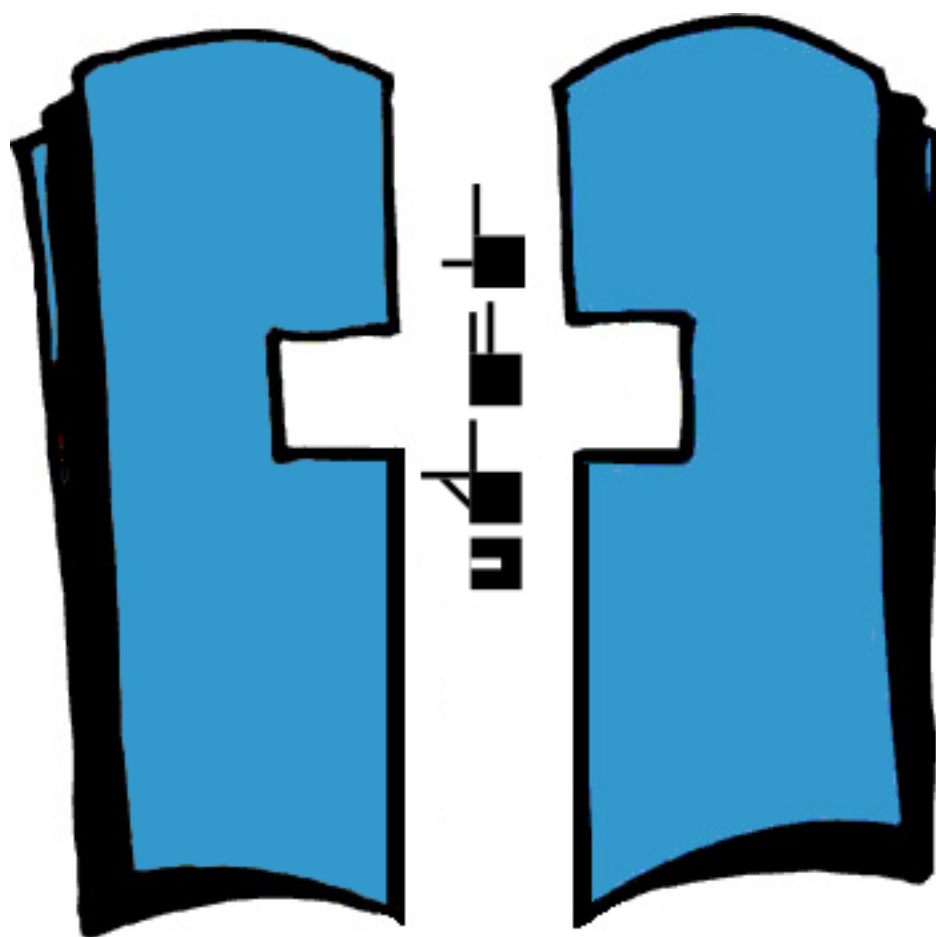


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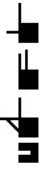




































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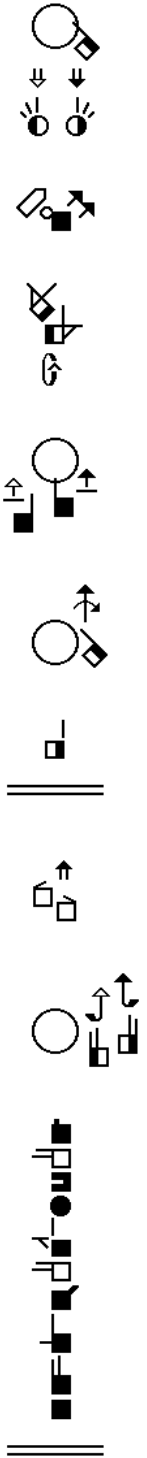
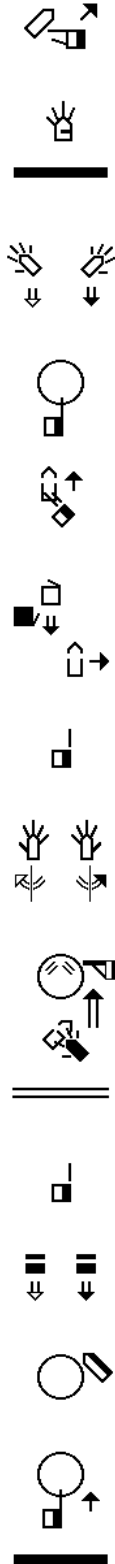
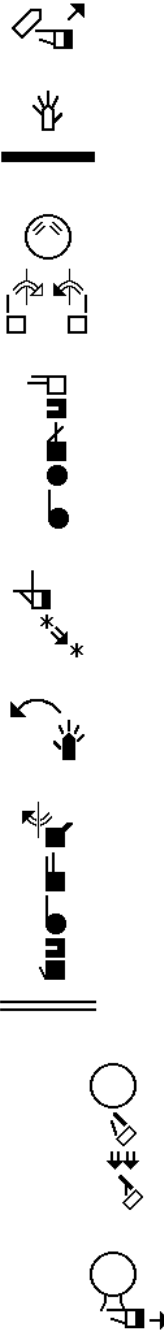

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







































































Luke 1. Many people have set out to write accounts about the events that have been fulfilled among us. Verse 2. They used the eyewitness reports circulating among us from the early disciples. Verse 3. Having carefully investigated everything from the beginning, I also NLT

			
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have decided to write a careful account for you, most honorable Theophilus, Verse 4. so you can be certain of the truth of everything you were taught. Verse 5. When Herod was king of Judea, there was a Jewish priest named Zechariah. He was a member of the priestly order of Abijah, NLT

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and his wife, Elizabeth, was also from the priestly line of Aaron. Verse 6. Zechariah and Elizabeth were righteous in God's eyes, careful to obey all of the Lord's commandments and regulations. Verse 7. They had no children because Elizabeth was unable to conceive, and they were both very old. NLT

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Verse 8. One day Zechariah was serving God in the Temple, for his order was on duty that week. Verse 9. As was the custom of the priests, he was chosen by lot to enter the sanctuary of the Lord and burn incense. Verse 10. While the incense was being burned, a great crowd stood outside, praying. NLT

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Verse 11. While Zechariah was in the sanctuary, an angel of the Lord appeared to him, standing to the right of the incense altar. Verse 12. Zechariah was shaken and overwhelmed with fear when he saw him. Verse 13. But the angel said, "Don't be afraid, Zechariah! God has heard your prayer. NLT








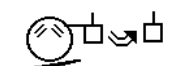











































































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Your wife, Elizabeth, will give you a son, and you are to name him John. Verse 14. You will have great joy and gladness, and many will rejoice at his birth, Verse 15. for he will be great in the eyes of the Lord. He must never touch wine or other alcoholic drinks. He will be filled with the Holy Spirit, even before his birth. NLT





























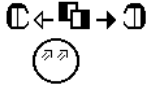


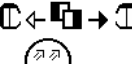
















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Verse 16. And he will turn many Israelites to the Lord their God. Verse 17. He will be a man with the spirit and power of Elijah. He will prepare the people for the coming of the Lord. He will turn the hearts of the fathers to their children, and he will cause those who are rebellious to accept the wisdom of the godly. NLT

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Verse 20. "But now, since you didn't believe what I said, you will be silent and unable to speak until the child is born. For my words will certainly be fulfilled at the proper time."
Verse 21. Meanwhile, the people were waiting for Zechariah to come out of the sanctuary, wondering why he was taking so long. NLT

































































            	           	        	             
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Verse 22. When he finally did come out, he couldn't speak to them. Then they realized from his gestures and his silence that he must have seen a vision in the sanctuary. Verse 23. When Zechariah's week of service in the Temple was over, he returned home. NLT

Verse 24. Soon afterward his wife, Elizabeth, became pregnant and went into seclusion for five months. Verse 25. "How kind the Lord is!" she exclaimed. "He has taken away my disgrace of having no children." Verse 26. In the sixth month of Elizabeth's pregnancy, God sent the angel Gabriel NLT

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to Nazareth, a village in Galilee, Verse 27. to a virgin named Mary. She was engaged to be married to a man named Joseph, a descendant of King David. Verse 28. Gabriel appeared to her and said, "Greetings, favored woman! The Lord is with you!" NLT

               	               	               	               
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Verse 29. Confused and disturbed, Mary tried to think what the angel could mean. Verse 30. "Don't be afraid, Mary," the angel told her, "for you have found favor with God!" Verse 31. "You will conceive and give birth to a son, and you will name him Jesus." Verse 32. "He will be very great and will be called the Son of the Most High. NLT























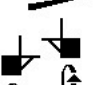
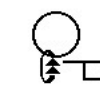
















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The Lord God will give him the throne of his ancestor David." Verse 33. "And he will reign over Israel forever; his Kingdom will never end!" Verse 34. Mary asked the angel, "But how can this happen? I am a virgin." Verse 35. The angel replied, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you," NLT

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



































































and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. So the baby to be born will be holy, and he will be called the Son of God." Verse 35. The angel replied, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. So the baby to be born will be holy,

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and he will be called the Son of God. Verse 36. What's more, your relative Elizabeth has become pregnant in her old age! People used to say she was barren, but she's now in her sixth month. Verse 37. For nothing is impossible with God."

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Verse 38. Mary responded, "I am the Lord's servant. May everything you have said about me come true." And then the angel left her. Verse 39. A few days later Mary hurried to the hill country of Judea, to the town where Zechariah lived. She entered the house and greeted Elizabeth.

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Verse 43. Why am I so honored, that the mother of my Lord should visit me? Verse 44. When I heard your greeting, the baby in my womb jumped for joy. Verse 45. You are blessed because you believed that the Lord would do what he said." Verse 46. Mary responded, "Oh, how my soul praises the Lord. NLT

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Verse 47. How my spirit rejoices in God my Savior! Verse 48. For he took notice of his lowly servant girl, and from now on all generations will call me blessed. Verse 49. For the Mighty One is holy, and he has done great things for me.

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Verse 50. He shows mercy from generation to generation to all who fear him. Verse 51. His mighty arm has done tremendous things! He has scattered the proud and haughty ones. Verse 52. He has brought down princes from their thrones and exalted the humble.

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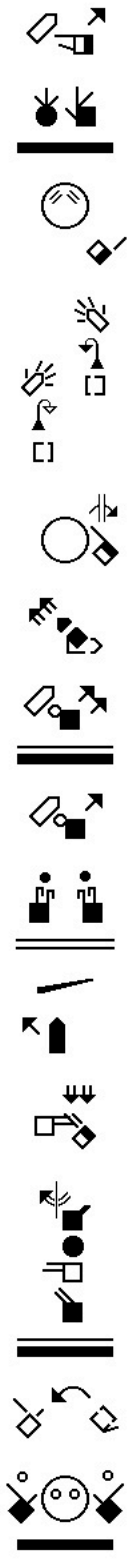
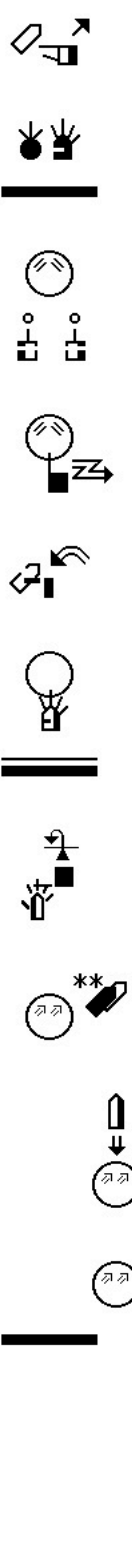
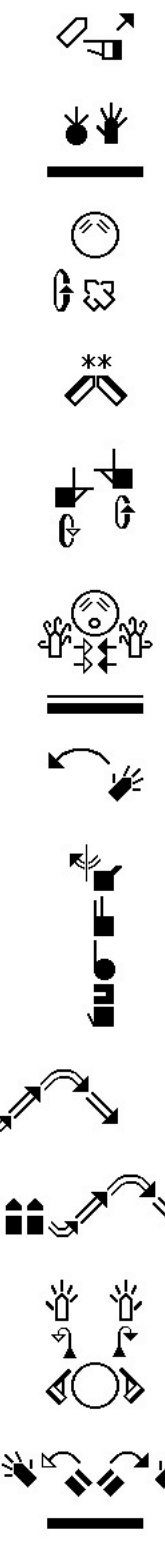

Verse 53. He has filled the hungry with good things and sent the rich away with empty hands. Verse 54. He has helped his servant Israel and remembered to be merciful. Verse 55. For he made this promise to our ancestors, to Abraham and his children forever."

