
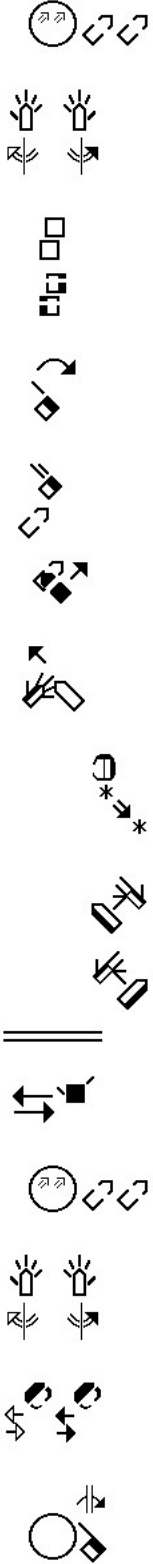
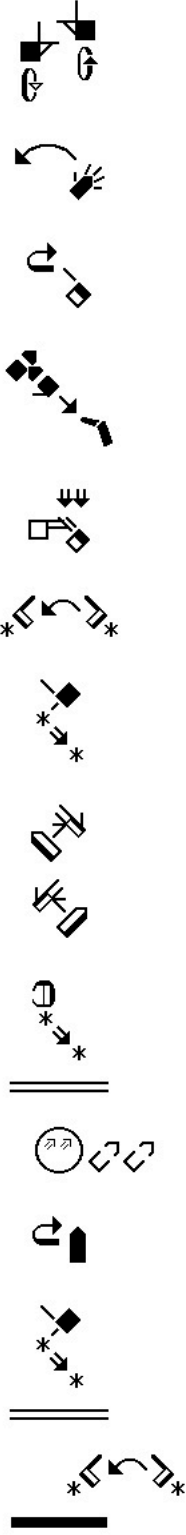
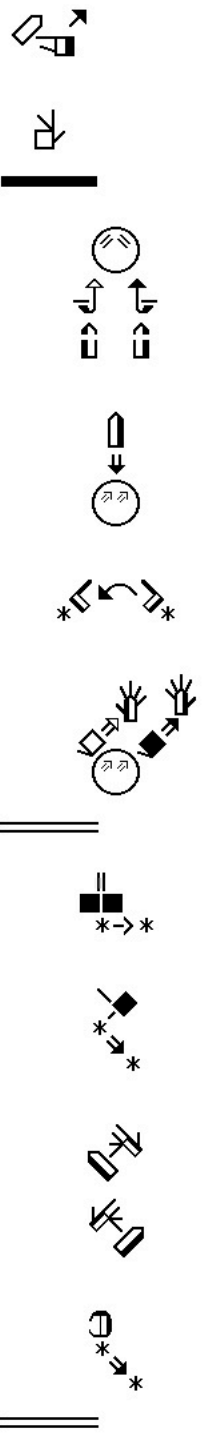


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to you who have been called by God to be his own holy people. He made you holy by means of Christ Jesus, just as he did for all people everywhere who call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, their Lord and ours. Verse 3. May God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ

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



















































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3 give you grace and peace. Verse 4. I always thank my God for you and for the gracious gifts he has given you, now that you belong to Christ Jesus. Verse 5. Through him, God has enriched your church in every way -- NLT

