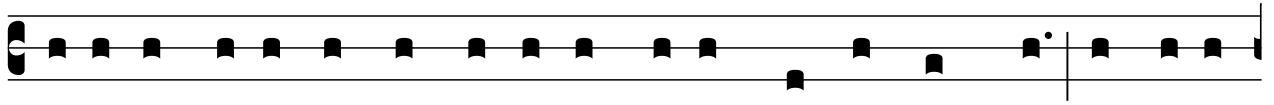
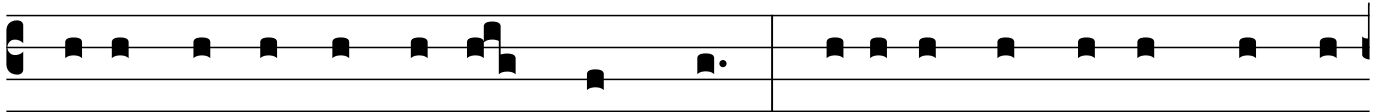


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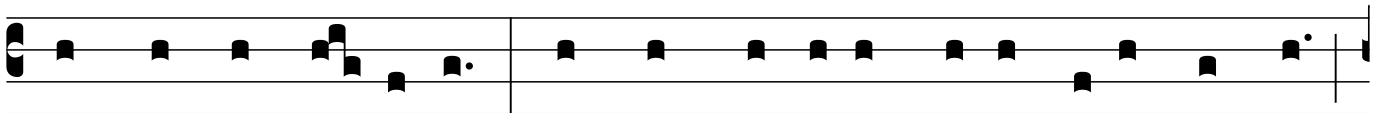
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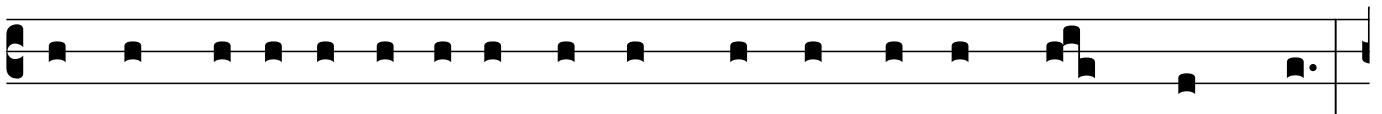
Be-lov-ed, let us love one an-*o*-ther, be-*c*ause love is from God; every- one



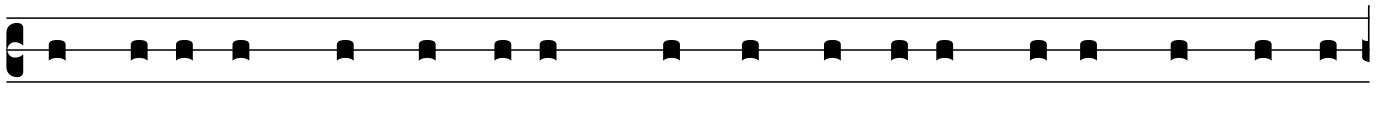
who loves is born of God and knows God. Who- *e*-v-er does not love does not



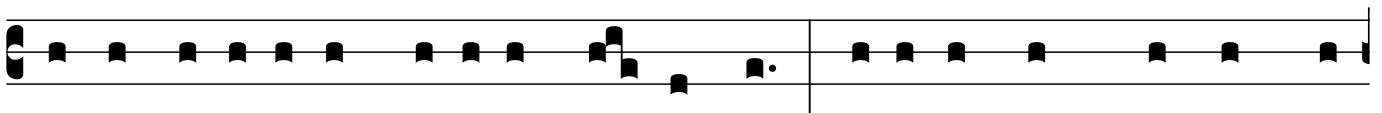
know God, for God is love. God's love was revealed among us in this way:



God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him.



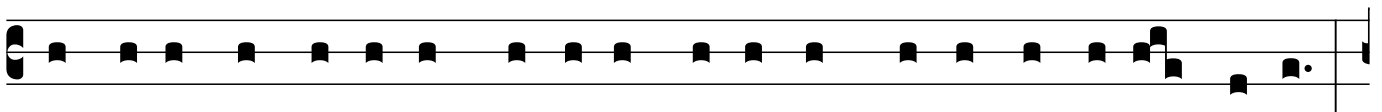
In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son



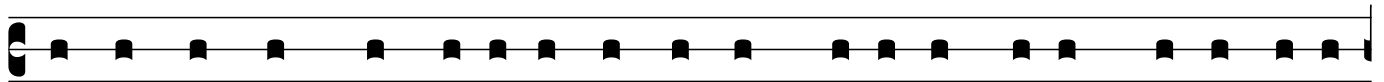
to be the a-ton-ing sacri-*f*ice for our sins. Be-lov-ed, since God loved us



