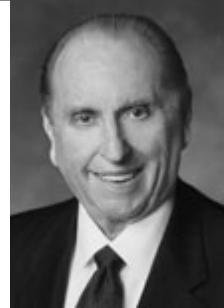


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Umhlabu udinga Amaphayoniya Namuhla

Abaningi, indlela yamaphayoniya ngo1847 ayi-zange iqale eNauvoo, Kirtland, Kude neNtshonalanga, noma eNew York, kepha eNgilande ekude, eScotland, eScandinavia, noma ejalimani. Izingane ezincane azange zikwazi ukuqonda ngokuphele-leyo ukholo olunamandla olwagqugquzelwa abazali babo ukuba bashiye emuva umndeni, Abangane, ukunethetzeke, kanye nokukhuseleleka.

Ingane encane ingahle ibuze, Mama. Yingani sihamba sishiya ikhaya? Siyakuphi?

"Woza sihambe, wena oyigugu; siya eZayoni, edolobheni likaNkulunkulu wethu."

Phakathi kokukhuseleleka kwekhaya kanye nesi-thembiso seZayoni kume amanzi anentukuthelo futhi angathembekile weAtlantikhi enkulu. Ubani ongakhumbula uvalo olwaba senhliziweni yomuntu ngenkathi benqamula ngobungozi? Ngokugqugquzelwa ngu-Moya ongcwele othulile, nokusekelwa ngokholo olulula kepha oluqinile, lawo maphayoniya angabaNgcwele bathembela kuNkulunkulu futhi baqala uhambo lwabo ngemikhumbi.

Bagcina sebefikile eNauvoo kodwa baphinde baqala uhambo futhi bahlangabezana nobunzima endleleni. Amatshe wamangcwaba wezihlakaniphi kanye namathuna abekiswe ngamatshe kuyonke indlela esuka eNauvoo ukuya eSalt Lake City. Okwakuyinani abanye

abangamaphayoniya abalikhokhela. Imizimba yabo ingcwatshwe ngoxolo, kepha amagama abo ayophila ingunaphakade.

Izinqola zamahhashi zazihamba kanzima, amasondo wezinqola zamahhashi ebanga umsindo, amadoda anesibindi ajuluka, izigubhu zezipi zikhala, Kepha amaphayoniya awayegqugquzelwa ukholo futhi abaa-babehamba phakathi kwesiphetho baqhubeuka ngoku-hamba. Esikhathini esiningi bahlabelela:

*Woza, woza, wena Ongcwele, ungasabi ubunzima
bomsebenzi futhi ungasabi umsebenzi;
Kepha ngenjabulo vula indlela yakho.
Noma lendlela ingabukeka inzima kuwe,
Umusa uzakuba njengosuku lwakho. . .
Konke kulungile! Konke kulungile!*¹

Lamaphayoniya akhumbula amazwi weNkosi: "abantu bami kumele balolongwe kuzozonke izinto, ukuze bakwazi ukuzilungiselela ukuthola inkazimulo leyo Mina engiyiphethelo bona, kanye nenkazimulo yaseZayoni."²

Indlela yesikhathi yenza ukuthi ukukhumbula kwe-thu kungabonakali kahle futhi kunciphisa ukubonga labo abahamba lendlela yobuhlangu, bashiya uphawu lenyembezi endleleni yamangcwaba angenamagama. Kepha izivivinyo zanamuha zona? Azikho na izindlela

ezinamatshe ezizohanjwa, azikho na izintaba ezinamagquma azogitshelwa, amawa azoyeqwa, izindlela ezizohanjwa kanzima, imifula ezonqanyulwa na? Noma kukhona isidingo samanje saleyo mimoya yamaphayoniya wokuba usihole ezingozini lezo ezisisabisa ngokusizungeza futhi usiholele endaweni yeZayoni ekhuselekile na?

Eminyakeni eminingi kusukela ekupheleni kweMpi yoMhlaba II, imigangatho yesimilo yehlile futhi. Ubebengu kuyanda kuyaphezulu; ukuziphatha kahle ngokwesimilo kuyehla. Abaningi basenkingeni enkulu, bafuna injabulo yesikhashana ngesikhathi bezincisha injabulo yangunaphakade. Bese sihlukana noxolo.

Siyakhohlwa ukuba amaGrikhi kanye nabaseRoma baphumelela ngesihle emhlabeni wobudlanga futhi lokuphumelela kwenzeka kanjani—ukuba nokuzotha kanye nokuthula ekugcineni kwabanqoba ekumosha-kaleni kwabo. Ekugcineni, ngaphezu kokufuna kwabo inkululeko, babefuna ukukhuseleleka kanye nokunethezeka empilweni; futhi baphucwa konke—ukunethezeka kanye nokukhuseleleka futhi nenkululeko.

