

## U-Amosi

<sup>1</sup> La ngamazwi ka-Amosi, omunye wabelusi baseThekhowa, lokho akubonayo mayelana lo-Israyeli eminyakeni emibili ngaphambi kokuza-mazama komhlaba, ngezinsuku u-Uziya eyinkosi yakoJuda loJerobhowamu indodana kaJowashi eyinkosi yako-Israyeli.

<sup>2</sup> Wathi:  
 “UTHIXO uyavungama eseZiyoni,  
 idume iJerusalema;  
 amadlelo abelusi ayoma  
 lengqongo yeKhameli iyabuna.”

### *Ukwahlulelwa Kwabakhelene Lo-Israyeli*

<sup>3</sup> Nanku okutshiwo NGUTHIXO:  
 “Ngenxa yezono ezintathu zeDamaseko,  
 loba ngenxa yezine,  
 kangiyikulunqanda ulaka lwami.  
 Ngenxa yokuthi yatshaya iGiliyadi  
 ngemibhulo elamazinyo ensimbi,  
<sup>4</sup> ngizathumela umlilo endlini kaHazayeli  
 ozalobisa izingaba zikaBheni-Hadadi.  
<sup>5</sup> Ngizabhidliza isango laseDamaseko;  
 ngizachitha inkosi ephakathi kweSigodi  
 sase-Aveni  
 lalowo ophethe intonga yobukhosi eBhethi  
 Edeni.  
 Abantu base-Aramu bazathunjwa  
 basiwe eKhiri,”

kutsho UTHIXO.

<sup>6</sup> Nanku okutshiwo NGUTHIXO:

“Ngenxa yezono ezintathu zeGaza

loba ngenxa yezine,

kangiyikulunqanda ulaka lwami

ngenxa yokuthi yathumba abantu bezigaba

zonke

yabathengisa e-Edomi,

<sup>7</sup> ngizathumela umlilo emidulini yaseGaza

ozalobisa izinqaba zayo.

<sup>8</sup> Ngizayichitha inkosi yase-Ashidodi

kanye lalowo ophatha intonga yobukhosi e-

Ashikheloni.

Ngizaphendulela isandla sami ekuhlaseleni i-

Ekroni

kuze kufe umFilistiya wokucina,”

kutsho UTHIXO Wobukhosi.

<sup>9</sup> Nanku okutshiwo NGUTHIXO:

“Ngenxa yezono ezintathu zaseThire

loba ngenxa yezine, kangiyikulunqanda

ulaka lwami.

Ngenxa yokuthi yabathengisela e-Edomi

bonke abantu bezigaba zonke ezathunjwayo

inganaki isivumelwano sobuzalwane,

<sup>10</sup> ngizathumela umlilo emidulini yaseThire

ozalobisa izinqaba zayo.”

<sup>11</sup> Nanku okutshiwo NGUTHIXO:

“Ngenxa yezono ezintathu zase-Edomi

loba ngenxa yezine, kangiyikulunqanda

ulaka lwami.

Ngenxa yokuthi waxotshana lomfowabo

ngenkemba,

enqabela isihawu sonke,

ngoba ulaka lwakhe lwavutha kokuphela

- lentukuthelo yakhe yabhebha inge-  
lakuthitshwa,  
<sup>12</sup> ngizathumela umlilo eThemani  
ozalobisa izingaba zaseBhozira.”  
<sup>13</sup> Nanku okutshiwo NGUTHIXO:  
“Ngenxa yezono ezintathu zase-Amoni, loba lan-  
genxa yezine,  
kangiyikulunqanda ulaka lwami.  
Ngenxa yokuthi waqhaqha abesifazane abazith-  
weleyo baseGiliyadi  
ukuze aqhelise ilizwe lakhe,  
<sup>14</sup> ngizathungela imiduli yaseRaba ngomlilo  
ozalobisa izingaba zayo  
kumenyezelwa izitsho zempi ngosuku lokulwa  
kulomoya olamandla ngosuku lwesiphepho.  
<sup>15</sup> Inkosi yalo izathunjwa,  
yona kanye lezikhulu zayo,”  
kutsho UTHIXO.

