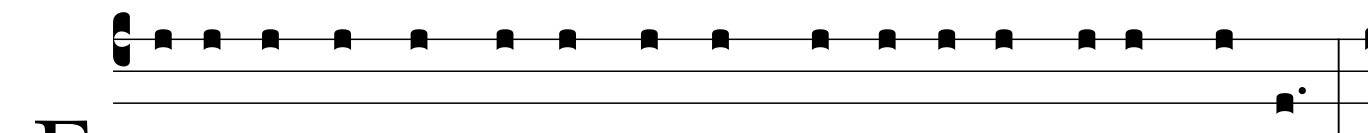
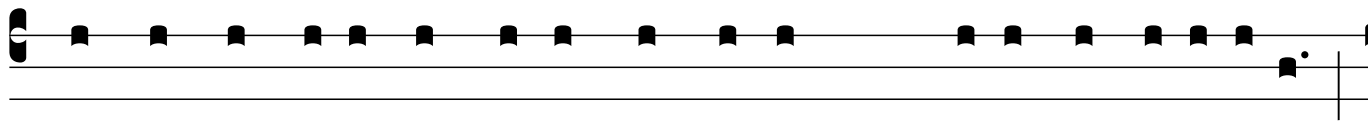


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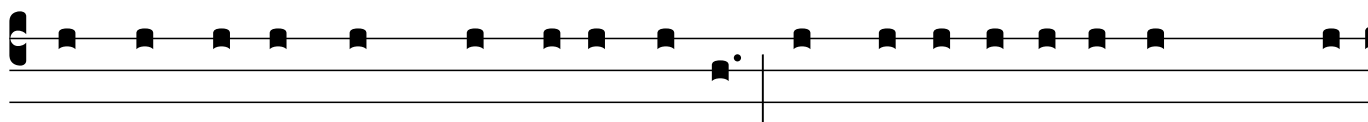
Lesson 9: *The gathering of God's people*



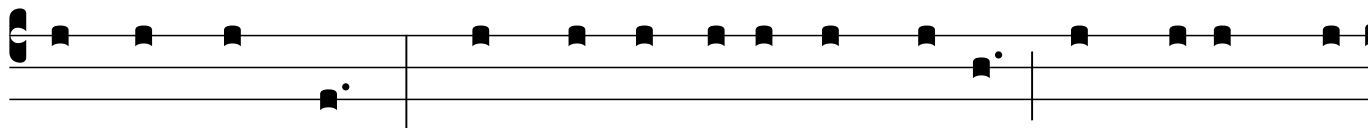
**F** or I will leave in the midst of you a people humble and lowly.



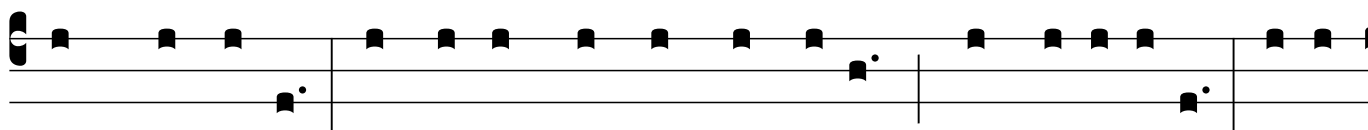
They shall seek ref-uge in the name of the Lord— the remnant of Isra- el;



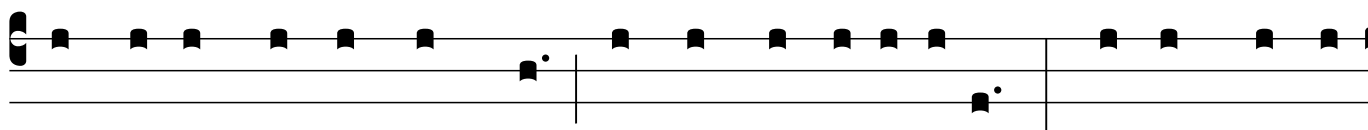
they shall do no wrong and utter no lies, nor shall a de-ceitful tongue be



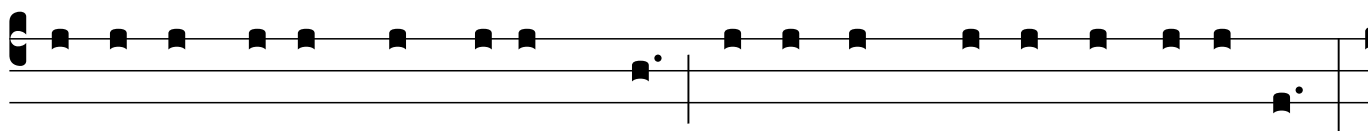
found in their mouths. Then they will pasture and lie down, and no one shall



