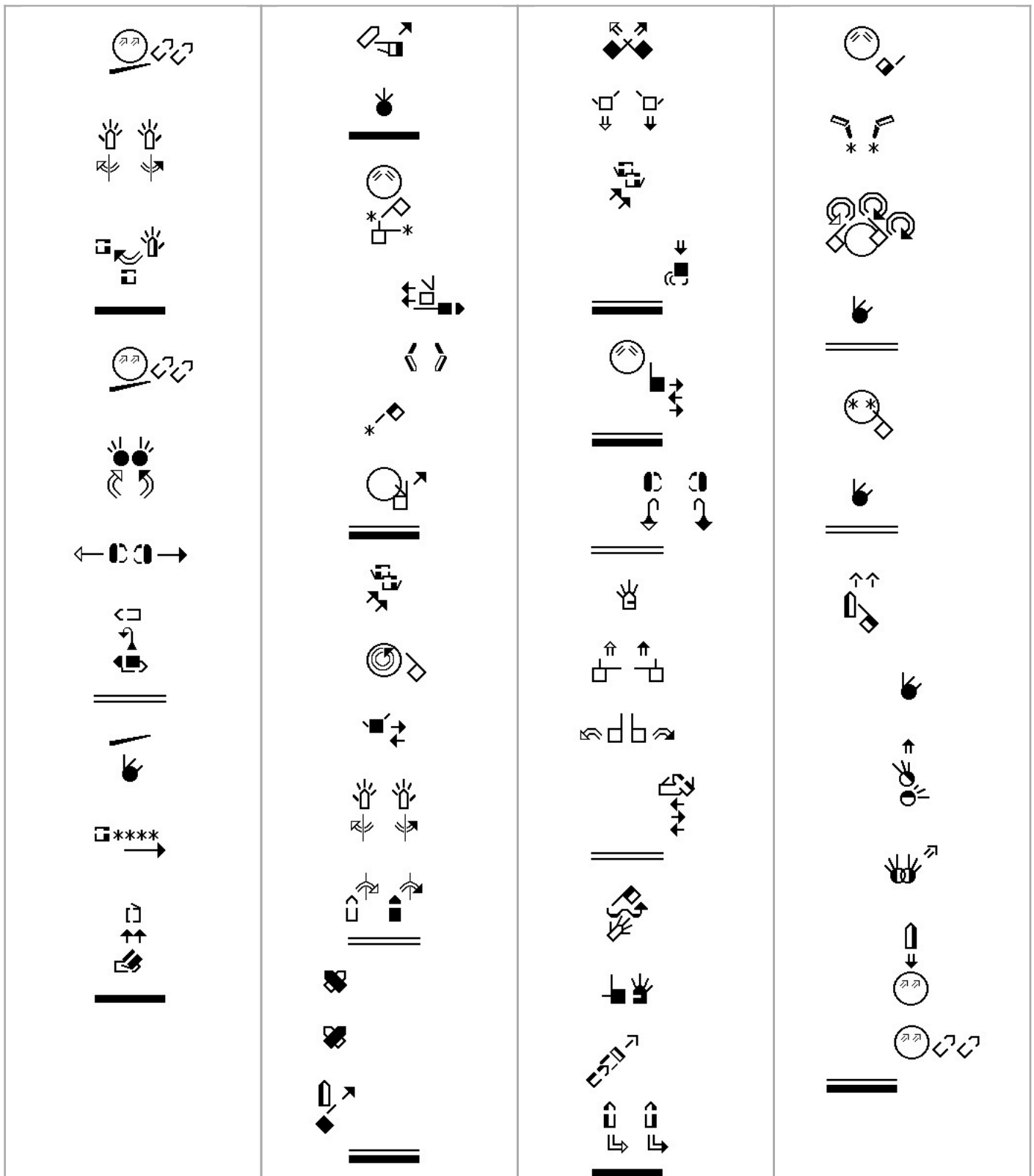


Chapter 5. Then I saw a scroll in the right hand of the one who was sitting on the throne. There was writing on the inside and the outside of the scroll, and it was sealed with seven seals. Verse 2. And I saw a strong angel, who shouted with a loud voice: "Who is worthy to break the seals on this scroll and open it?"

