

# UZEFANIYA

**1** Ilizwi likaJehova elafika kuZefaniya  
indodana kaKhushi, indodana  
kaGadeliya, indodana ka-Amariya,  
indodana kaHezekhiya, ekubuseni  
kukaJosiya indodana ka-Amoni inkosi  
yakoJuda:

*Isixhwayiso Ngencithakalo Ezayo*

<sup>2</sup>“Ngizakhucula konke ebusweni  
bomhlaba,”

kutsho uJehova.

<sup>3</sup>“Ngizakhucula kokubili abantu  
lezinyamazana;  
ngizakhucula izinyoni zasemoyeni  
kanye lezinhlanzi zasolwandle.

Ababi bazakuba lezinqwaba zezicucu  
kuphela

lapho ngiqeda abantu ebusweni  
bomhlaba,”

kutsho uJehova.

*Ukumelana LoJuda*

<sup>4</sup>“Ngizakwelulela isandla sami koJuda  
lakubo bonke abahlala eJerusalema.

Ngizaqeda konke okukaBhali  
okuseleyo kule indawo,  
amabizo abahedeni labaphristi  
abakhonza izithombe

<sup>5</sup>labo abakhothama phezu kwezindlu  
bakhonze ixuku lezinkanyezi,  
labo abakhothama bafunge ngoJehova,  
abafunga langoMoleki futhi,

<sup>6</sup>labo ababuyela emuva  
bedela ukulandela uJehova  
njalo abangamdinganga uJehova  
loba babuze ngaye.

<sup>7</sup>Thula phambi kukaJehova  
Wobukhosi,

ngoba usuku lukaJehova seluseduze.  
UJehova uselungise umhlatsshelo;  
usebangcwelisile labo abanxusileyo.

<sup>8</sup>Ngosuku lomhlatsshelo kaJehova  
ngizajezisa izikhulu lamadodana  
amakhosi labo bonke

labo abagqoke  
izigqoko zezizweni.

<sup>9</sup>Ngalolosuku ngizabajezisa  
bonke abaxwaya ukunyathela  
umbundu

womnyango,  
abagwalisa ithempeli labonkulunkulu  
babo

ngodlakela langenkohliso.

<sup>10</sup>“Ngalolosuku,” kutsho uJehova,  
“ilizwi lokukhala lizaqonga  
ngaseSangweni leNhlanzi,  
ukulila kuvelela esiGabeni eSitsha  
lomsindo omkhulu wokufohloza uvela  
emaqaqeni.

<sup>11</sup>Lilani lina elihlala esigodini  
sokuthengisela,

bonke abathengisi benu bazaqedwa,  
bonke abathengiselana ngesiliva  
bazabhujiswa.

<sup>12</sup>Ngalesosikhathi ngizaphenya  
iJerusalema ngezibane

ngijezise labo abangakhathaliyo,  
abanjengewayini elitshiywe phakathi  
kwensipho zalo,

abacabanga bathi,  
‘UJehova kayikwenza lutho,  
oluhle loba olubi,’

<sup>13</sup>Inotho yabo izaphangwa,  
izindlu zabo zidilizwe.

Bazakwakha izindlu kodwa bangahlali  
kuzo;

bazahlanyela izivini,  
kodwa iwayini bangalinathi.

*Usuku Olukhulu LukaJehova*

<sup>14</sup>“Usuku olukhulu lukaJehova seluseduze – seluseduze njalo luza ngokuphangisa.

Lalelani! Ukukhala ngosuku lukaJehova

kuzakuba buhlungu, lokuklabalala kwebutho khonapho.

<sup>15</sup>Lolosuku luzakuba lusuku lolaka, usuku losizi lokudabuka; usuku lokuhlupheka lokuchitheka, usuku lomnyama lokudana,

usuku lwamayezi lobumnyama,

<sup>16</sup>usuku lwecilongo lokuhlaba umkhosi wokulwa impi

lamadolobho avikelweyo kanye lezinqaba zasemajikweni.

<sup>17</sup>Ngizaletha usizi ebantwini njalo bazahamba njengeziphofu, ngoba bonile kuJehova.

Igazi labo lizachithwa njengothuli lezibilini zabo njengamanyala.

<sup>18</sup>Isiliva sabo loba igolide labo kakuyikwanelisa ukubasindisa ngosuku lolaka lukaJehova.

Umhlaba wonke uzatshiswa emlilweni womona wakhe ngoba uzakwenza isiphetho ngokuphangisa

kubo bonke abahlala emhlabeni.”

