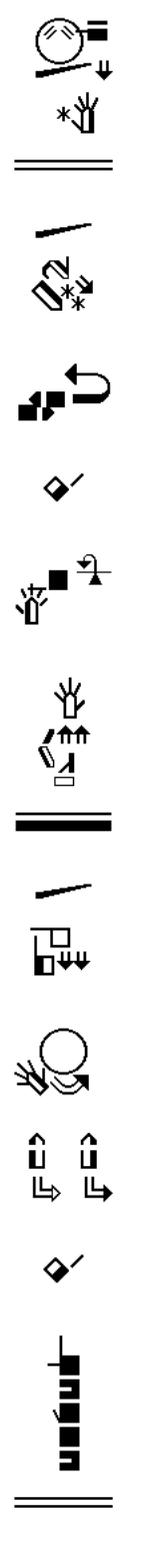
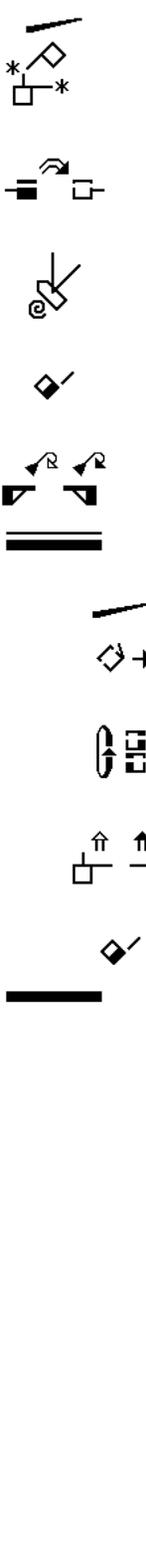


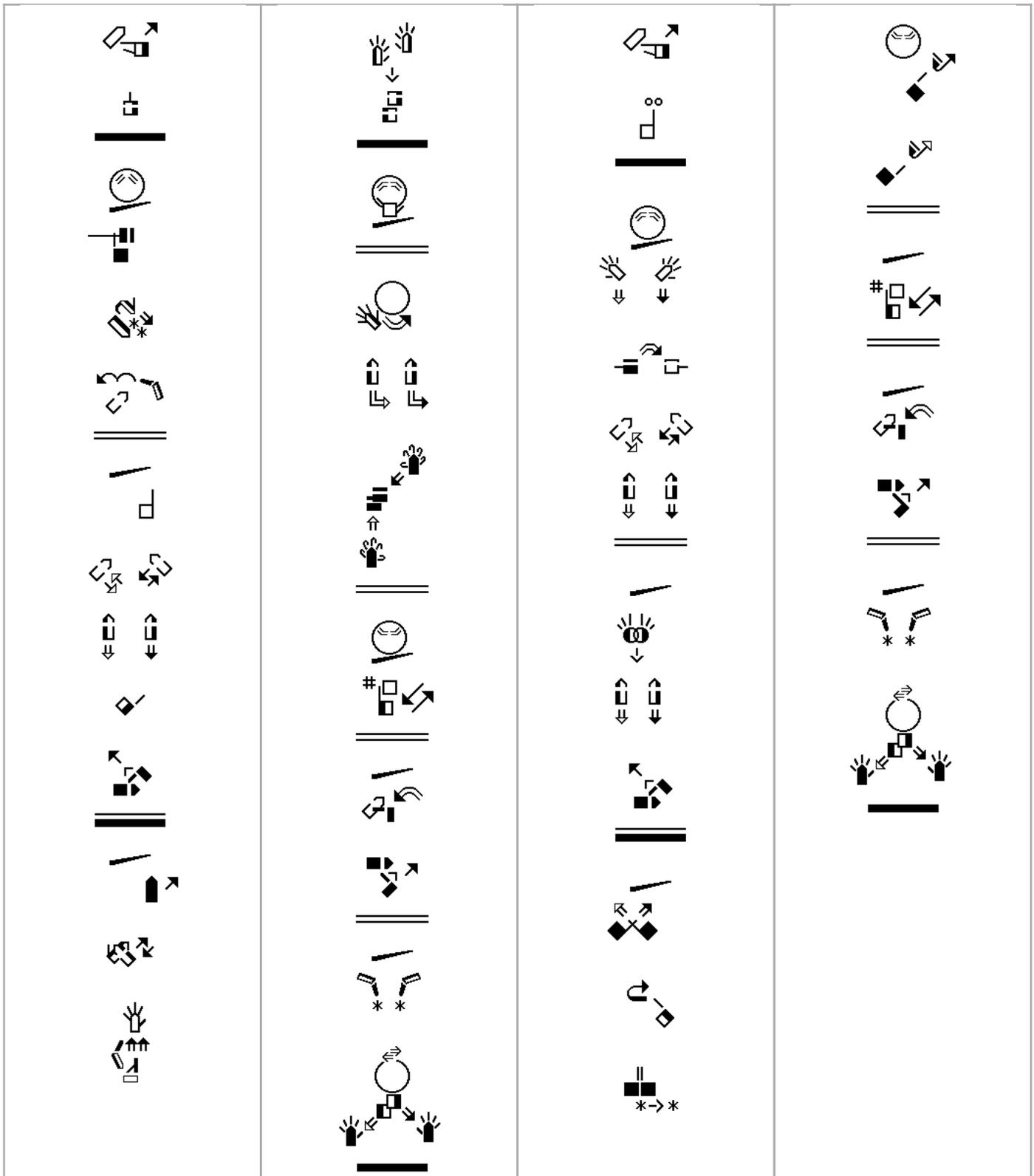
Luke 20. One day as Jesus was teaching the people and preaching the Good News in the Temple, the leading priests, the teachers of religious law, and the elders came up to him. Verse 2. They demanded, "By what authority are you doing all these things? Who gave you the right?" NLT

