

Chitabu cha phiri cha SAMUELI Tanga mbere

Chitabu hichi chinaendeleza habari zokomera chitabu cha Samueli wa kpwandza. Haswa chinasemurira utawala wa mfalume Daudi urioandza kama mwaka wa elufu mwenga na kumi hadi mwaka wa magana tisiya na mirongo sabaa hivi, kabila ya Jesu kuvyalwa. Daudi watsambulwa ni Mlungu, achikala mtawala wa Iziraeli yosi na achishinda viha kano ny-inji. Wahenda Jerusalemu ikale mudziwe mkpwulu na sanduku ra chilagane achirireha himo. Piya hunaonyeswa ukatili wa Daudi ambapho wasababisha chifo cha Uriya ili afwinike dambi ya kuzinga na Bathisheba. Mlungu watsukizwa ni dambi iyo na nyumba ya Daudi ichiphaha mashaka manji dzagbwe watubu ariphokutana na nabii Nathani. Fundzo hipha ni: nguvu za ushindi ziphahikanazo wakati hunamkuluphira Mwenyezi Mlungu; na mashaka hudzireherago wakati hunakosa kumtii.

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*Daudi anaphaha habari
za chifo cha Sauli*

¹ Bada ya chifo cha Sauli, hipo Daudi ariphouya kula kpwendashinda Aamaleki, wakala siku mbiri hiko Zikilagi. ² Siku ya hahu, kpwakpwedza mutu kula kambi ya Sauli, nguwoze zikakpwanyulwa, chisha ana vumbi mwakpwe chitswani kuonyesa ana sonono. Arip Hofika kpwa Daudi, wazama photsi, kumupha ishima. ³ Daudi achimuza, “Ula kuphi?” Iye mutu achijibu achiamba, “Nkatiya kula kambi ya Iziraeli.” ⁴ Daudi achimuza, “Hebu niambira, gakaphiyadze?” Achiamba, “Anajeshi akachimbira kula vihani, chisha anji aho akafwa, piya Sauli naye na mwanawe Jonathani akafwa.” ⁵ Ndipho Daudi achimuza yuya barobaro ariyemrehera habari, “Unamanyadze kukala Sauli na mwanawe Jonathani akafwa?” ⁶ Hiye barobaro achiamba, “Kpwa bahati nono nákala dzulu ya mwango wa Giliboa, nchimuona Sauli akagandamira fumore, na magari ga kuvwehwa ni farasi ga maadui na apherikie a phephi na kummamanira. ⁷ Naye aripholola nyuma, waniona, achiniha. Nchijibu, ‘Ee.’ ⁸ Achiniuza, ‘U ani we?’ Nchimjibu nchiamba, ‘Mino ni Muamaleki.’ ⁹ Achiniamba, ‘Sengera phephi nami, uniolage, mana narumira sana ela roho yangu bado ichere moyo.’ ¹⁰ Phahi, naima phephi naye, nchimuolaga, kpwa sababu namanya kukala kpwa kpweli kandawezakupona bada ya kugbwa. Nami

naihala tadzi iriyokala mwakpwe chitswani na chikuku chirichokala mwakpwe mkpwononi nkavireha kpwa bwana wangu.”

¹¹ Ndipho Daudi wagbwira nguwoze achizikpwanyula na atu osi ariokala phamwenga naye achihenda dza vivyo. ¹² Akala na huzuni, achirira na achifunga hata dziloni, kpwa ajili ya Sauli na mwanawe Jonathani na kpwa ajili ya Jeshi ra Mwenyezi Mlungu yani Aiziraeli, kpwa sababu akafwa kpwa upanga.

¹³ Naye Daudi achimuuza yuya barobaro ariyekala anam'baza habari, “Ula kuphi we?” Wamjibu achiamba, “Mino ni Muamaleki, mjeni nsagalaye tsiyo ya Iziraeli.” ¹⁴ Daudi achimuuza, “Kpwadze kuyaogopha kumuolaga mmwagirwa mafuha wa Mwenyezi Mlungu?” ¹⁵ Ndipho Daudi achimuiha mmwenga wa barobaro, achimuambira, “Muolage.” Phahi achimdungu fumo achimuolaga. ¹⁶ Mana Daudi kala akamuambira, “Milatsoyo na ikale dzuluyo mwenye, mana ukadzisema mwenye, ukaamba, ‘Nkamuolaga mmwagirwa mafuha wa Mwenyezi Mlungu.’ ”

Daudi anamririra Sauli na Jonathani

¹⁷ Phahi huno ndio wira wa sonono ambao Daudi wautunga ili kumririra Sauli na mwanawe Jonathani. ¹⁸ Iye walagiza wira huno ufundzwe atu a Juda. Wira huno wiihwa uha (nao waandikpwa kpwenye chitabu cha Jashari*). Wira wenye unaamba hivi,

1:18 1:18 Joshuwa 10:13
Chitabu cha enye haki.

* **1:18** 1:18 Jashari manage ni

19 Atu ario fahariyo, ee Iziraeli, akaolagbwa
mwako myangoni!
Lola, masujaa gachivyogbwa gakafwa!

20 Msigasemurire mambo higa hiko Gathi,
msigatangaze hiko njira za Ashikeloni,
sedze achetu a Chifilisti akahererwa,
ana achetu a atu asiotiywa tsatsani akaona
raha sana.

21 Mwino myango ya Giliboa,
dzulu yenu kusikalepho manena wala
mvula,
wala minda ivyalayo chitu.

Mana kuko ngao za masujaa zatiywa najisi,
ngao ya Sauli, taindapakpwa mafuha tsona.

22 Uha wa Jonathani kala una nguvu,
na upanga wa Sauli wahenda kazi ngumu.
Amwaga milatso ya maadui gao,
na achidunga miri ya masujaa.

23 Sauli na Jonathani amenzwa na ahamira atu.
Maishani wala chifoni taayatengbwa,
akala epesi a mairo kuriko makozi gaurukavyo,
akala na nguvu kuriko simba.

24 Mwino achetu a Iziraeli, mririreni Sauli
ambaye wakuvwikani mavwazi ga kundu ga
bei,
ariyepamba nguwo zenu na mapambo ga
zahabu.

25 Lola, masujaa achivyogbwa kahi-kahi ya viha!

Jonathani akaolagbwa myangoni.
 26 Ninasononeka kpwa ajiliyo, mwenehu
 Jonathani,
 Kala uchinimendza sana.
 Mendzwayo kpwangu yakala ya ajabu,
 Kutsupa mendzwa ya achetu.

27 Lola vyo masujaa gachivyogbwa gakafwa!
 Na silaha za viha tazina mana tsona!

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Daudi anamwagirwa mafuha akale mfalume wa Juda

¹ Siku chache bada ya higo kuhendeka, Daudi wauza Mwenyezi Mlungu achiamba, “Dze, ni-ambuke kuphiya mudzi mmwengawapho wa Juda?” Mwenyezi Mlungu achimuamba, “Ambuka!” Daudi achiuza, “Niambuke kuphiya mudzi uphi?” Mwenyezi Mlungu achiamba, “Phiya Heburoni.” ² Phahi Daudi achiambuka kuphiya hiko phamwenga na achee airi, Ahinoamu wa Jeziriili na Abigaili, gungu ra mfwadzi Nabali wa Karimeli. ³ Daudi piya waphiya na atue ariokala nao, chila mutu na atu a nyumbaye, achendasagala kpwenye vidzidzi virivyo phephi na Heburoni. ⁴ Nao atu a Juda aphiya hiko kpendammwagira Daudi mafuha akale mfalume wa Juda.

Daudi ariphoambirwa kukala atu a Jabeshi-Giliadi ndinyo ariomzika Sauli, ⁵ wahuma

ajumbe kpwa atu a Jabeshi-Giliadi kpwendaambira, “Mwenyezi Mlungu na akujaliyeni kpwa kukala mkamuonera mbazi bwana wenu Sauli kpwa kumzika. ⁶ Sambu Mwenyezi Mlungu naakuonyeseni mendzwaye isiyosika na uamini-fuwe. Mino nami ndakuhenderani wema kpwa sababu mkahenda dzambo nono. ⁷ Phahi kalani na nguvu na mioyo ya usujaa, mana bwana wenu Sauli akafwa, nao atu a Juda akanimwagira mafuha nikale mfalume wao.”

Kondo kahi ya atu a Sauli na a Daudi

⁸ Ela Abineri mwana wa Neri, mkpwulu wa jeshi ra Sauli, kala akamuhala Ishi-Boshethi, mwana wa Sauli, achimreha hadi Mahanaimu. ⁹ Achimuika akale mfalume dzulu ya Giliadi, Asheri, Jeziriili, Efuraimu, Benjamini, yani Iziraeli yosi. ¹⁰ Hiye Ishi-Boshethi mwana wa Sauli kala ana miaka mirongo mine ariphoandza kutawala Iziraeli, naye watawala miaka miiri. Ela atu a Juda agbwirana na Daudi. ¹¹ Muda ambao Daudi watawala Juda hiko Heburoni kala ni miaka sabaa na miezi sita.

¹² Phahi Abineri na jeshi ra Ishi-Boshethi, auka Mahanaimu kuphiya Gibioni. ¹³ Naye Joabu mwana wa Seruya na jeshi ra Daudi achituluka, nao achikutana phephi na ziya ra Gibioni. Achisagala kundi hiri uphande huno wa ziya na anjina uphande wanjina wa ziya. ¹⁴ Abineri achimuambira Joabu, “Nahutsambule barobaro anjina apigane mbilili mbere zehu.” Joabu achiamba, “Haya! Naapigane.” ¹⁵ Phahi aunuka achitsupa kuno anaolangbwa, atu kumi na airi kula Benjamini kpwa niaba ya Ishi-Boshethi

na kumi na airi kula jeshi ra Daudi. ¹⁶ Nao chila mmwenga achimgbwira myawe chitswa na kudunga upangawe kpwenye lavu ra myawe. Osi agbwa chivyamwenga achifwa, ndipho phatu hipo phachiihwa Helikathi-Hasurimu,* hiko Gibioni. ¹⁷ Bada ya higo kuhendeka, viha vyakala vikali sana, naye Abineri na atu a Iziraeli achishindwa ni jeshi ra Daudi.

¹⁸ Ana ahahu a Seruya kala a hiko, Joabu, Abishai na Asaheli. Hiye Asaheli kala ana mairo dza chiphala. ¹⁹ Naye Asaheli wamzoresa Abineri na kayagaluka kuphiya mkpwono wa kulume wala mkpwono wa kumotso. ²⁰ Phahi Abineri aripholola nyumaye wauza, “Ni uwe Asaheli?” Achimjibu achiamba, “Ni mimi.” ²¹ Phahi Abineri achimuambira, “Galuka mkpwono wa kulume au mkpwono wa kumotso, ukamgbwire mmwengawapho wa barobaro, uzihale silahaze.” Ela Asaheli kayakubali kugaluka na kuricha kumzoresa. ²² Abineri achimuambira Asaheli kano ya phiri, “Galuka, richa kunizoresa mimi, mbona unalonda nikuolage? Nchikuo-laga ndawezadze kuima mbere za nduguyo Joabu?” ²³ Ela warema kugaluka, ndipho Abineri achimdungu ndanini kpwa tsa ya nyuma ya fumore hadi hiro fumo richifurika, naye achigbwa phapho hipo achifwa. Atu osi ariofika hipo ariphofwerera Asaheli, aima.

²⁴ Ela Joabu na Abishai aandza kumzoresa Abineri, dzuwa ririphokala rikatswa kala akafika chidzango cha Ama phephi na Giya

* **2:16** 2:16 Phatu hipha phaihwa tsa ya upanga.

kpwenye njira iphiyayo weru wa Gibioni. ²⁵ Ndipho atu a Benjamini achikusanyika tsona phamwenga nyuma ya Abineri, achiunda chikosi cha nguvu achichita palo dzulu ya chidzango. ²⁶ Chisha hiye Abineri achimkotera kululu Joabu achiamba, “Dze, swino huenderere kuolagana hadi rini? Kumanya mambo higa mwishowe ni utsungu? Ugodzani usiyeaamuru atu auye na kuricha kuazoresa ndugu zao?” ²⁷ Naye Joabu achiamba, “Naapa kpwa dzina ra Mlungu ariye moyo, kama kugombere, phahi hinya atu angeenderera kuzoresa ndugu zao hadi ligundzu.” ²⁸ Phahi Joabu wapiga gunda, na anajeshi osi achiima, taayazoresa Aiziraeli wala kupigana nao tsona.

²⁹ Abineri na atue anyendeka uphande wa mtswerero wa dzuwa wa Dete ra Joridani usiku wosi, achivuka muho Joridani na achinyendeka ligundzu rosi† hadi achedza Mahanaimu. ³⁰ Joabu wauya kula kuzoresa Abineri achikusanya phamwenga atue osi. Jeshi ra Daudi kala rikaphungukirwa ni atu kumi na tisiya bila kumuolanga Asaheli. ³¹ Ela atu a Daudi kala akaaolaga atu a Benjamini ariokala phamwenga na Abineri magana mahahu na mirongo sita. ³² Joabu na atue amuhala Asaheli achendamzika kpwenye mbira ya ise yokala hiko Bethlehemu. Chisha achinyendeka usiku kucha hata anafika Heburoni, kukacha.

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¹ Phahi viha kahi ya atu a Sauli na atu a

† 2:29 2:29 au Bithironi yosi.

Daudi vyadumu kpwa muda wa kutosha. Daudi achienderera kuimarika, ela nyumba ya Sauli yaenderera kukala nyonje.

² Hiko Heburoni Daudi wavyarirwa ana hinya: mwanawe wa kpwandza kala ni Amunoni, nine ni Ahinoamu kula Jeziriili. ³ Mwanawe wa phiri ni Kileabu, nine ni Abigaili gungu ra Nabali, kula Karimeli. Mwanawe wa hahu ni Abusalomu, nine ni Maaka mwana mchetu wa Talimai, mfalume wa Geshuri. ⁴ Wa ne kala ni Adonija, ariyemvyala na Hagithi. Wa tsano kala ni Shefatia, ariyemvyala na Abitali. ⁵ Wa sita kala ni Ithireamu, ariyemvyala na mchewe yeihwa wanjina Egila. Hinya ndio ovyalwa ni Daudi hiko Heburoni.

Abineri ayadziunga na Daudi

⁶ Viha viriphokala vinaenderera kahi ya atu a Sauli na atu a Daudi, Abineri kala anazidi kuphaha nguvu kahi za atu a Sauli. ⁷ Sambu mfwadzi Sauli kala ana mwanachetu aihwaye Risipa, mwana mchetu wa Aya. Naye Ishi-Boshethi achimuza Abineri, “Mbona ukalala na mkpwaza baba?” ⁸ Abineri wareyezwa sana ni maneno ga Ishi-Boshethi achiamba, “Kpwani mino ni diya hata nilunge-lunge atu a Juda aphiyako? Mimi nkakala muaminifu kpwa nyumba ya sowe Sauli, nduguze na ase-nae, sikakutiya uwe mkpwononi mwa Daudi. Ela rero unaamba ni mkpwosa kpwa kukala na mchetu hiyu. ⁹ Mlungu naanitiye adabu kali mimi Abineri nisiphomuhendera Daudi

dza vira arivyoapirwa ni Mwenyezi Mlungu. ¹⁰ Yani, kuutsamiza ufalume kula nyumba ya Sauli na kuchiimarisha chihi cha utawala cha Daudi katika Iziraeli na Juda, kula Dani hadi Beeri-Sheba.” ¹¹ Hipo Ishi-Boshethi kayaweza kumjibu Abineri neno ranjina kpwa sababu kala anamuogopa.

¹² Phahi Abineri wahuma ahumwa kpwa Daudi hiko Heburoni akamuambire, “Tsi hino ni ya ani? Nahuike chilagane nami ndakuterya kuareha Aiziraeli osi uatawale.” ¹³ Daudi achiamba, “Ni sawa ndaika chilagane nawe, ela nina sharuti mwenga bahi nlondaro kula kpwako naro ni hiri: Uchedza kundaniona uso wangu bila ya kunirehera Mikali mwana mchetu wa Sauli.” ¹⁴ Chisha Daudi wahuma ajumbe kpwa Ishi-Boshethi, mwana wa Sauli, kumuamba, “Niuyizira mkazangu Mikali, niriye-mposa kpwa masunyu gana ga Afilisti.” ¹⁵ Phahi Ishi-Boshethi wahuma atu akamuhale Mikali kula kpwa mlumewe Palitiei mwana wa Laishi. ¹⁶ Hiye mlumewe walungana naye kuno anarira hadi achifika naye Bahurimu. Ndipho Abineri achimuambira, “Hebu uya.” Naye achiuya.

¹⁷ Phahi Abineri wahenda mashauri na atumia a Iziraeli achiamba, “Kpwa muda mure kala mnalonda Daudi akutawaleni. ¹⁸ Sambu hendi hiviyo mana Mwenyezi Mlungu wamuahidi Daudi achiamba, ‘Kpwa mkpwono wa mtumishi wangu Daudi, ndaativya atu angu Iziraeli kula kpwa mikono ya Afilisti, na kula kpwa mikono ya aviha aho anjina osi.’ ” ¹⁹ Abineri piya wagomba

na atu a Benjamini chisha achiphiya kugomba na Daudi hiko Heburoni chila chitu ambacho chivyazi chosi cha Benjamini na Aiziraeli anjina alonda chihendwe.

²⁰ Abineri ariphofika kpwa Daudi hiko Heburoni phamwenga na atu mironko miiri, Daudi waahendera karamu. ²¹ Ndipho Abineri achimuambira Daudi, “Nricha niphiye vyangu nkamkusanyire bwana wangu mfalume Aiziraeli osi, ili aike chilagane nawe, uweze kutawala vyosi ulondavyo.” Phahi Daudi achimruhusu Abineri naye achiphiya vyakpwe kpwa amani.

Joabu anamuolaga Abineri

²² Badaye anajeshi a Daudi phamwenga na Joabu atsoloka kula kpwendavamia, achireha zewe nyinji. Ela Abineri kala kaphamwenga na Daudi ko Heburoni, mana kala Daudi akamruhusu aphiye vyakpwe kpwa amani.

²³ Joabu na anajeshi osi okala phamwenga naye ariphotsoloka, atu amuambira Joabu, “Abineri che akedza kpwa mfalume, naye akamruhusu akaphiya vyakpwe kpwa amani.” ²⁴ Ndipho Joabu achimlunga mfalume achimuamba, “Ukahendadze we? Mbona Abineri akedza na ukamruhusu aphiye vyakpwe?” ²⁵ Uwe unammanya Abineri akedza ili akuchenge, amanye gosi upangago na uhendago.”

²⁶ Joabu ariphola kpwa Daudi, wahuma ajumbe amlunge Abineri, achimuuyiza kula chisima cha Sira. Ela Daudi kala kana amanyaro. ²⁷ Naye Abineri ariphouya Heburoni, Joabu wamuiha kanda achendaima naye phatu kanda mo ryangoni avi ayagomba naye njama,

achimdungu ndanini hadi achifwa kpwa sababu ya kumuolaga mwanao Asaheli. ²⁸ Chisha Daudi ariphosikira kuhusu dzambo hiri, waamba, “Mimi na ufalume wangu tahuna makosa mbere za Mwenyezi Mlungu hata kare na kare, kpwa sababu ya milatso ya Abineri mwana wa Neri. ²⁹ Naimuuyire mwenye Joabu na nyumba yosi ya ise. Chisha iyo nyumba ya Joabu isikose kukala na mutu ariye na chironda chidodacho, au ariye na mahana, au mwenye kugutsira na gongo, au ndiyeolagbwa vihani au mutu ambaye andatsowa chakurya.” ³⁰ Phahi Joabu na mwanao Abishai amuolaga Abineri kpwa sababu waaolagira mwanao wao Asaheli vihani hiko Gibioni.

