

# Paschal Matins

(the canon and stikhiry)

Thy Resurrection O Christ our Savior, \* The Angels in the heavens hymn; \* grant also unto us who are here on earth \*\* to glorify Thee with pure hearts.

O Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, for the sake of the prayers of Thy most pure Mother, of our holy and God-bearing fathers, and all the saints, have mercy on us and save us, for Thou art good and the Lover of mankind.

Christ is risen from the dead, trampling down death by death, and upon those in the tombs bestowing life! **(Thrice)**

**Verse 1:** Let God arise and let His enemies be scattered, and let them that hate Him flee from before His face.

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**Verse 2:** As smoke vanisheth, so let them vanish, as wax melteth before the fire.

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**Verse 3:** So let the sinners perish at the presence of God, and let the righteous be glad.

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**Verse 4:** This is the day which the Lord hath made; let us rejoice and be glad therein.

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**Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.**

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

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**Canon, Tone 1:**

## ODE 1

**Irmos:** It is the Day of Resurrection, \* let us be radiant, O ye people; \* Pascha, the Lord's Pascha: \* for from death to life, \* and from earth to heaven, \* Christ God hath brought us, \*\* as we sing the song of victory.

**Refrain:** Christ is risen from the dead.

Let us purify our senses, \* and we shall behold Christ, \* radiant with the unapproachable light of the Resurrection, \* and we shall clearly hear Him say, Rejoice! \*\* as we sing the hymn of victory.

**Refrain:** Christ is risen from the dead.

Let the heavens be glad as is meet, \* and let the earth rejoice, \* and let the whole world, both visible and invisible, \* keep festival: \* for Christ is risen, \*\* O gladness eternal.

## ODE 3

**Irmos:** Come, let us drink a new drink, \* not one miraculously brought forth from a barren rock \* but the Fountain of Incorruption, \* springing forth from the tomb of Christ, \*\* in Whom we are strengthened.

**Refrain:** Christ is risen from the dead.

Now all things are filled with light; \* heaven and earth, \* and the nethermost parts of the earth; \* let all creation, therefore, celebrate the arising of Christ \*\* whereby it is strengthened.

**Refrain:** Christ is risen from the dead.

Yesterday I was buried with Thee, O Christ; \* today I rise with Thine arising. \* Yesterday I was crucified with Thee; \* do Thou Thyself glorify me with Thee, O Savior, \*\* in Thy kingdom.

## Hypacoi, in Tone 8:

Forestalling the dawn, the women came with Mary, \* and found the stone rolled away from the sepulcher, and heard from the angel: \* Why seek ye among the dead, as though He were mortal, Him Who liveth in everlasting light? \* Behold the grave-clothes. Go quickly and proclaim to the world that the Lord is risen and hath slain death. \*\* For He is the Son of God Who saveth mankind.

## ODE 4

**Irmos:** On divine watch let the God-inspired Habakkuk stand with us, \* and show forth the light-bearing angel clearly saying: \* Today salvation is come to the world, \* for Christ is risen \* as Almighty.

**Refrain:** Christ is risen from the dead.

As a man-child did Christ appear \* when He came forth from the Virgin's womb, \* and as a mortal was He called the Lamb. \* Without blemish also, is our Pascha \* for He tasted no defilement; \*\* and as true God, perfect was He proclaimed.

**Refrain:** Christ is risen from the dead.

Like unto a yearling lamb, \* Christ, our blessed Crown, \* of His own will was sacrificed for all, \* a Pascha of purification; \* and from the tomb the beautiful Sun of Righteousness \*\* shone forth again upon us.

**Refrain:** Christ is risen from the dead.

David, the ancestor of God, \* danced with leaping before the symbolical Ark; \* let us also, the holy people of God, \* beholding the fulfillment of the symbols, \* be divinely glad; \*\* for Christ is risen as Almighty.

## ODE 5

**Irmos:** Let us awake in the deep dawn, \* and instead of myrrh, offer a hymn to the Master, \* and we shall see Christ, \* the Sun of Righteousness, \* Who causeth life to dawn for all.

