The truth of things hath revealed thee to thy flock as a rule

of faith, an icon of meekness, and a teacher of

temperance; for this cause thou hast achieved the heights by humility, riches by poverty.

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O the wise invention of the teacher who contrives that in our singing we learn what is profitable, and that thereby doctrine is somehow more deeply impressed upon our souls! What is learned under duress tends not to be retained, but what suavely ingratiatees itself somehow adibes within our souls more steadfastly.

- St. Basil the Great