

M̄weiñan eo an Jibboñ in Jabōt

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Kōttar ilo Iaḷ eo ñan Damascus

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Juon iaan iien ko rekabwilōñlōñ ilo bwebwenato an Iaḷ in eaar waḷok ilo iaḷ eo ñan Damascus. Eḷap ami jeḷā kōn bwebweanto in Saul, juon likao eo eaar “kōm̄man” kōkkure an eklejia; ej deḷōñ ilowaan em̄ otem̄jeḷ ... [likūt er ṇa ilowaan] prisōn.”¹ Saul eaar lukkuun wejepedik joñan elōñ membōr ro an Kabuñ eo jino in tata raar ko jān Jerusalem ilo kōjatdikdik kōn ko jān an illu.

Saul eaar lukq̄rkq̄r er. Bōtaab ke eaar “kepaak Damaskōs, ... e m̄okaj an juon meram jān lañ romaak iturin:

“Im ej buñ ioon bwidej, im roñ juon ainikien ej ba ñan e, “Saul, Saul, etke kwōj matōrtōr Eō?”²

Tallep in oktak in eaar ukōt Saul ñan indeeo. Ilo m̄ool, eaar ukōt Iaḷ in.

Jejeḷā bwe waḷokḷok ko āinwōt in rej waḷok. Ilo m̄ool, jej kaṃool bwe kain jeḷā rōt in ekwojarjar eaar waḷok ilo 1820 ñan juon ḷaddik kar etan Joseph Smith. Ej naan in kaṃool eo ad ealikkaar im m̄ool me lañ ko rej peḷḷok bar juon alen im bwe Anij ej kōnono ñan rikanaan im rijilōk ro An. Anij ej roñjake im uwaaki jar ko an ajri ro Nejin.

Mekarta, ewōr jet ro rej eñjake bwe ñan ñe rej kar eñjake ejjeḷok oktak jān Saul ak Joseph Smith, rejjab maroñ tōmak. Rej jutak epaakeḷok dān in peptaij bōtaab rejjab deḷōñ. Rej kōttar ilo itōrerein naan in kaṃool bōtaab rejjab maroñ bōktok er make ñan kile m̄ool eo. Ijellōkin aer bōk buñtōn ko reddik an tōmak ilo iaḷ eo an rikaḷoor, rej kōṇaan jet iien ko rekabwilōñlōñ ñan kōm̄man bwe ren tōmak.

Raar joḷok raan ko aer in kōttar ilo iaḷ eo ñan Damascus.

Tōmak ej Itok Juon Buñtōn ilo juon Iien

Juon jejtōr eo ejitōnbōro eḷakar wōt tijlek membōr in Kabuñ in ilo aolepen mour eo an. Bōtaab eaar ineeq ilo e juon būromōj etiṇṇo. Iiō ko mōktaḷōk, leddik eo nejin eaar mej ālkin an kar nañinmej jidik, im kūnej ko jān jorrāān eo enana eaar jelet e. Metak eo an kōn eḷap kajjitōk ko rekajoor me ippān tok ilo juon iien āinwōt in. jekdoon ta ewi joñan an kar kajioñ, ejjab maroñ jeḷā men ko. Eaar kwaḷōk mool bwe naan in kaṃpool eo an eaar jab ta eo eaar im āliktata kar eñjake bwe ijellōkin ñe ej bōk juon waḷōk ḷōk jān Anij, ejjamin naaj maroñ in bar tōmak.

Kōn menin eaar lo an make kōttar.

Elōn ro iaad me, kōn jet un ko rejenḷōk, lo er make kōttar ilo iaḷ eo ñan Damascus. Rej karumōjḷōk aer lukkuun bōk kuṇaer āinwōt rikaḷoor ro. Rej kōjatdikdik ñan bōk priesthood eo bōtaab āliklik ñan mour erreō ñan maroñ jab in. Rej ikirelel ñan deḷōñ ilo tampeḷ bōtaab karumijḷōk jermal eo āliktata an tōmak ñan karbōb. Rej pād wōt in kōttar ñan an Kraist ñan an bōkḷōk ñan er āinwōt pija eo an Carl Bloch—ñan kōmākūt juon wōt alen jamin bar tokālik pere ko im mijak ko aer.