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he will ask why we didn't believe John. Verse 6. But if we say it was merely human, the people will stone us because they are convinced John was a prophet." Verse 7. So they finally replied that they didn't know. NLT

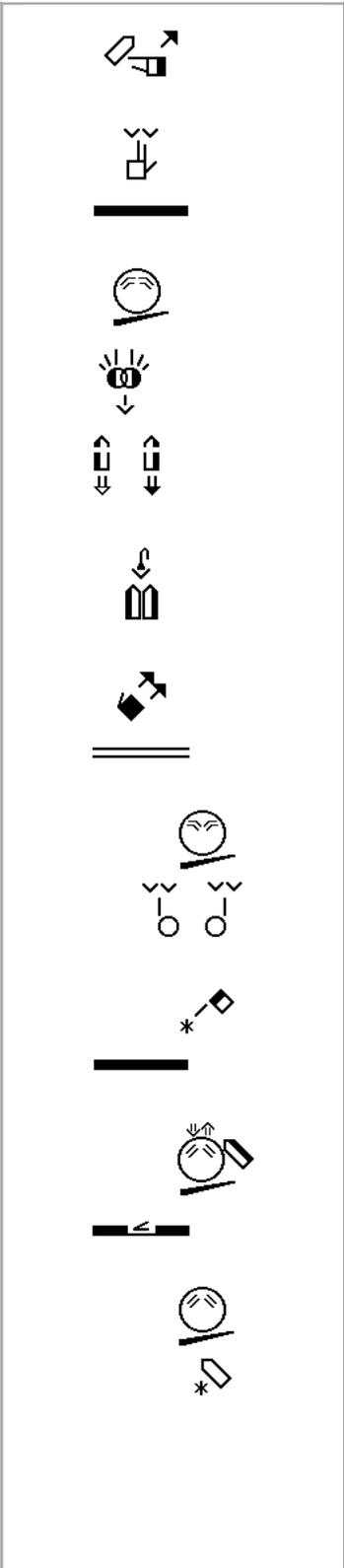
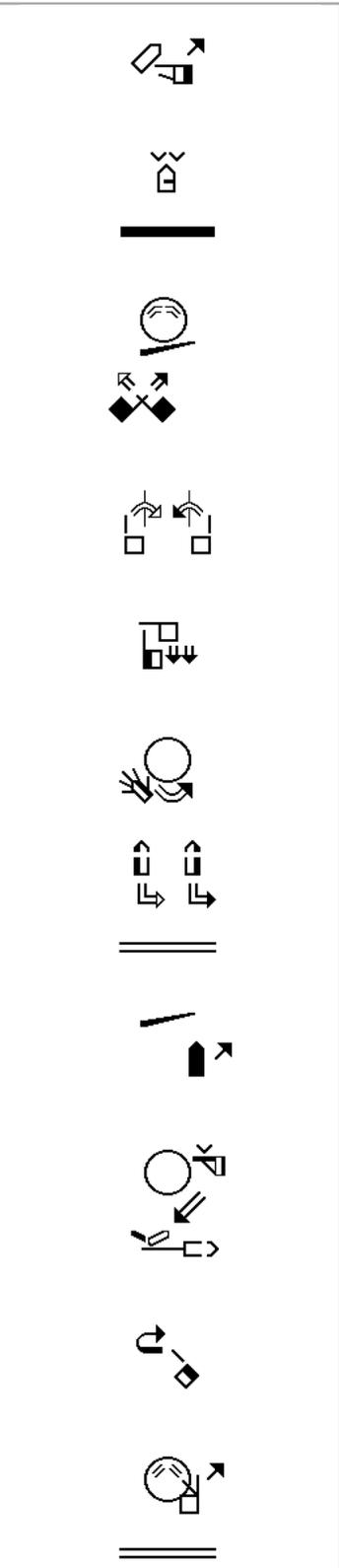
			
