Questions on Chapter 7: The Advocate

- 1) How do the Alexandrians view 'praying'?
- 2) Explain, according to Origen, how is prayer the action of the Holy Trinity in our life?
- 3) How does Origen interpret these verses, (Romans 8: 26, 27)

"Likewise the Spirit also helps us in our weaknesses. For we do not know what we should pray for as we ought, but the Spirit Himself makes intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered. Now He who searches the hearts knows what the mind of the Spirit is, because He makes intercession for the saints according to the will of God,"?

- 4) According to Origen, how should we pray?
- 5) According to Origen, why is prayer such a great task?
- 6) According to Origen, how does the Holy Spirit have our cries heard by God even if they were unuttered?
- 7) According to Origen, who are those whom the Spirit neither prays nor appeals for?
- 8) Many praise God only by lips. Who can make them praise Him differently and how? What did Origen say in regards to this?
- 9) What did St. Anthony say about the Holy Spirit and worshipping God?

Questions on Chapter 8: The Holy Spirit and the Joyful Life

- 1) How can we be called to participate in the Lord's crucifixion and yet experience joy?
- 2) How does the Holy Spirit who raises the Church to heaven, grants her joy in all aspects of her life?
- 3) According to St. Didymus the Blind, why did our Lord Jesus Christ call the Holy Spirit the Paraclete?
- 4) What did St. Anthony the Great say about the joy of the Holy Spirit?
- 5) When did St. Anthony the Great, say we will be able not to pray for ourselves but for others?