

U-EKSODUSI

Abako-Israyeli bayacindezelwa

1 La ngamabizo amadodana ka-Israyeli aya eGibhithe loJakhobe, munye ngamunye lemuli yakhe: ²uRubheni, uSimiyoni, uLevi loJuda; ³u-Isakhari, uZebhuloni loBhenjamini, ⁴uDani loNafthali; uGadi lo-Asheri. ⁵Inzalo yonke kaJakhobe yayingamatshumi ayisikhombisa. UJosefa wayevele eseseGibhithe.

⁶Kwathi uJosefa labo bonke abafowabo kanye laso sonke lesosizukulwana sebefile, ⁷abako-Israyeli bazalana banda kakhulu, ilizwe lonke lagwala ngabo.

⁸Kwasekusiba leNkosi entsha eGibhithe eyayingamazi uJosefa.

⁹Yathi ebantwini bayo, “Khangelani, abantu bako-Israyeli sebebanengi kakhulu kulathi. ¹⁰Asiboneni amacebo esingawenza ngabo funa bande kakhulu kuthi lapho kuqhamuka impi, bahlanganyele lezitha zethu balwe lathi babesebesuka elizweni.”

¹¹Ngakho babeka izinduna zezigqili ukuthi zibasebenzise kanzima, bakha iPhithomi leRamasesi aba ngamadolobho eziphala zikaFaro.

¹²Kodwa kwathi ngokuhlutshwa kwabo ngamandla, labo banda kakhulu basabalala; okwenza amaGibhithe abesabe abako-Israyeli ¹³asebasebenzisa ngochuku. ¹⁴Enza impilo yabo yaba nzima kakhulu betshaya izitina lokuvoxa udaka besenza leminyane yonke imisebenzi yemasimini. Kuyo yonke imisebenzi enzima amaGibhithe abasebenzisa ngochuku.

¹⁵Inkosi yaseGibhithe yathi kubabelethisi bamaHebheru okwakuthiwa nguShifira loPhuwa,

¹⁶“Nxa libelethisa abafazi bamaHebheru, lingabona kuzelwe umfana kufanele limbulale; kodwa nxa kuyinkazana, liyikelele iphile.”

¹⁷Kodwa ababelethisi babemesaba uNkulunkulu, ngakho abakwenzanga lokho ababekutshelwe yinkosi yaseGibhithe.

¹⁸Sekube njalo inkosi yaseGibhithe yababiza ababelethisi yathi kubo, “Kungani lenze lokhu? Kungani liyekele abafana baphila?”

¹⁹Ababelethisi bamphendula uFaro bathi, “Abafazi bamaHebheru abafani labafazi bamaGibhithe; balamandla baphanga babelethe ababelethisi bengakafiki.”

²⁰Ngakho uNkulunkulu waba lomusa kubo ababelethisi, abantu banda baba banengi kakhulu. ²¹Njalo njengoba ababelethisi bamesaba uNkulunkulu, wabapha ezabo izimuli.

²²UFaro wasesipha abantu bakhe bonke umlayo lo: “Wonke umfana womHebheru ozalwayo kufanele aphoselwe emfuleni uNayili, kodwa wonke amankazana liwayekelele aphile.”

Ukuzalwa kukaMosi

2 Kwathi indoda yasendlini yakoLevi yathatha indodakazi yesizwe sakoLevi: ²wathatha isisu owesifazana lo wazala indodana. Wabona ukuthi umntwana wayemuhle kakhulu, wasemfihla okwezinyanga ezintathu.

³Kodwa kwathi lapho sekusehlula ukuthi amfihle, wazuza isitsha semizi wasibhada ngodaka lengcino. Wafaka umntwana phakathi kwaso wayasibeka okhunjini lomfula uNayili phakathi kwemihlanga. ⁴Udadewabo wema bucwala ukuba abone okwenzakala kuye.

⁵ Indodakazi kaFaro yehlela emfuleni ukuyageza, amantombazana ayikhangelayo ayehamba ekhunjini lomfula. Yasisibona isitsha phakathi kwemihlanga yathuma incekekazi yayo ukuyasithatha. ⁶ Yasivula yambona umntwana. Wayekhala, yasimzwela usizi yathi, “Lo ngomunye wabantwana bamaHebheru.”

⁷ Udadewabo wasesithi endodakazini kaFaro, “Ngingayakudingela omunye wabesifazana bamaHebheru ukuthi akondlele umntwana na?”

⁸ Yasisithi, “Yebo, hamba.” Intombazana yasuka yayabiza unina womntwana. ⁹ Indodakazi kaFaro yathi kuye, “Mthathe lumntwana ungondlele yena, ngizakupha isondlo.” Ngakho owesifazana wamthatha umntwana wamondla.

¹⁰ Esekhulile umntwana, wamthatha wamusa endodakazini kaFaro wasesiba ngumntanayo. Yasimutha ibizo yathi nguMosi ngoba yathi, “Ngamkhupha emanzini.”

UMosi ubalekela eMidiyani

¹¹ Ngelinye ilanga, uMosi esekhulile, waya lapho okwakusebenzela khona abantu bakibo, wabona ukuthi babethwele nzima kanjani. Wabona umGibhithe etshaya umHebheru, omunye wabantu bakibo.

¹² Wathi thala ngapha langaphaya wabona kungelamuntu, wasebulala umGibhithe wamfihla etshebetshebeni. ¹³ Ngelanga elilandelayo waphuma njalo wabona amaHebheru amabili esilwa. Wasebuza lo owayephambanisile wathi, “Kungani utshaya owakini ongumHebheru?”

¹⁴ Indoda leyo yathi, “Ngubani osewakwenza waba ngumbusi lomahluleli wethu? Usucabanga ukungibulala na njengoba ubulele

umGibhithe?” Ngalokho uMosi wesaba wacabanga esithi, “Engxenye lokhu engikwenzileyo sekusazakala.”

¹⁵ Kwathi uFaro ekuzwa lokho, wazama ukubulala uMosi, kodwa uMosi wabalekela eMidiyani, lapho afika khona wahlala phansi eduze komthombo. ¹⁶ Umphristi waseMidiyani wayelamadodakazi ayisikhombisa, afika ezokukha amanzi lokukhelela imikolo ukuze anathise izimvu zikayise. ¹⁷ Kwafika abelusi abathile babaxotsha, kodwa uMosi wasukuma wabalamulela wanathisa izimvu zabo.

¹⁸ Kwathi izintombi sezibuyele kuyise eRewuli wazibuza esithi, “Kungani lamhla liphangisile ukuphenduka?”

¹⁹ Zaphendula zathi, “KulomGibhithe osilamulele kubelusi. Uze wasikhelela amanzi wanathisa izimvu zethu.”

²⁰ Wawabuza amadodakazi akhe wathi, “Ungaphi? Limtshiyeleni? Mbizeni ukuze azothola okokudla.”

²¹ UMosi wavuma ukuzahlala lale indoda, eyamnika indodakazi yayo uZiphora ukuthi abe ngumkakhe.

²² UZiphora wazala indodana, uMosi wayitha ibizo wathi nguGeshomi, ngoba esithi, “Sengibengumuntu wezizweni endaweni yabezizweni.

²³ Ngemuva kwesikhathi eside, inkosi yaseGibhithe yafa. Abako-Israyeli bakhala babubula ebugqilini babo, kwathi ukukhala kwabo becela usizo ngenxa yobugqili ababekubo kwafinyelela kuNkulunkulu.

²⁴ UNkulunkulu wakuzwa ukububula kwabo wasekhumbula isivumelwano asenza lo-Abhrahama, lo-Isaka lo-Jakhobe.

²⁵ Ngakho uNkulunkulu wakhangelela abako-Israyeli, wakhathazeka ngabo.

UMosi lesixuku esivutha umlilo

3 Kwathi uMosi eselusa izimvu

zikayisezala uJethro, umphristi waseMidiyani, waseqhuba izimvu zaya kude le kwenkangala eHorebhi, intaba kaNkulunkulu. ²Lapho-ke ingilosi kaJehova yabonakala kuye iphakathi kwamalangabi omlilo esixukwini. UMosi wabona ukuthi loba isixuku sasibhebha asizange sitshe silobe.

³Ngakho uMosi wacabanga esithi, “Ngizasondela ngiyebona isimanga lesi ukuba kungani isixuku singatshi silobe.”

⁴Kwathi uJehova ebona ukuthi usesondele ukuba ayekhangela, uNkulunkulu wasemmemenza ngelizwi elaliphuma kulesosixuku wathi, “Mosi! Mosi!” UMosi wathi, “Ngilapha.”

⁵UNkulunkulu wathi, “Ungasondeli. Khupha amanyathela akho, ngoba indawo omi kuyo ingumhlabathi ongcwele.” ⁶Wasesithi njalo, “NginguNkulunkulu kayihlo, uNkulunkulu ka-Abrahama, uNkulunkulu ka-Isaka loNkulunkulu kaJakhobe.” Ngalokhu uMosi wafihla ubuso bakhe ngoba wayesesaba ukukhangela uNkulunkulu.

⁷UJehova wasesithi, “Impela ngilubonile usizi lwabantu bami eGibhithe. Ngibazwile bekhala ngenxa yezinduna zezigqili ezibacindezelayo, njalo ngiyaphisekela ukuhlupheka kwabo. ⁸Ngakho ngehlile ukuzabakhulula ezandleni zamaGibhithe ngibakhuphe kulelolizwe ngibase elizweni elilendawo enengi, ilizwe eligeleza uchago loluju endaweni yamaKhenani, amaHithi, ama-Amori, amaPherizi, amaHivi lamaJebhusi.

⁹Ukukhala kwabako-Israyeli sekufikile kimi, njalo sengibonile lendlela amaGibhithe abahlukuluza ngayo.

¹⁰Ngakho suka uhambe. Ngikuthuma

kuFaro ukuthi uyekhupha abantu bami abako-Israyeli elizweni laseGibhithe.

¹¹Kodwa uMosi wathi kuNkulunkulu “Kambe ngingubani ukuba ngiye kuFaro ukuyakhupha abako-Israyeli elizweni laseGibhithe na?”

¹²UNkulunkulu wasesithi, “Ngizakuba lawe. Lesi sizakuba yisibonakaliso sokuthi yimi engikuthumileyo: Nxa usubakhuphile abantu eGibhithe, lizakhonza uNkulunkulu kuyonale intaba.”

¹³UMosi wathi kuNkulunkulu, “Aluba ngifika kwabako-Israyeli ngithi kubo, ‘UNkulunkulu waboyihlo ungithumile kini,’ babe sebengibuza besithi, ‘Ungubani ibizo lakhe?’ ngizakuthini kubo?”

¹⁴UNkulunkulu wathi kuMosi, “NGINGUYE ENGINGUYE. Lokhu yikho ozakutsho kwabako-Israyeli ukuthi, ‘UNGINGUYE ungithumile kini.’”

¹⁵UNkulunkulu wabuye wathi kuMosi, “Tshono kwabako-Israyeli uthi, ‘UJehova, uNkulunkulu ka-Abrahama, uNkulunkulu ka-Isaka, loNkulunkulu kaJakhobe – ungithumile kini.’ Leli libizo lami laphakade, ibizo engizakhunjulwa ngalo kusukela kusizukulwana kusiya kwesinye isizukulwana.

¹⁶“Hamba uyebuthanisa abadala bako-Israyeli uthi kubo, ‘UJehova, uNkulunkulu waboyihlo – uNkulunkulu ka-Abrahama, lo-Isaka loJakhobe, ubonakele kimi wathi: Ngibe ngilikhangele njalo ngikubonile okwenziwe kini eGibhithe. ¹⁷Futhi ngithembisile ukulikhupha osizini lweGibhithe ngilise elizweni lamaKhenani, amaHithi, ama-Amori, amaPherizi, amaHivi lamaJebhusi, ilizwe eligeleza uchago loluju lwenyosi.

¹⁸“Abadala bako-Israyeli bazakulalela. Kuzakuthi wena kanye labadala liye enkosini yaseGibhithe lithi kuyo, ‘UJehova, uNkulunkulu wamaHebheru uhlangane lathi. Sivumele sithathe uhambo lwezinsuku ezintathu siye enkangala ukuyanikela imihlatshelo kuJehova uNkulunkulu wethu. ¹⁹Kodwa ngiyakwazi ukuthi inkosi yaseGibhithe ayiyikulivumela ukuthi lihambe ngaphandle kokuba icindezelwe yisandla esilamandla.

²⁰Ngakho ngizakwelula isandla sami ngiwatshaye amaGibhithe ngazo zonke izimanga engizazenza phakathi kwawo. Ngemva kwalokho, izalivumela lihambe.

²¹“Njalo ngizakwenza amaGibhithe abe lomusa kulababantu, ukuze kuthi mhla lisuka lingahambi lingaphethe lutho.

²²Wonke owesifazana kacele kumakhelwane wakhe lakuye wonke owesifazana ohlala endlini yakhe izinto ezililigugu ezenziwe ngesiliva legolide kanye lezigqoko ezizagqokwa ngamadodana lamadodakazi enu. Ngaleyondlela lizawephuca impahla amaGibhithe.

Izibonakaliso zikaMosi

4 UMosi waphendula wathi, “Pho bangayekela ukungikholwa loba ukulalela engikutshoyo bathi, ‘UJehova kazange abonakale kuwe’?”

²UJehova wathi kuye, “Kuyini lokho okusesandleni sakho?” Waphendula wathi, “Yinduku.”

³UJehova wathi, “Iphosele phansi emhlabathini.”

UMosi wayiphosa phansi yasiphenduka yaba yinyoka, wayibalekela. ⁴UJehova wasesithi kuye, “Yelula isandla sakho uyidobhe ngomsila.” UMosi welula isandla

wayibamba inyoka yasiphenduka yaba yinduku esandleni sakhe. ⁵UJehova wathi, “Lokhu yikwenzela ukuthi bakholwe ukuthi uJehova, uNkulunkulu waboyise, uNkulunkulu ka-Abhrahama, uNkulunkulu ka-Isaka loNkulunkulu kaJakhobe ubonakele kuwe.”

⁶UJehova wabuye wathi, “Faka isandla sakho phakathi kwesigqoko sakho.” UMosi wasefaka isandla sakhe esigqokweni sakhe, kwathi lapho esesikhupha, sasesimhlophe njengongqoqwane sesilobulephero.”

⁷Wathi njalo, “Sibuyisele isandla sakho esigqokweni sakho.” UMosi wasifaka isandla sakhe esigqokweni, wathi esesikhupha sasesibuyele esimeni saso, sesifanana lejwabu lakhe.”

⁸UJehova wasesithi, “Uma bengayikukholwa loba bengananzi izibonakaliso zokuqala, mhlawumbe bazakholwa ezesibili.

⁹Kodwa nxa bengakholwa izibonakaliso lezi ezimbili loba bengakulaleli, uzathatha amanzi emfuleni uNayili uwathele emhlabathini owomileyo. Amanzi ozawathatha emfuleni azaphenduka abe ligazi emhlabathini owomileyo.”

¹⁰UMosi wasesithi kuJehova, “O Nkosi, ngivele angisisikhulumi kusukela, kuze kube lakhathesi ukhuluma lenceku yakho. Ngiyagagasa njalo ngilamalini.” ¹¹UJehova wathi kuye, “Ngubani owapha umuntu umlomo? Ngubani omenza abe yisacuthe loba abe yisimungulu? Ngubani omenza abone loba amenze abe yisiphofu? Akusimi uJehova na?”

¹²Ngakho hamba, ngizakusiza ukuthi ukhulume njalo ngikufundise lokuthi uthini.”

¹³Kodwa uMosi wathi,

“O Jehova, ngicela uthume omunye ukuthi ayekwenza lokhu.”

¹⁴UJehova wathukuthela ulaka lwakhe lwavutha kuMosi, wathi, “Umfowenu u-Aroni-ke, ongumLevi? Ngiyazi ukuthi uyanelisa ukukhuluma kuhle. Uvele usendleleni ukuzahlangana lawe, njalo inhliziyo yakhe izathokoza ukukubona.

¹⁵Uzakhuluma laye ufake amazwi emlonyeni wakhe. Ngizaliphathisa lobabili ukuthi likhulume njalo ngizalifundisa ukuthi lenzeni.

¹⁶Yena uzakukhulumela ebantwini, njalo kuzakuba sengani nguye ongumlomo wakho njalo kube angani wena unguNkulunkulu kuye.

¹⁷Kodwa phatha induku le esandleni sakho ukuze wenze izimangaliso ngayo.”

UMosi ubuyela eGibhithe

¹⁸UMosi wasebuyela kuyisezala uJethro wathi kuye, “Bengicela ukubuyela ebantwini bakithi eGibhithe ukuthi ngiyebona kumbe balokhu besaphilile.” UJethro wathi kuye, “Hamba kuhle.”

¹⁹UJehova wayethe kuMosi eMidiyani, “Buyela eGibhithe, ngoba bonke abantu ababefuna ukukubulala sebafa.” ²⁰Ngakho uMosi wathatha umkakhe kanye lamadodana akhe, wabakhweza kubabemi waqala uhambo lokubuyela eGibhithe. Wathatha induku kaNkulunkulu wayiphatha ngesandla.

²¹UJehova wathi kuMosi, “Ekubuyeleni kwakho eGibhithe, bona ukuthi uyazenza zonke izimanga engikuphe amandla okuba uzenze phambi kukaFaro. Kodwa ngizakwenza inhliziyo yakhe ibe lukhuni ukuba angabavumeli abantu ukuthi basuke.

²²Uzakuthi kuFaro, ‘UJehova uthi u-Israyeli yindodana yami elizibulo,

²³njalo ngakutshela ngathi, “Vumela indodana yami ihambe, ukuze iyengikhonza.” Kodwa wena wala ukuyivumela ukuba ihambe; ngakho ngizabulala indodana yakho elizibulo.’ ”

²⁴Kwathi besesindleleni, endlini yezihambi, uJehova wahlangana laye uMosi wafuna ukumbulala. ²⁵Kodwa uZiphora wathatha ingqamu wasika isikhumba esisekucineni komphambili wendodana wasethinta izinyawo zikaMosi ngaso. Wathi, “Impela wena ungumyeni wegazi.” ²⁶Ngakho iNkosi yasimyekela. (Ngalesosikhathi uZiphora wathi “umyeni wegazi” esitsho ngoba kube lokusoka.)

²⁷UJehova wathi ku-Aroni, “Hamba uye enkangala uhlangabezane loMosi.” Ngakho wasuka wayahlangana loMosi entabeni kaJehova wamanga.

²⁸UMosi wamtshela u-Aroni konke uJehova ayemthume ukuthi akutsho, njalo langazo zonke izibonakaliso ezimangalisayo ayemlaye ukuba azenze.

²⁹UMosi lo-Aroni bahamba bafika baqoqa bonke abadala bako-Israyeli, ³⁰u-Aroni wasebatshela konke uJehova ayekutshela uMosi. Wenza lezibonakaliso phambi kwabantu,

³¹bakholwa. Kwathi besizwa ukuthi uJehova uyabakhathalela, njalo wayelubonile usizi lwabo, bakhothama phansi bamkhonza.

Izitina kungelatshani

5 Emva kwalokho uMosi lo-Aroni baya kuFaro. Bathi kuye “Sikulethele ilizwi elivela kuJehova, uNkulunkulu wabantu bako-Israyeli. Uthi, “Vumela abantu bami bahambe, ukuze bangenzele idili enkangala.”

²UFaro wathi, “Ungubani uJehova okufanele ngimlalele ngivumele abako-Israyeli ukuba bahambe na? Mina

kangimazi uJehova, njalo kangiyikubavumela abako-Israyeli ukuba bahambe.”

³ Yikho-ke bona bathi, “UNkulunkulu wamaHebheru ubonakele kithi. Kumele sithathe uhambo lwamalanga amathathu siye enkangala ukuze siyenikela iminikelo funa asibulale ngemikhuhlane loba ngenkamba.”

⁴ Kodwa inkosi yaseGibhithe yathi, “Mosi lo-Aroni, kungani lisusa abantu emsebenzini wabo? Buyelani emisebenzini yenu.” ⁵ UFaro wasesithi, “Khangelani abantu sebebanengi elizweni kodwa lina liyabamisa ukusebenza.”

⁶ Ngalelolanga uFaro wathumela lelilizwi kuzinduna zezigqili ezazisebenzisa abantu wathi: ⁷ “Lingabe lisabapha abantu utshani bokwenza izitina. Yekelani bayezidingela utshani babo kodwa lingehlisi inani lezitina okumele bazenze. ⁸ Kumele ukuthi batshaye inani lakudala. Bangamavila, yikho besuka bakhale besithi, ‘Kasihambeni siyenikela kuNkulunkulu wethu.’ ⁹ Yenzani umsebenzi ubenzima kwabesilisa ukuze baqhubekele phambili ngomsebenzi batshiyane lokulalela amanga.”

¹⁰ Izinduna zezigqili kanye labaphathi baphuma bayatshela abantu bathi, “Nanku esikulaywe nguFaro: uthi, ‘Kangisoze ngilnike utshani futhi.

¹¹ Hambani liyesika utshani lapho elingabuthola khona. Kodwa umsebenzi wenu kawusoze uphungulwe lakancinyane.’” ¹² Ngakho abantu bahlakazeka kulo lonke eleGibhithe, besika imihlanga ukuze bayisebenzise esikhundleni sotshani. ¹³ Izinduna zezigqili zaqhubeka zibakhahlameza zisithi, “Qedani imisebenzi yansuku zonke njengalokho elalikwenza lisazuza utshani. ¹⁴ Abaphathi bezisebenzi bako-Israyeli ababekhethwe yizinduna

zezigqili zikaFaro batshaywa babuzwa ukuthi, “Kungani inani lezolo lelalamhla linganelanga njengakudala?”

¹⁵ Yikho-ke abaphathi bezisebenzi bako-Israyeli baya kuFaro bamncenga besithi, “Kungani uphatha izisebenzi zakho ngale indlela? ¹⁶ Izisebenzi zakho kazinikwa utshani kodwa sitshelwa ukuthi, ‘Tshayani izitina!’ Izisebenzi zakho ziyatshaywa kodwa umlandu ngowabantu bakho.”

¹⁷ UFaro wathi, “Mavila, yikho eliyikho – mavila ! Yikho lihlala lisithi, ‘Siyekele siyenikela kuJehova.’

¹⁸ Buyelani emsebenzini. Akulatshani elizabuphiwa. Kodwa kumele lenze izitina ezifika inani elivele lilenza.

¹⁹ Abaphathi bezisebenzi bako-Israyeli bananzelela ukuthi babesebunzimeni obukhulu baze batshelwe ukuthi, “Kakumelanga lehlise inani lezitina okumele lilenze nsuku zonke.”

²⁰ Sebesukile kuFaro, bafica uMosi lo-Aroni bebamelele.

²¹ Basebesithi, “UNkulunkulu kalikhangele alahlulele. Selenze ukuthi senyanyeke kuFaro lakuziphathamandla zakhe, lafaka inkemba ezandleni zabo ukuba basibulale.”

UNkulunkulu wethembisa ukukhululwa kwabako-Israyeli

²² UMosi wabuyela kuJehova wathi kuye, “Jehova, kungani ulethe uhlupho ebantwini laba? Yiso yini isizatho sokungithuma. ²³ Selokhu ngaya kuFaro ukuyakhuluma ngegama lakho uselethe uhlupho ebantwini laba, yikho kawubahlenganga abantu bakho lakancane.”

6 Ngakho uJehova wasesithi kuMosi, “Uzabona esengizakwenza kuFaro

khathesi. Ngenxa yamandla esandla sami uzabavumela bahambe, ngenxa yamandla esandla sami uzabaxotsha elizweni lakhe.”

² UNkulunkulu waphinda wathi kuMosi, “NginguJehova.

³ Ngazibonakalisa ku-Abhrahama, ku-Isaka lakuJakhobe njengoNkulunkulu uSomandla, kodwa ngegama lami elithi ‘Jehova’ kangizange ngizibonakalise kubo. ⁴ Ngaphinda ngenza isivumelwano labo ukuze ngibanike ilizwe leKhenani lapho ababehlala khona njengabezizweni.

⁵ Phezu kwalokho sengikuzwile ukububula kwabantu bako-Israyeli besebuqgilini ngaphansi kwamaGibhithe, ngasengikhumbula isivumelwano sami.

⁶ Ngakho tshela abako-Israyeli ukuthi nginguJehova, njalo ngizalikhulula embusweni onzima wamaGibhithe, ngizalikhulula ukuze lingabi yizigqili zabo, njalo ngizalikhulula ngesandla eseluliweyo langezimangaliso.

⁷ Ngizalemukela njengabantu bami njalo ngizakuba nguNkulunkulu wenu. Yikho lizakwazi ukuthi nginguJehova uNkulunkulu owalikhupha embusweni olukhuni wamaGibhithe. Ngizalikhulula ukuze lingabi yizigqili zabo. ⁸ Njalo ngizaliletha elizweni engafunga ngesandla sami esiphakemeyo ukulinika u-Abhrahama, u-Isaka loJakhobe. Ngizalinika lona ukuze libe ngelenu. Mina nginguJehova.”

⁹ UMosi wabika lokhu kwabako-Israyeli kodwa kabazange bamlalele ngenxa yokudangala kwabo lobugqili obulochuku.

¹⁰ UJehova wasesithi kuMosi,

¹¹ “Hamba uyetshela uFaro iNkosi yaseGibhithe ukuthi avumele abako-Israyeli baphume elizweni lakhe.”

¹² Kodwa uMosi wathi kuJehova, “Nxa abako-Israyeli bengangilaleli, kuyini okungenza ukuthi uFaro angilalele, njengoba ngikhuluma ngigagasa?”

Umbhalo Wendlu Yakwabo kaMosi lo-Aroni

¹³ UJehova wakhuluma loMosi lo-Aroni mayelana labako-Israyeli loFaro inkosi yaseGibhithe wabalaya ukuthi bavumele abantu bako-Israyeli ukuthi baphume eGibhithe.

¹⁴ Laba bayizinhloko zezindlu zaboyise:

Amadodana kaRubheni, izibulo lika-Israyeli ngoHanoki, loPhalu, loHezironi, loKhami. Laba babengabosendo lukaRubheni.

¹⁵ Amadodana kaSimiyoni kwakungu-Jemuweli, loJamini, lo-Obadi, loJakhini, loZohari, loShawuli olonina oweyengumKhenani. Laba babengabosendo lukaSimiyoni.

¹⁶ La ngamabizo amadodana kaLevi ngokwemibhalo yabo: UGeshoni, loKhohathi, loMerari. ULevi waphila iminyaka elikhulu lamatshumi amathathu lesikhombisa.

¹⁷ Amadodana kaGeshoni ngezizukulwana zabo ayenguLibhini, loShimeyi, lemuli zabo. ¹⁸ Amadodana kaKholathi ayengo-Amramu, lo-Izhari, loHebhroni lo-Uziyeli. UKhohathi waphila iminyaka elikhulu elilamatshumi amathathu lantathu.

¹⁹ Amadodana kaMerari ayenguMaheli loMushi. Laba babengabosendo luka-Levi, ngokwemibhalo yabo.

²⁰ U-Amramu wathatha uJokebedi owayengudadewabo kayise. Wamzalela u-Aroni loMosi. U-Amramu waphila

iminyaka elikhulu lamatshumi
amathathu lesikhombisa.

²¹ Amadodana ka-Izhari nguKhora,
loNefegi loZikhiri.

²² Amadodana ka-Uziyeli
nguMishayeli lo-Elizafani loSithiri.

²³ U-Aroni wathatha u-Elisheba
indodakazi ka-Aminadabi. U-Elisheba
wayengudadewabo kaNaheshoni.
Wamzalela uNadabi, lo-Abhihu, lo-
Eliyazari, lo-Ithamari. ²⁴ Amadodana
kaKhora ayengu-Asiri, lo-Elikhana, lo-
Abhiyasafi. Laba babengabosendo
lukaKhora. ²⁵ U-Eliyazari indodana ka-
Aroni wathatha omunye wamadodakazi
kaPhuthiyeli. Wamzalela uFinehasi.
Laba-ke yibo ababengabakhokheli
bezimuli zikaLevi, ngendlu yinye
ngayinye.

²⁶ Yibo labo o-Aroni lo-Mosi uJehova
athi kubo, “Khokhelani abantu bami
bako-Israyeli libakhuphe elizweni
laseGibhithe ngamakhulu abo.”