³¹ Chisha Daudi waambira Joabu na ana-jeshi osi ariokala phamwenga naye, “Kpwanyulani nguwo zenu, mkavwale magunia mumaririre Abineri kuno mkatanguliya ro jeneza.” Naye mfalume Daudi wanyendeka nyuma ya jeneza, ³² achendamzika Abineri hiko Heburoni. Mfalume Daudi waudula ndiro, achimririra pho mbirani, nao atu osi achirira. ³³ Ndipho mfalume achiimba wira wa kumririra Abineri achiamba, “Ikakaladze Abineri afwe dza afwavyo mzuzu?”

³⁴ Mikonoyo taifungirwe,

Wala magulugo tagakafungbwa silisili;

Ela ukafwa dza mutu achiyeolagbwa ni atu ayi.”

Na atu osi amririra tsona. ³⁵ Alafu atu osi akpwedzamchenga-chenga Daudi kpwa arye chakurya wakati kabila dzuwa taridzangbwetswa. Ela Daudi achiapa achiamba, “Mlungu

naanitiye adabu kali ichikala ndatata chakurya chochosi kabila ya dzuwa kutswa.”³⁶ Atu osi aona dzambo hiro, richiafwahira dza vyo arivyofwahirwa ni chila mfalume arirohenda.³⁷ Ndipho atu osi a Iziraeli achimanya kukala mfalume kayashiriki kuolagbwa kpwa Abineri mwana wa Neri.³⁸ Chisha mfalume waambira atumishie, “Kpwani mwino tammanya kukala mkpwulu mmwenga, mutu mashuhuri hipha Iziraeli rero akafwa?”³⁹ Nami rero dzagbwe námwagirwa mafuha nkale mfalume, nkasira nguvu na hinyo ana a Seruya akanizidi nguvu, phahi Mwenyezi Mlungu na aariphe atu ayi sawa-sawa na mai gao.”

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Ishi-Boshethi anaolagbwa

¹ Ishi-Boshethi mwana wa Sauli ariphosikira kukala Abineri akafwa hiko Heburoni, wakosa ujasiri na Aiziraeli osi achiogopha.² Hiye mwana wa Sauli kala ana akulu airi a vikosi vya kuvamia atu, mmwenga waihwa Baana na wa phiri Rekabu ana a Rimoni, kula Beerothi, wa mbari ya Benjamini; (kpwa mana Beerothi yaolangbwa kukala seemu ya Benjamini.³ Na hinyo Abeerothi halisi okala achisagala hipho achimbira kuphiya Gitaimu, ndiko anakosagala dza achimbizi hadi rero.)

⁴ Jonathani mwana wa Sauli kala ana mwana ariyekala chiswere, dzinare waihwa Mefiboshethi. Iye kala ana miaka mitsano,

wakati habari za chifo cha Sauli na Jonathani ziriphofika Jeziriili. Na mrezi wa mwana wamuunula achichimbira naye. Aripbokala anazola, mwana wamtsuhuka achigbwa, achikala chiswere.

⁵ Siku mwenga Rekabu na Baana, ana a Rimoni, kula Beerothi, aphiya hadi kaya ya Ishi-Boshethi, achifika dzuwa ra mutsi, mwenye kala anadziyeza.

⁶ Phahi ainjira nyumbani, achihenda avi analunga mt-sere, achimdunga ndanini, chisha achichimbira.

⁷ Hiye mutu na mwanao aripbokala akainjira nyumbani mokala Ishi-Boshethi arere chitan-dani mwakpwe chumbani, amdunga ndanini, achimuolaga. Alafu amkata chitswa achichihala na achipiya vyao kutsupira Dete ra Joridani usiku wosi. ⁸ Achimrehera Daudi chitswa cha Ishi-Boshethi hiko Heburoni, achimuambira mfalume, "Hichi ni chitswa cha Ishi-Boshethi, mwana wa Sauli, mvihao, ariyelonda kukuolaga. Rero Mwenyezi Mlungu akakuriphizira chisasi uwe bwana wangu mfalume kpwa Sauli na chivyaziche."

⁹ Ela Daudi wajibu Rekabu na mwanao Baana, ana a Beerothi achiaambira, "Naapa kpwa dzina ra Mwenyezi Mlungu ariye moyo, ariyenitivya kula kpwenye shida zosi, ¹⁰ mutu mmwenga ariphoniambira, 'Sauli akafwa,' achiona kukala akareha habari nono, namgbwira, nchimuolaga, hiko Zikilagi. Ndiyo tuzo nriyomupha kpwa ajili ya hizo habarize.

¹¹ Phahi, napho atu ayi akamuolaga mutu asiye na kosa mwakpwe chitandani, dze, hivi samb

nsiariphize kpwa kumwaga milatsoye, na niku-useni mwimwi kula himu duniani?”¹² Ndipho Daudi waamuru atue nao achiaolaga. Bada ya kuaolaga achiakata mikono na magulu, achi-atsundika dzulu ya muhi kanda ya ziya hiko Heburoni. Nao achihala chitswa cha Ishi-Boshethi achichizika mbirani ya Abineri hiko Heburoni.

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Daudi anakala mfalume wa Iziraeli na Juda (1 Nyakati 11:1-3)

¹ Alafu mbari zosi za Iziraeli akpwedza Heburoni kpwa Daudi achedzamuamba, “Lola swiswi hu atuo. ² Hipho kare Sauli ariphokala anahutawala, uwe ndiwe uriyelongoza Aiziraeli kuphiya vihani na Mwenyezi Mlungu achikuamba, ‘Uwe undakala mrisa wa atu angu Iziraeli, chisha undakala mtawala wao.’ ”

³ Atumia osi a Iziraeli amwedzera mfalume Daudi ko Heburoni, naye Daudi achiika chilagane nao mbere za Mwenyezi Mlungu ko Heburoni, achimmwagira Daudi mafuha akale mfalume wa Iziraeli.

⁴ Daudi kala ana miaka mirongo mihahu ariphoandza kutawala, naye watawala miaka mirongo mine. ⁵ Hiko Heburoni watawala miaka sabaa na miezi sita na hiko Jerusalem watawala miaka mirongo mihahu na mihahu Iziraeli yosi na Juda.

5:4 5:4 1 Afalume 2:11; 1 Nyakati 3:4; 29:27

*Daudi anateka Jerusalemu
(1 Nyakati 11:4-9; 14:1-7)*

⁶ Siku mwenga mfalume na atue aphiya Jerusalemu ili akapigane na Ajebusi, ambao kala achisagala mumo. Ajebusi amuambira Daudi, “Kundainjira himu bii, kpwa mana hata vipofu na viswere anaweza kukuzuwiya.” Kala anaona kukala Daudi kandaturya kuinjira himo. ⁷ Ela Daudi waihala yo ngome ya Sayuni, ambayo ndiyo Mudzi wa Daudi.

⁸ Siku iyo Daudi waambira atue, “Hiye ndiyeapiga Ajebusi, naatsupire kpwa mfumbi wa madzi akaapige hinyo viswere na vipofu ambao Daudi anaamena.” (Ndio mana atu nkuamba, “Nyo vipofu na viswere taaruhusiwa kuinjira nyumba ya mfalume.”) ⁹ Phahi Daudi wasagala mumo ngomeni, ndiyo mana uchiihwa Mudzi wa Daudi. Chisha Daudi achidzenga hinyo mudzi kuuzunguluka, kuandzira Milo* kuphiya ndani. ¹⁰ Naye Daudi wazidi kuhenda nguvu, kpwa mana Mwenyezi Mlungu, Mlungu wa majeshi kala a phamwenga naye.

¹¹ Chisha Hiramumu mfalume wa Tiro wahuma ahumwa kpwa Daudi, achireha mierezi phamwenga na mafundi a kutsonga na mafundi a mawe nao achedzamdzengera Daudi nyumba ya chifalume. ¹² Naye Daudi achimanya kukala Mwenyezi Mlungu wamuimarisha akale

5:6 5:6 Joshuwa 15:63; Aamuli 1:21 * **5:9** 5:9 Mana ga Chieburania ga Milo ni phatu phoodzazwa mitsanga phachikala dza ngazi pana za kutosha kudzenga nyumba dzuluye.

mfalume wa Iziraeli na aufanikishe nyo ufalume kpwa ajili ya atue, Iziraeli.

¹³ Daudi ariphola Heburoni, wazidi kulóla achetu na anachetu anji hiko Jerusalem, achivyarirwa ana anji a chilume na a chichetu.

¹⁴ Na higa ndigo madzina ga hinyo ana ari-ovyalwa hiko Jerusalem: Shamua, Shobabu, Nathani, Selemani, ¹⁵ Ibhari, Elishuwa, Nefegi, Jafia; ¹⁶ Elishama, Eliada na Elifeleti.

*Daudi anaashinda Afilisti
(1 Nyakati 14:8-17)*

¹⁷ Afilisti ariphosikira kukala Daudi akatiywa mafuha ili akale mfalume wa Iziraeli, Afilisti osi aambuka kpendamuendza Daudi. Naye Daudi ariphogasikira, watserera achiphiya ngomeni.

¹⁸ Phahi Afilisti kala akedza na kudzitawanya Dete ra Arafa. ¹⁹ Phahi Daudi wamuuzwa Mwenyezi Mlungu achiamba, “Dze, niambuke nkapigane na Afilisti? Undaatiya mwangu mikononi?”

Naye Mwenyezi Mlungu achimjibu Daudi achiamba, “Ambuka ukapigane na Afilisti kpwa kukala kpwa kpweli ndaatiya mwako mikononi.”

²⁰ Phahi Daudi waphiya hadi Baali-Perasimu,† achendaashindira hiko, na achiamba, “Mwenyezi Mlungu akafurikira maadui gangu mbere zangu dza mafuriko ga madzi.” Kpwa hivyo phatu phapho phaihwa Baali-Perasimu.

²¹ Afilisti aricha vizuka vyao phapho, na Daudi na atue achivihala achiuka navyo.

²² Afilisti auya tsona, achimwagikana Dete ra Arafa. ²³ Naye Daudi ariphomuuzwa Mwenyezi

† 5:20 5:20 Baali-Perasimu manage ni Mlungu akaamwagikira.

Mlungu, Mwenyezi Mlungu achimuamba, “Usiambuke mwenga kpwa mwenga ela azunguluke ukaashambuliye kula uphande wa nyuma, hiko mbere za mihi ya miforisadi. ²⁴ Hiphho ndiphosikira misindo dzulu ya yo miforisadi, ndipho nawe uphiye wangbwi-wangbwi kpwa kukala Mwenyezi Mlungu akakutanguliya mberezo kpendapiga jeshi ra Afilisti.” ²⁵ Daudi wahenda dza arivyolagizwa ni Mwenyezi Mlungu, naye achiapiga Afilisti kula Geba hadi Gezeri.

6

Sanduku ra Mlungu rinarehwa Jerusalemu

(1 Nyakati 13:1-14; 15:25—16:3,43)

¹ Daudi wakusanya tsona anajeshi hodari a Iziraeli, elufu mirongo mihahu. ² Daudi achiuka phamwenga na hinyo anajeshi kuphiya mudzi wa Baala* kahi za tsi ya Juda, ili kuriambusa kula kuko sanduku ra Mlungu riihwaro kpwa dzina ra Mwenyezi Mlungu, Mlungu wa majeshi, asagalaye dzulu ya chihi cha endzi kahi-kahi ya makerubi ario dzulu ya sanduku ra Mlungu. ³ Atsukula hiro sanduku ra Mlungu dzulu ya rukpwama dziphyha, achirituluza kula nyumba ya Abinadabu yokala i chidzangoni. Uza na Ahio ana a Abinadabu ndio ariolongoza ro rukpwama dziphyha, ⁴ phamwenga na sanduku ra Mlungu.

6:2 6:2 Kutsama 25:22 * **6:2** 6:2 Baala: Dzina ranjina ni Kiriathi-Jearimu. Soma 1 Samueli 6:21—7:2. **6:3** 6:3 1 Samueli 7:1-2

Hiye Ahio kala ananyendeka mbere ya ro sanduku. ⁵ Daudi na Aiziraeli osi avwina mbere za Mwenyezi Mlungu kpwa nguvu zao zosi, kpwa kuimba mawira na kupiga zeze, ngephephe, tamburini, kayamba na matoazi.

⁶ Ariphofika phatu pha kuwagira mtsere pha Nakoni, Uza wagolosa mkpwonowe kuzuwiya sanduku ra Mlungu, mana ng'ombe kala zikakpwala. ⁷ Ndipho Mwenyezi Mlungu achimsukirirwa Uza, achimuolaga phapho kpwa kosare, naye wafwa phapho mbere ya sanduku ra Mlungu.

⁸ Daudi watsukirwa mana tsukizi za Mwenyezi Mlungu kala zikamuolaga Uza, phatu phapho phaihua Peresi-Uza† hadi rero. ⁹ Naye Daudi siku iyo wamuogopha Mwenyezi Mlungu achiamba, “Mino ndarirehadze kpwangu kaya sanduku ra Mwenyezi Mlungu?” ¹⁰ Phahi Daudi kayalonda kureha sanduku ra Mwenyezi Mlungu ili aphiye naro kpwakpwe, Mudzi wa Daudi, ela wariricha nyumbani mwa Obedi-Edomu, kula Gathi. ¹¹ Phahi sanduku ra Mwenyezi Mlungu rasala nyumbani mwa Obedi-Edomu kpwa muda wa miezi mihahu, naye Mwenyezi Mlungu achim'bariki Obedi-Edomu na atu osi a phakpwe kaya.

¹² Chisha mfalume Daudi waambirwa kukala, “Mwenyezi Mlungu akaabariki atu osi a kaya ya Obedi-Edomu na vyosi arivyokala navyo kpwa ajili ya sanduku ra Mlungu.” Ndipho Daudi achiphiya na achendarihala ro sanduku

† **6:8** 6:8 Peresi-Uza: manage ni kumtsukirirwa Uza. **6:11** 6:11
1 Nyakati 26:4-5

ra Mlungu kula kpwa Obedi-Edomu kuno aka-hererwa hadi Mudzi wa Daudi. ¹³ Hinyo atu ariotsukula sanduku ra Mwenyezi Mlungu ariphophiya nyago sita, Daudi watsindza sadaka ya ndzau wa kunona. ¹⁴ Daudi kala akavwala chisibao cha katani naye wavwina mbere za Mwenyezi Mlungu kpwa nguvuze zosi. ¹⁵ Iye na atu osi a Iziraeli arireha ro sanduku ra Mwenyezi Mlungu kuno anapiga njerejere na kupiga magunda.

¹⁶ Sanduku ra Mwenyezi Mlungu ririphokala rinainjizwa Mudzi wa Daudi, Mikali mwana mchetu wa Sauli, watsungurira na dirishani, achimuona mfalume Daudi anatina-tina na kufwiha mbere za Mwenyezi Mlungu, naye achim'bera mwakpwe moyoni. ¹⁷ Ariinjiza hiro sanduku ra Mwenyezi Mlungu na achiri-ika phatuphe, yani kahi-kahi ya hema ambaro Daudi warichita kpwa ajiliye. Naye Daudi walavya sadaka za kuochwa na sadaka za amani mbere za Mwenyezi Mlungu. ¹⁸ Na ariphomala kulavya sadaka za kuochwa na sadaka za amani waabariki atu kpwa dzina ra Mwenyezi Mlungu, Mlungu wa majeshi. ¹⁹ Achiaganyira atu osi, borori rosi ra Aiziraeli, alume kpwa achetu, chila mutu mkpwahe wa bofulo, phande ra nyama na gande ra zabibu. Phahi atu osi atsamukana, chila mutu achiuya kpwakpwe kaya.

²⁰ Daudi ariphouya kaya ili abariki atu a mwakpwe nyumbani, Mikali watuluka kondze achendamphokera Daudi, naye achiamba, "Ni ishima ya viphi hino ya mfalume wa Iziraeli

kudzifwenula nguwoze‡ mbere za atumwa a chichetu a atumishie dza mutu asiyemana adz-ifwenulavyo nguwo mbere za atu bila haya!”

²¹ Naye Daudi achimuambira Mikali, “Nkahenda hivyo mbere za Mwenyezi Mlungu, ariyenit-sambula mimi badala ya sowe, na badala ya mutu wanjina yeyesi wa nyumbaye, achiniika nikale mtawala wa atue, Iziraeli. Kpwa hivyo mino ndafwiha mbere za Mwenyezi Mlungu. ²² Tsona nindadziika wa kukosa ishima kuriko hivi, nami ndadziifya phako matsoni. Ela mbere za hinyo atumwa achetu uchio agomba, nindaishimiwa.” ²³ Phahi Mikali, mwana mchetu wa Sauli, kayaphaha mwana hadi achifwa vivyo.

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Chilagane cha Mlungu na Daudi

(1 Nyakati 17:1-15)

¹ Bada ya mfalume ariphokala akaishi mwakpwe nyumbani kpwa muda, na Mwenyezi Mlungu kala akamupha amani na avihae ariomzunguluka pande zosi, ² mfalume wamuambira nabii Nathani, “Lola, mino naishi nyumba ya mierezi ela ro sanduku ra Mlungu ri ndani ya hema.” ³ Nathani achimjibu mfalume achiamba, “Rorosi uriazaro mwako moyoni rihende, mana Mwenyezi Mlungu a phamwenga nawe.”

⁴ Ela usiku hinyo-hinyo, neno ra Mwenyezi Mlungu ramwedzera Nathani kuamba, ⁵ “Phiya

‡ **6:20** 6:20 Chieburania tachiamba kukala Daudi kala a chitsaha, ela kala ana chisibao macheye na kana vwazi ga dzulu ga chifalume.

ukamuambire mtumishi wangu Daudi, ‘Mwenyezi Mlungu anaamba hivi: Dze, we ndiwe undiyenidzengera mimi nyumba ya kuishi? ⁶ Kpwa kpweli mino sidzangbwesagala ndani ya nyumba hangu siku nriyotuluza Aiziraeli kula Misiri hadi rero. Nkasagala hemani chila kpwahali nrikophiya nao. ⁷ Kosi nrikophiya na Aiziraeli osi, sidzangbwegomba na chilongozi yeyesi nriyemtsambula akale chilongozi wa atu angu Iziraeli, kumuamba, “Mbona kudzangbwenidzengera nyumba ya mierezi?” ’

⁸ “Sambi phahi, kamuambire mtumishi wangu Daudi, ‘Mwenyezi Mlungu, Mlungu wa majeshi anaamba hivi: Nákuhala kula urisani, urikokala unarisa mang’ondzi, ili ukale mkpwulu wa atu angu Iziraeli. ⁹ Nami nákala phamwenga nawe kokosi urikophiya, naangamiza mberezo avihao osi. Nami dzinaro ndarihenda rikale kulu dza madzina ga atu akulu duniani. ¹⁰ Nami ndaatsamburira phatu atu angu Iziraeli phatu pha kuishi, niahende asagale phapho, ili phakale phao enye. Nao taandauswa tsona, na atu ayi taandagayisa tsona dza arivyohenda pho kare, ¹¹ hangu nriphoika aamuli a atu angu Aiziraeli. Nindakuoyeza na maaduigo gosi.

