

# UYOWELI JOEL

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## ISAPHLUKO 1

**I**lizwi likaYehova elafika kuYoweli, unyana kaPetuweli.

<sup>2</sup> Yivani oku, nina madoda makhulu, nibeke iindlebe, nonke bemi belizwe; kwakha kwakho na oku ngemihla yenu, nangemihla yooyihlo?

<sup>3</sup> Kuxeleni koonyana benu, oonyana benu bakuxele koonyana babo, oonyana babo bakuxele kwisizukulwana esisemva kwabo.

<sup>4</sup> Okushiywe ngumqikela kudliwe yinkumbi, okushiywe yinkumbi kudliwe ngumkhotululi, okushiywe ngumkhotululi kudliwe ngumnqunquthi.

<sup>5</sup> Vukani, manxila, nilile; bhombolozani, nonke baseli bewayini, ngenxa yencindi yewayini; kuba inqunyulwe emlonyeni wenu.

<sup>6</sup> Kuba ezweni lakowethu kunyuke uhlanga olunamandla, olungenakubalwa; amazinyo alo ngamazinyo engonyama, nawemihlathi alo ngawengonyamakazi.

<sup>7</sup> Lwubhuqile umdiliya wam, lwawuvikiva umkhiwane wam; lwuchuhe kwathi tu, lwawulahla; amasebe awo asuka aba mhlophe.

<sup>8</sup> Bhombolozani njengentombi ebhinqe ezirhwexayo, ngenxa yendoda yobutsha bayo.

<sup>9</sup> Unqamkile endlwini kaYehova umnikelo wokudla nothululwayo; benza isijwili ababingeleli, abalungiseleli bakaYehova.

<sup>10</sup> Abhuqiwe amasimi, umhlaba wenza isijwili; kuba ibhuqiwe ingqolowa, itshile iwayini entsha, ioli yomile.

<sup>11</sup> Danani, balimi; bhombolozani, basebenzi bezidiliya, ngenxa yengqolowa nangenxa yerhasi; kuba lutshabalele uvuno lwamasimi.

<sup>12</sup> Umdiliya utshile, umkhiwane untshwenyile, nomrharnate, kwanamasundu nemiapile; yonke imithi yasendle yomile; ewe, iphelile imihlali, imkile koonyana babantu.

<sup>13</sup> Bhinqani ezirhwexayo, nimbambazele, babingeleli; bhombolozani, balungiseleli besibingelelo; yizani, lalani ngezirhwexayo bonke ubusuku, balungiseleli boThixo wam; kuba indlu yoThixo wam ivinjiwe umnikelo wokudla nothululwayo.

<sup>14</sup> Ngcwalisani uzilo, memani ingqungquthela, hlanganisani amadoda amakhulu, bonke abemi belizwe, beze endlwini kaYehova uThixo wenu, nikhale kuYehova.

<sup>15</sup> Hayi ke, le mini! Kuba isondele imini kaYehova, ivela njengembuqo kuSomandla.

<sup>16</sup> Akunqumke phambi kwamehlo ethu na ukudla, imivuyo nemigcobo endlwini yoThixo wethu?

<sup>17</sup> Zibolile iinkozo phantsi kwamagada azo, bachithakele oovimba, athi bhuma amaqonga, kuba itshile ingqolowa.

<sup>18</sup> Hayi, ukuncwina kwempahla enkulu! Ikhohliwe imihlambi yeenkomo, kuba ingenatyani;

nemihlambi yempahla emfutshane ibandezelekile.

<sup>19</sup> Ndikhala kuwe, Yehova; kuba umlilo uwatshisile amakriwa asentlango, nelangatye layirhawula yonke imithi yasendle.

<sup>20</sup> Kwanempahla enkulu yasendle itsalela kuwe; kuba itshile imijelo yamanzi, umlilo wawatshisa amakriwa asentlango.

## ISAHLUKO 2

**V**uthelani isigodlo eZiyon, nihlabe umkhosi entabeni yam engcwele. Mabagungqo bonke abemi belizwe, ngokuba isiza imini kaYehova, kuba isondele:

<sup>2</sup> imini enobumnyama nesithokothoko, imini enamafu, enamafu amnyama, anjengokuthi qhiphu kokusa phezu kweentaba; abantu abaninzi, abanamandla; akuzanga kube nje naphakade, emva kwabo akusayi kuza kubuye kube nje, kude kuse eminyakeni yezizukulwana ngezizukulwana.

<sup>3</sup> Phambi kwabo kutshisa umlilo; nasemva kwabo kurhawula ilangatye. Ilizwe linjengomyezo we-Eden phambi kwabo; emva kwabo linjengentlango enkangala, nento esindileyo ayi kubakho kulo.

<sup>4</sup> Injengokubonakala kwamahashe imbonakalo yabo; njengakhwelwayo, benjenjalo ukubaleka.

<sup>5</sup> Anjengesithonga seenqwelo zokulwa ezincotsheni zeentaba amagqasi abo; njengesithonga selangatye lomlilo otshisa iindiza; njengabantu abanamandla abakhe uluhlu.

