguKhora kanye lezimpahla zawo. <sup>33</sup> Batshona engcwabeni bephila, lakho konke okwakungokwabo; umhlabathi wabagubuzela, kwaba yikutshabalala

basuswa kwabakibo. <sup>34</sup> Besizwa ukukhala kwabo, bonke abako-Israyeli ababelapho babaleka, beklabalala besithi, “Umhlaba uzasiginya lathi!”

<sup>35</sup> Kwavela umlilo kuJehova watshaya waqothula amadoda angama 250 ayenikela ngempepha.

<sup>36</sup> UJehova wathi kuMosi, <sup>37</sup> “Tshela u-Eliyazari indodana ka-Aroni, umphristi, ukuthi athathe izindengezi azikhiphe emlotheni achithele amalahle endaweni ekhatshana, ngoba izindengezi lezi zingcwele – <sup>38</sup> izindengezi zamadoda onileyo aze alahlekelwa yimpilo yawo. Khanda lezozindengezi ukuze zendlaleke e-alithareni, ngoba zethulwa phambi kukaJehova zaba ngezincwele. Azibe yisibonakaliso kwabako-Israyeli.”

<sup>39</sup> Ngakho u-Eliyazari umphristi wabutha izindengezi zethusi ezazilethwe yilabo abatshayo, walungisa ukuba zikhandwe zendlalwe e-alithareni,

<sup>40</sup> njengokulaywa kukaMosi nguJehova. Lokhu kwakuzakhumbuza abako-Israyeli ukuthi kakho ovunyelwayo ukutshisa impepha phambi kukaJehova ngaphandle kuka-Aroni lesizukulwana sakhe, funa abe njengoKhora labalandeli bakhe.

<sup>41</sup> Ngosuku olulandelayo abako-Israyeli bonke bakhonona basola uMosi lo-Aroni. Bathi, “Selibulele abantu baka- Jehova.”

<sup>42</sup> Kodwa kwathi ibandla selibuthene bephikisa uMosi lo-Aroni njalo sebekhangele eThenteni lokuHlanganela, masinyane iyezi lalisibekela kwavela inkazimulo kaJehova. <sup>43</sup> Ngakho uMosi lo-Aroni baya phambi kweThente lokuHlanganela, <sup>44</sup> uJehova wasesithi kuMosi, <sup>45</sup> “Suka kulelibandla ukuze ngibatshabalalise.” Ngakho bawa phansi ngobuso.

<sup>46</sup> Kusenjalo uMosi wathi ku-Aroni, “Thatha udengezi lwakho uthele impepha kulo, ndawonye lomlilo ovela e-alithareni, uphange uye ebandleni ukuze ubenzele

indlela yokubuyisana. Ulaka luka Jehova lubonakele; isifo sesiqalisile.”

<sup>47</sup> Kwaba njalo u-Aroni wenza okwakutshiwo nguMosi, waphanga wangena phakathi kwebandla. Isifo sesivele sesiqalisile ebantwini, kodwa u-Aroni wanikela impepha wabenzela indlela yokubuyisana. <sup>48</sup> Wema phakathi kwabaphilayo lasebefile, isifo saphela. <sup>49</sup> Kodwa kwasekufe abantu abazi 14 700 bebulawa yisifo, phezu kwalabo ababefe ngenxa kaKhora. <sup>50</sup> Ngemva kwalokho u-Aroni wabuyela kuMosi esangweni leThente lokuHlanganela, njengoba isifo sasesiphelile.

### *Ukuhluma kwentonga ka-Aroni*

**17** UJehova wathi kuMosi, <sup>2</sup> “Tshela abako-Israyeli ukuthi bakuphe izintonga ezilitshumi lambili, kuphume ibenye kumkhokheli munye ngamunye wesizwana sabokhokho bakhe. Bhala ibizo lendoda ngayinye entongeni yayo. <sup>3</sup> Entongeni kaLevi uzabhala ibizo lika-Aroni, ngoba kumele kube lentonga eyodwa emele inhloko inye ngayinye yesizwana sabokhokho bayo. <sup>4</sup> Zifake eThenteni lokuHlanganela phambi kobuFakazi, lapho engihlangana lawe khona. <sup>5</sup> Intonga yendoda engizayikhetha izahluma, njalo mina ngizahle ngikuqede lokhu kukhonona okulokhu kuqhubeka kusolwa wena ngabako-Israyeli.”

<sup>6</sup> Ngakho uMosi wakhuluma kwabako-Israyeli, abakhokheli babo bamnika izintonga ezilitshumi lambili, ngayinye ingeyomkhokheli wesizwana sabokhokho bakhe, kwathi leka-Aroni yayibalelwa kuzonalezo. <sup>7</sup> UMosi wabeka lezontonga phambi kukaJehova eThenteni lobuFakazi.

<sup>8</sup> Ngosuku olulandelayo uMosi wangena eThenteni lobuFakazi wabona ukuthi intonga ka-Aroni eyayimele indlu kaLevi, yayisihlumile yaqhakaza, isilamaluba njalo

isithele izithelo ze-alimondi.

<sup>9</sup>Ngakho uMosi wazisusa zonke izintonga phambi kukaJehova waziletha phambi kwabo bonke abako-Israyeli. Bazikhangela, ngulowo wathatha eyakhe intonga.

<sup>10</sup>UJehova wathi kuMosi, “Buyisela intonga ka-Aroni phambi kobuFakazi, igcinwe khonapha ibe yisibonakaliso kulabo abahlamukayo. Lokhu kuzaqeda ukukhonona kwabo ngami, ukuze bangafi.”

<sup>11</sup>UMosi wenza khona lokho kanye uJehova ayemlaye ngakho.

<sup>12</sup>Abako-Israyeli bathi kuMosi, “Sizakufa! Sifile, sonke sesifile!” <sup>13</sup>Loba ngubani ozasondela phansi kwethabanikeli likaJehova uzakufa. Sizakufa sonke na?”

*Imisebenzi yabaPhristi leyabaLevi*

**18** UJehova wathi ku-Aroni, “Wena, lamadodana akho labemuli kayihlo lizakuba lomlandu wokukhangela ukwepulwa kwemithetho yendawo yokukhonzela, njalo wena kanye lamadodana akho yini lodwa elizakuba lomlandu walabo abonela abaphristi.

<sup>2</sup>Letha abaLevi bakini bevela ezizwaneni zabokhokho benu bazohlanganyela kunye lani bakuphathise wena lamadodana akho lapho lisenza inkonzo phambi kweThente lobuFakazi. <sup>3</sup>Bazakuba ngaphansi kwakho njalo benze yonke imisebenzi yaseThenteni, kodwa akumelanga basondele phansi kwezimpahla zendlu engcwele kumbe e-alithareni, funa lonke, wena kanye labo life. <sup>4</sup>Kumele bahlanganele lawe babe lomlandu wokunakekela iThente lokuHlanganela – wonke umsebenzi weThenteni – njalo akungabikho loyedwa ozasondela lapho wena okhona.

<sup>5</sup>“Wena uzakuba lomlandu wokugcina indlu engcwele le-alithare, ukuze abako-Israyeli bangehlelwa lulaka njalo. <sup>6</sup>Mina ngokwami ngibakhethile abafowenu abaLevi phakathi kwabako-Israyeli ukuba

babe yisipho kuwe, behlukanisele uJehova ukuba benze umsebenzi eThenteni lokuHlanganela.

<sup>7</sup>Kodwa wena kanye lamadodana akho yini lodwa elivunyelwayo ukwenza umsebenzi wobuphristi kukho konke okuse-alithareni langaphakathi kwekheteni. Ngikunika umsebenzi wobuphristi kukho konke okuse-alithareni langaphakathi kwekheteni. Ngikunika umsebenzi wobuphristi njengesipho. Loba ngubani omunye ozasondela endaweni engcwele kumele abulawe.

*Ukunikelela abaphristi labaLevi*

<sup>8</sup>UJehova wasesithi ku-Aroni, “Mina ngokwami yimi engikunike umlandu wokukhangela iminikelo eyethulelwa mina, yonke iminikelo engcwele engiyiphiwa ngabako-Israyeli ngiyinika wena lamadodana akho kube yingxenywe yesabelo sakho esimi njalo. <sup>9</sup>Kumele uzuze leyo-ngxenywe yomnikelo ongcwelengcwele ongatshiswayo. Kuzo zonke iziphos abaziletha kimi zingumnikelo ongcwele-ngcwele, loba ngowamabele loba ngowesono kumbe owecala, leyongxenywe yomnikelo ngeyakho lamadodana akho. <sup>10</sup>Idle njengento engcwelengcwele; wonke owesilisa kumele ayidle. Kumele akuphathe njengento engcwele.

<sup>11</sup>“Lokhu lakho ngokwakho: konke okubekwa eceleni kwaleziziphos zonke zomnikelo wokuzunguzwa zako-Israyeli. Lokhu ngikunika wena lamadodana akho lamadodakazi akho kube yisabelo esimi njalo. Kuzakuthi wonke owendlu yakho ohlambulukileyo ngokomlayo avunyelwe ukudla.

<sup>12</sup>“Ngikunika wonke amafutha acengekileyo e-oliva lewayini lonke elitsha elicengekileyo kanye lamabele abawanika uJehova kuyizithelo zakuqala zesivuno sabo. <sup>13</sup>Zonke izithelo zakuqala zomlimela abaziletha kuJehova ngezakho. Kuzakuthi

wonke owendlu yakho  
ohlambulukileyo ngokomlayo avunyelwe  
ukudla.

<sup>14</sup>“Yonke into yako-Israyeli emiselwe uJehova ngeyakho. <sup>15</sup>Amazibulo wonke azelweyo, kuhlangukileyo awabantu kanye lawezinyamazana, anikelwe kuJehova ngawakho. Kodwa uzahlenga wonke amadodana angamazibulo kanye lawo wonke amazibulo amaduna awenyamazana ezingcolileyo. <sup>16</sup>Kuzakuthi zingafikisa inyanga eyodwa zizelwe uzihlenge ngentengo yokuhlenga yesilinganiso samashekeli amahlanu esiliva, kusiya ngesilinganiso seshekeli lendlu engcwele, eyisisindo esingamagera angamatshumi amabili.

<sup>17</sup>“Kodwa ungabohlenga izibulo lenkomo, loba elemvu loba elembuzi; ngoba angcwele. Chela igazi lawo e-alithareni ubusutshisa amahwahwa awo kube ngumnikelo owenziwe ngomlilo, uqhatshi oluthokozisayo kuJehova. <sup>18</sup>Inyama yawo izakuba ngeyakho njengoba isifuba somnikelo wokuzunguzwa kanye lomlenze kungokwakho. <sup>19</sup>Loba kuyini okubekwe eceleni eminkelweni engcwele eyethulwe ngabako-Israyeli kuJehova ngikunika wena kanye lamadodana njalo lamadodakazi akho kube yisabelo senu senjayelo. Lesi yisivumelwano esingapheliyo sesawudo phambi kukaJehova esakho kanye lenzalo yakho.”

<sup>20</sup>UJehova wathi ku-Aroni, “Wena kawuyikuba lelifa elizweni labo, njalo awuyikuba lesabelo phakathi kwabo; mina ngiyisabelo sakho kanye lelifa lakho phakathi kwabako-Israyeli.

<sup>21</sup>“AbaLevi ngibanika konke okwetshumi kwelako-Israyeli kube yilifa labo ngenxa yomsebenzi abawenza eThenteni lokuHlanganela. <sup>22</sup>Kusukela khathesi abako-Israyeli akumelanga basondele eThenteni lokuHlanganela, funa babe lomlandu wesono sabo bafe. <sup>23</sup>NgabaLevi okufanele benze umsebenzi eThenteni lokuHlanganela

njalo baphathe umsebenzi wokukhangela abonayo eThenteni. Lesi yisimiso esingapheliyo lakuzizukulwana ezizayo. Kabayikuzuzisa ilifa phakathi kwabako-Israyeli. <sup>24</sup>Kodwa-ke abaLevi ngibanika okwetshumi okwethulwa ngabako-Israyeli njengomnikelo kuJehova kube yilifa labo. Kokuqondene labo yikho ngathi: ‘Kabayikuba lelifa phakathi kwabako-Israyeli.’”

<sup>25</sup>UJehova wathi kuMosi, <sup>26</sup>“Tshela abaLevi utsho lokhu kubo: ‘Lapho lisamukela okwetshumi engilinka khona kuvela kwabako-Israyeli njengelifa lenu, kumele likhuphe ingxenye yetshumi kokwetshumi kube ngumnikelo kuJehova.

<sup>27</sup>Umnikelo wenu uzabalelwa kini njengamabele avela esizeni loba umhluzi ovela esihluzweni sewayani. <sup>28</sup>Ngale indlela lani lizakwethula eyenu iminikelo kuJehova kukho konke okwetshumi elizakwamukela kuvela kwabako-Israyeli. Kulokho okwetshumi kumele liphe okuyisabelo sikaJehova ku-Aroni umphristi. <sup>29</sup>Kumele lethule njengesabelo kuJehova okuhle okwedlula konke njalo kungokungcwele-ncwele kukho konke elikuphiweyo.’

<sup>30</sup>“Tshela abaLevi uthi: ‘Nxa lisethula okuhle kakhulu, kuzaphathwa kini njengesithelo esivela esizeni loba esihluzweni sewayini. <sup>31</sup>Lina kanye labezindlu zenu lingadla konke okunye ngaphi langaphi, ngoba kuyinkokhelo yenu yomsebenzi eThenteni lokuHlanganela. <sup>32</sup>Ngokwethula okuhle kulakho konke aliyikuba lecala kulokho; ngakho kaliyikungcolisa iminikelo engcwele yako-Israyeli, njalo kaliyikufa.’”

*Ukuhlanjululwa kwabangcolileyo*

**19** UJehova wathi kuMosi lo-Aroni:

<sup>2</sup>“Lokhu yikho okukhangelelwe ngomthetho njengokulaya kukaJehova: Tshela abako-Israyeli bakuphe ithokazi elibomvu

elipheleleyo njalo lingelasici kanti njalo kumele kube ngelingakaze lifakwe ejogweni. <sup>3</sup>Liqhubeleni u-Eliyazari umphristi; kumele likhitshelwe ngaphandle kwesihonqo njalo lihlatshelwe khona. <sup>4</sup>Ngakho u-Eliyazari umphristi uzathatha elinye igazi lalo ngomunwe alichele kakhombisa eqondise phambi kweThente lokuHlanganela.

<sup>5</sup>Uzakuthi elokhu ekhangele ithokazi lizatshiswa – isikhumba salo, inyama, igazi lomswane. <sup>6</sup>Umphristi uzathatha ezinye izinkuni zesihlahla somsedari, ihisophi kanye lewulu ebomvu akuphosele phezukwethokazi elitshayo. <sup>7</sup>Ngemva kwalokho umphristi kumele agezise izigqoko zakhe abesegeza yena ngamanzi. Ngemva kwalokhu usengangena-ke ezihonqweni, kodwa uzakuba engongcolileyo kuze kube kusihlwa. <sup>8</sup>Indoda ezatshisa ithokazi kumele layo igezise izigqoko zayo njalo layo igeze ngamanzi, izakuba ngengcolileyo kuze kube kusihlwa.

<sup>9</sup>“Indoda ehlambulukileyo izabutha umlotha wethokazi iwufake endaweni ehlambulukileyo ngokomlayo ngaphandle kwesihonqo. Umlotha lo uzagcinwa ngabantu bako-Israyeli ukuze bawusebenzise emanzini okuhlambulula; ungowokuhlansa izono.

<sup>10</sup>Indoda ebutha umlotha wethokazi kumele layo igezise izigqoko zayo, kanti njalo layo izabe ingengcolileyo kuze kube kusihlwa. Lo ngumlayo omi njalo kwabako-Israyeli labezizwe abahlala phakathi kwabo.

<sup>11</sup>“Lowo ozathintwa yisidumbu sofileyo uzabe engongcolileyo okwensuku eziyisikhombisa. <sup>12</sup>Kumele azihlambulule ngamanzi ngosuku lwesithathu langosuku lwesikhombisa; kodwa nxa engazihlambululi ngosuku lwesithathu langolwesikhombisa uzabe engahlambulukanga. <sup>13</sup>Lowo othinta isidumbu sofileyo abesesehluleka ukuzihlambulula ungcolisa ithabanikeli likaJehova. Lowo muntu kumele axotshwe

kwabako-Israyeli. Ngenxa yokuthi kachelwanga ngamanzi okuhlambulula, ungongcolileyo; uzahlala engcolile.

<sup>14</sup>“Lo ngumthetho osebenza nxa umuntu efele ethenteni: Loba ngubani ongena ethenteni njalo loba ngubani ophakathi kwalo uzakuba ngongcolileyo okwezinsuku eziyisikhombisa, <sup>15</sup>njalo siphilasi isitsha esingasibekelwanga sizabe singcolile.

