

1 KAPETROS



ISAPHLUKO 1

UPetros, umpostile kaYesu Kristu, ubhalela abanyuliweyo abangabaphambukeli kwiintsali ezikwelasePonto, kwelaseGalati, kwelaseKapadoki, kwelaseAsiya, nakwelaseBhitini,

² abanyuliweyo ngokokwazi kwenxa engaphambili kukaThixo uYise, ebungcweleni boMoya, kuse ekululameleni nasekufefweni kwegazi likaYesu Kristu: uthi, Makwandiswe kuni ubabalo noxolo.

³ Makabongwe uThixo, uYise weNkosi yethu uYesu Kristu, othe ngokobuninzi benceba yakhe, wasizala ngokutsha, ukuba sibe nethemba eliphilileyo ngokuvuka kukaYesu Kristu kwabafileyo;

⁴ sibe nelifa elingenakonakala, elingenakudyobheka, elingenakuguga, eniliginelweyo emazulwini,

⁵ nina bathe ngamandla kaThixo ngokholo balondolozelwa elusindisweni, olulungiselwe ukutyhilwa ngexesha lokugqibela.

⁶ Enigcoba ngalo, nokuba nithe naba buhlungu umzuzwana ngoku, ukuba nimelwe kuko, phakathi kwezilingo ngezilingo;

⁷ ukuze ukucikideka kokholo lwenu kufunyanwe kunqabile kakhulu, ngaphezu kwegolide le itshabalalayo, noko icikidwa ngomlilo; kuse kuyo indumiso nembeko nozuko ekutyhilekeni kukaYesu Kristu.

⁸ Enithe, ningambonanga nje, namthanda; enithi ke nikholwa kuye, noko ngoku ningamboniyo, nigcobe ngovuyo olungathethekiyo, oluzukisiweyo;

⁹ nizamkela isiphelo sokholo lwenu, usindiso ke lwemiphefumlo yenu.

¹⁰ Usindiso abathe babuzisa, baphengulula kunene ngalo abaprofeti, ababeprofeta ngalo ubabalo olwamiselwa nina;

¹¹ bephengulula ukuba wayesalatha xesha lini na, linjani na, uMoya kaKristu, awayezingqinela kubo ngenxa engaphambili iintlungu ezamiselwa uKristu, nozuko oluya kuzilandela.

¹² Abatyhilelwayo ukuba abazilungiseleli bona ngokwabo; bazilungiselela thina ke, izinto enizityelweyo ngoku ngabo banishumayezayo iindaba ezilungileyo ngoMoya oyiNgcwele, owathunywa evela emazulwini; izinto ke ezo ezizinqwenelayo izithunywa zezulu ukuqondela kuzo.

¹³ Ngoko, bhinqani izinqe zengqondo yenu, ninobungcathu, niluthembe ngokugqibeleleyo ubabalo oluziswa kuni ekutyhilekeni kukaYesu Kristu;

¹⁴ ngokwabantwana bolulamo, ningamilisi okweenkanuko zangaphambili ekungazini kwenu;

- ¹⁵ nithi ke, ngokokwalowo ungwele wanibizayo, nibe ngcwele nani ngokwenu kuyo yonke ihambo.
- ¹⁶ Ngenxa enokuba kubhaliwe kwathiwa, Yibani ngcwele, ngokuba ndingcwele mna.
- ¹⁷ Kanjalo, ukuba nimnqula ngokoYihlo, lowo ugweba ngokowalowo umsebenzi, engakhethi buso, lihlaleni ixesha lokuphambukela kwenu apha nizoyikela;
- ¹⁸ nisazi nje ukuba anihlawulelwanga nikhululwe ngazinto zinakonakala, oozisilivere noozigolide, kuyo ihambo yenu engento, enayinikelwayo ngooyihlo.
- ¹⁹ Kwakungegazi elinqabileyo likaKristu, njengelemvana engenasiphako, engenabala;
- ²⁰ owaziwayo ngenxa engaphambili okunene, ngaphambi kokusekwa kwehlabathi, kodwa wabonakalaliswa ekugqibeleni kwamaxesha la ngenxa yenu, nina nikhulwayo ngaye kuThixo,
- ²¹ owamvusayo kwabafuleyo, wamzukisa, ngokokuze ukholo lwenu nethemba lenu libe kuThixo.
- ²² Niyenze nyulu nje imiphefumlo yenu ngokuyilulamela inyaniso ngoMoya, kuse ekuthandeni abazalwana okungenaluhanahaniso, thandanani ngenyameko, ngokwasentliziweni ehlambulukileyo;
- ²³ nizelwe nje ngokutsha, kungengokwasembewini enokonakala, kungokwasembewini engenakonakala, ngelizwi likaThixo eliphilileyo, elihleliyo ngonaphakade.
- ²⁴ Ngenxa enokuba Yonke inyama injengengca, Nabo bonke ubuqaqawuli bomntu bunjengentyantyambo yengca. Ingca iyoma, ivuthuluke nentyantyambo yayo;
- ²⁵ Ke lona ilizwi leNkosi lihleli ngonaphakade. Elo ke leli lizwi lashunyayelwayo kuni ngeendaba ezilungileyo.

