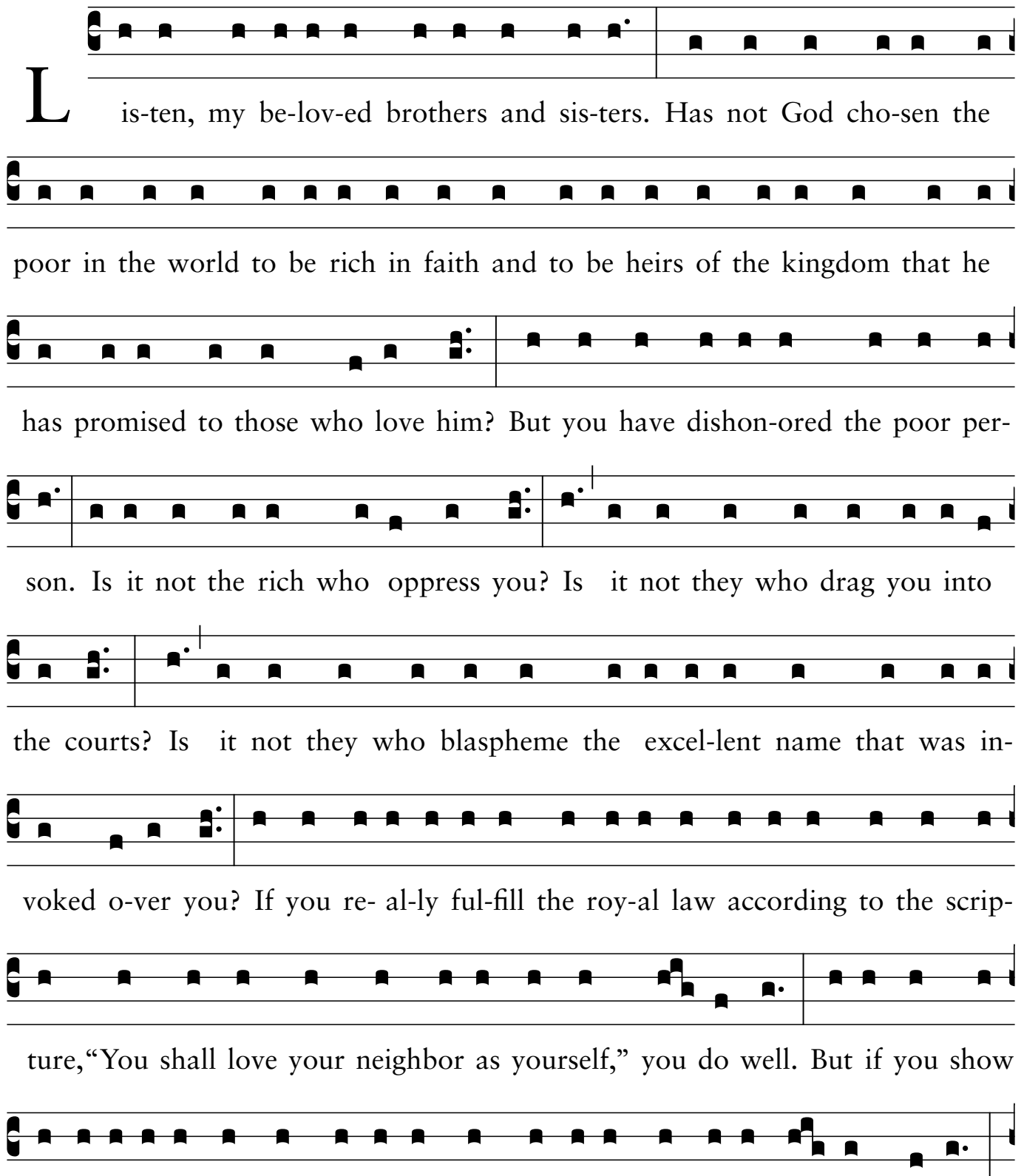
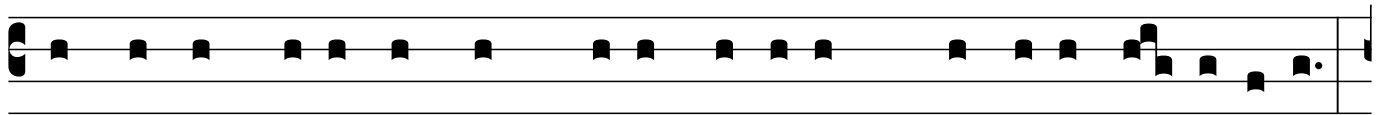


