

*Pentecostarion*  
**Saturday of Souls**  
**Stichera at the Praises**

Byzantine Mode 6  
Special Melody: *Ere the morning star*

Adapted by Dn. John El Massih



- 1) Dread- ed is that end brought by death on all things;
- 2) \* All ye that cleave fast to life with long - ing,
- 3) He once on a throne hath a tomb to rest on;
- 4) All who from things here have been hence trans - lat - ed,



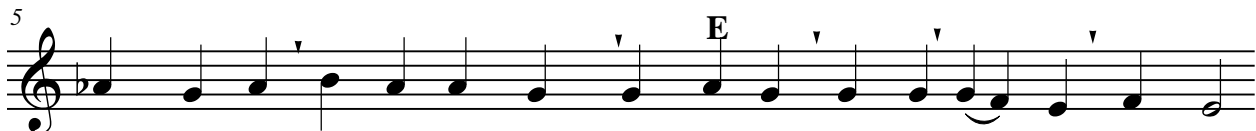
fear - ful is the judg - ment passed by the Mas - ter.  
come un - to the grave - side and be a - ston - ished:  
then he wore the pur - ple, but now cor - rup - tion,  
in the bless - ed hope of life ev - er - last - ing,



For yon - der the fire that is un-quench - a - ble is read - ied;  
Bend down and be - hold the world's be - quile - ment and de - lu - sion.  
now not on a throne, but in a tomb laid out in dark - ness.  
de - part - ed this life in what - so - ev - er way, O Sav - ior:



there is the grim gnash - ing of teeth, there the sleep - less worm tor - ment - eth;  
Where is the beau - ty of the bod - y, where the glo - ry — of rich - es?  
See how his king - ship and do - min - ion hath failed at once com - plete - ly!  
those of all na - tions and con - di - tions and ev - 'ry age and stat - ure



there is th out - er dark - ness, there is th ev - er - last - ing sen - tence.  
Where is the pride of life now? Tru - ly all things are vain and emp - ty.  
See how the life of man doth pass a - way like a dream and shad - ow.  
both men and wom - en, old and young, and e - ven the new - born in - fants,

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Let us, there - fore, cry un - to the Sav - ior:  
 Let us, there - fore, cry un - to the Sav - ior:  
 Let us, there - fore, cry un - to thee Sav - ior:  
 O Thou Friend\_\_\_\_\_ of man, in Thy Great Mer - cy,

Grant rest to those Whom Thou hast tak - en from tem - p'ral things,  
 Grant rest to those Whom Thou hast tak - en from tem - p'ral things,  
 Grant rest to those Whom Thou hast tak - en from tem - p'ral things,  
 ap - point a place for them of rest\_\_\_ and e - ter - nal life

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by Thy Great Mer - cy, O\_\_\_ Christ our\_\_\_ God.\_\_\_\_\_  
 by Thy Great Mer - cy, O\_\_\_ Christ our\_\_\_ God.\_\_\_\_\_  
 by Thy Great Mer - cy, O\_\_\_ Christ our\_\_\_ God.\_\_\_\_\_  
 there in the bos - om of\_\_\_ A - bra - ham.\_\_\_\_\_