

**November 5th**

# Martyrs Galaktion and Episteme of Homs

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

## Byzantine Chant Tone 8

### Special melody: *O strange wonder*

**Adapted by Dn. John El Massih  
from various sources**

1) R eared on the milk of as - cet - ic deeds, through man - y  
 tor - ments and pains, thou, O bless - ed Gal -  
 - ak - ti - on, in thy cour - age didst at - tain  
 to the stat - ure of Christ our God, here - by be -  
 - com - ing a pleas - ing sac - ri - fice  
 and a whole of - fer - ing in thy wil - ling zeal.  
 O thy great stead - fast - ness and sure faith, where - by thou  
 hast at - tained to God and in all per - fec - tion  
 art com - plete - ly de - i - fied.

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**D**

C

2) Thou, in thy pru - dence, didst wise - ly seek the Source of

ev - 'ry good thing and the Sum - mit of

**G↓ C G↓**

things de - sired with Whose bright - ness thou, O Saint,

**C**

wast il - lu - mined in soul and mind and in thy

stead fast re - sis - tance didst de - stroy

**C**

thē an - cient dra - gon, thē ev - er schem - ing foe,

O Mar - tyr blest of God, Ep - i - ste - me, god - ly

**Un.** **G↓**

or - na - ment of nuns, much - con - tend - ing vic - tor

**C**

who hast won thy man - y fights.

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D C

3) By the grace of the no - et - ic Dawn, two lights ex -

-ceed - ing - ly bright rise up - on all cre -

G↓ C G↓

- a - tion now, and in god - ly pi - e - ty

C

they il - lu - mine it might - i - ly with rays of

G↓

con - tests more bright than tongue can tell

C

and fier - y beams of di - vine - ly giv - en cures.

Hon - 'ring their fes - ti - val, which doth shine a - bove the

Un. G↓

light, we glo - ri - fy Him Who sanc - ti - ff - eth

C

all through them, the Sav - ior Christ.

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