## Lord, I Call

Reader: In the \_\_\_\_\_ tone, "Lord, I call upon You, hear me!"

People: Lord, I call...

Reader: (*Ps. 140*) Set, O Lord, a watch before my mouth, and a door of enclosure round my lips.

Incline not my heart unto words of evil, to make excuse with their excuses in sins. With men that work iniquity; and I will not join with their chosen.

The righteous man will chasten me with mercy and reprove me; as for the oil of the sinner, let it not anoint my head. For yet more is my prayer in the presence of their pleasures; their judges have been swallowed up near by the rock.

They shall hear my words, for they are sweet; as a clod of earth is broken upon the earth, so have their bones been scattered nigh unto Hades.

For unto You, O Lord, O Lord, are my eyes, in You have I hoped; take not my soul away.

Keep me from the snare which they have laid for me, and from the stumbling-blocks of them that work iniquity. The sinners shall fall into their own net; while I alone escape.

(*Ps. 141*) With my voice I have cried unto the Lord, with my voice I have made my supplication unto the Lord.

I will pour out before Him my supplication, my affliction before Him will I declare.

When my spirit was fainting within me, then You knew my paths. In this way wherein I have walked they laid a snare for me.

I looked upon my right hand, and beheld, and there was none that knew me. Flight has failed me, and there is none that watches out for my soul.

I have cried unto You, O Lord; I said: You are my hope, my portion in the land of the living.

Attend unto my supplication, for I am brought very low. Deliver me from them that persecute me, for they are stronger than I.

Bring my soul out of prison that I may confess Your name.

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The righteous shall wait patiently for me until You shall reward me.

\*9\*

Out of the depths I have cried unto You, O Lord; O Lord, hear my voice.

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Let Your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplication.

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If You should mark iniquities, O Lord, O Lord, who shall stand? For with You there is forgiveness, that You may be revered.

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For Your name's sake I have patiently waited for You, O Lord.

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My soul has waited patiently for Your word, my soul has hoped in the Lord. From the morning watch until night, from the morning watch let Israel hope in the Lord.

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For with the Lord there is mercy, and with Him is plenteous redemption; and He shall redeem Israel out of all his iniquities.

\*3\*

Praise the Lord, all you nations; praise Him, all you peoples.

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For He has made His mercy to prevail over us, and the truth of the Lord abides forever.

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Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, Sticheron for the day/feast when applicable now and ever and to the ages of ages. Amen

\*Theotokion\*