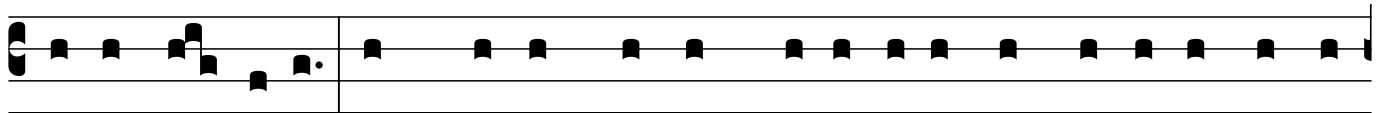
so much, we also ought to love one an-*o*-ther. No one has *e*-v-er seen God;



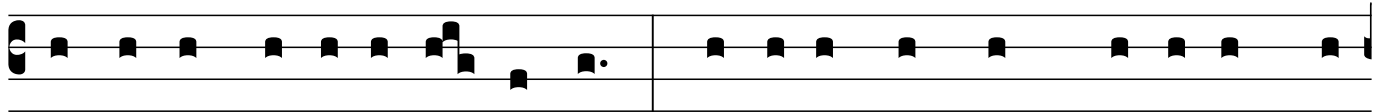
if we love one an-*o*-ther, God a-*b*ides in us, and his love is perfected in us.



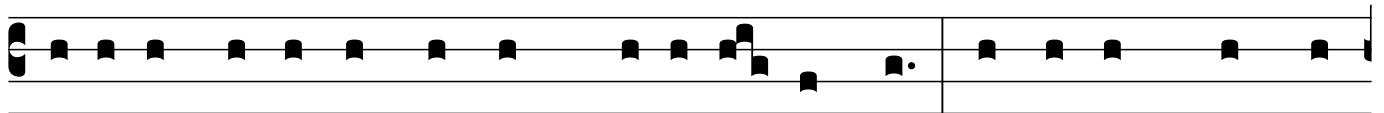
By this we know that we a-bide in him and he in us, because he has giv-en



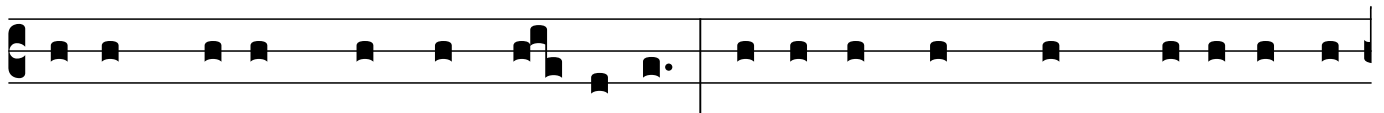
us of his Spir-it. And we have seen and do tes-ti-fy that the Father has sent



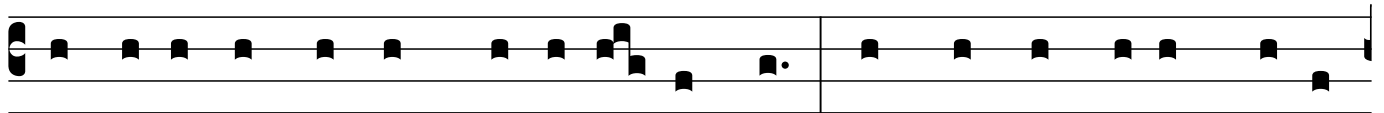
his Son as the Savior of the world. God a-bides in those who confess that



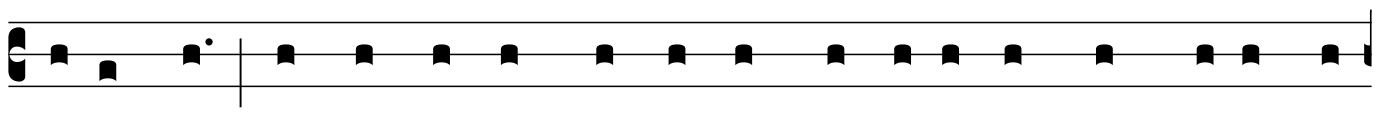
Je-sus is the Son of God, and they a-bide in God. So we have known and



