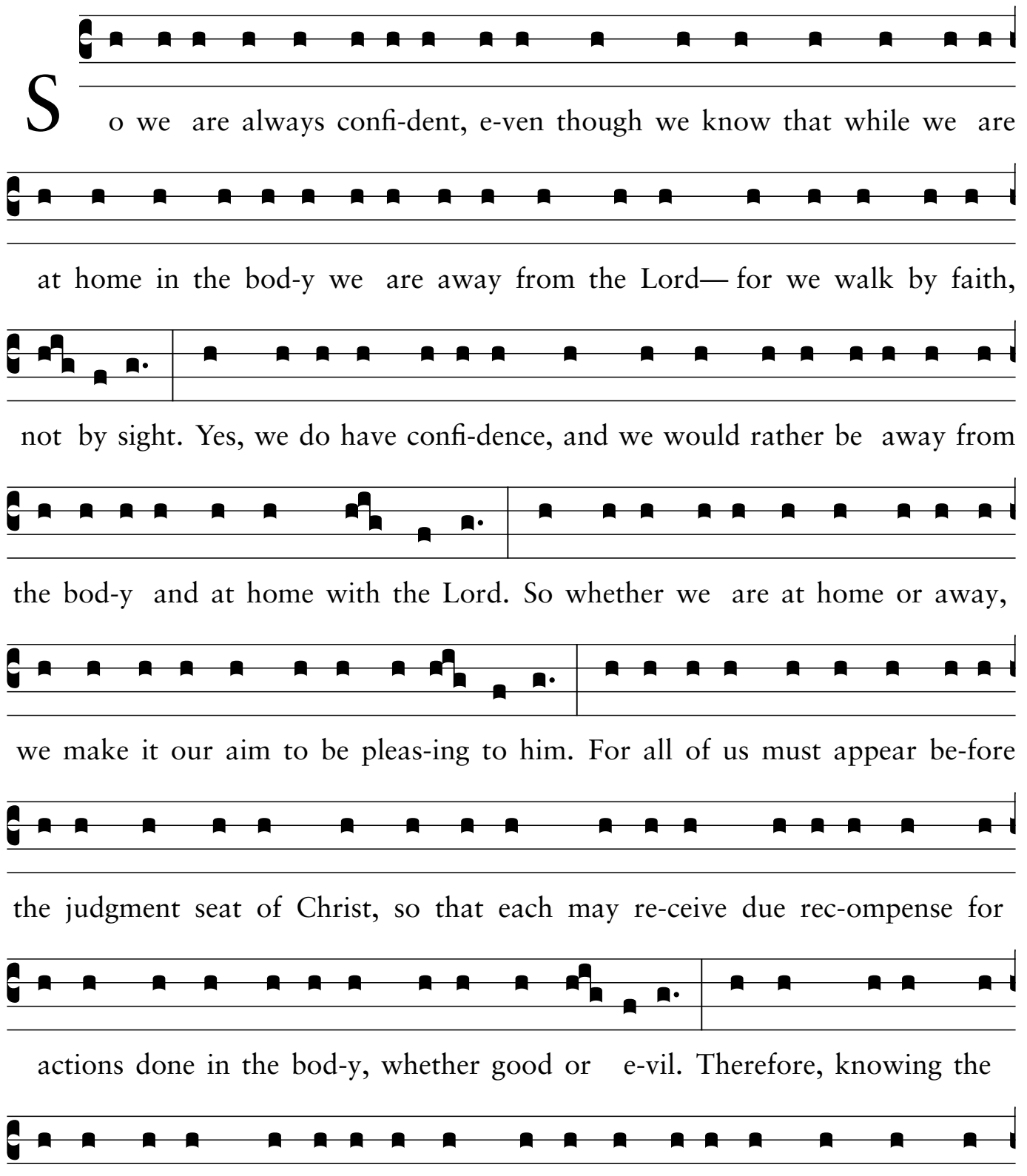
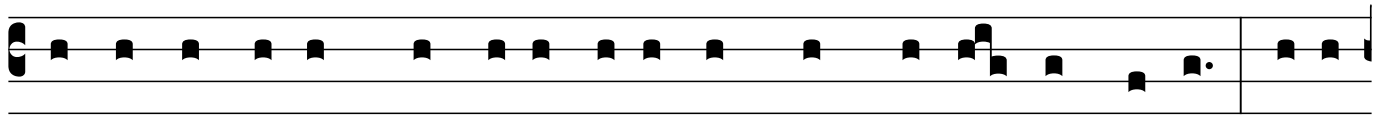


