

## THE IRMOI OF THE ENTRY OF THE THEOTOKOS – TONE IV

**Katavasia I:** I shall open my mouth, \* and be filled with the Spirit, \* and utter discourse to the Queen and Mother; \* and be seen radiantly keeping festival, \* joyfully praising her entry.

**Katavasia III:** O Theotokos, thou living and plentiful fount, \* establish in spiritual fellowship those who sing hymns to thee, \* that by thine entry, \* they be granted crowns of glory.

**Katavasia IV:** Perceiving the profound counsel of God, \* that the incarnation of Thee the Most High, \* will be from a Virgin, \* the Prophet Habbakuk cried aloud: \* Glory to Thy power, O Lord!

**Katavasia V:** All creation stands in awe of thy divine glory; \* for thou, O Virgin who hast not known wedlock, \* didst enter into the temple of the Lord; \* thyself being a most pure temple, \* bestowing peace, upon all who hymn thee.

**Katavasia VI:** Celebrating the divine and solemn feast \* of the Mother of God \* O ye divinely wise, \* let us come, clapping our hands, \* and glorify God who was born of her.

**Katavasia VII:** Refusing to worship created things \* in place of the Creator, \* the divinely wise youths bravely trampled down the threatening fire \* and rejoicing they sang aloud: \* O supremely hymned Lord and God of our Fathers, Blessed art Thou.

**Katavasia VIII:** Hearken, O pure Virgin Maiden, \* that Gabriel may tell thee the true counsel of the Most High of old. \* Make ready to receive the Godhead; \* for through thee the Infinite One hath come to dwell among mankind. \* Wherefore, rejoicing, I cry aloud: \* Bless the Lord, all ye works of the Lord!

**Katavasia IX:** In nowise may the hand of the defiled \* touch the animate ark of God; \* and let the lips of the faithful \* never-silently cry out with joy to the Theotokos, \* chanting the words of the angel: \* Rejoice, O thou who art full of grace! \* The Lord is with thee!