

# KOLOSE

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## ISAPHLUKO 1

**U**Pawulu, umphostoli kaKristu Jesu ngentando kaNkulunkulu, noThimothewu umzalwane

<sup>2</sup> kubo abaseKolose, abangcwele nabazalwane abakholwayo kuKristu; makube kini umusa nokuthula okuvela kuNkulunkulu uBaba wethu.

<sup>3</sup> Simbonga njalonjalo uNkulunkulu uYise weNkosi yethu uJesu Kristu, nxa sinikhulekela,

<sup>4</sup> lokhu sizwile ngokukholwa kwenu kuKristu Jesu nangothando eninalo kubo bonke abangcwele,

<sup>5</sup> ngenxa yethemba enibekelwe lona ezulwini, enezwa ngalo ngaphambili ngezwi leqiniso levangeli

<sup>6</sup> elifikile kini, njengalokhu likhona ezweni lonke lithela izithelo, landa, njengokuba kunjalo naphakathi kwenu, kusukela osukwini enezwa ngalo, nazi umusa kaNkulunkulu ngeqiniso,

<sup>7</sup> njengalokho nafunda ku-Ephafra othandekayo oyinceku kanye nathi, oyisikhonzi esithembekayo sikaKristu ngenxa yenu;

<sup>8</sup> okunguyena futhi wasitshela ngothando lwenu ngoMoya.

<sup>9</sup> Ngalokho nathi, kusukela osukwini esezwa ngalo, asiyeki ukunikhulekela nokuninxusela ukuba nigcwaliswe ngokwazi intando yakhe ngokuhlakanipha konke nokuqonda okungomoya,

<sup>10</sup> nihambe ngokufanele iNkosi, niyithokozise ngakho konke, nithela izithelo emisebenzini yonke elungileyo, nikhula ekumazini uNkulunkulu,

<sup>11</sup> niqiniswe nokuqiniswa konke ngokwamandla enkazimulo yakhe, kuze kube ngokubekezela konke nokubheka kade ngokujabula;

<sup>12</sup> nibonga uYise owanenza nifanele isabelo sefa labangcwele ekukhanyeni,

<sup>13</sup> owasikhulula emandleni obumnyama nowasibeka embusweni weNdodana yothando lwakhe;

<sup>14</sup> okukuyo sinokuhlengwa, ukuthethelelwa kwezono,

<sup>15</sup> yona ingumfanekiso kaNkulunkulu ongenakubonwa, izibulo lezidalwa zonke,

<sup>16</sup> ngokuba kwadalelwa kuyo konke okusezulwini nasemhlabeni, okubonwayo nokungenakubonwa, nokuba kuyizihlalo zobukhosi, nokuba kuyimibuso, nokuba kuyizikhulu, nokuba kuyiziphathimandla; konke kwadalwa ngayo, kwadalelwa yona;

<sup>17</sup> yona ingaphambi kwakho konke, nezinto zonke zimi ngayo;

<sup>18</sup> yona iyinhloko yomzimba, ngisho ibandla, engukuqala, izibulo kwabafileyo, ukuze yona ibe ngowokuqala ezintweni zonke,