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Verse 8. And Jesus responded, "Then I won't tell you by what authority I do these things."
 Verse 9. Now Jesus turned to the people again and told them this story: "A man planted a vineyard, leased it to tenant farmers, and moved to another country to live for several years."
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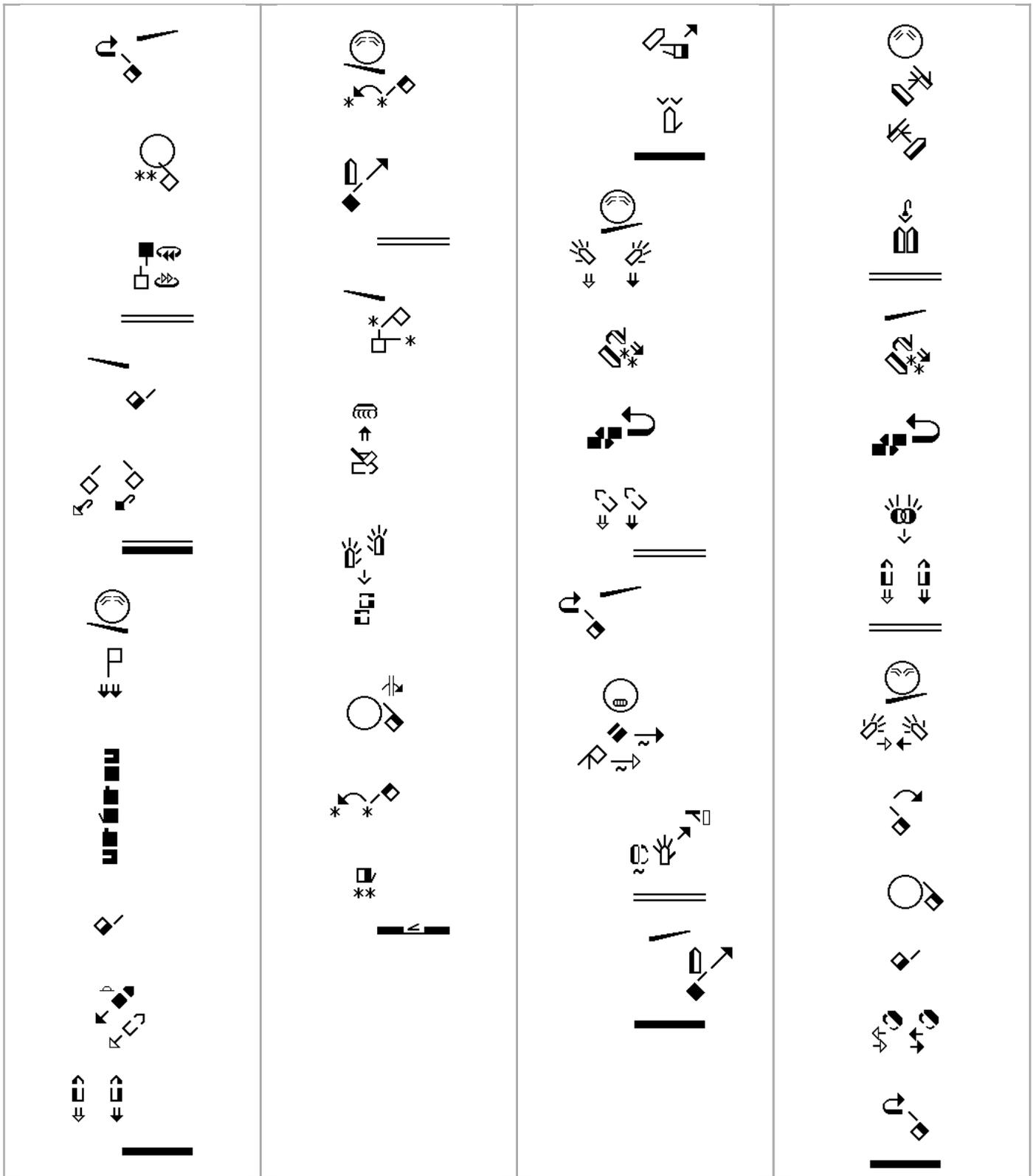


Verse 10. At the time of the grape harvest, he sent one of his servants to collect his share of the crop. But the farmers attacked the servant, beat him up, and sent him back empty-handed. Verse 11. So the owner sent another servant, but they also insulted him, beat him up, and sent him away empty-handed.