<sup>16</sup>“Loba ngubani office isidumbu somuntu obulewe ngenkamba egangeni loba esomuntu ozifeleyo asithinte, kumbe loba ngubani othinta ithambo lomuntu ofileyo loba ingcwaba, uzakuba ngongcolileyo okwezinsuku eziyisikhombisa.

<sup>17</sup>Umuntu ongcolileyo, mfakele embizeni umlotha womnikelo otshisiweyo wokuhlambulula ube usuthela amanzi amahle phezu kwawo. <sup>18</sup>Kuzakuthi-ke indoda ehlambulukileyo ngokomlayo ithathe ihisophi, iligxamuze emanzini ibe isichela ithente kanye lezitsha zonke labantu abakade belapho. Kumele ichele wonke umuntu oke wathinta ithambo lofileyo loba ingcwaba loba umuntu obuleweyo loba umuntu ozifeleyo. <sup>19</sup>Indoda ehlambulukileyo izachela lowo ongcolileyo ngosuku lwesithathu langosuku lwesikhombisa, kuthi-ke ngosuku lwesikhombisa ibe isimhlambulula. Umuntu ohlanjululwayo kumele agezise izigqoko zakhe abesegeza umzimba wakhe ngamanzi, ngalokho kuhlwa uzabesehlambululukile. <sup>20</sup>Kodwa umuntu ongcolileyo nxa engazihlambululanga, kumele axotshwe ebantwini, ngoba uzabe eletha ihlazo endlini engcwele kaJehova. Njengoba engachelwanga ngamanzi angcwele, kutsho ukuthi ungcolile. <sup>21</sup>Lesi yisimiso esimi njalo kubo.

“Indoda echela ngamanzi okuhlambulula layo kumele igezise izigqoko zayo, kanti njalo laye wonke ozathinta amanzi okuhlambulula uzakuba ngongcolileyo kuze kube kusihlwa.

<sup>22</sup> Konke okuthintwe ngumuntu ongcolileyo kuzakuba ngokungcolileyo, kuthi loba ngubani okuthintayo abe ngongcolileyo kuze kube kusihlwa.”

*Amanzi aphuma eDwaleni*

**20** Ngenyanga yakuqala abantu bonke bako-Israyeli bafika eNkangala yaseZini, basebhlala eKhadeshi. UMiryamu wafela lapho njalo wangcwatshelwa khona.

<sup>2</sup> Abantu baswela amanzi, ngakho babambana ekuphikiseni uMosi lo-Aroni.

<sup>3</sup> Baxabana loMosi kanye lo-Aroni bathi, “Ngabe lathi sahle sazifela mhla abafowethu besifa phambi kukaJehova! <sup>4</sup> Laba lehelani abantu bakaJehova kule inkangala na? Ukuze thina kanye lezifuyo zethu sizifela lapha na? <sup>5</sup> Lasikhuphelani eGibhithe lisiletha endaweni le embi kangaka na? Ayilamabele kumbe umkhiwa, amavini loba amaphomegranethi. Njalo akulamanzi okunatha!”

<sup>6</sup> UMosi lo-Aroni basuka embuthanweni wabantu baya esangweni leThente lokuHlanganela bawa phansi ngobuso, inkazimulo kaJehova yasibonakala kubo.

<sup>7</sup> UJehova wathi kuMosi, <sup>8</sup> “Thatha intonga kuthi wena lomfowenu u-Aroni libizele abantu ndawonye. Khulumani elitsheni phambi kwabo ngakho lona lizakhupha amanzi alo. Lizathatha amanzi aphuma edwaleni liphe abantu ukuze banathe bona kanye lezifuyo zabo.”

<sup>9</sup> Ngakho uMosi wathatha intonga phambi kukaJehova, njengokulaywa kwakhe nguJehova. <sup>10</sup> UMosi lo-Aroni basebizela abantu ndawonye phambi kwedwala, uMosi wasesithi kubo, “Lalelani, lina bahlamuki. Silikhuphele amanzi kulelidwala na?”

<sup>11</sup> Ngakho uMosi waphakamisa ingalo yakhe watshaya idwala kabili ngentonga yakhe. Amanzi antshantshaza ephuma edwaleni, Kwathi abantu kanye lezifuyo zabo banatha.

<sup>12</sup> Kodwa uJehova wathi kuMosi lo-Aroni, “Ngenxa yokuthi kalingethambanga

okokungipha udumo njengongcwele phambi kwabako-Israyeli, kaliyikukhokhelela lababantu ekungeneni elizweni engibapha lona.”

<sup>13</sup> La ngamanzi aseMeribha, lapho abako-Israyeli baphikisana khona loJehova njalo kulapho uJehova abonakalisa ubungcwele bakhe phakathi kwabo.

*U-Edomi uvimbela abako-Israyeli ukuthi bedlule*

<sup>14</sup> UMosi wathumela izithunywa enkosini yase-Edomi zisuka eKhadeshi, esithi: “Nanku okutshiwo ngumfowenu u-Israyeli: Uyabazi bonke ubunzima obusehleleyo.

<sup>15</sup> Okhokho bethu basuka baya eGibhithe, sahlala khona okweminyaka eminengi. AmaGibhithe asiphatha ngochuku kanye labobaba, <sup>16</sup> kodwa sakhala kuJehova wezwa ukukhala kwethu wasithumela ingilosi yasikhipha eGibhithe. “Khathesi silapha eKhadeshi idolobho elisemgceleni welizwe lakho.

<sup>17</sup> Ake usivumele sidlule elizweni lakho. Kasiyikudabula phakathi lakuwaphi amasimu loba isivini sakho, kumbe ukunatha amanzi loba kukuwuphi umthombo. Sizahamba silandela umgwaqo kaJehova njalo kasiyikuphambukela kwesokudla kumbe esenxele size sedlule elizweni lakho.”

<sup>18</sup> Kodwa u-Edomi waphendula wathi: “Ngeke lidlule lapha, lingake lilinge, sizaphuma silihhlasele ngenkamba.”

<sup>19</sup> Abako-Israyeli baphendula bathi: “Sizahamba ngomgwaqo omkhulu, njalo thina loba izifuyo zethu singanatha amanzi enu, sizawabhadala. Sifuna ukuzedlulela ngenyawo kuphela nje.”

<sup>20</sup> Abako-Edomi baphendula njalo bathi: “Lingadluli lapha.” Ngakho u-Edomi waphuma kanye lebuthe elikhulu elilamandla ukuyahlasela abako-Israyeli.



<sup>21</sup>Njengoba u-Edomi wala ukuthi badabule elizweni labo, abako-Israyeli baphenduka bahamba ngenye indlela.

#### *Ukufa kuka-Aroni*

<sup>22</sup>Isizwe sonke sako-Israyeli sasuka eKhadeshi sahamba saze sayafika eNtabeni yaseHori. <sup>23</sup>SebeseNtabeni yaseHori, eduze lomngcele wase-Edomi, uJehova wathi kuMosi lo-Aroni, <sup>24</sup>“U-Aroni usezakufa angcwatshwe. Akayikungena elizweni engilinka abako-Israyeli, ngoba lina lobabili langihlamukela emanzini aseMeribha. <sup>25</sup>Biza u-Aroni kanye lendodana yakhe u-Eliyazari ukhwele labo eNtabeni yaseHori.

<sup>26</sup>Ukhumule u-Aroni izambatho zakhe uzigqokise indodana yakhe u-Eliyazari, ngoba u-Aroni uzalandela abakibo; uzafela khona.”

<sup>27</sup>UMosi wenza njengokulaywa kwakhe nguJehova: Bakhwela eNtabeni yaseHori isizwe sonke sibakhangele. <sup>28</sup>UMosi wakhupha u-Aroni izambatho zakhe wazigqokisa indodana yakhe u-Eliyazari. Ngakho u-Aroni wafela khonapho phezu kwentaba. Ngemva kwalokhu uMosi lo-Eliyazari behla entabeni, <sup>29</sup>Kwathi abantu bonke sebezile ukuthi u-Aroni wayesefile, yonke indlu ka-Israyeli yamlilela okwezinsuku ezingamatshumi amathathu.

#### *Ukuchithwa kwe-Aradi*

**21** Kwathi inkosi yase-Aradi engumKhenani eyayihlala eNegebi isizwa ukuthi u-Israyeli wayesiza ehamba ngomgwaqo eqonde e-Atharimi, yabahlasela abako-Israyeli yaze yathumba abanye babo. <sup>2</sup>Ngakho u-Israyeli wenza lesisifungo kuJehova wathi: “Nxa unganikela lababantu ezandleni zethu, sizachithiza amadolobho abo nya.” <sup>3</sup>UJehova walalela ukuncenga kuka-Israyeli wasewanikela

amaKhenani kubo. Abako-Israyeli bawaqothula amaKhenani bachithiza kanye lamadolobho awo; ngakho indawo leyo yabizwa ngokuthi yiHoma.

#### *Inyoka yeThusi*

<sup>4</sup>Bahamba besuka eNtabeni yaseHori ngendlela eqonda eLwandle oLubomvu, ukuze baceze ilizwe lase-Edomi. Kodwa besendleleni abantu basebenengekile sebephelelwe yikubekezela; <sup>5</sup>bakhuluma kubi besola uNkulunkulu kanye loMosi, bathi, “Lasikhuphelani na eGibhithe ukuze sizifela enkangala? Akulasinkwa! Akulamanzi! Futhi lalokhu ukudla kwenu okubi siyakuzonda.”

<sup>6</sup>Ngakho uJehova wasebathumela izinyoka ezilobuhlungu obubi kakhulu zabaluma abantu bako-Israyeli abanengi bafa. <sup>7</sup>Abantu baya kuMosi bathi, “Sonile ngokukhuluma kwethu kubi ngoJehova langokukhuluma kwethu ngawe. Akukhuleke ukuthi uJehova asuse izinyoka lezi phakathi kwethu.” Ngakho wabakhulekela abantu.

<sup>8</sup>UJehova wathi kuMosi, “Yenza inyoka yethusi uyiphanyeke esigodweni; loba ngubani olunyiweyo angakhangele kuyo uzaphila.”

<sup>9</sup>Ngakho uMosi wenza inyoka yethusi wayiphanyeka esigodweni. Kwakusithi lowo olunywe yinyoka angakhangele inyoka yethusi apha.

#### *Uhambo lokuya eMowabi*

<sup>10</sup>Abako-Israyeli basuka baqhubeka baze bayamisa izihonqo zabo e-Obhothe.

<sup>11</sup>Basuka njalo e-Obhothe bayamisa izihonqo zabo e-Iye Abharimi, enkangala eyayimalungana leMowabi ngokuya ngempumalanga. <sup>12</sup>Besuka lapho baqhubeka ngohambo baze bayamisa izihonqo zabo esiGodini saseZeredi.

<sup>13</sup>Basuka lapho bayamisa izihonqo zabo eduze le-Anoni, esenkangala efika elizweni

lama-Amori. I-Anoni  
isemngceleni welaseMowabi, phakathi  
kweMowabi kanye lama-Amori.

<sup>14</sup>Kungakho iBhuku leZimpi zikaJehova  
lisithi:

“.....iWahebi eseSufa kanye  
lezindonga, i-Anoni <sup>15</sup>kanye leliwa  
lezindonga elehlela endaweni yase-  
Ari njalo lisekele umngcele  
waseMowabi.”

<sup>16</sup>Besuka lapho baqhubeka baze bayafika  
eBhiya, emthonjeni lapho uJehova athi  
kuMosi, “Buthanisa abantu ngibanike  
amanzi.”

<sup>17</sup>Ngakho u-Israyeli wahlabela  
ingoma le ethi:

“Mpompoza, wemthombo!  
Hlabelani ngawo,  
<sup>18</sup>ngomthombo owenjiwa  
ngamakhosana,  
owenjiwa yizikhulu zabantu –  
izikhulu ezilezintonga zobukhosi  
kanye lezinduku.”

Basuka-ke enkangala bayafika eMathana.  
<sup>19</sup>Besuka eMathana baya eNahaliyeli besuka  
eNahaliyeli, baya eBhamothi, <sup>20</sup>Kwathi  
besuka eBhamothi baqonda esigodini  
eMowabi, lapho isiqongo sentaba  
yasePhisiga esikhangele elizweni  
elilugwadule.

*Ukwehlulwa kukaSihoni lo-Ogi*

<sup>21</sup>U-Israyeli wathumela izithunywa  
kuSihoni inkosi yama-Amori wathi:

<sup>22</sup>“Sivumele sidabule elizweni lakho.  
Kasiyikuphambukela loba lakuliphi icele  
ukuze singene loba yikuwaphi amasimu  
akho kumbe isivini, loba ukunatha amanzi  
emthonjeni loba yiwuphi. Sizazihambela  
nje ngomgwaqo omkhulu kaJehova size  
sedlule elizweni lakho.”

<sup>23</sup>Kodwa uSihoni kavumanga ukuthi  
u-Israyeli adabule elizweni lakhe. USihoni  
waqoqa ibutho lakhe waphuma waqonda  
enkangala ukuyahlasela u-Israyeli. Wathi  
esefikile eJahazi walwa lo-Israyeli. <sup>24</sup>Kodwa  
u-Israyeli wamnqoba ngenkemba,  
wambhubhisa njalo wamthathela ilizwe  
lakhe kusukela e-Anoni kusiya eJabhoki,  
kusiya eJabhoki elizweni lama-Amori kuphela,  
ngoba umngcele walo wawuvikelwe  
ngemithangala. <sup>25</sup>U-Israyeli wathatha wonke  
amadolobho ama-Amori wahlala kuwo,  
kwakugoqela iHeshibhoni kanye leziqinti  
ezaziyigombolozele. <sup>26</sup>IHeshibhoni  
kwakulidolobho likaSihoni inkosi yama-  
Amori, owayelwe lenkosi yamaMowabi  
eyayikade ibusa khona wayinqoba  
wayithathela ilizwe layo lonke kuze  
kuyefika e-Anoni.

<sup>27</sup>Kungakho izimbongi zisithi:

“Wozani eHeshibhoni;  
kayivuselelwe yakhiwe njalo;  
akuthi idolobho likaSihoni  
livuselelwe.

<sup>28</sup>“Umlilo wavutha eHeshibhoni  
ilangabi lavela edolobheni  
likaSihoni.

Laqothula i-Ari laseMowabi,  
abantu basemiqolweni yase-Anoni.

<sup>29</sup>Maye kuwe, Mowabi!  
Selibhujisiwe lina, O bantu  
baseKhemoshi!

Usedele amadodana akhe  
njengeziphepheli  
lamadodakazi njengabathunjiweyo  
bethunjwa nguSihoni inkosi yama-  
Amori.

<sup>30</sup>“Kodwa thina sibehlule;  
IHeshibhoni siyitshabalalisile  
kuze kuyefika eDibhoni.  
Sibachithile kwaze kwaba seNofa  
efinyelela eMedeba.”

<sup>31</sup>Ngakho u-Israyeli  
wahlala elizweni lama-Amori.

<sup>32</sup>Ngemva kokuba uMosi  
esethumele izinhlozi eJazeri, abako-Israyeli  
bathumba iziqinti eziseduze njalo baxotsha  
ama-Amori ayehlala khona.

<sup>33</sup>Basebephenduka bahamba ngomgwaqo  
oya eBhashani. U-Ogi inkosi yaseBhashani  
kanye lebutso lakhe lonke baphuma  
ukuyahlanguana labako-Israyeli ukubahlasela  
e-Edreyi.

<sup>34</sup>UJehova wathi kuMosi, “Ungamesabi,  
ngoba sengimnikele kuwe, lebutso lakhe  
lonke kanye lelizwe lakhe. Uzakwenza  
kuye njengalokho owakwenza uSihoni  
inkosi yama-Amori, owayebusa  
eHeshibhoni.”

<sup>35</sup>Ngakho bambulala, ndawonye  
lamadodana akhe kanye lebutso lakhe lonke,  
kakho loyedwa owaphephayo. Basebethatha  
ilizwe lakhe.

*UBhalaki unxusa UBhalamu*

**22** Abako-Israyeli basuka lapho baya  
emagekeni aseMowabi bamisa izihonqo  
zabo zisekele umfula eJodani ngaphetsheya  
kweJerikho.

<sup>2</sup>UBhalaki indodana kaZiphori wabona  
konke okwenziwa ngu-Israyeli kuma-Amori,  
<sup>3</sup>ngakho uMowabi wesaba ngoba abantu  
bako-Israyeli babebanengi kakhulu.  
Ngempela uMowabi watshaywa luvalo  
ngenxa yokwesaba abako-Israyeli.

