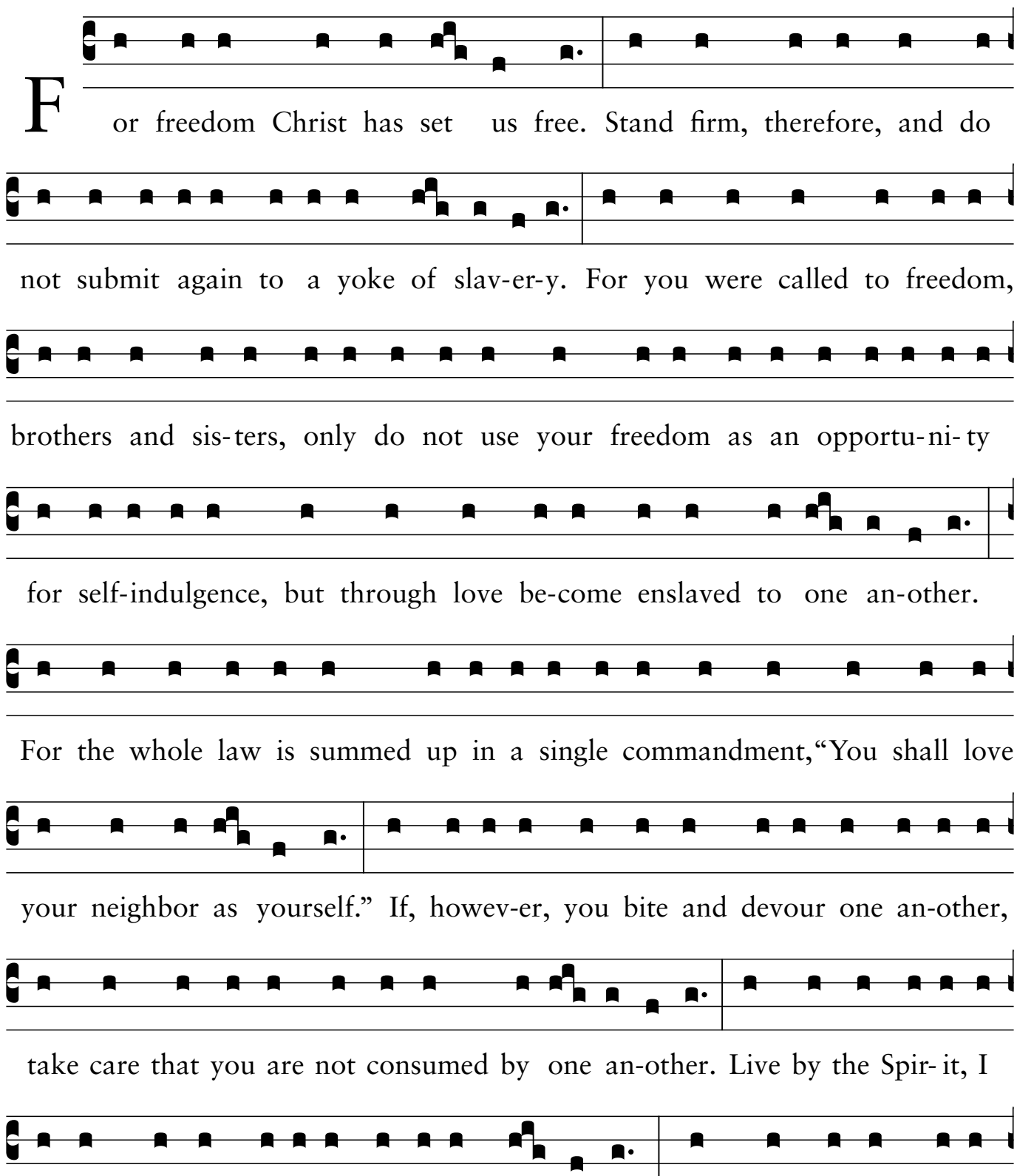
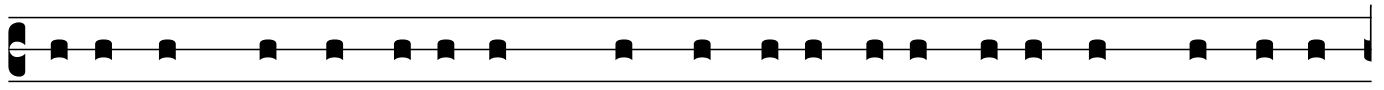


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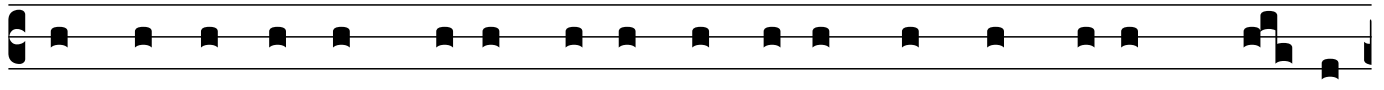
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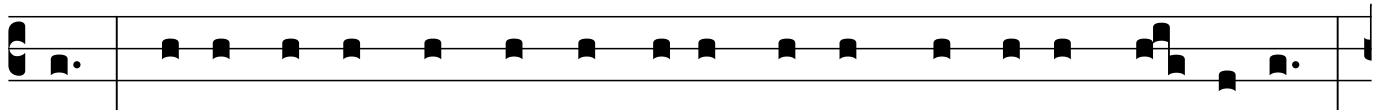
F or freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slav-er-y. For you were called to freedom, brothers and sis-ters, only do not use your freedom as an oppor-tu-ni-ty for self-indulgence, but through love be-come enslaved to one an-other. For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, “You shall love your neighbor as yourself.” If, howev-er, you bite and devour one an-other, take care that you are not consumed by one an-other. Live by the Spir-it, I say, and do not grat-i-fy the de-sires of the flesh. For what the flesh de-sires



