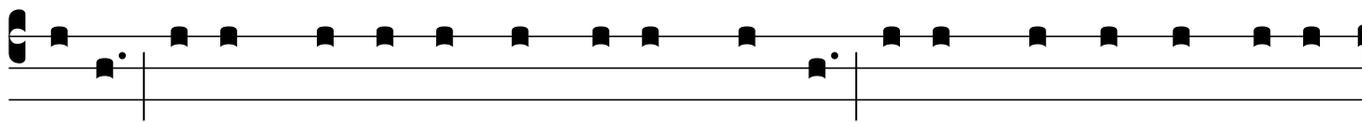


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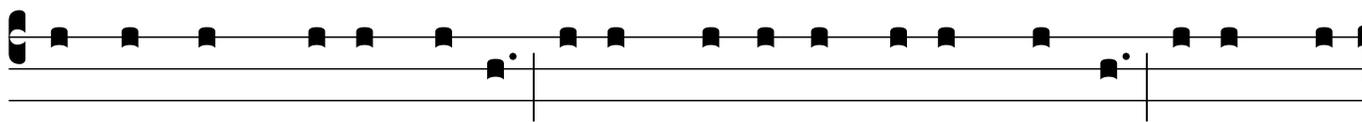
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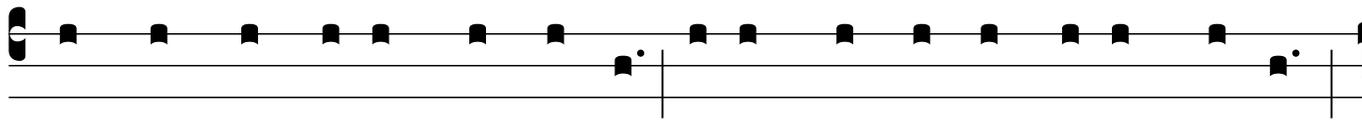
F or everything there is a season and a time for every matter under



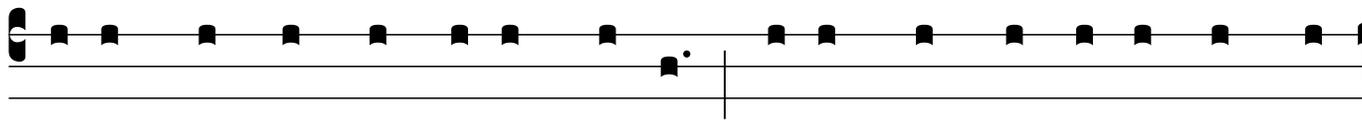
heaven: a time to be born and a time to die; a time to plant and a time



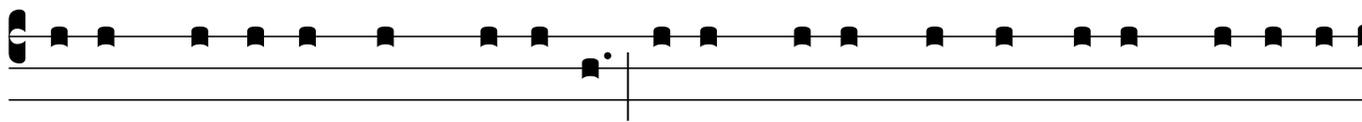
to pluck up what is planted; a time to kill and a time to heal; a time to



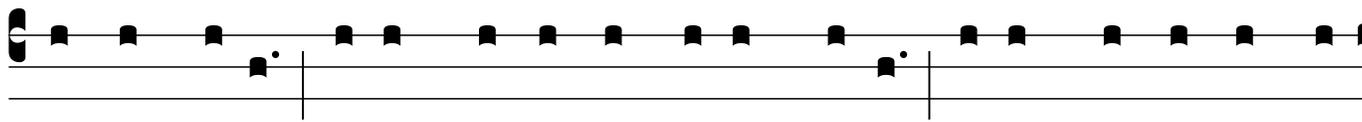
break down and a time to build up; a time to weep and a time to laugh;