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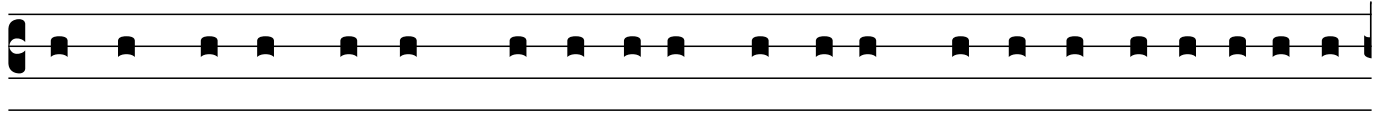
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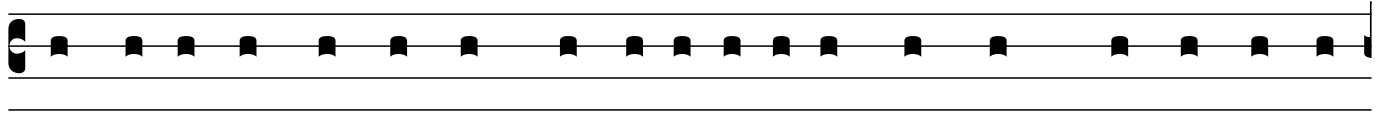
**S**o we are always confi-dent, e-ven though we know that while we are at home in the bod-y we are away from the Lord— for we walk by faith, not by sight. Yes, we do have confi-dence, and we would rather be away from the bod-y and at home with the Lord. So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to be pleas-ing to him. For all of us must appear be-fore the judgment seat of Christ, so that each may re-ceive due rec-ompense for actions done in the bod-y, whether good or e-vil. Therefore, knowing the fear of the Lord, we try to persuade people, but we ourselves are well known



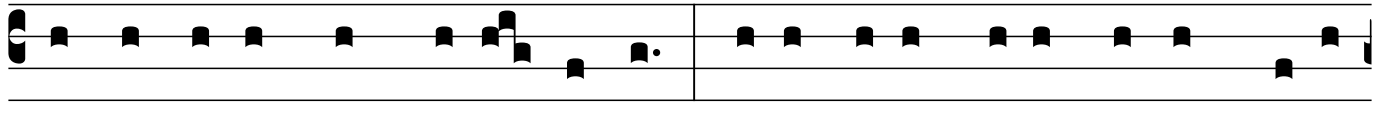
to God, and I hope that we are also well known to your consciences. We are



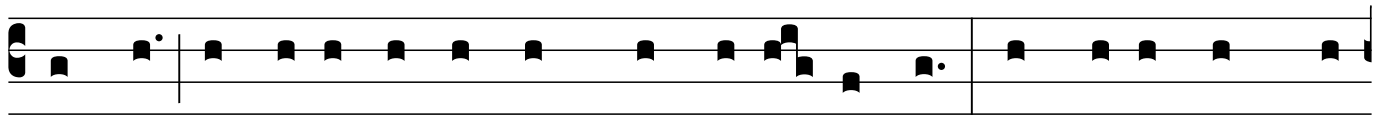
not commending ourselves to you again but giving you an opportunity to



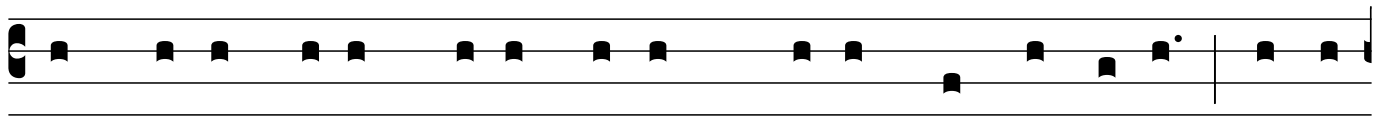
boast about us, so that you may be able to answer those who boast in out-



