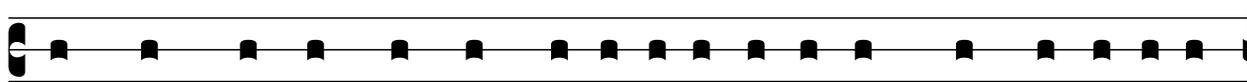
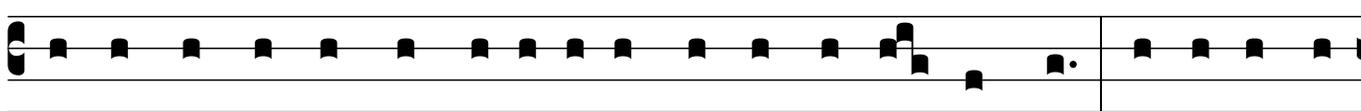


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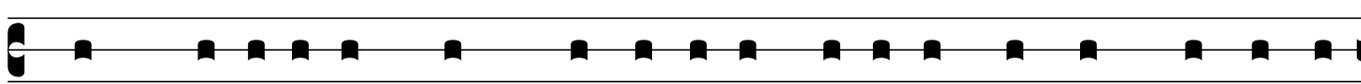
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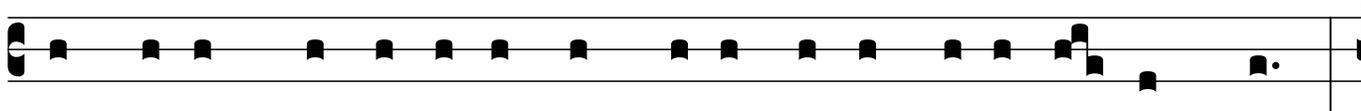
Then Paul stood in front of the Ar-e-op-a-gus and said,“Athe-ni-ans,



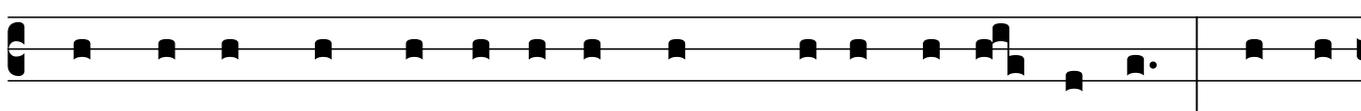
I see how extremely spir-it-u-al you are in eve-ry way. For as I went



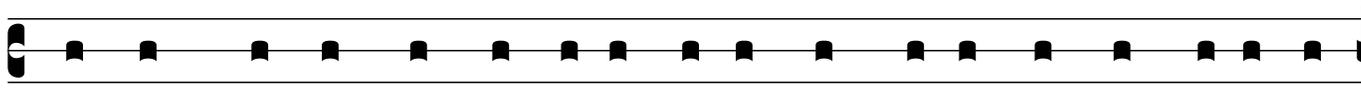
through the cit-y and looked careful-ly at the objects of your worship, I



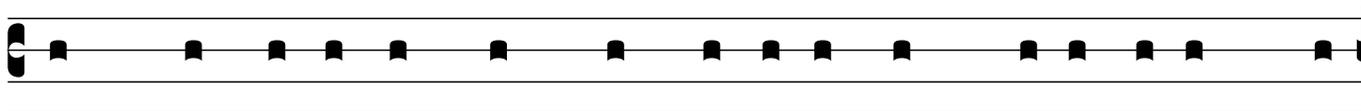
found among them an al-tar with the inscription,‘To an unknown god.’



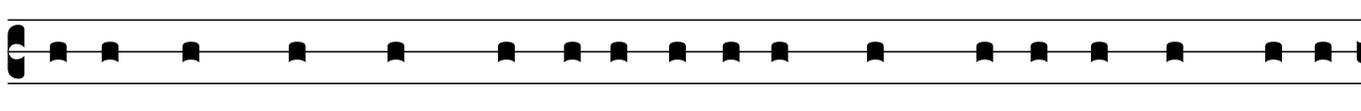
What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. The God



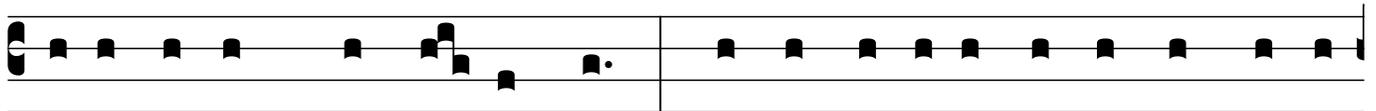
who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of heaven and



