**Brief Stichera**

**Verse #1**  
Bring my soul out of prison that I may confess Thy Name.

**Stichera #1**  
In worshiping Thy life-creating Cross unceasingly, O Christ God, we glorify Thy Resurrection on the third day; for thereby hast Thou renewed the ruptured nature of man, O Almighty One.
And Thou didst show unto us the way up unto the Heavens, since Thou alone art good and the Friend of man.

Verse #2

The righteous shall wait patiently for me until Thou shalt reward me.

Stichera #2

Thou didst annul the sentence of the tree of disobedience, O Saviour, by being nailed willingly to the Tree of the Cross. And by descending into
Ha-des, O Might-y One, as God Thou didst rend a-sun-der the bonds of death. Where-fore, we wor-ship Thy Res-ur-
rec-tion from the dead, while cry-ing out in glad-ness: O Al-
might-y Lord, glo-ry be to Thee.

Out of the depths have I cried un-to Thee, O Lord; O Lord, hear my voice.

The gates of Ha-des didst Thou shat-ter, O Lord, and
by Thy death Thou didst destroy the kingdom of death. And
Thou didst free the race of man from corruption, granting life and incorruption and great mercy to the world.

Verse #4

Let Thine ears be attentive to the voice of my supplication.

Stichera #4

Come, O ye peoples, let us praise the Saviour's arising on the third day, where-by we were de-liv-
And we all received incorruption and life, while crying:

save us by Thy Resurrection, O only Friend of man.

If Thou should-est mark iniquities, O Lord, O Lord, who shall stand?

For with Thee there is forgiveness.

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Angels and men, O Saviour, praise Thine arising

on the third day, whereby the ends of the world were enlightened. And we were all freed from slavery to the eneemy, while crying: O Creator of life, omnipotent Saviour, save us by Thy Resurrection, O only Friend of man.
Verse #6

For Thy Name's sake have I patiently wait-ed for Thee, O Lord; my soul hath wait-ed pa-tient-ly for Thy word, my soul hath hoped in the Lord.

Stichera #6

Thou didst crush the bra-zen gates and shat-ter the bars, O Christ, God, and Thou didst raise the fall-en race of man; for this cause do we cry out with one ac-cord: Thou Who didst...
Un. E

C  E

From the morn-ing watch un-til night, from the morn-ing watch let Is-ra-

eI el hope in the Lord.

Stichera #7

O Lord, Thy birth from the Fa-ther is time-less and from ev-er-

last-ing; Thine in-car-na-tion of the Vir-gin is in-ex- press-i-ble and in-ex-pli-ca-ble to men. And

Fourth Mode - Brief Stichera

Un. E

C  E

a-rise from the dead, Lord, glo-ry be to Thee.

Verse #7

Άπο φυλακῆς πρωίας

Un. E

C  E

Kύριε ἡ ἐκ Πατρός σου

Un. E

Fourth Mode - Brief Stichera

Un. E

C  E

a-rise from the dead, Lord, glo-ry be to Thee.
Thy descent into Hades is terrible unto the devil and his angels; for having trampled on death, Thou didst arise on the third day, granting incorruption and great mercy unto men.

Verse #8

For with the Lord there is mercy, and with Him is plentiful redemption; and He shall redeem Israel out of all his iniquities.
Fourth Mode - Brief Stichera

Verse #9

Un. E

O praise the Lord, all ye nations; praise Him, all ye peoples.

Verse #10

Un. E

For He hath made His mercy to prevail over us, and the truth of the Lord abideth for ever.

Glory...

E

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

Ωτί ἐκραταίωθη

Αἰνεῖτε τὸν Κύριον

Dόξα Πατρί

Aijneite ton Kuvrion

$Oti ejkrateiaqh

Glo - ry to the Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly

Spir - it.
Both now and ever, and unto the ages of ages. Amen.

Both now... 

He that on thine account is now God's ancestor, the Prophet David, did aforetime in melody say of thee to Him that hath done great things to thee: The queen stood at Thy right hand. For Christ God, Who was pleased to be

Dogmatic Theotokion

Ὁ διὰ σέ θεοπάτωρ
come incarnate of thee without father that

He might save the world, hath shown thee forth as the mother and

cause of Life, that He might restore His image corrupted by the passions; and having found the stray

sheep lost in the mountains, and taken it upon His shoulders, He bringeth it unto His Father, and

by His own will uniteth it with the Heavenly powers, O Theotokos; for He hath great
and abundant mercy.