

Ilanga likaMnakwethu Mqasa elinesizungu

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“Ngifisa kwangathi ngabe angiyi esikolweni namhlanjesi,” kwatjho uMnakwethu Mqasa lokha nakavukako. “Sengathi ngingahlala ekhaya ngilale ilanga loke.”

UGogo Mqasa gade amatasatasa apheka umdoko ngephunyaneni. “Yenzani msinyana, bantwana,” watjho arhuwelela. “Isidlo sekuseni sesilungile.”

“Syeza, Gogo,” kurhuwelela uDade Mqasa, eqa aphuma embhedeni. UDade Mqasa bekakuthanda ukuya esikolweni.

“Angizizwa kuhle, Gogo,” kutjho uMnakwethu Mqasa. “Ihloko yami ibuhluntu nomlenze wami ubuhluntu nomphimbo wami ubuhluntu kanti nendololwana yami ibuhluntu.”

UGogo wazwelela ihloko kaMnakwethu Mqasa wabe wamhlola nezinga lokutjhisa. “Awukho umraro lapha kuwe,” kwatjho uGogo. “Vuka njenganje wembathe.”

UMnakwethu Mqasa wavuka embhedeni. Msinyana weqisela amanyathelo wakhe ngaphandle ngefesdere. “Angiwatholi amanyathelo wami,” watjho abiza. “Angekhe ngiye esikolweni ngombana angiwatholi amanyathelo wami.”

UDade Mqasa bekambonile. “Wena mqasa uyalelesa,” wamkhalima. “Bewuzama ukuwafihla. Yenza msinyana. Sizokuladelwa.”



UMnakwethu Mqasa wadla umdoko wakhe. Wasuka lapho wayokuhlala endlwaneni yokuzithuma. “Amathumbu wami abuhlungu, Gogo,” walila. “Nginesihlabi ngemathunjini. Angekhe ngikghone ukukhamba ngiye esikolweni.”

UGogo waletha isihlahla esibabako ngebhodlelo elikhulu. “Arha-ke,” kwatjho uGogo, “selā iingobho ezimbili zalokhu amathumbu wakho azakuphola.”

“Awa, awa, awa!” kurhuwelela uMnakwethu Mqasa. “Amathumbu wami angcono kwanjesi.”

“Khambani-ke nakunjalo,” kwatjho uGogo, abanikela ukudla kwabo kwemini abazokudla esikolweni. “Nifunde ngamandla-ke nibuye esikolweni nihlakaniphile.”

UMnakwethu Mqasa wazikhambela kancani ngemuva kukadadwabo. Wakhamba apharuma, eqayeqa, agidagida indlela yoke bebfika esikolweni, kodwana bekakhamba azidosa endleleni akwatile. “Angifuni ukuya esikolweni,” wabubula. “Ngifuna ukuhlala embhedeni.”



Msinyana bafika eyegeni yesikolo.

“Sala kuhle Mnakwethu,”

kwatjho uDade Mqasa,

agijimela ngaphakathi.

UMnakwethu Mqasa

waqala ngapha nangapha.

Akunamuntu omqalileko.

Masinyazana wabhaca

ngemuva kwesithukghu.

Wahlala lapho, wathula

du walinda bona isimbi

ilile begodu woke umuntu

abe ngaphakathi. Wagijima

wabuyela ekhaya. Wangena

ngefesdere langelawini

lokulala, wangena embhedeni

wakhe wakoropana. Msinyana

besele ayile ngobuthongo arhona.

Nge-iri letjhumi nanye

uMnakwethu Mqasa besele alele

ngokwaneleko. Waba nesizungu. Wahlola

ngomnyango welawu lokulala. Uphi uGogo? Baba-ke. Wabe ahlezi

ngephunyaneni, asela itiye noMma Ntenetjha umakhelwana.

UMnakwethu Mqasa wakhokha ummoya. Kulethela isizungu

ukulala embhedeni imini yoke.

Nge-iri letjhumi nambili uMnakwethu Mqasa womela amanzi.

Wahlola ngomnyango wangelawini lokulala. Uyephi uGogo?

Awa-ke. Ubhaga amakuke ngephunyaneni. UMnakwethu Mqasa

wakhokha ummoya. Bekafuna amanzi wokusela begodu athole

nomuntu angadlala naye.

Nge-iri lokuthoma uMnakwethu Mqasa ahlole godu. Ngalesi

isikhathi uGogo Mqasa bekakhuluma noMfundisi Pungutjha.

UMfundisi bekadla uburotho bukaGogo azibhagele bona ekhaya.

Iphunga lenza umlomo kaMnakwethu Mqasa uthonte amathe.

Ufisa sengathi angathola uburotho bukaGogo, obutjhisako

obuphuma nge-ondweni. UMnakwethu Mqasa wakhokha ummoya.

Nge-iri lesithathu uDade Mqasa wangena ekhaya eqayeqa.

UMnakwethu Mqasa weqa waphuma ngefesdere wagijima ngemuva

kwakhe bangena ngomnyango wangaphambili. “Lotjhani, Gogo,”

warhuwelela. “Ngibuyile esikolweni.”



