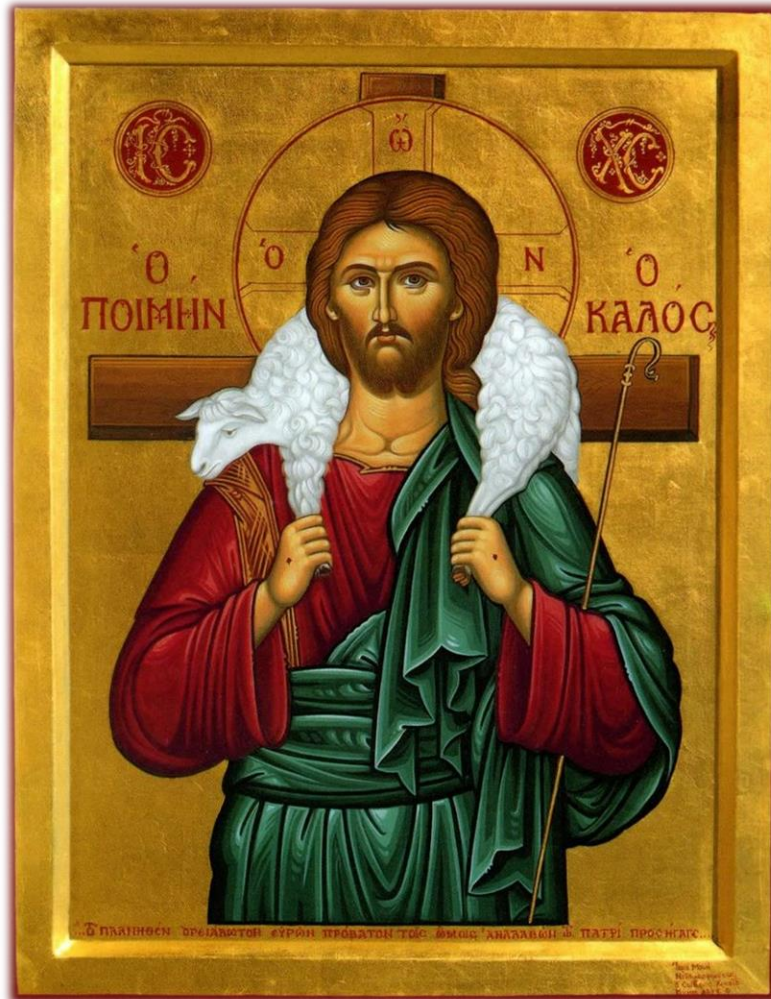


# Akathist to the All-Merciful Lord



For the Healing of Souls and Bodies

## **Kontakion 1**

O Champion Leader and Lord, Wondrous Creator of human nature, hear our prayers from the height of the Throne of Your Glory:

**Jesus, Almighty Physician, heal our souls and bodies.**

## **Ikos 1**

Having created the multitude of Archangels and Angels for Your Service, You made man from the dust of the ground for the Inheritance of the Kingdom of Heaven, and You loved him above all creatures, O All-Merciful Lord. Learning of Your inexpressible Love, as Your children, we cry unto You:

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allow us to abide with You forever.

Jesus, who called us to be children of the Creator,  
allow us to ever hymn Him.

Jesus, grant us healing from our sins, with which we  
stained ourselves.

Jesus, grant us to stand at Your Right on the Day of the  
Resurrection of Your Faithful.

**Jesus, Almighty Physician, heal our souls and bodies.**

## **Kontakion 2**

Seeing the perdition of the human race, You, O Father, desired to save it, for You so loved the world that You willed to send Your Only-Begotten Son Jesus Christ for our Salvation. Therefore to Him we sing: **Alleluia! (People sing Alleluia!)**

## **Ikos 2**

You endowed Your creature with Heavenly understanding, O Compassionate Lord, worthy of songs of praise and thanksgiving, You abide in Your Heavenly Kingdom, but we who are enslaved to sin abide in the poverty of our minds. Therefore we pray to You, fill our feeble minds with Your Grace that we may know Your Image and may become Your worthy children. For this sake, receive our petition:

Jesus, who made our bodies to be temples of God,  
cleanse them from all impurity.

Jesus, who breathed the breath of life into our bodies,  
enlighten them again with the Holy Spirit.

Jesus, who created our souls to be immortal, delivers us  
from mortal sins.

