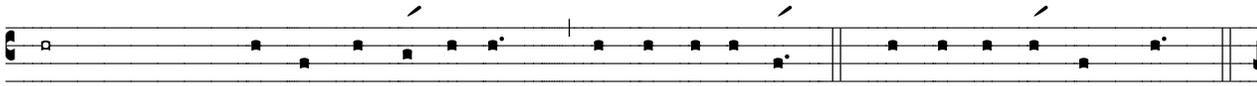


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(John 3:1-17 NRSV)



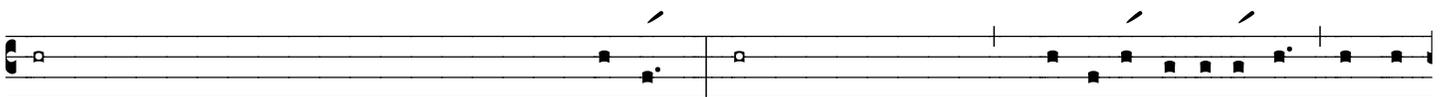
✠ The Holy Gospel of our Lord Je - sus Christ ac-cord-ing to John. ☩ *Glo - ry to you, Lord Christ.*



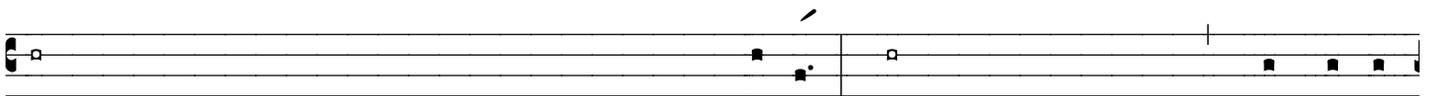
Now there was a Phar-i-see named Nic-o - de-mus, a lead-er of the Jews. <sup>2</sup> He came to Je-sus by night and



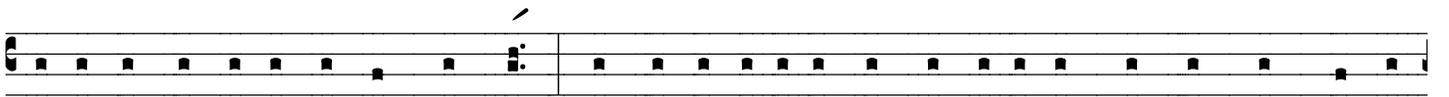
said to him, “Rab-bi, we know that you are a teach-er who has come from God; for no one can do these



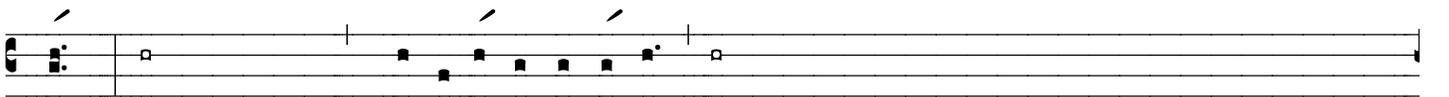
signs that you do apart from the presence of God.” <sup>3</sup> Jesus answered him, “Ver-y tru-ly, I tell you, no one



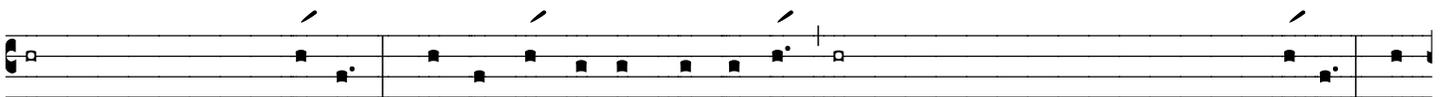
can see the kingdom of God without being born from a-bove.” <sup>4</sup> Nicodemus said to him, “How can an -