<sup>19</sup> ngokuba kwaba kuhle kuye ukuba ukugcwala konke kuhlale kuyo

- <sup>20</sup> nokuba ngayo abuyisane nakho konke esenzile ukuthula ngegazi lesiphambano sayo, yebo ngayo, nokuba kuyizinto ezisemhlabeni nokuba ngezisezulwini.
- <sup>21</sup> Nani ekade ningabafokazi nezitha engqondweni ngemisebenzi emibi,
- <sup>22</sup> nokho manje usebuyisene nani emzimbeni wenyama yayo ngokufa ukuba animise ningcwele, ningenasisihla nacala phambi kwakhe,
- <sup>23</sup> uma kambe nihlala ekukholweni, nisekeliwe nigxilile, ningagudluzwa ethembeni levangeli enalizwayo, elashunyayelwa kukho konke okudaliweyo okuphansi kwezulu, engenziwa isikhonzi salo mina Pawulu.
- <sup>24</sup> Kalokhu ngiyathokoza ezinhlophekweni zami ngenxa yenu ngokugcwalisa okusileleyo osizini lukaKristu enyameni yami ngenxa yomzimba wakhe, oyibandla;
- <sup>25</sup> engenziwa isikhonzi salo ngokwesimiso sikaNkulunkulu enganikwa sona maqondana nani ukuba ligcwaliswe izwi likaNkulunkulu,
- <sup>26</sup> ngisho imfihlakalo ebifihlakele selokhu kwaqala izikhathi nezizukulwane, kepha kalokhu yambuliwe kwabangcwele bakhe;
- <sup>27</sup> okubona uNkulunkulu athanda ukubazisa ukuthi iyini ingcebo yenkazimulo yaleyo mfihlakalo phakathi kwabezizwe, enguKristu phakathi kwenu, ithemba lenkazimulo;
- <sup>28</sup> okunguye esimshumayelayo, siluleka wonke umuntu, sifundisa wonke umuntu ngokuhlakanipha konke, ukuze simise wonke umuntu ephelele kuKristu,
- <sup>29</sup> engikusebenzelayo futhi, ngilwa ngokusebenza kwakhe okusebenza kimi ngamandla.

## ISAPHLUKO 2

- N**gokuba ngiyathanda ukuba nazi ukuthi kukhulu kangakanani ukulwa enginakho ngenxa yenu nabaseLawodikeya nabo bonke abangabonanga ubuso bami ngamehlo,
- <sup>2</sup> ukuze izinhliziyi zabo ziduduzwe, behlanganisiwe othandweni babe nengcebo yonke yokwazi okuphelele, bazisise imfihlakalo kaNkulunkulu enguKristu,
- <sup>3</sup> okufihlwe kuye amagugu onke okuhlakanipha nowokwazi.
- <sup>4</sup> Ngikusho lokhu, ukuze kungabikho muntu onikhohlisa ngamazwi okuyenga.
- <sup>5</sup> Ngokuba noma ngingekho ngomzimba, nokho ngikhona kini ngomoya ngithokoza, ngibona inhlelo yenu nokuqina kokukholwa kwenu kuKristu.
- <sup>6</sup> Ngakho-ke njengalokho nimamukele uKristu Jesu iNkosi, hambani nikuye,
- <sup>7</sup> nigxilile, nakhiwe kuye, niqinisiwe ekukholweni, njengalokho nifundisiwe, nivame ukubonga.
- <sup>8</sup> Xwayani funa kube khona onithumbayo ngokuhlakanipha nangenkohliso eyize njengokwemvelo yabantu, njengezifundiso zokucathula kwezwe, kungenjengokukaKristu.
- <sup>9</sup> Ngokuba kuhlala kuye ngokomzimba ukugcwala konke kobuNkulunkulu;
- <sup>10</sup> nigcwalisiwe kuye, yena oyinhloko yemibuso yonke namandla,
- <sup>11</sup> enasokela kuye futhi ngokusoka okungenziwanga ngezandla ngokukhumula umzimba wenyama, ngokusoka kukaKristu;
- <sup>12</sup> nimbela kanye naye ngombhaphathizo, okungawo futhi navuswa kanye naye ngokukholwa ngamandla kaNkulunkulu owamvusa kwabafuleyo.
- <sup>13</sup> Nani-ke ebenifile ngeziphambeko nangokungasoki kwenyama yenu wanenza nibe ngabaphilayo kanye naye esithethelela zonke izono zethu;
- <sup>14</sup> esehlangule incwadi yecala lethu, emelana nathi ngemiyalo yayo, wayeyisusa ngokuyibethela esiphambanweni;

