When he saw that the sun had hid its rays, and the veil of the temple was rent at the death of the Savior, Joseph, approaching Pilate,
pleaded with him, crying out and saying: "Give thou me this strangers who from His youth hath wandered like a stranger. Give me this__

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Stranger whom his kinsmen killed in hatred like a stranger.

Give me this Stranger at whom I wonder, beholding Him as a guest of, a guest of death.

Give me this Stranger who knoweth how to take in the poor and strangers.
Give me this stranger whom the Jews envied from the world. Give me this Stranger that I may bury Him in a tomb, who being a Stranger hath no place whereon to lay, to lay His head.
Give me this Stranger, to whom His Mother, behold Him dead, cried: 'My Son and my God, even though my vitals be wounded, and my heart burns, as I behold thee dead, yet trusting in thy Resurrection, I magnify thee.'

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In these words the honorable Joseph pleaded with Pilate, took the Savior's body, and with fear wrapped it in linen and balm. In a tomb he placed thee, O thou who grantest to all everlasting last- ing life, and the great mercy.
GIVE ME THIS STRANGER

Sung During the Procession with the Epitaphios

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Plagal First Mode

When he saw that the sun had hidden its rays, and the veil of the temple was rent at the death of the Savior, Joseph, approaching late, pleaded with him, crying out and saying:

"Give me this stranger who from His youth hath wandered like a..."
stranger. Give __________ me this

Stranger whom His kinsmen

killed ____ in ______ hatred like ____ a __

stranger. Give __________ me

this __ Stranger at whom I wonder, beholding Him __ as a __ guest

____________________ (st) of ____ a ____ guest ______ of __ death.

Give ____ me this __ Stranger who __ knoweth __ how to ______ take ______ in the poor ______

and ____ stranger ______

Give ______
Give me this Stranger whom the Jews entangled from the world. Give me this Stranger that I may bury Him in a (ne) tomb, who being a Stranger hath no place whereon to lay to lay His head. Give me this Stranger, to whom His Mother beheld-
ing ____ Him _____ dead, _____ cried: ‘My Son

and _______________ my__ God,

e- ven though my vi- - - - tals be ____ wound-

- ed, and my heart _______________ burns, as I ______

__ be- hold __________ thee ______ dead, yet __ trust- - - -

ting in thy Res- ur- rec- - tion, ______ I mag- - - - -

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__________________ thee.’ In these words the hon’r- - a- ble ____ Jo-

- - - - seph plead-ed __ with __ Pi- late, ____ took the Sav-

- - ior’s ___ bo- - - dy ___ and with fear ___ wrapped
it in linen and balm.

In a tomb he placed thee,

O thou who grantest to all eternity and the great mercy.