A Izwe elilahlekileyo

- UNkulunkulu wabeka u-Adamu lo-Eva ababusi balomhlaba (Gen. 1:27-28) futhi wababeka ensimini yase-Edene (Gen. 2:8). Lapho bengamlaleli uNkulunkulu, baxotshwa (Gen. 3:23). Babelahlekelwe ukubusa phezu komhlaba.
- Kodwa uNkulunkulu wayelecebo lokuthi uluntu lubuyise umhlaba olahlekileyo11. Esigabeni sokuqala, wanika u-Abrahama, u-Isaka, kanye loJakobe isiqetshana sezwe: iKhanani (Gen. 13:14-15).
- Kancane kancane, ilifa lalizanabela emhlabeni wonke, njengoba ulwazi ngoNkulunkulu lwalufinyelela kubo bonke abantu lezizwe (Isaya 11:9).
- Ukungalalaleli kuka-Israyeli kwaholela ekushintsheni kwezinhlelo zakuqala. UNkulunkulu wavusa abantwana baka-Abrahama ematsheni ukuze bazuze izithembiso zakhe: thina (Luka 3:8; Hebheru 6:11-12).

B Izwe uNkulunkulu aliphayo

- Njengoba u-Adamu lo-Eva bengenzanga lutho ukuze bafanele insimu yase-Edene, u-Abrahama lenzalo yakhe abenzanga lutho ukuze bafanele iZwe Lesithembiso. Kwakuyisipho esivela kuNkulunkulu.
- Lesi sipho singasiqhathanisa lendlu yokurenta. Ngokuba u-Israyeli wayekwazi ukuhlala eKhanani, izwe lahlala lingelikaNkulunkulu (IHu. 24:1).
- Umnikazi wendlu nguye onakekela uphahla, amapayipi amanzi, lokunye.Ngokufanayo, uNkulunkulu nguye owapha izuluelinayo, wavikela izilimo lokunye, ukuze u-Israyeli ahlale ngokuqiniseka ezweni uNkulunkulu amnika lona.
- Njengase-Edene, kwakukhona imali yokurenta ukuze "ibhadalwe": ukulalela (Lev. 20:22). Kwakuyindaba yobudlelwane ngempela: ukuthanda uNkulunkulu lokujabulela izibusiso Zakhe. Izolo, njengalamuhla, kuseyindaba yokholo (Heb. 11:9-13).

C Nqoba izwe

- Kuthe uJoshuwa esemdala, uNkulunkulu wamlaya ukuba ahlukanise izwe phakathi kwezizwe zakwa-Israyeli, kuhlanganise lezindawo ezazingakanqotshwa (Josh. 13:1-7).
- Umhlaba wawungowabo, kodwa kwakusadingeka benze umzamo wokuwuthatha. UNkulunkulu akenzi izinto ngaphandle komuntu; Ufuna senze ingxenye yethu.
- Langoba babelwela ukunqoba, ukuphumelela kwabo kwakungasikho imfanelo yabo, kodwa kwakungokukaNkulunkulu (Dut. 9:5). Njengo-Israyeli, asilakwenza lutho ukuze sithole insindiso futhi sizuze izithembiso njengelifa (Efe. 2:8-9; Gal. 3:29). Kodwa uma besilwa... yini okufanele siyenze lamuhla?
- Lapho esesindisiwe, uNkulunkulu udinga izinto ezimbili ezindlalifa zakhe: ukulalela (Fil. 2:12); lokubonga (Heb. 12:28).

B' Gcina isipho

- Lapho ilifa selitholiwe, kwakulemithetho ekhethekileyo elawula ukusetshenziswa komhlaba: unyaka wesabatha lejubili.
- Umnyaka weSabatha, ukwandiswa okukhulu kweSabatha, wawuvumela izwe ukuba liphumule (Lev. 25:2-5). Ukwehluleka ukugcina lomthetho kwakungesinye sezizathu zokudingiswa (2 IziKr. 36:20-21).
- Ijubili lalihlanganyela ukubuyiselwa komhlaba kubanikazi bawo bokuqala, ukugwema ukungalingani kwezenhlalo (Lev. 25:10, 23, 40-41).
- Empeleni, le inhloso enkulu yeVangeli: ukwesula umehluko phakathi kwabanothileyo labampofu, abaqhatshi labasebenzi, abalenhlanhla labancitshwe amathuba, kusibeka sonke endaweni elinganayo ngokubona isidingo sethu esipheleleyo somusa kaNkulunkulu.

A' Umhlaba otholiweyo

- Ngenxa yokungalalaleli kwabo, u-Israyeli wasuswa ezweni lakhe waphoswa eBhabhiloni. Kodwa uNkulunkulu akazange abalahle.
- Wathembisa ukubabuyisela emuva, abanikeze izwe kuze kube phakade, futhi wabeka uDavide njengenkosi phezu kwabo (Hez. 37:25). Kodwa u-Israyeli akazange abe lalelo zwe kuze kube phakade, futhi uDavide wayesefile isikhathi eside. Sitsho ukuthini-ke lesi siprofetho?
- Lapha kumenyezelwa uJesu, iNkosi yeqiniso ebusa phakade. Lowo, ngegazi lakhe, usiqinisekisa ngefa eliphakade.
- Uyikugcwaliseka kwazo zonke izithembiso (Roma 15:8; 2 Kor. 1:20). Kuye sithola izibusiso manje, lasesikhathini esizayo, lelifa elithenjisiwe (1 Pet. 1:3-4). Ngokuphangisa, inyawo zethu zizafika eZweni Lesithembiso.