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Welcome to the *Gospel Primer*. Thank you for your interest in the *Holy Bible Aionian Edition*®, found at AionianBible.org. The Aionian Bible project invites you to reconsider popular Christian understanding. It may seem utterly ridiculous to suggest that the most well-known verse in the history of Christianity, John 3:16, was improperly translated. And it may seem preposterous to propose that a destiny of Heaven or Hell is not the complete picture. Yet have we or our forefathers ever carried ignorance and errors along for centuries in the past? We have. Even so, the Aionian Bible project does not abandon tradition or Christian heritage. We have much to learn from the belief and practice of godly men and women throughout all ages. And this booklet is a primer to the good news of Jesus Christ, the savior of all mankind.

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The *Holy Bible Aionian Edition* ® is the world's first Bible *un-translation*! What is an *un-translation*? Bibles are translated into each of our languages from the original Hebrew, Aramaic, and Koine Greek. Occasionally, the best word translation cannot be found and these words are transliterated letter by letter. Four well known transliterations are *Christ*, *baptism*, *angel*, and *apostle*. The meaning is then preserved more accurately through context and a dictionary. The Aionian Bible un-translates and instead transliterates eleven additional Aionian Glossary words to help us better understand God's love for individuals and all mankind, and the nature of afterlife destinies.

The first three words are *aiōn*, *aiōnios*, and *aiōdios*, typically translated as *eternal* and also *world* or *eon*. The Aionian Bible is named after an alternative spelling of *aiōnios*. Consider that researchers question if *aiōn* and *aiōnios* actually mean *eternal*. Translating *aiōn* as *eternal* in Matthew 28:20 makes no sense, as all agree. The Greek word for *eternal* is *aiōdios*, used in Romans 1:20 about God and in Jude 6 about demon imprisonment. Yet what about *aiōnios* in John 3:16? Certainly we do not question whether salvation is eternal! However, *aiōnios* means something much more wonderful than infinite time! Ancient Greeks used *aiōn* to mean *eon* or *age*. They also used the adjective *aiōnios* to mean *entirety*, such as *complete* or even *consummate*, but never infinite time. Read Dr. Heleen Keizer and Ramelli and Konstan for proofs. So *aiōnios* is the perfect description of God's Word which has *everything* we need for life and godliness! And the *aiōnios* life promised in John 3:16 is not simply a ticket to eternal life in the future, but the invitation through faith to the *consummate* life beginning now!

The next seven words are *Sheol*, *Hadēs*, *Geenna*, *Tartaroō*, *Abyssos*, and *Limnē Pyr*. These words are often translated as *Hell*, the place of eternal punishment. However, *Hell* is ill-defined when compared with the Hebrew and Greek. For example, *Sheol* is the abode of deceased believers and unbelievers and should never be translated as *Hell*. *Hadēs* is a temporary place of punishment, Revelation 20:13-14. *Geenna* is the Valley of Hinnom, Jerusalem's refuse dump, a temporal judgment for sin. *Tartaroō* is a prison for demons, mentioned once in 2 Peter 2:4. *Abyssos* is a temporary prison for the Beast and Satan. Translators are also inconsistent because *Hell* is used by the King James Version 54 times, the New International Version 14 times, and the World English Bible zero times. Finally, *Limnē Pyr* is the Lake of Fire, yet Matthew 25:41 explains that these fires are prepared for the Devil and his angels. So there is reason to review our conclusions about the destinies of redeemed mankind and fallen angels.

The eleventh word, *eleēsē*, reveals the grand conclusion of grace in Romans 11:32. Take the time to understand these eleven words. The original translation is unaltered and a highlighted note is added to 64 Old Testament and 200 New Testament verses. To help parallel study and Strong's Concordance use, apocryphal text is removed and most variant verse numbering is mapped to the English standard. We thank our sources at eBible.org, Crosswire.org, unbound.Biola.edu, Bible4u.net, and NHEB.net. The Aionian Bible is copyrighted with creativecommons.org/licenses/by/4.0, allowing 100% freedom to copy and print, if respecting source copyrights. Check the Reader's Guide and read online at AionianBible.org, with Android, and TOR network. Why purple? King Jesus' Word is royal... and purple is the color of royalty!



*Esemxotshile umuntu wamisa ngempumalanga kweSivande se-Edeni amakherubhi lenkamba ebhebhayo, iphazima isiyale lale ukulinda indlela eya esihlahleni sokuphila.
UGenesisi 3:24*

UGenesisi

1 Ekuqaleni uNkulunkulu wadala amazulu lomhlaba. **2** Umhlaba wawungelasimo njalo ungelalutho, ubumnyama babengame phezu kolwandle njalo uMoya kaNkulunkulu wayehambahamba phezu kwamanzi. **3** Ngakho uNkulunkulu wasesithi, “Akubekhona ukukhanya,” lakanye kwabakhona ukukhanya. **4** UNkulunkulu wabona ukuthi ukukhanya kwakukuhle, wasesehlukanisa ukukhanya lobumnyama. **5** UNkulunkulu wabiza ukukhanya ngokuthi “yimini,” ubumnyama wabubiza ngokuthi “yibusuku.” Ngakho kwabakhona ukuhlwa lokusa, kwaba lusuku lwakuqala. **6** Njalo uNkulunkulu wathi, “Kakube lomkhandlu phakathi kwamanzi ukwehlukana amanzi kwamanye amanzi.” **7** Ngakho uNkulunkulu wehlukana amanzi angaphansi komkhandlu kulawo amanzi angaphezulu kwawo. Kwabanjalo. **8** UNkulunkulu wabiza umkhandlu lo ngokuthi “ngumkhathi.” Njalo kwabakhona ukuhlwa, kwabakhona njalo ukusa, usuku lwesibili. **9** Njalo uNkulunkulu wathi, “Kakuthi amanzi angaphansi komkhathi abuthane ndawonye njalo kakuvele umhlabathi owomileyo.” Ngakho kwabanjalo. **10** UNkulunkulu wabiza umhlaba owomileyo ngokuthi “ngumhlabathi,” lamanzi abutheneyo wathi “lulwandle.” Njalo uNkulunkulu wabona ukuthi kwakukuhle. **11** UNkulunkulu wasesithi, “Umhlabathi kawuthele izimila: imlimela ethela intanga lezihlahla emhlabathini ezithela izithelo ezilentanga phakathi, kusiya ngemihlobo yazo ehlukeneyo.” Kwabanjalo. **12** Umhlaba wathela izimila: izihlahla ezilentanga kusiya ngemihlobo yazo, lezihlahla ezithela izithelo ezilentanga phakathi kwazo kusiya ngemihlobo yazo. Njalo uNkulunkulu wabona ukuthi kwakukuhle. **13** Kwabakhona njalo ukuhlwa lokusa, usuku lwesithathu. **14** UNkulunkulu wasesithi, “Akube lezibane emkhandlwini womkhathi ukwehlukana imini lobusuku, njalo zibe luphawu lokubonisa izigaba zomnyaka, lezinsuku leminyaka, **15** njalo zibe yizibane emkhandlwini womkhathi

ukuletha ukukhanya emhlabeni.” Kwabanjalo. **16** UNkulunkulu wenza izibane ezimbili ezinkulu, isibane esikhulu ukubusa emini lesibane esincinyane ukubusa ebusuku. Wenza futhi lezinkanyezi. **17** UNkulunkulu wazibeka emkhandlwini womkhathi ukuletha ukukhanya emhlabeni, **18** ukubusa imini lobusuku, kanye lokwahlukanisa ukukhanya lobumnyama. Njalo uNkulunkulu wabona ukuthi kwakukuhle. **19** Njalo kwabakhona ukuhlwa lokusa, usuku lwesine. **20** Njalo uNkulunkulu wathi, “Akube lezidalwa eziphilayo emanzini, njalo akuthi izinyoni ziphapha ngaphezulu komhlaba zidabule emkhandlwini womkhathi.” **21** Yikho uNkulunkulu wadala izidalwa ezinkulu zolwandle layo yonke into ephilayo lehambayo lenyakazelayo emanzini, kusiya ngemihlobo yazo, lezinyoni zonke ezilamaphiko, ngemihlobo yazo. Njalo uNkulunkulu wabona ukuthi kwakukuhle. **22** UNkulunkulu wazibusisa wathi, “Zalanani lande ngobunengi ligcwalise amanzi olwandle, njalo akuthi lezinyoni lazo zande emhlabeni.” **23** Kwabakhona ukuhlwa, kwabakhona njalo lokusa, usuku lwesihlanu. **24** UNkulunkulu wabuya wathi, “Akuthi umhlaba uveze izidalwa eziphilayo kusiya ngemihlobo yazo: izinanakazana ezihuquzela emhlabathini, kanye lezinyamazana zeganga, yilezo kusiya ngemihlobo yazo.” Lakanye kwabanjalo. **25** UNkulunkulu wenza izinyamazana zeganga kusiya ngemihlobo yazo, izifuyo kusiya ngemihlobo yazo, njalo zonke izinanakazana ezihuquzela emhlabathini kusiya ngemihlobo yazo. Njalo uNkulunkulu wabona ukuthi kwakukuhle. **26** UNkulunkulu wasesithi, “Asenze umuntu ngesimo sethu langomfanekiso wethu ukuze abuse phezu kwentlanzi zolwandle lezinyoni zemkhathini, phezu kwezifuyo, phezu kwawo wonke umhlaba laphezu kwazo zonke izinanakazana ezihuquzela emhlabathini.” **27** Ngakho uNkulunkulu wadala umuntu ngomfanekiso wakhe, ngomfanekiso kaNkulunkulu wabadala, owesilisa lowesifazane. **28** UNkulunkulu wababusisa wathi kubo, “Zalanani lande ngobunengi; liwugcwalise umhlaba, liwubuse. Busani phezu kwentlanzi zolwandle lezinyoni zemkhathini laphezu

kwezidalwa zonke ezihambayo emhlabathini.”
29 UNkulunkulu wasesithi, “Ngilinika zonke izihlahla ezithela intanga ezisemhlabeni wonke lazozonke izihlahla ezilezithelo ezilentanga phakathi. Zingezenu ukuba lizidle. 30 Njalo nginika zonke izihlahla eziluhlaza kuzozonke izinyamazana zomhlaba lakuzo zonke izinyoni zemkhathini lakuzo zonke izidalwa ezihambayo emhlabathini, yonke into ephefumula impilo phakathi kwayo ukuba zibe yikudla kwazo.” Kwabanjalo. 31 UNkulunkulu wakubona konke lokho ayesekwenzile, njalo kwakukuhle kakhulu. Kwabakhona ukuhlwa lokusa, usuku lwesithupha.

2 Kanjalo amazulu lomhlaba kwapheleliswa ngakho konke ukuhlotshiswa okukhulu.
2 Ngosuku lwesikhombisa uNkulunkulu wayesewuqedile umsebenzi ayewenza; ngakho wasephumula kuwo wonke umsebenzi wakhe.
3 Njalo uNkulunkulu walubusisa usuku lwesikhombisa walwenza lwaba ngcwele ngoba waphumula kuwo wonke umsebenzi wokudala lokho ayesekwenzile. 4 Lo ngumlando wamazulu lomhlaba ekudalweni kwakho, lapho uThixo uNkulunkulu enza khona umhlaba lamazulu. 5 Kwakungakabi lesihlahlakazana seganga emhlabathini njalo kungakamili loba yini emila emhlabathini, ngoba uThixo uNkulunkulu wayengakanisi izulu emhlabeni, njalo kwakungelamuntu wokusebenza umhlabathi, 6 kodwa inkungu yayisenyuka emhlabathini, ithelele umhlabathi wonke. 7 Ngakho uThixo uNkulunkulu wasebumba umuntu ngothuli lomhlabathi, waphfumulela emakheleni akhe umphefumulo wokuphila, umuntu wasesiba yisidalwa esiphilayo. 8 Ngalesisikhathi uThixo uNkulunkulu wayelungise isivande empumalanga, e-Edeni; wambeka khona umuntu ayembumbile. 9 Njalo uThixo uNkulunkulu wenza yonke imihlobo yezihlahla ukuthi zikhule emhlabathini, izihlahla ezazibukeka emehlweni njalo zizihle ekudleni. Phakathi laphakathi kwesivande kwakulesihlahla sokuphila lesihlahla sokwazi okuhle lokubi. 10 Umfula owawuthelela isivande wawugeleza usuka e-Edeni; usuka lapho

wehlukana waba yimifudlana emine. 11 Ibizo lowokuqala yiPhishoni; ozungeze lonke ilizwe laseHavila, lapho okulegolide khona. 12 (Igolide lalelizwe lihle; amakha erezini le-onikisi lawo akhona.) 13 Ibizo lomfudlana wesibili yiGihoni; usekele kulolonke ilizwe laseKhusi. 14 Ibizo lomfudlana wesithathu yiThigrisi; ubhoda ngempumalanga kwe-Asiriya. Njalo umfudlana wesine yiYufrahe. 15 Uthixo uNkulunkulu wamthatha umuntu wambeka eSivandeni e-Edeni ukuthi asisebenze njalo asinakekele. 16 Njalo uThixo uNkulunkulu wamlaya umuntu wathi, “Ukhululekile ukudla loba yisiphi isihlahla esivandeni; 17 kodwa ungadli isihlahla sokwazi okuhle lokubi, ngoba ungaze usidle uzakufa ngempela.” 18 UThixo uNkulunkulu wathi, “Kakukuhle ukuba indoda ibe yodwa. Ngizayenzela umsizi oyifaneleyo.” 19 UThixo uNkulunkulu wayesezibumbile ngomhlabathi zonke izinyamazana zeganga lazozonke izinyoni zemoyeni. Waziletha emuntwini ukuthi aziphe amabizo; kwathi loba yiliphi ibizo asibiza ngalo isidalwa esiphilayo, kwaba yilo ibizo laso. 20 Ngakho umuntu wapha amabizo zonke izifuyo, lezinyoni zemkhathini lazozonke izinyamazana zeganga. Kodwa u-Adamu wayengelaye umsizi omfaneleyo. 21 Ngakho uThixo uNkulunkulu wenza indoda yalala ubuthongo bokufa; kwathi khonapho isalele wathatha olunye ubhambo lwendoda waseyivala leyondawo ngenyama. 22 Emva kwalokho uThixo uNkulunkulu wasesenza umfazi ngobhambo ayeluthethe endodeni, wasemletha endodeni. 23 Indoda yathi, “Lo manje uselithambo lamathambo ami lenyama yenyama yami; usezabizwa ngokuthi ‘mfazi,’ ngoba wakhitshwa endodeni.” 24 Ngalesisizatho indoda izatshiya uyise lonina imanyane lomkayo, babe nyamanye. 25 Indoda lomkayo babehambaze, bengelazo inhloni.

3 Inyoka yayiliqili ukwedlula zonke izinyamazana zeganga uThixo uNkulunkulu ayezenzile. Yathi kowesifazane, “Kambe uNkulunkulu watsho ngeqiniso ukuthi, ‘Lingadli noma yisiphi isihlahla esivandeni?’” 2 Owesifazane wathi enyokeni, “Singadla izithelo zezihlahla esivandeni, 3 kodwa uNkulunkulu

wathi, 'Lingazidli izithelo zesihlahla esiphakathi laphakathi kwesivande, njalo lingasithinti, hlezi life.'" 4 Inyoka yathi kowesifazane, "Kalisoze life ngempela. 5 Ngoba uNkulunkulu uyazi ukuthi lingasidla amehlo enu azavuleka, beselisiba njengoNkulunkulu, lazi okuhle lokubi." 6 Kwathi owesifazane ngokubona ukuthi izithelo zesihlahla lesi zaziyikudla okuhle njalo zibukeka emehlweni, njalo kudingeka ukuzuza ukuhlakanipha, wakha ezinye wadla. Wapha njalo ezinye indoda yakhe ayelayo khonapho, layo yadla. 7 Amehlo abo bobabili asevuleka, basebenanzelela ukuthi babenqunu; yikho basebethungela ndawonye amahlamvu omkhiwa bazenzela izembatho ngawo. 8 Indoda lomkayo basebesizwa umsindo kaThixo uNkulunkulu ehamba esivandeni ilanga selithambeme, basebemcatshele uThixo uNkulunkulu phakathi kwezihlahla zesivande. 9 Kodwa uThixo uNkulunkulu wayimemeza indoda wathi, "Ungaphi?" 10 Yaphendula yathi, "Ngikuzwile esivandeni, ngesaba ngoba benginqunu; yikho ngasengicatsha." 11 Wasesithi, "Ngubani okutshelileyo ukuthi unqunu? Usudlile yini isihlahla engalilaya ukuthi lingasidli?" 12 Indoda yathi, "Umfazi owangipha yena, ungiphile ezinye izithelo zesihlahla ngazidla." 13 Ngakho uThixo uNkulunkulu wathi kowesifazane, "Kuyini lokhu osukwenzile na?" Owesifazane wathi, "Inyoka ingikhohlisile, ngadla." 14 Ngakho uThixo uNkulunkulu wasesithi enyokeni, "Ngoba usukwenzile lokhu, Uqalekisiwe ngaphezu kwezifuyo zonke kanye lezinyamazana zonke zeganga! Uzahuba phansi ngesisu sakho njalo uzakudla uthuli zonke insuku zokuphila kwakho. 15 Njalo ngizafaka ubutha phakathi kwakho lowesifazane, laphakathi kwenzalo yakho leyowesifazane; uzacobodisa ikhanda lakho, njalo wena uzagamula isithende sakhe." 16 Kowesifazane wathi, "Ngizakwandisa ngokuphindiweyo inhlungu zakho nxa ubeletha; ngobuhlungu uzazala abantwana. Inkanuko yakho izakuba sendodeni yakho, njalo yona izabusa phezu kwakho." 17 Ku-Adamu wathi, "Ngoba ulalele umkakho wadla isihlahla engakulaya ngathi, 'Ungasidli,' Uqalekisiwe

umhlabathi ngenxa yakho; ngokusebenza nzima uzakudla okuphuma kuwo zonke insuku zokuphila kwakho. 18 Uzamila ameva lezihlahlakazana zameva azahlaba wena, njalo uzakudla izihlahla zeganga. 19 Ngezithukuthuku zebunzi lakho uzakudla ukudla kwakho uze ubuyele emhlabathini, njengoba wathathwa kuwo; ngoba uluthuli njalo uzabuyela othulini." 20 U-Adamu wamutha umkakhe wathi ngu-Eva, ngoba wayezakuba ngunina wabo bonke abaphilayo. 21 UThixo uNkulunkulu wenza imvunulo yesikhumba, wenzela u-Adamu lomkakhe, wabagqokisa. 22 Njalo uThixo uNkulunkulu wathi, "Umuntu manje usenjengomunye wethu, usekwazi okuhle lokubi. Kangavunyelwa ukuthi elule isandla sakhe akhe njalo isihlahla sokuphila adle, aphile laphakade." 23 Ngakho uThixo uNkulunkulu wamxotsha eSivandeni se-Edeni ukuthi asebenze umhlabathi ayethethwe kuwo. 24 Esemxotshile umuntu wamisa ngempumalanga kweSivande se-Edeni amakherubhi lenkamba ebhebhayo, iphazima isiyale lale ukulinda indlela eya esihlahleni sokuphila.

4 U-Adamu wembatha lomkakhe u-Eva, wasezithwala, wabeletha uKhayini. Wathi, "Ngosizo lukaThixo sengibelethe indoda." 2 Muva wabeletha umfowabo u-Abheli. U-Abheli waba ngumfuyi wemihlambi yezimvu, uKhayini yena wasebenza umhlabathi. 3 Ngokuya kwesikhathi uKhayini waletha ezinye izithelo zomhlabathi ukuba ngumnikelo kuThixo. 4 Kodwa u-Abheli waletha izitho ezinonileyo zisuka kwamanye amazibulo omhlambi wakhe. UThixo wathokoza ngo-Abheli kanye lomnikelo wakhe, 5 kodwa kathokozanga ngoKhayini lomnikelo wakhe. Ngakho uKhayini wazonda kakhulu, lobuso bakhe bahloba. 6 UThixo wasesithi kuKhayini, "Uzondeleni na? Kungani ubuso bakho buhlobile? 7 Nxa usenza okulungileyo, kawuyikwamukelwa yini? Kodwa nxa ungenzi okulungileyo, isono sikucathamele emnyango wakho; sinxwanele ukukuthumba, kodwa kumele usehlule." 8 UKhayini wasesithi kumfowabo u-Abheli, "Ake sihambe siye egangeni." Kwathi bekhonale egangeni

uKhayini wamhlasela umfowabo u-Abheli wambulala. **9** UThixo wasesithi kuKhayini, “Ungaphi umfowenu u-Abheli na?” Waphendula wathi, “Angazi. Ngingumgcini womfowethu na?” **10** UThixo wathi, “Usuyenzi? Lalela! Igazi lomfowenu liyakhala kimi lisuka emhlabathini. **11** Manje usuqalekisiwe njalo usuxotshiwe kuwo umhlabathi ovule umlomo wawo ukwamukela igazi lomfowenu lisuka esandleni sakho. **12** Lapho uwusebenza umhlabathi kawusayi kuthela amabele kuwe. Uzakuba luzulane emhlabeni.” **13** UKhayini wathi kuThixo, “Isijeziso sami singaphezu kwamandla ami. **14** Lamuhla usungixotsha elizweni, ngakho sengizasithela ngingabi khona kuwe; ngizakuba luzulane olungela kuphumula emhlabeni, kuthi loba ngubani ongifumanayo angibulale.” **15** Kodwa uThixo wathi kuye, “Akunjalo; lowo ozabulala uKhayini uzaphindiselwa ngokuphindwe kasikhombisa.” Ngakho uThixo wasebeka uphawu kuKhayini ukuze kuthi lowo omfumanayo angambulali. **16** Ngakho uKhayini wasesuka emehlweni kaThixo wayahlala elizweni laseNodi, empumalanga kwase-Edeni. **17** UKhayini wembatha lomkakhe, wathatha isisu wazala u-Enoki. Ngalesosikhathi uKhayini wayesakha idolobho alibiza ngendodana yakhe u-Enoki. **18** Ku-Enoki kwazalwa u-Iradi, yena u-Iradi waba nguyise kaMehujayeli, uMehujayeli waba nguyise kaMethushayeli, uMethushayeli waba nguyise kaLameki. **19** ULameki wathatha abafazi ababili, omunye ethiwa ngu-Ada, omunye ethiwa nguZila. **20** U-Ada wazala uJabhali; owayenguyise walabo abahlala emathenteni befuye izifuyo. **21** Ibizo lomfowabo lalinguJubhali; wayenguyise wabo bonke abatshaya umhubhe lechacho. **22** UZila laye waba lendodana, uThubhali-Khayini, owayekhanda zonke inhlobo zezinto ngethusi langensimbi. Udadewabo kaThubhali-Khayini wayenguNahama. **23** ULameki wathi kubomkakhe, “Ada loZila, ngilalelani; bafazi bakaLameki, zwanini amazwi ami. Sengibulele umuntu ngenxa yokungilimaza, ijaha ngoba lingihlasele. **24** Nxa uKhayini ephindiselwa kasikhombisa ngakho uLameki amatshumi ayisikhombisa lesikhombisa.” **25**



*UJesu wathi, "Baba, baxolele, ngoba kabakwazi abakwenzayo."
Njalo basebesabelana izigqoko zakhe ngokutshaya inkatho.
ULukha 23:34*

UJohane

1 Ekuqaleni wayekhona uLizwi, uLizwi wayeloNkulunkulu, njalo uLizwi wayenguNkulunkulu. **2** WayeloNkulunkulu ekuqaleni. **3** Izinto zonke zenziwa ngaye; ngaphandle kwakhe kube akukho okwenziwayo. **4** Kwakukhona ukuphila kuye, lokho kuphila kwakuyikukhanya kwabantu. **5** Ukukhanya kukhanya emnyameni, kodwa umnyama awukakuzwisisi. **6** Kwafika umuntu ethunywe nguNkulunkulu, ibizo lakhe wayenguJohane. **7** Weza njengomfakazi ezoqinisa mayelana lalokho kukhanya ukuze kuthi ngaye bonke abantu bakholwe. **8** Yena qobo lwakhe wayengesisi lokho kukhanya; weza nje njengomfakazi wokukhanya lokho. **9** Ukukhanya okuliqiniso okunika ukukhanya emuntwini wonke kwakusiza emhlabeni. **10** Wayesemhlabeni, kodwa lanxa umhlaba wenziwa ngaye, umhlaba kawumazanga. **11** Weza kulokho okwakungokwakhe, kodwa khona kakumemukelanga. **12** Ikanti kulabo bonke abamamukelayo, kulabo abakholwayo ebizweni lakhe, wabapha ilungelo lokuba ngabantwana bakaNkulunkulu, **13** abantwana abangazalwanga ngokwemvelo, kumbe ngokukhetha komuntu, loba ngokufuna kwendoda kodwa bezelwe nguNkulunkulu. **14** ULizwi waba yinyama, wahlala phakathi kwethu. Siyibonile inkazimulo yakhe; inkazimulo yeNdodana eyiyo yodwa, eyavela kuYise, igcwele umusa leqiniso. **15** UJohane wafakaza ngayo. Wamemeza esithi, “Lo nguye engangikhuluma ngaye ngisithi, ‘Lowo oza ngemva kwami usengedlule ngoba wayevele ephambi kwami.’” **16** Ngenxa yokujula komusa wakhe sonke sesamukele umusa emuseni esasivele siwuphiwe. **17** Ngoba umthetho walethwa ngoMosi; umusa leqiniso kweza ngoJesusu Khristu. **18** Kakho osekwe wambona uNkulunkulu, kodwa iNdodana eyiyo yodwa, yona enguNkulunkulu njalo eseceleni eduze kukaYise, isimenze waziwa. **19** Lobu yibo ubufakazi bukaJohane lapho abakhokheli bamaJuda aseJerusalema abathuma khona abaphristi labaLevi ukuyambuza

ukuthi wayengubani. **20** Kehlulekanga ukuzichaza, kodwa wazichaza ekhululekile wathi, “Kangisuye uKhristu.” **21** Bambuza bathi, “Pho ungubani na? Ungu-Eliza yini?” Wathi, “Kangisuye.” “Ungumphrofethi na?” Waphendula wathi, “Hatshi.” **22** Bacina ngokuthi, “Ungubani? Siphe impendulo esizayisa kulabo abasithumileyo. Uzibiza ngokuthi ungubani na?” **23** UJohane wabaphendula ngamazwi ka-Isaya umphrofethi wathi, “Ngiyilizwi lalowo omemezayo enkangala lisithi, ‘Lungiselani iNkosi indlela iqonde.’” **24** Kwasekusithi abaFarisi ababethunyiwe **25** bambuza bathi, “Kungani pho ubhaphathiza nxa ungasuye uKhristu, kumbe u-Eliza loba umphrofethi na?” **26** UJohane waphendula wathi, “Mina ngibhaphathiza ngamanzi, kodwa phakathi kwenu kumi elingamaziyo. **27** Nguye lowo ozayo ngemva kwami, mina engingafanelanga ukuthukulula imichilo yamanyathela akhe.” **28** Konke lokhu kwenzeka eBethani ngaphetsheya kweJodani lapho uJohane ayebhaphathiza khona. **29** Ngelanga elilandelayo uJohane wabona uJesusu esiza kuye wathi, “Khangelani, nanti iWundlu likaNkulunkulu elisusa isono somhlaba! **30** Nguye lo engangimutsho ngize ngithi, ‘Umuntu ozayo ngemva kwami usengedlule ngoba wayevele ephambi kwami.’” **31** Mina ngokwami bengingamazi, kodwa okwenze ngeza ngibhaphathiza ngamanzi kwakuyikwenzela ukuthi abonakaliswe ku-Israyeli.” **32** UJohane waseletha lobubufakazi: “Ngabona uMoya esehla evela ezulwini enjengejuba wahlala phezu kwakhe. **33** Lami uqobo lwami ngangingamazi, kodwa lowo owangithumayo ukubhaphathiza ngamanzi wathi, ‘Lowomuntu ozabona uMoya usehla uhlala kuye nguye kanye ozabhaphathiza ngoMoya oNgcwele.’” **34** Sengibonile yikho sengifakaza ukuthi lo ungoKhethiweyo kaNkulunkulu.” **35** Ngelanga elilandelayo uJohane wayekhonapho, elabafundi bakhe ababili. **36** Wathi ebona uJesusu esedlula lapho wathi, “Khangelani, nanti iWundlu likaNkulunkulu!” **37** Abafundi ababili labo bathi bekuzwa lokhu basebelandela uJesusu. **38** UJesusu wathi enyemukula wababona

bemlandela, wababuza wathi, “Lifunani na?” iwayini seliphelile unina kaJesu wathi kuye, Bathi, “Rabi” (okutsho ukuthi “Mfundisi”), “Sebephelelwe liwayini.” 4 UJesu waphendula “uhlala ngaphi?” 39 Waphendula wathi, wathi, “Mama, mina lawe singena njani “Wozani, lizabona.” Ngakho bahamba bayabona kulokho na? Isikhathi sami kasikafiki.” 5 lapho ayehlala khona, batshona laye mhlalokho. Unina wasesithi ezincekwini, “Libokwenza loba Kwakungaba lihola letshumi. 40 U-Andreya, kuyini azalitshela khona.” 6 Eduze kwalapho umfowabo kaSimoni Phethro wayengomunye kwakumi imbiza zamatshe eziyisithupha, wababili abezwayo okwakukhulunywa uhlobo lolo amaJuda ayelusebenzisa nguJohane njalo abayibo abalandela uJesu. 41 enkonzweni yokuzihlambulula, imbiza yinye Into yokuqala ayenzayo u-Andreya yikudinga ingagcwala amalitha alikhulu kusiya ekhulwini umfowabo uSimoni wamtshela wathi, elilamatshumi amahlanu. 7 UJesu wathi “Sesimfumene uMesiya” (okutsho uKhristu). 42 ezincekwini, “Zigcwaliseni amanzi imbiza Wasemletha kuJesu. UJesu wamkhangela wathi, lezi”; ngakho bazigcwalisa zathi phamu. “UnguSimoni indodana kaJohane. Usuzathiwa 8 Wasezitshelela wathi, “Khanini-ke liphe unguKhefasi” (okuchasiswa ngokuthi, umphathi wedili.” Benza njalo, 9 umphathi nguPhethro). 43 Ngelanga elilandelayo wedili wahubula wawanambitha amanzi uJesu wafuna ukusuka aye eGalile. Wabona ayeseiphendulwe abaliwayini. Kakwazanga uFiliphu wathi kuye, “Ngilandela.” 44 UFiliphu ukuthi lavela ngaphi, kodwa izinceku wayengowedolobheni lase-Bhethisayida, ezaziwakhile amanzi zazisazi. Wasebizela njengo-Andreya loPhethro. 45 UFiliphu wadinga umyeni eceleni 10 wathi, “Wonke umuntu uNathaneli wamtshela wathi, “Sesimfumene uletha iwayini elimnandi kuqala, kuthi nxa lowo uMosi aloba ngaye eMthethweni, njalo izethekeli sezinathe kakhulu abesekehupha abaphrofethi labo abaloba ngaye, uJesu elibi; kodwa wena ugodle elimnandi kuze waseNazaretha, indodana kaJosefa.” 46 kube khathesi.” 11 Lo waba ngumangaliso UNathaneli wabuza wathi, “ENazarethal wakhe wokuqala, uJesu awenza eKhana Kulolutho oluhle olungavela khona na?” laseGalile. Wabonakalisa kanjalo inkazimulo UFiliphu wathi, “Woza uzebona.” 47 Kwathi yakhe, abafundi bakhe basebekela ukholo uJesu ebona uNathaneli eqhamuka laphaya lwabo kuye. 12 Ngemva komthimba wasuka wathi ngaye, “Nangu um’Israyeli oqotho, waya eKhaphenawume wayahlala insukwana okungekho nkohliso kuye.” 48 UNathaneli ezimbalwa elonina, labafowabo labafundi bakhe. wambuza wathi, “Ungazela ngaphi na?” UJesu 13 Kwasekuyisikhathi sePhasika lamaJuda waphendula wathi, “Ngikubonile usahlezi eleminyaka yonke, uJesu wasesiya eJerusalem. ngaphansi kwesihlahla somkhiwa uFiliphu 14 Emagumeni ethempeli wafumana abantu engakakubizi.” 49 UNathaneli wasefakaza wathi, bethengisa inkomo, izimvu lamajuba, labanye “Rabi, uyindodana kaNkulunkulu; uyiNkosi ka- behlezi ematafuleni bentshintsha izimali. Israyeli.” 50 UJesu wathi, “Ukholwa ngoba ngithe 15 Waseseluka izintambo wenza isaswebhu ngikubone ngaphansi kwesihlahla somkhiwa. wabadudula bonke emagumeni ethempeli. Usazobona izinto ezinkulu kulalokho.” 51 konke izimvu lenkomo; wayichithiza imali Waphinda wengeza wathi, “Ngikutshela yabantshintshi bayo, wagenqula lamatafula iqiniso, uzabona izulu livuleka, lezingilosi abo. 16 Wathi kulabo ababethengisa amajuba, zikaNkulunkulu zikhwela zisehlela eNdaneni “Akhupheni lapha! Likuthatha ngaphi ukwenza indlu kaBaba umsika wokuthengiselana na?” 17 Abafundi bakhe bakhumbula ukuthi yomuntu.”