<sup>6</sup> Ebusweni babo ziyazibhijabhija izizwe; bonke ubuso buba luthuthu.

<sup>7</sup> Bagidima njengamagorha; banyuka udonga njengamadoda okulwa; bahamba elowo ngendlela yakhe, abaphambaphambi emendweni wabo.

<sup>8</sup> Abagilani, bahamba elowo ngomendo wakhe; bawa nasezikhilini, bangenzakali.

<sup>9</sup> Baphithizela emzini; babaleka eludongeni; banyuka ezindlwini; bangena ngeefestile njengesela.

<sup>10</sup> Phambi kwabo uyagungqa umhlaba; liyanyikima izulu. Lisuke laba mnyama ilanga nenyanga, neenkwenkwezi zibufinyezile ubumhlophe bazo.

<sup>11</sup> UYehova ukhupha izwi lakhe phambi kwempi yakhe; kuba mkhulu kakhulu umkhosi wakhe; kuba unamandla umenzi welizwi lakhe; kuba inkulu imini kaYehova, yoyikeka kunene; ngubani na onokuyinyamezela?

<sup>12</sup> Nangoku ke, utsho uYehova ukuthi, Buyelani kum ngentliziyo yenu yonke, nangokuzila, nangokulila, nangokumbambazela;

<sup>13</sup> nikrazule intliziyo yenu, ingabi ziingubo zenu, nibuyele kuYehova uThixo wenu; kuba unobabalo nemfesane, yena uzeka kade umsindo, unenceba enkulu, uyazohlwaya ngenxa yobubi.

<sup>14</sup> Ngubani na owaziyo? mhlawumbi wobuya azohlwaye, ashiye intsikelelo ngasemva kwakhe, umnikelo wokudla nothululwayo kuYehova uThixo wenu.

<sup>15</sup> Vuthelani isigodlo eZiyon, ngcwalisani uzilo, memani ingqungquthela.

<sup>16</sup> Hlanganisani abantu, ngcwalisani ibandla, buthani amadoda amakhulu, hlanganisani iintsapho nabanyayo emabeleni; makaphume umyeni egumbini lakhe, umtshakazi esililini sakhe.

<sup>17</sup> Mabalile ababingeleli, abalungiseleli bakaYehova, phakathi kwevaranda nesibingelelo, bathi, Yiba nenceba, Yehova, ebantwini bakho, ungalinikeli ilifa lakho ekungcikovweni,

ukuba iintlanga zizekelise ngabo, yini na ukuba kuthiwe ezizweni, Uphi na uThixo wabo?

**18** Waba nobukhwele ke uYehova ngelizwe lakhe, waba nofefe ngabantu bakhe.

**19** Waphendula uYehova, wathi ebantwini bakhe, Yabonani, ndinithumela ingqolowa, newayini entsha, neoli, eniya kwaneliswa yiyo; ndingabi saninikela ukuba nibe sisingcikivo ezintlangeni.

**20** Ndiya kumkhwelelisela kude kuni owasentla, ndimgxothele ezweni elingumqwebedu, enkangala; umphambili wakhe usinge kulwandle lwasempumalanga, umqosheliso wakhe kulwandle lwasentshonalanga, kunyuke ukunuka kwakhe, kunyuke ukubola kwakhe, kuba eziphakamisile ukwenza izinto ezinkulu.

**21** Musa ukoyika, hlabathi, gcoba uvuye; kuba uYehova wenza izinto ezinkulu.

**22** Musani ukoyika, mpahla inkulu yasendle; kuba amakriwa asentlango aphuma uhlaza; kuba umthi uxakatha isiqhamo sawo, umkhiwane nomdiliya unika amandla awo.

**23** Nani, nyana baseZiyon, gcobani nivuye kuYehova uThixo wenu; kuba uninika umyaleli wokuba kubekho ubulungisa, anihlisele umvumbi, imvula ethambisayo nemvula evuthisayo ekuqaleni.

**24** Zozala izanda yingqolowa, iphalale yiwayini entsha nayoli imikhombe yokukhongozela.

**25** Ndonibuyiselela okweminyaka eyadliwa yinkumbi, nangumkothululi, nangumqikela, nangumnqunquthi, impi yam enkulu endayithumelayo phakathi kwenu.

**26** Niya kudla nidlile, nihluthe, nilidumise igama likaYehova uThixo wenu, oniphethe ngokubalulekileyo; bangadani abantu bam naphakade;

**27** nazi ukuba ndiphakathi kwamaSirayeli; ukuba mna Yehova ndinguThixo wenu, akukho wumbi; bangadani abantu bam naphakade.

**28** Kuya kuthi emveni kokuba njalo, ndithulule uMoya wam phezu kwenyama yonke, baprofete oonyana benu neentombi zenu; amadoda enu amakhulu aphuphe amaphupha, amadodana enu abone imibono.

