The Litany

A litany is a prayer which consists of phrases (usually petitions) recited by the deacon alternating with responses by the congregation.

For example (From the Matins service):

Deacon: That we may pass this morning of light and the coming day before us in peace and in faith, let us ask of the Lord.

Congregation: Grant, O Lord.

1. Go through the Divine Liturgy text and the Book of Hours to find the litanies. Make a list of the things being asked for and the various responses of the congregation.

2. Write your own litany for today's world.