Ungavumeli uSathane akulinge; kepha, qina umele iqiniso. Ukufisa okunganeliseki komphefumulo akusoze kwagcwaliseka ngokufuna injabulo engapheli eletha imizwa ejabulisayo. Okuphansi akusoze kwalettha okusizingeni eliphakeme. Inzondo ayisoze yaphakamisa uthando. Ubugwala akusoze kwalettha isibindi. Ukungabaza akusoze kwagqugquzelisa ukholo.

Abanny bathola ubunzima ukumelana nokuphawula kwabantu abangahloniphi futhi nezinkulomo ezingalungile zabantu abayiziphukuphuku abahlekisa ngokuya ocansini bengashadile, ukuthembeka, kanye nokulalela imiyalelo kaNkulunkulu. Kepha umhlabu uthathe kancane ukugcina lomyalelo. Ngenkathi uNowa eyalwe ukuba akhe umkhumbi, abantu abayiziphukuku babuka kwisibhakabhaka esinganawo amafu futhi bheleka—kwaze kwafika imvula.

Kudingekile ukuba sifunde isifundo ngokuphindaphi-ndekile na? Izikhathi ziyashintsha, kepha iqiniso lihlala linjalo. Uma sihluleka ukuzuza ezimfundisweni ezadlu-loyo, sizoqhube ka siziphinde ngakhokonke ubuhlungu bazo, ukuhlupheka, kanye nobuhlungu. Asinakho ukuhlakanipha wokumlalela Yena owazi isiqalo kanye nesiphetho—iNkosi yethu, owakha iplani lensindiso—ngaphandle komuntu loyo, ozonda lobuhle bayo?

Incwadi echaza amagama ichaza iphayoniya njengo “muntu ohamba kuqala ayolungisa noma avule indlela abanye ukuba bayilandele.”³ Singakwazi ngandlela thize siqonde kabanzi isibindi kanye nokuzimisela ngokwempela injongo echaza amaphayoniya wesizukulwane esadlulayo? Mina kanye nawe, empeleni, singaba ngamaphayoniya na?

Ngiyazi ukuba singakwazi. Oh, umhlabu ngendalela odinga amaphoyoniya ngawo namuhla!

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UKUFUNDISA OKUVELA KULOMLAYERO

Imibhalo engcwele ichaza ukuthi abothisha ngokuvakasha kumele “bayale, bachaze, bagqugquzele, futhi bafundise, baphinde bameme bonke beze uKristu” (D&C 20:59). Cabanga ngokuveza imiyalo kanye nezimemo ezikhona kumlayezo kaMongameli uMonson kulabo obavakashelayo. Ungahle ufune ukuxoxisana nabo ngezindlela ezibonisa futhi ezilandela izibonelo ezilungilelo, gwema ukukhohlisa, futhi ufunde ngamaphutha enzwa ngabanye. Buza labo obafundisayo ukuba bangaba kanjani amaphayoniya namuhla?

INTSHA

Ukugqugquzelelwano ngoKholo

Ngu Maggi Earl

Angisoze ngakhohlwa ngihamba emhlabathini AwaseWinter Quarters, eNebraska, eUSA, lapho amaphayoniya ahlala iminyaka ngaphambilini. Isihlabathi sezwakala singcwele, kwakungathi ngangivakashele ithempeli elangaphandle.

Amehlo ami wayegcwele izinyembezi, ngingakwazi ukubona kahle. Ngabona isifanekiso kepha azange ngikwazi ukubona kahle umzimba. Ngenkathi ngisula izinyembezi zami, ngabona owesilisa kanye nowesifazane ubuso babo bugcwele ubuhlungu. Ngenkathi ngibukisisa, ngabona umzimba wengane encane ulele encwabeni ezinyaweni zabo.

Leshlakalo sangenza ngabanemizwa eminingi: ukudabuka, intukuthelo, ukubonga, kanye nenjabulo.

Ngafuna ukususa ubuhlungu lobo obezwa ngalabo abaNgcwele, kepha ngaba nokubonga futhi ngalokho abakuhlawulela ngevangeli.

