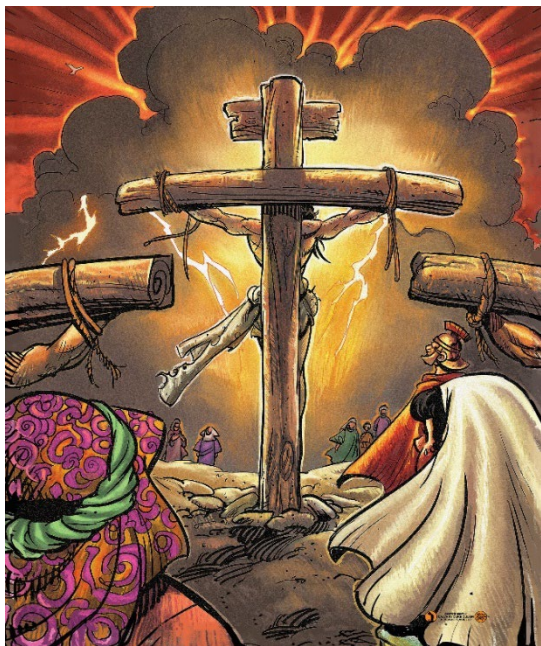


Ingaba uThixo undithanda ngenene?



~ Richard A. Bennett
“Ukumlangazelela kwakho u-Thixo”

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Ingaba wakha waluthandabuza uthando lomntu obalulekileyo kuwe? Okanye ke ingaba wakha wazama ukuqinisekisa umntu ongakukholelwayo ukuba uyamthanda? Kwezi meko zombini uyakwazi ukuba kukho amaxesha apho uthando lwenene lufanele ukubonakaliswa ngezenzo kunamazwi.

Ngenxa yokuba izenzo zinamandla kakhulu kunamazwi, uThixo ubonakalalise okwakhe ukusithanda ngento awayenzayo mhleni uYesu wayesifa emnqamlezweni. Xa ubuqonda ubunzulu bokubaluleka kwale nto, akunakuze udinge enye ingcaciso yokuba uThixo ukuthanda ngenene.

Kungekudala emva kokuba ndiguqukile, ndafunda ibali eliyinene malunga nenkwenkwe eyavuthela isigodlo emkhosini kunye nejoni. Le nkwenkwe, egama linguWillie, yayineminyaka elishumi elinambini xa wayethunyelwa kwenye itente enamajoni asixhenxe angenaThixo. Omnye wala majoni igama lakhe yayinguBill. uWillie wayengafani noBill kuba yena wayelikholwa elizinikeleyo kwiNkosi uYesu Kristu. Wayedla ngokuguqa ecaleni kwebhedi yakhe qho ebusuku athandaze ngokuthe cwaka afunde neBhayibhile yakhe. Ngelixesha esenza lonto amanye amajoni apha phakathi ayathuka enyelisa.

Ngenye imini umphathi omkhulu oyikoloneli wabiza umngcelele weli qela ukuba alihlole. Kwakukho isela elaye lafunyaniswa ukuba likule tente kaWillie noBill. Kwilinge lokufumana eli sela

iKoloneli le yagrogrisa eli qela lamajoni esithi “Kudala ndinikhuphela izilumkiso koko akuncedi nto. Isela liphindile phezolo leba. Namhlanje, ndinika elo sela ithuba lokugqibela ukuba liziveze lithathe isohlwayo salo njengendoda. Ukuba ke alizivezi, indoda nganye apha kuni iza kukatswa imivumbo elishumi emqolo oze. Kodwa ke ukuba omnye apha kuni uyavela athathe isohlwayo eso, abanye bayakusinda.”