²⁷ Yibo laba abaya kuFaro inkosi
yaseGibhithe mayelana lokukhupha
abantu bako-Israyeli eGibhithe.
Kwakuyibo oMosi lo-Aroni.

U-Aroni ukhulumela uMosi

²⁸ Ngesikhathi uJehova ekhuluma
loMosi eGibhithe, ²⁹ wathi kuye,
“NginguJehova. Tshela uFaro inkosi
yaseGibhithe yonke into engikutshela
yona.”

³⁰ Kodwa uMosi wathi kuJehova,
“Njengoba ngikhuluma ngigagasa,
kambe kuyini okungenza ukuthi uFaro
azihluphe ngokungilalela?”

7 UJehova wasesithi kuMosi,
“Khangela, sengikwenze waba
nguNkulunkulu kuFaro, njalo umfowenu
u-Aroni uzakuba ngumphrofethi wakho.

² Uzakhuluma konke engizakulaya khona
njalo umfowenu u-Aroni uzatshela uFaro
ukuthi avumele abako-Israyeli ukuba
basuke elizweni lakhe. ³ Kodwa
ngizakwenza inhliziyo kaFaro ibe
lukhuni, njalo lanxa ngizakwandisa
izimangaliso zami elizweni laseGibhithe,
⁴ kasoze alilalele. Sekunjalo
ngizakwelula isandla sami phezu
kweGibhithe, njalo ngezenzo zami
zokwahlulela ezilamandla,
ngizakwahlukanisa abantu. ⁵ Njalo
abantu baseGibhithe bazakwazi ukuthi
ngempela mina nginguJehova lapho
sengiselula isandla sami phezu
kweGibhithe, besengikhupha abako-
Israyeli kulelolizwe.”

⁶ UMosi lo-Aroni benza
njengokulaywa kwabo nguJehova.

⁷ UMosi wayeleminyaka
engamatshumi afica minwe mibili
ubudala, u-Aroni wayeleminyaka
engamatshumi afica minwe mibili
lantantu, ngesikhathi bekhuluma loFaro.

Induku ka-Aroni iba yinyoka

⁸ UJehova wathi ku-Mosi lo-Aroni,
⁹ “Uma uFaro angathi kini limenzele
isimangaliso, wena uzakuthi ku-Aroni,
“Thatha intonga yakho uyiphose phambi
kukaFaro, izaphenduka ibe yinyoka.”

¹⁰ Ngakho uMosi lo-Aroni baya
kuFaro. Bafika benza njengokulaywa
kwabo nguJehova. U-Aroni waphosa
intonga yakhe phansi phambi kukaFaro
lezikhulu zakhe, yaphenduka yaba
yinyoka. ¹¹ UFaro wasebiza izanuse
lezinyanga zaseGibhithe. Lazo zenza
izimanga ngendlela efanayo. ¹² Bonke
baphosela izintonga zabo phansi
zaphenduka zaba zinyoka. Kodwa
inyoka ka-Aroni yaziginya zonke
izinyoka. ¹³ Kodwa-ke, lanxa kwaba
njalo, inhliziyo kaFaro yala ilokhu
ilukhuni; njengoba uJehova wayetshilo.

Uhlupho lwegazi

¹⁴UJehova wasesithi kuMosi, “Inhliziyo kaFaro ilukhuni; uyala ukuthi abantu bahambe. ¹⁵Yana kuFaro ekuseni – ngesikhathi eshlela emfuleni. Ubokuma ekhunjini lomfula uNayili, umhlangabeze uphethe intonga eyaphenduka yaba yinyoka.

¹⁶Ubokuthi kuye, “UJehova uNkulunkulu wamaHebheru ungithumile njalo kuwe ukuba ngizekutshela ukuthi vumela abantu bakhe bahambe ukuze bayemkhonza enkangala, kodwa kuze kube khathezi kawukalaleli. ¹⁷UJehova uthi, Ngalokhu uzakwazi ukuthi nginguJehova: Ngentonga esesandleni sami ngizatshaya amanzi eNayili njalo azaphenduka abe ligazi. ¹⁸Inhlanzi kuNayeli zizakufa, amanzi omfula azanuka athi phu, ngakho abantu baseGibhithe abangeke babe besawanatha.” ¹⁹UJehova wasesithi kuMosi, “Tshela uAroni akhombele intonga yakhe emanzini aseGibhithe, lakuyo yonke imifula yakhona, lemisele yamanzi, lamaxhaphozi, lamachibi, azaphenduka abe ligazi. Igazi lizagcwala eGibhithe lasezinkonxeni zezigodo lasezitsheni zamatshe.

²⁰UMosi lo-Aroni benza njengokulaywa kwabo nguJehova. Waphakamisa intonga yakhe phambi kukaFaro lezikhulu zakhe watshaya amanzi kaNayili aphenyuka aba ligazi.

²¹Izinhlanzi zikaNayili zafa. Umfula wanuka kubi okokuthi abaseGibhithe babengeke bawanathe amanzi akhona. Igazi laseligwele indawo yonke.

²²Kodwa izanuse zaseGibhithe lazo ngemilingo yazo zenza izimanga ezifananayo. Ngalokho inhliziyo kaFaro yala ilokhu ilukhuni. Kabalalelanga oMosi lo-Aroni njengoba uJehova wayevele etshilo.

²³UFaro wabuyela esigodlweni sakhe engakunaki lokho. ²⁴Sekunjalo abaseGibhithe bamba imithombo emakhunjini omfula uNayili ukuba bathole amanzi okunatha, ngokuba babengeke babe besawanatha awomfula.

Uhlupho lwamaxoxo

²⁵Kwedlula izinsuku eziyisikhombisa ngemva kokuba uJehova enze amanzi kaNayili aba ligazi.

8 UJehova wathi kuMosi, “Buyela njalo kuFaro uthi kuye, UJehova uthi, “Vumela abantu bami bahambe bayengikonza. ²Ungala ngizathumela uhlupho lwamaxoxo elizweni lakho.

³Umfula uNayili uzagcwala amaxoxo. Azangena esigodlweni sakho lasendlini yakho yokulala, lasembhedeni wakho; angene lezindlini zezikhulu zakho lezabantu bakho. Azagcwala ezindaweni zenu zokuphekela, lasemiganwini yenu yokuvubela izinkwa. ⁴Amaxoxo la azakuba phezu kwakho laphezu kwabantu bakho kanye lezikhulu zakho.

⁵UJehova wasesithi kuMosi, “Tshela u-Aroni akhombele intonga emifuleni, lasezifudlaneni lasezizibeni zonke zaseGibhithe ukuze kube lamaxoxo ezindaweni zonke zelizwe.” ⁶U-Aroni welulela isandla sakhe emanzini eGibhithe, amaxoxo agcwala ilizwe lonke. ⁷Kodwa-ke izanuse lazo zenzanjalo ngemilingo yazo yensitha – zenza kwaba lamaxoxo elizweni lonke leGibhithe.

⁸UFaro wabiza uMosi lo-Aroni wathi kubo, “Ncengani uNkulunkulu asuse amaxoxo kimi lebantwini bami, lami

ngizavumela abantu bakhe ukuba bahambe bayenikela imihlatshelo kuJehova.⁹ UMosi wathi, kuFaro “Ngikutshiya kuwe ukuba ubeke isikhathi sokuthi ngikukhulekele wena lezikhulu zakho labantu bakho ukuze lina lezindlu zenu lilanyulelwe kula amaxoxo, ngaphandle kwalawo azasala kuNayili.”¹⁰ UFaro wathi, “Kwenze kusasa.” UMosi wasesithi, “Kuzakuba njengokutsho kwakho ukuze ukwazi ukuthi kakho omunye onjengoJehova uNkulunkulu wethu.”¹¹ Amaxoxo azasuka kini lezindlini zenu lezezikhulu labantu benu abesesala emfuleni uNayili kuphela.

¹²UMosi lo-Aroni basuka kuFaro. UMosi wakhalaza kuNkulunkulu ukuba asuse amaxoxo ayewathumele kuFaro.

¹³UJehova wenza lokho uMosi ayekucelile. Amaxoxo afa ezindlini lemagumeni lemasimini.

¹⁴Bawabuthelala aba zinqwabanqwaba; ilizwe lonke lanuka phu ngamaxoxo.

¹⁵Kodwa uFaro ebona ukuthi udubo seluphungukile womisa inhliziyi yakhe wala ukulalela uMosi lo-Aroni njengokwakuvele kwatshiwo nguJehova.

Uhlupho lwezintwala

¹⁶UJehova wasesithi kuMosi, “Tshela u-Aroni uthi, ‘Phakamisa intonga yakho utshaye uthuli lomhlabathi, uthuli luzaphenduka lube yizintwala elizweni lonke laseGibhithe.’”¹⁷ Benza njengokulaywa kwabo, kwathi u-Aroni eselule isandla sakhe ephethe intonga watshaya uthuli, izintwala zahlasela abantu lezifuyo zabo.

¹⁸Izanuse lazo zazama ukwenza izintwala ngemilingo yazo, kodwa zehluleka. Izintwala zazisebantwini lezinyamazoneni.¹⁹ Izanuse zathi kuFaro, “Lokhu kungumunwe kaNkulunkulu.”

Kodwa inhliziyi kaFaro yayilukhuni, eyisiqholo. Kabalalelanga njengoba uJehova wayevele etshilo.

Uhlupho lwempukane

²⁰UJehova wasesithi kuMosi, “Kusasa ubovuka ekuseni kakhulu uhlangabeze uFaro lapho esiya emanzini. Ubokuthi kuye, ‘Vumela abantu bami bahambe bayengikhonza.’”²¹ Ungala, ngizathumela umtshitshi wempukane kuwe, ebantwini bakho lezindlini zenu. Izindlu zabantu baseGibhithe zizagcwala impukane lomhlabathi ugcwale zona.

²²“ ‘Kodwa ngalolosuku akuyikuba njalo eGosheni lapho okuhlala khona abantu bami. Akuyikuba lemitshitshi yempukane khona. Ngakho uzakwazi ukuthi mina nginguJehova uNkulunkulu womhlaba wonke.

²³Ngizakwenza kube lomahluko phakathi kwabantu bami labantu bakho. Lesisibonakaliso esiyisimanga sizakwenzakala kusasa.’ ”

²⁴UJehova wenza njengoba wayetshilo. Impukane ezinengi okwesabeka kakhulukazi zagcwala esigodlweni sikaFaro lasezindlini zezikhulu zakhe, lakulo lonke ilizwe laseGibhithe; zalitshabalalisa.

²⁵UFaro wabiza uMosi lo-Aroni. Wathi kubo, “Hambani liyehlabela uNkulunkulu wenu likhonapha kulelizwe.

²⁶UMosi waphendula wathi, “Lokho akulunganga. Imihlatshelo yethu esinikela ngayo kuNkulunkulu wethu ayamukeleki ebantwini beGibhithe. Singanikela ngeminikelo abayizondayo kambe kabayikusitshaya ngamatshe na?

²⁷Kumele sithathe uhambo lwezizinsuku ezintathu siye enkangala siyemhlabela khonale uJehova uNkulunkulu wethu njengokusilaya

kwakhe.”²⁸ UFaro wathi,
 “Ngizalivumela lihambe liyenikela
 imihlatshelo kuJehova uNkulunkulu
 wenu enkangala, kodwa lingayi
 khatshana. Khathesi ngikhulekelani.”

²⁹UMosi waphendula wathi,
 “Ngizakuthi ngisanda kusuka
 ngikhuleke kuJehova, njalo kusasa
 impukane zizasuka kuFaro, kuzikhulu
 zakhe lebantwini bakhe. Nanzelelani
 ukuthi uFaro kalikhohlisi futhi
 ngokungavumeli abantu ukuba bahambe
 bayenikela imihlatshelo kuJehova.”

³⁰Emva kwalokho uMosi wasuka
 kuFaro wasekhuleka kuJehova.
³¹UJehova wenza lokho okwakucelwe
 nguMosi: zonke impukane zanyamalala
 kuFaro lezikhulu zakhe labantu bakhe,
 akwaze kwasala leyodwa. ³²Kodwa
 langalesosikhathi uFaro wenza inhliziyo
 yakhe yaba lukhuni kazabavumela
 abako-Israyeli ukuba bahambe.

Uhlupho ezifuyweni

9 UJehova wasesithi kuMosi, “Yana
 kuFaro uthi kuye, ‘Nanku okutshiwo
 nguJehova, uNkulunkulu wamaHebheru,
 ukuthi, ‘Yekela abantu bami bahambe,
 ukuze bayengikhonza.’”² Ungabalela
 ukuthi bahambe ube ulokhu ubabambile
³uJehova uzakwehlisela isifo esibi
 ezifuyweni zakho emadlelweni –
 amabhiza enu, obabhemi lamakamela
 njalo lezinkomo, izimvu lezimbuzi.

⁴Kodwa uJehova uzakwenza
 umahluko phakathi kwezifuyo zaba-
 Israyeli lezamaGibhithe ukuze kungafi
 lasinye isifuyo saba-Israyeli.”

⁵UJehova wamisa isikhathi esithile
 wathi, “UJehova uzakwenza lokhu
 kusasa elizweni leli.”⁶ Lakanye ngelanga
 elilandelayo uJehova wakwenza: Zonke
 izifuyo zamaGibhithe zafa, kodwa
 akufanga ngitsho lasinye isifuyo sama-

Israyeli. ⁷UFaro wathuma amadoda
 ukuyahlola umonakalo bafumana ukuthi
 kwakungafanga sifuyo lasinye sama-
 Israyeli. Kodwa inhliziyo yakhe yala
 ilokhu ilukhuni, wabalela abantu ukuthi
 bahambe.

Uhlupho lwamathumba

⁸UJehova wasesithi kuMosi lo-Aroni,
 “Thathani umlotha omlutshwana eziko
 lifike kuFaro uMosi awutsahazele
 emoyeni phambi kwakhe. ⁹Uzakuba
 luthuli phezu kwelizwe lonke
 laseGibhithe, lapho-ke kuzaphihlika
 amathumba amabi ebantwini
 lasezinyamazani kulo lonke ilizwe.”

¹⁰Ngakho bathatha umlotha eziko baya
 kuFaro. UMosi wawutsahazela
 emoyeni, abantu bonke lezinyamazana
 zonke kwamilwa ngamathumba
 aphihlikayo. ¹¹Izangoma zehluleka
 ukumisana loMosi ngenxa yamathumba
 ayezibulala kanye lamaGibhithe wonke.

¹²Kodwa uJehova wayenza yaba
 lukhuni inhliziyo kaFaro wala ukulalela
 uMosi lo-Aroni njengoba uJehova
 wayevele etshilo kuMosi.

Uhlupho lwesiqhoho

¹³UJehova wasesithi kuMosi, “Vuka
 ekuseni kakhulu uyojamela uFaro, uthi
 kuye, ‘Nanku okutshiwo nguJehova,
 uNkulunkulu wamaHebheru, uthi:
 Yekela abantu bami bahambe ukuze
 bayongikhonza. ¹⁴Kungenjalo kulesi
 isikhathi ngizakwehlisa ubunzima
 bezinhlupho zami obulesihluku phezu
 kwakho, phezu kwezinceku zakho
 labantu bakho ukuze lazi ukuthi kakho
 omunye onjengami emhlabeni wonke.

¹⁵Kunje nje ngabe sengiselulile isandla
 sami ngakutshaya kanye labantu bakho
 ngesifo ebesizakucitsha emhlabeni.

¹⁶ Kodwa ngikuphephisile
ngayonale injongo yokuthi ngikubonise
amandla ami, lokuthi ibizo lami
lifakazwe kuwo wonke umhlaba.

¹⁷ Ulokhu utshingela abantu bami ubalela
ukuthi bahambe. ¹⁸ Ngalokho-ke ngasona
lesi isikhathi kusasa ngizakwehlisa
isiqhotho esingakaze sehlele eGibhithe
lilokhu lababala laba khona ilizwe leli.

¹⁹ Wohla nje uthumezele ilizwi lokuthi
izifuyo zakho lakho konke olakho
emadlwelweni kakubuyiswe kuvalelwe
esibayeni esivikelweyo ngokuba
isiqhotho leso sizatshaya umuntu wonke
lesifuyo sonke esingabuthwanga nxa
silokhu sisegangeni, konke kuzakufa, ”

²⁰ Lezozikhulu zikaFaro ezalesabayo
ilizwi likaJehova zaphanga zangenisa
izigqili zazo lezifuyo ngaphakathi.

²¹ Labo abangalinanzanga ilizwi
likaJehova izigqili zabo lezifuyo zabo
bakuyekela kusegangeni.

²² UJehova wasesithi kuMosi, “Yelula
isandla sakho siye phezulu ukuze kune
isiqhotho eGibhithe lonke, phezu
kwabantu lezinyamazana laphezu
kwakho konke okukhulayo emasimini
aseGibhithe.” ²³ UMosi wonela
ukukhomba ngentonga yakhe phezulu
uJehova wehlisa umdumo lesiqhotho,
umbane walavuka phansi emhlabathini.
Ngakho uJehova wanisa isiqhotho
elizweni laseGibhithe. ²⁴ Isiqhotho
satshaya umbane walavuka yonke
indawo. Sasingakaze sibe khona
isiphepho esinjalo sekulokhu isizwe
saseGibhithe saba khona. ²⁵ Isiqhotho
satshaya saqothula yonke into egangeni,
abantu lezinyamazana; sabhuqa konke
okukhulayo emasimini, saphundla
izihlahla zonke.

²⁶ Indawo eyasilayo yiGosheni lapho
okwakulabako-Israyeli khona.

²⁷ UFaro wasebiza uMosi lo-Aroni.
Wathi kubo, “Okwamanje ngenze isono.

UJehova uqondile, kukanti mina labantu
bami kasiqondanga.

²⁸ Thandazani kuJehova, ngoba
ukukhwaza kwezulu lesiqhotho
sekwanele. Ngizalijekela lihambe;
akusadingeki ukuthi lihlale.” ²⁹ UMosi
waphendula wathi. “Nxa sengiphumile
edolobheni ngizavula izandla zami
ngikhuleke kuJehova. Ukuduma
kuzakhawula kungabe kusaba
lesiqhotho, ukuze wazi ukuthi umhlaba
ngokaJehova. ³⁰ Kodwa ngiyazi ukuthi
wena lezikhulu zakho lilokhu
lingamesabi uJehova.

³¹ (Uphoko lamabele kwabhuqwa nya
ngokuba amabele ayeselezikhwebu
lophoko selumumethe.

³² Inggoloyi lenyawuthi khona
kakuthintwanga ngoba kuvuthwa muva.)

³³ UMosi wasesuka kuFaro waphuma
edolobheni. Welulela izandla zakhe
kuJehova; ukuduma kwezulu lesiqhotho
kwakhawula, izulu alabe lisachithekela
emhlabeni. ³⁴ Kwathi uFaro ebona ukuthi
izulu lesiqhotho lokukhwaza kwezulu
kwasekukhawukile waphinda wenza
isono: Yena lezikhulu zakhe benza
izinhliziyi zabo zaba lukhuni.

³⁵ Ngakho inhliziyi kaFaro yaba
lukhuni akaze avumela aba-Israyeli
ukuhamba njengoba uJehova wayetshilo
ngoMosi.

Uhlupho lwezintethe

10 Ngakho uJehova wasesithi
kuMosi, “Hamba kuFaro, ngoba
sengiyenze yaba lukhuni inhliziyi yakhe
lezinhliziyi zezikhulu zakhe ukuze
ngenze izimanga zami kubo ² ukuze
lilandisele abantwabenu labazukulu
ukuthi ngabahlukuluza njani
abeGibhithe lokuthi ngabenzela

izimanga, khona lizakwazi ukuthi mina nginguJehova.”

³Ngakho oMosi lo-Aroni baya kuFaro bathi kuye, “Nanku okutshiwo nguJehova, uNkulunkulu wamaHebheru: ‘Uzakwala kuze kube nini ukuzithoba phambi kwami? Yekela abantu bami bahambe ukuze bayongikhonza. ⁴Uma usala ukuthi bahambe ngizaletha izintethe elizweni lakho kusasa.

⁵Zizakwembesa wonke umhlabathi usale ungasabonakali. Zizakudla ziphundle du lalokho okuncinyane okwatshiywa yisiqhotho kanye lezihlahla zonke ezikhula egangeni. ⁶Zizagcwala ezindlini zakho lezezikhulu zakho zonke lezamaGibhithe, into oyihlo labokhokho bakho abangazange bayibone kulokhu bahlala kulelilizwe kuze kube manje.’ ” Khonapho uMosi wabe efulathela esuka kuFaro.

⁷Izikhulu zikaFaro zathi kuye, “Koze kube nini na indoda le ilokhu iyingozi kithi? Yekela abantu bahambe bayekhonzisa uJehova uNkulunkulu wabo. Ulokhu ungaboni yini ukuthi ilizwe leGibhithe selichithekile?”

⁸UMosi lo-Aroni basebebuyiswa kuFaro. Wathi, “Hambani liyokhonza uJehova uNkulunkulu wenu. Kanti konje ngobani abahambayo?” ⁹UMosi waphendula wathi, “Sizahamba labatsha labadala bethu; lamadodana lamadodakazi ethu, lemihlambi yethu ngoba kumele senzele uJehova umkhosi.” ¹⁰UFaro wathi, “UJehova kabe lani, kumbe likhumbula ukuthi ngizalijekela lihambe labesifazana labantwana! Kusobala ukuthi liqonde ukwenza okubi. ¹¹Hatshi! Akuhambe amadoda kuphela; amkhonze uJehova ngoba phela yikho ebelivele likukhalela.” Ngakho uMosi lo-Aroni basebexotshwa phambi kukaFaro.

¹²UJehova wasesithi kuMosi, “Yelula isandla sakho phezu kweGibhithe ukuze

kwehle isikhongwane, izintethe, kulo lonke ilizwe zidle zigugude konke okukhulayo emmangweni, konke lokho okwatshiywa yisiqhotho.” ¹³UMosi wayiphakamisa intonga yakhe phezu kweGibhithe, uJehova wasequbula umoya wempumalanga wavunguza elizweni lonke ngalelolanga lobusuku bakhona. Ekuseni umoya waletha izintethe.

¹⁴Zalihlasela lonke elaseGibhithe zagcwala silikici kuzo zonke izindawo zelizwe ngobunengi bazo.

Kwakungakaze kube khona isikhongwane esingako njalo singeyikufa saba khona njalo lanini.

¹⁵Intethe lezo zavalala zahuqa umhlabathi waba mnyama bhuqe. Zats haya zabhuqa konke okwakusele ngesikhathi sesiqhotho, konke lani okwakukhula emmangweni kanye lezithelo zezihlahla. Akusalanga lutho oluluhlaza ezihlahleni loba yizimila bani kulo lonke ilizwe laseGibhithe. ¹⁶UFaro waphanga wabiza uMosi lo-Aroni wathi, “Ngonile kuJehova uNkulunkulu wenu lakini.

¹⁷Manje-ke ngixolelani njalo libuye likhuleke kuJehova uNkulunkulu wenu ukuthi asuse loluhlupho olubhubhisayo.”

¹⁸UMosi wasesuka kuFaro wayakhuleka kuJehova. ¹⁹UJehova wasewuguqula umoya waphetha uvelela entshonalanga ulamandla. Wazidudula izintethe wazitshovela eLwandle Olubomvu. Akusalanga ntethe layinye loba ngaphi eGibhithe.

²⁰Kodwa uJehova wayenza yaba lukhuni inhliziyi kaFaro, kaze abavumela abako-Israyeli ukuthi bahambe.

Uhlu pho lomnyama

²¹UJehova wasesithi kuMosi, “Yelulela isandla sakho emkhathini

ukwenzela ukuthi umnyama wembese iGibhithe lonke – umnyama ophumputhekayo.”

²²Ngakho uMosi waseselulela emkhathini isandla sakhe kwathi gubu umnyama okhasa phansi walembesa lonke elaseGibhithe okwezizinsuku ezintathu. ²³Kakho owayesabona omunye njalo kakho owayengasuka endaweni yakhe okwalezonsuku ezintathu. Kodwa ama-Israyeli ayelakho ukukhanya ezindaweni ayehlala kuzo.

²⁴UFaro wasebiza uMosi wathi, “Hambani liyokhonza uNkulunkulu. Ngitsho labesifazana benu labantwana hambani labo; litshiye kuphela imihlambi yezifuyo zenu.” ²⁵Kodwa uMosi wathi, “Kumele usivumele ukuthi siyokwenza imihlatshelo leminikelo yokutshiswa kuJehova uNkulunkulu wethu. ²⁶Izifuyo zethu lazo zimele zihambe lathi kungasali lasinye. Simele siyosebenzisa ezinye zazo ekukhonzeni uJehova uNkulunkulu wethu. Phela kasisoze sazi ukuthi sizasebenzisa siphilisi isifuyo ukukhonza uJehova size sifike khonale.”

²⁷Kodwa uJehova wayenza yaba lukhuni inhliziyi kaFaro, kaze afuna ukubayekela bahambe. ²⁸UFaro wathi kuMosi, “Suka phambi kwami! Phinde ngikubone futhi. Mhla wangibona futhi ufile wena.” ²⁹UMosi waphendula wathi, “Akube njengokuba usitsho. Phinde ungibone njalo lapha.”

Uhlupho lokubulawa kwamazibulo

11 Ngalesi isikhathi uJehova wathi kuMosi, “Sekusele ukuthi ngehlise uhlupho olulodwa kuFaro laphezu kweGibhithe. Ngemva kwalokho uzalijekela lisuke lapha, njalo liphume eselixotsha lonke.

²Tshela abantu ukuthi amadoda labafazi ngokufananayo kabacele kubomakhelwane babo izinto zesiliva legolide. ³(UJehova wenza amaGibhithe aba lomusa ebantwini, loMosi uqobo wahlonitshwa kakhulu yizikhulu zikaFaro langabantu.)

⁴Ngakho uMosi wasesithi, “Nanku okutshiwo nguJehova: ‘Phakathi kobusuku ngizahambahamba kulo lonke elaseGibhithe. ⁵Wonke owesilisa olizubulo eGibhithe uzakufa, kusukela ezibulweni likaFaro ohlezi esihlalweni sobukhosi kuthathe kanye lezibulo lesigqili sentombazana esisebenza ukuchola, kanye lamazibulo ezinkomo uqobo. ⁶Kuzakuba lesililo esikhulu eGibhithe lonke, isililo esingakaze sibe khona njalo esingayikufa saba khona lanini. ⁷Kodwa kwabako-Israyeli akuyikuba lanja ezakhonkotha umuntu loba inyamazana.’ Lapho-ke lizakwazi ukuthi uJehova uyabandlulula amaGibhithe kuma-Israyeli. ⁸Zonke izikhulu zakho lezi zizakuza kimi zimbele ubuso phansi phambi kwami zisithi, ‘Hambani, wena labo bonke abakulandelayo!’ Ngemva kwalokho ngizasuka.” UMosi wasesuka kuFaro elokhu ezonde evutha umlilo.

⁹UJehova wayesetshilo kuMosi wathi, “UFaro uzaqinisa intamo, ukuze zande izimangaliso zami eGibhithe.”

¹⁰UMosi lo-Aroni bazenza zonke izimangaliso lezi emehlweni kaFaro, kodwa uJehova wayenza yaba lukhuni inhliziyi kaFaro kaze abavumela abako-Israyeli ukuthi baphume elizweni lakhe.

Umdabuko wePhasika

12 UJehova wathi kuMosi lo-Aroni beseGibhithe, ²“Inyanga le kayibe yinyanga yokuqala kini, inyanga

yokuqala emnyakeni wenu.

³Tshelani bonke abomndeni ka-Israyeli ukuthi ngelanga letshumi lale inyanga indoda ngayinye kayithathele abomuzi wayo izinyane libe linye indlu ngendlu.

⁴Aluba abendlu bebalutshwana kakhulu ukuthi bangake baliqede lelozinyane kababelane labomakhelwane abaseduze kwabo kusiya ngokuthi abantu lapho bangaki. Kumele ubone ukuthi umuntu emunye angadla inyama engakanani.

⁵Umele ukhethe amazinyane amaduna alomnyaka owodwa angelasici, njalo ungakhetha ezimvini loba ezimbuzini.

⁶Agcine amazinyane lawo kuze kube lusuku lwetshumi lane lwenyanga, lapho-ke sonke isizwe sika-Israyeli kumele siwaqume nxa kuhwalala.