2 Ngosuku lwesithathu kwaba khona umthimba eKhana laseGalile. Unina kaJesu wayekhona, 2 loJesu labafundi bakhe labo babenxusiwe emthimbeni. 3 Kwathi kuzangidla ngaphakathi.” 18 Lapho amaJuda asemncindezela ngokuthi, “Ungasitshengisa simangaliso bani ukubonisa amandla akho

okwenza zonke lezizinto?” **19** Wabaphendula uJesu wathi, “Dilizani ithempeli leli, kodwa mina ngizalimisa njalo ngezinsuku ezintathu.” **20** AmaJuda aphenndula athi, “Sekuthethe iminyaka engamatshumi amane lesithupha ukwakha ithempeli leli, kodwa wena ungalivusa ngezinsuku ezintathu na?” **21** Kodwa ithempeli ayekhulume ngalo kwakungumzimba wakhe. **22** Ngemva kokuvuswa kwabafileyo abafundi bakhe bakukhumbula lokho ayekukhulumile. Ngakho bawukholwa uMbhala kanye lamazwi uJesu awakhulumayo. **23** Kwathi ngesikhathi eseMkhosini wePhasika eJerusalem, abantu abanengi bayibona imimangaliso ayeyenza basebekholwa ebizweni lakhe. **24** Kodwa uJesu kazange azidele kubo, ngoba wayebazi bonke abantu. **25** Wayengabudingi ubufakazi bomuntu ngoba wayekwazi okungaphakathi komuntu munye ngamunye.

3 Kwakulendoda engumFarisi eyayithiwa nguNikhodimasi, ililunga lomphakathi wamaJuda abusayo. **2** Yaya kuJesu ebusuku yathi, “Rabi, siyazi ukuthi ungumfundisi ovela kuNkulunkulu. Ngoba kakho obengayenza imimangaliso oyenzayo wena nxa uNkulunkulu engelaye.” **3** UJesu waphendula wathi, “Ngempela ngiqinisile ngithi kini, akakho ozawubona umbuso kaNkulunkulu ngaphandle kokuba azalwe kutsha.” **4** UNikhodimasi wathi, “Kanti umuntu angazalwa kanjani yena esemdala na? Ngeqiniso, angazake angene ngokwesibili esiswini sikanina ukuze azalwe!” **5** UJesu waphendula wathi, “Ngempela ngiqinisile ngithi, ngaphandle kokuthi umuntu azalwe ngamanzi langoMoya, angeke awungene umbuso kaNkulunkulu. **6** Inyama izala inyama, kodwa uMoya uzala umoya. **7** Ungamangaliswa yikuthi ngithi, ‘Kumele lizalwe kutsha.’ **8** Umoya uphaphethela loba kungaphi lapho othanda khona. Ungakuzwa ukuvunguza kwawo, kodwa ungeke utsho ukuthi uvela ngaphi loba ukuthi uya ngaphi. Ngakho kunjalo emuntwini wonke ozelwe ngoMoya.” **9** UNikhodimasi wabuza wathi, “Lokhu kungenzeka kanjani na?” **10** UJesu wathi, “Ungumfundisi wako-Israyeli, pho kungani ungazwisi izinto lezi na? **11** Ngiqinisile

ngithi sikhuluma ngesikwaziyo njalo sifakaza ngesikubonileyo, kodwa lina bantu kalibamukeli ubufakazi bethu. **12** Ngikhulume kini ngezinto zalapha emhlabeni, kodwa kalikholwa; pho lizakholwa kanjani nxa ngingakhuluma ngokwasezulwini? **13** Kakho osewake waya ezulwini ngaphandle kwalowo owavela ezulwini, iNdodana yoMuntu. **14** NjengoMosi owaphakamisa inyoka enkangala, ngokunjalo iNdodana yoMuntu kumele iphakanyiswe, **15** ukuze kuthi lowo lalowo okholwa kuyo abe lokuphila okungapheliyo.” (aiōnios g166) **16** UNkulunkulu walithanda ilizwe kangaka waze wanikela iNdodana yakhe eyiyo yodwa ukuze kuthi loba ngubani okholwa kuyo angabhubhi, kodwa abe lokuphila okungapheliyo. (aiōnios g166) **17** Ngoba uNkulunkulu kathumanga iNdodana yakhe emhlabeni ukuze iwulahle umhlaba, kodwa ukuze umhlaba usindiswe ngayo. **18** Loba ngubani okholwa kuyo kalahlwa, kodwa ongakholwayo uvele uselahlwe ngoba kakholwanga ebizweni leNdodana eyiyo yodwa kaNkulunkulu. **19** Nanku ukuqunywa kwecala: Ukukhanya sekufikile emhlabeni, kodwa abantu bathanda ubumnyama kulokukhanya ngoba imisebenzi yabo yayimibi. **20** Wonke umuntu owenza ububi uyakuzonda ukukhanya, njalo kezi ekukhanyeni ngoba esesaba ukuthi izenzo zakhe zizabekwa obala. **21** Kodwa loba ngubani ophila ngeqiniso uyeza ekukhanyeni ukuze kubonakale kamhlophe ukuthi lokho akwenzileyo ukwenze ngoNkulunkulu. **22** Ngemva kwalokhu uJesu labafundi bakhe basuka baya emaphandleni aseJudiya lapho ahlala labo okwesikhathi esithile ebhaphathiza. **23** Ngalesosikhathi uJohane laye wayebhaphathiza e-Ayeroni eduze leSalimi ngoba kwakulamanzi amanengi njalo abantu babethululeka kokuphela bezobhaphathizwa. **24** (Lokhu kwakumandulo kokuphoselwa kukaJohane entolongweni.) **25** Kwavuka ukuphikisana phakathi kwabanye abafundi bakaJohane lomunye umJuda mayelana lomkhuba wokuzihlambulula. **26** Beza kuJohane bathi kuye, “Rabi, indoda leyana eyayilawe ngaphetsheya kweJodani; yona leyana owafakaza ngayo; iyabhaphathiza bonke abantu sebesiya kuyo.” **27** Waphendula

uJohane wathi, “Umuntu wamukela kuphela lokho akuphiwayo kuvela ezulwini. 28 Lina ngokwenu lingakufakaza ukuthi ngathi, ‘Kangisuye uKhristu, kodwa ngithunyiwe ukumandulela.’ 29 Umtshakazi ngowomyeni. Umkhaphi womyeni uyamnakekela, amlalele, abelokuthokoza nxa esizwa ilizwi lomyeni. Lokho kuthokoza ngokwami njalo okwamanje sekuphelele. 30 Yena ufanele abemkhulu; mina kufanele kunciphe ukuqakatheka kwami.” 31 Lowo ovela phezulu ungaphezulu kwakho konke; lowo ovela emhlabeni ungowomhlaba, ukhuluma njengalowo ovela emhlabeni. Lowo ovela ezulwini ungaphezu kwakho konke. 32 Ufakaza ngalokho akubonileyo lakuzwileyo, kodwa kakho owamukela ubufakazi bakhe. 33 Lowomuntu obamukelayo usegcizelele ukuthi uNkulunkulu uqinisile. 34 Ngoba lowo uNkulunkulu amthumileyo ukhuluma amazwi kaNkulunkulu; yena uNkulunkulu umupha umoya kungelakulinganiswa. 35 UYise uyayithanda iNdodana njalo useyiphe amandla phezu kwezinto zonke. 36 Loba ngubani obeke ithemba lakhe eNdodaneni ulokuphila okungapheliyo, kodwa loba ngubani oyilahlayo iNdodana kazukuyibona leyompilo ngoba ulaka lukaNkulunkulu lohlala luphezu kwakhe. (aiōnios g166)

4 UJesu wezwa ukuthi abaFarisi basebekuzwile ukuthi usebhaphathize abantu wabuye waba labafundi abanengi kuloJohane, 2 loba nje iqiniso kuyikuthi kwakungasuye uJesu owayebhaphathiza, kodwa kubhaphathiza abafundi bakhe. 3 Kwathi esekuzwile lokho, wasuka eJudia wabuyela futhi eGalile. 4 Manje kwakumele adabule eSamariya. 5 Ngakho wafika emzini waseSamariya owawuthiwa yiSikhari, eduzane lesiqinti uJakhobe ayesinike indodana yakhe uJosefa. 6 Umthombo kajakhobe wawukhonapho, uJesu wathi esediniwe ngohambo, wahlala phansi malungana lomthombo. Kwakusemini enkulu. 7 Kwathi umfazi waseSamariya efika ukuzakukha amanzi uJesu wathi kuye, “Ake unginathise.” 8 (Abafundi bakhe babeye emzini ukuyathenga ukudla.) 9 Umfazi waseSamariya wathi kuye,

“UngumJuda, mina ngingumfazi waseSamariya. Pho ungacela kanjani ukuthi unathiswe yimi?” (Phela amaJuda kawadlalani lamaSamariya.) 10 UJesu wamphendula wathi, “Aluba ubusazi isipho sikaNkulunkulu lokuthi ungubani lowo ocela ukuthi umnathise, ngabe umcelile wakupha amanzi okuphila.” 11 Umfazi wathi, “Nkosi, wena kawulakho okokukhisa amanzi, futhi umthombo uyatshona. Ungawathatha ngaphi lawomanzi okuphila na? 12 Wena umkhulu na kulobaba uJakhobe owasipha umthombo lo laye wanatha kuwo kanye lamadodana akhe lezimvu zakhe kanye lezifuyo zakhe?” 13 UJesu waphendula wathi, “Wonke umuntu onatha amanzi la uzaphinda ome futhi, 14 kodwa lowo onatha amanzi engimnika wona, kasoze abuye ome lanini. Ngempela amanzi engimnika wona azakuba ngumfula ogelezela ekuphileni okungapheliyo.” (aiōn g165, aiōnios g166) 15 Umfazi wathi kuye, “Nkosi, ngipha lawomanzi ukuze ngingaphindi ngome, ngingabi ngilokhu ngisiza lapha ngizokukha amanzi.” 16 Wathi kowesifazane, “Hamba uyebiza umkakho uze laye lapha.” 17 Waphendula wathi, “Kangilandoda.” UJesu wathi kuye, “Uqondile nxa usithi kawulandoda. 18 Iqiniso yikuthi usube lamadoda amahlanu, futhi indoda le olayo khathesi kayisiyakho. Lokho okutshiloyo kuliqiniso.” 19 Owesifazane wathi, “Nkosi, sengibona ukuthi ungumphrofethi. 20 Okhokho bethu babekhonza phezu kwentaba le, kodwa lina maJuda lithi indawo okumele sikhonzele kuyo iseJerusalema.” 21 UJesu wathi, “nkosazana, ngikholwa, siyeza isikhathi lapho elingezukumkhonza uBaba entabeni kumbe eJerusalema. 22 Lina maSamariya likhonza elingakwaziyo; thina sikhonza lokho esikwaziyo, ngoba insindiso ivela kumaJuda. 23 Kodwa siyeza isikhathi, yebo manje sesifikile lapho abakhonzi beqiniso bezamkhonza uBaba ngomoya langeqiniso, ngoba yibo abakhonzi abanjalo uBaba abadingayo. 24 UNkulunkulu ungumoya, labo abamkhonzayo kumele bamkhonze ngomoya langeqiniso.” 25 Owesifazane wathi, “Ngiyakwazi ukuthi uMesiya (othiwa nguKhristu) uyeza. Esefikile uzasichazela konke.” 26 UJesu wasesithi,

“Mina engikhuluma lawe nginguye.” 27 Ngalesosikhathi abafundi bakhe baphenduka, bamangala ukufumana uJesus ekhuluma lowesifazane. Kodwa kakho owabuzayo wathi, “Ufunani na?” kumbe athi, “Kungani ukhuluma lowesifazane na?” 28 Owesifazane watshiya inkonxa yakhe wabuyela emzini wakibo wathi ebantwini, 29 “Wozani lizobona indoda engitshela konke esengake ngakwenza. Kambe angaba nguye yini uKhristu?” 30 Baphuma emzini lowo baqonda kuye. 31 Kusenzakala konke lokhu abafundi bakhe bamncenga bathi, “Rabi, ake udle ulutho.” 32 Kodwa wathi kubo, “Ngilokudla engikudlayo elingakwaziyo lina.” 33 Abafundi babuzana bathi, “Kambe ngabe ukhona omlethele ukudla na?” 34 UJesus wathi, “Okwami ukudla yikwenza intando yalowo ongithumileyo lokuphelelisa umsebenzi wakhe. 35 Kanti angithi lithi, ‘Kusele izinyanga ezine ukuthi kufike isikhathi sokuvuna?’ Ngithi vulani amehlo enu likhangele amasimu! Amabele aselungele ukuvunwa. 36 Khathesi lokhu, umvuni uvele usehle ezuya iholo lakhe, usebuthela amabele ekuphileni kwaphakade, ukuze umhlanyeli lomvuni bajabule ndawonye. (aiōnios g166) 37 Ngakho ilizwi elithi, ‘Omunye uyahlanyela, omunye avune’ liliqiniso. 38 Ngalithuma ukuyavuna lokho elingakusebenzelanga. Abanye bawenzile umsebenzi onzima, lina selivune umvuzo womsebenzi wabo.” 39 AmaSamariya amanengi akulowomuzi akholwa kuye ngenxa yobufakazi bowesifazane owathi, “Ungitshela konke esengake ngakwenza.” 40 Ngakho amaSamariya esefike kuye amcela ukuthi ahlale labo, wasehlala insuku ezimbili. 41 Ngenxa yamazwi akhe abanengi baba ngamakholwa. 42 Bathi kowesifazane, “Kasisakholwa kuphela ngenxa yalokho okutshiloyo; manje sesizizwele thina ngokwethu, ngakho sisizazi ukuthi umuntu lo ngeqiniso unguMsindisi womhlaba.” 43 Ngemva kwalezonsuku ezimbili, uJesus wasuka waya eGalile. 44 (Phela uJesus yena ngokwakhe wayetshilo ukuthi umphrofethi kalalo udumo elizweni lakibo.) 45 Wathi efika eGalile, amaGalile amamukela ngokumthakazelela. Ayekubonile konke lokho akwenzayo

eJerusalem, eMkhosini wePhasika, ngoba lawo ayekhona khonale. 46 Wabuya njalo wethekelela eKhana laseGalile, lapho aphenula khona amanzi abaliwayini. Kwakukhona lapho isiphathamandla sasesikhosini esasigulelwa yindodana yaso eKhapphenawume. 47 Kwathi indoda leyo isizwile ukuthi uJesus wayesefikile eGalile evela eJudiya, yaya kuye yamncenga ukuthi eze azosilisa indodana yayo eyayisibangwa lezibi. 48 UJesus wasitshela wathi, “Ngaphandle kokuthi lina bantu libone izibonakaliso ezididayo lezimangaliso kalisoze lafa lakholwa.” 49 Sathi isiphathamandla sasesikhosini, “Nkosi, woza umntanami engakafi.” 50 UJesus waphendula wathi, “Usungahamba. Indodana yakho izaphila.” Indoda yalikholwa ilizwi likaJesus yahamba. 51 Yathi ilokhu isesendleleni, izinceku zayo zayihlangabeza zayibikela ukuthi indodana yayo yayisiluleme. 52 Isibuzile ukuthi kwakuyisikhathi bani lapho indodana yayo eyasila ngaso, zathi kuyo, “Umkhuhlane uyixolele izolo ngehola lakuqala emini.” 53 Uyise wananzelela ukuthi leso yiso kanye isikhathi uJesus atsho kuye ukuthi, “Indodana yakho izaphila.” Ngakho yena kanye labendlu yakhe bonke bakholwa. 54 Lo kwakungumangaliso wesibili uJesus awenzayo esefikile eGalile evela eJudiya.

5 Emva kwesikhathi esithile uJesus waya eJerusalem emkhosini wamaJuda. 2 EJerusalem kukhona ichibi eduze lesango leZimvu, elithiwa ngesi-Aramu yiBhethisayida, elalihonqolozelwe ngensika ezinhlanu ezibiyelweyo. 3 Khonapho abantu abayizilima abanengi babandise ukuhlala khona, iziphofu, abaqhulayo, abome imihlubulo [belindele ukudungwa kwamanzi; 4 ngoba kwakusithi ngezikhathi ezithile ingilosi yeNkosi yayisehlela echibini, idungunge amanzi besekusithi umuntu oqalayo ukungena emanzini ngemva kokudungeka kwawo asiliswe loba kuwuphi umkhuhlane owawumbambile]. 5 Omunye owayelapho wayeyisigoga okweminyaka engamatshumi amathathu lesificaminwembili. 6 Kwathi uJesus embona elele khonapho

njalo esetsheliwe ukuthi kade abanjalo okwesikhathi eside, wambuza wathi, “Uyafuna na ukusila?” 7 Oyisilima waphendula wathi, “Nkosi, kangilamuntu wokungisiza angingenise echibini lapho amanzi edungwa. Ngithi lapho ngizama ukungena omunye angingenele kuqala.” 8 UJesu wasethi kuye, “Sukuma! Thatha icansi lakho uhambe.” 9 Khonokho nje indoda yasila; yathatha icansi layo yahamba. Lokhu kwenzakala ngelanga leSabatha, 10 amaJuda asesithi endodeni eyayisilisiwe, “KuliSabatha; umthetho uyakwalela ukuthi uthwale icansi lakho.” 11 Kodwa yaphendula yathi, “Umuntu ongisilisiweyo uthe, ‘Thatha icansi lakho uhambe.’” 12 Aseyibuza athi, “Ngubani yena lowo okutshela ukuthi uthathe icansi uhambe?” 13 Indoda leyo eyasiliswayo yayingafanisi lakufanisa ukuthi kambe ngabe wayengubani, ngoba uJesu wayesethe nyelele wangena phakathi kwabantu. 14 Emva kwalokho uJesu wayifumana ethempelini indoda leyo wathi kuyo, “Khangela-ke ususile njalo. Khawula ukwenza isono funa okubi ukwedlula okokuqala kukwehlele.” 15 Indoda leyo yasuka yayatshele amaJuda ukuthi kwakunguJesu owayeyisilisiwe. 16 Ngakho amaJuda amkhahlameza uJesu ngoba wayesenza izinto lezi ngeSabatha. 17 UJesu wathi kubo, “UBaba uhlezi esemsebenzini wakhe kuze kube namuhla, lami njalo ngiyasebenza.” 18 Ngalesisizatho amaJuda azama kakhulu ukumbulala; wayengephuli iSabatha kuphela kodwa wayebiza uNkulunkulu ngokuthi nguYise, ezenza yena olingana loNkulunkulu. 19 UJesu wabanika impendulo le: “Ngqiqinisile ngithi iNdodana ingeke yenze lutho ngokwayo; ingenza kuphela lokho ebona uYise ekwenza, ngoba loba kuyini uYise akwenzayo leNdodana iyakwenza. 20 Ngoba uYise uyayithanda iNdodana, uyitshengisa konke akwenzayo. Yebo, lizamangala ukuthi uzayitshengisa izinto ezinkulu kulalezi. 21 Njengalokhu uYise evusa abafuleyo abaphe ukuphila, kanjalo iNdodana inika ukuphila kulabo ethanda ukubanika khona. 22 Okunye njalo, uYise kahluleli muntu, kodwa usebeke konke ukwahlulela ezandleni zeNdodana, 23 ukuze bonke bayidumise iNdodana njengalokhu bedumisa uYise.

Lowo ongayidumisiyo iNdodana kamdumisi uYise oyithumileyo. 24 Ngqiqinisile ngithi lowo owezwayo amazwi ami amkholwe lowo ongithumileyo ulokuphila okungapheliyo njalo kazukulahlwa; usechaphile wasuka ekufeni waya ekuphileni. (aiōnios g166) 25 Ngqiqinisile ngithi, isikhathi siyeza njalo sivele sesifikile lapho abafuleyo bezalizwa ilizwi leNdodana kaNkulunkulu, kuthi bonke abezwayo baphile. 26 Njengoba uYise elokuphila kuye yena ngokwakhe, ngakho useyinikile iNdodana ukuba ibe lokuphila kuyo yona ngokwayo. 27 Njalo useyiphile amandla okwahlulela ngoba iyiNdodana yoMuntu. 28 Kakungalimangalisi lokhu ngoba siyeza isikhathi lapho bonke abasemathuneni abo bezalizwa ilizwi layo 29 baphume, labo abenze okuhle bazavuka baphile, lalabo abenze ububi bazavuka balahlwe. 30 Mina ngokwami ngingeke ngenze lutho; ngahlulela njengokutshelwa kwami, futhi ukwahlulela kwami kuqondile, ngoba kangidingi kuzithabisa, kodwa ukuthabisa lowo ongithumileyo.” 31 “Nxa ngizifakazela mina ngokwami ubufakazi bami kabuqinisekanga. 32 Ukhona omunye ofakaza kuhle ngami njalo ngiyazi ukuthi ubufakazi bakhe ngami buqinisekile. 33 Selike lathumela kuJohane yena walifakazela iqiniso. 34 Kakutsho ukuthi ngamukela ubufakazi bomuntu; kodwa ngikuthinta lokhu ukuze lisindiswe. 35 UJohane wayeyisibane esabhebhayo sanika ukukhanya, lakhetha ukuthokoza ngokukhanya kwakhe okwesikhathshana. 36 Ngilabo ubufakazi obulesisindo esikhulu kulobukaJohane. Ngoba umsebenzi uBaba anginike wona ukuba ngiwuqedise, wona engiwenzayo uyafakaza ukuthi uBaba ungithumile. 37 Njalo uBaba ongithumileyo usefakazile yena ngokwakhe ngami. Kalikaze lilizwe ilizwi lakhe kumbe libone isimo sakhe 38 njalo ilizwi lakhe kalihlali kini ngoba kalimkholwa lowo amthumileyo. 39 Liphenyisisa imibhalo liyihlola ngoba licabanga ukuthi ngayo lilakho ukuphila okungapheliyo. Yiyo le imibhalo efakaza ngami, (aiōnios g166) 40 ikanti liyala ukuza kimi lizozuza ukuphila. 41 Kangilwamukeli udumo olusuka ebantwini, 42 kodwa ngiyalazi lina. Ngiyazi ukuthi kalilalo uthando lukaNkulunkulu ezinhliziyweni

zenu. 43 Ngibuyeye ngebizo likaBaba kodwa kalingamukeli; kodwa nxa omunye efika ngebizo lakhe, lizamamukela. 44 Lingakholwa kanjani nxa lisamukela udumo elizipha lona kodwa lingenzi mizamo yokuzuzisa udumo oluvela kuNkulunkulu onguyeyedwa na? 45 Kodwa lingacabangi ukuthi ngizalethesa icala phambi kukaBaba. Umangaleli wenu nguMosi, okukuyeye elibeke khona amathemba enu. 46 Kube lamkholwa uMosi, ngabe liyangikholwa ngoba wabhala ngami. 47 Kodwa njengoba lingakukholwa lokho akubhalayo, lizakukholwa kanjani lokho engikutshoyo na?"

6 Ngemva kwalokhu uJesus wachaphela ngaphetsheya koLwandle lwaseGalile (kutshiwo uLwandle lwaseThibheriyasi), 2 njalo walandelwa lixuku elikhulu labantu ngoba babona imimangaliso ayeyenzile kwababegula. 3 UJesus wasesiya eceleni kwentaba wahlala khona labafundi bakhe. 4 UMkhosi wePhasika wamaJuda wawusondele. 5 UJesus wathi uyakhangele wabona ixuku labantu elikhulu lisiza kuye, wathi kuFiliphu, "Singasithenga ngaphi isinkwa ukuze abantu laba badle?" 6 Wabuza lokhu emlinga nje kuphela ngoba wayevele esekwazi ayezakwenza. 7 UFiliphu wamphendula wathi, "Amadenari angamakhulu amabili ngeke athenge isinkwa esenela ukuthi umuntu munye nje azuze ucezwana!" 8 Omunye wabafundi bakhe, u-Andreya, umfowabo kaSimoni Phethro wakhuluma wathi, 9 "Nangu umfana olezinkwa zebhali ezinhlanu lenhlanzi ezimbili ezincinyane, kodwa zingafika ngaphi ebantwini abanengi kangaka na?" 10 UJesus wathi, "Hlalisani abantu phansi." Kwakulotshani obunengi kuleyondawo, asehlala phansi (amadoda ubunengi bawo bungaba zinkulungwane ezinhlanu). 11 UJesus wasezithatha izinkwa, wakhuleka, wasezabela labo abasebehlezi phansi, wabapha njengokufuna kwabo. Wenza njalo langenhlanzi. 12 Kwathi bonke sebesuthi, wasesithi kubafundi bakhe, "Buthani imvuthu eziseleyo. Kakungalahlwa lutho." 13 Ngakho bazibutha bagcwalisa izitsha ezilithumi lambili ngemvuthu zezinkwa zebhali ezatshiywa yilabo

ababedlile. 14 Abantu sebewubonile umangaliso awenzayo uJesus baqalisa ukuthi, "Ngeqiniso lo nguye uMphrofethi ozafika emhlabeni." 15 UJesus esazi ukuthi babeqonde ukuzomenza inkosi ngenkani, wathi nyelele wabuyela entabeni yedwa. 16 Kwathi kusihlwa abafundi behlela esizibeni, 17 lapho abawela khona isikepe bachapha isiziba baya eKhaphenawume. Ngalesosikhathi kwasekuhlwile, uJesus elokhu engakabuyi kubo. 18 Kwakuvunguza umoya omkhulu amanzi asequbuka kubi. 19 Sebegwedle okwamakhilomitha amahlanu loba ayisithupha bambona uJesus esiza esikepeni ehamba phezu kwamanzi; bethuka kakhulu. 20 Kodwa wathi kubo, "Yimi; lingesabi." 21 Babefuna ukumngenisisa esikepeni, kwathi masinyane isikepe sahle safika ekhunjini lapho ababeqonde khona. 22 Ngelanga elilandelayo ixuku labantu elalisele ekhunjini elinganeno lananzelela ukuthi kwakukade kulesikepe esisodwa, lokuthi uJesus kangenanga kuso kanye labafundi bakhe, kodwa babehambe bodwa. 23 Kwasekufika ezinye izikepe zivela eThibheriyasi zamiswa eduze lalapho abantu ababedlele khona isinkwa ngemva kokuba iNkosi isiqale yakhuleka. 24 Ixuku lonela ukunanzelela ukuthi uJesus kanye labafundi bakhe babengasekho lapho, bangena ezikepeni baya eKhaphenawume ukuyadinga uJesus. 25 Bathi sebemfumene ngaphetsheya kwechibi bambuza bathi, "Rabi, kanti ufike nini lapha?" 26 UJesus wamphendula wathi, "Ngqiqinisile ukuthi kalingidingi ngoba libone imimangaliso, kodwa ngoba lidle izinkwa lasutha. 27 Lingasebenzeli ukudla okubolayo, kodwa sebenzelani ukudla okuhlala okwempilo engapheliyo elizakuphiwa yiNdodana yoMuntu. UBaba uNkulunkulu usebeke kuyo uphawu lwakhe." (aiōnios g166) 28 Basebembuza bathi, "Kumele senzeni ukuze senze umsebenzi kaNkulunkulu na?" 29 UJesus wamphendula wathi, "Umsebenzi kaNkulunkulu yilo: ukukholwa kulowo amthumileyo." 30 Basebembuza bathi, "Uzasitshengisa simangaliso bani esizasibona ukuze sikukholwe na? Kuyini ozakwenza? 31 Okhokho badla imana enkangala; njengoba kulotshiwe ukuthi: 'Wabapha isinkwa sivela ezulwini ukuba badle.'" 32 UJesus wathi kubo,

