

**Stichera on "Lord I have cried"**  
**Tone 6, Special Melody "On the third day..."**  
**Optina Hermitage Chant**

Sunday  
January 5

(6) *Reader:* In the 6th Tone, Special Melody "On the third day"  
If Thou shouldst mark iniquities, O Lord, O Lord, who shall stand?

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For with Thee there is for - give - - - - - ness.

✚ O earth and ye that are a - bove the earth, ex - ult and

re-joyce! The Tor - - - ent of sweet - ness

is baptized in the riv - - er, dry - ing up the outpouring of

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mal - ice; and He poureth forth di-vine re-mis - sion.

**(5) Reader:** For Thy name's sake have I patiently waited for Thee, O Lord; my soul hath waited patiently for Thy word,

My soul hath hoped in the Lord.

✦ As the Bestow - er of light Jesus hath no need to

be bap - tized, yet He com - eth in the flesh

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to the streams of the Jor - - - dan, de - sir - - - ing

to enlighten those who are in dark - ness. With fer - vor

let us greet Him with faith!

(4) *Reader:* From the morning watch until night, from the morning watch

Let Is - ra - el hope \_\_\_\_\_ in the Lord.

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† Hav - ing as-sumed the guise of a ser - vant,

thou com - est to be baptized by a ser - vant, in the streams

of the Jordan, O Christ, de - liv - ering us from the

an - cient sin, sanc - ti - fy - ing and il - lu - min-ing us.