“ ‘Chisha Mwenyezi Mlungu anakuambira kukala andaihenda nyumbayo ikale nyumba ya chifalume. ¹² Sikuzo zichifika nawe uchifwa na kuzikpwa phamwenga na akareo, ndakuunurira mwanao, mmwengawapho wa anao mwenye,

nami ndauhenda ufalumewe ukale imara. ¹³ Iye ndiye ndiyedzenga nyumba kpwa ajili ya dzina rangu, nami nindauhenda ufalumewe ukale imara hata kare na kare. ¹⁴ Mimi ndakala ise, naye andakala mwanangu. Achikosera, ndamtiya adabu dza mutu amtiyavyo mwanawe adabu na fwimbo, na mapigo ndigorehwa ni anadamu. ¹⁵ Ela mendzwa yangu isiyosika taindamuukira dza vira nirivyomuusira Sauli, niriye muusa kabila ya uwe. ¹⁶ Na nyumbayo na ufalumeo vindadumu hata kare na kare mbere zangu. Nacho chihicho cha endzi chindaimarishwa hata kare na kare.' " ¹⁷ Nathani wamuambira Daudi maneno gosi ga ruwiy hino.

Voyo ra Daudi

(1 Nyakati 17:16-27)

¹⁸ Ndipho mfalume Daudi achimenya na achisagala mbere za Mwenyezi Mlungu na achiamba, "Mino ni ani, Ee! Bwana Mlungu, na atu a nyumba yangu ni utu wani, hata unihendere gosi higa? ¹⁹ Chisha higo gachikala tagatosha phako matsoni, ee Mwenyezi Mlungu, hadi ukanimanyisa mambo ndigohendeka chivyazi changu mimi mtumishio, miaka minji bada yangu. Dze, vino ndivyo unavyoashuulikiya atu, ee Mwenyezi Mlungu? ²⁰ Niambedze tsona mino Daudi? Mana uwe unamanya mtumishio vinono, uwe Mwenyezi Mlungu. ²¹ Ukahenda mambo gaga makulu na ukanimanyisa mimi mtumishio, kpwa ajili ya nenoro na mendzwayo.

7:14 7:14 Zaburi 89:26-27; 2 Akorintho 6:18; Aeburania 1:5

7:16 7:16 Zaburi 89:36-37

²² “Kpwa hivyo, ee Mwenyezi Mlungu, u Mlungu mkpwulu, kpwa mana takuna Mlungu wanjina dza uwe, wala taphana Mlungu wanjina isiphokala uwe, dza vira hurivyosikira na masikiro gehu. ²³ Ni taifa riphi phano duniani ririro dza atuo Iziraeli? Riro ni taifa ambaro uwe warikombola ili rikale rako kpwa ajili ya dzinaro. Warihendera mambo makulu ga kuogofya kpwa kuturya atu a taifa na milungu yao mbere za atuo, urioakombola kula Misiri na milunguye. ²⁴ Nawe wahenda atuo Aiziraeli akale imara kpwa ajiliyo mwenye. Wahenda vivi ili akale atuo hata kare na kare, nawe Mwenyezi Mlungu, uwe ukakala Mlungu wao. ²⁵ Kpwa hivyo, ee Mwenyezi Mlungu, ritimize rira neno uchirorigomba kuhusu mimi mtumishio na kuhusu chivyazi changu hata kare na kare. Henda kama uchivyogomba, ²⁶ henda hivyo ili dzinaro rimanyikane kare na kare. Atu andaamba, ‘Mwenyezi Mlungu, Mlungu wa majeshi ndiye Mlungu wa Iziraeli. Nacho chivyazi cha mtumishio Daudi, chindaimarishwa mberezo.’ ²⁷ Kpwa kukala uwe Mwenyezi Mlungu, Mlungu wa majeshi, Mlungu wa Iziraeli ukanifwenurira mimi mtumishio kuamba, ‘Ndakuhenda uwe na chivyazicho mkale afalume.’ Kpwa hivyo mimi mtumishio, nkaphaha ujasiri wa kukuvoya voyo riri. ²⁸ Na sambu, uwe Mwenyezi Mlungu mwenye nguvu, uwe macheyo ndiwe Mlungu na manenogo ni ga kpweli, nawe ukamuahidi mtumishio mambo higa manono ²⁹ phahi kala razi, kuchibariki chivyazi cha mtumishio, chiphahe

kudumu hata kare na kare mberezo, kpwa mana uwe Mwenyezi Mlungu mwenye nguvu, ukagomba na kpwa barakazo chivyazi cha mtumishio na chibarikiwe hata kare na kare.”

8

Ushindi wa Daudi (1 Nyakati 18:1-13)

¹ Bada ya gago Daudi washinda Afilisti na achihala mudzi wa Methegi-Ama* kula utawala wa Afilisti.

² Chisha achishinda Amoabu, na achialaza photsi mlolongo, achiapima na mkowa. Aripshopima ure wa nyo mkowa kano mbiri, kundi hiro raolagbwa, na aripshopima kano ya hahu, kundi hiro rarichwa moyo. Na Amoabu achikala tsini ya Daudi nao achikala anamripha kodi.

³ Daudi piya wampiga Hadadezeri mwana wa Rehobu, mfalume wa Zoba, aripshopkala akaphiya kudziuyizira tsona mamlakage hiko seemu ya muho Yufurati. ⁴ Iye wamfuta asikari a kupanda farasi elufu mwenga magana sabaa, asikari a kunyendeka na magulu elufu mirongo miiri. Alafu achiakata kano farasi osi a kuvweha magari, ela achisaza farasi gana mwenga.

⁵ Aaramu kula Damasikasi aripshopkpwedzamterya Hadadezeri mfalume wa Zoba, Daudi waolaga Aaramu elufu mirongo miiri na mbiri. ⁶ Ndipho Daudi achiika vikosi vya anajeshi a kula ufalume wa Aaramu ko

* **8:1** 8:1 Methegi-Ama ni dzina ranjina ra Gathi.

Damasikasi. Phahi Aaramu achikala tsini ya ufalume wa Daudi, nao achikala anamripha kodi. Mwenyezi Mlungu wamupha ushindi Daudi chila arikophiya kupigana.

⁷ Daudi wahala ngao za zahabu zokala zichit-sukulwa ni atumishi a Hadadezeri, achizireha Jerusalemu. ⁸ Chisha mfalume Daudi wahala shaba nyinji sana kula Beta na Berothai, midzi yokala ya Hadadezeri.

⁹ Mfalume Toi wa Hamathi ariphosikira kukala Daudi akashinda jeshi rosi ra Hadadezeri, ¹⁰ wahuma mwanawe Joramu kpwa mfalume Daudi kpwendamjambosa na kumtogola kpwa kumshinda Hadadezeri, kpwa mana Hadadezeri kala achipigana na Toi mara kpwa mara. Naye Joramu wamrehera miyo ya feza, ya zahabu na ya shaba. ¹¹ Miyo iyo mfalume Daudi waitenga kpwa ajili ya Mwenyezi Mlungu, phamwenga na feza na zahabu ariyoihala kula mataifa ganjina gosi arigogashinda. ¹² Nago ni Edomu,[†] Moabu, Amoni, Filisti, Amaleki na zewe za Hadadezeri mwana wa Rehobu, mfalume wa Zoba.

¹³ Phahi Daudi wamanyikana sana ariphouya kula kuaolaga Aedomu elufu kumi na nane ko Dete ra Munyu. ¹⁴ Tsona Daudi waika vikosi vya majeshi ko Edomu. Nao Aedomu achikala tsini ya ufalume wa Daudi. Mwenyezi Mlungu wamupha Daudi ushindi kosi arikophiya.

Maofisaa ga Daudi
(1 Nyakati 18:14-17)

[†] **8:12** 8:12 Chieburania chinaamba Aramu. **8:13** 8:13 Zaburi
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¹⁵ Phahi Daudi watawala atu osi a Iziraeli, achi-aamulato na kuahendera haki atue osi. ¹⁶ Joabu mwana wa Seruya kala ndiye mkpwulu wa jeshi naye Jehoshafati mwana wa Ahiludi kala ni muiki wa vitabu vya kumbukumbu. ¹⁷ Sadoki mwana wa Ahitubu na Ahimeleki mwana wa Abiathari kala ni alavyadzi-sadaka na Seraya kala ni muandishi. ¹⁸ Benaya mwana wa Jehoyada waimirira Akerethi na Apelethi,‡ nao ana a Daudi achikala alavyadzi-sadaka.

9

Daudi anamuonera mbazi Mefiboshethi

¹ Chisha Daudi wauza, “Dze, takuna hata mutu mmwenga wa chivyazi cha Sauli ariye-sala, niphahe kumuhendera manono kpwa ajili ya Jonathani?” ² Phakala na mtumishi mmwenga wa nyumba ya Sauli, aihwaye Siba, phahi amuiha aphiye kpwa Daudi na mfalume achimuuza, “We ndiwe Siba?” Naye achi-amba, “Ehe ndimi, mfalume!” ³ Mfalume achiamba, “Dze, hivi sambu takuna mutu yeyesi wa chivyazi cha Sauli, niphahe kumuhendera manono kama nrivyoahidi mbere za Mlungu?” Siba achimjibu mfalume achiamba, “Bado kuna mwana mmwenga wa Jonathani ambaye nchiswere.” ⁴ Mfalume achimuuza, “A kuphi?” Siba achimjibu mfalume achiamba, “A hiko Lo-Debari, nyumbani kpwa Makiri

‡ **8:18** 8:18 Akerethi na Apelethi kala ni arindzi a mfalume. **9:1** 9:1 1 Samueli 20:15-17 **9:3** 9:3 2 Samueli 4:4

mwana wa Amieli.” ⁵ Phahi mfalume Daudi wahuma atu hiko Lo-Debari, kpwendamuhala kula kpwa Makiri. ⁶ Phahi Mefiboshethi mwana wa Jonathani, mdzukululu wa Sauli ariphofika kpwa Daudi, wazama hadi chilangu chichiguta photsi kumupha ishima. Daudi achimuiha, “Mefiboshethi!” Naye achiihika, “Ee himi hipha mtumishio!” ⁷ Daudi achimuamba, “Usiogophe, mana kpwa kpweli ndakuhendera manono kpwa ajili ya sowe Jonathani, nami ndakuuyizira minda yosi ya tsaweyo Sauli, nawe undarya phamwenga nami siku zosi.” ⁸ Mefiboshethi wasujudu tsona achiamba, “Kpwa utu wani unanishuulikiya mimi mtumishio nisiye na mana dza diya ra kufwa?”

⁹ Ndipho mfalume achimuiha Siba, mtumishi wa Sauli achimuamba, “Mali yosi iriyokala ya Sauli na ya chivyaziche, nkamupha mdzukululu wa bwanao. ¹⁰ Uwe na anao phamwenga na atumishio mundamrimira mindaye, nawe undamrehera mdzukululu wa bwanao mavunoge, ili akale na chakurya, ela Mefiboshethi, andarya kpwangu siku zosi.” (Hiye Siba kala ana ana kumi na atsano na atumwa mirongo miiri.)

¹¹ Ndipho Siba achimuambira mfalume, “Mino mtumwao ndahenda higo gosi dza vyo ambavyo uwe bwana wangu mfalume, uchivyoniaturu.” Phahi Mefiboshethi warya kpwa mfalume dza mmwengawapho wa ana a mfalume. ¹² Hiye Mefiboshethi kala ana mwana mdide aihwaye Mika. Na atu osi ariosagala nyumbani mwa Siba kala ni atumwa a Mefiboshethi. ¹³ Kpwa vira Mefiboshethi kala nchiswere, wasagala hiko

Jerusalemu mana kala achirya kpwa mfalume siku zosi.

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Daudi anaturya Aamoni na Aaramu

(1 Nyakati 19:1-19)

¹ Bada ya muda mfalume wa Aamoni wafwa na mwanawe Hanuni achitawala badalaye.

² Naye Daudi achiamba, “Ndamuhendera manono Hanuni mwana wa Nahashi, dza ise arivyonihendera.” Phahi Daudi wahuma atu aphiye kpwa niabaye akamuphe pore Hanuni kpwa ajili ya kufwererwa ni ise.

Hinyo atu ariphofika tsi ya Aamoni, ³ vilongozi a Aamoni achimuamba bwana wao Hanuni, “Dze, unaona Daudi akakuhumira akuphoze marena kpwa kukala anamuishimu sowe? Dze, Daudi kakaahuma atumishie kpwako ili kuulola mudzi, kuupeleleza ili auangamize?” ⁴ Phahi Hanuni waahala nyo atumishi a Daudi, chila mutu achimnyola uphande mmwenga wa cheruche, nguwo zao achizikata kahi-kahi hadi mahakoni, chisha achiarichira aphiye vyao.

⁵ Daudi ariphoambirwa dzambo hiro, wahuma ajumbe kpwendaaphokera, kpwa sababu atu hinyo kala akaifywa sana. Mfalume achiamba, “Kalani ko Jeriko hadi vyo vyeru vyenu vimere ndipho muuye.”

⁶ Aamoni ariphoona kukala akamtsukiza Daudi, akpwendakodisha anajeshi a Aramu elufu mirongo miiri kula Bethi-Rehobu, a kunyendeka na magulu na Aaramu kula Soba, mfalume wa Maaka achilavya anajeshie elufu

mwenga, na anajeshi elufu kumi na mbiri kula Tobu. ⁷ Daudi ariphosikira gaga, wamuhuma Joabu na jeshi rosi ra masujaa. ⁸ Aamoni atuluka achidzipanga chiviha phatu pha kumenyera mudzi wao. Nao Aaramu a Soba, a Rehobu, atu a Tobu na a Maaka kala a machiyao hiko weruni. ⁹ Joabu ariphoona kukala anapigbwa mbere na nyuma, watsambula hara anajeshi hodari zaidi a Iziraeli achiapanga apambane na Aaramu. ¹⁰ Anajeshi anjina ariosala waaika tsini ya ulongozi wa mwanao Abishai, ili apigane na Aamoni. ¹¹ Joabu achiamba, “Uchiona kukala Aaramu ananizidi mkpwotse, ndzo uniterye, nami nchiona kukala Aamoni anakuzidi mkpwotse, nindakpwedza nikuterye. ¹² Kala sujaa, hukapigane chilume kpwa ajili ya atu eh, na kpwa ajili ya midzi ya Mlungu wehu. Naye Mwenyezi Mlungu andahenda gara garigo manono kpwakpwe.”

¹³ Joabu na anajeshi ariokala phamwenga naye ndio atanguliya kupigana na Aaramu, nao Aaramu achichimbira. ¹⁴ Aamoni ariphoona kukala Aaramu anachimbira, nao achimbira Abishai, achendainjira mo mudzini. Ndipho Joabu achiuya Jerusalemu kula vihani na Aamoni.

¹⁵ Aaramu ariphodziona kukala akashindwa ni Iziraeli, adzikusanya tsona. ¹⁶ Naye Hadadezeri wahuma akareherwe Aaramu ariokala ng'ambo ya muho Yufurati. Nao akpwedza Helamu, achilongozwa ni Shobaki mkpwulu wa jeshi ra Hadadezeri. ¹⁷ Daudi ariphoambirwa, waku-sanya phamwenga Aiziraeli osi, achivuka muho

Joridani achiphiya hadi Helamu. Nao Aaramu adzipanga kupigana na Daudi, na achipigana naye, ¹⁸ Aaramu achimbira Aiziraeli, naye Daudi achiolaga apheriki a magari ga kuvwehwa ni farasi magana sabaa na anajeshi akuhumira farasi* elufu mirongo mine, na Shobaki, mkpwulu wa jeshi rao waolagirwa kuko. ¹⁹ Afalume osi ariokala tsini ya Hadadezeri ariphodziona kukala akashindwa ni Iziraeli, alonda amani na Aiziraeli, nao achikala tsini yao. Ndipho Aaramu achiogopha kuterya tsona Aamoni.

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Daudi na Bathisheba

¹ Mwaka wanjina uriphoandza,* hipho afalume atulukapho kuphiya vihani, Daudi wahuma Joabu, phamwenga na maofisaage na jeshi rosi ra Iziraeli. Wakpwendaangamiza Aamoni na jeshi richizangira mudzi wa Raba. Ela Daudi mwenye wasala Jerusalemu.

² Siku mwenga madzuwa ga dziloni, Daudi waunuka chitandani, achinyendeka-nyendeka dzulu ya paa ya dzumba ra chifalume. Ariphokala hipho dzulu ya paa† waona mchetu anaoga. Mchetu mwenye kala ni mnono takuna. ³ Naye Daudi wahuma mutu kpwendauza habari za hiye mchetu. Hiye mutu achedzamuamba, “Hiyu ni Bathisheba, mwana mchetu wa Eliamu,

* **10:18** 10:18 Tafusiri zanjina zinaamba anajeshi a kunyendeka na magulu. **11:1** 11:1 1 Nyakati 20:1 * **11:1** 11:1 Kulengana na kalenda ya chirero, muda uho kala ni mwezi wa hahu au wa ne. † **11:2** 11:2 Lola picha ya nyumba ya Chieburania; Mariko 2:4.

mcpwaza Uriya, yuya Muhiti.” ⁴ Ndipho Daudi achiyuma ajumbe kpwendamuhala, achedza kpwa Daudi, na achilala naye; (mana yuya mchetu kala akamala sikuze za chichetu na ni swafi), chisha achimuuyiza kwakpwe kaya. ⁵ Hiye mchetu wagbwira mimba na achimphirikira ujumbe Daudi achimuamba, “Mino nina mimba.”

⁶ Ndipho Daudi achiyuma ujumbe kpwa Joabu achiamba, “Muambire Uriya, yuya Muhiti edze.” Naye Joabu achimuhuma Uriya kpwa Daudi. ⁷ Uriya ariphofika, Daudi wamuuzza habari za Joabu, na anajeshi anjina a viphi, na viha vinaendereradze. ⁸ Chisha Daudi achimuambira Uriya, “Haya, tserera kwako kaya, ukaoye na mcheo.” ‡ Phahi Uriya watuluka kula mo nyumbani mwa mfalume, naye mfalume achimuhumira zawadi. ⁹ Ela Uriya walala mryangoni pha nyumba ya mfalume, phamwenga na arindzi a bwanawe, wala kayatserera kwakpwe kaya. ¹⁰ Atu ariphomuambira Daudi kukala, Uriya kayatserera kwakpwe kaya, Daudi achimuuzza Uriya, “Avi wee kala ucharoni? Mbona kukatserera kwako kaya?” ¹¹ Naye Uriya achimuambira Daudi, “Sanduku ra Mlungu, Iziraeli na Juda anakala mahemani, na bwana wangu Joabu, na anajeshi a bwana wangu akapiga kambi weruni. Dze, mino nipiye kwangu kaya, nkarye, ninwe na nkalale na mcpwazangu? Kpweli kabisa, kpwa kadiri ushivyo, mino sindahenda dzambo dza hiro.” ¹² Phahi Daudi achimuambira

‡ **11:8** 11:8 Chieburania chinaamba ukasinge magulu.

Uriya, “Godza hipha rero na muhondo chisha ndakuricha uphiye vyako.” Phahi Uriya achis-agala Jerusalemu siku iyo na siku ya phiriye. ¹³ Naye Daudi wamualika, achirya na kunwa phamwenga naye hadi achimlevya. Ela wakati wa dziloni watuluka achendalala phamwenga na arindzi a bwanawe wala kayatserera kpwakpwe kaya.

¹⁴ Ligundzure, Daudi wamuandikira Joabu baruwa achimupha Uriya aphiye nayo. ¹⁵ Ndani ya iyo baruwa waamba, “Muikeni Uriya msitari wa mbere wa atu phenye viha vikali, chisha ukani, mumriche, ili apigbwe afwe.” ¹⁶ Phahi Joabu ariphokala akauzangira mudzi, wamuika Uriya phatu ariphomanya kukala phana maadui sujaa. ¹⁷ Atu a hinyo mudzi ariphotuluka kupigana na Joabu, anajeshi anjina a jeshi ra Daudi aolagbwa, na Uriya yuya Muhiti, kala ni mmwenga wao.