“Bekulilanga elimnandi khulu leli,” kwatjho uDade Mqasa.
“Sibenesifundo sokugwala nosobukghwari wamambala. Sifunde ukudweba amakhomikhi. Kanti noPhrinsipala wethu uyokwenda. Uphathele omunye nomunye isiselo esimakhaza nekhekhe namazimba. Bekumnandi, akusinjalo, Mnakwethu?”

“Iye, iye,” kwatjho uMnakwethu Mqasa. Ihliziyo yakhe yatjhingela. Baba-ke. Ngelanga linye alele ekhaya bathole ikhekhe esikolweni!

“Uthole umhlobo bani wekhekhe, Mnakwethu?” kubuza uGogo.

“Bekulitjhokoledi,” uMnakwethu waleya amala. “Ikhekhe letjhokoledi eli-ayisiwe nge-ayisi yekharamela labekwa itjheri phezulu.” Ngifisa ngathana bengiyile esikolweni, kucabanga uMnakwethu Mqasa. Ngifisa ngathana nami bengilidlile ikhekhe.

Kusesenjalo kwaba nokokoda emnyango. Nangu utitjhere kaMnakwethu Mqasa, uMma Khondlo. Bekaphethe isitja esinesiqetjhana esikhulu sekhekhe elimnandi.

“Lotjhani, Gogo Mqasa,” walotjhisa. “Ngizwe ubuhlungu ngombana uMnakwethu Mqasa gade agula ngelanga elikhethetheke kangaka, ngimbekele isiqetjhana sekhekhe. Unjani? Sele azizwa angcono?”

Baba-ke. UMnakwethu Mqasa wangena emrarweni. Wabalekela ngelawini lakhe, weqa waphuma ngefesdere wabaleka wayokubhaca emthini osecabazini.

“Nanguya,” kwatjho uDade Mqasa atjela uGogo. “Ubhace ngemva komuthi womengu.”

UGogo noMma Khondlo bajame ngaphasi komuthi. “Usilelesi somqasa,” kwatjho uGogo ngamandla. “Ubaleke esikolweni.”

“Ngiyacolisa, Gogo. Ngiyacolisa Mma Khondlo,” kulila uMnakwethu Mqasa. “Ngibawa ungangikwateli.”

“Kufanele sikufundise isifundo,” kwatjho uGogo. “Angazi bonyana kufanele sikwenzeni.”

“Mina ngiyazi,” kwatjho uMma Khondlo. “Kubayini ungangenzeli ikomitjhi yetiye, sizokudla isiqetjhana sekhekhe letjhokoledi elimnandi leli. Lokho kuzamfundisa bonyana ukubaleka esikolweni kulelesa.”

UGogo wabilisa amanzi, yena noMma Khondlo bathatha iingobho ezimbili babelana ikhekhe bobabili. Umlomo kaMnakwethu Mqasa wathonta amathe namathumbu wakhe alila, kodwana akhenge alithole ikhekhe. Akhenge athole netshutshuru yinye le.



Kusukela ngelanga lelo uMnakwethu Mqasa akhenge asabaleka esikolweni. Ngitjho nakanye. Ukulala embhedeni kunesizungu khulu!

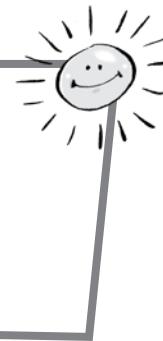
VEZA UBUKGHWARI BAKHO!

- Akhe ucabange ngoMnakwethu Mqasa afuna ukwenzela uMma Khondlo ikarada, egade azomnikela lona lokha nakaya esikolweni ngelanga elilandelako.
- Bekazokutlola ini ekaradeni lelo? Bawa abafundi bakho benze ikarada.



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Ukubonakala

Hlukanisa iphepha libe kibili. Kwelinye, dweba isithombe esitjengisa ukuthi uMnakwethu Mqasa bekacabanga ukuthi kuzokuba njani ukuhlala ekhaya angayi esikolweni. Kwelinye, dweba ukuthi kuhlekuhle bekunjani.



Ukufunda

Ungafumana amabanga amathathu uMnakwethu Mqasa awatjele uGogo bona kubayini angayi esikolweni? Afunde ngephimbo ocabanga ukuthi uMnakwethu Mqasa ukhulume ngalo.

Kungenzeka uGogo usebenzise iphimbo elinjani nakakhuluma noMnakwethu Mqasa lokha nakabhaqe emthini wamamengu? Funda lokho akutjho kuye usebenzisa iphimbelo.



Ukutlola

Ukhe ube nesizungu nawusekhaya? Khuyini othabela ukuyenza nawusekhaya? Siza uMnakwethu Mqasa bona angabi nesizungu ngokuthi umenzele irhelo lezinto angazenza nakasekhaya.



Ubukghwari

Akhe ucabange ukuthi uMnakwethu Mqasa uqunte ukwenzela uDade Khondlo ikarada, azomnikela lona ngelanga elilanelako nakaya esikolweni. Kungenzeka utloleni ekaradeni? Yenza ikarada.



Ukwenza

Coca indaba yamambala namkha ozitlamele yona emalungana nokwenzeka lokha ungakayi esikolweni.