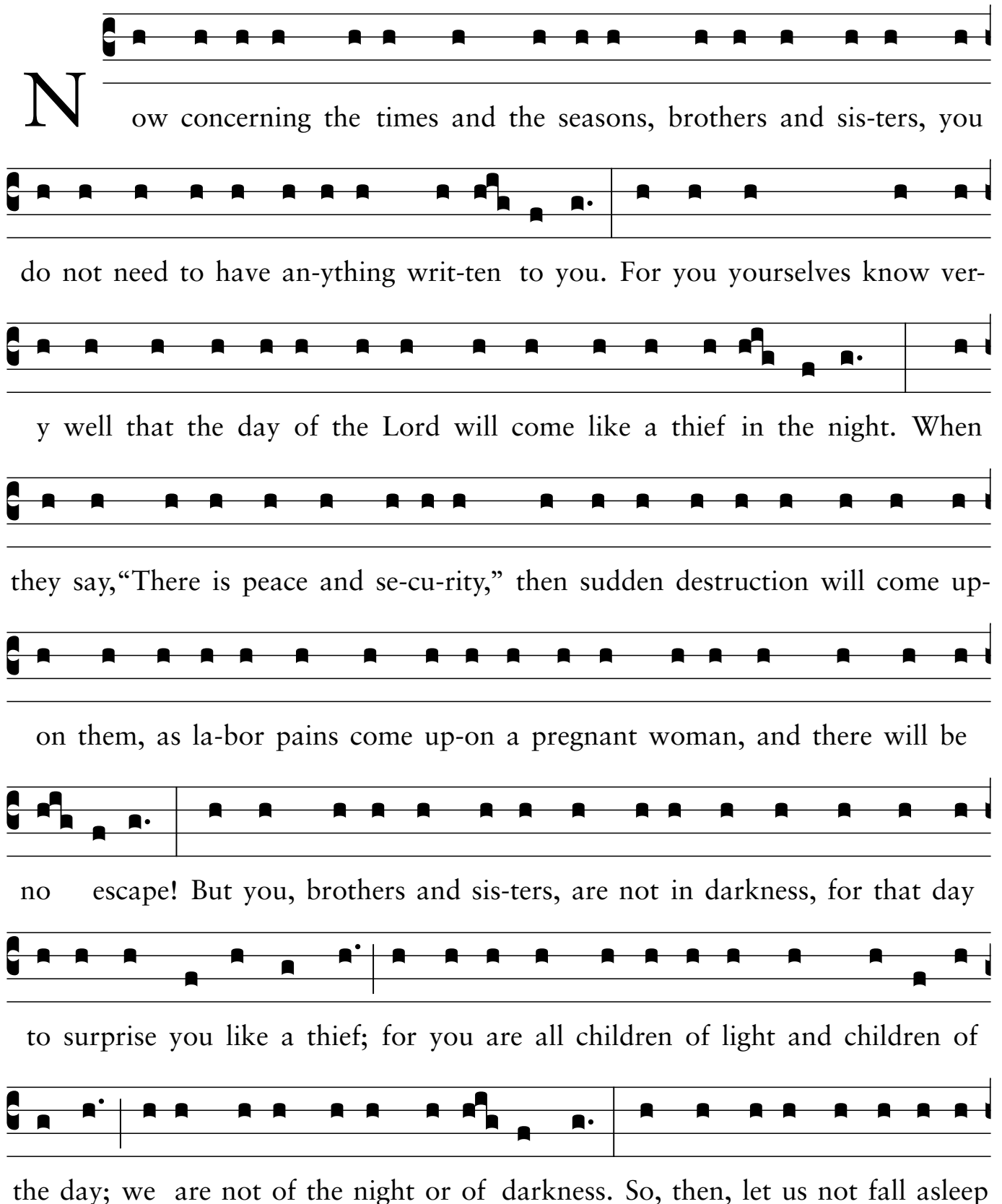
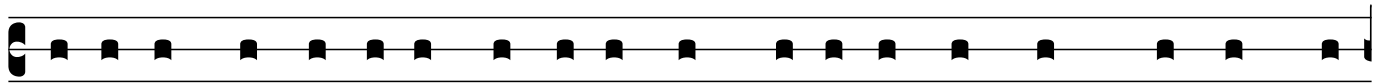


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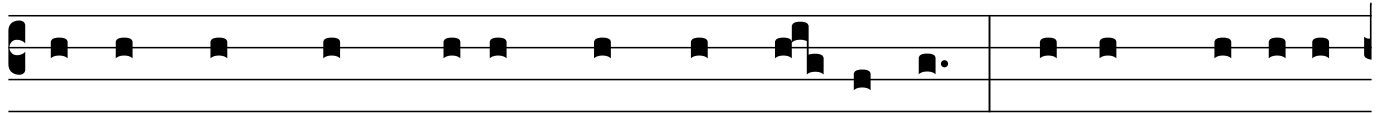
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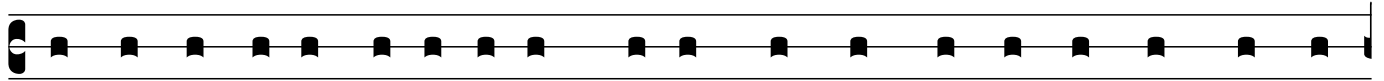
Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. When they say, "There is peace and security," then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! But you, brothers and sisters, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. So, then, let us not fall asleep



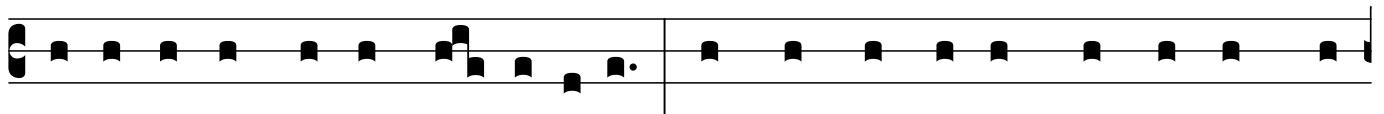
as others do, but let us keep awake and be so-ber, for those who sleep sleep



at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. But since we be-long



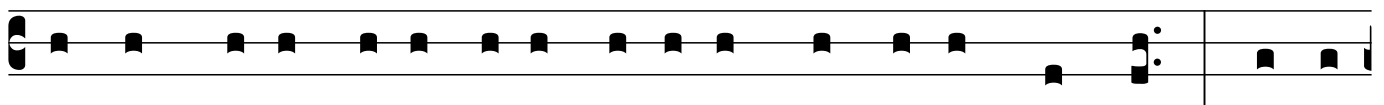
to the day, let us be so-ber and put on the breastplate of faith and love and



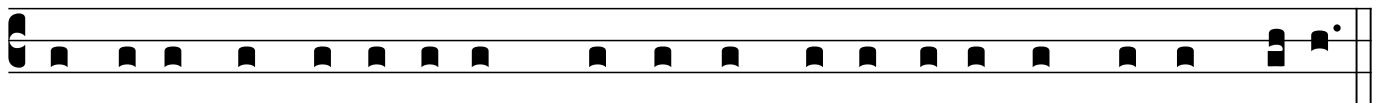
for a helmet the hope of salvation. For God has des-tined us not for wrath



but for obtain-ing salvation through our Lord Je-sus Christ, who died for us,



so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. Therefore



encourage one an-other and build up each other, as indeed you are do- ing.