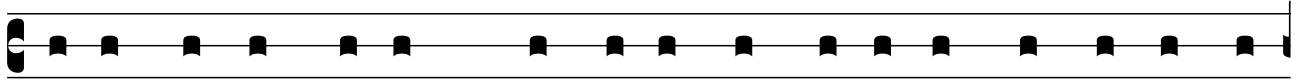
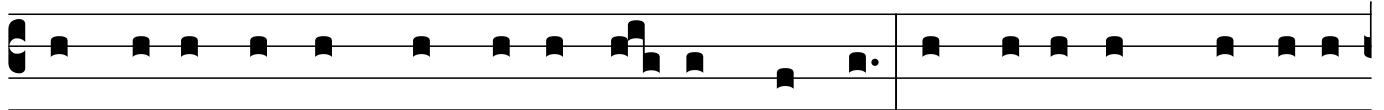


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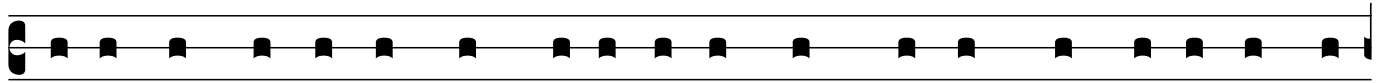
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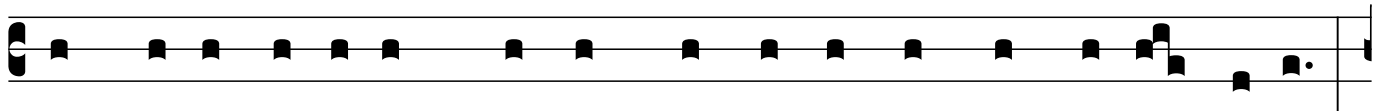
If I speak in the tongues of humans and of angels but do not have



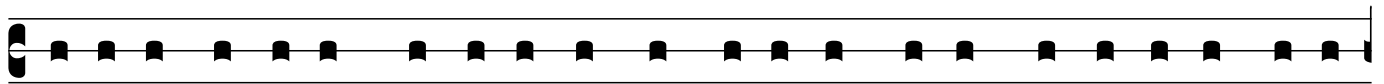
love, I am a noisy gong or a clang-ing cymbal. And if I have prophet-ic



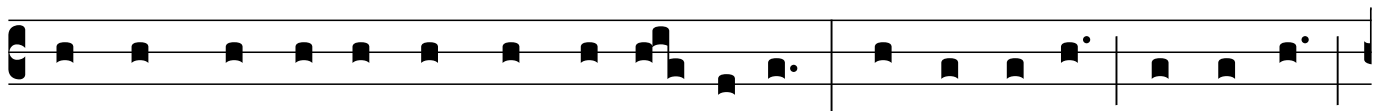
powers and understand all myster-ies and all knowledge and if I have all



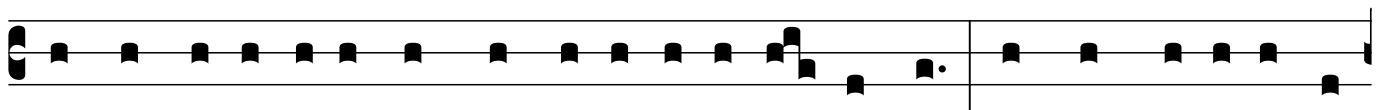
faith so as to remove mountains but do not have love, I am nothing.



If I give away all my possessions and if I hand o-ver my bod-y so that I



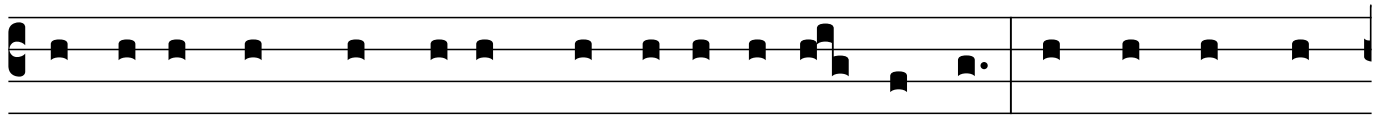
may boast but do not have love, I gain nothing. Love is pa-tient; love is kind;



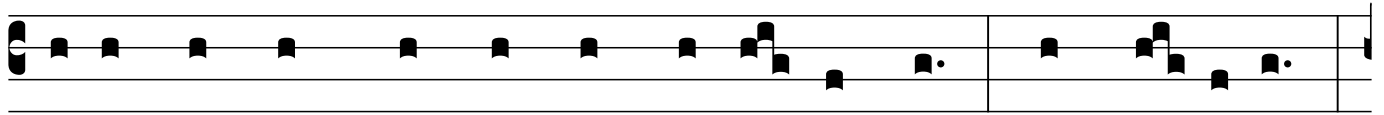
love is not envi-ous or boastful or arro-gant or rude. It does not insist on