“Ngiqinisile ngithi, kakusuye uMosi olinike isinkwa sivela ezulwini, kodwa nguBaba olinika isinkwa seqiniso sivela ezulwini. 33 Ngoba isinkwa sikaNkulunkulu singulowo owehla ezulwini anike ukuphila emhlabeni.” 34 Bathi, “Nkosi, kusukela manje siphe lesisinkwa sokuphila.” 35 UJesu wachaza wathi, “Ngiyisinkwa sokuphila. Lowo ozayo kimi kasoze afa alamba, lalowo okholwa kimi kasoze aphinde ome. 36 Kodwa njengoba ngilitshele selingibonile, kodwa lokhe lingakholwa. 37 Konke lokho uBaba anginika khona kuzakuza kimi njalo lowo oza kimi kangisoze ngimlahle. 38 Ngoba ngehlile ezulwini, hatshi ukuzokwenza eyami intando kodwa ukwenza intando yalowo ongithumileyo. 39 Intando yakhe ongithumileyo yile, ukuthi ngingalahlekelwa langokukodwa kwalokho anginike khona, kodwa ngibavuse ngosuku lokucina. 40 Ngoba intando kaBaba iyikuthi bonke abakhangela eNdodaneni bakholwe kuyo bazakuba lokuphila okungapheliyo njalo ngizabavusa ngosuku lokucina.” (aiōnios g166) 41 Esizwa lokhu amaJuda aqalisa ukukhonona ngaye ngoba wathi, “Ngiyisinkwa esehlayo sivela ezulwini.” 42 Athi, “Kanti kasujesu lo indodana kaJosefa na? Oyise lonina kasibazi na? Pho angakutsho kanjani manje ukuthi, ‘Ngehla ngivela ezulwini?’” 43 UJesu wathi, “Yekelani ukukhonona phakathi kwenu. 44 Kakho ongeza kimi ngaphandle kokuthi uBaba ongithumileyo amsondeze, mina-ke ngizamvusa ngosuku lokucina. 45 Kulotshiwe kubaphrofethi ukuthi: ‘Bonke bazafundiswa nguNkulunkulu.’ Wonke lowo olalela uBaba afunde kuye uyeza kimi. 46 Kakho osewake wambona uBaba ngaphandle kwalowo ovela kuNkulunkulu; nguye kuphela ombonileyo uBaba. 47 Ngiqinisile ukuthi lowo okholwayo ulokuphila okungapheliyo. (aiōnios g166) 48 Ngiyisinkwa sokuphila. 49 Okhokho benu bayidla imana enkangala, kodwa bafa. 50 Kodwa nansi isinkwa esehla sivela ezulwini, umuntu angasidla angabe esafa. 51 Ngiyisinkwa esiphilayo esehlela phansi sivela ezulwini. Nxa umuntu angasidla lesisinkwa, uzaphila laphakade. Lesosinkwa siyinyama yami engizayinikela ukuphila komhlaba.” (aiōn g165) 52 Lapho-ke, amaJuda aseqalisa ukuphikisana ngamandla esithi, “Umuntu lo angasipha kanjani inyama yakhe ukuba siyidle na?” 53 UJesu wathi kubo, “Ngiqinisile ngithi, ngaphandle kokuba lidle inyama yeNdodana yoMuntu, linathe igazi layo, kalilakuphila phakathi kwenu. 54 Lowo odla inyama yami njalo anathe igazi lami ulokuphila okungapheliyo njalo ngizamvusa ngosuku lokucina. (aiōnios g166) 55 Ngoba inyama iyikhona kudla okuqotho legazi lami liyikunatha okuqotho. 56 Lowo odla inyama yami njalo anathe igazi lami uhlala kimi, lami kuye. 57 Njengoba uBaba ophilayo wangithuma njalo ngiphila ngenxa kaBaba, kanjalo lowo odla mina uzaphila ngenxa yami. 58 Lesi yiso isinkwa esehla sivela ezulwini. Okhokho benu badla imana, kodwa bafa, kodwa odla lesisinkwa uzaphila lanininini.” (aiōn g165) 59 Wakutsho lokhu efundisa esinagogweni eKhapphenawume. 60 Bathi bekuzwa lokhu abafundi bakhe abanengi bathi, “Le yimfundiso enzima. Kambe ngubani ongayamukela na?” 61 UJesu wathi ngokunanzelela ukuthi abafundi bakhe babekhonona ngalokhu wathi kubo, “Lokhu kuyalikhuba yini? 62 Kungaba njani pho nxa lingayibona iNdodana yoMuntu isenyuka ibuyela lapho eyayikhona ngaphambilini! 63 UMoya unika ukuphila; inyama kayisizi lutho. Amazwi engiwakhulume kini angumoya njalo ayikuphila. 64 Kodwa bakhona abanye benu abangakholwayo.” Ngoba uJesu wayevele esazi kusukela ekuqaleni ukuba yibaphi phakathi kwabo ababengakholwa lokuthi ngubani owayezamnikela. 65 Waqhubeka wathi, “Yikho ngalitshele ngathi kakho ongeza kimi ngaphandle kokuba ephiwe amandla nguBaba.” 66 Kusukela kulesosikhathi abafundi bakhe abanengi bamdela ababe besamlandela. 67 UJesu wabuza abalithumi lambili wathi, “Lina kalifuni kudela lihambe na?” 68 USimoni Phethro wamphendula wathi, “Nkosi, sizakuya kubani na? Wena ulamazwi okuphila okungapheliyo. (aiōnios g166) 69 Thina siyakholwa njalo siyazi ukuthi ungoNgcwele kaNkulunkulu.” 70 UJesu wasephendula wathi, “Kangilikhethanga yini, lina elilitshumi lambili na? Ikanti omunye wenu unguSathane!” 71 (Wayesitsho uJudasi,

indodana kaSimoni Iskariyothi, owathi loba engomunye wabalitshumi lambili wamnikela.)

7 Ngemva kwalokhu uJesus wahambahamba eGalile, kazathanda ukuya eJudiya ngoba amaJuda alapho ayefuna indlela yokumbulala. **2** Kwathi uMkhosi wamaJuda weziHonqo ususondele **3** abafowabo bakaJesus bathi kuye, “Sekumele usuke lapha uye eJudiya ukuze abafundi bakho babone imimangaliso oyenzayo. **4** Kakho umuntu othi efuna ukuba lodumo asebenzele ensitha. Njengoba usenza izinto lezi ziveze emhlabeni.” **5** Ngoba labafowabo babengakholwa kuye. **6** Ngakho uJesus wabatshela wathi, “Kasikafiki isikhathi sami salokho; kini loba yisiphi isikhathi sililungele. **7** Umhlaba ngeke ulizonde, kodwa mina uyangizonda ngoba ngiveza ukuthi lokho okwenzayo kubi. **8** Hambani lina emkhosini. Mina kangikayi emkhosini lowo ngoba kimi kasikafiki isikhathi esifaneleyo.” **9** Esetsho lokhu wazihlalela eGalile. **10** Kodwa ngemva kokuba abafowabo sebehambile emkhosini laye waya khona, hatshi obala kodwa wahamba ensitha. **11** Khonapho emkhosini amaJuda ayemlindele ebuza esithi, “Ingaphi indoda leyana?” **12** Phakathi kwamaxuku abantu kwakulokunyenyezela ngaye. Abanye bathi, “Ungumuntu olungileyo.” Abanye baphendula bathi, “Hatshi, ukhohlisa abantu.” **13** Kodwa kakho owakhuluma ngaye obala ngokwesaba amaJuda. **14** Kwathi isikhathi somkhosi sesiphakathi laphakathi uJesus wasesiya egumeni lethempeli waqalisa ukufundisa. **15** AmaJuda amangala, abuza athi, “Indoda le yaluzuzana kanjani ulwazi olungaka yona ingafundanga?” **16** UJesus waphendula wathi, “Imfundiso yami kayisiyami. Ivela kulowo ongithumileyo. **17** Nxa umuntu ekhetha ukwenza intando kaNkulunkulu uzabona ingabe imfundiso yami ivela kuNkulunkulu loba ngiyazikhulumela. **18** Lowo ozikhulumelayo wenzela ukuzizuzela udumo, kodwa lowo osebenzela udumo lwalowo omthumileyo ngumuntu weqiniso; kakulankohliso kuye. **19** UMosi kalinikanga yini umthetho? Kodwa kakho lamunye kini owugcinayo umthetho. Kungani lifuna

ukungibulala na?” **20** Ixuku labantu laphendula lathi, “Ulamadimoni wena. Ngubani ofuna ukukubulala?” **21** UJesus wathi kubo, “Ngenza umangaliso owodwa lamangala kakhulu lonke. **22** Kodwa ngoba uMosi walipha ukusoka (loba iqiniso liyikuthi kakuvelanga kuMosi kodwa kubokhokho), liyamsoka umntwana ngeSabatha. **23** Manje-ke, nxa umntwana engasokwa ngeSabatha kungabi yikuwephula umthetho kaMosi, pho mina lingizondelani ngokuthi ngisilise umuntu ngokupheleleyo ngeSabatha na? **24** Khawulani ukusola ngokubona kwamehlo kodwa yahlulelani ngokuqondileyo.” **25** Ngalesosikhathi abanye abantu baseJerusalema babuza bathi, “Kanti kasuye yini umuntu lo abafuna ukumbulala na? **26** Nangu phela ekhuluma egcekeni kodwa kabatsho lutho kuye. Kambe iziphathamandla zingabe sezibone ukuthi nguye uKhristu na? **27** Kodwa siyakwazi thina lapha indoda le edabuka khona; nxa uKhristu esefika, kakho ozakwazi lapho avela khona.” **28** Kwathi uJesus elokhu esafundisa egumeni lethempeli, wamemeza wathi, “Yebo, liyangazi njalo liyakwazi lapho engivela khona. Kangizibuyelanga lapha kodwa lowo ongithumileyo uqinisile. Kalimazi **29** kodwa mina ngiyamazi ngoba ngivela kuye, nguye ongithumileyo.” **30** Besizwa lokhu bazama ukumbamba kodwa kakho owambeka isandla ngoba isikhathi sakhe sasingakafiki. **31** Loba kunjalo, abanengi exukwini labantu bakholwa kuye. Bathi, “Nxa uKhristu angafika, kambe uzakwenza imimangaliso okwedlula umuntu lo?” **32** AbaFarisi bezwa abantu benyenyeza izinto ezinjalo ngaye. AbaFarisi labaphristi abakhulu basebethuma amanxusa ethempelini ukuba ayembopha. **33** UJesus wathi, “Ngilani okwesikhathi esifitshane, besengihamba ngisiya kuye ongithumileyo. **34** Lizangidinga kodwa lingangifumani; lalapho engikhona lingeke lifike.” **35** AmaJuda abuzana athi, “Umuntu lo ufuna ukuya ngaphi lapho esingeke samfumana khona na? Uzakuya ebantwini bakithi abahlakazekileyo abahlala phakathi kwamaGrikhi, afundise amaGrikhi na? **36** Ubesitshoni esithi, ‘Lizangidinga, kodwa lingangifumani,’ njalo wathi, ‘Lapho

engikhona lingeke lifike?” 37 Ngelanga lokucina elaliqakatheke kakhulu emkhosini, uJesu wasukuma wakhuluma ngelizwi elikhulu wathi, “Nxaxona owomileyo keze kimi azonatha. 38 Loba ngubani okholwa kimi njengoba uMbhalo utshilo, imifula yamanzi aphilayo izageleza ngaphakathi kwakhe.” 39 Ngelokhu wayesitsho uMoya, okwakuzakuthi labo abakholwa kuye bamamukele ngesikhathi esizayo. Kuze kube yilesosikhathi uMoya wawungakathelwa ebantwini, njengoba uJesu wayengakakhazimuliswa. 40 Sebewazwile amazwi akhe abanye bathi, “Ngeqiniso umuntu lo nguye umphrofethi.” 41 Abanye bathi, “Nguye uKhristu.” Abanye njalo babuza bathi, “Kungenzeka kanjani ukuthi uKhristu avele eGalile na? 42 UMbhalo kawutsho yini ukuthi uKhristu uzavela kusendo lukaDavida, eBethlehem, umuzi lapho uDavida ayehlala khona.” 43 Kanjalo abantu badabukana phakathi ngenxa kaJesu. 44 Abanye babefuna ukumbamba, kodwa kakho owambeka isandla. 45 Amanxusa ethempelini acina esebuyela kubaphristi abakhulu labaFarisi athi, “Kungani lingezanga laye?” 46 Amanxusa afakaza athi, “Kakho osewake wakhuluma njengaloyamuntu.” 47 AbaFarisi bakhwaza bathi, “Litsho ukuthi lani uselikhohlisile? 48 Ukhona na kubabusi loba kubaFarisi osebeke ithemba lakhe kuye? 49 Hatshi! Kodwa inkunkuma yabantu le engazilutho ngezomthetho, iqalekisiwe.” 50 UNikhodimasi owayeye kuJesu mandulo, owayengomunye wabo wabuza wathi, 51 “Kanti umthetho wakithi uyamlahla na umuntu engaqalanga wabuzwa ukuthi yena uthini ngokwakhe?” 52 Baphendula bathi, “Lawe uvela eGalile yini? Ake ukudingisise, uzabona ukuthi kakulamphrofethi ongaphuma eGalile.” [53 Ngakho bonke basuka baya emizini yabo.

8 Kodwa uJesu waya eNtabeni yama-Oliva. 2 Kwathi kusisa wabonakala njalo emagumeni ethempeli, abantu bonke babuthana kuye, wahlala phansi wabafundisa. 3 Abafundisi bomthetho labaFarisi baletha owesifazane owayebanjwe ephinga. Bamisa phambi kwabantu 4 bathi kuJesu, “Mfundisi,

owesifazane lo ukhandwe efeba. 5 Emthethweni uMosi wasilaya ukuthi abesifazane abanjalo kabakhandwe ngamatshe. Manje wena uthini?” 6 Umbuzo lo wawungumjibila wabo ukuze bazuze izaba lokumbeka icala. Kodwa uJesu wakhothama waseloba phansi ngomunwe. 7 Kwathi ngoba belokhu bephikelela ngokumbuza wabakhangela wathi kubo, “Nxaxona phakathi kwenu ongelasono kaqale ukumkhanda ngamatshe.” 8 Waphinda wakhothama waloba phansi emhlabathini. 9 Esetshonjalo labo abezwayo baqala ukuthi nyelele munye ngamunye bahamba, kwaqala ngabadala bakhona, kwaze kwasala uJesu yedwa lowesifazane lowo elokhu emi khonapho. 10 UJesu wamkhangela wambuza wathi, “Mama, kanti sebeye ngaphi? Kasekho yini okwethesa icala?” 11 Owesifazane wathi, “Kabasekho, nkosi.” UJesu waphendula wathi, “Lami-ke, kangikulahli, zihambe, kodwa ungaphindi wenze isono futhi.”] 12 Kwathi uJesu esekhuluma ebantwini njalo wathi, “Ngiyikukhanya komhlaba. Loba ngubani ongilandelayo kasoze ahambe ebunmyameni lanini kodwa uzakuba lokukhanya kokuphila.” 13 AbaFarisi bahle bamqaga bathi, “Nanko-ke, wena uyazifakazela; ubufakazi bakho kabulaqiniso.” 14 UJesu waphendula wathi, “Loba ngizifakazela mina, ubufakazi bami buqinise ngoba ngiyakwazi lapho engavela khona lalapho engiyakhona. Kodwa lina kumnyama nje kini ukuthi ngivela ngaphi lokuthi ngiya ngaphi. 15 Lina lahlulela ngendlela yabantu; mina kangahluleli muntu. 16 Kodwa ngithi nxa ngingehlulela, izinqumo zami zilungile ngoba kangingedwa. Ngimi loBaba ongithumileyo. 17 Emthethweni wenu kulotshiwe ukuthi ubufakazi babantu ababili buqinise. 18 Yimi ngokwami engizifakazelayo; omunye umfakazi nguBaba ongithumileyo.” 19 Basebumbuza bathi, “Ungaphi uyihlo?” UJesu waphendula wathi, “Kalingazi mina kanye loBaba. Aluba belingazi, belizamazi loBaba njalo.” 20 Wawakhuluma amazwi la efundisa egumeni lethempeli eduze lalapho okwakubekwa khona iminikelo. Kodwa kakho owambambayo ngoba isikhathi

sakhe sasingakafiki. 21 Waphinda njalo UJesu wathi, “Aluba belingabantwana baka-UJesu wathi kubo, “Ngiyasuka lapha, futhi lizangidinga, kodwa lizafela esonweni senu. Lapho engiyakhona alingeke lize khona.” 22 AmaJuda asebuzana athi, “Uzazibulala yini? Yikho yini esithi, ‘Lapho engiyakhona lingeke lize khona?’” 23 Kodwa waqhubeka wathi, “Lina lingabalapha phansi; mina ngivela phezulu. Lingabomhlaba; mina kangisiwalo umhlaba. 24 Ngilitshelile ukuthi lizafela ezonweni zenu; nxa lingakholwa ukuthi nginguye engithi nginguye, ngempela lizafela ezonweni zenu.” 25 Bambuza bathi, “Uvele ungubani?” UJesu waphendula wathi, “Khonokho ebengivele ngikutsho sonke lesisikhathi. 26 Kunengi engingahlululela ngakho. Kodwa lowo ongithumileyo uthembekile njalo lokho engikuzwileyo kusuka kuye ngikutshela umhlaba.” 27 Kabazange bazwisise ukuthi wayebatshela ngoYise. 28 Ngakho uJesu wasesithi, “Lapho seliyiphakamisile iNdodana yoMuntu lizakwazi ukuthi ngingubani lokuthi kangenzi lutho ngokwami kodwa ngikhuluma kuphela lokho uBaba angifundise khona. 29 Lowo ongithumileyo ulami; kangitshiyanga ngingedwa ngoba ngihlezi ngisenza lokho okumthokozisayo.” 30 Wathi esakhuluma lokhu abanengi bakholwa kuye. 31 UJesu wathi kumaJuda amkholwayo, “Nxa libambeleva emfundisweni yami lingabafundi bami ngempela. 32 Ngakho lizalazi iqiniso, njalo iqiniso lizalikhulula.” 33 Amphendula athi, “Siyinzalo ka-Abrahama futhi kasizange lanini sibe yizigqili zamuntu. Ukutsho kanjani pho ukuthi sizakhululwa?” 34 UJesu waphendula wathi, “Ngiqinisele ngithi wonke owenza isono uyisigqili sesono. 35 Phela isigqili kasilandawo emiyo emulini, kodwa oyindodana ongowakhona lanininini. (aiōn g165) 36 Ngakho-ke, nxa iNdodana ilikhulula, lizakhululeka ngempela. 37 Ngiyakwazi ukuthi lingabosendo luka-Abrahama. Kodwa selizimisele ukungibulala ngoba ilizwi lami kalilandawo kini. 38 Ngilitshela lokho engikubone phambi kukaBaba kodwa lina lenza lokho elikuzwileyo ngoyihlo.” 39 Apendula athi, “U-Abrahama nguye ubaba.” UJesu wathi, “Aluba belingabantwana baka-Abrahama ngabe lenza izinto ezenziwa nguye u-Abrahama. 40 Kodwa kunje nje lizimisele ukungibulala, mina muntu osetlshela iqiniso engilizwileyo livela kuNkulunkulu. U-Abrahama kazenzanga izinto ezinjalo. 41 Lenza izinto ezenziwa ngowenu uyihlo.” Amvukela athi, “Kasisibantwana abazuzwa ngobufebe thina. UBaba esilaye kuphela nguNkulunkulu ngokwakhe.” 42 UJesu wathi kuwo, “Kube uNkulunkulu ubenguYihlo, belizangithanda ngoba ngavela kuNkulunkulu, okwamanje sengilapha. Kangizibuyelanga kodwa uNkulunkulu wangithuma. 43 Kungani lingaluzwisisi ulimi engilukhulumayo na? Ngoba liyehluleka ukuzwa engikutshoyo. 44 Lingabakayihlo uSathane ngakho lifuna ukusenza isifiso sikayihlo. Wavele waba ngumbulali mdabuko wakhe, kemanga eqinisweni ngoba uvele engelalo iqiniso. Uthi nxa ewaqamba amanga, akhulume ulimi lomdabuko wakhe ngoba ungunsomangase loyise wamanga. 45 Kodwa kalingikholwa ngoba ngilitshela iqiniso! 46 Ukhona na kini ongaveza ukuthi ngilecala lesono? Nxa ngikhuluma iqiniso kungani lingangikholwa na? 47 Lowo ongokaNkulunkulu uyakuzwa lokho uNkulunkulu akutshoyo. Isizatho sokuthi lingezwa yikuthi kalisibo bakaNkulunkulu.” 48 AmaJuda aphenula athi, “Siyalahleka yini nxa sisithi ungumSamariya njalo ulamadimoni?” 49 UJesu wathi, “Kangiladimoni mina, kodwa ngidumisa uBaba ikanti lina liyangigcona. 50 Kangizidingeli udumo mina kodwa ukhona olufunayo, yena ungumahluleli. 51 Ngiyaqinisa ngithi, nxa umuntu egcina ilizwi lami kasoze akubone ukufa lanini.” (aiōn g165) 52 Esizwa lokhu amaJuda ababaza athi, “Khathesi sesisazi ukuthi uledimoni! U-Abrahama wafa kanye labo abaphrofethi kodwa wena uthi nxa umuntu egcina ilizwi lakho kasoze akuzwe ukufa lanini. (aiōn g165) 53 Wena umkhulu kulobaba u-Abrahama na? Wafa, kanye labo abaphrofethi. Wena uzenza bani na?” 54 UJesu waphendula wathi, “Nxa ngizidumisa mina ngokwami, luyize udumo lwami. UBaba, elithi unguNkulunkulu wenu nguye ongidumisayo. 55 Lanxa lina

lingamazi, mina ngiyamazi. Ngabe ngithe kangimazi, bengizabe ngingumqambi wamanga njengani kodwa ngiyamazi njalo ngiyaligcina ilizwi lakhe. 56 Uyihlo u-Abhrahama wathakazelela umnakano wokulubona usuku lwami; walubona wathokoza.” 57 AmaJuda athi kuye, “Kawukafikisi iminyaka engamatshumi amahlanu obudala, kodwa uthi usumbonile u-Abhrahama!” 58 UJesu waphendula wathi, “Ngilitshela iqiniso ukuthi u-Abhrahama engakazalwa, mina ngasengikhona!” 59 Besizwa lokhu badobha amatshe befuna ukumkhanda kodwa uJesu wasithela, waphunyuka wasuka emagumeni ethempeli.

9 UJesu wathi elokhu ehamba wabona indoda eyayiyisiphofu kusukela ekuzalweni kwayo. 2 Abafundi bakhe bambuza bathi, “Rabi, ngubani owenza isono, indoda le loba abazali bayo ukuze izalwe iyisiphofu na?” 3 UJesu wathi, “Kakusikho ukuthi abazali bayo loba yona indoda le yenza isono kodwa lokhu kwenzakala ukuze umsebenzi kaNkulunkulu ubonakaliswe empilweni yayo. 4 Nxa kulokhu kusemini kumele siwenze umsebenzi wakhe ongithumileyo. Ubusuku buyeza lapho kungelamuntu ongasebenza khona. 5 Nxa ngisesemhlabeni, ngiyikukhanya komhlaba.” 6 Esekutshilo lokhu wakhafulela emhlabathini, wavuba udaka ngamathe walunameka emehlweni endoda. 7 Wayitshela wathi, “Hamba uyegeza esizibeni saseSilowami” (ibizo leli litsho ukuthi “Ukuthunywa”). Ngakho indoda yahamba yayageza, yabuyela ekhaya isibona. 8 Omakhelwane bayo lalabo abahlezi beyibona icela babuza bathi, “Kakusiyo yini indoda le eyayihlala icela?” 9 Abanye baqinisa ukuthi kwakuyiyo. Abanye bathi, “Hatshi, lo ufana layo nje kuphela.” Kodwa yona yagcizelela yathi, “Ngiyiyo leyondoda.” 10 Bamjinga ngemibuzo bathi, “Pho amehlo akho avuleke kanjani?” 11 Waphendula wathi, “Indoda abayithi nguJesu ivube udaka yalunameka emehlweni ami. Ingitshele yathi kangiye eSilowami ngiyegeza. Ngakho ngiyile ngayageza, ngasengibona.” 12 Bayibuza bathi, “Ingaphi leyondoda?” Wathi, “Kangazi.” 13 Indoda leyo eyayikade iyisiphofu ya lethwa

kubaFarisi. 14 Usuku uJesu enza ngalo udaka wavula amehlo endoda leyo lwaluyiSabatha. 15 AbaFarisi baphinde bayibuzisisa ukuthi kwenziwani ukuze ibone. Indoda yaphendula yathi, “Uninde udaka emehlweni ami, ngegeza, manje sengibona.” 16 Abanye abaFarisi bathi, “Umuntu lo kaveli kuNkulunkulu ngoba kaligcini iSabatha.” Kodwa abanye babuza bathi, “Isoni singayenza kanjani imimangaliso enje na?” Kanjalo adabukana. 17 Bacina sebephendukela endodeni eyayiyisiphofu njalo bathi, “Wena uthini ngaye? Ngamehlo akho awavulileyo.” Indoda yaphendula yathi, “Ungumphrofethi.” 18 AmaJuda kawazange akholwe ukuthi indoda le yayikade iyisiphofu lokuthi yayisiyenziwe yabona kwaze kwabizwa abazali bayo. 19 Bababuza bathi, “Lo yindodana yenu yini? Nguye lo elithi wazalwa eyisiphofu? Sekwenzeke kanjani ukuthi khathesi usebona?” 20 Abazali baphendula bathi, “Thina sazi ukuthi uyindodana yethu, njalo siyakwazi ukuthi wazalwa eyisiphofu. 21 Kodwa ukuthi khathesi usebona lokuthi amehlo akhe avulwe ngubani kasikwazi. Mbuzeni. Usekhulile; uzazikhulumela.” 22 Abazali bakhe baktsho lokhu ngoba babesesaba amaJuda, ngoba amaJuda ayesevele aquma ukuthi loba ngubani owayezakuthi uJesu nguKhristu wayezaxotshwa esinagogweni. 23 Yikho abazali bakhe bathi, “Usekhulile; mbuzeni yena.” 24 Aphinda ayibiza okwesibili indoda eyayiyisiphofu athi, “Nika udumo kuNkulunkulu. Siyakwazi ukuthi umuntu lo uyisoni.” 25 Yaphendula yathi, “Ukuthi uyisoni kumbe hatshi kangikwazi. Mina kunye engikwaziyo. Bengiyisiphofu kodwa manje sengibona!” 26 Aseyibuza athi, “Wenzeni kuwe na? Uwavule njani amehlo akho?” 27 Yaphendula yathi, “Sengilitshelile kodwa kalifunanga ukuzwa. Lifunelani ukukuzwa njalo? Lani lifuna ukuba ngabafundi bakhe na?” 28 Khonapho asemthuka esithi, “Ungumfundi walumuntu! Thina singabafundi bakaMosi! 29 Siyakwazi ukuthi uNkulunkulu wakhuluma kuMosi, kodwa umfokazi lo kasimazi lokuthi uvela ngaphi.” 30 Indoda yaphendula yathi, “Manje lokhu kuyamangalisa! Kalimazi lapho avela khona kodwa uwavulile amehlo ami.

31 Siyakwazi ukuthi uNkulunkulu kazilaleli izoni. Ulalela umuntu olobunkulunkulu, owenza intando yakhe. 32 Kakho osewake wezwa ngokuvulwa kwamehlo omuntu owazalwa eyisiphofu. (aiōn g165) 33 Aluba umuntu lo ubengaveli kuNkulunkulu ubengasoze enze lutho.” 34 Apendula lokhu ngokuthi, “Wazalwa ucwile nya esonweni; ngeke sifundiswe nguwe thina!” Asemxotshela phandle. 35 UJesu wakuzwa ukuthi ayemxotshela phandle, wathi esembonile wathi kuye, “Uyakholwa eNdodaneni yoMuntu na?” 36 Indoda yabuza yathi, “Ingubani na, nkosi? Ngitshela ukuze ngikhohle kuyo.” 37 UJesu wathi, “Khathesi usuyibonile; iqiniso yikuthi yiyo le ekhuluma lawe.” 38 Indoda yasisithi, “Nkosi, ngiyakholwa,” yasimkhonza. 39 UJesu wathi, “Ngeza lapha emhlabeni ukuzakwahlulela, ukuze iziphofu zibone kuthi labo ababonayo babonakale beyiziphofu.” 40 Abanye abafarisi ababelaye bamuzwa uJesu esitsho lokhu babuza bathi, “Uthini? Lathi siyiziphofu yini?” 41 UJesu waphendula wathi, “Kube beliyiziphofu ngabe kalilamlandu wesono. Kodwa umlandu wenu umi ngoba lizenza abakwaziyo abakwenzayo.”