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Verse 56. Mary stayed with Elizabeth about three months and then went back to her own home. Verse 57. When it was time for Elizabeth's baby to be born, she gave birth to a son. Verse 58. And when her neighbors and relatives heard that the Lord had been very merciful to her, everyone rejoiced with her. Verse 59. When the baby was eight days old,

the circumcision ceremony. They wanted to name him Zechariah, after his father. Verse 60. But Elizabeth said, "No! His name is John!" Verse 61. "What?" they exclaimed. "There is no one in all your family by that name." Verse 62. So they used gestures to ask the baby's father what he wanted to name him.

			
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Verse 63. He motioned for a writing tablet, and to everyone's surprise he wrote, "His name is John." Verse 64. Instantly Zechariah could speak again, and he began praising God. Verse 65. Awe fell upon the whole neighborhood, and the news of what had happened spread throughout the Judean hills. Verse 66. Everyone who heard about it

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Verse 70. just as he promised through his holy prophets long ago. Verse 71. Now we will be saved from our enemies and from all who hate us. Verse 72. He has been merciful to our ancestors by remembering his sacred covenant -- Verse 73. the covenant he swore with an oath to our ancestor Abraham.

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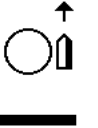
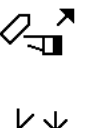



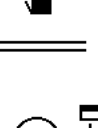



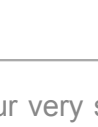

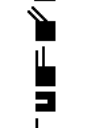

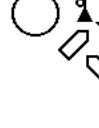



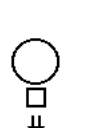
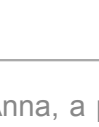









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Verse 77. You will tell his people how to find salvation through forgiveness of their sins.
Verse 78. Because of God's tender mercy, the morning light from heaven is about to
break upon us, Verse 79. to give light to those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of
death, and to guide us to the path of peace." NLT

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Verse 80. John grew up and became strong in spirit. And he lived in the wilderness until he began his public ministry to Israel.





























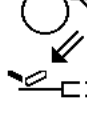



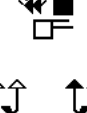











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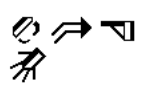

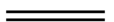







































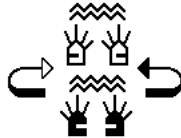







31 And a sword will pierce your very soul." Verse 36. Anna, a prophet, was also there in the Temple. She was the daughter of Phanuel from the tribe of Asher, and she was very old. Her husband died when they had been married only seven years. NLT

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Verse 3. All returned to their own ancestral towns to register for this census. Verse 4. And because Joseph was a descendant of King David, he had to go to Bethlehem in Judea, David's ancient home. He traveled there from the village of Nazareth in Galilee. NLT



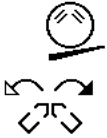




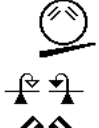










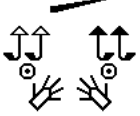
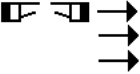








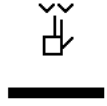






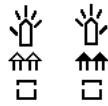
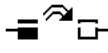
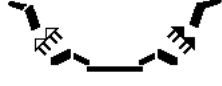

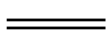
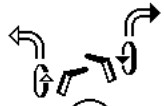


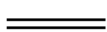




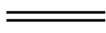
          	          	          	          
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Verse 5. He took with him Mary, his fiancée, who was now obviously pregnant. Verse 6. And while they were there, the time came for her baby to be born. Verse 7. She gave birth to her first child, a son. She wrapped him snugly in strips of cloth and laid him in a manger, because there was no lodging available for them. NLT


             	             	             	             
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Verse 8. That night there were shepherds staying in the fields nearby, guarding their flocks of sheep. Verse 9. Suddenly, an angel of the Lord appeared among them, and the radiance of the Lord's glory surrounded them. They were terrified, NLT

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Verse 12. And you will recognize him by this sign: You will find a baby wrapped snugly in strips of cloth, lying in a manger." Verse 13. Suddenly, the angel was joined by a vast host of others -- the armies of heaven -- praising God and saying, NLT

			
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Verse 14. "Glory to God in highest heaven, and peace on earth to those with whom God is pleased." Verse 15. When the angels had returned to heaven, the shepherds said to each other, "Let's go to Bethlehem! Let's see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has told us about." NLT

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Verse 16. They hurried to the village and found Mary and Joseph. And there was the baby, lying in the manger. Verse 17. After seeing him, the shepherds told everyone what had happened and what the angel had said to them about this child. NLT

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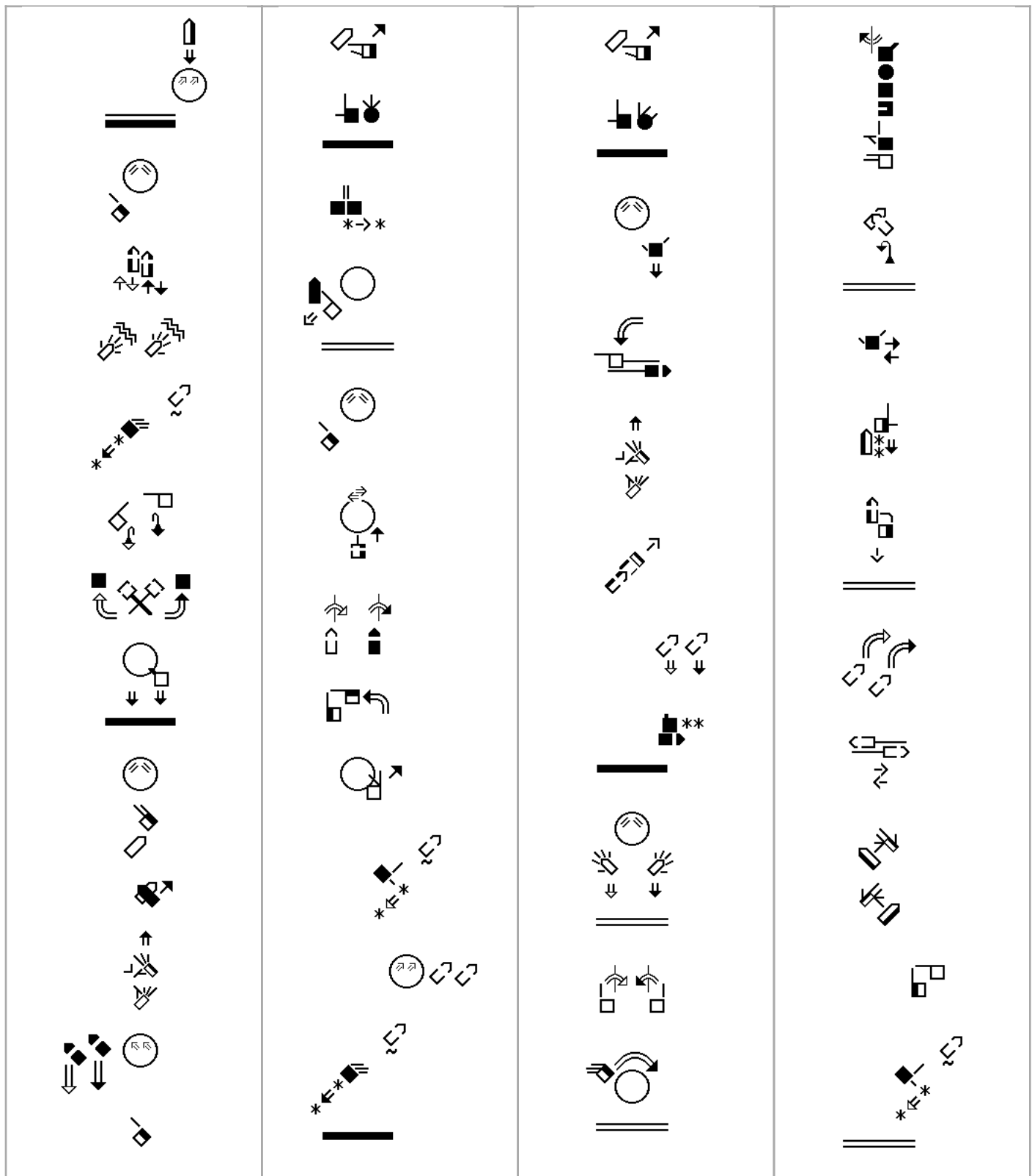
Verse 18. All who heard the shepherds' story were astonished, Verse 19. but Mary kept all these things in her heart and thought about them often. Verse 20. The shepherds went back to their flocks, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen. It was just as the angel had told them. NLT

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Verse 21. Eight days later, when the baby was circumcised, he was named Jesus, the name given him by the angel even before he was conceived. Verse 22. Then it was time for their purification offering, as required by the law of Moses after the birth of a child; so his parents took him to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord. NLT

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


































































Verse 23. The law of the Lord says, "If a woman's first child is a boy, he must be dedicated to the LORD." Verse 24. So they offered the sacrifice required in the law of the Lord -- "either a pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons." Verse 25. At that time there was a man in Jerusalem named Simeon. He was righteous and devout NLT



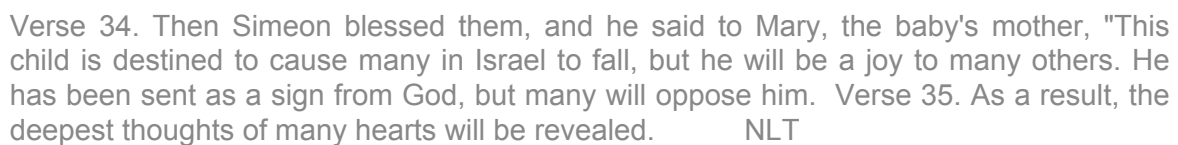
and was eagerly waiting for the Messiah to come and rescue Israel. The Holy Spirit was upon him Verse 26. and had revealed to him that he would not die until he had seen the Lord's Messiah. Verse 27. That day the Spirit led him to the Temple. So when Mary and Joseph came to present the baby Jesus to the Lord as the law required, NLT

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43 Verse 28. Simeon was there. He took the child in his arms and praised God, saying,
 Verse 29. "Sovereign Lord, now let your servant die in peace, as you have promised.
 Verse 30. I have seen your salvation, NLT

                 	                 	                 	                 
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Verse 31. which you have prepared for all people. Verse 32. He is a light to reveal God to the nations, and he is the glory of your people Israel!" Verse 33. Jesus' parents were amazed at what was being said about him. NLT



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Luke 2. At that time the Roman emperor, Augustus, decreed that a census should be taken throughout the Roman Empire. Verse 2. (This was the first census taken when Quirinius was governor of Syria.) NLT

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Verse 37. Then she lived as a widow to the age of eighty-four. She never left the Temple but stayed there day and night, worshiping God with fasting and prayer. Verse 38. She came along just as Simeon was talking with Mary and Joseph, and she began praising God. She talked about the child to everyone who had been waiting expectantly for God to

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Verse 39. When Jesus' parents had fulfilled all the requirements of the law of the Lord, they returned home to Nazareth in Galilee. Verse 40. There the child grew up healthy and strong. He was filled with wisdom, and God's favor was on him. Verse 41. Every year Jesus' parents went to Jerusalem for the Passover festival. NLT






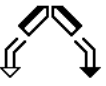







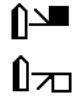

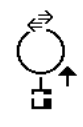










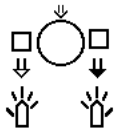










Verse 42. When Jesus was twelve years old, they attended the festival as usual. Verse 43. After the celebration was over, they started home to Nazareth, but Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem. His parents didn't miss him at first, Verse 44. because they assumed he was among the other travelers. But when he didn't show up that evening,