¹⁸ Ndipho Joabu achimphirikira Daudi habari zosi za viha; ¹⁹ achimlagiza yuya ariyemuhuma achiamba, “Uchimala kumupha mfalume habari zosi za viha, ²⁰ anaweza kutsukirwa sana, na akakuuza, ‘Kpwa utu wani mriphokala munapigana mwausengerera mudzi hivyo? Dze, tamyamanya kukala andakulatsani kula ukutani?’ ²¹ Ariyemuolaga Abimeleki mwana wa Jerubeshethi§ ni ani? Dze, siye mchetu ariyemt-suphira sago kula ukutani, achimuolaga hiko Thebesi? Kpwa utu wani mwausengerera ukuta

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namuna hiyo?’ Achikuuza hivyo ndipho undaamba, ‘Mmwenga wa anajeshio chiyeolagbwa ni Uriya, yuya Muhiti.’ ”

²² Phahi yuya muhumwa waphiya, ariphofika wamuambira Daudi gosi arigohumwa ni Joabu.

²³ Yuya muhumwa achimuambira Daudi, “Hinyo atu ahushinda nguvu, achiutuluza kondze hiko weruni, ela huchiauyiza hadi ryangoni.

²⁴ Ndipho atu a maha achilatsa anajeshio, kula dzulu ya ukuta. Anjina aho akafwa na Uriya yuya Muhiti ni mmwenga wao.”

²⁵ Daudi achimuambira yuya muhumwa, “Muambire Joabu maneno higa, ‘Dzambo hiri risikutiye wasiwasi, mana upanga nkurya hiyu dza unavyorya yuya, zidini kushambuliya nyo mudzi mukauvundze-vundze.’ Mtiye moyo Joabu kpwa maneno higo.”

²⁶ Mkpwaza Uriya ariphosikira mlumewe akafwa, wamririra.

²⁷ Muda wa chiriro uriphosira, Daudi wahuma mutu akamrehe, achimtiya mwakpwe nyumbani, achikala mchewe na achimuyarira mwana. Ela dzambo hiro arirorihenda Daudi ramtsukiza Mwenyezi Mlungu.

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Nathani anamdemurira Daudi

¹ Ndipho Mwenyezi Mlungu achimuhuma Nathani aphiye kpwa Daudi. Ariphofika wamuamba, “Phakala na atu airi kpwenye mudzi

mmwenga, mmwenga wakala ni tajiri na wanjina ni mchiya. ² Yuya tajiri kala ana mang'ondzi manji na ng'ombe nyinji. ³ Ela yuya mchiya kayakala na chitu, isiphokala mwati mdide wa ng'ondzi ambaye kala akamgula. Hiye mwati wamrera naye achikurira pho phakpwe phamwenga na anae. Kala nkumrisa chakuryache, nkumnwesa na chikombeche, nkumlaza phakpwe magoni na kpwakpwe wakala ni dza mwana mchetu. ⁴ Siku mwenga yuya tajiri watsolokerwa ni mjeni. Naye badala ya kuhala ng'ondzire au ng'ombeye mwenye ili amtsindzire yuya mjeniwe ariyemtsolokera, wakpwendahala hiye mwati wa yuya mchiya, achimjitira mjeniwe.” ⁵ Phahi Daudi watsukizwa sana ni mutu hiye, achimuambira Nathani, “Naapa kpwa dzina ra Mwenyezi Mlungu ariye moyo, kukala hiye mutu ariyehenda dzambo hiri, anafwaha kufwa. ⁶ Tsona andamripha hiye mwana ng'ondzi kano ne, kpwa sababu wahenda dzambo hiri wala kayakala na mbazi.”

⁷ Ndipho Nathani achimuambira Daudi, “Uwe ndiwe hiye mutu. Mwenyezi Mlungu, Mlungu wa Iziraeli anaamba hivi, 'Nákumwagira mafuha ukale mfalume wa Iziraeli na nchikutivya kula mikononi mwa Sauli. ⁸ Nakupha nyumba ya bwanao na ahee a mwako chifuwani, na nchikupha atu a Iziraeli na a Juda uatawale. Napho higo tagayakutosha, ningekpwenjereza zaidi. ⁹ Kpwa utu wani ukaribera neno ra Mwenyezi Mlungu kpwa kuhenda garigo mai phakpwe matsoni? Wamuolaga Uriya yuya Muhiti kpwa upanga, nawe wahala mchewe

uchimuhenda mcheo. Wamricha aolagbwe kpwa upanga wa Aamoni. ¹⁰ Sambu phahi, baazi ya atuo andaenderera kuolagbwa vihani, kpwa mana ukanibera na ukamuhala mkpwaza Uriya yuya Muhiti, akale mcheo.’ ¹¹ Mwenyezi Mlungu anaamba hivi, ‘Nindakurehera uyi Kula kpwa atu a mwako nyumbani, nami ndaahala acheo kuno unalola, niaphe mutu ambaye u phephi naye, naye andalala nao ching’ang’a. ¹² Uwe wahenda dzambo hiro kpwa siri, ela mino ndarihenda mutsi, mbere ya Aiziraeli osi.’ ” ¹³ Daudi achimjibu Nathani achiamba, “Nikamkosera Mwenyezi Mlungu.” Nathani naye achimuambira Daudi, “Mwenyezi Mlungu piya naye akakuusira dambiyo, kundafwa. ¹⁴ Ela, kpwa kukala kuhendako hendo hiri ukaapha aviha a Mwenyezi Mlungu nafwasi kulu ya kukufuru, mwana ndiyevyarirwa kpwa kpweli andafwa.” ¹⁵ Naye Nathani achiuka achihiya kpwakpwe kaya.

Mwana wa Daudi anafwa

Phahi Mwenyezi Mlungu wamrehera ukongo yuya mwana ambaye mkpwaza Uriya wamvyarira Daudi naye achilumwa sana. ¹⁶ Daudi wamvoya Mlungu kpwa ajili ya hiye mwana. Wafunga, achiinjira ndani ya nyumba na achilala photsi usiku kucha. ¹⁷ Na atumishi avyere a nyumbaye akpwendaima phephi naye ili amrai aunuke kula hipho photsi, ela kayakubali, wala kayarya chitu chochosi phamwenga nao.

18 Iriphofika siku ya sabaa, yuya mwana achifwa. Nao atumishi a Daudi aogopha sana kumuambira kukala mwana akafwa, kpwa mana aambirana, “Yuya mwana ariphokala achere moyo, swino wagomba naye ela kayahuphundza. Pho vino hundamuambiradze kukala mwana akafwa? Vivi huchimuamba, ‘Ee mwanao akafwa,’ anaweza kudzihenda utu uyi.” 19 Ela Daudi ariphoona atumishie anagombekezana pokopoko, achimanya kukala mwana akafwa. Ndipho achiauzua atumishie, “Dze, mwana akafwa?” Nao achimjibu achiamba, “Ee akafwa.” 20 Phahi Daudi waunuka kula hipho photsi, achioga, achidzipaka mafuha, achigaluza nguwoze, achiinjira nyumbani mwa Mwenyezi Mlungu achiabudu. Chisha achiphiya kpwakpwe kaya, na aripholonda chakurya, waandazirwa achirya.

21 Atumishie achimuuza, “Mbona ukahenda hivi? Mwana ariphokala achere moyo wafunga na kumririra. Na vino akafwa, ukaunuka na kurya.” 22 Achiajibu achiamba, “Mwana ariphokala moyo, nafunga na nchirira, kpwa mana náamba, ‘Ni ani amanyaye? Mwenyezi Mlungu anaweza kunionera mbazi, mwana akaishi.’” 23 Ela vino akafwa, nfungire utu wani? Dze, naweza kumuuyiza moyo tsona? Siku mwenga mimi ndaphiya hiko ariko ela iye kandaniuyira tsona.”

Selemani anavyalwa

24 Chisha Daudi wamupha pore mchewe Bathisheba, achilala naye. Naye achivyala

mwana wa chilume achimuiha Selemani. Mwenyezi Mlungu wammendza, ²⁵ hadi achihuma ujumbe kpwa nabii Nathani, naye achimuiha Jedidia,* kpwa ajili ya Mwenyezi Mlungu.

*Daudi anateka Raba
(1 Nyakati 20:1-3)*

²⁶ Naye Joabu waenderera kupigana na atu a Raba ya Aamoni, achiuhala mudzi wa chifalume. ²⁷ Chisha Joabu achihuma ajumbe aphiye kpwa Daudi kuamba, “Nkapigana na atu a Raba hadi nkahala chandzo chao cha madzi. ²⁸ Sambu phahi kusanya majeshi gachigosala, ukauzangire mudzi na kuuhala, sedze mino nkauhala, atu akanitogola kukala ndimi nriye uteka.” ²⁹ Phahi Daudi wakusanya anajeshi achiphiya Raba, achipigana nao, achiuhala. ³⁰ Chisha achihala tadzi ya mfalume wao kula phakpwe chitswani. Uziho wa iyo tadzi kala ni kilo mirongo mihahu na ne† za zahabu, nayo yakala na mawe ga samani ndaniye, na achimvika Daudi chitswani. Naye wahala zewe nyinji sana kula mo mudzini. ³¹ Atu ambao kala a himo waahala achiashurutisha kuhenda kazi za misumeno, sururu za vyuma na mbadzo za vyuma na kutengeza matofali. Hivyo ndivyo Daudi arivyoihenda midzi yosi ya Aamoni. Chisha Daudi wauya Jerusalemu na jeshire rosi.

* **12:25** 12:25 Manage ni amenzwaye ni Mwenyezi Mlungu.

† **12:30** 12:30 Chieburania talanta ya zahabu ni sawa na kilo 34.

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Amunoni na Tamari

¹ Bada ya muda wa kukola, higa gahendeka: Abusalomu, mwana wa Daudi, kala ana mwanao mchetu mnono, aihwaye Tamari, ambaye wamendzwa ni Amunoni, yekala piya ni mwana mlume wa Daudi yevyalwa ni mchetu wanjina. ² Amunoni kala anammendza sana Tamari hata achikala mkpwongo, mana hiyu msichana kala ni mwanamwali, nayo yakala ni vigumu Amunoni kumuhenda dzambo rorosi. ³ Ela Amunoni kala ana msena aihwaye Jonadabu mwana wa Shimea, ambaye ni mwanao wa Daudi. Hiye Jonadabu kala ni mutu mlachu sana. ⁴ Naye achimuuza, “Uwe u mwana wa mfalume, mbona unaonda hivi siku bada ya siku na kutaki kuniambira chikuryacho?” Amunoni achimjibu achiamba, “Nammendza Tamari, mwanáo ndani mwenga na mwenehu Abusalomu.” ⁵ Jonadabu achimuambira, “Kadzi-ambalaze mwako chitandani udzihende mkpwongo na sowe achedza kukulola, muambire, ‘Mruhusu mwenehu Tamari edze anijitire keki chache kuno nalola, chisha aniandazire.’ ” ⁶ Phahi Amunoni waziambalaza, achidzihenda mkpwongo, na mfalume ariphokpwezamlola, Amunoni achimuambira mfalume, “Mruhusu mwenehu Tamari edze anijitire keki chache kuno nalola, chisha aniandazire.”

⁷ Phahi Daudi wahuma ujumbe kpwa Tamari yekala pho kaya ya mfalume, kumuamba, “Phiya kpwa mwenenu Amunoni ukamjitire keki.” ⁸ Phahi Tamari waphiya nyumbani kpwa

mwanao Amunoni ambamo kala akadziambalaza. Wahala unga, achiukanda, achitengeza keki chache na achiziocha mbere za Amunoni. ⁹ Tamari wahala chikalango, achimuephurira pho mbereze ela Amunoni warema kurya achi-amba, "Chila mutu naatuluke himu." Phahi chila mmwenga achimutuluka. ¹⁰ Ndipho Amunoni achimuambira Tamari, "Nirehera hizo keki hiku chumbani, ili wedze unrise." Naye Tamari achihala hizo keki arizozitengeza, achimphirikira mwanao Amunoni himo mwakpwe chumbani. ¹¹ Ela ye ariphomuphirikira phephi ili arye, Amunoni wamgbwira, achimuambira, "Ndzo mwenu ulale nami." ¹² Naye achimjibu achi-amba, "Hata! Hivyo sivyo mwenu, usinigbwire kpwa nguvu, mana tagahendwa hivyo hipha Iziraeli, kpwa hivyo usihende uzuzu huno. ¹³ Undanitiya waibu, ndamenyaphi myao? Nawe piya undakala dza mmwenga wa azuzu a Iziraeli. Sambu phahi uwe henda hivi, kagombe na mfalume, kpwa mana kandakukahaza kunilola." ¹⁴ Ela Amunoni warema kumphundza, na kpwa kukala kala ana nguvu kuriko Tamari, wamgbwira chinguvu, achimgbwavukira.

¹⁵ Chisha Amunoni wamtsukirirwa Tamari na tsukizi nyinji sana. Kpwa kpweli tsukizi arizomtsukirirwa kala ni nyinji kuriko vira arivyommenda hipho mwanzo. Amunoni achimuambira, "Unuka, uphiye vyako." ¹⁶ Naye Tamari achimjibu achiamba, "Situluka, kpwa kukala mabaya higa ga kunizola ni makulu kuriko gara uchigonihendera." Ela Amunoni warema kumphundza. ¹⁷ Achimuiha mtu-

mishiwe achimuamba, “Mtuluze hiyu mchetu himu vi sambu, chisha ufunge mryango.”¹⁸ Ndipho hiye mtumishiwe achimtuza Tamari kondze na achifunga mryango nyumaze. Tamari kala akavwala rinda ra mikono mire kpwa kukala hivyo ndivyo kala achivwala ana a chichetu a mfalume napho ni anamwali.¹⁹ Naye Tamari achidzitiya ivu chitswani, rinda dzire arirokala akavwala achirikpwanyula na achidzibandika mikono ya chitswa achiudula ndiro kuno anaphiya vyakpwe.

²⁰ Abusalomu, mwanao ndani mwenga achimuuza, “Dze, mwenenu Amunoni akakuhenda vii? Sambu phahi mwenehu hurira, hiye ni nduguyo, usiritiye moyoni dzambo hiro.” Phahi Tamari wasagala hali ya macheye nyumbani mwa mwanao ndani mwenga, Abusalomu.²¹ Mfalume Daudi ariphosikira maneno higo, wareya sana.²² Ela Abusalomu kayagomba na Amunoni chitu chochosi, sio chii wala chinono, mana Abusalomu wammena Amunoni kpwa kugbwavukira mwanao Tamari.

Abusalomu anariphiza

²³ Bada ya miaka miiri mizima, Abusalomu kala ana atue a kukata nyoya mang’ondzige hiko Baali-Hasori phephi na mphaka wa Efuraimu naye waalika ana alume osi a mfalume.²⁴ Abusalomu waphiya kpwa mfalume, achen-damuamba, “Mimi mtumishio ni phamwenga na atu a kukata nyoya mang’ondzi. Dze, mfalume phamwenga na atumishie anaweza kudziunga nami kusherekeya?”²⁵ Mfalume achimjibu

achiamba, “Hata mwanangu, tauweza siswi hosi, sedze hukakala mzigo kwako.” Dzagbwe Abusalomu wamrai sana, mfalume kayakubali kuphiya, ela wam’bariki. ²⁶ Ndipho Abusalomu achiamba, “Napho kpwedza, mruhusu mwenuhu Amunoni aphiye naswi.” Ye mfalume achimuuza, “Kpwa nini Amunoni?” ²⁷ Ela Abusalomu wamdinira hadi achimruhusu Amunoni na ana osi anjina a mfalume achiphiya naye.

²⁸ Abusalomu waamuru atumishie, achiambira, “Mloleni hiye Amunoni hata achikala akalewa uchi wa zabibu, nami nchikuambirani, ‘Muolageni,’ muolageni, msiogophe. Mimi ndimi nchiyekuamuruni. Kalani hodari, kalani na ujasiri.” ²⁹ Phahi atumishi a Abusalomu amuhendera Amunoni dza arivyoamuru Abusalomu. Ndipho ana osi a mfalume aunuka, chila mutu achipanda nyumbuwe achichimbira.

³⁰ Ariphekala achere njirani, angbwe-angbwe yamfikira Daudi kukala, Abusalomu akaolaga ana osi a mfalume, taphakasala hata mmwenga. ³¹ Ndipho mfalume waunuka, achikpwanyula nguwoze, achidzilaza photsi. Nao atumishie osi aima phephi naye, na nguwo zao piya kala zikakpwanyulwa. ³² Ela Jonadabu mwana wa Shimea, mwanao wa Daudi achiamba, “Bwana wangu asione kukala ana osi a chilume a mfalume akaolagbwa. Amunoni macheye ndiye achiyeolagbwa. Higa gahendaimwa ni Abusalomu hangu siku hira Amunoni ariphomgbwawukira mwanao Tamari. ³³ Phahi bwana wangu mfalume asiritiye neno hiri moyoni,

kuona kukala ana osi a chilume a mfalume akafwa mana ni Amunoni macheye achiyefwa.”

³⁴ Wakati hinyo Abusalomu kala akachimbira.

Phahi mrindzi waunula matsoge, achiona atu anji aredza na njira ilayo Horonaimu, uphande wa mwangoni. ³⁵ Ndipho Jonadabu achimuambira mfalume, “Lola, ana a mfalume akedza, dza vyo mimi mtumishio nchivyogomba, ndivyo ichivyokala.” ³⁶ Ariphomala kugomba tu, ana a mfalume achiinjira, kuno anarira na raka ra dzulu. Mfalume naye warira na atumishie osi chiriro chikulu sana. ³⁷ Daudi wamririra mwanawe chila siku. Ela Abusalomu ye wachimbira, achiphiya kpwa Talimai mwana wa Amihudi, mfalume wa Geshuri. ³⁸ Iye wachimbirira hiko, achendasagala kpwa muda wa miaka mi-hahu. ³⁹ Bada ya moyowe kuhurira kuhusu chifo cha Amunoni, mfalume Daudi waaza kumuona Abusalomu.

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Abusalomu anauya Jerusalemu

¹ Joabu mwana wa Seruya wamanya kukala mfalume kala anamuaza Abusalomu. ² Achihuma mutu aphiye Tekoa, akamrehe mchetu mwenye achili, achedzamuamba, “Dzihende u mutu mwenye chiriro, ukavwale nguwo za mfwererwa, wala usidzipake mafuha, ela uigane na mchetu ariye na chiriro cha siku nyinji kpwa ajili ya kufwererwa, ³ chisha uinjire kpwa mfalume ukamuambire maneno

ndigokuambira.” Hipho Joabu achimuambira ye mchetu vira arivyokala analonda agombe.

⁴ Naye yuya mchetu wa Tekoa ariphomsengerera mfalume kpwa agombe naye, wazama hadi chilangu chichiguta photsi kulavya ishima achiamba, “Niterya, ee mfalume.” ⁵ Mfalume achimuuzwa, “Una shida yani?” Naye achimjibu achiamba, “Lola, mimi ni gungu. Mlume wangu wafwa, ⁶ nami mtumishio kala nina ana airi a chilume, nao aheha hiko weruni wala takuyakala na mutu wa kuakanya. Mmwenga achimpiga myawe, achimuolaga. ⁷ Pho lola, mryango wosi unaniunukira mimi mtumishio, ananiamba, ‘Mrehe yuya ariyempiga nduguye, ili naswi humuolage kpwa ajili ya kumuolaga nduguye, hata dzagbwe hundaangamiza mrisi piya.’ Achihenda vivyo andakala akazimya kala rangu richirosala, asimrichire mlume wangu dzina wala ndiyesala usoni pha tsi.”

