

"Lord I Call..." (Tone 4)

Reader: In the Fourth 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 glorify Your Resurrection on the third day, O Christ God,

by always honoring Your life-creating Cross;

by it You have renewed the corrupted nature of mankind, O almighty One.

By it You have renewed our entrance to heaven,//

for You are good and the Lover of mankind.

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

You loosed the Tree's verdict of disobedience, O Savior,

by being voluntarily nailed to the tree of the Cross.

By descending to hell, O almighty God,

You broke the bonds of death.

Therefore, we adore Your Resurrection from the dead, singing in joy://

“Glory to You, O all powerful Lord!”

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

You smashed the gates of hell, O Lord,

and by Your death You demolished the kingdom of death.

You delivered the human race from corruption,//

granting the world life, incorruption and great mercy.

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

Come, O people,

let us sing of the Savior's Resurrection on the third day!

By it, we have been freed from the unbreakable bonds of hell.

By it, we have received life and incorruption.

Save us by Your Resurrection!//

Life-creating and almighty Savior, glory to You!

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

Angels and mortals sing of Your Resurrection on the third day, O Savior.

By it, the ends of the earth have been illuminated.

By it we have been delivered from bondage to the Enemy.

Save us by Your Resurrection!//

Life-creating and almighty Savior, glory to You!

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.*

You have shattered the gates of brass

and destroyed the chains of death, O Christ God.

You have raised the fallen human race.//

O Lord, risen from the dead, glory to You!

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

Lord, Your begetting from the Father is timeless and everlasting.

Your incarnation from the Virgin is beyond words and understanding.

Your descent into hell is terrible for the Devil and his Angels.

You have trampled on death, rising on the third day,//

and granting mankind incorruption and great mercy.

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

Having completed the course and kept the Faith,

O Marcian and Martyrius,

you have been wreathed with a crown of martyrdom.

You are unshakable pillars of the Church,

breasts flowing with the milk of truth,

beacons and shining pearls,//

who have enlightened creation with the splendor of piety.

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

You were godly twins,

sharing a single heart and mind.

You destroyed the division of Arius,

by teaching all to worship the Son as consubstantial with the Father,

and equally unoriginate with the Spirit:

the Trinity in Unity and Unity in Trinity,//

one Essence in three undivided Persons.

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

You showed yourselves to be followers of the holy preacher Paul.

You were like him in zeal and one with him in mind and heart:

you drowned the adversaries with the blood you poured out,

drying up the torrent of wicked heresies.

O Marcian and Martyrius, you were revealed as rivers of piety//

watering the Church of Christ.

In the First Tone, Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;

You were disciples and followers

of the one who preached and confessed the consubstantial Trinity.

You were persecuted with him, O blessed ones.

You preferred death by the sword to blasphemous heresy.

Therefore, God has adorned you with crowns of martyrdom,

and you have received boldness before Him,

pray that those who honor your memory//

may be delivered from misfortunes!

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

The Prophet David was a Father of the Lord through you, O Virgin.

He foretold in songs the One Who worked wonders in you:

“At Your right hand stood the Queen,”

Your Mother, the mediatrix of life,

since God was freely born of her without a father.

He wanted to renew His fallen image, made corrupt in passion,

so He took the lost sheep upon His shoulder

and brought it to His Father, joining it to the heavenly pow'rs://

Christ who has great and rich mercy has saved the world, O Theotokos.

Priest: Wisdom! Let us attend!

Choir: O Gladsome Light ...

Aposticha – Tone 4

By ascending the Cross, O Lord,

You have annulled our ancestral curse.

By descending to hell, You have freed the eternal prisoners,

granting incorruption to the human race://

Therefore in songs we glorify Your life-creating and saving Resurrection.

v. The Lord is King; He is robed in majesty!

By hanging upon the tree, O only powerful Lord,

You shook all of creation.

By being laid in the tomb You have raised those who dwelt in the tombs,

granting life and incorruption to the human race://

Therefore in songs we glorify Your rising on the third day.

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

The lawless people, O Christ,

handed You over to Pilate, condemned to be crucified,

thus proving themselves ungrateful before their Benefactor.

But voluntarily You endured burial,

rising by Your own power on the third day as God, //

granting us life everlasting and great mercy.

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

With tears the women reached Your tomb,

searching for You, but not finding You.

They wept with wailing and lamented:

“Woe to us! Our Savior, King of all,

how were You stolen?

What place can hold Your life-bearing body?”

An Angel replied to them:

“Do not weep but go and proclaim that the Lord is risen, //

granting us joy as the only compassionate One!”

In the Third Tone, Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;
Marcian and Martyrius
conquered heresies with the shield of Faith
and enlightened the world with the light of orthodoxy.
They are champions of the Trinity and spiritual beacons of the Church.
Obedient to Paul, the equal of the Apostles,
they cast down the teachings of Arius and Nestorius,
refuting also the confusions of Sabellius and Severus.
They theologized about the Unity in Trinity,
the God Who was incarnate of the Virgin.
The most blessed ones preached to all one Christ in two natures.
Now that they have received crowns of victory from heaven,//
these heralds of God intercede on our behalf for great mercy.

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

By the will of the Father,
without seed, of the Holy Spirit you conceived the Son of God.
He was born of the Father before eternity without a mother,
but now for our sake He came from you without a father.//
Do not cease entreating Him to deliver our souls from harm!

St. Symeon's Prayer

Resurrectional Troparion – Tone 4

When the women Disciples of the Lord
learned from the Angel the joyous message of the Resurrection,
they cast away the ancestral curse
and elatedly told the Apostles:
“Death is overthrown!
Christ God is risen,//
granting the world great mercy!”

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

Troparion for Ss. Marcian and Martyrius – Tone 3

In holy zeal you dispelled the error of Arius
and proclaimed the Trinity, one in essence.
Holy martyrs Marcian and Martyrius,
unshaken bulwarks of Orthodoxy,
entreat Christ our God to grant us His great mercy!

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

Resurrection Dismissal Theotokion – Tone 3

We praise you as the mediatrix of our salvation,
Virgin Theotokos.
For your Son, our God, Who took flesh from you,
accepted the Passion on the Cross,//
delivering us from corruption as the Lover of Man.