By the Waters of Babylon*

psalm 136

Third Mode

adapted from Hourmouzios Hartophylax (1780-1840)

(Duration: 11:30
Intonation: #8

*This psalm is chanted on Meat-fare and Cheese-fare Sunday. On these two days, instead of reading Psalm 118 during Orthros, Psalms 134 and 135 and chanted heirmologically (see pp. 888 and 888) followed by this psalm.
2

Up on the willows in the midst did we hang our instruments. Alleluia.

3

For there, they that had taken us captive asked us for words of song. Alleluia.

4

And they that had led us away asked
_ us_____ for a hymn,__________ say- - - - - - - -

ing:__ Œ Sing___________ us________ one of the songs__ of______

Si- - - - - on.____________________________________________ Al-

le- lu- - - i- - - - - a.__

5

How________ shall__ we__ sing__ the Lord's _____________

song in___ a_____ strange______________________________ land?

____________________________________________ Al- le- lu- - - - - i- - - - - a.__

4

6

If I__ for- - - get_____ thee, O Jer- u- - sa- - lem,__

let my right____________ hand__ be_____ for- - - got- - - - -
Let my tongue cleave to my throat, if I remember thee not.

If I set not Jerusalem above all other, as at the head of my joy.

Al-le-lu-ia.
9

Re - mem - ber, __ O __ Lord, __ the __ sons __ the __ sons __

_____ of _____ E - - - - - dom, _____ in the day _____

_____ of _____ Jer - u - - - sa - lem. _____

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Al - le - lu - -

- - - - i - - - - a. __

10

Who said: Lay __ waste, __ to __ her, __ lay __ waste __ to __

_____ her, e - ven to the __ foun - - da - - tions __ there - - of. _______

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Al - le -

lu - - - - - i - - - - a. __

11

O daugh - - - - ter __ of __ Bab - - - - - y - -
- lon, thou wretch - - - - - ed one, bless -

- ed shall he be who shall reward 

thee where - with thou hast rewarded us.

Al - le - lu - - - - - i - - - a.

Bless - - - - - ed shall he be who shall seize

and dash thine in - - - - - - - a - gainst

the rock.

Al - le - lu - - - - - i - - -
(Continue immediately with the Resurrectional Evlogetaria on page 888.)