

A Isizathu sokunqotshwa (Joshuwa 7:1-5, 10-13)

- ❖ Ngemva kombiko omuhle wezinhloli ezazithunyelwe eJeriko, uJoshuwa wabuza uNkulunkulu futhi wathola kuye isu lokuwuthatha umuzi.
- ❖ Uma, ngemva kokuthola umbiko ezinhloini ezazithunyelwe e-Ayi, uJoshuwa wenza okufananayo, ukufa kwabantu abangu-36 kwakuyogwenywa (Joshuwa 7:1-5).
- ❖ Kodwa sasiyini isizathu ngeqiniso sokunqotshwa, loba sasingaba yini isizathu sokuba uNkulunkulu atshele uJoshuwa ukuba angalihlasele i-Ayi (Josh. 7:11)?
- ❖ UNkulunkulu wayebonile ukuthi “u-Israyeli wonile.” Akukho ndawo eBhayibhelini lapho isono sichazwa ngamagama ahlukeni anjengalawa: “badlunguluzile . . . bathathé... bebile . . . baqambe amanga . . .
- ❖ Qaphela ubunengi. Isono senziwa ngumuntu oyedwa, kodwa uNkulunkulu wabeka icala kubo bonke abantu. Basephulile isivumelwano; isono kwadingeka sisitshuywe ukuze sibuyiselwe

B Bethukile futhi bahluphekile (Joshuwa 7:6-9)

- ❖ UJoshuwa labadala bebandla bakhathazeka ngokunqotshwa e-Ayi, futhi babonisa izimpawu ezicacileyo zokukhala(Josh. 7:6).
- ❖ UJoshuwa wa esesabela ngokuthukuthela okufana lokusabela kukalsrayeli ngokuphindaphindiweyo phakathi leminyaka engu-40 ezulazula: “Usiletheleni lapha...? Ukube sanelisiwe yikuhlala ...!” (Josh. 7:7).
- ❖ Ngakho, umoya kaJoshuwa wawungafani lowama-Israyeli ehlane. Ukukhononda kwakhe kwakungashukunyiswa ukudumazeka, kodwa kwakubangelwa yikwesaba ukuthi igama likaNkulunkulu laliyohlanjalazwa phakathi kwabeZizwe (Josh. 7:8-9).
- ❖ Wabona ngokusobala ukuthi isimo sikaNkulunkulu sasiyochazwa ngabangakholwa ngokusekelwe endleleni abantu bakhe abenza ngayo. Namuhla sisaqhubeka siwubufakazi bukaNkulunkulu emhlabeni. Yeka umthwalo wemfanelo omkhulu!

C Ukufumana umeqamthetho (Joshuwa 7:14-19)

- ❖ Ukuze kususwe isono senhlangano (icala labantu bonke), isoni kwakufanele siqedwe (Josh. 7:15). Iqediwe? Ubengeke yini athethelelwe uma ephenduka? Yebo wayezokwenza! Kodwa u-Akani akazange abonise sibonakaliso sokuphenduka okuqotho (futhi wayelamathuba amanengi okwenza kanjalo).
 - Ukuphenya kwamanyezelwa futhi kwahlehliswa kwaze kwaba ngakusasa (Josh. 7:14-15). Wathula uAkhani.
 - Isizwe sakwaJuda sathathwa (Josh. 7:16). Wathula uAkhani.
 - Umndeni kaZera wathathwa (Josh. 7:17a). Wathula uAkhani.
 - Umholi uZabdi wathathwa (Josh. 7:17b). Wathula uAkhani.
 - U-Akhani wathathwa (Josh. 7:18). Wathula uAkhani.
- ❖ Ebonisa umusa lothando lwaphezulu, uJoshuwa wacela u-Akani ukuba avume isono sakhe (Josh. 7:19).
- ❖ Icala lika-Akhani lalahleka. Wavuma, kodwa akazange acele intethelelo (Josh. 7:20). Lokhu uNkulunkulu wakhalala ubulukhuni benhliziyo yakhe, ebonakaliswa kukho konke ukubiza ukuphenduka

D Isono sika-Akhani (Joshuwa 7:20-26)

- ❖ UJoshuwa wacela u-Akani ukuba adumise uNkulunkulu futhi avume isono sakhe (Josh. 7:19). Bekulithuba lakhe lokugcina. Uma, lapho evuma, wayecele intethelelo... Kodwa akavumanga, futhi kwakungekho ukuthethelelwa kwakhe (Num. 15:30-31).
- ❖ Njengo-Eva, u-Akhani “wabona,” “wafisa,” futhi “wathatha,” futhi isono sakhe sathinta abanengi (Gen. 3:6). Njengo-Ananiya loSafira, u-Akani wathatha ezinye zezinto eziqalekisiweyo ezinikelwe kuNkulunkulu wazikhokhela (IzEnzo 5:1-2).
- ❖ Izinqumo u-Akhani azenza eJeriko zaziphikisana ngokupheleleyo lezikaRahabi:

RAHAB	Wafihla izinhloli ophahleni	Wenza umusa ku-Israyeli	Wathanda ukunqoba ngenxa yokholo lwakhe	Wenza isivumelwano no-Israyeli	Wakhulula ukuphila kwakhe lemhili yakhe
ACAN	Ayekwebile wakufihla emhlabathini	Kwaletha inkathazo ku-Israyeli	Wenza ukunqotshwa ngemisebenzi yakhe	Wephula isivumelwano sika-Israyeli	Wabhubha lomndeni wakhe

E Uphinde Wanqoba (Joshuwa 8:1-29)

- ❖ NjengaseJeriko, uNkulunkulu wanika uJoshuwa isu lokunqoba i-Ayi (Josh. 8:1-2).
- ❖ Ebusuku, kwacathamelwa ngemuva kwedolobha. Kwathi kusempondo zankomo, ibutho lafika e-Ayi latshaya sengathi liyabaleka futhi phambi kwalo.
- ❖ Njengoba uMose ephakamisa induku yakhe kwaze kwaba yilapho enqoba ama-Amaleki, ngomlayo kaNkulunkulu, uJoshuwa waphakamisa “isikhali” sakhe (cishe inkemba yesikela eyayisetshenziswa abaseGibhithe) wasigcina siphakanyiswe kwaze kwaba yilapho enqoba ngokuphelele (Josh. 8:18-22, 26) .
- ❖ UNkulunkulu waphinda futhi wabapha ukunqoba abantu bakhe. Isigodi sase-Akori, lapho u-Akhani lomndeni wakhe babulawa khona, savula umnyango wokunqoba, “umnyango wethemba” (Hoseya 2:15).
- ❖ Uma siyamukela intethelelo yaphezulu ngokholo, uNkulunkulu ungcwaba isono sethu e-Akori, futhi avule umnyango wethemba.