10 “Ngikhuluma iqiniso ukuthi umuntu ongangeni ngesango esibayeni sezimvu kodwa akhwele kwenye indawo ulisela lomphangi. 2 Umuntu ongena ngesango nguye umelusi wezimvu. 3 Umlindi wesango uyamvulela, lezimvu ziyalilalela ilizwi lakhe. Izimvu zakhe uzibiza ngamabizo azikhokhele. 4 Nxa esezivulele zonke ezakhe, uhamba phambi kwazo, izimvu zakhe zimlandele ngoba ziyalazi ilizwi lakhe. 5 Kodwa kazisoze zilandele owemzini; iqiniso yikuthi zizambalekela ngoba kazilazi ilizwi lowemzini.” 6 UJesu wasebenzisa umzekeliso lo kodwa kabakuzwisisanga lokho ayebatshelela khona. 7 Ngakho uJesu waphinda wathi, “Ngilitshele iqiniso ukuthi mina ngiyilo isango lezimvu. 8 Bonke asebake bafika phambi kwami babengamasela labaphangi kodwa izimvu kazibalalanga. 9 Mina ngiyilo isango; loba ngubani ongena ngami uzasindiswa. Uzangena, aphume, afumane idlelo. 10 Isela lilanda ukweba lokubulala lokubhubhisa kuphela; mina

ngilande ukuze zibe lokuphila, zibe lakho ngokugcweleyo. 11 Ngingumelusi olungileyo. Umelusi olungileyo unikela ukuphila kwakhe izimvu zakhe. 12 Oqhatshiweyo kasuye umelusi ongumni wezimvu. Yikho nxa ebona iganyana lisiza, uyazitshiya izimvu abaleke. Iganyana beseliwuhlasela umhlambi liwuhlakaze. 13 Umuntu lo ubaleka ngoba eyisiqhatshwa, kazikhathaleli izimvu. 14 Mina ngingumelusi olungileyo; ngiyazazi izimvu zami njalo lezimvu zami ziyangazi 15 njengoba uBaba engazi lami ngiyamazi, nginikela ukuphila kwami ezimvini zami. 16 Ngilazo ezinye izimvu ezingasizo zalumhlambi. Lazo kumele ngizilethe. Lazo futhi zizalilalela ilizwi lami ukuze kube lomhlambi owodwa lomelusi oyedwa. 17 Isizatho sokuba uBaba angithande yikuthi ngiyayinikela impilo yami, ngizaphinde ngiyithathe futhi. 18 Kakho ongithathela yona kodwa ngiyinikela ngokufisa kwami. Ngilalo ilungelo lokuyinikela lelungelo lokuphinde ngiyithathe. Umlayo lo ngawamukela uvela kuBaba.” 19 Amazwi aphinda enza amaJuda adabuka phakathi. 20 Amanengi kuwo athi, “Uledimoni, uyawumana njalo uyahlanya. Limlalelani?” 21 Kodwa amanye athi, “La kayisiwo mazwi omuntu oledimoni. Idimoni lingawavula njani amehlo esiphofu?” 22 Kwafika uMkhosi Wokuzinikela eJerusalema. Kwakusebusika, 23 uJesu esemagumeni ethempeli ezihambela eKhulusini likaSolomoni. 24 AmaJuda ayembuthanele athi kuye, “Kuzaze kube nini ulokhu usitshiya silengile na? Nxa unguye uKhristu, sitshele kuhle.” 25 UJesu waphendula wathi, “Ngalitshele kodwa kalikholwa. Imimangaliso engiyenzayo ngebizo likaBaba iyangifakazela, 26 kodwa kalikholwa ngoba kalisizo zimvu zami. 27 Ezami izimvu ziyalilalela ilizwi lami; ngiyazazi lazo ziyangilandela. 28 Ngizipha ukuphila okungapheliyo, kazisoze zabhubha; kakho ongazihlwitha esandleni sikaBaba. (aiōn g165, aiōnios g166) 29 UBaba wami yena ongiphe zona mkhulu kulakho konke, kakho ongazihlwitha esandleni sikaBaba 30 Mina loBaba simunye.” 31 Aphinda njalo amaJuda adobha amatshe ukuba amkhande, 32 kodwa uJesu wathi

kuwo, “Ngilitshengisile imimangaliso emikhulu emineni evela kuBaba. Yiwuphi phakathi kwayo elingikhandela wona ngamatshe?” **33** “Kasikukhandeli misebenzi emihle oyenzileyo kodwa sikukhandela ukuhlambaza, ngoba wena, umuntu nje, uzenza uNkulunkulu.” **34** UJesu waphendula wathi, “Kakulotshwanga yini eMthethweni wenu ukuthi, ‘Ngitshilo ukuthi “lingonkulunkulu?”’ **35** Nxa wababiza ngokuthi ‘ngonkulunkulu,’ bona labo ilizwi elafika kubo, njalo uMbhalo kawepfulwa **36** phoke kungathiwani kulowo uBaba amkhethileyo ukuba ngowakhe wamthumela emhlabeni na? Kungani pho lingibeka icala lokuhlambaza ngoba ngithe ngiyiNdodana kaNkulunkulu? **37** Lingangikholwa ngaphandle kokuba ngenze okwenziwa nguBaba. **38** Kodwa nxa ngikwenza, lanxa lingangikholwa, kholwani ubufakazi bemimangaliso ukuze lifunde njalo lizwisise ukuthi uBaba ukimi, lami ngikuBaba.” **39** Baphinda njalo bazama ukumbamba kodwa waphunyuka. **40** UJesu wabuyela ngaphetsheya kweJodani kuleyondawo lapho uJohane ayebhaphathizela khona ensukwini ezedululayo. Wahlala khona, **41** abantu abanengi beza kuye. Bathi, “Lanxa uJohane engazange enze umangaliso, kodwa konke lokho uJohane akutshoyo ngomuntu lo kwakulinqiniso.” **42** Kuleyondawo abanengi bakholwa kuJesu.

11 Kwakulendoda eyayithiwa nguLazaro eyayigula. YayingeyaseBhethani, umuzi okwakhulala khona uMariya lodadewabo uMatha. **2** (UMariya lo olomnewabo uLazaro owayephethwe ngumkhuhlane nguye owathela amakha ezinyaweni zeNkosi wazesula ngenwele zakhe.) **3** Ngakho odadewabo laba bathumela ilizwi kuJesu bathi, “Nkosi, lowo omthandayo uyagula.” **4** UJesu esekuzwile lokhu wathi, “Ukugula lokhu kakuzukucina ngokufa. Kodwa kungokodumo lukaNkulunkulu ukuze iNdodana kaNkulunkulu idunyiswe ngakho.” **5** UJesu wayemthanda uMatha lodadewabo kanye loLazaro. **6** Kodwa loba esezwile ukuthi uLazaro wayegula wazihlalela khona lapho ayekhona okwezinye insuku ezimbili. **7** Wasesithi kubafundi bakhe, “Kasibuyeleni eJudiya.” **8**

Bathi, “Oh, Rabi, muvana nje amaJuda ake azama ukukukhanda ngamatshe kodwa wena usubuyela khona futhi?” **9** UJesu waphendula wathi, “Kakusikho yini ukuthi kulamahola alitshumi lambili okukhanyisa kwelanga na? Umuntu ohamba emini kayikukhubeka ngoba ebona ngokukhanya kwalapha emhlabeni. **10** Ukhubeka nxa ehamba ebusuku ngoba kalakho ukukhanya.” **11** Esekutshilo lokhu wasebatshela wathi, “Umngane wethu uLazaro uselele kodwa ngiya khonale ukuyamvusa.” **12** Abafundi bakhe baphendula bathi, “Nkosi, nxa kuvuma ukuthi alale, uzabangcono.” **13** UJesu wayekhuluma ngokufa kwakhe kodwa abafundi bakhe babesithi kumbe utsho ukulala okujayelekileyo. **14** Wasebatshela ephumela egcekeni wathi, “ULazaro usefile, **15** kodwa ukuze lina likholwe, ngiyathaba ukuthi bengingekho lapho. Kodwa kasiyeni khona.” **16** UThomasi (othiwa nguDidimasi) wathi kwabanye abafundi, “Lathi kasihambeni ukuze siyekufa laye.” **17** Ekufikeni kwakhe uJesu uLazaro wayesehlale ethuneni okwensuku ezine. **18** EBhethani kwakungaphansi kwamakhilomitha amathathu usuka eJerusalema, **19** yikho amaJuda amanengi ayebuyile ukuzakhalela uMatha loMariya ngokulahlekelwa kwabo ngumnewabo. **20** Kwathi uMatha esizwa ukuthi uJesu wayesiza, waphuma wamhlangabeza kodwa uMariya wasala ngekhaya. **21** UMatha wathi kuJesu, “Nkosi, aluba ubukhonapha ngabe umnewethu kafanga. **22** Kodwa ngiyazi ukuthi lamanje uNkulunkulu uzakunika loba yini oyicelayo.” **23** UJesu wathi kuye, “Umfowenu uzavuka njalo.” **24** UMatha waphendula wathi, “Ngiyazi ukuthi uzavuka futhi ekuvukeni kwabafuleyo ngosuku lokucina.” **25** UJesu wathi kuye, “Mina ngiyikuvuka kwabafuleyo lokuphila. Lowo okholwa kimi uzaphila loba engafa; **26** njalo lowo ophilayo ekholwa kimi kasoze afa lanini. Uyakukholwa lokhu na?” (aiōn g165) **27** Waphendula wathi, “Yebo Nkosi, ngiyakholwa ukuthi unguye uKhristu, iNdodana kaNkulunkulu, ozabuya emhlabeni.” **28** Esekutshilo lokho wabuyela ngekhaya wabizela udadewabo uMariya eceleni wathi, “Umfundisi usekhona, uyakucela.” **29** UMariya wathi

ekuzwa lokhu wasuka masinyane waya kuJesu. lo esenza imimangaliso eminengi. 48
 30 UJesu wayelokhu engakangeni phakathi komuzi elokhu elapho ayehlangane khona loMatha. 31 Kwathi amaJuda ayeloMariya endlini emduduzisa esebonile ukuthi wasukuma masinyane njani ephuma, amlandela ecabanga ukuthi mhlawumbe wayesiya ethuneni ukuyakhalela khona. 32 UMariya wonela ukufika lapho uJesu ayekhona, wambona, wazilahla phansi ezinyaweni zakhe wathi, “Nkosi, kube ubukhona lapha, umnewethu ngabe kafanga.” 33 UJesu embona ekhala kanye lamaJuda ayemlandele wadabuka kakhulu emoyeni, wakhathazeka. 34 Wabuza wathi, “Limbeke ngaphi na?” Baphendula bathi, “Woza uzobona Nkosi.” 35 UJesu wakhala. 36 AmaJuda asesithi, “Liyabona ukuthi wayemthanda njani!” 37 Kodwa amanye awo athi, “Kanti yena lo owavula amehlo endoda eyayiyisiphofu wehlulekile ukwenza ukuthi umuntu lo angafi na?” 38 UJesu waphinda njalo wadabuka, wasondela ethuneni. Ithuna lalilubhalu, kulelitshe elalivale intuba. 39 Wathi, “Lisuseni ilitshe.” UMatha, udadewabo wendoda efileyo wathi, “Nkosi, khathesi sekulephunga elibi ngoba selensuku ezine simbekile.” 40 UJesu wasesithi, “Kangikutshelanga ukuthi nxa ukholwa uzabona inkazimulo kaNkulunkulu na?” 41 Ngakho balisusa ilitshe. UJesu wasekhangele phezu wathi, “Baba ngiyakubonga ukuthi ungizwile. 42 Mina bengisazi ukuthi uhlala ungizwa, kodwa ngikutshela lokhu ngisenzela abantu abemi lapha ukuze bakholwe ukuthi ungithumile.” 43 Esekutshilo lokhu uJesu wamemeza ngelizwi elikhulu wathi, “Lazaro, phuma!” 44 Umuyi waphuma, izandla lenyawo zakhe zithandelwe ngamaqhele elineni, kulelinye ilembu elalembese ubuso bakhe. UJesu wathi kubo, “Khuphani izivunulo zokungcwaba limyekele ahambe.” 45 Ngakho amaJuda amanengi ayeze ukuzakhalela uMariya esekubonile uJesu akwenzayo, amkholwa. 46 Kodwa amanye aya kubaFarisi bayabatshela lokho okwakwenziwe nguJesu. 47 Abaphristi abakhulu labaFarisi basebebiza umhlangano weSanihedrini. Babuzana bathi, “Kanti sivele senzani? Nangu phela umuntu

lo esenza imimangaliso eminengi. 48
 Singamyekela aqhubeke ngalindlela, wonke umuntu uzakholwa kuye njalo amaRoma azakuza athathe indawo yethu lesizwe sethu.” 49 Kwasekusithi omunye wabo owayethiwa nguKhayifasi, owayengumphristi omkhulu ngalowomnyaka, wakhuluma wathi, “Kalazi lutho! 50 Kalikuboni lina ukuthi kungcono ukuba umuntu oyedwa afele abantu kulokuthi kubhubhe isizwe sonke.” 51 Lokhu kazikhulumelanga yena ngokwakhe, kodwa njengomphristi omkhulu kwabanye ngalowomnyaka waphrofitha ukuthi uJesu wayezafela isizwe samaJuda, 52 kungasisizwe leso sodwa, kodwa labantwana bakaNkulunkulu abahlakazekileyo ukuze balethwe ndawonye, benziwe babemunye. 53 Kusukela ngalesosikhathi bakha amacebo okumbulala. 54 Ngakho uJesu wayengasahambahambi obala phakathi kwamaJuda. Wasuka lapho waya emangweni owawuseduze kwenkangala, emzini owawuthiwa yi-Efrayimu, lapho ahlala khona labafundi bakhe. 55 Kwathi sekuzakuba yisikhathi sePhasika lamaJuda, abanengi baqubuka elizweni baya eJerusalema ukuyahlanjululwa ngokomkhuba kungakabi yiPhasika. 56 Babelokhu bethalaza befuna uJesu, kwathi bemi egumeni lethempeli babuzana bathi, “Licabangani? Ukuthi angaphutha yini emkhosini?” 57 Kodwa abaphristi abakhulu labaFarisi basebelayeke ukuthi nxa ekhona owayekwazi ukuthi uJesu wayengaphi, ahle abike ukuze bambophe.

12 Kwasekusele insuku eziyisithupha ukuthi kufike iPhasika, uJesu waya eBethethani, lapho okwakhulala khona uLazaro owayevuswe kwabafuleyo nguJesu. 2 Kwaphakwa ukudla kwakusihlwa kuhlonitshwa yena uJesu. UMatha nguye owayedidizela, uLazaro ehlezi labanye etafuleni loJesu. 3 UMariya wasethatha amafutha enadi acengekileyo njalo adulayo kakhulu, ayengaba yingxeny yelitha, wawathela ezinyaweni zikaJesu wasezesula ngenwele zakhe. Indlu yagcwala ngephunga elimnandi lamakha lawo. 4 Kodwa omunye wabafundi bakhe, uJudasi Iskariyothi

owayezamnikela wasola wathi, 5 “Kungani amakha la engathengiswanga imali yaphiwa abampofu? Intengo yawo ibinganela umholo womnyaka wonke.” 6 Kakutshongo lokhu ngoba ebanakekela abampofu, kodwa ngoba elisela; njengomgcinisikhwama wayandise ukuzisiza ngalokho okwakufakwa phakathi kwaso. 7 UJesu waphendula wathi, “Myekele. Kwakuqondwe ukuthi amakha la awabekele usuku lokungcwatshwa kwami. 8 Lizahlala lilabo abampofu phakathi kwenu kodwa mina kaliyikuhlala lilami.” 9 Ngalesosikhathi ixuku elikhulu lamajuda lezwa ukuthi uJesu wayelapho, leza lingalandanga yena kuphela kodwa lokuthi libone uLazaro ayemvuse kwabafileyo. 10 Ngakho abaphristi abakhulu benza amacebo okuba bambulale laye uLazaro, 11 ngoba ngenxa yakhe amaJuda amanengi ayesiya kuJesu ebeka ukholo lwawo kuye. 12 Ngosuku olulandelayo ixuku elikhulu elalize emkhosini lezwa ukuthi uJesu wayesendleleni esiza eJerusalem. 13 Lathatha amagatsha elala laphuma ukuyamhlangabeza, limemeza lisithi, “Hosana!” “Ubusisiwe lowo obuya ngebizo likaThixo!” “Ubusisiwe oyiNkosi ka-Israyeli!” 14 UJesu wathola inkonyane kababhemi wayigada njengoba kulotshiwe ukuthi: 15 “Ungesabi, Oh Ndodakazi yeZiyoni; khangela, inkosi yakho iyeza, ihlezi phezu kwenkonyane kababhemi.” 16 Kuqala abafundi bakhe kabakuzwisanga konke lokhu. Kwaze kwaba ngemva kokuba uJesu esekhazimulisiwe lapho abananzelela khona ukuba izinto lezi zazilotshwe ngaye lokuthi babezenzile kuye lezozinto. 17 Ngalesosikhathi ixuku elalilaye mhla ebiza uLazaro ethuneni wabuye wamvusa ekufeni laqhubeka lilifakaza ilizwi. 18 Abantu abanengi bahamba ukuyamhlangabeza ngoba basebezile ukuthi wayewenzile umangaliso lo. 19 AbaFarisi bakhulumisana besithi, “Liyabona, into le izasitshiya esikhaleni. Khangelani ukuthi umhlaba wonke usuthe zalezale kuye!” 20 Kwakukhona amaGrikhi phakathi kwalabo abayakhonza emkhosini. 21 Beza kuFiliphu owayevela eBhethisayida eGalile lesicelo esithi, “Nkosi, sifuna ukubona uJesu.” 22 UFiliphu wayatshela u-Andreya; u-

Andreya loFiliphu basebemtshela uJesu. 23 UJesu waphendula wathi, “Sesifikile isikhathi sokuba iNdodana yoMuntu ikhazimuliswe. 24 Ngilitshela iqiniso ukuthi ngaphandle kokuthi uhlamvu lwengqoloyi luwele emhlabathini lufe, lusala lulokhu luluhlamvu olulodwa. Kodwa lungaze lufe luthela inhlamvu ezinengi. 25 Umuntu othanda impilo yakhe izamlahlekela ikanti umuntu ozonda impilo yakhe kulo umhlaba uzayilondolozela ingunaphakade. (aiōnios g166) 26 Lowo ongikhonzayo kumele angilande, lalapho engikhona lesikhonzi sami sikhona. UBaba uzamdumisa lowo ongikhonzayo. 27 Khathezi inhliziyo yami ikhathazekile. Kambe ngingatsho na ngithi, ‘Baba, ngihlenga singafiki lesosikhathi?’ Hatshi, kwakungenxa yalesisizatho ukuze ngingene kulesisikhathi. 28 Baba, khazimulisa ibizo lakho!” Kwasekufika ilizwi livela ezulwini lisithi, “Sengilikhazimulisile, ngizaphinda ngilikhazimulise.” 29 Ixuku labantu elalilapho elalizwayo ilizwi lathi kube lomdumo wezulu; abanye bathi ingilosi yayikhulume laye. 30 UJesu wathi, “Ilizwi leli belingelokusiza lina, hayi mina. 31 Manje sekuyisikhathi sokwahlulela kulo umhlaba; manje inkosi yalo umhlaba isizaxotshwa. 32 Kodwa mina nxa sengiphakanyisiwe ngisuswa emhlabeni, ngizabadonsela kimi bonke abantu.” 33 Wakutsho lokhu eveza ukuthi wayezakufa ukufa okunjani. 34 Ixuku labhoboka lathi, “Sezwa eMthethweni ukuthi uKhristu uzahlala kokuphela, pho ukutsho kanjani ukuthi, ‘iNdodana yoMuntu imele iphakanyiswe na?’ Ingubani yona ‘iNdodana yoMuntu’ le?” (aiōn g165) 35 UJesu wabatshela wathi, “Lizakuba lakho ukukhanya okwesikhatshana esithile. Hambani liseselakho ukukhanya, ubumnyama bungakaligubuzeli. Umuntu ophumputha emnyameni kakwazi lapho aya khona. 36 Bekani ithemba lenu ekukhanyeni liseselakho ukuze libe ngamadodana okukhanya.” Wathi eseqedile ukukhuluma uJesu wasuka kubo wayazifihla. 37 Lanxa uJesu wayeseyenze yonke imimangaliso le emehlweni abo babelokhu bengakholwa kuye. 38 Lokhu kwakugcwalisa ilizwi lika-Isaya umphrofethi elithi: “Nkosi,

ngubani olikholiweyo ilizwi lethu na, njalo amandla eNkosi ambulelwe ubani na?” 39 Ngalesisizatho babengeke bakholwa ngoba u-Isaya uyatsho komunye umbhalo ukuthi: 40 “Uwafiphazile amehlo abo wathundubeza inhliziyi zabo ukuze bangaboni ngamehlo abo njalo bangezwisisi ngenhliziyi zabo, loba baphenduke, ukuze ngibasilise.” 41 U-Isaya wakatsho lokhu ngoba wayibona inkazimulo kaJesu njalo wayekhuluma ngaye. 42 Kodwa loba kunjalo, abanengi labanye abakhokheli bakholwa kuye. Kodwa ngenxa yabaFarisi kabalufakazanga ukholo lwabo besesaba ukuthi bazaxotshwa esinagogweni; 43 ngoba babethanda ukubukwa ngabantu okwedlula ukubukwa okuvela kuNkulunkulu. 44 UJesu wasememeza wathi, “Nxá umuntu ekholwa kimi, kakholwa kimi kuphela kodwa kuye lowo ongithumileyo. 45 Nxá ekhangela mina ubona yena lowo ongithumileyo. 46 Ngibuyé emhlabeni ngiyikukhanya ukuze angabikhona okholwa kimi ozahlala ebunyameni. 47 Nxá umuntu ewezwa amazwi ami kodwa angawagcini, angimahluleli mina. Phela kangilandanga ukuzowahlulela umhlaba kodwa ukuzowusindisa. 48 Ukhona umahluleli walowo ongalayo, ongawemukeliyo amazwi ami; lawomazwi engawakhulumayo uqobo azamlahla ngosuku lokucina. 49 Ngoba kangizikhulumelanga ngokwentando yami kodwa uBaba owangithumayo wangilaya ukuthi ngithini lokuthi ngikutsho kanjani. 50 Ngiyazi ukuthi umlayo wakhe uholela ekuphileni kwaphakade. Ngakho loba kuyini engikutshoyo yikho lokho uBaba angitshole khona ukuthi ngikutsho.” (aiōnios g166)

13 Kwakuyisikhathi lapho uMkhosi wePhasika ususondele. UJesu wayekwazi ukuthi isikhathi sokuthi asuke kulumhlaba aye kuYise sasesisondele. Wayehlezi ebathanda abakhe abasemhlabeni, lesi kwasekuyisikhathi sokubatshengisa ukujula kothando lwakhe. 2 Kwathi kudliwa ukudla kwakusihlwa, uSathane wayevele esemtshutshisile uJudasi Iskariyothi, indodana kaSimoni, ukuthi anikele uJesu. 3 UJesu wayekwazi ukuthi uYise

wayenikele zonke izinto emandleni akhe, lokuthi yena wayevela kuNkulunkulu njalo wayebuyela kuNkulunkulu, 4 ngakho wasukuma ekudleni, wakhulula isembatho saphezulu, wabophela ithawulo ekhalweni lwakhe. 5 Ngemva kwalokho, wathela amanzi enditshini waseqalisa ukugezisa inyawo zabafundi bakhe, wazesula ngethawulo leyo ayezibophe ngayo. 6 Wafika kuSimoni Phethro owathi kuye, “Nkosi, kambe wena nguwe ongagezisa inyawo zami na?” 7 UJesu waphendula wathi, “Kawukuzwisisi lokhu engikwenzayo khathesi kodwa uzakuzwisisa ngesikhathi esizayo.” 8 UPhethro wathi, “Hatshi, kawusoze lanini ugezise inyawo zami.” UJesu waphendula wathi, “Nxá ngingakugezisi kawulabudlelwano lami.” (aiōn g165) 9 UPhethro waphendula wathi, “Nkosi, nxá kunjalo, kakungabi zinyawo zami zodwa kodwa lezandla zami kanye lekhandla lami!” 10 UJesu waphendula wathi, “Lowo ogeze umzimba udinga ukugeza inyawo zakhe kuphela, ngoba umzimba wakhe wonke uhlanzekile. Njalo lina lihlanzekile loba nje kungayisini lonke elihlanzekileyo.” 11 Ngoba wayemazi lowo owayezamnikela, yikho wathi kakusibo bonke ababehlanzekile. 12 Eseqedile ukubagezisa inyawo, wagqoka isembatho saphezulu wasebuyela endaweni yakhe. Wababuza wathi, “Liyakuzwisisa na esengilenzele khona? 13 Lingibiza lithi ‘Mfundisi’ lokuthi ‘Nkosi,’ lisitsho liqondile, ngoba ngiyikho lokho. 14 Manje-ke njengoba mina, iNkosi yenu loMfundisi, sengigezise inyawo zenu, lani kumele ligezisane inyawo. 15 Sengilenzele isibonelo ukuthi lenze njengoba ngilenzele mina. 16 Ngempela ngiqinisile ngithi kini kakulanceku enkulu kulenkosi yayo, njalo isithunywa kasisikhulu kulalowo osithumileyo. 17 Lingaze lizazi lezizinto lizabusiwa nxá lizenza.” 18 “Kangikhulumi ngani lonke; ngiyabazi labo esengibakhethile. Kodwa lokhu kuyikugcwalisa umbhalo othi: ‘Lowo obesidla lami isinkwa usengihlamukele.’ 19 Ngilazisa khathesi kungakenzakali, ukwenzela ukuthi lapho sekusenzakala, likholwe ukuthi ngiNguye. 20 Ngilitshela iqiniso ukuthi lowo owamukela loba ngubani engimthumayo

wamukela mina njalo lowo owamukela mina wamukela lowo ongithumileyo.” 21 UJesu esatsho lokhu wakhathazeka kakhulu wafakaza wathi, “Ngilitshela iqiniso ukuthi omunye wenu uzanginikela.” 22 Abafundi bakhe bakhangelana bedidekile ukuthi kambe angabe esitsho wuphi kubo. 23 Omunye wabo owayethandwa nguJesu wayeyeme etafuleni eduzane laye. 24 USimoni Phethro wasemqhweba lowomfundi wathi kuye, “Mbuze ukuthi utsho bani.” 25 Waseseyama kuJesu wambuza wathi, “Nkosi, ngubani?” 26 UJesu waphendula wathi, “Kungulowo engizamupha ucezu lwesinkwa nxa sengisitshebile emganwini.” Kwathi esesitshebile isinkwa wasiqhubela uJudasi Iskariyothi, indodana kaSimoni. 27 Wonela ukusithatha isinkwa uJudasi uSathane wasengena kuye. UJesu wathi kuye, “Lokho osufuna ukukwenza, kwenze masinyane.” 28 Kodwa kakho etafuleni owazwisayo ukuthi kungani uJesu watsho njalo kuye. 29 Ngenxa yokuthi uJudasi nguye owayephatha imali, abanye bacabanga ukuthi uJesu wayemtshele ukuthi athenge lokho okwakuzafuneka emkhosini kumbe ukuthi anike okuthile kwabampofu. 30 Wonela ukuthi athathe isinkwa waphuma. Kwasekusebusuku. 31 Esehambile uJesu wathi, “Khathesi iNdodana yoMuntu isikhazimulisiwe njalo uNkulunkulu ukhazimulisiwe kuyo. 32 Nxa uNkulunkulu ekhazimulisiwe kuyo, uNkulunkulu laye uzayikhazimulisa iNdodana kuye njalo uzayikhazimulisa masinyane. 33 Bantwabami, ngizakuba lani okwesikhatshana esincane. Lizangidinga kodwa njengoba ngawatshela amaJuda, lani sengilitshela khathesi ukuthi: Lapho engiyakhona, alingeke lifike. 34 Ngilinka umlayo omutsha: Thandanani. Kumele lithandane njengoba lami ngilithandile. 35 Bonke abantu bazakwazi ukuthi lingabafundi bami nxa lithandana.” 36 USimoni Phethro wambuza wathi, “Nkosi, kanti uya ngaphi na?” UJesu waphendula wathi, “Lapho engiyakhona ungazake ungilandele khathesi kodwa uzangilandela ngesikhathi esizayo.” 37 Wabuza uPhethro wathi, “Nkosi, kungani ngingahle ngikulandele khathesi? Ngizanikela ukuphila

kwami kuwe.” 38 UJesu wasemphendula wathi, “Kambe uzinikele ukuphila kwakho ngenxa yami? Ngqiqinisile ngithi uzangiphika kathathu iqhude lingakakhali!”

14 “Inhliziyo zenu kazingakhathazeki. Kholwani kuNkulunkulu; likholwe lakimi. 2 Emzini kaBaba kulezindlu ezinengi; aluba kwakungenjalo ngabe ngalitshela. Nguya khona ukuyalilungisela indawo. 3 Njalo nxa sengiyile ukulilungisela indawo ngizabuya ngizolithatha ukuthi libe lami, ukuze libe lami lapho engikhona. 4 Liyayazi indlela eya lapho engiyakhona.” 5 UThomasi wathi kuye, “Nkosi, kasikwazi lapho oya khona, pho singayazi kanjani indlela na?” 6 UJesu waphendula wathi, “Mina ngiyiyo indlela njalo ngilinqiniso lokuphila. Kakho oza kuBaba ngaphandle kwami. 7 Aluba belingazi ngempela, belizamazi loBaba. Kusukela khathesi, selimazi njalo selimbonile.” 8 UFiliphu wathi, “Nkosi, sitshengise uBaba ngoba yikho lokho okuzasanelisa.” 9 UJesu waphendula wathi, “Lokhe ungangazi na Filiphu, emva kwesikhathi eside kangaka ngilani? Lowo ongibonileyo usembonile uBaba. Ungatsho kanjani ukuthi, ‘Sitshengise uBaba?’ 10 Kawukholwa yini ukuthi ngikuBaba lokuthi uBaba ukimi? Amazwi engiwakhulumayo kini akusiwami. Kodwa nguBaba ophila kimi owenzayo umsebenzi wakhe. 11 Kholwani kimi nxa ngisithi ngikuBaba loBaba ukimi; loba ukukholwa ubufakazi bemimangaliso ngokwayo nje zwi. 12 Ngqiqinisile ukuthi lowo okholwa kimi uzakwenza lokho ebengikwenza. Uzakwenza izinto ezinkulu kulalezi ngoba ngiya kuBaba. 13 Njalo ngizakwenza noma yini eliyicelayo ngebizo lami ukuze iNdodana ilethe inkazimulo kuBaba. 14 Lingacela noma yini ngebizo lami, ngizakwenza.” 15 “Nxa lingithanda, gcinani imilayo yami. 16 Ngizacela kuBaba ukuthi alinike omunye umeli ukuthi alisize abe lani kuze kube laphakade, (aiōn g165) 17 uMoya weqiniso. Ilizwe ngeke limamukele ngoba kalimboni njalo kalimazi. Kodwa lina liyamazi ngoba uhlala lani njalo uzakuba lani. 18 Kangisoze ngilitshiye lizintandane,

ngizabuya kini. **19** Kakusekhatshana ukuthi umhlaba ungabe usangibona njalo kodwa lina lizangibona. Ngenxa yokuthi ngiyaphila, lani lizaphila futhi. **20** Ngalolosuku lizakunanzelela ukuthi ngikuBaba, lina likimi, lami ngikini. **21** Lowo olayo imilayo yami, ayigcine, nguye ongithandayo. Lowo ongithandayo uzathandwa nguBaba njalo lami ngizamthanda ngziveze kuye.” **22** Ngakho uJudasi (hatshi uJudasi Iskariyothi) wathi, “Kodwa Nkosi, kungani ujonge ukuziveza kithi, hatshi emhlabeni na?” **23** UJesu waphendula wathi, “Lowo ongithandayo uzalalela imfundiso yami. UBaba uzamthanda njalo sizakuza kuye sakhe umuzi wethu kanye laye. **24** Lowo ongangithandiyo kayikulalela imfundiso yami. Amazwi la eliwezwayo kayisiwo wami, ngakaBaba ongithumileyo. **25** Konke lokhu ngikukhulume ngiseselani. **26** Kodwa uMeli, uMoya ONgcwele, uBaba azamthumela ebizweni lami, uzalifundisa zonke izinto njalo uzalikhumbuza konke engikukhulume kini. **27** Ukuthula ngikutshiya kini; ukuthula kwami ngililika khona. Kangiliniki njengokunika komhlaba. Lingakhathazeki ezinhliziyweni zenu njalo lingesabi. **28** Langizwa ngisithi, ‘Ngiyahamba njalo ngizabuya kini.’ Kube belingithanda, ngabe liyathokoza ukuthi ngiya kuBaba, ngoba uBaba mkhulu kulami. **29** Sengilitshelele manje kungakenzakali ukuze kuthi nxa sekusenzakala likholwe. **30** Kangisayikukhuluma okunengi kini ngoba inkosi yalo umhlaba isisiza. Kayilamandla phezu kwami, **31** kodwa umhlaba umele wazi ukuthi ngiyamthanda uBaba lokuthi ngenza khona kanye uBaba angilaye khona. Wozani manje; kasisukeni lapha.”