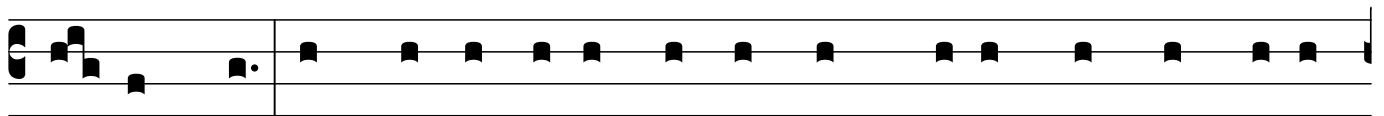
ward appearance and not in the heart. For if we are beside ourselves, it is



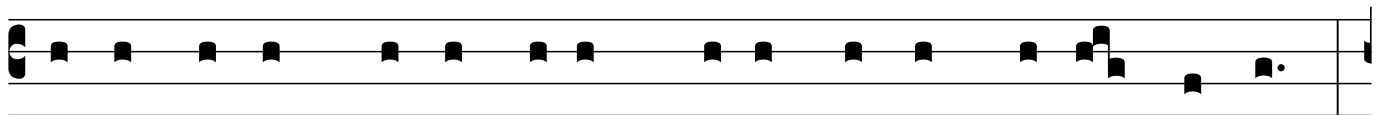
for God; if we are in our right mind, it is for you. For the love of Christ



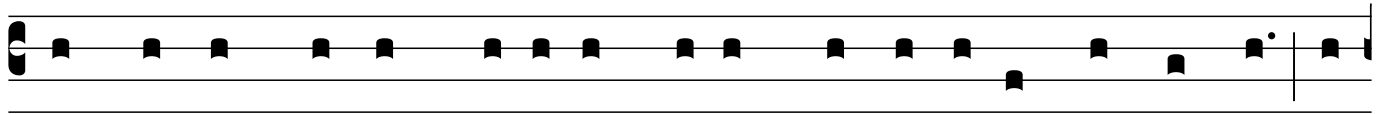
urges us on, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore



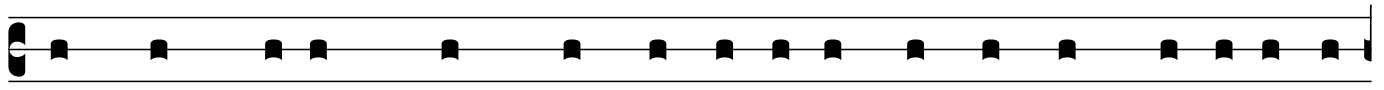
all have died. And he died for all, so that those who live might live no long-



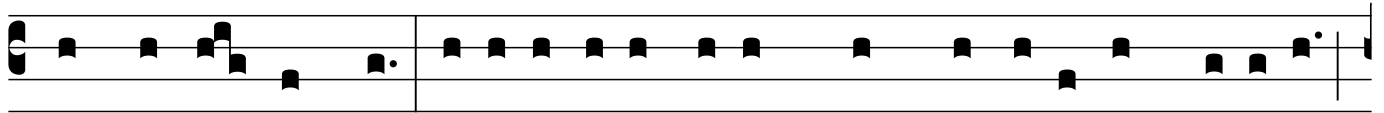
er for themselves but for the one who for their sake died and was raised.



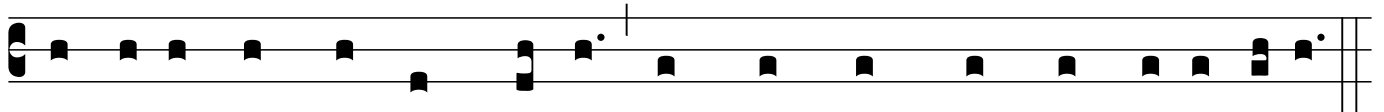
From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; e-



ven though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we no longer



know him in that way. So if an-y- one is in Christ, there is a new cre- ation:



everything old has passed away; look, new things have come into be- ing!