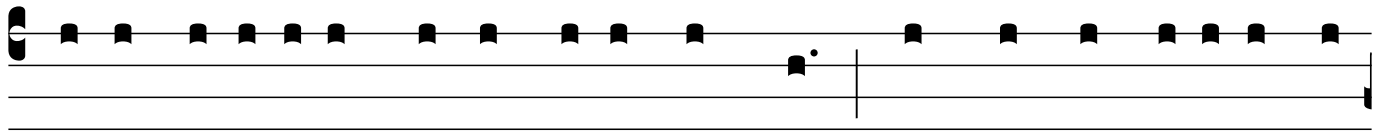
make them afraid. Sing a-loud, O daughter Zi- on; shout, O Isra- el! Re-joice



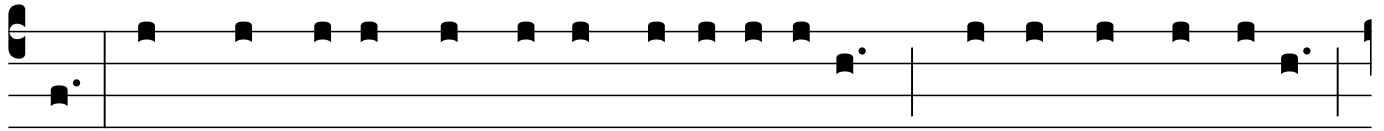
and ex-ult with all your heart, O daughter Je-ru-sa-lem! The Lord has tak-



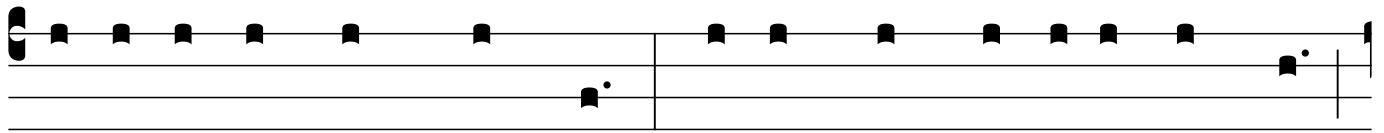
en away the judgments against you; he has turned away your en-emies.



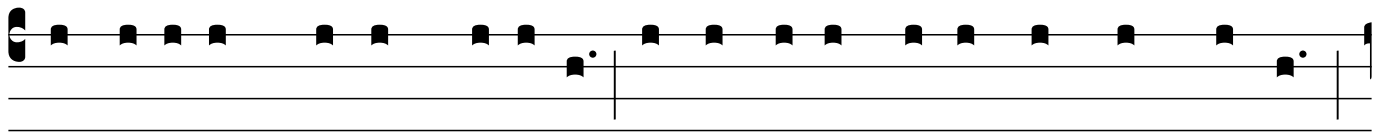
The king of Isra-el, the Lord, is in your midst; you shall fear dis-aster no



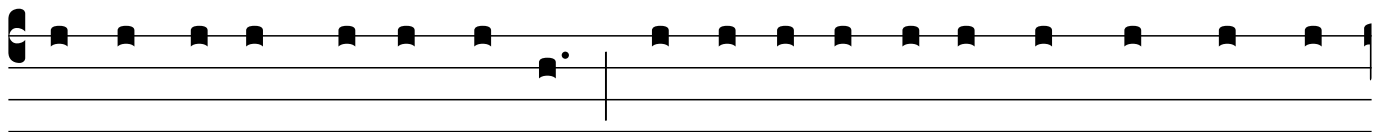
more. On that day it shall be said to Je-ru-sa-lem: "Do not fear, O Zi- on;



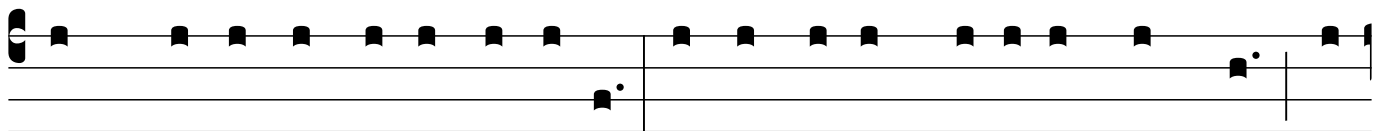
do not let your hands grow weak. The Lord, your God, is in your midst,