- <sup>15</sup> ebaphucile ababusi nabanamandla izikhali wabathela ngehlazo obala, ebanqoba ngaso.
- <sup>16</sup> Ngakho makungabikho muntu onilahla ngokudla nesiphuzo, noma ngemikhosi, noma ukwethwasa kwenyanga, noma amasabatha,
- <sup>17</sup> okuyisithunzi nje salokhu obekuzakuza; kepha umzimba ngokaKristu.
- <sup>18</sup> Makungabikho muntu onamuka umvuzo wenu, othanda ukuzenza othobile ekhonza izingelosi, ephike ngemibono yakhe, ezikhukhumeza ngeze ngengqondo yakhe yenyama,
- <sup>19</sup> engabambeleli kuye oyinhloko, okungaye umzimba wonke usizwa, uhlanganiswa ngamalungu nemisipha, ukhula ngokukhula kukaNkulunkulu.
- <sup>20</sup> Uma nifile kanye noKristu nakhululwa ezifundisweni zokucathula kwezwe, yini ukuba okungathi nisaphila ngokwezwe nithobe izifundiso zokuthi:
- <sup>21</sup> “Ungaphathi, ungezwa ngolimi, ungathinti,”
- <sup>22</sup> okuphela konke ngokudliwa ngokweziyalezo nezifundiso zabantu
- <sup>23</sup> ezinegama lokuhlakanipha kambe ngokuzikhethela inkonzo, nangokuzithoba, nangokuhlupha umzimba; akusizi lutho maqondana nokuzithiba kwenyama.

### ISAHLUKO 3

- N**gakho uma navuswa kanye noKristu, funani okwaphezulu, lapho ekhona uKristu, ehlezi ngakwesokunene sikaNkulunkulu;
- <sup>2</sup> nakani okwaphezulu, ninganaki okusemhlabeni.
- <sup>3</sup> Ngokuba nafa, ukuphila kwenu kufihliwe noKristu kuNkulunkulu;
- <sup>4</sup> nxa ebonakaliswa uKristu ongukuphila kwethu, khona-ke nani niyakubonakaliswa kanye naye ekukhazimuleni.
- <sup>5</sup> Ngakho-ke bulalani amalungu enu asemhlabeni, ubufebe, nokungcola, nokuhuheka, nokukhanuka, nesangabe, okungukukhonza izithombe,
- <sup>6</sup> okuza ngakho ulaka lukaNkulunkulu,
- <sup>7</sup> ekade nihamba kukho nani, lapho nisahlezi kukho;
- <sup>8</sup> kepha kalokhu nani manilahle konke lokho, ulaka, nokuthukuthela, nobubi, nokuhlambalaza, nokukhuluma amahlazo aphuma emlonyeni wenu;
- <sup>9</sup> ningaqambelani amanga, lokhu nikhumule umuntu omdala kanye nezenzo zakhe,
- <sup>10</sup> nembethe omusha, owenziwa musha abe nokwazi ngokomfanekiso walowo owamdalayo,
- <sup>11</sup> lapho kungekho mGreeki namJuda, ukusoka nokungasoki, owezizwe noma umSkithe, isigqila noma okhululekileyo, kepha uKristu uyikho konke, ukubo bonke.
- <sup>12</sup> Ngakho-ke njengabakhethiweyo bakaNkulunkulu, abangcwele nabathandekayo, yembathani ububele benhliziyo, nesisa, nokuzithoba, nobumnene, nokubheka kade,
- <sup>13</sup> nibekezelelane, nithethelelane, uma umuntu enensolo komunye; njengokuba neNkosi yanithethelela, yenzani njalo nani.
- <sup>14</sup> Kepha phezu kwakho konke lokho yembathani uthando oluyisibopho sokuphelela.
- <sup>15</sup> Ukuthula kukaKristu makubuse ezinhliziyweni zenu, enabizelwa futhi kukho emzimbeni munye; futhi yibani ngababongayo.
- <sup>16</sup> Izwi likaKristu alihlale phakathi kwenu, livame, nifundisane ngokuhlakanipha konke, niyalane ngamahubo, nangezihlabelelo, nangamaculo okomoya, nimhubele uNkulunkulu ezinhliziyweni zenu ngokubonga.