Mool eo ej, ro me rej niknik ilo pukōt ñan katak kōn Kraist āliktata naaj jeḷā E. Renaaj bōk er make juon waḷōk ekwojarjar kōn Maajta eo, meñe emakijkij an itok ilo jekjek in juon bajōḷ—juon mōttan ilo juon iien. Kajjojo mōttan kein remaroñ jab pidodo kili kōn e make: emaroñ jab alikkar ekōjkan aer iookḷōk juon men elikeo. Bōtaab kajjojo mōttan ej jipañ kōj meḷeḷe ḷōk kōn aolepen ḷōmṇak. Āliktata, ālkin ebwe mōttan ko jaar aiini, jej kile aiboojoj eo an eḷap. Innām, reilikḷōk ilo eñjake eo ad, jej lo bwe Rilōmḷōr eo eaar ilo mool itok ñan kōj ālkin men otemjej—ejjab aolep ilo juon wōt iien bōtaab jidik kōn jidik, mera, enañin jab kile ḷōk ñan jidik.

Menin emaroñ in ad eñjake eḷaññe jej wōnṃaanḷōk kōn tōmak im jab kōttar aitok ilo iaḷ eo ñan Damascus

Roñjake im Kejōkḷōkjen

Ij kaṃpool ñan koṃ bwe Jemed ilo Lañ ej iakwe ajri ro Nejin. Ej iakwe kōj. Ej iakwe koṃ. Ñe emenin aikuj Irooj enaaj kotak koṃ jān apañ ko ilo ami pukōt aenōmṃan eo An kōn juon bōro erub im juon jetōb ettā. Emakijkij An kōnono ñan kōj ilo wāween ko me jemaroñ roñ wōt kōn būruwōd. Bwe en emṃanḷōk roñjake Ainikien, enaaj emṃan ñan kadikḷōk joñan kareel ko an laḷ in ilo mour ko ad. Eḷaññe jej kowaan ak pinej ḷōk iṃwe ko an Jetōb kōn jabdewōt un, edikḷōk aer alikkar ṃae iien eo ejjab maroñ roñjaki ḷōk wōt ñan jidik. Jān katak ñan roñjake iṃwe ko an Jetōb innām kijoror ñan kejōkḷōkjen kaki.

Rikanaan eo ad ejitōnbōro, Thomas S. Monson, ej ad waanjoñak ilo men in. Bwebwenato ko an

leḷok an n̄an eṅjake ko an Jetōb rellōn̄. Eḷtōr Jeffrey R. Holland ej kwaḷok juon waanjoṅak:

Juon iien, ke Būreejtōn Monson eaar etal ilo juon ijjitōn n̄an Louisiana, juon stake būreejtōn eaar kajjitōk ippān eḷaṅṅe ewōr an iien n̄an loḷok juon leddik 10-iiō dettan etan Christal, eo eaar pād ilo jekjek eo an āliktata ilo cancer eo an. Baamḷe eo an Christal raar bwe Būreejtōn Monson en ilok. Bōtaab m̄weo im̄weer eaar ettoḷok, im̄ jikejuuḷ eo eaar lukkuun obrak joṅan eaar ejjeḷok kar iien. Kōn menin, Būreejtōn Monson eaar kajjitōk bwe ro raar kōm̄mani jar ko ilo iien kweilok eo an stake eo ren kobaik Christal ilo jar ko aær. Em̄ool Irooj im̄ baamḷe eo raar meḷeḷe.

