

*From the Menaion*  
**O How Great Thy Goodness Is**  
**Stavro-Theotokion (of the Cross) at Vespers & Orthros**

Byzantine Tone 2  
Special Melody: *When he took thee*

Adapted by Dn. John El Massih

O how great Thy good-ness is, O Lord! O com - pas - sion  
past un - der - stand - ing! O Thy for - bear - ance of wrongs!  
O Thy great - long - suf - fer - ing, O Thou be -  
- gin - ning - less Word, Who art God ere e - ter - ni - ty,  
the Vir - gin cried mourn - ing. How canst Thou, Who  
art im - mor - tal, be con - tent to die?  
This is a great mys - t'ry I see now.  
None - the - less, I wor - ship Thy Pas - sion,  
which Thou un - der - go - est of Thine own free will.