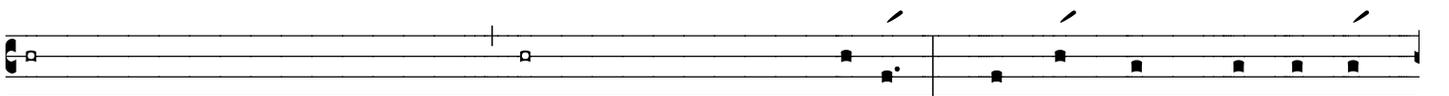
y-one be born af-ter hav-ing grown old? Can one en-ter a sec-ond time in-to the moth-er’s womb and be



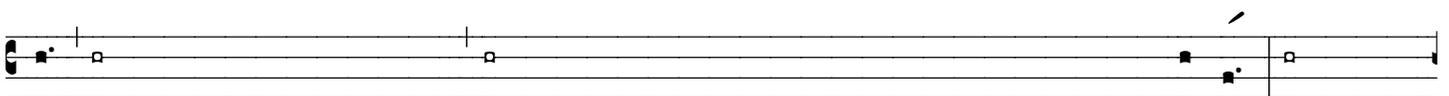
born?” <sup>5</sup> Jesus answered, “Ver-y tru-ly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being



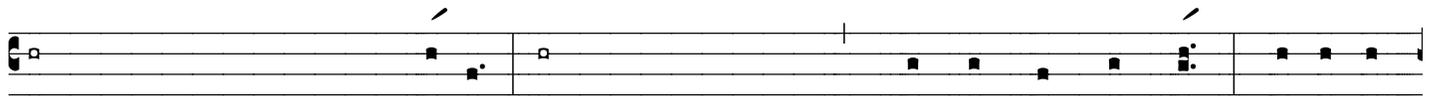
born of water and Spir-it. <sup>6</sup> What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spir-it. <sup>7</sup> Do



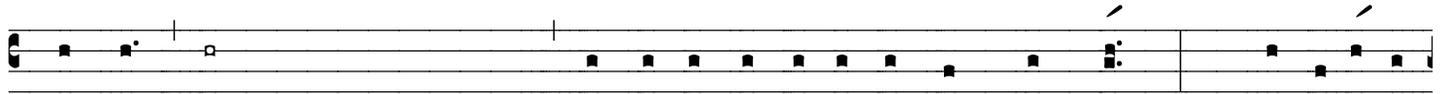
not be astonished that I said to you, ‘You must be born from a-bove.’ <sup>8</sup> The wind blows where it choos -



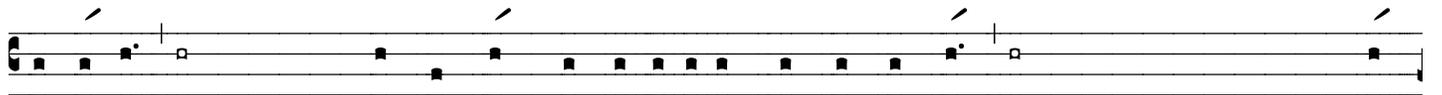
es, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with



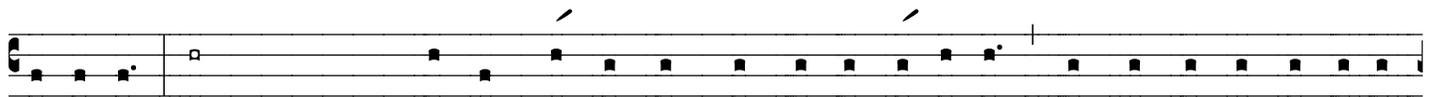
everyone who is born of the Spir-it.” 9 Nicodemus said to him, “How can these things be?” 10 Je-sus an -