ISAHLUKO 2

- N**goko, nilulahlile nje lonke ulunya, nayo yonke inkohliso, nokuhanahanisa, nomona, nako konke ukuthetha okubi, walangazeleleni,
- ² ngokweentsana ezisandula ukuzalwa, amasi angawelizwi, angenankohliso, ukuze nikhule ngawo;
- ³ ukuba okunene nikuvile, ukuba iNkosi inobubele.
- ⁴ Nisiza nje kuyo, ilitye eliphilileyo, licekisiwe okunene ngabantu, kodwa linyuliwe nguThixo, linqabile:
- ⁵ nani ngokwenu, njengamatye aphilileyo, yakhekani nibe yindlu eyiyeyomoya, isibingeleli esingcwele sokunyusa imibingelelo eyiyeyomoya, eyamkeleka kakuhle kuye uThixo ngoYesu Kristu.
- ⁶ Kungoko ikhoyo nokubakho esibhalweni indawo ethi, Yabona, ndibeka eZiyon ilitye lembombo, elinyuliweyo, elinqabileyo; Lowo ukholwayo kuye akayi kukha adaniswe.
- ⁷ Kuni ngoko bakhulwayo, liyimbeko; ke kwabangevayo, Ilitye abalicekisayo abakhi, Lelona laba yintloko yembombo,
- ⁸ Ilitye ke lokuwisa, iliwa ke lokukhubekisa, kwabo bakhubekayo, bengaliva ilizwi; into ke leyo abamiselwe nokumiselwa yona.
- ⁹ Ke nina nisisizukulwana esinyuliweyo, isibingeleli esibukumkani, uhlanga olungcwele, abantu abayingqobo, ukuze nivakalise isidima salowo wanibizayo ukuba niphume ebumnyameni, ningene ekukhanyeni kwakhe okungummangaliso;
- ¹⁰ enanifudula ningebantu, ke ngoku ningabantu bakaThixo; enaningenzelwanga nceba, ke ngoku nenzelwe inceba.

