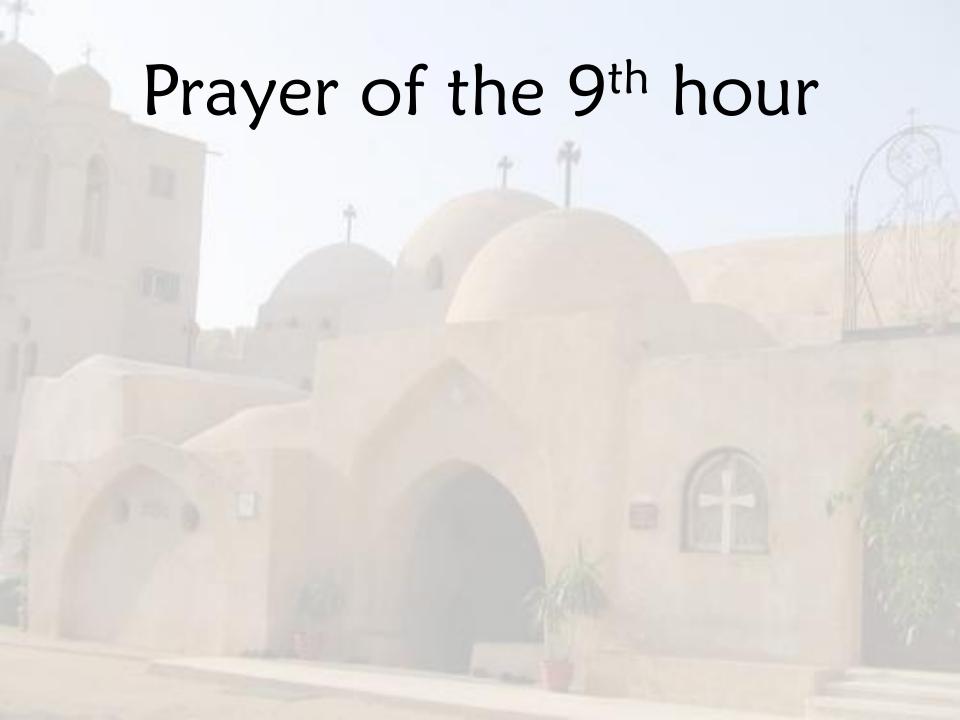
"I knock at the door of Your loving-kindness, O Lord"



How could I forget?

(How could I forget, the One who died for me
How could I forget His side that had to bleed) x2
He who saw me in my misery
so He came running to meet me
He who bought me and redeemed me
broke my chains and set me free

(How could I forget your kindness through the years Your right hand always reaching out to me) x2

How could I forget?

In my joys and in my sorrows, in all of lives storms You've become my friend and fortress,

You are the One to whom I call

(Help me Lord I want to lose myself in You All my pride has blinded me from seeing You.) x2

So I'll keep watching and praying

Trusting my eyes on You

Trusting in your sure promises

that You will be there for me soon

"O Lord Almighty, God of our fathers, of Abraham and Isaac and Jacob, and of their righteous seed, You Who have made heaven and earth with all their adornment, You Who have bound the sea by the word of your command, You Who have shut the deep, and sealed it with your fearsome and glorious Name, You at whom all things shudder, and tremble before Your power, for unbearable is the magnificence of Your glory, and not to be withstood is the anger of Your threat towards the sinners,

and immeasurable and inscrutable in the mercy of Your promise, for You are the Lord Most High, compassionate, patient, and merciful, repenting from the evil deeds of people. You, O Lord, according to the fullness of Your clemency, promised repentance and forgiveness to those whohave sinned against You, and in the fullness of Your mercies, You have appointed repentance for sinners toward salvation. Therefore, You, O Lord of the righteous, have not given repentance for the righteous, for Abraham and Isaac and Jacob,

who had not sinned against You, but you have given repentance for me, the sinner. For I have sinned more than the number of sand of the sea; my lawless deeds are multiplied, O Lord, multiplied, and I am not worthy to look and see the heights of heaven because of the multitude of my unrighteous deeds. I am bent down by too many a bond of iron for the lifting of my head because of my sins, and there is no relief for me, for I have provoked Your wrath and done evil before You. I have set up abominations and multiplied provocations.

And now I bent the knee of my heart, begging for Your clemency. I have sinned, O Lord, I have sinned, and I know my lawless deeds. I am asking, begging You: forgive me, O Lord, forgive me! Do not destroy me with my lawless deeds, nor for all ages keep angry with me, nor condemn me to the depths of the earth, for You, O lord are the God of those who repent. And in me You will display Your goodness, for my being worthy, You will save me according to Your great mercy.

