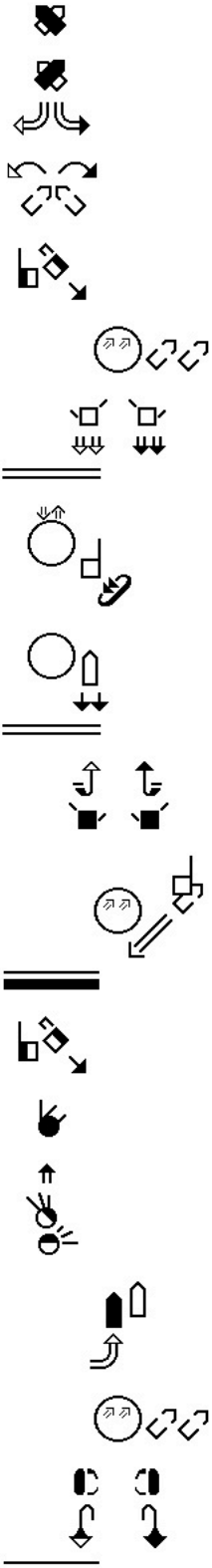
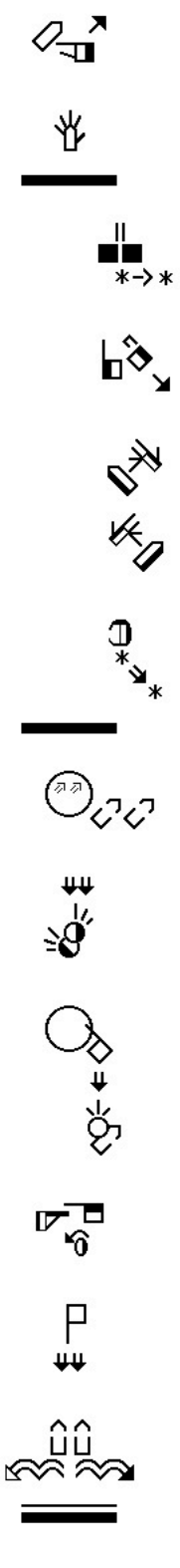
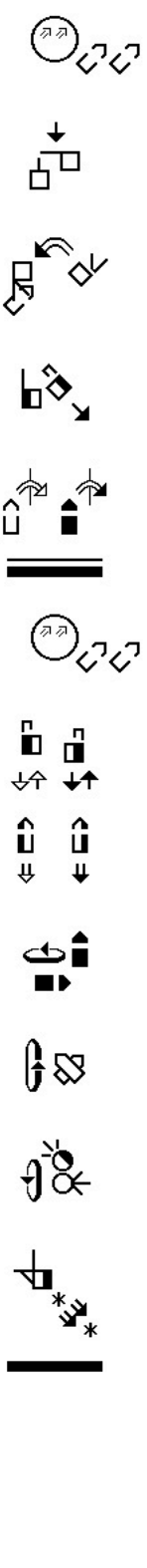



Book of Revelation, Chapter 1. This is a revelation from Jesus Christ, which God gave him to show his servants the events that must soon take place. He sent an angel to present this revelation to his servant John, Verse 2. who faithfully reported everything he saw. This is his report of NLT

