

From the Octoechos
As The Virgin Who Gave Thee Birth
Stavro-Theotokion

Byzantine Mode 4
Special Melody: *As one valiant*

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As the Vir - gin who gave Thee birth saw Thee hang on the

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Cross, O Lord, she was sore as - ton - ished; and

as she gazed at Thee, she said with mourn - ing and

grief and_ pain of heart:___ O be - lov - ed Son,

how is it that Thou art hanged on the tree___ of a

wood - en Cross? How is it, O Word, O long - suf - fer - ing

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Mas - ter, that Thy hands and feet are nailed by law - less peo - ple

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and Thou hast poured out Thy pre - cious Blood?___