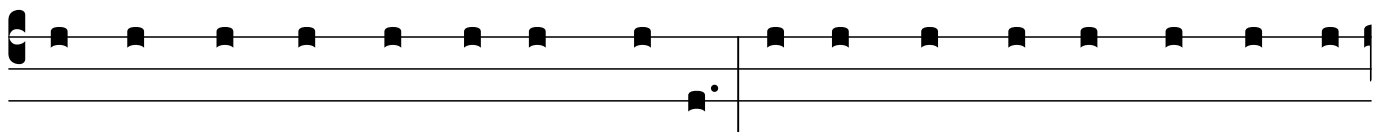
a warri- or who gives victo-ry; he will re-joice o-ver you with gladness;



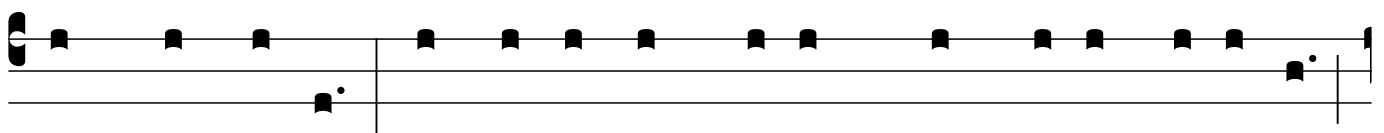
he will re-new you in his love; he will ex-ult o-ver you with loud sing-



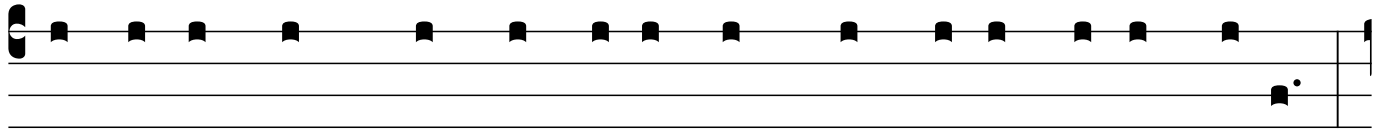
ing as on a day of fes-ti-val." I will remove dis-aster from you, so



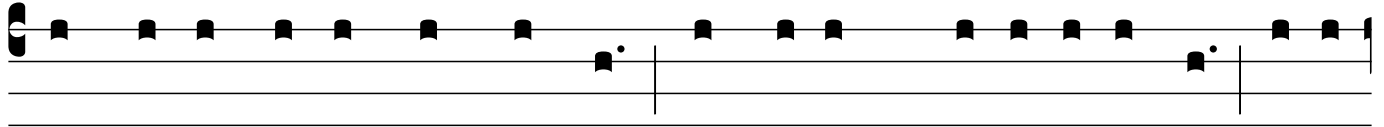
that you will not bear reproach for it. I will deal with all your oppres-



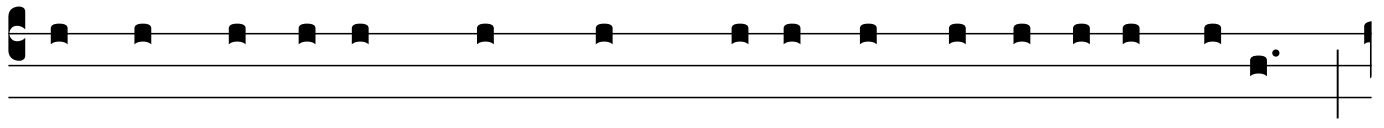
sors at that time. And I will save the lame and gather the outcast,



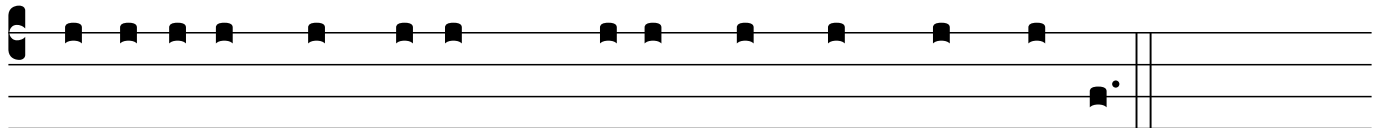
and I will change their shame into praise and re-nown in all the earth.



At that time I will bring you home, at the time when I gather you; for I



will make you re-nowned and praised among all the peoples of the earth,



when I restore your fortunes before your eyes, says the Lord.