15 “Mina ngilivini eliqotho, uBaba ungumlimi. **2** Zonke ingatsha ezingatheli izithelo uyaziquma, kuthi zonke ingatsha ezithelayo uyazithena kuhle ukuze zithele kakhulu. **3** Lina selihlambulukile ngenxa yelizwi esengilikhulume kini. **4** Hlalani kimi, lami ngizahlala kini. Kalukho ugatsha olungathela izithelo ngokwalo kodwa kumele luhlale lusevinini. Lani lingeke lithele izithelo ngaphandle kokuthi lihlale kimi. **5** Mina

ngilivini; lina lizingatsha. Nxa umuntu ehlala kimi lami kuye, uzathela izithelo ezinengi; ngaphandle kwami kakukho elingakwenza. **6** Nxa lingahlali kimi, lizabe lifana logatsha olulahlileyo lwabuna; ingatsha ezinjalo ziyathezwa, zibaswe besezisitsha. **7** Nxa lihlala kimi lamazwi ami ehlala kini, celani loba yini eliyifunayo, lizayiphiwa. **8** Lokhu kungokwenkazimulo kaBaba ukuze lithele izithelo ezinengi, lizitshengisa ukuthi lingabafundi bami. **9** Njengoba uBaba engithanda, lami ngilithande ngendlela angithanda ngayo. Ngakho-ke, hlalani ethandweni lwami. **10** Nxa ligcina imilayo yami, lizahlala lisethandweni lwami, njengoba lami ngilalele imilayo kaBaba ngihlala ngisethandweni lwakhe. **11** Ngilitshele lokhu ukuze ukuthokoza kwami kube kini lokuthi ukuthokoza kwenu kuphelele. **12** Umlayo wami yilo: Thandanani njengoba ngilithandle lani. **13** Kakho olothando olukhulu kulonikela ukuphila kwakhe ngenxa yabangane bakhe. **14** Lingabangane bami nxa lisenza lokho engililaya khona. **15** Kangisalibizi ngokuthi liyizincedu ngoba inceku kayiwazisisi umsebenzi wenkosi yayo. Kodwa ngithe kini lingabangane ngoba konke engakufunda kuBaba ngilazisile. **16** Kalingikhethanga, kodwa yimi engalikhethayo, ngalibeka ukuze liyethela izithelo, izithelo ezizahlala isikhathi eside ukuze kuthi konke elikucela ngebizo lami uBaba alinike khona. **17** Nanku umlayo wami: Thandanani.” **18** “Nxa umhlaba ulizonda, khumbulani ukuthi wangizonda kuqala. **19** Ngabe belingabomhlaba, ubuzalithanda njengabantu bawo. Njengoba kunje, kalisibo abomhlaba, kodwa ngiliketthe lisemhlabeni. Yikho umhlaba ulizonda. **20** Khumbulani amazwi engawakhuluma kini ngisithi: ‘Kakulancedu enkulu kuleNkosi yayo.’ Nxa bangihlukuluza, lani bazalihlukuluza. Nxa balalela imfundiso yami, bazayilalela leyenu. **21** Bazaliphatha ngaleyondlela ngenxa yebizo lami, ngoba kabamazi lowo ongithumileyo. **22** Aluba bengingezanga ngakhuluma kubo bebengayikuba lomlandu wesono. Kodwa manje kabaselaxolo ngesono sabo. **23** Lowo ozonda mina uzonda

loBaba. **24** Aluba angenzanga umangaliso ongenziwanga ngomunye wabo phakathi kwabo, babengayikuba lomlandu wesono. Kodwa khathesi sebeyibonile imimangaliso le, kodwa baphinde bangizonde mina kanye loBaba. **25** Kodwa lokhu kwenzeka ukuze kugcwalise okulotshiwewo eMthethweni wabo ukuthi: ‘Bangizonda kungelasizatho.’ **26** “Angaze afike uMeli engizamthumela kini evela kuBaba, uMoya weqiniso ophuma kuBaba, uzafakaza ngami; **27** lani kumele lifakaze, ngoba laba lami kusukela ekuqaleni.”

16 “Ngilitshela konke lokhu ukuze ukholo lwenu lunganyikinyeki. **2** Bazalixotsha esinagogweni; ngempela siyeza isikhathi lapho abazalibulala khona bezitshela ukuthi benzela uNkulunkulu into enhle. **3** Bazakwenza lokhu ngoba kabamazanga uBaba loba mina. **4** Ngilitshela lokhu ukuze kuthi isikhathi lesi sifika likhumbule ukuthi ngalixwayisa ngaso. Kangilitshelanga lokhu ekuqaleni ngoba ngangilani.” **5** “Kodwa khathesi sengisiya kuye ongithumileyo. Kakho kini ongibuzayo ukuthi, ‘Uya ngaphi na?’ **6** Kodwa ngenxa yokuba sengizitshilo lezizinto, selihlulukelwe. **7** Ngilitshela iqiniso ngithi: Kulungele lina ukuba ngihambe. Ngaphandle kokuthi ngihambe, uMeli akayikuza kini; kodwa nxa ngihamba, ngizamthuma kini. **8** Lapho efika uzatshengisa umhlaba ukuthi ulahlekile ngesono, ngokulunga langokwahlulelwa: **9** ngokwesono, ngoba abantu kabakholwa kimi; **10** ngokulunga, ngoba ngiya kuBaba, lapho elingasayi kungibona khona njalo; **11** langokwahlulelwa, ngoba umbusi walo umhlaba usemiselwe ukulahlwa. **12** Kusasekunengi engingakutsho kini, kodwa kungalisinda. **13** Kodwa yena uMoya weqiniso nxa esefikile uzalikhokhelela kulolonke iqiniso. Kazukuzikhulumela yena; uzakhuluma lokho akuzwayo kuphela, njalo uzalitshela lokho okusazobuya. **14** Uzalettha inkazimulo kini ngokuthatha kulokho okungokwami akwenze kwazakale kini. **15** Konke okungokukaBaba ngokwami. Yikho ngithe uMoya uzathatha kokungokwami akwenze kwazakale kini.” **16** UJesu waqhubeka esithi, “Ngesikhatshana aliyi

kungibona, kodwa ngemva kwesikhatshana lizangibona.” **17** Abanye babafundi bakhe bakhulumisana bathi, “Utshoni ngokuthi, ‘Ngemva kwesikhatshana kalisayikungibona,’ njalo athi, ‘Kuthi ngemva kwesikhatshana lizangibona njalo, Ngoba ngiya kuBaba’ na?” **18** Babelokhu bebuza besithi, “Utshoni nxa esithi ‘isikhatshana’? Kasikuzwisisi lokho akutshoyo.” **19** UJesu wabona ukuthi babefuna ukumbuza ngalokhu, wasesithi kubo, “Liyabuzana ukuthi bengisitshoni ngize ngithi, ‘Ngemva kwesikhatshana kalisayikungibona’? **20** Ngilitshela iqiniso ukuthi lizakhala lilile kodwa umhlaba wona uthokoza. Lizakuba losizi, kodwa usizi lwenu luzakuba yintokozo. **21** Owesifazane nxa ebeletha uzwa ubuhlungu ngoba isikhathi sakhe sesifikile; kodwa nxa umntwana esezelwe uyabukhohlwa ubuhlungu lobo ngenxa yentokozo yokuthi sekuzelwe umntwana emhlabeni. **22** Kunjalo lakini: Manje yisikhathi senu sosizi, kodwa ngizaphinda ngilibone beselithokoza, njalo kakho ozaphinda alemuke intokozo yenu. **23** Ngalolosuku kaliyi kungibuza lutho. Ngqiqinisele ngithi kini, uBaba wami uzalinika loba yini eliyicela ngebizo lami. **24** Kuze kube manje kalikaceli lutho ngebizo lami. Celani, lizakwamukeliswa, ukuze ukuthokoza kwenu kuphelele. **25** Lanxa bengikhuluma ngemizekeliso, siyeza isikhathi lapho ngingasayikukhuluma ngaleyondlela, kodwa engizalitshela khona kamhlophe ngoBaba. **26** Ngalelolanga lizacela ngebizo lami. Kangitsho ukuthi ngizalicelela kuBaba. **27** Hatshi, uBaba yena ngokwakhe uyalithanda ngoba lingithandile, lakukholwa ukuthi ngavela kuNkulunkulu. **28** Ngavela kuBaba ngangena emhlabeni; okwamanje sengiwutshiya umhlaba sengibuyela kuBaba.” **29** Abafundi bakaJesu basebesithi, “Khathesi usukhuluma kamhlophe ungasazekelisi. **30** Khathesi sesibona ukuthi uyazazi izinto zonke lokuthi kakudingeki ukuthi ubuzwe imibuzo. Lokhu kwenza ukuthi sikholwe ukuba wavela kuNkulunkulu.” **31** UJesu waphendula wathi, “Khathesi selikholwa na? **32** Kodwa siyeza isikhathi, sesifikile, lapho elizachitheka khona, ngulowo aye ngakibo. Lizangitshiya ngedwa lonke. Ikanti

kangingedwa ngoba uBaba ulami. **33** Ngilitshele izinto lezi ukuze libe lokuthula kimi. Kulumhlaba lizahlupheka. Kodwa wobani lesibindi! Sengiwunqobile umhlaba.”

17 UJesu esekutshilo lokhu, wakhangela ezulwini wakhuleka wathi: “Baba, isikhathi sesifikile. Khazimulisa iNdodana yakho, ukuze iNdodana yakho ikukhazimulise. **2** Ngoba wayinika amandla phezu kwabantu bonke ukuthi ibaphe ukuphila okungapheliyo kubo bonke labo obanike yona. (aiōnios g166) **3** Manje-ke yilokhu ukuphila okungapheliyo: ukuthi bakwazi wena, onguwe wedwa uNkulunkulu weqiniso, loJesu Khristu omthumileyo. (aiōnios g166) **4** Sengikulethele inkazimulo emhlabeni ngokuphelelisa umsebenzi owanginika wona ukuthi ngiwenze. **5** Manje, Baba, akungikhazimulise phambi kwakho ngaleyonkazimulo esasilayo sobabili umhlaba ungakabi khona.” **6** “Ngikuvezile kulabo owangipha bona emhlabeni. Babengabakho; wangipha bona njalo labo balilalele ilizwi lakho. **7** Khathezi sebesazi ukuthi konke lokho onginike khona kuvela kuwe. **8** Ngoba ngabanika amazwi owanginika wona bawemukela. Bakwazi ngeqiniso ukuthi ngavela kuwe njalo bakholwa ukuthi ungithumile. **9** Ngikhulekela bona. Kangikhulekeli umhlaba kodwa labo onginike bona ngoba bangabakho. **10** Konke engilakho ngokwakho, lakho konke olakho ngokwami. Lenkazimulo isikimi ngabo. **11** Kangisayikuhlala emhlabeni kusukela khathesi ngoba sengisiza kuwe, kodwa bona balokhu besemhlabeni. Baba Ongcwele, bavikele ngamandla ebizo lakho, ibizo owanginika lona ukuze babemunye njengalokhu thina simunye. **12** Ngesikhathi ngiphakathi kwabo ngabavikela, ngabagcina bephephile ngalelobizo owanginika lona. Kakulahlekanga loyedwa ngaphandle koyedwa owayefanele ukubhubha ukuze kugcwaliseke uMbhalo. **13** Sengisiza kuwe manje, kodwa ngiyazitsho lezizinto ngisesemhlabeni ukuze babe lentokozi yami ngokugcwelelyo ngaphakathi kwabo. **14** Ngibaphile ilizwi lakho ngakho umhlaba usubazonda ngoba bengaseyibo bomhlaba njengoba lami ngingasuye womhlaba. **15**

Umkhuleko wami kawusi wokuthi ubasuse emhlabeni, kodwa ukuthi ubavikele komubi. **16** Kabasibo bomhlaba, njengoba lami ngingasiwawo. **17** Bangcwelise ngalo iqiniso; ilizwi lakho liliqiniso. **18** Njengalokhu wangithuma emhlabeni, lami ngibathumile emhlabeni. **19** Ngenxa yabo ngiyazingcwelisa ukuze labo bangcweliswe ngobuqotho.” **20** “Umkhuleko wami kawusiwabo bodwa. Ngikhulekela njalo labo abazakholwa kimi ngenxa yobufakazi babo, **21** ukuthi bonke babemunye Baba njengoba wena ukimi lami ngikuwe. Sengathi labo bangaba kithi ukuze umhlaba ukholwe ukuthi ungithumile. **22** Ngibaphile inkazimulo owangipha yona ukuze babemunye njengalokhu thina simunye: **23** mina ngibe kubo lawe ukimi. Sengathi bangaba lokumanyana okupheleleyo ukutshengisa umhlaba ukuthi ungithumile njalo ubathandle njengalokhu ungithandle lami. **24** Baba, ngifuna ukuthi labo ongiphe bona babe lami lapho engikhona njalo bayibone inkazimulo yami, inkazimulo onginike yona ngoba wangithanda umhlaba ungakadalwa. **25** Baba olungileyo, loba umhlaba ungakwazi, mina ngiyakwazi, njalo bayakwazi ukuthi ungithumile. **26** Ngikuvezile wena kubo njalo ngizaqhubeka ukwenza ukuthi waziwe ukuze kuthi uthando olalo kimi lube ngolwabo njalo lokuthi mina ngokwami ngibe kubo.”

18 Wathi eseqedile ukukhuleka, uJesu wasuka kanye labafundi bakhe bakhuphuka iSigodi seKhidroni. Ngaphetsheya kwakulensimu yama-Oliva lapho angena khona labafundi bakhe. **2** UJudasi owamnikelayo wayeyazi leyondawo ngoba uJesu wayehlezi esiyahlangana khona labafundi bakhe. **3** Ngakho uJudasi weza ensimini leyo, ehola ixuku lamanxusa kanye lezinye izikhulu ezazivela kubaphristi abakhulu labaFarisi. Babephethe izibane lezikhali. **4** UJesu esazi konke okwakuzakwenzakala kuye waya phambili wababuza wathi, “Lifuna bani na?” **5** Baphendula bathi, “uJesu waseNazaretha.” UJesu wathi, “Nginguye.” (UJudasi, umthengisi wayemi khonapho labo.) **6** UJesu esethe, “Nginguye,”

batsheda bawela phansi. 7 Wababuza njalo indlela yokuphendula umphristi omkhulu wathi, “Lifuna bani na?” Bathi, “UJesu leyo na?” 23 UJesu waphendula wathi, “Nxa waseNazaretha.” 8 UJesu waphendula wathi, ngikhulume okungafanelanga kutsho. Kodwa “Ngilitshelile ngathi nginguye. Nxa lidinga nxa ngikhulume iqiniso, ungitshayelani mina, yekelani amadoda la azihambe.” 9 Lokhu na?” 24 U-Anasi wasemedlulisela kuKhayifasi kwenzakala ukuze amazwi awakhulumayo athi: umphristi omkhulu elokhu ebotsiwe. 25 “Kangilahlekelwanga lamunye walabo ongiphe USimoni Phethro wayelokhu emi esotha umlilo, bona agcwaliseke.” 10 Kwasekusithi uSimoni abanye bambuza bathi, “Kakusiqiniso yini Phethro owayelenkema, wayikhokha wagalela ukuthi ungomunye wabafundi bakhe na?” inceku yomphristi omkhulu, wayiquma indlebe Waphika wathi, “Kangisuye.” 26 Omunye yayo yakwesokunene. (Ibizo lenceku leyo wezincedu zomphristi omkhulu, owayeyisihlobo lalinguMalikhusi.) 11 UJesu wamkhalimela sendoda eyaqunywa indlebe nguPhethro uPhethro wathi, “Beka khatshana inkemba yamqonda yathi, “Kangikubonanga yini ulaye yakho! Ngingayinathi inkezo uBaba asengiphe esivandeni sama-oliva na?” 27 UPhethro yona na?” 12 Kwasekusithi iqembu lamanxusa waphika njalo, khonokho nje iqhude lakhala. 28 AmaJuda asemthatha uJesu kuKhayifasi bambamba uJesu. Bambopha, 13 bamusa ku- amusa esigodlweni sombusi ongumRoma. Anasi kuqala owayenguyisezala kaKhayifasi Khonapho kwasekusempondozankomo njalo owayengumphristi omkhulu ngalowomnyaka. 14 ukuze angazingcolisi ngokwenkonzo yawo amaJuda kawangenanga esigodlweni; ayefuna ukuthi akulungele ukudla iPhasika. 29 UKhayifasi nguye owayecebise amaJuda ukuthi Ngakho uPhilathu waphuma weza kuwo kwakuzaba kuhle ukuthi indoda eyodwa ifele wawabuza wathi, “Limbeka cala bani lumuntu abantu. 15 USimoni Phethro lomunye umfundi na?” 30 Apendula athi, “Kube ubengesiso babemlandela uJesu. Kwathi ngoba lowomfundi isikliwi besingasozwe simlethe kuwe.” 31 wayesaziwa ngumphristi omkhulu wangena UPhilathu wathi, “Mthatheni lina limahlulele loJesu egumeni lomphristi omkhulu, 16 kodwa ngokomthetho wenu.” AmaJuda atshinga uPhethro yena walinda ngaphandle komnyango. athi, “Phela thina kasilawo amandla okuquma Lowomfundi owayesaziwa ngumphristi umuntu.” 32 Lokhu kwenzakala ukuze amazwi omkhulu wabuya wakhuluma lentombazana uJesu ayewakhulumile ngendlela ayezakufa eyayilindle khonapho, wasengenisa uPhethro. ngayo agcwaliseke. 33 UPhilathu wasengena uPhethro yathi, “Konje wena lawe ungomunye njalo esigodlweni, wabiza uJesu wambuza wabafundi bendoda le?” Waphendula wathi, wathi, “Wena uyinkosi yamaJuda na?” 34 “Kangisuye.” 18 Kwakuqanda, ngakho izinceku UJesu waphendula wathi, “Lowo ngumcabango lezikhulu zazimi zisotha umlilo ezaziwubasile. wakho yini kumbe kulabanye abake bakhuluma UPhethro laye wayemi lazo esotha umlilo. lawe ngami?” 35 UPhilathu waphendula 19 Ngalesosikhathi umphristi omkhulu waphendula wathi, “Ucabanga ukuthi ngingumJuda wayebuzabuzaba uJesu mayelana labafundi bakhe na? Ngabantu bakini labaphristi abakhulu langemfundiso yakhe. 20 UJesu waphendula abakulethe lapha kimi. Kanti uvele woneni?” wathi, “Ngikhulume obala kuwo umhlaba. 36 UJesu wathi, “Umbuso wami kawusi Kokuphela ngangifundisa emasinagogweni walumhlaba. Aluba kwakunjalo izinceku abuthana khona. Kangikhulumanga lutho zami bezizakulwa ukwenqabela ukuthi ensitha. 21 Libuzelani mina? Buzani ngingabotshwa ngamaJuda. Kodwa hatshi, labo abangizwayo. Ngqiqinisele bayakwazi umbuso wami uvela kwenye indawo.” 37 engakukhulumayo.” 22 UJesu esetshonjalo, UPhilathu wathi, “Ngakho uyinkosi phela?” UJesu waphendula wathi, “Uqondile ukuthi omunye wezikhulu ezaziseduze kwakhe UJesu waphendula wathi, “Uqondile ukuthi wamhlankala ebusweni, wambuza wathi, “Yiyo ngingiyinkosi. Ngeqiniso ngazalelwa lokho njalo

ngalanda khona emhlabeni, ukuzafakaza iqiniso. Bonke abemi eqinisweni bayangilalela.”
38 UPhilathu wabuza wathi, “Yiliphi iqiniso?” Esekutshilo lokhu waphinda waphuma waya kumaJuda wathi, “Angifumani lutho lokumbeka icala.”
39 Kodwa kungumkhuba wenu ukuthi ngilikhululele esinye isibotshwa ngesikhathi sePhasika. Lifuna ukuthi ngilikhululele inkosi yamaJuda na?”
40 Amemeza athi, “Hatshi, hayi lo! Siphe uBharabhasi!” UBharabhasi wayephatheke ekukhokheleni umvukela.

19 UPhilathu wasemthatha uJesus wathi katshaywe ngemvubu. **2** Amabutho eluka umqhele wameva awubeka ekhanda lakhe. Amgqokisa isigqoko esiyibubende **3** aya kuye aphindaphinda ememeza esithi, “Bayethe! Nkosi yamaJuda!”
4 UPhilathu waphinda waphuma wathi kumaJuda, “Khangelani, sengimkhupha ngimlethe kini ngilazisa ukuthi kangifumani sizatho sokumethesa icala.”
5 Kwathi uJesus ephuma egqoke umqhele wameva, egqoke isigqoko esiyibubende, uPhilathu wathi kubo, “Iboneni-ke, nansi indoda!”
6 Abaphristi abakhulu lezikhulu zabo bonela ukumbona bamemeza bathi, “Mbethele! Mbethele!” Kodwa uPhilathu waphendula wathi, “Mthatheni limbethele lina. Mina, kangifumani sizatho sokumethesa icala.”
7 AmaJuda aphikelela athi, “Thina silomthetho, ngakho mayelana lalowomthetho kumele afe ngoba uzithi uyiNdodana kaNkulunkulu.”
8 UPhilathu wathi ekuzwa lokhu wesaba kakhulu, **9** wasebuyela esigodlweni. Wabuza uJesus wathi, “Ungowangaphi wena?” Kodwa uJesus kamphendulanga. **10** UPhilathu wathi, “Kawufuni kukhuluma lami? Awuboni yini ukuthi mina ngilamandla okukukhulula lawokukubethela?”
11 UJesus waphendula wathi, “Kawulawo amandla phezu kwami ongawaphiwanga evela phezu. Ngakho-ke, lowo onginikele kuwe ulecala lesono esikhulu kakhulu.”
12 Kusukela lapho uPhilathu wazama ukukhulula uJesus, kodwa amaJuda aqhubeka ememeza esithi, “Nxa uyekela umuntu lo ahambe, kawulabungane loKhesari. Lowo ozitshaya inkosi uphikisana

loKhesari.” **13** UPhilathu esezwe lokhu, wamletha phandle uJesus, yena wasehlala esihlalweni sakhe sokwahlulela endaweni eyayithiwa yisiGcawu Esigandelwe Ngamatshe (okuthiwa ngesiHebheru yiGabatha). **14** Kwakulusuku lokuLungisela iViki yePhasika, ngeholala lesithupha. UPhilathu wathi kumaJuda, “Nansi inkosi yenu.”
15 Kodwa amemeza athi, “Msuse! Msuse! Mbethele!” UPhilathu wabuza wathi, “Ngibethele inkosi yenu na?” Abaphristi abakhulu bamphendula bathi, “Kasilankosi ngaphandle kukaKhesari.”
16 Ekucineni uPhilathu wamnikela kubo ukuba abethelwe. Ngakho amabutho amthatha uJesus. **17** Wathwala isiphambano, wasuka waya endaweni yoKhakhayi (okuthiwa ngesiHebheru yiGoligotha). **18** Bambethela khona lapho kanye labanye ababili, ngapha langapha kwakhe, uJesus waba phakathi. **19** UPhilathu waloba umbhalo wananyathiselwa esiphambanweni. Wawubhalwe ukuthi: UJesus waseNazaretha, inkosi yamaJuda. **20** AmaJuda amanengi awufunda umbhalo lowo ngoba lapho uJesus ayebethelwe khona kwakuseduze ledolobho, umbhalo lowo wawulotshwe ngesiHebheru, ngesiLathini langesiGrikhi. **21** Abaphristi abakhulu bamaJuda basola kuPhilathu bathi, “Ungalobi uthi ‘Inkosi yamaJuda,’ kodwa umuntu lo wayezibiza ngokuthi uyinkosi yamaJuda.”
22 UPhilathu waphendula wathi, “Esengikulobile, sengikulobile.”
23 Kwathi amabutho esembethele uJesus, athatha izigqoko zakhe azabelana, zaba zingxenyane ezine, zilingene ibutho linye ngalinye, kwasala isigqoko sangaphansi. Sona sasingelamthungo, silukwe sonke kusukela phezu kusiya phansi. **24** Bacebisana bathi, “Kasingasidabuli. Kasikhetheni ngenkatho ukuthi sibe ngesikabani.” Lokhu kwenzakala ukuze kugcwaliseke umbhalo owathi: “Babelana izembatho zami benza inkatho ngezigqoko zami.” Yikho lokhu amabutho akwenzayo. **25** Eduze kwesiphambano sakhe uJesus kwakumi unina, udadewabo kanina, uMariya umkaKlopasi loMariya Magadalini. **26** UJesus wathi ebona unina lapho lomfundi ayemthanda emi lapho eduze, wathi kunina, “Mama,

nansi indodana yakho,” 27 wathi kumfundi, “Nangu unyoko.” Kusukela kulesosikhathi umfundi lowo wamthatha unina wamusa ekhaya lakhe. 28 Ngemva kwalesosikhathi, uJesu esesazi ukuthi konke kwasekuphelele njalo ukuze umbhalo ugcwaliseke, wathi, “Ngomile.” 29 Kwakubekwe imbodlela yewayini yeviniga khonapho, basebegxamuza kuyo uziphobaluxhuma eluthini lwesihlahlakazana sehisophi, baluphakamisela endebeni zikaJesu. 30 Esenathile wathi, “Sekuphelile.” Esetshonjalo wagobisa ikhanda lakhe wafa. 31 Lolo kwakulusuku lokuLungiselela, ngosuku olulandelayo kwakuzakuba liSabatha eliqakathekileyo. Ngenxa yokuthi amaJuda ayengafuni izidumbu zisale eziphambanweni ngeSabatha, acela uPhilathu ukuthi kwepulwe amalunga emilenze lezidumbu zethulwe. 32 Yikho amabutho eza ephula imilenze yendoda yakuqala eyayibethelwe loJesu, aphinda lakweyinye. 33 Kodwa athi efika kuJesu ebona ukuthi wayevele esefile, kawasazephulanga izitho zakhe. 34 Endaweni yalokho elinye ibutho lamciba uJesu ngomkhonto ohlangothini, kwantshaza igazi lamanzi. 35 Umuntu owakubonayo usebulethile ubufakazi, njalo ubufakazi bakhe buliqiniso. Uyazi ukuthi ukhuluma iqiniso njalo ufakazela ukuthi lani libe lokukholwa. 36 Lezizinto zenzakala ukuze kugcwaliseke umbhalo othi: “Kalikho lalinye ithambo lakhe elizakwepulwa,” 37 lomunye umbhalo uthi, “Bazakhangela kulowo abamgwazayo.” 38 Ngemva kwalokho, uJosefa wase-Arimathiya wacela isidumbu sikaJesu kuPhilathu. UJosefa lo wayengumfundi kaJesu kodwa wayekufihla ngoba wayesesaba amaJuda. Esemvumo kaPhilathu weza wasithatha isidumbu. 39 Wayephathiswa nguNikhodimasi, indoda leyana eyayike yeza kuJesu ebusuku. UNikhodimasi weza lamakha emure lenhlaba engaba lesisindo samaphawundi angamatshumi ayisikhombisa lanhlanu. 40 Bobabili bathatha isidumbu sikaJesu basigcoba ngalawomakha njalo basigoqela ngamaqhele elineni. Lokhu kwakungumkhuba wamaJuda wokungcwaba. 41 Endaweni lapho uJesu abethelwa khona kwakulesivande, esivandeni kulethuna elitsha

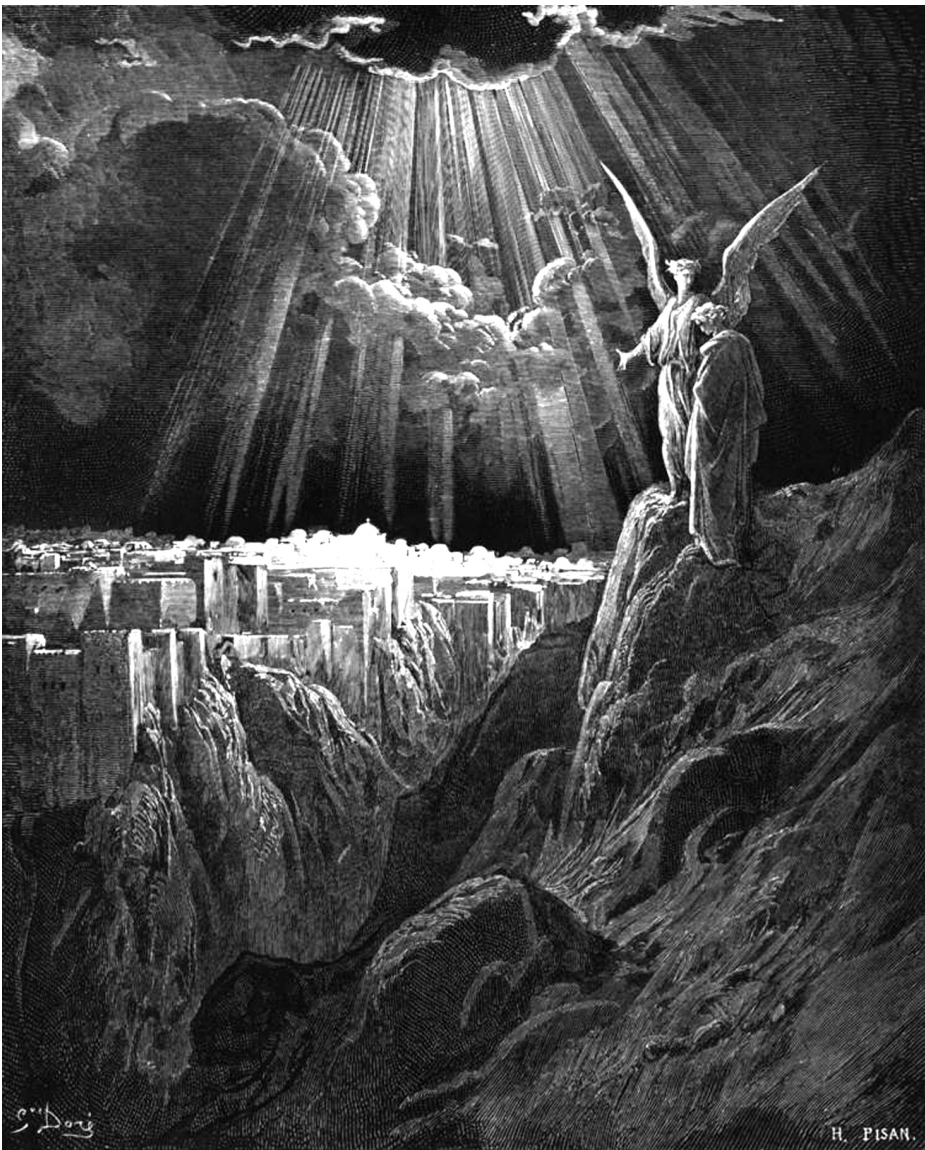
okwakungakaze kungcwatshwe muntu kulo. 42 Ngenxa yokuthi kwakulusuku lokulungiselela lwamaJuda njalo ngenxa yokuthi ithuna laliseduze, bamngcwaba khonapho uJesu.

