

Speaker: The Byzantines in Constantinople came right to the point. The first prayer in the Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom, written about 400 AD, was "Kyrie Eleison," Greek for Lord have mercy. The Psalms are filled with cries to the Lord for mercy. Isn't mercy what we pray for most?

Kyrie Eleison

Text: The Byzantine Divine Liturgy of
St. John Chrysostom 347-407 AD

Music: Thomas Parks © 2003

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S.A.T.B.
Solemnly,
A cappella,
in the
Orthodox
manner.

p Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. *mp* Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.

Chris - te e - le - i - son. Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. *mp* Lord have *mf* mer - cy.

rit. 88 *Poco a poco*

Christ have mer - cy. Lord have mer - cy on me, up - on me. *mp*