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





they started looking for him among their relatives and friends. Verse 45. When they couldn't find him, they went back to Jerusalem to search for him there. Verse 46. Three days later they finally discovered him in the Temple, sitting among the religious teachers, listening to them and asking questions. NLT

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Verse 47. All who heard him were amazed at his understanding and his answers. Verse 48. His parents didn't know what to think. "Son," his mother said to him, "Why have you done this to us? Your father and I have been frantic, searching for you everywhere." Verse 49. "But why did you need to search?" he asked. NLT

        	       	        	          
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"Didn't you know that I must be in my Father's house?" Verse 50. But they didn't understand what he meant. Verse 51. Then he returned to Nazareth with them and was obedient to them. And his mother stored all these things in her heart. NLT

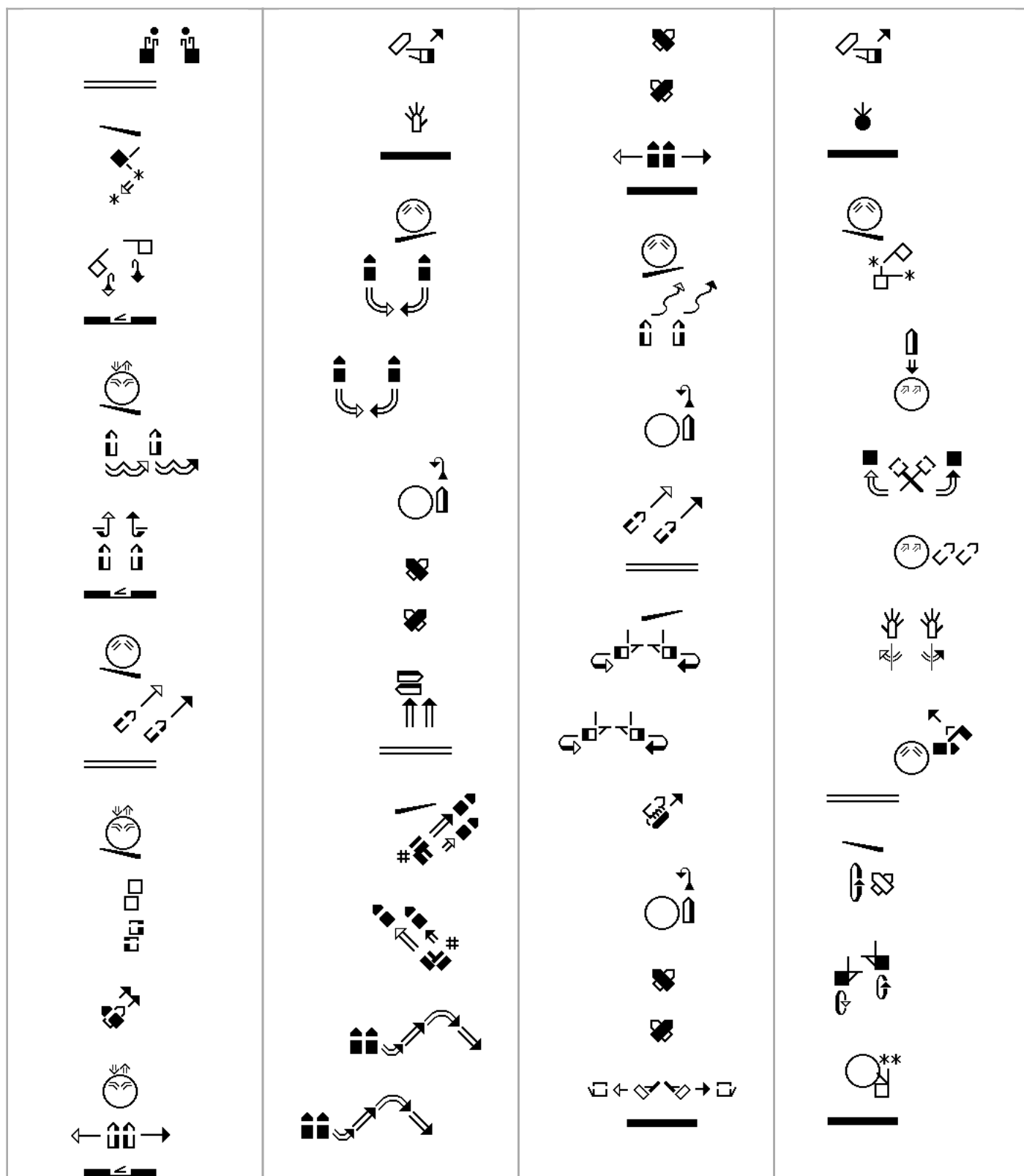
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preaching that people should be baptized to show that they had turned to God to receive forgiveness for their sins. Verse 4. Isaiah had spoken of John when he said, "He is a voice shouting in the wilderness," NLT



'Prepare the way for the LORD'S coming! Clear the road for him! Verse 5. The valleys will be filled, and the mountains and hills made level. The curves will be straightened, and the rough places made smooth. Verse 6. And then all people will see the salvation sent from God.'" NLT

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




































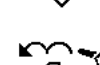






















Verse 7. When the crowds came to John for baptism, he said, "You brood of snakes! Who warned you to flee God's coming wrath? Verse 8. Prove by the way you live that you have repented of your sins and turned to God. Don't just say to each other, NLT

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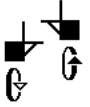





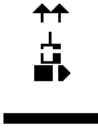
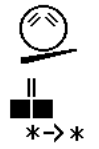









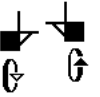
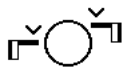


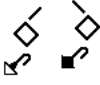





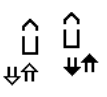




'We're safe, for we are descendants of Abraham.' That means nothing, for I tell you, God can create children of Abraham from these very stones. Verse 9. Even now the ax of God's judgment is poised, ready to sever the roots of the trees. Yes, every tree that does not produce good fruit NLT

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will be chopped down and thrown into the fire." Verse 10. The crowds asked, "What should we do?" Verse 11. John replied, "If you have two shirts, give one to the poor. If you have food, share it with those who are hungry." NLT

              	              	              	              
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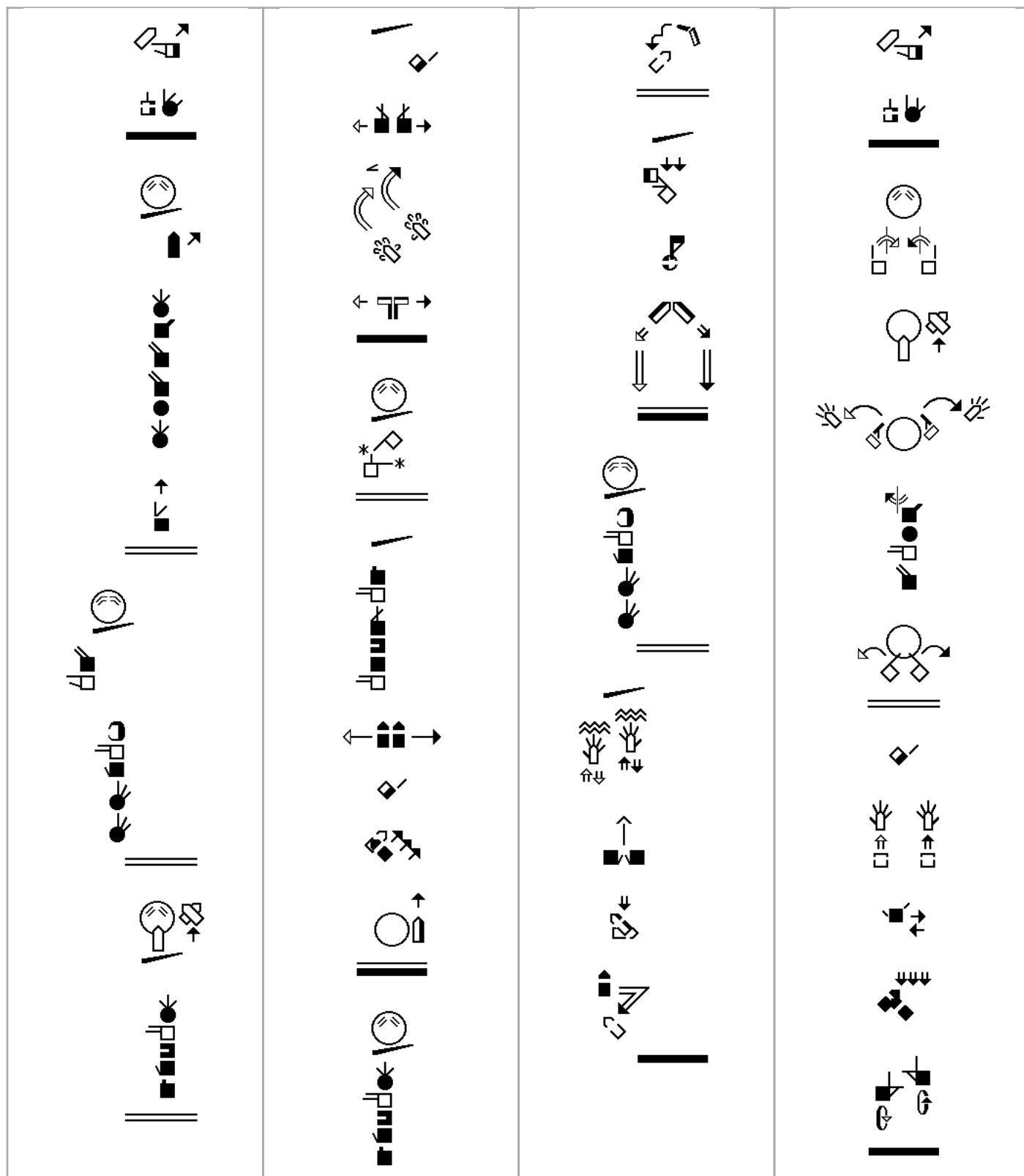
Verse 12. Even corrupt tax collectors came to be baptized and asked, "Teacher, what should we do?" Verse 13. He replied, "Collect no more taxes than the government requires." Verse 14. "What should we do?" asked some soldiers. John replied, NLT

        	     	           	      
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"Don't extort money or make false accusations. And be content with your pay." Verse 15. Everyone was expecting the Messiah to come soon, and they were eager to know whether John might be the Messiah. NLT

