Righteous Fathers John of Edessa in Mesopotamia & Simeon of Homs (Emesa), the Fool-for-Christ

Stichera at "O Lord, I have cried"

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2) While pretending foolishness, O Father, thou thus didst make a fool of the author of wickedness, O

Sim - e - on, work - ing signs, do - ing ver - y strange things,

driv - ing de - mons off, and be - stow - ing sav - ing light to guide

them that were found in the bit - ter night of sin; and

in the midst of world - ly tu - mults, thou didst keep thy mind un - dis - turbed, since dis - pas - sion was giv - en thee

from thy God, O di - vine - ly blest.
3) Lowly in thy thinking, filled with love for God, great in sympathy, brimming over with charity wastethou, O blest Simeon, meek and very humble, living all thy days like an angel walking on the earth, having a life that was truly heavenly. Hence, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit came and took up Their rest in thee, since, O Father inspired of God, thou wast pure and beyond reproach.