**2** Buthanani ndawonye, buthanani ndawonye, wena sizwe esiyangisayo, <sup>2</sup>isikhathi esimisiweyo singakafiki losuku ludlule njengamakhoba, ukuthukuthela okwesabekayo kukaJehova kungakafiki kuwe, usuku lolaka lukaJehova lungakafiki kuwe.

<sup>3</sup>Dingani uJehova, lonke lina abathobekileyo belizwe, lina elenza lokho akulayayo.

Dingani ukulunga, dingani ukuthobeka;

mhlawumbe lingavikelwa ngosuku lwentukuthelo kaJehova.

*Ukumelana LeFilistiya*

<sup>4</sup>IGaza izadelwa le-Ashikheloni isale isingamanxiwa.

Abantu base-Ashidodi bazaxotshwa emini,

le-Ekhroni isitshulwe.

<sup>5</sup>Maye kini lina elihlala ngasolwandle, lina sizwe samaKherethi; ilizwi likaJehova limelana lani, wena Khenani, lizwe lamaFilisti.

“Ngizakutshabalalisa, njalo kakho ozasala.”

<sup>6</sup>Iilizwe elingasolwandle, lapho okuhlala khona amaKherethi,

lizakuba yindawo yabelusi lezibaya zezimvu.

<sup>7</sup>Lizakuba ngelabaseleyo abendlu kaJuda;

bazathola amadlelo khona.

Kusihlwa bazalala phansi ezindlini zase-Ashikheloni.

UJehova uNkulunkulu wabo uzabalondoloza;

uzabenza baphumelele futhi.

*Ukumelana LeMowabi*

<sup>8</sup>“Ngizizwile izithuko zeMowabi lokuchothoza kwama-Amoni, abathuka abantu bami besongela lelizwe labo.

<sup>9</sup>Ngakho ngeqiniso elinjengoba ngikhona,”

kutsho uJehova uSomandla,  
uNkulunkulu ka-Israyeli,  
“impela iMowabi izakuba  
njengeSodoma,  
ama-Amoni abe njengeGomora –  
indawo yokhula lemigodi yetshwayi,  
ilizwe elichithekileyo nini lanini.  
Abaseleyo babantu bami bazabaphanga;  
abaphephileyo babantu bami  
bazathatha  
ilizwe labo.”

<sup>10</sup> Lokhu yikho abazakuthola  
kungumvuzo wokuzigqaja kwabo,  
ngenxa yokuthuka lokuklolodela  
abantu

bakaJehova uSomandla.

<sup>11</sup> UJehova uzakwesabeka kubo  
lapho esetshabalalisa bonke  
onkulunkulu belizwe.

Izizwe ezisemakhunjini wonke  
zizamkhonza,  
ngulowo elizweni lakhe.

#### *UKumelana LeKhushi*

<sup>12</sup> “Lani futhi, lina maKhushi  
lizabulalwa ngenkamba yami.”

#### *Ukumelana Le-Asiriya*

<sup>13</sup> Uzakwelulela isandla sakhe  
enyakatho achithe i-Asiriya,  
atshiye iNineve itshabalele  
ngokupheleleyo

njalo yome njengenkangala.

<sup>14</sup> Imihlambi yezimvu leyezinkomo  
izalala phansi khonapho,  
lezidalwa zezinhlobo zonke.

Isikhova senkangala lomandukulo  
kuzahlala ezinsikeni zakhe.

Ukukhala kwazo kuzankenketha  
emawindini,  
imfucuza izakuba eminyango,

imijabo yemisedari ichayeke.

<sup>15</sup> Leli lidolobho elingakhathaliyo  
elalizihlalele livikelekile.

Lazitshela lathi:

“Ngiyimi, kakho omunye ngaphandle  
kwami.”

Yeka ukuchitheka eseliyikho,  
isikhundla sezinyamazana zeganga!  
Bonke abadlula kulo bahleka usulu  
balikhombe ngenqindi.

#### *Ikusasa LeJerusalema*

**3** Maye kulo idolobho labacindezeli,

elihlamukayo lelingcolileyo!

<sup>2</sup> Kalilaleli muntu, kalivumi kukhuzwa.

Kalithembeli kuNkulunkulu.

Kalisondeli kuNkulunkulu walo.

<sup>3</sup> Izikhulu zalo ziyizilwane  
ezibhongayo,

ababusi balo bazimpisi zakusihlwa,  
ezingatshiyi lutho lwekuseni.