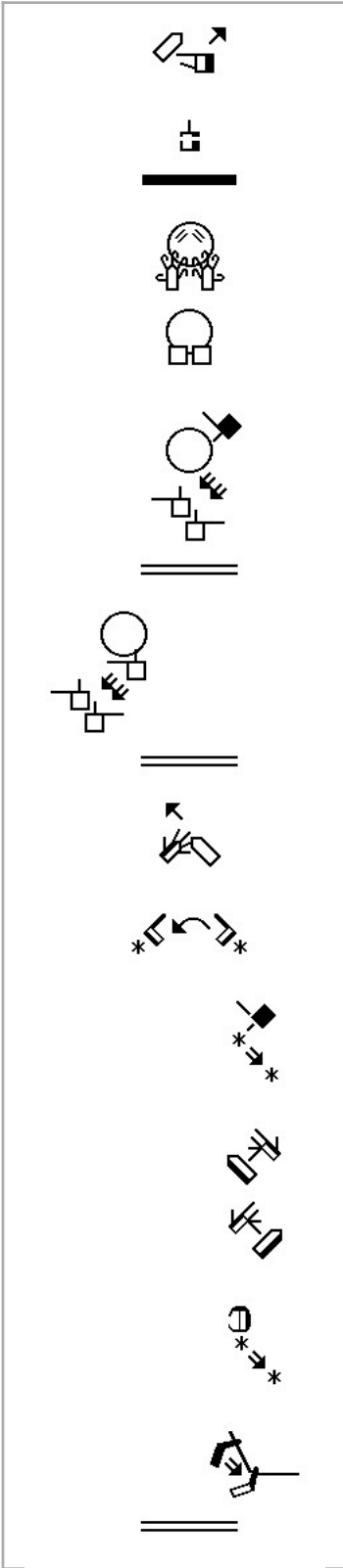
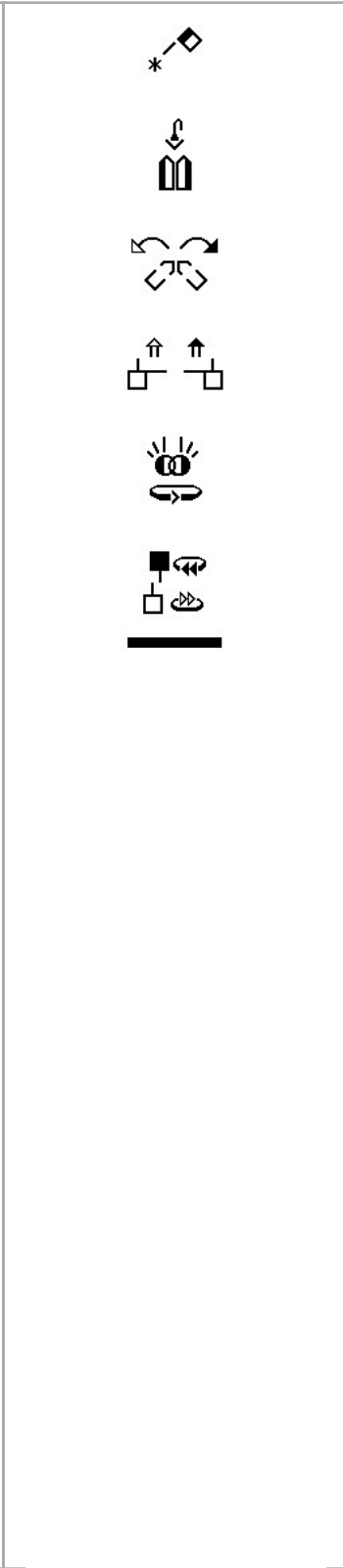
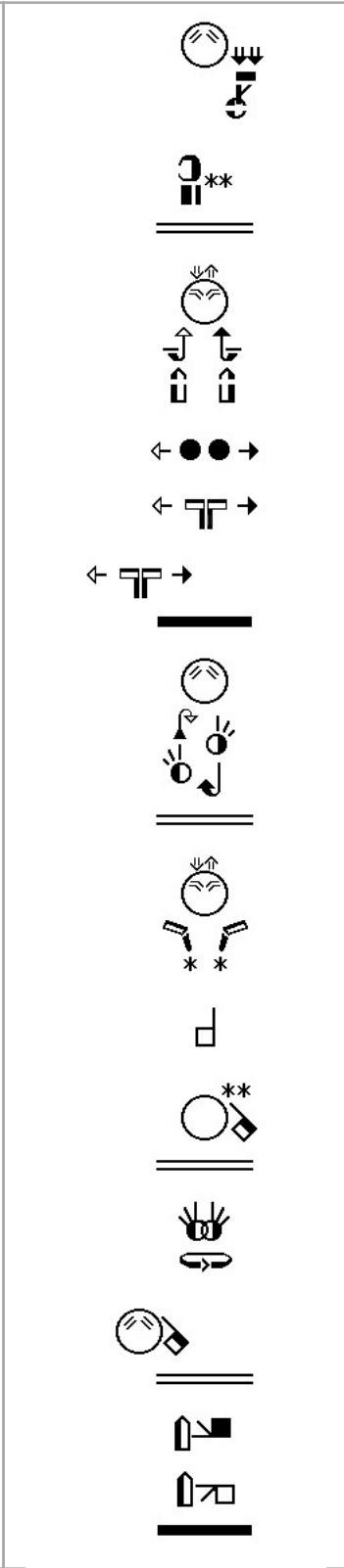
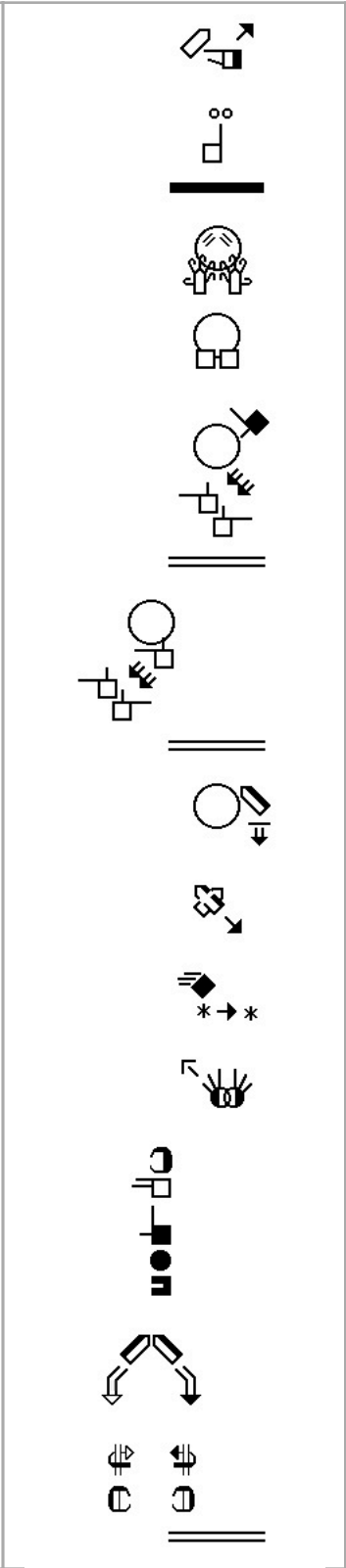
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with all of your eloquent words and all of your knowledge. Verse 6. This confirms that what I told you about Christ is true. Verse 7. Now you have every spiritual gift you need as you eagerly wait for the return of our Lord Jesus Christ.