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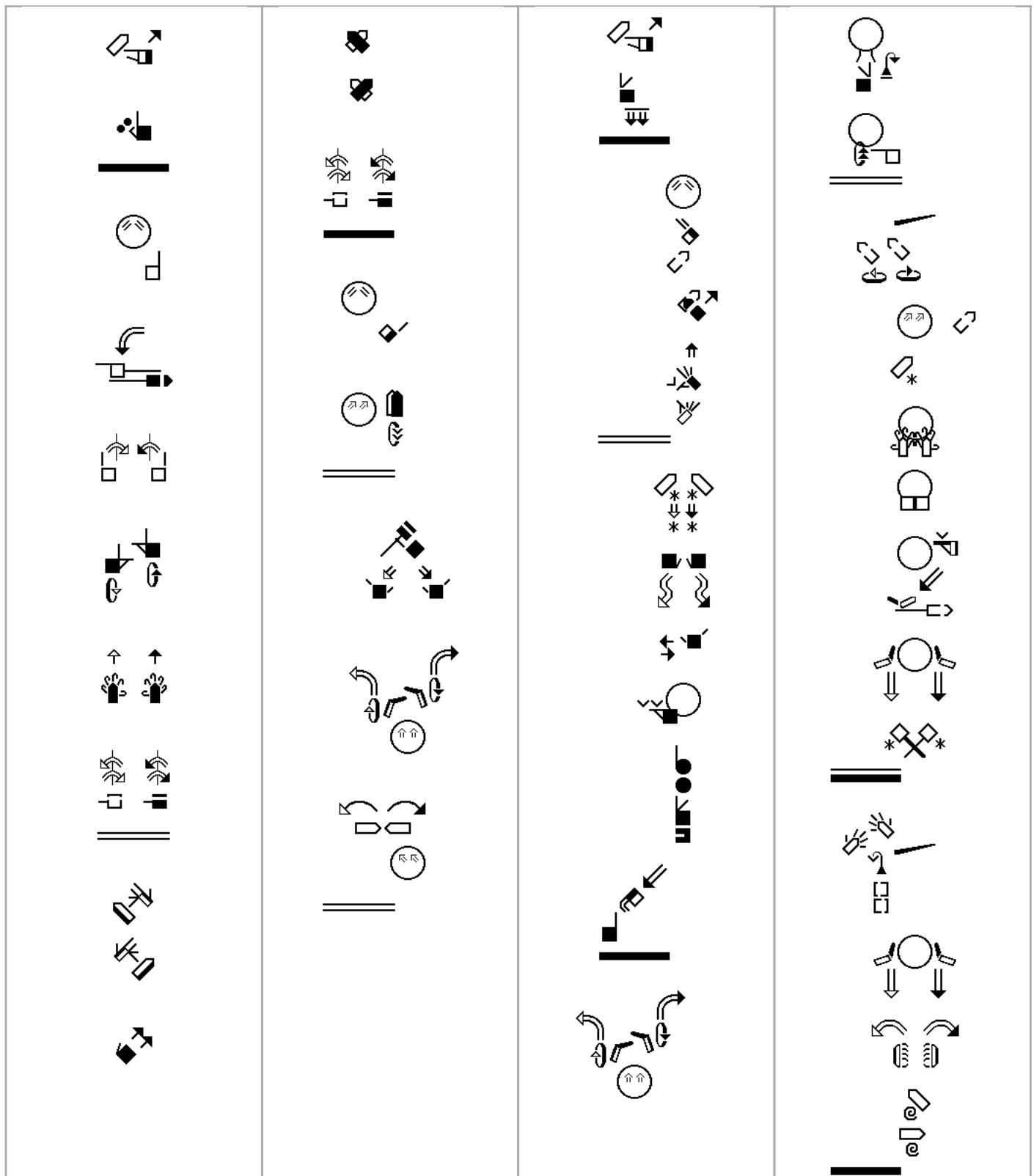
Verse 16. John answered their questions by saying, "I baptize you with water; but someone is coming soon who is greater than I am -- so much greater that I'm not even worthy to be his slave and untie the straps of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire. NLT



Verse 17. He is ready to separate the chaff from the wheat with his winnowing fork. Then he will clean up the threshing area, gathering the wheat into his barn but burning the chaff with never-ending fire." Verse 18. John used many such warnings as he announced the Good News to the people. NLT



















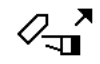



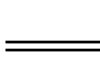

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Verse 19. John also publicly criticized Herod Antipas, the ruler of Galilee, for marrying Herodias, his brother's wife, and for many other wrongs he had done. Verse 20. So Herod put John in prison, adding this sin to his many others. NLT


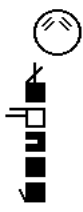


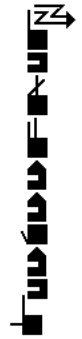



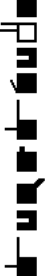






















Verse 21. One day when the crowds were being baptized, Jesus himself was baptized. As he was praying, the heavens opened, Verse 22. and the Holy Spirit, in bodily form, descended on him like a dove. And a voice from heaven said, "You are my dearly loved Son, and you bring me great joy." NLT

Jannai was the son of Joseph. Verse 25. Joseph was the son of Mattathias. Mattathias was the son of Amos. Amos was the son of Nahum. Nahum was the son of Esli. Esli was the son of Naggai. NLT

     	     	     	     
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Verse 26. Naggai was the son of Maath. Maath was the son of Mattathias. Mattathias was the son of Semein. Semein was the son of Josech. Josech was the son of Joda.
 Verse 27. Joda was the son of Joanan. Joanan NLT

     	      	      	        
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was the son of Rhesa. Rhesa was the son of Zerubbabel. Zerubbabel was the son of Shealtiel. Shealtiel was the son of Neri. Verse 28. Neri was the son of Melki. Melki was the son of Addi. Addi was the son of Cosam. Cosam

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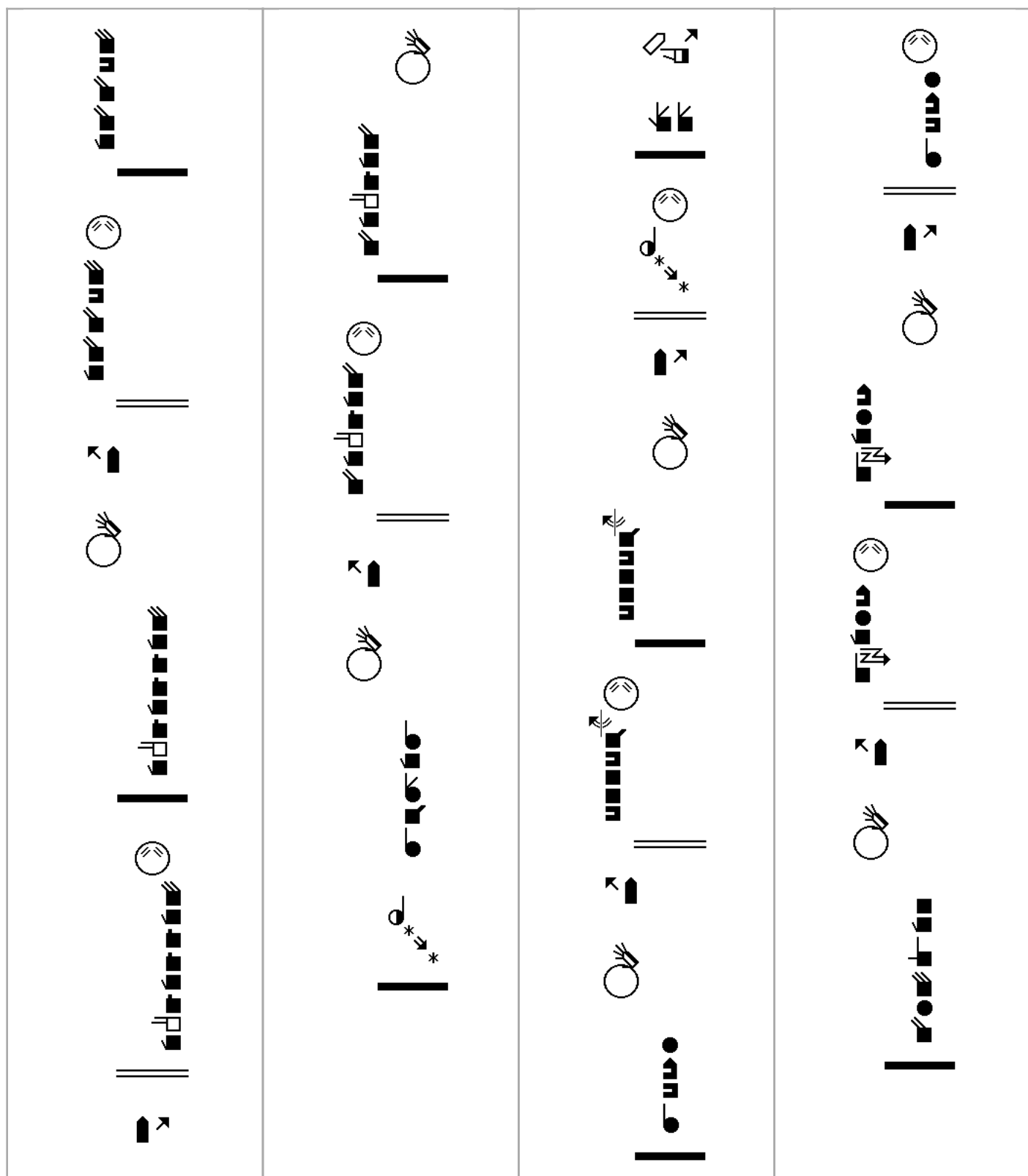
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Verse 30. Levi was the son of Simeon. Simeon was the son of Judah. Judah was the son of Joseph. Joseph was the son of Jonam. Jonam was the son of Eliakim. Verse 31. Eliakim was the son of Melea. Melea

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was the son of Menna. Menna was the son of Mattatha. Mattatha was the son of Nathan. Nathan was the son of David. Verse 32. David was the son of Jesse. Jesse was the son of Obed. Obed was the son of Boaz. Boaz was the son of Salmon. NLT

Salmon was the son of Nahshon. Verse 33. Nahshon was the son of Amminadab. Amminadab was the son of Admin. Admin was the son of Arni. Arni was the son of Hezron. Hezron was the son of Perez. Perez was the son of Judah. NLT

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Reu was the son of Peleg. Peleg was the son of Eber. Eber was the son of Shelah. Verse 36. Shelah was the son of Cainan. Cainan was the son of Arphaxad. Arphaxad was the son of Shem. Shem was the son of

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Noah. Noah was the son of Lamech. Verse 37. Lamech was the son of Methuselah. Methuselah was the son of Enoch. Enoch was the son of Jared. Jared was the son of Mahalalel. Mahalalel was the son of Kenan. NLT

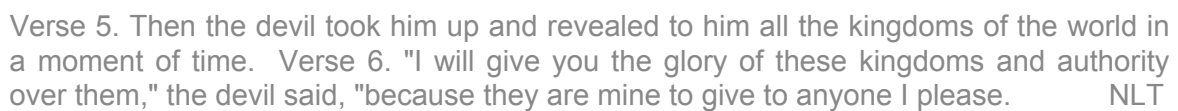
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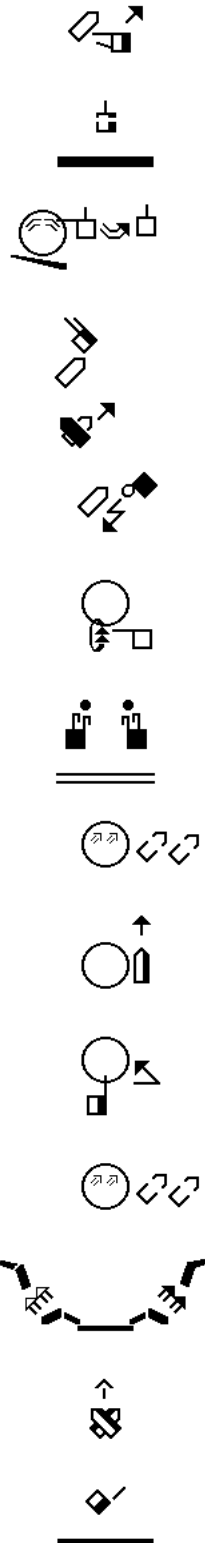
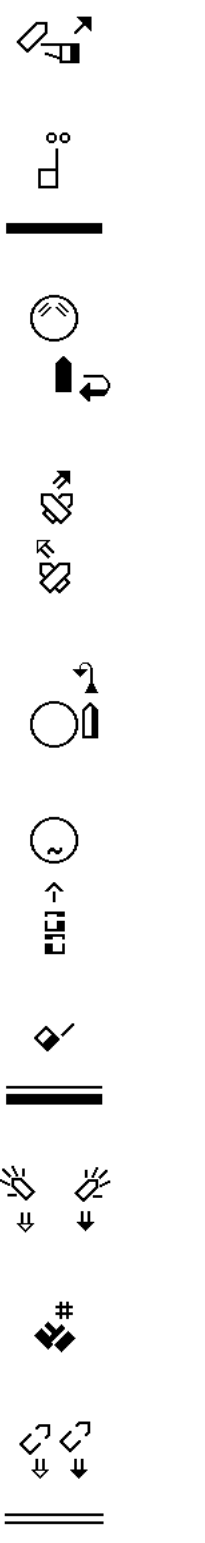

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Verse 3. Then the devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, change this stone into a loaf of bread." Verse 4. But Jesus told him, "No! The Scriptures say, 'People do not live by bread alone.'" NLT








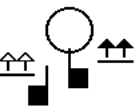








































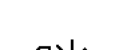
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Verse 7. I will give it all to you if you will worship me." Verse 8. Jesus replied, "The Scriptures say, 'You must worship the LORD your God and serve only him.'" Verse 9. Then the devil took him to Jerusalem, NLT