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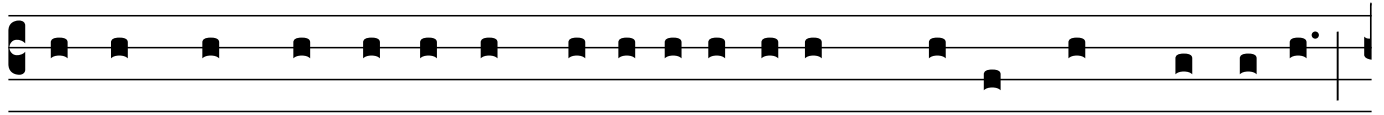
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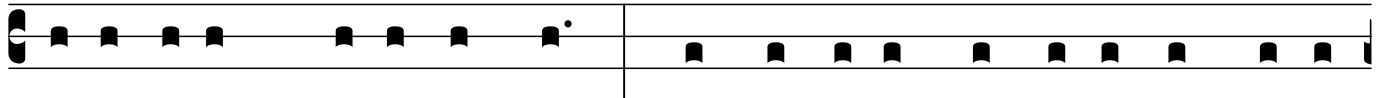
L is-ten, my be-lov-ed brothers and sis-ters. Has not God cho-sen the
poor in the world to be rich in faith and to be heirs of the kingdom that he
has promised to those who love him? But you have dishon-ored the poor per-
son. Is it not the rich who oppress you? Is it not they who drag you into
the courts? Is it not they who blaspheme the excel-lent name that was in-
voked o-ver you? If you re-al-ly ful-fill the roy-al law according to the scrip-
ture, “You shall love your neighbor as yourself,” you do well. But if you show
par-ti-al-i-ty, you commit sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors.



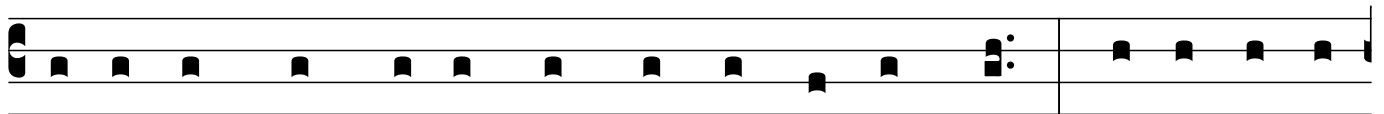
So speak and so act as those who are to be judged by the law of lib-erty.



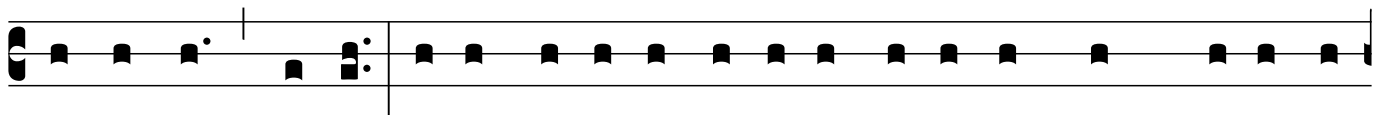
For judgment will be without mercy to an-y- one who has shown no mercy;



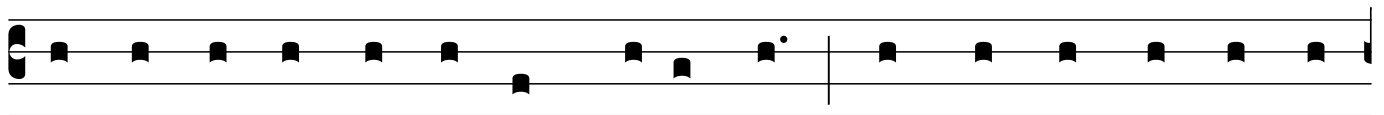
mercy tri- umphs o-ver judgment. What good is it, my brothers and sis-ters,



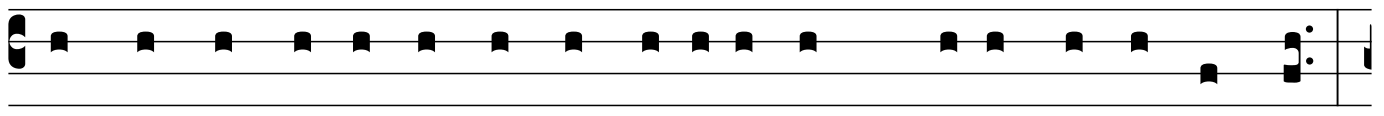
if someone claims to have faith but does not have works? Surely that faith



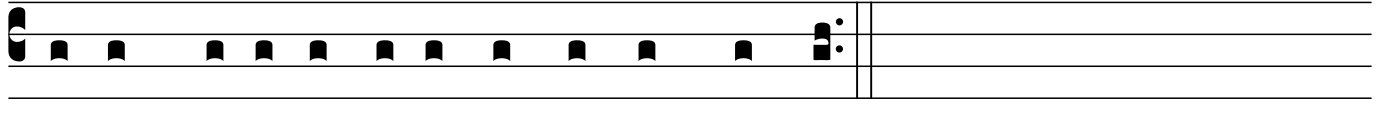
cannot save, can it? If a brother or sis-ter is na-ked and lacks dai-ly food



and one of you says to them,“Go in peace; keep warm and eat your fill,”



and yet you do not supply their bod-i-ly needs, what is the good of that?



So faith by it-self, if it has no works, is dead.