Ilo m̄weiṅan eo an Jadede eo ilo kwelok eo eḷap, ke Būreejtōn Monson eaar jutak n̄an kōnono, Jetōb eaar unoojdikdik, “Kom̄win likūt ajri raṅ bwe ren itok n̄an Ippa; kom̄win jab bōbrae er; bwe ro āierwōt, aer aelōn̄ in Anij.”³

“Ta ko eaar je raar kaibokbok. Eaar kajioṅ in wōnmaanḷok kōn unin kōnono eo an kweilok eo āinwōt an kar je, bōtaab āt eo im̄ pija in [leddik jidikdik eo] eaar jab ilok jān ḷōm̄nak eo an.”⁴

Eaar roṅjake Jetōb eo im̄ bar kōm̄mane jikejuuḷ eo an. Jibboṅ tata in raan eo juon, Būreejtōn Monson eaar likūt ratimjuonṅoul raitmjuon eo im̄ ilok elōn̄ maeḷ ko n̄an pād iturin armej eo juon im̄ eaikuj jipaṅ eo.

Ke eaar tōpar ḷok ijo, eaar “reilaḷ ḷok n̄an ajri eo elukkuun naṅinmej n̄an jerkak, elukkuun m̄ōjṅo n̄an kōnono. Naṅinmej eo an eaar kōm̄man bwe en pilo. M̄weiur kōn wāween eo im̄ Jetōb eo an Irooj ... Būratōr Monson ... eaar jibwe pā ko rōm̄ōjṅo pein ajri eo ilo pein. ‘Christal,’ eaar unoojdikdi, ‘N̄a e,’

“Kōn juon kijejeto eo eḷap eaar unoojdikdik ḷok, ‘Būratōr Monson, Iaær jeḷā kwonaaj kar itok.’”⁵

Ro jeiū im̄ jatū rejitōnbōro, jān kajioṅ n̄an pād ibwilijin ro me Irooj emaroṅ kōjatdikdik ion n̄an roṅjake unoojdikdi ko An im̄ uwaak, āinwōt Saul eaar kōm̄man ilo iaḷ eo *an* n̄an Damascus, “juon enaaj kōnnaanōk eok men eo kwōn kōm̄mane?”⁶

Jerbal

Bar juon un jet iien jejjab kile ainikien Irooj ilo mour ko ad ej kōnke m̄adenḷok ko an Jetōb emaroṅ jab itok kajju tok n̄an kōj āinwōt uwaak eo n̄an jar ko ad.

Jemed ilo Lañ ej kōtmene kōj ñan ļōmņak kōn jet inepata ko innām jar kōn tōl ilo ad pukōt uwaak ko ñan kajjitōk ko im nūrbōktak ko ilo mour ko ad make. Ewōr ippād kaṃool eo an Jemed Ilañ bwe Enaaj roñjake im uwaaki jar ko ad. Uwaak eo emaroñ itok kōn ainikien im meletlet an ro ṃōttad im baamļe eo ad jej lōke, jeje ko rekwojarjar, naan ko an rikanaan.

Eñin eaar eñjake eo aō me jet iaan imwe ko rekajoor tata jej būki rejjab wōt ñan jeramņan ko ad make bōtaab barāinwōt ñan jeramņan an ro jet. Eļañņe jej ļōmņak wōt kōn kōj make, jemaroñ likjab jān jet iaan eñjake ko ilo jetōb rekajoor tata im ṃadenļok ko remwilaļ an mour ko ad.

Būreejtōn Spencer W. Kimball eaar katakin katakin in ke eaar ba: “Anij ejeļā kajied, im ej mije kōj. Bōtaab ekkā an kōn armej ro jet me ej kōtōprak aikuj ko ad. Kōn menin, elukkuun in aorōk bwe jej jermal ñan doon.”⁷ Ro jeiū im jatū, kajjojo iaad ewōr juon an eddo kōnke kōn bujen ko ad ñan jeļā kōn aikuj ko an ro jet im jermal āinwōt an Rilōmņoor eo kar kōmņane ñan pukōt, kōjeramņan, im kotak ro ipeļakid.

Emakijkij, an uwaak eo an jar eo ad ejjab itok jān jar bōtaab ilo iien ad emakūtūt jermal ñan Irooj im jermal ñan ro ipeļakiid. Jermal in jipañ ejjab ļōmņak kōn e make im kōjeramņan ej kōkōmņanņan ļok jetōb ko ad, kōmakūtļok juon men eo im kapenjak loļokjen an juon armej, im kōpeļļok wintō in lañ. Kōn erom uwaak eo ñan jar an ro jet, emakijkij ad lo uwaak eo ñan jar eo ad make.

