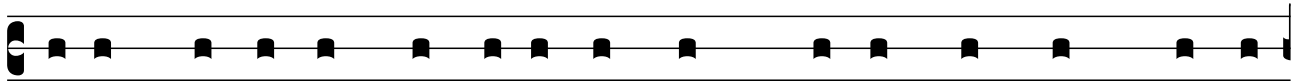
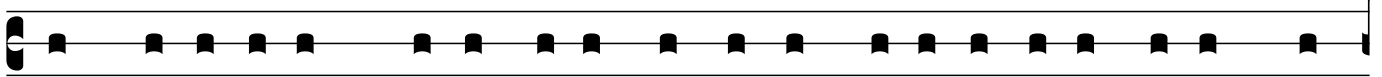


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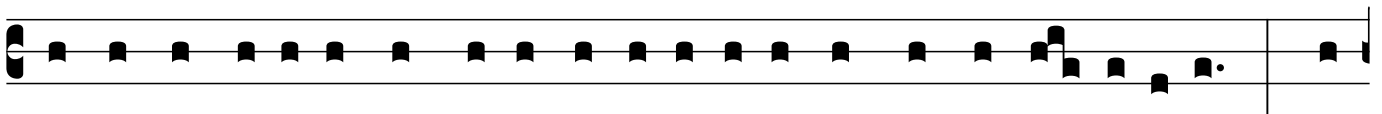
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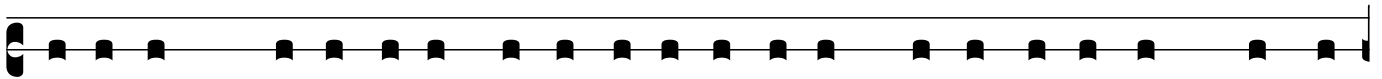
I am grateful to Christ Je-sus our Lord, who has strengthened me, be-



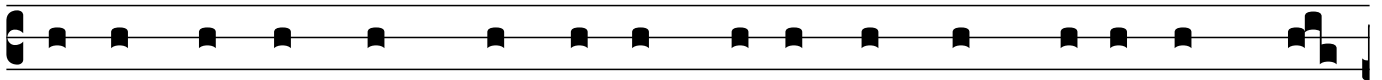
cause he consid-ered me faithful and appointed me to his service, e-ven though



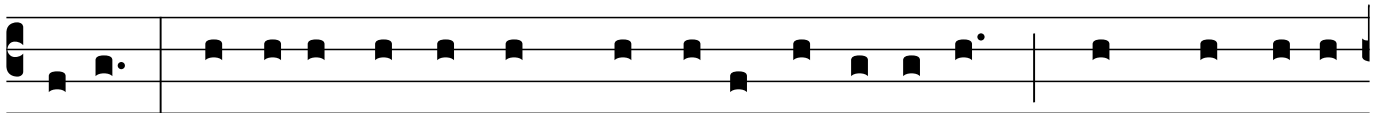
I was formerly a blasphem-er, a perse-cu-tor, and a man of vi- o-lence. But



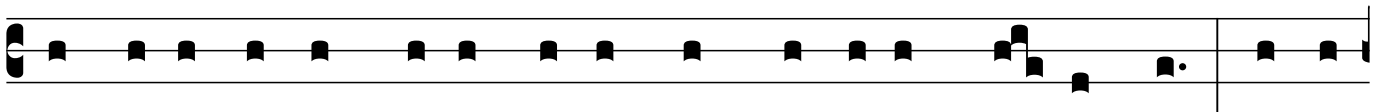
I re-ceived mercy because I had acted igno-rantly in unbe-lief, and the grace



of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ



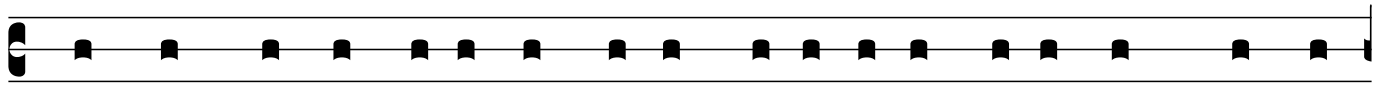
Je-sus. The say-ing is sure and worthy of full acceptance: that Christ Je-sus



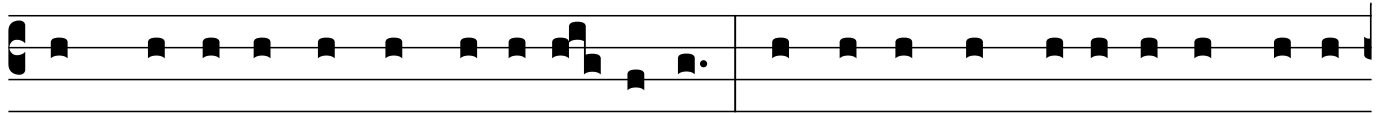
came into the world to save sinners—of whom I am the foremost. But for



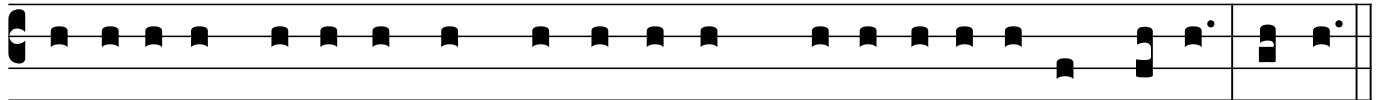
that ver-y reason I re-ceived mercy, so that in me, as the foremost, Je-sus



Christ might display the utmost pa-tience as an ex-ample to those who would



come to be-lieve in him for e-ter- nal life. To the King of the ag-es, immortal,



invis-ible, the only God, be hon-or and glo-ry for-ev-er and ev-er. Amen.