- ¹¹ Zintanda, ndiyanivuselela njengabaphambukeli nabasemzini, ukuba nikhumke ezinkanukweni ezizezenyama, zona ziwuphumele umkhosi umphefumlo.
- ¹² Ihambo yenu mayibe ntle phakathi kweentlanga; ukuze kulo nto bathetha okubi ngani, ngathi ningabenzi bokubi, bathi ngokubona imisebenzi yenu emihle, bamzukise uThixo ngomhla wokuvelelwa.
- ¹³ Wuthobeleni ngoko wonke ummiso ongowomntu, ngenxa yayo iNkosi; nokuba ngukumkani, njengowongamileyo;
- ¹⁴ nokuba ngabalawuli, njengabathunyiweyo nguye, ukuze baphindezele okunene kubenzi bokubi, badumise abenzi bokulungileyo.
- ¹⁵ Ngokuba ukuthanda kukaThixo kukuba nithi, ngokwenza okulungileyo, nibethe ithi cwaka intswela-kwazi yabantu abaziintsweli-kuqonda;
- ¹⁶ nithi ningabakhululekileyo nje, ningabi ngabayenza inkululeko ibe sisigqubuthelo sobubi; nibe ngabakhonzi bakathixo.
- ¹⁷ Bekani abantu bonke. Thandani isizalwana. UThixo moyikeni. Ukumkani mbekeni.
- ¹⁸ Nina zicaka, bathobeleni ninako konke ukoyika abanikhonzisayo, ingabi ngabalungileyo nabathantamisayo bodwa, ibe kwanabagwenxa.
- ¹⁹ Kuba oku kuyabuleleka, ukuba umntu uthwala iintsizi, ngenxa yokumazi uThixo, eve ubunzima esoniwa.
- ²⁰ Kuba kuya kuba ludumo luni na, ukuba ninyamezele nakuntlithwa nisona? Ke ukuba nithi, nisenza okulungileyo, nive ubunzima, nize ninyamezele, oko kuyabuleleka kuThixo.
- ²¹ Kuba nabizelwa oko; ngokuba noKristu weva ubunzima ngenxa yethu, esishiya nomzekelo, ukuze silandele emkhondweni wakhe:
- ²² ongenzanga sono, ekungafunyanwanga nkohliso emlonyeni wakhe;
- ²³ obesithi, etshabhiswa, angaphindezeli atshabhise, athi esiva ubunzima, angaphindezeli asongele; ke ubeyekele kulowo ugwebayo ngokobulungisa;
- ²⁴ owathi ngokwakhe, izono zethu wazithwala ngomzimba wakhe emthini, ukuze sithi, sifile ngakwizono, siphilele ebulungiseni; omivumbo yakhe naphiliswa ngayo.
- ²⁵ Kuba beninjengezimvu zilahlekile, koko nisuke ngoku nabuyela kuye uMalusi noMveleli wemphefumlo yenu.

ISAHLUKO 3

Ngokunjalo, nina bafazi, wathobeleni awenu amadoda, ukuze kuthi, nokuba kukho kuwo angalivayo ilizwi, athi ngehambo yabafazi, lingekho ilizwi, azuzeke;

² ebonela ihambo yenu enyulu, enoloyiko.

³ Ukuhomba kwenu makungabi kokwangaphandle, kokulukwa kweenwele, nokunxitywa kwegolide, nokwambathwa kweengubo;

⁴ makube kokomntu ofihlakeleyo wentliziyo, ovethe ukungonakali, umoya onobulali, ozolileyo, oxabiso likhulu emehlweni kaThixo.

⁵ Kuba babefudula besenjenjalo abafazi abangcwele, abo babemthembile uThixo, ukuhomba kwabo, bewathobele awabo amadoda;

⁶ njengokuba uSara wamlulamelayo uAbraham, embiza ngokuthi yinkosi; eningabantwana bakhe nina, nakuba nisenza okulungileyo, ningoyiki nto yethusayo.

⁷ Ngokunjalo, nina madoda, hlalani nabo ngokokwazi, nimbeka umfazi, njengesona sitya siethe-ethe, njengeendlalifa kunye nani zobabalo lobomi, ukuze imithandazo yenu ingathinteleki.