Emva kwemizuzu kuthe cwaka, uWillie wasuka wema ngokwejoni, wasondela phambili wathi “Mhlelezi ugqiba ukuthi ngoku ukuba ukhona umntu ongeza ngaphambili athathe isohlwayo, abanye bayakusinda, Mhlelezi, ke mna ndiyakuba yiloo ndoda” Ngomsindo omkhulu iKoloneli yakhwaza igwala elo lingaziwayo ke phofu, esithi “Ungavumela njani inkwenkwana engenetyala ithathe isohlwayo sakho?”

Akwabakho mntu ushukumayo. Yathi iKoloneli “Ngoko ke nizakubukela umbono olusizi wenkwenkwe engenetyala ithatha isohlwayo sendoda enetyala.”

Yalenza ke ilizwi layo iKoloneli ngokuyalela ukuba umqolo kaWillie ukhululwe, zaqala ikatsi zemivumba ekhohlakeleyo. Uthe

xa eyoba uWillie ngenxa yemivumba, ngeqbuliso uBill akakwazi

ukunyamezela lo mbono, wabaleka ukusuka kwamanye amajoni ekhwaza

esithi “Pheza! Ndim isela. Ndizakusithatha isohlwayo sam” waya waqabuka uWillie kukuyoba oko, waphakamisa emehlo akhe wakhangelela kuBill wasebeza wathi



“Kulungile Bill, iKoloneli ayinakujika kwilizwi layo ngoku, ndizakusithatha sonke isohlwayo sakho.” Wenza njalo ngokwenene.

UWillie akazange aphilie kwizivubeko zaloo mivumba. Kwathi ngaphambi kokuba aye ezulwini, uBill owayesedane kakhulu ezisola, walila ecaleni lebhedi kaWillie ebuza “Bekutheni Willie? Kutheni undenzele le nto nje? Ayindifanelanga lento.” Impendulo kaWillie yayilula inengcaciso, isithi “Bill kudala ndizama ukukucacisela ukuba uThixo uyakuthanda, wena usuke undihleke, ndicinge ukuba ukuba ndingathatha isohlwayo sakho, oko kunganceda ukuba uqonde indlela awakuthanda ngayo uYesu xa waya emnqamlezweni esiya kuthatha indawo yakho afele izono zakho.” Kwathi phambi kokuba aye ezulwini uWillie. UBill wamamkela uYesu, usindiso olunikwa ngesisa nguYesu onothando.

NgoKristu izulu laphosa intambo eyoyisayo yokuhlangula uluntu. YayiluThando–uthando lukaThixo athanda ngalo umntu ngamnye–olwaqhuba uKristu ukuba azenze idini ave ubuhlungu.

Ngenxa yokuba uThixo ekuthanda futhi esazi ukuba isono sitshabalalisa ubomi bakho, akakumemi ukuba uguquke, uyakuyalela ukuba uguquke: “kungoku uThixo uyala abantu bonke ezindaweni zonke ukuba baguquke” (Zenzo 17:30). U“bonke” apha kule vesi uquka nawe.

“Izenzo ezilungileyo zomntu zifana nesiziba esimdaka” phambi koThixo oNgcwele (Isaya 64:6). Kodwa xa uguqukela kuYesu, uyakuba nomnqweno wokuzishiya ezo zinto zingamkholisiyo ebomini bakho.

Into ebalulekileyo kukuza kuYesu ngokholo, owathi “ndim indlela, ndim

ubomi, ndim inyaniso, akukho namnye ozayo kubawo engezi ngam” (Yohane 14:6).

Uthando olungenamida

Apha ezingcingeni zakho khawukhe uzame ukudibanisa ababukeli ababini ababebukele isiganeko sangaloo lwesihlanu wePasika yokuqala. Isihlwele esingqonge umnqamlezo sivule imilomo ebonakalisa ukungakholeleki kwento abayibonayo. Njengokuba bebukele lo mbono woyikisayo, bajamelene nombono ophikisanayo wamahlwili.

Macala omabini kaYesu kujinga isihange. Omabini la madoda anetyala phambi kwabantu kwaye bobabini banetyala phambi koThixo uMdali. Kubo bobabini isigwebo sokufa sasifanelekile ngokomthetho welizwe.

