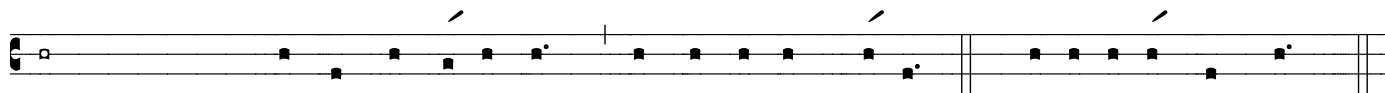
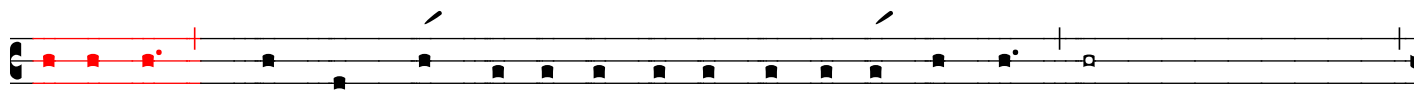


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(Matthew 5:21-37 NRSV)



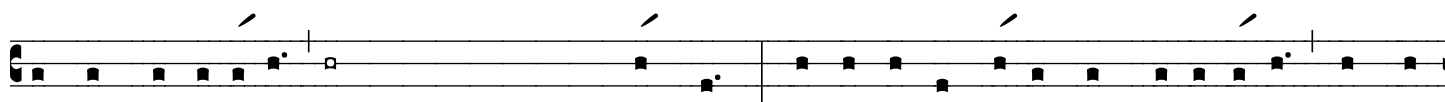
∇ The Holy Gospel of our Lord Je-sus Christ ac-cord-ing to Matt-hew. ℞ *Glo-ry to you, Lord Christ.*



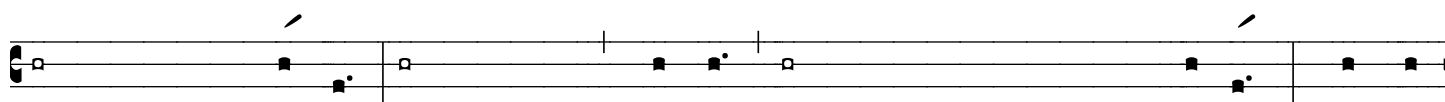
[Je-sus said:] “You have heard that it was said to those of an-cient times, ‘You shall not murder’;



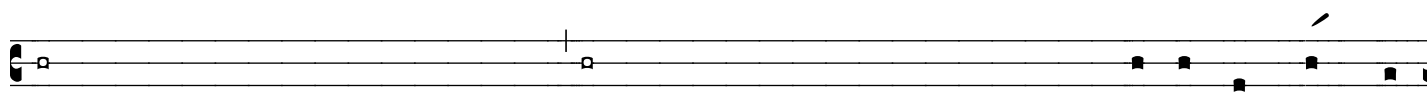
and ‘whoever murders shall be liable to judg-ment.’ <sup>22</sup> But I say to you that if you are an-gry with



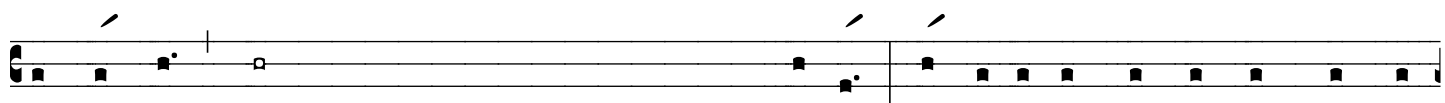
a broth-er or sis-ter, you will be liable to judg-ment; and if you in-sult a broth-er or sis-ter, you will



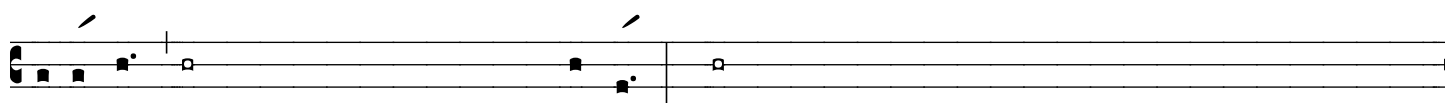
be liable to the coun-cil; and if you say, ‘You fool,’ you will be liable to the hell of fire. <sup>23</sup> So when



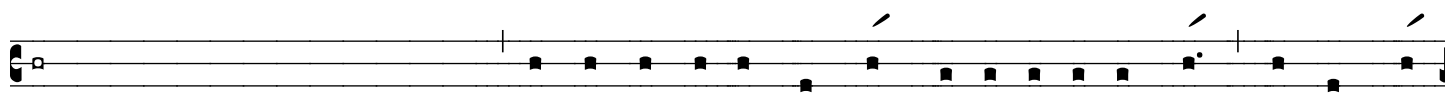
you are offering your gift at the altar, if you remember that your brother or sis-ter has some-thing



a-gainst you, <sup>24</sup> leave your gift there before the altar and go; first be re-con-ciled to your broth-er