⁷Lapho-ke kabathathe igazi baligcobe emaceleni laphezulu kwemigubazi yalezozindlu abazadlela khona amazinyane. ⁸Ngabona lobo busuku kabadle inyama yosiwe emlilweni, lesinkwa esingelamvubelo lemibhida ebabayo. ⁹Lingayidli inyama iluhlaza loba iphekiwe emanzini, kodwa yoseni emlilweni konke lenhloko yakhona lamangqina kanye lezangaphakathi.

¹⁰Lingatshiyi lutho lwayo kuze kube sekuseni; kuthi nxa kukhona okuseleyo kwayo ekuseni kumele likutshise.

¹¹Liboyidla inkalo zenu zibotshiwe amanyathela egqokiwe, lezintonga zenu zizezandleni. Lidle ngokuphangisa; liPhasika likaJehova.

¹²“Ngabona lobobusuku ngizadabula phakathi kweGibhithe ngiwagongode wonke amazibulo awabantu lawezinyamazana – njalo ngizakwahlulela bonke onkulunkulu baseGibhithe. Mina nginguJehova.

¹³Igazi lizakuba yisibonakaliso sezindlu lapho elikhona lina; kuzakuthi ngingabona igazi ngedlule kini. Akulasijeziso esibhidlizayo esizalithinta lina nxa ngizadlula iGibhithe.

¹⁴“Leli akube lilanga lesikhumbuzo, kuthi zonke izizukulwane ezizayo ziligcine ngomkhosi omkhulu kuJehova, kube yisimiso sanini lanini.

¹⁵“Okwezizinsuku eziyisikhombisa lizakudla isinkwa esingelamvubelo. Ngelanga lokuqala susani imvubelo ezindlini zenu, kuthi lowo odla loba yini elemvubelo ngelanga lokuqala kusiya kwelesikhombisa kumele akhutshwe ko-Israyeli. ¹⁶Ngelanga lokuqala akube lenkonzo engcwele, liphinde eyinye ngosuku lwesikhombisa. Lingawuthinti umsebenzi kulezi izinsuku ngaphandle kokulungisa ukudla kwabantu – yikho kodwa elingakwenza. ¹⁷Gcinani uMkhosi weSinkwa esingelamvubelo ngoba kwakumhla lokho engakhupha ngalo amaviyo enu eGibhithe. Gcinani leli ilanga njengesimiso sanini lanini kuzizukulwane ezizayo. ¹⁸Ngenyanga yokuqala libokudla isinkwa esingelamvubelo, kusukela kusihlwa ngelanga letshumi lane kuze kube kusihlwa ngelanga lamatshumi amabili lanye. ¹⁹Okwezizinsuku eziyisikhombisa makungaficwa mvubelo ezindlini zenu. Akuthi lowo odla loba yini elemvubelo asuswe aphele phakathi komndeni ka-Israyeli, lokuba engowezizweni loba owosendo. ²⁰Lingadli lutho olufakwe imvubelo. Loba kungaphi elihlala khona libokudla isinkwa esingelamvubelo.”

²¹Kwathi uMosi wasebiza zonke izingwevu zako-Israyeli wathi kuzo, “Hambani khona manje liyokhetha amazinyane ezindlu zenu lihlabe izinyane lePhasika. ²²Lithathe ilixha lentelezi yehisophi liyixube kanye legazi emganwini beselithatha elinye igazi liligcobe phezulu inxa zonke zomgubazi. Akungabi khona lamunye wenu ozaphuma emnyango wendlu yakhe kuze kuse. ²³Lapho uJehova edabula phakathi kwelizwe egongoda amaGibhithe uzalibona igazi phezulu eceleni

komnyango, aceze awedlule lowomnyango angamvumeli umbhubhisi ukungena endlini agadle.

²⁴“Lalelani imilayo le njengezimiso zanini lanini kini lasezizukulwaneni zenu. ²⁵Nxa lingangena elizweni uJehova azalinika lona njengokuthembisa kwakhe, liwugcine umkhosi lo. ²⁶Nxa abantwabenu belibuza besithi, ‘Umkhosi lo ngowani?’ ²⁷libatshela lithi, ‘UliPhasika lomhlatshelo kaJehova owadlula eceza izindlu zabako-Israyeli eGibhithe waphephisa imizi yethu mhla egongoda amaGibhithe.’” Khonapho abantu bakhothama bakhonza.

²⁸Abako-Israyeli bakwenza lokho uJehova akuyala uMosi lo-Aroni.

²⁹Phakathi kobusuku uJehova wawagondoda wonke amazibulo eGibhithe, kusukela ezibulweni likaFaro owayesesihlalweni sokukhosi kusiya ezibulweni lesibotshwa esasisentolongweni, kanye lamazibulo ezifuyo.

³⁰UFaro lezikhulu zakhe zonke lawo wonke amaGibhithe bavuka ebusuku basiqhinqa isililo esikhulu eGibhithe ngoba kungekho ndlu layinye lapho okwakungafiwanga khona.

Ukuphuma eGibhithe

³¹Ebusuku uFaro wabiza uMosi lo-Aroni wathi, “Hambani! Sukani ebantwini bani, lina lama-Israyeli. Hambani liyekhonza uJehova njengokucela kwenu. ³²Thathani imihlambi yenu, njengokutsho kwenu lihambe. Njalo ake lingibusise.”

³³AmaGibhithe akhuthaza ukuthi baphangise baphume elizweni. Bathi, “Engxenye singafa sonke!”

³⁴Ngakho abantu bathatha inhlama yabo yesinkwa ingakafakwa invubelo bayithwala emahlombe ngemikolo yokuvubela igoqelwe ngamalembu.

³⁵Ama-Israyeli enza lokho uMosi abayala khona bacela kumaGibhithe izinto ezenziwe ngesiliva langegolide kanye lezigqoko. ³⁶UJehova wenza amaGibhithe aba lomusa abapha ingqe yilokho abakucelayo. Ngakho bawathintitha du amaGibhithe ngezimpahla zawo.

³⁷Uhambo lwama-Israyeli lwasukela eRamasesi baqonda eSukhothi. Kwakulamadoda ayizinkulungwane ezingamakhulu ayisithupha behamba ngenyawo ngaphandle kwabesifazana labantwana.

³⁸Abanye abantu nje abanengi bahamba labo kanye lemihlambi eminengi yezifuyo, izimvu lezinkomo.

³⁹Inhlama abaphuma layo eGibhithe bapheka ngayo isinkwa esingelamvubelo. Inhlama leyo yayingelamvubelo ngokuba basuka eGibhithe sebexotshwa abazabe besaba lesikhathi sokuzilungisela umphako.

⁴⁰Abako-Israyeli babehlale eGibhithe okweminyaka engamakhulu amane lamatshumi amathathu.

⁴¹Ekupheleni kwaleyominyaka engamakhulu amane lamatshumi amathathu kungeqanga suku wonke amaviyo asuka eGibhithe. ⁴²Kwathi ngoba uJehova walinda ngalobobusuku esakhupha abako-Israyeli eGibhithe yikho-ke labo abako-Israyeli bonke bamele bawugcine umlindo lo behlonipha uJehova kuzo zonke izizukulwane ezizayo.

Izibopho zePhasika

⁴³UJehova wathi kuMosi lo-Aroni, “Nansi imilayo yePhasika:

“Akungabi lamuntu wezizweni olidlayo.

⁴⁴Isigqili esithengiweyo singalidla nxa sesisokile, ⁴⁵kodwa isethekeli sezizweni

lesisebenzi esiqatshiweyo
kabavunyelwa ukulidla.

⁴⁶“Kalidlelwe endlini eyodwa, kungabi lanyama ephumela phandle kwendlu. Akungabi lathambo elephulwayo. ⁴⁷Lonke ibandla lika-Israyeli kaliwugcine umkhosi lo.

⁴⁸“Owezizweni ohlala phakathi kwenu nxa efuna ukulidla iPhasika likaJehova kasoke bonke abesilisa abahlala endlini yakhe. Lapho-ke usengahlanganyela adle njengabanini belizwe. Owesilisa ongasokwanga kangalidli. ⁴⁹Umthetho lo ugoqela bonke abantu – abanini belizwe labemzini abahlala phakathi kwenu.”

⁵⁰Bonke abako-Israyeli benza khonalokhu uJehova ayekulaye uMosi lo-Aroni. ⁵¹Njalo ngalona lelolanga uJehova wakhupha abako-Israyeli eGibhithe ngamaviyo abo.

Amazibulo ahlukaniselwa uJehova

13 UJehova wathi kuMosi,

²“Yahlukanisela kimi wonke amazibulo esilisa. Konke okuzalwa kuqala okuvula isizalo phakathi kwama-Israyeli kungokwami, loba ngumuntu longabe yisifuyo.”

³Ngakho uMosi wasesithi ebantwini, “Lugcineni lube lusuku lwesikhumbuzo lolu, ilanga elaphuma ngalo eGibhithe, liphuma elizweni lobugqili, ngokuba uJehova walikhupha khona ngamandla amakhulu. Lingadli lutho olulemvubelo. ⁴Lamuhla ngenyanga ka-Abhibhi, liyasuka.

⁵Kuzakuthi uJehova angalifikisa elizweni lamaKhenani, lamaHithi, lama-Amori, lamaHivi lamaJebhusi – ilizwe afunga kubokhokho benu ukuthi uzalinika lona, ilizwe eligeleza uchago lezinyosi – kufanele liwugcine umkhosi lo kuyona le inyanga. ⁶Okwezizinsuku eziyisikhombisa lidle isinkwa

esingelamvubelo kuthi ngosuku lwesikhombisa lenze umkhosi kaJehova; ⁷kungabonwa lutho olulemvubelo phakathi kwenu, kuvele kungabonwa mvubelo elizweni lenu lonke.

⁸Ngalelolanga ngulowo katshele indodana yakhe athi, ‘Lokhu ngikwenza ngenxa yalokho uJehova angenzela khona ekuphumeni kwami eGibhithe.’

⁹Lesisikhumbuzo kuwe sizakuba luphawu esandleni sakho lesikhumbuzo ebunzini lakho ukuthi umlayo kaJehova ube sezindebeni zakho. Ngokuba uJehova wakuhupha eGibhithe ngesandla sakhe esilamandla amakhulu.

¹⁰Kalibosigcina lesisimiso ngesikhathi esimisiweyo minyaka yonke.

¹¹“Nxa uJehova eselingenisile elizweni lamaKhenani walinika lona njengokuthembisa kwakhe kini lakubokhokho benu, ¹²kumele lahlukanisele uJehova konke okuzalwa kuqala yizo zonke izizalo. Wonke amazibulo esilisa ezifuyo zenu ngakaJehova. ¹³Lizahlenga izibulo likababhemi ngezinyane, kodwa uma lingalihlenganga laphuleni intamo. Lihlengi njalo wonke amadodana enu angamazibulo.

¹⁴“Nxa indodana yakho ikubuza ngesikhathi esizayo isithi, ‘Kutshoni lokhu?’ ubokuthi kuyo, ‘UJehova wasikhupha eGibhithe ngesandla sakhe esilamandla amakhulu, wasikhupha elizweni lobugqili. ¹⁵Kwathi uFaro eqholoza esala ukusiyekela sihambe uJehova wabulala wonke amazibulo eGibhithe, awabantu lawezinyamazana. Yikho nje nginikela kuJehova izibulo lesilisa elezizalo zonke ngiphinde ngihlengi wonke amadodana ami angamazibulo.

¹⁶Lokhu kuzakuba njengophawu esandleni sakho lesibonelo ebunzini

lakho ukuthi uJehova wakukhupha eGibhithe ngesandla sakhe esilamandla amakhulu.”

Bachapha uLwandle Olubomvu

¹⁷UFaro esebavumele abantu ukuthi bahambe, uNkulunkulu kabakhokhelanga ngendlela edabula elizweni lamaFilisti loba yona yayiquma. Yingoba uNkulunkulu wathi, “Nxa behlangana lempi mhlawumbe bangethuka babuyele eGibhithe.”

¹⁸Yikho uNkulunkulu wababhodisa abantu wabahola ngendlela yenkangala eya eLwandle Olubomvu. Abako-Israyeli baphuma eGibhithe behlomele impi. ¹⁹UMosi wawathwala amathambo kaJosefa ngoba uJosefa wayenze isifungo lamadodana ka-Israyeli wathi, “Ngempela uNkulunkulu uzalikhulula. Lapho-ke libowathwala amathambo ami lisuke lawo kule indawo. ²⁰Sebesukile eSukhothi bayamisa e-Ethami indawo egudlene lenkangala. ²¹Emini uJehova wahamba phambi kwabo ngensika yeyezi ebahola endleleni yabo, kwathi ebusuku wabahola ngensika yomlilo ukubakhanyisela ukuze bahambe emini lebusuku. ²²Insika yeyezi emini loba insika yomlilo ebusuku kakuzange kusuke endaweni yakho phambi kwabantu.

14 UJehova wathi kuMosi, ²“Tshela abako-Israyeli ukuthi babuyele emuva bayomisa ePhihahirothi phakathi kweMigidoli lolwandle. Kabamise eceleni kolwandle malungana leBhali Zefoni. ³UFaro uzacabanga ukuthi abako-Israyeli bayantula nje elizweni besangene ngoba sebevalwe yinkangala.

⁴Njalo ngizayenza ibe lukhuni inhliziyo kaFaro abeselandela exotshana

labo. Kodwa ngizazizuzela udumo ngoFaro kanye lempi yakhe yonke, lamaGibhithe azakwazi ukuthi mina nginguJehova.” Ngakho abako-Israyeli bakwenza lokhu.

⁵Kwathi inkosi yaseGibhithe isitsheliwe ukuthi abantu basebebalekile, uFaro lezikhulu zakhe baguquka ezingqondweni zabo ngabako-Israyeli bathi, “Senzeni manje? Sesiyekele ama-Israyeli ahamba salahlekelwa yikusetshenzelwa yiwo!” ⁶UFaro waselungisa inkolo yakhe yamabhiza waphuma lempi yakhe. ⁷Wathatha izinkolo ezingamakhulu ayisithupha ezekhethelo zahamba kanye lezinye izinkolo zaseGibhithe ngayinye ilenduna yayo. ⁸UJehova wayenza yaba lukhuni inhliziyo kaFaro inkosi yaseGibhithe, ngakho waxotshana lama-Israyeli aye hamba ngesibindi.

⁹AmaGibhithe kugoqela wonke amabhiza kaFaro lezinkolo, abagadi bamabhiza lamabutho, abaxhuma abako-Israyeli ababamba nxatshana bemise ngasolwandle eduzane lePhihahirothi malungana leBhali Zefoni.

¹⁰Kwathi uFaro esondela ama-Israyeli athi qaqabu abona nanko amaGibhithe asebanxwanele. Besaba bathuthumela bakhala kuJehova.

¹¹Bathi kuMosi, “Kambe yikuthi kwakungelamangcwaba yini eGibhithe uze usilethe lapha enkangala ukuba sizofela khona? Manje wenzeni ngokusikhupha eGibhithe? ¹²Asitshongo kuwe yini siseGibhithe ukuthi siyekele? Satsho sathi siyekele sikhonze amaGibhithe. Kwakuzaba ngcono kithi ukukhonza amaGibhithe kulokufela enkangala!”

¹³UMosi wabaphendula abantu wathi, “Lingesabi. Manini isibindi, lizabona ukuthi uJehova uzalikhulula njani lamuhla. AmaGibhithe eliwabonayo

lamuhla kalisoze liphinde
liwabone njalo. ¹⁴UJehova uzalilwela;
lina manini lithule.”

¹⁵Ngakho uJehova wasesithi kuMosi,
“Kanti ukhalelani kimi na? Tshela
abako-Israyeli baphume bahambe.

¹⁶Phakamisa intonga yakho welulele
isandla sakho phezu kolwandle amanzi
adabuke phakathi ukuze aba-Israyeli
bahambe phakathi kolwandle
emhlabathini owomileyo.

¹⁷Ngizazenza zibe lukhuni izinhliziyi
zamaGibhithe ukuze angene abaxhume.
Njalo ngizazuza udumo ngoFaro lempi
yakhe yonke, langezinkolo zakhe
labagadi bakhe bamabhiza.

¹⁸AmaGibhithe azakwazi ukuthi mina
yimi uJehova nxa sengizazuza udumo
ngoFaro, langezinkolo zakhe labagadi
bakhe bamabhiza.”

¹⁹Kwathi khonapho ingilosi
kaNkulunkulu eyayikade ihamba
phambili kwempi ka-Israyeli yasuka
yayahamba ngemuva kwabo. Insika
yeyezi layo yatshuduka yasuka phambili
yayakuma ngemuva kwabo,

²⁰yehlukanisa impi yamaGibhithe
leyama-Israyeli. Ubusuku bonke iyezi
laletha ubumnyama kuleli icele
(lamaGibhithe), laletha ukukhanya
ngakuleliyana icele (lama-Israyeli);
ngakho kabakho abasondela kwabanye
ubusuku bonke.

²¹Ngakho uMosi waseselulela ingalo
yakhe phezu kolwandle, kwathi
ngalobobusuku uJehova wafuqela
ulwandle emuva ngomoya
wempumalanga olamandla kwasala
umhlabathi owomileyo. Amanzi
adabukana phakathi, ²²kwathi aba-
Israyeli bazihambela phakathi kolwandle
emhlabathini owomileyo amanzi
eludonga ngapha langapha kwabo.

²³AmaGibhithe abalandela, amabhiza
wonke kaFaro, izinkolo labagadi
bamabhiza bonke babalandela phakathi

elwandle. ²⁴Kwathi ngomlindo wokucina
wobusuku uJehova wakhangela phansi
esensikeni yomlilo leyezi, wakhangela
phansi empini yamaGibhithe wayidunga
yaswela ukwazi.

²⁵Wenza ukuthi amavili ezinkolo zawo
akhumuke okwenza kwaba nzima ukuthi
aqhubeke lula. AmaGibhithe asesithi,
“Kasisuke kuma-Israyeli. UJehova
uyabalwela ukuba behlule
amaGibhithe.”

²⁶UJehova wasesithi kuMosi,
“Phakamisa isandla sakho phezu
kolwandle ukuze amanzi abuyele
ambokotho amaGibhithe lezinkolo zawo
labagadi bamabhiza.” ²⁷UMosi
waseselula isandla sakhe phezu
kolwandle, kwathi emadabukakusa
amanzi abuyela endaweni yawo.
AmaGibhithe ayebaleka eqonda
emanzini uJehova wawagubuzela
ngamanzi olwandle.

²⁸Amanzi aqubuka abuyela emuva
agubuqela izinqola labagadi bamabhiza,
layo yonke impi kaFaro eyalandela
aba-Israyeli olwandle. Akusilanga
loyedwa kubo. ²⁹Kodwa abako-Israyeli
badabula elwandle emhlabathini
owomileyo kulezindonga zamanzi
esandleni sokudla lakwesenxele.

³⁰Ngalolosuku uJehova wasindisa
u-Israyeli ezandleni zamaGibhithe, njalo
abako-Israyeli bawabona amaGibhithe
ethe dandalazi ekhunjini lolwandle
esefile. ³¹Kwathi ama-Israyeli ebona
amandla amakhulu uJehova
awatshengisa kumaGibhithe, abantu
bamesaba uJehova babeka ithemba labo
kuye lakuMosi inceku yakhe.

Ingoma kaMosi loMiryami

15 Ngakho uMosi labako-Israyeli

basebehlabelela leli ihubo
kuJehova:

“Ngizamhlabelela uJehova
ngokuba uphakeme kakhulu.
Uphosele olwandle ibhiza
lomgadi walo.

²UJehova ungamandla ami
lehubo lami;

Useyikusindiswa kwami,
UnguNkulunkulu wami,
ngizamdumisa;

UNKulunkulu kababa
ngizamphakamisa.

³UJehova ulibutho; nguJehova
igama lakhe.

⁴Izinkolo zikaFaro lempi yakhe
ukuphosele olwandle.

Izikhulu zikaFaro ezithenjweyo,
zigalule olwandle oluBomvu.

⁵Inziki yamanzi ibagubuzele;
batshona ekujuleni njengelitshe.

⁶“Isandla sakho sokunene, O Jehova
saba lamandla obukhosi.

Isandla sakho sokunene,
O Jehova sasihlikiza isitha.

⁷Ebukhulwini bobukhosi bakho
wabasakazela phansi
abakuphikisayo.

Wathukulula ulaka lwakho
oluvuthayo,

Lwabahangula njengezincwathi.

⁸Ngokufutha kwamakhala akho
amanzi aqoqana aba yinqwaba.
Amanzi azikileyo ajiya phakathi
kolwandle.

⁹“Isitha sakloloda sathi,

‘Ngizaxhumana labo, ngizabafica.
Ngizakwaba okuthunjiweyo;

Ngizazitika ngokungokwabo.

Ngizakhokha inkemba yami,
isandla sami sibabhubhise.’

¹⁰Kodwa wena waphephetha
ngomoya wakho ulwandle
lwabasibekela.

Basabalala njengomnusu
emanzini esabekayo.

¹¹“Ngubani kubonkulunkulu
bonke onjengawe, O Jehova?”

Ngubani onjengawe –
olobukhosi ebungcweleni bakhe
owesabekayo enkazimulweni
yakho, owenza izimangaliso?

¹²Welula isandla sakho
sokunene umhlabathi wabaginya.

¹³“Ngothando lwakho
olungapheliyo uzabahola abantu
abahlengiweyo.

Ngamandla akho uzabaholela
emzini wakho ongcwele.

¹⁴Izizwe zizakuzwa
zithuthumele;

umhedehede ubahlukuluze
abantu base-Filistiya.

¹⁵Izinduna zase-Edoni zizatshaywa
luvalo,

abakhokheli base-Mowabi bafikelwe
yikwesaba,

Abantu baseKhenani
banyamalale nya!

¹⁶Ukwesaba lokuthuthumela
kuzabehlela.

Ngamandla engalo yakho,
bazathula njengelitshe,

Abantu bakho baze bedlule,
O Jehova.

¹⁷Uzabangenisa ubagxumeke
entabeni yelifa lakho –
indawo, O Jehova, owayenzela

ukuthi uhlale kuyo,
indawo engcwele, O Jehova,
eyamiswa ngezandla zakho.

¹⁸UJehova uzabusa kuze kube nini lanini.”

¹⁹Kwathi lapho amabhiza kaFaro, izinkolo kanye labagadi bamabhiza sebengenile elwandle, uJehova wawabuyisa amanzi alo phezu kwabo, kodwa aba-Israyeli bona bazihambela badabula ulwandle phezu komhlabathi owomileyo.

²⁰Khonapho uMiryamu umphrofethikazi, udadewabo ka-Aroni, wathatha isigubhu sakhe ngesandla, bamlandela bonke abesifazana bephethe amagedla begida.

²¹UMiryamu wabahlabelela wathi:
“Mhlabeleleni uJehova
ngokuba uphakeme kakhulu.
Ibhiza lomgadi walo
ukuphosele elwandle.”

Amanzi ababayo aseMara le-Elimi

²²UMosi wasebahola aba-Israyeli basuka eLwandle Olubomvu baya eNkangala bengatholi manzi. ²³Kwathi befika eMara behluleka ukunatha amanzi akhona ngokuba ayebaba. (Yikho indawo leyo kuthiwa yiMara.)

²⁴Ngakho abantu basebekhonona kuMosi besithi, “Sinatheni-ke manje?”

²⁵UMosi wasekhala kuJehova, uJehova wasemtshengisa isigojwana. Wasiphosela emanzini, amanzi aphenyuka aba mnandi.

Khonapho uJehova wabenzela isimiso lomthetho, njalo khonapho wabalinga.

²⁶Wathi, “Uma lilalela kakuhle ilizwi likaJehova uNkulunkulu wenu, lenze okulungileyo kuye, lilandele imilayo

yakhe njalo ligcine lezimemezelo zakhe, kangisoze ngilehlisele iziga lezo engazehlisela amaGibhithe; ngoba nginguJehova olisiliso.”

²⁷Basebefika e-Elimi lapho okwakulemithombo yamanzi elitshumi lambili khona, lezihlahla zelala ezingamatshumi ayisikhombisa. Basebemisa khona lapho eduze kwamanzi.

Imana lezigwaca

16 Uzulu wonke wako-Israyeli

wasuka e-ELimi wafika enkangala yeSini ephakathi kwe-Elimi leSinayi, ngelanga letshumi lanhlanu enyangeni yesibili besuke eGibhithe. ²Enkangala uzulu wakhonona kuMosi lo-Aroni. ³Abako-Israyeli bathi kubo, “Ngabe sazifela ngesandla sikaJehova eGibhithe, lapho esasihlala sigombolozele izimbiza zenyama lakho konke ukudla esasikufumana, kodwa lina selisilethe lapha enkangala ukuze ixuku lonke leli liyathe ngendlala.”

⁴UJehova wasesithi kuMosi, “Ngizalehlisele isinkwa sivela ezulwini. Abantu kumele baphume nsuku zonke bayebutha okwanela lelolanga. Ngale indlela ngizabalinga ukuze ngibone ukuthi bayayilandela yini imilayo yami.

⁵Ngelanga lesithupha kumele balungise lokho abayabe bekulethile, okumele kube ngokuphindwe kabili kulokho abakubutha kwezinye izinsuku.”

⁶Yikho-ke uMosi lo-Aroni bathi kubo bonke abako-Israyeli, “Kusihlwa lizakwazi ukuthi nguJehova olikhuphe kweleGibhithe, ⁷njalo ekuseni lizabona inkazimulo kaJehova ngoba ukuzwile ukukhonona kwenu. Singobani thina ukuba lisisole?” ⁸UMosi wathi, “Lizakwazi ukuthi kade kunguJehova

nxa eselipha inyama yokudla kusihlwa lesinkwa sonke elisifunayo ekuseni ngenxa yokuthi usekuzwile ukukhonona kwenu kuye. Singobani? Kalikhononi kithi kodwa kuJehova.”

⁹ Yikho uMosi watshele u-Aroni wathi, “Khuluma lozulu wonke wako-Israyeli uthi, ‘Wozani kuJehova ngoba usekuzwile ukukhonona kwenu.’ ”

¹⁰ Ngesikhathi u-Aroni ekhuluma lozulu wonke wako-Israyeli, bakhangela enkangala basebona inkazimulo kaJehova ibonakala eyezini. ¹¹ UJehova wathi kuMosi: ¹² “Sengizwile ukukhonona kwabakwa-Israyeli. Batshele ukuthi, ‘Kusihlwa lizakudla inyama njalo ekuseni lizasuthiswa ngesinkwa. Yikho-ke lizakwazi ukuthi nginguJehova uNkulunkulu wenu.’ ”

¹³ Ngalo khokuhlwa kweza izigwaca zagwala indawo yonke ababehlala kuyo, njalo ekuseni kwaba lamazolo ngaphandle kwezihonqo.

¹⁴ Kwathi amazolo esenyamalele kwabonakala izicecedwana zikangqoqwane phezu kwenkangala.

¹⁵ Kwathi abako-Israyeli bekubona lokhu bakhulumisana besithi, “Kuyini lokhu?” Ngoba babengakwazi ukuthi kwakuyini. UMosi wathi kubo, “Yisinkwa elisiphiwe nguJehova ukuthi lidle. ¹⁶ Lokhu yikho okulaywe nguJehova ukuthi: ‘Umuntu emunye uzathatha okwaneleyo akuswelayo. Thathela umuntu ngamunye osethenti lakho isilinganiso se-omeri.’ ” ¹⁷ Abako-Israyeli benza njengokulaywa kwabo. Abanye babutha okunengi abanye okulutshwana.

¹⁸ Bathi sebekulinganisa nge-omeri babona ukuthi lowo owayebuthe okunengi wayengelakho kakhulu, kukanti lalowo owayebuthe okulutshwana wayengalakho okulutshwana kakhulu. Umuntu emunye

wabutha isilinganiso ayesiswela.

¹⁹ Ngakho-ke uMosi wathi kubo, “Akumelanga kube khona ozagcina okunye kwalokho kuze kube sekuseni.”

²⁰ Lanxa kunjalo abanye kabazange bamlalele uMosi: bagcina eyinye ingxenye kwaze kwaba sekuseni. Kodwa kwakugwele impethu njalo kwasekulephunga elibi. Yikho-ke uMosi wabacaphukela.

²¹ Nsuku zonke ekuseni umuntu emunye wabutha inani ayeliswa, njalo ilanga lathi selibhebha ngokutshisa kwancibilika.

