

September 24th

Proto-Martyr Thekla, Equal-to-the-Apostles

Stichera at "O Lord, I have cried"

Byzantine Chant Tone 8

Special melody: *O Lord, though Thou didst stand*

Adapted by Dn. John El Massih



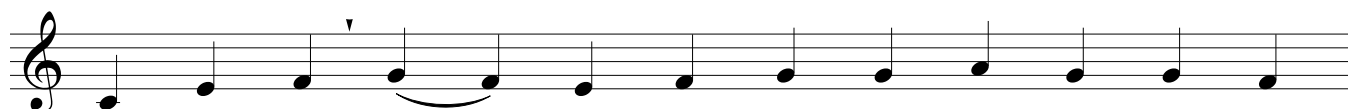
1) O___ Lord, though out of love for Thee, bless - ed Thek - la sat
2) O___ *Lord, though Thek - la ran to Paul thē A - pos - tle when*
3) O___ Lord, though Thek - la was de - prived of her con - verse with



by a small win - dow lis - ten - ing, yet in mind she stood in the
he was bound fast and man - a - cled, she shook off the bonds and the
Paul, her teach - er, a - gainst her will, yet she had Thee pre - sent be -



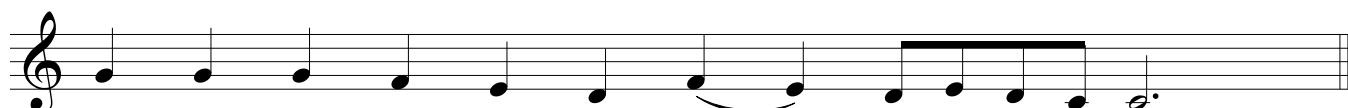
high - est be - fore Thy throne, be - ing sore a - mazed
fet - ters of all at - tach - ment to earth - ly things;
- side_____ her in time of con - test_ and mar - tyr - dom;



at Thine un - fath - 'ma - bly great mag - nif - i - cence be -
and be - ing chained with the might of love for Thee, O
and when her clothes were stripped off, Thy glo - ry came to



-yond com - pare, Who in Thine in - fi - nite love for man - kind
Christ our God, she was as - sured_____ and be - came most stead - fast,
cov - er her; now crowned with vic - 'try by Thy di - vine_____ hand,



wast made flesh to save our fal - len_____ souls.
bound to Thee, the Sav - ior of_____ our_____ souls.
she doth cease - less - ly de - fend_____ our_____ souls.