20 Ekuseni kakhulu ngosuku lokuqala lweviki, kulokhu kusemnyama, uMariya Magadalini waya ethuneni wafumana ukuthi ilitshe laselisuwe emlonyeni wethuna. 2 Ngakho wafika egijima kuSimoni Phethro elomunye umfundi, lowo uJesu ayemthanda, wathi, “Sebeyithethe iNkosi ethuneni, kodwa kasazi ukuthi bayise ngaphi!” 3 Yikho uPhethro lalowomfundi omunye baqonda ethuneni. 4 Bobabili babegijima, kodwa lowo omunye umfundi wantshiya uPhethro wayafika kuqala ethuneni. 5 Wakhothama walunguza phakathi wabona amaqhele elineni ekhonapho, kodwa kangenanga. 6 Khonokho uSimoni Phethro owayengemuva kwakhe wafika wangena ethuneni. Wawabona amaqhele elineni ethe qekele khonapho, 7 kanye lelembu lokungcwaba elalithandele ikhanda likaJesu. Ilembu lelo laseligoqiwe lodwa lingekho kwawelineni. 8 Ekucineni lowo omunye umfundi owayefike kuqala ethuneni laye wangena. Wabona, wakholwa. 9 (Babelokhu bengezwisisi emibhalweni ukuthi uJesu wayemele avuke kwabafileyo.) 10 Abafundi basebebuyela emizini yabo. 11 Kodwa uMariya wasala emi ngaphandle kwethuna ekhala. Wathi elokhu ekhala wakhothama walunguza ethuneni 12 wabona izingilosi ezimbili zigqoke okumhlophe zihlezi lapho isidumbu sikaJesu sasikade sikhona, enye ngasemakhanda, enye ngasezinyaweni. 13 Zambuza zathi, “Mama, ukhalelani na?” Wathi, “Bayisusile iNkosi yami, kangazi ukuthi bayibeke ngaphi.” 14 Wasephenduka wabona uJesu emi khonapho, kodwa kananzelelanga ukuthi kwakunguJesu. 15 Wathi, “Mama, ukhalelani na? Ufuna ubani na?” UMariya wayesithi kumbe ngumlimi, wasesithi, “Nkosi, nxa kunguwe omthethayo, ngitshelela ukuthi umbeke ngaphi ukuze ngiyemthatha.” 16 UJesu wathi, “Mariya.” Waphendukela kuye wamemeza ngesiHebheru wathi, “Rabboni!” (okutsho ukuthi “Mfundisi”). 17 UJesu

wathi, “Ungangibambi, ngoba kangikabuyeli kuBaba. Kodwa hamba kubafowethu ubatshele uthi, ‘Sengibuyela kuBaba njalo uYihlo, kuNkulunkulu wami, uNkulunkulu wenu.’” 18 UMariya Magadalini waya kubafundi elombiko othi, “ngiyibonile iNkosi!” Njalo wabatshele ukuthi wayekutshilo lokhu kuye. 19 Kusihlwa ngalolosuku lokuqala lweviki, abafundi babendawonye behluthulele iminyango ngoba besesaba amajuda, uJesus wafika wema phakathi kwabo wathi, “Ukuthula kakube kini!” 20 Esekutshilo lokhu wabatshengisa izandla zakhe lohlangothi lwakhe. Abafundi bathaba kakhulu beyibona iNkosi. 21 UJesus waphinda wathi, “Ukuthula kakube kini! Njengoba uBaba engithumile, lami ngiyalithuma.” 22 Esitsho lokho wabaphefumulela wathi, “Yamukelani uMoya oNgcwele. 23 Nxa lithethelela loba ngubani izono zakhe, zizathethelelwa lezenu, kodwa nxa lingathetheleli ezabanye kazisoze zithethelelwe lezenu.” 24 UThomasi (othiwa nguDidimasi), omunye wabalitshumi lambili, wayengekho kwabanye abafundi uJesus aze afike. 25 Kwathi lapho abanye abafundi bentshela bathi “sesiyibonile iNkosi,” wathandabuza wathi, “Ngaphandle kokuthi ngibone amaxeba ezipikili ezandleni zakhe ngibeke umunwe wami emanxebeni ezipikili, ngifake isandla sami ehlangothini lwakhe, kangisoze ngikholwe.” 26 Sekudlule iviki abafundi bakhe babesendlini njalo, loThomasi elabo. Njengoba iminyango yayihluthulelwe uJesus wafika wema phakathi kwabo wathi, “Ukuthula kakube kini!” 27 Wasesithi kuThomasi, “Faka umunwe wakho lapha; bona izandla zami. Yelula isandla sakho usibeke ehlangothini lwami. Yekela ukuthandabuza ukholwe.” 28 UThomasi wathi kuye, “Nkosi yami, Nkulunkulu wami!” 29 UJesus wasemtshela wathi, “Usukholiwe ngoba usungibonile; babusisiwe labo abathi bengabonanga, kodwa sebekholiwe.” 30 UJesus wenza eminye imimangaliso emineni abafundi bakhe bekhangele, kodwa engabhalwanga kule incwadi. 31 Kodwa le ibhaliwe ukuze likholwe ukuthi uJesus unguKhristu, iNdodana kaNkulunkulu, njalo ukuze kuthi ngokukholwa libe lokuphila ngebizo lakhe.

21 Ngemva kwesikhathi uJesus waphinda waziveza kubafundi bakhe oLwandle lwaseThibheriyasi. Kwenzakala kanje: 2 USimoni Phethro, loThomasi (othiwa nguDidimasi) loNathaneli waseKhana eseGalile, lamadodana kaZebhediyi labanye abafundi ababili babendawonye. 3 USimoni Phethro wabatshele wathi, “Ngisayagola inhlanzi” bona bathi, “Sizahamba lawe.” Ngakho baphuma bayangena esikepeni kodwa kababambanga lutho ngalobobusuku. 4 Ekuseni kakhulu uJesus wema ekhunjini kodwa abafundi kabananzelelanga ukuthi kwakunguJesus. 5 Wabamemeza wathi, “Bangane, lilokhu lingabambanga nhlanzi yini?” Baphendula bathi, “Hatshi.” 6 Wathi, “Phoselani umambule wenu ngakwesokunene kwesikepe lizagola khona.” Bathe sebenze njalo behluleka ukudonsa umambule ngenxa yobunengi benhlanzi. 7 Lowomfundi owayethandwa nguJesus wathi kuPhethro, “YiNkosi!” USimoni Phethro wonela ukuzwa esithi, “YiNkosi,” wazembathisa ngesigqoko sakhe sejazi (ngoba wayesikhulule) weqela emanzini. 8 Abanye abafundi balandela ngesikepe bedonsa umambule ugwele inhlanzi ngoba babengakhatshana lasokhunjini, kwakungaba yizinyathelo ezilikhulu. 9 Ekufikeni kwabo okhunjini babona umlilo wamalahlle uvutha kulenhlanzi phezulu kanye lesinkwa. 10 UJesus wathi kubo, “Lethani ezinye inhlanzi elizibambileyo.” 11 USimoni Phethro wagada esikepeni, wadonsela umambule okhunjini. Wawugcwele inhlanzi ezinkulu, zilikhulu lamatshumi amahlanu lantathu, kodwa loba zinengi kangaka umambule kawudabukanga. 12 UJesus wathi kubo, “Wozani lizokudla.” Kakho kubafundi owaqunga isibindi sokumbuza ukuthi, “Ungubani wena?” Bakwazi ukuthi yiNkosi. 13 UJesus weza, wathatha isinkwa wabanika, wenza njalo langenhlanzi. 14 Lesi kwasekuyisikhathi sesithathu uJesus ezibonakalisa kubafundi bakhe ngemva kokuvuswa kwabafuleyo. 15 Sebeqedile ukudla, uJesus wathi kuSimoni Phethro, “Simoni, ndodana kaJohane, ungithanda ngeqiniso na okudlula laba abanye?” Wathi, “Yebo,

Nkosi, uyakwazi ukuthi ngiyakuthanda.” UJesu wathi, “Phana amawundlu ami ukudla.” **16** UJesu waphinda wathi, “Simoni, ndodana kaJohane, uyangithanda ngeqiniso na?” Waphendula wathi, “Yebo, Nkosi, uyakwazi ukuthi ngiyakuthanda.” UJesu wathi, “Gcina izimvu zami.” **17** Wasesithi kuye okwesithathu, “Simoni, ndodana kaJohane, uyangithanda na?” UPhethro wadabuka ngoba uJesu wambuza okwesithathu wathi, “Uyangithanda na?” Wathi, “Nkosi, uyazazi izinto zonke; uyakwazi ukuthi ngiyakuthanda.” UJesu wathi, “Phana izimvu zami ukudla. **18** Ngikutshela iqiniso ngithi, usesemutsha wawuziqokisa, uziyele lapho othanda khona; kodwa nxa usuluphele, uzakwelula izandla zakho, ugqokiswe ngomunye, akuhole akuse lapho ongafuni ukuya khona.” **19** UJesu wakutsho lokhu ebonisa indlela yokufa uPhethro ayezadumisa uNkulunkulu ngayo. Wasesithi kuye, “Ngilandela!” **20** UPhethro wanyemukula wabona umfundi uJesu ayemthanda ebalandela. (Nguye lowo oweyama kuJesu esidlweni, owabuzayo wathi, “Nkosi, ngubani ozakuthengisa?”) **21** UPhethro wathi embona wathi, “Nkosi, kanti lo-ke?” **22** UJesu waphendula wathi, “Nxa ngifuna ukuthi asale ephila ngize ngibuye kulani lawe lokho? Wena kumele ungilandele.” **23** Ngenxa yalokhu, kwaba lehungahunga phakathi kwabazalwane lokuthi umfundi lo wayengezokufa. Kodwa uJesu katshongo ukuthi wayengezokufa; wathi nje kuphela, “Nxa ngifuna ukuthi asale ephila ngize ngibuye, kulani lawe lokho?” **24** Lo nguye umfundi ozifakazayo lezizinto, onguye owazibhala phansi. Siyazi ukuthi ubufakazi bakhe buqotho. **25** UJesu wenza ezinye izinto ezinengi njalo. Aluba zonke zazingabhalwa phansi, ngibona ingathi lomhlaba wonke wawuzaswela indawo yezincwadi ezazingabhalwa.



Ngabona iDolobho eliNgcwele, iJerusalema elitsha, lisehlela phansi liphuma ezulwini kuNkulunkulu lilungiswe njengomlobokazi ececele umkakhe. Ngezwa ilizwi elikhulu livela esihlalweni sobukhosi lisithi, "Khathesi ikhaya likaNkulunkulu selisebantwini, uzahlala labo.

Bazakuba ngabantu bakhe njalo uNkulunkulu yena uqobo uzakuba labo abe nguNkulunkulu wabo.

Isambulo 21:2-3

Isambulo

19 Emva kwalokhu ngezwa umsindo onjengokuhlokoma kwexuku elikhulu ezulwini limezeza lisithi: “Haleluya! Ukusindisa lodumo lamandla ngokukaNkulunkulu wethu 2 ngoba ukwahlulela kwakhe kuqotho njalo kulungile. Usilahlele isiphingi esikhulu esaxhwalisa umhlaba ngobufebe baso. Uphindisele kuso igazi lezincku zakhe.” **3** Bamemeza njalo bathi: “Haleluya! Intuthu yokutsha kwaso ithunqa kuze kube nininini.” **(aiōn g165)** **4** Abadala abangamatshumi amabili lane lezidalwa ezine eziphilayo bawela phansi bakhonza uNkulunkulu owayehlezi esihlalweni sobukhosi. Bamemeza njalo bathi: “Ameni, Haleluya!” **5** Kwasekuzwakala ilizwi elavela esihlalweni sobukhosi, lisithi: “Dumisani uNkulunkulu wethu, lonke lina zincku zakhe, lina elimesabayo, abancane labakhulu!” **6** Ngabuya ngezwa okwakungathi lixuku elikhulu, kunjengokuhlokoma kwamanzi agelezayo lanjengokukhwaza kwezulu besithi: “Haleluya! Ngoba iNkosi yethu uNkulunkulu uSomandla uyabusa. **7** Kasithokozeni sijabule simuphe udumo. Ngoba umthimba weWundlu usufikile, lomlobokazi walo usezilungisele. **8** Ilineni elihle elicazimulayo elihlanzekileyo uliphiwe ukuba agqoke.” (Ilineni elihle limele imisebenzi emihle yabangcwele.) **9** Ingilosi yasisithi kimi, “Loba ukuthi: Babusisiwe labo abanxusiweyo edilini lomtshado weWundlu!” Yengeza yathi, “La ngamazwi aqotho kaNkulunkulu.” **10** Ngawela ezinyaweni zayo ngayikhonza. Kodwa yathi kimi, “Ungakwenzi lokhu! Mina ngiyinceku kanye lawe kanye labazalwane bakho abalobufakazi bukaJesu. Khonza uNkulunkulu! Ngoba ubufakazi bukaJesu bungumoya wesiphrofethi.” **11** Ngabona izulu livulekile njalo khonapho phambi kwami kwakulebhiza elimhlophe, umgadi walo ethiwa nguThembekile loQiniso. Wahlulela ngokulunga alwe impi. **12** Amehlo akhe anjengomlilo ovuthayo njalo ekhanda lakhe kulemiqhele eminengi. Ulebizo elilotshwe kuye elingaziwa muntu ngaphandle kwakhe

yena ngokwakhe. **13** Uqoqe isembatho esixanyuzwe egazini njalo ibizo lakhe nguLizwi likaNkulunkulu. **14** Amabutho asezulwini ayemlandela egade amabhiza amhlophe njalo egqoke ilineni elihle elimhlophe njalo lihlanzekile. **15** Emlonyeni wakhe kuphuma inkemba ebukhali agalela ngayo izizwe. “Uzazibusa ngentonga yensimbi.” Unyathela isikhamelo sewayini sentukuthelo yolaka lukaNkulunkulu uSomandla. **16** Esambathweni sakhe lasemlenzeni wakhe kulotshwe ibizo leli elithi: INkosi yamakhosi loMbusi wababusi. **17** Ngasengibona ingilosi imi elangeni eyamemezela ngelizwi elikhulu ezinyonini zonke ezazindiza emoyeni isithi, “Wozani libuthanele idili elikhulu likaNkulunkulu **18** ukuze lidle inyama yemizimba yamakhosi, eyezinduna zempi, eyamadoda alamandla, eyamabhiza labagadi bawo kanye leyabantu bonke abakhululekileyo lezigqili, abancane labakhulu.” **19** Ngabuya ngabona isilo lamakhosi asemhlabeni lamabutho awo ebuthanele ukulwa impi lomgadi webhiza kanye lebutho lakhe. **20** Kodwa isilo sathunjwa ndawonye lomphrofethi wamanga owayenze izibonakaliso ezimangalisayo emele sona. Ngalezi zibonakaliso wabedukisa labo ababebekwe uphawu lwesilo bakhonza umfanekiso waso. Sona lomphrofethi wamanga baphoselwa bephila echibini lomlilo wesolufa ovuthayo. **(Limnē Pyr g3041 g4442)** **21** Abanye babo babulawa ngenkemba eyaphuma emlonyeni womgadi webhiza njalo izinyoni zonke zazitika ngenyama yemizimba yabo.

20 Ngasengibona ingilosi isehlela phansi isuka ezulwini ilesihluthulelo soMgodi ongelamkhawulo iphethe ngesandla sayo iketane enkulu. **(Abyssos g12)** **2** Yabamba umgobho, inyoka leyana endala, engoMubi loba uSathane, yambopha okweminyaka eyinkulungwane. **3** Yamphosela eMgodini ongelamkhawulo, yawuhluthulela, yawuvala silikici, ukumvimbela ukuba angakhohlisi izizwe futhi kuze kuphele iminyaka eyinkulungwane. Emva kwalokho kumele akhululwe okwesikhatshana. **(Abyssos g12)** **4** Ngabona izihlalo zobukhosi okwakuhlezi kuzo

labo ababephiwe amandla okwahlulela. Ngabona imiphefumulo yalabo ababequnywe amakhanda ngenxa yobufakazi bukaJesu langenxa yelizwi likaNkulunkulu. Babengasikhonzanga isilo loba umfanekiso waso njalo bengabekwanga uphawu lwaso emabunzini abo loba ezandleni zabo. Bavuka baphila njalo babusa loKhristu iminyaka eyinkulungwane. 5 (Inengi labafileyo kalivukanga kwaze kwaphela iminyaka eyinkulungwane.) Lokhu yikuvuka ekufeni kwakuqala. 6 Babusisiwe njalo bangcwele labo abahlanganyela ekuvukeni kwakuqala. Ukufa kwesibili akulamandla phezu kwabo, kodwa bazakuba ngabaphristi bakaNkulunkulu labakaKhristu njalo bazabusa laye okweminyaka eyinkulungwane. 7 Iminyaka eyinkulungwane isidlule uSathane uzakhululwa entolongweni yakhe 8 aphume ukuyakhohlisa izizwe emagumbini womane omhlaba, uGogi loMagogi, ukuba abaqoqele empini. Ngobunengi bangangenhlabathi okhunjini lolwandle. 9 Badabula phakathi komhlaba bahonqolozela izihonqo zabantu bakaNkulunkulu, idolobho alithandayo. Kodwa kwehla umlilo uvela ezulwini wabaqothula. 10 Omubi owayebakhohlisile waphoselwa echibini lesolufa elivuthayo, lapho okwakuphoselwe khona isilo lomphrofethi wamanga. Bazakutsha emini lebusuku kuze kube nininini. (aiōn g165, Limnē Pyr g3041 g4442) 11 Ngabuya ngabona isihlalo sobukhosi esikhulu kanye lalowo owayehlezi kuso. Umhlaba lomkhathi kwabaleka phambi kwakhe, akwaze kwaba lendawo yakho. 12 Ngasengibona abafileyo, abancane labakhulu, bemiphambi kwesihlalo sobukhosi, kwasekuvulwa izincwadi. Kwavulwa enye incwadi, eyincwadi yokuphila. Abafileyo bahlulelwa mayelana lalokho ababekwenzile okwakulotshwe ezincwadini. 13 Ulwandle lwakhupha abafileyo ababekulo, ukufa leHadesi kwakhupha abafileyo ababekukho, umuntu ngamunye wahlulelwa mayelana lalokho akwenzayo. (Hadēs g86) 14 Ukufa leHadesi kwaphoselwa echibini lomlilo. Ichibi lomlilo liyikufa kwesibili. (Hadēs g86, Limnē Pyr g3041 g4442) 15 Nxa umuntu ibizo lakhe lalitholakala lingalotshwanga encwadini

yokuphila wayephoselwa echibini lomlilo. (Limnē Pyr g3041 g4442)

21 Ngabuya ngabona “izulu elitsha lomhlaba omutsha,” ngoba izulu lakuqala lomhlaba wakuqala kwasekudlule njalo ulwandle lwalungasekho. 2 Ngabona iDolobho eliNgcwele, iJerusalem elitsha, lisehlela phansi liphuma ezulwini kuNkulunkulu lilungiswe njengomlobokazi ececele umkakhe. 3 Ngezwa ilizwi elikhulu livela esihlalweni sobukhosi lisithi, “Khathezi ikhaya likaNkulunkulu selisebantwini, uzahlala labo. Bazakuba ngabantu bakhe njalo uNkulunkulu yena uqobo uzakuba labo abe nguNkulunkulu wabo. 4 Uzazesula zonke inyembezi emehlweni abo. Akusayikuba khona futhi ukufa loba ukulila loba ukukhala loba ubuhlungu ngoba umumo omdala wezinto usudlule.” 5 Lowo owayehlezi esihlalweni sobukhosi wathi, “Ngenza izinto zonke zibe zintshal!” Wabuya wathi, “Kulobe lokhu ngoba amazwi la aqotho njalo aliqiniso.” 6 Wasesithi kimi, “Sekwenzakele. Ngingu-Alfa lo-Omega, isiQalo lesiPhetho. Lowo owomileyo ngizamnathisa emthonjeni wamanzi okuphila kungekho mbadalo. 7 Lowo onqobayo uzakudla ilifa lakho konke lokhu njalo ngizakuba nguNkulunkulu wakhe yena abe yindodana yami. 8 Kodwa amagwala, abangakholwayo, abaxhwalileyo, ababulali, iziphingi, abathakathi, abakhonza izithombe labo bonke abaqamba amanga; indawo yabo izakuba sechibini lomlilo wesolufa ovuthayo. Lokhu yikufa kwesibili.” (Limnē Pyr g3041 g4442) 9 Enye yezingilosi eziyisikhombisa eyayilemiganu eyisikhombisa eyayigcwele izifo zokucina eziyisikhombisa yeza yathi kimi, “Woza, ngizakutshengisa umlobokazi, umkaWundlu.” 10 Yangithwala ngiseMoyeni yangisa entabeni enkulu ende yangitshengisa iDolobho eliNgcwele, iJerusalem lisehla liphuma ezulwini kuNkulunkulu. 11 Lakhanyisa ngenkazimulo kaNkulunkulu, ukucwebezela kwalo kwakufana lokwelitshe eliligugu, njengejaspa, licwebezela njengelitshe elikhanyisayo. 12 Lalilomduli omkhulu, ophakemeyo lamasango alitshumi lambili kanye lezingilosi ezilitshumi lambili

emasangweni. Emasangweni kwakulotshwe amabizo ezizwana ezilitshumi lambili zak-Israeli. **13** Kwakulamasango amathathu ngasempumalanga, lamathathu ngasenyakatho, lamathathu ngaseningizimu, kanye lamathathu ngasentshonalanga. **14** Umduli wedolobho wawulezisekelo ezilitshumi lambili njalo phezu kwazo kwakulamabizo abapostoli beWundlu abalitshumi lambili. **15** Ingilosi eyakhuluma lami yayilomqwayi wegolide owokulinganisa idolobho, amasango alo lomduli walo. **16** Idolobho lalaxhiwe lalingana inxa zonke, lilide okungangobubanzi balo. Yalilinganisa idolobho ngomqwayi yathola lingaba ngamakhilomitha azinkulungwane ezimbili lamakhulu amabili ubude njalo libanzi liphakeme okulingana lobude balo. **17** Yalilinganisa umduli walo isebenzisa isilinganiso sabantu, wawuzingalo ezilikhulu lamatshumi amane lane ubuqatha bawo. **18** Umduli wawaxhiwe ngejaspa, idolobho laxhiwe ngegolide elicengeke njengengilazi. **19** Izisekelo zemiduli yedolobho zazicaciswe ngezinhlobo zonke zamatshe aligugu. Isisekelo sakuqala sasiyijaspa, esesibili kuyisafire, esesithathu kuyikhalisedoni, esesine kuyi-emaralidi, **20** esesihlanu kuyisadonikisi, esesithupha kuyikhaneliyani, esesikhombisa kuyikhrisolithe, esesificaminwembili kuyibherili, esesificamunwemuye kuyithophazi, esetshumi kuyikhrisophirase, esetshumi lanye kuyijasinti, esetshumi lambili kuyi-amethisithi. **21** Amasango alitshumi lambili ayengamatshe obuhlalu alitshumi lambili, isango ngalinye lenziwe ngelitshe elilodwa lobuhlalu. Umgwaqo omkhulu wedolobho wawuligolide elicengekileyo njengengilazi elibonisa okungale kwalo. **22** Kangibonanga thempeli edolobheni ngoba iNkosi uNkulunkulu uSomandla leWundlu balithempeli lalo. **23** Idolobho kalisweli langa loba inyanga yokukhanyisa kulo ngoba inkazimulo kaNkulunkulu ilinika ukukhanya leWundlu liyisibane salo. **24** Izizwe zizahamba ekukhanyeni kwalo lamakhosi omhlaba azaletha ubukhazikhazi bawo kulo. **25** Akulasuku lapho amasango alo azake avalwe ngalo ngoba akuyikuba lobusuku khona. **26** Inkazimulo lodumo lwezizwe kuzalethwa kulo.

27 Akulalutho olungcolileyo oluzake lungene kulo, loba ngubani owenza amanyala kumbe inkohliso, kodwa labo kuphela abalamabizo abo alotshwe encwadini yokuphila yeWundlu.

22 Ingilosi yasingitshengisa umfula wamanzi okuphila acengekileyo kakhulu egeleza evela esihlalweni sobukhosi sikaNkulunkulu leseWundlu **2** esehla ephakathi komgwaqo omkhulu wedolobho. Eceleni ngalinye lomfula kwakulesihlahla sokuphila sithela izithelo ezilitshumi lambili, sithela izithelo zaso nyanga zonke. Amahlamvu esihlahla lesi ngawokwelapha izizwe. **3** Akusoze kube lesiqalekiso futhi. Isihlahlo sobukhosi sikaNkulunkulu leseWundlu zizakuba sedolobheni njalo izinceku zakhe zizamkhonza. **4** Zizabubona ubuso bakhe lebizu lakhe lizakuba semabunzini azo. **5** Akusayikuba lobusuku futhi. Kaziyikukuswela ukukhanya kwesibane loba okwelanga ngoba iNkosi uNkulunkulu izazikhanyisela. Njalo zizabusa kuze kube nininini. (aiōn g165) **6** Ingilosi yasisithi kimi, “Amazwi la aqotho njalo aliqiniso. INkosi, uNkulunkulu wemimoya yabaphrofethi wathuma ingilosi yakhe ukuba itshengise izinceku zakhe izinto okumele zenzakale masinyane.” **7** “Khangelani, ngiyeza masinyane! Ubusisiwe lowo ogcina amazwi esiphrofethi asencwadini le.” **8** Mina Johane, yimi engazibonayo njalo ngazizwa izinto lezi. Kwathi lapho sengizwile njalo ngazibona, ngawela phansi ukuba ngikhonze ezinyaweni zengilosi eyayingitshengisa zona. **9** Kodwa yathi kimi, “Ungakwenzi lokhu! Mina ngiyinceku njengawe kanye labazalwane bakho abaphrofethi labo bonke abagcina amazwi encwadi le. Khonza uNkulunkulu!” **10** Yabuya yathi kimi, “Ungawagciki amazwi esiphrofethi sencwadi le, ngoba isikhathi sesiseduze. **11** Owenza okubi kaqhubeke esenza okubi; oxhwalileyo kaqhubeke ngokuxhwalala; olungileyo kaqhubeke esenza okulungileyo; njalo ongcwele kaqhubeke engcwele.” **12** “Khangelani, ngiyeza masinyane! Ngilomvuzo wami, njalo ngizakupha umuntu munye ngamunye ngalokho akwenzayo. **13** Ngingu-Alfa lo-Omega, ngiyiKuqala loKucina,

isiQalo lesiPhetho. **14** Babusisiwe labo abagezisa izembatho zabo ukuze babe lelungelo esihlahleni sokuphila njalo bangene ngesango edolobheni. **15** Ngaphandle kulezinja, labo abenza imisebenzi yobuthakathi, izifebe ezixhwalileyo, lababulali, labakhonza izithombe labo bonke abathanda inkohliso njalo beyenza. **16** Mina Jesu, ngithume ingilosi yami ukuba ilinike ubufakazi lobu emabandleni. NgiyiMpande leNzalo kaDavida, kanye leNdonsakusa ekhanyayo.” **17** UMoya lomlobokazi bathi, “Woza!” Ozwayo katsho athi, “Woza!” Loba ngubani owomileyo, keze; njalo loba ngubani ofisayo, kathathe isipho esingahlawulelwayo samanzi okuphila. **18** Ngiyabaxwayisa bonke abezwa amazwi esiphrofethi sencwadi le: Nxa umuntu ezakwengeza olunye ulutho kuwo, uNkulunkulu uzazengeza kuye izifo ezibaliswe kule incwadi. **19** Njalo nxa umuntu esusa amazwi kule incwadi yesiphrofethi, uNkulunkulu uzamthathela isabelo sakhe esihlahleni sokuphila laseDolobheni eliNgcwele, okubaliswe kule incwadi. **20** Yena lowo ofakaza izinto lezi uthi, “Yebo, ngiyeza masinyane.” Ameni. Woza, Nkosi Jesu. **21** Umusa weNkosi uJesu kawube sebantwini bakaNkulunkulu. Ameni.

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UGenesisi **9:8** UNkulunkulu wasesithi kuNowa lakumadodana akhe ayelawo: **9:9** “Manje sengimisa isivumelwano sami lani lezizukulwane zenu ezilandelayo **9:10** lasosonke isidalwa esiphilayo esasilawe, izinyoni, izifuyo lezinyamazana zeganga, zonke lezo ezaphuma lani emkhunjini, sonke isidalwa esiphilayo emhlabeni. **9:11** Ngiyasimisa isivumelwano sami lani: Kakusoze njalo impilo yonke iqunywe ngamanzi kazamcolo; kakusoze njalo kube lozamcolo ozabhubhisa umhlaba.” **9:12** UNkulunkulu wathi, “Lesi yisiboniso sesivumelwano engisenzayo phakathi kwami lani lasosonke isidalwa esiphilayo elilaso, isivumelwano sezizukulwane zonke ezizayo: **9:13** Sengibeke umchilowamakhosikazi wami emayezini, wona uzakuba yisiboniso sesivumelwano phakathi kwami lomhlaba.

U-Eksodusi **14:13** UMosi wabaphendula abantu wathi, “Lingesabi. Manini isibindi, lizabona ukuthi uThixo uzalhlenga njani lamuhla. AmaGibhithe eliwabonayo lamuhla kalisoze liphinde liwabone futhi. **14:14** UThixo uzalhlwela; lina manini lithule.”

ULevi **20:26** Kumele libengcwele kimi ngoba mina Thixo ngingcwele njalo ngilahlukanisile kwabezizwe ukuthi libe ngabami.

