

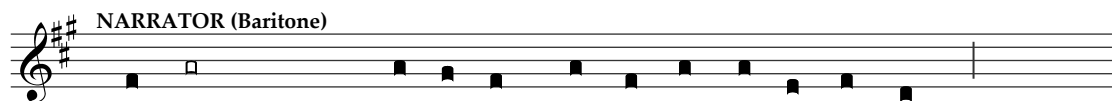
The Passion according to Matthew

Matthew 27:1-54

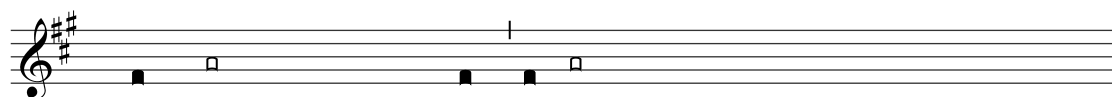
Plainchant

Choruses based on T.L. de Victoria

ed. K. Jaworski



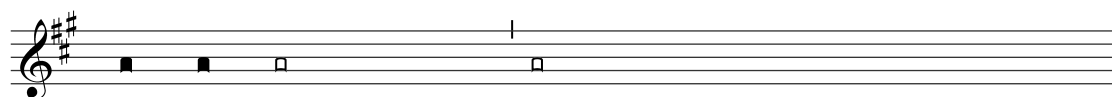
The Passion of our Lord Je-sus Christ ac-cord-ing to Mat-thew.



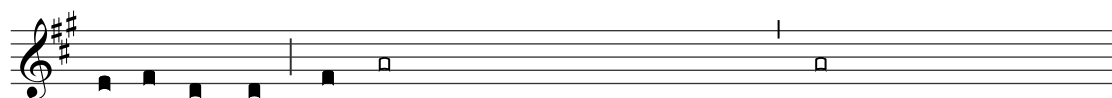
WHEN the morning was come, all the chief priests and elders of the people



took counsel a-against Je-sus, to put him to death. And when they had



bound him, they led him away, and delivered him to Pontius Pilate



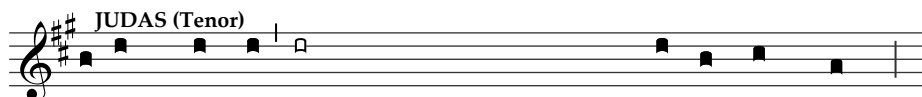
the go-ver-nor. Then Judas who had betrayed him, when he saw that he



was condemned, re-pen-ted him-self, and brought again the thirty pieces



of silver to the chief priests and el-ders, say-ing:



I have sinn-èd, in that I have betrayed the in-no-cent blood.



And they said:

EITHER: **PRIEST (Tenor)**

What is that to us? see thou to that.

OR: **CHORUS**

f

What is that to us? See thou to that.

NARRATOR

And he cast down the pieces of silver in the temple, and de-par-tèd,

and went and han-gèd him-self. And the chief priests took the sil-ver

pie-ces, and said:

EITHER: **PRIEST**

It is not lawful for to put them into the treasury,

be-cause it is the price of blood.

OR: **CHORUS**

mf

It is not law - ful

It is not law - ful } for to put them

mf

be - cause it
in - to the trea - su - ry: be - cause it

is the price of blood.
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is the price of blood.

NARRATOR

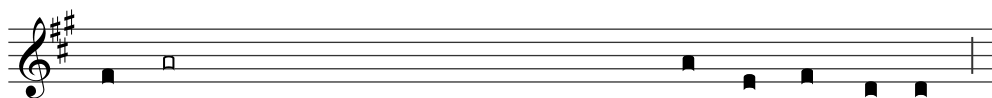
And they took counsel, and bought with them the pot-ter's field,

to bu-ry stran-gers in. Where-fore that field was called, The field of blood,

un-to this day. (Then was fulfilled that which was spoken by Jeremy

the pro-phet, say-ing: And they took the thirty pieces of sil-ver, the price of

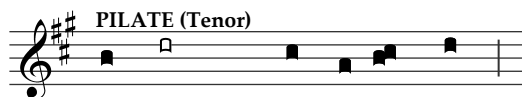
him that was valued, whom they of the children of Is-ra-el did va-lue,



and gave them for the potter's field, as the Lord ap-point-èd me.)