<sup>4</sup>AbakoMowabi bathi ebadaleni  
bamaMidiyane, “Ixuku leli lizahuquluza  
konke esilakho, njengenkabi isidla utshani  
emadlweni.” Ngakho uBhalaki indodana  
kaZiphori, owayeyinkosi yamaMowabi  
ngalesosikhathi, <sup>5</sup>wathumela izigijimi  
ukuyabiza uBhalamu indodana kaBhewori,  
owayehlala ePhethore eduzane lomfula  
iYufathi elizweni lakibo lomdabuko.  
UBhalaki wathi, “Kulabantu abanengi

kakhulu abavela eGibhithe; bagcwele ilizwe  
lonke njalo bahlezi eduze kwami.

<sup>6</sup>Woza khathesi uzeletha isithuko phezu  
kwabo, ngoba balamandla kulami.  
Mhlawumbe ngalokho ngingabehlula  
ngibaxotshe elizweni. Ngoba ngiyakwazi  
ukuthi labo obabusiyo bayabusiseka, njalo  
labo obaqalikiyo baba  
ngabaqalekisiweyo.”

<sup>7</sup>Abadala bamaMowabi labamaMidiyani  
basuka, bathatha imbadalo yokuhlawula.  
Bathe befika kuBhalamu, bamtshela lokho  
okwatshiwo nguBhalaki.

<sup>8</sup>“Lalani lapha okwalamuhla,” watsho  
UBhalamu kubo, “Ngizalilethela impendulo  
engizayiphiwa nguJehova.” Ngakho  
amakhosana amaMowabi ahlala laye.

<sup>9</sup>UNkulunkulu weza kuBhalamu  
wambuza wathi, “Amadoda la olawo  
ngobani?”

<sup>10</sup>UBhalamu wathi kuNkulunkulu,  
“UBhalaki indodana kaZiphori inkosi  
yamaMowabi ungithumele lelizwi elithi:  
<sup>11</sup>“Kulabantu abavele eGibhithe abagcwele  
elizweni lonke. Woza masinyane  
uzongiqalekise lababantu. Mhlawumbe  
ngingaba lakho ukubalwisa ngibaxotshe  
lapha.””

<sup>12</sup>Kodwa uNkulunkulu wathi kuBhalamu,  
“Ungahambi labo. Ungabaqalekisi  
lababantu, ngoba babusisiwe.”

<sup>13</sup>Ekuseni ngosuku olulandelayo  
UBhalamu wavuka esithi kumakhosana  
kaBhalaki, “Buyelani ezweni lenu, ngoba  
uJehova walile ukuthi ngihambe lani.”

<sup>14</sup>Ngakho amakhosana amaMowabi  
abuyela kuBhalaki athi, “UBhalamu walile  
ukubuya lathi.”

<sup>15</sup>Ngakho uBhalaki wathumela amanye  
amakhosana amanengi njalo adumileyo  
kulawakuqala. <sup>16</sup>Eza kuBhalamu afika athi:  
“Nanku okutshiwo nguBhalaki indodana  
kaZiphori: ‘ Akungabi lalutho  
olungakuvimbela ukuza kimi,

<sup>17</sup> ngoba ngizakunika umvuzo omuhle njalo ngenze konke okutshoyo. Woza uzongiqalekisola lababantu.”

<sup>18</sup> Kodwa uBhalamu wabaphendula wathi, “Loba uBhalaki ubenganginika isigodlo sakhe sigwele isiliva legolide, angingeke ngenze ulutho olukhulu loba oluncane oluphambene lelizwi likaJehova uNkulunkulu wami. <sup>19</sup> Khathesi hlalani lapha okwalobubusuku njengalokhu okwenziwe ngabanye, mina ngizadingisisa ukuthi kuyini okunye uJehova azangitshela khona.”

<sup>20</sup> Ngalobo busuku uNkulunkulu weza kuBhalamu wathi, “Njengoba ethunywe ukuzakubiza, hamba lawo, kodwa wenze lokho kuphela engizakutshela khona.”

#### *Ubabhemi kaBhalamu*

<sup>21</sup> UBhalamu wavuka ekuseni, wagada ubabhemi wakhe wahle wahamba lamakhosana amaMowabi. <sup>22</sup> Kodwa uNkulunkulu wathukuthela kakhulu ngokuhamba kwakhe, ngakho ingilosi kaJehova yajama phambi kwakhe yamvimbela. UBhalamu wayegade ubabhemi wakhe elezinceku zakhe ezimbili. <sup>23</sup> Kwathi ubabhemi ebona ingilosi kaJehova imi endleleni iphethe inkemba esandleni sayo, waphambuka endleleni waqonda iganga. uBhalamu wamtshaya ubabhemi embuyisela endleleni.

<sup>24</sup> Ngakho ingilosi kaJehova yayakuma emkhandlwini phakathi kwezivini ezimbili, kulemiduli nxa zonke. <sup>25</sup> Kwathi ubabhemi ebona ingilosi kaJehova, ubabhemi wasondela emdulini, ehluzulela unyawo lukaBhalamu emdulini. Ngalokho wamtshaya njalo ubabhemi.

<sup>26</sup> Ngakho ingilosi kaJehova yaya phambili yema emkhandlwini onciphileyo lapho okwakungelandlela yokuphendukela kwesokudla loba esenxele. <sup>27</sup> Kwathi ubabhemi ebona ingilosi kaJehova, ubabhemi walala phansi, uBhalamu wathukuthela kakhulu wamtshaya ubabhemi

ngodondolo lwakhe. <sup>28</sup> Ngalokho uJehova wavula umlomo kababhemi, wathi kuBhalamu, “Kanti ngenzeni na kuwe uze ungitshaye okwamahlandla amathathu?”

<sup>29</sup> UBhalamu waphendula ubabhemi wathi, “Ungenze isiwula! Ngabe bengilenkemba esandleni sami bengizakubulala khathesi.”

<sup>30</sup> Ubabhemi wathi kuBhalamu, “Kanti kangisubabhemi wakho na, ovele uhlezi umgada izinsuku zonke, kuze kube namhlanje? Kambe ngikwejayele ukwenza lokhu kuwe na?” uBhalamu waphendula wathi, “Hatshi.”

<sup>31</sup> Ngakho uJehova wavula amehlo kaBhalamu, wabona ingilosi kaJehova imi endleleni iqaphise inkemba. Ngakho wakhothama wawa phansi ngobuso.

<sup>32</sup> Ingilosi kaJehova yambuza yathi, “Kungani utshaye ubabhemi wakho okwamahlandla amathathu na? Ngize lapha ukukuvimbela ngoba indlela yakho ibutshapha phambi kwami. <sup>33</sup> Ubabhemi ungibonile waphambuka okwamahlandla amathathu. Alubana kaphambukanga, ngabe khathesi sengikubulele wena, ngayekela ubabhemi.”

<sup>34</sup> UBhalamu wathi engilosini kaJehova, “Ngonile. Angizange nginanzelele ukuthi umi endleleni ukungivimbela. Nxa kungakuthokozisi khathesi, ngizabuyela emuva.”

<sup>35</sup> Ingilosi yathi kuBhalamu, “Hamba lawo lamadoda, kodwa ukhulume lokho engikutshela khona kuphela.” Ngakho uBhalamu wahamba lamakhosana kaBhalaki.

<sup>36</sup> Kwathi uBhalaki esizwa ukuthi uBhalamu uyeza, waphuma ukumhlangabeza edolobheni lamaMowabi emngceleni wase-Anoni emaphethelweni elizwe lakhe. <sup>37</sup> UBhalaki wathi kuBhalamu, “Angikuthumelanga ilizwi lokuphangisa na? Kungani ungezanga kimi? Kambe kangenelisi ukukupha umvuzo na?”

<sup>38</sup>UBhalamu waphendula wathi, “Ye, sengifikile kuwe khathesi. Kodwa ngingakhuluma loba kuyini na? Ngizakhuluma lokho uNkulunkulu azakubeka emlonyeni wami kuphela.”

<sup>39</sup>Ngakho uBhalamu wahamba loBhalaki eKhiriyathi Huzothi. <sup>40</sup>UBhalaki wenza umhlatshelelo wezinkomo lezimvu, njalo ezinye wazipha uBhalamu ezinye wazipha amakhosana ayehamba lawo.

<sup>41</sup>Ekuseni ngosuku olulandelayo uBhalaki wathatha uBhalamu waya eBhamothi Bhali, kulapho abona abanye babantu.

*Ukwambulelwa kwakuqala kukaBhalamu*

**23**UBhalamu wathi, “Ngakhela ama-alithare ayisikhombisa lapha, ube usungilungisela inkunzi eziyisikhombisa kanye lezinqama eziyisikhombisa.”

<sup>2</sup>UBhalaki wenza njengokutshiwo nguBhalamu, Kwathi bubili babo banikela ngenkunzi langenqama eyodwa e-alithareni linye ngalinye.

<sup>3</sup>Ngakho uBhalamu wasesithi kuBhalaki, “Hlala lapha eceleni lomnikelo wakho mina ngisaya engxenye. Mhlawumbe uJehova uzabuya azohlangana lami. Lokho azakuveza kimi ngizakutshela.” Wasesuka waya endaweni ephakemeyo eligceke.

<sup>4</sup>UNkulunkulu wahlangana laye, njalo UBhalamu wathi, “Sengakhe ama-alithare ayisikhombisa njalo e-alithareni linye ngalinye nginikele ngenkunzi langenqama eyodwa.”

<sup>5</sup>Ngakho uJehova watshela uBhalamu wathi, “Buyela kuBhalaki uyemupha umbiko lo.”

<sup>6</sup>Ngakho wabuyela kuBhalaki wamfumana emi eceleni komnikelo wakhe, kanye lawo wonke amakhosana amaMowabi. <sup>7</sup>Ngakho uBhalamu wasesitsho ilibho lakhe:

“UBhalaki ungilethe ngivela e-Aramu, inkosi yamaMowabi evela ezintabeni zasempumalanga.

‘Woza,’ watsho njalo, ‘ngiqalekisola uJakhobe; woza, mchothoze u-Israyeli.’

<sup>8</sup>Ngingabaqalekisa njani labo abangaqalekiswa nguNkulunkulu?

Ngingachothoza njani labo abangazange bachothoze nguJehova?

<sup>9</sup>Eziqongweni zamatshe ngiyababona, khonale phezulu bayangikhanyela. Ngibona abantu abahlezi ngokwehluka, njalo kabaziboni bengabalezizizwe.

<sup>10</sup>Ngubani ongabala uthuli lukaJakhobe loba ingxenye yesine yabako-Israyeli na?

Yekela ngife ukufa kwabalungileyo, njalo sengathi isiphetho sami singafana lesabo!”

<sup>11</sup>UBhalaki wathi kuBhalamu, “Kuyini osungenzele khona na? Ngize lawe ukuze uqalekise izitha zami, kodwa akulalutho olwenzileyo ngaphandle kokuzibusisa!”

<sup>12</sup>UBhalamu, waphendula wathi, “Ngingakukhulumi na engikutshelwe nguJehova?”

*Ukwambulelwa kwesibili kukaBhalamu*

<sup>13</sup>Ngakho uBhalaki wathi kuBhalamu, “Woza asiye kwenye indawo lapha ozababona khona; uzabona ingxenye kuphela kungeyisibo bonke. Khonapho-ke ungiqalekisele bona.” <sup>14</sup>Wasesuka laye waya emmangweni waseZofimu phezu kwentaba

iPhisiga, kulapho akha khona ama-alithare ayisikhombisa wanikela ngenkunzi langenqama e-alithareni linye ngalinye.

<sup>15</sup> UBhalamu wathi kuBhalaki, “Hlala lapha eceleni komnikelo wakho mina ngisayahlangana laye ngale.”

<sup>16</sup> UJehova wahlangana loBhalamu wantshela wathi, “Buyela kuBhalaki uyemnika umbiko lo.”

<sup>17</sup> Wasebuyela kuBhalaki wamfumana emi eceleni komnikelo wakhe, kanye lamakhosana amaMowabi. UBhalaki wambuza wathi, “Utheni uJehova?”

<sup>18</sup> Wasesitsho isambulelo sakhe:

“Vuka, Bhalaki, njalo ulalele; zwana mina, ndodana kaZiphori.

<sup>19</sup> UNkulunkulu kasumuntu, ukuthi angaqamba amanga, loba indodana yomuntu, yona eguquka ingqondo yayo.

Kambe ukhuluma angenzi na?

Uyathembisa angagcwalisi isithembiso na?

<sup>20</sup> Ngamkele umlayo wokubusisa; usebusisile, njalo ngingeke ngikuguqule lokho.

<sup>21</sup> “Akulamabhadi ehlela kuJakhobe, akulasizi olubonakala ku-Israyeli. UJehova uNkulunkulu wabo ukanye labo; umkhosi kaJehova uphakathi kwabo.

<sup>22</sup> UNkulunkulu wabakhipha eGibhithe; balamandla enyathi yeganga.

<sup>23</sup> Akulamilingo engalinga uJakhobe, akulamasalamusi angamelanga lo-Israyeli. Khathesi sekuzathiwa ngoJakhobe Kanye lo-Israyeli, ‘Khangela okwenziwe nguNkulunkulu!’

<sup>24</sup> Abantu bayavuka njengesilwanekazi; badlwanguluka njengesilwane sona esingaphumuliyo size sitshwabadele inyamazana yaso

njalo sinathe igazi layo.”

<sup>25</sup> Ngakho uBhalaki wasesithi kuBhalamu, “Ungabaqalelekisi, njalo ungababusisi!”

<sup>26</sup> UBhalamu waphendula wathi, “Angikutshelanga na ukuthi ngenza engikutshelwe nguJehova?”

*Isambulelo sesithathu sikaBhalamu*

<sup>27</sup> Ngakho uBhalaki wathi kuBhalamu, “Woza, kahle ngikuse kwenye indawo. Mhlawumbe kuzamthokozisa uNkulunkulu akuvumele ukuthi ungiqalekisele bona ukhonale.” <sup>28</sup> Ngakho uBhalaki wahamba loBhalamu baya phezu kwePheperi ekhangele enkangala.

<sup>29</sup> UBhalamu wathi, “Ngakhela ama-alithere ayisikhombisa khonapha, ungilungisele izinkunzi eziyisikhombisa lezinqama eziyisikhombisa.” <sup>30</sup> UBhalaki wenza lokho ayekutshelwe nguBhalamu, wanikela inkunzi eyodwa lenqama e-alithereni linye ngalinye.

## 24 Kwathi uBhalamu esebonile ukuthi

kuyamthokozisa uJehova ukubusisa u-Israyeli, kasadinganga njalo imilingo njengakuqala, kodwa waphenduka wakhangele enkangala. <sup>2</sup> Kwathi UBhalamu ekhangele wabona u-Israyeli emise izihonqo zakhe ngokwezizwe zakhe, uMoya kaNkulunkulu wehlela phezu kwakhe

<sup>3</sup> wasesitsho isambulelo sakhe:

“Isambulelo sikaBhalamu indodana kaBhewori, isambulelo salowo omehlo akhe abonisisa kuhle,

<sup>4</sup> isambulelo salowo ozwa amazwi kaNkulunkulu,

lowo obona umbono ovela kuMnini mandla wonke,

lowo owela phansi ngokuzehlisa,

njalo omehlo akhe  
avulekile:

<sup>5</sup>“Aze aba mahle amathente akho,  
O Jakhobe,  
izindawo zakho zokuhlala, O  
Israyeli!

<sup>6</sup>“Njengezigodi zisabalele,  
njengezivande zisekele umfula,  
sanhlaba ehlanyelwe nguJehova  
njengezihlahla zomsedari  
ezingasemanzini.

<sup>7</sup>“Amanzi azageleza emigqonyeni  
yabo;  
inhlanyelo yabo ibe semanzini  
amanengi.  
“Inkosi yabo izakuba nkulu kulo-  
Agagi;  
umbuso wabo uzakuba  
ngophakemeyo.

<sup>8</sup>“UNkulunkulu wabakhupha  
eGibhithe;  
balamandla anjengawenyathi.  
Bayatshwabadela izizwe eziyizitha  
njalo bephule amathambo azo abe  
yizicucu;  
ngemitshoko yabo babagwaze.

<sup>9</sup>Njengesilwane bayaqutha bacathame  
phansi  
njengesilwanekazi –  
ngubani olesibindi sokubavusa na?

“Akuthi labo abakubusisayo  
babusiswe  
njalo lalabo abakuqalekisayo  
baqalekiswe!”

<sup>10</sup>Ngakho uBhalaki wamthukuthelela  
kakhulu uBhalamu. Watshaya izandla zakhe  
wathi, “Ngikubizile ukuthi uzengiqalekisela  
izitha zami, kodwa wena usubabusise  
okwamahlandla la amathathu. <sup>11</sup> Wohle

usuke nje khathesi ubuyekelele! Ngithe  
ngizakupha umvuzo omuhle kakhulu, pho-  
ke uJehova usekuvimbele ukwamukeliswa  
umvuzo.”

