Title: Toward an Adjectivally Religious Understanding of Karolina Pavlova
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Karolina Pavlova (1807–1893) displays in some of her lyrics an unusual degree of attention to adjectival morphology. This paper has as its focus one of Pavlova’s lyrics (Читала часто, с грустью детской) in which a fine point of 19th-century adjectival morphology interacts with a reference elsewhere in the poem to the Church Slavonic translation of the New Testament. Attention to these details together allows a deepened reading of the poem and suggests new understandings of Pavlova’s thoughts about women in her culture and in the Russian Orthodox Church.

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