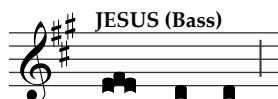
And Jesus stood be-fore the gov-er-nor; and the governor ask-èd him, say-ing:



PILATE (Tenor)
Art thou the King of the Jews?



NARRATOR
And Jesus said un-to him:



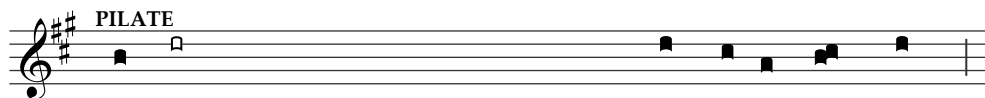
JESUS (Bass)
Thou say-est.



NARRATOR
And when he was accused of the chief priests and el-ders,



he ans-wer-èd no-thing. Then saith Pi-late un-to him,



PILATE
Hear-est thou not how many things they wit-ness a-gainst thee?



NARRATOR
And he answered him to ne-ver a word, in so much that the governor



mar-vell-èd great-ly. Now at that feast the governor was wont to release



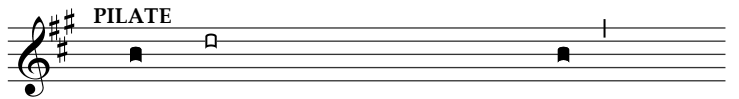
unto the people a prisoner, whom they would. And they had then a



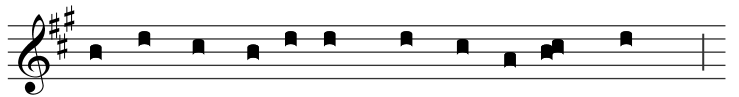
no-ta-ble pri-son-er, call-èd Ba-rab-bas. There-fore when they were



ga-the-rèd to-ge-ther, Pi-late said un-to them:



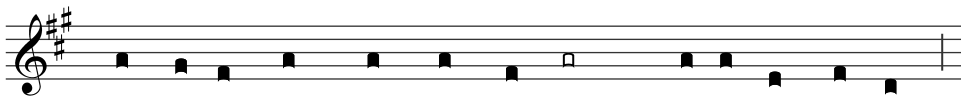
Whom will ye that I release unto you?



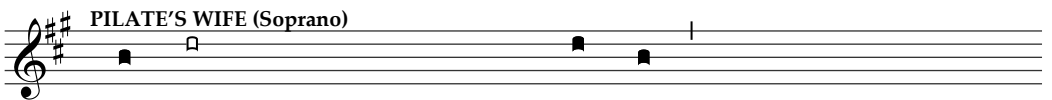
Ba-rab-bas, or Je-sus which is call-èd Christ?



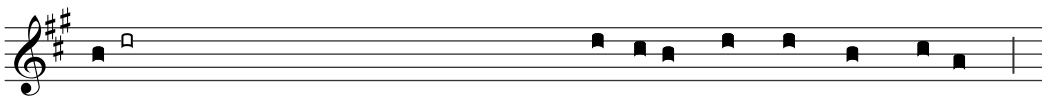
For he knew that for envy they had de-li-ver-èd him. When he was set



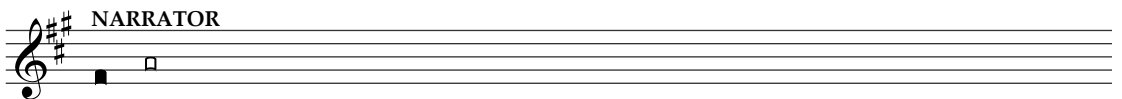
down on the judge-ment-seat, his wife sent un-to him, say-ing:



Have thou nothing to do with that just man:



for I have suffered many things this day in a dream be-cause of him.