			
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to the highest point of the Temple, and said, "If you are the Son of God, jump off! Verse 10. For the Scriptures say, 'He will order his angels to protect and guard you. Verse 11. And they will hold you up with their hands so you won't even hurt your foot on a stone.'" NLT

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with the Holy Spirit's power. Reports about him spread quickly through the whole region. Verse 15. He taught regularly in their synagogues and was praised by everyone. Verse 16. When he came to the village of Nazareth, his boyhood home, he went as usual to the synagogue on the Sabbath and stood up to read the Scriptures. NLT

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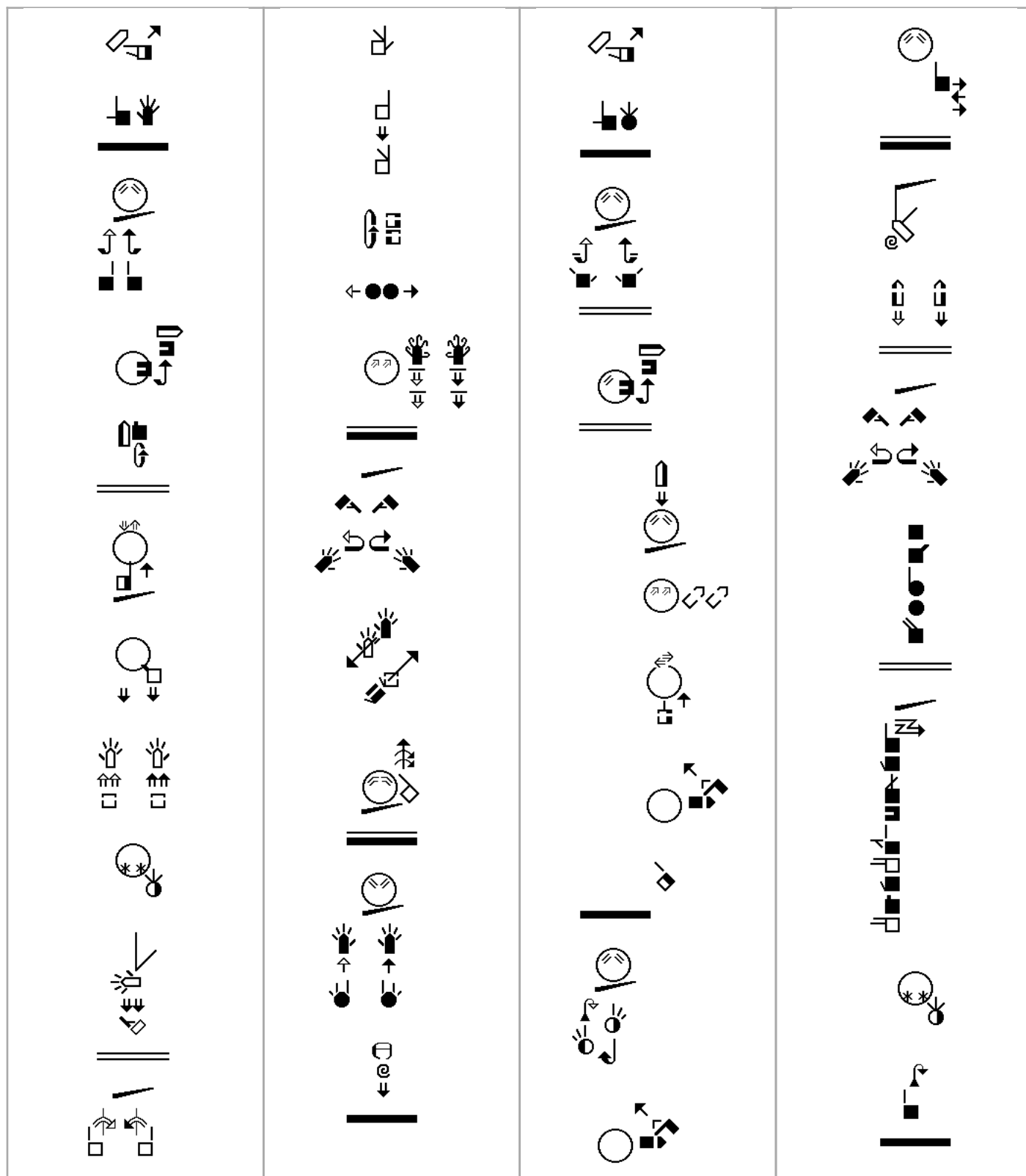
will be released, that the blind will see, that the oppressed will be set free, Verse 19. and that the time of the LORD'S favor has come." Verse 20. He rolled up the scroll, handed it back to the attendant, and sat down. All eyes in the synagogue looked at him intently. NLT

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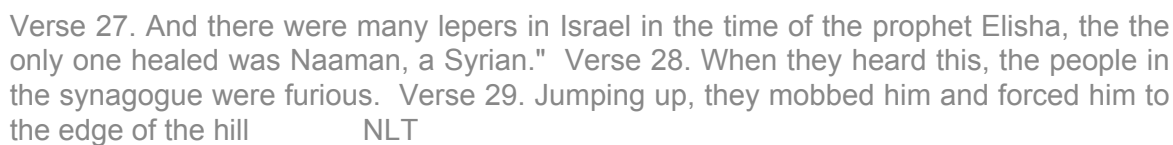
Verse 21. Then he began to speak to them. "The Scripture you've just heard has been fulfilled this very day!" Verse 22. Everyone spoke well of him and was amazed by the gracious words that came from his lips. "How can this be?" they asked. "Isn't this Joseph's son?" NLT

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Verse 23. Then he said, "You will undoubtedly quote me this proverb: 'Physician, heal yourself' -- meaning, 'Do miracles here in your hometown like those you did in Capernaum.' Verse 24. But I tell you the truth, no prophet is accepted in his own hometown. NLT



Verse 25. "Certainly there were many needy widows in Israel in Elijah's time, when the heavens were closed for three and a half years, and a severe famine devastated the land. Verse 26. Yet Elijah was not sent to any of them. He was sent instead to a foreigner -- a widow of Zarephath in the land of Sidon. NLT



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on which the town was built. They intended to push him over the cliff, Verse 30. but he passed right through the crowd and went on his way. Verse 31. Then Jesus went to Capernaum, a town in Galilee, and taught there in the synagogue every Sabbath day. NLT


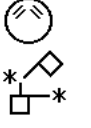
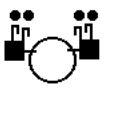



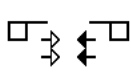

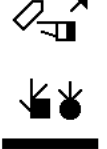
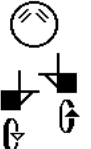



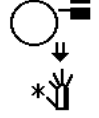




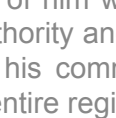



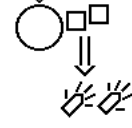


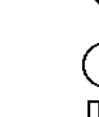

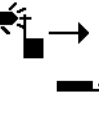

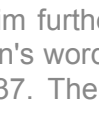




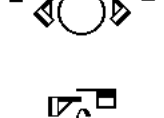





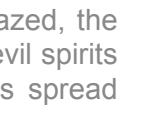

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Verse 32. There, too, the people were amazed at his teaching, for he spoke with authority. Verse 33. Once when he was in the synagogue, a man possessed by a demon -- an evil spirit -- began shouting at Jesus, Verse 34. "Go away! Why are you interfering with us, Jesus of NLT

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Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are -- the Holy One sent from God!" Verse 35. Jesus cut him short. "Be quiet!" Come out of the man," he ordered. At that, the demon threw the man to the floor as the crowd

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




























































watched; then it came out of him without hurting him further. Verse 36. Amazed, the people exclaimed, "What authority and power this man's words possess! Even evil spirits obey him, and they flee at his command!" Verse 37. The news about Jesus spread through every village in the entire region.

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Verse 38. After leaving the synagogue that day, Jesus went to Simon's home, where he found Simon's mother-in-law very sick with a high fever. "Please heal her," everyone begged. Verse 39. Standing at her bedside, he rebuked the fever, and it left her. And she got up at once and prepared a meal for them.

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Verse 40. As the sun went down that evening, people throughout the village brought sick family members to Jesus. No matter what their diseases were, the touch of his hand healed every one. Verse 41. Many were possessed by demons; and the demons came out at his command, shouting, "You are the Son of God!" But because they knew

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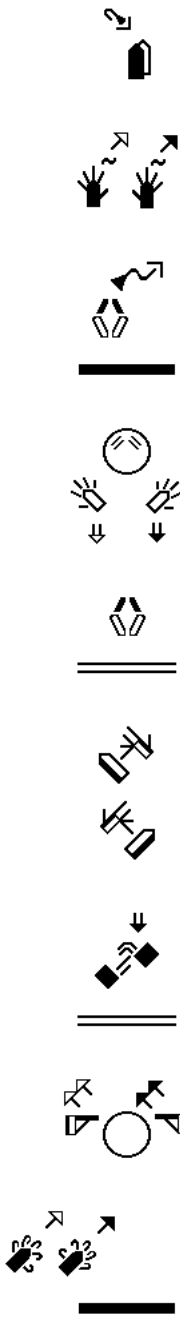

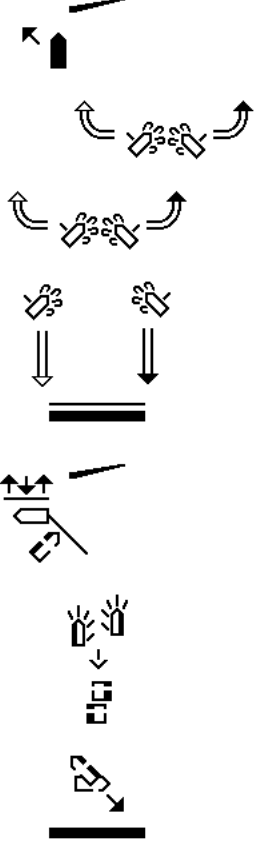
he was the Messiah, he rebuked them and refused to let them speak. Verse 42. Early the next morning Jesus went out to an isolated place. The crowds searched everywhere for him, and when they finally found him, they begged him not to leave them. NLT

