O glorious martyr Demetrius,
like a radiant star dost thou ever illuminate thy native land;
for thou dost ever protect it from the destruction wrought by the foe,
and dost deliver it from misery and 

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Every tempest. Wherefore, O blessed one, it doth joyously offer praise unto thee, keeping thy yearly commemoration, hymning with faith and love the Lord Who hath glorified thee.
O martyr and passion-bearer of Christ, holy Demetrius, with miracles thou dost illumine the world like the sun. Wherefore, on the day of thy commemoration we all delight in thy
wonders, O blessed one, keeping festival with faith. Thus, as thou hast boldness before the Lord, beseech Him to save thy servants from corruption and tribulations.
Thy side was pierced by spears for the sake of the Savior Whose side was pierced on the Cross; for with love didst thou emulate Him in thy wounds, O Passion-bearer Demetrius, revealing
unto all the steadfastness of thy witness.

Therefore, the tyrant fell wounded, receiving the shaft

of thy confession, O athlete of Christ.