²² Ngelanga lesithupha babutha isilinganiso esiphindwe kabili ama-omeri amabili umuntu emunye, njalo abakhokheli babantu beza ukuzobika kuMosi. ²³ Wathi kubo, “Lokhu yikho okwalaywa nguJehova: ‘Kusasa lilanga lokuphumula iSabatha elingcwele kuJehova. Ngakho bhakani konke elifuna ukukubhaka libilise konke elifuna ukukubilisa. Gcinani konke okuseleyo kuze kube sekuseni.’ ”

²⁴ Ngakho bakugcina kwaze kwaba sekuseni njengokulaya kukaMosi njalo kakuzange kube lephunga kumbe impethu.

²⁵ UMosi wathi, “Kudleni namhla, ngoba namhla liSabatha likaJehova, kalisoze lithole lutho phandle namhla.

²⁶ Okwezizinsuku eziyisithupha lizakubutha, kodwa ngelanga lesikhombisa eleSabatha akusoze kube lalutho.”

²⁷ Lanxa kunjalo abanye abantu ngelanga lesikhombisa bahamba ukuba bayobutha kodwa bafica kungelalutho.

²⁸ UJehova wasesithi kuMosi, “Kuzaze kube nini lisala ukulandela imithetho lemilayo yami na? ²⁹ Kufakeni ezingqondweni zenu ukuthi uJehova ulinikile iSabatha, yikho ngelanga lesithupha ulinika isinkwa esenela

izinsuku ezimbili. Wonke umuntu kumele ahlale lapho ayabe ekhona ngelanga lesikhombisa. Akulamuntu okumele aphume phandle.”³⁰ Yikho-ke abantu baphumula ngelanga lesikhombisa.

³¹ Abantu bako-Israyeli babiza isinkwa lesobathi yimana. Sasimhlophe njengentanga zekhoriyanda, sihlabusa njengamakhekhe enziwe ngoluju.

³² UMosi wathi, “Lokhu yikho okutshiwo nguJehova ukuthi: Thathani isilinganiso semana ligcinele izizukulwana zakusasa ukuze zibone isinkwa engalinika sona ukuba lisidle enkangala ekulikhupheni kwami eGibhithe.”

³³ Yikho-ke uMosi wathi ku-Aroni, “Thatha inkonxa ufake phakathi imana eyisilinganiso se-omeri. Ibeke phambi kukaJehova ukuze igcinelwe izizukulwane ezizayo.”³⁴ Njengoba uJehova walaya uMosi, u-Aroni wabeka imana phambi kweBhokisi lobufakazi ukuze igcinakale.³⁵ Abako-Israyeli badla imana okweminyaka engamatshumi amane baze bafika endaweni eyayihlala abantu, badla imana baze bafika emngceleni weKhenani.

(³⁶ I-omere iyisilinganiso sokulitshumi sehafa.)

Amanzi ampompoza edwaleni

17 Uzulu wonke wako-Israyeli wasuka enkangala yeSini, wahamba njengokulaya kukaJehova. Bake bahlala okwesikhathi esifitshane eRefidimi kodwa kwakungelamanzi okuthi abantu banathe.² Ngakho baxabana loMosi basebesithi, “Sinike amanzi okunatha.” UMosi waphendula wathi “Kungani lixabana lami? Kungani lilinga uJehova?”

³ Kodwa abantu basebomele amanzi kuleyondawo, ngakho bakhonona kuMosi. Bathi kuye, “Wasikhupa eGibhithe ukwenzela ukuthi thina labantwabethu kanye lezifuyo sibulawe yikoma na?”⁴ Ngakho uMosi wakhala kuJehova, wathi, “Kambe ngithini ngalababantu? Sebezimisele ukuthi bangikhande ngamatshe.”⁵ UJehova waphendula uMosi wathi “Khokhela abantu. Thatha abanye abadala bako-Israyeli ubusuthatha njalo intonga leyana owake watshaya ngayo amanzi emfuleni uNayili lihambe.⁶ Ngizakuma lapho phambi kwenu eduzane ledwala eHorebi. Utshaye idwala; kuzaphuma amanzi kulo ukuba abantu banathe.” Ngakho uMosi wenza lokho abadala bako-Israyeli bekhangele.⁷ Wabiza indawo leyo ngegama elithi Masa leMeribha ngenxa yokuthi abantu bako-Israyeli baphikisa njalo balinga uJehova besithi “Kambe uJehova ulathi yini kumbe hatshi?”

Ama-Amaleki ayanqotshwa

⁸ Ama-Amaleki eza ukuzohlasela abako-Israyeli eRefidimi.⁹ UMosi wathi kuJoshuwa, “Khetha amanye amadoda phakathi kwethu uphume liyekulwa lama Amaleki. Kusasa ngizakuma phezu koqaqa ngiphethe intonga kaNkulunkulu ezandleni zami.”

¹⁰ Ngakho uJoshuwa walwa lama-Amaleki njengokulaya kukaMosi, njalo uMosi, u-Aroni loHuri bakhwela phezu koqaqa.¹¹ Lapho uMosi wayephakamise izandla zakhe abako-Israyeli babenqoba, kodwa wayesithi angehlisa izandla zakhe ama-Amaleki yiwo ayenqoba.¹² Kwathi izandla zikaMosi sezidiniwe bathatha ilitshelwa balifaka ngaphansi kwakhe wasehlala phezu kwalo. U-Aroni loHuri baphakamisa izandla zakhe – omunye ekuleli icele omunye kwelinye – ukuze

izandla zakhe zale ziphakeme
lize litshone ilanga.

¹³Ngakho uJoshuwa wehlula ibutho
lama-Amaleki ngenkamba.

¹⁴UJehova wasesithi kuMosi, “Bhala
lokhu egwalweni njengento okumele
ikhunjulwe njalo ubone ukuthi uJoshuwa
uyakuzwa lokhu ngenxa yokuthi
ngizatshabalalisa umkhumbulo wonke
omayelana lama-Amaleki ngaphansi
kwezulu. ¹⁵UMosi wakha i-alithare
walibiza ngokuthi “UJehova uLuphawu
Lwami. ¹⁶Wathi kubo, “Ngoba izandla
zaphakanyiselwa esihlalweni
sikaJehova. UJehova uzakulwa impi
lezizukulwane zama-Amaleki.

UJethro wethekelela uMosi

18 UJethro,umphristi waseMidiyani

owayenguyisezala kaMosi, wezwa
konke uNkulunkulu ayekwenzele uMosi
labantu bakhe bako-Israyeli, lokuthi
uJehova wayebakhuphe njani eGibhithe
abako-Israyeli. ²Ngemva kokubana
uMosi esethumele umkakhe uZiphora
kibo, uyisezala uJethro wamemukela,
³lamadodana akhe amabili. Eyinye
indodana kwakuthiwa nguGeshomi,
ngoba uMosi wathi, “Sengibe ngumuntu
wezizweni elizweni elingayisilo lami.”
⁴Eyinye kwakuthiwa ngu-Eliyeza ngoba
wathi, “UNkulunkulu kababa
wayengumsizi wami: wangisindisa
enkembeni kaFaro.” ⁵UJethro, uyisezala
kaMosi kanye lamadodana lenkosikazi
kaMosi, beza kuye enkanjala lapho
ayehlala khona eduzane lentaba
kaNkulunkulu. ⁶UJethro wayethumele
ilizwi kuye wathi, “Mina uyihlozala
uJethro ngiyeza kuwe lenkosikazi yakho
lamadodana ayo amabili.” ⁷Yikho-ke
uMosi waphuma wayahlangabeza
uyisezala wasemkhotamela wamanga.
Babingelelana basebengena ethenteni.

⁸UMosi watshela uyisezala ngakho
konke uJehova ayekwenze kuFaro
labantu baseGibhithe ngenxa yabantu
bako-Israyeli langezinhlupho zonke
ezabehlela endleleni lokuthi uJehova
wayebasindise njani. ⁹UJethro
wathokoza ukuzwa ngezinto zonke
ezinhle uJehova ayezenzele u-Israyeli
ekubasindiseni esandleni samaGibhithe.

¹⁰Wathi, “Kadunyiswe uJehova
owalisindisa esandleni samaGibhithe
loFaro, njalo owasindisa abantu
esandleni samaGibhithe. ¹¹Khathesi
sengikwazi ukuthi uJehova ulamandla
ukwedlula abanye onkulunkulu ngenxa
yokuthi wenza lokhu kubo bonke
abaphatha u-Israyeli ngobuqholo.”

¹²Lapho-ke uJethro, uyisezala kaMosi,
waletha umnikelo wokutshiswa leminyene
iminikelo kuNkulunkulu, njalo u-Aroni
weza labadala bako-Israyeli ukuze
bazokudla isinkwa loyisezala kaMosi
phambi kukaNkulunkulu.

¹³Ngelanga elilandelayo uMosi
wathatha isihlalo sakhe sokuba
ngumthonisi wabantu, njalo bema
bemgombolozele kusukela ekuseni
kwaze kwaba yintambama.

¹⁴Kwathi uyisezala esebone konke
uMosi ayekwenzela abantu wathi,
“Kuyini lokhu okwenzela abantu?
Kungani uhlala unguwe wedwa ukuba
ngumahluli, abantu bonke bemi
bekuhanqile kusukela ekuseni kuze kube
kusihlwa?” ¹⁵UMosi wamphendula
wathi, “Ngenxa yokuthi abantu beza
kimi ukuzodinga intando kaNkulunkulu.
¹⁶Kuso sonke isikhathi uma
kulengxabano, ilethwa kimi, njalo
ngiyahlulela kumacele womabili
besengibatshela ngemithetho lemilayo
kaNkulunkulu.”

¹⁷Uyisezala kaMosi waphendula
wathi, “Konke okwenzayo
kakulunganga. ¹⁸Wena labantu laba
abeza kuwe lizazidinisa. Umsebenzi lo

unzima kuwe: ungeke wawenza wedwa. ¹⁹Ngilalela ngikucebisa, njalo uNkulunkulu makabe lawe. Kumele ube ngummeli wabantu kuNkulunkulu, ulethe izingxabano zabo kuye.

²⁰Bafundise imilayo lemithetho ubatshengise indlela yokuphila lemisebenzi okumele ukuthi bayenze.

²¹Kodwa khetha amadoda anelisayo phakathi kwabantu bonke – amadoda azonda inzuzo eza ngobuqili – ubusubabeka babe yizinduna zezinkulungwane, zamakhulu, zamatshumi amahlanu, lezamatshumi.

²²Benze babe ngabahluleli babantu kuso sonke isikhathi, kodwa kabalethe wonke amacala anzima kuwe bona baqume amacala alula. Lokho kuzakwenza ukuthi umthwalo wakho ube lula ngoba bazabe besabelana lawe.

²³Uma ungakwenza lokhu njengoba kungumlayo kaNkulunkulu, uzakwenelisa ukuphumuza ingqondo njalo abantu bonke laba bazabuyela emakhaya besuthisekile.”

²⁴UMosi wamlalela uyisezala wenza konke ayekutshilo. ²⁵Wakhetha amadoda anelisayo phakathi kuka-Israyeli wonke wabenza abakhokheli babantu, izinduna zezinkulungwane, zamakhulu, lamatshumi amahlanu lezamatshumi.

²⁶Baba ngabahluleli babantu kuso sonke isikhathi. Amacala anzima bawaletha kuMosi, kodwa alula bawathonisa bona ngokwabo. ²⁷UMosi wavalelisana loyisezala, uJethro wasebuyela elizweni lakhe.

Entabeni iSinayi

19 Ngosuku olufanayo, emva

kwezinyanga ezintathu abantu bako-Israyeli besuke eGibhithe bafika eNkangala yeSinayi. ²Sebesukile eRefidimi bangena eNkangala yeSinayi

bamisa amathente abo phansi kwentaba. ³Lapho-ke uMosi wakhuphukela kuNkulunkulu entabeni. UJehova esentabeni wabiza uMosi wathi kuye, “Tshela abantu bendlu kaJakhobe labantu bako-Israyeli, uthi ⁴‘Lina ngokwenu lizibonele engikwenze eGibhithe lokuthi ngilithwele ngamaphiko engqungqulu ngaliletha lapha kimi. ⁵Ngakho-ke lingangilalela ligcine isivumelwano sami lani lizakuba ligugu kimi phakathi kwezizwe zonke. Lokuba umhlaba wonke ungowami, ⁶lina kimi lizakuba ngumbuso wabaphristi, lesizwe esingcwele.’ Yiwo amazwi okumele uwakhulume kwabako-Israyeli.”

⁷UMosi wabuyela ebantwini, wafika wabuthanisa abakhokheli babantu wabatshela okwakutshiwo nguJehova. ⁸Bonke bavuma ngalizwi linye bathi, “Sizakwenza konke uJehova athe sikwenze.” UMosi wambikela uJehova okwakukhulunywe ngabantu.

⁹UJehova wasesithi kuMosi, “Ngizakuza kini nginjengeyezi elimnyama ukuze abantu bangizwe ngikhuluma lawe. Ngakho ngezikhathi zonke bazakholwa kuwe.” UMosi watshela uJehova okwakutshiwo ngabantu. ¹⁰Ngakho uJehova, wathi kuMosi, “Buyela ebantwini ubangcwelise lamhla lakusasa. Batshele bagezise izigqoko zabo ¹¹kuthi ngelanga lesithathu libe selilungisele ngoba ngalelolanga uJehova uzakwehlela entabeni yeSinayi abantu bonke bekhangele. ¹²Yenzela abantu imingcele malungana lentaba, ubatshela uthi, ‘Limukani! Lingakhweli entabeni, kumbe ukufika phansi kwayo. Lowo ozasondela entabeni uzabulawa.

¹³Ngempela uzatshaywa ngamatshe kumbe acitshwe ngemitshoko kodwa angathintwa ngesandla. Akukhathalekile ukuthi ngumuntu loba yinyamazana

akusoze kuvunyelwe ukuphila. Bazakhwela entabeni kuphela nxa uphondo lwenqama selukhala isikhathi eside.”

¹⁴Ngemva kokubana uMosi esehlile entabeni waya ebantwini wabangewelisa basebegezisa lezigqoko zabo. ¹⁵Wathi ebantwini, “Lungiselelani ilanga lesithathu. Zilani omkenu.”

¹⁶Ekuseni ngelanga lesithathu kwaba lomdumo lombane othuthumelisayo, leyezi elikhulukazi lehlela phezu kwentaba, kwezwakala lomsindo omkhulu wethilongo. Abantu bonke ezihonqweni besaba baqhaqhazela.

¹⁷UMosi wasebakhokhela ebasusa emathenteni ebasu kuNkulunkulu. Bafika bema ngaphansi kwentaba.

¹⁸Intaba yonke iSinayi yembeswa yintuthu ngoba uJehova wayehlele phezu kwayo ngesimo somlilo. Intuthu yathunquza ngamandla kungathi iphuma emphongolweni.

¹⁹Njalo umsindo wethilongo waya ulokhu ukhula. UMosi wakhuluma, kwathi ilizwi likaNkulunkulu lamphendula. ²⁰UJehova wehlela phezu kwentaba iSinayi, wabizela uMosi khona. Ngakho uMosi wakhwela, uJehova wasesithi kuye, “Buyela phansi uyexwayisa abantu ukuba bangaqali ukweqa imingcele ukuba babone uJehova ngoba bangafa ngobunengi.

²²Labaphristi abaya kuJehova kumele bazenze babe ngcwele, funa uJehova ababhubhise.” ²³UMosi wathi kuJehova, “Akulamuntu ongakhwela entabeni yeSinayi ngoba wena ngokwakho wathi bangakwenzi lokho. Uthe ngenze imingcele egombolozela intaba ngitshele abantu bangasondeli kuyo ngoba ingcwele.”

²⁴Kodwa uJehova wathi, “Yehla uyebuya lo-Aroni. Kodwa abaphristi labantu akumelanga ukuba beqe

imingcele besiza lapho ngoba ngingabaphendukela.”

²⁵Ngalokho uMosi wehla waya ebantwini wabatshela.

Imilayo elitshumi

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amazwi wonke la wathi:

²“NginguJehova uNkulunkulu wakho owakukhupha ebugqilini bakho eGibhithe.

³Ungabi labanye onkulunkulu ngaphandle kwami.

⁴Ungazenzeli izithombe ezifana lezinto ezisezulwini kumbe phansi emhlabeni kumbe ngaphansi kwamanzi.

⁵Ungakhothameli izithombe, njalo ungazikhonzi. Ngoba mina Jehova uNkulunkulu wakho nginguNkulunkulu olobukhwele, ojezisa abantwana ngenxa yezono zaboyise kuze kube yisizukulwane sesithathu lesesine salabo abangizondayo, ⁶kodwa ngilothando olungapheliyo ezizukulwaneni zabangithandayo begcina imithetho yami.

⁷Ungaliphathi ngeze igama likaJehova uNkulunkulu wakho ngoba uJehova kasoze amxolele wonke oliphatha ngeze igama lakhe .

⁸“Khumbula usuku lweSabatha ulugcine lungcwele. ⁹Uzasebenza izinsuku eziyisithupha uwenze wonke umsebenzi wakho, ¹⁰kodwa ilanga lesikhombisa liyiSabatha likaJehova uNkulunkulu wakho. Ngalolosuku ungaphathi msebenzi loba ungonjani, wena lendodana yakho, lendodakazi yakho, lesisebenzi sakho – esesilisa lesesifazana, ngitsho lezifuyo zakho loba isihambi esikwethekeleyo emzini wakho. ¹¹Ngoba ngezizinsuku eziyisikhombisa uJehova wenza amazulu lomhlaba lakho konke okukukho, kodwa ngosuku

lwesikhombisa waphumula.
Ngakho-ke walubusisa usuku
lweSabatha walwenza lwaba ngcwele.

¹²“Hlonipha uyihlo lonyoko ukuze
impilo yakho ibende elizweni akunika
lona uJehova uNkulunkulu wakho.

¹³“Ungabulali.

¹⁴“Ungafebi.

¹⁵“Ungebi.

¹⁶“Ungafakazi amanga
ngomakhelwane wakho.

¹⁷“Ungahawukeli indlu
kamakhelwane wakho. Ungahawukeli
umfazi kamakhelwane wakho, loba
isisebenzi sakhe sesilisa loba
esesifazana, lenkabi yakhe, lobabhemi
wakhe loba yini ekamakhelwane
wakho.”

¹⁸Kwathi abantu besizwa umdumo
bebona njalo besizwa icilongo, njalo
bebona intaba ithunqa intuthu,
bathuthumela ngokwesaba. Bema
khatshana, ¹⁹bathi kuMosi, “Khuluma
kithi wena sizalalela. Kodwa
uNkulunkulu kangakhulumi kithi yena
ngokwakhe ngoba singafa.”

²⁰UMosi wathi, “Lingesabi,
uNkulunkulu uzelilinga ukuze limesabe
lokuze lingoni.”

²¹Abantu basala belokhu bemi
bucwadlanyana, uMosi wangena
phakathi komnyama waya lapho
okwakuloNkulunkulu khona.

Izithombe lama-alithare

²²UJehova wathi kuMosi, “Tshela
abantu bako-Israyeli uthi, ‘Lizibonele
lina ngokwenu ukuthi ngikhulume lani
ngisezulwini. ²³Lingenzi onkulunkulu
ukuba babekhona kanye lami.
Lingazenzeli onkulunkulu besiliva
kumbe onkulunkulu begolide.

²⁴“Ngakheleni i-alithare ngomhlabathi
lenzele kulo umhlatshe womnikelo

wokutshiswa, leminikelo
yobudlelwano, izimvu lezimbuzi kanye
lezinkomo zenu. Loba kungaphi lapho
engizakwenza ibizo lami lihlonitshwe,
khona, ngizakuza kini ngilibusise. ²⁵Uma
lingakhela i-alithare ngamatshe,
lingaze lawabaza lawomatshe ngoba
lizalingcolisa nxa lingasebenzisa
okokubaza kulo. ²⁶Lingaze laya
e-alithareni lami ngezikhwelo funa
ubunqunu benu bambulwe khona lapho.”
Nansi imithetho elizayethula phambi
kwabo:

Izisebenzi zesiHebheru

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“Ungathenga isisebenzi

sesiHebheru kumele sikusebenzele
okweminyaka eyisithupha. Kodwa
emnyakeni wesikhombisa kuzamele
usikhulule kungelanhlawulo. ³Nxa sifike
sodwa, kumele sikhululwe sisodwa
kodwa nxa silomfazi ekufikeni kwaso
kumele sihambe laye.

⁴Uma umqhatshi waso angasipha
umfazi asizalele amadodana
lamadodakazi, owesifazane
labantwabakhe bazakuba
ngabomqhatshi, njalo indoda
izazihambela yodwa ikhululekile.

⁵“Kodwa uma isisebenzi singathi,
‘Ngiyayithanda inkosi yami lomkami
labantwabami, njalo kangifuni
kukhululwa,’ ⁶umqatshi waso kumele
asihambise kubahluleli. Uzasisa
emnyango kumbe emgubazini
abesisekilela izindlebe zaso ngosungulo
yikho-ke sizakuba yisisebenzi
okwempilo yaso yonke.

⁷“Nxa indoda ingathengisa indodakazi
yayo njengesisebenzi indodakazi
kayingakhululeki njengalokho okwenza
izisebenzi zesilisa. ⁸Uma singathokozisi
umniniwaso oyabe esikhethile ukuze
sibe ngesakhe kumele asiyekele

sihlengwe. Akalamvumo yokusithengisa kwabezizwe, ngoba esikhohlisile. ⁹ Angasikhethela indodana yakhe kumele asinike amalungelo alingana lawendodakazi yakhe.

¹⁰ Angathatha omunye umfazi akumelanga asincitshe ukudla, izigqoko lamalungelo okuthathwa.

¹¹ Angayekela ukusipha izinto lezi ezintathu sikhululekile ukuthi sizihambe kungahlawulwanga mali.

Imithetho ngabalimazanayo

¹² Wonke umuntu oshaya omunye ambulale laye kumele abulawe.

¹³ Kunjalo nje nxa engakwenzanga ngabomo, kodwa uNkulunkulu evumele ukuba kwenzakale, kumele abalekele endaweni engizayiqamba. ¹⁴ Kodwa umuntu angaceba ukubulala omunye ngabomo, msuseni e-alithareni lami liyembulala.

¹⁵ “Wonke umuntu ohlasela uyise kumbe unina kumele abulawe.

¹⁶ “Wonke umuntu othumba omunye abesemthengisa kumbe aficwe elaye kumele abulawe.

¹⁷ “Wonke umuntu othuka uyise kumbe unina kumele abulawe.

¹⁸ “Nxa amadoda angaxabana omunye abesetshaya omunye ngelitshe kumbe ngenqindi, angafi kodwa agule alale phansi, ¹⁹ lowo ophose inqindi kasoze anikwe umlandu nxa omunye angavuka abesehambahamba ephethe intonga yakhe; lanxa kunjalo kumele ahlawule indoda elimeleyo ngokulahlekelwa yisikhathi njalo ayelaphise.

²⁰ “Uma umuntu angatshaya isigqili sakhe sesilisa kumbe esesifazane ngomqwayi isigqili besesisifa ngenxa yalesisenzo, kumele ajeziswe, ²¹ kodwa kasoze ajeziswe uma isigqili singasila ngemva kwelanga elilodwa kumbe

izinsuku ezimbili, ngoba isigqili siyimpahla yakhe.

²² “Uma amadoda alwayo angatshaya umfazi ozithweleyo abesebeletha isikhathi sakhe singakafiki, kodwa engalimalanga kakubi, owonileyo kumele ahlalwuliswe lokho okuyabe kubizelwe yindoda yomfazi kwasekuvunywa ngumthethwandaba.

²³ Kodwa kungaba lokulimala okubi, kumele impilo ikhwitshizwe ngempilo, ²⁴ ilihlo ngelihlo, izinyo ngezinyo, isandla ngesandla, unyawo ngonyawo.

²⁵ Ukutshiswa ngokutshiswa, isilonda ngesilonda ukulimala ngokulimala.

²⁶ “Uma umuntu angatshaya isigqili sakhe sesilisa kumbe esesifazana elihlweni alipatshaze, kumele asiyekele isisebenzi sizihambe kube yinhlawulo yelihlo. ²⁷ Angatshaya akhumule izinyo lesigqili sesilisa kumbe esesifazana, kumele asiyekele isisebenzi sizihambe kube yinhlawulo yezinyo.

²⁸ Uma inkunzi ingahlaba indoda kumbe umfazi afe, leyonkunzi kumele itshaywe ngamatshe ize ife njalo inyama yayo kayingadliwa. Kodwa umnikazi wenkunzi akumelanga etheswe umlandu. ²⁹ Kodwa nxa inkunzi ivele ilomkhuba wokuhlaba abantu, njalo umnikazi eseke wakhuzwa kodwa wayekela ukuyivalela ibisibulala indoda kumbe umfazi, inkunzi kumele ibulawe ngamatshe lomnikazi laye abulawe.

³⁰ Kodwa kungathiwa kahlawule angahlenga impilo yakhe ngokubhadala lokho okuyabe kubiziwe.

³¹ Umthetho lo uyasebenza njalo uma inkunzi ingahlaba indodana kumbe indodakazi. ³² Uma inkunzi ingahlaba isigqili sesilisa kumbe esesifazana, umnikazi kumele ahlawule amashekeli angamatshumi amathathu esiliva kumnini wesigqili, njalo inkunzi kumele ibulawe ngamatshe.

³³Uma umuntu etshiya umgodi ukhamisile, loba esimba umgodi angawusibekeli kukhalakathele kuwo inkabi ingabe ubabhemi,

³⁴umninimgodi kahlawule; kahlawule umnikazi, isifuyo esifileyo besesisiba ngesakhe.

³⁵Uma inkunzi yomuntu ingalimaza eyomunye kuzamele ukuthi bathengise leyo ephilayo, babelane imali lesidumbu saleyo efileyo ngokulinganayo. ³⁶Kodwa nxa kusaziwa ukuthi inkunzi ivele ilomkhuba wokuhlaba ezinye, kodwa umnikazi engayivaleli esibayeni, umnikazi kumele ahlawule isifuyo ngesinye isifuyo, njalo isifuyo esifileyo sizakuba ngesakhe.

Ukuvikelwa kwempahla

22 “Uma umuntu angantshontsha inkabi kumbe imvu abeseyibulala kumbe ayithengise, kumele ahlawule ngezinkomo ezinhlanu zokukhwitshiza inkabi, lezimvu ezine zokukhwitshiza imvu.

²“Uma isela lingafunyanwa ligqekeza beselitshaywa lisifa, lowo ozivikelayo kalacala lokuchitha igazi, ³kodwa kungenzeka ilanga selikhwelile uyabe elomlandu wokuchitha igazi. Isela kusamele sibili ukuthi lihlawule, kodwa nxa lingelalutho, kumele lithengiswe ukwenzela ukuthi lokhu kube yinhlawulo yokuntshontsha kwalo.

⁴“Uma isifuyo esintshontshiweyo singatholakala siphila ezandleni zalo – kungaba yinkabi kumbe ubabhemi loba imvu – kumele lihlawule okuphindwe kabili.

⁵“Uma umuntu angayadlisa izifuyo zakhe ensimini kumbe esivinini abeseziyekela zizihambela besezisiya kudla ensimini yeyinye indoda, kumele

ahlawule ngezithelo ezinhle zensimu yakhe loba isivini sakhe.

⁶“Uma kuthungelwa umlilo ulumatha emeveni kuze kutshe lezinhlanga zamabele loba amabele angakavunwa loba insimu, othungele umlilo uzahlawula konke.

⁷“Uma umuntu anganika umakhelwane wakhe isiliva kumbe impahla ukuba amgcinele izinto lezi besezintshontshwa endlini kamakhelwana, isela lingabanjwa kumele lihlawule okuphindwe kabili.

⁸Kodwa nxa isela lingabanjwanga, umnikazi wendlu kumele ame phambi kwabahluli ukuze kubonakale langabe uke wabeka izandla ezimpahleni zalowo omgcinisileyo.

⁹Kuzo zonke izenzakalo eziqondene lokugcina ngaphandle komthetho inkabi, ubabhemi, imvu, isigqoko kumbe yonke impahla elahlekileyo omunye umuntu angathi ngayo, ‘Lokhu ngokwami,’ wonke amacele womabili kumele alethe izindaba zawo phambi kwabehluli. Lowo abahluli abazakuthi ulecala kumele ahlawule okuphindwe kabili kumakhelwana wakhe. ¹⁰“Uma umuntu angasisela umakhelwane wakhe ubabhemi, inkabi, imvu kumbe esinye isifuyo ukuze kugcinakale besekusifa kumbe kulimale kumbe kuthathwe kungelamuntu okhangeleyo, ¹¹udaba lwabantu laba luzaqedwa ngokufunga phambi kukaJehova ukuthi umakhelwane konanga impahla yomunye umuntu. Umnikazi kumele akwemukele lokhu njalo akulanhlawulo edingakalayo.

