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Venerable Father John of the Ancient Caves in
Palestine.

TROPARION - Tone 8

(General - none given in the Menaion)

The image of God was truly preserved in thee, O father, /
For thou didst take up thy cross and follow Christ /
By so doing thou didst teach us to disregard the flesh, for
it passes away /
But to care instead for the soul, since it is immortal ///
Therefore thy spirit, O ven' rable John, rejoices with
the angels.

KONTAKION - Tone 2

(None given in the Slav Menaion)

Arming thyself with the purity of thy soul /
And wielding thy constant prayer as a spear, /
Thou didst utterly rout the myriad hordes of demons, /
O our ven' rable father John. ///
Ceaselessly pray now on behalf of our souls.