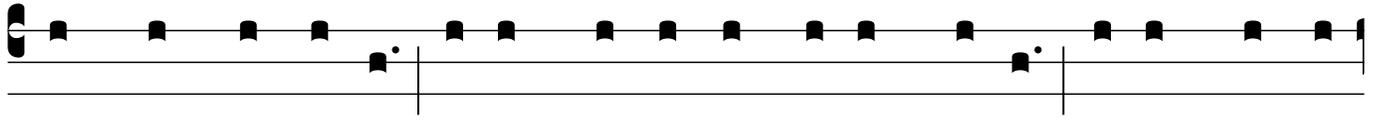
a time to mourn and a time to dance; a time to throw away stones and



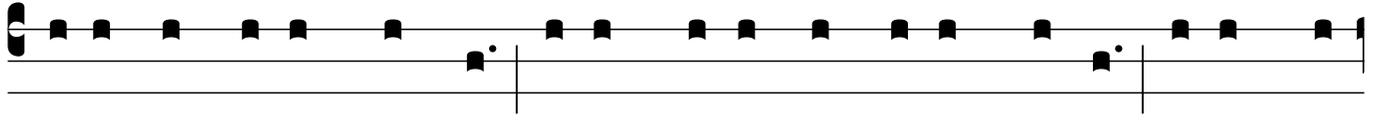
a time to gather stones to-gether; a time to embrace and a time to refrain



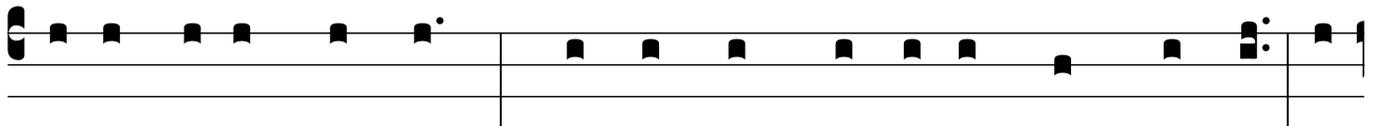
from embrac-ing; a time to seek and a time to lose; a time to keep and a



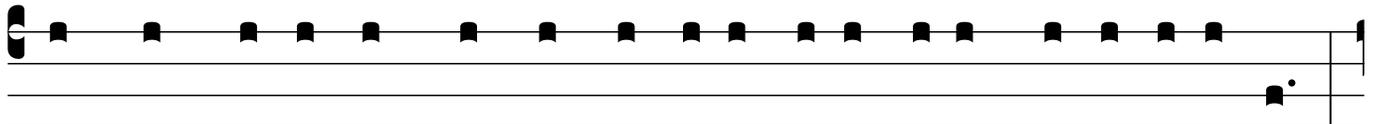
time to throw away; a time to tear and a time to sew; a time to keep



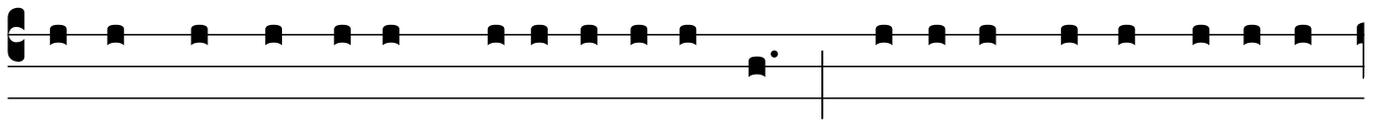
si-lent and a time to speak; a time to love and a time to hate; a time for



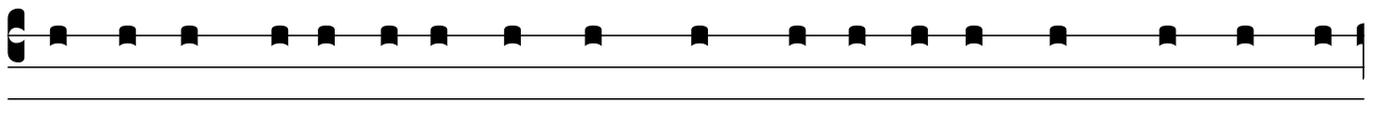
war and a time for peace. What gain have the workers from their toil? I



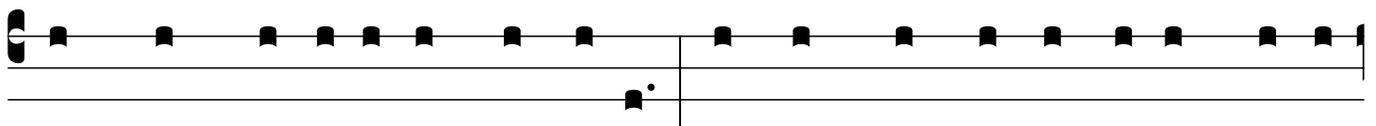
have seen the business that God has giv-en to every-one to be bus-y with.



