

# Jesus Christ Our Redeemer

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## Jesus Christ Our Redeemer Meek and Humble of Heart

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**STAND** 

**Cel**: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and forever

**Cong:** Amen

Cel: Heavenly Father, you loved us and called us to be united to your heavenly Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. Make us worthy to celebrate the redeeming Christ, who is meek and humble of heart, who is the ray of your glory, your image and your essence. He emptied himself and became man, and was obedient to death, even death upon a cross. You raised him with your mighty right hand, making him Lord and Christ. In him is redemption and the forgiveness of sins, through the Holy Spirit, whom Christ poured upon us from you. We raise glory, thanks, and worship to you, to your only Son, and your Holy Spirit, now and for ever.

**Cong:** Amen

Cant: Barekhmor, Lord, have mercy on us and save us.

Lord Jesus Christ, you were sanctified by the Father who sent you as our Redeemer and Saviour and were born of the holy Virgin Mary. Grant us the fullness of truth and understanding to comprehend the glory of your great mystery, in which is contained all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge. We see the hidden face of God the Father in you, which no one has ever seen. From you we receive the fullness of grace and truth, for you are Emmanuel, God is with us. To you be glory, to your Father and to your Holy Spirit, now and for ever.

#### **First Hymn**

Syriac: Msheeho natareh l'eedtokh

\* Let us praise the living God, who revealed his hidden self.

His perfection we have seen through his wonders and his signs.

The world has revealed its Maker's face to us and his awesome love.

Our weak nature was enslaved and imprisoned in this world.

But God's Holy One came to us in human flesh.

We have looked on him, and he has won our hearts.

We are in the heart of God.

\*\* Christ you are the Holy One, Only Son and Word of God

You descended as foretold, shining brightly in the dark. You chose Mary as your Mother on this earth and were born from her.

Jesus, we have seen in you all the fullness of God's grace,

the fullness of truth, now revealed to us on earth. Moses gave the law of old, but you, O Lord, gave to us the Gospel's light.

\*/\*\* Lord, our hearts now thirst for you, for you are the Living Spring.

Grant that we may drink from you, O Redeemer of the world.

We come, as Isaiah said, to quench our thirst from the Fount of life.

Lord, we know your sacred heart is the source of holiness,

the life of the world, and the hidden mystery.

Bring us close to you, O Love that never ends.

To our thirsting hearts grant life.

## Psalm Isaiah 42:1-4

- \* Behold, my servant whom I have chosen, my beloved with whom my soul is well pleased.
- \*\* I will put my Spirit upon him, and he shall proclaim justice to the Gentiles.
- \* He will not wrangle or cry aloud, nor will anyone hear his voice in the streets;
- \*\* He will not break a bruised reed or quench a smouldering wick,
- \* till he brings justice to victory; and in his name will the Gentiles hope."
- \*/\*\* Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, now and forever

Cant: Barekhmor, Lord, have mercy on us and save us.

Jesus Christ our Lord and Redeemer, you gave to us the Beatitudes as the plan of your new kingdom. You commanded us to pardon, to forgive, and to love. Create in us all that is becoming of your thought, compassion, and mercy, so that we may be your disciples and children of our Father in heaven. We raise glory and thanks to you, to your Father and to your Holy Spirit, now and for ever.

#### **Second Hymn**

Syriac: Domyo 'eedto

\* O Lord our God, you gave blessings to the poor who suffer want and to those who mourn, and to the meek, to the merciful and pure, and those oppressed for your sake, O Lord. Alleluia! O Redeemer, look upon your faithful ones. Bless us now, we pray.

- \*\* O Lord our God, you have called us to forgive and show true love to our enemies. You taught us all by example shown to us both through your words and your holy deeds. Alleluia! Lord, you are the way, the truth, you are the life, who redeemed the world.
- \*/\*\* O Lord our God, you have called all weary ones who, in their lives, carry heavy loads: Come, take my yoke. It is easy; it is light. You will find rest from your many cares. Alleluia! We implore your sacred heart to give us joy. Grant us faith, we pray.

