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[EPOI EΠXINXH NOÏM] [MONAXOC MNXPHCT] $[\lambda NOC \cdot \varepsilon]TB[\varepsilon OY C\varepsilonC\lambda2OY]$ [ΜΜΟΪ Ν]ΝΑΥ [ΝΙΜ· ΠΕΧΑΙ] 5 $[NA4 \times E] \in TBE O[Y NTOK]$ $[\varepsilon K + 2IC\varepsilon NAY]$ $\pi \varepsilon XA[4]$ [XENA]NOK AN $\Pi \in \lambda[\lambda\lambda\lambda]$ NTO] [OY] MAYAAY NN€[WTOP] [TP] MMOOY· ANOK ΓΑΡ λ[IP] 10 **ΑΤ**ΘΟΜ· **ΑΥ**ω ΘΕ ΕΝΕΜ[ΠΕΚ] EW TIAL ETCH2. XE ANCH ΒΕ ΜΠΧΑΧΕ ωχη ΕΠΤΗΡΊ **λΚϢΟΡϢΡ ΝΝΜΠΟ**λΙΟ MMNTMA MMAY XINM 15 **ΠΕΙΝΑΥ· ΜΝΤΑΙCOTE Μ** ΜΑΥ· ΟΥΔΕ ΜΜΝΤΑΙΠΟΛΙΟ **ΑΝΕΧΡΗCΤΙΑΝΟC ΨΟΠΕ 2ΜΜΑ ΝΙΜ· ΑΠΚΕΧΑΙΕ** MOY2 MMONAXOC. MAPOY 20 **2** ΑΡΕ2 ΕΡΟΟΥ ΕΤΜΟΑ2ΟΥ Μ ΜΟΪ ΕΠΧΙΝΧΗ· ΝΑΙ ΔΕ

(40) ...you will learn not to be discouraged (ἐγκακεῖν) in the ascetical practice (ἄσκησις) and not to fear the apparitions (φαντασία) of the Devil (διάβολος) and of his demons (δαίμων).

(41) Since (ἐπειδή), while saying these, I became like those who are senseless, accept this other one (i.e. discourse) for fearlessness and believe (πιστεύειν) that I am not lying. He (i.e. the Devil) knocked one day at the door of my cell (μοναστήριον) and when I went out I saw someone who appeared as large and tall. I asked him, "Who are you?" He said, "I am Satan." I told him, "What are you doing in this place?" The miserable (ταλαίπωρος) said, "Why do the monks (μοναχός) and the Christians (χριστιανός) blame me without reason? Why do they always curse me?" I told him, "Why do you trouble them?" He said, "It is not me, but (ἀλλά) they trouble themselves alone for (γάρ) I became powerless. And have you not read this that is written: 'The swords of the enemy were destroyed completely; you have demolished the cities (πόλις)' (Ps 9:7). I have no place from now on, I have no weapon nor (οὐδέ) city (πόλις). The Christians (χριστιανός) are everywhere, the desert is full of monks (μοναχός). Let them guard themselves (and) not curse me without reason." And (δέ) these... (the text breaks off at this point)