And I will praise You throughout all the days of my life, for all the power of the heavens sing Your praise. For Yours is the glory, to the ages. Amen.

I put my hope in You, O King of the ages,
I entreat You saying, "Lord have mercy."
Help my weakness, to the end of the ages,
grant me rest, "Lord have mercy."

+ For You are our God, You came to save us, grant us salvation, "Lord have mercy."
+ Save us O Master, from the demons, confirm us in Your name, "Lord have mercy."

Have mercy on us, O our Savior,
our Master the Messiah, "Lord have mercy."
For six days, You suffered for us,
and all the creation, "Lord have mercy."

+ All seven ranks, of the heaven,

praise You at all time, saying "Lord have mercy."

+ Truly the high, and rational natures,

glorify the Trinity, saying "Lord have mercy."

Yours is the power and glory,

O Eternal One, for You are the Creator,

"Lord have mercy."

Jesus is our hope, Jesus is our confirmation,

in our afflictions, "Lord have mercy."

+ Like Your authority, You granted us,

freedom, "Lord have mercy."

+ Every nation praises, Christ the Lord,

the Infinite One, saying "Lord have mercy."

Grant us Your peace, O our God, and patience, "Lord have mercy." Have mercy on us, lift Your anger from us, heal our sicknesses, "Lord have mercy."

- + Truly You are blessed, we ask You to save us,
 from temptations, "Lord have mercy."
 + Glory to You with Your Father, and the Holy Spirit,
 You are holy and blessed, "Lord have mercy."
- Disperse the enemies O Master, and abolish their council,

O Lover of Mankind, "Lord have mercy."
We praise You publicly, with the Cherubim,
and powers and thrones, "Lord have mercy."

- + Bless the rivers, the plants and the fruits, and the rain, "Lord have mercy."
- + We ask for the priests, and the deacons, save them O our Master, "Lord have mercy."
- O Son of God our God, protect us,
 from fear, "Lord have mercy."
 O God have mercy on us, that we may partake of,
 Your Mysteries for forgiveness, "Lord have mercy."
 - + O Holy we worship You, O Son of our Father, the Logos of the Father, "Lord have mercy." + Repose the souls, with the righteous, in Your kingdom, "Lord have mercy."

Be patient, O true Lover of Man, with Your poor servant, "Lord have mercy." Be with him and save him, from the demons, envy and deceit, "Lord have mercy." + Remit from us, every defilement, hear us quickly, "Lord have mercy." + Be near our afflictions, O Lord Christ, Jesus the only-begotten, "Lord have mercy."

To confirm us, in the upright faith, for You have saved us, "Lord have mercy."

Behold us, and deliver us, from the demons, "Lord have mercy."

+ Cast away from us, the evil thoughts, and remember Your servant, "Lord have mercy." + I ask You O my Lord, save me from the demons, and save Your people, "Lord have mercy."

Pray by St Ephrem the Syrian

Like the publican I sigh, like the harlot I shed tears, like the thief I call out, like the prodigal son I entreat You. O Christ my Savior and Lover of mankind, strengthen my soul which has grown faint, which has been paralyzed with the intoxication of delights; heal its scabs and wash it, blackened with sin, with Your honorable blood! According to the multitude of Your loving kindness, convert me, O only Long-suffering One, and deliver me from all sensual indulgence. Extinguish the furnace of my passions, so that they will not burn me up in the end.

Woe is me! You, O Lord, have given me the light of knowledge, and I have clouded it. Your grace comforts me, enlightens me and strengthens me, but I in my negligence turn my attention to vain things and I always sink once again into the bile and bitterness of my passions.

Pray by St Ephrem the Syrian

You, O All-good One, remind me of death and of eternal torments and draw me toward life in order to save me, but I ever shun these saving thoughts. I drive them out and occupy myself with that which is of no benefit to me. Thus have I no justification before You. I knock at the door of Your loving-kindness, O Lord, that it may be opened to me.

I do not cease to pray that I may receive what I request, and unwavering I seek pardon. Be ever patient with me, depraved as I am; deliver me from the sins which possess me that, having become whole, I may arise from the deathbed of corrupting sin. Free me from my wanton habits before the end overtakes me, for who will confess You in hell?

Pray by St Ephrem the Syrian

Make white my garment before the terrible command catches me unprepared and ashamed.

Deliver my contrite soul from the mouths of the lions and save it according to Your grace and mercy, by the prayers of our All-pure Lady the Theotokos and of all the saints. Amen

