God is the Lord



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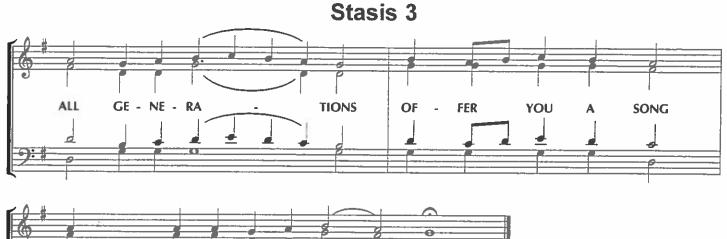














THIRD STASIS

Look on me and have mercy on me, / according to the judgment of those who love Thy name.

1. <u>ALL GENERATIONS</u> / <u>OFFER A SONG</u> // UNTO YOUR BURIAL, O <u>VIRGIN</u>.

Direct my steps according to Thy word, / and let no iniquity gain dominion over me.

2. <u>COME</u>, ALL CREATION, / AND LET US <u>OFF</u>ER SONGS //OF DEPARTURE TO THE <u>VIR</u>GIN.

Deliver me from the false accusations of men / an I will keep Thy commandments.

3. THE DISCIPLES OF MY CHRIST / GIVE BURIAL TO THE BODY // OF THE MOTHER OF MY GOD.

Make Thy face shine upon Thy servant, / and teach me Thy statutes.

4. ATTENDING INVISIBLY, / ANGELS AND ARCHANGELS // SING PRAISES.

My eyes shed streams of tears, /because I did not keep Thy law.

5. WEEPING, WITH THE APOSTLES / THE HONORABLE WOMEN // CRY OUT:

Righteous art Thou, O Lord, / and right are Thy judgments.

6. O VIRGIN / WHO KNEW NOT WEDLOCK / AND THE MOTHER OF GOD ON HIGH, / HOW SHALL WE BEAR THE PAIN?

Thou hast commanded <u>right</u>eousness / and absolute truth to be Thy <u>testimonies</u>.

7. YOUR DEPARTURE TODAY / WHICH IS JOY FOR ALL THE WORLD / IS FOR US MOURNFUL WEEPING.

My zeal consumed me / because my foes have forgotten Thy words.

8. <u>LET US NOT / BE LEFT ORPHANS / FROM YOUR MOTHERLY LOVE AND CARE.</u>

Thy word is well tried, / and Thy servant has loved it.

9. O VIRGIN, OUR LIGHT, / HOW SHALL WE BEAR // NOT TO SEE YOUR EYES MOST SWEET?

I am young and despised, / yet I have not forgotten Thy precepts.

10. O <u>WOE</u>, ALAS, HOW HAVE YOUR <u>GOD</u>-LOVING LIPS / WHICE <u>EV</u>ER SPOKE OF HIM // BEEN BOUND BY SILENCE?

Thy righteousness is righteous forever, / and Thy law is truth.

11. "WE SHALL NOT LEAVE / THE MOTHER OF OUR TEACHER!" // THE APOSTLES CRIED OUT.

Trouble and anguish have come upon me, / but Thy commandments are my meditation.

12. ONCE AGAIN ON UPBORNE CLOUDS, / O VIRGIN, // WE SHALL GO BEFORE YOU TO THE GATES OF HEAVEN.

Thy testimonies are righteous forever; give me understanding and I shall live.

13. <u>THE HO</u>LY STAFF, / PLACED WITH<u>IN</u> THE TOMB, // BLOSSOMS FORTH LIFE.

With my whole heart have I cried; / hear me, O Lord!

14. <u>SHE</u> WHO BY HER <u>BIRTH</u>-GIVING / RAISED THE <u>DEAD</u> FROM THE <u>GRAVES</u>, // IS HERSELF PLACED IN A GRAVE.

I have cried to Thee; save me, / and I will observe Thy testimonies.

15. "TO WHERE DO YOU DEPART, / O MOTHER!" / THE FRIEND AND CHAMPION OF VIRGINITY CRIED, // AS BEFITTED A SON.

I arose before dawn and cried; / I have hoped in Thy words.

16. YOU WENT FORTH / INTO THE JOY OF YOUR SON, / O MOTHER OF GOD, // AND YOU MADE GLAD AND REJOICED.

My eyes woke before the morning / that I might meditate upon Thy words.

17. "ARE YOU CALLED AGAIN THIS DAY / WITH THE APOSTLES // TO THE WEDDING FEAST IN CANA?

Hear my voice in Thy mercy, O Lord; / give me life according to Thy judgment.