¹²Kodwa nxa isifuyo santshontshwa sikumasiselwa kumele ahlawule umnikazi. ¹³Nxa isifuyo sidatshudatshulwe yinyamazana yeganga saba yiziqqa, uzaletha izicucu eziseleyo njengobufakazi njalo akuswelakali ukuthi abhadale.

¹⁴“Uma umuntu angaboleka isifuyo kumakhelwana wakhe, besesilimala kumbe sife ngesikhathi umniniso engekho, kumele ahlawule.

¹⁵Kodwa nxa umnikazi ekhona, lowo owebolekayo akumelanga ahlawule. Nxa isifuyo siqatshiwe imali ebhadalwe ukusiqatsha igoqela inhlawulo yokulahlekelwa.

Imithetho yokuhlalisana

¹⁶Uma indoda ixhwalisa intombi emsulwa engakathenjiswa ilale layo, kumele ikhuphe amalobolo, leyontombi ibe ngumkayo.

¹⁷“Uma uyise esala kokuphela ukuthi ayendisele, kusamele akhuphe inhlawulo ekhutshelwa amantombazana amsulwa.

¹⁸“Lingavumeli umthakathi ukuthi aphile.

¹⁹“Wonke umuntu olala lenyamazana kumele abulawe.

²⁰“Loba ngubani onikela kwabanye onkulunkulu ngaphandle kukaJehova kumele abhujiswe.

²¹“Lingahlukuluzi owezizweni ngoba lani lalingabezizweni eGibhithe.

²²“Lingaqilibezeli umfelokazi kumbe intandane, ²³ngoba lingakwenza, besebekhala kimi ngizakuzwa ukukhala kwabo; ²⁴ukuzonda kwami besekudungululwa, ngilibulale ngenkamba; abafazi benu babe ngabafelokazi, abantwana benu babe yizintandane.

²⁵“Uma lingeboleka imali omunye wabantu bami ohluphekayo phakathi kwenu, akumelanga lenze njengalowo oweboleka abanye imali, lingamhlawulisi inzuzo. ²⁶Uma ungathatha isivunulo sikamakhelwane wakho usenze isibambiso, kumele usibuyisele ilanga lingakatshoni,

²⁷ngoba isivunulo yiso sodwa isigqoko embesa ngaso ubunqunu bakhe. Kambe

kuyini okunye angalala ekugqokile? Uma angakhalaza kimi ngizamuzwa ngoba ngilozwelo.

²⁸“Lingahlambazi uNkulunkulu kumbe lithuke umbusi wabantu benu.

²⁹Lingagodli iminikelo eziphaleni zenu loba ezimbizeni zewayini lenu.

Kumele lilethe kimi amadodana enu angamazibulo.

³⁰Yenzani njalo ngezinkomo lezimvu zenu. Yekelani zihlale labonina okwezizinsuku eziyisikhombisa kodwa linginike zona ngosuku lwesitshiyangalombili.

³¹“Lizakuba ngabantu bami abangcwele, yikho-ke lingaze ladla inyama yenyamazana eyabe idatshudatshulwe yizilo zeganga. Iphoseleni izinyoni.

Imithetho yokulunga lomusa

23 “Ungahambi ukhuluma izindaba zamanga. Ungahlanganyeli lomuntu ongalunganga ngokuba ngufakazi olomona.

²“Ungenzi okubi ulandela inengi labantu. Nxa ufakaza ecaleni ungaphenduleli iqiniso ngokuvumelana labanengi, ³njalo ungazweli umuntu ecaleni ngoba engumyanga.

⁴“Ungahlangana lenkomo kumbe ubabhemi wesitha sakho elahlekile, mnqande umbuyisele kumnikazi.

⁵Nxa ufica ubabhemi womuntu okuzodayo ewiswe ngumthwalo, ungamtshiyi, umncedise umvuse.

⁶“Yahlulela kuhle abayanga bakini emacaleni. ⁷Ungabungeni ubufakazi bamanga, njalo ungabulali umuntu ongelacala loba oqotho ngoba kangiyi kumkhulula olecala.

⁸ Ungemukeli isivalamlomo, ngoba sifiphaza ababonayo besebeguqula amazwi abantu abalungileyo.

⁹ Ungacindezeli owezizweni, lina ngokwenu liyakwazi ukuthi kunjani ukuba ngabezizweni, njengoba lalingabezizweni eGibhithe.

Imithetho yeSabatha

¹⁰ “Okweminyaka eyisithupha lizalima amasimu enu livune amabele,

¹¹ kodwa kuzakuthi ngomnyaka wesikhombisa liyekele amasimu enu alaluke engalinywanga. Ngakho abangabayanga phakathi kwenu bazazuza ukudla kuwo, kuthi lezinyamazana zeganga zidle okuseleyo. Lizakwenza njalo okufananayo ngezivini zenu kanye lezihlahla zenu zama-oliva.

¹² Uzakwenza imisebenzi yakho okwezizinsuku eziyisithupha, kodwa ngosuku lwesikhombisa ungasebenzi, ukuze inkabi yakho lobabhemi wakho kuphumule, kuthi isigqili esazalelwa endlini yakho kanye lowezizweni baphumule. ¹³ Qaphelisisani lenze konke engilitshela khona. Lingamemezi abanye onkulunkulu; mabangezwiwa ezindlebeni zenu.

Imikhosi emithathu yomnyaka

¹⁴ Kathathu ngomnyaka lifanele lingenzele umkhosi. ¹⁵ Lizakuba lomkhosi weSinkwa esingelaMvubelo; okwezizinsuku eziyisikhombisa dlanini isinkwa esingelamvubelo, njengokulilaya kwami. Kwenzeni lokhu ngesikhathi esimisiweyo senyanga u-Abhibhi, ngoba yiyo leyo inyanga elaphuma ngayo eGibhithe. Kungabi lamuntu ozakuma phambi kwami engaphathanga lutho.

¹⁶ Umkhosi weSivuno lizawenza ngezithelo zakuqala zamasimu enu,

kuzakuthi ekupheleni komnyaka libe lomkhosi wokubutha lapho selibutha izilimo zenu emasimini. ¹⁷ Kathathu ngomnyaka amadoda wonke kufanele ayeziveza phambi kukaNkulunkulu ophezu konke.

¹⁸ Liganikeli kimi igazi lomhlatshelo ndawonye laloba yini elemvubelo. Lingacini amahwahwa eminkelo yomkhosi kuze kuse.

¹⁹ Lethani endlini kaJehova uNkulunkulu wenu izithelo zakuqala zomhlaba wenu ezinhle kakhulu.

Lingapheki izinyane ngochago lukanina.

Ingilosi kaNkulunkulu Izalungisa Indlela

²⁰ Khangelani, sengithumela ingilosi phambi kwenu ukuze ilivikele endleleni yenu njalo ize ilifikise endaweni engililungisele yona.

²¹ Liyanzelele ingilosi yami njalo lilalele ekutshoyo. Lingayihlamukeli ngoba kayizukulithethelela nxa liyihlamuka, njengoba iBizo lami likuyo.

²² Nxa lingalalelisisa ekutshoyo njalo lenze konke engikutshoyo, ngizakuba yisitha sezitha zenu njalo ngizabaphikisa abaliphikisayo.

²³ Ingilosi yami izahamba phambi kwenu ize ilingenise elizweni lama-Amori, lamaHithi, lamaPherizi, lamaKhenani lamaHivi kanye lamaJebusi njalo ngizababhuqa.

²⁴ Lingabakhothameli onkulunkulu babo, lingabakhonzi njalo lingalandeli imikhuba yabo. Kufanele libhidlize onkulunkulu babo njalo lidilize amatshe abo abawakhonzayo. ²⁵ Mkhonzeni uJehova uNkulunkulu wenu, kuzakuthi isibusiso sakhe sibe phezu kokudla laphezu kwamanzi enu. Ngizasusa imikhuhlane phakathi kwenu,

²⁶ ngalokho-ke kakho ozaswela loba abe yinyumba ezweni lenu. Ngizaphelelisa

izinsuku zenu. ²⁷“Ngizathumela udlakela lwami phambi kwenu njalo ngiphazamise zonke izizwe elizahlangana lazo. Ngizakwenza zonke izitha zenu zifulathele zilibalekele.

²⁸Ngizathumela olonyovu phambi kwenu ukuze basuse amaHivi, amaKhenani kanye lamaHithi endleleni yenu. ²⁹Kodwa angiyikubasusa ngomnyaka munye, ngoba ilizwe lingasala lingasela muntu besekusithi izinyamazana zeganga zande zilikhulele.

³⁰Ngizabasusa kancanencane phambi kwenu, lani lize lande lanelise ukuthatha ilizwe.

³¹“Ngizabeka imingcele kusukela eLwandle oluBomvu kusiya eLwandle lwamaFilisti, njalo kusuka enkangala kusiya emfuleni uYufathe. Ngakho abantu abahlala kulelolizwe ngizabanikela ezandleni zenu ukuze libadudule.

³²Lingenzi isivumelwano labo loba labonkulunkulu babo.

³³Kabangahlali lani ezweni lenu, funa balenze lingonele, ngoba ukukhonza kwabo onkulunkulu babo kuzakuba yisithiyo kini.

Ukumiswa kwesivumelwano

24 Ngakho uNkulunkulu wasesithi kuMosi, “Woza kuJehova, wena lo-Aroni, uNadabi lo-Abhihu, kanye labadala bako-Israyeli abangamatshumi ayisikhombisa. Lizakhonza libucwala, ²kodwa uMosi yedwa zwi uzasondela kuJehova; abanye kabafanelanga ukusondela eduze. Kanti-ke abantu kabafanelanga ukuza laye.”

³Kwathi uMosi esebuyele ebantwini wabatshelela wonke amazwi kanye lemilayo kaJehova, abantu bakwamukela

bavungama ngelizwi linye bathi, “Konke okutshiwo nguNkulunkulu sizakwenza.”

⁴Ngokunjalo uMosi waloba konke uJehova ayekutshilo. Ngokusa okulandelayo uMosi wavuka kusesele wakha i-alithare ewatheni lentaba wamisa khona izizinsika zamatshe alitshumi lambili emele izizwe ezilitshumi lambili zako-Israyeli.

⁵Ngokunjalo wathuma amajaha ako-Israyeli ahamba ayatshisa umhlatshe njalo banikela ngezinkunzi ezincane kungumnikelo wobudlelwano kuNkulunkulu. ⁶UMosi wasethatha ingxenye yegazi walithela emiganwini eyayiyingubhe elinye wachela ngalo phezu kwe-alithare. ⁷Ngakho wathatha incwadi yesivumelwano wayifundela abantu. Bona bavuma besithi, “Sizakwenza konke okutshiwo nguJehova; sizamlalela.”

⁸Ngemva kwalokho uMosi wathatha igazi wachela ngalo abantu esithi kubo, “Leli ligazi lesivumelwano sikaJehova asenze lani maqondana lawo wonke lamazwi.”

⁹UMosi lo-Aroni, loNadabi lo-Abhikhu kanye labadala bako-Israyeli abangamatshumi ayisikhombisa bakhwela ¹⁰bayabona uNkulunkulu ka-Israyeli. Ngaphansi kwezinyawo zakhe kwakungani ngumbundu owenziwe ngesafaya, kukhanya njengokukhanya komkhathi uqobo.

¹¹Kodwa uNkulunkulu kazange abanine ngesandla sakhe laba bakhokheli bako-Israyeli; sebembonile uNkulunkulu badla banatha.

¹²UJehova wathi kuMosi, “Khwela uze kimi entabeni njalo uhlale lapha, ngizakunika izibhebhedu zamatshe, engilobe kuzo imithetho lemilayo eyiziqondiso zabo.”

¹³Ngakho uMosi wasuka loJoshuwa umsizi wakhe, uMosi wasekhwela entabeni kaNkulunkulu.

¹⁴Wathi ebadaleni, “Silindeleni khonapha size siphenduke. U-Aroni loHuri bazasala lani, kuzakuthi abaphikisanayo babonane labo.”

¹⁵Kwathi uMosi esekhwele intaba, yasitshekela liyezi, ¹⁶inkazimulo kaJehova yagcwala entabeni yaseSinayi. Iyezi lembesa intaba okwezizinsuku eziyisithupha kwathi ngosuku lwesikhombisa uJehova wabiza uMosi eseyezini. ¹⁷Ebantwini bako-Israyeli inkazimulo kaJehova yabonakala injengomlilo ohangulayo phezu kwentaba. ¹⁸Ngakho uMosi wangena eyezini ekhwela intaba. Wahhlala khonale entabeni okwezizinsuku ezingamatshumi amane lobusuku obungamatshumi amane.

Iminikelo yeThabanikeli

25 UJehova uNkulunkulu wathi kuMosi, ²“Tshela ama-Israyeli angilethele umnikelo. Uzakwamukela umnikelo emuntwini munye ngamunye ozizwelayo enhliziyweni yakhe ukuthi anikele. ³Le yiyo iminikelo ozayamukela benikela: igolide, isiliva kanye lethusi, ⁴okwelukiweyo lamalembu aluhlaza, ayibubende kanye labomvu. Lelembu elicolekileyo, loboya bembuzi, ⁵lezikhumba zenqama eziphendulwe ngomphendulo obomvu, kanye lezikhumba zezinyamazana zaselwandle, lezigodo zesihlahla som-akhakhiya, ⁶amafutha om-oliva awesibane, amakha azasetshenziswa lamafutha okugcoba abakhethiweyo lephunga lemphepha, ⁷lamatshe e-onikisi, lamanye amatshe aligugu azagqizwa esambathweni semahlombe kanye lasesambathweni sesifuba.

⁸“Bangakhele indlu engcwele, ngalokho ngizahlala phakathi kwabo. ⁹Yenza ithabanikeli leli kanye leziceciso zalo ngendlela engizakutshengisa yona.

Ibhokisi lesivumelwano

¹⁰“Kabenze ibhokisi ngezigodo zesihlahla som-akhakhiya – ubude balo bube zingalo ezimbili ezilengxenywe, ububanzi bube yingalo elengxenywe njalo ukudepha kwalo kube yingalo elengxenywe. ¹¹Lilihuqe ngegolide elicolekileyo, ngaphakathi langaphandle, ubuye ulizingezelele ngomthando wegolide. ¹²Libumbele amasongo amane egolide uwanamathisele ezinyaweni zalo zozine, amabili kwelinye icele kuthi amabili kwelinye njalo. ¹³Beselisenza imijabo ngesihlahla som-akhakhiya liyihuqe ngegolide. ¹⁴Hlomani izigodo kulawo masongo emaceleni alelibhokisi kube yizibambo. ¹⁵Izigodo lezi zizahlala emasongweni alelibhokisi, zingakhitshwa. ¹⁶Beselifaka ubufakazi ebhokisini engizakunika bona.

¹⁷Yenzani isisibekelo esiyisihlalo somusa ngegolide elicolekileyo, sibe yisibekelo – ubude baso bube zingalo ezimbili ezilengxenywe, kuthi ububanzi baso kube yingalo elengxenywe. ¹⁸Lizakwenza amakherubhi amabili ngegolide elicanduliweyo, liwenze ekucineni kwesisibekelo esiyisihlalo somusa emaceleni womabili. ¹⁹Yenzani iKherubhi elilodwa nganxanye kuthi ngakwelinye icele lenze elinye, uzawenza amakherubhi abe yinto yinye lesisibekelo kumacele womabili.

²⁰AmaKherubhi azakwelulela amaphiko awo phezulu amboze isisibekelo ngawo. Kuzamele ukuthi amakherubhi aqondanise ubuso akhangele isisibekelo. ²¹Bekani isisibekelo phezu kwebhokisi lesivumelwano, ubusufaka ubufakazi engizakunika bona ebhokisini

lesivumelwano. ²² Kulapho engizahlangu lawe khona ngikunika imithetho ka-Israyeli ngisesihlalweni somusa, phakathi kwamakherubhi.

Itafula yezinkwa

²³ “Bazani itafula ngezigodo zesihlahla som-okhakhayi ubude bayo bube zingalo ezimbili, ububanzi bayo bube yingalo eyodwa, kuthi ukudepha kwayo kube yingalo elengxenywe. ²⁴ Lilihuqe ngegolide elicolekileyo, ube usulizingezelela ngomthando wegolide. ²⁵ Lenze kuye inxa zonke ibhanti elilingana lobubanzi besandla libeselibumbela kulo umthando wegolide. ²⁶ Lenzele amasongo amane egolide liwafake emagumbini womane amasondo etafula. ²⁷ Amasongo kawasondelane lebhanti ukuze abambe izigodo zokuthwala itafula.

²⁸ Lungisani izigodo zesihlahla som-akhakhiya, lizihuqe ngegolide ukuze uthwale itafula ngazo. ²⁹ Njalo yenzani imiganu lezinditshi zayo ngegolide elicolekileyo, kanye lenkezo lezitsha zeminielo yokuthula. ³⁰ Libeke etafuleni izinkwa ezahlukaniselwe uJehova, ukuze zibe phambi kwami ngezikhathi zonke.

Uluthi lwesibane

³¹ “Lizakwenza uluthi lwesibane ngegolide elicolekileyo, lilucandule isidindi salo lomqwayi walo, imbiza zalo lamahlume alo lamaluba alo likwenze kube yinto yinye. ³² Izingatsha eziyisithupha zibe ngapha langapha koluthi – ezintathu nganxanye kuthi ezintathu kwelinye icele.

³³ Yilolo lalolo ugatsha lube lezimbizana ezintathu ezenziwe zafana lamaluba esihlahla se-alimondi, kanye lesiduku seluba, kube njalo kuzo zonke izingatsha ezixhunywe emqwayini woluthi lwesibani. ³⁴ Kuzakuthi eluthini lwesibane kube lezimbizana ezine

ezenziwe zafanana lamaluba esihlahla se-alimondi, yileyo ibe lehlumela leluba. ³⁵ Kube lehlumela ngaphansi kwengatsha ezimbili langaphansi kwezinye ezimbili njalo – zonke kuzingatsha eziyisithupha. ³⁶ Iziduku lezingatsha zizakuba yinto yinye kanye loluthi lwesibane, kucandulwe ndawonye ngegolide elicolekileyo.

³⁷ Ngakho lizalwenzela izibane eziyisikhombisa uzimise phezu kwalo ukuze zikhanyise phambi kwalo.

³⁸ Incijana lembizana zibe ngezegolide elicolekileyo. ³⁹ Uluthi lwesibane kanye lakho konke okuphathelene laso, kuzakwenziwa ngegolide elicolekileyo eliyisisindo esingamakilogramu angamatshumi amathathu lane.

⁴⁰ Nanzelelani ukuthi lizenza njengalokhu owakutshengiswa entabeni.

Ithabanikeli

26 Lizakwenza ithabanikeli ngamakhetheni alitshumi elembu eliphethelwe kuhle ngezintambo eziluhlaza, leziyibubende kanye lezibomvu, abe lamaKherubhi elukelwe kuwo ngumuntu oleminwe.

² Amakhetheni wonke kumele ukuthi alingane – elesilinganiso sezingalo ezingamatshumi amabili lesificamibili ubude, kuthi ububanzi abe yizingalo ezine. ³ Lizahlanganisa amakhetheni amahlanu ndawonye, liphinde lenze njalo lakwamanye amahlanu.

⁴ Lizakwenza izihitshela ngokuluhlaza emphethweni wekhethe elisekucineni kwamakhetheni amahlanu, lenze njalo lasemphethweni wekhethe lokucina kwamanye amakhetheni. ⁵ Lizakwenza izihitshela ezingamatshumi amahlanu ekhethehini elilodwa liphinde lenze ezinye izihitshela ezingamatshumi

amahlanu ekhetheni lokucina kwamanye amakhetheni amahlanu, izihitshela zikhangelene.⁶ Emva kwalokho lizakwenza izingwegwe zegolide ezingamatshumi amahlanu lizisebenzise ukhlanganisa amakhetheni ukuze ithabanikeli libe yintonye.

⁷“Yenzani amakhetheni ngoboya bembuzi abe ngawethente phezu kwethabanikeli – itshumi lanye esewonke.⁸ Amakhetheni wonke alitshumi lanye alingane – isilinganiso esizingalo ezingamatshumi amathathu ubude, lobubanzi obuzingalo ezine.

⁹Hlanganisani amakhetheni amahlanu kube yintonye kuthi ayisithupha liwenze okufananayo. Goqani ikhetheni lesithupha liphindwe kabili ngaphambi kwethente.¹⁰ Yenzani izihitshela ezingamatshumi amahlanu zilandele umphetho wekhetheni elisekucineni koluhlu lwakuqala, lenze njalo lakolunye uluhlu.

¹¹Libeselilungisa izingwegwe zethusi ezingamatshumi amahlanu lizifake ezihitshelweni ukubopha ithente kube yintonye.¹² Kuzakuthi-ke isiqqa esiseleyo sekhetheni lethente, ingxenywe yekhetheni eseleyo, ilenge emuva kwethabanikeli.¹³ Amakhetheni ethente azakwedlula ngengalo eyodwa inxa zonke, kuthi okuseleyo kulenge emaceleni ethabanikeli ukuze alembese.

¹⁴Lungiselani isembeso sethente ngezikhumba zenqama eziphendulwe ngomphendulo obomvu, kuthi phezu kwalokho kube lesembeso sezikhumba zenyamazana zolwandle.

¹⁵“Yenzani amapulanka amiswayo ethabanikeli ngezigodo zesihlahla som-akhakhiya.¹⁶ Ipulanka linye libe lide okwezingalo ezilitshumi, kuthi ububanzi kube yingalo elengxenywe,¹⁷ kulemisuka emibili ephutshayo ilinganisene. Wonke

amapulanka ethabanikeli enziwe ngale indlela.

¹⁸Yenzani amapulanka amiswayo angamatshumi amabili eceleni leningizimu lethabanikeli.

¹⁹Libeselizenza izisekelo zesiliva ezingamatshumi amane ezizahamba ngaphansi kwawo – izisekelo ezimbili epulankeni linye, sisinye ngaphansi komsuka.²⁰ Leli elinye icele, icele lenyakatho lethabanikeli, misani amapulanka angamatshumi amabili²¹ kanye lezisekelo zesiliva ezingamatshumi amane – ezimbili ngaphansi kwepulanka linye.

²²Yenzani amapulanka ayisithupha awecele elingale ekucineni ngentshonalanga yethabanikeli,

²³limise amapulanka amabili asemagumbini asekucineni.

²⁴Emagumbini womabili kawabe lohlonzi oluphindwe kabili kusukela phansi kusiya phezulu, abesehlanganiswa ngesongo elilodwa, wonke abe njalo.

²⁵Kutsho ukuthi kuzakuba lamapulanka aficamibili lezisekelo zesiliva ezingamatshumi ayisithupha – ezimbili ngaphansi kwepulanka linye.

²⁶“Yenzani njalo imithando ngezigodo zesihlahla som-akhakhiya: emihlanu ibe ngeyamapulanka emiyo kwelinye icele lethabanikeli,²⁷ emihlanu ibe njalo ngeyakwelinye icele, kuthi eminye njalo emihlanu ibe ngeyamapulanka entshonalanga, ekucineni kwethabanikeli.

²⁸Umthando waphakathi uzakwedlula usuka ngapha usiya ngale laphakathi kwamapulanka amiyo.

²⁹Huqani amapulanka ngegolide lenze amasongo egolide abambe imithando. Njalo huqani imithando ngegolide.

³⁰“Misani ithabanikeli njengokutshengiswa kwakho entabeni.

³¹Yenzani ikhetheni ngelembu eliphethelwe kuhle ngentambo eziluhlaza, leziyibubende kanye lezibomvu, abe lamakherubhi elukelwe kuwo ngumuntu olemine. ³²Alengise endaweni ezine ngezingwegwana zegolide ezigodweni zesihlahla som-akhakhiya ezihluqwe ngegolide njalo zamiswa phezu kwezisekelo zesiliva.

³³Lengisani-ke ikhetheni ngezingwegwana libeselibeka ibhokisi loBufakazi ngemuva kwekhetheni. Ikhetheni lizakwehlukana Indawo Engcwele kweNgcwele Ngcwele.

³⁴Bekani isisibekelo esiyisihlalo somusa phezu kwebhokisi loBufakazi elise- ndaweni eNgcwele Ngcwele.

³⁵Bekani itafula ngaphandle kwekhetheni elisenyakatho kwethabanikeli, beselifaka uluthi lwesibane lukhangelane layo eceleni ngeningizimu.

³⁶“Yenzani ikhetheni lesango lethente ngelembu eliphethelwe kuhle ngezintambo eziluhlaza, leziyibubende kanye lezibomvu kube ngumsebenzi womaluki. ³⁷Yenzelani ikhetheni ingwegwana zegolide kanye lezinsika ezinhlanu ezenziwe ngezigodo zesihlahla som-akhakhiya ezihluqwe ngegolide, libe selizenzela izisindo ezinhlanu ezibunjwe ngethusi.

I-Alithare leminikelo yokutshiswa

27 “Yakha i-alithare ngezigodo zesihlahla som-akhakhiya libe yizingalo ezintathu ukudepha, ubude balo bube yizingalo ezinhlanu; lobubanzi bube yizingalo ezinhlanu, libe ngamamitha amabili alamasentimitha amathathu lilingene inxa zonke. ²Egumbini ngalinye le-alithare uzakwenza uphondo, kuthi izimpondo le-alithare kube yinto yinye, ube usulihluka ngethusi. ³Izinto

zonke ezizasetshenziswa kulo uzazenza ngethusi – izimbiza zalo zokubutha umlotha, amafotsholo alo, imiganu yokuchela, amafologwe enyama kanye lezindengezi zokubasela umlilo.

⁴Lenzele iminxibo yokosa ngethusi njalo wenze isongo lethusi egumbini ngalinye emagumbini wonke womane.

⁵Libeke ngaphansi kwesengamo se-alithare okuyingxenywe yokuya phezulu.

⁶Baza imijabo ye-alithare ngezigodo zesihlahla som-akhakhiya uzihluqwe ngethusi. ⁷Hloma imijabo le emasongweni asemaceleni womabili e-alithare ukuze ibe yizibambo nxa selithwalwa. ⁸Thatha amapulanka wenze ngawo i-alithare ligubhekile ngaphakathi. Lenze njengalokhu owakutshengiswayo entabeni.

Iguma lethabanikeli

⁹Lungisa iguma lethabanikeli. Ubude becele langeningizimu bube yizingalo ezilikhulu njalo libe lamakhetheni elembu lelineni elelukwe laphothwa kuhle, ¹⁰lezinsika ezingamatshumi amabili lezisekelo ezingamatshumi amabili konke kwenziwe ngethusi kanye lengwegwe lezibopho zesiliva ensikeni.

¹¹Icele lenyakatho lalo lizakuba yizingalo ezilikhulu ubude njalo libe lamakhetheni, libe lezinsika ezingamatshumi amabili lezisekelo ezingamatshumi amabili ethusi futhi kube lengwegwana lezibopho zesiliva ensikeni. ¹²Icele lentshonalanga yeguma lizakuba yizingalo ezingamatshumi amahlanu lilamakhetheni njalo libe lezinsika ezilitshumi kanye lezisekelo ezilitshumi.

¹³Eceleni lempumalanga, lapho kuphuma khona ilanga, iguma lizakuba banzi okuzingalo ezingamatshumi amahlanu. ¹⁴Amakhetheni amade okwezingalo ezilitshumi lanhlano

azakuba nganxanye kwesango, elezinsika ezintathu kanye lezisekelo ezintathu. ¹⁵Ngakwelinye icele lakho kuzakuba lamakhetheni azingalo ezilithshumi lanhlanu ubude bawo kanye lezinsika ezintathu lezisekelo ezintathu.

¹⁶Esangweni leguma, faka khona ikhetheni lelembu lelineni elelukwe laphothwa kuhle ngentambo eluhlaza, eyibubende, kanye lebomvu – kube ngumsebenzi womeluki, libelide okwezingalo ezingamatshumi amabili – kube lezinsika ezine lezisekelo ezine. ¹⁷Zonke izinsika ezihonqolozele iguma zibe lezibopho lengwegwana zesiliva, kanye lezisekelo zethusi.