## 2

- <sup>1</sup> Nanku okutshiwo NGUTHIXO:  
“Ngenxa yezono ezintathu zaseMowabi  
loba ngenxa yezine, kangiyikulunqanda  
ulaka lwami,  
ngoba utshise amathambo enkosi yase-Edomi  
aze afana lekalaga,  
<sup>2</sup> ngizathumela umlilo kuMowabi  
ozalobisa izingaba zaseKheriyothi.  
UMowabi uzachitheka kulokuxokozela okukhulu  
lokumenyezelwa kwezitsho zempi  
lokukhala kwecilongo.  
<sup>3</sup> Ngizaqothula ababusi bakhe  
ngibulale zonke izikhulu zakhe kanye laye,”  
kutsho UTHIXO.

<sup>4</sup> Nanku okutshiwo NGUTHIXO:  
 “Ngenxa yezono ezintathu zikaJuda  
   loba ngenxa yezine, kangiyikulunqanda  
   ulaka lwami,  
 ngoba bawalile umthetho KATHIXO  
   kabaze bagcina lezimiso zakhe,  
 ngoba badukiswe ngonkulunkulu bamanga,  
   onkulunkulu abalandelwa ngokhokho babo.  
<sup>5</sup> Ngizathumela umlilo koJuda  
   ozalobisa izinqaba zaseJerusalema.”

*Ukwahlulelwa Kuka-Israyeli*

<sup>6</sup> Nanku okutshiwo NGUTHIXO:  
 “Ngenxa yezono ezintathu zika-Israyeli  
   loba ngenxa yezine, kangiyikulunqanda  
   ulaka lwami  
 ngoba bathengisa abalungileyo ngesiliva,  
   labaswelayo ngamanyathelo.  
<sup>7</sup> Banyathela phezu kwamakhanda abayanga  
   njengaphezu kothuli lomhlabathi  
   banqabele imfanelo yabancindezelweyo.  
 Uyise lendodana bembatha lentombi yinye  
   kanjalo bangcolise ibizo lami elingcwele.  
<sup>8</sup> Bacambalala phansi emaceleni ama-alithare  
   wonke,  
   phezu kwezembatho ezithethwe ziyizibam-  
   biso.  
 Endlini kankulunkulu wabo  
   banatha iwayini elithethwe njengenhlawulo.  
<sup>9</sup> Ngachitha um’Amori phambi kwabo,  
   lanxa wayemude njengemisedari  
   njalo eqine njengom’okhi.  
 Ngachitha izithelo zakhe phezulu

- kanye lempande zakhe ngaphansi.
- 10 Ngalikhupha eGibhithe  
ngalikhokhela iminyaka engamatshumi  
amane enkangala  
ukuba ngilnike ilizwe lama-Amori.
- 11 Ngakhupha labaphrofethi bephuma phakathi  
kwamadodana enu,  
kanye lamaNaziri ephuma phakathi kwezinsizwa zenu.  
Lokhu akuqotho na, bantu bako-Israyeli?”  
kutsho UTHIXO.
- 12 “Kodwa lanathisa amaNaziri iwayini,  
lalaya abaphrofethi ukuba bangaphrofethi.
- 13 Khathesi-ke mina ngizalichoboza  
njengokuchoboza kwenqola ithwele amabele.
- 14 Olejubane kayikubaleka,  
oqinileyo uzawaswela amandla akhe,  
lebutho kaliyikusindisa impilo yalo.
- 15 Umtshoki akayikugxila,  
ibutho elilejubane kaliyikuphunyuka  
lomgadi webhiza kayikusindisa impilo yakhe.
- 16 Lebutho elilesibindi kakhulu,  
ngalolosuku lizabaleka linqunu,”  
kutsho UTHIXO.

### 3

*Ofakazi Bokumelana Lo-Israyeli*

<sup>1</sup> Zwanini ilizwi elikhulunywe NGUTHIXO ngani lina bantu bako-Israyeli Lomndeni wonke en-gawukhupha eGibhithe:

<sup>2</sup> “Yini kuphela engalikhethayo kuyo yonke imideni yasemhlabeni; ngakho ngizalijezisela zonke izono zenu.”

<sup>3</sup> Ababili bayahamba bendawonye ngaphandle kokuba bevumelene ukwenzanjalo na?

<sup>4</sup> Isilwane siyabhonga ehlathini kungelalutho esingalubamba na? Siyabhonga esikhundleni saso singabambanga lutho na?

<sup>5</sup> Inyoni iyabanjwa emhlabathini okungelamjibila othiywe khona na? Umjibila uyathanca usuke emhlabathini kungelalutho olubambayo na?

<sup>6</sup> Lapho icilongo likhala edolobheni abantu kabethuki na? Lapho incithakalo isehlela idolobho kayenziwanga NGUTHIXO na?