18. TO YOUR DIVINE SON, / O VIRGIN, // TAKE UP TODAY ME YOUR CHILD.

They have drawn near who persecute me un<u>law</u>fully; they have gone <u>far</u> from Thy law.

19. NOW TRANS<u>LATE</u> ME, O <u>MO</u>THER, / BY YOUR OWN TRANS<u>LAT</u>ION / TO HIM WHO WAS <u>BORN</u> OF YOU,

But Thou art near, O Lord, / and all Thy ways are true.

20. THAT IN HEAVEN / WE MAY STAND IN GLORY / TOGETHER AS WE STOOD // BEFORE THE CROSS IN SUFFERING."

Long have I known from Thy testimonies / that Thou hast founded them forever.

21. THE MASTER DESCENDED / WITH MYRIADS OF INTELLIGENCES: // O GETHSEMANE, BE GLAD!

Look on my humiliation and deliver me, / for I have not forgotten Thy Law.

22. BE GLAD, / O CHOIR OF DISCIPLES, // BEHOLDING THE LORD IN GLORY!

Judge my cause and redeem me; / give me life according to Thy word!

23. LET THE WHOLE EARTH / MAKE GLAD SEEING GOD // DESCEND AGAIN TODAY.

Salvation is far from sinners, / for they have not sought Thy statutes.

24. IN <u>HASTE</u> LET <u>US</u> GO OUT / TO <u>MEET</u> THE LORD // WHO DESCENDED ONCE AGAIN,

Many are Thy compassions, O Lord; / give me life according to Thy judgment.

25. THAT WE ALL MAY HEAR / GOD CONVERSING TODAY //WITH HIS ALL-SPOTLESS MOTHER.

Many are the persecutors and my oppressors, / but I have not swerved from Thy testimonies.

26. O SWEETEST MOTHER, / COME REJOICING // TO YOUR SWEETEST SON.

I saw men without understanding, and grieved, / because they did not keep Thy words.

27. BEHOLD, YOUR SON / HAS COME NOW // TO TAKE YOU TO HIS OWN.

Behold how I have loved Thy commandments! / Give me life, O Lord, according to Thy mercy.

28. "I HAVE <u>COME</u>," SAID HE, / "THAT THE GLORY OF MY <u>MO</u>THER // MAY APPEAR BEFORE THE GLORY OF MY <u>FATHER</u>."

The beginning of Thy words is truth; and all the judgments of Thy righteousness endure for ever.

29. "THINE UTTER LOVING-KINDNESS / I GLORIFY, O MY GOD," // THE MOTHER SAID TO HER SON.

Princes have persecuted me without cause, and my heart stands in awe of Thy words.

30. I GLORIFY THEE, / O MY SON, // AND BOW DOWN BEFORE THE GLORY OF THY MAJESTY.

I will rejoice at Thy words / like one who finds great spoil.

31. "SINCE YOU, WHO ARE CLOSEST TO ME, / HAVE RISEN FROM THE EARTH, // DRAW NIGH NOW TO MY FATHER."

I have hated and abhorred falsehood, / but I have loved Thy law.

32. <u>YOU</u> ARE A <u>GAR</u>DEN / <u>ALL</u> ENCLOSED // IN WHICH THE TREE OF LIFE AND IMMORTALITY IS FOUND.

Seven times a day have I praised Thee / for Thy righteous judgments.

33. <u>YOU</u> ARE A SEALED <u>FOUN</u>TAIN / FROM WHICH <u>STREAMS</u> OF ALL-// INEFFABLE SWEETNESS FLOWS.

Great peace have those who <u>love</u> Thy law; / nothing can make them <u>stum</u>ble.

34. O MY SON, / I HYMN THE SOVEREIGNTY // OF THY GODHEAD MOST DIVINE.

I have hoped for Thy salvation, O lord, and I have loved Thy commandments.

35. O MY SON, / I HYMN THY CONDESCENSION // AND LOVE FOR MANKIND.

My soul has kept Thy testimonies / and loved them exceedingly.

36. <u>COME</u> AWAY, O MY <u>BEAU</u>TIFUL ONE, / TO TAKE <u>YOUR</u> DELIGHT / IN THE BEAUTY OF YOUR SON AND MAKER.

I keep Thy commandments and Thy <u>tes</u>timonies, for all my ways lie be<u>fore</u> Thee, O Lord.

37. COME AWAY, O MY MOTHER, / AND ENTER THE KINGDOM // AND DIVINE JOY.

Let my supplication draw near and come before Thee, O Lord; / give me understanding according to Thy word.

38. <u>COME</u>, O <u>MARY</u>, / WHERE THE FATHER, SON AND HOLY <u>SPI</u>RIT // ARE <u>WOR</u>SHIPPED AS ONE.