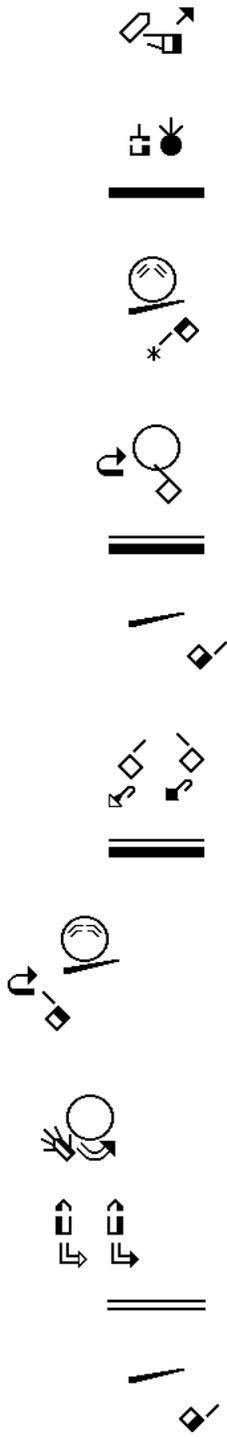
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449 Verse 12. A third man was sent, and they wounded him and chased him away. Verse 13. "What will I do?' the owner asked himself. 'I know! I'll send my cherished son. Surely they will respect him.' Verse 14. "But when the tenant farmers saw his son, NLT



they said to each other, 'Here comes the heir to this estate. Let's kill him and get the estate for ourselves!' Verse 15. So they dragged him out of the vineyard and murdered him. "What do you suppose the owner of the vineyard will do to them?" Jesus asked. NLT

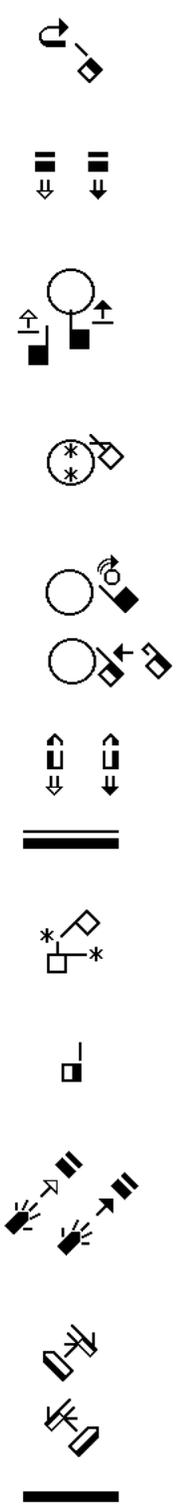
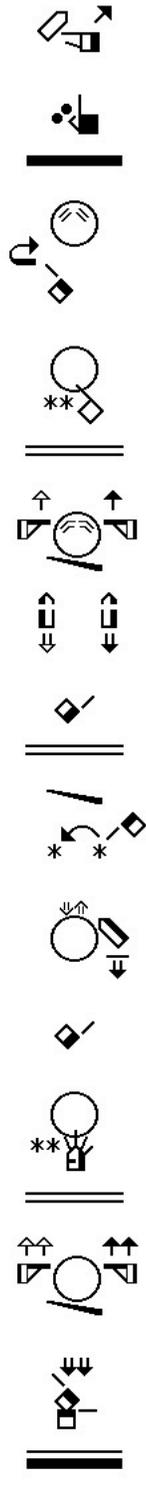
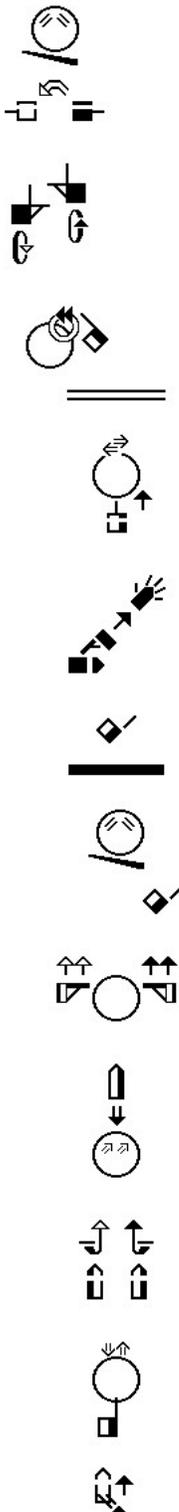
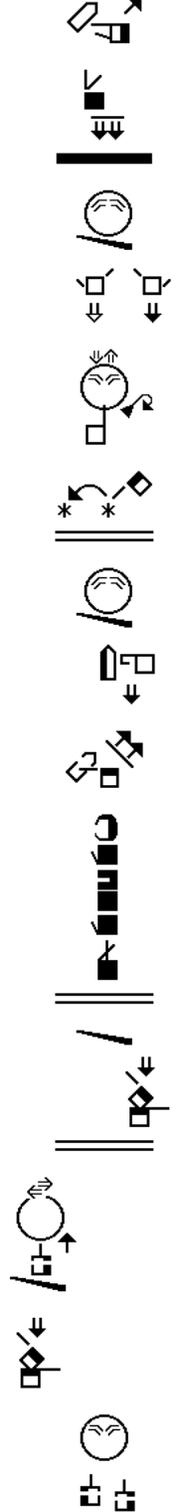
			