<sup>12</sup>UBhalamu wamphendula uBhalaki  
wathi, “Kanti kangizitshelanga yini  
izithunywa zakho owazithuma kimi ukuthi,  
<sup>13</sup>‘Loba uBhalaki enganginika isigodlo  
sakhe sigcwele isiliva legolide, akulalutho  
lolulodwa ebengizalwenza ngokwentando  
yami, okuhle kumbe okubi, okuphambene  
lomlayo kaJehova – kufanele ngitsho lokho  
kuphela uJehova akutshoyo na? <sup>14</sup>Khathesi  
sengibuyela ebantwini bakithi, kodwa woza,  
ngikuxwayise ukuthi kuyini okuzakwenziwa  
ngabantu laba ebantwini bakho ezinsukwini  
ezilandelayo.”

*Isambulo sesine sikaBhalamu*

<sup>15</sup>Ngakho uBhalamu wasesitsho  
isambulelo sakhe:  
“Isambulelo sikaBhalamu indodana  
kaBhewori,  
isambulelo salowo omehlo akhe  
abonisisa kuhle,  
<sup>16</sup>isambulelo salowo olalela ezwe  
amazwi kaNkulunkulu,  
ololwazi oluvela koPhezukonke,  
obona umbono ovela  
kuMnimandla wonke,  
owela phansi ngokuzehlisa,  
njalo omehlo akhe avulekile:

<sup>17</sup>Ngiyambona, kodwa hatshi  
khathesi;  
ngiyambona, kodwa kungesikho  
eduze.

Inkanyezi izaphuma ivela  
kuJakhobe;  
intonga yobukhosi izaphakama  
ivela ku-Israyeli.  
Uzacobodisa amabunzi kaMowabi,  
izinkakhayi zamadodana wonke  
kaShethi.

<sup>18</sup>U-Edomi  
uzanqotshwa;  
uSeyiri, oyisitha sakhe,  
uzanqotshwa,  
kodwa u-Israyeli uzakhula ngokuba  
lamandla.

<sup>19</sup>Umbusi uzavela kuJakhobe  
njalo uzabhubhisa abaseleyo  
balelo-dolobho.”

*Isambulelo sokucina sikaBhalamu*

<sup>20</sup>Ngakho uBhalamu wabona  
u-Amaleki

wasesitsho isambulelo sakhe:

“U-Amaleki wayengowokuqala  
ezizweni,  
kodwa ekucineni uzakuba  
lunxiwa.”

<sup>21</sup>Ngakho wasebona amaKheni  
wasesitsho isambulelo sakhe njalo:

“Indawo yakho yokuhlala  
ivikelekile,  
isidleke sakho sakhelwe edwaleni;

<sup>22</sup>kanti-ke lina maKheni  
lizabhujiswa ekuthunjweni ngu-  
Ashuri.”

<sup>23</sup>Ngakho wasitsho isambulelo  
sakhe:

“Kambe ngubani ongaphila  
nxa uNkulunkulu esenza lokhu na?

<sup>24</sup>Imikhumbi izakuza  
ivela ekhunjini lwaseKhithimu;  
bazakwehlula u-Ashuri kanye lo-  
Ebha,  
kodwa laba bazachithwa babe  
ngamanxiwa.”

<sup>25</sup>Ngakho uBhalamu wasukuma  
wasebuyela kibo Kwathi uBhalaki  
wahamba ngeyakhe indlela.

*AmaMowabi edukisa u-Israyeli*

**25** Ngesikhathi u-Israyeli esehlala  
eShithimu, amadoda aqala ukuphinga  
labafazi bamaMowabi, <sup>2</sup>bona abamema  
amadoda ako-Israyeli ukuba eze  
emihlatshelweni yabonkulunkulu babo.  
Abantu laba babesidla ukudla  
kwabonkulunkulu laba njalo  
bebakhothamele. <sup>3</sup>Ngakho u-Israyeli  
wahlanganyela ekukhonzeni uBhali  
wasePhewori. Yikho uNkulunkulu  
wabathukuthelela kakhulu.

<sup>4</sup>UJehova wathi kuMosi, “Thatha bonke  
abakhokheli balababantu, ubabulale njalo  
ubeke izidumbu zabo egcekeni emini  
libalele phambi kukaJehova, ukuze  
intukuthelo eyesabekayo kaJehova isuke ku-  
Israyeli.”

<sup>5</sup>Ngakho uMosi wathi kubehluleli bako-  
Israyeli, “Kumele ukuthi munye ngamunye  
wenu abulale amadoda akini lawo  
asehlanganyela ekukhonzeni uBhali  
wasePhewori.”

<sup>6</sup>Kwathi indoda ethile yako-Israyeli  
yaletha umfazi womMidayani emulini yayo  
khonapho phambi kukaMosi laphambi  
kwabako-Israyeli bonke ababebuthene  
bekhala esangweni leThente  
lokuHlanganela.

<sup>7</sup>Kwathi uFinehasi indodana ka-Eliyazari  
indodana ka-Aroni, umphristi, ekubona  
lokho, watshiya ababebuthene, <sup>8</sup>wathatha  
umkhonto wayilandela indoda leyo  
ethenteni. Wawuphosa umkhonto  
wabagwaza bubili babo – wayathutsha ngale  
kom-Israyeli wangena emzimbeni  
wowesifazana. Ngakho sasesiphela isifo  
esasesihlasele abako-Israyeli; <sup>9</sup>kodwa labo  
abasebefile ngenxa yesifo babeyizi 24 000.

<sup>10</sup>UJehova wathi kuMosi,



<sup>11</sup>“UFinehasi indodana ka-Eliyazari indodana ka-Aroni umphristi, uqedile ukuthukuthelela kwami abantu bako-Israyeli, ngoba wayetshisekela udumo lwami phakathi kwabo njengami, ukuze ngesihawu sami ngingabaqedi. <sup>12</sup>Ngalokho umtshele ukuthi sengisenza isivumelwano sokuthula laye.

<sup>13</sup>Yena kanye lezizukulwane zakhe bazakuba lesivumelwano sobuphrisiti esimi njalo, ngoba utshisekelele udumo lukaNkulukulu wakhe njalo wenzele abako-Israyeli indlela yokubuyisana.”

<sup>14</sup>Ibizo lendoda yako-Israyeli eyabulawa kanye lowesifazana womMidiyani kwakunguZimri indodana kaSalu, umkhokheli wabemuli yamaSimeyoni.

<sup>15</sup>Njalo ibizo lowesifazana womMidiyani owabulawayo lalingu Khozibhi indodakazi kaZuri, induna yesizwana semuli yamaMidiyani.

<sup>16</sup>UJehova wathi kuMosi, <sup>17</sup>“Kumele liphathe amaMidiyani njengezitha njalo liwabalale, <sup>18</sup>ngoba aliphathe njengezitha alikhohlisa ngendaba kaPhewori kanye lodadewabo uKhozibhi indodakazi yomkhokheli wamaMidiyani, owesifazana owabulawa ngesikhathi sokuhlasela kwesifo esabakhona ngenxa kaPhewori.”

*Ukubalwa kwabantu kwesibili*

**26** Ngemva kwesifo uJehova wathi kuMosi lo-Eliyazari indodana ka-Aroni, umphristi, <sup>2</sup>“Balani abantu bonke bako-Israyeli ngezimuli zabo bonke abaleminyaka esukela kwengamatshumi amabili kusiya phezulu yokuzalwa abangaba libutho lako-Israyeli.” <sup>3</sup>Ngakho uMosi lo-Eliyazari umphristi batshela abantu basemagcekeni aseMowabi eduze lomfula uJodani ngaphetsheya kweJerikho bathi kubo, <sup>4</sup>“Balani amadoda aleminyaka yokuzalwa esukela kwengamatshumi amabili kusiya

phezulu, njengokulaywa kukaMosi nguJehova.”

Laba ngabako-Israyeli abaphuma eGibhithe:

<sup>5</sup>Izizukulwane zikaRubheni izibulo lika-Israyeli, kwakuyilezi:

uHanoki, wadabula abosendo lwamaHanoki;

uPhalu, wadabula abosendo lwamaPhalu;

<sup>6</sup>uHezironi wadabula abosendo lwamaHezironi;

uKhami wadabula abosendo lwamaKhami.

<sup>7</sup>Laba babengabezinsendo zikaRubheni; inani labo laliyizi 43 730.

<sup>8</sup>Indodana kaPhalu kwakungu-Eliyabi, <sup>9</sup>njalo amadodana ka-Eliyabi kwakungo Nemuweli, uDathani kanye lo-Abhiramu. Bona laba oDathani lo-Abhiramu yibo ababeyizikhulu zabantu abahlamukela uMosi lo-Aroni njalo babe ngabanye babalandeli bakaKhora ngesikhathi behlamukela uJehova. <sup>10</sup>Umhlaba wavuleka wabaginya kanye loKhora, kanye labalandeli babo abafa beqothulwe ngumlilo bengamadoda angama 250. Njalo baba yisixwayiso. <sup>11</sup>Loba kunjalo, inzalo kaKhora kayibhubhanga yonke, yaphela.

<sup>12</sup>Izizukulwane zikaSimeyoni ngokwezinsendo zazo kwakuyilezi:

uNemuweli wadabula abosendo lwamaNemuweli;

uJamini wadabula abasendo lwamaJamini;

uJakhini wadabula abosendo lwamaJakhini;

<sup>13</sup>UZera wadabula abosendo lwamaZera;

uShawuli wadabula abosendo lwamaShawuli.

<sup>14</sup>Laba babengabezinsendo zikaSimeyoni; inani labo lalingamadoda ayizi 22 200.

- <sup>15</sup> Izizukuwane zikaGadi  
ngokwezinsendo zazo kwakuyilezi:  
uZifoni wadabula abosendo  
lwamaZifoni;  
uHagi wadabula abosendo  
lwamaHagi;  
uShuni wadabula abosendo  
lwamaShuni;
- <sup>16</sup> u-Ozini wadabula abosendo lwama-  
Ozini;  
u-Eri wadabula abosendo lwama-Eri;
- <sup>17</sup> u-Arodi wadabula abosendo lwama-  
Arodi;  
u-Areli wadabula abosendo lwama-  
Areli.
- <sup>18</sup> Laba bengabezinsendo zikaGadi;  
inani labo laliyizi 40 500.
- <sup>19</sup> U-Eri lo-Onani babengamadodana  
kaJuda, kodwa bafela eKhenani.
- <sup>20</sup> Izizukulwane zikaJuda  
ngokwezinsendo zazo kwakuyilezi:  
uShela wadabula abosendo  
lwamaShela;  
uPherezi wadabula abosendo  
lwamaPherezi;  
uZera wadabula abosendo  
lwamaZera.
- <sup>21</sup> Izizukulwane zikaPherezi  
kwakuyilezi:  
uHezironi wadabula abosendo  
lwamaHezironi;  
uHamuli wadabula abosendo  
lwamaHamuli.
- <sup>22</sup> Laba ngabezinsendo zikaJuda; inani  
labo laliyizi 76 500.
- <sup>23</sup> Izizukulwane zika-Isakhari  
ngokwezinsendo zazo kwakuyilezi:  
uThola wadabula abosendo  
lwamaThola;  
uPhuwa wadabula abosendo  
lwamaPhuwa;
- <sup>24</sup> uJashubi wadabula abosendo  
lwamaJashubi;
- uShimroni wadabula abosendo  
lwamaShimroni.
- <sup>25</sup> Laba ngabezinsendo zika-Isakhari;  
inani labo laliyizi 64 300.
- <sup>26</sup> Izizukulwane zikaZebhuluni  
ngokwezinsendo zazo kwakuyilezi:  
uSeredi wadabula abosendo  
lwamaSeredi;  
u-Eloni wadabula abosendo lwama-  
Eloni;  
uJaliyeli wadabula abosendo  
lwamaJaliyeli.
- <sup>27</sup> Laba ngabezinsendo zikaZebhuluni,  
inani labo laliyizi 60 500.
- <sup>28</sup> Izizukulwane zikaJosefa  
ngokwezinsendo zabo bezalwa  
nguManase  
lo-Efrayimi kwakuyilezi:
- <sup>29</sup> Izizukulwane zikaManase  
ngokwezinsendo zazo:  
uMakhiri wadabula abosendo  
lwamaMakhiri, (uMakhiri  
wayenguyise kaGileyadi)  
uGileyadi wadabula abosendo  
lwamaGileyadi.
- <sup>30</sup> Laba yizizukulwane zikaGileyadi:  
u-Iyezeri wadabula abosendo  
lwama-Iyezeri;  
uHeleki wadabula abosendo  
lwamaHeleki;  
<sup>31</sup> u-Asriyeli wadabula abosendo  
lwama-Asriyeli;  
uShekemu wadabula abosendo  
lwamaShekemu;  
<sup>32</sup> uShemida wadabula abosendo  
lwamaShemida;  
uHeferi wadabula abosendo  
lwamaHeferi.  
<sup>33</sup> (UZelofehadi indodana kaHeferi  
wayengelamadodana;  
wayelamadodakazi wodwa,  
amabizo awo ayengomaMahila,

- loNowa, loHogila,  
loMilikha kanye loThiriza.)
- <sup>34</sup> Laba kwakungabezinsendo zikaManase; inani labo laliyizi 52 700.
- <sup>35</sup> Laba kwakuyizizukulwane zika-Efrayimi ngokwezinsendo zazo: uShuthela wadabula abosendo lwamaShuthela; uBhekeri wadabula abosendo lwamaBhekeri; uThahani wadabula abosendo lwamaThahani.
- <sup>36</sup> Laba kwakuyizizukulwane zikaShuthela: u-Erani wadabula abosendo lwama-Erani.
- <sup>37</sup> Laba kwakungabezinsendo zika-Efrayimi; inani labo laliyizi 32 500.  
Laba kwakuyizizukulwane zikaJosefa ngokwezinsendo zazo.
- <sup>38</sup> Izizukulwane zikaBhenjamini ngokwezinsendo zazo kwakuyilezi: uBhela wadabula abosendo lwamaBhela; u-Ashibhela wadabula abosendo lwama-Ashibhela; u-Ahirami wadabula abosendo lwama-Ahirami;
- <sup>39</sup> uShufamu wadabula abosendo lwamaShufamu;  
UHufamu wadabula usendo lwamaHufamu
- <sup>40</sup> Izizukulwane zikaBhela ezazalwa ngu-Adi kanye loNamani yilezi: u-Adi wadabula abosendo lwama-Adi; uNamani wadabula abosendo lwamaNamani.
- <sup>41</sup> Laba kwakungabezinsendo zikaBhenjamini; inani labo laliyizi 45 600.
- <sup>42</sup> Laba babeyizizukulwane zikaDani ngokwezinsendo zazo: uShuhamu wadabula abosendo lwamaShuhamu.  
Laba babengabezinsendo zikaDani:
- <sup>43</sup> Bonke babengabosendo lwamaShuhamu; njalo inani labo laliyizi 64 400.
- <sup>44</sup> Izizukulwane zika-Asheri ngokwezinsendo zazo kwakuyilezi: u-Imna wadabula abosendo lwama-Imna; u-Ishivi wadabula abosendo lwama-Ishivi; uBheriya wadabula abosendo lwamaBheriya;
- <sup>45</sup> njalo izizukulwane ezadatshulwa nguBheriya yilezi: uHebheri wadabula abosendo lwamaHebheri; uMalikhiyeli wadabula abosendo lwamaMalikhiyeli.
- <sup>46</sup> (U-Asheri wayelendodakazi okwakuthiwa nguSera.)
- <sup>47</sup> Laba babe ngabezinsendo zika-Asheri; inani labo lalizi 53 400.
- <sup>48</sup> Izizukulwane zikaNafthali ngokwezinsendo zazo kwakuyilezi: uJaziyeli wadabula abosendo lwamaJaziyeli; uGuni wadabula abosendo lwamaGuni;
- <sup>49</sup> UJezeri wadabula abosendo lwamaJezeri; uShilemu wadabula abosendo lwamaShilemu.
- <sup>50</sup> Laba babengabezinsendo zikaNafthali; inani labo laliyizi 45 400.
- <sup>51</sup> Inani lamadoda wonke ako-Israyeli laliyizi 601 730.