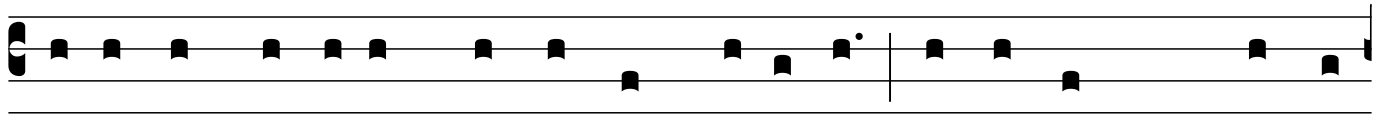
its own way; it is not ir-ri-table; it keeps no re-cord of wrongs; it does



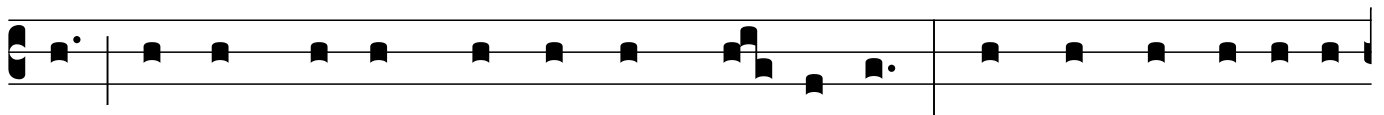
not re-joice in wrongdo- ing but re-joic-es in the truth. It bears all things,



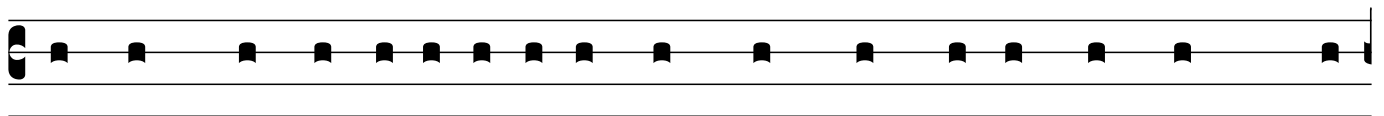
be-lieves all things, hopes all things, endures all things. Love nev- er ends.



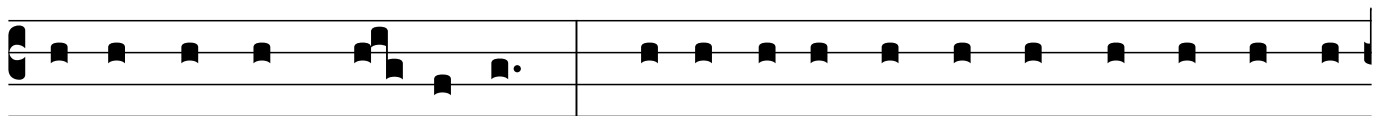
But as for prophecies, they will come to an end; as for tongues, they will



cease; as for knowledge, it will come to an end. For we know only in



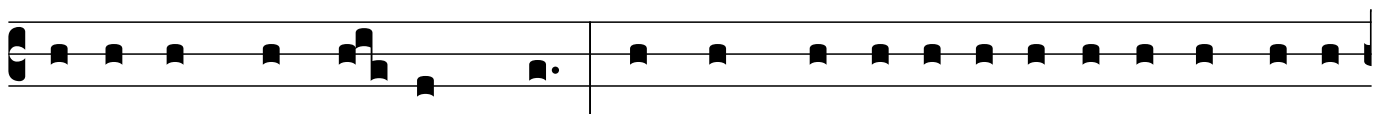
part, and we prophe-sy only in part, but when the complete comes, the



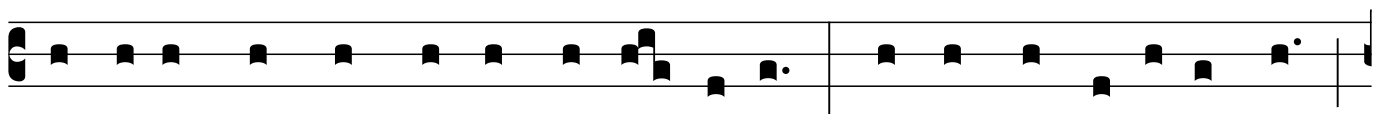
partial will come to an end. When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I



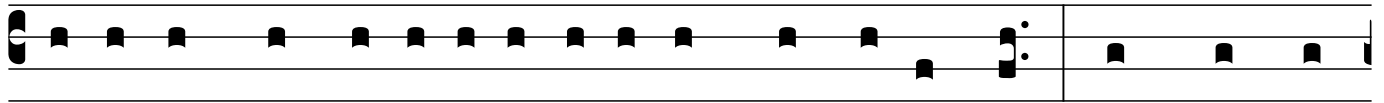
thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I be-came an adult, I



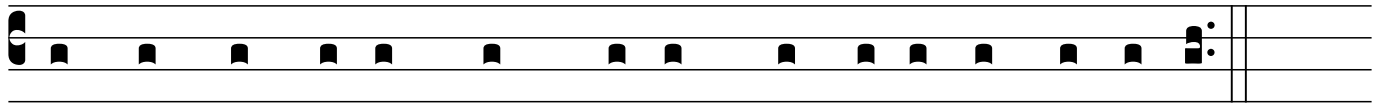
put an end to child- ish ways. For now we see only a re-flection, as in



a mirror, but then we will see face to face. Now I know only in part;



then I will know ful-ly, e-ven as I have been ful-ly known. And now faith,



hope, and love remain, these three, and the great-est of these is love.