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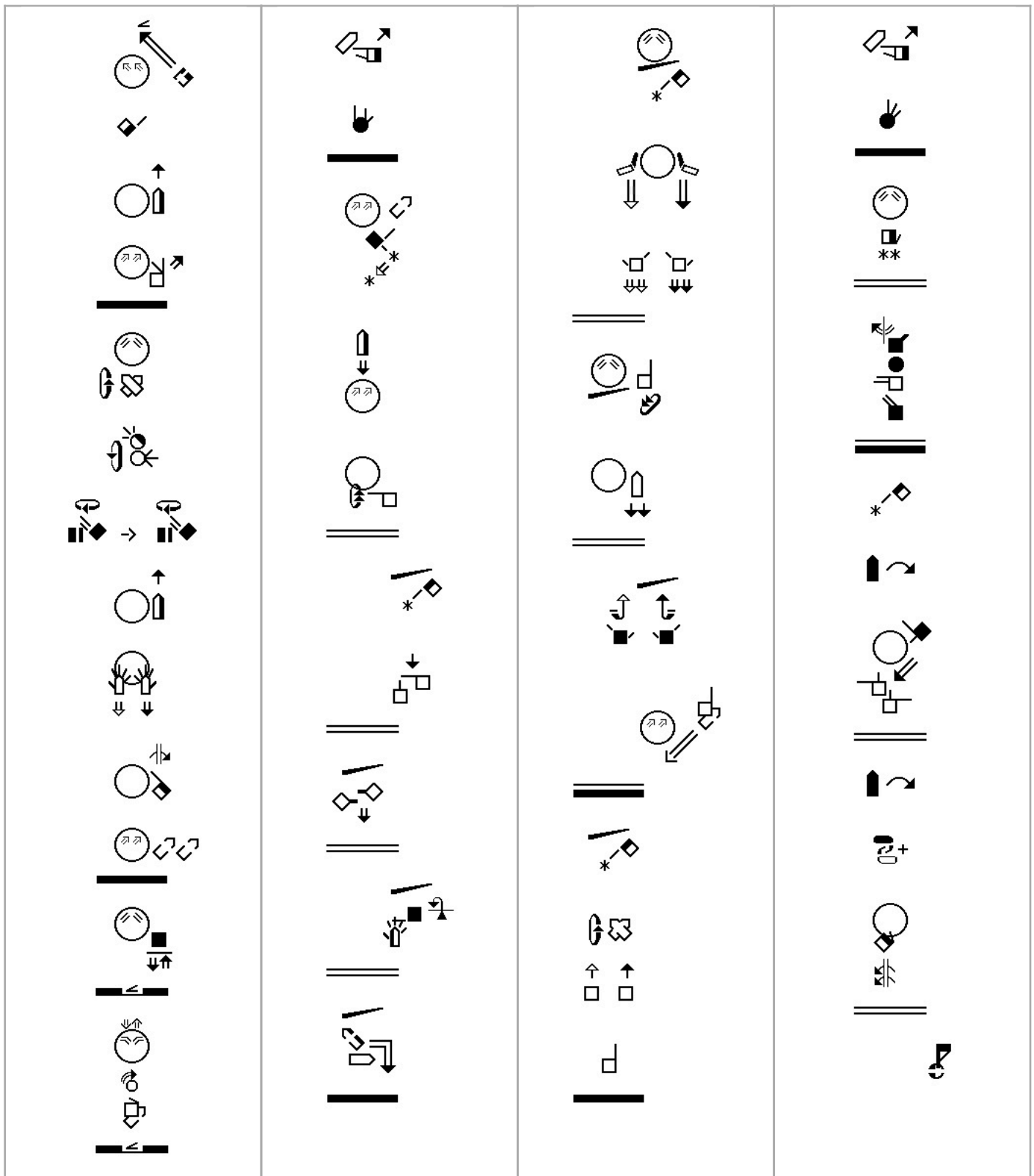
			
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and peace to you from the one who is, who always was, and who is still to come, from the sevenfold Spirit before his throne; Verse 5. and from Jesus Christ. He is the faithful witness to these things, the first to rise from the dead, and the ruler of all the kings of the world. All glory to him who loves us and has freed us

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from our sins by shedding his blood for us. Verse 6. He has made us a Kingdom of priests for God his Father. All glory and power to him forever and ever! Amen. Verse 7. Look! He comes with the clouds of heaven. And everyone will see him -- even those



who pierced him. And all the nations of the world will mourn for him. Yes! Amen! Verse 8. "I am the Alpha and the Omega -- the beginning and the end," says the Lord God. "I am the one who is, who always was, and who is still to come -- the Almighty One." Verse 9. I, John, am your brother and your partner in suffering and in