Kwaļok

Ewōr iien ko ñe Irooj ej kwaļok ñan kōj men ko me rej ñan kōj wōt. Mekarta, ilo elōñ, elōñ jekjek kko Ej letok juon naan in kaṃool kōn ṃool eo ñan ro Ejeļā renaaj kwaļok e ippān ro jet. Eñin eļakkar jekjek eo in ippān aolep rikanaan ro jān raan ko an Adam. Irooj ej barāinwōt kōtmāne kōj memebōr ro an Kabuñ eo An kar kōjeplaaktok ñan kōpeļļok loñiid iien otemjej im kwaļok kojeļ eo An kōn lañlōñ.⁸

Menin ejjab pidodo iien otemjej. Jet remaroñ kar irbilli juon waikōn kijoon 1,600 kilomita ko ilo meļaaļ ko jān bōk lōñ tak unin kōnono eo kōn tōmak im kabuñ ñan ro ṃōttaer im rijermal ro ṃōttaer. Rej inepata kōn ekōjkan aer maroñ ļōmņak ak bwe emaroñ kakkure jemjerā eo aer. Ejjab aikuj in āindein kōnke ewōr ippād ennaan eo ekamōņōņō ñan kwaļok—im ewōr juon ad ennaan in lañlōñ.

Iiō ko ļok, baamļe eo am eaar jokwe im jermal ibwilijin armej ro me ilo enaņin aolep jekjek raar jab membōr in kabuñ in ad. Ke raar kajjitōk ippām ejiet kar wiikān eo am, kōm kar kajioñ in kejuon kain unin kōnono ko—iien ikkure ko, piļa ko, ak mejatoto eo—im kajioñ kwaļok jet eñjake

ko an kabuñ kōm kar eñjake āinwōt juon baamļe ilo kar wiikān eo—ñan waajoñak, ta eo rikōnono eo an jodikdik ro eaar kōnono kake ilo kweilōk in kwojkwoj eo kōn joñak ko jān *Non Kokajur Jodrikdrik Ro* ak ekōjkan ad wōj kar m̄weiur kōn naan ko an juon likao eo eaar tōn ilōk ilo mijen eo an ak ekōjkan an kojpeļ eo im Kabuñ in kar jipañ kōm āinwōt juon baamļe ñan anjo ioon apañ eo eaar wōr ippam̄. Kōm ar kajioñ in jab āinwōt ñe kōmij kwaļōk ak ba ta ñan kōm̄mane. Lio pāleō, Harriet, eaar e eo ejeļā tata pukōt juon men ekaim̄we, ekōbakakkak, ak katōñtōñ ñan kwaļōk. Menin emakijkij an kōn bōkļōk ñan kōnono ko rem̄wilaļ ļōk. Ekabwilōñlōñ, jabdewōt iien kōmij kōnono ippān ro m̄ōttam kōn ña mejļan apañ ko, emakijkij am roñ naan eo “epidodo ñan kom̄; ewōr ippami kabuñ eo ami.”

Ilo an lōñ kein jipañ ko ñan ippān doon im elōñ ļōk ak iiet ļōk men ko kōm̄man jān jarom rejipañ ilo ad maroñ julōk, kwaļōk naan eo em̄man an kojpeļ eo epidodo ļōk im ejejjet eļapļōk jān mōkta. Ilo m̄ool, enañin aolep iien Ij mijak bwe jet membōr ro rej roñjake naan ko aō rainin em̄ōj aer jeje ļōk ñan ro mōttaer ba menin āinwōt “ļōm̄nak eo an enaan in ekōjak” Ro m̄ōtta reddik rejitōnbōr, emaroñ ke jab kōketak eo an Irooj ñan kōpeļļōk lōñiim⁹ ilo raan kein ad emaroñ koba “kōnono kōn peiid,” ñan jeje, bolg, im ennaan eo em̄man an kojpeļ eo! Ak jouj kememej, ilo aolep jikin ko rejim̄we im iien ko, aalet.