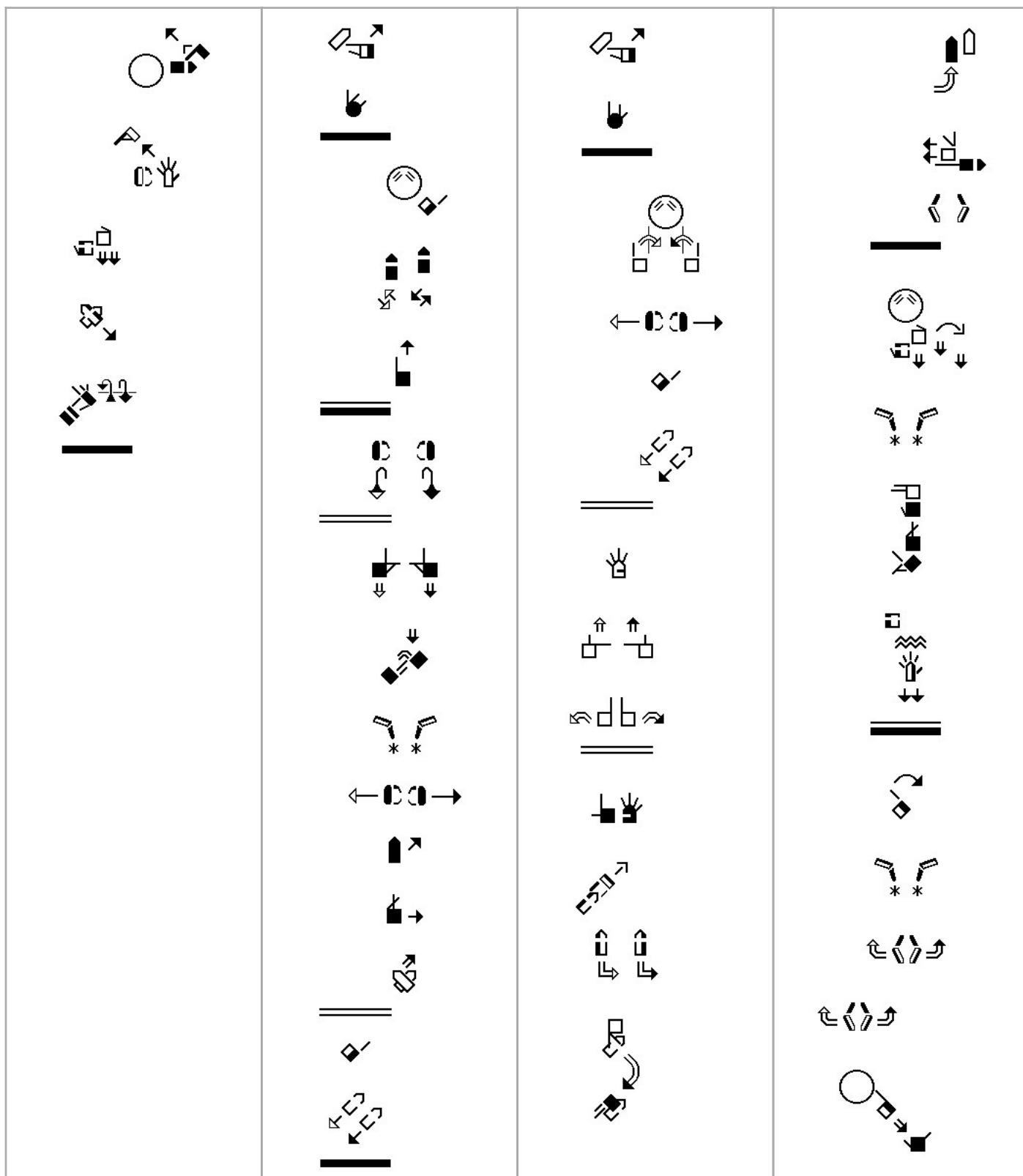
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Verse 3. But no one in heaven or on earth or under the earth was able to open the scroll and read it. Verse 4. Then I began to weep bitterly because no one was found worthy to open the scroll and read it. Verse 5. But one of the twenty-four elders said to me, "Stop weeping! Look, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the heir to David's throne," NLT



has won the victory. He is worthy to open the scroll and its seven seals." Verse 6. Then I saw a Lamb that looked as if it had been slaughtered, but it was now standing between the throne and the four living beings and among the twenty-four elders. He had seven horns and seven eyes, which represent the sevenfold Spirit of God NLT



that is sent out into every part of the earth. Verse 7. He stepped forward and took the scroll from the right hand of the one sitting on the throne. Verse 8. And when he took the scroll, the four living beings and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb. Each one had a harp, and they held gold bowls

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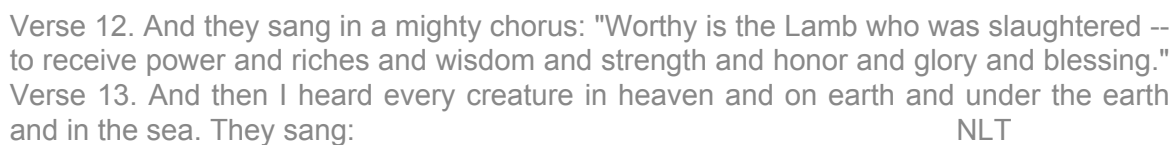

filled with incense, which are the prayers of God's people. Verse 9. And they sang a new song with these words: "You are worthy to take the scroll and break its seals and open it. For you were slaughtered, and your blood has ransomed people for God from every tribe and language and people and nation.

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Verse 10. And you have caused them to become a Kingdom of priests for our God. And they will reign on the earth." Verse 11. Then I looked again, and I heard the voices of thousands and millions of angels around the throne and of the living beings and the elders.

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