Jesus, who gave us luminous reason, chase the darkness  
from our hearts.

**Jesus, Almighty Physician, heal our souls and bodies.**

### **Kontakion 3**

Strengthened by Divine Power, though we are great sinners, do not despair of our Salvation, but may we put all hope in You alone and sing to You with compunction: **Alleluia! (People sing Alleluia!)**

### **Ikos 3**

With Your immeasurable Compassion, enter our hearts and make them into Your Dwelling Place so that abiding with You, we may know You with our whole souls and minds, for You are the God of those who repent and all things are possible with You. We cry to You such things as these:

Jesus, who created our eyes, allows us to see You with clarity.

Jesus, who created our ears, allow us to hear Your sweet Voice.

Jesus, who created our mouths, allow us to unceasingly praise You.

Jesus, who created our senses, allow us to apprehend the fullness of life in You alone.

**Jesus, Almighty Physician, heal our souls and bodies.**

### **Kontakion 4**

Wearied by the storms of life, we hasten to Your Divine intercession, O our Savior. Strengthen our weakness, enabling us to carry our Cross for the rest of our lives without complaint but praising You: **Alleluia! (People sing Alleluia!)**

### **Ikos 4**

Hearing our endless weeping, tell us as You told Your Friends, O Lord: “Do not cry, O My beloved, I will not leave you without My Protection, but will heal you from your sickness and sorrow.”

Gladdened by such promise, we call upon You:

Jesus, the True Light, enlighten us with the Knowledge of God.

Jesus, the Living God, vouchsafe us worthy of Eternal Life.

Jesus, who gave Your Body to us as incorruptible Food, fill our hungering souls.

Jesus, who suffered on the Cross for us, heal the wounds of our souls with Your Blood.

**Jesus, Almighty Physician, heal our souls and bodies.**

## **Kontakion 5**

Worshiping the Unoriginated Trinity, we humbly beg You, our Christ: intercede for us sinners before Your Father so that He would not withdraw the Holy Spirit from us. And we cry to Him:

**Alleluia! (People sing Alleluia!)**

## **Ikos 5**

Again and again we behold Your outpourings of Mercy on us of which we are not deserving, but marveled by Your Compassion and long-suffering, we cry to You:

Jesus, we know that we are infirm and careless, but we diligently seek Your Help.

Jesus, we know that we are hard-hearted and disobedient, but we long for the recovery from our ills.

Jesus, we know that we have sinned many times against You, but we offer You tearful repentance.

Jesus, we know that we fall every day, but we can rise from our falls by the strength of Your Power.

**Jesus, Almighty Physician, heal our souls and bodies.**

## **Kontakion 6**

Desiring to save us from perishing forever, O Our Father, Your Only-Begotten Son was sent for our Salvation as a Sacrifice. Through Your Grace, heal our bodies and souls infected with the leprosy of sin so that we may even here on earth worthily praise You: **Alleluia! (People sing Alleluia!)**

## **Ikos 6**

Enlighten our souls with Your unwaning Light, O Lord, teaching us to walk in the Light of Your Commandments so that we may not sin before Your Face but sing to You:

Jesus, Inexpressible Love, warm our cold hearts with Your Love.

Jesus, Gentle Light, make our darkened souls radiant with Your never-waning Light.

Jesus, Heavenly Sweetness, delight our human nature with Your Grace.

Jesus, Benevolent Master, fill our lives with Your bounties.

**Jesus, Almighty Physician, heal our souls and bodies.**

## **Kontakion 7**

Desiring to manifest the greatness of Your Love and Compassion throughout Your earthly Life, O Lord, You led many sinners to repentance. As the Publican, we cry to You: “God, be merciful to us, sinners!” And hoping in Your abundant Mercy, we call unto You: **Alleluia! (People sing Alleluia!)**

## **Ikos 7**

You revealed in us a new creation, O Jesus, when in Your Baptism You delivered us from the ancestral sin. For such benevolence to mankind, we praise You:

Jesus, we glorify Your inexpressible Loving-Kindness.

Jesus, we praise Your great Benevolence.

Jesus, we extol Your saving Passion.

Jesus, we thank You for all Your bounties.