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Verse 8. He will keep you strong to the end so that you will be free from all blame on the day when our Lord Jesus Christ returns. Verse 9. God will do this, for he is faithful to do what he says, and he has invited you into partnership with his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.
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Verse 10. I appeal to you, dear brothers and sisters, by the authority of our Lord Jesus Christ, to live in harmony with each other. Let there be no divisions in the church. Rather, be of one mind, united in thought and purpose. Verse 11. For some members of Chloe's household

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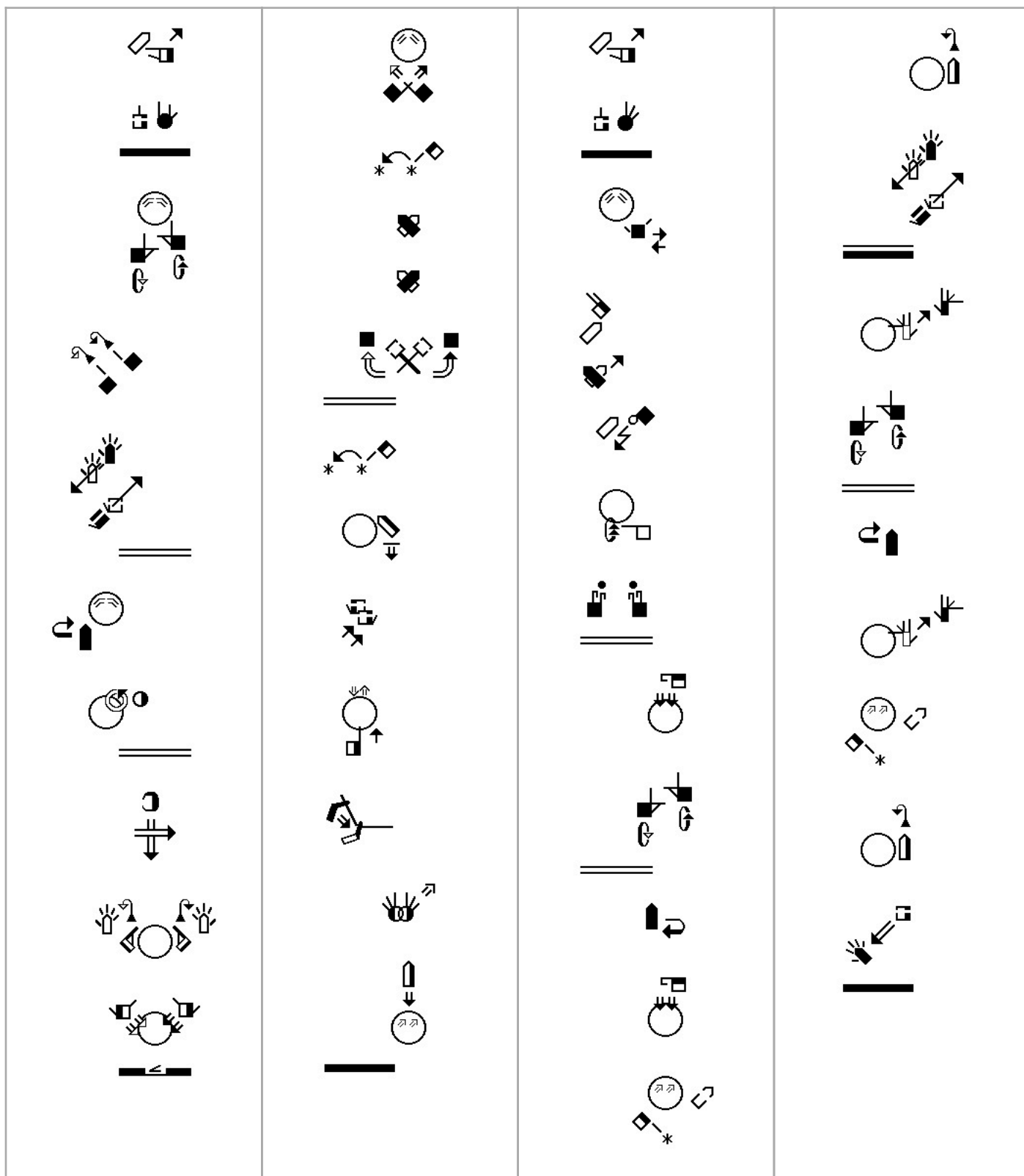
crucified for you? Were any of you baptized in the name of Paul? Of course not! Verse 14. I thank God that I did not baptize any of you except Crispus and Gaius, Verse 15. for now no one can say they were baptized in my name.

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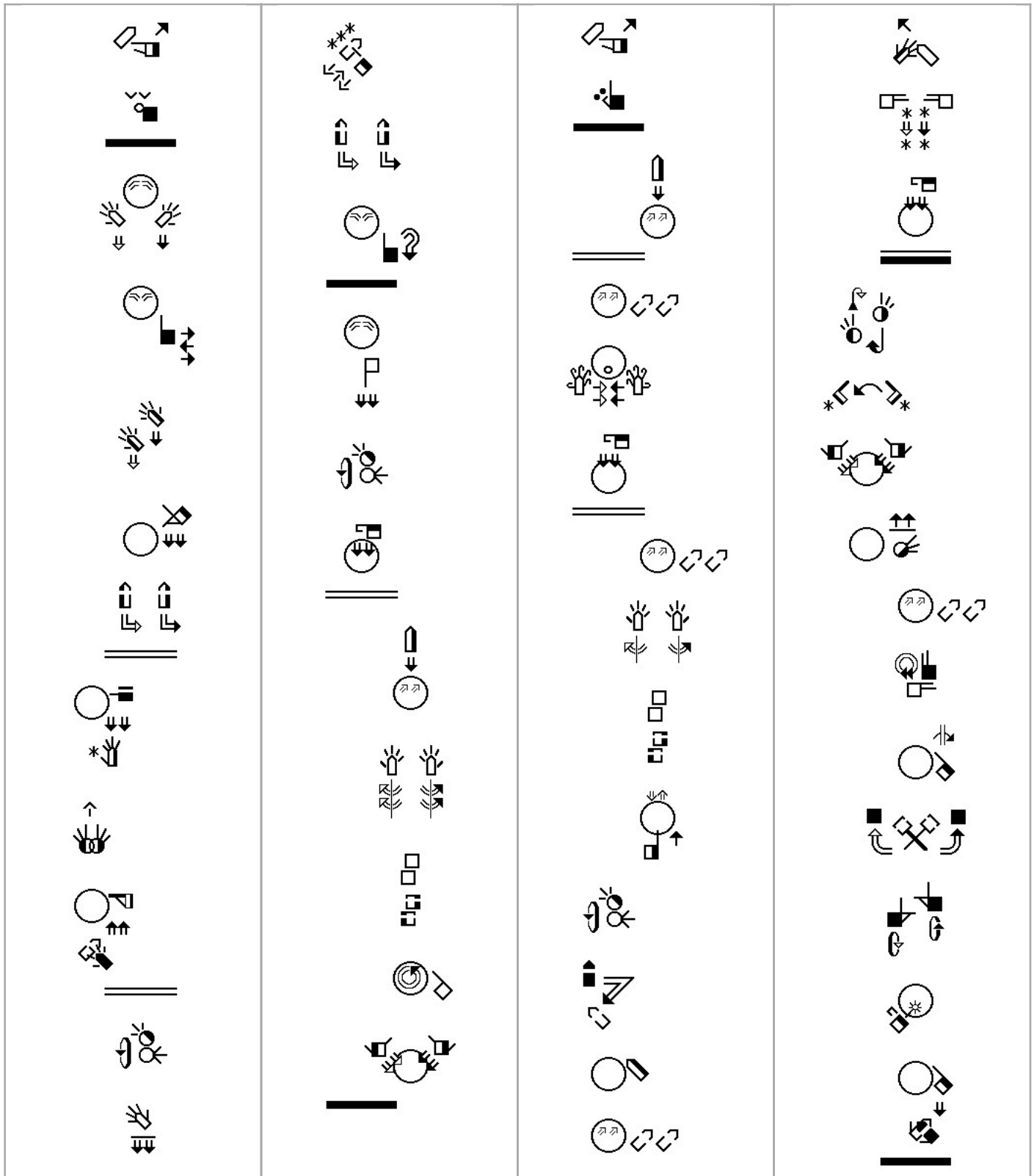
Verse 16. (Oh yes, I also baptized the household of Stephanas, but I don't remember baptizing anyone else.) Verse 17. For Christ didn't send me to baptize, but to preach the Good News -- and not with clever speech, for fear that the cross of Christ would lose its power.

