

**From the Octoechos**  
**Saint or Feast**  
**Stichera at the Aposticha at Vespers**

Byzantine Chant Tone 5  
Special Melody: *Rejoice*

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Hav - ing great and in - nu - m'ra - ble sins,  
hard - ened in heart and with a mind\_ made more dark than night,  
I cry to thee in com - punc - tion and with con - tri - tion of  
mind: Let thy light now guide\_ my\_ soul's be - night - ed eyes.  
For thou hast con - ceived the Light nev - er set - ting in eve - ning gloom,  
the Light that mak - eth all thē ends of thē earth to shine  
with the bea - con - fires of the full\_ knowl - edge of Him - self.  
With thy bright shin - ings, light my mind; and by thine un - ceas - ing prayers,  
ac - count me wor - thy, O La - dy, to be a son\_ of the  
light in truth, O all - blame - less Vir - gin, im - por - tun - ing Christ, Who  
grant - eth great mer - cy to the world.