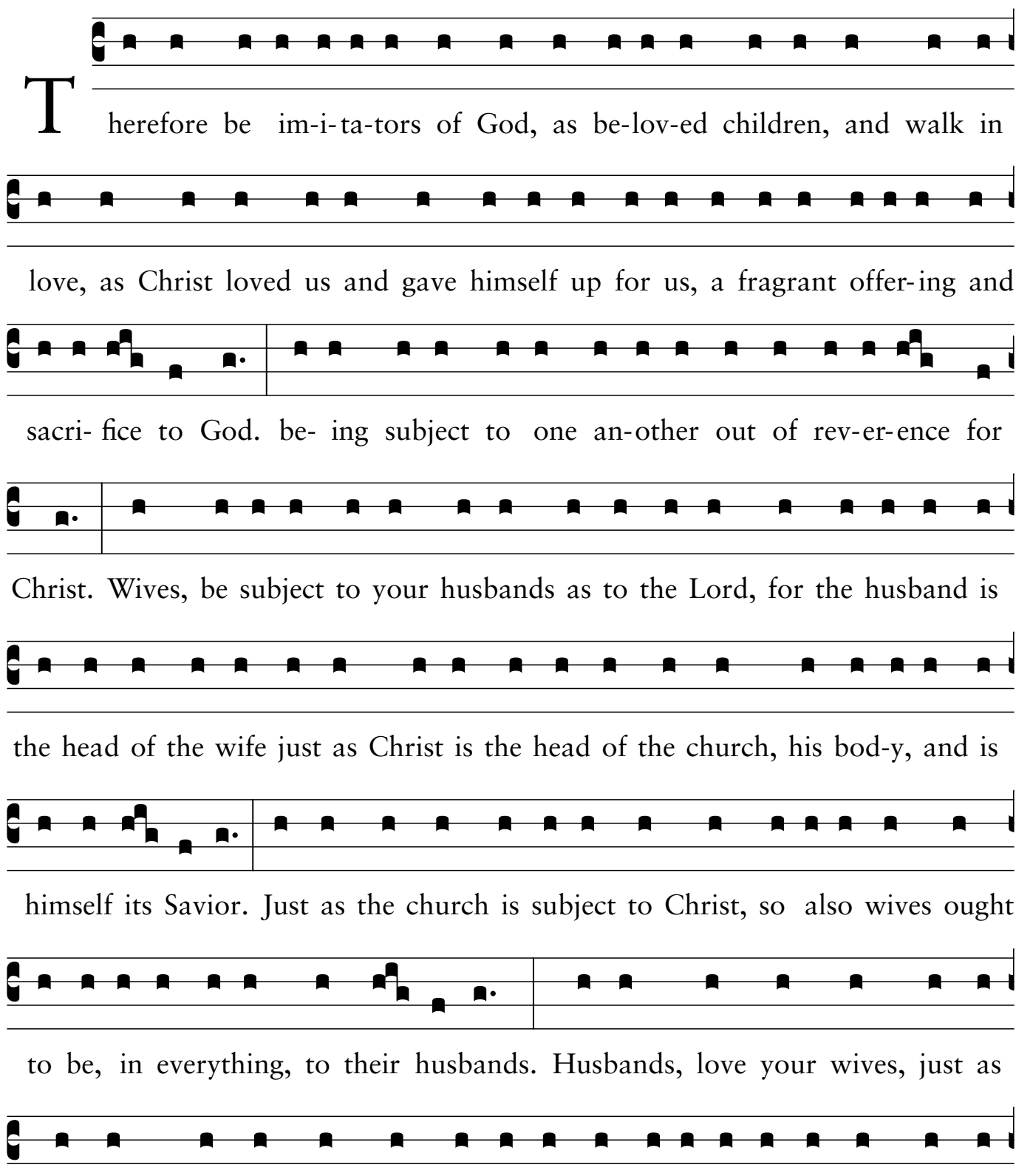
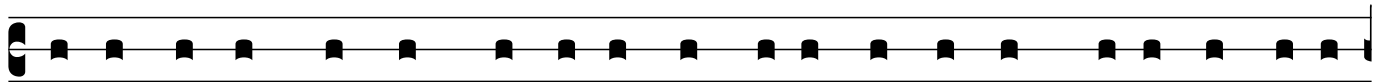


