

The 6th Day of May
Holy and Righteous Job the Long-suffering.

Vespers

At “Lord, I call...,” 3 stichera, in Tone 4: *To the melody, “Thou hast given a sign....”*

Thou wast know to be honest and righteous, /
Truthful and blameless. /
Thou didst abstain from every evil, O blessed one. /
Thou wast truly adorned with the virtues, /
And shone brightly with piety. /
Therefore on this day we keep thy honored festival ///
And joyfully bless thee.

Clothed in the riches of piety /
As if in the finest purple, /
And wearing a crown of righteousness and virtue /
Thou didst rule over the vicious passions, O blameless one, /
Therefore, thou didst ascend to the spiritual kingdom, ///
To stand before the eternal King, O most-glorious Job.

Let us praise the blameless favorite of God /
Who defeated the stings and assaults of the devil, /
Job, who was unconquered by temptations /
Though his body was afflicted with sores, /
An example of godliness and divine wisdom /
Known to all as an unshakeable pillar, and a bastion of courage ///
And the confirmation of piety.

Glory..., now and ever..., from the Pentecostarion.

The Troparion of the Saint, in Tone 1:

Behold the great wealth of his virtues /
The enemy of righteousness connived to rob Job of all his riches. /
Though he tore down the fortress of his body /
He found the soul of the blameless one fortified. /
He could not steal the treasure of his spirit, /
But as for me, the enemy left me both naked and bound in chains. /
Forestalling then my weakness before the end ///
Deliver me from the lying tempter, O my Savior, and save me.

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Matins

The Canon of the Saint, in Tone 4,

having the acrostic: “Let us praise Job of a thousand sufferings.”

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The Kontakion of the Saint, in Tone 8: *To the melody, “As the first-fruits”*

Thou wast revealed as one truthful and righteous, O glorious Job, /

Rightly bless’t and blameless and divinely-wise. /

Thy valor in affliction hath enlightened the whole world, O true favorite of God. ///

Therefore, we praise thy memory, O long-suffering one.

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