- <sup>17</sup> Konke enikwenzayo, noma kungezwi noma kungomsebenzi, kwenzeni konke egameni leNkosi uJesu, nimbonge uNkulunkulu uYise ngaye.
- <sup>18</sup> Bafazi, thobelani amadoda enu njengokufanele eNkosini.
- <sup>19</sup> Madoda, thandani omkenu, ningabacasukeli.
- <sup>20</sup> Bantwana, lalalani abazali benu ezintweni zonke, ngokuba lokho kuyathandeka eNkosini.
- <sup>21</sup> Boyise, ningabathukuthelisi abantwana benu ukuba bangadangali.
- <sup>22</sup> Zinceku, lalalani ezintweni zonke labo abangamakhosi enu ngokwenyama, kungengokuthenga amehlo njengabathokozisa abantu kodwa ngobuqotho benhliziyo, niyesabe iNkosi.
- <sup>23</sup> Konke enikwenzayo kwenzeni ngenhliziyo, kungathi kwenzelwa iNkosi, qha abantu,
- <sup>24</sup> nazi ukuthi niyakwamukela umvuzo wefa eNkosini. Khonzani iNkosi uKristu.
- <sup>25</sup> Ngokuba lowo owenza ukungalungi uyakwamukeliswa ukungalungi akwenzileyo; akukho ukukhetha umuntu.

## ISAPHLUKO 4

**M**akhosi, zenzeleni izinceku zenu okulungileyo nokufaneleyo; nazi ukuthi nani nineNkosi ezulwini.

- <sup>2</sup> Qiniselani ekukhulekeni, nilinde kukho ninokubonga.
- <sup>3</sup> Nathi nisikhulekele, ukuze uNkulunkulu asivulele umnyango wezwi ukuba sikhulume imfihlakalo kaKristu engiboshwe ngenxa yayo,
- <sup>4</sup> ukuze ngiyibonakalise njengalokhu ngifanele ukukhuluma.
- <sup>5</sup> Hambani ngokuhlakanipha kubo abangaphandle, nithengisise isikhathi.
- <sup>6</sup> Ukukhuluma kwenu makube nomusa njalo, kuyolisiwe ngosawoti, ukuze nazi enifanele ukubaphendula ngakho bonke abantu.
- <sup>7</sup> Konke okuqondene nami uyakunazisa khona uThikhiku, umzalwane othandekayo nesikhonzi esikholekileyo oyinceku kanye nami eNkosini,
- <sup>8</sup> engimthumile kini ngakho lokhu ukuba nazi ukuthi sihlezi kanjani, aduduze izinhliziyu zenu,
- <sup>9</sup> kanye no-Onesimu, umzalwane okholekileyo nothandekayo, ongomunye wakini; bazakunazisa konke okwalapha.
- <sup>10</sup> Uyakhonza kini u-Aristarku oyisiboshwa kanye nami, noMarku umzala kaBarnaba, enayalezwa ngaye — uma efika kini mamukeleni —
- <sup>11</sup> noJesu othiwa uJustu; yibo bodwa abangabokusoka abasebenzela umbuso kaNkulunkulu kanye nami, abakade beyinduduzo kimi.
- <sup>12</sup> Uyakhonza kini u-Ephra ngomunye wakini, inceku kaKristu Jesu, enilwela njalo emikhulekweni, ukuze nime niphelele niqinisekile entandweni yonke kaNkulunkulu.
- <sup>13</sup> Ngokuba ngingufakazi wakhe wokuthi uyanisebenzela kakhulu nina, nabaseLawodikeya, nabaseHiyerapholi.
- <sup>14</sup> Uyakhonza kini uLuka inyanga ethandekayo, noDema.
- <sup>15</sup> Khonzani kubazalwane abaseLawodikeya, nakuNimfa, nasebandleni lakwakhe.
- <sup>16</sup> Nxa le ncwadi isifundiwe kini, bhekani ukuba ifundwe nasebandleni labaseLawodikeya; nani niyifunde leyo evela eLawodikeya.

<sup>17</sup> Nimtshele u-Arkiphu, nithi: “Qaphela inkonzo oyitholile eNkosini, ukuze uyifeze.”

<sup>18</sup> Yilokhu ukukhonza kwami ngesandla sami, mina Pawulu. Khumbulani izibopho zami. Umusa mawube nani.

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