<sup>7</sup> Impela uTHIXO Wobukhosi kenzi lutho engavezanga icebo lakhe ezincekwini zakhe abaphrofethi.

<sup>8</sup> Isilwane sibhongile, ngubani ongayikwesaba na? UTHIXO Wobukhosi usekhulumile ngubani ongayekela ukuphrofitha na?

9 Memezelani ezinqabeni zase-Ashidodi  
lasezinqabeni zaseGibhithe lithi:

“Buthanani phezu kwezintaba zaseSamariya;  
libone isiyaluyalu esikhulu phakathi kwayo  
lokuncindezela phakathi kwabantu bayo.”

10 “Kabakwazi ukwenza okulungileyo,” kutsho  
UTHIXO,  
“bona ababuthela impango  
baphange lasezinqabeni zabo.”

11 Ngakho UTHIXO Wobukhosi uthi:  
“Isitha sizachitha ilizwe;  
sizadiliza izinqaba zenu,  
siphange izinqaba zenu.”

12 Nanku okutshiwo NGUTHIXO:  
“Njengomelusi ehlenga emlonyeni wesilwane  
amathambo amabili kuphela omlenze loba  
isiqa sendlebe,  
bazahlengwa kanjalo abako-Israyeli abahlala  
eSamariya  
bethithibeke ekucineni kwemibheda yabo,  
kanye laseDamaseko phezu kwemibheda  
yabo yokuphumulela.”

13 “Zwanini lokhu lifakaze ngendlu  
kaJakhobe,” kutsho iNkosi, UTHIXO uNkulunkulu  
uSomandla.

14 “Ngosuku engizajezisela u-Israyeli izono zakhe  
ngizabhidliza ama-alithare aseBhetheli;  
impondo ze-alithare zizaqunywa  
ziwele emhlabathini.

15 Ngizadiliza indlu yebusika kanye  
lendlu yehlobo,

izindlu eziceciswe ngempondo zendlovu  
zizadilizwa  
lezindlu ezinkulu zizabhidlizwa,”  
kutsho UTHIXO.

## 4

### *U-Israyeli Kakabuyeli KuNkulunkulu*

- <sup>1</sup> Zwanini ilizwi leli lina mankomokazi aseB-  
hashani phezu kweNtaba iSamarिया,  
lina besifazane elincindezela abayanga li-  
choboze abaswelayo  
beselisithi kubomkenu, “Siletheleni oku-  
nathwayo!”
- <sup>2</sup> UTHIXO Wobukhosi usefunge ngobungcwele  
bakhe wathi:  
“Isikhathi sizafika impela  
lapho elizathathwa khona ngewuka,  
owokucina wenu ngewuka yenhlanzi.
- <sup>3</sup> Lizaphuma ngamunye  
ngezikhala emdulini liqonde nta phandle,  
njalo lizalahlelwa ngaphandle ngokuya eHa-  
moni,”  
kutsho UTHIXO.
- <sup>4</sup> “Hambani eBhetheli liyekwenza isono;  
hambani eGiligali liyekwenza isono ngokud-  
lulayo.  
Lethani imihlatshelo yenu nsuku zonke ekuseni  
lokwetshumi kwenu minyaka yonke  
emithathu.
- <sup>5</sup> Tshisani isinkwa esilemvubelo njengomnikelo  
wokubonga  
lintele ngeminikelo yenu yokuzithandela  
lizikhukhumeze ngayo, lina bako-Israyeli,  
ngoba lokhu yikho elithanda ukukwenza,”



kutsho UTHIXO Wobukhosi.

6 “Ngalilethela indlala emadolobheni wonke  
lokusweleka kokudla emadolobheni wonke,  
kodwa kalibuyelanga kimi,”  
kutsho UTHIXO.

7 “Ngagodla izulu futhi  
kusasele inyanga ezintathu ukuba kuvunwe.  
Izulu ngalinisa kwelinye idolobho  
kodwa ngaligodla kwelinye.  
Enye insimu yaba lezulu,  
enye kayaze yaba lalo njalo yoma qha.

8 Abantu babhadazela besuka kwelinye idolobho  
besiya kwelinye befuna amanzi  
kodwa kabawatholanga anele ukuba  
bakholwe,  
ikanti kalibuyelanga kimi,”  
kutsho UTHIXO.

9 “Ezikhathini ezinengi ngahlasela izivande zenu  
lezivini zenu,  
ngizihlasela ngesona langengumane.  
Izintethe zadla imikhiwa yenu lezihlahla zenu  
zama-oliva,  
kodwa kalibuyelanga kimi,”  
kutsho UTHIXO.