⁸ Mfalume achimuambira hiye mchetu, “Uya kpwako kaya nami ndalagiza kuhusu lauro.” ⁹ Ndipho hiye mchetu wa Tekoa achimuambira mfalume, “Uyi huno naukale dzulu yangu, ee bwana wangu mfalume, na dzulu ya atu a phehu kaya, wala kosa narisikale kpwa mfalume na kpwa chihiche cha utawala.” ¹⁰ Mfalume achiamba, “Yeyesi alondaye kuambira neno, mrehe kpwangu, naye kandakuyuga tsona.” ¹¹ Hiye mchetu waamba, “Ee mfalume, niapira kpwa Mwenyezi Mlungu, Mlunguo, iye alondaye kuriphiza chisasi cha milatso asizidi kubananga, sedze mwanangu akaangamizwa.” Naye mfalume achiamba, “Naapa kpwa dzina ra

Mwenyezi Mlungu ariye moyo, taphandagbwa photsi hata lidzere ra mwanao.” ¹² Iye mchetu achiamba, “Bwana wangu mfalume, niruhusu mimi mtumishio nigombe neno mwenga zaidi.” Mfalume achiamba, “Haya gomba.” ¹³ Mchetu achiamba, “Mbona phahi ukaapangira mai dza higo atu a Mlungu? Kpwa mana neno hiri achirorigomba mfalume rinamtiya makosani, kpwa kukala mfalume kamuuyiza kpwao yuya mwanawe ariyechimbira. ¹⁴ Kpwa kpweli swiswi hosi lazima hundafwa, naswi hu dza madzi garigomwagika photsi, gasigowezekana kuzoleka tsona. Ela Mlungu kausa uhai wa mutu, badalaye iye nkutengeza njira ili iye ariyezolwa asienderere kukala kure naye. ¹⁵ Hivi sambi nkedzagomba neno hiri kpwa bwana wangu mfalume, kpwa sababu atu akaniogofyera. Nami mtumishio nkaaza mwangu moyoni anaamba, ‘Niyagomba na mfalume chahi andanihendera haja yangu mimi mtumishiwe. ¹⁶ Kpwa kukala mfalume andasikira aniokole kula mkpwononi mwa yuya mutu alodaye kunibananga mimi na mwanangu ili ahuuse kpwenye yo tsi ambayo Mlungu wahupha huimiliki.’ ¹⁷ Ndipho mimi mtumishio nchiona, ‘Neno ra bwana wangu mfalume rindaoyeza nafsi yangu,’ mana uwe u dza malaika wa Mlungu ambaye anaweza kumanya garigo manono na garigo mai. Naye Mwenyezi Mlungu, Mlunguo na akale phamwenga nawe.”

¹⁸ Ndipho mfalume achimjibu hiye mchetu

achimuamba, “Nalonda nikuuze swali nawe usinifwitse hata neno.” Naye mchetu achiamba, “Bwana wangu mfalume na aniuze.” ¹⁹ Mfalume achiamba, “Dze, mambo higa gosi, kukahendahumwa ni Joabu?” Hiye mchetu wamjibu achimuamba, “Kpwa kpweli, bwana wangu mfalume, ukagomba kpweli mana mtumishio Joabu ndiye achiyenilagiza nedze nigombe maneno higa gosi. ²⁰ Iye akagahenda higa ili kubadili hino hali irivyo hipha sambi. Nawe bwana wangu una ikima dza malaika wa Mlungu hata unamanya mambo gosi gahendekago kwenye tsi.”

²¹ Badaye mfalume achimuambira Joabu, “Ndipho nikakata shauri kuhusu dzambo hiri, phiya ukamuhale hiye barobaro Abusalomu umuuyize.” ²² Naye Joabu wazama hadi chilanguche chichiguta photsi kumupha mfalume ishima na kumbariki achiamba, “Rero mino mtumishio nkamanya kukala ukanikubali, bwana wangu mfalume, kpwa kukala mfalume ukanitimizira haja yangu.” ²³ Phahi Joabu waunuka achiphiya hadi Geshuri, achimuuyiza Abusalomu Jerusalem. ²⁴ Naye mfalume achiamba, “Hiye naaishi kanda mwakpwe nyumbani, husionane.” Phahi Abusalomu waishi mwakpwe nyumbani, kayamuona mfalume.

Daudi anamswamehe Abusalomu

²⁵ Phahi kahi ya Iziraeli yosi takuyakala na mutu hata mmwenga ariyetogolwa kpwa unono dza hiye Abusalomu. Kayakala na ila kula lihosini hadi nyayoni. ²⁶ Chila ariphonyola

nyere za chitswache, (mana kala achinyola chila mwisho wa mwaka, kpwa sababu nyere zina-remera), azipimapho hizo nyereze kala nkuphaha uziho wa zaidi ya kilo mbiri kpwa vipimo vya chifalume. ²⁷ Chisha Abusalomu wavyarirwa ana ahahu a chilume na mchetu mmwenga, ambaye waihua Tamari, naye kala ni mchetu yekala na sura nono.

²⁸ Abusalomu wasagala miaka miiri mizima hiko Jerusalem, bila kuonana uso kpwa uso na mfalume. ²⁹ Chisha Abusalomu achihuma akaihirwe Joabu, ili amphirike kpwa mfalume, ela Joabu warema kuphiya. Achihuma tsona kano ya phiri, ela achirema kuphiya. ³⁰ Ndipho Abusalomu achiambira atumishie, "Lolani! Munda wa Joabu u phephi na munda wangu, naye ana shayiri hiko. Mwimwi phiyani mkazitiye moho." Phahi atumishi a Abusalomu achen-dautiya moho hinyo munda. ³¹ Ndipho Joabu achiuka, achiphiya nyumbani kpwa Abusalomu achen-damuuza "Mbona atumishio akautiya moho munda wangu?" ³² Abusalomu achimjibu Joabu achiamba, "Lola, nâhuma ujumbe kpwako kukuamba, 'Ndzo hipha ili nikuhume kpwa mfalume ukamuuze, "Mbona waniuyiza kula Geshuri? Ingekala bora kwangu kama ningesala kuko hiko hadi rero." ' Sambi phahi, niruhusu nikamuone mfalume, na ichikala nina kosa rorosi phahi na aniolage." ³³ Phahi Joabu waphiya kpwa mfalume kwendamuambira dzambo hiro. Naye mfalume wahuma Abusalomu arehwe. Arip Hofika, Abusalomu achizama hadi chilanguche chichiguta

photsi mbere za mfalume; naye mfalume achimdonera.

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Abusalomu anapanga njama mbii

¹ Bada ya higo, Abusalomu wadziikira tayari gari ra kuvwehwa ni farasi, farasi na atu mirongo mitsano azolao mbereze. ² Abusalomu kala achiunuka ligundzu chiti na kuima kanda ya njira iphiyayo ryango ra mudzi. Ichikala mutu yeyesi ariyekala na neno ambaro kala rifike kpwa mfalume ili kuriamula, Abusalomu kala achimuiha mutu hiye na kumuuzua, “Ula mudzi uphi we?” Ye mutu angemjibu kpwa kumuambira mbari mwenga ya Iziraeli. ³ Hiye Abusalomu nkumuamba, “Lola, manenogo ni maneno ga haki na ga sawa, ela taphana mutu achiyelagizwa ni mfalume kuku-phundza.” ⁴ Chisha Abusalomu angeenjereza kuamba, “Kama mino ningeikpwa kukala muamuli wa tsi hino, phahi chila mutu mwenye neno au kondo angekpwedza kpwangu, nami ningemupha hakiye!” ⁵ Chisha mutu yeyesi ariphomsengerera ili alavye ishima mbereze, ye nkugolosa mkpwonowe, akamgbwira na kumdonera. ⁶ Hivyo ndivyo Abusalomu arivyoa-hendera Aiziraeli osi, ariophiya kpwa mfalume ili ahewe haki, na hivyo ndivyo Abusalomu arivyovutiya atu a Iziraeli akale uphandewe.

⁷ Uriphofika mwisho wa mwaka wa ne, Abusalomu wamuambira mfalume, “Navoya uniruhusu niphiye Heburoni nikause naziri

yangu, nriyomuikira Mwenyezi Mlungu. ⁸ Mana mino mtumishio naika naziri hipho niriphokala nasagala Geshuri hiko Aramu, nchiamba, ‘Napho Mwenyezi Mlungu andaniuyiza Jerusalemu chikpweli-kpweli, ndipho nami nindamuabudu ko Heburoni.’ ” ⁹ Naye mfalume achimuambira, “Phiya kpwa amani.” Phahi waunuka, achiphiya Heburoni.

¹⁰ Ela Abusalomu wahuma ahumwa chisiri-siri kpwa mbari zosi za Iziraeli kuamba, “Mara tu mundiphosikira sauti ya gunda ambani, ‘Abusalomu anatawala hiko Heburoni.’ ” ¹¹ Na atu magana mairi ariolikpwa atuluka Jerusalemu phamwenga na Abusalomu, achiphiya dza ajeni nao aphiya kuko na nia nono mana taamanyire chochosi kuhusu nyo mpango. ¹² Abusalomu ariphokala analavya sadaka, wahuma akaihwe Ahithofeli kula kwakpwe kaya hiko mudzi wa Gilo. Iye kala ni mshauri wa Daudi. Njama yao yaenderera kukala na nguvu, mana atu ariokala phamwenga na Abusalomu azidi kukala anji.

Daudi anachimbira mudziwe

¹³ Mjumbe wamtsolokera Daudi achimuamba, “Mioyo ya atu a Iziraeli ikagbwirana na Abusalomu.” ¹⁴ Ndipho Daudi achiambira atumishie osi ariokala phamwenga naye hiko Jerusalemu, “Dzitayarisheni huchimbire au taphana mutu ndiyetiya kula mikononi mwa Abusalomu. Hendani wangbwi huukeni, sedze akedzahugbwira phapha na kuhurehera mai, na kuupiga mudzi huno kpwa upanga.” ¹⁵ Hinyo atumishi achimuambira mfalume, “Swino atumishio hu tayari kuhenda rorosi ndiroamba uwe bwana

wehu mfalume.” ¹⁶ Phahi watuluka na atu osi a mwakpwe nyumbani, achiricha anachetu kumi, ili atundze yo nyumba ya chifalume. ¹⁷ Hiphho mfalume wauka na atu osi achimlunga, achendaima hiphho nyumba ya mwisho wa mudzi. ¹⁸ Atumishie osi atsupa phephi naye, Akerethi osi, Apelethi osi na hara Agathi magana sita ariokala akalungana naye kula Gathi nao piya achitsupa mbere za mfalume.

¹⁹ Ndiphho mfalume achimuuza Itai yuya Mgathi, “Mbona we nawe unaphiya phamwenga naswi? Uya, ukakale na mfalume muphya, mana uwe u mjeni, chisha wahendakpwedza kula kpwenu. ²⁰ Wahendakpwedza dzuzi-dzuzi tu, kpwa utu wani vino nikutangishe hiku na hiku nami mwenye hipha simanya mphiyako? Uwe uya na ro jeshiro kula Gathi. Naye Mwenyezi Mlungu naakuonere mendzwaye isiyosika na akale muaminifu kpwako.” ²¹ Ela Itai wamjibu mfalume achimuamba, “Naapa kpwa dzina ra Mwenyezi Mlungu ariye moyo, na kama bwana wangu mfalume ashivyo, phophosi bwana wangu mfalume undiphokala, ikale ni chifo au uzima, ndiphho ndiphokala mtumishio.” ²² Phahi Daudi achimuambira Itai, “Haya, phiya ukavuke.” Itai, Mgathi achivuka na atue osi, na atu aho ariokala phamwenga nao. ²³ Na atu osi ariomuona mfalume na atue anatsupa, audula ndiro. Naye mfalume na atue achivuka Dete ra Kidironi, achigbwira njira ya weruni.

²⁴ Abiathari wakpwedza, Sadoki naye achedza phamwenga na Alawi osi, kuno anaritsukula

sanduku ra chilagane ra Mlungu. Chisha ro sanduku ra Mlungu arihula achiriika photsi hadi atu osi achisira kuutuluka hinyo mudzi. ²⁵ Ndipho mfalume achimuambira Sadoki, “Uyiza hiro sanduku ra Mlungu hiko mudzini. Nchiphaha chibali kpwa Mwenyezi Mlungu andaniuyiza, nirione tsona sanduku hiri, na makaloge. ²⁶ Ela achiamba, ‘Simuhamira,’ phahi mino ni tayari anihende rorosi arionaro nnono kpwakpwe.” ²⁷ Mfalume piya wamuambira mlavyadzi-sadaka Sadoki, “Uwe u mutu wa kumanya mambo, hala mwanao Ahimaazi na Jonathani mwana wa Abiathari muuye hiko mudzini kpwa amani. ²⁸ Lolani, mino nindagodza phenye vivuko vya jangbwani hadi ndiphophaha habari kula kpwenu.” ²⁹ Phahi Sadoki na Abiathari arihala hiro sanduku ra Mlungu achiriuyiza Jerusalemu na achisala kuko.

³⁰ Daudi wagbwira njira achiambuka Mwango wa Mizaituni. Wadzibwiningiza chitswa, achiambuka bila ya virahu kuno anarira. Na hinyo atu osi ariokala phamwenga naye adzibwiningiza vitswa vyao kuonyesa ana sonono, achiambuka kuno anarira. ³¹ Daudi achiambirwa kukala, “Ahithofeli ni mmwenga wa hinyo ariokuricha achigbwirana na Abusalomu.” Ndipho Daudi achiamba, “Ee Mwenyezi Mlungu, nakuvoya, urigaluze shauri ra Ahithofeli rikale ovyo.”

³² Daudi ariphofika chirere cha hinyo mwango, phatu ambapho atu nkuabudu Mlungu, Hushai wa mbari ya Ariki, wakpwezamphokera kuno akakpwanyula kandzuye, chisha akadzimwa-

gira vumbi mwakpwe chitswani. ³³ Daudi achimuambira, “Uchiphya phamwenga nami, undakala mzigo kpwangu. ³⁴ Ela uchiuya mudzini, na umuambire Abusalomu, ‘Mino ndakala mtumishio, ee mfalume; dza vyo nrivyokala mtumishi wa sowe hipho kare, ndivyo ndivyokala mtumishio,’ ndipho undaweza kubananga ushauri wa Ahithofeli kpwa ajili yangu. ³⁵ Kama umanyavyo, alavyadzi-sadaka Sadoki na Abiathari, a hiko phamwenga nawe. Kpwa hivyo, chila neno ndirorisikira katika dzumba ra mfalume, undaambira. ³⁶ Ana aho airi, Ahimaazi mwana wa Sadoki na Jonathani mwana wa Abiathari a phamwenga nao hiko, namwi mundaahuma anirehere habari ya chila neno ndirorisikira.” ³⁷ Phahi Hushai mse-nangbwa wa Daudi wainjira Jerusalem wakati Abusalomu ariphokala anatsoloka.

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Siba anamphirikira Daudi chakurya

¹ Daudi ariphochitsupa hicho chirere cha mwango, wakutana na Siba mtumishi mkpwulu wa Mefibosethi, ambaye kala ana punda airi. Hinyo punda kala akapakiywa mikahe ya nganu magana mairi, magande gana mwenga ga zabibu za kuuma, matunda gana mwenga gavunwago wakati wa dzoho na chiriba cha uchi wa zabibu. ² Mfalume achimuuza Siba, “Vino ni vya ani?” Siba achiamba, “Punda ni a kuapandiza atu a nyumba ya mfalume, mikahe

na matunda ni chakurya cha hinya anajeshi na uchi wa zabibu ni kpwa ajili ya kuaburudisha hinyo ndiolemwa hiko jangbwani.”³ Chisha mfalume achiuza, “Na ye mdzukulu wa bwanao a kuphi?” Siba achimuamba mfalume, “Asegere hiko Jerusalemu, mana anaririkana, ‘Rero atu a Iziraeli andaniuyizira ufalume wa tsawe.’ ”⁴ Ndipho mfalume achimuambira Siba, “Mali yosi yokala ya Mefiboshethi ndipho ni yako.” Siba achiamba, “Navumbama kukuishimu bwana wangu mfalume, nami navoya unikubali.”

Shimei anamlani mfalume Daudi

⁵ Mfalume Daudi ariphofika phephi na Bahurimu, kpwatuluka mutu wa mryango wa Sauli aihwaye Shimei mwana wa Gera, achilani kuno anatuluka kondze.⁶ Chisha achimtsuphira mawe mfalume Daudi na maofisaage gosi, dzagbwe kala ana anajeshi na arindzi malumu uphandewe wa kulume na wa kumotso.⁷ Hiye Shimei ariphokala analani waamba hivi, “Phauke! Phauke! We mutu wa kuolaga! Kuna mana tsetsetse!”⁸ Mwenyezi Mlungu akakuriphiza milatso yosi uriyoimwaga ya atu a nyumba ya Sauli ambaye watawala badalaye, naye Mwenyezi Mlungu akamupha utawala mwanao Abusalomu. Lola vino, urivyo tabuni kpwa kukala uwe u muolagadzi.”⁹ Ndipho Abishai mwana wa Seruya, achimuza mfalume, “Kpwa utu wani rino diya ra kufwa rikulani we bwana

wangu mfalume? Niruhusu nivuke, nikamkate chitswa.” ¹⁰ Ela mfalume achimuamba, “Gano ganakuhusuni mwi ana a Seruya? Ichikala iye analani kpwa sababu Mwenyezi Mlungu akamuambira, ‘Mlani Daudi,’ ni ani phahi ndiyeuza, ‘Kpwa utu wani munahenda vino?’ ” ¹¹ Daudi achimuambira Abishai, na atumishie osi, “Hebu lolani, hiye mwanangu ariyetuluka mwangu chibiruni, analonda kunituluza roho, ingekala Mubenjamini hiyu? Richanani naye. Mricheni alani, kpwa sababu Mwenyezi Mlungu ndiye achiyemlagiza. ¹² Chahi Mwenyezi Mlungu andalola mai gachigoniphaha, naye andaniripha manono kpwa ajili ya lana ninayolaniwa rero.” ¹³ Phahi Daudi na atue aenderera kulunga yo njira. Shimei naye waenderera kunyendeka mchechemo wa hinyo mwango kulolana na Daudi kuno anamlani, anamtsuphira mawe na kumtefurira vumbi. ¹⁴ Naye mfalume na atue osi ariokala phamwenga naye atsoloka muho Joridani, akaremwa sana. Nao achioya phapho.

*Hushai na Ahithofeli
analavya mashauri*

¹⁵ Abusalomu na hinyo atu osi a Iziraeli atsoloka Jerusalemu, naye Ahithofeli kala a phamwenga nao. ¹⁶ Ndipho Hushai, wa mbari ya Ariki, yuya msena wa Daudi ariphomtsolokera Abusalomu, wamuamba, “Mfalume na aishi maisha mare! Mfalume na aishi maisha mare!” ¹⁷ Naye Abusalomu achimuuza Hushai, “Dze, higa ndigo manono unagomuonyesa msenao? Mbona kuphihire naye?” ¹⁸ Hushai achimjibu

Abusalomu achiamba, “Hata sivyo hivyo. Yuya ambaye Mwenyezi Mlungu na atue na atu osi a Iziraeli akamtsambula, ndiye mino ndakala wakpwe, nami ndakala phamwenga naye. ¹⁹ Na chisha, ni ani ambaye ni nimuhumikire? Dze, isikale mwana? Dza viratu nirivyohumikira sowe, ndivyo ndakuhumikira.”