But the chief priests and elders persuaded the multitude that

they should ask Ba-rab-bas, and de-stroy Je-sus.

The governor answerèd and said un-to them:

PILATE

Whe-ther of the twain will ye that I re-lease un-to you?

NARRATOR

They said:

EITHER: CROWD (Tenor)

Ba-rab-bas.

OR:

CHORUS

mf Ba - rab - bas.

NARRATOR

Pi-late saith un-to them:

PILATE

What shall I do then with Je-sus which is call-èd Christ?

NARRATOR

They all say un-to him:


EITHER: CROWD

Let him be cru-ci-fied.

CHORUS


f Let him be cru - ci - fied.

NARRATOR



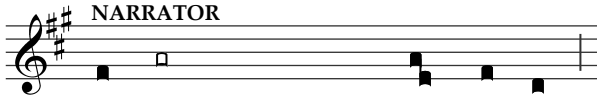
And the go-ver-nor said:

PILATE




Why, what e-vil hath he done?

NARRATOR



But they cried out the more, say-ing:

EITHER: CROWD

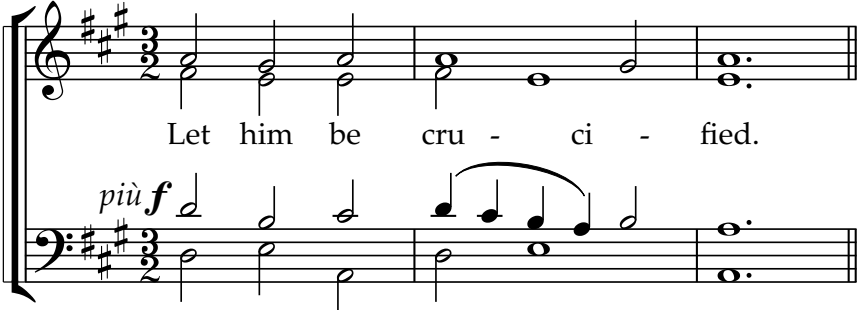


Let him be cru-ci-fied.

CHORUS

più f

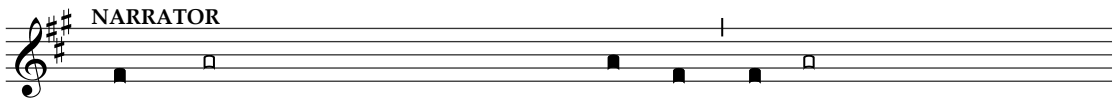
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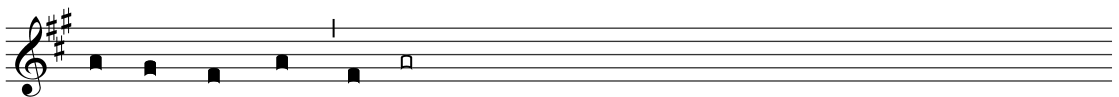
Let him be cru - ci - fied.

più f

NARRATOR



When Pilate saw that he could prevail no-thing, but that rather a

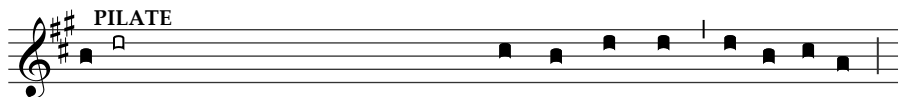


tu-mult was made, he took water, and washed his hands before the



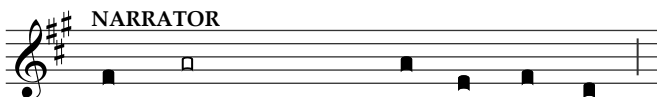
mul-ti-tude, say-ing:

PILATE



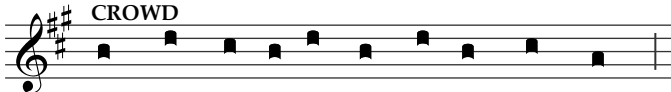
I am innocent of the blood of this just per-son: see ye to it.