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Verse 16. "I'll tell you -- he will come and kill those farmers and lease the vineyard to others." "How terrible that such a thing should ever happen," his listeners protested.
 Verse 17. Jesus looked at them and said, "Then what does this Scripture

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arrest Jesus immediately because they realized he was telling the story against them -- they were the wicked farmers. But they were afraid of the people's reaction. Verse 20. Watching for their opportunity, the leaders sent spies pretending to be honest men. They tried to get Jesus to say something

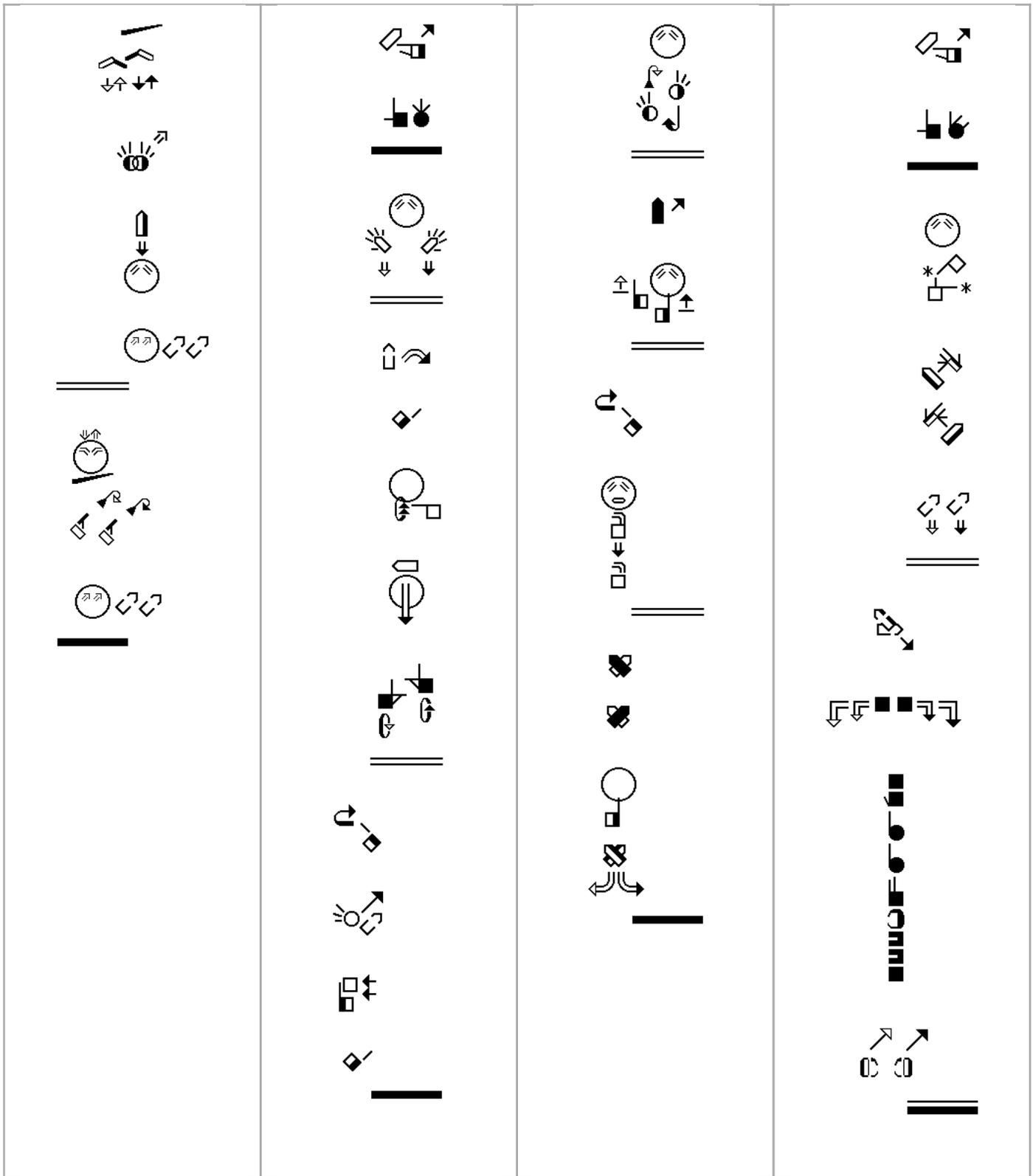
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that could be reported to the Roman governor so he would arrest Jesus. Verse 21. "Teacher," they said, "we know that you speak and teach what is right and are not influenced by what others think. You teach the way of God truthfully. Verse 22. Now tell us -- is it right for us to pay taxes to Caesar or not?" NLT