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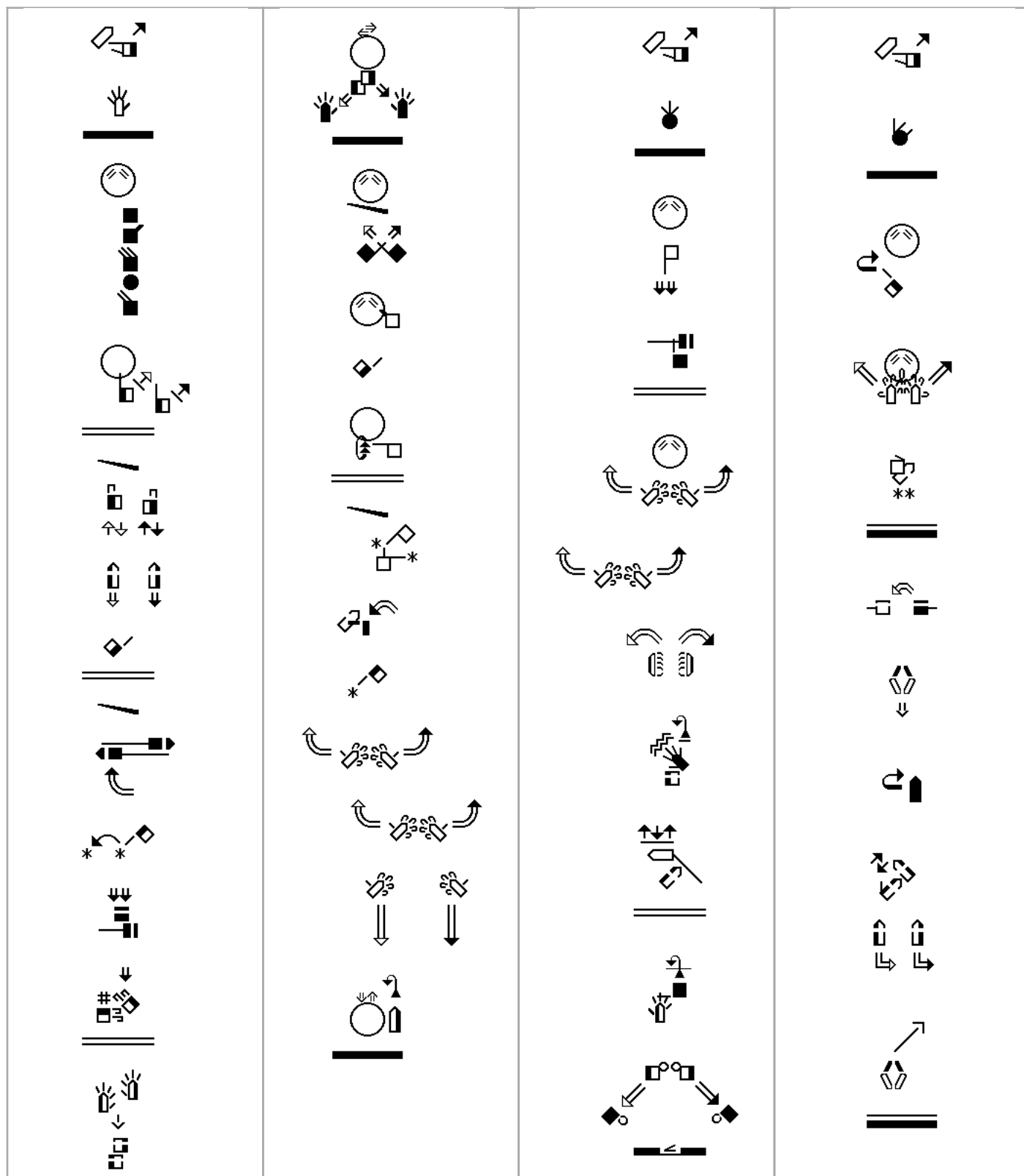
Verse 43. But he replied, "I must preach the Good News of the Kingdom of God in other towns, too, because that is why I was sent." Verse 44. So he continued to travel around, preaching in synagogues throughout Judea. NLT

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Luke 5. One day as Jesus was preaching on the shore of the Sea of Galilee, great crowds pressed in on him to listen to the word of God. Verse 2. He noticed two empty boats at the water's edge, for the fishermen had left them and were washing their nets. NLT


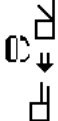










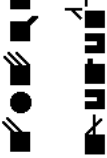


















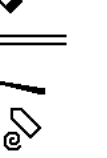






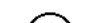

























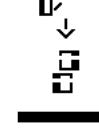

			
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Verse 3. Stepping into one of the boats, Jesus asked Simon, its owner, to push it out into the water. So he sat in the boat and taught the crowds from there. Verse 4. When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Now go out where it is deeper, and let down your nets to catch some fish."
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Verse 5. "Master," Simon replied, "we worked hard all last night and didn't catch a thing. But if you say so, I'll let the nets down again." Verse 6. And this time their nets were so full of fish they began to tear! Verse 7. A shout for help brought their partners in the other boat,

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and soon both boats were filled with fish and on the verge of sinking. Verse 8. When Simon Peter realized what had happened, he fell to his knees before Jesus and said, "Oh, Lord, please leave me -- I'm too much of a sinner to be around you." Verse 9. For he was awestruck by the number of fish they had caught, as were the others with him.

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Verse 10. His partners, James and John, the sons of Zebedee, were also amazed. Jesus replied to Simon, "Don't be afraid! From now on you'll be fishing for people!" Verse 11. And as soon as they landed, they left everything and followed Jesus.

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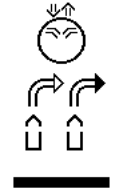


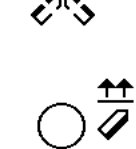


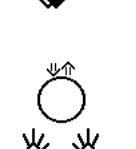
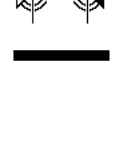
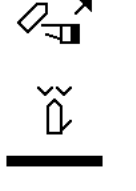
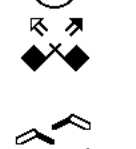

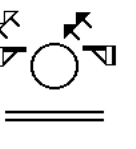
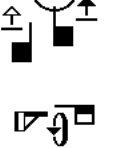
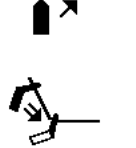
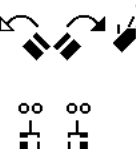
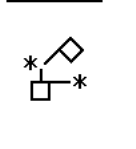
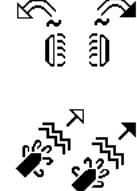

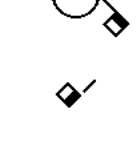


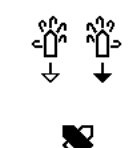
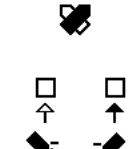


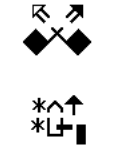
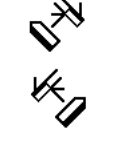

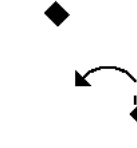

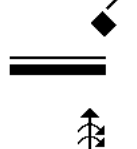

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Verse 12. In one of the villages, Jesus met a man with an advanced case of leprosy. When the man saw Jesus, he bowed with his face to the ground, begging to be healed. "Lord," he said, "if you are willing, you can heal me and make me clean." Verse 13. Jesus reached out and touched him. "I am willing," he said. NLT

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"Be healed!" And instantly the leprosy disappeared. Verse 14. Then Jesus instructed him not to tell anyone what had happened. He said, "Go to the priest and let him examine you. Take along the offering required in the law of Moses for those who have been healed of leprosy.

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This will be a public testimony that you have been cleansed." Verse 15. But despite Jesus' instructions, the report of his power spread even faster, and vast crowds came to hear him preach and to be healed of their diseases. Verse 16. But Jesus often withdrew to the wilderness for prayer.

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Verse 17. One day while Jesus was teaching, some Pharisees and teachers of religious law were sitting nearby. (It seemed that these men showed up from every village in all Galilee and Judea, as well as from Jerusalem.) And the Lord's healing power was strongly with Jesus.

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Verse 18. Some men came carrying a paralyzed man on a sleeping mat. They tried to take him inside to Jesus, Verse 19. but they couldn't reach him because of the crowd. So they went up to the roof and took off some tiles. Then they lowered the sick man on his mat down into the crowd, right in front of Jesus.

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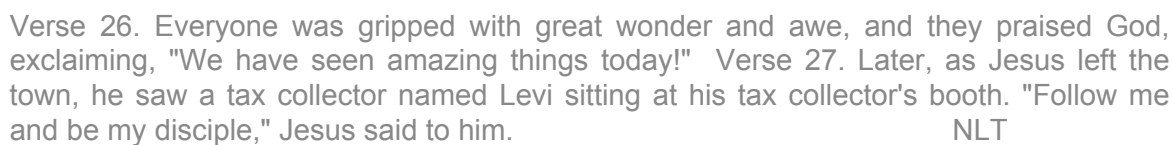
Verse 20. Seeing their faith, Jesus said to the man, "Young man, your sins are forgiven."
 Verse 21. But the Pharisees and teachers of religious law said to themselves, "Who does he think he is? That's blasphemy! Only God can forgive sins!" NLT

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Verse 22. Jesus knew what they were thinking, so he asked them, "Why do you question this in your hearts? Verse 23. Is it easier to say 'Your sins are forgiven,' or 'Stand up and walk'? Verse 24. So I will prove to you that the Son of Man has the authority on earth to forgive sins."

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earth to forgive sins." Then Jesus turned to the paralyzed man and said, "Stand up, pick up your mat, and go home!" Verse 25. And immediately, as everyone watched, the man jumped up, picked up his mat, and went home, praising God.



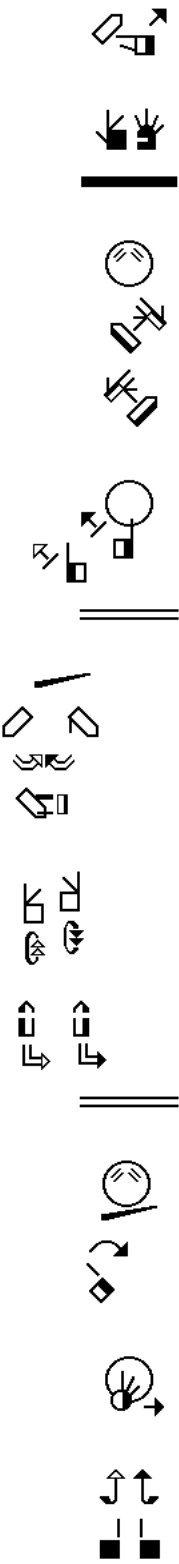
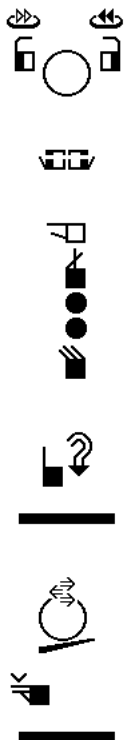


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Verse 28. So Levi got up, left everything, and followed him. Verse 29. Later, Levi held a banquet in his home with Jesus as the guest of honor. Many of Levi's fellow tax collectors and other guests also ate with them.

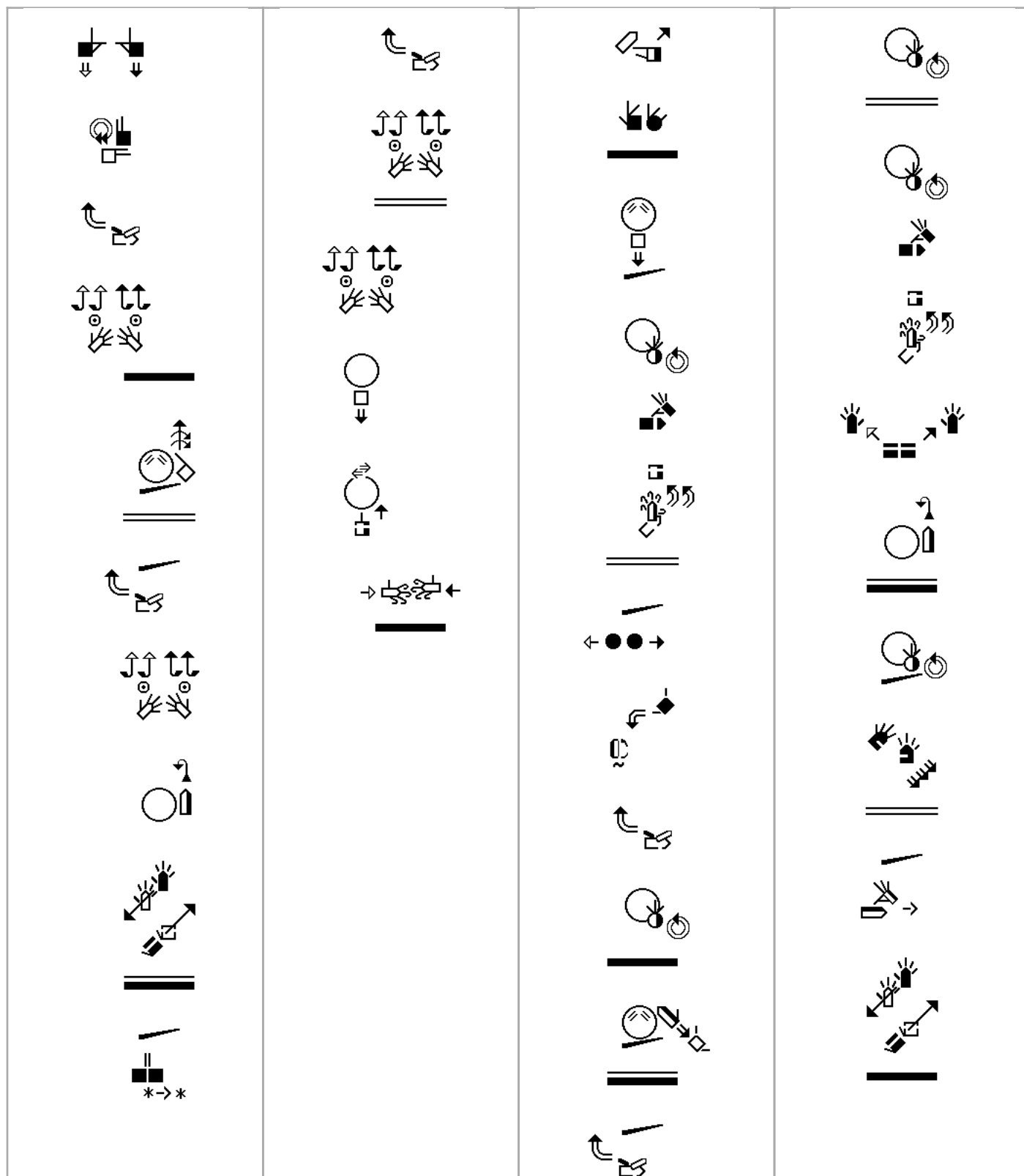
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Verse 32. I have come to call not those who think they are righteous, but those who know they are sinners and need to repent." Verse 33. One day some people said to Jesus, "John the Baptist's disciples fast and pray regularly, and so do the disciples of the Pharisees. Why are your disciples always eating and drinking?"