NARRATOR



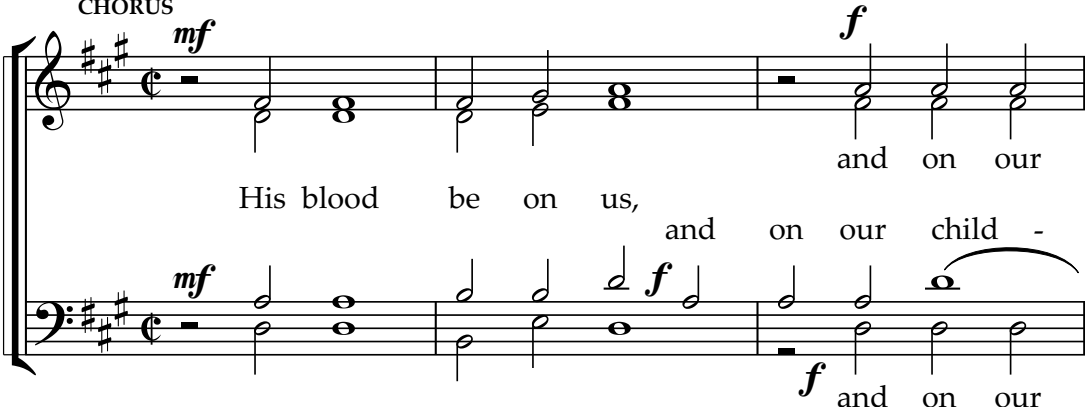
Then answered all the peo-ple, and said:

CROWD

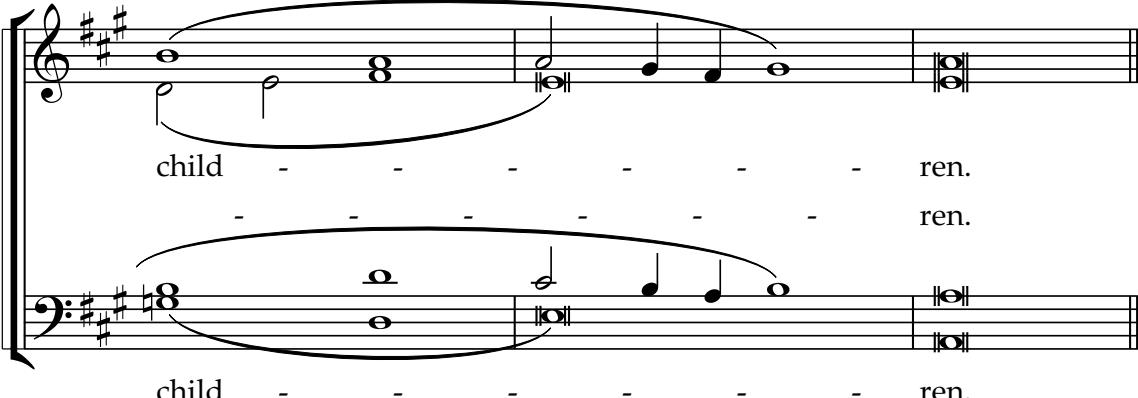
EITHER: 

His blood be on us, and on our child-ren.

CHORUS


OR: 

His blood be on us, and on our child -
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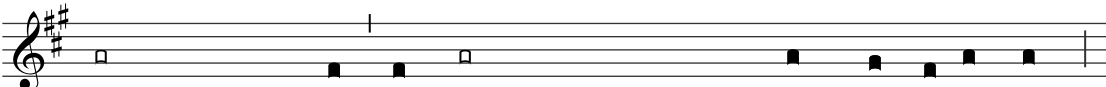
NARRATOR