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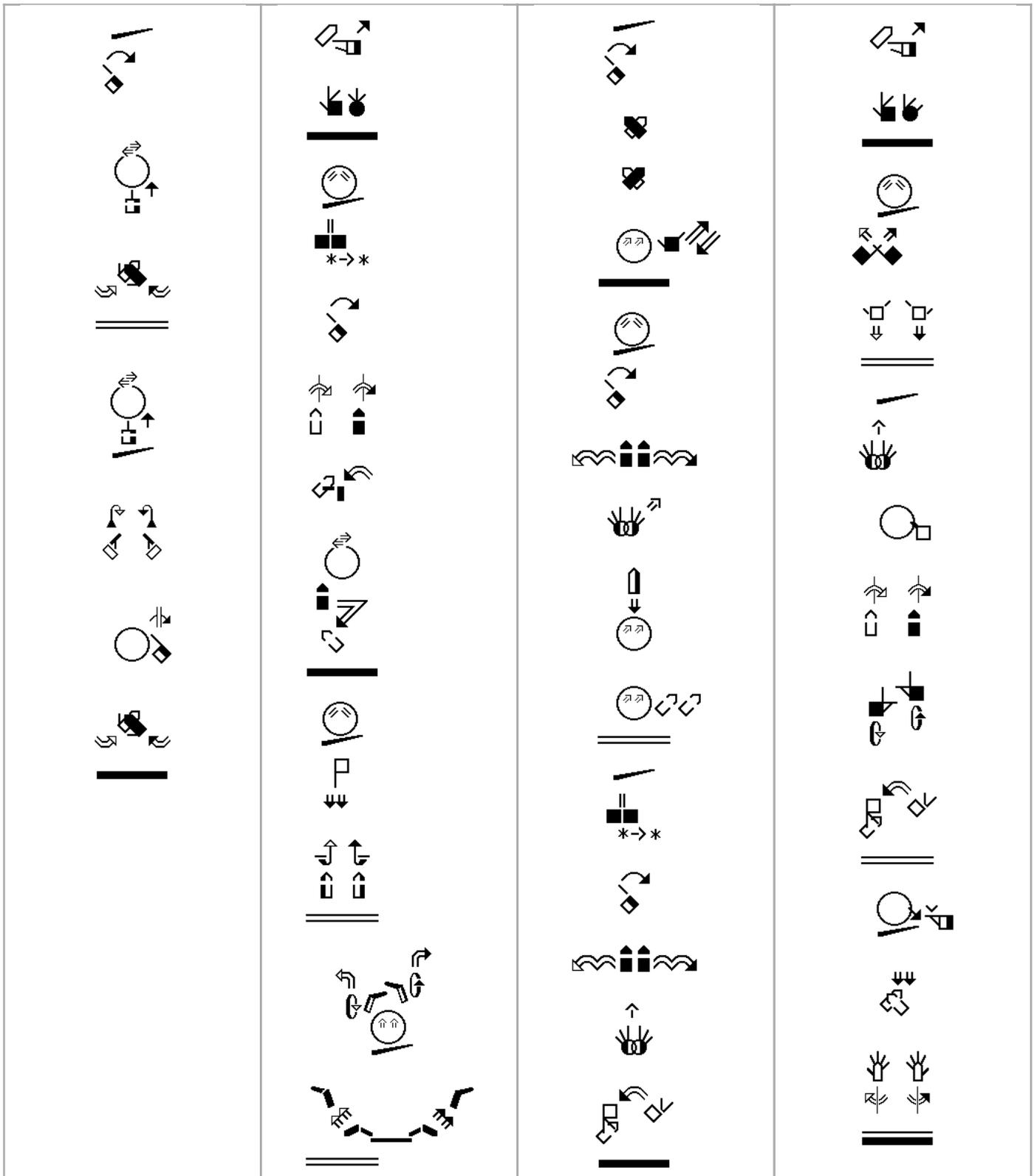
455 Verse 23. He saw through their trickery and said, Verse 24. "Show me a Roman coin. Whose picture and title are stamped on it?" "Caesar's," they replied. Verse 25. "Well then," he said, "give to Caesar what belongs to Caesar, NLT



and give to God what belongs to God." Verse 26. So they failed to trap him by what he said in front of the people. Instead, they were amazed by his answer, and they became silent. Verse 27. Then Jesus was approached by some Sadducees -- NLT

