



Eight-ended Cross of the Raskolniks.

This cross is by all the different Russian Raskolniks considered the only true Christian cross; while by them the four-ended one is considered and declared to be an innovation made by the patriarch Nikon, and consequently anti-Christian.

1. Represents the impression said to have been made by Jesus Christ upon a wet cloth, and by Ananias sent to king Abgarus of Edessa.
2. The letters in it stand for and signify:  $\omega$  for *o nebo shedeht*, "from heaven descended;"  $\sigma$  for *oni ego ne prinyali*, "they did not receive him;"  $\kappa$  for *na kreste raspiali*, "on the cross outstretched him."
3. The writing under it is in Old Slavic, and reads *obraz nerukotvorennii*, signifying "image not made by hand."
4. Reads *Angeli Gospodni*, signifying "Angels of the Lord."
5. " *Zar slavi*, " Lord of Glory."
6. " *Ius Kristus*, " Jesus Christ."
7. " *Sin Boshii*, " Son of God."
8. " *Solnze*, " Sun."
9. " *Luna*, " Moon."
10. " *Chrestu tvoemu poklonaemsa vladitko i svetloe voskresenie tvoe*

11. Reads *Kopie*, signifying "Spear."
  12. " *Trost*, " Hyssop."
  13. " *Na kreste ikupil krovou Adama*, signifying "On the cross redeemed with blood of Adam."
  14. " *Mesto lobnoe*, signifying "Place of skull."
  15. " *Raspilot Bog*, " Crucified God."
  16. " *Gora Golgotha*, " Mount Golgotha."
  17. " *Glova Adama*, " Head of Adam."
  18. The tree of which it is said that it was pointed out to Seth by the archangel Michael, in answer to his prayer for his father Adam (Gospel of Nicodemus, ch. xiv).
  19. Reads *Sujataja Maria Magdalena*, signif. "St. Mary Magdalene."
  20. " *Miter Theos*, " Mother of God."\*
  21. " *Sujatoi Joanni Bogoslove*, " St. John the Theologian."
  22. " *Sujatoi Login Solnic*, " St. Logan the Centurion."
- \* The three little stars signify the perpetual virginity.