Preserve O Lord (Ton Dhespotin)  30-A

(For the Bishop Only)  Adapted and arranged by Archpriest James C. Meena  (1924 - 1995)

Byzantine Tone 2

Maestoso \( \frac{1}{2} \) 108

Soprano

Alto

Tenor

Bass

Pre - serve, O Lord, our mas - ter and chief priest,

Ton dhes - po - tin ke ar - chi - e - re - a i - mon,

and grant him man - y years. Man - y years to thee, mas -

ter. Man - y years to thee, mas - ter. Man - y years un - to

ta. Is pol - la e - ti, dhes-po - ta. Is pol - la e - ti,

thee, O mas - ter. A - men!

*This hymn is sung at the end of the service as the bishop is pronouncing the benediction prayer, "May Christ our true God ...", and before the priest says the closing phrase, "Through the prayers of our holy master ... and save us."

After this, the choir sings the final Amen.