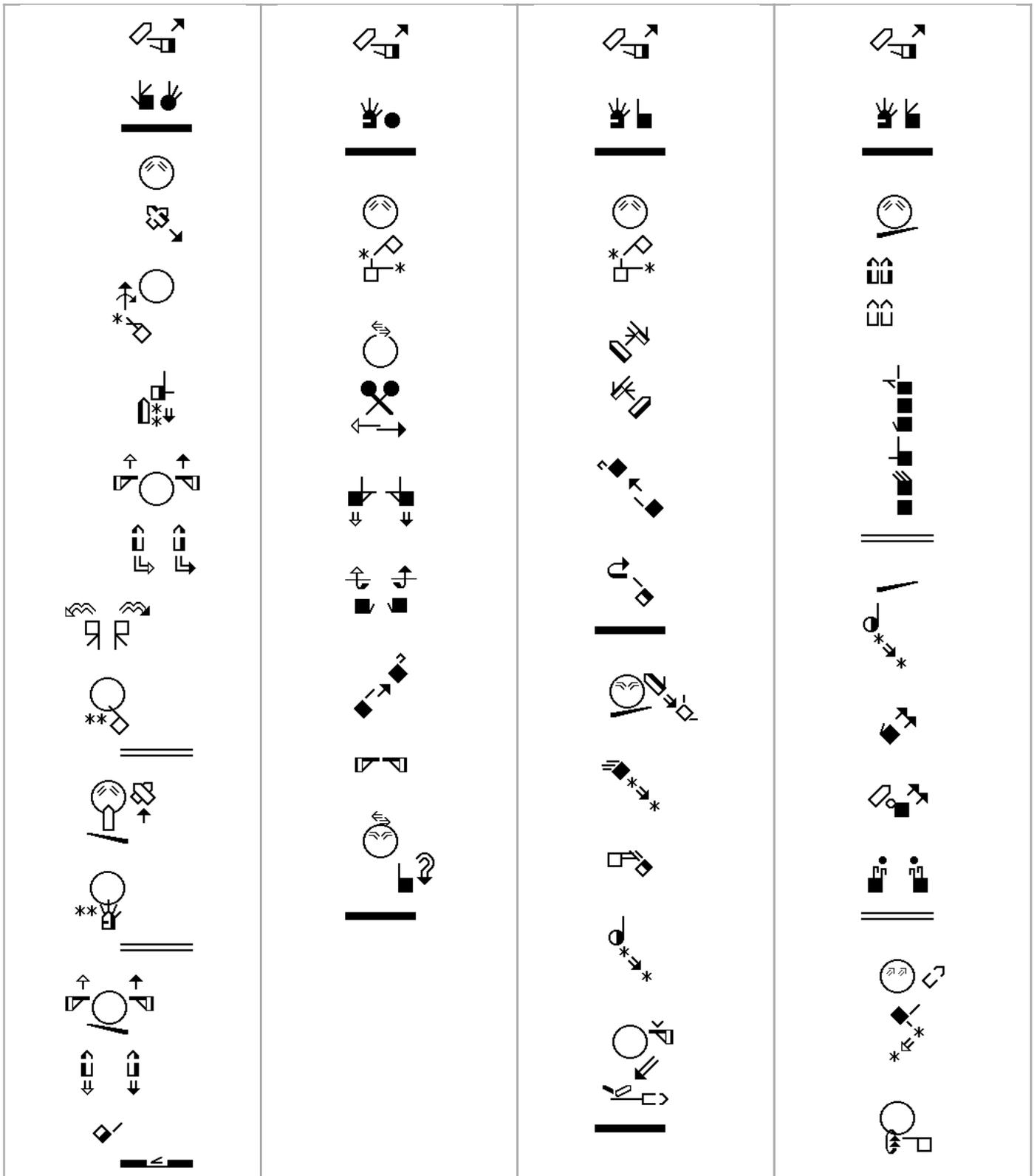
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457 religious leaders who say there is no resurrection from the dead. Verse 28. They posed this question: "Teacher, Moses gave us a law that if a man dies, leaving a wife but no children, his brother should marry the widow and have a child who will carry on the brother's name. NLT