Amanani **6:24** “UThixo alibusise njalo aligcine; **6:25** UThixo kakhazimulise ubuso bakhe phezu kwenu njalo abe lomusa kini; **6:26** UThixo kakhangelise ubuso bakhe kini njalo aliphe ukuthula.”

UDutheronomi **18:18** Ngizabavezela umphrofethi onjengawe phakathi kwabafowabo; ngizamfunza amazwi ami, yena nguye ozabatshela konke engizamlaya ngakho. **18:19** Nxa loba ngubani ongayikulalela amazwi ami azakhulunywa ngumphrofethi ngebizo lami, mina ngokwami yimi engizamelana laye.

UJoshuwa **1:7** Qina ube lesibindi. Ugcine yonke imithetho owayiphiwa nguMosi inceku yami, ungaze waphambuka kuyo uye kwesokunene kumbe kwesokhohlo ukuze uphumelele kuzozonke izindawo ozakuya kuzo. **1:8** INcwadi yoMthetho le kayingasuki emlonyeni wakho, cabanga ngayo emini lebusuku ukuze unanzelele ukugcina konke okulotshwe kuyo. Ngokwena njalo uzaphumelela. **1:9** Angikulayanga na? Qina ube lesibindi, ungethuki njalo ungalahli ithemba, ngoba uThixo uNkulunkulu wakho uzakuba lawe loba kungaphi lapho oya khona.”

Abahluleli **2:7** Abantu bamkhonza uThixo ngezinsuku zokuphila kukaJoshuwa labadala kulaye ababesele bephila njalo beyibonile imisebenzi emikhulu uThixo ayeyenzele abako-Israyeli.

URuthe 1:16 URuthe waphendula wathi, “Ungangincengi ukuba ngikutshiye loba ukuba ngikifulathele. Lapho oya khona ngizakuya khona, lalapho ozahlala khona ngizahlala khona. Abantu bakini bazakuba ngabakithi loNkulunkulu wakho uzakuba nguNkulunkulu wami. 1:17 Lapho ozafela khona lami ngizafela khona njalo ngizangcwatshelwa khona. Sengathi uThixo angangihlanekela nxa ngingehlukana lawe ngenxa yolunye ulutho olungesikufa.”

1 USamuyeli 16:7 Kodwa uThixo wathi kuSamuyeli, “Ungakhangele isimo sakhe loba ubude bakhe, ngoba ngimalile. Uthixo kakhangele izinto ezikhangelwa ngabantu. Abantu bakhangele isimo somuntu, kodwa uThixo ukhangele inhliziyu.”

2 USamuyeli 7:22 Yeka ubukhulu bakho, awu Thixo Wobukhosi! Kakho ofanana lawe, njalo kakho uNkulunkulu ngaphandle kwakho, njengoba sizizwele ngezindlebe zethu.

1 Amakhosi 2:3 unanzelele lokho okufunwa nguThixo uNkulunkulu wakho: Ukuhamba endleleni yakhe, ugcine imilayo leziqondiso zakhe, imithetho yakhe kanye lezilayezelo zayo: Hamba ezindleleni zakhe, ugcine izimiso zakhe leziqondiso zakhe, imithetho yakhe lokulotshiweyo ngokoMthetho kaMosi, ukuze uphumelele kukho konke okwenzayo kanye lalapho oya khona,

2 Amakhosi 22:19 Ngenxa yokuthi inhliziyu yakho ivumile njalo uzithobile phambi kukaThixo lapho usizwa engikukhulume ngendawo le labantu bayo, ukuthi bazakuba ngabaqalekisiweyo bachithwe, njalo ngenxa yokuthi udabule izigqoko zakho wakhala phambi kwami, ngikuzwile, kutsho uThixo.

1 Imilando 29:17 Ngiyazi, Nkulunkulu wami, uhlola inhliziyu njalo uyabuthanda ubuqotho. Zonke lezizinto ngizinikele ngokufisa langenhliziyu yobuqotho. Khathesi ngikhangele ngentokoza abantu bakho abalapha ukuthi banikele ngesifiso kuwe.

2 Imilando 7:14 nxa abantu bami, ababizwa ngebizo lami, bezazithoba bakhuleke badinge ubuso bami njalo batshiye izindlela zabo ezimbi, kulapho ngizakuzwa khona ngisezulwini ngithethelele izono zabo njalo ngiphaphise ilizwe labo.

U-Ezra 7:10 Ngoba u-Ezra wayezinikele ekufundeni lokugcina uMthetho kaThixo lokufundisa izimiso zawo ko-Israyeli.

UNehemiya 6:3 yikho ngasengithuma izithunywa kubo lale impendulo: “Ngiphezu komsebenzi omkhulu yikho ngeke ngize. Kungani umsebenzi ufanele ume ngiwutshiyela ukuza kini na?”

U-Esta 4:14 Nxa ungala uthule ngalesisikhathi, usizo lokukhululwa kwamaJuda kuzavela kwenye indawo, kodwa wena kanye lemuli kayihlo lizabhubha. Njalo kwazi bani, ukuthi uze kulesi sikhundla sobukhosi ngenxa yesikhathi esinjengalesi na?”

UJobe 19:25 Ngiyazi ukuthi uMhlengi wami uyaphila, lokuthi ekupheleni uzakuma emhlabeni.

Amahubo 23:1 Ihubo likaDavida. UThixo ungumelusi wami, angiyikuswela lutho. 23:2 Ungilalisa emadlweni aluhlaza, ungikhokhelela emanzini aphilileyo, 23:3 uvuselela umphefumulo wami. Uyangihola ezindleleni zokulunga ngenxa yebizo lakhe. 23:4 Loba ngidabula esigodini sethunzi lokufa, angiyikwesaba okubi ngoba wena ulami; intonga Yakho lodondolo Lwakho kuyangiduduza. 23:5 Ulungisa itafula phambi kwami emehlweni ezitha zami. Ugcoba ikhanda lami ngamafutha; inkomitsho yami igcwele iyaphuphuma. 23:6 Impela okuhle lothando kuzangilandela zonke insuku zokuphila kwami, njalo ngizahlala endlini kaThixo kuze kube nininini.

Izaga 3:5 Themba kuThixo ngenhliziyu yakho yonke, ungathembi ekuzwisiseni kwakho; 3:6 mvume kuzozonke izindlela zakho, yena uzaqondisa zonke izindlela zakho.

UmTshumayeli **3:10** Sengiwubonile umthwalo uNkulunkulu awethese abantu. **3:11** Yonke into uyenze yabanhle ngesikhathi sayo. Wamupha umuntu iphakade enhliziyweni yakhe; kodwa abantu bangeke bafinyelele kulokho uNkulunkulu asakwenzayo kwasekuqaleni kusiya ekupheleni.

Ingoma Yezingoma **2:4** Useke wangisa endlini yedili, lophawu lwakhe kimi luthando.

U-Isaya **9:6** Ngoba sizalelwe umntwana, siphilwe indodana, umbuso uzakuba phezu kwamahlombe akhe. Uzabizwa ngokuthi uMeluleki Omangalisayo, uNkulunkulu uSomandla, uBaba Waphakade, iNkosana yokuThula. **9:7** Ukwanda kombuso wakhe lokuthula akuyikuba lomkhawulo. Uzabusa esihlalweni sobukhosi sikaDavida laphezu kombuso wakhe, ewumisa njalo ewuqinisa ngokufaneleyo langokulunga, kusukela ngalesisikhathi kuze kube nini lanini. Ukutshiseka kukaThixo uSomandla kuzakufeza lokhu.

UJeremiya **1:4** Ilizwi likaThixo lafika kimi lisithi, **1:5** “Ngingakakubumbi esiswini ngakwazi, ungakazalwa ngakukhetha ngakubeka ukuba ngumphrofethi ezizweni.” **1:6** Mina ngathi, “Awu Thixo Somandla; ukukhuluma angikwazi, ngoba ngingumntwana nje.” **1:7** Kodwa uThixo wathi kimi, “Ungaze wathi, ‘Ngingumntwana nje.’ Kumele uye kubo bonke engikuthuma kubo njalo utsho loba kuyini engikulaya khona. **1:8** Ungabesabi, ngoba mina ngilawe njalo ngizakuhlenga,” kutsho uThixo. **1:9** UThixo waseselula isandla sakhe wathinta umlomo wami wathi kimi, “Khathesi, sengifake amazwi ami emlonyeni wakho. **1:10** Khangela, lamhla ngikubeka phezu kwezizwe lemibuso ukuba usiphune udilize, ubhubhise njalo uchithe; ukuba wakhe njalo uhlanye.”

Izililo **3:21** Kodwa ngikhumbula lokhu ngibe lethemba: **3:22** Ngenxa yothando olukhulu lukaThixo kasibhujiswanga, ngoba isihawu sakhe kasipheli. **3:23** Siba sitsha ukusa kwamalanga; kukhulu ukuthembeka kwakho.

UHezekheli **36:26** Ngizakunika inhliziyo entsha ngifake lomoya omutsha phakathi kwakho; ngizasusa kuwe inhliziyo yakho yelitshe ngikunike inhliziyo yenyama. **36:27** Njalo ngizafaka uMoya wami phakathi kwakho ngikwenze ulandele izimiso zami njalo unanzelele ukugcina imithetho yami.

UDanyeli **3:16** OShadreki, loMeshaki lo-Abhediniko bayiphendula inkosi bathi, “Nkosi Nebhukhadineza, kasidingi kuzilwela phambi kwakho ngale indaba. **3:17** Singaphoselwa esithandweni somlilo olavuzayo, uNkulunkulu esimkhonzayo ulamandla okusisindisa kuwo, njalo uzasilamulela esandleni sakho, wena nkosi. **3:18** Loba engasisindisi, sithanda ukuba ukwazi, wena nkosi, ukuthi sivele kasisoze sibakhonze onkulunkulu bakho kumbe sisidumise isifanekiso segolide leso osimisileyo.”

UHoseya **6:6** Ngoba mina ngifuna isihawu, hatshi umhlatshelo, lokwamukela uNkulunkulu kuleminikelo yokutshiswa.

UJoweli **2:28** “Emva kwalokho, ngizathululela uMoya wami kubo bonke abantu. Amadodana lamadodakazi enu azaphrofitha, izinsizwa zenu zizabona imibono, lamaxhegu enu azaphupha amaphupho. **2:29** Lasezincekweni zami, ezesilisa lezesifazane, ngizawuthulula uMoya wami ngalezonsuku. **2:30** Ngizabonakalisa izimangaliso emazulwini lasemhlabeni, igazi lomlilo lezikhatha zentuthu. **2:31** Ilanga lizaphendulwa libe yibumnyama lenyanga ibeligazi phambi kokuba kufike usuku olukhulu lukaThixo, olwesabekayo. **2:32** Njalo wonke obiza ibizo likaThixo uzasindiswa; ngoba eNtabeni iZiyoni laseJerusalema kuzakuba lokukhululwa, njengoba uThixo etshilo, iloba phakathi kwabasindileyo labo ababizwa nguThixo.”

U-Amosi **5:24** Kodwa ukulunga kakugeleze njengamanzi, lobuqotho njengesifula esingatshiyol!

U-Obhadiya **1:15** Usuku lukaThixo selusondele ezizweni zonke. Njengalokho okwenzileyo, yikho okuzakwenziwa kuwe; izenzo zakho zizaphendukela phezu kwekhanda lakho.

UJona **2:6** Ngagalula ngatshona empandeni zezintaba; umhlaba ongaphansi wangivalela okwaphakade. Kodwa wena wayikhupha impilo yami egodini, wena Thixo, Nkulunkulu wami. **2:7** Lapho impilo yami yayisincipha, ngakhumbula wena, Thixo, umkhuleko wami waphakamela kuwe, ethempelini lakho elingcwele. **2:8** Labo ababambelela ezithombeni ezingelamsebenzi balahlekelwa ngumusa ongaba ngowabo. **2:9** Kodwa mina, ngizakuthi ngihlabela ingoma yokubonga ngenze umhlatshelelo kuwe. Engikufungileyo ngizakugcwalisa. Insindiso ivela kuThixo.”

UMikha **6:8** Ukutshengisile wena muntu okuhle. UThixo ufunani kuwe na? Ukwenza okulungileyo lokuthanda umusa kanye lokuhamba ngokuzithoba loNkulunkulu wakho.

UNahume **1:2** UThixo uNkulunkulu olobukhwele lophindiselayo; uThixo uyaphindisela njalo ulolaka olukhulu. UThixo uyaphindisela ezitheni zakhe lolaka lwakhe lukhulu ezitheni zakhe. **1:3** UThixo uyaphuza ukuthukuthela njalo ulamandla amakhulu; uThixo kayikumyekela olecala engagajizwanga. Indlela yakhe iphakathi kwesivunguzane lesiphepho, amayezi aluthuli lwezinyawo zakhe.

UHabakhukhi **3:17** Lanxa isihlahla somkhiwa singanunkuli lamavini engekho emivinini; lanxa ama-oliva engathelanga, lamasimu engabanga lokudla, lanxa kungelazimvu esibayeni lenkomo zingekho ezibayeni, **3:18** kodwa ngizathokoza kuThixo, ngizajabula kuNkulunkulu uMsindisi wami. **3:19** UThixo Wobukhosi ungamandla ami; wenza inyawo zami zibe njengezempala, ungenza ngihambe ezindaweni eziphakemeyo.

UZefaniya **3:17** UThixo uNkulunkulu wakho ulawe, ulamandla okusindisa. Uzathokoza kakhulu ngawe, uzakududuza ngothando lwakhe, uzakuthokozela ngokuhlabelela.”

UHagayi **1:4** “Kuyisikhathi senu lina ngokwenu ukuba lihlale ezindlini zenu ezinhle, kodwa indlu le ilokhu ilunxiwa na?” **1:5** Khathesi nanku okutshiwo nguThixo uSomandla: “Cabangani kuhle ngezindlela zenu. **1:6** Lihlanyele okunengi kodwa livuna okulutshwana. Liyadla, kodwa kalisuthi. Liyanatha, kodwa kalikholwa. Liyagqoka izigqoko, kodwa kalifudumali. Lihola imiholo liyifake esikhwameni esivuzayo.” **1:7** Nanku okutshiwo nguThixo uSomandla: “Cabangani kuhle ngezindlela zenu.

UZekhariya **12:10** “Ngizathululela phezu kwendlu kaDavida laphezu kwabakhileyo eJerusalem umoya womusa lobubele. Bazakhangela kimi, mina abamgwazayo, bangililele njengomuntu elilela umntanake ozelwe yedwa, bamkhalele kabuhlungu njengomuntu ekhalela indodana yakhe elizibulo.

UMalaki **4:2** Kodwa lina elilesabayo ibizo lami, ilanga lokulunga lizaphuma lilokusiliswa emaphikweni alo. Njalo lizaphuma liqolotshe njengamathole evulelwe esibayeni sawo. **4:3** Lapho ke lizabanyathezela phansi ababi; bazakuba ngumlotha ngaphansi kwezinyawo zenu ngosuku lolo engizazenza ngalo lezizinto,” kutsho uThixo uSomandla.

UMathewu **28:18** UJesu weza kubo wathi, “Wonke amandla ezulwini lasemhlabeni aphiwe mina. **28:19** Ngakho hambani lenze abafundi ezizweni zonke, libabhaphathize ebizweni likaBaba, leleNdodana lelikaMoya oNgcwele, **28:20** njalo libafundise ukulalela konke engililaye ngakho. Ngempela ngilani kokuphela, kuze kube sekupheleni kwesikhathi.” (aiōn g165)

UMakho **1:14** UJohane esevalelwe entolongweni, uJesu waya eGalile ememezela izindaba ezinhle zikaNkulunkulu. **1:15** Wathi, “Isikhathi sesifikile. Umbuso kaNkulunkulu ususeduze. Phendukani

likholwe izindaba ezinhle!” **1:16** Kwathi uJesu ehambahamba okhunjini loLwandle lwaseGalile wabona uSimoni lomfowabo u-Andreya bephosa umambule olwandle ngoba babengabagoli benhlanzi. **1:17** Wathi kubo, “Wozani lingilandele, ngizalenza abagoli babantu.” **1:18** Bahle batshiya omambule babo bamlandela.

ULukha **4:18** “Umoya kaThixo uphezu kwami, ngoba uThixo ungigcobile ukuba ngitshumayele izindaba ezinhle kwabampofu. Ungithumile ukuba ngimemezele ukukhululwa kwabathunjweyo lokusiliswa kweziphofu ukuthi zibone, ukukhululwa kwabancindezelweyo,

UJohane **3:16** UNkulunkulu walithanda ilizwe kangaka waze wanikela iNdodana yakhe eyiyo yodwa ukuze kuthi loba ngubani okholwa kuyo angabhubhi, kodwa abe lokuphila okungapheliyo. **(aiōnios g166)** **3:17** Ngoba uNkulunkulu kathumanga iNdodana yakhe emhlabeni ukuze iwulahle umhlaba, kodwa ukuze umhlaba usindiswe ngayo.

Imisebenzi **1:7** Wathi kubo: “Kakusikho kwenu ukwazi izikhathi loba insuku uBaba azimisileyo ngamandla akhe. **1:8** Kodwa lina lizakwamukela amandla nxa uMoya oNgcwele esefikile kini, njalo lizakuba ngofakazi bami eJerusalema lakulo lonke eleJudiya laseSamariya kanye lasemikhawulweni yomhlaba.”

KwabaseRoma **11:32** Ngoba uNkulunkulu ubophele abantu bonke ekudeleleni ukuze abe lomusa kubo bonke. **(eleēsē g1653)** **11:33** Yeka ukuzika kwenotho yenhlakaniphlo kanye lokwazi kukaNkulunkulu! Yeka ukwahlulela kwakhe okungeke kuhlolwe, kanye lezindlela zakhe ezingeke zilandelwe! **11:34** “Ngubani owake wayazi ingqondo yeNkosi na? Loba owake waba ngumcebisi wayo na?” **11:35** “Ngubani owake wanika uNkulunkulu ulutho ukuba uNkulunkulu aluhlawule na?” **11:36** Ngoba izinto zonke zivela kuye langaye njalo futhi zikuye. Udumo kalube kuye kuze kube laphakade! Amen. **(aiōn g165)**

1 KwabaseKhorinte **6:9** Kalazi yini ukuthi abonayo kabayikuba zindlalifa zombuso kaNkulunkulu? Lingakhohliswa. Akulazifebe ezixhwalileyo loba abakhonza izithombe kumbe iziphingi loba izitabane **6:10** kumbe amasela loba izihwaba kumbe izidakwa loba abanyeyayo kumbe amaqili azakudla ilifa lombuso kaNkulunkulu. **6:11** Njalo lokho yikho abanye benu ababeyikho. Kodwa selageziswa, selangcweliswa, selalungiswa ngebizo leNkosi uJesu Khristu langoMoya kaNkulunkulu wethu.

2 KwabaseKhorinte **5:17** Ngakho-ke, nxa umuntu ekuKhristu, uyisidalwa esitsha; okudala akusekho, sekufike okutsha. **5:18** Konke lokhu kuvela kuNkulunkulu owasibuyisela kuye ngoKhristu wasinika imfundiso yokubuyisana: **5:19** ukuthi uNkulunkulu wayebuyisa umhlaba kuye ngoKhristu, abantu engababaleli izono zabo. Njalo usesinike ilizwi lokubuyisana. **5:20** Ngokunjalo, singabameli bakaKhristu, ngokungathi uNkulunkulu wenza isikhalazo sakhe ngathi. Siyalincenga simele uKhristu sithi: Buyisanani loNkulunkulu. **5:21** UNkulunkulu wamenza waba yisono owayengelasono ngenxa yethu ukuze kuthi kuye sibe yikulunga kukaNkulunkulu.

KwabaseGalathiya **1:6** Ngiyamangala ukuthi limdela masinya kangaka lowo owalibiza ngomusa kaKhristu njalo liphendukela evangelini elehlukileyo, **1:7** elingasivangeli langempela ngitsho. Kusobala abanye abantu bayaliphambanisa njalo bazama ukungcolisa ivangeli likaKhristu.

Kwabase-Efesu **2:1** Lina lalifile eziphambekweni lasezonweni zenu, **2:2** elaliphila kuzo ngesikhathi lisalandela izindlela zalo umhlaba lezombusi wombuso wasemoyeni, umoya osebenzayo lakhathesi kulabo abangalaleliyo. **(aiōn g165)** **2:3** Lathi sonke sake saphila phakathi kwabo ekuqaleni, sithokozisa izinkanuko zemvelo yethu yesono, silandela lezifiso kanye lemicabango yazo. Njengabanye, ngokwemvelo sasifanele ulaka. **2:4** Kodwa ngenxa yothando lwakhe olukhulu kithi, uNkulunkulu olesihawu esikhulu, **2:5** wasenza saba ngabaphilayo loKhristu lanxa sasifile

eziphambekweni, ngomusa selisindisiwe. **2:6** UNkulunkulu wasivusa ekufeni kanye loKhristu wasihlalisa laye ebukhosini basezulwini kuKhristu uJesu **2:7** ukuze kuthi ezikhathini ezizayo atshengise inotho yomusa wakhe engeke ilinganiswe, ebalulwe yibubele bakhe kithi kuKhristu uJesu. (aiōn g165) **2:8** Ngoba ngomusa lisindisiwe, kungokukholwa njalo lokhu akuveli kini, kuyisipho sikaNkulunkulu, **2:9** hatshi ngemisebenzi, ukuze kungabi lozazincoma. **2:10** Ngoba siyibuciko bukaNkulunkulu, sidalelwe kuKhristu uJesu ukuba senze imisebenzi emihle, uNkulunkulu ayilungisa ngaphambili ukuba siyenze.

KwabaseFiliphi **3:7** Kodwa loba kuyini okwakuyinzuzo kimi khathesi ngikubala njengokulahlekelwa ngenxa kaKhristu. **3:8** Phezu kwalokho, konke ngikubona kuyize lapho kulinganiswa lobukhulu obumangalisayo bokwazi uKhristu Jesu iNkosi yami esengilahlekelwe yizinto zonke ngenxa yakhe. Ngikubona kuyimfucuzo ukuze ngizuze uKhristu **3:9** njalo ngitholakale kuye, ngingelakulunga okungokwami okuvelela emthethweni, kodwa lokho kungenxa yokukholwa kuKhristu, ukulunga okuvela kuNkulunkulu njalo okungokukholwa.

KwabaseKholose **1:15** Indodana ingumfanekiso kaNkulunkulu onganakaliyo, izibulo kukho konke okwadalwayo. **1:16** Ngoba izinto zonke zadalwa ngayo: izinto ezisezulwini lezisehlabeni, ezibonakalayo lezingabonakaliyo loba kuyizihlalo zobukhosi kumbe amandla loba ababusi kumbe abaphathi; izinto zonke zadalwa ngayo zidalelwa yona. **1:17** Yona iphambi kwezinto zonke njalo kuyo izinto zonke zibambene. **1:18** Iyinhloko yomzimba okulibandla; iyikuqala lezibulo elivela kwabafileyo ukuze yona ibe ngeyokuqala ezintweni zonke. **1:19** Ngoba uNkulunkulu wathokoza ukuba ukuphelela kwakhe kube kuyo **1:20** lokuthi ngayo abuyisane lezinto zonke, loba kuyizinto ezisehlabeni kumbe izinto ezisezulwini ngokwenza ukuthula ngegazi layo elachithwa esiphambanweni.

1 KwabaseThesalonika **4:1** Okokucina bazalwane, salifundisa ukuba liphile njani ukuze limthokozise uNkulunkulu njengoba impela liphila. Siyalicela njalo silincenga ngeNkosi uJesu ukuba lokhu likwenze kokuphela. **4:2** Liyayazi imilayo esalinika yona ngokulaya kweNkosi uJesu. **4:3** Kuyintando kaNkulunkulu ukuba libengcwele: ukuba lixwaye ukuhlobonga; **4:4** ukuba omunye lomunye wenu afunde ukuthiba umzimba wakhe ngendlela engcwele lehloniphekayo **4:5** hatshi ngomfutho wenkanuko njengabezizweni abangamazayo uNkulunkulu.

2 KwabaseThesalonika **3:6** Ebizweni leNkosi uJesu Khristu, siyalilaya bazalwane ukuba libaxwaye bonke abazalwane abangamavila, abangaphili ngokwemfundiso elayamukela kithi. **3:7** Ngoba lina ngokwenu liyakwazi ukuba kufanele lisilandele njani isibonelo sethu. Sasingavilaphi lapho siseselani **3:8** njalo kasidlanga kudla komuntu singakuhlawulelanga. Kodwa sasebenza ebusuku lemini, sisebenza nzima njalo sitshikathshika ukuze singabi ngumthwalo lakubani phakathi kwenu. **3:9** Lokhu sakwenza kungayisikho ukuthi kasilalungelo losizo olunjalo kodwa ukuba sizenze sibe yisibonelo kini ukuba lisilandele. **3:10** Ngoba langesikhathi silani salinika umlayo othi: “Nxa umuntu engafuni ukusebenza, kangadli.”

1 KuThimothi **2:1** Ngakho-ke, phezu kwakho konke ngiyakhuthaza ukuba izecelo, lemikhuleko, lokukhulekela abanye kanye lokubonga kwenzelwe abantu bonke, **2:2** amakhosi labo bonke abaphethe amandla ukuze sihlale ngokuthula empilweni enhle kukho konke ukumesaba uNkulunkulu lobungcwele. **2:3** Lokhu kuhle njalo kuyamthokozisa uNkulunkulu uMsindisi wethu **2:4** ofuna ukuba abantu bonke basindiswe njalo balazi iqiniso. **2:5** Ngoba uNkulunkulu munye njalo lomeli munye phakathi kukaNkulunkulu labantu, umuntu uKhristu Jesu,

2 KuThimothi **2:8** Khumbula uJesu Khristu owavuka kwabafileyo, wadabuka kuDavida. Leli yilo ivangeli lami **2:9** engilihluphekelayo ngize ngibotshwe ngamaketane njengesigangi. Kodwa ilizwi

likaNkulunkulu kalibotshwanga. **2:10** Ngakho-ke, ngibezezelela konke ngenxa yabakhethiweyo ukuze labo bazuze ukusindiswa okukuKhristu uJesu lenkazimulo engapheliyo. (aiōnios **g166**)

KuThithusi **2:11** Ngoba umusa kaNkulunkulu oletha insindiso usubonakele ebantwini bonke. **2:12** Uyasifundisa ukuthi “Hayi!” ekweyiseni uNkulunkulu lasezinkanukweni zasemhlabeni njalo siphile ngokuzikhuza, ngokuqonda empilweni yokulalela uNkulunkulu ngesikhathi samanje, (aiōn **g165**) **2:13** lapho sisalindele ithemba elibusisiweyo lokubonakala ngenkazimulo kaNkulunkulu wethu omkhulu longuMsindisi uJesu Khristu **2:14** owazinikela ngenxa yethu ukuba asihlengi ebubini bonke kanye lokuthi azihlambululele abantu abangabakhe, abatshisekela ukwenza okuhle.

UFilimoni **1:3** Umusa kawube kuwe kanye lokuthula okuvela kuNkulunkulu uBaba leNkosini uJesu Khristu. **1:4** Ngihlezi ngimbonga kokuphela uNkulunkulu wami lapho ngikukhumbula emikhulekweni yami **1:5** ngoba ngiyezwa ngothando lwakho lokukholwa eNkosini uJesu kanye lothando lwakho kubo bonke abangcwele. **1:6** Ngikhulekela ukuba ukuhlanganyela kwakho kanye lathi ekukholweni kube lomfutho ngokujula ekuqediseni kwakho konke ukulunga esikwabelana ngenxa kaKhristu. **1:7** Uthando lwakho lungiphe ukuthokoza okukhulu lokududuzeka ngoba wena, mzalwane, uvuselele inhliziyu zabangcwele.

KumaHebheru **1:1** Kudala uNkulunkulu wakhuluma kubokhokho kanenginengi ngabaphrofethi langezindlela ezehlukeneyo **1:2** kodwa ngalezizinsuku zokucina ukhulume kithi ngeNdodana yakhe, ayibeka ukuba yindlalifa yezinto zonke, yona adala ngayo izulu lomhlaba. (aiōn **g165**) **1:3** INdodana iyikubenyezela kwenkazimulo kaNkulunkulu kanye lomfanekiso wokuba nguye kwakhe uqobo, iqinisa izinto zonke ngelizwi layo elilamandla. Emva kokuba isikufezile ukhlanjululwa kwezono, yahlala phansi esandleni sokunene sobukhosi ezulwini.

UJakhobe **1:16** Lingakhohliswa bazalwane bami abathandekayo. **1:17** Zonke iziphondo ezinhle lezipheleleyo zivela phezulu, zehlele phansi zivela kuYise wezibane zasezulwini, ongaguqukiyo njalo ongelathunzi lokuphenduka. **1:18** Wakhetha ukusizala ngelizwi leqiniso ukuze sibe luhlobo lwezithelo zakuqala kukho konke akudalayo.

1 UPhetro **3:18** Ngoba uKhristu wafela izono zenu kwaba kanye, olungileyo efela abangalunganga, ukuze alise kuNkulunkulu. Wabulawa emzimbeni, kodwa wavuswa nguMoya,

2 UPhetro **1:3** Amandla akhe obuNkulunkulu asesinike konke esikudingayo ekuphileni kanye lokumesaba uNkulunkulu ngokumazi kwethu yena owasibiza ngenkazimulo yakhe langokulunga. **1:4** Ngalokhu-ke usesinike izithembiso zakhe ezinkulu kakhulu eziligugu, ukuze kuthi ngazo lihlanganyele esimeni sobuNkulunkulu njalo liphephe ekonakaleni kwasemhlabeni okubangelwa yizinkanuko ezimbi.

1 UJohane **2:1** Bantwabami abathandekayo, ngililobela incwadi le ukuze lingenzi izono. Kodwa nxa umuntu enze isono, silaye osimelayo kuBaba esivikela yena uJesu Khristu oLungileyo. **2:2** Ungumhlatshelelo wenhlawulo yezono zethu, kungasizono zethu kuphela kodwa lezono zomhlaba wonke.

2 UJohane **1:7** Ngitsho lokhu ngoba abakhohlisi abanengi abangavumiyo ukuthi uJesu Khristu weza engumuntu sebekhona emhlabeni. Lowomuntu onjalo ungumkhohlisi lomphikuKhristu.

