

FOREFESTAL IDIOMELA OF THE NATIVITY

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1ST IDIOMELON



Let us cel - e - brate, O ye peo - ples, the Fore - - feast of the

Na - tiv - i - ty of __ Christ; and rais - ing our mind on __ high, let

us be tak - en up in spir - it un - to Beth - - - le - - -

-hem, and with the eyes __ of our __ soul, let us look up - on

__ the __ Vir - gin, as she mak - eth haste un - to the __ cave

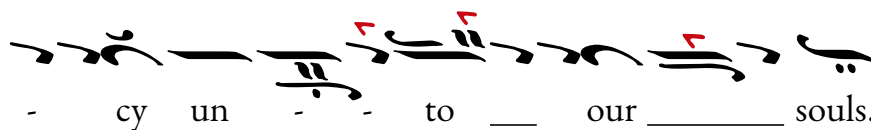
to give birth to the Lord of __ all and __ our __ God.

Be - hold - ing the great - ness of His won - - ders, Jo - seph sup - posed that

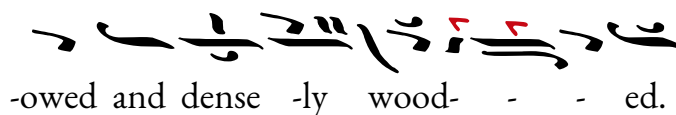
he saw a __ mere __ man wrapped as a babe in swad - dling __

clothes; but from the things that were __ ac - com - plished, he per -


-ceived that it was the true __ God, __ Who grant - eth great mer

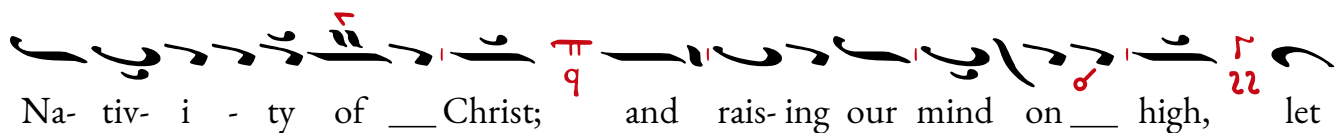

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 - cy un - - to _ our _____ souls.

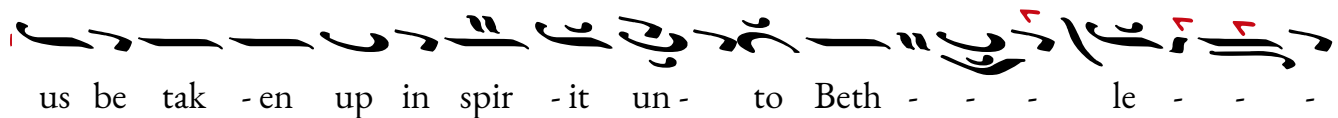
ⲓⲛⲓⲁ
 God shall come out of Thae-man, and the Holy One out of a mountain ⲓⲛⲓⲁ o- ver- shad -


ⲓⲛⲓⲁ
 -owed and dense -ly wood- - - ed.

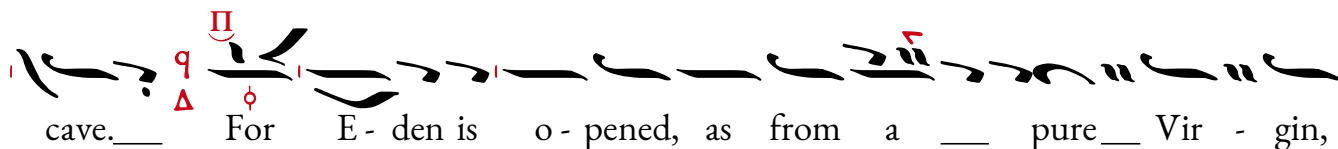
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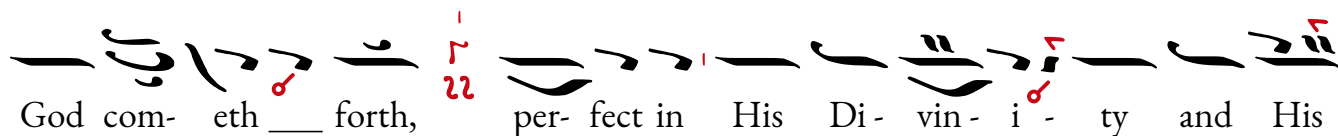

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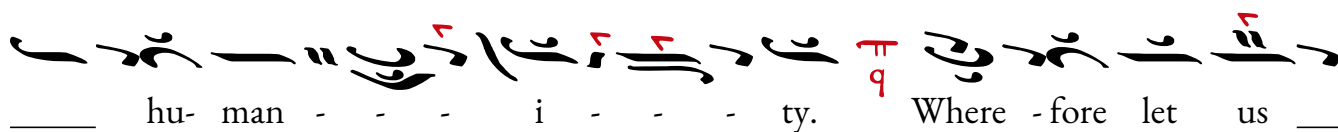

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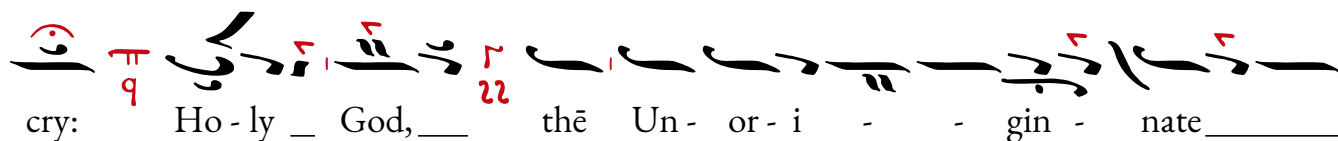

 us be tak - en up in spir - it un- to Beth - - - le - - -


 -hem, ⲓⲛⲓⲁ to look up-on the great _____ mys-t'ry in _____ the _____


 cave. ⲓⲛⲓⲁ For E- den is o- pened, as from a _ pure_ Vir - gin,


 God com- eth _ forth, ⲓⲛⲓⲁ per- fect in His Di- vin- i - ty and His


 _____ hu- man - - - i - - - ty. ⲓⲛⲓⲁ Where - fore let us _



 cry: ⲓⲛⲓⲁ Ho- ly _ God, ⲓⲛⲓⲁ thē Un- or- i - - - gin - nate _____

Fa - - - ther; Ho- ly __ Might- y, the In- car- nate__
 Son;__ Ho- ly __ Im - mor - tal, thē__ All - - - ho-
 -ly Spir - - - it. O Ho- ly Trin- i - ty, glo - ry
 be _____ to _____ Thee.

O Lord, I have heard Thy report, and I was afraid; O Lord, I considered Thy works, and

I was a - fraid.

3RD IDIOMELON


 eark - en, O Heav - - - en, and give__ ear, O __ earth;
 for be- hold, the Son and Word of God the Fa- ther__ com-eth __ forth,
 to be born of a Maid -en that __ hath not _____ known_____
 man, by the good pleas- ure of Him that be- gat Him with- out __
 pas - - - sion, and with the co- op- er - a - tion__ of __
 _____ the Ho - ly Spir - - - it. Pre- pare thy-self, O Beth- le

- hem; O E - den, o - - pen thy _____ gate. For
 He Who Is, be - com - eth that which He was ___ not; the Fash - ion - er
 of all cre - - a - tion ___ tak - eth ___ form, e - ven He that grant - eth the
 ___ world ___ great _____ mer - - - cy.



Musical settings by Gabriel Cremeens. To God be the glory.