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



























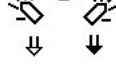








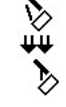



















Verse 18. The message of the cross is foolish to those who are headed for destruction! But we who are being saved know it is the very power of God. Verse 19. As the Scriptures say, "I will destroy the wisdom of the wise and discard the intelligence of the intelligent."

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Verse 20. So where does this leave the philosophers, the scholars, and the world's brilliant debaters? God has made the wisdom of this world look foolish. Verse 21. Since God in his wisdom saw to it that the world would never know him through human wisdom, he has used our foolish preaching to save those who believe. NLT

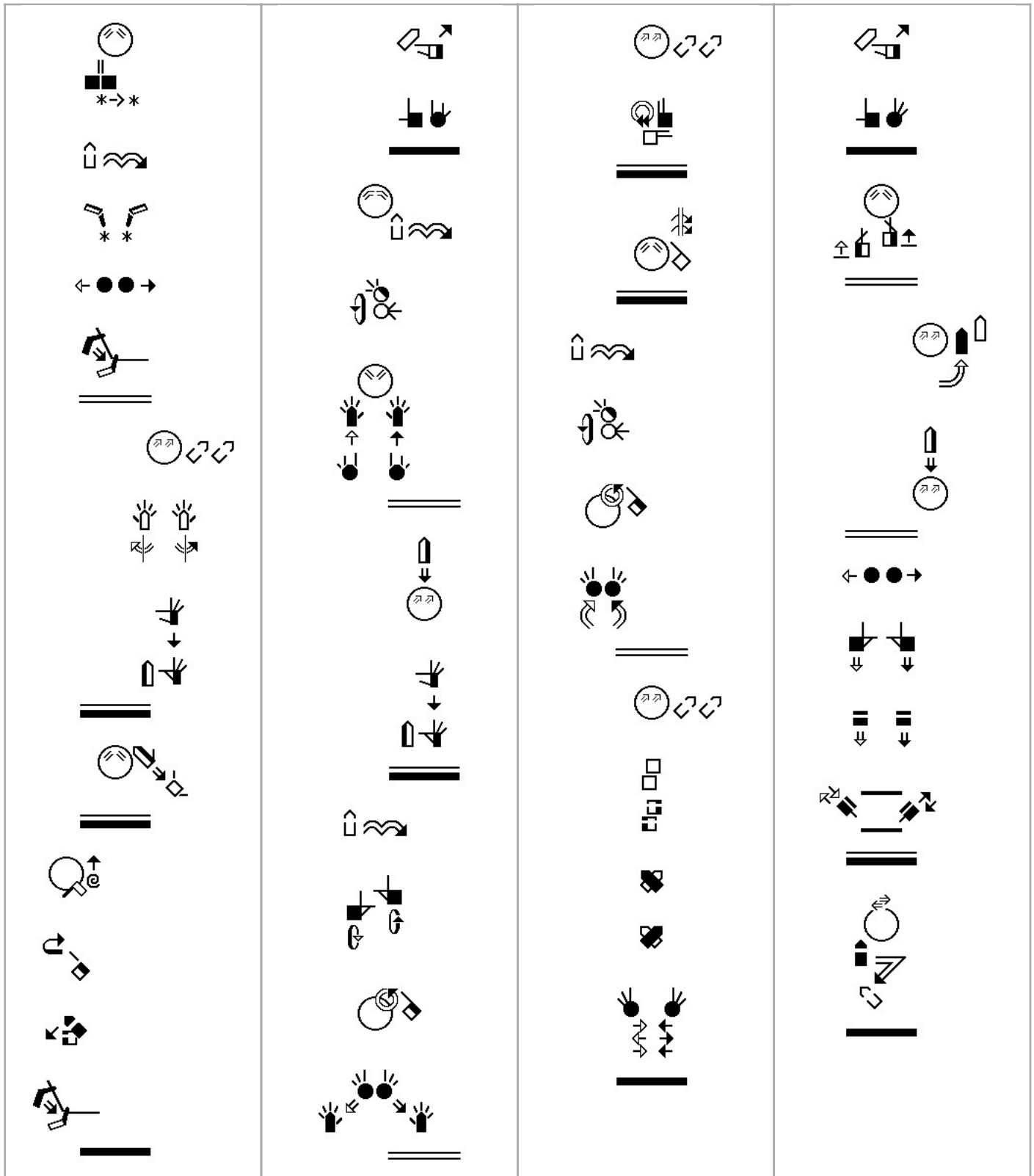
             	             	               	           
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Verse 22. It is foolish to the Jews, who ask for signs from heaven. And it is foolish to the Greeks, who seek human wisdom. Verse 23. So when we preach that Christ was crucified, the Jews are offended and the Gentiles say it's all nonsense. NLT

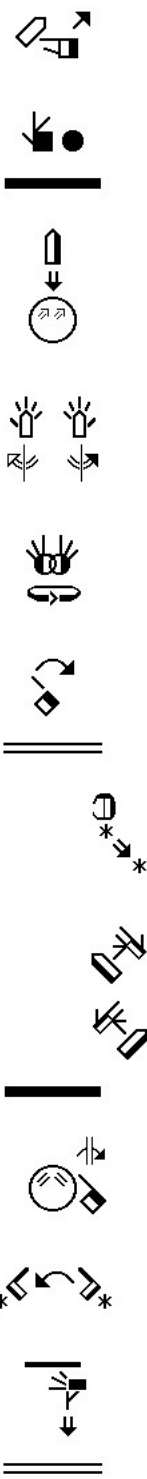


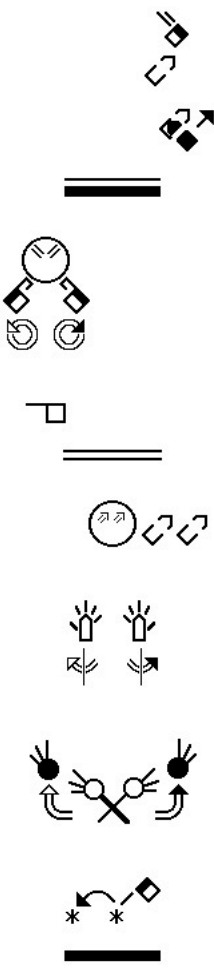
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Verse 26. Remember, dear brothers and sisters, that few of you were wise in the world's eyes or powerful or wealthy when God called you. Verse 27. Instead, God chose things the world considers foolish in order to shame those who think they are wise. NLT




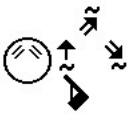























And he chose things that are powerless to shame those who are powerful. Verse 28. God chose things despised by the world, things counted as nothing at all, and used them to bring to nothing what the world considers important. Verse 29. As a result, no one can ever boast in the presence of God. NLT

			
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Verse 30. God has united you with Christ Jesus. For our benefit God made him to be wisdom itself. Christ made us right with God; he made us pure and holy, and he freed us from sin.

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