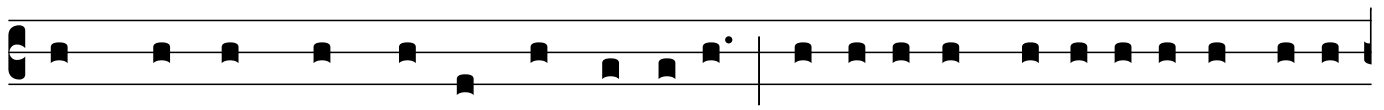
is opposed to the Spir-it, and what the Spir-it de-sires is opposed to the flesh,



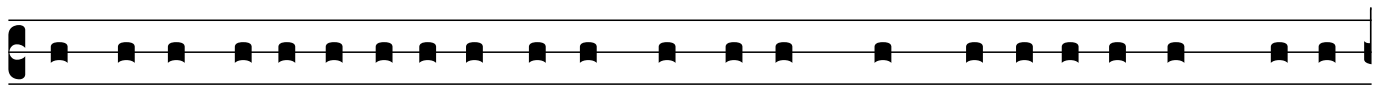
for these are opposed to each other, to pre-vent you from do-ing what you



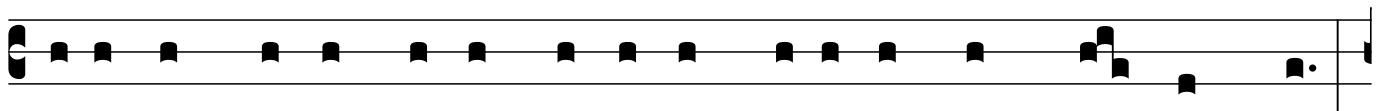
want. But if you are led by the Spir-it, you are not subject to the law.



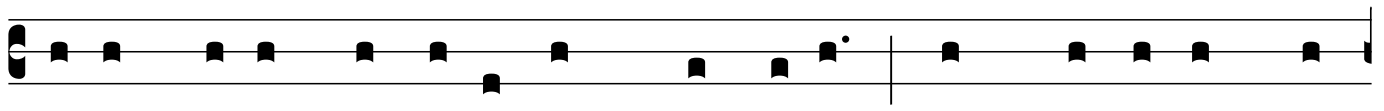
Now the works of the flesh are obvi-ous: sex-u- al immo-ral-i-ty, impu-ri-



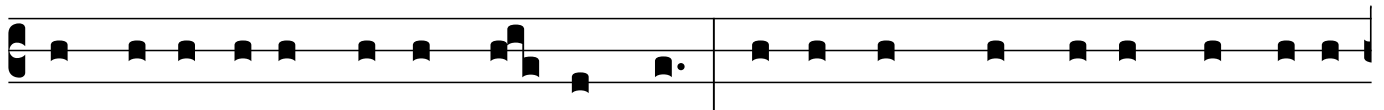
ty, debaucher-y, i-dol-atry, sorcery, enmi-ties, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels,



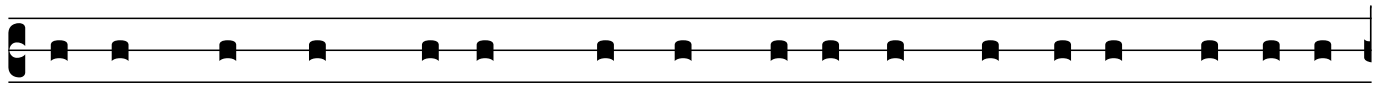
dissensions, factions, envy, drunkenness, carous-ing, and things like these.



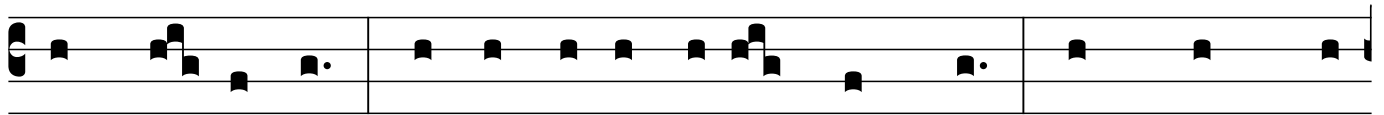
I am warning you, as I warned you be-fore: those who do such things



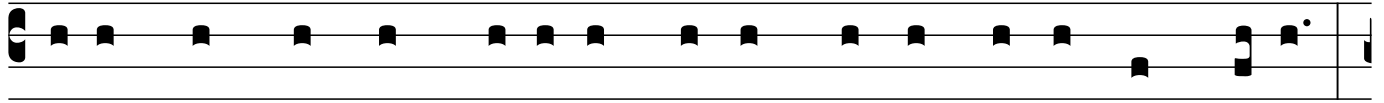
will not inher-it the kingdom of God. By contrast, the fruit of the Spir-it



is love, joy, peace, pa-tience, kindness, gen-erosity, faithfulness, gentle-ness,



and self-control. There is no law against such things. And those who



be-long to Christ have cru-ci-fied the flesh with its passions and de-sires.



If we live by the Spir-it, let us also be guided by the Spir-it.