**Jesus, Almighty Physician, heal our souls and bodies.**

### **Kontakion 8**

Amazing and strange is Your ineffable Benevolence and care for us, O Lover of mankind. Knowing our infirmities and weaknesses, with tears we entreat You: endure us, O Merciful One, and if we find favor in Your Sight, do not forsake us, Your servant, who cry to You: **Alleluia! (People sing Alleluia!)**

### **Ikos 8**

O Christ Our God, You are the fulfillment of our every desire and enjoyment by which we strengthen and satisfy our souls and bodies. For this we hymn You:

Jesus, You are our Joy and Sweetness.

Jesus, You are our Tenderness and Delight.

Jesus, You are our Glory and Stronghold.

Jesus, You are our Power and Protection.

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### **Kontakion 9**

All of human nature healed by You from infirmity and illness gratefully praises You, Almighty Physician, and, knowing that God's Power is made perfect in our weaknesses, cries out with compunction: **Alleluia! (People sing Alleluia!)**

### **Ikos 9**

God-loving orators, though they speak much of You, are unable to worthily glorify the great power of Your Miracles, O Lord, by which You healed the woman with the issue of blood from her sickness,

raised Lazarus from four days in the grave, lifted up Jairus' daughter from her death bed, and performed many other healings. But we, well aware of such miracles, cry out to You:

Jesus, who raised the paralytic from his bed, raise our souls from sins.

Jesus, who opened the eyes of the man born blind, open our spiritual eyes.

Jesus, who resurrected the son of the widow of Nain, resurrect our kind thoughts.

Jesus, who granted Abgar healing from his terrible disease, grant us healing from all our diseases.

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### **Kontakion 10**

Desiring to save all who believe in You, O Christ the Savior, You Ascended into Heaven and prepare a place for them in Your Kingdom. Therefore, vouchsafe us at the hour of our death to reach our Father's Home in Heaven, where we can glorify You: **Alleluia!** (People sing Alleluia!)

### **Ikos 10**

Everlasting King, Jesus Christ, Who for our salvation received flesh from the all-pure Virgin Mary and sanctified her by Your Divinity, sanctify our sinful flesh with Your Divinity so we may cry out to You in gratitude:



Jesus, cleanse our hands so we may glorify You with good deeds.

Jesus, strengthen our legs so we may follow You with gladness.

Jesus, correct our thoughts so we may live our lives to Your Glory.

Jesus, bring peace to our souls so we may love all Your servants.

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### **Kontakion 11**

Most tender songs we offer to You, our Sweetest Jesus, exalting Your great Mercy towards us and worshiping You with love and humility, we call on You: **Alleluia! (People sing Alleluia!)**

### **Ikos 11**

Shine into our souls the great and Divine Light, O Giver of Eternal Life, so enlightened by it, we may reach the Heavenly Kingdom and, as the Apostles on Mount Tabor, exclaim to You: “It is good for us to be here!” Receive now our supplications:

Jesus, forgive all our sins.

Jesus, receive our humble repentance.

Jesus, place our souls into the Heavenly abode.

Jesus, transfigure our bodies at the Resurrection of the faithful.

**Jesus, Almighty Physician, heal our souls and bodies.**

### **Kontakion 12**

Grant us Your Grace, O Jesus Our God, which You bestowed on Your beloved Disciples here on earth. Receive the confession of our

sins, hear our groaning, send down upon us Your Holy Spirit, so that purified by Him, we can be accounted worthy to call upon You on earth as the Angels call upon You in Heaven: **Alleluia!**  
**(People sing Alleluia!)**

### **Ikos 12**

Singing of Your unspeakable Love for mankind, we worship the greatness of Your Deeds, O Christ, and fall down at Your Feet with faith and love as before the Almighty Physician of our souls and bodies, exclaiming to You:

Jesus, our Maker, make us heirs of Your Kingdom.

Jesus, our Savior, save us from eternal torments.

Jesus, our Redeemer, redeem us from death unto  
Eternal Life.

Jesus, our Archpriest, save all Your Archpriests who  
intercede for us at Your Judgment.

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### **Kontakion 13**

*(To be read three times)*

O Sweetest and Most-Bountiful Jesus, look down with love from Your Heavenly Throne on us who are infirmed and exhausted by the wounds of soul and body. Mercifully incline Your Ear to our tearful plea and heal us by Your saving Passion from all sickness of soul and body, so that rising from our sick bed, we may enter into Your Holy Church, forever singing to You: **Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**  
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