<sup>52</sup> UJehova wathi kuMosi,  
<sup>53</sup> “Ilizwe lizakwahlukaniselwa abantu njengelifa labo kusiya ngenani lamabizo abo. <sup>54</sup> Isizwe esikhulu uzasinika isabelo esikhulu, kuthi isizwana esincinyane usiphe isabelo esincane; isizwana ngasinye sizakwabelwa ilifa laso ngokuya ngenani lamabizo lalabo ababhaliweyo. <sup>55</sup> Bana leqiniso lokuthi ilizwe labiwa ngenkatho. Isabelo seqembu ngalinye sizakuya ngamabizo esizwana sabokhokho baso. <sup>56</sup> Isabelo ngasinye selizwe sizakwehlukaniwa ngokuphosa inkatho phakathi kwezizwana ezinkulu lakwezincinyane.”

<sup>57</sup> Laba ngabaLevi ababalwa kulandelwa izinsendo zabo:

uGeshoni wadabula abosendo lwamaGeshoni;

uKhohathi wadabula abosendo lwamaKhohathi;

uMerari wadabula abosendo lwamaMerari.

<sup>58</sup> Laba labo babengabezinsendo zabaLevi: usendo lwamaLibhini, usendo lwamaHebhroni, usendo lwamaMahili, usendo lwamaMushi, usendo lwamaKhora. (UKhohathi wayengukhokho ka-Amramu; <sup>59</sup> inkosikazi ka-Amramu kwakunguJokhebhedi, oysisizukulwane sika-Levi, owayezalelwe eGibhithe ngabaLevi. Wazala lo-Amramu u-Aroni, loMosi kanye lodadewabo uMiriyamu.

<sup>60</sup> U-Aroni wayenguyise kaNadabi lo-Abhihu, lo-Eliyezari kanye lo-Ithamari.

<sup>61</sup> Kodwa uNadabi lo-Abhihu bafa baze banikele kuJehova ngomlilo ongavunyelwayo.)

<sup>62</sup> Bonke abaLevi abesilisa ababalwayo kusukela kwabalenyanga eyodwa yokuzalwa kusiya phezulu babeyizi 23 000. Kababalwanga ndawonye labanye abako-

Israyeli ngoba benganikwanga isabelo esiyilifa phakathi kwabo.

<sup>63</sup> Laba yibo ababalwa nguMosi lo-Eliyezari umphristi mhla bebala abako-Israyeli emagcekeni aseMowabi nganeno komfula iJodani malungana leJerikho.

<sup>64</sup> Kwakungekho loyedwa phakathi kwabo owayekhona mhla uMosi lo-Aroni bebala abako-Israyeli enkangala yaseSinayi.

<sup>65</sup> Ngoba uJehova wayetshilo kwabako-Israyeli labo ukuthi ngempela babezakufa enkangala, njalo kakho loyedwa wabo owasalayo ngaphandle kukaKhalebi indodana kaJefune loJoshuwa indodana kaNuni.

*Amadodakazi kaZelofehadi*

## 27 Amadodakazi kaZelofehadi

indodana kaHefa, indodana kaGileyadi, indodana kaMakhiri, indodana kaManase babengabezinsendo zikaManase indodana kaJosefa. Amabizo alawomadodakazi ayengoMahla, uNowa, uHogila, uMilikha, loThiriza. Aya <sup>2</sup> esangweni leThente lokuHlanganela ema phambi kukaMosi lo-Eliyazari umphristi, abakhokheli kanye lebandla lonke, athi, <sup>3</sup> “Ubaba wafela enkangala. Wayengekho phakathi kwabalandeli bakaKhora, bona ababambana ekuphikiseni kwabo uJehova, kodwa wafela isono sakhe njalo katshiyanga madodana.

<sup>4</sup> Kungani ibizo likababa licitsha kwabosendo lwakhe ngokungabi lendodana na? Sipheni ilifa lethu lathi ezihlotsheni zikababa.”

<sup>5</sup> Ngakho uMosi wethula indaba yawo phambi kukaJehova <sup>6</sup> yena wathi kuye,

<sup>7</sup> “Lokho okutshiwo ngamadodakazi kaZelofehadi kuqondile. Kufanele ubaphe isabelo sabo selifa ezihlotsheni zika yise njalo ubaphe ilifa likayise.

<sup>8</sup> “Tshono uthi kwabako-Israyeli, ‘Nxa indoda ife ingelandodana, ilifa layo kaliphiwe indodakazi yayo. <sup>9</sup> Nxa

ingelandodakazi, ilifa layo kaliphiwe abafowabo. <sup>10</sup>Nxa ingelabafowabo ilifa layo kaliphiwe abafowabo bakayise.

<sup>11</sup>Nxa uyise engelabafowabo, ilifa layo kaliphiwe oyisihlobo esiseduzane kwabosendo lwayo, ukuze libe ngelakhe. Lokho kumele kube ngumthetho oyisimiso kwabako-Israyeli, njengokulaywa kukaMosi nguJehova.”

*UJoshuwa kathathe isikhundla sikaMosi*

<sup>12</sup>UJehova wasesithi kuMosi, “Khwela entabeni le yasezintabeni zase-Abharimi ukuze ubone ilizwe engilinike abako-Israyeli. <sup>13</sup>Ngemva kokuba usulibonile, lawe uzalandela abakini, ufe njengomfowenu u-Aroni, <sup>14</sup>ngoba ekuhlukeni kwabantu emanzini aseNkangala yaseZini, lina lobabili kalilandelanga ukulaya kwami ukungidumisa ngobungcwele bami emehlweni abo.” (La ayengamanzi aseMeribha Khadeshi, eNkangala yaseZini.)

<sup>15</sup>UMosi wathi kuJehova, <sup>16</sup>“Akuthi uJehova, uNkulunkulu wemimoya yabantu bonke akhethe indoda ezakhokhela abantu laba <sup>17</sup>ekuphumeni lasekungeneni, lowo ozabakhokhela ekuphumeni lekungeneni kwabo, ukuze abantu baka Jehova bangafanani lezimvu ezingelamelusi.”

<sup>18</sup>Ngakho uJehova wathi kuMosi, “Thatha uJoshuwa indodana kaNuni, indoda elomoya, ubeke isandla sakho phezu kwayo. <sup>19</sup>Ummise phambi kuka-Eliyazari umphristi laphambi kwebandla lonke ube usumbeka esikhundleni phambi kwabo.

<sup>20</sup>Umnike ingxenyane yamandla akho ukuze isizwe sonke sako-Israyeli simlalele.

<sup>21</sup>Kumele ame phambi kuka-Eliyazari umphristi, yena ozamtholela izinqumo ngokubuzwa i-Urimi phambi kukaJehova. Ngokulawula kwakhe yena kanye labantu bonke bako-Israyeli bazaphuma, kuthi njalo ngokulawula kwakhe bangene.”

<sup>22</sup>UMosi wenza njengokulaywa kwakhe nguJehova. Wathatha uJoshuwa wammisa phambi kuka-Eliyazari umphristi kanye laphambi kwebandla lonke.

<sup>23</sup>Wasebeka izandla zakhe phezu kwakhe embeka esikhundleni, njengokulaya kukaJehova ngoMosi.

*Iminikelo yezinsuku zonke*

**28** UJehova wathi kuMosi, <sup>2</sup>“Phana abako-Israyeli umlayo lo uthi kubo: ‘Nanzelelani ukuthi lingilethela ngesikhathi esiqanjweyo ukudla kweminikelo yami eyenziwa ngomlilo, njengoqhatshi olumnandi kimi.’ <sup>3</sup>Tshono uthi kubo: ‘Lo ngumnikelo owenziwe ngomlilo okumele liwuse kuJehova: amazinyane emvu amabili angelasici njalo alomnyaka owodwa ezelwe, kube ngumhlatshelo wokutshiswa wansuku zonke. <sup>4</sup>Lungisani izinyane elilodwa lemvu ekuseni libe selihlaba elinye sekunqunda amehlo, <sup>5</sup>ndawonye lomnikelo wamabele ayisilinganiso sokwetshumi kwehefa yefulawa ecolekileyo exutshaniswe lengxenyane yesine yehini yamafutha ahluzwe kuma-oliva. <sup>6</sup>Lo ngumnikelo wokutshiswa wezikhathi zonke owamiswa entabeni yaseSinayi njengoqhatshi olumnandi, umnikelo owenzelwa uJehova ngomlilo. <sup>7</sup>Umnikelo wokunathwayo ozakwenziwa ndawonye lengxenyane yesine yehini yokunathwayo okulemvubelo ndawonye lezinyane lemvu. Thela umnikelo wokunathwayo phambi kukaJehova endlini engcwele. <sup>8</sup>Lungisa izinyane lesibili lemvu sekunqunda amehlo, kuhambe kanye kanye lomnikelo ofananayo wamabele lomnikelo wokunathwayo ofanana lalowo owulungise ekuseni. Lo ngumnikelo owenziwe ngomlilo, uqhatshi olumnandi kuJehova.

*Iminikelo yeSabatha*

<sup>9</sup>“ ‘Ngosuku lweSabatha, lungisa umnikelo wamazinyane emvu amabili

alomnyaka owodwa ezelwe engelasici, ndawonye lomnikelo wokunathwayo kanye lomnikelo wamabele ozingxenye ezimbili zehefa etshumini zefulawa ecolekileyo exutshaniswe lamafutha.

<sup>10</sup> Lo ngumnikelo wokutshiswa kuwo wonke amasabatha, phezu komnikelo wokutshiswa lowokunathwayo ojwayelekileyo.

### *Iminikelo yenyangazonke*

<sup>11</sup> Ngosuku lwakuqala inyanga zonke, lethu kuJehova umnikelo wokutshiswa wezinkunzi ezingamaguqa ezimbili, inqama eyodwa lamazinyane ezimvu amaduna alomnyaka ezelwe, angelasici. <sup>12</sup> Inkunzi eyodwa izahamba lomnikelo wamabele ozingxenye ezintathu etshumini zehefa yefulawa ecolekileyo exutshaniswe lamafutha; inqama izahamba lomnikelo wamabele ayingxenye ezimbili etshumini zehefa yefulawa ecolelileyo exutshaniwe lamafutha; <sup>13</sup> izinyane lemvu ngalinye lizahamba lomnikelo wamabele oyingxenye eyodwa etshumini lehefa yefulawa ecolekileyo exutshaniswe lamafutha. Lokhu ngokomnikelo wokutshiswa, iphunga elimnandi, umnikelo owenzelwa uJehova ngomlilo. <sup>14</sup> Inkunzi nganye izahamba lomnikelo wokunathwayo okuyingxenye yehini yewayini; lenqama, ingxenye yesithathu yehini; kuthi izinyane lemvu ngalinye lihambe lengxenye yesine yehini. Lo ngumnikelo wokutshiswa owenyanga zonke okumele wenziwe ekuthwaseni kwezinyanga zonke ngomnyaka.

<sup>15</sup> Ngaphandle komnikelo wokutshiswa ojwayelekileyo kanye lomnikelo wakhona wokunathwayo, imbuzi enduna eyodwa kumele iphiwe uJehova njengomnikelo wesono.

### *IPhasika*

<sup>16</sup> “ ‘ Ngosuku lwetshumi lane ngenyanga yakuqala kuzakuba lePhasika likaJehova.

<sup>17</sup> Ngosuku lwetshumi lanhlanu lwaleyo nyanga kuzakuba ledili; okwezinsuku eziyisikhombisa lizakudla isinkwa esingelamvubelo. <sup>18</sup> Ngosuku lwakuqala lizakuba lombuthano ongewe njalo lingenzi imisebenzi yenu ejwayelekileyo. <sup>19</sup> Kodwa linikele kuJehova umnikelo owenziwe ngomlilo, umnikelo wokutshiswa owezinkunzi ezingamaguqa ezimbili, inqama eyodwa kanye lamazinyane ezimvu amaduna ayisikhombisa alomnyaka owodwa ezelwe, konke kungelasici.

<sup>20</sup> Kuzakuthi inkunzi nganye liyilungise kanye lomnikelo wamabele ayingxenye yokuthathu etshumini lehefa yefulawa ecolekileyo exutshaniswe lamafutha; kuthi inqama ihambe lokubili etshumini; <sup>21</sup> kuthike linye ngalinye izinyane lemvu kwayisikhombisa, lihambe lokukodwa etshumini.

<sup>22</sup> Akube khona lembuzi eyodwa enduna ibe ngumnikelo wesono ukuzenzela indlela yokubuyisana. <sup>23</sup> Phezu kwalokho lungisani umnikelo wokutshiswa wekuseni ojwayelekileyo. <sup>24</sup> Ngaleyondlela lungisani ukudla komnikelo owenziwe ngomlilo izinsuku zonke eziyisikhombisa kube luqhatshi olumnandi kuJehova; lokhu kumele kulungiswe kusengezelela umnikelo ojwayelekileyo wokutshiswa kanye lomnikelo wakho wokunathwayo.

<sup>25</sup> Ngosuku lwesikhombisa lizakuba lombuthano ongewe njalo lingenzi imisebenzi yensukwini.

### *IDili lamaViki*

<sup>26</sup> “ ‘ Ngosuku lwezithelo zakuqala, nxa lisethula kuJehova umnikelo wamabele amatsha ngesikhathi seDili lamaViki, banini lombuthano ongcwele njalo lingenzi imisebenzi yensukwini. <sup>27</sup> Nikelani ngomnikelo wokutshiswa owezinkunzi ezingamaguqa ezimbili, inqama eyodwa kanye lamazinyane amaduna ayisikhombisa

awezimvu alomnyaka owodwa  
ezelwe kube luqhatshi olumnandi kuJehova.

<sup>28</sup> Kuzakuthi inkunzi nganye liyilungise kanye lomnikelo wamabele ayingxenyeyokuthathu etshumini lehefa yefulawa ecolekileyo exutshaniswe lamafutha; kuthi inqama ihambe lokubili etshumini; <sup>29</sup> kuthi-ke linye ngalinye izinyane lemvu ngalinye kwayisikhombisa, lihambe lokukodwa etshumini. <sup>30</sup> Akube khona lembuzi eyodwa enduna ibe ngumnikelo wesono ukuzenzela indlela yokubuyisana. <sup>31</sup> Lungisani lokho ndawonye leminikelo yokunathwayo, ukwengezelela eminikelweni ejwayelekileyo yokutshiswa kanye lomnikelo wawo wamabele. Nanzelelani ukuthi lezozifuyo azilasici.

### *IDili lamaCilongo*

**29** “ ‘ Ngosuku lwakuqala ngenyanga yesikhombisa banini lombuthano ongcwele njalo lingenzi imisebenzi yezinsukwini . Lusuku lwenu lokutshaya amacilongo. <sup>2</sup> Lungisani umnikelo wokutshiswa, kube liphunga elimnandi kuJehova, inkunzi eliguqa eyodwa, inqama eyodwa lamazinyane ezimvu amaduna ayisikhombisa alomnyaka owodwa wokuzalwa, konke kungelasici. <sup>3</sup> Kuzakuthi inkunzi leyo liyilungise kanye lomnikelo wamabele azingxenyeyezintathu kokulitshumi kwehefa yefulawa ecolekileyo exutshaniswe lamafutha; kuthi inqama ibe lokubili etshumini; <sup>4</sup> kuthi-ke linye ngalinye izinyane lemvu kwayisikhombisa, lihambe lokukodwa etshumini. <sup>5</sup> Akube khona lembuzi eyodwa enduna ibe ngumnikelo wesono ukuzenzela indlela yokubuyisana. <sup>6</sup> Lokhu kuzabe kusengezelela iminikelo yokutshiswa yenyanga zonke kanye leyezinsuku zonke ndawonye leminikelo yamabele leyokunathwayo njengokumisiweyo. Le yiminikelo eyenzelwa uJehova ngomlilo – iphunga elimnandi.

### *Usuku lokuBuyisana*

<sup>7</sup> “ ‘ Ngosuku lwetshumi lwaleyonyanga yesikhombisa banini lombuthano ongcwele. Kumele lizidele njalo lingasebenzi.

<sup>8</sup> Nickelani umnikelo wokutshiswa, kube liphunga elimnandi kuJehova, inkunzi eliguqa eyodwa, inqama eyodwa lamazinyane ezimvu amaduna ayisikhombisa alomnyaka owodwa wokuzalwa, konke kungelasici.

<sup>9</sup> Kuzakuthi inkunzi leyo uyilungise kanye lomnikelo wamabele azingxenyeyezintathu kokulitshumi zehefa zingezefulawa ecolekileyo exutshaniswe ngamafutha; kuthi inqama ihambe lokubili etshumini; <sup>10</sup> kuthi-ke linye ngalinye izinyane lemvu kwayisikhombisa, lihambe lokukodwa etshumini. <sup>11</sup> Akube khona lembuzi eyodwa enduna ibe ngumnikelo wesono, phezu komnikelo wesono, owokubuyisana kanye lomnikelo wokutshiswa wezinsukwini lomnikelo wawo wamabele, kanye leminikelo yayo yokunathwayo.