Let my petition come before Thee, O Lord; / deliver me according to Thy word.

39. WHAT SHALL I, / AS A HANDMAID TO HER MASTER, // GIVE TO THEE, O GOD-MAN, MY SON?

My lips will pour forth a hymn / when Thou shalt have taught me Thy statutes.

40. <u>IN</u>TO THE <u>HEA</u>VENS, / O MY <u>GOD</u>, // WHAT CAN I BRING THEE NOT, BUT MY SOUL AND BODY?

My tongue / will sound Thy words.

41. I GLORIFY THE FATHER, / I HYMN THEE, O MY SON, // AND I WORSHIP THE SPIRIT.

For all Thy commandments / are right.

42. <u>GLORY TO YOU, O THEO TO KOS</u>, / GLORY TO YOUR <u>BIRTH</u>GIVING, // AND TO YOUR DORMITION SHALL GLORY ALSO BE <u>GIVEN</u>.

Let Thy hand be ready to save me, / for I have chosen Thy commandments.

43. BEHOLDING THE GLORY / OF THE VIRGIN, // ADAM AND EVE WERE STRUCK WITH WONDER.

I have longed for Thy salvation, O Lord, / and Thy law is my meditation.

44. YOU ARE BLESSED, / O JOACHIM AND ANNA, // FOR YOU HAVE BORNE A DAUGHTER INTO THE WORLD!

My soul shall live and shall praise Thee, / and Thy judgments will help me.

45. <u>SHE</u> WHO IS MOST-<u>GLOR</u>IFIED / HAS MAKE HER ABODE IN THE HEIGHTS, // FOR SHE IS THE MOTHER OF GOD.

I have gone astray like a <u>lost</u> sheep: seek Thy servant, for I have not forgotten Thy commandments.

46. BY YOUR REPOSE / GRANT PEACE TO THE CHURCH // AND SALVATION TO YOUR PEOPLE.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, / and to the Holy Spirit:

47. HAVE MERCY UPON THE WORLD, / O TRINITY, MY GOD: // FATHER, SON AND SPIRIT.

Now and ever / and unto ages of ages. Amen.

48. <u>GRANT</u> TO YOUR <u>SERV</u>ANTS, / O <u>VIR</u>GIN, / TO SEE THE <u>KING</u>DOM OF YOUR SON.

[Again the first verse is repeated]

ALL GENERATIONS OFFER A SON UNTO YOUR BURIAL, O VIRGIN.

Then immediately the TROPARIA, Tone 5: [During the singing of the Troparia, a full censing of the church takes place.]

You are blessed, O Sovereign Lady, with the Light of your Son enlighten me!

THE ASSEMBLY OF ANGELS WAS AMAZED SEENG YOU NUMBERED AMONG THE DEAD, O MOST-PURE ONE, FOR YOU GAVE YOUR SOUL INTO THE HANDS OF GOD AND DEPARTED WITH HIM, WITH DIVINE GLORY, INTO HEAVEN.

You are blessed, O Sovereign Lady, with the Light of your Son enlighten me!

"WHY DO YOU MINGLE JOY WITH TEARS, O PREACHERS OF GOD?" CRIED THE TWIN TO THE APOSTLES, WHEN HE ARRIVED, HAVING BEEN GIVEN UNDERSTANDING FROM ABOVE. "BEHOLD THE SASH AND UNDERSTAND THAT THE VIRGIN HAS RISEN FROM THE GRAVE!"

You are blessed, O Sovereign Lady, with the Light of your Son enlighten me!

THE DISCIPLE WHO BELIEVED NOT IN THE RESURRECTION OF YOUR SON, O SOVEREIGN LADY, NOW ASSURES THE OTHERS OF YOUR RISING, SAYING: "THE TIME OF LAMENTING HAS PASSED; DO NOT WEEP, BUT SPEAK OF THE VIRGIN'S RESURRECTION."

You are blessed, O Sovereign Lady, with the Light of your Son enlighten me!

APPEARING TO THE GODBEARING DISCIPLES WHO, WEEPING, HAD GATHERED AT YOUR GRAVE, O VIRGIN, THOMAS SPOKE, SAYING: WHY DO YOU THINK THE LIVING AMONG THE DEAD? FOR SHE HAS RISEN AS SHE IS THE MOTHER OF GOD."

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

WE WORSHIP THE FATHER, HIS SON, AND THE HOLY SPIRIT, THE TRINITY ONE IN ESSENCE, CRYING OUT WITH THE SERAPHIM: "HOLY, HOLY, HOLY, HOLY ART THOU, O LORD!"

Now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.

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