10 “Ngathumela izifo phakathi kwenu  
njengengakwenza kweleGibhithe.  
Ngabulala izinsizwa zenu ngenkemba  
ndawonye lamabhiza enu athunjwayo.  
Ngavimbanisa amakhala enu ngomnuko wezi-  
honqo zenu,

kodwa kalibuyelanga kimi,”  
kutsho UTHIXO.

11 “Ngachitha abanye benu  
njengalokhu ngachitha iSodoma leGomora.  
Lalinjengesikhuni esitshayo esihluthunwe emlil-  
weni,  
kodwa kalibuyelanga kimi,”  
kutsho UTHIXO.

12 “Ngakho-ke engizakwenza kuwe Israyeli  
yilokhu,  
njalo njengoba lokhu ngizakwenza kuwe,  
zilungisele ukuhlangana loNkulunkulu  
wakho, wena Israyeli.”

13 Yena obumba izintaba,  
udala umoya,  
aveze lemicabango yakhe ebantwini,  
yena oguqula ukusa kube ngumnyama,  
anyathele lezindawo eziphakemeyo zomh-  
laba,  
UTHIXO uNkulunkulu uSomandla yilo ibizo  
lakhe.

## 5

### *Isililo Lesimemezelo Sokuphenduka*

<sup>1</sup> Zwana ilizwi leli, wena ndlu ka-Israyeli, isililo  
lesi engisenzayo ngani:

<sup>2</sup> “Iwile iNtombi u-Israyeli,  
kayiphindi ivuke futhi,  
ideliwe elizweni layo,  
kungekho ongayiphakamisela phezulu.”

<sup>3</sup> Nanku okutshiwo NGUTHIXO Wobukhosi:  
 “Idolobho lenu elikhupha inkulungwane eziqini-  
 leyo

lizasala labalikhulu kuphela;  
 idolobho elikhupha abalikhulu abaqinileyo liza-  
 sala  
 labalitshumi kuphela.”

<sup>4</sup> Nanku okutshiwo NGUTHIXO endlini ka-  
 Israyeli:

“Dingani mina, liphile;  
<sup>5</sup> lingadingi iBhetheli,  
 lingayi eGiligali,  
 lingayi eBherishebha.

Ngoba impela iGiligali izakuya ekuthunjweni,  
 leBhetheli izadliwa iphele nya.”

<sup>6</sup> Dingani uTHIXO liphile  
 hlezi adabule phakathi kwendlu kaJosefa  
 njengomlilo;  
 uzatshisa uqothule,  
 njalo iBhetheli kayiyikuba lomuntu oza-  
 wucitsha.

<sup>7</sup> Lina eliguqula ukulunga kube yibuhlungu,  
 lilahlele ubuqotho emhlabathini.

<sup>8</sup> Yena owenza iSilimela loMthala,  
 uguqula umnyama ube yikusa  
 enze imini ibe yibusuku obumnyama,  
 yena obiza amanzi olwandle,  
 awathele phezu kobuso belizwe,  
 uTHIXO yilo ibizo lakhe,

<sup>9</sup> wehlisela incithakalo phezu kwenqaba atsha-  
 balalise  
 idolobho elivikelweyo.

10 Liyamzonda okhuzayo emthethwandaba  
limeyise  
lalowo okhuluma iqiniso.

11 Linyathezela umyanga limncindezele  
ukuba aliphe amabele.  
Ngakho-ke, lanxa lakhe izindlu ezinkulukazi za-  
matshe  
kaliyikuhlala kuzo;  
lanxa lihlanyezele izivini ezinhle,  
iwayini lazo kaliyikulinatha.

12 Ngoba iziphambeko zenu ngiyazazi ukuthi  
zingaki  
kanye lokuthi izono zenu zinkulu okun-  
ganani.

Lincindezela abalungileyo lamukele isivalam-  
lomo,  
njalo emithethwandaba linqabela abayanga  
imfanelo.

13 Ngakho ezikhathini ezinjalo umuntu ohlaka-  
niphileyo uyazithulela,  
ngoba izikhathi zimbi.

14 Dingani okuhle, hatshi okubi,  
ukuze liphile.  
Lapho-ke uTHIXO uNkulunkulu uSomandla uza-  
kuba lani  
njengoba lisithi ulani.