Isifundo sami eWinter Quarters sangisiza ukuba ngikwazi ukubona ukuthi uBaba waseZulwini unikeza ivangeli izingane Zakhe futhi abanikeze igunya lokulisebenzisa ngendlela abafuna ngayo. Abazali baleyongane bebangahle bakwazi ukukhetha indlela elula. Ukulandela umprofethi futhi nokuphila ivangeli kwadingeka lamaphayoniya ukuba baqinisele noma kwakudingekile ukuba bangcwabe ingane yabo. Kepha bakhetha ukusebenzisa ivangeli ezimpilweni zabo futhi bamukele izivivinyo zabo. Ngafunda ukuthi ukuzimisela kwabantu Ngcwele kwivangeli kanye nokuzimisela ngokuqhube-kela phambili kwakugquqenzelelwengokholo kanye

nethemba—ithemba lokuba nekusasa eliqhakazile kanye nokholo ukuthi iNkosi yayibazi futhi izakunciphisa ubuhlungu babo.

Umbhalu uhlala eNorth Carolina, eUSA.

IZINGANE

Iba Yiphayoniya

Mongameli uMonson uthi iphayoniya umuntu **U**okhombisa indlela abanye ukuba bayilandele. Yini ongayenza ukuba umele lokho okulungile futhi ube yiphayoniya kwabanye emphakathini wakho kanye nasemndenini wakho? Bhala izimpendulo zakho futhi wabelane nazo kanye nomndeni wakho.



Ukufundisa kanye Nokufunda ngeVangeli

Funda lomlayezo futhi, ngokufanelekile, xoxa ngayo nalabo dade obavakashelayo. Sebenzisa lemibuzo ukusiza ukuqinisa odade bakho nokwenza Inhlango Yabesimame Yenkululeko ibe yingxenye ebalulekile yempilo yakho. Ukuthola ulwazi olunini ngalokhu, iya ku www.reliefsociety.lds.org.

Ujesu Kristu wayenguthisha-nhloko. Wasibekela isibonelo njengoba Yena afundisa abesimame abaningi futhi ngamunye, emgwaqhweni kanye naseduzane kolwandle, lapho ekukhiwa khona amanzi nasezindlini zabo. Wabonisa uthando-nesihle kubona futhi wabaphilisa kanye namalungu omndeni wabo.”¹

Wafundisa uMartha kanye no-Mary futhi “wabacela ukuba babe ngabalandeli Bakhe futhi bathabathe insindiso, ‘leyo eyingxenye enhle’ [uLuka 10:42] lokho akusoze kwasuswa kubo.”²

Kumbhalo wethu ongcwele we-zinsuku-zokugcina, iNkosi yasiyala ukuba “sifundise omunye nomunye imfundiso yombuso” (D&C 88:77). Ekufundiseni kanye nokufunda ngemfundiso, Cheryl A. Esplin, ikhansela lesibili kubuMongameli jikelele Bokuqala, wathi, “Ukufunda ukwazi kahle ukuqonda izimfundiso zevangeli kuthatha isikhathi eside futhi kuvela ‘ngemigqa phezu kweminye, umthetho phezu komthetho, lapha kancane nalapha kancane’ (2 uNifayi 28:30).”³

Njengoba sifunda, sifundisisa, futhi sikhuleka, sizakufundisa ngamandla woMoya oNgcwele, lowo ozakuthwala umlayezo wethu “ezinhlizweni zabantwana bama-doda [kanye nabesifazane] (2 uNifayi 33:1).

Kuvela Embhalweni Ongcwele

uAlma 17:2–3; 31:5; Imfundiso kanye Nezivumelwano 42:12–13; 84:85

Kuvela Emlandweni Wethu

Abaprofethi bethu bakudala bayasikhumbuza njengabesifazane ukuthi sinendima ebalulekile njengothisha emakhaya ethu kanye naseBandleni. NgoSeptemba 1979, uMongameli uSpencer W. Kimball (1895–1985) wasicela ukuba sibe “ngodade bemibhalo engcwele.” Yibani ngabafundi bemibhalo engcwele—ningababeki abanye phansi, kodwa nibaphakamise phezulu! Emva kwakho konke, ngubani onesidingo esikhulu ‘ukunakekela’ iqiniso levangeli (ekutheni bangabiza ezikhathini zabo zezidingo-kunabe besifazane ebenzayo futhi

nabomama abenza kanjena kakhulu ekukhuliseni nasekufundiseni?”⁴

Sonke singothisha futhi singabafundi. Uma sifundisa ngemibhalo engcwele futhi amazwi womprofethi wethu ophilayo, singasiza abanye beze kuKristu. Uma sizibandakanya emsebenzini wokufunda ngokubuza imibuzo enomqondo futhi silalela, singathola izimpendulo lezo ezihiLangabezana nezidingo zetho.

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Ngingenzenjani?

1. Ngingazilungiselela ka-njani ukuba ngibe nguthisha ongcono?
2. Ngiyabelana ngobufakazi bami kanye nodade engibaqaphile na?