²⁰ Chisha Abusalomu achimuambira Ahithofeli, “Hebu huphe mashaurigo, huhendedze swino.” ²¹ Naye Ahithofeli achimuambira Abusalomu, “Uwe injira kpwa anachetu a sowe, ambao akaaricha ili atundze dzumba ra chifalume, ndipho Aiziraeli osi andamanya kukala ukamvula nguwo sowe na chila ariye phamwenga nawe andazidi kukuunga mkpwono.” ²² Phahi amchitira hema Abusalomu dzulu ya dari, naye achilala anachetu a ise mbere za Aiziraeli osi. ²³ Siku hizo mashauri arigolavya Ahithofeli gakala dza neno rilaro kpwa Mlungu. Hivyo ndivyo Daudi na Abusalomu arivyoishimu mashauri gosi ga Ahithofeli.

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Hushai anamphuphiza Abusalomu

¹ Zaidi ya higo, Ahithofeli wamuambira Abusalomu, “Niruhusu nitsambule atu elufu kumi na mbiri, niphiye nkamuendze Daudi usiku huno-huno, ² nami ndamshambuliya wakati ndiphokala akaremwa na ni mnyonje. Ndamtishira na atu osi ario phamwenga naye andachimbira, nimuolage mfalume macheye,

³ na hinyo atu osi ndaauyiza kpwako. Chifo cha ye mutu umuendzaye chindasababisha osi akuuyire, nao atu osi andakala salama.” ⁴ Shauri hiri raafwahira Abusalomu na atumia osi a Iziraeli.

⁵ Ndipho Abusalomu achiamba, “Muiheni Hushai kula mbari ya Ariki, naye piya husikire anagaphi ga kuhuambira.” ⁶ Hushai ariphokp-wedza kpwa Abusalomu, Abusalomu achimuambira gara ambago Ahithofeli kala akamuambira naye achiuza, “Dze, atu ahende kama achivyoshauri? Napho sivyo, gomba wako.” ⁷ Hushai achimuambira Abusalomu, “Shauri hiri achirorilavya Ahithofeli wakati huno siro nono. ⁸ Uwe unamanya kukala sowe na atue ni atu masujaa nao mwao mioyoni ana utsungu dza dubu achiyefutwa anae hiko weruni. Chisha sowe ni mutu hodari wa viha, kandalala phamwenga na atue. ⁹ Hivi sambi akafwitswa pangoni au phatu phanjina. Ichikala andatanguliya kukushambuliya, chila mutu ndiyesikira andaamba, ‘Atu anji alunganao na Abusalomu akaolagbwa.’ ¹⁰ Phahi hata iye ariye sujaa, mwenye moyo dza wa simba, andavudzala kpwa wuoga kabisa, mana Iziraeli osi anamanya kukala sowe na atu ario phamwenga naye piya ni masujaa. ¹¹ Kpwa hivyo mashauri gangu ni higa: Aiziraeli osi kula Dani hadi Beer-Sheba akusanyike kpwa unji dza mtsanga wa pwani na uwe mwenye ualongoze vihani. ¹² Hivyo hundamushambuliya phatu phophosi ndiphomuona, naswi hundamgbwera dza manena gagbwavyo dzulu ya tsi. Iye phamwenga na atue osi tahundaaricha moyo

hata mmwenga. ¹³ Ichikala akadzitiya mudzi wowosi, phahi Iziraeli osi andareha kowa kpwa hinyo mudzi, naswi hundaumweha hadi deteni, wala takundaonekana hata dziwere mwenga dide.” ¹⁴ Naye Abusalomu na atu osi a Iziraeli achiamba, “Ushauri wa Hushai ni mnono kuriko ushauri wa Ahithofeli.” Kpwa mana Mwenyezi Mlungu kala wakusudiya kurivundza shauri nono ra Ahithofeli ili amrehere Abusalomu mashaka.

Daudi anamanyiswa na kutsama

¹⁵ Ndipho Hushai achiasemurira alavyadzi-sadaka Sadoki na Abiathari gara ambago Ahithofeli kala akamshauri Abusalomu na atumia a Iziraeli na nyo ushauri ambao iye mwenye kala akalavya. ¹⁶ Alafu achiamba, “Sambi phahi phirikani habari upesi mkamuambire Daudi kukala, ‘Usiku huno msilale phephi na vivuko vya jangbwani, ela kpwa vyovyosi vukani sedze mfalume na atu osi ario nao akaolagbwa.’ ” ¹⁷ Phahi Jonathani na Ahimaazi kala achigodza hiko Eni-Rogeli na mtumishi mmwenga wa chichetu kala achiphiya na kuapha habari nao akaphiya kumuambira mfalume Daudi, mana aho kala ni asionekane ainjirapho mudzini. ¹⁸ Ela barobaro mmwenga waaona, naye achimuambira Abusalomu. Phahi osi airi ahenda wangbwi achiuka. Aphiya hadi Bahurimu, nyumbani kpwa mutu ariyekala na chisima phakpwe muhalani, achiinjira mo chisimani. ¹⁹ Na mchewe achihala chifwiniko achichibwiningiza hicho chisima na achianika mtsere uchiophondwa dzuluye wala dzambo

hiro tariyamanyikana. ²⁰ Nao atumishi a Abusalomu ariphomfikira yuya mchetu pho nyumbani achimuuza, “Ahimaazi na Jonathani akuphi?” Yuya mchetu achiaambira, “Akavuka chidzuho cha madzi.” Phahi ariphoaendza na asiaone, auya Jerusalemu.

²¹ Aripbokala akauka, hinyo atu atuluka himo chisimani, achiphiya kpwa mfalume Daudi, achimsemurira mpango wosi wa Ahithofeli kumuhusu chisha achimuamba avuke muho wangbwi. ²² Ndipho Daudi na atu osi ariokala phamwenga naye aunuka, achivuka Joridani. Kuriphocha taphayakala na hata mmwenga wao ambaye kayavuka.

²³ Naye Ahithofeli ariphoona kukala mashaurige tagakalungbwa, wapanda pundawe achiuka, achiphiya kpwakpwe kaya hiko kpwao mudzini. Bada ya kuika sawa mambo ga mwakpwe nyumbani, wadzisongola na achizikpwa phao vikurani.

²⁴ Daudi kala akaphiya Mahanaimu. Naye Abusalomu phamwenga na atu osi a Iziraeli kala avuka Joridani. ²⁵ Abusalomu kala akamtsambula Amasa akale mkpwulu wa jeshi badala ya Joabu. Hiye Amasa kala ni mwana wa mutu aihwaye Ithira, Muisimaili, ariyelóla Abigaili mwana mchetu wa Nahashi, mwanao mchetu wa Seruya, nine wa Joabu. ²⁶ Iziraeli na Abusalomu achita kambi hiko tsi ya Giliadi.

²⁷ Daudi aripkofika Mahanaimu, Shobi mwana wa Nahashi kula Raba, Muamoni, Makiri mwana wa Amieli kula Lo-Debari na Barizilai, Mgiliadi kula Rogelimu, ²⁸ areha

tandiko, mabakuli, nyungu, nganu, shayiri, unga, ndodore, maragbwe, dengu, ²⁹ asali, siagi, mang'ondzi na mafuha ga ng'ombe, ili Daudi na atu ariokala phamwenga naye aphahe kurya. Kpwa mana aamba, "Atu hinyo ana ndzala, chisha akaremwa na chiru hiko jangbwani."

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Chifo cha Abusalomu

¹ Chisha Daudi wakusanya atu ariokala nao achitsambula akulu a vikosi vya anajeshi elufu-elufu na akulu a vikosi vya anajeshi gana-gana. ² Phahi Daudi waaganya hinyo atu vikosi vihahu, achiahuma vihani. Chikosi chimwenga tsini ya Joabu, cha phiri tsini ya Abishai mwana wa Seruya mwanao wa Joabu na cha hahu tsini ya Itai, Mgathi. Mfalume achiambira vikosivye, "Kpwa kpweli mimi mwenye ndaphiya phamwenga namwi." ³ Ela atu achiamba, "Uwe usiphiye, kpwa mana huchilazimika kuchimbira, taandahuona siswi kukala chitu. Au nusu yehu huchifwa, taandahuona kukala chitu. Ela uwe u wa samani dza atu elufu kumi katika swiswi, kpwa hivyo ni baha ukale tayari kuhurehera msada kula mudzini." ⁴ Mfalume achiambira, "Mgaonago manono mwenu matsoni ndigo ndagahenda." Phahi mfalume achiima kanda ya ryango na hinyo atu achituluka kpwa makundi ga magana na maelufu. ⁵ Chisha mfalume achi-amuru Joabu, Abishai na Itai achiamba, "Kalani a pole kpwa ye barobaro Abusalomu kpwa ajili

yangu.” Na anajeshi osi achisikira pho mfalume ariphoalagiza akulu osi kuhusu Abusalomu.

⁶ Hiphho majeshi gatuluka kuphiya weruni ili kupigana na Iziraeli, navyo viha vyakala ndani ya tsaka ra Efuraimu.* ⁷ Jeshi ra Iziraeli rashindwa ni majeshi ga Daudi, nako siku iyo kuchikala na mafwa manji, atu aphahao elufu mirongo miiri aolagbwa. ⁸ Viha vyagota tsaka rosi, na ariofwa mo tsakani siku iyo akala anji kuriko hara arioolagbwa na upanga.

⁹ Na Abusalomu achikutana na anajeshi anjina a Daudi. Hiye Abusalomu kala anaphirika nyumbu naye watsupa tsini ya panda ndziho za mwaloni mkpwulu ndipho chitswache chichigama kpwenye hinyo mwaloni, achirichwa analewalewa na yuya nyumbu ariyekala akampanda achiphiya vyakpwe. ¹⁰ Phahi mutu mmwenga ariphoona higo waphiya kpwa Joabu achendamuambira, “Mino nkamuona Abusalomu analewalewa dzulu ya muhi wa mwaloni.” ¹¹ Naye Joabu achimuza hiye mutu ariyemupha hizo habari, “Dze, we ukamuona? Mbona phahi kukamuolaga phapho hiphho? Mino ningekupha vipande kumi vya feza na mkanda.” ¹² Ela yuya mutu achimjibu Joabu achiamba, “Hata kala che ukanipha vipande elufu vya feza, mino che sindagolosa mkpwono wangu vivyo kuolaga mwana wa mfalume. Kpwa mana násikira mwenye mfalume ariphokulagizani,

* **18:6** 18:6 Tsaka hiri kala ri kahi-kahi ya mudzi wa Mahanaimu na muho Joridani.

uwe, Abishai na Itai achiamba, 'Manyirirani sana mutu yeyesi asimzuru hiye barobaro Abusalomu.' ¹³ Na chisha, kama ningemkosera kpwa kumuolaga, mfalume angemanya na uwe mwenye kungenikanira." ¹⁴ Ndipho Joabu achiamba, "Siweza kuangamiza wakati dza huno na uwe." Achihala mafumo mahahu mwakpwe mkpwononi naye achimdunga Abusalomu moyoni, ariphokala achere moyo analewalewa dzulu ya mwaloni. ¹⁵ Alafu barobaro kumi akumtsukurira silaha Joabu amzunguluka Abusalomu, achimpiga hadi achimuolaga.

¹⁶ Chisha Joabu wapiga gunda, navyo vikosi vyosi vichiuya kula kualunga Iziraeli, mana Joabu waazuwiya. ¹⁷ Nao amuhala Abusalomu achimtsupha ndani ya dibwa kulu mura tsakani na dzuluze achimuikira tsulu kulu sana ya mawe, chisha Iziraeli osi achimbira chila mutu kpwakpwe kaya. ¹⁸ Hiye Abusalomu ariphokala a moyo kala akahala na kudzidzengera iyo nguzo iriyo Dete ra Mfalume, kpwa mana waamba, "Mino sina mwana wa kuika dzina rangu." Nayoyayiiha kpwa dzinare mwenye ndiyo mana inaihwa chinara cha Abusalomu hadi rero.

¹⁹ Phahi Ahimaazi mwana wa Sadoki achiamba, "Niruhusu nizole nimphirikire mfalume habari kuhusu vira Mwenyezi Mlungu achivyomtivya kula mikononi mwa avihae." ²⁰ Joabu achimjibu achiamba, "Uwe siwe ndiyephirika habari rero, undaphirika siku zanjina ela rero kundaphirika kpwa sababu mwana wa mfalume akafwa." ²¹ Ndipho Joabu achimuambira Mkushi mmwenga, "Phiya ukamuambire mfalume higo

uchigogaona.” Hiye Mkushi wamzamira Joabu na achizola. ²² Ndipho Ahimaazi achimuambira Joabu kano ya phiri, “Nakuhendeke vira ndivyokala ela nipha ruhusa nimlunge ye Mkushi.” Naye Joabu achiamba, “Kpwa nini uphirike uwe hizo habari? Kundaphaha zawadi yoyosi.” ²³ Achiamba, “Nakuhendeke hiro ritakaro kala, ela naphiya.” Achimuamba, “Haya phiya.” Ndipho Ahimaazi achizola na njira ya tsi ya kugbwa, achimtsupa yuya Mkushi.

²⁴ Phahi Daudi kala asegere kahi-kahi ya ryango ra kondze na ryango ra ndani, mrindzi achipanda nyo ukuta hadi dzulu ya paa ra ro ryango. Aripounula matso waona mutu aredza macheye mairo. ²⁵ Mrindzi achikota kululu kumuambira mfalume. Naye mfalume achiamba, “Napho a macheye, ana habari nono.” Naye hiye mutu wazidi kusengera phephi. ²⁶ Chisha hiye mrindzi achiona mutu wanjina aredza mairo, achimuiha mrindzi wa mryango achimuamba, “Naona mutu wanjina aredza mairo macheye.” Mfalume achiamba, “Hiyu naye piya lazima anareha habari nono.” ²⁷ Na hiye mrindzi achiamba, “Nionavyo mimi mairo ga yuya wa kpwandza ni kama ga Ahimaazi mwana wa Sadoki.” Naye mfalume achiamba, “Iye ni mutu mnono, aredza na habari nono.” ²⁸ Ahimaazi wagomba na raka ra dzulu, achimuambira mfalume, “Chila chitu chikaphiyato.” Achidzibwaga chimabumabu mbere za mfalume achiamba, “Naatogolwe Mwenyezi Mlungu, Mlunguo, achiyekupha ushindi wa atu ariokala anakuasi, bwana wangu mfalume.”

²⁹ Mfalume achiuza, “Dze, ye barobaro Abusalomu a salama?” Ahimaazi wamjibu achiamba, “Joabu achiphomuhuma mtumishi wa mfalume, mino mtumishio, nkaona atu anahangaika sana, ela sikamanya sababuye.” ³⁰ Naye mfalume achiamba, “Kala kanda uime hipha.” Wasengera kanda, achiima.

³¹ Ndipho hiye Mkushi achitsoloka, naye achiamba, “Nkakurehera habari nono bwana wangu mfalume. Rero Mwenyezi Mlungu akakutivya kula kpwa hinyo osi ariounuka kupigana nawe.”

³² Naye mfalume achimuza hiye Mkushi, “Dze, ye barobaro Abusalomu a salama?” Hiye Mkushi achimjibu achiamba, “Awiha a bwana wangu mfalume, na osi aunukao ili akudhuru na akale dza arivyo hiye barobaro.”

³³ Mfalume wakakama sana, achipanda dzulu, achiinjira chumba chirichokala dzulu ya ryango kuno anarira. Ariphekala anaphiya waamba, “Mwanangu Abusalomu! Ee mwanangu! Mwanangu Abusalomu! Baha kala nkafwa mimi kuriko uwe, Abusalomu, ee mwanangu, ee mwanangu!”

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Joabu anamdemurira Daudi

¹ Chisha Joabu waambirwa, “Mfalume anarira na kusononeka kpwa ajili ya Abusalomu.” ² Na siku iyo raha ya ushindi ichigaluka kukala chiriro kpwa chila mutu, mana anajeshi asikira kukala, “Mfalume anasononekera mwanawe.”

³ Atu achiinjira mudzini kudzifwitsa-fwitsa siku

iyoy dza vira atu aonavyo waibu hipho achim-birapho vihani. ⁴ Mfalume achidzibwiningiza uso na achirira kpwa raka ra dzulu achi-amba, “Mwanangu Abusalomu, Abusalomu mwanangu, mwanangu!”

⁵ Phahi Joabu wainjira mo chumbani arimokala mfalume, achendamuamba, “Uwe rero ukaabisha anajeshi osi achiokutivya we mwenye, anao alume na achetu, acheo na anachetuo. ⁶ Unaamendza hara akumenao na kumera hara akumendzao. Mana rero ukahuonyesa wazi kukala akulu a majeshi na anajeshio si chitu kpwako. Rero nkamanya kukala Abusalomu angekala achere moyo na swiswi hosi kama hukafwa, kpwako ingekala sawa. ⁷ Sambu phahi, unuka utuluke kondze ukagombe na anajeshio maneno ga kuatiya moyo, mana mino naapa kpwa Mwenyezi Mlungu, usiphotuluka, usiku huno taphana hata mutu mmwenga ndiyesala phamwenga nawe. Na mambo higa gandakala mai sana kpwako kuriko mai gosi garigokuphaha hangu uvulanao hadi rero.” ⁸ Ndipho mfalume achiunuka, achendasagala ryangoni. Atu aambirwa kukala mfalume asegere ryangoni, nao osi akusanyika mbere za mfalume.

Daudi anauya Jerusalemu

Hipho Aiziraeli osi ariphokala akachimbira chila mutu kpwakpwe kaya, ⁹ ajibizana katika mbari zosi za Iziraeli achiamba, “Mfalume wahutuluza mikononi mwa Afilisti na aviha ehu anjina, pho vino akachimbira tsiye kpwa sababu ya Abusalomu. ¹⁰ Hiye Abusalomu, huriye

mmwagira mafuha ili akale mtawala wehu akafwa vihani. Pho mbona mwino tamgomba neno rorosi ra kumuuyiza tsona mfalume?”

¹¹ Mfalume Daudi ariphosikira maneno higo hiko arikokala anasagala, wahuma ujumbe kpwa alavyadzi-sadaka Sadoki na Abiathari achiaambira, “Kagombeni na atumia a Juda muauze, ‘Kpwa utu wani mwino mkale a mwisho kumuuyiza mfalume kwakpwe kaya? Gosi gagombwago ni Aiziraeli gakanifikira mimi mfalume. ¹² Mwimwi mu abari angu, mbona phahi munakala a mwisho kumuuyiza tsona mfalume?’ ¹³ Chisha piya mkamuambire Amasa, ‘Dze, we siwe mdugu wangu? Naapa kpwa Mwenyezi Mlungu kukala uwe nkakuika mkpwulu wa jeshi rangu badala ya Joabu.’ ” ¹⁴ Phahi maneno higo ga Daudi gauyiza phamwenga atu osi a Juda, nao achikala chitu chimwenga, ndipho achiyuma ujumbe kpwa mfalume kpwendamumba, “Uya na anajeshio osi.” ¹⁵ Hivyo mfalume achiuya hadi muho Joridani. Nao atu a Juda akpwedza Giligali kpwendamphokera mfalume na kumvusa Joridani.