15 Zondani okubi lithande okuhle;  
qinisani ukulunga emithethwandaba.  
Mhlawumbe uTHIXO uNkulunkulu uSomandla  
uzakuba lomusa  
kuzinsalela zakoJosefa.

16 Ngakho nanku okutshiwo yiNkosi, UTHIXO,  
uNkulunkulu uSomandla,  
“Kuzakuba lokulila emigwaqweni yonke  
lokukhala kabuhlungu ezinkundleni zonke  
zikhazulu.

Abalimi bazabizwa ukuba bakhale,  
labakhalayo ukuba balile.

17 Kuzakuba lokulila ezivinini zonke,  
ngoba ngizadlula phakathi kwenu,”  
kutsho UTHIXO.

*Usuku LUKATHIXO*

18 Maye kini lina elilangazelela  
usuku LUKATHIXO!

Kungani lilangazelela lolosuku LUKATHIXO na?  
Lolosuku luzakuba ngumnyama, hatshi  
ukukhanya.

19 Kuzafana lokuthi umuntu ubalekele isilwane  
wahlangana lebhele,  
njengangathi ungene endlini yakhe  
wabambelela emdulini ngesandla  
waselunywa yinyoka.

20 Usuku LUKATHIXO kaluyikuba ngumnyama na,  
hatshi ukukhanya,  
lumnyama bhufe, kungekho nhlansi  
yokukhanya?

21 “Ngiyayizonda, ngiyayeyisa imikhosi yokholo  
lwenu;  
angingeke ngiyimele imbuthano yenu.

22 Lanxa lingangilethela iminikelo yokutshiswa  
leminikelo  
yamabele kangiyikuyamukela.  
Lanxa liletha iminikelo emihle kakhulu yobuzal-  
wane,

- lokunonisiweyo kangiyikuyinanza.
- 23 Sukani lomsindo wezingoma zenu!  
Kangiyikuwulalela umculo wamachacho enu.
- 24 Kodwa ukulunga kakugeleze njengamanzi,  
lobuqotho njengesifula esingatshiyo!
- 25 Kanje wake wangilethela imihlatshelo leminikelo  
eminyakeni engamatshumi amane enkan-gala,  
wena ndlu ka-Israyeli na?
- 26 Seliphakamise indawo yokukhonzela  
izithombe zenu,  
isenabelo senkosi unkulunkulu wenu uS-  
akhuthi,  
lenkanyezi kankulunkulu wenu uKhayi-  
wani,  
elazenzela khona lina ngokwenu.
- 27 Ngakho ngizalisa ekuthunjweni ngale  
kweDamaseko,"  
kutsho uTHIXO obizo lakhe nguNkulunkulu  
uSomandla.

## 6

### *Maye Kulabo Abangakhathaliyo*

- 1 Maye kini lina elingakhathaliyo eZiyoni,  
lakini elizizwa livikelekile eNtabeni  
iSamariya,  
lina madoda adumileyo esizwe sokuqala,  
abantu bako-Israyeli abaya kuso!
- 2 Yanini eKhaline liyikhangele;  
lisuka lapho yanini eHamathi enkulu,  
beselisehlela eGathi eseFilistiya.

Bangcono kulemibuso yenu emibili na?

Ilizwe labo likhulu kulelenu na?

<sup>3</sup> Lisusa usuku olubi  
lisondeze eduze ukubusa ngodlakela.

<sup>4</sup> Lilala emibhedeni eyenziwa ngempondo  
zendlovu  
licambalale phezu kwemibheda yenu yoku-  
phumulela.

Lidla inyama yezimvu zekhethelo  
leyamathole anonisiweyo.

<sup>5</sup> Lihweba amachacho njengoDavida  
kodwa engamachacho ezaba.

<sup>6</sup> Linatha iwayini ligcwele inqayi,  
ligcobe ngamagcobo amahle,  
kodwa kalikhathazeki ngokuchitheka kuka-  
Josefa.

<sup>7</sup> Ngakho-ke lizakuba ngabanye bakuqala  
ekuthunjweni;  
ukuzitika kwenu lokuhleka kuzaphela.

*Inkosi Iyakwenyanya Ukuzigqaja Kuka-Israyeli*

<sup>8</sup> UTHIXO Wobukhosi uzifungele yena ngok-  
wakhe, UTHIXO uNkulunkulu uSomandla uthi:

“Ngiyakwenyanya ukuzigqaja kukaJakhobe  
njalo ngiyazizonda izinqaba zakhe;  
ngizalinikela idolobho lakho  
konke okukulo.”

