O Lord, I have cried out unto thee.

Hear me. Give ear to the voice of my supplication, when I cry out unto thee.

O Lord. Let my pray'r be set forth before thee as the incense, and the lifting up of

Psalm 140

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my hands as the evening sacrifice.

Hear thou me, O Lord.

Set a watch, O Lord, before my mouth, and a protecting door about my lips. Incline not my heart to evil words, to make excuses in sins...

...with men that work iniquity, and I will not communicate with the choicest of them.

The just man shall correct me in mercy and shall reveal me, but let not the oil of the sinner anoint my head,
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for my pray'r al - so shall still__ be a - gainst the things with

which___ they are well__ pleased. Their judg - es fall - ing up - on the rock

have__ been swal - lowed up. They shall hear my words for they are

sweet. As when the thick-ness of the earth is bro - ken up up - on the

ground, their bones are scat - tered by___ the side of hell.

But to thee, O Lord__, Lord__, are mine eyes. In

thee__ have I put my trust. Take__ not a - way my soul.

Keep me from the snare which they have laid for me, and the traps of the

work - ers of in - qi - u - i - ty. Let the wick - ed fall in - to their
Psalm 141

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I cried unto the Lord with my voice. With my voice unto the Lord did I make my supplication. I poured out my supplication before him. I showed before him my trouble. When my spirit it was overwhelmed within me, then thou knewest my path. In the way wherein I walked have they secretly laid a snare for me. I looked on my right hand and beheld, but

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there was no one that would know me. Refuge failed me. No one cared for my soul. I cried unto thee, O Lord. I said, Thou art my refuge and my portion in the land of the living.

Attend unto my cry, for I am brought very low. Deliver me from my persecutors, for they are stronger than I.
VERSÉS ET STICHERA

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VERSE 1

Bring my soul out of prison, that I may praise thy name.

STICHERON 1

With thy noble cross, O Christ, thou hast put the devil to shame and with thy resurrection thou hast annihilated the thorn of death. Thou hast saved us too, from the gates of death. Wherefore, do we glorify thee, O only one.

VERSE 2

The righteous shall wait for me until thou remember me. The bestower of resurrection to mankind was verily led like a lamb to slaughter.
Therefore the captains of Hades were terrified by him, and its portals of agony were lifted, for Christ the King of glory hath entered it, saying to those in bonds, Come ye out, and to those in darkness, be ye manifest! Out of the depths have I cried unto thee, O Lord. Lord, hear my voice.

Verse 3

The wonder is very great, for the creator of unseen creatures hath suffered in the flesh for his love of mankind and the
death-less one hath risen up. Come ye, therefore, O tribes of the na-tions, let us bow to him in wor-ship, for by his com-passion have we been liberated from dis-obedience and have learned how to praise the one God in three persons. Let thine ears be atten-tive to the voice of my sup-plica-tion. O light that is not ap-prehended by even-tide, we of-fer thee eve-ning wor-ship, for thou hast ris-en on the world at the com-plete-ness of time as in a mir-ror and
thou didst descend to hades and dissolved the darkness there-in, revealing to the nations the light of resurrection. Therefore, O Lord, Giver of light, glory to thee.

VERSE 5

If thou, O Lord, should'st mark iniquities, O Lord, who shall stand, for with thee there is forgiveness. Let us praise with words of glorification, Christ, the element of our salvation, for by his rising from the dead he hath saved the world from falsehood and the ranks of angels rejoiced and the

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false-hood of demons hath vanished and Adam
rose up from the fall and the authority of Diabolus was re-
pu-di-at-ed. Because of thy
name have I waited for thee, O Lord. My soul hath waited upon thy
word. My soul hath hoped in the Lord. When the guardian
soldiers were appointed by the transgressors of the
law, they were instructed by them to con-
-ceal the resurrec-tion of Christ, for they said to
them, take ye silver and say: Behold, when we were a

Verse 6

STICHERON

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sleep the corpse was stolen from the tomb. But who hath ever seen and
heard at any time that a corpse was stolen, especially if it were naked and embalmed, leaving its
wrappings in the grave? Be ye not deceived, O Jews, but
learn ye the sayings of the prophets and understand that this one in truth is the Saviour of the world, the omnipotent one. From the morning watch until
night, from the morning watch let Israel trust in the Lord.

O Lord, our Saviour, who didst lead hades captive and didst
Here end the first seven verses and resurrection stichera. When required, this is followed by verses eight, nine, ten and the three stichera for the saint of the day. When these are not sung, go directly to "Glory to the Father ......." on the following page.

VERSE 8

For with the Lord there is mercy, and with him is abundant redemption and he will deliver Israel from all his iniquities.

Now sing the first sticheron for the saint, then Verse 9.

VERSE 9

Praise the Lord, all ye nations. Praise him all ye people.

Now sing the second sticheron for the saint, then Verse 10.

VERSE 10

For his mercy is great 'ward us, and the truth of the Lord endureth for ever.

Now sing the third sticheron for the saint, then "Glory ......."