

1 John 3:1-2

For the Departed (Burial)

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hat I am say-ing, brothers and sis-ters, is this: flesh and blood

cannot inher-it the kingdom of God, nor does the per-ishable inher-it the

imper- ishable. Look, I will tell you a myster-y! We will not all die, but

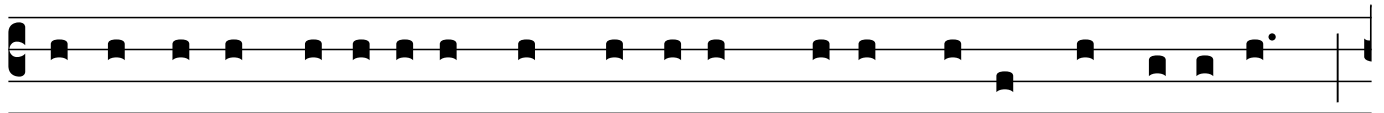
we will all be changed, in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the

last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised imper-

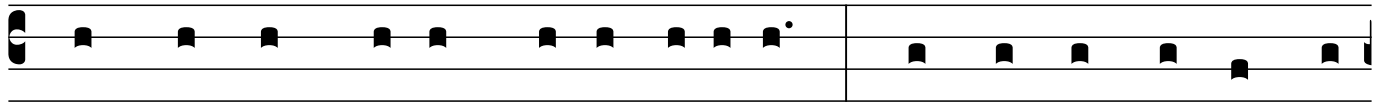
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imper-isha-bil-i-ty, and this mortal bod-y must put on immor-tal-i-ty.

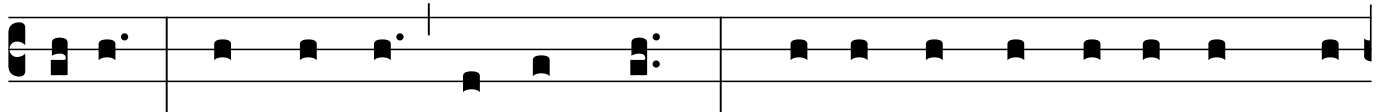
When this per-ishable bod-y puts on imper-isha-bil-i-ty and this mortal bod-



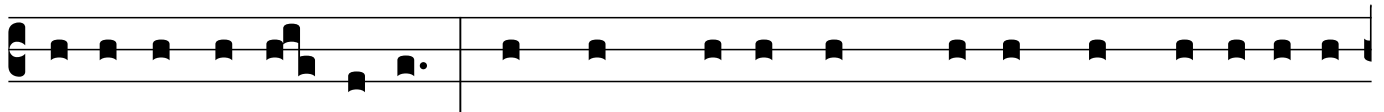
y puts on immortal-i-ty, then the say-ing that is writ-ten will be ful-filled:



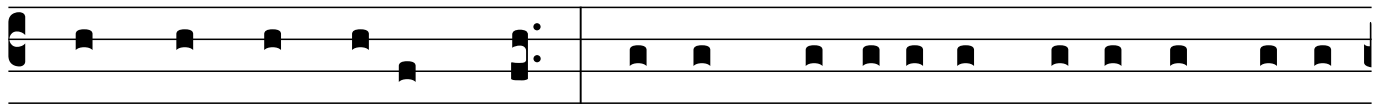
“Death has been swal-lowed up in victo-ry.” “Where, O death, is your vic-



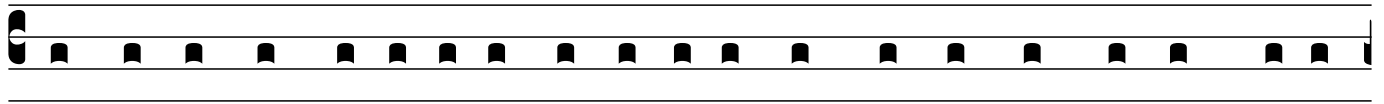
to-ry? Where, O death, is your sting?” The sting of death is sin, and the



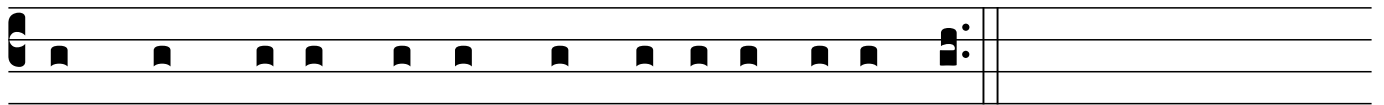
power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, who gives us the victo-ry



through our Lord Je-sus Christ. Therefore, my be-lov-ed brothers and sis-ters,



be steadfast, immov-able, always excel-ling in the work of the Lord because



you know that in the Lord your la-bor is not in vain.