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# Apha, Kulapho Simi Khona: ULuther ERoma

**K**umakhulu amahlanu eminyaka eyadlulayo kule nyanga, uMartin Luther, iprofesa yezifundo ngoThixo, eyayiminyaka ingama-33 ubudala, yaxhoma iintshumayelo ezingama-95. Nangona nje kuqala yayifuna ukuphikisa ubumenemene bobupopi, obabusenga umhlambi kaLuther ngokuthengisa izithembiso zoxolelo, isenzo sikaLuther sokudelela saba yintlantsi eyalumeka uHlaziyo lobuProtestanti—waza umhlaba awabuye ube nguwo ukususela ngoko

Phofu ke, kuninzi okutshintshileyo kususela ngaloo mini kowe-1517. Into engazange itshintshe liLizwi likaThixo neenyanyiso eLizwini ezanika uLuther isiseko semfundo ngoThixo ukuze anike umngeni iRoma nokuba ashumayele kwizigidi isigidimi esikhulu sosindiso ngokholo kuphela.

Embindini kweso siseko, kukho isifundo sale kota: incwadi yabaseRoma. ULuther wabhala kwiCommentary on Romans: “ILEta [incwadi le yamaRoma] iyeyona nxalenye inkulu yeTestamente eNtsha neyona Gospile inyulu, kwaye ifanelwe, kungekuphela ukuba wonke umKristu ayazi igama negama, ngentliziyo, kodwa azixakekise ngayo yonke imihla, njengesonka semihla ngemihla somphefumlo.”—Martin Luther, *Commentary on Roma*, translated by J. Theodore Mueller (Grand Rapids, Mich.: Kregel Publications, 1976), p. 8.

Kunjalo, kukumaRoma apho uLuther wafumana khona inyaniso enkulu “ukugwetyelwa ngokholo” kuphela. Kwakulapha apho le ndoda, izamazamana nokuqinisekiswa ngokusindiswa, yatyhila khona inyaniso enkulu—kungekuphela kumaRoma, kungekuphela kwiTestamente eNtsha, kodwa kwiBhayibhile iphela: inyaniso ngecebo losindiso, “esababalwa ngalo ngoKristu Yesu phambi kwamaxesha aphakade” (2 Tim. 1:9, NKJV).

Yile nyaniso le yokuba usindiso lufumaneka kuphela ngobulungisa bukaKristu. Bubulungisa obubalelwa kuthi ngokholo, ubulungisa esibuphiwa ngaphandle kokugcina umthetho. Okanye, njengoko uPawulos ebeke ngokucacileyo kumaRoma: “ngoko ke sigqiba kwelithi, umntu ugwetyelwa ngokholo, kungakho misebenzi yamthetho” (Roma 3:28.)

Kwakungenxa yale nyaniso, kona, ukuze uLuther—edelela amagunya neziphatha-mandla zehlabathi kunye noluhlu lwemigangatho yaseRoma phambi kweNtlanganiso yaseWorms, ngowe-1521, wathi: “Andinako, kwaye ndingasayi kurhoxa, kuba akukhuselekanga ukuba umKristu athethe ngokuchasene nesazela sakhe. . . . Apha, ndimi, Andinakwenza ngakumbi.”—J. H. Mede D’Aubigné D.D., *History of the Reformation, translated by H. White* (New York: American Tract Society, 1848), p. 249.

Namhla, amaProtestanti athembekileyo nawo awanako ukwenza nto ngaphandle kokuma eLizwini likaThixo ngaphezu nangokuchasene nazo zonke izithethe neemfundiso ekuxhathiswe ngazo ezingemanga eBhayibhileni.

Akuthandabuzeki ukuba ubuKristu bubheke phambili kakhulu kususela kuLuther kuzikhulula kwiinkulungwane zenkolo nemfundiso engeyiyo ezingazange zanele nje ukuyijika igospile kodwa, zayiphanga igunya.

Kanti ke, eminyakeni emininzi, uHlaziyo lwema. Kwezinye iindawo kwema endaweni yenkqubela isiqhelo senkolo ebandayo, kwezinye, abantu babuyela eRoma. Ngoku, kwixesha lokwanda kwenkolo nobuninzi bamabandla, iinyaniso eziphambili ezakhuthaza uHlaziyo zisuke zafiphala, zigqunywe phantsi kokudutyulwa ngobuciko babuqhetseba obufuna ukufihla iiyantlukwano ezisisiseko ezingalungisanga nto ngoku kunokuba zazinjalo ngemihla kaLuther. Iziprofeto zikaDaniyeli 7:23-25, 8:9-12, nesiTyhilelo 13, 14, kunye neendaba ezinkulu zokusindiswa ngokholo njengoko zifumaneka kwincwadi yabaseRoma, zibonisa isizathu sokuba abo bathembikileyo eBhayibhileni kufuneke beme bazinze kwiinyaniso amanyange ethu amaProtestanti athi azikhusela, ada alahlweka bubomi bawo.

Thina maSeventh-day Adventists, sihleli kumthetho-siseko othi sola scriptura, isiBhalo kuphela; kungoko, simi siqinile ukulandula yonke imizamo yokutsalela amaKristu emva eRoma nakwinkolo yangaphambi koHlaziyo. Kwelinye icala, isiBhalo sisalathisa kwindlela esinga kwelinye icala (IsiTy. 18:4), kwaye kuloo ndlela sibheka phambili sivakalisa “iindaba ezilungileyo ezingunaphakade” (IsiTy. 14:6) ehlabathini, kwaezo ndaba zilungileyo zingunaphakade ezaphembelela uLuther kwiminyaka engama-500 eyadlulayo.