

Mark 2:1-12

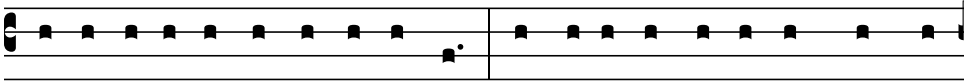
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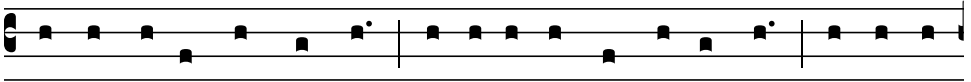
ⲕ. The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark. Ⲛ. *Glory*



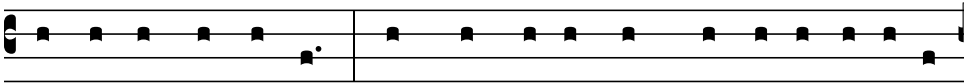
to you, Lord Christ. When Jesus returned to Capernaum af-ter some days,



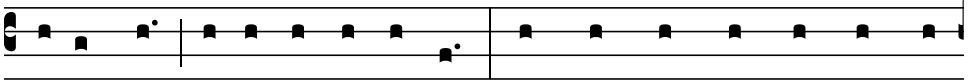
it was reported that he was at home. So many gathered around that there



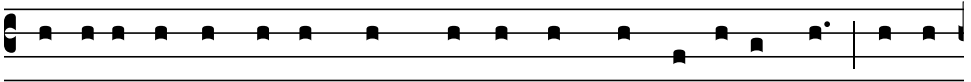
was no longer room for them, not e-ven in front of the door; and he was



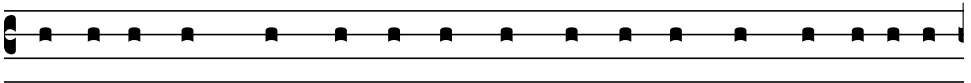
speaking the word to them. Then some people came, bringing to him a par-



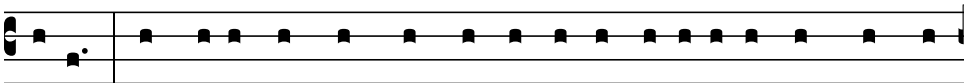
alysed man, carried by four of them. And when they could not bring him



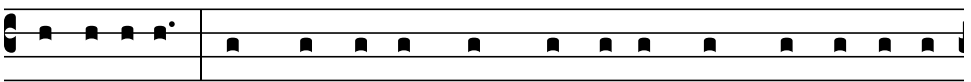
to Jesus because of the crowd, they removed the roof above him; and af-



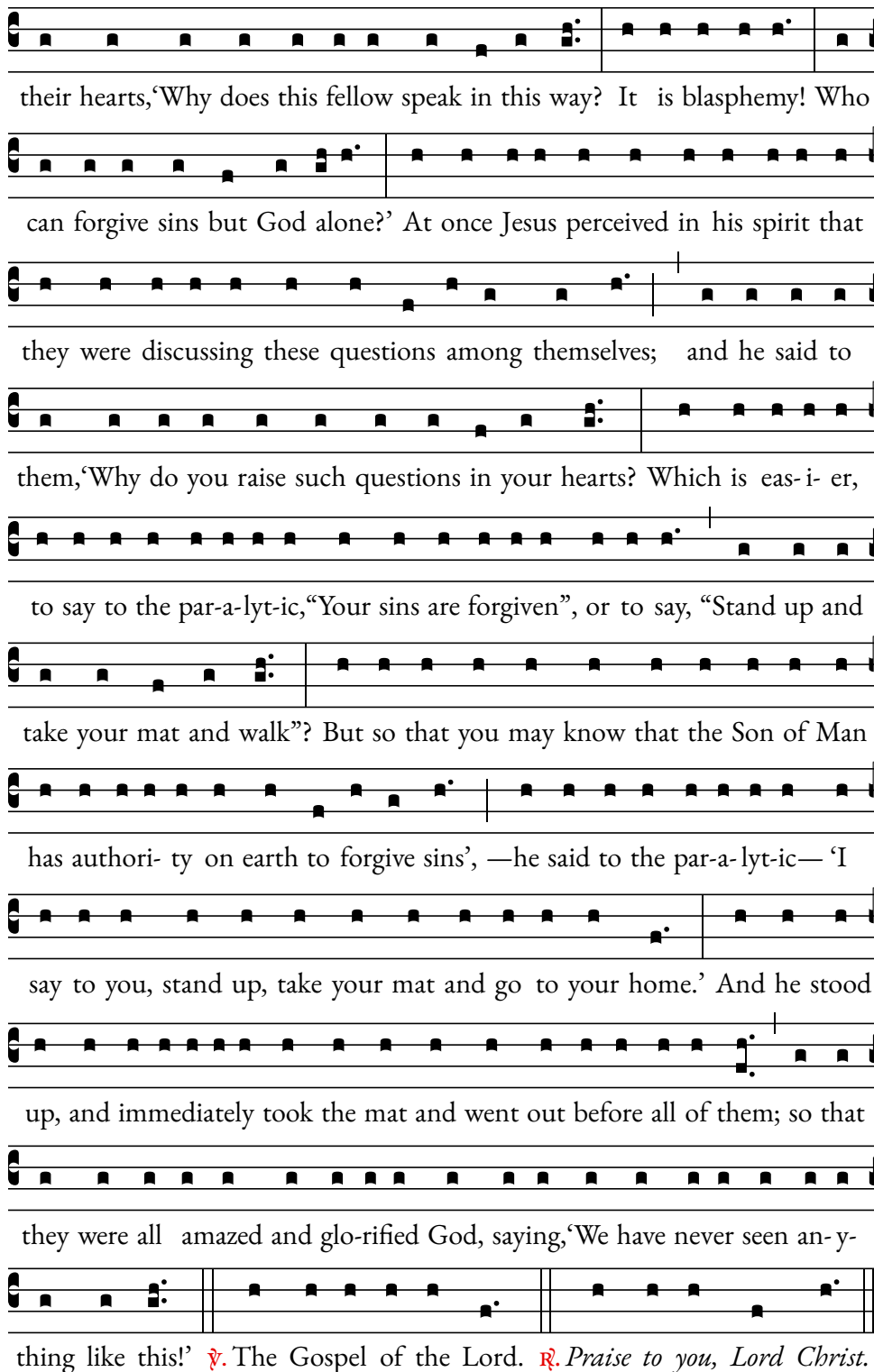
ter having dug through it, they let down the mat on which the par-a-lyt-



ic lay. When Jesus saw their faith, he said to the par-a-lyt-ic, 'Son, your sins



are forgiven.' Now some of the scribes were sitting there, questioning in



their hearts, 'Why does this fellow speak in this way? It is blasphemy! Who can forgive sins but God alone?' At once Jesus perceived in his spirit that they were discussing these questions among themselves; and he said to them, 'Why do you raise such questions in your hearts? Which is easier, to say to the par-a-lyt-ic, "Your sins are forgiven", or to say, "Stand up and take your mat and walk"? But so that you may know that the Son of Man has authori- ty on earth to forgive sins', —he said to the par-a-lyt-ic— 'I say to you, stand up, take your mat and go to your home.' And he stood up, and immediately took the mat and went out before all of them; so that they were all amazed and glo-rified God, saying, 'We have never seen an-y-thing like this!'

Ⲳ. The Gospel of the Lord. Ⲳ. *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*