

A. Isikhathi senhlupheko nenkululeko.

- ❖ Izimpawu zesikhathi ezigcwaliseka ngokushesha zibika ukuthi ukubuya kukaKristu sekuseduze. Izinsuku esiphila kuzo zingezibaluleke kakhulu.” (EGW, TI9, 11).
Yiziphi lezo zehlakalo na?
 - **Isamb 22:11.** Ukwahlulela kuyaphela futhi wonke amacala asenqunyiwe. Umnyango womusa uyavalwa.
 - **Is. 8:21-22; Jer. 30:7.** Isikhathi senhlupheko. Ababi bazenzela abakuthandayo, nabangcwele abazi noma sebexolelw.
 - **Isamb 15:7-8; IHubo 27:5.** Izishayo eziyi 7 zokugcina zehlela abangaphendukiyo. Abantu bakaNkulunkulu bayalondwa bavikelwe.
 - **Isamb 16:14; 1Jn. 3:2-3.** Yilelo nalelo qembu lilungela ukuhlangana noJesus. Abanye ukulwa naye; abanye ukumamukela ngenjabulo.

- ❖ Lapho uJesus ephetha umsebenzi wokusinxusela noMoya oNgcwele usuka kwabangaphendukiyo, bonke bayothola umvuzo wabo. Abathembekile bayoqhube kaNkulunkulu, lapho ababi bayoba semandleni kaSathane. Yilovo nalowo uyobonakalisa ngesimilo sakhe ukuthi unqume ukukhonza ubani.

B. Isikhathi sovalo nenjabulo.

- ❖ Ababi (Isambulo 6:16):
 - Benqabe umthetho kaNkulunkulu; benqabe amanzi okuphila bazembela bona “imithombo evuzayo” (Jer. 2:13). Manje sebebhekene ubuso nobuso noMahluleli. Bayobhekana kuphela nolaka nokulahlwa. Ngubani oyobakhulula? (Isa . 2:19; Isamb 6:16).
- ❖ Abahlengiweyo (Isaya 25:9):
 - Ababetherbekile emthethweni kaNkulunkulu; baphuzile amanzi okuphila (Isamb 21:6). Manje sebebhekene ubuso nobuso noMahluleli. Bangalindela kuphela insindiso. Bangahlala kanjani bengamdu misi ngenhlokomo? (Isa. 25:9; Isamb 15:3-4).

C. Isikhathi sencithakalo nokwahlu lela.

- ❖ Time of desolation:
 - Lapho uJesus ebuya, abangcwele beminyaka yonke bayovuswa; nabaphilayo abathembekile, baguqulwe, bayonyukela ezulwini noJesus(1Thes. 4:16-17).
 - Ababi bayobhujisa ebukhoneni bukajesu. Izidumbu zabo ziyo sala zingangcwatshwanga, ekugcineni, akusayi kuba nampilo emhlabeni (Jer. 25:33; Isamb. 19:17-21; Jer. 4:23-26; Is. 24:3).
 - Ngaleso sikhathi, uSathane kanye nezingelosi zakhe bayovaleleka emgodini ongenamkhawulo iminyaka eyinkulungwane, bengakwazi ukwedukisa muntu (Rev. 20:1-3).
 - Kwalasha (abyssos, indawo yobumnyama), yincazelo eqondile yesimo somhlaba ngaleso sikhathi. Kungekho bantu emhlabeni, akukho demoni elingalinga. Kuyoba yisikhathi sokucabanga kabusha sezingelosi ezihlubukile, ziboshwe ngamaketane ayisimo, kungekho ndlela yokuwushiya umhlaba ongenalutho.
- ❖ Isikhathi sokwahlu lela:
 - Uma ukwahlu lela kwenzeka ngaphambi kokubuya kwesibili, futhi noJesus esesikhophile isigwebo, ukunika labo abakholwa kuye ukuphila okuphakade... kusengokwani ke ukwahlu lela okusha na? (Isamb. 20:4)?
 - Emakhulwini eminyaka, uNkulunkulu ubonise uthando lwakhe wanika bonke abalwamukelayo usindiso. Futhi kuvumele nobubi ukuba buzibonakalise ngokuphelele
 - Ngesikhathi sokwahlu lela, imihlaba yonke kanye nezingelosi ezithembekile zibonile ukulunga kukaNkulunkulu kanye nomusa ngendlela asebenze ngayo ngesono nokuhlubuka. Manje, seziyabona umphumela wangempela wombuso kaSathane: umhlaba ongenalutho.
 - Kodwa thina esiphile ezweni lesitha ngesikhathi sempi, esesihlengiwe, siyodinga futhi ukubona ukulunga kukaNkulunkulu nomusa wakhe. Emyakeni eyinkulungwane siyo zibonela ngokwethu uthando lukaNkulunkulu, nesono asisayi kuvuka phakade (Nah. 1:9).

D. Isikhathi sokuphila nokufa.

- ❖ Ekupheleni kweminyaka eyinkulungwane, ababi bayovuswa. Bamukela izindlela zikaSathane futhi, kanjalo balwa noNkulunkulu nabangcwele. Akukho mahluko, babhujisa bonke ngomlilo (Isamb. 20:5-9).
- ❖ Kodwa bengakabhujisa, kuba nokwahlu lela kokugcina. Izincwadi zavulwa, bonke bayazibonela izenzo zabo nokwenqaba kwabo ukubizwa ngothando nguMoya oNgcwele. Bonke bayakwamukela ukulunga kukaNkulunkulu, baguqe phambi kwakhe (Isamb 20:11-13; Is . 45:23; Fil . 2:10).

- ❖ Abanakho ukuphila phakade (ukuba bajeziswe phakade), bafa “ukufa kwesibili,” okungasenakho ukuvuka kwabafileyo (Isamb 20:14-15; IHubo 37:20; Mal. 4:1; Is . 26: 14).
- ❖ Ukufa nesono sekuphelile. Sekuyisikhathi sokwesula zonke izinyembezi sithokozele ukuphela okuphakade ngenjabulo (Isamb 21:4).

E. Isikhathi sokuthanda nokuthandwa.

- ❖ Siyokwenzani emhlabeni omusha phakade na?
 - Isiphambano sikaKristu siyoba yisifundo nengoma yabahlengiwego phakade.
 - Ngezinhlelo [...] zokuthula, ngase [...] mithonjeni yamanzi aphilileyo, abantu bakaNkulunkulu [...] bayoba nekhaya
 - Lapho izihlakaniphi ezingasafi ziyocabanga ngenjabulo engapheli ngezimanga zendalo
 - Yonke imikhakha iyovuselelw, namakhono onke akhushulwe
 - Ukufumana ulwazi kungebakkhathaze abahlakaniphileyo noma baphelelw ngamandla
 - Izinto ezinkulu ziyakwenziwa, namaphupho amakhulu ayofezekiswa, nokuzimisela okukhulu kuyogcwaliseka.
 - Nezinselele ezinkulu ziyonqotshwa, nezimangaliso ezintsha siyozibona, namaqiniso amasha siyowaqonda, nezhinloso ezintsha eziyokhaliphisa ingqondo kanye nomoya, nomphefumulo kanye nomzimba.
 - Babelana [kanye nezidalwa ezingawelanga esonweni] amafa olwazi kanye nokuqonda okwafunyanwa eminyakeni eyizinkulungwane yokucabanga ngemisebenzi kaNkulunkulu
 - Ngombono osobala, babona inkazimulo yendalo: amalanga nezinkanyezi kanye nezimo, ngendlela ezibekwe ngayo, zizungeze isihlalo sikaNkulunkulu

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