Ro jeiū im jatū, kōn kōjeram̄man ko an menin kapeel ko rainin, jemaroñ kwaļōk kaṃoolol im lañlōñ kōn karōk eo eļap an Anij ñan ro Nejin ilo juon wāween eo me emaroñ roñ ejjab wōt ilo jikin jermal ko ad ak ipeļaaikin laļ in. Jet iien juon naan kōn naan in kaṃool eo emaroñ in karōk m̄akūtkūt eo an iien ko me ejelet mour an bar jet ñan indeeo.

Wāween eo em̄man tata ñan kwaļōk kojpeļ eo ej kōn waanjoñak. Eļaññe jej mour ekkar ñan tōmak ko ad, armej renaaj kile. Eļaññe piktok in Jisōs Kraist ej romakļōk ilo mour ko ad,¹⁰ eļaññe jej lem̄ōñōñō im ilo aenōm̄man ippān laļ in, armej renaaj kōñaan jeļā etke. Juon iaan kwaļōk rem̄man tata kar kwaļōk kōn jermal in mijenede kōn ļōm̄nak in ejej uwaan kaṃoolol ñan Saint. Francis jān Assisi: “Kwaļōk kojpeļ eo ilo aolep iien im eļaññe emenin aikuj, kōjermal naan ko.”¹¹ Iien ko rem̄man ñan kōm̄mane rej pād ipeļaaikid. Jab jerwani kōn kōttar aitok ilo iaļ eo ñan Damascus.

Iaļ eo Ad ñan Damascus

Ij kaṃool bwe Irooj ej kōnono ñan rikanaan ro im rijilōk ro An ilo raan kein ad. Ej barāinwōt kōnono ñan aolep ro rej itok ñan E kōn juon bōro em̄ool im lukkuun kōttōpar.¹²

Jab pere. Kememej, “E m̄ōñōñō ro raar jab lo, im rej tōmak.”¹³ Anij ej iakwe kom̄. Ej roñjake jar ko ami. Ej kōnono ñan ro Nejin im leļōk kaenōm̄man, aenōm̄man, im meļeļe ñan ro me rej pukōt E im kautiej E kōn etetal ilo iaļ eo An. Ij kwaļōk aō kaṃool ekwojarjar bwe Kabuñ eo an Jisōs Kraist im Armej ro Rekwojarjar ilo Raan-kein Āliktata ej iaļ eo in. Ewōr juon ad rikanaan emour.

Kabuñ in ej tōl jān E eo etan jej kwaļok kake, eṃool, Rilqmqor Jisōs Kraist.

Ro jeiū im jatū, ro mōtta rejiten bōro, En jab kanooj aitok ad kōttar ilo iaļ eo *ad*ñan Damascus; jen peran in wōnṃaanļok ilo tōmak, kōjatdikdi, im iakwe eo erre, im jenaaj jeramṃan ñan lo meram eo jej aolep pukōt ilo iaļ eo an rikaļoor. Kōn menin Ij kaṃool ilo etan ekwojarjar Jisōs Kraist, amen.

Kakememej ko

1. Jerbal 8:3.

2. Jerbal 9:3–4.

3. Mark 10:14.

4. Jeffrey R. Holland, “President Thomas S. Monson: Man of Action, Man of Faith, Always ‘on the Lord’s Errand,’” *Ensign*, Feb. 1986, 16.

5. Jeffrey R. Holland, “President Thomas S. Monson,” 16.

6. Jerbal 9:6.

7. *Teachings of Presidents of the Church: Spencer W. Kimball* (2006), 82.

8. Doctrine and Covenants 28:16.

9. Doctrine and Covenants 60:2.

10. Lale Alma 5:14.

11. In William Fay and Linda Evans Shepherd, *Share Jesus without Fear* (1999), 22.

12. Lale Moronai 10:3–5.

13. Jon 20:29.