

# JONA

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## ISAHLUKO 1

**I**zwi likaJehova lafika kuJona indodana ka-Amithayi, lathi:

<sup>2</sup> “Suka uye eNineve, umuzi omkhulu, umemeze phezu kwalo, ngokuba ububi balo benyukele ebusweni bami.”

<sup>3</sup> Kepha uJona wasuka ebusweni bukaJehova ukuba abalekele eTharishishi, wehlela eJopha, wafumana umkhumbi obuyakuya eTharishishi; wakhokha imali yawo, wakhwela kuwo, ukuba ahambe nawo, aye eTharishishi, asuke ebusweni bukaJehova.

<sup>4</sup> Kodwa uJehova waphonsa umoya omkhulu elwandle, kwaba yisiphepho esikhulu elwandle; kwacatshangwa ukuthi umkhumbi uyakwaphulwa.

<sup>5</sup> Khona amatilos esaba, akhala, kwaba yilelo nalelo kunkulunkulu walo, aphonsa elwandle impahla ebisemkhunjini ukuba ube lula kubo. Kepha uJona wayehlele phakathi komkhumbi, wayeselele ubuthongo.

<sup>6</sup> Kwase kusondela kuye induna yomkhumbi, yathi: “Unani wena olele ubuthongo na? Vuka, ubize uNkulunkulu wakho; mhlawumbe lo Nkulunkulu uyakusikhumbula ukuba singabhubhi.”

<sup>7</sup> Bathi, kwaba yilowo nalowo kumngane wakhe: “Wozani senze inkatho, sazi ukuthi kungenxa kabani lobu bubi buphezu kwethu.” Base benza inkatho; inkatho yamudla uJona.

<sup>8</sup> Base bethi kuye: “Ake usitshale ukuthi kungenxa kabani lobu bubi buphezu kwethu. Umsebenzi wakho uyini? Uvelaphi? Liphi izwe lakini, ungowasiphi isizwe na?”

<sup>9</sup> Wathi kubo: “NgingumHeberu; ngiyamesaba uJehova, uNkulunkulu wasezulwini, owenzile ulwandle nomhlabathi owomileyo.”

<sup>10</sup> Base besaba abantu ngokwesaba okukhulu, bathi kuye: “Kuyini lokhu okwenzileyo na?” Ngokuba base bazi ukuthi ubalekile ebusweni bukaJehova, lokhu ebatshelile.

<sup>11</sup> Base bethi kuye: “Siyakwenze njani kuwe, ukuze ulwandle luthule kithina,” ngokuba ulwandle luyaqhubeka lube nesivunguvungu.

<sup>12</sup> Wathi kubo: “Ngiphakamiseni, ningiphonse elwandle, bese luthula kini ulwandle, ngokuba ngiyazi ukuthi lesi siphepho esikhulu siphezu kwenu ngenxa yami.”

<sup>13</sup> Kepha amadoda agwedla ukuba abuyele emhlabathini, kepha ahluleka, ngokuba ulwandle lwaqhubeka lwaba nesiphepho kuwo.

<sup>14</sup> Ayesekhala kuJehova, athi: “Siyakuncenga: masingabhubhi ngenxa yalo muntu, ungabeki phezu kwethu igazi elingenacala, ngokuba wena Jehova wenzile njengokuhlosa kwakho.”

<sup>15</sup> Amphakamisa uJona, amphonsa elwandle; ulwandle lwase lupheza ukufutha.

<sup>16</sup> Amadoda ayesesaba uJehova ngokwesaba okukhulu; ahlabela uJehova umhlatshele,

enza izithembiso.

<sup>17</sup> UJehova wamisela inhlanzi enkulu ukuba imgwinye uJona; uJona wayesezibilinini zenhlanzi izinsuku ezintathu nobusuku obuthathu.

## ISAHLUKO 2

**U**Jona wakhuleka kuJehova uNkulunkulu wakhe esezibilinini zenhlanzi,

<sup>2</sup> wathi: “Ekuhluphekeni kwami ngakhala kuJehova, wangiphendula; ngisesiswini sendawo yabafuleyo ngamemeza, wezwa izwi lami.

<sup>3</sup> Wangiphonsa ekujuleni, enhliziyweni yolwandle, umfula wangihaga; onke amadlambi akho namaza akho adlula phezu kwami.

<sup>4</sup> Ngathi mina: ‘Ngixoshiwe emehlweni akho;’ nokho ngiyakubuye ngibheke ithempeli lakho elingcwele.

<sup>5</sup> Amanzi angihaga kwaze kwaba nasekuphileni kwami, utwa lwangikaka. Umhlanga wathandela ekhanda lami.

<sup>6</sup> Ngehla ngasemikhawulweni yezintaba; imigoqo yomhlaba yayisemva kwami kuze kube phakade. Kepha wakhuphula ukuphila kwami egodini, Jehova Nkulunkulu wami.

<sup>7</sup> “Lapho umphefumulo wami waphela amandla phakathi kwami, ngamkhumbula uJehova; umkhuleko wami wangena kuwe ethempelini lakho elingcwele.