<sup>9</sup> Nxa amadoda alitshumi esele endlini eyodwa,  
lawo azakufa. <sup>10</sup> Njalo nxa isihlobo okumele sit-  
shise izidumbu zifika ukuba sizisuse kuleyondlu  
besesibuza loba ngubani oyabe elokhu ecat-  
shile khonapho, sithi, “Kulomunye olawe na?”  
Yena athi, “Hatshi,” lapho-ke uzakuthi, “Thula!  
Akumelanga sithinte ibizo LIKATHIXO.”

- 11 Ngoba uTHIXO usekhuphe umlayo,  
njalo uzaphahlaza indlukazi ibe yizihlephu  
kuthi indlu encinyane ibe yizicucu.
- 12 Amabhiza ayagijima emadwaleni angamawa  
na?  
Umuntu uyalima khonapho ngenkabi na?  
Kodwa lina liphendule ukulunga kwaba yitshefu  
lesithelo sokulunga saba yibhulungu,
- 13 lina elithokoziswa yikunqotshwa kweLo-  
Debhari  
beselisithi, “IKharinayimi kasiyithumbanga  
ngamandla ethu na?”
- 14 Ngoba uTHIXO uNkulunkulu uSomandla uthi,  
“Ngizakuvusela isizwe, wena ndlu ka-  
Israyeli,  
esizakuncindezela indawo yonke  
kusukela eLebho Hamathi kusiyafika esigo-  
dini sase-Arabha.”

## 7

### *Intethe, Lomlilo Lentambo Yokuqondisa*

<sup>1</sup> Nanku engakutshengiswa NGUTHIXO  
Wobukhosi: Wayelungisa imitshitshi yezintethe  
emva kokuvunwa kwesabelo senkosi khonapho  
amabele esibili esakhula. <sup>2</sup> Kwathi lapho ilizwe  
seziliphundlile, ngamemeza ngathi, “THIXO  
Wobukhosi, thethelela! UJakhobe angaphepha  
kanjani? Mncinyane kakhulu!”

<sup>3</sup> Ngakho UTHIXO waxola.

“Akusoze kwenzakale” watsho UTHIXO.



<sup>4</sup> Nanku engakutshengiswa NGUTHIXO Wobukhosi: uTHIXO Wobukhosi wayememezela ukwehlulela ngomlilo; womisa ulwandle waqothula lelizwe. <sup>5</sup> Ngakho ngamemeza ngathi “THIXO Wobukhosi, ngiyakuncenga, ake ume! UJakhobe angaphepha kanjani na? Mncinyane kakhulu!”

<sup>6</sup> Ngakho uTHIXO waxola.

“Lokhu lakho akuyikwenzakala,” kwatsho uTHIXO Wobukhosi.

<sup>7</sup> Nanku angitshengisa khona: uThixo wayemi phansi komduli owawakhiwe waqonda nta ephethe intambo yokuqondisa ngesandla sakhe <sup>8</sup> UTHIXO wasengibuza esithi, “Kuyini okubonayo, Amosi?”

Ngaphendula ngathi, “Yintambo yokuqondisa.”

UThixo wasesithi, “Khangela, ngibeka intambo yokuqondisa phakathi kwabantu bami bako-Israyeli; kangisayikubaxolela futhi.

<sup>9</sup> Izindawo eziphakemeyo zika-Isaka zizadilizwa lezindawo ezingcwele zako-Israyeli zizachithwa; indlu kaJerobhowamu ngizayihlasela ngenkamba yami.”

### *U-Amosi Lo-Amaziya*

<sup>10</sup> U-Amaziya umphristi waseBhetheli wathumela ilizwi kuJerobhowamu inkosi yako-Israyeli, wathi, “U-Amosi uceba okubi ngawe khona kanye phakathi kwako-Israyeli. Ilizwe lingeke limelane lawo wonke amazwi akhe.

<sup>11</sup> Ngoba u-Amosi uthi:

‘UJerobhowamu uzakufa ngenkemba,  
 njalo impela u-Israyeli uzathunjwa,  
 asiwe khatshana kwelizwe lakibo.’ ”

<sup>12</sup> U-Amaziya wasesithi ku-Amosi, “Phuma, wena mboni! Buyela elizweni lakoJuda, usebenzele ukudla kwakho khonale wenze lokuphrofetha kwakho khonale. <sup>13</sup> Ungaphrofethi futhi eBhetheli, ngoba le yindawo yenkosi kanye lethempeli lombuso.”