¹⁸Ubude beguma buzakuba yizingalo ezilikhulu lobubanzi obuzingalo ezingamatshumi amahlanu lamakhetheni elembu elelukwe kuhle lidephile okuyizingalo ezinhlanu, lezisekelo zethusi. ¹⁹Zonke izinto ezizasetshenziswa emsebenzini wethabanikeli loba kuyini okwenziwayo kuhlanganisa lazo zonke izikhonkwane zalo kanye lezeguma, kumele zibe ngezethusi.

Amafutha oluthi lwesibane

²⁰“Batshela abako-Israyeli bakulethele amafutha om-oliva acengekileyo awesibane ukuze izibane zikhanye kokuphela. ²¹Ethenteni lokuhlanganela, ngaphandle kwekhetheni phambi koBufakazi, u-Aroni lamadodana akhe bazagcina izibane phambi kukaJehova zibhebha kusukela ntambama kuze kuse. Lo kumele kube ngumthetho omi njalo phakathi kwabantu bako-Israyeli lakuzizukulwane ezizayo.

Izambatho zobuphristi

28 “Akulethwe kuwe phakathi kwabako-Israyeli umfowenu u-Aroni

kanye lamadodana akhe u-Nadabi, lo-Abhihu, u-Eliyezare lo-Ithamare, ubahlukanisele ukuba babe ngabaphristi bami. ²Umenzele u-Aroni umfowenu izambatho ezingcwele, ezizamenza abe lesithunzi abukeke. ³Atshele wonke amadoda azingcitshi lalenhlalakanipho maqondana lalo umsebenzi ukuthi benzele u-Aroni izambatho zokwahlukanisela umsebenzi wami wokuba ngumphristi. ⁴Yilezi izambatho abazazenza: isambatho sesifubeni, isambatho semahlombe, isigqoko, ibhatshi elelukiweyo, iqhiye kanye lebhanti. Kabamenzele u-Aroni umfowenu lamadodana akhe izambatho lezi ezingcwele ukuze babe ngabaphristi bami. ⁵Kabasebenzise intambo eziluhlaza, leziyibubende lezibomvu, kanye lelembu elicolekileyo.

Isambatho semahlombe

⁶Uzakwenza isambatho semahlombe ngelembu elelukwe kuhle ngentambo eziligolide, leziluhlaza, leziyibubende kanye lezibomvu – kube ngumsebenzi womuntu oleminwe.

⁷Kumele sibe leziqa zemahlombe ezimbili zithungelwe emaceleni aso womabili ukuze sihlanganiswe.

⁸Kuzakuthi ibhanti laso lasekhalweni elulekwe ngobungcitshi lenziwe lifanane laso – libe ntonye lesambatho semahlombe lenziwe ngelembu elelukwe kuhle ngentambo eziligolide, leziluhlaza, leziyibubende kanye lezibomvu.

⁹“Thatha amatshe amabili ohlobo lwe-onekisi udwebele kuwo njengombazi wamatshe aligugu amabizo amadodana ka-Israyeli ¹⁰ngokulandelana kwawo – ayisithupha kwelinye ilitshe kuthi aseleyo uwadwebele kwelinye njalo.

¹¹Dwebela amabizo amadodana ka-Israyeli ematsheni womabili njengombazi wamatshe aligugu

edwebela uphawu. Ubusuwazingelezela ngeziceciso zegolide¹² ozalithungela eziqeni zamahlombe kube ngamatshe esikhumbuzo samadodana ka-Israyeli. U-Aroni kumele athwale amabizo emahlombe akhe kube yisikhumbuzo phambi kukaJehova.¹³ Yenza iziceciso zegolide¹⁴ kanye lamaketane enziwe ngegolide elicengekileyo alukelwe ndawonye njengegoda uwabophele ezicecisweni zegolide.

Isambatho sesifubeni

¹⁵“Uzakwenza isambatho sesifuba esokwahlulela – senziwe ngumuntu oleminwe. Usenze njengesambatho semahlombe: ngelembu elelukwe kuhle ngentambo eligolide, lehlaza, leyibubende kanye lebomvu.¹⁶ Sifanele silingane nxazonke – isandla ubude lesandla ububanzi – sigoqwe saphindwa.¹⁷ Ubusuthungela kuso imizila emine yamatshe aligugu. Emzileni wakuqala kuzakuba lerubhi, lethophezi kanye lebheriyeli,¹⁸ emzileni wesibili kube yi-amaralidi, isafaya, ledayimana,¹⁹ emzileni wesithathu ijasinti, i-agathi kanye le amethisi,²⁰ emzileni wesine ikhisorolathi, i-onekisi kanye lejaspa. Athungele sezicecisweni zegolide.

²¹ Kakube lamatshe alitshumi lambili, lilinye limele ibizo lamadodana ka Israyeli, linye ngalinye lilotshwe njengokudweba kombazi wamatshe, kungani luphawu, kulotshwe kulelo lalelo ibizo lezizwe zako-Israyeli ezilitshumi lambili.

²²“Isambatho sesifubeni selukwe ngamaketane egolide elicolekileyo kungani ligoda.²³ Yenza amasongo egolide amabili ube usuwabophela emagumbini amabili awesambatho sesifubeni.²⁴ Bophela amaketani amabili

egolide emasongweni asemagumbini esambatho sesifubeni,²⁵ kuthi ngapha acina khona abotshelwe phambili kusambatho semahlombe.

²⁶ Yenza amasongo amabili egolide uwabophele emagumbini amabili awesambatho sesifubeni ngaphakathi komphetho phansi kwesambatho semahlombe.

²⁷ Yenza amanye amasongo egolide amabili ubusuwabophela ngaphansi kweziqa zemahlombe phambi kwesambatho semahlombe, eduze komphetho ngaphezudlwana kwebhanti lasekhalweni lwesambatho semahlombe.

²⁸ Amasongo esambatho sesifubeni azabotshani swa lamasongo esambatho semahlombe ngentambo eluhlaza, kusihlanganisa lebhanti lasokhalweni, ukwenzela ukuthi isambatho sesifubeni singatsheluli sehluwane lesambatho semahlombe.

²⁹“Kuzakuthi lapho u-Aroni engena Endaweni Engcwele, agqize phezu kwenhliziyo yakhe isambatho sesifubeni sokwahlulela esilamabizo amadodana ka-Israyeli kube yisikhumbuzo esiqhubekayo phambi kukaJehova.

³⁰ Faka njalo i-Urimu kanye leThumimu esambathweni sesifubeni, ukuze ziqondane laphezu kwenhliziyo ka-Aroni loba kunini engena phambi kukaJehova. Ngalokho u-Aroni uzabe ethwele amandla okuquma izinqumo kwabako-Israyeli phezu kwenhliziyo yakhe phambi kukaJehova.

Ezinye izambatho zabaphristi

³¹“Yenza isigqoko sesambatho semahlombe ngelembu eliluhlaza kuphela,³² kube lesikhala sokungenisa ikhanda phakathi laphakathi. Kuzakuba lomphetho onjengebheqe othungwe walandelisela isikhala lesi ukuze isambatho singadabuki.³³ Wenze

emphethweni wesambatho amaphomegranethi ngentambo eziluhlaza, leziyibubende kanye lezibomvu, uwugabanise lamabhera egolide.³⁴ Amabhera egolide kumele agabane lamaphomegranethi emphethweni wesigqoko.

³⁵“U-Aroni kufanele asambathe nxa esenza umsebenzi wokukhonza. Umsindo wamabhera uzwakala lapho engena eNdaweni eNgcwele phambi kukaJehova lalapho ephuma, ukuze angafi.

³⁶“Yenza umcephe wegolide elicengekileyo udwebe uloba kuwo njengombazi wamatshe udwebela uphawu: UBUNGCWELE ABUBE KUJEHOVA.³⁷ Uwubophele eqhiyeni ngentambo eluhlaza ube phambi kweqhiye.³⁸ Uzakuba sebunzini lika-Aroni ukuze athwale amacala aqondene lezipho ezingcwele ezinikelwa ngabako-Israyeli, kungakhathalekile ukuthi yisipho bani. Umcephe uzakuba sebunzini lika-Aroni kokuphela ukuze abako-Israyeli bemukeleke kuJehova.

³⁹“Yeluka ibhatshi lelembu elicolekileyo kanye leqhiye yelineni elihle. Kuzakuthi ibhanti lenziwe ngumaluki.⁴⁰ Wenzele amadodana ka-Aroni amabhatshi, lamabhanti kanye lamaqhiye ukuze abe lesithunzi abukeke.⁴¹ Emva kokugqokisa u-Aroni umfowenu kanye lamadodana akhe lezizambatho, bagcobe ubahlukanisele ukuba ngabaphristi bami.

⁴²“Thunga izambatho zangaphansi ngelembu, zisukele ekhalweni kusiya emathangazini, zibe yizambathiso zomzimba.⁴³ U-Aroni kanye lamadodana akhe bazazigqoka izikhathi zonke nxa bengena eThenteni lokuHlanganela lanxa besondela e-alithareni ukwenza umsebenzi wokukhonza eNdaweni eNgcwele, ukuze bangabi lecala bafe. Lokhu kuzakuba yisimiso esingapheliyo

ku-Aroni lakuzizukulwane zakhe.

Ukugcotshwa kwabaphristi

29 “Lokhu yikho ozakwenza nxa ubagcoba ukuze bangisebenzele njengabaphristi: Thatha inkunzi esencane lezinqama ezimbili ezingelasici.² Yenza isinkwa ngefulawa ecolekileyo engelamvubelo, lamakhekhana axutshwe ngamafutha lezinkwana ezigcotshwe ngamafutha. Konke lokhu ukwenze ngefulawa ecolekileyo,³ ukufake esitsheni sinye ukulethe kuphakathi kwaso uze lakho kanye lenkunzi lezinqama ezimbili.

⁴ Emva kwalokho lethu u-Aroni lamadodana akhe esangweni leThente lokuHlanganela ubagezise ngamanzi.

⁵ Thatha izambatho ugqokise u-Aroni ibhatshi, lengubo efika phansi yesambatho samahlombe, isambatho samahlombe sona ngokwaso kanye lesigqoko sesifuba, umbophele isambatho samahlombe ngebhanti lokhalo elelukwe ngobungcwethi obukhulu.

⁶ Mthwalise iqhiye yokuthandela ekhanda lakhe unamathisele umqhele ongcwele wamakhosi eqhiyeni.

⁷ Thatha amafutha okugcoba umgcobe ngokuwathela phezu kwekhanda lakhe.

⁸ Letha amadodana akhe uwagqokise amabhatshi⁹ ubabophe ngamabhanti emakhanda, u-Aroni lamadodana akhe, ube usubathwalisa izingowane. Ubuphristi ngobabo ngesimiso esingapheliyo. Ngale indlela uzagcoba u-Aroni lamadodana akhe.

¹⁰ “Letha inkunzi phambi kweThente lokuHlanganela, u-Aroni lamadodana akhe babeke izandla zabo phezu kwekhanda layo,¹¹ uyihlabe phambi kukaJehova esangweni leThente lokuHlanganela.

¹²Thatha igazi lenkunzi ulininde ezimpondweni ze-alithare ngomunwe wakho, uthethe igazi eliseleyo phansi e-alithareni. ¹³Emva kwalokho thatha lonke idanga eligoqela ezangaphakathi, lamahwahwa akuzo, utshise konke lokhu e-alithareni.

¹⁴Kodwa-ke inyama yenkunzi, isikhumba sayo lomswane wayo, kutshisele ngaphandle kwesihonqo; kungumnikelo wesono.

¹⁵“Thatha enye yezinqama, u-Aroni lamadodana akhe babeke izandla zabo phezu kwekhanda layo,

¹⁶yihlabe, uthathe igazi layo ulichele emaceleni wonke e-alithare. ¹⁷Emva kwalokho hlahlela inqama ibe yiziqqa ugezise okwangaphakathi lemilenze ukufake ndawonye lenhloko kanye lezinye iziqqa, ¹⁸ubusutshisa inqama yonke e-alithareni. Lokhu kungumnikelo wokutshiswa kuJehova – iphunga elimnandi, umnikelo onikelwa kuJehova ngomlilo.

¹⁹“Thatha enye inqama, u-Aroni lamadodana akhe babeke izandla zabo phezu kwekhanda layo. ²⁰Uyihlabe, uthathe igazi layo ulininde olwangeni lwendlebe yokunene ka-Aroni lakwezamadodana akhe, lasezithupheni zabo zezandla zabo zokunene, lasemazwaneni amakhulu ezinyawo zabo zokunene. Emva kwalokho chela igazi emaceleni wonke e-alithare.

²¹Thatha igazi elise-alithareni lamafutha okugcoba uchele u-Aroni lezambatho zakhe kanye lamadodana akhe lezambatho zawo. Lapho-ke yena lamadodana akhe lezivunulo zabo kuzabe sekungcwelisiwe.

²²“Thatha amahwahwa ale inqama, lomsila ononileyo, ledanga eligoqela ezangaphakathi, lamahwahwa angaphezu kwesibindi, lezinso zombili lamahwahwa akuzo kanye lomlenze

wokunene. (Le yinqama yokugcotshwa komphristi).

²³Esitsheni esilesinkwa esingelamvubelo esiphambi kukaJehova, thatha isinkwa esisodwa, lekhekhe elenziwe ngamafutha kanye lesinkwanyana. ²⁴Konke lokhu kufake ezandleni zika-Aroni lezamadodana akhe, ukuphakamisele phezu phambi kukaJehova kube ngumnikelo wokuzunguzwa. ²⁵Emva kwalokho kuthathe ezandleni zabo ukutshise e-alithareni ndawonye lomnikelo wokutshiswa ukuba kube liphunga elimnandi kuJehova, umnikelo onikelwa kuJehova ngomlilo. ²⁶Emva kwalokho thatha isifuba senqama yokugcotshwa kuka-Aroni uzunguze phambi kukaJehova njengomnikelo wokuzunguzwa, sizakuba yisabelo sakho.

²⁷“Ngcwelisa lezozitho zenqama yokugcotshwa komphristi ezingezika-Aroni lamadodana akhe – isifuba esizunguziweyo lomlenze onikelweyo.

²⁸Lokhu kuzaqhubeka kokuphela kuyisabelo sika-Aroni lamadodana akhe esivela kuba-Israyeli. Kungumnikelo aba-Israyeli abawenzayo kuJehova uvela kumnikelo wabo wokuhlanganyela.

²⁹“Izambatho zika-Aroni ezingcwele zizakuba ngezezizukulwana zakhe ukuze bagcotshwe babekwe ubuphristi begqoke zona.

³⁰“Indodana yakhe ezakuba ngumphristi esikhundleni sakhe izazigqoka izinsuku eziyisikhombisa lapho isiza eThenteni lokuHlanganela ukuzakhonza eNdaweni eNgcwele.

³¹“Thatha inqama yokugcotshwa komphristi uyiphekele endaweni engcwele. ³²Inyama yenqama lesinkwa esisesitsheni u-Aroni lamadodana akhe bamele bakudlele esangweni leThente lokuHlanganyela. ³³Bamele badle

leyominikelo okwenziwa ngayo inhlawulo yokubekwa lokugcotshwa kwabo. Kodwa omunye umuntu nje akayikukudla lokhu ngoba kungcwele.

³⁴Njalo uma enye yenyama yenqama yokugcotshwa komphristi kumbe isinkwa kusele kuze kube sekuseni, kutshise ngomlilo. Akumelanga kudliwe ngoba kungcwele.

³⁵Menzele-ke u-Aroni lamadodana akhe konke engikulaye khona, uthathe izinsuku eziyisikhombisa begcotshwa. ³⁶Nikela inkunzi izinsuku ngezinsuku njengomnikelo wesono wokwenza inhlawulo. Yenza i-alithare libe ngcwele ngokulenzela inhlawulo, uligcobe ukuba ulingcwelise. ³⁷Yenza inhlawulelo ye-alithare okwezizinsuku eziyisikhombisa ulingcwelise. Lapho-ke i-alithare lizakuba ngcwele kakhulu kuthi konke okulithintayo kube ngcwele.

³⁸“Lokhu yikho ozakunikela e-alithareni njalonjalo usuku ngalunye: amazinyane ezimvu amabili alomnyaka owodwa ezelwe. ³⁹Nikela elilodwa ekuseni, elinye unikele ngalo kusihlwa. ⁴⁰Kanye lezinyane lakuqala nikela lesilinganiso esiyingxenywe eyodwa etshumini, ifulawa ecolekileyo ihlanganiswe lokwesine kwehini lamafutha e-oliva ahluziweyo, lokwesine kwehini yewayini ukuba kube ngumnikelo onathwayo.

⁴¹Elinye izinyane linikele kusihlwa ngomnikelo ofanayo wamabele kanye lomnikelo onathwayo njengekuseni ukuba kube liphunga elimnandi, umnikelo onikelwa kuJehova ngomlilo.

⁴²“Kuzizukulwana ezizayo umnikelo wokutshiswa lo uzakwenziwa njalonjalo esangweni leThente lokuHlanganela phambi kukaJehova, lapho engizahlangana lawe khona ngikhulume lawe. ⁴³Lapho futhi yikho engizahlangana khona lama-Israyeli,

indawo leyo ingcweliswe yinkazimulo yami.

⁴⁴“Ngokunjalo ngizakwenza iThente lokuHlanganela kanye le-alithare kube ngcwele ukuba bangisebenzele bengabaphristi.

⁴⁵Lapho-ke ngizahlala phakathi kwabantu bako-Israyeli ngibe nguNkulunkulu wabo. ⁴⁶Bazakwazi ukuthi mina nginguJehova uNkulunkulu wabo, owabakhupha eGibhithe ukuze ngihlale phakathi kwabo. Mina nginguJehova uNkulunkulu wabo.

I-alithare lokutshisela impepha

30 “Yenza i-alithare lokutshisela impepha, ulenze ngesihlahla som-akhakhiya. ²Amacele womane kumele alingane, kube yingalo ubude lengalo ububanzi, kuthi ukudepha kube zingalo ezimbili – impondo zalo zibe ntonye lalo. ³Huqa amacele wonke ngaphezulu, lempondo zalo ngegolide elicolekileyo ubumbele umqolo wegolide inxa zonke.

⁴Yenza amasongo egolide amabili e-alithare abe ngaphansi komqolo emaceleni amabili ehlukeneyo ukuba abambe imijabo yokuthwala umthwalo. ⁵Imijabo yenze ngesihlahla som-akhakhiya uyihuqe ngegolide.

⁶Beka i-alithare phambi kwekheteni elisithe iBhokisi lobuFakazi, nganeno kwesihlalo somusa esiphezu kobuFakazi lapho engizahlangana lawe khona.

⁷“U-Aroni kumele atshise impepha enuka mnandi e-alithereni nsuku zonke ekuseni elungisa izibane.

⁸Kumele impepha ayitshise futhi kusihlwa lapho eselumathisa izibane ukuze impepha itshe kokuphela phambi kukaJehova kuze kube kuzizukulwane ezizayo. ⁹Linganikeli kuleli-alithare olunye uhlobo lwempepha kumbe umnikelo wokutshiswa loba umnikelo

wamabele, njalo lingatheli umnikelo wokunathwa phezu kwalo.

¹⁰ Kanye ngomnyaka u-Aroni uzakwenza inhlawulelo ezimpondweni zalo. Inhlawulo yeminyaka yonke le kumele yenziwe ngegazi lomnikelo wokuhlawulela izono zezizulukulwana ezizayo. Ingcwele kakhulu kuJehova.”

Imali yenhlawulo

¹¹ UJehova wasesithi kuMosi,
¹² “Lapho usubala abantu bako-Israyeli omunye lomunye kumele anike uJehova inhlawulo yokuphila kwakhe. Ngalokho akuyikuba lesifo esizabehlela lapho ubabala. ¹³ Akuthi lowo lalowo odlulela ngakulabo asebebaliwe anike ingxenye yeshekeli, ngokweshekeli lendawo eyingcwele, okuyisisindo esingamagera angamatshumi amabili. Ingxenye yeshekeli le ingumnikelo kuJehova.

¹⁴ Wonke umuntu obaliweyo, kusukela koleminyaka engamatshumi amabili kusiya phezulu, uzanikela umnikelo kaJehova. ¹⁵ Abanothileyo akumelanga banikele ngokudlula ingxenye yeshekeli, labayanga kabanganikeli ngokuncane lapho selinikela kuJehova ukuba lenze inhlawulelo yokuphila kwenu.

¹⁶ Amukela imali yenhlawulo kwabako-Israyeli uyisebenzise enkonzweni yeThente lokuHlanganela. Izakuba yisikhumbuzo kwabako-Israyeli phambi kukaJehova ukwenzela inhlawulelo yokuphila kwenu.”

Umganu wokugezela

¹⁷ UJehova wasesithi kuMosi,
¹⁸ “Yenza umganu wethusi ube lenyawo zethusi, ube ngowokugezela. Uwubeke phakathi kweThente lokuHlanganela le-alithare, uthete amanzi phakathi kwawo. ¹⁹ U-Aroni lamadodana akhe bazageza izandla lezinyawo zabo ngamanzi akuwo. ²⁰ Nxa bengena eThenteni

lokuHlanganela bazageza ngamanzi ukuze bangafi. Ngokunjalo lalapho besondela e-alithareni ukuba bakhonze ngokwethula umnikelo onikelwa kuJehova ngomlilo, ²¹ bazageza izandla zabo lezinyawo ukuze bangafi. Lokhu kuzakuba yisimiso esingapheliyo ku-Aroni lenzalo yakhe lakuzizukulwane ezizayo.”

Amafutha okugcoba abakhethiweyo

²² UJehova wasesithi kuMosi,
²³ “Thatha lezinhlobo zamakha amahle: Amashekeli angamakhulu amahlanu emure elingamanzi, ikhinamoni elinuka mnandi eliyingxenye yalokho (okuyikuthi amakhulu amabili lamatshumi amahlanu amashekeli), amashekeli angamakhulu amabalili lamatshumi amahlanu ekhane elilephunga elimnandi, ²⁴ amashekeli angamakhulu amahlanu ekhasiya – konke kumayelana lamashekeli endawo engcwele – kanye lehini lamafutha ama-oliva. ²⁵ Lokhu kwenze kube ngamafutha angcwele okugcoba alungiswe ngumxubi wamakha, azakuba ngamafutha angcwele okugcoba abakhethiweyo. ²⁶ Ngawo-ke uzagcoba iThente lokuHlanganela, ibhokisi lobufakazi, ²⁷ itafula kanye lezitsha zalo zonke, uluthi lwesibane lezitsha zalo, i-alithare lempepha, ²⁸ i-alithare lomnikelo wokutshiswa lezitsha zalo lomganu wokugezela kanye lezinyawo zawo. ²⁹ Uzakungwelisa konke ukuba kube ngcwele kakhulu, njalo loba yini ekuthintayo izakuba ngcwele.

³⁰ “Mgcobe u-Aroni lamadodana akhe ubahlukanisele ukuba bangisebenzele bengabaphristi.

³¹ Batshele abako-Israyeli uthi, ‘Lokhu kuzakuba ngamafutha ami angcwele okugcoba abakhethiweyo lakuzizukulwane zenu ezizayo.

³²Lingawatheli emizimbeni yabantu, njalo lingenzi amanye amafutha ngale inhlanganisela. Ingcwele, izakuba ngcwele lakini. ³³Lowo ozakwenza amakha afana lawo kumbe agcobe ngawo umuntu ongasuye mphristi, uzasuswa ebantwini bakibo.”

Impepha

³⁴UJehova wabuya wathi kuMosi, “Thatha amakha anuka mnandi – isitakethe, i-onika legalibhanumi kanye lenhlaka enhle, konke kungesilinganiso esifanayo, ³⁵wenze ingxube yempepha elephunga elimnandi njengomxubi wamakha, ifakwe itswayi ibenhle ibe ngcwele. ³⁶Chola enye yayo ibe yimpuphu uyifake phambi kobuFakazi phakathi kweThente lokuHlanganela lapho engizahlangana lawe khona. Izakuba ngcwele kakhulu kini.

³⁷Lingazenzeli eyenu impepha ngale indlela, iboneni njengento engcwele kuJehova.

³⁸Lowo ozakwenza enye efana layo ukuba akholise ukunuka kwayo mnandi, kumele asuswe ebantwini bakibo.”

Ukukhethwa kukaBhezaleli lo-Oholiyabhi.

31 Jehova wakhuluma njalo kuMosi wathi, ²“Khangela, sengikhethe uBhezaleli indodana ka-Uri oyindodana kaHuri owesizwe sikaJuda ³ngamgcwalisa ngomoya kaNkulunkulu, lobuciko, ukuhlakanipha lolwazi lwenhlobo zonke zemisebenzi ⁴ukuze aqambe imisebenzi yobungcitshi yezinto ezenziwa ngegolide, ngesiliva lethusi, ⁵abaze amatshe awabeke kuhle, abaze lezigodo kanye lokwenza yonke imisebenzi yobungcwethi. ⁶Ngikhethe lo-Oholiyabhi indodana ka-Ahisamaki,

owesizwe sikaDani ukuba amncedise. Njalo izingcitshi zonke ngizinike ubuciko ukuba zenze konke engikulaye ukuba kwenziwe: ⁷iThente lokuHlanganela, ibhokisi Lobufakazi, isihlalo somusa esikulo, lakho konke okunye okokuhlobisa ithente – ⁸itafula lezitsha zalo, uluthi lwesibane lwegolide elihle lezitsha zalo zonke, i-alithare lempepha, ⁹i-alithare lomnikelo wokutshiswa kanye lezitsha zalo zonke, umganu wokugezela kanye lezinyawo zawo ¹⁰lezambatho ezelukiweyo, lezambatho ezingcwele zika-Aroni umphristi kanye lezambatho zamadodana akhe ezomsebenzi wabo wobubphristi, ¹¹lamafutha okugcobela isikhundla, lempepha enuka mnandi eyeNdawo eNgcwele. Kumele bakwenze njengoba ngikulayile.”

ISabatha

¹²UJehova wasesithi kuMosi, ¹³“Batshela abako-Israyeli uthi, ‘Kumele ligcine amaSabatha ami. Lokhu kuzakuba yisibonakaliso phakathi kwami lani kuzizukulwane zenu ezizayo, ukuze lazi ukuthi mina nginguJehova olenza libe ngcwele.

¹⁴“Gcinani iSabatha ngokuba lingcwele kini. Lowo olonakalisayo kumele abulawe, lalowo osebenzayo ngalolosuku uzasuswa ebantwini bakibo.

¹⁵Umsebenzi kawenziwe okwezizinsuku eziyisithupha, kodwa usuku lwesikhombisa luliSabatha lokuphumula, lungcwele kuJehova. Lowo osebenzayo ngosuku lweSabatha kumele abulawe. ¹⁶Abako-Israyeli kumele bagcine iSabatha, baligcine kuzizukulwane zabo ezizayo njengesivumelwano esingapheliyo.

¹⁷Lizakuba yisibonakaliso phakathi kwami labako-Israyeli nini lanini. Ngoba ngezizinsuku eziyisithupha

uJehova wenza izulu lomhlaba, kwathi ngosuku lwesikhombisa wazila umsebenzi waphumula.”

¹⁸ Kwathi lapho uJehova eseqedile ukukhuluma loMosi entabeni yaseSinayi wamnika izicecedu ezimbili zamatshe obuFakazi, izicecedu zamatshe alotshwe ngomunwe kaNkulunkulu.

Ithole legolide

32 Kwathi lapho abantu bebona uMosi esephuzile ukwehla entabeni, babuthana ku-Aroni bathi kuye, “Lalela, senzele onkulunkulu abazahamba phambi kwethu, ngoba umuntu lo, uMosi owasikhupha elizweni laseGibhithe, asikwazi osekwenzakale kuye.”

² U-Aroni wabaphendula wathi, “Khumulani amacici egolide asezindlebeni zamakhosikazi enu, amadodana enu lamadodakazi enu, liwalethe kimi.” ³ Ngakho abantu bonke bawakhumula amacici abo bawasa ku-Aroni. ⁴ Wathatha lokho abamnikeza khona wakwenza kwaba yisithombe esibunjwe njengethole esebenzisa insimbi yokukhanda. Basebesithi, “Laba yibo onkulunkulu benu, O Israyeli, abalikhupha elizweni laseGibhithe.”

⁵ Kwathi u-Aroni ebona lokhu wakha i-alithare phambi kwethole wamemezela wathi, “Kusasa kuzakuba lomkhosi kaJehova.” ⁶ Ngakho ngosuku olwalandelayo abantu bavuka ekuseni kakhulu banikela umnikelo wokutshiswa, baletha lomnikelo wobudlelwano. Emva kwalokho bahlala phansi badla, banatha; basukuma bagida.