<sup>8</sup> “Abagcina okungumoya nokuyize nje bashiya Othembekile kubo.

<sup>9</sup> Kepha mina ngiyakukuhlabela ngezwi lokudumisa, ngigcwalise engikuthembisileyo. Ukusindiswa kukuye uJehova.”

<sup>10</sup> UJehova wakhuluma kuyo inhlanzi, yamhlanzela uJona emhlabathini owomileyo.

## ISAHLUKO 3

**I**zwi likaJehova lafika kuJona ngokwesibili, lathi:

<sup>2</sup> “Suka uye eNineve, umuzi omkhulu, umemezele kulo isimemezelo esikhulu engasikhuluma kuwe.”

<sup>3</sup> Wayesesuka uJona, waya eNineve njengezwi likaJehova. INineve lalingumuzi omkhulu kakhulu, uhambo lwezinsuku ezintathu.

<sup>4</sup> UJona waqala ukungena emzini, uhambo losuku lwaba lunye, wamemeza wathi: “Kusezakuba yizinsuku ezingamashumi amane, bese lichithwa iNineve.”

<sup>5</sup> Abantu baseNineve bakholwa nguNkulunkulu; bamemezela ukuzila ukudla, bembatha izindwangu zamasaka, kusukela kwabakhulu babo kwaze kwaba kwabancane.

<sup>6</sup> Kepha izwi lafinyelela enkosini yaseNineve; yasukuma esihlalweni sayo sobukhosi, yakhumula ingubo yayo, yazimboza ngendwangu yamasaka, yahlala phansi emlotheni.

<sup>7</sup> Yamemezela, yasho eNineve ngomthetho wenkosi nabakhulu bayo, yathi: “Makungabikho muntu onambitha utho, nasilwane, nankomo, namvu, bangadli, bangaphuzi manzi,

<sup>8</sup> kepha bambozwe ngendwangu yamasaka, umuntu nesilwane, kukhalwe kuNkulunkulu ngamandla, yebo, kubuyiswe yilowo nalowo endleleni yakhe embi nasebudloveni obusezandleni zakhe.

<sup>9</sup> Ngubani owaziyo uma uNkulunkulu engayikubuya, azisole, abuye ekufutheni

kwentukuthelo yakhe, size singabhubhi, na?”

<sup>10</sup> Lapho uNkulunkulu esebona izenzo zabo ukuthi babuya endleleni yabo embi, uNkulunkulu wazisola ngokubi owayeshilo ukuthi uyakukwenza kubo, akakwenzanga.

## ISAYIKHONKHELO 4

**K**epha lokho kwaba kubi kakhulu kuJona, wathukuthela.

<sup>2</sup> Wakhuleka kuJehova, wathi: “Ngiyakuncenga, Jehova; lokho kwakungesilo izwi lami ngisekhona ezweni lakithi na? Ngalokho ngakwandulela ngokubalekela eTharishishi, ngokuba ngiyazi ukuthi unguNkulunkulu onomusa nobumnene, wephuza ukuthukuthela, unesihe esikhulu, uzisola ngokubi;

<sup>3</sup> ngalokho, Jehova, ake ususe kimi ukuphila kwami, ngokuba kungcono kimi ukufa kunokuphila.”

<sup>4</sup> Wayesethi uJehova: “Wenza kahle ngokuthukuthela na?”

<sup>5</sup> UJona wayesephuma emzini, wahlala ngasempumalanga komuzi, wazenzela idokodo khona, wahlala phansi kwalo emthunzini, ukuze abone ukuthi kuyakwenziwa njani kuwo umuzi.

<sup>6</sup> UJehova uNkulunkulu walungisela umhlakuva, wawukhulisa phezu kukaJona ukuba ube ngumthunzi phezu kwekhanda lakhe ukumophula kokubi kwakhe. UJona wathokoza ngomhlakuva ngokuthokoza okukhulu.

<sup>7</sup> Kepha sekuzakubela ukusa ngangomuso uNkulunkulu walungisela impehlwa; yawuphehla umhlakuva, wabuna.

<sup>8</sup> Kwathi ekuphumeni kwelanga uNkulunkulu walungisela umoya oshisayo wasempumalanga; ilanga lashaya ekhanda likaJona, waba nesiyezi, wazicelela ukuba afe, wathi: “Kungcono kimi ukufa kunokuphila.”

<sup>9</sup> Wayesethi uNkulunkulu kuJona: “Wenza kahle ngokuthukuthela ngenxa yomhlakuva na?” Wathi: “Ngenza kahle ngokuthukuthela kuze kube sekufeni.”

<sup>10</sup> Wayesethi uJehova: “Wena wawuhawukela umhlakuva ongawukhandlekelanga nongawukhulisanga, owamila ebusuku bunye, wabhubha ebusuku bunye;

<sup>11</sup> mina-ke bengingayikulihawukela iNineve, umuzi omkhulu, okukuwo abantu abangaphezu kwezinkulungwane eziyikhulu namashumi amabili abangakwazi ukwahlukanisa isandla sokunene nesokhohlo, kanye nezinkomo eziningi, na?”

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