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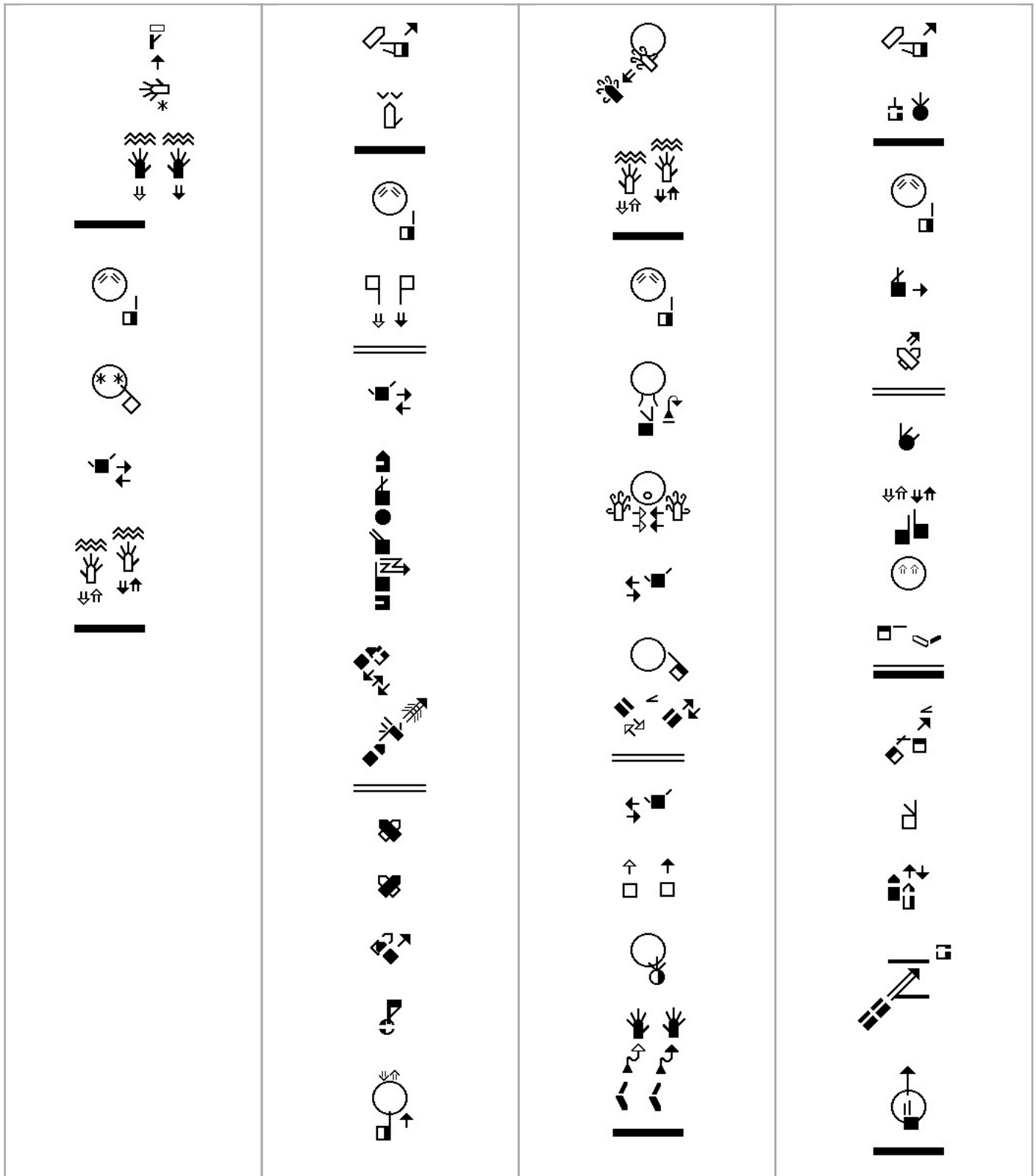
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God's Kingdom and in the patient endurance to which Jesus call us. I was exiled to the island of Patmos for preaching the word of God and for my testimony about Jesus. Verse 10. It was the Lord's Day, and I was worshiping in the Spirit. NLT

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Verse 12. When I turned to see who was speaking to me, I saw seven gold lampstands.
 Verse 13. And standing in the middle of the lampstands was someone like the Son of Man. He was wearing a long robe with a gold sash across his chest. Verse 14. His head and his hair were white like wool, as white as