- ⁸ Elokugqiba, cingani nto-nye nonke, velanani, thandanani njengabazalwana, yibani nemfesane kakhulu, yibani nobubele.
- ⁹ Ningabuyekezi ububi ngobubi, nokutshabhisa ngokutshabhisa; kanye ke sikelelani, nisazi ukuba nabizelwa oku, ukuze niyidle ilifa intsikelelo.
- ¹⁰ Kuba Lowo unga angathanda ubomi, Ayibone imihla elungileyo, Makaluphezise ulwimi lwakhe ebubini, Nomlomo wakhe ungathethi inkohliso;
- ¹¹ Makaphambuke ebubini, enze okulungileyo; Makafune uxolo, aluphuthume.
- ¹² Ngokuba amehlo eNkosi aphezu kwamalungisa, Neendlebe zayo zisingisele esikhungweni sawo; Ke ubuso beNkosi buphezu kwabenza okubi.
- ¹³ Kananjalo ngubani na yena owonona, ukuba nithe naba ngabalandeli bokulungileyo?
- ¹⁴ Nokuba nithe neva ubunzima ngenxa yobulungisa, ninoyolo; musani ukoyika ngokoyikisa kwabo, ningakhathazeki nokukhathazeka.
- ¹⁵ INkosi ke uThixo yingcwaliseni ezintliziweni zenu, nihlale ke nikulungele ukuziphendulela kumntu wonke obuzayo kuni ilizwi, ngalo ithemba elingaphakathi kwenu, ninobulali noloyiko;
- ¹⁶ ninesazela esilungileyo, ukuze kuloo nto banithethela okubi, ngathi ningabenzi bokubi, badane abo bayigxekayo ihambo yenu elungileyo kuKristu.
- ¹⁷ Ukuba ke kungaba kukuthanda kukaThixo ukuba nive ubunzima, okona kunilungeleyo kukubuva nisenza okulungileyo, kunokubuva nisenza okubi.
- ¹⁸ Ngokuba noKristu wabuva kwakanye ubunzima ngenxa yezono, ilungisa lisiva ubunzima ngenxa yabangemalungisa, ukuze asisondeze kuye uThixo; ebulewe okunene esenyameni, kodwa edliswe ubomi ekuwo umoya.
- ¹⁹ Awathi ekuwo, waya washumayela koomoya abasekukhonkxweni,
- ²⁰ ababefudula bengeva, xenikweni ukuzeka kade umsindo kukaThixo kwakulindle ngemihla kaNowa, kwakubon' ukuba kulungiswa umkhombe, ekwasindiselwa kuwo imiphefumlo embalwa, oko kukuthi esibhozo, ngamanzi.
- ²¹ Olusisindisayo ngawo nathi ngoku ubhaptizo ngokomfuziselo; olungekuko ukulahla ubunyhukunyhuku benyama; olukukubuzisa kuThixo kwesazela esilungileyo, ngokuvuka kukaYesu Kristu;
- ²² osekunene kukaThixo, eye emazulwini, kwakubon' ukuba kuthotyelwe phantsi kwakhe izithunywa zezulu, noomagunya, namandla.

ISAHLUKO 4

Ekubeni ngoko uKristu eve ubunzima ngenxa yethu esenyameni, xhobani nani kwaloo ngcingane; ngokuba lowo uve ubunzima esenyameni, ukhunyulwe ekoneni;

² ukuze ixesha eliseleyo enyameni ningabi saliphilela ezinkanukweni zabantu, niliphilele ekuthandeni kukaThixo.

³ Kuba lisanele ixesha elidluleyo lokuphila kwethu, esasisenza ukuthanda kweentlanga, sasihamba nje eburheletyweni, ezinkanukweni, ekutshisweni yiwayini, ezindyaleni, emithayini, nasekukhonzeni izithixo, okungekhona esikweni;

⁴ abathe nga ngako ukuba ningabaleki kunye nabo, ukuya kwakuwo loo melelo wokuzibhubhisa, benyelisa;

⁵ abaya kuphendula kulowo ulungele ukugweba abaphilileyo nabafileyo.

⁶ Kuba ngenxa yoku zashunyayelwa iindaba ezilungileyo nakwabafileyo, ukuze bagwetywe okunene ngokwabantu besenyameni, kodwa badle ubomi ngokukaThixo,

bekuwo umoya.

⁷ Ke kaloku ukuphela kwezinto zonke kusondele. Yibani nesidima ngoko, nibe nobungcathu, ukuba nithandaze.

⁸ Ngaphezu kweento zonke ke, yibani nothandano olunyamekileyo, ngokuba uthando luya kugubungela inkitha yezono.

⁹ Bukanani, ningenakukrokra.

¹⁰ Yithini elowo, njengoko wasamkelayo isipho sokubabalwa, nilungiselelane ngaso, njengamagosa amahle obabalo ngobabalo lukaThixo.

¹¹ Ukuba umntu uyathetha, makathethe ngokwezihlabo zikaThixo; ukuba umntu uyalungiselela, makalungiselele ngokwasekomeleleni akuphiwa nguThixo, ukuze ezintweni zonke azukiswe uThixo ngoYesu Kristu, elulolwakhe uzuko namandla, kuse emaphakadeni asemaphakadeni. Amen.

