

Prayer of the 9th hour

O Come O Come Emmanuel

O come, O come, Emmanuel
And ransom captive Israel
That mourns in lonely exile here
Until the Son of God appear
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel.

O come, Thou Rod of Jesse, free
Thine own from Satan's tyranny
From depths of Hell Thy people save
And give them victory o'er the grave
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel.

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O come, Thou Day-Spring, come and cheer Our spirits by Thine advent here Disperse the gloomy clouds of night And death's dark shadows put to flight.

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel.

O come, Thou Key of David, come,
And open wide our heavenly home;
Make safe the way that leads on high,
And close the path to misery.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel.

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O come, O come, Thou Lord of might, Who to Thy tribes, on Sinai's height, In ancient times did'st give the Law, In cloud, and majesty and awe.

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel.

Prayer of Jesus Son of Sirach

I will confess to you, O Lord and King, and I will give praise to you, O God my Savior. I will acknowledge your name. For you have been my Helper and Protector. And you have freed my body from perdition, from the snare of the iniquitous tongue, and from the lips of those who forge lies. And you have been my Helper in the sight of those who stood nearby. And you have freed me according to the multitude of the mercy of your name: from those who roared and prepared to devour, from the hands of those who sought my life, and from the gates of tribulation that surrounded me, from the oppression of the flames that surrounded me, and so I was not burned in the midst of the fire, from the depths of the bowels of hell, and from the defiled tongue, and from lying words, from an iniquitous king, and from an unjust tongue. My soul shall praise the Lord, even unto death. For my life was drawing near to hell below.

Prayer of Jesus Son of Sirach

And they surrounded me on every side. And there was no one who would help me. I looked around for the assistance of men, and there was none. Then I remembered your mercy, O Lord, and your works, which are from the very beginning. For you rescue those who persevere for you, O Lord, and you free them from the hands of the Gentiles. You exalted my habitation upon the earth, and I made supplication that death would pass away. I called upon the Lord, the Father of my Lord, so that he would not abandon me in the day of my tribulation, nor in the time of arrogance without assistance. I will praise your name unceasingly, and I will praise it with thanksgiving, for my prayer was heeded. And you freed me from perdition, and you rescued me from the time of iniquity. Because of this, I will give thanks and praise to you, and I will bless the name of the Lord. Amen

God the merciful, the King of the ages,
the Great and compassionate, and the true one.
He sent His Word, to the true bride,
and dwelt in her womb, for our salvation.
+ He was born of the Virgin, on this day,
the overflowing fountain, Jesus the King of Glory.
+ O David come in our midst, with your book of Psalms,
to the city of God, full of blessing.

Our Savior, who knew her,
delighted to, dwell in her.
Many are, your praises,
more than the sand of the sea, O Mary our lady.

+ For truly, it was said to us,
by Isaiah, the true prophet.
+ This is a great wonder, unto us a Child is born,
unto us a Son is given, of great counsel.

Jesus Christ the Mighty, and the government,
will be upon, His shoulder.
Truly indeed, it was said by Ezekiel,
about the Messiah, the King of Israel.

+ I also saw, a Gate towards the East,
sealed with a mysterious seal, and God the merciful.
+ No man shall enter it, but Him who did,
we praise Him with praises, that befits Him.

The kings of the Magi, came from the East, and worshiped the Christ, whose name is honored. Truly, they opened their gifts, and offered unto him, three offerings. + Frankincense a symbol of divinity, gold for his kingship, and Myrrh a symbol, of his life-giving death. + Also the kings, of the Arabs, and the shepherds, and Saba and Algeria. Truly they offered to Him, acceptable offerings, they worshiped Him, as a Lord and Master. We also the believers, the strong and the brave, ought to, in the name of Christ.

+ To gather together, to celebrate for Him,
with a pure heart, and offer unto Him.
+ All exaltation and praise, glorification and honor,
as befits God, with pure tongues.

For He who was, born of Mary,
was crucified, for our sins.
Hurry and save us, from our enemies,
O who by His death, carried our sins.

- + Let all souls give, reverence to Him,
 with His Holy Father, and say with joy.
 + O Shepherd and Savior, we sing unto you,
 - and give praise to you, incessantly.

Prayer by Pope Shenouda (For the new year)

Lord, make it a blessed year... A pure year to please You... A year in which Your Spirit prevails... And joins in working with us...Hold our hands and guide our thoughts from the beginning of the year till its end... Let this year be Yours, to please You... It is a New Year, spotless; let us not tarnish it with our sins or impurities...Lord, be with us in every work we intend to do this year... Silent we will be, and you will do everything... Let us rejoice in all Your deeds, and say with John the Evangelist: "All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made." (John 1:3) Let this year, O Lord, be a happy year... put a smile on each face and gladden every heart... Let Your grace emerge in our trials and help those who are tempted... Grant us peace and quietness of mind... Give those who are in need, cure the sick and console the grieved..We do not ask You, God, only for ourselves...

Prayer by Pope Shenouda (For the new year)

But we ask for all, because they are Yours... You created them to rejoice in You. ..then make them happy with You... We ask You for the Church, for Your mission, that Your word may reach every heart... We ask you for our country, for the world's peace that Your Kingdom may come everywhere. Let it be a fruitful year, full of goodness... Everyday and every hour has its own work... Do not allow a futile moment... Fill our life wit h activity, work, and production... Grant us the blessing of a productive and holy toil. Let the communion of the Holy Spirit be with us in all our deeds...We thank you, God, for you have kept us till this hour and granted us this year, that we may bless You...

Silent personal prayers

Conclusion of every hour

Have mercy on us, O God, and have mercy on us, who, at all times and in every hour, in heaven and on earth, is worshipped and glorified, Christ our God, the good, the long suffering, the abundant in mercy, and the great in compassion, who loves the righteous and has mercy on the sinners of whom I am chief; who does not wish the death of the sinner but rather that he returns and lives, who calls all to salvation for the promise of the blessings to come. Lord, receive from us our prayers in this hour and in every hour. Ease our life and guide us to fulfill Your commandments. Sanctify our spirits. Cleanse our bodies Conduct our thoughts. Purify our intentions. Heal our diseases. Forgive our sins. Deliver us from every evil grief and distress of heart. Surround us by Your holy angels, that, by their camp, we may be guarded and guided, and attain the unity of faith, and the knowledge of Your imperceptible and infinite glory. For You are blessed forever. Amen.