<sup>14</sup> U-Amosi waphendula u-Amaziya wathi, “Mina ngangingasuye mphrofethi kumbe indodana yomphrofethi, kodwa ngangingumelusi, njalo ngigcina izihlahla zomkhiwa wesikhamore.

<sup>15</sup> Kodwa UTHIXO wangithatha ekweluseni imihlambi yezimvu wathi kimi, ‘Hamba uyephrofetha ebantwini bami bako-Israyeli.’ <sup>16</sup> Ngakho-ke khathesi zwana ilizwi LIKATHIXO. Wena uthi: ‘Ungaphrofethi kubi ngo-Israyeli,

njalo yekela ukutshumayela kubi ngendlela ka-Isaka.’

<sup>17</sup> Ngakho-ke nanku okutshiwo NGUTHIXO:

‘Umkakho uzakuba yisifebe edolobheni,  
 amadoda lamadodakazi akho azakufa  
 ngenkemba.

Ilizwe lakho lizalinganiswa labiwe,  
 njalo wena ngokwakho uzafela elizweni  
 lamaqaba.

Njalo impela u-Israyeli uzathunjwa  
 asiwe khatshana kwelizwe lakhe.’ ”

## 8

*Isitsha Sezithelo Ezivuthiweyo*

<sup>1</sup> Nanku engakutshengiswa NGUTHIXO Wobukhosi: isitsha esilezithelo ezivuthiweyo.

<sup>2</sup> Wangibuza wathi, “Kuyini okubonayo, Amosi?”  
Mina ngaphendula ngathi, “Yisitsha esilezithelo ezivuthiweyo.”

UTHIXO wasesithi kimi, “Isikhathi sabantu bami bako-Israyeli sesifikile; kangisabaxoleli futhi.

<sup>3</sup> Ngalolosuku, izingoma zethempelini zizaphenduka zibe yikulila. Izidumbu ezinengi kakhulu zidaklazelwe indawo yonke! Thulani!”  
Kutsho uTHIXO Wobukhosi.

<sup>4</sup> Zwanini lokhu, lina elincindezela abaswelayo njalo

lichitha labayanga elizweni,

<sup>5</sup> lisithi,

“Ukuthwasa kweNyanga Entsha kuzaphela nini ukuze sithengise amabele,

leSabatha lidlule

ukuze sithengise ingqoloyi na?”

Sinciphise isilinganiso,

sikhweze intengo

siqilibezele ngezilinganiso zenkohliso,

<sup>6</sup> sithenge abayanga ngesiliva,

abaswelayo sibathenge ngamanyathelo,

sithengise lamakhoba ngengqoloyi.

<sup>7</sup> UTHIXO ufungile ngokuziQhenya kukaJakhobe wathi, “Angisoze ngakhohliswa loba yini abayenzileyo.

<sup>8</sup> Ilizwe kaliyikuthuthumela ngalokhu yini

labo bonke abahlala kulo kabayikulila na?

Ilizwe lonke lizaqubuka njengeNayili;

lizadungeka beselitshona phansi

njengomfula waseGibhithe.

<sup>9</sup> Ngalolosuku,” kutsho UTHIXO Wobukhosi,  
“ngizakwenza ilanga litshone emini,  
ngenze emhlabeni kube mnyama emini  
ekhanyayo.

<sup>10</sup> Ngizaphendula imikhosi yenu yokukhonza ibe  
yikulila  
lokuhlabelela kwenu konke kube yikukhala.  
Lonke ngizalenza ligqoke amasaka,  
njalo liphuce amakhanda enu.  
Lesosikhathi ngizasenza sifane lokulilela indo-  
dana eyiyo yodwa  
lokuphela kwaso kube njengosuku olubuh-  
lungu.

<sup>11</sup> Insuku ziyeza, kutsho UTHIXO Wobukhosi,  
lapho engizathumela khona indlala elizweni  
hatshi indlala yokudla kumbe ukomela amanzi,  
kodwa indlala yokuzwa amazwi KATHIXO.

<sup>12</sup> Abantu bazaphamazela besuka elwandle be-  
siya elwandle,  
njalo bazule kusukela enyakatho kusiya em-  
pumalanga,  
bedinga ilizwi LIKATHIXO,  
kodwa kabayikulithola.

<sup>13</sup> Ngalolosuku  
izintombi ezinhle lezinsizwa eziqinileyo  
zizaqaleka ngenxa yokoma.

