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PROTECTIVE CROSS AGAINST THE PLAGUE

—*Saint Zacharias, ancient
bishop of Jerusalem*



† O Cross of Christ, save me.

Z. May zeal for
your house free me.

† The Cross conquers;
the Cross reigns;
the Cross rules; by the sign
of the Cross free me,
O Lord, from this plague.

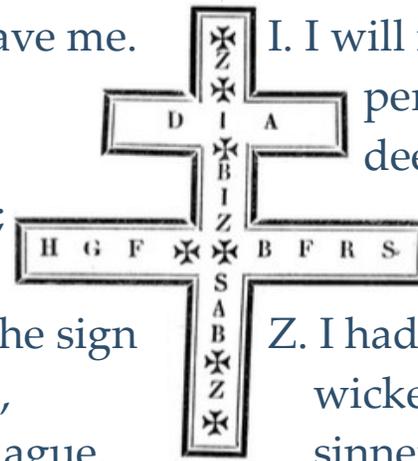
D. God, my God, drive this
plague away from me, and
from this place, and free me.

I. In your hands, O Lord,
I commend my spirit,
my heart, and my body.

A. Before heaven and earth
God was; and God is able
to liberate me from this
plague.

† The Cross of Christ will
expel the plague from this
place and from my body.

B. It is good to wait for the
help of God in silence,
that he may drive away
this plague from me.



I. I will incline my heart to
performing your just
deeds, and I will not be
confounded, for I
have called upon you.

Z. I had zeal on occasion of the
wicked; seeing the peace of
sinners, I have hoped in you.

† The Cross of Christ puts
demons to flight; corrupt air;
and drives away the plague.

S. I am your Salvation, says the
Lord; cry out to me,
and I will hear you,
and I will liberate you
from this plague.

A. Abyss calls to abyss, and
you have expelled demons
by your voice; liberate me
from this plague.

B. Blessed the man
who hopes in the Lord,
and does not look upon
vanities, and false
extravagances.

† May the Cross of Christ, which was once the cause of scandal and indignity, and is now in glory and nobility, be for my salvation, and expel from this place the demon, and corrupt air, and plague from my body.

Z. May zeal for the honor of God convert me before I die, and in your name, save me from this plague.

† May sign of the Cross free the People of God, and those who trust in Him, from the plague.

H. Will this foolish people return to the Lord? Make good on your vows, offering a sacrifice of praise and faith to him, because he is able to liberate this place and me, from this plague; for whoever trusts in him will not be confounded.

G. If I will not praise you, let me tongue stick to my throat and to my jaws; free those who hope in you; in you I trust; liberate me and this place, O God, from this plague, for your name has been invoked in prayer.

F. At your death, O Lord, darkness fell over the whole earth; my God, render the power of the devil tenuous and dim, for it is for this that you have come, O Son of the living God: so that you might destroy the works of the devil with your power, drive out from this place and from me, your servant, this plague; and may the corrupt air depart from me into the outer darkness.

† Defend us, O Cross of Christ, and expel from this place the plague, and free

your servant from this plague, you who are kind, and merciful, and of many mercies, and true.

B. Blessed is he who does not look upon vanities, and false extravagances; on the day of evil the Lord will free him; Lord, I have trusted in you; free me from this plague.

F. God has become my refuge; because I have trusted in you, free me from this plague.

R. Look upon me, O Lord my God, Adonai, from the holy seat of your Majesty, and have mercy on me, and because of your mercy, free me from this plague.

S. You are my Salvation:

heal me, and I will be healed; save me, and I will be saved.

