Kievan Chant

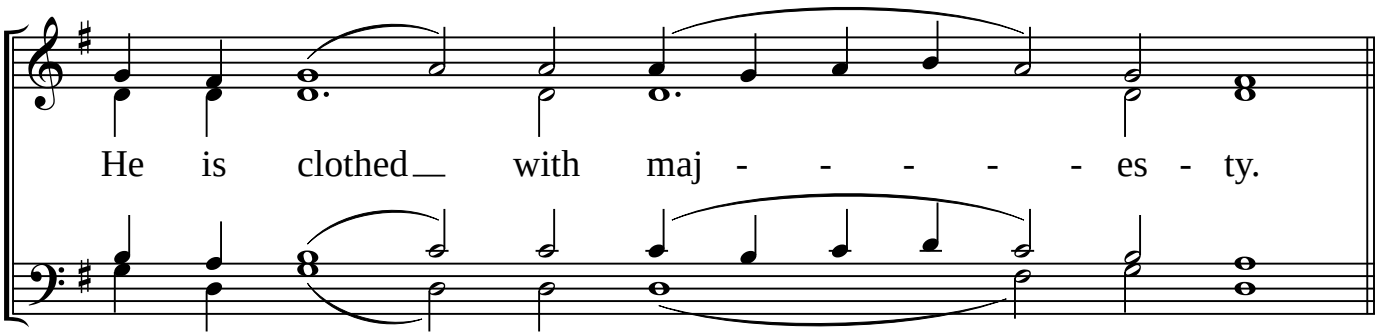
The Aposticha

Tone 4

Reader: **In the 4th Tone - Having ascended the Cross, O Lord.**

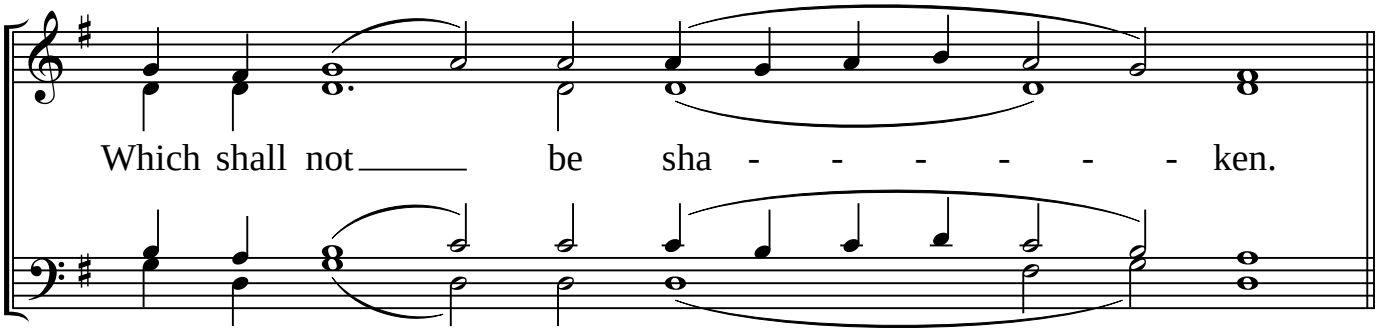
Apostícha - Tone 4

Reader: **The Lord is King,**



Suspended on the Tree, O Thou Who alone art powerful, /
Thou didst shake all creation; /
and laid in the tomb, Thou didst raise up those who lived in the graves, /
granting incorruption and life to the human race. /
Wherefore, chanting, we glorify, //
Thine arising on the third day.

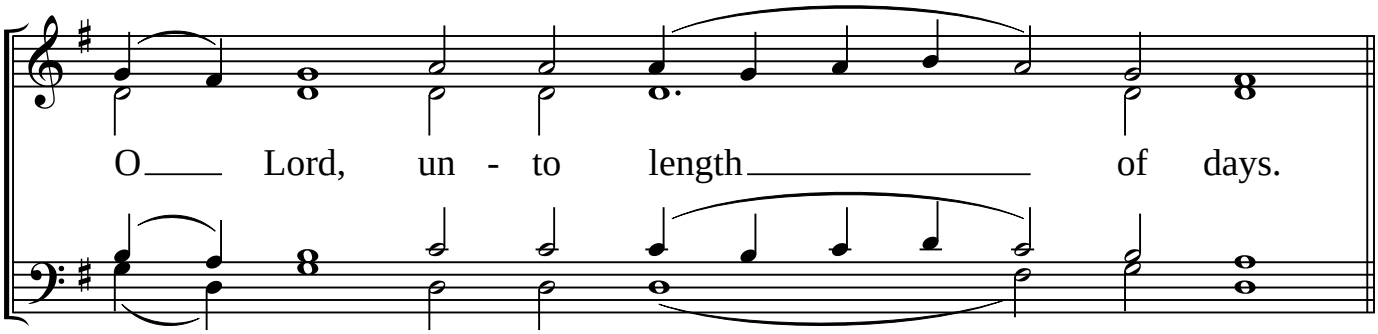
Reader: **For He established the world**



Iniquitous men, having given Thee over to Pilate, O Christ, /
condemned thee to be crucified, /
showing themselves ungrateful for Thy benefactions. /
And Thou didst of Thine own will endure burial /
and didst rise of Thine own accord, as God, on the third day, //
granting us never-ending life and great mercy.