⁷ Lapho-ke uJehova wathi kuMosi, “Yehla uye phansi ngoba abantu bakho owabakhupha elizweni laseGibhithe sebonakele. ⁸ Baphangisile badela konke

engabalaya khona bazenzela isithombe esibunjwe safana lethole. Basikhothamele banikela iminikelo kiso bathi, ‘Laba yibo onkulunkulu benu, bako-Israyeli, abalikhupha eGibhithe.’ ”

⁹ UJehova wasebuya esithi kuMosi, “Sengibabonile abantu laba; ngabantu abantamo zilukhuni. ¹⁰ Khathesi-ke ngiyekela ngingedwa ukuze ulaka lwami lubalavukele, ngibatshabalalise.”

¹¹ Kodwa uMosi wacela umusa kuJehova uNkulunkulu wakhe, wathi, “Awu Jehova! Kungani ulaka lwakho kumele lulavukele abantu bakho, owabakhupha eGibhithe ngamandla amakhulu langesandla esiqinileyo na?”

¹² Kungani amaGibhithe kumele athi, ‘Wabakhupha elizweni ngenxa yenhloso embi ukuba ababulalele ezintabeni, abakhucule baphele ebusweni bomhlaba?’ Phenduka olakeni lwakho olwesabekayo, uthambise umoya wakho, ungaletheleli abantu bakho ukubhujiswa.

¹³ Khumbula izinceku zakho u-Abrahama, lo-Isaka lo-Israyeli owafunga kubo wena ngokwakho wathi, ‘Ngizakwandisa inzalo yenu ibe ngangezinkanyezi zasemkhathini, ngiyinike lonke ilizwe engalithembisa lona ukuba libe yilifa layo kuze kube nini lanini.’ ¹⁴ Lapho-ke uJehova waguquka eubini ayesemise ukubehlisela ebantwini bakhe.

¹⁵ UMosi waphenduka wehla entabeni ephethe izicecedu ezimbili zamatshe obuFakazi. Ayelotshwe inxa zombili phambili langemuva.

¹⁶ Izicecedu zamatshe zazingumsebenzi kaNkulunkulu; umbhalo ungumbhalo kaNkulunkulu owawulotshwe ezicecedwini zamatshe.

¹⁷ Kwathi lapho uJoshuwa esizwa umsindo wabantu beklabalala, wathi kuMosi, “Kulokuhlokoma kwempi ezihonqweni.”

¹⁸UMosi waphendula wathi,
 “Akusiyo nhlokomo yokunqoba,
 akusiyo nhlokomo yokwahlulwa;
 yinhlokomo yokuhlabela mina
 engiyizwayo.”

¹⁹Kwathi uMosi esebanga
 ezihonqweni, ebona ithole kanye
 lokugida okwakusenziwa, ulaka kwakhe
 lwavutha, walahla amatshe
 ayesezandleni zakhe, ahlephuka aba
 yizicucu phansi kwentaba.

²⁰Wathatha ithole abebelenzile
 walitshisa emlilweni. Walichola laba
 yimpuphu, wayivuvuzela emanzini,
 wabanathisa wona aba-Israyeli.

²¹Wasesithi ku-Aroni, “Abantu laba
 benzeni kuwe uze ubakhokhelele
 esonweni esikhulu kangaka na?”

²²U-Aroni waphendula wathi,
 “Ungathukutheli nkosi yami. Uyakwazi
 ukuthi abantu laba bathanda ububi.

²³Bathe kimi, ‘Senzele onkulunkulu
 abazahamba phambi kwethu. Umuntu
 lo, uMosi owasikhupha elizweni
 laseGibhithe, asikwazi osokwenzakale
 kuye.’ ²⁴Ngakho mina ngithe kubo,
 ‘Loba ngubani olomceciso wegolide
 kawukhuphe.’ Bangiphile-ke igolide
 ngaliphosa emlilweni, kwasekuphuma
 ithole leli.’

²⁵UMosi wabona ukuthi abantu
 babengasabambeki kanye lokuthi
 u-Aroni wayesebaxhwalisile baze baba
 yinhlekisa ezitheni zabo. ²⁶Ngakho
 wema esangweni lezihonqo wathi,
 “Loba ngubani ongokaJehova keze
 kimi.” Wonke amadodana kaLevi
 ayabuthana kuye.

²⁷Wasesithi kuwo, “Lokhu yikho
 okutshiwo nguJehova, uNkulunkulu ka-
 Israyeli, ukuthi, ‘Indoda ngayinye
 kayibophele inkemba yayo ngebhanti
 eceleni kwayo, lihambahambe phakathi
 kwezihonqo lisuka kwelinye icele lazo

lisiya kwelinye, indoda ngayinye
 ibulale umfowabo, umzalwane wayo
 lomakhelwane wayo.” ²⁸Amadodana
 kaLevi enza njengokulaywa kwawo
 nguMosi. Ngakho ngalolosuku kwafa
 abantu ababengaba yizinkulungwane
 ezintantu. ²⁹UMosi wasesithi kubo,
 “Lamuhla lina selahlukaniselwe uJehova
 ngoba limelane lamadodana enu
 labafowenu, ngalokho uselibusisile
 lamhla.”

³⁰Ngelanga elalandelayo uMosi wathi
 ebantwini, “Lenze isono esikhulu
 kakhulu. Kodwa khathesi ngizaqansa
 ngiye phezulu kuJehova, mhlawumbe
 ngingenza inhlawulelo yesono senu.”

³¹Ngakho uMosi wabuyela kuJehova
 wathi kuye, “Awu, abantu laba sebenze
 isono esikhulu kakhulu. Bazenzele
 onkulunkulu ngegolide.

³²Ake ubathethelele izono zabo –
 kodwa uma kungenjalo, ngesula
 ogwalweni olulobileyo.”

³³UJehova wamphendula uMosi wathi,
 “Lowo owenze isono kimi ngizamesula
 ogwalweni lwami.

³⁴Khathesi hamba, ukhokhelele abantu
 endaweni engakhuluma ngayo kuwe.
 Ingilosi yami izahamba phambi kwakho.
 Kodwa-ke nxa isikhathi sami sokujezisa
 sesifikile, ngizabajezisa ngenxa yesono
 sabo.”

³⁵UJehova wabajezisa abantu ngesifo
 ngenxa yalokho abakwenza ngethole
 elalenziwe ngu-Aroni.

33 UJehova wasesithi kuMosi,

“Suka kule indawo wena labantu
 owabakhupha elizweni laseGibhithe, uye
 elizweni engalithembisa u-Abrahama lo-
 Isaka loJakhobe ngifunga ngisithi,
 ‘Ngizalinika inzalo yakho.’

²Ngizathuma ingilosi ihambe phambi
 kwakho ixotshe amaKhenani, ama-

Amori, amaHithi, amaPherizi, amaHivi lamaJebusi. ³Yana elizweni eligeleza uchago loluju lwezinyosi. Kodwa mina angiyikuhamba lani ngoba lingabantu abantamo zilukhuni, hlezi ngilibhubhise endleleni.”

⁴Kwathi lapho abantu sebezwe amazwi la adabukisayo baqalisa ukukhala, akwaze kwaba khona owaqiza izigqizo zakhe. ⁵Phela uJehova wayethe kuMosi, ‘Tshela abako-Israyeli uthi, “Lina lingabantu abantamo zilukhuni. Uma ngingahamba lani loba okomzuzwana nje, ngingalibhubhisa. Khathesi khumulani izigqizo zenu; ngizakwenza isinqumo ukuthi ngenzeni kini.’ ” ⁶Ngakho-ke abako-Israyeli bazikhumula izigqizo zabo entabeni iHorebhi.

IThente LokuHlanganela

⁷UMosi wayejwayele ukuthatha ithente ayelimisa ngaphandle bucwadlana lezihonqo. Walibiza ngokuthi “lithente lokuhlanganela.” Ubani lobani owayedinga uJehova wayesiya ethenteni lokuhlanganela ngaphandle kwezihonqo. ⁸Kwakusithi-ke lapho uMosi ephuma esiya kulelothente abantu bonke babesukuma bame eminyango yamathente abo bakhangele uMosi aze angene ethenteni. ⁹Kwakusithi uMosi esengena ethenteni insika yeyezi yehlele phansi ime emnyango wethente lapho uJehova ekhuluma loMosi. ¹⁰Kwakusithi abantu bangabona insika yeyezi isimi emnyango wethente basukume bonke bakhonze; lowo lalowo emnyango wethente lakhe.

¹¹UJehova wayekhuluma loMosi ubuso ngobuso njengomuntu ekhuluma lomngane wakhe. Ngemva kwalokho uMosi wayebuyela ezihonqweni, kodwa umncedisi wakhe owayesesemncane, uJoshuwa kaNuni, wayengasuki ethenteni.

UMosi leNkazimulo kaJehova

¹²UMosi wathi kuJehova, “Ube ulokhu ungitshela usithi, ‘Khokhela abantu laba,’ kodwa kawungazisanga ukuthi ngubani ozamthuma ukuba ahambe lami. Utshilo wathi, ‘Ngiyakwazi ngebizo, njalo ufumene umusa kimi.’ ¹³Uma uthokoza ngami ngifundisa izindlela zakho ukuze ngikwazi, ngiqhubeke ngithola umusa kuwe. Khumbula futhi lokuthi isizwe lesi singabantu bakho.”

¹⁴UJehova waphendula wathi, “NgoBukhona bami ngizahamba lawe ngikuphumuze.”

¹⁵UMosi wathi kuye, “Uma uBukhona bakho bungahambi lathi, ungasisusi lapha. ¹⁶Umuntu angakwazi njani ukuthi mina labantu bakho sifumene umusa kuwe ngaphandle kokuba uhamba lathi na? Kuyini okunye okungasiphawula, mina labantu bakho, kwabanye abantu bonke emhlabeni na?”

¹⁷UJehova wathi kuMosi, “Ngizakwenza khona kanye lokhu okucelileyo ngoba ngiyathokoza ngawe, njalo ngikwazi ngebizo.”

¹⁸UMosi wasesithi, “Ngicela ukuba ungitshengise inkazimulo yakho.

¹⁹UJehova wasesithi, “Ngizakwenza ubuhle bami budlule phambi kwakho, njalo ngizamemezela ibizo lami, uJehova, phambi kwakho. Ngizakuba lesihawu kulowo engilesihawu kuye, ngibe lesisa kulowo engizakuba lesisa kuye.

²⁰“Kodwa,” watsho uJehova, “ubuso bami awungeke ububone, ngoba kakho ongangibona aphilile.”

²¹UJehova wabuya wathi, “Kulendawo phansi kwami lapho ongema khona phezu kwedwala.

²²Kuzakuthi lapho inkazimulo yami isedlula eduze, ngizakufaka engoxweni yedwala ngikusithe ngesandla sami

ngize ngidlule. ²³ Emva kwalokho ngizasusa isandla sami ubone umhlane wami; kodwa ubuso bami akumelanga ububone.”

Izibhebhedu ezintsha zamatshe

34 UJehova wathi kuMosi, “Baza izibhebhedu ezimbili zamatshe anjengawakuqala. Ngizaloba kuwo amazwi ayesezicedwini zakuqala owaziphahlazayo. ² Ube usulungile ekuseni, ubuye phezulu entabeni iSinayi, uziveze kimi engqongweni yentaba.

³ Akungabi lamuntu oza lawe kumbe oke abonakale loba kungaphi entabeni; ngitsho lezimvu lezinkomo kazingadli phambi kwaleyontaba.”

⁴ Ngakho uMosi wabaza amatshe amabili aba njengawokuqala, wakhwela entabeni iSinayi ekuseni kakhulu njengokulaywa kwakhe nguJehova ephethe izibhebhedu ezimbili zamatshe ngezandla zakhe.

⁵ UJehova wehla ngeyezi wema khonapho laye wamemezela ibizo lakhe esithi, “UJehova.” ⁶ Wadlula phambi kukaMosi ememezela esithi, “UJehova, UJehova; uNkulunkulu olesihawu lomusa, ophuzayo ukuthukuthela, ogcwele uthando lobuqotho, ⁷ olothando olungapheliyo kuzinkulungwane ethethelela ububi, iziphosiso lezono. Ikanti abalamacala kabayekeli bengajeziswanga; wehlisela ububi baboyise phezu kwabantwana, laphezu kwabantwana babantwana kusiya kusizukulwane sesithathu lesesine.”

⁸ UMosi waphanga wakhothamisela ikhanda lakhe phansi, wakhonza.

⁹ Wathi, “Awu Jehova, uma ngithole umusa kuwe, ngiyacela, uJehova kahambe lathi. Lanxa abantu laba bentamo zilukhuni, sithethelele ububi bethu lezono zethu, usithathe njengelifa lakho.”

¹⁰ UJehova wasesithi, “Sengisenza isivumelwano lawe. Phambi kwabantu bakho bonke ngizakwenza izimangaliso ezingakaze zenziwe lanini lakusiphi isizwe emhlabeni wonke. Abantu ohlala phakathi kwabo bazabona ukuthi wesabeka njani umsebenzi, mina uJehova, engizakwenzela wona. ¹¹ Lalela lokhu engikulaya khona lamhla. Ngizawaxotsha phambi kwakho ama-Amori, amaKhenani, amaHithi, amaPherizi, amaHivi lamaJebusi.

¹² Qaphela ukuba kungabi lesivumelwano osenza lalabo abahlala elizweni oya kulo ngoba bangaba yisithiyo kini.

¹³ Alibowadiliza ama-alithare abo, libhidlize lezithombe zabo, ligamule lezinsika zika-Asheri wabo abamkhonzayo. ¹⁴ Lingakhonzi omunye unkulunkulu, ngoba uJehova, obizo lakhe linguBukhwele, nguNkulunkulu olobukhwele.

¹⁵ “Qaphelani lingenzi isivumelwano lalabo abahlala elizweni lelo, ngoba nxa bezibhixa kubonkulunkulu babo benikela iminikelo kubo, bazalinxusa libeselisidla imihlatshelo yabo. ¹⁶ Njalo lapho likhetha amanye amadodakazi abo ukuba abe ngabafazi bamadodana enu kuzakuthi lapho amadodakazi lawo esezibhixa kubonkulunkulu bawo, ahugele amadodana enu ekwenzeni okunjalo.

¹⁷ “Lingazenzeli onkulunkulu ababunjiweyo.

¹⁸ “Gcinani umkhosi weSinkwa Esingelamvubelo. Okwezizinsuku eziyisikhombisa dlanini isinkwa esenziwe kungekho mvubelo, njengokulaya kwami. Lokho kwenzeni ngesikhathi esimisiweyo enyangeni ka-Abhibhi, ngoba ngaleyonyanga laphuma eGibhithe.

¹⁹ “Inzalo yakuqala yezizalo zonke ngeyami, kanye lamazibulo wonke

amaduna ezifuyo zenu, loba
engawenkomo kumbe awezimvu.

²⁰ Izibulo likababhemi lihlengeni
ngezinyane. Kodwa uma lingalihlengi
lephuleni intamo yalo. Ahlengeni
wonke amadodana enu angamazibulo.

Kakho ozakuza phambi kwami
engaphethe lutho.

²¹ “Lizasebenza izinsuku eziyisithupha,
kodwa ngosuku lwesikhombisa
lizaphumula; langesikhathi sokulima
lesokuvuna kuzamele liphumule.

²² Geinani umkhosi wamaviki
awokuvuna kwasekupheleni komnyaka.

²³ Kathathu ngomnyaka bonke
abesilisa bakho babonakale phambi
kukaJehova uNkulunkulu, uNkulunkulu
ka-Israyeli. ²⁴ Izizwe eziphambi kwenu
ngizazixotsha ngiqhelise ilizwe lenu,
njalo kakho ozahawukela ilizwe lenu
ngesikhathi lisiyabonakala phambi
kukaJehova uNkulunkulu wenu kathathu
ngomnyaka.

²⁵ “Linganikeli igazi lomhlatshelo kimi
lolutho olulemvubelo, njalo akungabi
lomhlatshelo womkhosi wePhasika
ogcinwa kuze kuse.

²⁶ “Lethani izithelo zenu zakuqala
ezinhle kakhulu zemasimini enu endlini
kaJehova uNkulunkulu wenu.
“Lingapheki izinyane lembuzi ngochago
lukanina.”

²⁷ UJehova wasesithi kuMosi, “Loba
amazwi la, ngoba ngamazwi la sengenze
isivumelwano lawe kanye lo-Israyeli.”

²⁸ UMosi wayekhonale loJehova
izinsuku ezingamatshumi amane
lobusuku obungamatshumi amane
engadli sinkwa kumbe ukunatha amanzi.
Amazwi esivumelwano – lemilayo
elitshumi – wawaloba ezibhebhedwini
zamatshe.

Ubuso obukhazimulayo bukaMosi

²⁹ Kwathi lapho uMosi esehla entabeni
iSinayi ephethe izibhebhedu ezimbili
zamatshe obuFakazi, wayengazi ukuthi
ubuso bakhe babukhazimula ngenxa
yokuthi wayekhulume loJehova.

³⁰ Kwathi u-Aroni labo bonke abako-
Israyeli bebona uMosi, ubuso bakhe
bukhazimula ngenxa yokuthi
wayekhulume loJehova, besaba
ukusondela kuye. ³¹ Kodwa uMosi
wababiza; ngakho u-Aroni lezinduna
zonke zabantu beza kuye, wakhuluma
labo. ³² Emva kwalokho bonke abako-
Israyeli basondela kuye wabanika yonke
imilayo kaJehova ayemuphe yona
entabeni iSinayi.

³³ UMosi eseqedile ukukhuluma labo,
wamboza ubuso bakhe ngeveli.

³⁴ Kodwa kwakusithi lapho esengena
ukuba abe phambi kukaJehova ukuze
akhulume laye, wayelisusa iveli aze
aphume. Wayesithi angaphuma, njalo
esebatshelile abako-Israyeli lokho
ayekulayiwe, ³⁵ babebona ukuthi ubuso
bakhe babukhazimula. Lapho-ke uMosi
wayebumboza njalo ubuso bakhe ngeveli
aze angene esiyakhuluma loJehova.

Imithetho yeSabatha

35 UMosi wabuthanisa isizwe sonke
sako-Israyeli wathi kuso, “Lokhu yikho
uJehova alilaye ukuba likwenze:
² Okwezizinsuku eziyisithupha lizaqhuba
imisebenzi, kodwa usuku lwesikhombisa
luzakuba lusuku lwenu olungcwele,
iSabatha lokuphumula kuJehova. Loba
ngubani ozakwenza umsebenzi
ngalolosuku kuzamele abulawe.

³ Lingabasi umlilo loba kungaphi
elihlala khona ngosuku lweSabatha.”

Izimpahla zeThabanikeli

⁴ Ekhuluma lesizwe sonke sako-Israyeli uMosi wathi, “Lokhu yikho uJehova athe akwenziwe: ⁵ Kulokho elilakho khiphani umnikelo kaJehova.

Akuthi wonke ozimiseleyo ukuletha kuJehova umnikelo wegolide, isiliva kanye lethusi, ⁶ intambo eziluhlaza, eziyibubende kanye lezibomvu; lelembu elicolekileyo, uboya bembuzi, ⁷ izikhumba zenqama eziphendulwe ngomphendulo obomvu kanye lezikhumba zezinyamazana zolwandle; izigodo zesihlahla som-akhakhiya; ⁸ amafutha om-oliva awokukhanyisa, iziyoliso zamafutha okugcoba abakhethiweyo lawephunga elimnandi lempepha, ⁹ lamatshe aligugu e-onekisi kanye lamanye njalo amatshe aligugu azathungelwa esambathweni semahlombe kanye lesifubeni.

¹⁰ “Bonke abazingcitshi phakathi kwenu kumele beze bazokwenza konke lokho uJehova alaye ukuthi kwenziwe: ¹¹ ithabanikeli lethente labo kanye lophahla, ingwegwana, amathala imithando, izinsika lezisekelo, ¹² ibhokisi lesivumelwano lemijabo yalo kanye lesisibekelo esiyisihlalo somusa lekhetheni lokulisitha; ¹³ itafula lemijabo yalo lezitsha zonke kanye lesinkwa esahlukaniselwe uJehova, ¹⁴ uluthi lwesibane sokukhanyisa kanye lezitsha zalo, izibane lamafutha okukhanyisa, ¹⁵ i-alithare lempepha lemijabo yalo, amafutha okugcoba abakhethiweyo kanye lempepha elephunga elimnandi, ikhetheni lomnyango esangweni lokuya kuthabanikeli, ¹⁶ i-alithare leminikelo yokutshiswa leminxibo yokosa eyenziwe ngethusi, imijabo kanye lezitsha zalo zonke, inditshi yethusi kanye lokokuyimisa, ¹⁷ amakhetheni eguma kanye lezinsika zalo lezisekelo, njalo lekhetheni elesango leguma,

¹⁸ izikhonkwane zethente lethabanikeli kanye lezeguma, lamagoda azo, ¹⁹ izambatho ezelukiweyo ezisetshenziswa ekuphatheni umsebenzi endaweni engcwele – zonke izambatho ezingcwele zika-Aroni umphristi kanye lezambatho zamadodana akhe abazisebenzisayo emsebenzini wobuphristi.”

²⁰ Ngemva kwalokho isizwe sonke sako-Israyeli sasuka phambi kukaMosi, ²¹ kwathi wonke umuntu owayezimisele lolenhliziyi enikayo waletha umnikelo kuJehova ukuze usetshenziswe eThenteni lokuHlanganela lakuzo zonke izinkonzo zalo, kanye lakuzambatho ezingcwele.

²² Bonke ababezimisele, abesilisa labesifazane ngokufanayo, baletha izinto zokucecisa ezemihlobo ngemihlobo ezenziwe ngegolide: izipenede, amacici, indandatho kanye lazo zonke izinto zokucecisa. Bonke baletha igolide labo kwaba ngumnikelo wokuzunguzwa phambi kukaJehova.

²³ Wonke umuntu owayelentambo eluhlaza, eyibubende, ezibomvu kumbe ilembu elicolekileyo, kumbe uboya bembuzi, izikhumba zenqama eziphendulwe ngomphendulo obomvu loba izikhumba zenyamazana zolwandle wakuletha. ²⁴ Labo ababeleminikelo yesiliva kumbe eyethusi bakuletha njengomnikelo kuJehova, kanti laye wonke umuntu owayelezigodo zesihlahla som-akhakhiya ezazingasetshenziswa kuloba yiwuphi umsebenzi, waziletha. ²⁵ Wonke owesifazana olobuciko bokweluka waletha ayekweluke ngezandla zakhe – intambo eziluhlaza, eziyibubende lezibomvu kumbe ilembu elicolekileyo.

²⁶ Kanjalo bonke abesifazana ababezimisele futhi belobuciko beluka ngoboya bembuzi. ²⁷ Abakhokheli baletha amatshe aligugu awe-onekisi

kanye lamanye njalo amatshe aligugu ukuthi athungelwe esambathweni semahlombe kanye lasesifubeni.

²⁸ Baletha njalo leziyoliso kanye lamafutha om-oliva awokukhanyisa lawokugcoba abakhethiweyo kanye lempepha elephunga elimnandi.

²⁹ Bonke abako-Israyeli abesilisa labesifazana ababezimisele baletha iminikelo ngokukhululeka kuJehova ukuze kwenziwe yonke imisebenzi uJehova alaye uMosi ukuthi bayenze.

Ukukhethwa kukaBhezaleli lo-Oholiyabhi

³⁰ Ngalokho uMosi wathi kwabako-Israyeli, “Khangalani, uJehova usekhethe uBhezaleli indodaka ka-Uri, indodana kaHuri, owesizwe sikaJuda,

³¹ njalo usemgcwalise ngoMoya kaNkulunkulu, ngobuciko, ukuqedisisa kanye lolwazi ekwenzeni yonke imisebenzi yobungcitshi ³² ukuba adwebe ngobungcitshi isimo sezinto ezizabazwa ngegolide, ngesiliva kanye lethusi, ³³ ukubaza lokumisa amatshe, ukubaza izigodo njalo enze yonke imisebenzi yomuntu olemine lobungcitshi.

³⁴ Njalo usenike uBhezaleli kanye lo-Oholiyabhi indodana ka-Ahisamakhi, owesizwe sikaDani ulwazi ekufundiseni abanye. ³⁵ UJehova usebagcwalise ngobuciko bokwenza yonke imihlobo yemisebenzi njengezingcitshi, abadwebi kumbe ababumbi bezinto ezingathungwa kumbe ezingabazwa, abathungi beziceciso zentambo eziluhlaza, eziyibubende lezibomvu kanye lamalembu acolekileyo, labaluki – bonke bezingcitshi ezilolwazi olukhulu lababumbi bezinto ezingathungwa kumbe ezingabazwa.

36 Kunjalo-nje uBhezaleli lo-

Oholiyabhi laye wonke umuntu uJehova amupha ubungcwethi lokwazi ukwenza wonke lumsebenzi wokwakha indlu engcwele, bonke laba bazakwenza umsebenzi njengokulaywa kwabo nguJehova.”

² Ngakho uMosi wasebiza uBhezaleli, u-Oholiyabhi labo bonke abalobungcwethi labo uJehova eyebaphe ulwazi njalo bezimisele ukwenza lowo msebenzi. ³ Bemukela abakuphiwa nguMosi okwakuyiminikelo yabako-Israyeli benikelela ukwakhiwa kwendlu engcwele. Abantu baqhubeka beletha iminikelo yabo ukusa kwamalanga wonke. ⁴ Ngakho zonke izingcitshi ezazisenza umsebenzi wonke wokwakha indlu engcwele zatshiya yonke imisebenzi yazo ⁵ zathi kuMosi, “Abantu baletha okunengi kulalokho okuswelekayo nxa silandela lokho uJehova alaya ukuba kwenziwe.”

⁶ Ngakho uMosi wakhupha isiqondiso basebethumela ilizwi ezihonqweni elithi, “Kakho owesilisa loba owesifazana osamele enze olunye ulutho ukuthi lube ngumnikelo wendlu engcwele.” Ngalokho abantu bavinjelwa ukuletha okunye futhi, ⁷ ngoba abasebelakho kwasekukunengi okwedlula lokho okwakuzaphetha umsebenzi.

IThabanikeli

⁸ Wonke amadoda alobungcwethi phakathi kwabasebenzayo akha iThabanikeli ngamakhetheni alitshumi enziwe ngelembu eliphothwe kuhle ngentambo eluhlaza, eyibubende kanye lebomvu, lececiswe ngamakherubi kungumsebenzi wobungcitshi.

⁹ Wonke amakhetheni ayelingana ubude bawo buzingalo ezingamatshumi

amabili lesificaminwemibili
kuthi ububanzi buzingalo ezine.

¹⁰ Babambanisa linye ngalinye
lamakhethezi amahlanu, benza njalo
lakwamanye amahlanu.

¹¹ Babebesenza ngelembu eliluhlaza
izihitshelo belandela umphetho
wekhethezi elisekucineni kulixha
lakuqala, kwenziwa okufananayo
kulixha lesibili. ¹² Benza njalo ezinye
izihitshelo ezingamatshumi amahlanu
kukhethezi lokuqala, benza futhi ezinye
izihitshelo ezingamatshumi amahlanu
kukhethezi lokucina lelixha lesibili
izihitshelo lezi zikhangelene.

¹³ Ngakho benza izingwegwe zegolide
ezingamatshumi amahlanu bazisebenzisa
ukuhlanganisa izixha zombili
zimakhethezi ukuze ithabanikeli libe
yintonye.

¹⁴ Benza amakhethezi ngoboya
bembuzi aba lithente lokubekwa phezu
kwehlabanikeli – wonke elitshumi lanye.

¹⁵ Wonke amakhethezi la alitshumi
lanye ayelingana – eyizingalo
ezingamatshumi amathathu ubude,
ububanzi eyizingalo ezine.

¹⁶ Bahlanganisa amakhethezi amahlanu
aba yilixha, benza okufanayo
lwakwaysithupha. ¹⁷ Benza izihitshelo
ezingamatshumi amahlanu zilandela
umphetho wekhethezi elisekucineni
kuluhlu lwakuqala, benza okufananayo
kukhethezi loluhlu lwesibili.

¹⁸ Balungisa izingwegwe zethusi
ezingamatshumi amahlanu ukuze
bahlanganise ngazo ithente libe yinto
yinye.

