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The Hymn to the Theotokos

The angels, as they looked upon the Dormition of the Virgin, were

struck with wonders, seeing how the Virgin went up from earth to heaven!

The limits of nature are overcome in you, O Pure Virgin: for birth-giving

remains virgin-al and life is united to death! A virgin after child-

bearing and alive after death! You ever save your inheritance O The-o-to - kos!