Apostícha - Tone 4

Reader: **Holiness becometh Thy house,**



The women, arriving at the tomb in tears, sought thee; /

and finding Thee not, they said, lamenting and crying out with weeping: /

'Woe to us, O our Saviour, Thou King of all! /

How is it that Thou hast been stolen? /

What place holdeth Thy life-bearing Body?' /

And an angel answered them: 'Weep not,' he said, /

'but, going forth, proclaim that the Lord hath risen, //

granting us joy, in that He alone is compassionate!'

Resurrectional Theotokion of the Aposticha - Tone 4

Reader: **[Glory] Both now, in the same tone.**

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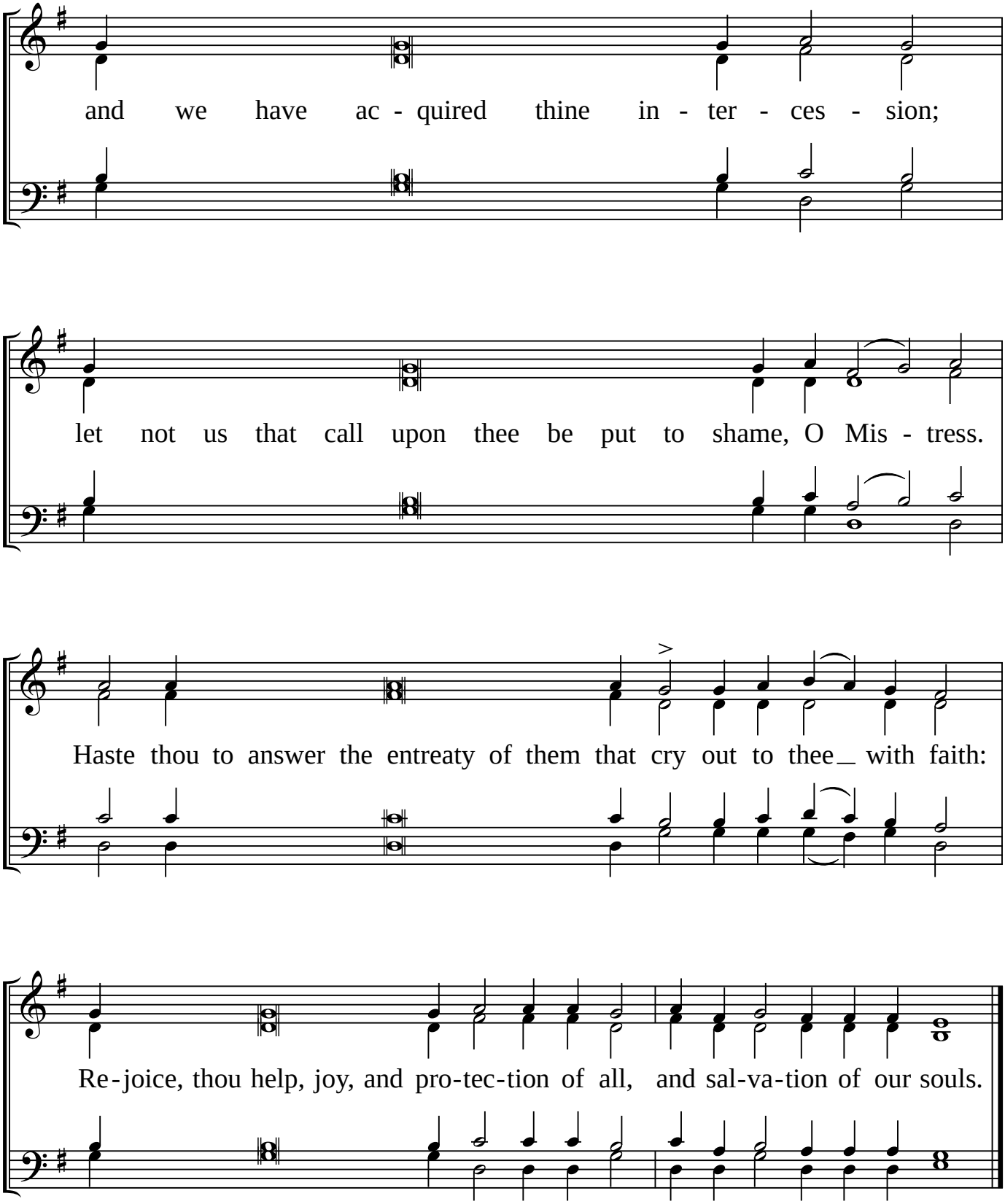

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