<sup>14</sup> Bona labo abafunga ngesono seSamariya,  
loba bathi, ‘Ngeqiniso  
njengoba unkulunkulu wakho ephila, wena  
Dani,’  
loba bathi, ‘Ngeqiniso

njengoba unkulunkulu waseBherishebha  
ephila,  
bazakuwa, bangaphindi bavuke futhi.”

## 9

### *U-Israyeli Uzachithwa*

<sup>1</sup> Ngabona uThixo emi phansi kwe-alithari,  
wasesithi:

“Tshaya izihloko zensika  
ukuze imibundu inyikinyeke.  
Ziwisele phansi phezu kwamakhanda abantu  
bonke;  
labo abazasala ngizababulala ngenkemba.

Kakho lamunye ozaphunyuka,  
kakho ozabaleka.

<sup>2</sup> Loba besimba baze bafike ekudepheni  
kwengcwaba,

isandla sami sizabathatha khonapho.  
Loba bekhwela baye phezulu emazulwini,  
bekhonapho ngizabehlisela phansi.

<sup>3</sup> Loba becatsha engqongweni yeKhameli,  
khonapho ngizabadinga ngibabambe.

Loba bengicatshela enzikini yolwandle,  
khonapho ngizalaya inyoka ukuba ibalume.

<sup>4</sup> Loba izitha zabo zingabasa ekuthunjweni,  
khonale ngizalaya inkemba ukuba ibabulale.

Ngizagxilisa amehlo ami kubo  
ngenxa yobubi hatshi ngobuhle.”

<sup>5</sup> INkosi, uTHIXO uSomandla,  
yena othinta umhlaba uncibilike,  
kuthi bonke abahlezi kuwo bakhale,

ilizwe lonke liyaphakama njengoNayili  
 liphinde litshone phansi njengomfula  
 waseGibhithe,

6 yena owakha indlu yakhe yobukhosi ephake-  
 meyo emazulwini  
 njalo ubeka isisekelo sakhe phezu komhlaba,  
 ebiza amanzi olwandle  
 awathele phezu kobuso bomhlaba,  
 UTHIXO yilo ibizo lakhe.

7 “Lina ma-Israyeli,  
 kimi kalinjengamaKhushi na?”  
 kutsho UTHIXO.

“U-Israyeli kangimkhuphanga eGibhithe,  
 lamaFilistiya eKhafithori,  
 kanye lama-Aramu eKhiri na?”

8 Impela amehlo KATHIXO Wobukhosi  
 aphezu kombuso olesono.  
 Ngizawukhucula ebusweni bomhlaba  
 ikanti indlu kaJakhobe  
 angiyikuyichitha ngokupheleleyo,”  
 kutsho UTHIXO.

9 “Ngoba ngizakupha umlayo,  
 njalo ngizahlungula indlu ka-Israyeli  
 phakathi kwezizwe zonke  
 njengokuhlungulwa kwamabele ekhomaneni  
 njalo akukho hlamvu oluzawela phansi.

10 Izeni zonke phakathi kwabantu bami  
 zizakufa ngenkemba,  
 bonke labo abathi,  
 ‘Umonakalo kawuyikusifica loba  
 usihlangabeze.’ ”

*Ukubuyiswa Kuka-Israyeli*

- 11 “Ngalolosuku  
ngizavusa ithente likaDavida elawayo.  
Ngizavala izikhala zalo,  
ngivuselele okwadilikayo kwalo,  
ngilakhe njengelaliyikho khona,
- 12 ukuze bathathe insalela ye-Edomi  
kanye lezizwe zonke ezizabizwa ngebizo  
lami,”  
kutsho UTHIXO, ozazenza lezizinto.
- 13 UTHIXO uthi, “Zinsuku ziyeza,  
lapho ovunayo ezaficwa ngolimayo,  
lohlanyelayo aficwe ngokhama amavini.  
Iwayini elitsha lizagobhoza ezintabeni,  
njalo ligeleze emaqaqeni wonke.
- 14 Ngizababuyisela abantu bami  
bako-Israyeli abathunjwayo.
- Bazawakha kutsha amadolobho adilikayo  
bahlale kuwo.  
Bazahlanyela izivini banathe iwayini lazo;  
bazakwenza izivande badle izithelo zazo.
- 15 Ngizagxumeka u-Israyeli elizweni lakhe  
angaphindi asitshunwe futhi  
elizweni engimnike lona,”  
kutsho UTHIXO uNkulunkulu wenu.

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