**Refrain:** Christ is risen from the dead.

Seeing Thy boundless compassion \* they who were held in the bonds of hades \* hastened to the light, O Christ, \* with gladsome feet, \*\* praising the Pascha eternal.

**Refrain:** Christ is risen from the dead.

Bearing lights, let us approach Christ, \* Who cometh forth from the tomb like a bridegroom, \* and with the feast-loving ranks of angels \* let us celebrate \*\* the saving Pascha of God.

## ODE 6

**Irmos:** Thou didst descend into the nethermost parts of the earth, \* and didst shatter the eternal bars that held the fettered, O Christ, \* and on the third day, \* like Jonah from the whale, \* Thou didst arise from the tomb.

**Refrain:** Christ is risen from the dead.

Having kept the seals intact, O Christ, \* Thou didst rise from the tomb, \* O Thou Who didst not break the seal of the Virgin by Thy birth, \* and Thou hast opened for us \*\* the doors of Paradise.

**Refrain:** Christ is risen from the dead.

O my Savior, the living and un-slain Sacrifice, \* when, as God, Thou, of Thine Own will, \* hadst offered up Thyself unto the Father, \* Thou didst raise up with Thyself the whole race of Adam, \*\* when Thou didst rise from the tomb.

## Kontakion: in Tone 8:

Thou didst descend into the tomb, O Immortal, \* Thou didst destroy the power of hell. \* In victory didst Thou arise, O Christ God, \* proclaiming "Rejoice!" to the myrrh-bearing women; \* granting peace to Thine apostles, \*\* and bestowing resurrection on the fallen.

**Ikos:** The myrrh-bearing women forestalled the dawn, seeking, as it were day, \* the Sun that was before the sun and Who had once set in the tomb, \* and they cried out one to another: \* O friends! come, let us anoint with spices the life-bringing and buried Body, \* the Flesh that raised up fallen Adam, that now lieth in the tomb. \* Let us go, let us hasten, like the Magi, and let us worship and offer myrrh as a gift to Him \* Who is wrapped now not in swaddling clothes but in a shroud. \* And let us weep and cry aloud: \*\* O Master, arise, Thou Who dost grant resurrection to the fallen.

### **Hymn of the Resurrection, in Tone 6:**

Having beheld the Resurrection of Christ, \* let us worship the holy Lord Jesus, \* the only sinless One. \* We worship Thy Cross, O Christ, \* and Thy holy Resurrection we hymn and glorify. \* For Thou art our God, \* and we know none other beside Thee; \* we call upon Thy name. \* O come, all ye faithful, \* let us worship Christ's holy Resurrection, \* for, behold, through the Cross joy hath come to all the world. \* Ever blessing the Lord, \* we hymn His Resurrection; \* for, having endured crucifixion, \*\* He hath destroyed death by death. Jesus having risen from the tomb, \* as He foretold, \* hath granted us life eternal, \*\* and great mercy.

### **ODE 7**

**Irmos:** He Who delivered the Children from the furnace, \* became man, suffereth as a mortal, \* and through His Passion \* doth clothe mortality with the beauty of incorruption, \* He is the only blessed and most glorious \* God of our fathers.

**Refrain:** Christ is risen from the dead.

The godly-wise women with myrrh \* followed after Thee in haste; \* but Him Whom they sought with tears as dead, \* they worshipped joyfully as the living God, \* and they brought unto Thy disciples, O Christ, \*\* the good tidings of the mystical Pascha.

**Refrain:** Christ is risen from the dead.

We celebrate the death of death, \* the destruction of hades, \* the beginning of another life eternal, \* and leaping for joy, \* we hymn the Cause, \*\* the only blessed and supremely glorious God of our fathers.

**Refrain:** Christ is risen from the dead.

For truly sacred and all-festive is this saving night, \* and this shining, light-bearing day, \* the harbinger of the Resurrection, \* whereon the Timeless Light bodily \*\* from the tomb upon all hath shined.

### **ODE 8**

**Irmos:** This chosen and holy day \* is the first of the Sabbaths, \* the queen and lady, \* the feast of feasts, \* and the festival of festivals, \* wherein we bless Christ unto the ages.