¹² Zintanda, musani ukuwuthela nqa umlilo okhoyo phakathi kwenu wokunilinga, ngathi nihlelwa yinto yokuthelwa nqa.

¹³ Yithini, njengoko ningamadlelane ngeentlungu zikaKristu, nivuye; ukuze, nasekutyhilekeni kobuqaqawuli bakhe, nivuye nigcoba.

¹⁴ Ukuba niyangcikiwa ngenxa yegama likaKristu, ninoyolo; ngokuba uMoya wozuko nokaThixo uphumle phezu kwenu; ngokukokwabo okunene uyanyeliswa, kodwa ngokukokwenu uyazukiswa.

¹⁵ Makungabikho ke bani kuni uva ubunzima ngokombulali, nangokwesela, nangokomenzi wobubi, nangokovelela izinto angatheni nazo.

¹⁶ Ukuba ke ubani uva ubunzima ngokuba engumKristu, makangadani; makamzukise ke uThixo ngaloo ndawo.

¹⁷ Ngokuba lixesha lokuba ugwebo luqale ngendlu kaThixo. Ukuba ke luqala ngathi, koba yintoni na ukuphela kwabo bangazivayo iindaba ezilungileyo zikaThixo?

¹⁸ Kanjalo ukuba nelungisa eli lisindiswa ngenkankulu, ongahloneli Thixo nongumoni woba phi na?

¹⁹ Ngoko ke abo babuvayo ubunzima ngokokuthanda kukaThixo, mabayiyaleze kuye imiphefumlo yabo, enguMdali othembekileyo ekwenzeni okulungileyo.

ISAPHLUKO 5

Amadoda amakhulu la aphakathi kwenu ndiyawavuselela, ndikwayindoda enkulu kunye nawo, nengqina leentlungu zikaKristu, nedlelane nawo ngobuqaqawuli obuza kutyhileka.

² Waluseni umhlambi kaThixo ophakathi kwenu, niwuvelela, kungengakunyanzelwa, makube ngokokuzithandela; kungengenxa yenzuzo embi, makube ngokuthumekelela;

³ kungabi njengabazigagamelayo izahlulo zawo, yibani yimizekelo kumhlambi.

⁴ Nothi, akubonakala uMalusi oyintloko, nisifumane isithsaba salo uzuko esingabuniyo.

⁵ Ngokunjalo, nina manci, wathobeleni amadoda amakhulu. Thobelanani nonke ke, ninxibe ukuthobeka kwentliziyo; ngokuba uThixo uyabachasa abanekratshi, abababale ke abazithobileyo.

⁶ Zithobeni ngoko ngaphantsi kwesandla esinamandla sikaThixo, ukuze aniphakamise ngexesha elifanelekileyo.

⁷ Lonke ixhala lenu liphoseni phezu kwakhe, ngokuba yena enikhathalele.

⁸ Yibani nobungcathu, phaphani; ngokuba ummangaleli wenu, uMtyholi, uhamba njengengonyama egqumayo, efuna ubani angamginyayo;

⁹ mchaseni lowo, nizimasekile elukholweni, nisazi ukuba kwaezo ntlungu ziyenzeka kubo abazalwana benu abasehlabathini.

¹⁰ Ke kaloku uThixo walo lonke ubabalo, owasibizelayo eluzukweni lwakhe olungunaphakade, sikuKristu Yesu, wanga angathi ngokwakhe, nakuba nive ubunzima umzuzwana, anilungise nigqibelele, anizimase, anomeleze, anisekele.

¹¹ Kuye makubekho uzuko namandla, kuse emaphakadeni asemaphakadeni. Amen.

¹² NgoSilvano, umzalwana othembekileyo, njengoko ndicinga ngako, ndibhale kuni ngokufutshane, ndivuselela, ndingqina ukuba olu lubabalo oluyinene lukaThixo, nimiyo kulo.

¹³ Liyanibulisa ibandla eliseBhabheli, elinyuliweyo kunye nani; noMarko unyana wam uyabulisa.

¹⁴ Bulisanani ngolwango lothando. Uxolo malube kuni nonke enikuKristu. Amen.

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