¹⁹ Benza isembeso sethente
ngezikhumba zenqama eziphendulwe
ngomphendulo obomvu, kwathi
ngaphezu kwalokho benza isembeso
ngezikhumba zezinyamazana zolwandle.

²⁰ Babaza amathala okumiswa
ngezigodo zesihlala som-akhakhiya

bewenzela ithabanikeli. ²¹ Ithala
lilinye lalizingalo ezilitshumi ubude,
ububanzi buyingalo elengxenyane,
²² kulemisuka emibili ephutsha
ilinganisene. Wonke amathala
ethabanikeli enziwa ngale indlela.

²³ Babaza amathala angamatshumi
amabili eceleni leningizimu
lethabanikeli ²⁴ benza izisekelo zesiliva
ezingamatshumi amane ezazihamba
ngaphansi – izisekelo ezimbili ethaleni
linye, sisinye ngaphansi komsuka.
²⁵ Kuleli elinye icele, icele lenyakatho
lethabanikeli, babaza amathala
angamatshumi amabili ²⁶ kanye
lezisekelo zesiliva ezingamatshumi
amane – ezimbili ngaphansi kwethala
lilinye. ²⁷ Babaza amathala ayisithupha
awecele elibucwala ngentshonalanga
yethabanikeli, ²⁸ babaza amathala amabili
awemagumbini asekucineni bucwadlana.
²⁹ Emagumbini womabili amathala
ayelohlonzi oluphindwe kabili kusuka
phansi kusiya phezulu ehlanganiswe
ngesongo elilodwa, womabili enziwa
ngokufananayo.

³⁰ Ngakho kwenziwa amathala afica
minwemibili lezisekelo zesiliva
ezilitshumi lesithupha – zimbili
ngaphansi kwethala lilinye. ³¹ Benza
njalo imithando ngezigodo zesihlahla
som-akhakhiya: emihlanu
ingeyamathala akwelinye icele
lethabanikeli, ³² emihlanu yayingeyelinye
icele, kwathi njalo eminye emihlanu
yaba ngeyamathala entshonalanga
bucwadlana ekucineni kwehlabanikeli.

³³ Umthando waphakathi bawelula
usuka kwelinye icele usiya kwelinye
phakathi kwamathala.

³⁴ Bahuqa amathala ngegolide benza
amasongo ngegolide abamba imithando.
Njalo bahuqa imithando ngegolide.

³⁵ Benza ikhethezi ngelembu
elicolekileyo, elilentambo eziphethiweyo
eziluhlaza, eziyibubende lezibomvu.

³⁶ Benza izinsika ezine ngezigodo zesihlahla som-akhakhiya bazihuqa ngegolide. Izinsika bazenzela izingwegwe zegolide kanye lezisekelo ezine zesiliva.

³⁷ Benza iveli lesangweni ngelembu elicolekileyo elilentambo eziphethiweyo eziluhlaza, eziyibubende lezibomvu – umsebenzi wombalazi ngokuthunga; ³⁸ njalo benza izinsika ezinhlanu zilengwegwe zazo. Bahuqa izihloko zensika kanye lamabhanti azo ngegolide njalo benza lezisekelo ezinhlanu ngethusi.

Ibhokisi lesivumelwano

37 UBhezaleli wabaza ibhokisi lesivumelwano ngezigodo zesihlahla somo-akhakhiya ubude balo babuzingalo ezimbili lengxenywe, ububanzi buyingalo elengxenywe. ² Walihuqa ngegolide elicengekileyo ngaphakathi langaphandle, wabuye walizingelezela ngomthando wegolide.

³ Walibumbela amasongo amane egolide wawanamathisela ezinyaweni zalo zone, kusithi amasongo amabili kwelinye icele kuthi amabili kwelinye njalo.

⁴ Wasebaza imijabo ngesihlahla som-akhakhiya wayihuqa ngegolide.

⁵ Ngakho wasehloma imijabo leyo kumasongo ayesemaceleni ebhokisi lesivumelwano ukuze lithwalwe ngayo.

⁶ Wenza isihlalo somusa ngegolide elicengekileyo saba yisisibekelo – ubude baso buyingalo eyodwa elengxenywe.

⁷ Njalo wenza amakherubhi amabili ngegolide elicanduliweyo ekucineni kwesihlalo somusa emaceleni womabili.

⁸ Wenza ikherubhi elilodwa nganxanye kwathi kwelinye icele wawenza aba yinto yinye lesisibekelo.

⁹ Amakherubhi ayelulele amaphiko awo phezulu emboza isisibekelo ngawo. Amakherubhi ayekhangelene, ubuso bawo bukhangele isisibekelo.

Itafula yezinkwa

¹⁰ Babaza itafula ngezigodo zesihlahla som-akhakhiya – ubude bayo babuzingalo ezimbili, ububanzi buyingalo eyodwa, ukudepha kuyingalo elengxenywe. ¹¹ Ngakho balihuqa ngegolide elicengekileyo balizingelezela ngomthando wegolide.

¹² Babuya benza kunxa zonke zetafula ibhanti legolide elalingangesandla somuntu ububanzi, basebefaka umthando wegolide phezu kwebhanti.

¹³ Benza amasongo amane egolide bawafaka emagumbini womane enyaweni zetafula.

¹⁴ Amasongo afakwa eduze lebhanti ukuze abambe imijabo eyayisetshenziswa ukuthwalisa itafula.

¹⁵ Imijabo yokuthwalisa itafula yayenziwe ngezigodo zesihlahla som-akhakhiya njalo ihuqwe ngegolide.

¹⁶ Njalo benza ngegolide elicengekileyo izitsha zetafula – imiganu, izinditshi lemiganu eyingubhe kanye lezitsha zokutshisela iminikelo enathwayo.

Uluthi lwesibane

¹⁷ Benza uluthi lwesibane ngegolide elicengekileyo, balwenza isidindi salo lomzimba walo kwaba ngumsebenzi okhandiweyo, imbizana zalo, amahlumela alo kanye lamaluba alo kwenziwa kwaba yinto yinye.

¹⁸ Izingatsha eziyisithupha zaxhunywa emaceleni oluthi lwesibane – izingatsha ezintathu nganxanye kuthi ezinye kwelinye icele. ¹⁹ Izimbizana ezintathu ezibunjwe okwamaluba e-alimondi lamahlumela kanye lamaluba

kwakusegatsheni lunye, ezinye ezintathu egatsheni olulandelayo, kwaba njalo kuwo wonke ayisithupha exhunywe eluthini lwesibane. ²⁰ Kanti-ke oluthini lwesibane kwakule mbizana ezine ezibunjwe okwamaluba e-alimondi elamahlumela kanye lamaluba.

²¹ Ihlumela elilodwa lalingaphansi kwezingatsha ezimbili, njalo ihlumela lesithupha lingaphansi kwezinye njalo izingatsha ezimbili – zonke ingatsha ziyisithupha.

²² Amahlumela kanye lezingatsha kwakuyinto yinye loluthi lwesibane, kukhandwe ngegolide elicengekileyo.

²³ Balwenzela izibane eziyisikhombisa, kanye lentambo lezimbizana ezenziwe ngegolide elicengekileyo. ²⁴ Uluthi lwesibane kanye lakho konke okuphathelele laso kwenziwa ngegolide elicengekileyo eliyisisindo esingamakilogramu angamatshumi amathathu lane.

I-Alithare lempepha

²⁵ Benza i-alithare lempepha ngezigodo zesihlahla som-akhakhiya. Lenziwa lalingana inxa zonke, ubude balo buyingalo eyodwa, lobubanzi buyingalo eyodwa, kanti ukudepha kuzingalo ezimbili – impondo zalo zenziwa zaba yinto yinye kanye lalo.

²⁶ Balihuqa ngegolide elicengekileyo phezulu, emaceleni kanye lempondo zalo, njalo balengezelela ngokubumbela umthando wegolide.

²⁷ Benza amasongo amabili kuleli icele lamanye amabili kwelinye njalo – ukubambanisa imijabo yokuthwalisa i-alithare lempepha.

²⁸ Benza imijabo ngesihlahla som-akhakhiya bayihuqa ngegolide.

²⁹ Benza njalo lamafutha angcwele okugcoba abakhethiweyo, lempepha

elephunga elimnandi – kungumsebenzi womenzi wamakha.

I-Alithare lomnikelo wokutshiswa

38 Bakha i-alithare lomnikelo

wokutshiswa ngezigodo zesihlahla som-akhakhiya laba zingalo ezintathu ukudepha, ubude balo kuzingalo ezinhlanu, ububanzi labo kuzingalo ezinhlanu, lilingana inxa zonke. ² Benza uphondo kumagumbi womane e-alithare, kwathi izimpondo le-alithari kwaba yinto yinye, basebelihuqa ngethusi.

³ Benza zonke izinto ezisetshenziswa kulo ngethusi – imbiza zalo, amafotsholo, imiganu yokuchela, ifologwe zenyama kanye lezindengezi zokubasela umlilo.

⁴ Benza iminxibo ye-alithare, bayenza ngethusi yaba ngaphansi kwesengamo se-alithare okuyingxenye yokuya phezulu.

⁵ Benza amasongo ethusi okubambisa imijabo yemagumbini womane yeminxibo yethusi. ⁶ Imijabo bayenza ngezigodo zesihlahla som-akhakhiya bazihuqa ngethusi.

⁷ Basebehloma imijabo leyo emasongweni yaba semaceleni kwe-alithare ukuze lithwalwe ngayo. Balenza ngamapulanka laba ngumhome.

Umkolo wokugezela

⁸ Benza umkolo ngethusi njalo lokuwumisa kwenziwa ngezibuko zethusi ezazingezabesifazana ababesebenza esangweni leThente lokuHlanganela.

Iguma leThabanikeli

⁹ Ngemuva kwalokho balungisa iguma lethabanikeli. Ubude becele langeningizimu babuzingalo ezilikhulu

njalo lilamakhetheni elembu elelukwe kuhle, ¹⁰ lilezinsika ezingamatshumi amabili lezisekelo zethusi ezingamatshumi amabili, njalo lilezingwegwe zesiliva kanye lamabhanti ensikeni. ¹¹ Icele lenyakatho lalo lalizingalo ezilikhulu ubude njalo lilezinsika ezingamatshumi amabili, lezisekelo zethusi ezingamatshumi amabili, kanye lezingwegwe zesiliva lamabhanti ezinsikeni.

¹² Icele lentshonalanga yeguma lalizingalo ezingamatshumi amahlanu ububanzi njalo lilamakhetheni, lilezinsika ezilitshumi lezisekelo ezilitshumi lilezingwegwe zesiliva kanye lamabhanti ezinsikeni. ¹³ Eceleni lempumalanga lakhona iguma lalibanzi okwezingalo ezingamatshumi amahlanu.

¹⁴ Amakhetheni azingalo ezilitshumi lanhlanu ubude ayenganxanye kwesango, alezinsika ezintathu kanye lezisekelo ezintathu, ¹⁵ ngakwelinye icele lakho kwakulamakhetheni azingalo ezilitshumi lanhlanu ubude, kulezinsika ezintathu kanye lezisekelo ezintathu.

¹⁶ Wonke amakhetheni ayehonqolozele iguma lethabanikeli ayenziwe ngelembu eliphothwe kuhle.

¹⁷ Izisekelo zezinsika zazingezethusi. Izingwegwe kanye lamabhanti lezinsika kuyisiliva, njalo izihloko zazo zihquwe ngesiliva, ngokunjalo zonke izinsika zeguma zazilamabhanti esiliva, njalo izihloko zazo zihquwe ngesiliva, ngokunjalo zonke izinsika zeguma zazilamabhanti esiliva.

¹⁸ Ikhetheni lesango leguma lalenziwe ngelembu eliphothwe kuhle lentambo eziluhlaza, eziyibubende kanye lezibomvu – kungumsebenzi wombalazi ngokuthunga. Ikhetheni leli lalizingalo ezingamatshumi amabili ubude, kanti njengekhetheni leguma ukudepha kwalo kuzingalo ezinhalnu, ¹⁹ lilezinsika ezine lezisekelo zethusi ezine. Izingwegwe

zalo kanye lamabhanti kuyisiliva, njalo izihloko zalo zihquwe ngesiliva.

²⁰ Izikhonkwane zonke zethente lethabanikeli kanye lezizingezelele iguma zazenziwe ngethusi.

Okwasetshenziswa ekwakheni

²¹ Lokhu yikho ngobunengi bakho, okwasetshenziswa ukwakha ithabanikeli, iThabanikeli Lobufakazi, yikho okwalotshwa ngabaLevi ngokulawula kukaMosi ngaphansi kwesiqondiso sika-Ithama indodana ka-Aroni, umphristi.

²² (UBhezaleli indodana ka-Uri, indodana kaHuri, owesizwe sakoJuda, wenza konke uMosi ayekulaywe nguJehova, ²³ wayelo-Oholiyabhi indodana ka-Ahisamakhi owesizwe sakoDani oyingcitshi yomsebenzi njalo engumdwebi, njalo engumbalazi ngokuthunga intambo eluhlaza, eyibubende le bomvu, kanye lelembu elicolekileyo.) ²⁴ Isilinganiso segolide lonke lomnikelo wokuzunguzwa elasetshenziswa emsebenzini wonke wendawo engcwele lalisedlula kancane amakhilogramu ayinkulungwane ngesisindo kusiya ngamakhilogramu endawo engcwele.

²⁵ Isiliva esavela kulabo abahlala khona ababebaliwe ngesikhathi sokubalwa kwabantu sasilesisindo esingamakhilogramu azinkulungwane ezintathu ezilamakhulu amane, kusiya ngamakhilogramu endawo engcwele –

²⁶ umuntu emunye amagramu amahlanu alengxenywe, okuyikuthi, ingxenywe yesilinganiso esasisetshenziswa endaweni engcwele, kubo bonke labo ababechaphele kwabasebaliwe, abaleminyaka engamatshumi amabili loba ukwedlula lapho ubudala, kwaba lamadoda angamakhulu ayisithupha lantathu

enkulungwane elamakhulu amahlanu alamatshumi amahlanu esehlangene wonke. ²⁷ Isiliva esiyisisindo esingamakhilogramu azinkulungwane ezintathu ezilamakhulu amane sasetshenziswa ekwenzeni izisekelo zendawo engcwele kanye lekhetheni – izisekelo ezilikhulu zenziwa ngesiliva esingamakhilogramu azinkulungwane ezintathu ezilamakhulu amane, amakhilogramu esiliva angamatshumi amathathu lane abe ngawesisekelo esisodwa.

²⁸ Basebenzisa isiliva esilesisindo esingamakhilogramu angamatshumi amabili ukwenza izingwegwe zezinsika, ukuhuqa izihloko zensika, kanye lokwenza amabhanti ensika.

²⁹ Isilinganiso sethushi lonke lomnikelo wokuzunguzwa lalingamakhilogramu azinkulungwane ezimbili ezilamakhulu amane.

³⁰ Balisebenzisa ukwenza izisekelo zesango leThente lokuHlanganela, I-alithare lethusi, iminxibo yalo yethusi kanye lazo zonke izitsha zalo, ³¹ izisekelo ezihonqolozele iguma lalezo ezisesangweni kanye lezikhonkwane zethabanikeli lazo zonke ezihonqolozele iguma.

Izambatho zobuphristi

39 Benza izambatho zokwenza umsebenzi endaweni engcwele ngokuzeluka ngentambo eluhlaza, eyibubende lebomvu. Basebesenza isambatho sika-Aroni esingcwele, njengalokhu uJehova wayelaye uMosi.

Isambatho semahlombe

² Benza isambatho semahlombe ngegolide, kanye lentambo eluhlaza, eyibubende lebomvu langelembu elicolekileyo. ³ Bakhanda izicecedu

zegalide bazisika zaba zicingo bazeluka ngentambo eluhlaza, eyibubende lebomvu, kanye lelembu elicolekileyo – kwaba ngumsebenzi wengcwethi.

⁴ Benza iziqa zemahlombe esambathweni lesi, ezathungelwa inxa zonke ukuze sibotshelwe. ⁵ Ukhalo lwaso olwelukwa ngobuciko lwalufanana laso – luyinto yinye lesambatho semahlombe, lwenziwe ngegolide, lentambo eluhlaza, eyibubende lebomvu, kanye lelembu eliphothwe kuhle, njengalokhu uJehova walaya uMosi.

⁶ Bathungela amatshe aligugu ohlobo lwe-onekisi ezicecisweni zegalide badwebela njengophawu amabizo amadodana ako-Israyeli njengombazi wamatshe aligugu.

⁷ Basebewathungela kuziqa zemahlombe esambatho semahlombe njengamatshe esikhumbuzo kumadodana ka-Israyeli, njengalokhu uJehova walaya uMosi.

Isambatho sesifubeni

⁸ Benza isambatho sesifubeni – kwaba ngumsebenzi wengcwethi. Basenza njengesambatho semahlombe: ngegolide, ngentambo eluhlaza, eyibubende lebomvu, kanye lelembu eliphothwe kuhle. ⁹ Sasilingana inxa zonke – singumunwe ubude lomunwe ububanzi, sigoqwe saphindwa.

¹⁰ Basebethungela imizila emine yamatshe aligugu. Emzileni wakuqala kwakulevubhi, ithophezi kanye lebheriyeli; ¹¹ emzileni wesibili kwakule-amaralidi, isafaya kanye ledayimanda; ¹² emzileni wesithathu kwakulejasinti, i-agathi kanye le-amethisi; ¹³ emzileni wesine kwakulekhirisolathi, i-onekisi kanye lejasipa. Athungelwa esezicecisweni zegalide.

¹⁴ Kwakulamatshe alitshumi lambili, lilinye limele ibizo ngalinye lamadodana ka-Israyeli, lilinye ngalinye ligujiwe ibizo kungani luphawu, ngalinye lilotshwe ibizo lezizwana zako-Israyeli ezilitshumi lambili.

¹⁵ Isambatho sesifubeni selukelwa amaketane egolide elicengekileyo kungani ligoda.

¹⁶ Benza iziceciso zegolide, kanye lamasongo amabili egolide, basebebophela amasongo amabili kumagumbi amabili egolide emasongweni amabili kumagumbi amabili esambatho sesifubeni.

¹⁷ Babophela amaketane amabili egolide emasongweni amabili asemagumbini esambatho sesifubeni,

¹⁸ kwathi ngapha acina khona bawabophela ezicecisweni ezimbili, bawahlanganisa eziqwini zemahlombe ngaphambili kwesambatho semahlombe.

¹⁹ Benza amasongo amabili egolide bawabophela kwamanye amagumbi amabili esambatho sesifubeni ngaphakathi komphetho phansi kwesambatho semahlombe.

²⁰ Baphinda benza njalo amanye amasongo aba mabili egolide bawabophela ngaphansi kweziqa zemahlombe, eduze komphetho ngaphezudlwana kwebhanti lasokhalweni lwesambatho semahlombe.

²¹ Babophela amasongo esambatho sesifubeni kumasongo esambatho semahlombe ngentambo eziluhlaza, kuhlanganiselwa okhalweni ukuze isambatho sesifubeni singazunguzeki sehluwane lesambatho semahlombe njengalokhu uJehova walaya uMosi.

Ezinye izambatho zobuphristi

²² Benza isigqoko sesambatho semahlombe ngelembu eliluhlaza kuphela kungumsebenzi womaluki –

²³ kulesikhala phakathi laphakathi kwesigqoko njengokuvuleka kwamabheqe; kulomphetho olandeliselwe isikhala lesi ukuze isambatho singadabuki. ²⁴ Benza emphethweni wesigqoko amaphamogranethi ngentambo eluhlaza, eyibubende lebomvu, kanye lelembu eliphothwe kuhle. ²⁵ Benza amabhera egolide elicengekileyo bawathungela emphethweni wesigqoko phakathi laphakathi kwamaphamogranethi.

²⁶ Amabhera kanye lamaphamogranethi athungelwa agatshaniswa emphethweni wesigqoko esasizagqokwa ekwenzeni umsebenzi wenkonzo, njengalokhu uJehova walaya uMosi.

²⁷ U-Aroni kanye lamadodana akhe bathungelwa amabhatshi ngelembu elicolekileyo – kungumsebenzi womeluki uqobo lwakhe – ²⁸ kanye lamaqhiye elembu elicolekileyo, kanye lezambatho zangaphakathi zelembu elicolekileyo. ²⁹ Ibhanti lekhalweni lathungwa ngelembu elicolekileyo kanye lentambo eluhlaza, eyibubende lebomvu – kungumsebenzi wombalazi ngokuthunga – njengalokhu uJehova walaya uMosi.

³⁰ Benza umganu, umqhele ongewe, ngegolide elicolekileyo bawugubhela khona njengombhalo wophawu othi: UBUNGCWELE ABUBE KUJEHOVA.

³¹ Basebebophela kuwo intambo eluhlaza ukuze bahlanganise umganu wegolide leqhiye, njengalokhu uJehova walaya uMosi.

UMosi uhlola iThabanikeli

³² Ngakho-ke wonke umsebenzi wethabanikeli, iThente lokuHlanganela wawusuphelile. Abako-Israyeli benza konke njengalokhu uJehova walaya uMosi.

³³ Basebesethulela uMosi ithabanikeli: ithente kanye lazo zonke izimpahla zalo, izingwegwe, amathala, imithando, izinsika kanye lezisekelo;

³⁴ isembeso esenziwe ngezikhumba zenqama eziphendulwe ngomphendulo obomvu, isembeso sezikhumba zenyamazana zolwandle kanye lekheteni elisithiweyo; ³⁵ ibhokisi lobufakazi lezigodo zalo eziyizibambo kanye lesihlalo somusa; ³⁶ itafula lezitsha zalo zonke kanye lesinkwa esahlukaniselwe uJehova; ³⁷ uluthi lwesibane lwegolide elicengekileyo lodwendwe lwezibane lazo zonke izinto ezisetshenziswa kulo, kanye lamafutha okukhanyisa; ³⁸ i-alithare legolide, amafutha okugcoba abakhethiweyo, impepha elephunga elimnandi, kanye lekheteni lesango lethente; ³⁹ i-alithare lethusi leminxibo yalo yokosisa yethusi, izigodo zalo eziyizibambo lezitsha zalo zonke; umkolo lezinyawo zawo; amakhetheni eguma lezinsika zawo kanye lezisekelo, ⁴⁰ lekheteni lesango leguma; amagoda lezikhonkwane zethente leguma; zonke impahla zethabanikeli, iThente lokuHlanganela; ⁴¹ izambatho ezelukiweyo zokusetshenziswa emsebenzini wokukhonza endaweni engcwele, kuhlenganisa izambatho ezingcwele zika-Aroni lezamadodana akhe ababezazigqoka nxa besenza umsebenzi wobuphristi.

⁴² Abako-Israyeli basebenza wonke umsebeni njengalokhu uJehova ayelaye uMosi. ⁴³ UMosi wawuhlola umsebenzi wabona ukuthi wawenziwe njengokulaya kukaJehova. Ngakho uMosi wababusisa.

Ukumiswa kweThabanikeli

40 Ngakho uJehova wathi kuMosi:

² “Misa ithabanikeli, iThente lokuHlanganela, ngosuku lokuqala lwenyanga yakuqala.

³ Beka ibhokisi lobufakazi kulo ube ususitha ibhokisi lesivumelwano ngekheteni.

⁴ Ngenisa itafula ube usufaka izinto ezibekwa phezu kwayo. Letha-ke uluthi lwesibane ube usuxhuma izibane zalo.

⁵ Beka i-alithare lempepha elenziwe ngegolide phambi kwebhokisi lobufakazi njalo ufake ikheteni esangweni lethabanikeli.

⁶ “Beka i-alithare lomnikelo wokutshiswa phambi kwesango lethabanikeli, iThente lokuHlanganela;

⁷ beka umkolo endaweni okuzakuthi ngapha lithente lokuHlanganela kuthi ngale kube li-alithare ube usuthela amanzi kuwo. ⁸ Lungisa iguma eliwugombolozelayo ubusufaka ikheteni esangweni leguma.

⁹ “Thatha amafutha okugcobela abantu abakhethiweyo ezikhundleni ugcoke ngawo ithabanikeli lakho konke okukilo, ulahlukanisele kanye lezimpahla zalo, ngalokho lizakuba ngcwele.

¹⁰ Gcoba-ke i-alithare lomnikelo wokutshiswa lazo zonke izitsha zalo; ubusise i-alithare ukuze libe ngcwele-ngcwele. ¹¹ Gcoba umkolo lenyawo zawo ubusuwubusisa.

¹² “Letha u-Aroni lamadodana akhe eThenteni lokuHlanganela ubusubagezisa ngamanzi.

¹³ Ubusugqokisa u-Aroni izambatho ezingcwele umgcobe ngamafutha umahlukanisele ukuze angenzele umsebenzi wobuphristi.

¹⁴ Letha amadodana akhe ube usuwagqokisa amabhatshi. ¹⁵ Bagcobe labo njengokugcotshwa kukayise ukuze bangezole umsebenzi wobuphristi. Ukugcotshwa kwabo kubapha isikhundla kuzo zonke izizukulwana ezizayo.”

¹⁶ UMosi wenza konke njengokulaywa kwakhe nguJehova.

¹⁷ Lamiswa-ke iThabanikeli ngosuku lwakuqala ngenyanga yokuqala yomnyaka wesibili.

¹⁸ Kwathi uMosi emisa ithabanikeli, wafaka izisekelo endaweni yazo, wamisa amathala, wafaka imithando wasemisa izinsika. ¹⁹ Wasesendlala ithente phezu kwethabanikeli wasefaka isembeso phezu kwethente njengokulaywa kwakhe nguJehova.

²⁰ Wathatha ubufakazi wabufaka ebhokisini lesivumelwano, wahloma imijabo ebhokisini lesivumelwano wasefaka isihlalo somusa phezu kwalo.

²¹ Yikho wasengenisa ibhokisi ethabanikeleni, waphanyeka ikhetheni lokusitha waligubuzela ibhokisi loBufakazi, njengalokho okwakulaywe nguJehova.

²² UMosi wasebeka itafula eThenteni lokuHlanganela eceleni langenyakatho lethabanikeli ngaphandle kwekhetheni, ²³ wasebeka isinkwa phezu kwalo phambi kukaJehova.

²⁴ Wabeka uluthi lwesibane eThenteni lokuHlanganela lukhangele itafula okucinela eningizimu kwethabanikeli, ²⁵ wasemisa izibane phambi kukaJehova, njengokulaywa kwakhe nguJehova.

²⁶ UMosi wabeka i-alithare legolide eThenteni lokuHlanganela phambi kwekhetheni, ²⁷ wasetshisela impepha phezu kwalo, njengokulaywa kwakhe nguJehova. ²⁸ Waselengisa ikhetheni esangweni lethabanikeli.

²⁹ Wamisa i-alithare lomnikelo wokutshiswa phansi kwesango

lethabanikeli leThente lokuHlanganela, wanikela phezu kwalo iminikelo yokutshiswa leminikelo yezilimo, njengokulaywa kwakhe nguJehova.

³⁰ Wasebeka umkolo endaweni lapho okwakusithi ngapha liThente lokuHlanganela kuthi ngale kuli-alithare wasethela amanzi okugeza kuwo, ³¹ ngakho uMosi lo-Aroni kanye lamadodana akhe bawusebenzisa ukugeza izandla zabo kanye lezinyawo.

³² Babegeza ngasosonke isikhathi nxa bengena eThenteni lokuHlanganela loba nxa besiya e-alithareni, njengokulaywa kukaMosi nguJehova.

³³ Ngakho uMosi walungisa iguma elihonqolozele ithabanikeli le-alithare waselengisa ikhetheni esangweni leguma kwaba yikho ukuqeda kukaMosi umsebenzi.

Inkazimulo kaJehova

³⁴ Ngakho iyezi lagubuzela iThente lokuHlanganela, kwathi inkazimulo kaJehova yagcwala ithabanikeli.

³⁵ UMosi kenelisanga ukungena eThenteni lokuHlanganela ngenxa yeyezi elalimi phezu kwalo, inkazimulo kaJehova yagcwala ethabanikeleni.

³⁶ Kulo lonke uhambo lwama-Israyeli, kwakusithi iyezi lingaphakama lisuka phezu kwethabanikeli, labo baqhubeke;

³⁷ kodwa kuthi nxa iyezi lingaphakamanga, labo babengaqhubekeli phambili – kuze kube mhla liphakama. ³⁸ Ngakho iyezi likaJehova lalisiba phezu kwethabanikeli emini, kuthi ebusuku kube lomlilo eyezini, bebona bonke abendlu yako-Israyeli ekuhambeni kwabo konke.