### *IDili lamaThabanikeli*

<sup>12</sup> “ ‘ Ngosuku lwetshumi lanhlanu ngenyanga yesikhombisa, banini lombuthano ongcwele njalo lingenzi imisebenzi yensukwini. Jabulani ngedili kuJehova okwezinsuku eziyisikhombisa. <sup>13</sup> Nickelani umnikelo wokutshiswa, kube liphunga elimnandi kuJehova, umnikelo wokutshiswa wezinkunzi ezingamaguqa ezilitshumi lantathu, izinqama ezimbili lamazinyane ezimvu amaduna alitshumi lane alomnyaka ezelwe, konke kungelasici. <sup>14</sup> Kuthi inkunzi inye ngayinye kwezilitshumi lantathu liyilungise kanye lomnikelo wamabele azingxenyeyezintathu kokulitshumi kwehefa lefulawa ecolekileyo exutshaniswe lamafutha; kuthi inqama nganye kwezimbili, ihambe lokubili etshumini; <sup>15</sup> kuthi-ke linye ngalinye izinyane lemvu kwalitshumi lane, lihambe lokukodwa etshumini. <sup>16</sup> Akube khona

lembuzi eyodwa enduna ibe ngumnikelo wesono, phezu komnikelo wokutshiswa wezinsukwini ndawonye lomnikelo wawo wamabele lowokunathwayo.

<sup>17</sup>“ ‘ Ngosuku lwesibili lungisani izinkunzi ezingamaguqa ezilitshumi lambili, inqama ezimbili lamazinyane ezimvu amaduna alitshumi lane alomnyaka owodwa wokuzalwa, konke kungelasici. <sup>18</sup> Ndawonye lezinkunzi inqama kanye lamazinyane ezimvu lungisani umnikelo wakho wamabele kanye lowokunathwayo kusiya ngenani eliqanjiweyo. <sup>19</sup> Akube lembuzi eyodwa enduna ibe ngumnikelo wesono, phezu komnikelo wokutshiswa wezinsukwini ndawonye lomnikelo wawo wamabele, kanye leminikelo yayo yokunathwayo.

<sup>20</sup>“ ‘ Ngosuku lwesithathu lungisani izinkunzi ezilitshumi lanye, izinqama ezimbili kanye lamazinyane ezimvu alitshumi lane alomnyaka owodwa wokuzalwa, konke kungelasici.

<sup>21</sup> Ndawonye lezinkunzi, lezinqama, kanye lamazinyane ezimvu, lungisani iminikelo yakho yamabele kanye leminikelo yakho yokunathwayo kusiya ngenani eliqanjiweyo. <sup>22</sup> Akube lembuzi eyodwa enduna ibe ngumnikelo wesono, phezu komnikelo wokutshiswa wezinsukwini ndawonye lomnikelo wakho wamabele kanye lomnikelo wokunathwayo.

<sup>23</sup>“ Ngosuku lwesine lungisani izinkunzi ezilitshumi, izinqama ezimbili kanye lamazinyane ezimvu alitshumi lane amaduna alomnyaka owodwa wokuzalwa, konke kungelasici.

<sup>24</sup> Ndawonye lezinkunzi, inqama kanye lamazinyane ezimvu, lungisani iminikelo yakho yamabele kanye leminikelo yakho yokunathwayo kusiya ngenani eliqanjiweyo.

<sup>25</sup> Akube lembuzi eyodwa enduna ibe ngumnikelo wesono, phezu komnikelo wokutshiswa wezinsukwini ndawonye

lomnikelo wakho wamabele kanye lomnikelo wakho wokunathwayo.

<sup>26</sup>“ ‘ Ngosuku lwesihlanu lungisa izinkunzi ezificamunye, izinqama ezimbili kanye lamazinyane ezimvu alitshumi lane amaduna alomnyaka owodwa wokuzalwa, konke kungelasici. <sup>27</sup> Ndawonye lezinkunzi, izinqama kanye lamazinyane ezimvu, lungisa iminikelo yakho yamabele kanye leminikelo yakho yokunathwayo kusiya ngenani eliqanjiweyo. <sup>28</sup> Akube lembuzi eyodwa enduna ibe ngumnikelo wesono, phezu komnikelo wokutshiswa wezinsukwini ndawonye lomnikelo wakho wamabele kanye lomnikelo wakho wokunathwayo.

<sup>29</sup>“ ‘ Ngosuku lwesithupha lungisani izinkunzi ezificamibili, izinqama ezimbili lamazinyane ezimvu amaduna alitshumi lane alomnyaka owodwa wokuzalwa, konke kungelasici. <sup>30</sup> Ndawonye lezinkunzi, izinqama kanye lamazinyane ezimvu, lungisa iminikelo yayo yamabele kanye leminikelo yayo yokunathwayo kusiya ngenani eliqanjiweyo. <sup>31</sup> Akube lembuzi eyodwa enduna ibe ngumnikelo wesono, phezu komnikelo wokutshiswa wezinsukwini ndawonye lomnikelo wakho wamabele kanye lomnikelo wakho wokunathwayo.

<sup>32</sup>“ ‘ Ngosuku lwesikhombisa lungisa izinkunzi eziyikhombisa, inqama ezimbili lamazinyane ezimvu amaduna alitshumi lane alomnyaka owodwa wokuzalwa, konke kungelasici. <sup>33</sup> Ndawonye lezinkunzi, izinqama lamazinyane ezimvu, lungisa iminikelo yakho yamabele kanye leminikelo yakho yokunathwayo kusiya ngenani eliqanjiweyo. <sup>34</sup> Akube lembuzi eyodwa enduna ibe ngumnikelo wesono, phezu komnikelo wokutshiswa wezinsukwini ndawonye lomnikelo wakho wokunathwayo.

<sup>35</sup>“ ‘ Ngosuku lweficamibili buthanani njalo lingenzi imisebenzi yensukwini. <sup>36</sup> Nikelani umnikelo owenziwe ngomlilo kube liphunga elimnandi kuJehova,



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owenkunzi eyodwa, inqama eyodwa kanye  
lamazinyane ezimvu amaduna  
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lenkunzi, inqama kanye lamazinyane  
ezimvu, lungisani iminikelo yakho yamabele  
kanye leminikelo yakho yokunathwayo  
kusiya ngenani eliqanjweyo.

<sup>38</sup>Akube lembuzi eyodwa enduna ibe  
ngumnikelo wesono, phezu komnikelo  
wokutshiswa wezinsukwini ndawonye  
lomnikelo wakho wamabele kanye  
lomnikelo wakho wokunathwayo.

<sup>39</sup>“ ‘ Ukwengezelela kulokho elinikela  
ngakho ngesifungo loba ngokuzikhethela,  
uJehova mlungiseleni lokho emadilini enu  
amisiweyo: iminikelo yenu yokutshiswa,  
iminikelo yamabele, iminekelo  
yokunathwayo kanye leminikelo  
yobudlelwano. ’ ”

<sup>40</sup>UMosi watshela abako-Israyeli konke  
lokho uJehova ayemlaye ngakho.

### *Izifungo zabesifazana*

## **30** UMosi wathi kwabazinhloko

zezizwana zabako-Israyeli: “Nanku ukulaya  
kukaJehova: <sup>2</sup>Nxa indoda isenza isinqumo  
kuJehova loba isenza izifungo iziphe icala  
ngokuzimisela, akumelanga yephule  
isithembiso sayo kodwa kumele igcwalise  
ngokwenza konke ekutshiloyo.

<sup>3</sup>“Nxa intombazana elokhu isezandleni  
zabazali bayo isenza isinqumo kuJehova  
loba iziphe icala ngokuzimisela <sup>4</sup>kuthi uyise  
abesizwa ngesinqumo sayo loba  
ukuzimisela kwayo kodwa uyise angaze  
atsho lutho ngalokho kuyo, kutsho ukuthi  
izinqumo zayo kanye lokuzimisela kwayo  
njengokuzethesa kwayo lowomlandu  
kuzakuma kunjalo. <sup>5</sup>Kodwa uyise  
angakuzwa lokho ayalise asikho isinqumo  
lesimiso sayo esizasebenza; uJehova

uzayikukhulula leyontombazana ngoba  
yalelwe nguyise.

<sup>6</sup>Nxa ingenda ngemva kokwenza  
isinqumo loba kube ngemva kokuba indebe  
zayo zike zatsho isithembiso ngokucunuka  
izethesa icala <sup>7</sup>kuthi indoda yayo ikuzwe  
lokho kodwa ingatsho lutho kuyo, lokho-ke  
kutsho ukuthi isinqumo zayo loba  
izithembiso eyazethesa icala ngazo  
zizakuma njalo. <sup>8</sup>Kodwa nxa umkayo  
eyalela ekukuzweni kwakhe, kutsho ukuthi  
umkayo usesuse icala lesinqumo loba  
ukuzimisela ngokucunuka kwayo, ngakho  
uJehova uzayikhulula.

<sup>9</sup>“Loba yisiphi isinqumo loba ukuzimisela  
okwenziwe ngumfelokazi loba umfazi  
owehlukana lendoda yakhe kuyisibopho  
kuye.

<sup>10</sup>“Nxa owesifazana ohlala lomkakhe  
esenza isinqumo loba ezethesa icala  
lesithembiso ngesifungo <sup>11</sup>kuthi indoda  
yakhe ikuzwe kodwa ingaze yatsho lutho  
kuye ingamaleli, kutsho ukuthi isinqumo  
zakhe zonke lezithembiso zokuzethesa icala  
zizakuma zinjalo. <sup>12</sup>Kodwa indoda yakhe  
ingakuzwa lokho imalise, kutsho ukuthi  
akukho isinqumo loba isithembiso esivela  
endebeni zakhe esizakuma njalo. <sup>13</sup>Indoda  
yakhe ilakho ukuqinisa loba ukwala loba  
yisiphi isinqumo azasenza loba yisiphi  
isifungo sesithembiso sokuzidela kwakhe.  
<sup>14</sup>Kodwa nxa indoda yakhe ingatshongo  
lutho kuye ngakho okwezinsuku,  
kuzakutsho ukuthi iyaziqinisa zonke  
izinqumo loba izithembiso eziyisibopho  
kovesifazana. Umyeni wakhe uyakuqinisa  
lokho ngokungatsho lutho kuye ekukuzweni  
kwakhe lokho.

<sup>15</sup>Kodwa-ke, nxa angakwenqabela  
ngemva kwesikhathi ezwile ngakho, kutsho  
ukuthi usethwele icala lakhe.”

<sup>16</sup>Le yiyo imithetho eyaphiwa uMosi  
nguJehova emayelana lokuhlalisana  
kwendoda lomkayo, njalo phakathi kuka-  
yise lendodakazi yakhe esakhulayo elokhu  
isesezandleni zakhe.

*Ukuphindisela kumaMidiyani*

**31** UJehova wathi kuMosi, <sup>2</sup>“Phindisela kumaMidiyani usenzela abako-Israyeli. Ngemva kwalokho, uzalandela okhokho bakho.

<sup>3</sup>Ngakho uMosi wathi ebantwini, “Hlomisani amanye amadoda aye empini ayekulwa lamaMidiyani kanye lokuphindisela kukaJehova kuwo.

<sup>4</sup>Thumelani amadoda ayinkulungwane avela esizwaneni ngasinye sako-Israyeli ukuyahlasela.” <sup>5</sup>Ngakho amadoda azinkulungwane ezilitshumi lambili ahlomela ukuyahlasela, kuyinkulungwane yamadoda avela esizwaneni ngasinye, ebuthwe ngosendo lunye ngalunye kwabako-Israyeli. <sup>6</sup>UMosi wabathumela ukuyahlasela, kuyinkulungwane evela esizwaneni ngasinye, kanye loFinehasi indodana ka-Eliyazari, umphristi, owathatha izitsha endlini engcwele kanye lamacilongo okubikelana.

<sup>7</sup>Balwa lamaMidiyani, njengokulaywa kukaMosi nguJehova, babulala amadoda wonke. <sup>8</sup>Phakathi kwababulawayo kwakulamakhosi amahlanu amaMidiyani okubalisa u-Evi, loRekhemu, loZuri, loHuri kanye loRebha. Babulala loBhalamu indodana kaBhewori ngenkemba. <sup>9</sup>Abako-Israyeli bathumba abesifazana bamaMidiyani labantwana, basebethumba lemihlambi yezinkomo zamaMidiyani, leyezimvu kanye lokubutha impahla njengempango. <sup>10</sup>Batshisa wonke amadolobho lapha okwakuhlala khona amaMidiyani, kanye lezihonqo zawo zonke. <sup>11</sup>Bathatha konke ababekubuthile lababekuthumbile, kuhlanganisa abantu lezifuyo, <sup>12</sup>njalo basebeletha abathunjwa, okuthunjiweyo lokubuthiweyo kuMosi lo-Eliyazari umphristi kanye lebandleni lonke lako-Israyeli ezihonqweni zabo zase

magcekeni aseMowabi, ngaseJodani ngaphetsheya ukuvelela eJerikho.”

<sup>13</sup>UMosi, u-Eliyazari umphristi kanye labobonke abakhokheli babantu baphuma ukuyabahlangabeza ngaphandle kwezihonqo. <sup>14</sup>UMosi wathukuthelela abalawuli bamabutho – ababelawula amaxuku ezinkulungwane lababelawula amaxuku angamakhulu – ababevela ekuhlaseleni.

<sup>15</sup>UMosi wababuza wathi, “Selivumele abesifazana ukuthi baphile na? <sup>16</sup>Yibo ababelandela ukucebisa kukaBhalamu njalo beyilo igwegwe lokususa abako-Israyeli kuJehova kulokhu okwenzakala ePhewori, kwaze Kwathi abantu bakaJehova behlelwa yisifo. <sup>17</sup>Khona khathesi bulalani abafana bonke. Njalo libulale wonke owesifazana oseke walala lendoda, <sup>18</sup>kodwa lizigcinele loba yiphi intombazana engakaze ilale lendoda.

<sup>19</sup>“Lina lonke elibulele loba ngubani loba lina elike lathinta loba ngubani obuleweyo lizahlala ngaphandle kwezihonqo okwezinsuku eziyisikhombisa. Ngosuku lwesithathu langosuku lwesikhombisa lizihlambulule lina kanye labathunjwa benu. <sup>20</sup>Hlambululani zonke izambatho kanye lakho konke okwenziwe ngesikhumba, uboya bembuzi loba okwezigodo.”

<sup>21</sup>Ngakho u-Eliyazari umphristi wathi kwabebutho ababeye empini, “Nanku okufaneleyo ngokomthetho owaphiwa uMosi nguJehova: <sup>22</sup>Igolide, isiliva, ithusi, insimbi, izenge lomnusu, <sup>23</sup>kanye lakho konke okunye okungaze kwatshiswa ngumlilo kumele kudlule emlilweni, yikho kuzabe sekuhlambulukile. Kodwa kumele njalo kube sekuhlanjululiwe ngamanzi okuhlambulula. Kanti njalo kuthi lakuphi okungeze kwamelana lomlilo kumele kudluliswe kulawomanzi. <sup>24</sup>Ngosuku lwesikhombisa gezisani izigqoko zenu ukuze lihlambuluke. Ngemva kwalokho selingangena ezihonqweni.”

*Ukwabiwa kokuthunjiweyo*

<sup>25</sup>UJehova wathi kuMosi, <sup>26</sup>“Wena kanye lo-Eliyazari umphristi kanye labazinhloko zezimuli zabantu lizabala abantu bonke lezinyamazana – konke okwathunjwayo.

<sup>27</sup>Yabelani amabutho ayesempini kanye labantu bonke lokho okuthunjiweyo.

<sup>28</sup>Emabuthweni alwayo empini, thathani okukodwa emakhulwini amahlanu kube yisabelo sikaJehova, kumbe ngabantu, inkomo, obabhemi izimvu loba imbuzi.

<sup>29</sup>Thathani lesisabelo engxenyeni yesabo liyiphe u-Eliyazari umphristi ibe yingxenyekaJehova. <sup>30</sup>KungxenyekaJehova-Israyeli, khethani okukodwa ematshumini amahlanu, phakathi kwabantu, izinkomo, obabhemi izimvu, imbuzi loba ezinye izifuyo. Zipheni abaLevi, bona abalomlandu wokunakekela ithabanikeli likaJehova.” <sup>31</sup>Ngakho uMosi lo-Eliyazari umphristi benza njengokulaywa kukaMosi nguJehova.