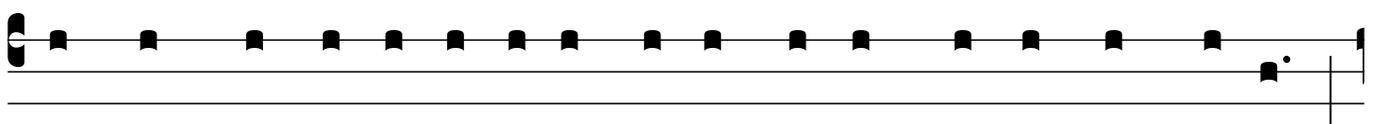
He has made everything suit-able for its time; moreo-ver, he has put a sense



of past and fu-ture into their minds, yet they cannot find out what God has



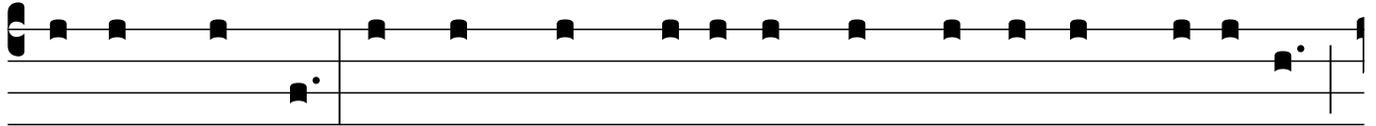
done from the be-ginning to the end. I know that there is nothing bet-ter



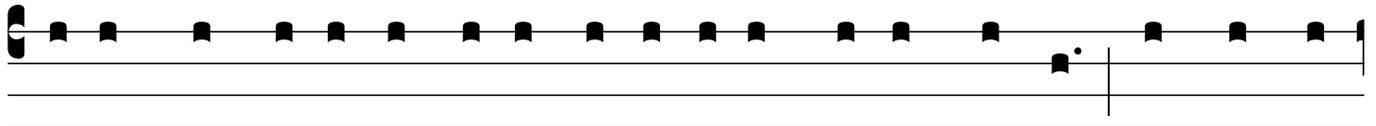
for them than to be happy and enjoy themselves as long as they live;



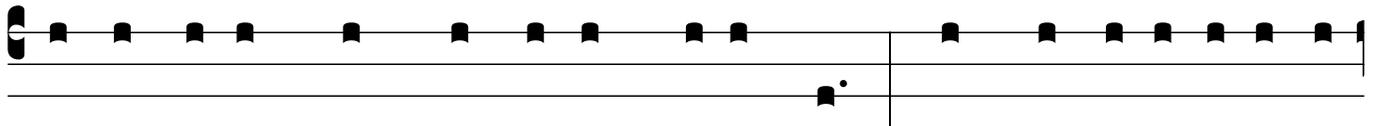
moreo-ver, it is God's gift that all should eat and drink and take pleasure



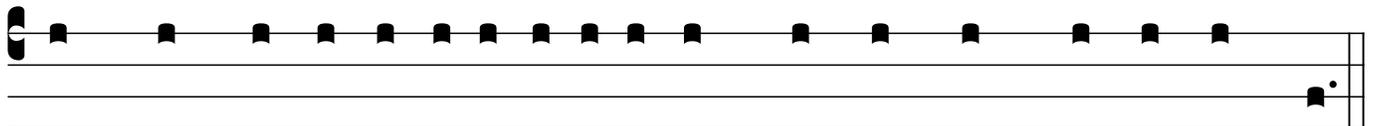
in all their toil. I know that what-ev-er God does endures for-ev-er;



nothing can be added to it nor an-ything tak-en from it; God has done



this so that all should stand in awe be-fore him. That which is already has



been, that which is to be already is, and God seeks out what has gone by.