#### **Evening Psalm 1**

(Psalm 141:1-2, 8 & Psalm 142: 8)

Cant: Let my prayer, O Lord God, rise like incense before you.

And the raising of my hands, an evening sacrifice.

All: Let my prayer, O Lord God, rise like incense before you.

And the raising of my hands, an evening sacrifice.

#### Cant:

- 1. I call upon you, O Lord, make haste to help me! And turn your ear to my appeal and hear my voice.
- 2. To you, O Lord God; to you my eyes are turned. My refuge lies in you alone; O spare my soul.
- 3. O Lord, the righteous shall gather around me, for you have shown your faithful love and goodness.

## **Evening Psalm 2**

(Psalm 119:105 - 106)

Cant: Lord, your word of truth is like a lantern for my footsteps, a bright light to direct my path.

All: Lord, your word of truth is like a lantern for my footsteps, a bright light to direct my path.

#### Cant:

- 1. I have sworn and promised, O Lord, to keep your holy laws and just decrees.
- 2. Your decrees are my heritage and give joy to my heart, for evermore.
- 3. Let us praise the Father and Son and Holy Spirit, now and always

#### **Third Hymn**

Syriac: soogheeto (ramsho & leelyo)

#### (Beginning with Choir 2)

#### (ramsho)

\*\* You saved us, Lord. We had wandered in the darkness of the long night. You are the Lord of great power who descended so to serve all.

#### (leelyo)

- \* You walked among the people, Lord. Your way was gentle and honest. Your voice was never loud or harsh but always tender and loving.
- \*\* The heart of mercy will not break a reed that sadly is damaged. The face of love will never quench a wick that burns only faintly.
- \* You claimed the final victory when you were raised, O Redeemer. So, let us sing our hymns to you; we praise and thank you for ever.
- \*\* O Lord of mercy and of love, we sing your praise every evening. O Mother of our Lord and God, we ask that your prayers be with us.

#### (ramsho)

\*/\*\* We offer praise to the Father, Son, and Spirit, one and true God. For all the gifts he has given, let us praise him, now and always.

**Cant**: Stomen kalos

**Cong:** Kyrie eleison

## **Prayer of Forgiveness**

**STAND** 

Cel: Let us raise glory, honour and praise to God the Father, from whom is named all fatherhood in heaven and on earth. He has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in Christ; and to the only Son of God, who became incarnate for us from the Virgin Mary, as Redeemer and Saviour. In him is our redemption and the forgiveness of sins; and to the Holy Spirit, who has signed us with the seal of divine sonship and is the pledge of our everlasting inheritance. To the Good one be glory and honour, on this day, and all the days of our lives, and for ever.

**Cong:** Amen

Cel: Lord Jesus Christ our Redeemer, meek and humble of heart. O Fountain of all holiness, purity, mercy, and compassion. O Son of God, you humbled yourself and took the image of a servant to save us and guide us on the road to humility, the road to the kingdom. Make us worthy to explore the depths of your appearance as God and man. In your eyes we see the rays of the gentleness of virgins, the compassion of mothers, the boldness of the brave, the purity of saints, and the infinite love of God. In your heart is the power of forgiveness which exceeds the world's power for evil. For you brought your mercy and compassion to our earth, and you revealed the great extent of your affection and love. You are the physician who purifies lepers and heals those in pain. You forgive sinners, you strengthen the paralysed, and you justify tax collectors. You give hearing to the deaf and open the eyes of the blind. You fill the hungry and you raise the dead: your greatness, love, and goodness cannot be measured.