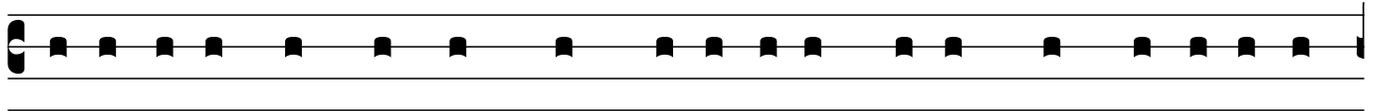
earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, nor is he served by



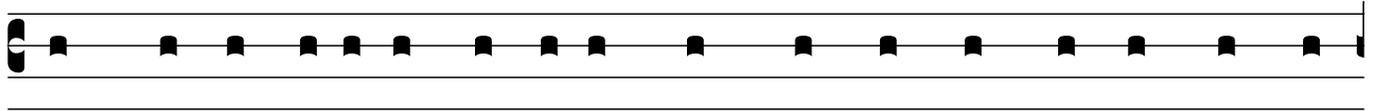
human hands, as though he needed an-ything, since he himself gives to all



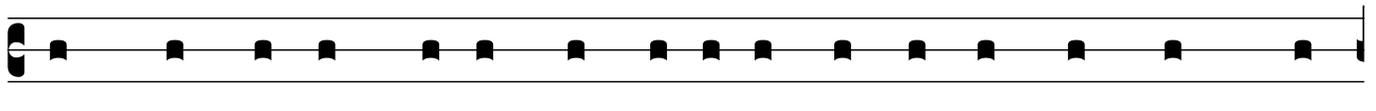
mortals life and breath and all things. From one ancestor he made all peoples



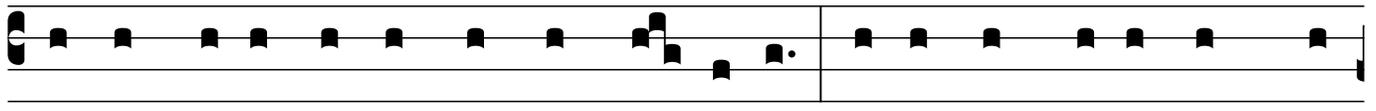
to inhab-it the whole earth, and he al-lotted the times of their ex-ist-ence



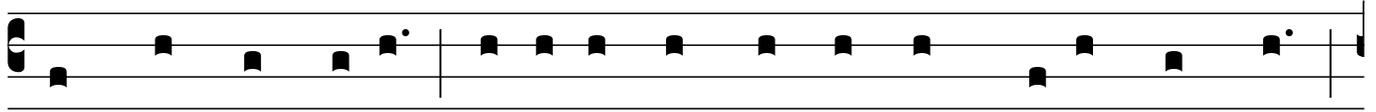
and the boundaries of the plac-es where they would live, so that they would



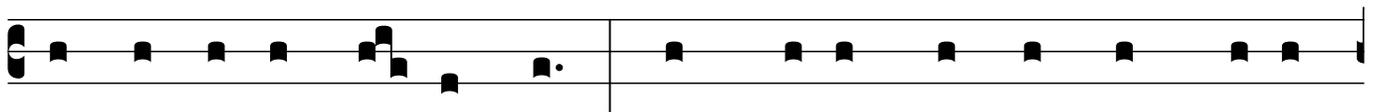
search for God and perhaps fumble about for him and find him—though



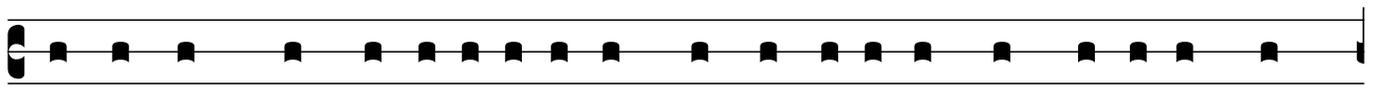
indeed he is not far from each one of us. For ‘In him we live and move



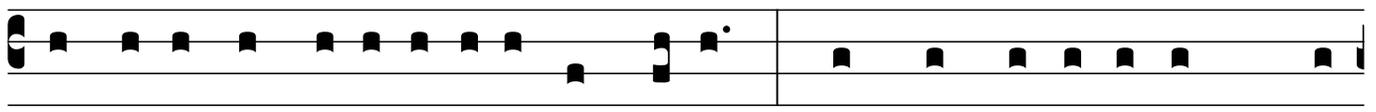
and have our be- ing’; as e-ven some of your own po- ets have said,



‘For we, too, are his offspring.’ “Since we are God’s offspring, we ought



not to think that the de- i-ty is like gold or silver or stone, an image formed



by the art and imag-i-nation of mortals. While God has o-verlooked the



times of human igno-rance, now he commands all people everywhere to



re-pent, because he has fixed a day on which he will have the world judged



in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has



giv-en assur-ance to all by rais-ing him from the dead.”