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Ukondla Izimvu

Ngenxa yokuthi isifundo sethu kulekota siku-1 no 2 Petro, sifunda amazwi othile owayenoJesu ngezikhathi ezibaluleke kakhulu zomsebenzi Wakhe. UPetro ubuye futhi abe ngogqamile kubaholi bamaKristu okuqala. Lamaqiniso ewodwa enza izincwadi zakhe kubesemqoka ukuba zifundwe. Kepha lezizincwadi ziyathathekisa ngokuthi zazibhalelwe amabandla ayedlula ezikhathini ezilukhuni: ayebhekene nokushushiswa kanye nengozi yothisha bamanga ababequbuka ngaphakathi kuwo.

UPetro uxwayisa ngokuthi phakathi kwezinye izinto labothisha bamanga abazozithukisa ngukungabaza ngokubuya kwesibili kukaJesu. “Siphi isithembiso sokuza kwakhe na?” bazosho, “ngokuba selokhu kwafa obaba, zonke izinto ziqhubeka Njengalokhu bezenza kusukela ekuqaleni kokudalwa” (2 Pet. 3:4). Namuhla, cishe emuva kweminyaka eyizigidi ezimbili, siyalazi iqiniso lalesisimangalo, akunjalo na?

Ngaphandle kokuba uPetro asixwayise ngothisha bamanga, ukuhlupheka ibandla elibhekana nako yisihloko abuyela kuso izikhathi eziningana. Lokhu kuhlupheka, uthi, kufana nokuhlupheka kukaJesu, owathathela kuye izono zethu ngomzimba Wakhe lapho efa esiphambanweni (1 Pet. 2:24). Kepha izindaba ezinhle ngezokuthi ukufa kukaJesu kwaletsa inkululeko ekufeni kwaphakade okwakudalwe yisono, kanye nempilo yokulunga lapha manje kulabo abathembele Kuye (1 Pet. 2:24).

UPetro uthi uJesu akafelanga nje kuphela izono zethu kepha uzobuyela emhlabeni nokwahlulela kukaNkulunkulu (2 Pet. 3:10-12). Ugcizelela iqiniso lokuthi ukuza kokwahlulela kumele kube nemithelela ephathekayo empilweni yekholwa. Lapho uJesu

ebuya, uzokubhubhisa isono futhi ahlanze umhlaba ngomlilo (2 Pet. 3:7). Kuyothi amaKristu amukele ifa uNkulunkulu akade ewagcinele lona Ezulwini (1 Pet. 1:4).

UPetro unamazwi aphahekayo ngendlela amaKristu okumele aphile ngayo. Okokuqala nokusemqoka, amaKristu kumele athandane (1 Pet. 4:8). Uqoqa lomcabango wakhe ngokuthi: “Ekugcineni, nonke manibe nhliziyonye, nihawukelane, nithandane, nibe nobubele, kanye nokuthobeka” (1 Pet. 3:8, NRSV).

Izincwadi zikaPetro zingukumemezela okuqinisekile kwevangeli, isigijimi seBhayibheli lonke. Nembala, uma Kukhona okumele awazi Umusa kaNkulunkulu osindisayo, nguPetro. Yena lowo Petro, ngokusobala futhi nangenhlamba owaphika iNkosi yakhe ethi, “ ‘Angiyazi leyondoda’ ” (Matt. 26:74, NKJV), nguyena uJesu athi kuye, “Yondla izimvu zami” (John 21:17). Lezizincwadi ezimbili ziyisibonelo sokufeza lokho kanye kukaPetro— ukondla izimvu zenkosi.

Nembala, futhi, noma Iyiphi ingxenye yalokhu kondla kuzofaka iqiniso elikhulu lokusindiswa ngokholo kuKristu, Indikimba uzakwabo, umpostoli uPawule, ayimemezela ngamandla. Leli yiqiniso lomusa kaNkulunkulu. UPetro wayazi ngalokho, hhayi nje kuphela ngokomqondo, noma ngokwemfundiso, kepha ngoba yena uqobo wayebe namava eqiniso kanye namandla alowo musa.

Njengalokhu kwaloba u-Martin Luther ephawula ngoPetro: “Empeleni leNcwadi kaPetro ngenye yezincwadi ezinkulu kakhulu KwiTestamente Elisha, futhi iyivangeli leqiniso elimsulwa. Ngokuba uPetro wenza lokho okwenziwe nguPawule kanye nabanye abavangeli yokufundisa ngemfundiso yeqiniso yokholo, ngendlela esinikezwe ngayo uKristu, osusa izonzo zethu futhi asisindise.”— *Commentary on the Epistles of Peter and Jude* (Grand Rapids: Kregel Publications, 1982), pp. 2, 3. UJesu wathi kuPetro makondle izimvu Zakhe. Siyingxenye yalezo zimvu. masondleke.

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