

September 1st

Righteous Simeon the Stylite

Stichera at "O Lord, I have cried"

Byzantine Chant Tone 5

Special melody: *O Righteous Father*

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1) As great E - li - as had a char - i - ot of fire of ___ old, so
thou, O Fa - ther, didst de - vise a good lad - der on ___ earth, where -
- by thou didst as - cend ___ un - to high - est ___
Heav - en. He did not leave be - hind his means ___
of ___ as - cent, nor did he be - queath it to ___ be ___ pos -
- sessed by ___ oth - ers; but as for thee, ___ e - ven
af - ter ___ death, thou yet pos - sess - est ___ thy ___ pil - lar ___
for ___ all ___ to ___ see. O thou ce - les - tial ___
man and ___ thou ___ ter - res - tri - al an - gel,

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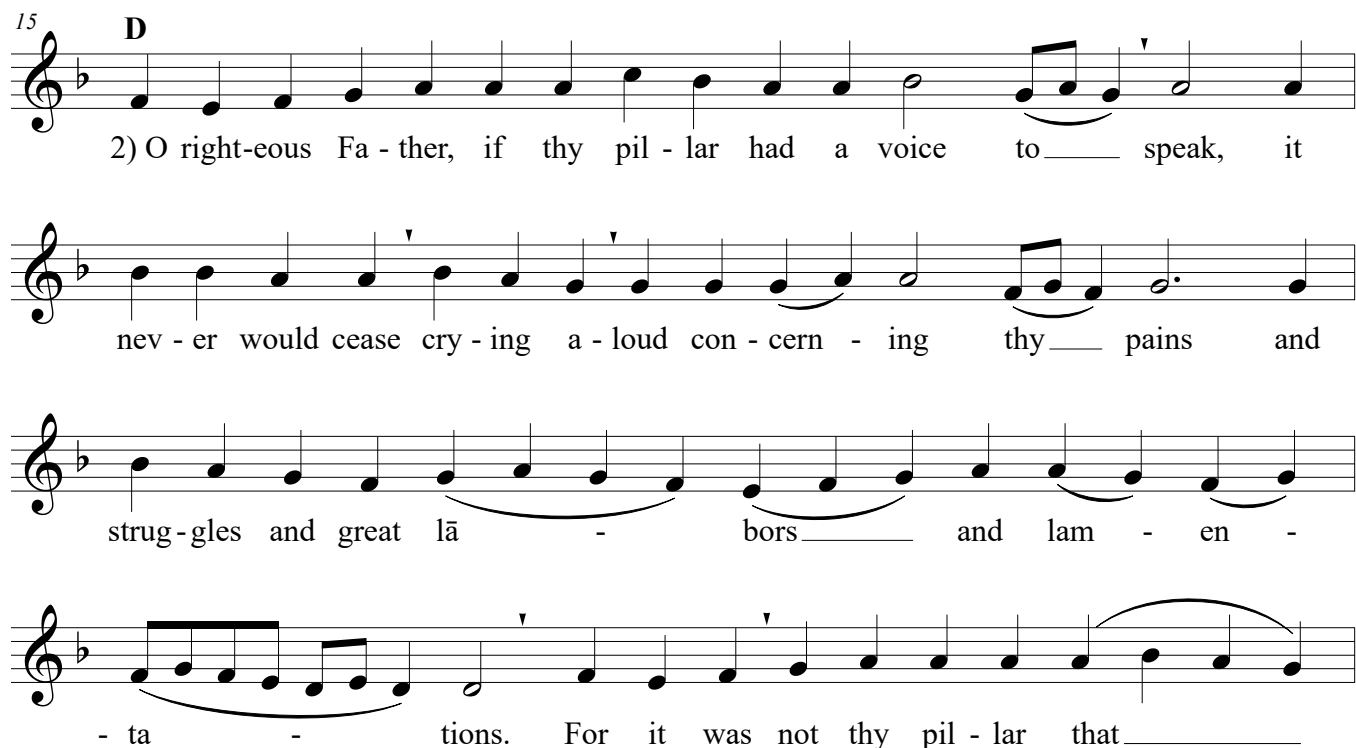
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un-sleep-ing lu - mi - nar - y shin - ing on the
 whole world, O our il - lus - tri - ous and right - eous
 Fa - ther Sim - e - on, with great fer - vor make
 in - ter - ces - sion, be - seech - ing Christ our God that our
 souls be saved, we pray.

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2) O right - eous Fa - ther, if thy pil - lar had a voice to speak, it
 nev - er would cease cry - ing a - loud con - cern - ing thy pains and
 strug - gles and great lā - bors and lam - en -
 ta - tions. For it was not thy pil - lar that

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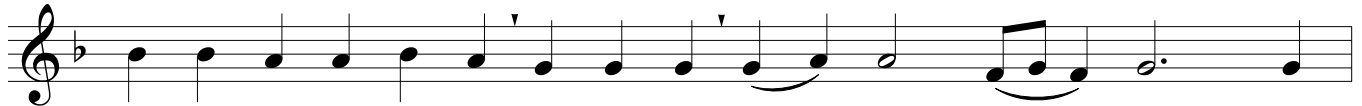
bore thee up; but it was supported by thee and
 ever borne up like some most mighty and
 fruitful tree, receiving increase and growth from
 thy ceaseless tears. The Angels marvelled,
 and the sons of men were awe struck,
 and demons quaked with fear, behold - ing thine en -
 - dur - ance. O our illustrious and righteous
 Fa - ther Si - me - on, with great fervor make
 in - ter - ces - sion, be - seech - ing Christ our God that our
 souls be saved, we pray.

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3) O right-eous Fa - ther, em - u - lat - ing Christ, thy Sov - 'reign Lord, thou



went - est up thy pil - lar as though as - cend - ing a cross, while



strength-ened with the might of the Ho - ly



Spir - it. But Christ the Lord for - gave the sins



of all men, blot - ting out the writ - ing a - gainst the



sons of Ad - am, while thou didst van - quish and



bring to nought ev - 'ry as - sault of the pas - sions



and car - nal lusts; He, as a spot - less



sheep; thou, as a will - ing vic - tim;

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He, on the Cross of shame; and thou, up - on thy
pil - lar. O our il - lus - tri - ous and right - eous
Fa - ther Sim - e - on, with great fer - vor make
in - ter - ces - sion, be - seech - ing Christ our God that our
souls be saved, we pray.