			
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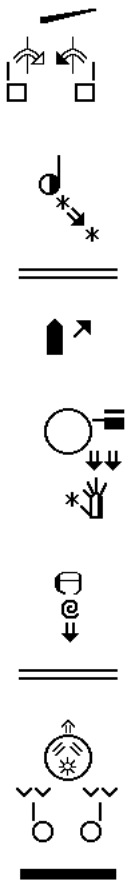
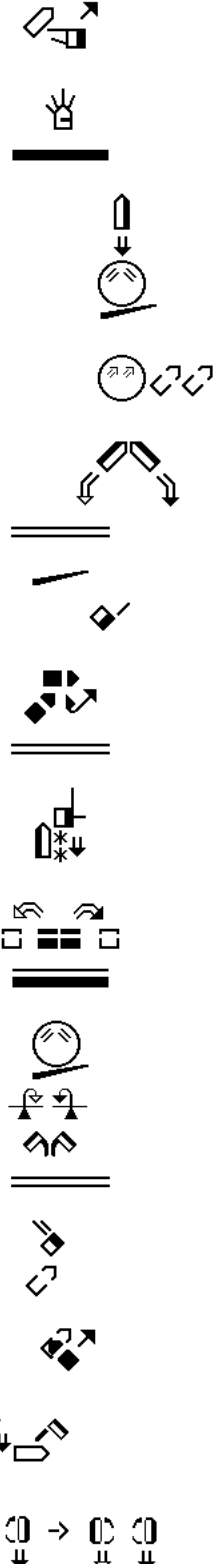

Verse 34. Jesus responded, "Do wedding guests fast while celebrating with the groom? Of course not. Verse 35. But someday the groom will be taken away from them, and then they will fast." Verse 36. Then Jesus gave them this illustration: "No one tears a piece of cloth from a new garment and uses it to patch an old garment. NLT



For then the new garment would be ruined, and the new patch wouldn't even match the old garment. Verse 37. "And no one puts new wine into old wineskins. For the new wine would burst the wineskins, spilling the wine and ruining the skins. NLT





















































































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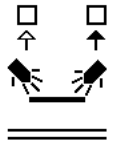






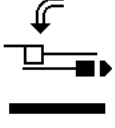











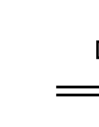

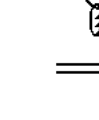


















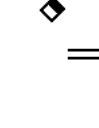




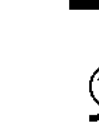
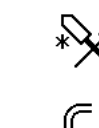
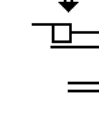
Verse 3. Jesus replied, "Haven't you read in the Scriptures what David did when he and his companions were hungry? Verse 4. He went into the house of God and broke the law by eating the sacred loaves of bread that only the priests can eat. He also gave some to his companions."

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Verse 5. And Jesus added, "The Son of Man is Lord, even over the Sabbath." Verse 6. On another Sabbath day, a man with a deformed right hand was in the synagogue while Jesus was teaching. Verse 7. The teachers of religious law and the Pharisees watched Jesus closely. If

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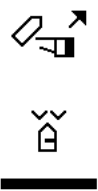


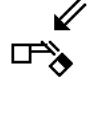
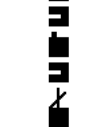
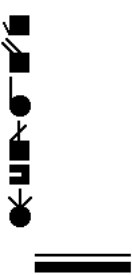

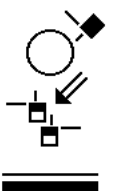
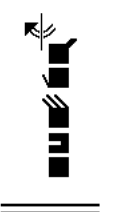
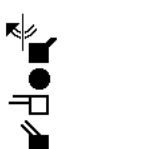
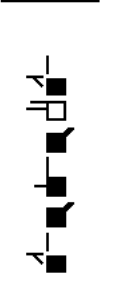
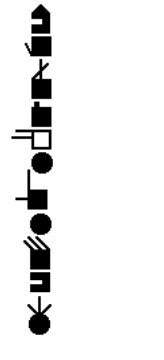
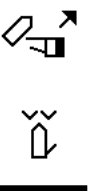
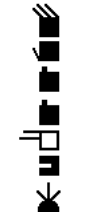
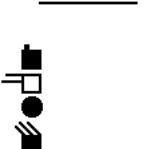


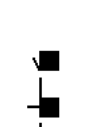
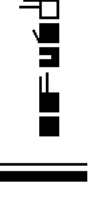
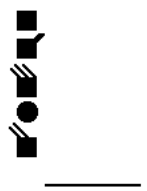
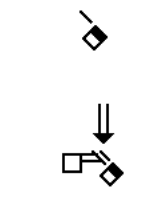
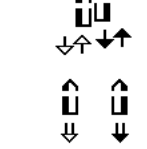


he healed the man's hand, they planned to accuse him of working on the Sabbath. Verse 8. But Jesus knew their thoughts. He said to the man with the deformed hand, "Come and stand in front of everyone." So the man came forward. Verse 9. Then Jesus said to his critics, "I have a question for you."

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Verse 11. At this, the enemies of Jesus were wild with rage and began to discuss what to do with him. Verse 12. One day soon afterward Jesus went up on a mountain to pray, and he prayed to God all night. Verse 13. At daybreak he called together all of his disciples and chose twelve of them to be apostles. Here are their names: NLT

      	    	      	    
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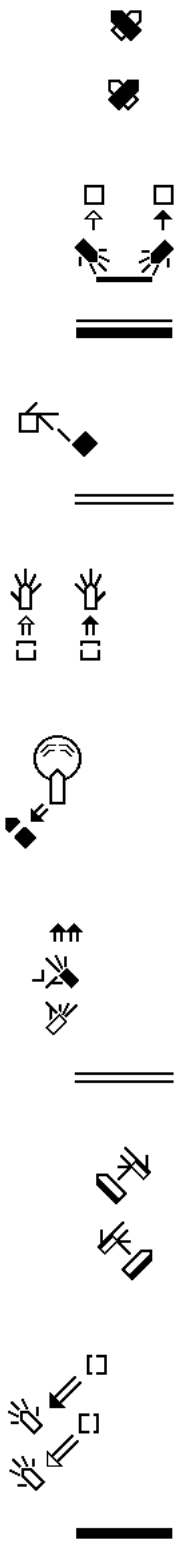
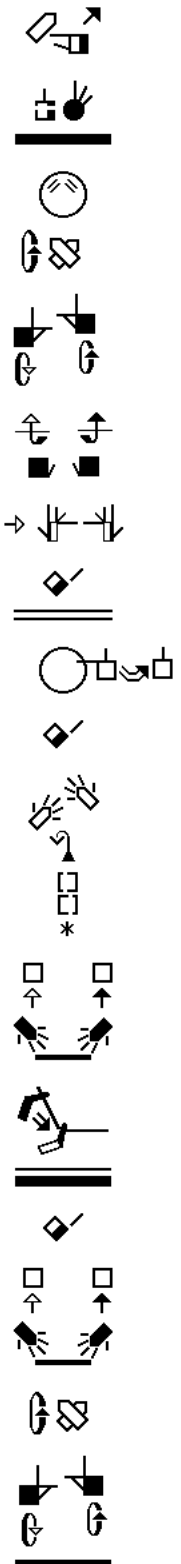
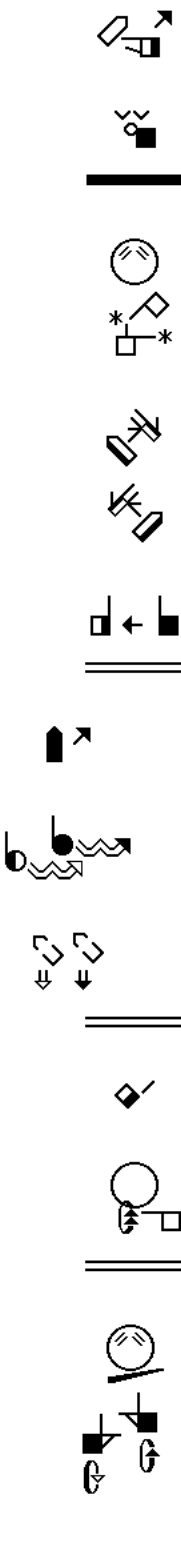
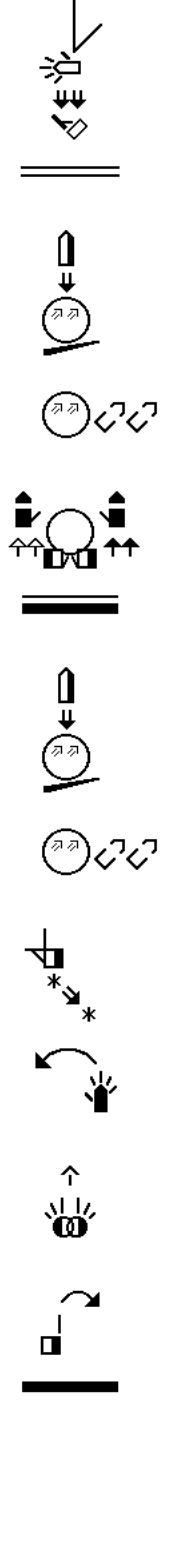
Verse 14. Simon (whom he named Peter), Andrew (Peter's brother), James, John, Philip, Bartholomew, Verse 15. Matthew, Thomas, James (son of Alphaeus), Simon (who was called the zealot),

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Verse 16. Judas (son of James), Judas Iscariot (who later betrayed him). Verse 17. When they came down from the mountain, the disciples stood with Jesus on a large, level area, surrounded by many of his followers and by the crowds. Verse 18. They had come to hear him and

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to be healed of their diseases; and Jesus also cast out many evil spirits. Verse 19. Everyone tried to touch him, because healing power went out from him, and he healed everyone. Verse 20. Then Jesus turned to his disciples and said, "God blesses you who are poor, for the Kingdom of God is yours. NLT