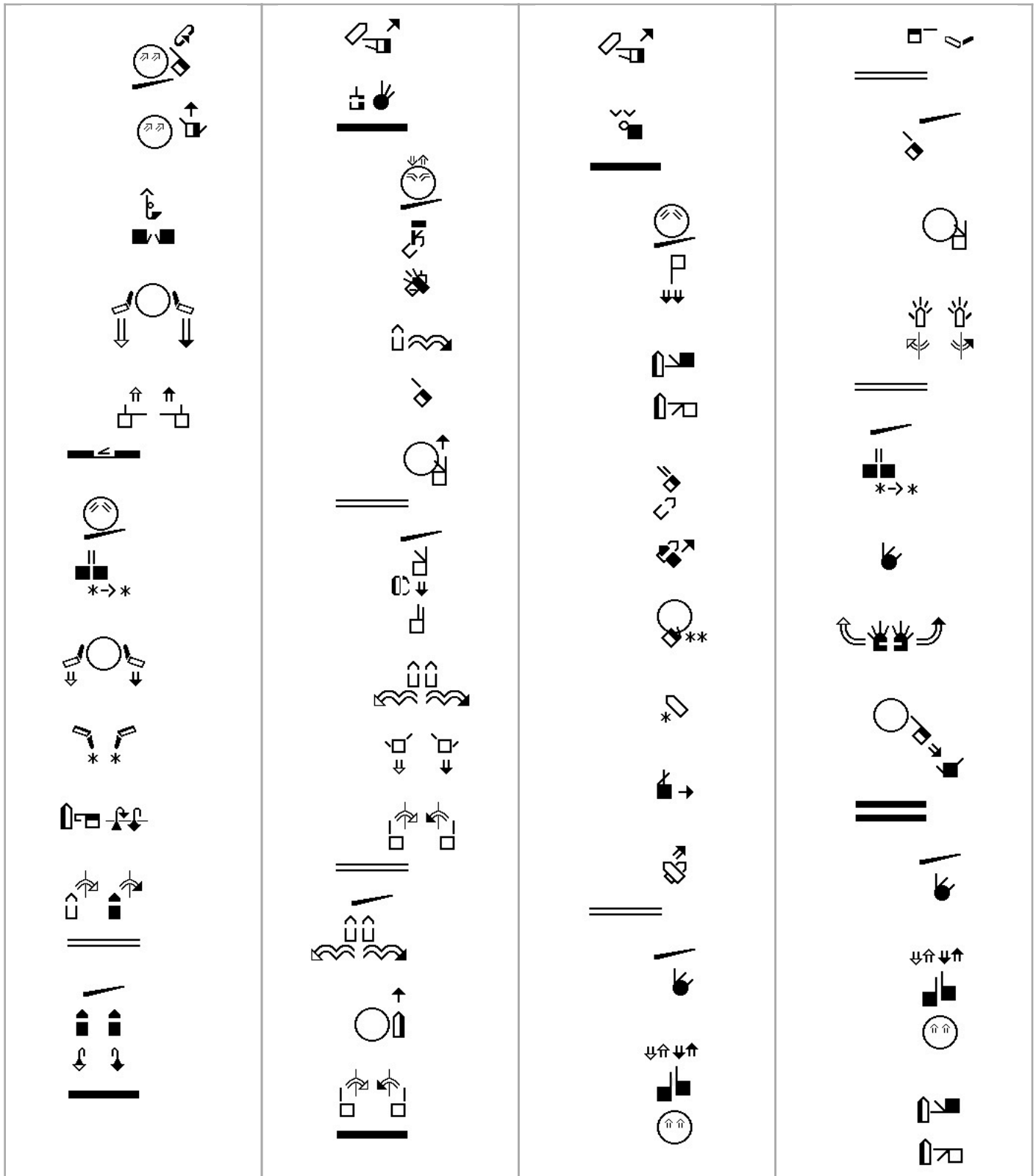


snow. And his eyes were like flames of fire. Verse 15. His feet were like polished bronze refined in a furnace, and his voice thundered like mighty ocean waves. Verse 16. He held seven stars in his right hand, and a sharp two-edged sword came from his mouth.

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And his face was like the sun in all its brilliance. Verse 17. When I saw him, I fell at his feet as if I were dead. But he laid his right hand on me and said, "Don't be afraid! I am the First and the Last. Verse 18. I am the living one. I died, but look --



I am alive forever and ever! And I hold the keys of death and the grave. Verse 19.
 "Write down what you have seen -- both the things that are now happening and the
 things that will happen. Verse 20. This is the meaning of the mystery of the seven stars
 you saw in my right hand and the seven gold lampstands: The seven stars are NLT

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