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Kubandza kweBusika bese kwendlulile.

Besekungena Intfwasahlobo emmangweni
wekhaboNkanyezi. Masinyane nje bantfu
besebatawubutsana bagubhe umkhosi wesikhatsi
semnyaka lesisha. Nkanyezi bekasalindzele
ngalabovu umkhosi weNtfwasahlobo kwendlula
noma nguliphi lilanga lemnyaka.



Ngalelinye lilanga ekuseni, Nkanyezi weva baholi lababili bemmango bakhuluma ngalomkhosi.

“Bantfu bakaNdlomvu sebalahlakelwe ngumoya wabo wekugubha umkhosi,” kwabubula lomunye.

“Sitawugubha kanjani umkhosi weNtfwasahlobo emmangweni losewukhohliwe kugubha umkhosi?” kwabuta lona lomunye.





Nkanyezi wakhatsateka.

“Lilanga litawukhanya kanjani ngaphandle
kwekutsi sihlabele kute kutsi silivuse
ebutfongweni bebusika?

Nkanyezi wacabanga sikhatsi lesidze.

“Ngifanele kutsi ngitfole loku lesekusilahlekele,”
watsatsa sincumo.

Ngifanele kutsi ngiyofuna tintfo letitawubuyisa
umoya wekugubha umkhosi emmangweni
kwakitsi.

Baholi banika Nkanyezi tibusiso nemvume yabo
kutsi angenele loluhambo. Bamnika sikhwama
sekutsi afake letintfo bekayotifuna.

Nkanyezi bekesaba, kepha bekakholwa kutsi
utawuphumelela.





Nkanyezi wahamba lilanga lonkhe. Wakhuphuka intsaba, wabuye wehlisa tihosha. Wantjweza ngesikebhe wewela umfula lomkhulu, wabuye futsi wakhuphuka emkhatsini wemadvwala lakhaliphile. Wahamba etigangeni wate wefika emtfuntini wetintsaba letibovu.

Kwatsi lapho sekusondzela busuku, Nkanyezi wefika kulomunye ummango wemaphethini nemibala langakate wayibona phambilini. Watjela baholi balommango ngeluhambo lwakhe lwekubuyisa umoya wekugubha imikhosi kubantfu.

Make walommango wapha Nkanyezi siphso.

Watjela lentfombatana kutsi, “Ngelutsandvo, sikupha lopende wekubuyisa umbala emmangweni losewuphelelwe longasacacambi.”

Nkanyezi wababonga labaholi wabese ufaka lopende esikhwameni.

Ngakusasa ekuseni ngeluvivi wangenela indlela yakhe futsi. Bekajabule kakhulu ngesipho sakhe semibala.





Nkanyezi wahamba lilanga lonkhe. Wendlula emahlatsini lamanengi etihlahla letinkhulu. Kwatsi lapho sibhakabhaka sesicala kuba mnyama kakhulu kutsi angakhona kubona, weva kukhala kwetigubhu. Waphutfuma wacondza lapho bekukhala khona letigubhu, weva umoya wekudansa ungena etinyaweni takhe letidziniwe.

Nkanyezi watitfoli asemmangweni wakaBhubezi.
Bantfu bebahleti batungelete umlilo. Bebahlabela
futsi bashaya tigubhu. Abengakate asawuve
umculo lomnandzi kangaka.

Batjela baholi balommango ngeluhambo lwakhe
lwekubuyisa umoya wekugubha umkhosi kubantfu
bakubo. Bantfu bakaBhubezi bammema kutsi
aphumule futsi alale busuku bunye.





Ekuseni sikhulu sabita Nkanyezi.

“Mntfwana wami,” kwasho sona, nasi sigubhu lesikhetsekile. Sidlala ingoma lensha ngaso sonkhe sikhatsi nawusishaya.”

Nkanyezi wababonga labaholi. Watsatsa sigubhu sakhe wasifaka esikhwameni. Wachubeka nendlela yakhe futsi. Bekajabule kakhulu ngesipho sakhe semculo nemdanso.

Ngelilanga lesitsatfu leluhambo lwakhe wendlula emadlelo etinkhomo letikhuluphele. Watsi nakendlula weva imphumulo yakhe inyakata. Liphunga lelimnandzi latsintsa tinambitsi telulwimi lwakhe futsi umlomo wakhe wacala wavuta ematse. Wabese ulandzela leliphunga. Wefika kulomunye ummango lapho khona bantfu bebeme ngasemabhodweni labekapheke inyama.

Lesive lesi besidvume ngekudla kwemicimbi. Nkanyezi bekangakate asakunambitse kudla lokumnandzi kangaka. Ngemuva asadlile, watjela baholi ngeluhambo lwakhe lwekubuyisa umoya wekugubha umkhosi kubantfu bakubo.





Ngakusasa, umkhandlu lophekako wamnika
titsako letiyimfihlo.

“Ndvodzakati yetfu,” basho njalo. “Letitsako leti,
tinesicininiseko sekutsi tisu titawujabula! Sikupha
sipho sekudla lokumnandzi.”

Nkanyezi wabonga labaholi wabese ufaka titsako
takhe esikhwameni.

Bekati kutsi unako konkhe bekakudzinga.
Asanemandla lamasha wabese ucala luhambo
lwakhe loludze lwekubuyela emuva emmangweni
wakaNdlomvu.

Watsi nakafika emmangweni
wakubo bantfu bambungela bafuna
kuva ngeluhambo lwakhe. Wabacocela
ngaloko lakubonile, lakuvile nalakudlile
Wabese uvula sikhwama sakhe kute
kutsi abakhombise tipho takhe. Bantfu
bajabula kakhulu ngekutfole lomcebo.

Ngemusa walabanye kanye nekuba
nesibindzi kwaNkanyezi, ummango
wabuye futsi wawutfole umbala wawo,
ingoma kanye nemdanso etimphilweni
tabo. Ngako-ke umoya wekugubha
umkhosi wabuyela emmangweni
wakaNdlovu.



