

# John 15:1-8

*Setting Apart for a Religious Vocation*

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The Ho-ly Gospel of our Lord Je-sus Christ according to John.

*R* *Glo-ry to you, Lord Christ.* Je-sus said, "I am the true vine, and my

Father is the vinegrower. He removes every branch in me that bears no

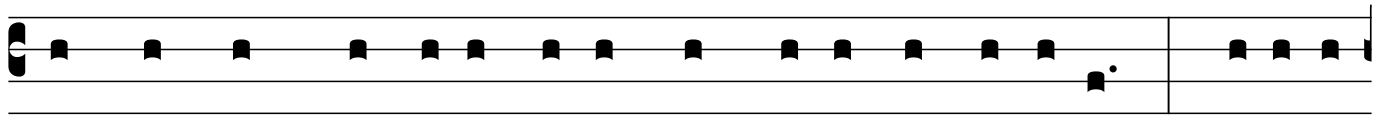
fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit.

You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spo-ken to you.

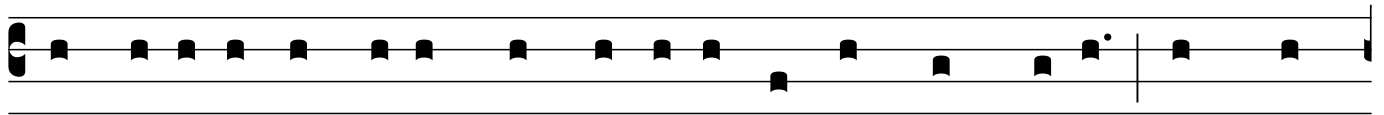
A-bide in me as I a-bide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by it-

self unless it a-bides in the vine, neither can you unless you a-bide in me.

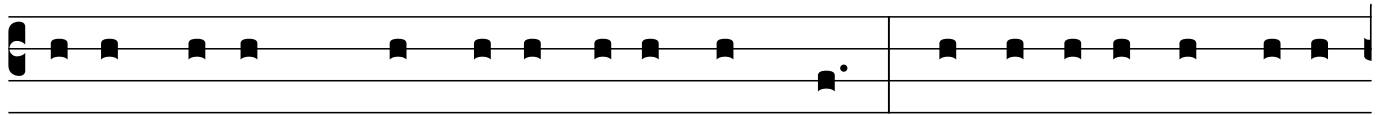
I am the vine; you are the branches. Those who a-bide in me and I in



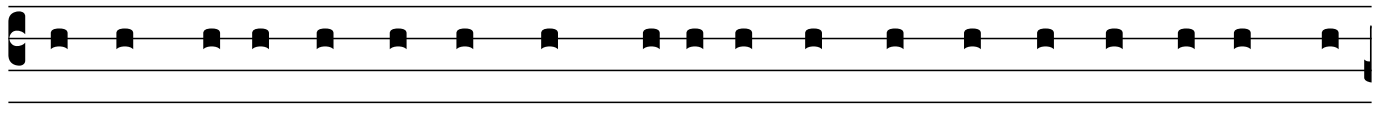
them bear much fruit, because a-part from me you can do nothing. Who- ev-er



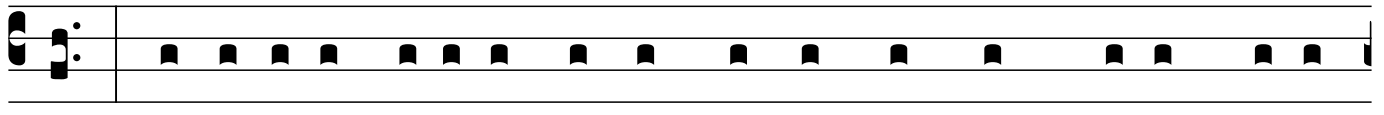
does not a-bide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branch-



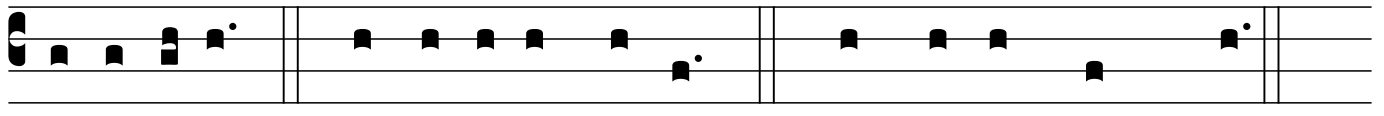
es are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you a-bide in me and



my words a-bide in you, ask for what-ev-er you wish, and it will be done for



you. My Father is glo-ri-fied by this, that you bear much fruit and be-come



my dis-ciples. ∿ The Gospel of the Lord. ℞ *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*