



Excerpt from ***Christ Our Pascha***

### **3. The Consequences of the Fall**

The universal consequences of the fall arise before us in the story of the flood (see *Gn* 6-9): “The Lord saw that the wickedness of humankind was great in the earth, and that every inclination of the thoughts of their hearts was only evil continually...the earth was corrupt in God’s sight, and the earth was filled with violence” (*Gn* 6:5,11). The raging and passion of evil inclinations that predominated among people and defined their behavior led to God’s punishment – the Flood: “You alone, my soul, have opened the windows of the wrath of your God, and you have flooded, as the earth, all your flesh and deeds and life; and you have remained outside the Ark of salvation.” (#157)