

# Vespers for the Feast of Theophany

January 6

## Stichera on "Lord I have cried" Tone 2, Kievan

(8) *Reader:* Out of the depths have I cried unto Thee, O Lord;

O Lord hear my voice. \_\_\_\_\_

The Forerunner, beholding our Enlīghtener, /  
Who illumineth every man, /  
coming to be baptized, /  
rejoiceth in soul and trembleth. /  
He pointeth to Him with his hand and saith to the people: /  
"This is He Who delivereth Israel, /  
Who freeth us from corruption! //  
O sinless Christ our God, ḡlory be to Thee!"

(7) *Reader:* Let Thine ears be attentive

To the voice of my sup - pli - ca - tion. \_\_\_\_\_

*Repeat:* "The Forerunner beholding our Enlīghtener..."

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(6) *Reader:* If Thou shouldest mark iniquities, O Lord, O Lord, who shall stand?

For with Thee there is for-give - ness.

The musical score consists of two staves, a treble clef on top and a bass clef on the bottom, both in the key of D major. The melody is written in the treble clef, and the bass line is in the bass clef. The lyrics are placed below the treble staff. The music features a mix of quarter, eighth, and sixteenth notes, with some rests and a final cadence.

When our Deliverer was baptized by His servant /  
 and borne witness to by the coming of the Holy Spirit, /  
 the angelic armies, looking on, were stricken with awe; /  
 and a voice was borne down from the Father in heaven: /  
 "He Whom the forerunner baptized with his hand is My beloved Son, /  
 in Whom I have been well pleased!" //

O Christ our God, glory be to Thee!

(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.

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*Repeat:* When our Deliverer was baptized by His servant ...

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

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

The currents of the Jordan received Thee, the Wellspring, /  
 and the Comforter descended upon Thee in the form of a dove. /  
 Thou Who bowed down the heavens dost bow Thy head, /  
 and clay crieth out to the Potter: /

"What dost Thou command me to do, O Thou Who art greater than I? /

It is I who must needs be baptized of Thee!". //

O sinless Christ our God, glory be to Thee!

**(3) Reader: For with the Lord there is mercy, and with Him is plenteous redemption;**

And He shall redeem Israel out of all his in - iq - ui - ties. \_\_\_\_\_

*Repeat:* The currents of the Jordan received Thee...

## Stichera on "Lord I have cried

(2) *Reader:* O praise the Lord, all ye nations;

Praise Him all ye peo - ples.

Desiring to save man who had become lost, /

Thou didst deign to clothe Thyself in the form of a servant; /

for it was fitting that Thou, our Master and God, assume our form: /

for when Thou wast baptized in the flesh, O Deliverer, /

Thou didst vouchsafe remission unto us. /

Wherefore, we cry out to Thee: //

O Christ our God, glory be to Thee!

(1) *Reader:* For He hath made his mercy to prevail over us,

And the truth of the Lord abideth for - ev - er.

*Repeat:* Desiring to save man who had become lost

*Reader: Glory, both now, in the same tone.*

Glory...Both now and ever, and unto the ages of a - ges. A-men.

Thou didst bow Thy head before the Forerunner, /  
 and didst crush the heads of the serpents. /  
 Having come to the streams, Thou didst illumine all things, //  
 that they may glorify Thee, O Savior, the Enlightener of our souls.