

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

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

Lord, I call upon You, hear me!

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) *If You, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand?*

But there is forgiveness with You.

We glorify You, O Lord

for You voluntarily endured the Cross for our sake.

We fall down in worship before You, almighty Savior.

Do not cast us away from Your face,

but hear us and save us, Lover of mankind//

by Your Resurrection!

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.*

Glory to You, O Savior Christ,

only begotten Son of God, nailed to the Cross//
and resurrected from the tomb on the third day!

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

The Savior's inspired Disciples became instruments of the Spirit through faith.

They were scattered to the ends of the earth,
sowing the glad tidings of the true faith.

From their divine garden the army of martyrs blossomed in grace.

They became images of Christ's saving Passion,
enduring every kind of torture, scourging and fire.//

Now they boldly pray for our souls.

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

The noble martyrs, burning with love of the Lord,
laughed at the fires and were consumed as burning coals.

Through Christ, they burned the withered arrogance of error.

They stilled the roaring of beasts with the voice of their prayers.

Beheaded, they decapitated the demonic hosts.//

By the shedding of their own blood they watered the Church with faith.

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

The heroic martyrs wrestled with beasts and were torn by their claws.

They were dismembered, slashed with swords, and shot with arrows;
they were consumed in the flames and pierced with lances.

All this they willingly endured,

for already they saw their unfading crowns, and the glory of Christ,//
before Whom they boldly pray for our souls.

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

Come, let us praise the heroes of our faith:

Apostles, martyrs, holy priests, and noble women!

They fought for the faith in every part of the earth.

Though born of earth, they were united with the heavenly hosts.

Through their sufferings, they triumphed over evil by the grace of Christ.

As unfading lights, they illumine our hearts,//

and with boldness they pray for our souls.

In the Same Tone, Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,

O divine choir of martyrs,

you are the pillars of the Church and the fulfillment of the Gospel.

By your deeds you have fulfilled the Savior's words.

You have closed the gates of hell and defended the Church.

The shedding of your blood has dried up the libations poured out to
idols.

Your sacrifice has nourished the body of the faithful.
Standing crowned before God, you amazed the Angels.//
Pray unceasingly to Him that our souls may be saved!
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 ... Prokiemenon of the Day, Three readings

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.

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

(Doxasticon – Tone 6)

Come, O faithful,

let us celebrate in song today,

glorifying the memory of all the Saints!

Rejoice, glorious Apostles, Prophets, Martyrs and Hierarchs!

Rejoice, company of all the Just!

Rejoice, ranks of holy Women!//

Pray that Christ will grant our souls great mercy!

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

(Theotokion – Tone 6)

My Maker and Redeemer, Christ the Lord,

was born of you, O most pure Virgin.

By accepting my nature, He freed Adam from his ancient curse.

Unceasingly we magnify you as the Mother of God!

Rejoice, O celestial Joy!

Rejoice, O Lady://

the Protection, Intercession and Salvation of our souls!

St. Simeon's Prayer

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 from the Pentecostarion – Tone 4

As with fine porphyry and royal purple,

Your Church has been adorned with Your martyr's blood shed

throughout all the world.

She cries to You, O Christ God:

"Send down Your bounties on Your people://

grant peace to Your habitation and great mercy to our souls!"

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.