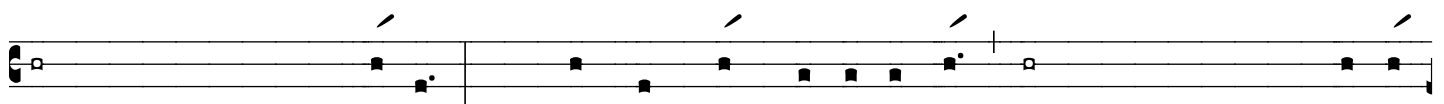
or sis-ter, and then come and offer your gift. <sup>25</sup> Come to terms quickly with your accuser while you



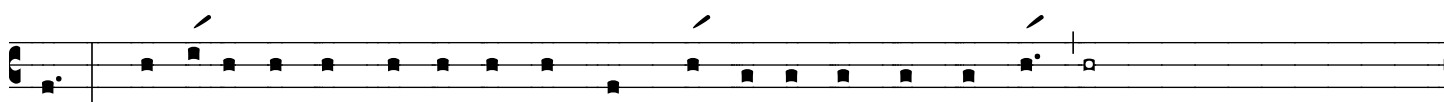
are on the way to court with him, or your ac-cus-er may hand you o-ver to the judge, and the judge



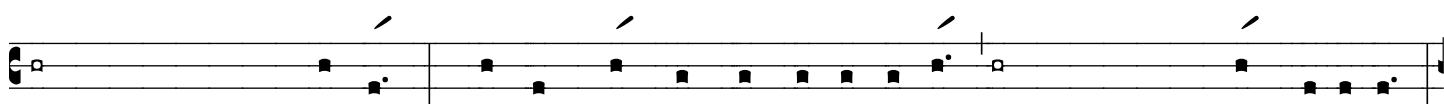
to the guard, and you will be thrown into pris-on. <sup>26</sup> Tru-ly I tell you, you will never get out until



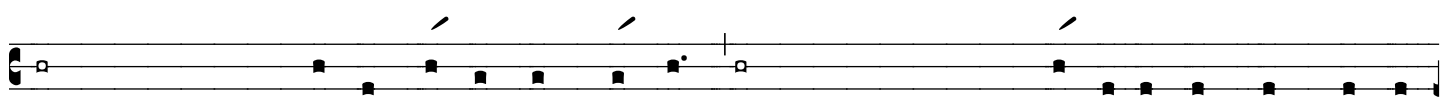
you have paid the last pen-ny. ¶ <sup>27</sup> “You have heard that it was said, ‘You shall not commit a-dul-



t’ry.’ <sup>28</sup> But I say to you that ev-’ry-one who looks at a wom-an with lust has already committed a-



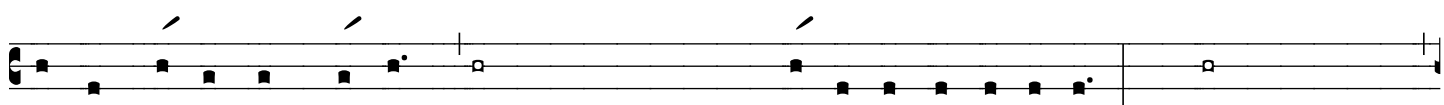
dultery with her in his heart. <sup>29</sup> If your right eye caus-es you to sin, tear it out and throw it a-way;



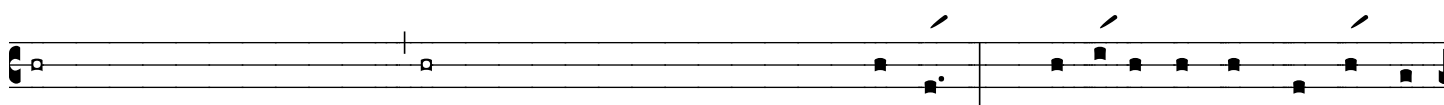
it is better for you to lose one of your mem-bers than for your whole bod-y to be thrown in - to



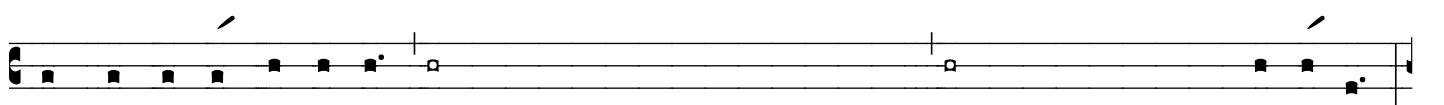
hell. <sup>30</sup> And if your right hand caus-es you to sin, cut it off and throw it a - way; it is better for you