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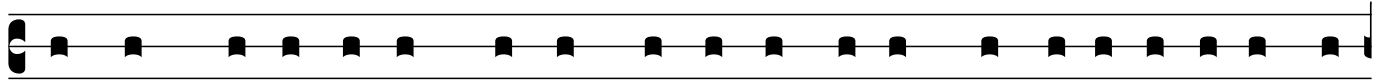
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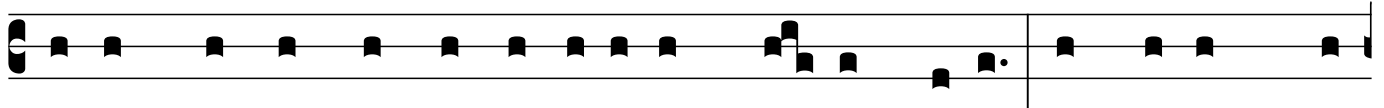
T herefore be im-i-ta-tors of God, as be-lov-ed children, and walk in
love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offer-ing and
sacri- fice to God. be- ing subject to one an-other out of rev-er-ence for
Christ. Wives, be subject to your husbands as to the Lord, for the husband is
the head of the wife just as Christ is the head of the church, his bod-y, and is
himself its Savior. Just as the church is subject to Christ, so also wives ought
to be, in everything, to their husbands. Husbands, love your wives, just as
Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her in order to make her ho-



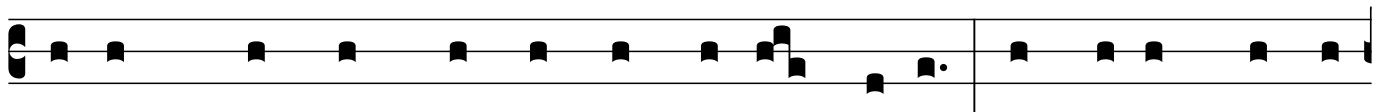
ly by cleansing her with the washing of wa-ter by the word, so as to pre-sent



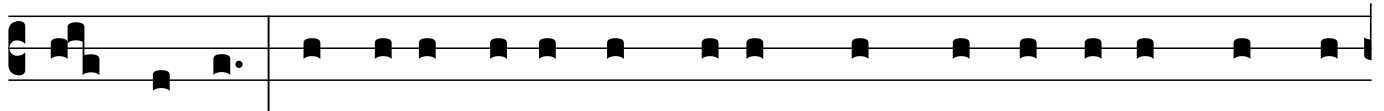
the church to himself in splendor, without a spot or wrinkle or an-ything of



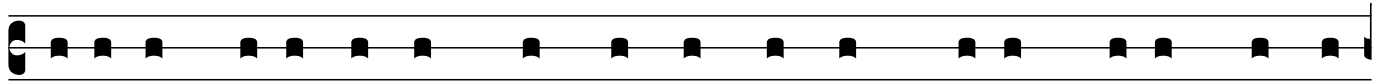
the kind, so that she may be ho-ly and with-out blemish. In the same way,



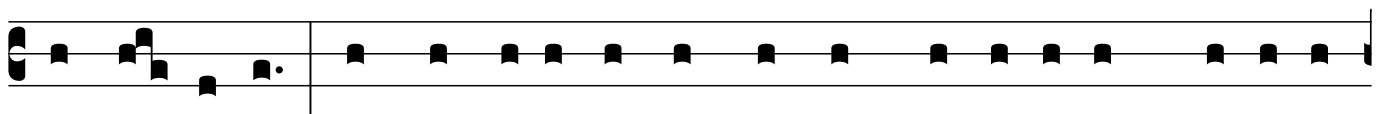
husbands should love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife



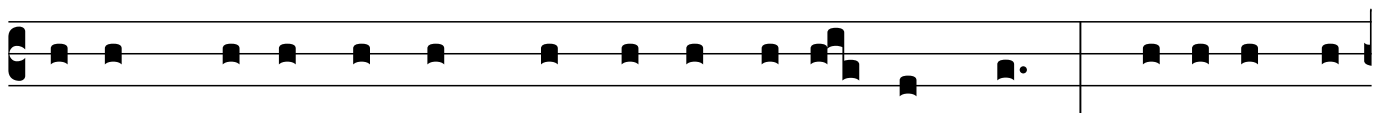
loves himself. For no one ev-er hates his own flesh, but he nour-ishes and ten-



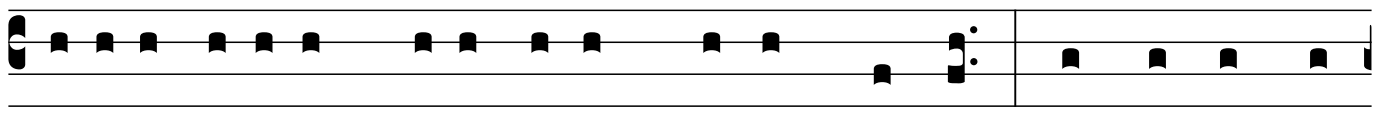
derly cares for it, just as Christ does for the church, because we are members



of his bod-y. “For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and



be joined to his wife, and the two will be-come one flesh.” This is a great



myster-y, but I am speaking about Christ and the church. Each of you, how-

