

The Prayer of the ninth hour

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.

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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 handed.

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.

Truly Risen

Truly risen is the King of Peace, Alleluia, Alleluia to the Risen Lord.

- 1- Mary went on Sunday at the time of dawn, carrying for the body spice and incense.
 - 2- She found the stone already rolled away, And Christ is risen and He conquered.
 - 3- But Mary was outside weeping, Crying, looking at the empty grave.
 - 4- She saw Jesus as a strange man, Knowing not that He is the Beloved One.
 - 5- While crying she asked O Master, Where can I find my Lord and Beloved.
 - 6- He said to her O Mary rejoice, Go and tell My brothers and My sisters.

Truly Risen

- 7- Mary went to His beloved disciples Proclaiming that Jesus is risen.
- 8- Jesus Himself truly came among them, And He said to them, "Peace be unto you."
- 9- He showed them His hands and also His side, They rejoiced in seeing the Beloved Lord.

10 Alleluia, this news is very true, Alleluia, He is risen and He conquered.

- 11- Alleluia, for the Savior of mankind, Alleluia He has crushed the might of death.
 - 12- Alleluia risen is the King of Peace, Alleluia, Alleluia to the risen Lord.

- + The Lord has increased goodness for us, so we became joyful, let us say without ceasing, holy Immortal have mercy upon us.

 + You became man like us, O only-begotten God, without alteration or change, holy Immortal have mercy upon us.

 You are Jesus Christ, the Son of God the Word,
- the Existent and Creator, holy Immortal have mercy upon us.

 O Master the Lover of men, glory and holiness are due to You,
 for You have come and saved us, holy Immortal have mercy upon us.
- + You stood in front of Pilate to be judged, You the uncircumscript One, for the salvation of the world, holy Immortal have mercy upon us.
 - + The Giver of life and the Incomprehensible, suffered and was buried, for the sake of Adam to raise him, holy Immortal have, mercy on us.

Through Your cross, You granted us the freedom, and we gained the true life, holy Immortal have mercy upon us. A pure and acceptable sacrifice, without blemish and immaculate, You lifted up Yourself O holy Lamb, holy Immortal have mercy upon us.

- + O Jesus Christ the Immortal, You abolished death with Your Death, and freed the whole world, holy Immortal have mercy upon us.
- + You have trampled the devil's sting, and the venomous serpent, and humiliated them with Your power, holy Immortal have mercy upon us.

Then You saved Your people, Adam and Eve and their race, from the Hades full of sorrow, holy Immortal have mercy upon us.

Let us praise with David, the blessed saying,

"Arise O Lord why sleep," holy Immortal have mercy upon us.

+ Who is like You among the other gods, You are the God of gods, we praise You in many ways, holy Immortal have mercy upon us.

+ Blessed are You O Christ the crucified, for You turned our sadness to joy, and You freed us from the bitter slavery, holy Immortal have mercy upon us.

You had compassion on our weakness, we who are sinners, as a good One and Lover of men, holy Immortal have mercy upon us.

The Lord said, "Now I will rise,

and openly save My creation," holy Immortal have mercy upon us.

- + Be glad and rejoice O you faithful, in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, and proclaim with Nicodemus, holy Immortal have mercy upon us.
 - + Bless and have mercy upon us, You who was crucified for us, and count us with Dimas the thief, holy Immortal have mercy upon us.

We ask You O victorious One, saying remember us O our King, when You come in Your kingdom, holy Immortal have mercy upon us. O Son of God, grant us mercy and salvation,

in Your fearful Second Coming, holy Immortal have mercy upon us.

- + O You who carried the sin of the world, place us with the righteous,
 Joseph and Nicodemus, holy Immortal have mercy upon us.

 + Forgive us our sins, through the supplications and intercessions.
 - + Forgive us our sins, through the supplications and intercessions, of the lady of us all Virgin Mary, holy Immortal have mercy upon us.

Sustain all the Orthodox souls, in the paradise, of prosperity and delight, holy Immortal have mercy upon us.

All glory and praise, befit Your power, now and forever, holy Immortal have mercy upon us.

Prayer by St Ephrem the Syrian

Praise to Him Who descended to us in human form! Praise to the Invisible One who became visible for our sake! Praise to the Eternal One Who tasted death for us! Praise to the Mysterious One Whom no mind can comprehend, and Who through His grace made Himself manifest by taking on flesh!

Blessed is He Whose good will brought Him to His mother's womb and bosom, to be born and reared! Blessed is He Who partook of death and thus granted life to mankind. Blessed is He Who made our flesh a dwelling place for His mysterious being. Blessed is He Who declared to us His mysteries in our own tongue. Praise to Him Who liberated us, having been bound for our sake. Glory to Him Who is plenteous in mercy, Who has redeemed us without taking anything in return.

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Praise to the Judge Who accepted condemnation for our sake.

Let us worship Him Who has enlightened our mind with His teaching and laid down a path for His word in our hearing. Let us give thanks to Him Who has grafted His fruit to our tree.

Praise to Him Who invisibly cultivates our spirit. Blessed is He Who attuned the senses of our spirit, that it might ever play songs of exaltation to Him on its lyre. Amen

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.