And now, we ask you, O Christ our Lord, with the fragrance of this incense, to open to us the treasure of your abundant compassion. Create a new heart in us and put a new and right spirit within us. Through your humility cure us of our pride. Give us the strength to think of all that is true and dignified, and of all that is just and pure, and of all that is loved and honoured, and of all that contains virtue. Protect your holy Church at all times until the end of the world. Unite her members with

your Holy Spirit, and fill us with confidence, peace, and love for you and for one another. Grant rest in your heavenly dwelling to our fathers, brothers and sisters, and to our teachers, and grant us a blessed end, for you are compassionate and full of mercy, meek and humble of heart. We raise glory and thanks to you, to your Father and to your Holy Spirit, now and for ever.

Cong: Amen.

## Hymn (qolo)

Syriac: *qoom faowlos* 2

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With a human voice God's Word speaks. Christ, both God and man, shows his heart. Though his love has filled all the earth, yet he wills to dwell in our hearts.

Our hearts burn with love for your heart, O Lord. We yearn for your love; fill our hungry hearts.

Feed us as we walk on your path. We shall triumph, Lord, in your love. **Cel**: Lord Jesus Christ, our Redeemer, accept our prayers and incense which we have offered to you, with the prayers of the Virgin Mary your Mother and all the saints who stand before your throne, clothed in white garments. In their hands they carry branches of palm and are adorned with the crown of victory. Make us worthy to sing with them, saying: To you be glory, worship, and thanks and to your Father and to your Holy Spirit, now and for ever.

Cong: Amen.

## **Psalm of the Readings**

Syriac: ramremain

- \*\* Lord, your love, in abundance, fills your Virgin Mother's heart. Fill the hearts of your children; purify us with your love.
- \* Mary's heart calls to Jesus, pleading with his heart of love to remove from her children all the hatred in their hearts.
- \*/\*\* Lord, your face once was hidden; now it shines throughout the world. May our minds be enlightened by your love and peace and light.

#### **Epistle/Gospel**

The Reading of the day from the Divine Office is read.

#### **Supplication**

Syriac: bo'ooto dmor ya'qoob (Noohdeeki Salam)

- \* Your heart contained the world's great pain.
  O Lord of love, you came to earth,
  and you proclaimed the word of life.
  You paved for us salvation's way.
  With fear and love we walk this road
  that teaches us and gives us life.
- \*\* "The day will come when you are judged and put to death by those who think that they are serving God Most High." You spoke these words and died for us, so we, O Lord, take up our cross and willingly lay down our lives.
- \* How blest are those who taste the cross. On them will shine a light so bright and far beyond our mind to grasp. How sweet for them their painful death, for God will give them life anew and consolation for all time.
- \*\* From every heart, from age to age, when morning dawns and evening comes, we praise and thank you, Lord our God. O Father, Son, and Spirit blest, our incense and our hymns we raise; now be the lamp that guides our way.

#### Final Prayers (Hootomo)

#### **STAND**

**Cel:** Let us thank, adore (all bow), and praise the holy and glorious Trinity: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Cong: Amen.

All: Lord, have mercy. Kyrie eleison. Lord, have mercy. Kyrie eleison. Lord, have mercy. Kyrie eleison.

The Celebrant and congregation sing the *Qadeeshat* three times.

#### All:

qa-dee-shat a-lo-ho.You are holy, O God.qa-dee-shat ha-yel-to-You are holy, O Strongno.One.qa-dee-shat lo-mo-You are holy, Oyoo-to.Immortal One.

it-ra-ham 'a-lain. Have mercy on us.

#### **All:** (with extended hands)

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.

**Cel**: O Holy Father, be pleased with our evening service which we have offered to you on the feast of our Lord and Redeemer, Jesus Christ, meek and humble of heart. Grant us your Holy Spirit, the Paraclete, that he may be with us and teach us all things and remind us of all that our Lord Jesus has spoken to us. May he help us in our weakness and pray within us with sighs too deep for words. May he guide our steps in all truth, until we all attain maturity, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ. We glorify and thank you, O Father, with your Son and your Holy Spirit, now and for ever.

Cong: Amen.