

From the Menaion
Drive Far Away From My Wretched Heart

Theotokion

Byzantine Chant Tone 8
Special melody: *O strange wonder*

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from various sources

Drive far a - way from my wretch - ed heart the ways and
hab - its and deeds that have tak - en me
far a - way from thy kind and gra - cious Son,
gra - cious Vir - gin im - mac - u - late. As for that
li - on most fierce in wick - ed - ness
who roar - eth, seek - ing to swal - low me a - live,
that ser - pent great in guile, that most e - vil drag - on
twist - ed in his spite, crush him un - der - neath my
feet by thine al - might - y strength.