<sup>4</sup> Abaphrofethi balo bayazazisa;

bangabantu bamacebo amabi.

Abaphristi balo bangcolisa indawo  
engcwele bephule lomthetho.

<sup>5</sup> UJehova phakathi kwalo ulungile;

kenzi okubi,

nsuku zonke ekuseni wenza imfanelo  
yakhe njalo kaphuthi ukusa kwamalanga  
wonke,

ikanti abangalunganga kabalanhloni.

<sup>6</sup> “Ngizichithile izizwe;

izingaba zazo zidiliziwe.

Ngitshiye imigwaqo yazo ideliwe  
kungekho odlula khona.

Amadolobho azo adiliziwe;

kakho ozasala – kakho lamunye.

<sup>7</sup> Ngathi kulo idolobho,

‘Impela uzangesaba uvume  
ukukhuzwa!’

Lapho-ke indlu yalo yokuhlala  
yayingayikudilizwa

loba isijeziso sami sehlele phezu  
kwalo.

Kodwa babelokhu betshisekela  
izenzo zokuxhwala kukho konke  
abakwenzayo.

<sup>8</sup>Ngakho ngilindela,” kutsho uJehova,  
“Iolusuku engizasukuma ngalo  
ngifakaze.

Sengimise ukubuthanisa izizwe,  
ngiqoqe imibuso, ngehlisele ulaka  
lwami

phezu kwabo – konke ukuthukuthela  
kwami okukhulu.

Umhlaba wonke uzaqothulwa  
ngomlilo womona wentukuthelo yami.

<sup>9</sup>“Lapho-ke ngizahlambulula izindebe  
zezizwe,

ukuze zonke zikhuleke ebizweni  
likaJehova

zimkhonze zimanyane.

<sup>10</sup>Kusukela ngaphetsheya kwemifula  
yaseKhushi

abakhonzi bami, abantu bami  
abahlakazekileyo,  
bazangilethela iminikelo.

<sup>11</sup>Ngalolosuku kaliyikuyangiswa  
ngobubi bonke elabenza kimi,  
ngoba ngizababusisa  
kulelidolobho abathokoziswa  
yikuzigqaja kwabo.

Kaliyikuzikhukhumeza futhi entabeni  
yami engcwele.

<sup>12</sup>Kodwa ngizatshiya phakathi kwenu  
abathambileyo labathobekileyo,  
abathembele ebizweni likaJehova.

<sup>13</sup>Abako-Israyeli abaseleyo  
kabayikwenza okubi;

kabayikuqamba amanga,

loba kube lenkohliso emilonyeni yabo.  
Bazakudla balale phansi,

kakho ozabenza besabe.”

<sup>14</sup>Hlabela wena Ndodakazi yeZiyoni,  
klabalala kakhulu, wena Israyeli!

Thaba uthokoze ngenhliziyo yakho  
yonke

wena ndodakazi yaseJerusalema!

<sup>15</sup>UJehova usesisusile isijeziso sakho,  
usesixotshile isitha sakho.

UJehova, uJehova ka-Israyeli, ulawe;  
akulangozi ozaphinda uyesabe futhi.

<sup>16</sup>Ngalolosuku bazakuthi kulo  
iJerusalema,

“Ungesabi, wena Ziyoni;

ungavumeli ukuba izandla zakho zibe  
buthakathaka.

<sup>17</sup>UJehova uNkulunkulu wakho ulawe,  
ulamandla okusindisa.

Uzathokoza kakhulu ngawe,  
uzakududuza ngothando lwakhe,  
uzakuthokozela ngokuhlabelela.”

<sup>18</sup>“Izinsizi zemikhosi emisiweyo  
ngizazisusa kuwe;  
zingumthwalo lehlazo kuwe.

<sup>19</sup>Ngalesosikhathi ngizababona  
bonke abalicindezelayo;  
ngizahlenga abaqhulayo  
ngibuthe lalabo abahlakazwayo,  
ngizabapha udumo lenhlonipho  
kuwo wonke amazwe lapho  
abahlaziswa khona.

<sup>20</sup>Ngalesosikhathi ngizalibutha;  
ngalesosikhathi ngizalisa ekhaya.  
Ngizalipha inhlonipho lodumo  
phakathi kwezizwe zonke  
zasemhlabeni

lapho sengiliphumelelisa futhi  
phambi kwamehlo enu uqobo,”

kutsho uJehova.