<sup>32</sup>Impango eyayisele kulokho okwathathwa ngamabutho kwakuyizimvu ezi 675 000, <sup>33</sup>izinkomo ezi 72 000,

<sup>34</sup>obabhemi abazi 61 000 <sup>35</sup>kanye labesifazana abazi 32 000 ababengakaze balale lamadoda. <sup>36</sup>IngxenyekaJehova salabo abalwayo empini sasiyizimvu ezi 337 500, <sup>37</sup>lapho abakhipha khona umnikelo kaJehova oyizimvu ezingama 675;

<sup>38</sup>lezinkomo ezi 36 000, okwakhitshwa kizo ezomnikelo

kaJehova ezingama 72;

<sup>39</sup>obabhemi abangama 30 500, kwathi umnikelo

kaJehova waba ngama 61;

<sup>40</sup>abantu abayizi 16 000, kwanikelwa kuJehova

ngaba ngama 32.

<sup>41</sup>UMosi wanika u-Eliyazari umphristi isabelo sikaJehova, njengokulaywa kukaMosi nguJehova.

<sup>42</sup>IngxenyekaJehova sabako-Israyeli uMosi wayeseyehlukanise leyamabutho –

<sup>43</sup>ingxenyekaJehova eyayingeyabantu – yaba yizimvu

ezi 337 500, <sup>44</sup>izinkomo ezi 36 000, <sup>45</sup>obabhemi abazi 16 000. <sup>46</sup>kanye labantu abayizi 16 000. <sup>47</sup>EngxenyekaJehova yesabelo sabako-Israyeli, uMosi waqambula okukodwa ematshumini amahlanu abantu lasezifuyweni, njengokulaywa kwakhe nguJehova, njalo wakuqhubela abaLevi, bona ababelomlandu wokunakekela ithabanikeli likaJehova.

<sup>48</sup>Ngakho izikhulu ezaziphethe izigaba zebutho – abulawuli bamaxuku azinkulungwane kanye labalawuli bamaxuku angamakhulu baya kuMosi <sup>49</sup>bafika bathi kuye, “Izinceku zakho seziwabalile amabutho eziwalawulayo, akukho lelilodwa ibutho elingekho. <sup>50</sup>Ngakho sesilethe njengomnikelo kuJehova izinto zegolide esizitholileyo munye ngamunye – izigqizo, lamasongo, lezindandatho, lamacici kanye lezigqizo zentanyeni – ukuzenzela indlela yokubuyisana phambi kukaJehova.”

<sup>51</sup>UMosi lo-Eliyazari umphristi bemukela igolide elalivela kubo – konke lokho kungokubazibaziweyo. <sup>52</sup>Lonke igolide elalethwa ngabalawuli emunye elawula amaxuku azinkulungwane labalawuli emunye elawula ikhulu lelo uMosi lo-Eliyazare ebaletshela njengesipho kuJehova lalilesisindo samashekeli azi 16 750.

<sup>53</sup>Ibutho ngalinye lazithumbela okwalo lalo.

<sup>54</sup>UMosi lo-Eliyazari umphristi bemukela igolide elalivela kubalawuli emunye elawula amaxuku azinkulungwane lakubalawuli emunye elawula amaxuku angamakhulu, balisa eThenteni lokuHlanganela ukuze kube yisikhumbuzo kwabako-Israyeli phambi kukaJehova.

*Izizwana zangaphetsheya kweJodani*

## 32 AbakoRubheni labakoGadi

ababelemihlambi emikhulu yezinkomo leyezimvu, babona ukuthi amadlelo emmangweni weJazeri leGileyadi ayemahle

ezifuyweni. <sup>2</sup>Ngakho baya kuMosi laku-Eliyazari umphristi lakubakhokheli babantu, bathi, <sup>3</sup>“Umhlaba we-Atharothi, Dibhoni, Jazeri, Nimra, Heshibhoni, Eliyale, Sebhami, Nebho kanye leBheyoni – <sup>4</sup>umhlaba uJehova awunqoba phambi kwabako-Israyeli – ngumhlaba olungele izifuyo, njalo thina nceku zenu silezifuyo.” <sup>5</sup>Basebestihi, “Nxa sifumene umusa emehlweni enu, lelilizwe aliphiwe izinceku zenu libe yisabelo sethu. Lingasicindezeli ukuba sichaphe uJodani.”

<sup>6</sup>UMosi wabuza abakoGadi labakoRubheni wathi, “Kambe lingahlala lapha amanye amadoda akini esiya empini na? <sup>7</sup>Kungani lithelela abako-Israyeli ukwesaba ukungena elizweni abaliphiwa nguJehova na? <sup>8</sup>Yikho lokhu okwenziwa ngoyihlo ekubathumeni kwami besuka eKhadishi Bhaneya ukuyahlola ilizwe.

<sup>9</sup>Bathi sebehambe baze bayafika eSigodini sase-Eshikale balibona ilizwe, bathelela abako-Israyeli ukwesaba ukungena elizweni abaliphiwa nguJehova. <sup>10</sup>Ulaka lukaJehova lwaqubuka ngalolosuku waze wenza lesisifungo. <sup>11</sup>‘Ngenxa yokuthi abangilandelanga ngezinhliziyi zabo ezipheleleyo, kakho loyedwa emadodeni wonke aleminyaka engamatshumi amabili kusiya phezulu okuzalwa kwabavela eGibhithe ozabona ilizwe engalithembisa u-Abrahama, u-Isaka loJakhobe ngesifungo – <sup>12</sup>kakho loyedwa ngaphandle kukaKhalebi indodana kaJefune umKhenizi kanye loJoshuwa indodana kaNuni, ngoba laba balandela uJehova ngezinhliziyi ezipheleleyo.’ <sup>13</sup>Ulaka luka Jehova lwavutha wabazondela abako-Israyeli njalo wabenza bantula enkangala okweminyaka engamatshumi amane, kwaze kwaphela bonke abentanga yalabo ababonile phambi kukaJehova.

<sup>14</sup>“Khathesi nanku-ke lina, nzalo yezoni, selimi endaweni yaboyihlo libangela ukuthi uJehova athukuthelele abako-Israyeli ngamandla. <sup>15</sup>Nxa lingala ukumlandela,

uJehova uzaphinde atshiye bonke lababantu bakhe enkangala, njalo kuzabe kuyini elibangele incithakalo yabo.”

<sup>16</sup>Ngakho beza kuye bathi, “Sifuna ukwakha izibaya zezifuyo zethu njalo sakhele omkethu labantwabethu amadolobho. <sup>17</sup>Kodwa thina sesilungele ukuzihlomisa ukuze sikhokhele abako-Israyeli size siyebafikisa endaweni yabo. Kunjalo nje omkethu labantwabethu bazasala emadolobheni avikelekileyo, ukuze bangahlaselwa ngabanikazi balelolizwe. <sup>18</sup>Kasiyikubuyela kweyethu imizi wonke owako-Israyeli aze azuze isabelo sakhe. <sup>19</sup>Thina kasiyikuzuza isabelo kanye labo ngale kweJodani, ngoba esethu isabelo sisithole ngapha ngempumalanga kweJodani.”

<sup>20</sup>Ngakho uMosi wathi kubo, “Nxa lizakwenza lokhu – lizihlomisele ukuhlasela phambi kukaJehova, <sup>21</sup>njalo nxa lonke lizahamba lihlo mile ngale kweJodani phambi kukaJehova aze adudule izitha phambi kwakhe – <sup>22</sup>kuze kuthi nxa ilizwe selinqotshiwe phambi kukaJehova selingaphenduka njalo liyabe selikhululekile emlandwini wenu kuJehova laku-Israyeli. Ngalokho-ke lelilizwe lizakuba yisabelo senu phambi kukaJehova.

<sup>23</sup>“Kodwa lingehluleka ukwenza lokhu, lizabe lonile phambi kukaJehova; njalo yazini ukuthi isono senu sizalifumana. <sup>24</sup>Yakhelani abesifazana benu labantwabenu amadolobho, njalo lakhele izifuyo zenu izabaya, kodwa yenzani lokho elikuthembisileyo.”

<sup>25</sup>AbakoGadi labakoRubheni bathi kuMosi, “Thina izinceku zakho sizakwenza njengokulaya kukaJehova wethu.

<sup>26</sup>Abantwabethu labomkethu, imihlambi yezimvu zethu leyezinkomo zethu kuzasala lapha emadolobheni aseGileyadi.

<sup>27</sup>Kodwa thina zinceku zakho, yonke indoda ehlomele ukuhlasela, izachapha iyekulwa phambi kukaJehova, njengokutsho kukaJehova wethu.”

<sup>28</sup> UMosi wasekhupha ilizwi lesiqondiso ngabo ku-Eliyazari umphristi lakuJoshuwa indodana kaNuni kanye lakuzinhloko zezimuli zezizwana zako-Israyeli. <sup>29</sup> Wathi kubo, “Nxa abakoGadi labakoRubheni, wonke amadoda ayehlomele ukuhlasela, angachaphela ngale kweJodani kunye lani phambi kukaJehova, kube sekusithi nxa ilizwe selinqotshiwe phambi kwenu banikeni ilizwe laseGileyadi libe yisabelo sabo.

<sup>30</sup> Kodwa nxa bengachaphanga lani behlomile, kumele bemukele isabelo sabo kunye lani eKhenani.”

<sup>31</sup> AbakoGadi labakoRubheni baphendula bathi, “Izincedu zakho zizakwenza okutshiwo nguJehova. <sup>32</sup> Sizachaphela ngale phambi kukaJehova singene eKhenani sihlomile, kodwa ilifa eliyisabelo sethu lizakuba nganeno kweJodani.”

<sup>33</sup> Ngakho uMosi wasenika abakoGadi, labakoRubheni kanye lengxenywe yesizwana sakoManase indodana kaJosefa umbuso kaSihoni inkosi yama-Amori kanye lombuso ka-Ogi inkosi yaseBhashani – ilizwe lonke kanye lamadolobho alo kanye lamazwe ayebagqagqele.

<sup>34</sup> Abako-Gadi bakha iDibhoni, i-Atharothi, i-Aroweri, <sup>35</sup> i-Afrothi Shofani, iJazeri, iJogibheha, <sup>36</sup> iBhethi Nimura kanye leBhethi Harani aba ngamadolobho ahonqolozelwe ngemithangala, njalo bakha lezibaya zemihlambi yezifuyo zabo.

<sup>37</sup> Kanti-ke abakoRubheni bakha kakutsha iHeshibhoni, i-Eliyale kanye leKhiriyathayimi, <sup>38</sup> kanye lokwakha iNebho kanye leBhali Meyoni (la amabizo aguqulwa) njalo leSibhima. Betha amadolobho abawakha kutsha amabizo.

<sup>39</sup> Izizukulwane zikaMakhiri indodana kaManase zaya eGileyadi, zalithumba njalo zaxotsha ama-Amori ayekulelolizwe.

<sup>40</sup> Ngakho uMosi wapha elaseGileyadi kumaMakhiri, izizukulwana zikaManase, basebhlala khona. <sup>41</sup> UJayiri, umzukulu

kaManase, wathumba imizi yabo wayibiza ngokuthi yiHarothi Jayiri. <sup>42</sup> Kanti uNobha wathumba iKhenathi kanye lemizi eyigqagqeleyo njalo wayetha ibizo lakhe wathi yiNobha.

*Amalombolombo ohambo lwabako-Israyeli*

## 33 Nanka amalombolombo ohambo

lwabako-Israyeli ekuphumeni kwabo eGibhithe ngamaviyo abo bekhokhelwa nguMosi lo-Aroni. <sup>2</sup> Ngokulaya kukaJehova waloba walonda izigaba zamalombolombo ohambo lwabo. Nantu uhambo lwabo ngezigaba zakhona:

<sup>3</sup> Abako-Israyeli basuka eRamesesi ngosuku lwetshumi lanhlanu lwenyanga yakuqala, ngosuku kwedlule iPhasika. Baphuma ngesibindi bekhangelwe ngamaGibhithe wonke, <sup>4</sup> wona eyephathekile engcwaba wonke amazibulo awo, lawo ayebulewe nguJehova phakathi kwawo; ngoba uJehova wayehlulele ngokujezisa onkulunkulu bawo.

<sup>5</sup> Abako-Israyeli basuka eRamesesi bayamisa izihonqo zabo eSukhothi.

<sup>6</sup> Basuka eSukhothi bayamisa izihonqo zabo e-Ethami, emaphethelweni enkangala.

<sup>7</sup> Basuka e-Ethami, baphenduka baya ePhi Hahirothi; okuya empumalanga yaseBhali Zefoni, babuye njalo bamisa izihonqo zabo eMigidoli.

<sup>8</sup> Basuka ePhi Hahirothi badabula elwandle bangena enkangala, bathi sebehambe okwezinsuku ezintathu eNkangala ye-Ethami, bamisa izihonqo zabo eMara.

<sup>9</sup> Basuka eMara baya e-Elimi, lapho okwakulentombo zamanzi ezilitshumi lambili kanye lezihlahla zohlobo lwelala ezingamatshumi ayisikhombisa, bafika bamisa izihonqo khonapho.

<sup>10</sup> Basuka e-Elimi bayamisa izihonqo zabo besekele uLwandle oluBomvu.

<sup>11</sup> Basuka eLwandle oluBomvu bayamisa eNkangala yaseSini.

<sup>12</sup> Basuka eNkangala yeSini bayamisa eDofuka.

<sup>13</sup> Basuka eDofuka bayamisa e-Alusha.

<sup>14</sup> Basuka e-Alusha bayamisa eRefidimu, lapho okwakungelamanzi okunathwa ngabantu.

<sup>15</sup> Basuka eRefidimu bayamisa eNkangala yeSinayi.

<sup>16</sup> Basuka eNkangala yeSinayi bayamisa eKhibhrothi Hathayava.

<sup>17</sup> Basuka eKhibhrothi Hathayava bayamisa eHazerothi.

<sup>18</sup> Basuka eHazerothi bayamisa eRithima.

<sup>19</sup> Basuka eRithima bayamisa eRimoni Pherezi.

<sup>20</sup> Basuka eRimoni Pherezi bayamisa eLibhina.

<sup>21</sup> Basuka eLibhina bayamisa eRisa.

<sup>22</sup> Basuka eRisa bayamisa eKhehelatha.

<sup>23</sup> Basuka eKhehelatha bayamisa eNtabeni yaseShefa.

<sup>24</sup> Basuka eNtabeni yaseShefa bayamisa eHarada.

<sup>25</sup> Basuka eHarada bayamisa eMakhelothi.

<sup>26</sup> Basuka eMakhelothi bayamisa eThahathi.

<sup>27</sup> Basuka eThahathi bayamisa eThera.

<sup>28</sup> Basuka eThera bayamisa eMithika.

<sup>29</sup> Basuka eMithika bayamisa eHashimona.

<sup>30</sup> Basuka eHashimona bayamisa eMoserothi.

<sup>31</sup> Basuka eMoserothi bayamisa eBhene Jayakhani.

<sup>32</sup> Basuka eBhene Jayakhani bayamisa eHori Hagidigadi.

<sup>33</sup> Basuka eHori Hagidigadi bayamisa eJothibhatha.

<sup>34</sup> Basuka eJothibhatha bayamisa e-Abhurona.

<sup>35</sup> Basuka e-Abhurona bayamisa e-Eziyoni Gebheri.

<sup>36</sup> Basuka e-Eziyoni Gebheri bayamisa eKhadeshi, eNkangala yaseZini.

<sup>37</sup> Basuka eKhadeshi bayamisa eNtabeni yaseHori, emngceleni wase-Edomi.

<sup>38</sup> Ngokulaya kukaJehova, u-Aroni umphristi wakhwela eNtabeni yaseHori, lapho afela khona ngosuku lwakuqala lwenyanga yesihlanu yomnyaka wamatshumi amane abako-Israyeli belokhu baphuma eGibhithe. <sup>39</sup> U-Aroni wayesemdala okweminyaka elikhulu elileminyaka engamatshumi amabili lemithathu ekufeni kwakhe eNtabeni yaseHori.

<sup>40</sup> Inkosi yase-Aradi engumKhenani eyayihlala eNegebi yaseKhenani, yezwa ukuthi abako-Israyeli babesiza.

<sup>41</sup> Basuka eNtabeni yaseHori bayamisa eZalimona.

<sup>42</sup> Basuka eZalimona bayamisa ePhunoni.

<sup>43</sup> Basuka ePhunoni bayamisa e-Obhothi.

<sup>44</sup> Basuka e-Obhothi bayamisa e-Iye Abharimi, emngceleni waseMowabi.

<sup>45</sup> Basuka e-Iyimi (okuyi-Iye Abharimi) bayamisa eDibhoni Gadi.

<sup>46</sup> Basuka eDibhoni Gadi bayamisa e-Alimoni Dibhilathayimi.

<sup>47</sup> Basuka e-Alimoni Dibhilathayimi bayamisa ezintabeni zase-Abharimi, phansi kweNebho.

<sup>48</sup> Basuka ezintabeni zase-Abharimi bayamisa emagecekeni aseMowabi besekele uJodani ngakulelicele ngale kweJerikho.