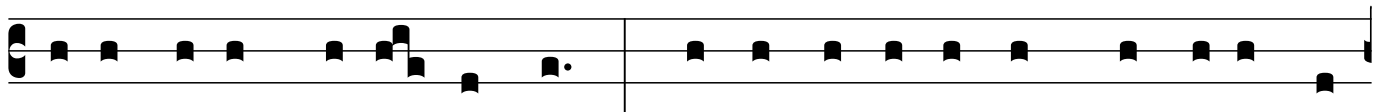
be-lieve the love that God has for us. God is love, and those who a-bide in



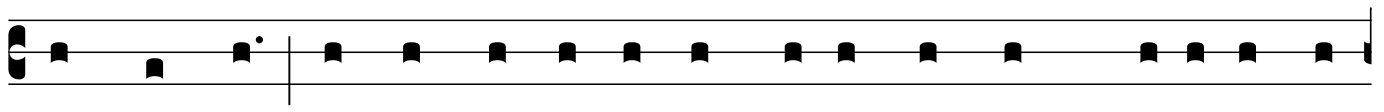
love a-bide in God, and God a-bides in them. Love has been perfected among



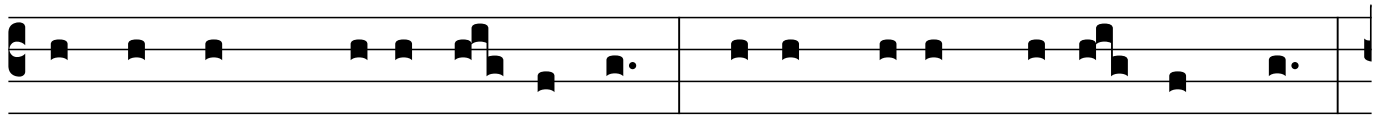
us in this: that we may have boldness on the day of judgment, because as



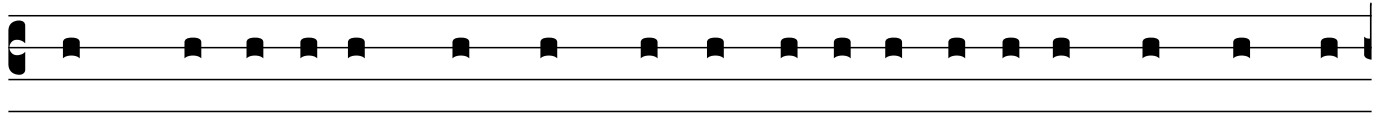
he is, so are we in this world. There is no fear in love, but perfect love



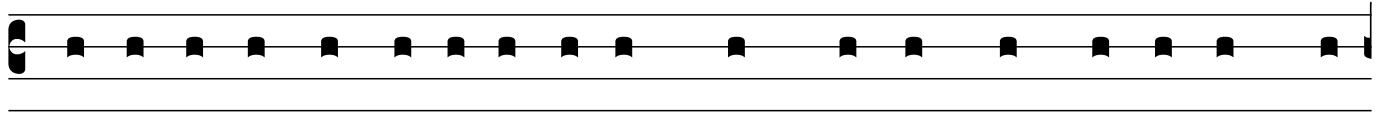
casts out fear; for fear has to do with pun-ishment, and who-ev-er fears



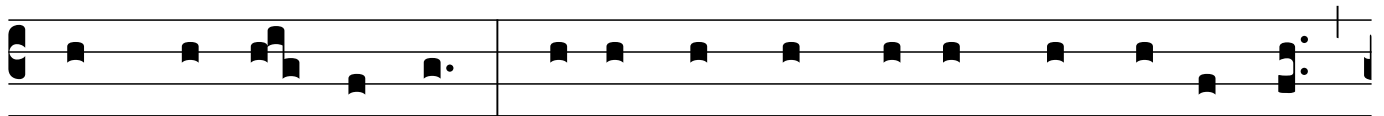
has not reached perfection in love. We love because he first loved us.



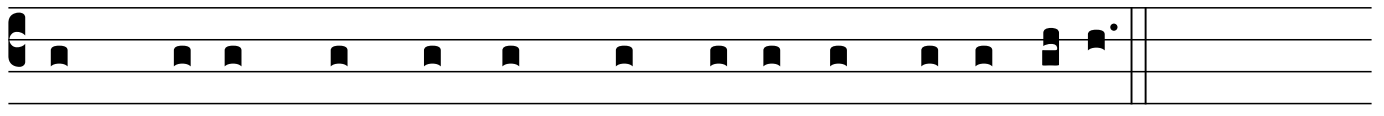
Those who say, "I love God," and hate a brother or sister are liars, for those



who do not love a brother or sister, whom they have seen, cannot love God,



whom they have not seen. The commandment we have from him is this:



those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also.