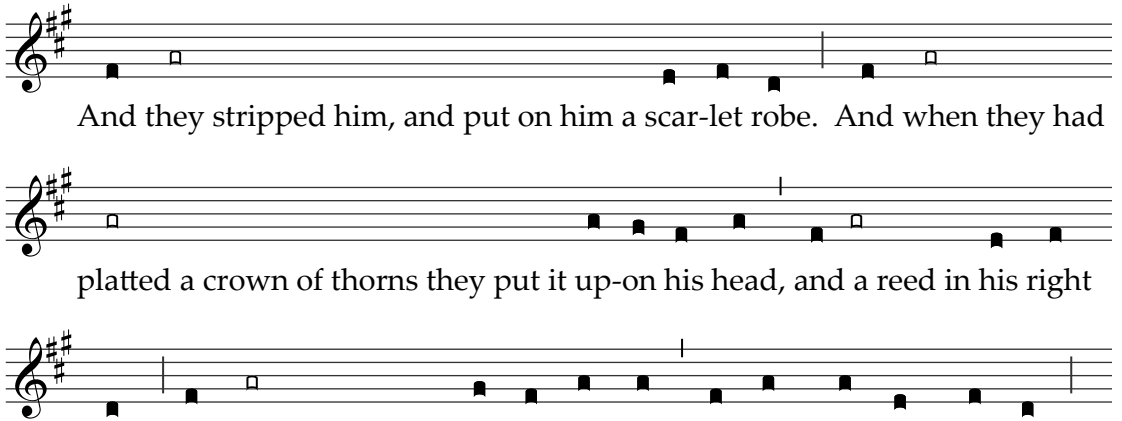
Then released he Barabbas un-to them: and when he had scourged Jesus he



delivered him to be cru-ci-fi-èd. Then the soldiers of the governor took Jesus



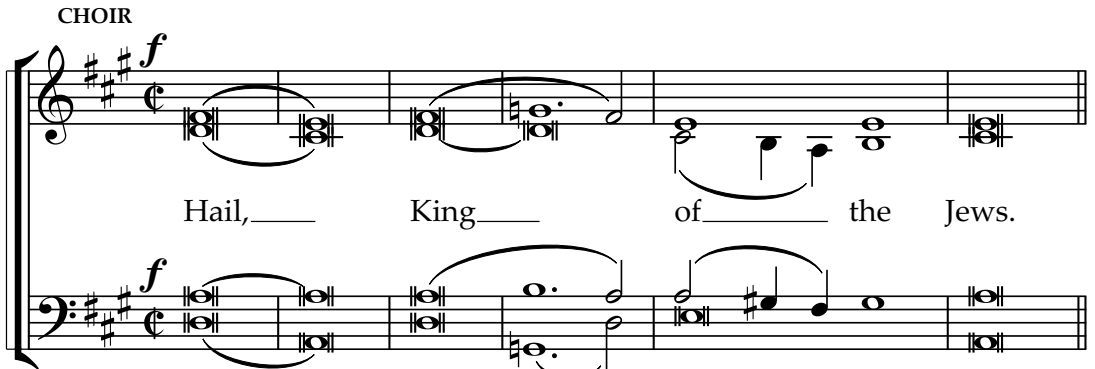
into the common hall, and gathered unto him the whole band of sol-diers.



And they stripped him, and put on him a scar-let robe. And when they had
platted a crown of thorns they put it up-on his head, and a reed in his right
hand: and they bowed the knee be-fore him, and mock-èd him, say-ing:

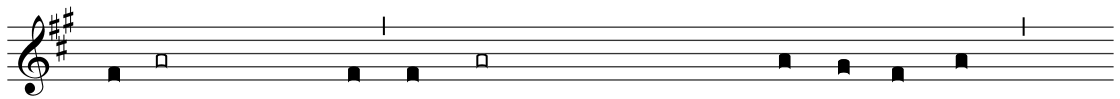
EITHER:  **SOLDIER (Tenor)**
Hail, King of the Jews.