3 UJohane **1:4** Angilakuthokoza okukhulu okudlula ukuzwa ukuthi abantwabami baphila ngokweqiniso.

UJuda **1:3** Bangane abathandekayo, lanxa kade ngitshisekela kakhulu ukulilobela mayelana lensindiso esilayo, kodwa ngibone kufanele ukuthi ngilobele ukulikhuthaza ukuba lilwele ukhoho

lolu olwaphiwa abangcwele bakaNkulunkulu **1:4** Ngoba abantu abathile abokulahlwa kwabo okwalotshwa ngakho endulo sebengene phakathi kwenu ngasese. Bangabantu abangamesabiyo uNkulunkulu abaguqulela umusa kaNkulunkulu ukuthi ubeyimvumo yokuganga bamphike loJesu Khristu onguye kuphela iNkosi yethu Yobukhosi.

Isambulo **3:19** Labo engibathandayo ngiyabakhuza ngibajezise. Ngakho-ke, woba lokutshiseka uphenduke. **3:20** Mina ngilapha! Ngimi emnyango ngiqoqoda. Nxa kukhona ozwa ilizwi lami avule umnyango, ngizangena ngidle laye, laye adle lami. **3:21** Lowo onqobayo, ngizamnika ilungelo lokuhlala lami esihlalweni sami sobukhosi, njengoba lami nganqoba ngasengihlala loBaba esihlalweni sakhe sobukhosi. **3:22** Lowo olendlebe, akezwe okutshiwo nguMoya emabandleni.”

Isiqondiso sabafundayo

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Who has the authority to interpret the Bible and examine the underlying Hebrew and Greek words? That is a good question! We read in 1 John 2:27, *"As for you, the anointing which you received from him remains in you, and you do not need for anyone to teach you. But as his anointing teaches you concerning all things, and is true, and is no lie, and even as it taught you, you remain in him."* Every Christian is qualified to interpret the Bible! Now that does not mean we will all agree. Each of us is still growing in our understanding of the truth. However, it does mean that there is no infallible human or tradition to answer all our questions. Instead the Holy Spirit helps each of us to know the truth and grow closer to God and each other.

The Bible is a library with 66 books in the Protestant Canon. The best way to learn God's word is to read entire books. Read the book of Genesis. Read the book of John. Read the entire Bible library. Topical studies and cross-referencing can be good. However, the safest way to understand context and meaning is to read whole Bible books. Chapter and verse numbers were added for convenience in the 16th century, but unfortunately they can cause the Bible to seem like an encyclopedia. The Aionian Bible is formatted with simple verse numbering, minimal notes, and no cross-referencing in order to encourage the reading of Bible books.

Bible reading must also begin with prayer. Any Christian is qualified to interpret the Bible with God's help. However, this freedom is also a responsibility because without the Holy Spirit we cannot interpret accurately. We read in 1 Corinthians 2:13-14, *"And we speak of these things, not with words taught by human wisdom, but with those taught by the Spirit, comparing spiritual things with spiritual things. Now the natural person does not receive the things of the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him, and he cannot understand them, because they are spiritually discerned."* So we cannot understand in our natural self, but we can with God's help through prayer.

The Holy Spirit is the best writer and he uses literary devices such as introductions, conclusions, paragraphs, and metaphors. He also writes various genres including historical narrative, prose, and poetry. So Bible study must spiritually discern and understand literature. Pray, read, observe, interpret, and apply. Finally, *"Do your best to present yourself approved by God, a worker who does not need to be ashamed, properly handling the word of truth."* 2 Timothy 2:15. *"God has granted to us his precious and exceedingly great promises; that through these you may become partakers of the divine nature, having escaped from the corruption that is in the world by lust. Yes, and for this very cause adding on your part all diligence, in your faith supply moral excellence; and in moral excellence, knowledge; and in knowledge, self-control; and in self-control patience; and in patience godliness; and in godliness brotherly affection; and in brotherly affection, love. For if these things are yours and abound, they make you to be not idle nor unfruitful to the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ,"* 2 Peter 1:4-8.

Uhlelo Iwamagama

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The Aionian Bible un-translates and instead transliterates eleven special words to help us better understand the extent of God's love for individuals and all mankind, and the nature of afterlife destinies. The original translation is unaltered and a note is added to 64 Old Testament and 200 New Testament verses. Compare the meanings below to the Strong's Concordance and Glossary definitions.

Abyssos g12

Greek: proper noun, place

Usage: 9 times in 3 books, 6 chapters, and 9 verses

Meaning:

Temporary prison for special fallen angels such as Apollyon, the Beast, and Satan.

aidios g126

Greek: adjective

Usage: 2 times in Romans 1:20 and Jude 6

Meaning:

Lasting, enduring forever, eternal.

aiōn g165

Greek: noun

Usage: 127 times in 22 books, 75 chapters, and 102 verses

Meaning:

A lifetime or time period with a beginning and end, an era, an age, the completion of which is beyond human perception, but known only to God the creator of the aiōns, Hebrews 1:2. Never meaning simple endless or infinite chronological time in Greek usage. Read Dr. Heleen Keizer and Ramelli and Konstan for proofs.

aiōnios g166

Greek: adjective

Usage: 71 times in 19 books, 44 chapters, and 69 verses

Meaning:

From start to finish, pertaining to the age, lifetime, entirety, complete, or even consummate. Never meaning simple endless or infinite chronological time in Koine Greek usage. Read Dr. Heleen Keizer and Ramelli and Konstan for proofs.

eleēsē g1653

Greek: verb, aorist tense, active voice, subjunctive mood, 3rd person singular

Usage: 1 time in this conjugation, Romans 11:32

Meaning:

To have pity on, to show mercy. Typically, the subjunctive mood indicates possibility, not certainty. However, a subjunctive in a purpose clause is a resulting action as certain as the causal action. The subjunctive in a purpose clause functions as an indicative, not an optative. Thus, the grand conclusion of grace theology in Romans 11:32 must be clarified. God's mercy on all is not a possibility, but a certainty. See ntgreek.org.

Geenna g1067

Greek: proper noun, place

Usage: 12 times in 4 books, 7 chapters, and 12 verses

Meaning:

Valley of Hinnom, Jerusalem's trash dump, a place of ruin, destruction, and judgment in this life, or the next, though not eternal to Jesus' audience.

Hadēs g86

Greek: proper noun, place

Usage: 11 times in 5 books, 9 chapters, and 11 verses

Meaning:

Synonymous with Sheol, though in New Testament usage Hades is the temporal place of punishment for deceased unbelieving mankind, distinct from Paradise for deceased believers.

Limnē Pyr g3041 g4442

Greek: proper noun, place

Usage: Phrase 5 times in the New Testament

Meaning:

Lake of Fire, final punishment for those not named in the Book of Life, prepared for the Devil and his angels, Matthew 25:41.

Sheol h7585

Hebrew: proper noun, place

Usage: 66 times in 17 books, 50 chapters, and 64 verses

Meaning:

The grave or temporal afterlife world of both the righteous and unrighteous, believing and unbelieving, until the general resurrection.

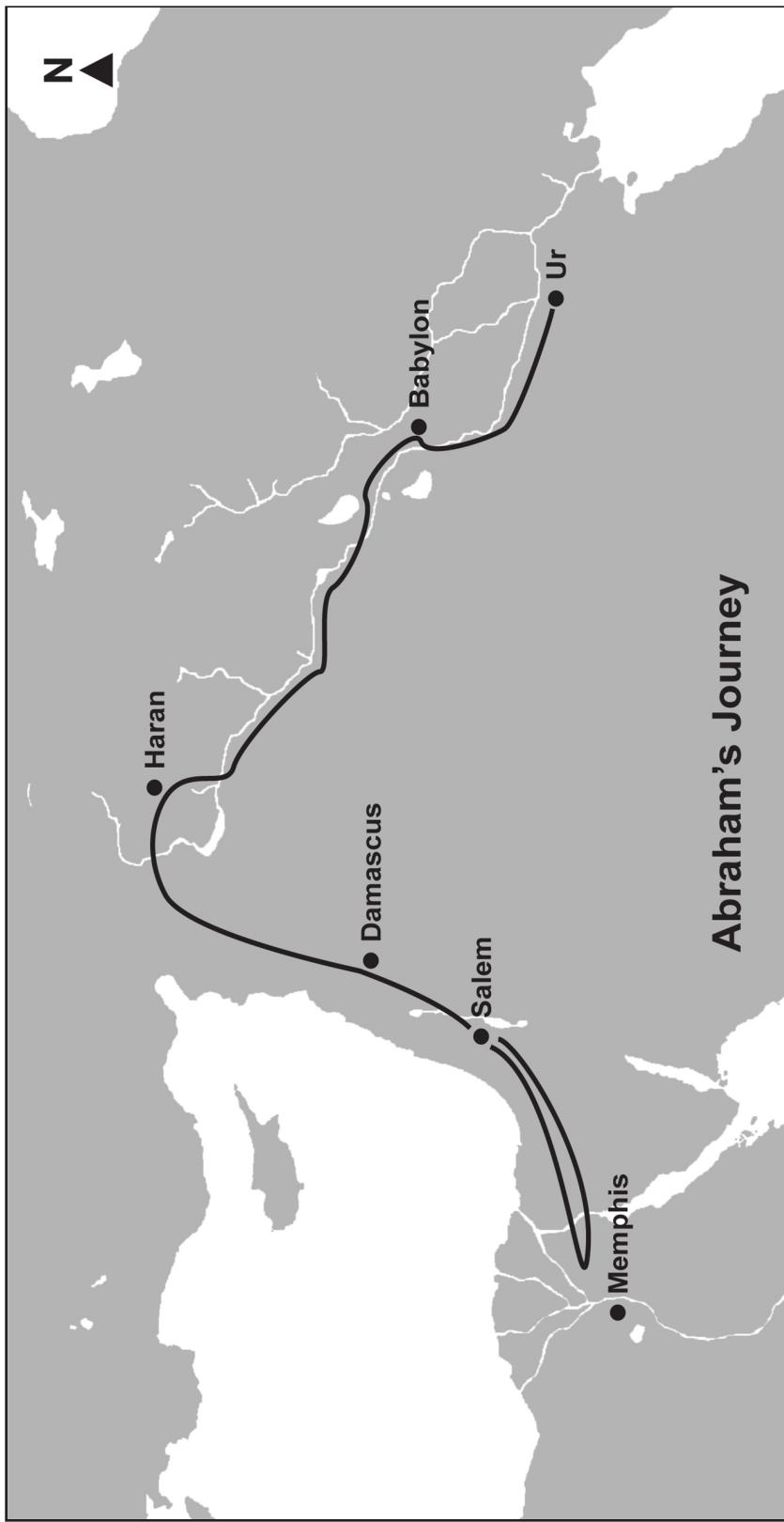
Tartaroō g5020

Greek: proper noun, place

Usage: 1 time in 2 Peter 2:4

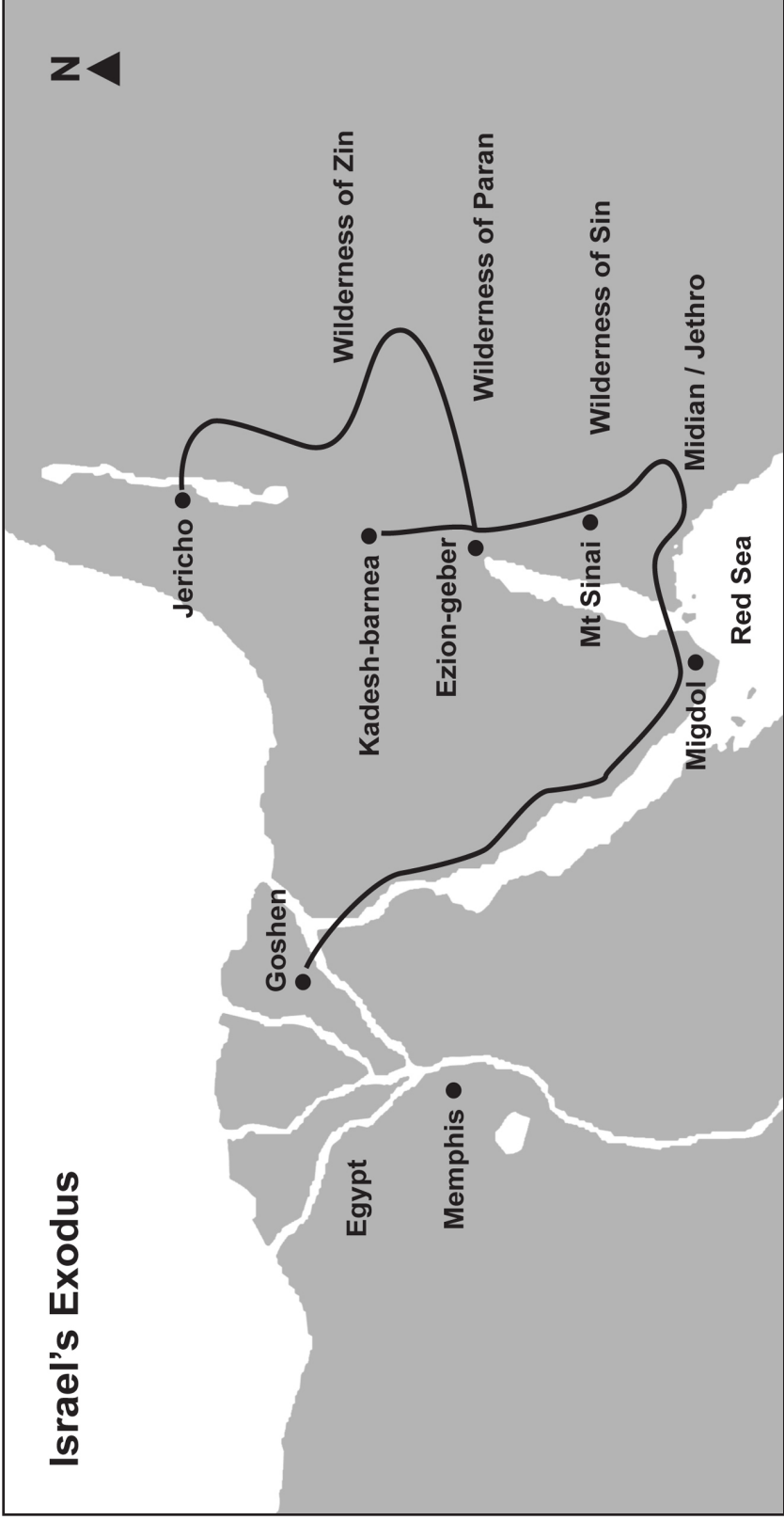
Meaning:

Temporary prison for particular fallen angels awaiting final judgment.

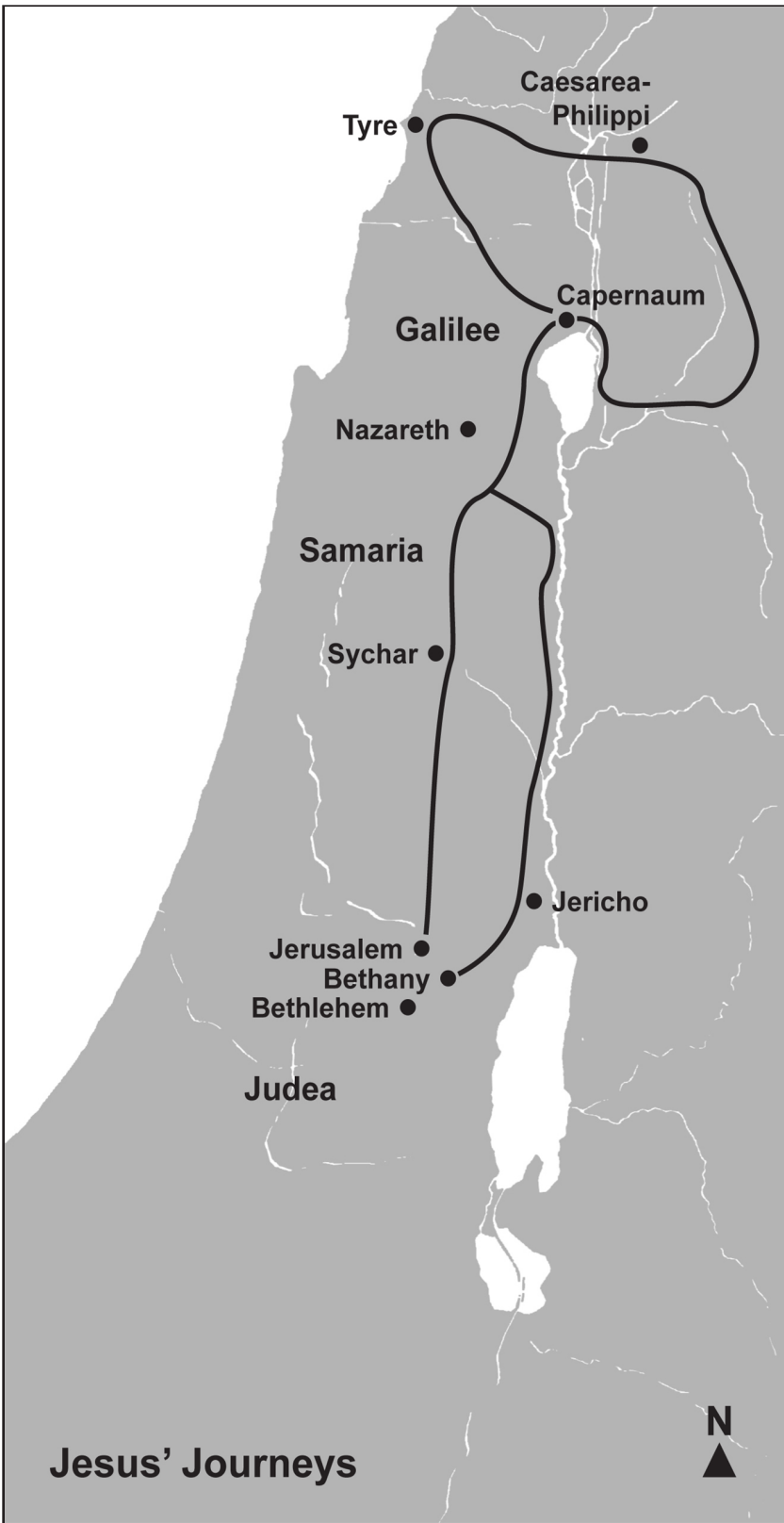


Abraham's Journey

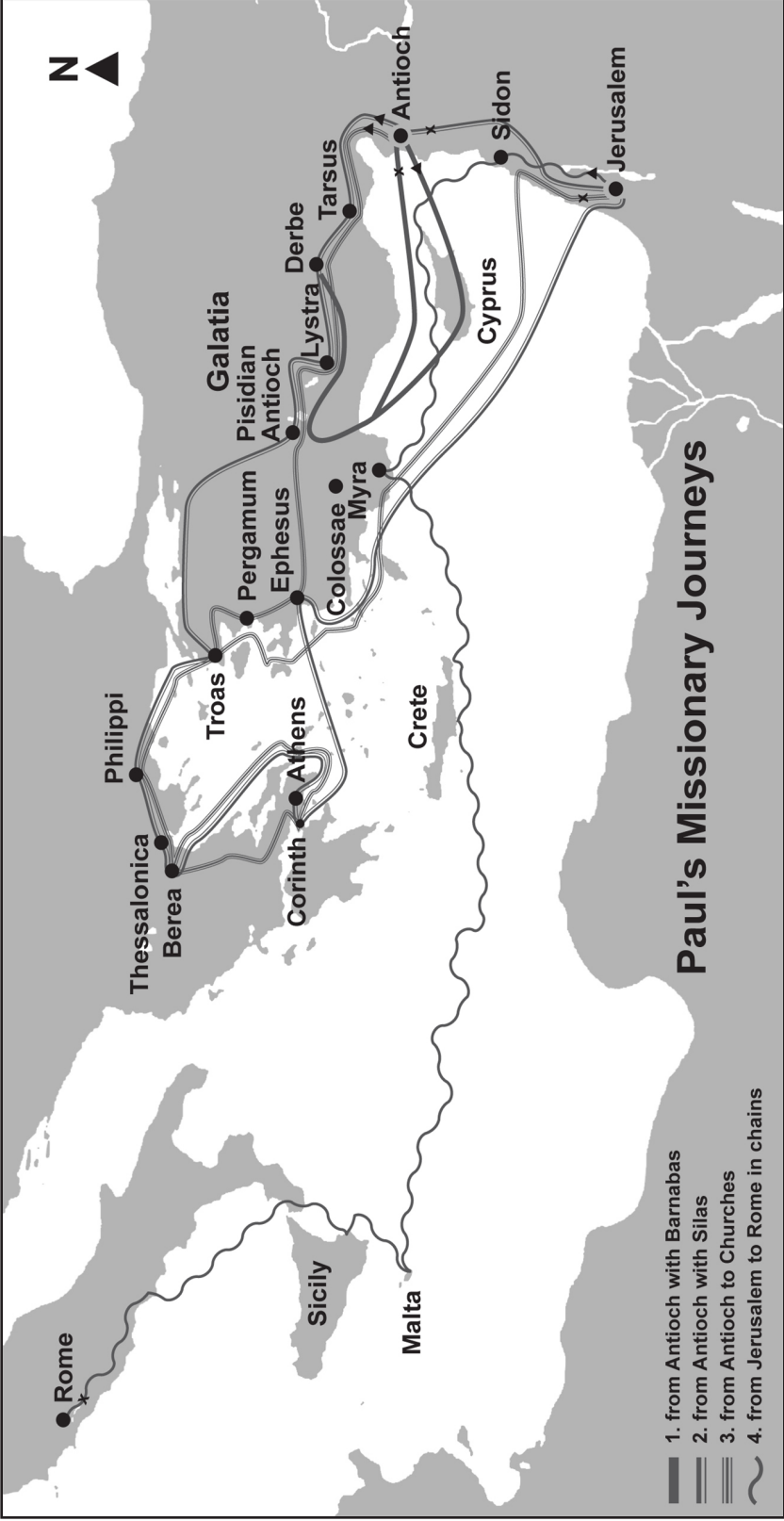
Ngokukholwa u-Abrahamama esebizelwe ukuba aye endaweni ayezayamukela muva njengelifa lakhe, watalala wahamba, lanxa wayengakwazi lapho ayesiya khona. - KumaHeberu 11:8



UFaro esebavumele abantu ukuthi bahambe, uNkulunkulu kabakhokhelanga ngendlela edabula elizweni lamaFilistiya loba yona yayiquma. Ngoba uNkulunkulu wathi, "Nxa behlangana lempi mhlawumbe bangethuka babuyele eGibhithe." - U-Eksodusi 13:17



Ngoba leNdodana yoMuntu kayibuyelanga ukuzokhonzwa, kodwa ukuzokhonzwa lokunikela impilo yayo njengenhlawulo yabanengi. - UMakho 10:45



- 1. from Antioch with Barnabas
- 2. from Antioch with Silas
- 3. from Antioch to Churches
- 4. from Jerusalem to Rome in chains

Paul's Missionary Journeys

UPhawuli, incekú kaKhrístu uJesu, owabizelwa ukuba ngumpostoli njalo wahlukaniselwa ivangeli likaNkulunkulu, - KwabaseRoma 1:1

Creation 4004 B.C.

Adam and Eve created	4004
Tubal-cain forges metal	3300
Enoch walks with God	3017
Methuselah dies at age 969	2349
God floods the Earth	2349
Tower of Babel thwarted	2247
Abraham sojourns to Canaan	1922
Jacob moves to Egypt	1706
Moses leads Exodus from Egypt	1491
Gideon judges Israel	1245
Ruth embraces the God of Israel	1168
David installed as King	1055
King Solomon builds the Temple	1018
Elijah defeats Baal's prophets	896
Jonah preaches to Nineveh	800
Assyrians conquer Israelites	721
King Josiah reforms Judah	630
Babylonians capture Judah	605
Persians conquer Babylonians	539
Cyrus frees Jews, rebuilds Temple	537
Nehemiah rebuilds the wall	454
Malachi prophecies the Messiah	416
Greeks conquer Persians	331
Seleucids conquer Greeks	312
Hebrew Bible translated to Greek	250
Maccabees defeat Seleucids	165
Romans subject Judea	63
Herod the Great rules Judea	37

(The Annals of the World, James Uusher)

Jesus Christ born 4 B.C.

New Heavens and Earth



- 1956 Christ returns for his people
- 1956 Jim Elliot martyrd in Ecuador
- 1830 John Williams reaches Polynesia
- 1731 Zinzendorf leads Moravian mission
- 1614 Japanese kill 40,000 Christians
- 1572 Jesuits reach Mexico
- 1517 Martin Luther leads Reformation
- 1455 Gutenberg prints first Bible
- 1323 Franciscans reach Sumatra
- 1276 Ramon Llull trains missionaries
- 1100 Crusades tarnish the church
- 1054 The Great Schism
- 997 Adalbert martyrd in Prussia
- 864 Bulgarian Prince Boris converts
- 716 Boniface reaches Germany
- 635 Alopen reaches China
- 569 Longinus reaches Alodia / Sudan
- 432 Saint Patrick reaches Ireland
- 397 Carthage ratifies Bible Canon
- 341 Ulfilas reaches Goth / Romania
- 325 Niceae proclaims God is Trinity
- 250 Denis reaches Paris, France
- 197 Tertullian writes Christian literature
- 70 Titus destroys the Jewish Temple
- 61 Paul imprisoned in Rome, Italy
- 52 Thomas reaches Malabar, India
- 39 Peter reaches Gentile Cornelius
- 33 Holy Spirit empowers the Church

(Wikipedia, Timeline of Christian missions)

Resurrected 33 A.D.

What are we? ▶			Genesis 1:26 - 2:3	
How are we sinful? ▶			Romans 5:12-19	
Where are we? ◀			Innocence	
			Eternity Past	Creation 4004 B.C.
Who are we? ▶	God	Father	John 10:30	Genesis 1:31 God's perfect fellowship with Adam in The Garden of Eden
		Son	God's perfect fellowship	
		Holy Spirit		
	Mankind	Living	Genesis 1:1 No Creation No people	Genesis 1:31 No Fall No unholy Angels
		Deceased believing		
		Deceased unbelieving		
	Angels	Holy		
		Imprisoned		
		Fugitive		
		First Beast		
		False Prophet		
		Satan		
Why are we? ▶			Romans 11:25-36, Ephesian 2:7	

Mankind is created in God's image, male and female He created us

Sin entered the world through Adam and then death through sin

When are we?



Fallen				Glory
Fall to sin No Law	Moses' Law 1500 B.C.	Christ 33 A.D.	Church Age Kingdom Age	New Heavens and Earth
1 Timothy 6:16 Living in unapproachable light				Acts 3:21 Philippians 2:11 Revelation 20:3 God's perfectly restored fellowship with all Mankind praising Christ as Lord in the Holy City
John 8:58 Pre-incarnate	John 1:14 Incarnate	Luke 23:43 Paradise		
Psalm 139:7 Everywhere	John 14:17 Living in believers			
Ephesians 2:1-5 Serving the Savior or Satan on Earth				
Luke 16:22 Blessed in Paradise				
Luke 16:23, Revelation 20:5,13 Punished in Hades until the final judgment				
Hebrews 1:14 Serving mankind at God's command				
2 Peter 2:4, Jude 6 Imprisoned in Tartarus				
			Revelation 20:13 Thalaasa	Matthew 25:41 Revelation 20:10
1 Peter 5:8, Revelation 12:10 Rebelling against Christ Accusing mankind			Revelation 19:20 Lake of Fire	Lake of Fire prepared for the Devil and his Angels
			Revelation 20:2 Abyss	

For God has bound all over to disobedience in order to show mercy to all

Isiphetho

Ndebele at AionianBible.org/Destiny

The Aionian Bible shows the location of eleven special Greek and Hebrew Aionian Glossary words to help us better understand God's love for individuals and for all mankind, and the nature of after-life destinies. The underlying Hebrew and Greek words typically translated as *Hell* show us that there are not just two after-life destinies, Heaven or Hell. Instead, there are a number of different locations, each with different purposes, different durations, and different inhabitants. Locations include 1) Old Testament *Sheol* and New Testament *Hadēs*, 2) *Geenna*, 3) *Tartaroō*, 4) *Abyssos*, 5) *Limnē Pyr*, 6) *Paradise*, 7) *The New Heaven*, and 8) *The New Earth*. So there is reason to review our conclusions about the destinies of redeemed mankind and fallen angels.

The key observation is that fallen angels will be present at the final judgment, 2 Peter 2:4 and Jude 6. Traditionally, we understand the separation of the Sheep and the Goats at the final judgment to divide believing from unbelieving mankind, Matthew 25:31-46 and Revelation 20:11-15. However, the presence of fallen angels alternatively suggests that Jesus is separating redeemed mankind from the fallen angels. We do know that Jesus is the helper of mankind and not the helper of the Devil, Hebrews 2. We also know that Jesus has atoned for the sins of all mankind, both believer and unbeliever alike, 1 John 2:1-2. Deceased believers are rewarded in Paradise, Luke 23:43, while unbelievers are punished in Hades as the story of Lazarus makes plain, Luke 16:19-31. Yet less commonly known, the punishment of this selfish man and all unbelievers is before the final judgment, is temporal, and is punctuated when Hades is evacuated, Revelation 20:13. So is there hope beyond Hades for unbelieving mankind? Jesus promised, *"the gates of Hades will not prevail,"* Matthew 16:18. Paul asks, *"Hades where is your victory?"* 1 Corinthians 15:55. John wrote, *"Hades gives up,"* Revelation 20:13.

Jesus comforts us saying, *"Do not be afraid,"* because he holds the keys to *unlock* death and Hades, Revelation 1:18. Yet too often our *Good News* sounds like a warning to *"be afraid"* because Jesus holds the keys to *lock* Hades! Wow, we have it backwards! Hades will be evacuated! And to guarantee hope, once emptied, Hades is thrown into the Lake of Fire, never needed again, Revelation 20:14.

Finally, we read that anyone whose name is not written in the Book of Life is thrown into the Lake of Fire, the second death, with no exit ever mentioned or promised, Revelation 21:1-8. So are those evacuated from Hades then, *"out of the frying pan, into the fire?"* Certainly, the Lake of Fire is the destiny of the Goats. But, do not be afraid. Instead, read the Bible's explicit mention of the purpose of the Lake of Fire and the identity of the Goats, *"Then he will say also to those on the left hand, 'Depart from me, you cursed, into the consummate fire which is prepared for... the devil and his angels,'"* Matthew 25:41. Bad news for the Devil. Good news for all mankind!

Faith is not a pen to write your own name in the Book of Life. Instead, faith is the glasses to see that the love of Christ for all mankind has already written our names in Heaven. Jesus said, *"You did not choose me, but I chose you,"* John 15:16. Though unbelievers will suffer regrettable punishment in Hades, redeemed mankind will never enter the Lake of Fire, prepared for the devil and his angels. And as God promised, all mankind will worship Christ together forever, Philippians 2:9-11.



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