**Refrain:** Christ is risen from the dead.

Come, on this auspicious day of the Resurrection, \* let us partake of the fruit of the new vine \* of divine gladness of the kingdom of Christ, \* praising Him as God \*\* unto the ages.

**Refrain:** Christ is risen from the dead.

Lift up thine eyes about thee, O Zion, \* and see, for behold, there cometh unto thee \* like God-illuminated beacons, \* from the west, and from the north, \* and from the sea, and from the east, \*\* thy children, in thee blessing Christ unto the ages.

**Refrain:** O Most Holy Trinity, our God, glory be to Thee.

O Father Almighty, and Word, and Spirit, \* one Nature united in three Hypostases, \* transcendent and most divine! \* Into Thee have we been baptized, \*\* and Thee will we bless unto all ages.

## ODE 9

**Refrain:** Magnify, O my soul, Him Who willingly suffered, and was buried, and arose from the grave on the third day.

**Irmos:** Shine, shine, O new Jerusalem, \* for the glory of the Lord hath arisen upon thee; \* dance now and be glad, O Zion, \* and do thou exult, O pure Theotokos, \* in the arising of Him Whom thou didst bear.

**Refrain:** Roaring royally, as the Lion of Judas, Thou hast slept, and Thou hast awakened the dead of all past ages.

O how divine, how loving, \* how sweet is Thy voice! \* For Thou hast truly promised \* to be with us unto the end of the age, O Christ; \* having this foundation of hope, \*\* we the faithful rejoice.

**Refrain:** Today the whole of creation is glad and rejoiceth, for Christ is risen, and Hades hath been despoiled.

O Christ, Thou great and most sacred Pascha! \* O Wisdom, Word and power of God! \* Grant us to partake of Thee more fully \* in the unwaning day \*\* of Thy kingdom.

**Refrain:** The angel cried unto her that is full of grace: \* Rejoice, O pure Virgin! And again I say, rejoice! \* For thy Son hath arisen from the grave on the third day, \* and hath raised the dead, O ye people, be joyful!

**Again we sing the Irmos:** Shine, shine, O new Jerusalem, \* for the glory of the Lord hath arisen upon thee; \* dance now and be glad, O Zion, \* and do thou exult, O pure Theotokos, \* in the arising of Him Whom thou didst bear.

### **Exapostilarion, in Tone III:**

Having fallen asleep in the flesh, \* as a mortal, \* O King and Lord, \* on the third day Thou didst rise again, \* raising up Adam from corruption, \* and abolishing death: \* O Pascha of incorruption, \*\* Salvation of the world!

### **THE PASCHAL STICHERA, in Tone V:**

**Verse:** Let God arise and let His enemies be scattered.

A Pascha sacred today hath been shown unto us; \* Pascha new and holy, \* a Pascha mystical, \* a Pascha all-venerable! \* A Pascha that is Christ the Redeemer; \* a Pascha immaculate, \* a great Pascha; \* a Pascha of the faithful; \* a Pascha that hath opened the gates of Paradise to us; \*\* a Pascha that doth sanctify all the faithful.

**Verse:** As smoke vanisheth, so let them vanish.

Come from the vision, O ye women, bearers of good tidings, \* and say ye unto Zion: \* Receive from us the good tidings \* of the Resurrection of Christ; \* adorn thyself, exult, \* and rejoice, O Jerusalem, \* for thou hast seen Christ the King, \*\* like a bridegroom come forth from the tomb.

**Verse:** So let sinners perish at the presence of God, and let the righteous be glad.

The myrrh-bearing women \* in the deep dawn \* stood before the tomb of the Giver of life; \* they found an angel sitting upon the stone, \* and he, speaking to them, said thus: \* Why seek ye the Living among the dead? \* Why mourn ye the Incorruptible amid corruption? \*\* Go, proclaim unto His disciples.