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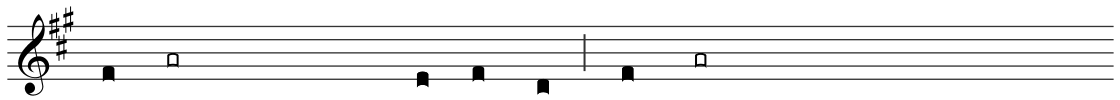
OR:  **Hail, King of the Jews.**
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NARRATOR

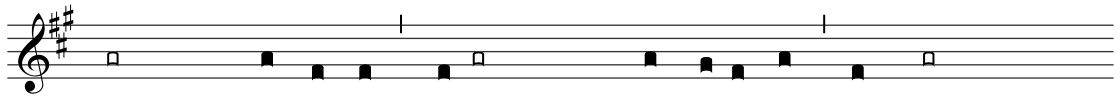
And they spit up-on him, and took the reed, and smote him on the head.
And after that they had mocked him they took the robe off from him,
and put his own rai-ment on him, and led him away to cru-ci-fy him.



And as they came out they found a man of Cyrene, Si-mon by name;



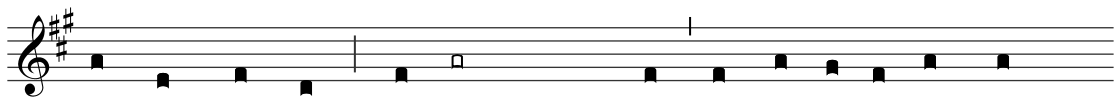
him they compelled to bear his cross. And when they were come unto a



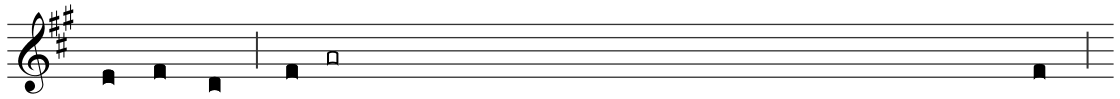
place called Gol-go-tha, that is to say, a place of a skull, they gave him



vinegar to drink min-gled with gall: and when he had tas-ted there-of,



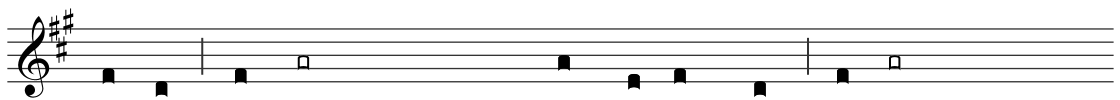
he would not drink. And they crucified him, and part-ed his gar-ments,



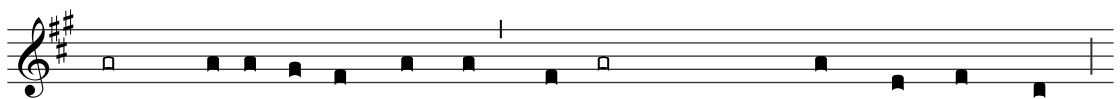
cast-ing lots: that it might be fulfilled, which was spoken by the prop-het,



They parted my gar-ments a-mong them, and upon my vesture did they



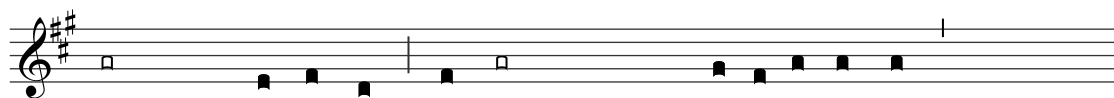
cast lots. And sitting down they watch-èd him there; and set up over his



head his ac-cu-sa-tion writ-ten, THIS IS JESUS THE KING OF THE JEWS.



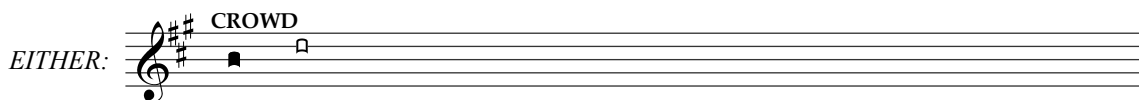
Then were there two thieves cru-ci-fi-èd with him; one on the right hand,



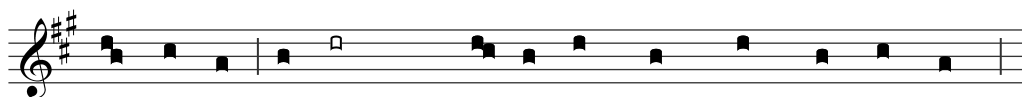
and another on the left. And they that passed by re-vil-èd him,



wag-ging their heads, and say-ing:



Thou that destroyest the temple, and buildest it in three days,



save thy-self: if thou be the Son of God, come down from the cross.