¹⁶ Shimei mwana wa Gera, M’benjamini, kula Bahurimu wahenda wangbwi wa kutserera phamwenga na atu a Juda ili akakutane na mfalume Daudi. ¹⁷ Na hiye Shimei waphiya phamwenga na atu elufu a Benjamini. Siba, mtumishi wa nyumba ya Sauli piya naye waphiya na hinyo anae kumi na tsano na atumishie mirongo miiri kuvuka Joridani kabila ya

mfalume. ¹⁸ Avuka ili akaaterye atu a nyumba ya mfalume kuvuka na kumuhendera mfalume gosi arigolonda. Wakati mfalume ariphokala analonda kuvuka Joridani, Shimei mwana wa Gera wakpwezamzamira. ¹⁹ Achimuambira mfalume, “Bwana wangu navoya usinihesabu kukala ni mkpwosa wala usigatambukire gara nirigohenda siku hira uriphotuluka Jerusalemu. ²⁰ Mino namanya kukala nákosa, ndio mana rero nkakala wa kpwandza wa mbari* zanjina za Iziraeli kpwezakutana na bwana wangu mfalume.” ²¹ Abishai mwana wa Seruya wamjibu achiamba, “Dze, Shimei asi-olagbwe kpwa kumlani mpakpwa mafuha wa Mwenyezi Mlungu?” ²² Ela Daudi achiamba, “Ganakuhusuni mwi ana a Seruya? Mbona mnalonda mkale aviha angu rero? Rero siyo siku ya kuolaga mutu yeyesi hipha Iziraeli. Namanya kpwa hakika kukala rero nkakala tsona mfalume wa Iziraeli.” ²³ Chisha mfalume achimuapira Shimei achimuambira, “Uwe kundafwa bii.”

²⁴ Chisha Mefiboshethi mdzukulu wa Sauli, achitserera ili akutane na mfalume. Hangu siku ariphouka mfalume hadi siku ariyouya salama, Mefiboshethi kala kaatire kombe za maguluni, kayadira masharubu wala kufula nguwoze. ²⁵ Phahi ariphofika kula Jerusalemu kumphokera mfalume, mfalume wamuuza, “Mefiboshethi, mbona kuyaphiya phamwenga nami?” ²⁶ Naye wamjibu, “Bwana

* **19:20** 19:20 Chieburania chinaamba nyumba ya Yusufu.
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wangu mfalume, mtumishi wangu wanisalata. Kpwa kukala mino namuambira, 'Niandikira punda nipande ili niphiye phamwenga na mfalume.' Mana kama umanyavyo mino nchiswere. ²⁷ Naye waniochera ngulu kpwa bwana wangu mfalume. Ela uwe u dza malaika wa Mlungu, kpwa hivyo henda uonavyo ni sawa. ²⁸ Kpwa mana atu osi a nyumba ya baba anafwaha kuolagbwa ni uwe bwana wangu. Ela ukanihenda mmwenga wa hinyo aryao phamwenga na uwe. Pho vino nina haki yani ya kumririra mfalume zaidi?" ²⁹ Phahi mfalume achimuambira, "Taina haja uenderere kuniambira mambo higo. Mino naamula, uwe na Siba muiganye iyo minda ya Sauli." ³⁰ Naye Mefibosethi achimuambira mfalume, "Mrichire Siba minda yosi, mino nkatosheka vira bwana wangu mfalume uchivyokpwedza kpwako kaya salama."

³¹ Chisha Barizilai yuya Mgiliadi, wakpwedza kula Rogelimu hadi Joridani ili amvuse mfalume muho Joridani. ³² Hiye Barizilai kala ni mtumia sana wa miaka mirongo minane. Iye kala ni tajiri sana na ndiye yemupha chakurya mfalume ariphokala Mahanaimu. ³³ Naye mfalume wamuambira Barizilai, "Vuka uphiye hosi hiko Jerusalemu nami niyakutundza." ³⁴ Ela Barizilai wamjibu mfalume achimumba, "Siku zangu chizosala ni ngaphi phahi hata niphiye phamwenga na mfalume Jerusalemu?" ³⁵ Nina miaka mirongo minane rero. Hipha

sambi siweza kutafwautisha garigo manono na mai kpwangu. Sisikira mtswano wa chochosi nryacho au ninwacho. Vivi siweza kusikira vinono sauti za aimbadzi. Simendze kukala mzigo kpwa bwana wangu mfalume. ³⁶ Mimi nalonda nivuke Joridani phamwenga nawe charo chifupi tu. Mbona phahi mfalume uniphe zawadi ya aina hiyo? ³⁷ Mino niricha niuye ili nikafwerere kpwangu kaya, phephi na mbira ya baba na ya mayo. Ela hiyu mtumishi wangu Kimuhamu naavuke, aphiye phamwenga na uwe bwana wangu mfalume. Nawe kamuhendere iye ganagokufwahira.” ³⁸ Mfalume wamjibu achimuamba, “Haya, Kimuhamu andaphiya nami, naye ndamuhendera gara ganagokufwahira uwe na chila ndirolonda kula kpwangu, mino ndarihenda kpwa ajiliyo.” ³⁹ Ndipho atu osi achivuka Joridani, naye mfalume achivuka, chisha mfalume achimdonera Barizilai, achim’bariki, naye Barizilai achiuya kpwakpwe kaya.

⁴⁰ Mfalume ariphovuka waphiya Giligali phamwenga na Kimuhamu. Anajeshi osi a Juda na nusu ya atu a Iziraeli amsindikiza mfalume kuvuka. ⁴¹ Chisha atu osi a Iziraeli akpwedza kpwa mfalume achimuambira, “Mbona ndugu zehu atu a Juda akakuhala bila ya kuhuambira wakati anakuvusa Joridani, uwe, atu a phako kaya na osi ariokala phamwenga nawe?” ⁴² Ndipho atu osi a Juda achiajibu hinyo atu a Iziraeli, “Ni kpwa sababu mfalume swino ni ndugu yehu tututu. Pho mbona mwino dzambo hiri rikakureyezani? Dze, swino

hukarya chitu chochosi cha mfalume? Hebu swino akaupha zawadi yoyosi?”⁴³ Hinyo atu a Iziraeli achiajibu atu a Juda achiamba, “Swino mfalume anauhusu kano kumi zaidi ya vira anavyokuhusuni mwimwi, tsona hunayo haki katika Daudi zaidi, mbona phahi mwino mkahubera hivi? Tambukirani swiswi hwakala a kpwandza kulavya azo ra kumuuyiza mfalume.” Ela atu a Juda ahujibu chisiru kushinda nyo atu a Iziraeli.

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Sheba anamuasi Daudi

¹ Phahi hiko Giligali kpwakala na mutu asiye na mana aihwaye Sheba mwana wa Bikiri, mutu wa mbari ya Benjamini. Wapiga gunda achiamba,

“Swino tauna mtalo na Daudi,
wala tauna seemu kahi ya mwana wa Jese.
Mwino Iziraeli, phiyani chila mutu kpwakpwe
kaya.”

² Phahi atu osi a Iziraeli arichana na Daudi, achimlunga Sheba ela atu a Juda akala aaminifu kpwa mfalume Daudi, nao achimlunga kula Joridani hadi Jerusalemu.

³ Mfalume Daudi ariphotsoloka kpwakpwe hiko Jerusalemu, wahala hara anachetu kumi arioaricha kutundza nyumba, achiatiya nyumbani arindwe. Waarisa ela kayalala nao tsona. Phahi afungbwa hadi siku ya kufwa kpwao, kuno anaishi hali ya ugungu.

⁴ Chisha mfalume achimuambira Amasa, “Siku ya hahu kula rero nalonda uwe na jeshi rosi ra Juda mkusanyike mbere zangu.” ⁵ Amasa waphiya kpwendaakusanya atu a Juda ela wachelewa zaidi ya hinyo muda arioikirwa. ⁶ Ndipho Daudi achimuambira Abishai, “Minaona Sheba mwana wa Bikiri andaupha tabu kuriko Abusalomu. Kpwa hivyo hala anajeshi angu, umlungu, sedze akainjira midzi yenye ngome, akahuchimbira husimuone tsona.” ⁷ Abishai watuluka Jerusalemu phamwenga na Joabu, Akerethi, Apelethi na masujaa osi ili kumlunga-lunga Sheba. ⁸ Aripkofika kwenye dziwe kulu ambaro ri hiko Gibioni, Amasa wakpwedzamphokera. Naye Joabu kala akavwala mavwazige ga viha, na dzuluye mkpwanda na upanga uriotiywa chowani mwakpwe chibiruni. Joabu aripfodzituluza, upanga watuluka chowani uchitsopoka. ⁹ Naye Joabu achimuambira Amasa, “Haya uviphi mwenehu?” Chisha Joabu achimbgwira Amasa cheru na mkpwonowe wa kulume avi analonda amdonere. ¹⁰ Ela Amasa kayaona ro rumu rokala mkpwono wanjina wa Joabu. Ndipho achimdungu naro ndanini limwenga bahi, achimmwaga mahumbo, naye achifwa. Chisha Joabu na mwanao Abishai achienderera kumlunga Sheba. ¹¹ Mutu mmwenga wakpwedzaima phephi na mwiri wa Amasa achiamba, “Yeyesi ammendzaye Daudi na Joabu, na amlungu Joabu.” ¹² Ela mwiri wa Amasa kala u tele milatso hipho kahi-kahi ya barabara. Iye mutu aripfoona chila

mutu edzaye phara nkuima, wausa mwiri wa Amasa hipho barabarani achendauika weruni na achiubwiningiza nguwo. ¹³ Na uriphouswa hipho barabarani, atu osi atsupa, achiphiya na Joabu kpwendalunga-lunga Sheba.

¹⁴ Na hiye Sheba watsupa kahi-kahi ya mbari zosi za Iziraeli hadi mudzi wa Abeli-Bethi-Maaka nao Abikiri osi achikusanyika achimlunga. ¹⁵ Atu osi ariokala phamwenga na Joabu akpwedza achimzangira hiko mudzi wa Abeli-Bethi-Maaka, aika tsumbi ya mitsanga ichikala avi nchidzango phephi na mudzi kugbwirana na ukuta. Atu osi ariokala phamwenga na Joabu achiandza kubomola-bomola ili aubwage. ¹⁶ Ndipho mchetu mmwenga mwenye achili kula mo mudzini, achikota kululu achiamba, "Phundzani, phundzani; muambireni Joabu edze hipha phephi, nigombe naye." ¹⁷ Joabu achimsengerera, na hiye mchetu achiamba, "We ndiwe Joabu?" Naye wamjibu achiamba, "Oho ndimi." Ndipho achimuambira, "Sikiza maneno ga mtumishio." Achimjibu achiamba, "Mino nakuphundza." ¹⁸ Chisha achiamba, "Hipho kare atu kala achiamba, 'Phiyani hiko Abeli mkauze mashauri,' hivyo ndivyo arivyosuluhisha shida zao. ¹⁹ Swiswi hu atu aaminifu katika Iziraeli na hunamendza amani. Sambu uwe ukakusudiya kuubananga mudzi muhimu hipha Iziraeli. Mbona unalonda kuangamiza seemu ambayo ni mali ya Mwenyezi Mlungu?" ²⁰ Joabu wamjibu achiamba, "Sihenda hivyo tse! Sikakusudiya kuuangamiza wala kuubananga. ²¹ Uchivyogomba sivyo hivyo, ela mutu mmwenga kula myango

ya Efuraimu, aihwaye Sheba akamuasi mfalume Daudi. Mchinipha hiye mutu tu, mino ndauka mudzi huno.” Iye mchetu achimuambira Joabu, “Hundakutsuphira chitswache na dzulu ya ukuta.” ²² Ndipho hiye mchetu kpwa ikimaye waphiya kpwa atu osi. Nao amkata chitswa Sheba mwana wa Bikiri, achimtsuphira Joabu hiko kondze. Ndipho Joabu achipiga gunda, na atue achitsamukana kula mo mudzini, chila mutu achiuya kwakpwe kaya. Naye Joabu achiuya hadi Jerusalemu kpwa mfalume.

²³ Joabu wakala mkpwulu wa jeshi rosi ra Iziraeli. Benaya mwana wa Jehoyada naye kala ni mkpwulu wa Akerethi na Apelethi. ²⁴ Adoramu kala ni mkpwulu wa kazi za shokowa na Jehoshafati mwana wa Ahiludi kala ni muiki wa vitabu vya kumbukumbu za tsi. ²⁵ Sheva kala ni muandishi na Sadoki na Abiathari kala ni alavyadzi-sadaka. ²⁶ Ira kula mudzi wa Jairi piya naye kala ni mlavyadzi-sadaka wa Daudi.

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Agibioni anariphiza chisasi

¹ Siku za utawala wa Daudi kwakala na ndzala muda wa miaka mihahu mfululizo. Ndipho Daudi achimvoya Mwenyezi Mlungu, naye Mwenyezi Mlungu achiamba, “Sauli na atu a nyumbaye ana kosa ra kumwaga milatso kpwa kuolaga baazi ya Agibioni.” ² Ndipho mfalume achiaiha Agibioni achigomba nao. (Agibioni sio Aiziraeli, ela kala ni Aamori ariosazwa. Dzagbwe Aiziraeli kala akahenda

mapatano nao, Sauli walonda kuaolaga osi katika juhudize za kuendeleza atu a Iziraeli na a Juda.) ³ Ndipho Daudi achiaua hinyo Agibioni, “Mnalonda nikuhendereni utu wani? Nawezadze kureha upatanisho, ili mubariki atu a Mwenyezi Mlungu?” ⁴ Na hinyo Agibioni achimjibu achiamba, “Dzambo kahi yehu na nyumba ya Sauli tarindariphiwa kpwa feza wala zahabu wala swino tahuna haki ya kuolaga mutu yeyesi wa Iziraeli.” Mfalume achiaua, “Pho vino munaniamba nikuhendereni utu wani?” ⁵ Nao achimjibu mfalume achiamba, “Yuya mutu ariyelonda kuhuangamiza ili husikalepho kpwenye tsi ya Iziraeli ⁶ phahi, nahureherwe alume sabaa kula chivyazi cha Sauli, naswi huaolage na huatsundike dzulu za mihi mbere za Mwenyezi Mlungu hiko Gibeya, mudzi arikola Sauli, ariyetsambulwa ni Mwenyezi Mlungu.” Mfalume achiamba, “Nindakuphani.”

⁷ Ela mfalume achimuonera mbazi Mefiboshethi mwana wa Jonathani, mdzukululu wa Sauli, kpwa ajili ya chirapho cha Mwenyezi Mlungu chirichokala kahi ya Daudi na Jonathani. ⁸ Mfalume waahala Arimoni na Mefiboshethi, ana airi a Risipa mwana mchetu wa Aya ambao waavyala na Sauli, na ana atsano a Merabu mwana mchetu wa Sauli ambao waavyala na Adirieli, mwana wa Barizilai kula mudzi wa Mehola. ⁹ Achialavya kpwa Agibioni, nao achiaolaga na achiatsundika mihini mbere za Mwenyezi Mlungu hiko mwangoni. Osi sabaa

aolagbwa chivyamwenga siku za kpwandza-kpwandza za mwandzo wa mavuno ga shayiri. ¹⁰ Naye Risipa mwana mchetu wa Aya achihala gunia achirihumira kudzitengezera utu dza chibanda maweni, achikala phapho hangu mwandzo wa mavuno hadi mvula iriphopiga hira miri. Naye kayaricha nyama a mapha kut-sota miri iyo mutsi wala nyama a tsakani kurya iyo miri usiku. ¹¹ Daudi ariphosikira gara garigohendwa ni Risipa mwana wa Aya, mwanachetu wa Sauli, ¹² wakpwendahala mifupha ya Sauli na ya mwanawe Jonathani kula kpwa atu a Jabeshi-Giliadi. Atu hinyo kala akaihala chisiri kula uwanja wa Bethi-Shani, hipho Afilisti ariphoat-sundika, siku ariyomturya Sauli hiko Giliboa. ¹³ Daudi waireha iyo mifupha ya Sauli na ya mwanawe Jonathani, piya wakpwendazola-zola iyo mifupha ya hinyo ariosongolwa. ¹⁴ Chisha iyo mifupha yazikpwa phamwenga na ya Sauli na ya mwanawe Jonathani mbirani mwa Kishi, ise wa Sauli hiko Sela, kpwenye tsi ya Benjamini. Aho ahenda gosi arigoamuru mfalume, na badaye Mlungu wasikira mavoyo gao garigohusu yo tsi yao.

Viha na jeshi ra Afilisti

¹⁵ Kpwakala na viha tsona kahi ya Afilisti na Aiziraeli. Daudi na atumishie atserera kpwendapigana na Afilisti, naye Daudi wasirirwa ni nguvu. ¹⁶ Ishibi-Benobu mutu ariyekala mmwengawapho wa chivyazi cha Arafa, * yekala

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na fumo ra shaba rokala na uziho wa kilo tahu na nusu, na kala akadzifunga upanga muphya, naye wajeza kumuolaga Daudi. ¹⁷ Ela Abishai mwana wa Seruya, achimtivya, achimpiga iye Mfilisti achimuolaga. Ndipho atu a Daudi achimuapira achiamba, “Uwe kundaphiya tsona phamwenga naswi vihani sedze ukaizima taa ya utawala wa Iziraeli.”

¹⁸ Bada ya gaga, kpwakala na viha tsona na Afilisti ko Gobu, ndipho Sibekai kula mudzi wa Husha wamuolaga Safu, ariyekala mmwengawapho wa Arafa. ¹⁹ Kpwakala na viha tsona na Afilisti ko Gobu, na Elihanani mwana wa Jairi kula Bethlehemu, achimuolaga Lahimi, mwanao wa Goliathi kula Gathi ambaye mphini wa fumore wakala dza muhi wa mfumadzi wa nguwo. ²⁰ Kpwakala na viha vyanjina ko Gathi, kurikokala na dzitu kulu ambaro kala rina mala sita chila mkpwono na mala sita chila gulu, jumula ya mala mirongo miiri na ne. Iye naye wakala wa chivyazi cha Arafa. ²¹ Naye hiye aripholaphiza Aiziraeli, Jonathani mwana Shimea, mwanao wa Daudi achimuolaga.

²² Hinyo atu a ne kala ni a chivyazi cha Arafa kula Gathi, nao aolagbwa ni Daudi na jeshire.

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Daudi anamuimbira Mlungu (Zaburi 18)

¹ Daudi wamuimbira Mwenyezi Mlungu maneno ga wira huno, hipho siku Mwenyezi

Mlungu ariphomtivya kula mikono ya avihae osi na kula mkpwono wa Sauli; ² achiamba, “Mwenyezi Mlungu ndiye mwamba wangu, na ngome yangu, na muokoli wangu.

³ Mlungu ni mwamba wangu, iye ndiye chimbiriro rangu ngao yangu, na nguvu ya wokofu wangu. Iye ndiye ngome yangu, na chimbiriro rangu, muokoli wangu, anitivyaye na atu a fujo.

⁴ Námvoya Mwenyezi Mlungu astahiliye kuto-golwa, naye achinitivya na maadui gangu.

⁵ Maimbi ga chifo ganizunguluka, mafuriko ga kuangamiza ganibwiningiza.

⁶ Kowa za kuzimu zanilinga-linga, mihambo ya chifo yanizangira.

⁷ Katika kugaya kpwangu námuiha Mwenyezi Mlungu, námririra Mlungu wangu.

Naye wasikira sauti yangu kula mo mwakpwe nyumbani, masikiroge gachiphundza chiriro changu.

⁸ Yo tsi yasumba na ichikakama, misingi ya mlunguni ichisumba kpwa sababu Mlungu kala akatsukirwa.

⁹ Mosi wafuka kula mwakpwe pulani, moho uochao uchituluka kula mwakpwe mromoni, makala ga moho gachituluka kula mumo.

