

love like__ His. ^(N) In - ter - cede for us, O Alms - giv - er, that He rich - ly
 grant ^(N) great mer - cy and com - pas - sion un - to us, ^(N) the ^(N) poor.

If Paul--imprisoned, made fast in the stocks, and threatened with intolerable scourges--
 praised God along with Silas continually throughout the night (when sleep is most
 pleasant to everyone); and if neither the place, nor the hour, nor his anxieties,
 nor the tyrant's slumbers, nor the pain of his labors, nor anything else
 could bring him to interrupt his singing, so much the more
 ought we, who live pleasantly and enjoy God's
 blessings, to give forth hymns that
 express thanks to Him.

- St. John Chrysostom