

## "Lord I Call..." (Tone 8)

*Reader:* In the Eighth Tone, Lord, I call upon You, hear me!

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Hear me, O Lord!

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Receive the voice of my prayer,

when I call upon You!!!

Hear me, O Lord!

Let my prayer arise

in Your sight as incense,

and let the lifting up of my hands

be an evening sacrifice!!

Hear me, O Lord!

*Reader: (Reads text from service book)*

v. (10) *Bring my soul out of prison, that I may give thanks to Your name!*

We offer to You, O Christ,

our evening song and reasonable service,

for You willed to have mercy on us//

by Your Resurrection.

v. (9) *The righteous will surround me; for You will deal bountifully with me.*

Lord, Lord, do not cast us away from Your face!

For You willed to have mercy on us//

by the Resurrection.

v. (8) *Out of the depths I cry to You, O Lord. Lord, hear my voice!*

Rejoice, holy Zion!

Mother of the churches, the abode of God!

For you were the first to receive remission of sins//

by the Resurrection.

v. (7) *Let Your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications!*

The Word of God the Father,

begotten before the ages,

in the latter times willed to be incarnate of the Virgin

and endured crucifixion unto death.

He has saved mortal man//

by His Resurrection.

v. (6) *In the Fourth Tone, If You, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand? But there is forgiveness with You.*

Burning with divine love and radiant with the Spirit,

your soul rose to desire truly infinite love.

You despised flesh and blood and lived apart from the world,

yet you were united to it by great silence and abstinence.

Therefore you were fulfilled as you desired,//

and as a star radiant with blessings, O Anthony, you illumine our souls.

v. (5) *For Your name's sake I have waited for You, O Lord, my soul has waited for Your word; my soul has hoped on the Lord.*

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*v. (4) From the morning watch until night, from the morning watch let Israel hope on the Lord.*

You were radiant with divine light by the grace of the Holy Spirit, O Father Anthony.

You shattered the flying weapons of the demons.

By your godly teachings you exposed their evil snares.

You were a radiant light for monks:

the first to adorn the desert;

a prayerful and skilled physician of the sick, //

and the first clear example of the ascetic life.

*v. (3) For with the Lord there is mercy and with Him is plenteous redemption, and He will deliver Israel from all his iniquities.*

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*v. (2) Praise the Lord, all nations! Praise Him, all peoples!*

O Anthony, pure in heart and soul,

an earthly angel, a heavenly man,

a teacher of chastity, a clear measure of abstinence;

now you live with your Master, O blessed saint.

You offer Him unceasing praise,

as do the Angels, all holy monastics and martyrs. //

Set free from sin and danger those who ever keep your holy memory!

*v. (1) For His mercy is abundant towards us; and the truth of the Lord endures forever.*

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an earthly angel, a heavenly man,

a teacher of chastity, a clear measure of abstinence;

now you live with your Master, O blessed saint.

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*In the Sixth Tone, Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,*

You set your mind as master over the disturbing passions,

keeping the image intact through the ascetic life.  
Thus you rose into the perfect likeness;  
for, bravely curbing nature,  
you hastened to subjéct what is lower to that which is above,  
making the body servant to the spirit.  
Therefore you were revealed as the chief of those living the monastic life,  
a citizen of the desert, a master teaching those who hasten to you,  
a perfect example of virtue.  
Now the image has been broken, O Anthony,  
and in heaven you behold in purity the Holy Trinity,//  
as you pray with boldness for those who honor you with faith and love.  
*In the Eighth Tone, now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.*

The King of heaven,  
because of His love for man,  
appeared on earth and dwelt with men.  
He took flesh from the pure Virgin  
and after assuming it, He came forth from her.  
The Son is one: in two natures, yet one Person.  
Proclaiming Him as perfect God and perfect Man,  
we confess Christ our God.//  
Entreat him, O unwedded Mother, to have mercy on our souls!

*Priest:* Wisdom! Let us attend!

*Choir:* O Gladsome Light ...

*Prokeimenon of the Day, Three Readings*

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### Aposticha – Tone 8

Descending from heaven to ascend the Cross,  
the Eternal Life has come for death  
to raise those who are fallen;  
to enlighten those in darkness.//  
Jesus, our Savior and illuminator, glory to You!  
*v. The Lord is King; He is robed in majesty!*  
We glorify Christ, who rose from the dead.  
He accepted the human body and soul,  
and freed both from suffering.  
His most pure soul descended to hell, which He spoiled.  
His holy body did not see corruption in the tomb.//  
He is the Redeemer of our souls.

*v. For He has established the world, so that it shall never be moved.*

In psalms and songs we glorify Your Resurrection from the dead, O Christ.  
By it, You have freed us from the tortures of hell//  
and as God have granted eternal life and great mercy.

*v. Holiness befits Your house, O Lord, forevermore!*

Master of all, incomprehensible Creator of heaven and earth,

by Your suffering on the Cross You have gained passionlessness for me.  
Accepting burial and arising in glory,  
You resurrected Adam with Yourself by Your almighty hand.  
Glory to Your rising on the third day!  
By it You have granted us eternal life and cleansing of sins//  
as the only compassionate One.

*Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,*  
We honor you, O Anthony our father,  
the instructor of a multitude of monks.  
We have indeed learned to walk rightly in your footsteps!  
You are blest, for having labored for Christ,  
you denounced the power of the Enemy.  
You were a converser with the Angels and a companion of Paul of Thebes.//  
Together with them, entreat the Lord that He may grant mercy to our souls!

*now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.*

*(Theotokion – Tone 8)*

Unwedded Virgin,  
you ineffably conceived God in the flesh.  
O Mother of God most high,  
accept the cries of your servants, O blameless one!  
Grant cleansing of transgressions to all!//  
Receive our prayers and pray to save our souls!

*Resurrectional Troparion – Tone 8*

You descended from on high, O Merciful One!  
You accepted the three day burial to free us from our sufferings!//  
O Lord, our Life and Resurrection, glory to You!

*Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;*

*Troparion for St. Anthony – Tone 4*

You imitated the ways of zealous Elijah,  
and followed the straight path of John the Baptist.  
You became a desert dweller  
and strengthened the world by your prayers.//  
Father Anthony, intercede with Christ God that our souls may be saved!

*now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.*

*Resurrection Dismissal Theotokion – Tone 4*

The mystery of all eternity,  
unknown even by Angels,  
through you, Theotokos, is revealed to those on earth:  
God incarnate by union without confusion.  
He voluntarily accepted the Cross for us,  
by which He resurrected the first-created man,//  
saving our souls from death.