<sup>49</sup> Khonapho emagecekeni aseMowabi bamisa izihonqo zabo belandela umfula uJodani kusukela eBhethi Jeshimothi kusiya e-Abhela Shithimu.

<sup>50</sup> Emagecekeni aseMowabi ngasemfuleni uJodani ngaphetsheya uvelela ngaseJerikho uJehova wathi kuMosi, <sup>51</sup> “Khuluma kwabako-Israyeli ubatshele lokhu uthi: ‘Nxa lichapha uJodani lingena eKhenani, <sup>52</sup> xotshani phambi kwenu bonke abahlala

kulelolizwe. Dilizani zonke izithombe zabo ezibaziweyo kanye lezibunjiweyo, njalo libhidlize zonke izindawo eziphakemeyo zokukhonzela.<sup>53</sup> Thumbani ilizwe lelo lihlale kulo, ngoba ngilnike ukuthi libe ngelenu.<sup>54</sup> Yabelanani ilizwe ngenkatho, kusiya ngokwezinsendo zenu. Ixuku elikhu kaliphiwe isabelo esikhulu, kuye kuthi ixuku elincinyane liphiwe isabelo esincinyane. Okuzakuya kubo ngenkatho akube ngokwabo. Kwabelananani kusiya ngezizwana zabokhokho benu.

<sup>55</sup> “ ‘ Kodwa nxa lingaxotshanga abahlala kulelolizwe, abaseleyo babo bazakuba lukhophe emehlweni enu njalo babe ngameva enyameni yenu. Bazakuba luhlupho ezweni elizahlala kulo. <sup>56</sup> Ngakho-ke ngizakwenza kini lokho engizimisele ukukwenza kibo.’ ”

### *Imingcele yaseKhenani*

**34** UJehova wathi kuMosi,<sup>2</sup> “Laya abako-Israyeli uthi kubo: ‘Nxa lingena eKhenani, ilizwe elizaliphiwa libe yisabelo senu lizakuba lale imingcele.’<sup>3</sup> “ ‘ Icele leningizimu yenu lizahlanganisa isigaba esithile seNkangala yaseZini kulandela umngcele we-Edomi. Empumalanga, umngcele wenu weningizimu uzasukela ekucineni koLwandle Lwesawudo,

<sup>4</sup> udabula eningizimu yokhalo lwe-Akhirabhimu, kusiya ngaseZini njalo kuye eningizimu yeKhadshi Bhaneya. Usuka lapho uzaqonda eHazari Adari njalo wedlulele e-Azimoni,<sup>5</sup> lapho ozajika khona, kuhlanguke lesihotsha saseGibhithe njalo uyephelela eLwandle lwaseMeditheraniyeni.

<sup>6</sup> “ ‘ Umngcele wenu wentshonalanga kuzakuba ligumbi loLwandle oLukhulu. Lo uzakuba ngumngcele wenu entshonalanga.

<sup>7</sup> “ ‘ Okomncele wenu wenyakatho, sukulani eLwandle oLukhulu lisiya eNtabeni yaseHori lithi lisuka eNtabeni yaseHori <sup>8</sup> liye

eLebho Hamathi. Umngcele uzasuka lapho uqonde eZedadi,<sup>9</sup> ubusuqhubeka usiya eZifironi uze uyekuma eHazari Enani. Lo yiwo umngcele wenu enyakatho.

<sup>10</sup> “ ‘ Okomngcele wenu wempumalanga, sukulani eHazari Enani kusiya eShefamu. <sup>11</sup> Umngcele uzakwehla usuka eShefamu usiya eRibhila engempumalanga kwe-Ayini njalo uqhubeka ulandela umehlo empumalanga koLwandle lwaseKhenerethi. <sup>12</sup> Kusuka lapho umngcele uzakwehla ulandela umfula uJodani uze uyecina eLwandle lweSawudo. “ ‘ Leli lizakuba yilizwe lenu, ngemingcele yalo nxa zonke.’ ”

<sup>13</sup> UMosi walaya abako-Israyeli wathi: “Yabelanani lelilizwe ngenkatho njengelifa lenu. UJehova usekhuphe isiqondiso sokuthi aliphiwe izizwana ezifika munye kanye lesizwana esiyingxenywe,<sup>14</sup> ngenxa yokuthi abezimuli zesizwana sikaRubheni, abesizwana sikaGadi kanye lengxenywe yesizwana sikaManase sebethole isabelo sabo. <sup>15</sup> Izizwana lezi ezimbili kanye lalesi esiyingxenywe sezithole isabelo sazo eceleni lempumalanga lomfula uJodani, ngokuya ngempumalanga.”

<sup>16</sup> UJehova wathi kuMosi,<sup>17</sup> “La ngamabizo amadoda azalabela ilizwe njengelifa lenu: u-Eliyazari umphristi kanye loJoshuwa indodana kaNuni.

<sup>18</sup> Beselikhetha umkhokheli oyedwa esizwaneni ngasinye ukuncedisa ukwaba ilizwe:

<sup>19</sup> La yiwo amabizo abo:

uKhalebi indodana kaJefune,  
owesizwana sakoJuda;

<sup>20</sup> uShemiyeli indodana ka-Amihudi,  
owesizwana sakoSimeyoni;

<sup>21</sup> u-Elidadi indodana kaKhisiloni,  
owesizwana sakoBhenjamini;

<sup>22</sup> uBhuki indodana kaJogili,  
umkhokheli ovela esizwaneni sakoDani;

<sup>23</sup> uHaniyeli indodana ka-Efodi,  
ongumkhokheli ovela esizwaneni  
sikaManase indodana kaJosefa;

<sup>24</sup> uKhemuyeli indodana kaShifuthani,  
engumkhokheli ovela esizwaneni  
sako-Efrayimi indodana kaJosefa;

<sup>25</sup> u-Elizafani indodana kaPhanaki,  
umkhokheli ovela esizwaneni sika-  
Isakhari;

<sup>26</sup> uPhalithiyeli indodana ka-Azani,  
umkhokheli ovela esizwaneni sika-  
Zebhuluni,

<sup>27</sup> u-Ahihudi indodana kaShelomi,  
umkhokheli ovela esizwaneni sika-  
Asheri;

<sup>28</sup> u-Phedaheli indodana ka-Amihudi,  
umkhokheli ovela esizwaneni sika-  
Nafthali.”

<sup>29</sup> La yiwo amadoda uJehova alaya ukuthi  
ahlukanisele abako-Israyeli isabelo sabo  
selizwe laseKhenani.

#### *Amadolobho abaLevi*

## 35 Ngasemagcekeni aseMowabi

kusekele umfula uJodani nganeno  
malungana leJerikho, uJehova wathi  
kuMosi, <sup>2</sup>“Laya abako-Israyeli ukuthi  
bakhethe elifeni labo amadolobho bawanike  
abaLevi ukuze bahlale kuwo. Njalo  
babanike lamadlelo eduze lamadolobho  
lawo. <sup>3</sup>Ngalokho bazakuba lamadolobho  
okuhlala kanye lamadlelo ezinkomo zabo,  
imihlambi yezimvu kanye leyezinye zonke  
izifuyo zabo.

<sup>4</sup> Amadlelo azingelezele amadolobho  
elizawanika abaLevi, azakuba  
ngamakhubhithi ayinkulungwane ukuqhela  
kwawo kusukela emidulini yamadolobho.  
<sup>5</sup> Ngempumalanga, ngaphandle kwedolobho,  
kuzakuba ngamakhubhithi azinkulungwane  
ezimbili kube njalo laseningizimu  
amakhubhithi azinkulungwane ezimbili,  
entshonalanga amakhubhithi

azinkulungwane ezimbili, kufane  
langeceleni lenyakatho amakhubhithi  
azinkulungwane ezimbili, idolobho  
liphakathi laphakathi. Le kuzakuba yindawo  
yabo yamadlelo emadolobheni.

#### *Amadolobho okuphephela*

<sup>6</sup>“Phakathi kwamadolobho elizawanika  
abaLevi, ayisithupha azakuba  
ngawokuphephela, yikho lapha okuzakuthi  
umuntu angabulala omunye abalekele  
khona. Phezu kwalawo, bapheni amanye  
amadolobho angamatshumi amane lamabili.

<sup>7</sup> Wonke esehlangene abaLevi bapheni  
amadolobho angamatshumi amane lafica  
mibili, kuhlenganisa lamadlelo abo.

<sup>8</sup> Amadolobho eliwanika abaLevi elizweni  
labako-Israyeli kawabiwe ngokuya ngelifa  
lesizwana ngasinye: Thathani amadolobho  
amanengi esizwaneni esilamadolobho  
amanengi, kodwa lithathe amalutshwana  
kwesilamalutshwana.”

<sup>9</sup> Ngakho uJehova wasesithi kuMosi:  
<sup>10</sup>“Khuluma labako-Israyeli njalo ubatshele  
uthi: ‘Ekuchapheni kwenu uJodani lingena  
eKhenani, <sup>11</sup> khethani amanye amadolobho  
abe ngawokuphephela, lapho ozakuthi nxa  
umuntu ebulele omunye ngengozi abalekele  
khona. <sup>12</sup> Azakuba zindawo zokuphephela  
ukuzivikela kwabaphindiselayo, ukuze kuthi  
lowo owetheswa icala lokubulala angafi  
engakathonisiswa phambi kwebandla.  
<sup>13</sup> Amadolobho ayisithupha la elibapha wona  
azakuba ngamadolobho enu okuphephela.  
<sup>14</sup> Bapheni amathathu ngakulelicele lomfula  
uJodani kuthi amathathu abe ngamadolobho  
okuphephela eKhenani.

<sup>15</sup> Amadolobho la ayisithupha azakuba  
yindawo yokuphephela kwabako-Israyeli,  
labezizweni kanye labo bonke abantu  
abahlezi phakathi kwabo, ukuze kuthi loba  
ngubani obulele omunye ngengozi abalekele  
khona.

<sup>16</sup>“ Nxa indoda itshaya umuntu ngento  
eyinsimbi afe, ingumbulali; umbulali



kumele abulawe. <sup>17</sup> Nxa loba ngubani ophethe ilitshe elingabulala, njalo abesetshaya omunye afe, ungumbulali; umbulali kumele abulawe. <sup>18</sup> Njalo nxa loba ngubani ophethe ulutho oluyisigodo olungabulala, njalo abesetshaya omunye afe, ungumbulali; umbulali kumele abulawe. <sup>19</sup> Umphindiseli wegazi kumele ambulale umbulali; nxa ehlangana laye, kumele ambulale. <sup>20</sup> Loba ngubani olomona ohlezi eqophile ofuqa omunye loba omjikijela ngolutho oluthile ngabomo kubangele ukufa kwakhe <sup>21</sup> loba kuthi ngolaka amtshaye ngenqindi afe, lowomuntu kumele abulawe; ungumbulali. Umphindiseli wegazi kumele abulale umbulali nxa ehlangana laye.

<sup>22</sup> “ ‘ Kodwa nxa kungayisikho ngolaka umuntu aqabuke esefuqe omunye loba amjikijele ngolutho engaqondile <sup>23</sup> loba engamboni, amgxobe ngelitshe elingambulala, afe, ngakho njengoba engasisositha sakhe njalo engaqondanga ukumlimaza, <sup>24</sup> ibandla kumele lahlulele phakathi kwakhe lomphindiseli wegazi kulandelwa lezi zimiso. <sup>25</sup> Ibandla kumele livikele owetheswa icala lokubulala kumphindiseli wegazi njalo abuyiselwe edolobheni lokuphephela azabe ebalekele kulo. Kumele ahlale khonale kuze kufe umphristi omkhulu, owagcotshelwa esikhundleni ngamafutha angcwele.

<sup>26</sup> “ ‘ Kodwa lowo owetheswa icala angaba ngaphandle kwedolobho lokuphephela lelo ayabe ebalekele kulo <sup>27</sup> kuthi umphindiseli wegazi amfumane ngaphandle kwalelolobho, umphindiseli wegazi angambulala lowo owetheswe icala kodwa angabi lacala lokubulala. <sup>28</sup> Owetheswe icala kumele ahlale edolobheni lakhe lokuphephela kuze kufe umphristi omkhulu; uzaze abuyele emzini wakhe kuphela nxa umphristi omkhulu esefile.

<sup>29</sup> “ ‘ Le kumele kube yimithetho yesimiso kini lakuzizukulwane ezizayo, loba kungaphi lapho elizahlala khona.

<sup>30</sup> “ ‘ Loba ngubani obulala umuntu kumele abulawe njengombulali ngobufakazi balabo abayabe bebonile kuphela. Kodwa akungabikho loyedwa ozabulawa ngobufakazi bofakazi oyedwa.

<sup>31</sup> “ ‘ Lingemukeli inhlawulo yokuhlenga impilo yombulali, yena kumele afe, loba kutheni kabulawe.

<sup>32</sup> “ ‘ Lingemukeli inhlawulo yokuhlenga loba ngubani obalekele edolobheni lokuphephela libe selimvumela ukuba abuyele ukuyahlala emzini wakhe umphristi omkhulu engakafi.

<sup>33</sup> “ ‘ Lingalingcolisi ilizwe lelo elihlala kulo. Ukuchitha igazi kungcolisa ilizwe, njalo indlela yokubuyisana ingeke yenzelwe lapho okuchithwe khona igazi, ngaphandle kwegazi lalowo olichithileyo.

<sup>34</sup> Lingalihlazisi ilizwe elihlezi kilo kanye lalapho engihlala khona, ngoba Mina, uJehova, ngihlala phakathi kwabako-Israyeli.’ “

### *Ilifa lamadodakazi kaZelofehadi*

## 36 Izinhloko zezindlu zosendo

lukaGileyadi indodana kaMakhiri, indodana kaManase, ababengabezinsendo zezizukulwane zikaJosefa, beza bakhuluma loMosi kanye labakhokheli, abazinhloko zezimuli zako-Israyeli. <sup>2</sup> Bathi kubo, “Lapho uJehova walaya inkosi yami ukuba iphe ilizwe njengelifa ngenkatho kwabako-Israyeli, yakhupha isiqondiso sokuthi uphe ilifa lomfowethu uZelofehadi kumadodakazi akhe. <sup>3</sup> Khathesi akesithi thina nxa bendele emadodeni ezinye izizwana zako-Israyeli; kuzakutsho ukuthi ilifa lizasuswa kwelabokhokho bethu liyekwengezelela elaleso sizwana abazakwendela kuso. Ngakho kutsho ukuthi ingxenye yelifa esaliphiwayo sizayithathelwa. <sup>4</sup> Kuzakuthi ngomnyaka weJubhili kwabako-Israyeli, ilifa labo lizakwengezelela elalesozizwana

abendele kuso, njalo impahla  
yabo izasuswa elifeni lesizwana sabokhokho  
bethu.”

<sup>5</sup>Ngakho ngokulaya kukaJehova uMosi  
wakhapha lesisiqondiso kwabako-Israyeli:  
“Lokho okutshiwo yisizukulwana sesizwana  
sikaJosefa kuqondile. <sup>6</sup>Lokhu yikho ukulaya  
kukaJehova ngamadodakazi kaZelofehadi:  
Bakhululekile ukwendela loba kukubani  
obathathayo kodwa akube ngabosendo  
lwesizwana sikayise.

<sup>7</sup>Kalikho ilifa ko-Israyeli elizasuka  
esizwaneni lisiya kwesinye isizwana, ngoba  
wonke owako-Israyeli kumele agcine ilizwe  
lesizwana eliyilifa labokhokho bakhe.

<sup>8</sup>Yonke indodakazi ezakuba yindlalifa  
yelizwe esizwaneni sako-Israyeli kumele  
yendele emuntwini wesizwana sosendo  
lukayise, ukuze wonke owako-Israyeli abe  
lelifa laboyise. <sup>9</sup>Kalikho ilifa elizasuka  
esizwaneni lisiya kwesinye isizwana, ngoba  
loba yisiphi isizwana sako-Israyeli kumele  
sigcine ilizwe eliyilifa laso.”

<sup>10</sup>Ngakho amadodakazi kaZelofehadi enza  
njengokulaywa kukaMosi nguJehova.

<sup>11</sup>Amadodakazi kaZelofehadi – uMahla,  
uThiriza, uHogila, uMilikha kanye loNowa  
– bendela emadodaneni abafowabo  
bakayise. <sup>12</sup>Bendela kwabezinsendo  
zezizukulwane zikaManase indodana  
kaJosefa, njalo ilifa labo lasala kwabosendo  
lukayise lesizwaneni sakhe.

<sup>13</sup>Le yiyo imilayo lemithetho eyaphiwa  
abako-Israyeli nguJehova ngoMosi  
emagekeni aseMowabi ngasemfuleni  
waseJodani ngakuleli iphetsheya malungana  
leJerikho.