**Verse:** This is the day which the Lord hath made, let us rejoice and be glad therein.

Pascha the beautiful, \* Pascha, the Lord's Pascha, \* the Pascha all-venerable hath dawned upon us. \* Pascha, with joy let us embrace one another. \* O Pascha! \* Ransom from sorrow, \* for from the tomb today, \* as from a bridal chamber, \* hath Christ shone forth, \* and hath filled the women with joy, saying: \*\* Proclaim unto the apostles.

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, both now and ever, and unto the ages of ages. Amen.**

It is the Day of Resurrection, \* let us be radiant for the feast, \* and let us embrace one another. \* Let us say, Brethren, even to them that hate us, \* let us forgive all things on the Resurrection, \* and thus let us cry out: \* Christ is risen from the dead, trampling down death by death, \*\* and upon those in the tombs bestowing life.

Christ is risen from the dead, trampling down death by death, and upon those in the tombs bestowing life! **(Thrice)**

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, both now and ever, and unto the ages of ages. Amen.

Lord, have mercy. **Thrice.**

O Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, for the sake of the prayers of Thy most pure Mother, of our holy and God-bearing fathers, and all the saints, have mercy on us and save us, for Thou art good and the Lover of mankind.

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## THE PASCHAL HOUR

Christ is risen from the dead, trampling down death by death, and upon those in the tombs bestowing life. (Thrice)

### **Hymn of the Resurrection, in Tone VI:**

Having beheld the Resurrection of Christ, \* let us worship the holy Lord Jesus, \* the only sinless One. \* We worship Thy Cross, O Christ, \* and Thy holy Resurrection we hymn and glorify. \* For Thou art our God, \* and we know none other beside Thee; \* we call upon Thy name. \* O come, all ye faithful, \* let us worship Christ's holy Resurrection, \* for, behold, through the Cross joy hath come to all the world. \* Ever blessing the Lord, \* we hymn His Resurrection; \* for, having endured crucifixion, \*\* He hath destroyed death by death. **(Thrice)**

### **The Hypakoe, in Tone VIII:**

Forestalling the dawn, the women came with Mary, \* and found the stone rolled away from the sepulcher, and heard from the angel: \* Why seek ye among the dead, as though He were mortal, \* Him Who liveth in everlasting light? \* Behold the grave-clothes. Go quickly and proclaim to the world that the Lord is risen and hath slain death. \*\* For He is the Son of God Who saveth mankind.

### **Kontakion, in Tone VIII:**

Though Thou didst descend into the grave, O Immortal One, \* yet didst Thou destroy the power of hades. \* And didst arise as victor, O Christ God, \* calling to the myrrh-bearing women: Rejoice! \* and giving peace unto Thine apostles: \*\* Thou Who dost grant resurrection to the fallen.

### **Troparia, in Tone VIII:**

In the grave bodily, but in hades with Thy soul as God; \* in Paradise with the thief, and on the throne with the Father and the Spirit \*\* wast Thou Who fillest all things, O Christ the Inexpressible.

**Glory...** How life-giving, how much more beautiful than Paradise, \* and truly more resplendent than any royal palace was Thy tomb shown to be, O Christ, \*\* the source of our resurrection.

**Now & Ever ...**, O sanctified and divine tabernacle of the Most High, \* rejoice! For through thee, O Theotokos, joy is given to them that cry: \*\* Blessed art thou among women, O all-immaculate Lady.

Lord, have mercy. **(Forty times)**

**Glory ..., Now & Ever ...**,

More honorable than the Cherubim, \* and beyond compare more glorious than the Seraphim, \* thee who without corruption gavest birth to God the Word, \*\* the very Theotokos, thee do we magnify.

O Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, for the sake of the prayers of Thy most pure Mother, of our holy and God-bearing fathers, and all the saints, have mercy on us and save us, for Thou art good and the Lover of mankind.

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## Typica

O Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, for the sake of the prayers of Thy most pure Mother, of our holy and God-bearing fathers, and all the saints, have mercy on us and save us, for Thou art good and the Lover of mankind.