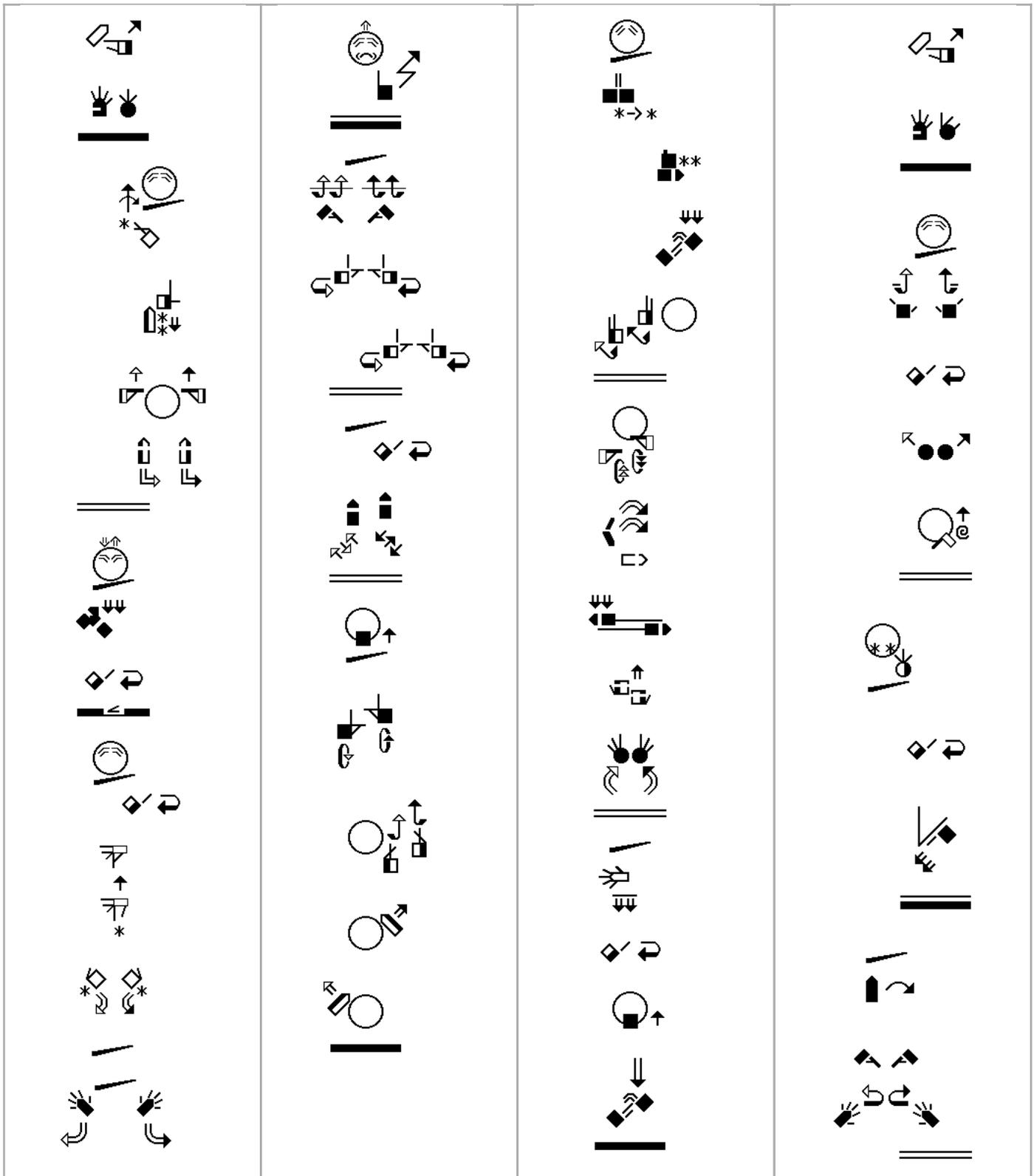


will neither marry nor be given in marriage. Verse 36. And they will never die again. In this respect they will be like angels. They are children of God and children of the resurrection. Verse 37. "But now, as to whether the dead will be raised -- even Moses proved this

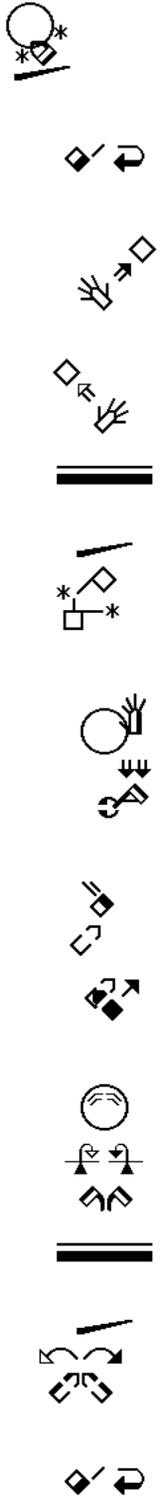
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Verse 39. "Well said, Teacher!" remarked some of the teachers of religious law who were standing there. Verse 40. And then no one dared to ask him any more questions. Verse 41. Then Jesus presented them with a question. "Why is it," he asked, "that the Messiah is said to be the son of David? Verse 42. For David himself wrote in the book of Psalms: 'The LORD said NLT



Verse 46. "Beware of these teachers of religious law! For they like to parade around in flowing robes and love to receive respectful greetings as they walk in the marketplaces. And how they love the seats of honor in the synagogues and the head table at banquets. Verse 47. Yet they shamelessly cheat widows out of their property NLT

			
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