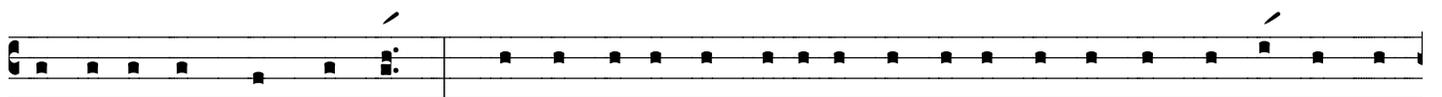
swered him, “Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not un-der-stand these things? ¶ 11 “Ver-y tru-ly,



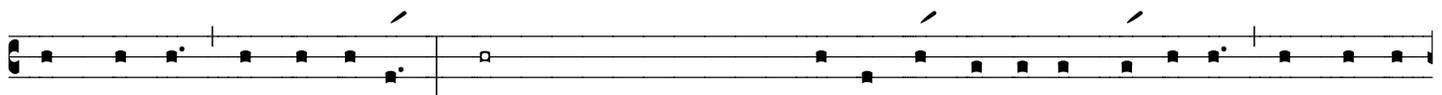
I tell you, we speak of what we know and tes-ti-fy to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our tes -



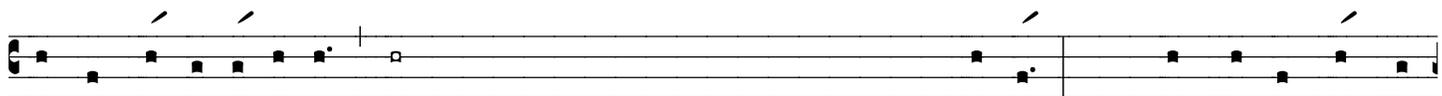
ti-mo-ny. 12 If I have told you a-bout earth-ly things and you do not be-lieve, how can you be-lieve if I



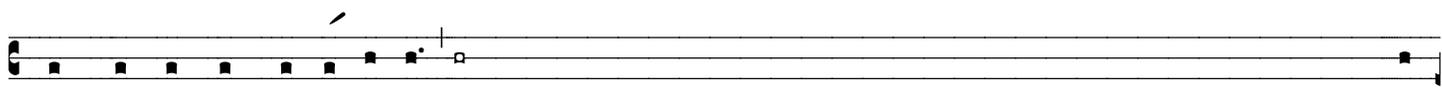
tell you a-bout heav'n-ly things? 13 No one has as-cend-ed in-to heav-en ex-cept the one who de-scend-ed



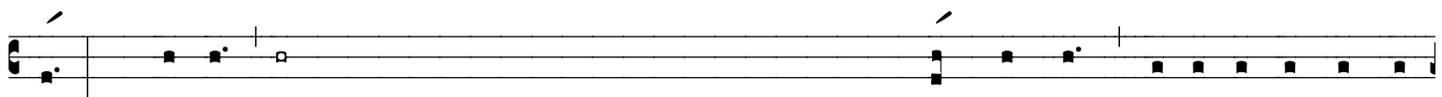
from heav-en, the Son of Man. 14 And just as Moses lifted up the ser-pent in the wild-er-ness, so must the



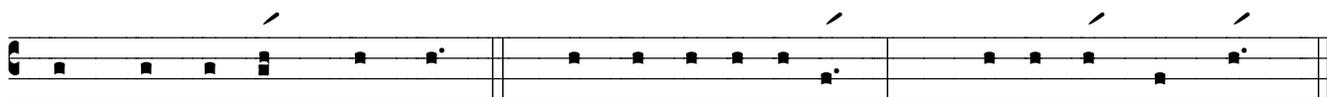
Son of Man be lift-ed up, 15 that whoever believes in him may have eter-nal life. ¶ 16 “For God so loved the



world that he gave his on-ly Son, so that ev'ryone who believes in him may not perish but may have eter-nal



life. ¶ 17 “In-deed, God did not send the Son into the world to con-demn the world, but in or-der that the



world might be saved through him. ¶ The Gos-pel of the Lord. ¶ Praise to you, Lord Christ.