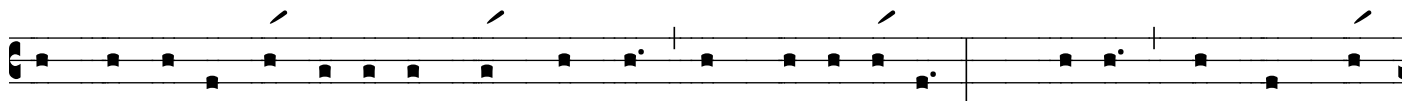
to lose one of your mem-bers than for your whole bod-y to go in-to hell. ¶ <sup>31</sup> “It was also said,



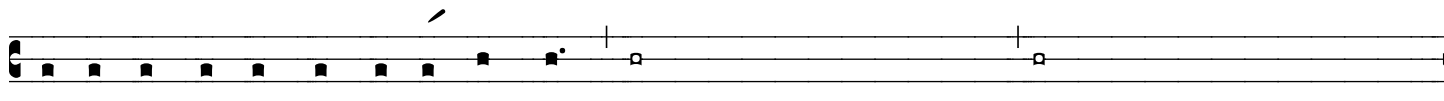
‘Whoever divorces his wife, let him give her a certificate of di-vorce.’ <sup>32</sup> But I say to you that an - y -



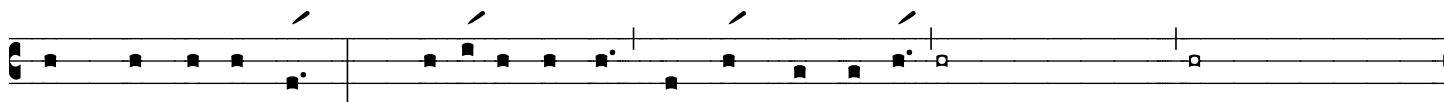
one who di-vor-ces his wife, except on the ground of unchastity, causes her to commit a-dul-t’ry;



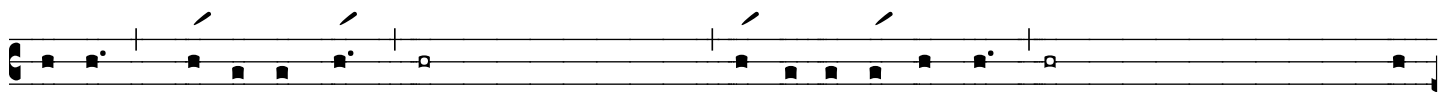
and who-ev-er mar-ries a di-vorced wom-an com-mits a-dul-t'ry. ¶ 33 “A-gain, you have heard



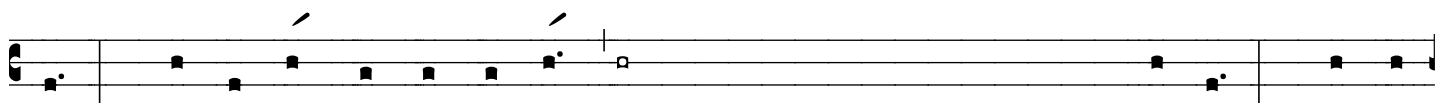
that it was said to those of an-cient times, ‘You shall not swear falsely, but carry out the vows you



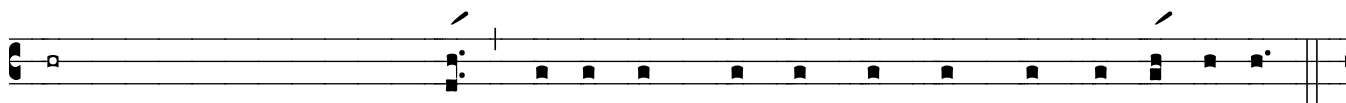
have made to the Lord.’ 34 But I say to you, Do not swear at all, either by heaven, for it is the throne



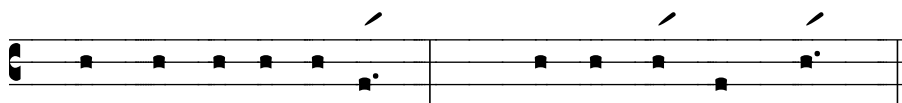
of God, 35 or by the earth, for it is his footstool, or by Je-ru - sa - lem, for it is the city of the great



King. 36 And do not swear by your head, for you cannot make one hair white or black. 37 Let your



word be ‘Yes, Yes’ or ‘No, No’; an - y-thing more than this comes from the e - vil one.



¶ The Gos-pel of the Lord. ✠ Praise to you, Lord Christ.