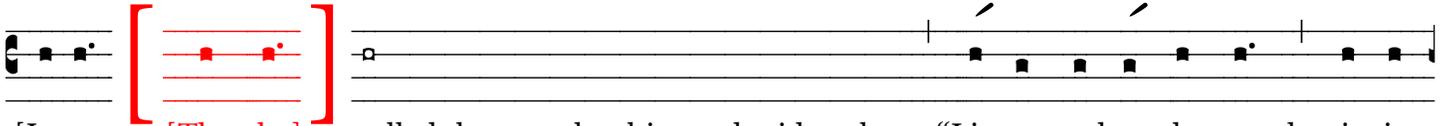


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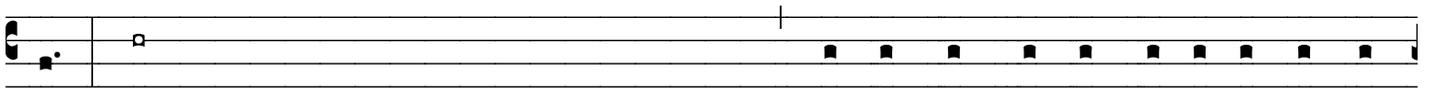
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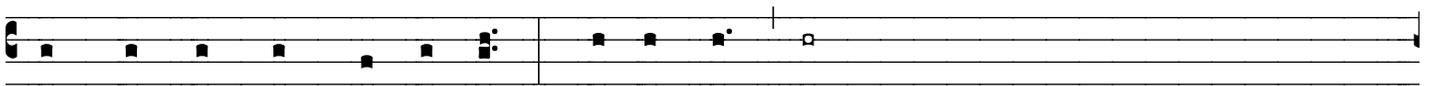
[Je-sus *or* [Then he]] called the crowd to him and said to them, “Lis-ten and un-der-stand: **11** it is



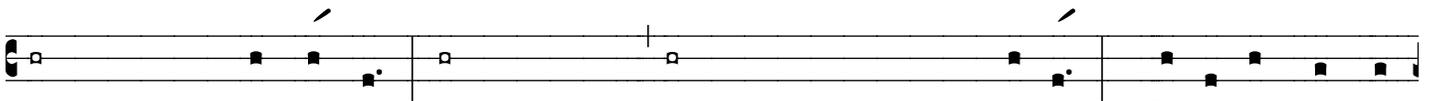
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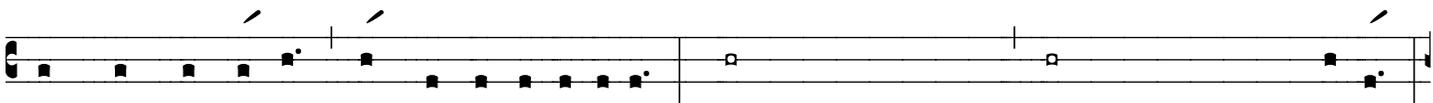
files.” **12** Then the disciples approached and said to him, “Do you know that the Phar-i-sees took of -



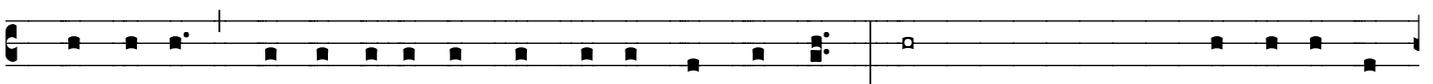
fense when they heard what you said?” **13** He an-swered, “Every plant that my heavenly Father has not



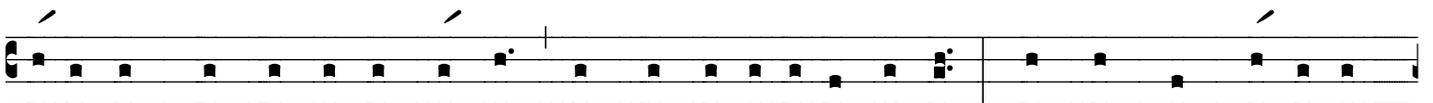
planted will be up-root-ed. **14** Let them alone; they are blind guides of the blind. And if one blind per-



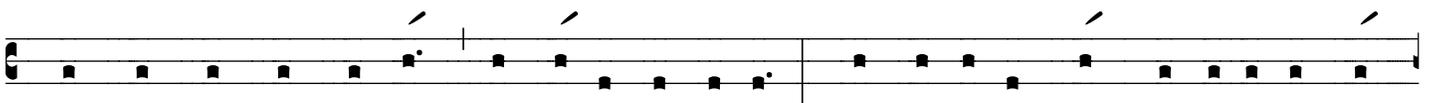
son guides an-oth-er, both will fall in-to a pit.” **15** But Peter said to him, “Explain this parable to us.”



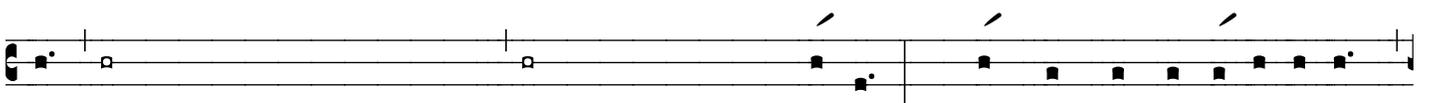
16 Then he said, “Are you al-so still with-out un-der-stand-ing? **17** Do you not see that what-ev-er goes



in-to the mouth en-ters the stom-ach, and goes out in-to the sew-er? **18** But what comes out of the



mouth pro-ceeds from the heart, and this is what de-files. **19** For out of the heart come e-vil in - ten -



tions, murder, adultery, fornication, theft, false witness, slan-der. **20** These are what de-file a per-son,

but to eat with unwashed hands does not de-file.”] ²¹ Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Si-don. ²² Just then a Ca-naan-ite wom-an from that re-gion came out and start-ed shout-ing, “Have mer-cy on me, Lord, Son of Da-vid; my daughter is tormented by a de-mon.” ²³ But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, say-ing, “Send her a-way, for she keeps shout-ing af - ter us.” ²⁴ He an-swered, “I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Is-ra-el.” ²⁵ But she came and knelt be-fore him, say - ing, “Lord, help me.” ²⁶ He an-swered, “It is not fair to take the children’s food and throw it to the dogs.” ²⁷ She said, “Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters’ ta-ble.” ²⁸ Then Jesus answered her, “Wom-an, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish.” And her daugh-ter was healed in-stant-ly.

✠ The Gos-pel of the Lord. ✠ Praise to you, Lord Christ.