Phakathi kwala madoda mabini kujinga uYesu kowakhe umnqamlezo.

Ngokwahlukileyo kakhulu kubaphangi, uYesu yena wayengenatyala engenaso nesono phambi kwabantu koko egqibelele phambi koYise oyiNgcwele. “UTHixo ekuKristu” (2 Korinte 5:19) waya emnqamlezweni njenge “Mvana engenasiphako nabala” (1 Petros 1:19), ukufa kukaKristu endaweni yaboni kwakuqhutywe yintliziyo kaThixo yothando.

Abaphangi babefanele ukufa, kodwa uYesu yena wayengafanele. Ngaphambi koko, xa wayethetha nabagxeki bakhe, uYesu waqinisela wathi “ndiyabuncama mna ubomi bam ukuze ndibuye ndibuthabathe. Akukho namnye ubuhluthayo kum, ndiyabuncama mna ngokwam. Ndinegunya lokubuncama, ndinegunya lokubuya ndibuthabathe” (Yohane 10:17,18). Wathi xa ecacisela abafundi bakhe ngendlela uthando lwakhe olwaluza kubonakala ngayo kwakamsinya

“akukho namnye unalo uthando olungaphezu kolu, lokuba ubomi bakhe abuncamele izihlobo zakhe” (Yohane 15:13).

Kwakusemva kokufa nokuvuka kweNkosi uYesu Kristu apho uMpostile uPawulos waphinda wagxininisa wathi: “uThixo ube ekuKristu kwaye uThixo wamenza lowo ungazani nasono waba sisono ngenxa yethu, ukuze thina sibe bubulungisa bukaThixo kuye” (2 Korinte 5:21).

Kwiinkulungwane emva koko, inyaniso emangalisayo yokufa kuka Kristu endaweni yethu efela isono yachazwa ngokuvakalayo kula mazwi:

Ububulungisa bam, mna bendisisono sakho.

Uthathe okukokwam,

wandinika okukokwakho.

Waba yinto obungeyiyo,

ukuze mna ndibe yinto ebendingeyiyo.

Umthandazo wam wokuzinikela

O, Thixo, bendingakwazi kwaye ndingakuthandi, kodwa ndiyakubulela ngokuba wena ubundazi kwaye undithanda.

Ndingumoni kwaye andinakho ukuzenzela not ukuze ndizuze usindiso. Ngokholo ngoku ndiguqukela kuwe, Nkosi uYesu, ndicela uxolelo lwakho. Ndiyavuma ukuba ndingumoni kwaye ndiyaguquka ezonweni zam. Enkosi Nkosi Yesu ngokundifela nokundinika amandla ahlambululayo nanika ubomi asegazini lakho. Ngokholo ngoku ndibeka ubomi bam phantsi kokhuseleko lelo gazi lakho elinqabileyo.

Nceda ungene entliziyweni yam, Nkosi uYesu, uthathe ulawulo lobomi bam.

Enkosi Nkosi uYesu ngokuba uMoya wakho oyinGcwele endizele ngokutsha. Kuyamangalisa kum ukwazi ukuba ngamandla akho ovuko ndingumntwana kaThixo kwaye ndiyakuphila ngonaphakade.

Ngoku ke kufuneka uxelele omnye umntu ngale nto ogqiba kuyenza. Khumbula ukuba uKristu uphila ngaphakathi kwakho kwaye ungamandla owadingayo ukuze uthethe ngaye kwaye umphilele.

“ngokuba, xa uthe wavuma ngomlomo wakho ukuba uyinKosi uYesu, wakholwa ngentliziyo yakho ukuba uThixo wamvusa kwelabafileyo, wosindiswa. Kuba umntu ukholwa ngentliziyo, ukuze abe nobulungisa, avume ngomlomo, ukuze asindindiswe” (Roma 10:9-10).

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