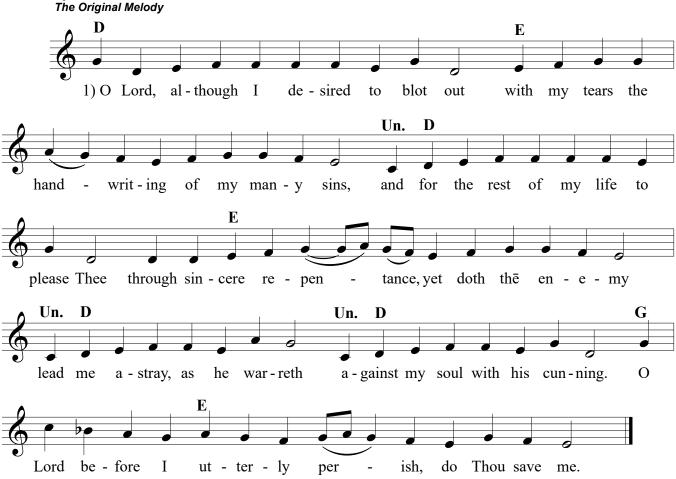
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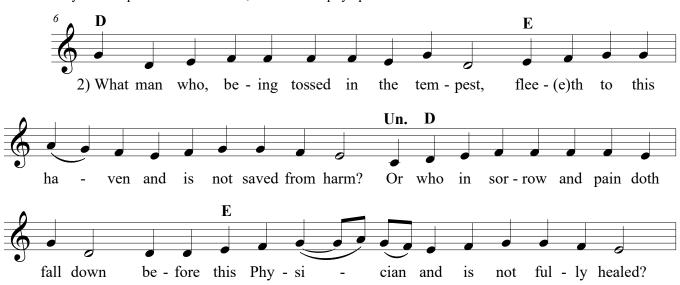
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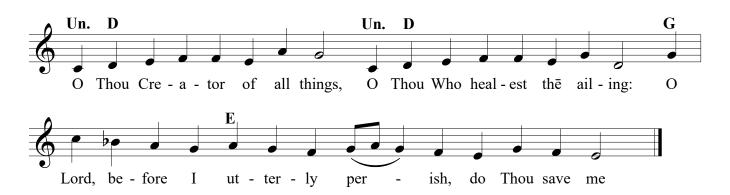
Stichera at the Aposticha





Verse 1. Unto Thee have I lifted up mine eyes, O Thou that dwellest in heaven. Behold, as the eyes of servants look unto the hands of their masters, as the eyes of the handmaiden look unto the hands of her mistress, so do our eyes wait upon the Lord our God, until He take pity upon us.





Verse 2. Have mercy upon us O Lord, have mercy upon us: for we are utterly humiliated. Let shame come on them that prosper, and abasement on the proud.

(This last stichera is not metered, sung in Tone 4.)

O Thou Who acceptest the patient endurance of the holy martyrs, accept also this hymnody from us, O Friend of man. By their entreaties, do Thou grant us Great Mercy.