¹⁰ Mlunguni wakuzamisa achitserera,

- ingu dziru richikala ri tsini ya maguluge.
- 11 Wapanda dzulu ya kerubi achiuruka.
Achionewa dzulu ya mapha ga phepho.
- 12 Wahenda jiza rikale hemare chiromzungu-
luka,
maingu maziho ga mvula.
- 13 Makala ga moho, gaaka kula kpwa
nyo mwanga mkali uriokala mbereze.
- 14 Mwenyezi Mlungu wapiga msindo kula mlun-
guni,
iye Ariye Dzulu Kuriko Vyosi wakota kululu.
- 15 Wajeza mivi, achitsamula maaduige.
Waatsuphira limeme, achiachimbiza.
- 16 Ndipho mikono ya bahari ichioneka,
na misingi ya dunia ichifwenulwa,
kpwa kudemurirwa ni Mwenyezi Mlungu,
kpwa mvumo wa pumuzi ya kula mwakpwe
pulani.
- 17 Wagolosa mkpwonowe kula dzulu, achinigb-
wira,
achinituluza kula madzi manji.
- 18 Wanitivya na maadui angu enye mkpwotse,
hinyo arionimena,
mana kala ana mkpwotse zaidi yangu.
- 19 Anivamia wakati kala nagaya,
ela Mwenyezi Mlungu achinikanira.
- 20 Achinituluza achiniphirika pharipho nafwasi,
achinitivya kpwa kukala kala anahamirwa ni
mimi.

- 21 Mwenyezi Mlungu wanihendera sawa-sawa na haki yangu,
waniripha sawa-sawa na uswafi wa mikono yangu.
- 22 Mana nágbwira njira za Mwenyezi Mlungu,
na siyamricha Mlungu wangu, kpwa kuhenda uyi.
- 23 Mana malagizoge gosi nagagbwira,
na amurize, siyaziricha.
- 24 Siyakala na hatiya mbereze,
nádzizuwiya nsihende dambi.
- 25 Phahi Mwenyezi Mlungu akaniripha sawa-sawa na haki yangu,
sawa-sawa na uswafi wangu mbereze.
- 26 Kpwa mutu muaminifu, unadzionyesa kukala u muaminifu,
kpwa mutu asiye na kosa, unadzionyesa kukala kuna makosa,
- 27 kpwa mutu achiyedzitakasa unadzionyesa kukala u mtakatifu,
ela kpwa mutu mui unadzionyesa kukala u msiru.
- 28 Unaativya atu a pole,
ela unaalola atu adziunulao, ili uatsereze.
- 29 Kpwa kpweli uwe Mwenyezi Mlungu, u taa yangu.
Mwenyezi Mlungu ukuning'azira naphokala jizani.
- 30 Kpwa msadao, ninashambulia jeshi,
kpwa msada wa Mlungu wangu ninashinda midzi yenye ngome.

- 31 Njira ya Mlungu taina ila,
ahadi ya Mwenyezi Mlungu ni ya
kukuluphira!
Iye ni ngao kpwa osi amchimbirirao.
- 32 Takuna Mlungu wanjina isiphokala Mwenyezi
Mlungu.
Takuna mwamba wanjina isiphokala
Mlungu wehu.
- 33 Mlungu ndiye chimbiriro rangu renye nguvu,
akahenda njira yangu ikale salama.
- 34 Anahenda magulu gangu, gakale dza ga ku-
lungu,
na kuniwezesha niime kpwenye myango.
- 35 Nkunifundza kupigana viha,
ili mikono yangu iweze kutonyola uha wa
shaba.
- 36 Nawe ukanipha ngaoyo ya ushindi,
na msadao ukanihenda nkale mutu mkp-
wulu.
- 37 Ukahenda njira yangu ikale pana,
na magulu gangu tagahereza.
- 38 Názoresa maadui gangu hadi nchigagbwira,
nami siyalola nyuma hadi ga-
ripoangamizwa.
- 39 Nágapiga hadi gachigbwa phangu maguluni,
nago tagawezere kuunuka tsona.
- 40 Wanipha mkpwotse wa kupigana viha,
na uchihenda maadui gangu gachite
mavwindi mbere zangu.
- 41 Wahenda maadui gangu ganichimbire,
nami nkuangamiza osi animenao.

- 42 Aririra msada ela taphana ariyeativya,
amririra Mwenyezi Mlungu, ela ye kayaa-
jibu.
- 43 Náasaga-saga achikala dza vumbi ra tsi,
nchiavyoga dza tope za njirani.
- 44 Uwe waniokola kula kpwa atu angu ariolonda
kunishambuliya,
uchiniika nikale mfalume wa mataifa.
Atu nsioamanya akakala tsini yangu.
- 45 Aripfosikira habari zangu tu, nyo ajeni anitii,
achedza na achidzitserenza mbere zangu.
- 46 Ajeni avundzika moyo,
achituluka kula mwao ngomeni kuno
anakakama.
- 47 Mwenyezi Mlungu a moyo!
Naatogolwe hiye ariye mwamba wangu!
Náaunulwe Mlungu wa wokofu wangu.
- 48 Iye ndiye Mlungu aniriphiziraye chisasi,
aikaye mataifa tsini yangu,
- 49 aniokolaye kula kpwa maadui gangu.
Waniunula dzulu ya atu anipingao,
na uchinitivya na atu a fujo.
- 50 Kpwa hivyo, nindakulavira shukurani kahi za
mataifa, uwe Mwenyezi Mlungu,
nami ndaimba mawira ga kukutogola.
- 51 Mlungu nkumupha mfalumewe ushindi mkp-
wulu,
na kumuonyesa mendzwa isiyosika hiye
mmwagirwa mafuhawe,

yani Daudi na chivyaziche hata kare na kare.”

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Maneno ga wira wa mwisho wa Daudi

¹ Higa ndigo maneno ga mwisho ga Daudi, mwana wa Jese, ambaye Mlungu wamuhenda akale mkpwulu. Iye ariyepakpwa mafuha ni Mlungu wa Jakobo, naye kala ni mtungadzi wa mawira manono ga Iziraeli, naye waamba hivi:

² Roho wa Mwenyezi Mlungu wagomba ndani yangu,

nenore wariika mwangu mromoni.

³ Mlungu wa Iziraeli akaamba,

mwamba wa Iziraeli akaniambira;

Atawalaye anadamu kpwa haki,

achitawala kpwa kuogopha Mlungu,

⁴ andakala dza mwanga wa ligundzu dzuwa ritulukapho,

ligundzu risiro na maingu.

Ni dza mwanga wa dzuwa bada ya mvula

ihendayo nyasi kutsephula kula mtsangani.

⁵ Dze, hivyo sivyo irivyo nyumba yangu mbere za Mlungu?

Kpwa kukala wahenda nami chilagane cha hata kare na kare;

Chilagane chopangbwa na kukala na uhakika wa chila seemuye,

naye kpwa kpweli andahenda niongokerwe kahi ya gosi nilondago mwangu moyoni.

⁶ Ela atu ayi andatsuphiwa dza miya;

ambayo taitsukulika na mkpwono.

⁷ Kutsukulwakupwe lazima kuhumira mgongo wa chuma au mphini wa fumo, nayo indaochwa tsetsetse na moho pho iripho.

Masujaa a Daudi

⁸ Higa ndigo madzina ga masujaa a Daudi; Joshebu-Bashebethi* kula Hakimoni. Hiyu kala ndiye chilongozi wa hara ahahu. Hiye waolaga atu magana manane kpwa wakati mmwenga, kpwa kuhumira fumore.

⁹ Kula iye aredza Eliazari mwana wa Dodo wa mbari ya Ahohi. Iye kala ni mmwenga wa hara masujaa ahahu ariokala phamwenga na Daudi ariphoalaphiza Afilisti ariokala akakusanyika ili apigane. Atu a Iziraeli kala akauya nyuma, ¹⁰ ela Eliazari waima, achiapiga Afilisti hadi mkpwonowe uchiremwa, chiasi cha kukala fumbare richikala rikagama na upangawe. Mwenyezi Mlungu siku iyo wareha ushindi mkpwulu, ndipho Aiziraeli ayae achimuuyira kuhala zewe tu. ¹¹ Wa hahu wao kala ni Shama mwana wa Agee kula Harari. Siku mwenga Afilisti kala akakusanyika hiko Lehi, phatu phariphokala na munda uriokala u tele dengu, nao Aiziraeli achimbira nyo Afilisti. ¹² Ela Shama waima kahi-kahi ya nyo munda, achiuhehera, na achiaolaga Afilisti. Naye Mwenyezi Mlungu achiapha ushindi mkpwulu.

¹³ Siku mwenga masujaa ahahu kahi ya hara masujaa mirongo mihahu bora zaidi atserera

* **23:8** 23:8 Dzina renye rafupishwa kukala Jashobeamu. 1 Nyakati 11:11.

wakati wa msimu wa mavuno hadi kpwa Daudi hiko pango ra Adulamu. Siku hizo jeshi ra Afilisti kala rikachita kambi Dete ra Arafa. ¹⁴ Wakati hinyo Daudi kala a hiko ngomeni, na chikosi chimwenga cha jeshi ra Afilisti kala chi Bethlehemu. ¹⁵ Naye Daudi achikala na chiru achiambira atue achiamba, “Ni ani ndiyeweza kunipha madzi ga kunwa kula chisima chiricho phephi na ryango ra Bethlehemu!” ¹⁶ Phahi hinyo masujaa ahahu adudula kahi-kahi ya jeshi ra Afilisti, achendaheka madzi kula hicho chisima cha Bethlehemu, chiricho phephi na ryango, achimrehera Daudi. Ela Daudi warema kuganwa, badalaye wagamwaga dza sadaka kpwa Mwenyezi Mlungu. ¹⁷ Achiamba, “Ee Mwenyezi Mlungu, mino sindahenda dzambo hiri. Ni kama kunwa milatso ya hinyo atu achiozindza maisha gao kpwendaheka madzi higa.” Kpwa hivyo Daudi warema kuganwa. Higo ndigo arigohenda hinyo masujaa ahahu.

¹⁸ Abishai mwanao wa Joabu mwana wa Seruya wakala ni mkpwulu wa hara masujaa ahahu. Iye wahumira fumore kuolaga atu magana mahahu. Phahi wamanyikana sawa na hara masujaa ahahu. ¹⁹ Hiye waishimiwa kano mbiri zaidi, kpwa hivyo achikala mkpwulu wao, dzagbwe kayakala dza nyo ahahu.

²⁰ Benaya, mwana wa Jehoyada kala ni sujaa kula Kabuseeli, ariyehenda mambo makulu. Ndiye ariyeolaga masujaa airi kula Moabu. Piya wakati wanjina wakpwendaolaga simba ndani ya dibwa wakati wa barafu. ²¹ Na piya waolaga Mmisiri, mutu mure sana. Mmisiri

iye kala ana fumo, ela Benaya wamlunga na gongo, achimfuta ro fumo na achimuolaga naro mwenye. ²² Higo ndigo arigohenda Benaya mwana wa Jehoyada, na achimanyikana dza hara masujaa ahahu. ²³ Iye kala anaishimiwa kutsupa hara masujaa mirongo mihahu, ela kala si mmwenga wa hara ahahu. Naye Daudi wamuika akale mkpwulu wa arindzie.

²⁴ Kahi za hara masujaa mirongo mihahu kala ni Asaheli mwanao wa Joabu, Elihanani mwana wa Dodo kula Bethlehemu, ²⁵ Shama kula Harodi, Elika kula Harodi, ²⁶ Helesi kula Paliti, Ira mwana wa Ikeshi kula Tekoa. ²⁷ Abiezeri kula Anathothi, Mebunai kula Husha, ²⁸ Salimoni kula Ahohi, Maharai kula Netofa. ²⁹ Helebu mwana wa Baana kula Netofa, Itai mwana wa Ribai kula Gibeya ya Benjamini. ³⁰ Benaya kula Pirathoni, Hidai kula vidzoho vya Gaashi; ³¹ Abi-Aliboni kula Araba, Azimawethi kula Bahurimu. ³² Eliahiba kula Shaaliboni, ana a Jasheni; Jonathani ³³ mwana wa Shama kula Harari, Ahiamu mwana wa Sharari kula Harari. ³⁴ Elifeleti mwana wa Ahasibai kula Maaka, Eliamu mwana wa Ahithofeli kula Gilo. ³⁵ Heziro kula Karimeli, Paarai kula Araba. ³⁶ Igali mwana wa Nathani kula Zoba, Bani kula Gadi. ³⁷ Seleki Muamoni, Naharai kula Beerothi, yekala mtsukuziwe wa silaha wa Joabu mwana wa Seruya. ³⁸ Ira kula Aithiri, Garebu kula Aithiri, ³⁹ na Uriya Muhiti. Hano osi kala ni masujaa mirongo mihahu na sabaa.

*Daudi anaolanga atu
(1 Nyakati 21:1-17)*

¹ Mwenyezi Mlungu waatsukirirwa tsona Aiziraeli, na achimchenga-chenga Daudi akale chinyume chao. Achimuamba, “Phiya ukaaolange atu osi awezao kupiga viha a Iziraeli na a Juda.” ² Kpwa hivyo mfalume achimuambira Joabu, mkpwulu wa jeshi ariyekala phamwenga naye achimuamba, “Phiyani kpwa mbari zosi za Iziraeli, hangu Dani hadi Beeri-Sheba, mkaaolange atu nipahe kumanya kala ni angaphi.” ³ Ela Joabu achimuamba mfalume, “Mwenyezi Mlungu, Mlunguo naajalie Aiziraeli aenjerezeke akale kano gana zaidi kuriko vira arivyo sambi. Nawe bwana wangu mfalume urione dzambo hiri na matsogo mwenye ela phahi, kpwa utu wani bwana wangu mfalume ukafwahirwa ni kuhenda dzambo hiro?” ⁴ Ela neno ra mfalume rakala na nguvu kuriko ra Joabu na akulu a jeshi. Phahi Joabu na akulu a jeshi auka mbere za mfalume achiphiya kpwendaaolanga ro jeshi ra Aiziraeli. ⁵ Avuka muho Joridani, achichita kambi phephi na Aroeri, uphande wa mwakani kpwenye dete. Kula hipho atsupira Gadi na achiphiya uphande wa vurini hadi achifika mudzi wa Jazeri. ⁶ Chisha aphiya Giliadi hadi Kadeshi hiko tsi ya Ahiti chisha aphiya Dani, na kula Dani achizunguluka hadi Sidoni. ⁷ Achedza mudzi uriodzengerwa ngome wa Tiro na midzi yosi ya Ahivi, Akanani na achiphiya Beeri-Sheba, uphande wa mwakani mwa Juda. ⁸ Nao ariphomala kuzunguluka tsi yosi, auya

Jerusalemu bada ya miezi tisiya na siku mirongo miiri. ⁹ Ndipho Joabu achimphirikira mfalume isabu ya hinyo atu. Hiko Iziraeli kala kuna masujaa amanyao kupigana kpwa kuhumira upanga elufu magana manane awezao kuhumira panda na hiko Juda kala kuna alume elufu magana matsano.

¹⁰ Ela bada ya kuaolanga hinyo atu wakala na wasiwasi sana moyoni. Ndipho achimuambira Mwenyezi Mlungu, “Nchigohenda ni dambi kulu sana ela phahi nakuvoya, ee Mwenyezi Mlungu, uniswamehe mimi mtumishio kpwa mana nka-henda dzambo ra chizuzu sana.” ¹¹ Ligundzu kuriphocha Daudi aripholamuka, Mwenyezi Mlungu wamupha ujumbe nabii Gadi, muonadzi wa Daudi, kuamba, ¹² “Phiya ukamuambire Daudi, ‘Mwenyezi Mlungu anakuamba hivi: Nakupha mambo mahahu utsambule mwenga ambaro ndakuhendera.’ ” ¹³ Phahi Gadi waphiya kpwa Daudi, achendamuamba, “Undat-sambula riphi kahi ya higa: ndzala ya muda wa miaka sabaa ikale kpwenye tsiyo? Au miezi mihahu ya kuachimbira avihao kuno anaku-zoresa? Au siku tahu ambapho hino tsi indain-jirwa ni ukongo mui? Sambu fikiri ukate shauri uniphe jibu ra kumuuyizira iye achiyenihuma.” ¹⁴ Daudi achimuamba Gadi, “Nkainjira kpwenye mashaka makulu, baha hutiywe adabu ni Mwenyezi Mlungu, mana mbazize ni nyinji, ela usiniriche nkatiywa mikononi mwa anadamu.” ¹⁵ Phahi Mwenyezi Mlungu wareha ukongo mui Iziraeli, hangu ligundzu hadi muda uriokala ukapangbwa. Atu elufu mirongo sabaa achifwa kahi

ya tsi yosi kula Dani hadi Beeri-Sheba. ¹⁶ Ela hiye malaika ariphogolosa mkpwonowe kuelekeza Jerusalemu ili aangamize hinyo atu, Mwenyezi Mlungu waonera mbazi kpwa sababu ya higo mai, achimuambira hiye malaika mwenye kurehera atu ukongo mui, “Ikatosha, ndipho uyiza mkpwonoo.” Na hiye malaika wa Mwenyezi Mlungu kala aimire phephi na phatu pha kuwagira mtsere pha Arauna, Mjebusi. ¹⁷ Daudi ariphomuona malaika ariyekala anaolaga atu kpwa kuarehera ukongo mui, wagomba na Mwenyezi Mlungu achiamba, “Lola, mimi ndimi niriyekosa, ni mimi niriyekosera. Ela gano mang’ondzi gakahendani? Phahi nitiya adabu mimi na nyumba ya baba.”

*Daudi anadzenga
phatu pha kulavira sadaka
(1 Nyakati 21:18-27)*

¹⁸ Siku iyo-iyo Gadi waphiya kpwa Daudi, achendamuaamba, “Haya! Ambuka ukamdzen-gere Mwenyezi Mlungu phatu pha kulavira sadaka, kahi ya phatu pha kuwagira mtsere pha Arauna, Mjebusi.” ¹⁹ Phahi Daudi waambuka dza vyo Mwenyezi Mlungu arivyomlagiza kut-supira neno rogombwa ni Gadi. ²⁰ Hiye Arauna ariphotsupha dzitso uphande wa tsini wamuona mfalume aredza na atumishie. Arauna watuluka achendamzamira mfalume hadi chilangu chichiguta photsi. ²¹ Achiuza, “Kpwa utu wani Bwana wangu mfalume akamtsolokera mtumishiwe?” Naye Daudi achijibu achiamba, “Nkedzagula hichi chiwanjacho cha kuwagira

mtsere nimdzengere Mwenyezi Mlungu phatu pha kulavira sadaka, ili nyo ukongo mui urio na atu usire.”²² Arauna achimuamba Daudi, “Bwana wangu mfalume, hala chikufwahiracho ukalavire sadaka. Lola, mino nalavya ndzau akale sadaka ya kuochwa, na vifwaya vya kuwagira na magogolo ga ng’ombe gakale kuni.²³ Vitu hivi vyosi, ee mfalume, mino nkakupha uwe.” Arauna achienderera kuamba, “Natumai Mwenyezi Mlungu, Mlunguo andakukubali.”²⁴ Ela mfalume achimuamba Arauna, “Hata! Uwe usiniphe chochosi. Mino ni nigule chila chitu kpwa samaniye. Sindamlavira Mwenyezi Mlungu, Mlungu wangu, sadaka za kuochwa ambazo tazikanigarimu.” Hiphho mfalume Daudi wagula hicho chiwanja cha kuwagira mtsere na hinyo ndzau kpwa vipande mironko mitsano vya feza.²⁵ Chisha Daudi wamdzengera Mwenyezi Mlungu phatu pha kulavira sadaka phapho na achimlavira sadaka za kuochwa na sadaka za amani. Phahi Mwenyezi Mlungu wagakubali higo mavoyo kpwa ajili ya yo tsi, naye achiausira nyo ukongo mui urioaphaha atu a Iziraeli.

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