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### THE FIRST ANTIPHON

**Verse 1:** Shout with jubilation unto the Lord all the earth; \* chant ye unto His name, give glory in praise of Him.

**Refrain:** Through the prayers of the Theotokos, O Savior, save us.

**Verse 2:** Say unto God: How awesome are Thy works! \* In the multitude of Thy power shall Thine enemies be proved false unto Thee.

**Refrain:** Through the prayers of the Theotokos, O Savior, save us.

**Verse 3:** Let all the earth worship Thee and chant unto Thee; \* let them chant unto Thy name, O Most High.

**Refrain:** Through the prayers of the Theotokos, O Savior, save us.

**Glory ..., Now & Ever ...**,

**Refrain:** Through the prayers of the Theotokos, O Savior, save us.

### THE SECOND ANTIPHON



**Verse 1:** God be gracious unto us and bless us, \* and cause Thy face to shine upon us and have mercy on us.

**Refrain:** O Son of God Who didst rise from the dead, save us who sing to Thee: Alleluia.

**Verse 2:** That we may know upon the earth Thy way, \* among all the nations Thy salvation.

**Refrain:** O Son of God Who didst rise from the dead, save us who sing to Thee: Alleluia.

**Verse 3:** Let all the peoples give Thee praise, O God, \* let all the peoples praise Thee.

**Refrain:** O Son of God Who didst rise from the dead, save us who sing to Thee: Alleluia.

**Glory ..., Now & Ever ...,**

Only-Begotten Son and Word of God, \* Thou Who art immortal, and didst deign for our salvation \* to become incarnate of the holy Theotokos and Ever- virgin Mary, \* without change becoming man, \* and Who wast crucified, O Christ God, trampling down death by death: \* Thou Who art one of the Holy Trinity, \*\* glorified together with the Father and the Holy Spirit, save us.

### **THIRD ANTIPHON**

**Verse 1:** Let God arise and let His enemies be scattered, and let them that hate Him flee from before His face.

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**Verse 3:** So let the sinners perish at the presence of God, and let the righteous be glad, let them rejoice in the presence of God  
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**Verse 3:** In the Churches bless ye God, the Lord from the wellsprings of Israel. T  
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### **Epistle**

#### **THE ACTS OF THE HOLY APOSTLES: [1:1 - 8]**

The former treatise have I made, O Theophilus, of all that Jesus began both to do and teach, Until the day in which he was taken up, after that he through the Holy Ghost had given commandments unto the apostles whom he had chosen:

To whom also he shewed himself alive after his passion by many infallible proofs, being seen of them forty days, and speaking of the things pertaining to the kingdom of God: And, being assembled together with them, commanded them that they should not depart from Jerusalem, but wait for the promise of the Father, which, saith he, ye have heard of me. For John truly baptized with water; but ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost not many days hence. When they therefore were come together, they asked of him, saying, Lord, wilt thou at this time restore again the kingdom to Israel? And he said unto them, It is not for you to know the times or the seasons, which the Father hath put in his own power. But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.

### **GOSPEL ACCORDING TO ST. JOHN. [1:1-17]**

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. The same was in the beginning with God. All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made. In him was life; and the life was the light of men. And the light shineth in darkness; and the darkness comprehended it not. There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. The same came for a witness, to bear witness of the Light, that all men through him might believe. He was not that Light, but was sent to bear witness of that Light. That was the true Light, which lighteth every man that cometh into the world. He was in the world, and the world was made by him, and the world knew him not. He came unto his own, and his own received him not. But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name: Which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God. And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth. John bare witness of him, and cried, saying, This was he of whom I spake, He that cometh after me is preferred before me: for he was before me. And of his fulness have all we received, and grace for grace. For the law was given by Moses, but grace and truth came by Jesus Christ.

Remember us, O Lord, when Thou comest in Thy kingdom.

Remember us, O Master, when Thou comest in Thy kingdom.

Remember us, O Holy One, when Thou comest in Thy kingdom.

The heavenly choir praiseth Thee and saith: Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord of Sabaoth; heaven and earth are full of Thy glory.

Come unto Him, and be enlightened and your faces shall not be ashamed.

