

Iermos

Choir:

When Israel of old_ had passed through the Ab-ysse of the Red Sea, with
un - wet_ feet, he overcame the power of Amalek in the wil - der-ness, when
the hands of Mos - es were stretched forth in the shape_ of_ a cross.

Choir:

O mer-ci - ful Lord, hearken to the prayer of thy servants suppli-ca-ting thee.
Master, who with the oil of com-pas - sion dost ever cheer both the souls and bodies of mor -
tals, and dost guard the faithful with oil; be thou clement now to those who approach thee
by means of oil_ O mer-ci - ful Lord, hearken to the prayer of thy servants supplica -
ting thee. The whole earth is full_ of thy mercy, O Master; wherefore, we who to -

day are mys-ti-c'lly anointed with thine oil di-vine, ask in faith that thine inestimable

mercy may be gran-ted us. Glory... Lover of man-kind, who in pity for thine ailing ser-

vants, didst command thine A-pos-tles to perform thy sacred unc-tion, do thou,

through their entreaties, have mercy on all by thy seal. Now...Amen. O Thou only Chaste-

one, who didst bear the bountiful sea of Peace; by thy constant interces-sion with God

deliver thy servants from in-firmities and griefs, that they may magnify thee ceaseless-ly.