

January 9th
After-Feast of Theophany (Epiphany)
Stichera at "O Lord, I have cried"

Byzantine Chant Tone 8

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

Adapted by Dr. John El Massih

1) O Lord and Sav - ior, though Thou stood - est be - fore John in

Riv - er Jor - dan as mor - tal man, Thou didst not de - part from Thy

Fa - ther, seat - ed with Him on Thy throne a - bove.

And Thou wast bap - tized for us, O Friend of man most

mer - ci - ful, free - ing the world from the bit - ter bond - age

of the a - li - en and en - e my.

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2) Though Thou didst wrap Thee with the streams of the Jor - dan as

mor - tal man, O Al - might - y Lord, yet Thou wast borne wit - ness from

Heav - en by the de - scent of the Com - fort - er.

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Then did the Fa - ther's own voice bare wit - ness that Thou

art His Son. Come Thou, be man - i - fest and be - stow ____ Thine

in - cor - rup - tion on our souls,____ O _____ God.

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3) Thou,____ Lord, Who wast be - fore the ag - es be - got - ten of

God the Fa - ther un-change - a - bly, cam - est at the end of the

ag - es____ to take up - on____ Thee a ser - vant's form.

And as Cre - a - tor hast Thou now made Thine im - age

new a - gain; for by Thy bap - tis - m Thou hast grant - ed

in - cor - rup - tion to our souls,____ O _____ God.