

January 19th

# Venerable Makarios the Great of Egypt, the Anchorite

## Stichera at "O Lord, I have cried"

Byzantine Chant Tone/Mode 4  
Special Melody: *Unto them that fear thee*

Adapted by Dn. John El Massih

1) Striv - ing for the bless - ed - ness that far sur - pass - eth the  
mind of man, thou didst reck - on strict ab - sti - nence as  
pleas - ure, O won - drous one; pov - er - ty as rich - es;  
nev - er to pos - sess, as to have a - bun - dance in all things;  
and mod - er - a - tion as glo - ry pass - ing great. Ac -  
- cord - ing to thy pur - pose, there - fore, thou hast found thy de -  
- sire on high, O Ma - kar - i - os, dwell - ing now  
in the bright \_\_\_\_\_ man - sions of the Saints.

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2) Thou hast run the course of thine asceticism unswervingly; thou, O Father, hast kept the Faith; and therefore, fittingly thou hast now been given that fair crown of righteousness which Christ God prepared for thee; for He awardeth as each one doth deserve the prizes and rewards, and for the toils endured, giveth recompense. Pray that we now may reap the same, O God-bearing Makarios.

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3) Thou didst keep thy bod - y un - der by re - nounc - ing all

ease of life, be - ing wise in the things of God; em -

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- bit - t'ring thy sens - es with liv - ing in great hard - ships,

with the pains of ab - sti - nence, cease - less pa - tience in thy trials,

and with en - dur - ance through all ad - ver - si - ties; in

rec - om - pense for which thou dost re - ceive en - joy - ment that

G E

hath no end and de - light that is in - fi - nite

and a joy that can - not be told.