CHORUS

OR: **f**

Thou that de-destroy - est the tem - -

ple, } and build - est it in three

and build - est it in three

mp
 save thy
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mf
 self. If thou be the Son of God, come
mf

cresc.
 come down from
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the cross.
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NARRATOR

Like-wise also the chief priests mock-ing him,

with the scribes and el-ders, said:

EITHER: **CROWD**

He sav-èd oth-ers, him-self he can-not save: if he be the King of Israel,

let him now come down from the cross, and we will be-lieve him.

He trust-èd in God; let him deliver him now, if he will have him:

for he said, I am the Son of God.

CHORUS *mf*

He sav - ed oth - ers,

OR: *mf*

He sav - ed oth -

mf

He sav - ed oth - ers,

mf

He sav - ed oth - ers,

cresc.

him - self he can -

cresc.

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cresc.

him - self he can -

cresc.

him - self he can -

- not _____ save: _____ if he
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 - not _____ save: _____

f *f* *f*

be the King of Is - ra - el,
 King of Is - ra - el, } let him now come down from the
 King of Is - ra - el,

cross, and we will be - lieve _____

mp

him: he trust - ed in God: let

mp

let him de - li-ver him now if he will have

him de - li-ver him now if he will have

him;

cresc.

him; } for he said: I am the

cresc.

Son of God.

(of)

NARRATOR

The thieves also, which were cru-ci-fi-ed with him, cast the same in his

teeth. Now from the sixth hour there was darkness over all the land un-to

the ninth hour. And a-bout the ninth hour Je-sus cried with a

loud voice, say-ing:

JESUS

E-li, E-li, la-ma sa-bach-tha-ni?

NARRATOR

that is to say,

JESUS

My God, my God, why hast thou for-sa-ken me?

NARRATOR

Some of them that stood there, when they heard that, said:

EITHER: CROWD

This man calleth for E-li-as.

CHORUS

mp

OR:

mp

This man call - eth for E - li - - as.

NARRATOR

And straightway one of them ran, and took a sponge, and filled it with

vinegar, and put it on a reed, and gave him to drink. The rest said:

EITHER: CROWD

Let be, let us see whether Elias will come to save him.

CHORUS

S. & A.

OR:

p

Let be, _____ let us see _____

p T.

Let be, _____ let us see _____ whe - ther E -

B. *p*

Let be, _____ let us see _____

whe - ther E - li - as will come _____

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to save him.

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NARRATOR

Je-sus, when he had cried again with a loud voice, yielded up the ghost.

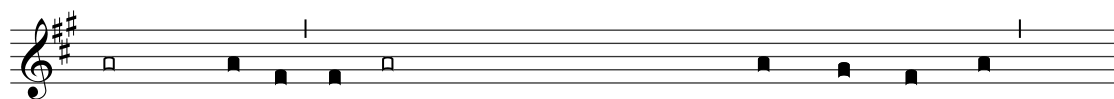
And behold, the vail of the temple was rent in twain from the top to the

bot-tom, and the earth did quake, and the rocks rent, and the graves were

o-pen-èd, and many bodies of saints which slept a-rose, and came out of the

graves after his re-sur-rec-tion, and went into the holy city, and appeared

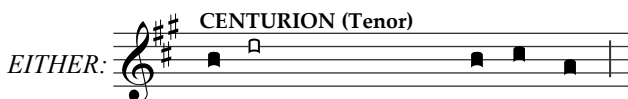
un-to ma-ny. Now when the centurion and they that were with him,



watching Jes-us, saw the earthquake and those things that were done,



they fear-èd great-ly, say-ing:



Tru-ly this was the Son of God.

CHORUS

OR:

Tru - ly this

was the Son of God.
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 was the Son of God.
 was the Son of God.