**29** Kwanaphezu kwabakhonzi naphezu kwabakhonzazana ndothulula uMoya wam ngaloo mihla.

**30** Ndiya kwenza izimanga ezulwini nasehlabathini, igazi nomlilo nemiqulu yomsi.

**31** Ilanga liya kusuka libe mnyama, nenyanga ibe ligazi, phambi kokuba ifike imini kaYehova, leyo inkulu yoyikekayo.

**32** Bothi bonke abasukuba benqula igama likaYehova, basinde; kuba entabeni yaseZiyon naseYerusalem kuya kubakho abasindileyo, njengoko watshoyo uYehova; naphakathi kwabaseleyo kubekho awobabiza uYehova.

### ISAHLUKO 3

**N**gokuba, yabonani, ngayo loo mihla, nangalo elo xesha, ndiya kukubuyisa ngalo ukuthinjwa kukaYuda neYerusalem,

**2** ndozibutha zonke iintlanga, ndizihlisele entilini yakwaYoshafati; ndimangalelane nazo khona ngenxa yabantu bam, ilifa lam amaSirayeli, ezibathe saa ezintlangeni, zalaba ilizwe lam.

**3** Abantu bam zibenzele amaqashiso, zavuza ihenyukazi ngenkwenkwe; zathengisa ngentombi ngewayini, zasela.

**4** Kananjalo niya kundenza ntoni na nina, Tire, nawe, Tsidon, nani, mida yonke yamaFilisti? Niya kundibuyekeza impatho yam na? Niya kundenza ntoni na? Kwakamsinya, ngokukhawulezayo, ndiya kukubuyisela ukuphatha kwenu entlokwini

yenu.

<sup>5</sup> Ekubeni nithabathe isilivere yam negolide yam, izinto zamezintle ezinqwenelekayo, nazisa etempileni yenu;

<sup>6</sup> nathengisa ngoonyana bakaYuda nangoonyana baseYerusalem koonyana bakaYavan, ukuze nibakhwelelisele kude emdeni wabo;

<sup>7</sup> yabonani, ndiyabaxhoxha endaweni enathengisa ngabo kuyo, ndikubuyisele ukuphatha kwenu entlokweni yenu.

<sup>8</sup> Ndothengisa ngoonyana benu nangeentombi zenu esandleni soonyana bakaYuda, bathengise ngabo kumaShebha, kuhlana olukude; kuba uthethile uYehova.

<sup>9</sup> Memezani oku ezintlangeni, ngcwalisani imfazwe; xhoxhani amagorha; makafike enyuke onke amadoda okulwa.

<sup>10</sup> Khandani amakhuba enu abe ngamakrele, nezitshetshe zenu zemidiliya zibe zizikhali;

<sup>11</sup> oswele amandla makathi, Ndiligorha. Khawulezani nize, nonke zintlanga zangeenxa zonke, nibuthelane; wahlisele khona amagorha akho, Yehova.

<sup>12</sup> Mazixhoxhwe zinyuke iintlanga, ziye entilini yakwaYoshafati; ngokuba ndiya kuhlala phantsi khona, ukuze ndizigwebe zonke iintlanga zangeenxa zonke.

<sup>13</sup> Fakani irhengqa, kuba ukudla kuvuthiwe; yizani nixovule, ngokuba isixovulelo sewayini sizele, iyaphalala imikhombe yokukhongozela; kuba bukhulu ububi bazo.

<sup>14</sup> Yimbuthumbuthu, yimbuthumbuthu entilini yesigqibo! Kuba isondele imini kaYehova entilini yesigqibo.

<sup>15</sup> Ilanga nenyanga zenziwe mnyama, iinkwenkwezi zikufinyezile ukukhanya kwazo.

<sup>16</sup> UYehova ubharhula eZiyon, ukhupha ilizwi lakhe eYerusalem, linyikime izulu nehlabathi; ke uYehova ulihlathi kubantu bakhe, uligwiba koonyana bakaSirayeli.

<sup>17</sup> Niya kwazi ke ukuba mna Yehova ndinguThixo wenu, ohleli eZiyon, entabeni yam engcwele; iYerusalem yoba ngcwele, abasemzini bangabi sacanda phakathi kwayo.

<sup>18</sup> Kuya kuthi ngaloo mini, iintaba zivuze incindi yeediliya, iinduli ziphalale amasi, imijelo yonke yakwaYuda iphalale amanzi; kuphume umthombo endlwini kaYehova, useze isihlambo semingampunzi.

<sup>19</sup> IYiputa kuya kuba senkangala, nelakwaEdom libe yintlango esenkangala, ngenxa yokugonyamela kwabo oonyana bakaYuda, ekubeni bephalaze igazi elimsulwa ezweni labo.

<sup>20</sup> Ke uYuda uya kumiwa ngonaphakade, iYerusalem imiwe kwizizukulwana ngezizukulwana.

<sup>21</sup> Ndiya kulisula igazi labo endandingalisulanga; ngokuba uYehova uhleli eZiyon.

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