

October 23rd

Holy Apostle James, "Brother of God"

Stichera at the Aposticha in Vespers

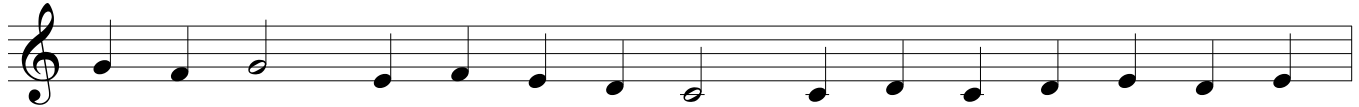
Byzantine Chant Tone 8

Special melody: *O Lord, though Thou didst stand*

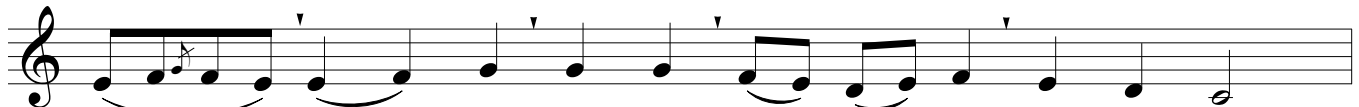
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1) O Lord, though bless - ed James, Thy sa - cred A - pos - tle, stood



on the Tem - ple's high pin - na - cle, he spake out with mar - vel - ous



bold - ness, pro - claim - ing Thee to be God the Word



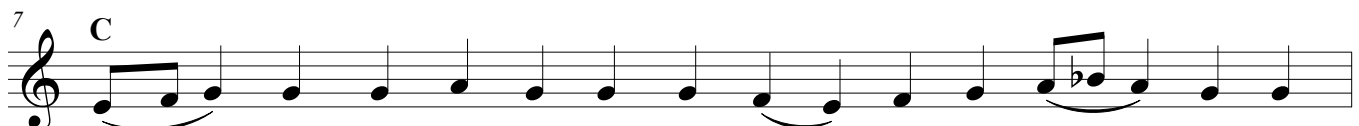
and the Cre - a - tor of all, Who tru - ly came in -



- to the world. By his en - treat - ies, O Christ our Sav - ior,



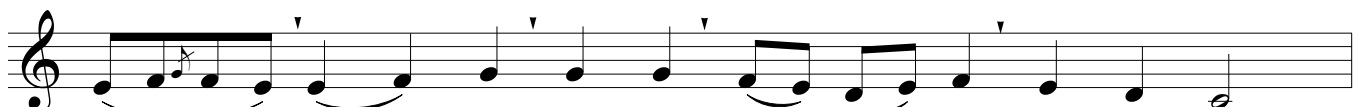
grant en - light - en - ment un - to our souls.



2) Lord, though the head of thy most sa - cred A - pos - tle was



crushed by means of a piece of wood, Thou hast made him now to par -



- take of the Tree of Life in Thy Par - a - dise;

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re - leased from tem - po - ral things, he doth re - joice ē -
 - ter - nal - ly. By his en - treat - ies, send Thy di - vine _____ peace
 on Thy church - es from the heights a - bove.

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3) Lord, _____ with no - bil - i - ty and cour - age and bold - ness, the
 fa - mous Broth - er of God re - joiced, as he most sin - cere - ly con -
 - fessed _____ Thee _____ to be the Son of _____ the Most High God;
 as for thē ill - mind - ed foes, he shamed and brought them
 all to nought. And hav - ing striv - en for Thee in con - test,
 he re - joic - eth in Thy pres - ence _____ now.