1) As Thy godly disciples watched, to the Heavens didst Thou ascend, to sit at the Father's right hand, from Whom in truth, O Son Transcendent in Essence, Thou art ever inseparable; and as Thou before hadst said, Thou didst send forth the Comforter, Who by grace transformed the all-wise and all-sacred and divinely-speaking choir of Thine Apostles, making them heavens upon the earth.
2) Thou, O Jesus, becamest flesh in Thy goodness transcendent speech, and Thou, the Immortal, didst willingly endure the Cross and death; and arising from the dead when three days had passed, after forty days again, giving peace to those on the earth, Thou didst then ascend to the place whence Thou hadst before descended, leading all men to the Father, by Thine Ascension in majesty.
3) As they looked on Thee taken up on the clouds to the
heights, O Lord, the all-wise Apostles lamented dolefully; filled with dejection, they
cried aloud with tears: Leave not comfortless them whom Thou hast loved, O Christ, for Thy tender com-
passion's sake, but send unto us, O compassionate Master, Thine Holy Spirit, as Thyself didst
promise, that with His light He might guide our souls.