The heavenly choir praiseth Thee and saith: Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord of Sabaoth; heaven and earth are full of Thy glory.

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

The choir of Holy angels and archangels, with all the heavenly hosts praiseth Thee and saith: Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord of Sabaoth; heaven and earth are full of Thy glory.

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

### **The Creed**

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, / Maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible. / And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of God, / the Only-begotten, begotten of the Father before all ages; / Light of Light, true God of true God; / begotten, not made; of one essence with the Father, by Whom all things were made; / Who for us men and for our salvation came down from the heavens, / and was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and became man; / And was crucified for us under Pontius Pilate, / and suffered and was buried; / And arose again on the third day according to the Scriptures; / And ascended into the heavens, and sitteth at the right hand of the Father; / And shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead; / Whose kingdom shall have no end. / And in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the Giver of life; Who proceedeth from the Father; / Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified; Who spake by the prophets. / In One, Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic Church. / I confess one baptism for the remission of sins. / I look for the resurrection of the dead, / And the life of the age to come. Amen.

Remit, pardon, forgive, O God, our offenses, both voluntary and involuntary, in deed and word, in knowledge and ignorance, by day and by night, in mind and thought; forgive us all things, for Thou art good and the Lover of mankind.

Our Father, Who art in the heavens, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one.

### **Kontakion, in Tone 8:**

Though Thou didst descend into the grave, O Immortal One, \* yet didst Thou destroy the power of hades. \* And didst arise as victor, O Christ God, \* calling to the myrrh-bearing women: Rejoice! \* and giving peace unto Thine apostles: \*\* Thou Who dost grant resurrection to the fallen.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, both now and ever, and unto the ages of ages. Amen.

O sanctified and divine tabernacle of the Most High, \* rejoice! For through thee, O Theotokos, joy is given to them that cry: \*\* Blessed art thou among women, O all-immaculate Lady.

Lord, have mercy. ***Twelve Times***

O All-Holy Trinity, the consubstantial dominion, the indivisible Kingdom, and cause of every Good: Show Thy good will even unto me a sinner; make steadfast my heart and grant it understanding, and take away mine every defilement; enlighten my mind that I may glorify, hymn, worship, and say:

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, both now and ever, and unto the ages of ages. Amen.

### **Psalm 33**

I will bless the Lord at all times, \* His praise shall continually be in my mouth. \* In the Lord shall my soul be praised; \* let the meek hear and be glad. O magnify the Lord with me, \* and let us exalt His name together. \* I sought the Lord, and He heard me, \* and delivered me from all my tribulations. Come unto Him, and be enlightened, \* and your faces shall not be ashamed. \* This poor man cried, and the Lord heard him, \* and saved him out of all his tribulations. The angel of the Lord will encamp round about them that fear Him, \* and will deliver them. \* O taste and see that the Lord is good; \* blessed is the man that hopeth in Him. O fear the Lord, all ye His saints; \* for there is no want to them that fear Him. \* Rich men have turned poor and gone hungry; \* but they that seek the Lord shall not be deprived of any good thing. Come ye children, hearken unto me; \* I will teach you the fear of the Lord. \* What man is there that desireth life, \* who loveth to see good days? Keep thy tongue from evil, \* and thy lips from speaking guile. \* Turn away from evil, and do good; \* seek peace, and pursue it. The eyes of the Lord are upon the righteous, \* and His ears are opened unto their supplication. \* The face of the Lord is against them that do evil, \* utterly to destroy the remembrance of them from the earth. The righteous cried, and the Lord heard them, \* and He delivered them out of all their tribulations. \* The Lord is nigh unto

them that are of a contrite heart, \* and He will save the humble of spirit. \* Many are the tribulations of the righteous, \* and the Lord shall deliver them out of them all. \* The Lord keepeth all their bones, \* not one of them shall be broken. The death of sinners is evil, \* and they that hate the righteous shall do wrong. \* The Lord will redeem the souls of His servants, \* and none of them will do wrong that hope in Him.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, both now and ever, and unto the ages of ages. Amen.

Lord, have mercy. ***Thrice.***

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