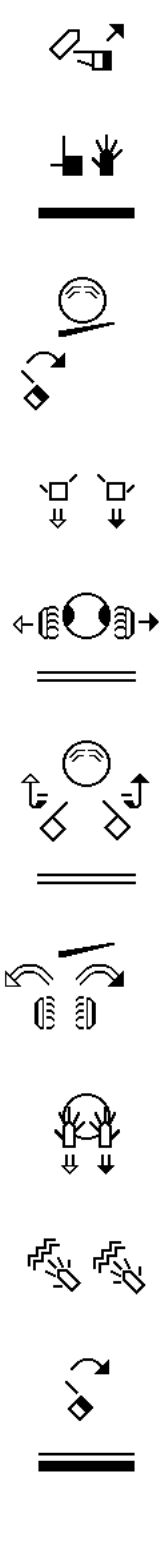
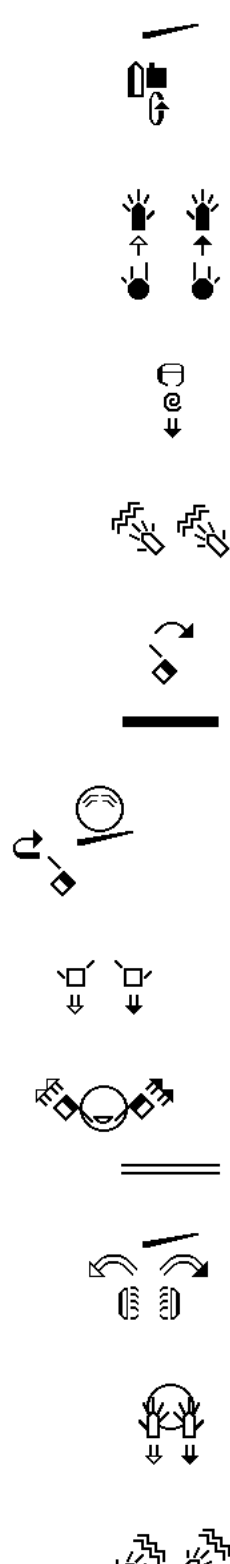
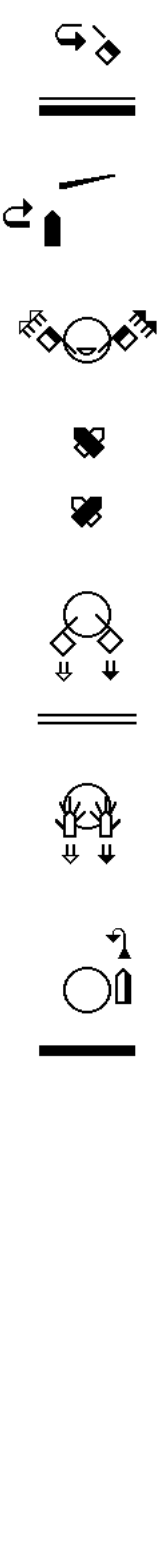
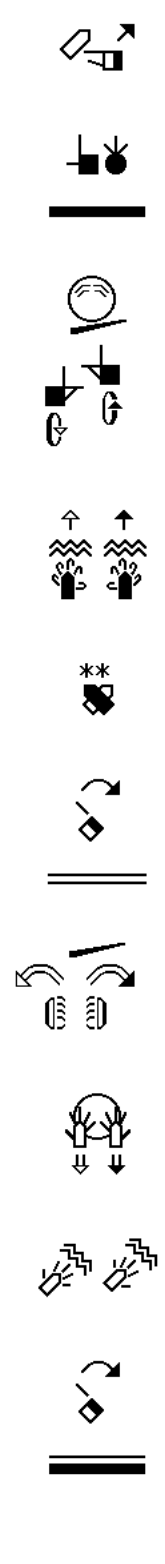
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Verse 21. God blesses you who are hungry now, for you will be satisfied. God blesses you who weep now, for in due time you will laugh. Verse 22. What blessings await you when people hate you and exclude you and mock you and curse you as evil because you follow the Son of Man.

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Verse 23. When that happens, be happy! Yes, leap for joy! For a great reward awaits you in heaven. And remember, their ancestors treated the ancient prophets that same way. Verse 24. "What sorrow awaits you who are rich, for you have your only happiness now. NLT

			
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why should you get credit? Even sinners do that much! Verse 34. And if you lend money only to those who can repay you, why should you get credit? Even sinners will lend to other sinners for a full return. Verse 35. "Love your enemies! Do good to them. NLT

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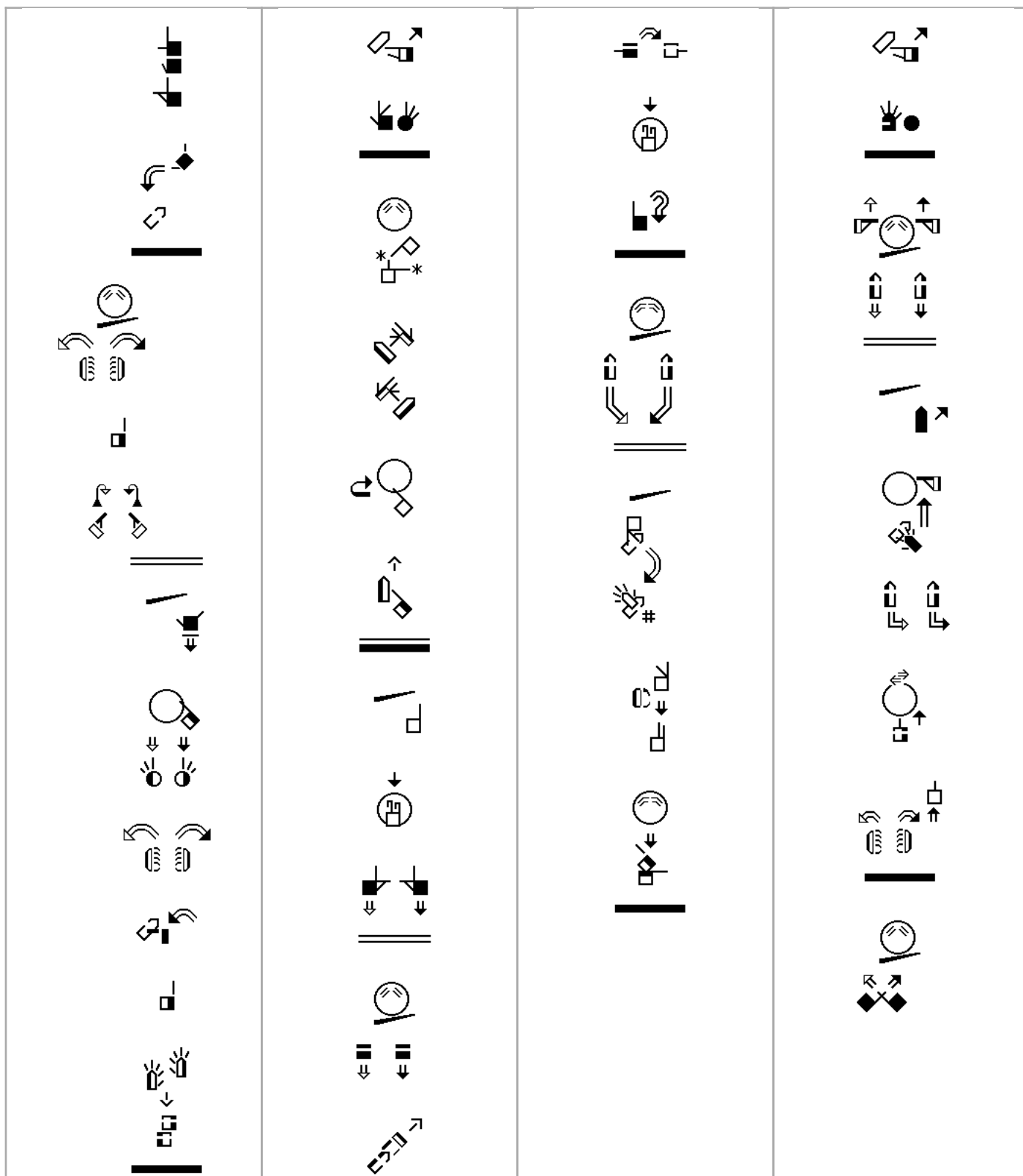
Lend to them without expecting to be repaid. Then your reward from heaven will be very great, and you will truly be acting as children of the Most High, for he is kind to those who are unthankful and wicked. Verse 36. You must be compassionate, just as your Father is compassionate.

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Verse 37. "Do not judge others, and you will not be judged. Do not condemn others, or it will all come back against you. Forgive others, and you will be forgiven. Verse 38. Give, and you will receive. Your gift will return to you in full -- pressed down, shaken together to make room for more, running over,

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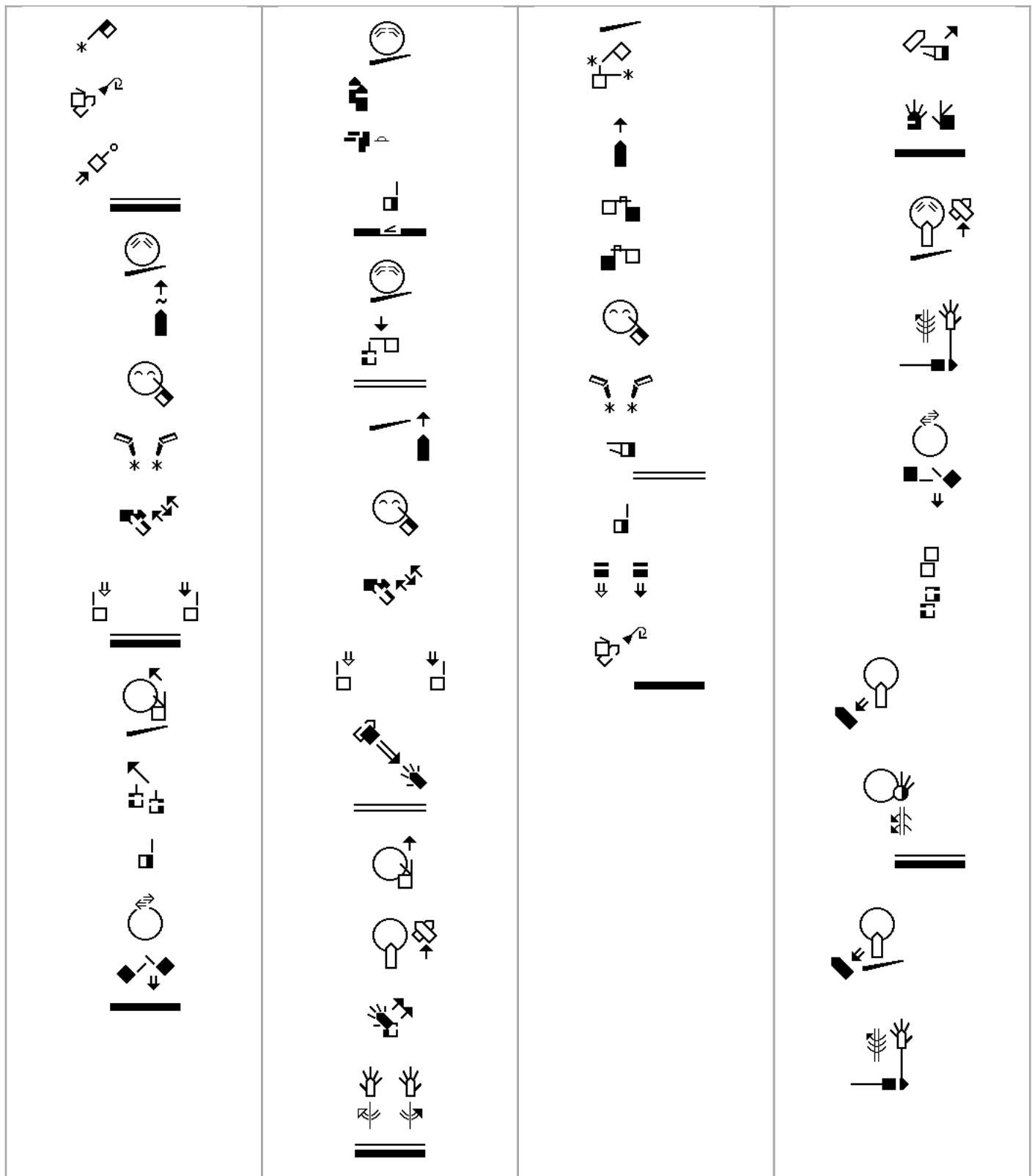


and poured into your lap. The amount you give will determine the amount you get back." Verse 39. Then Jesus gave the following illustration: "Can one blind person lead another? Won't they both fall into a ditch? Verse 40. Students are not greater than their teacher. But

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the student who is fully trained will become like the teacher. Verse 41. "And why worry about a speck in your friend's eye when you have a log in your own? Verse 42. How can you think of saying, 'Friend, let












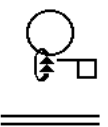

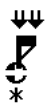
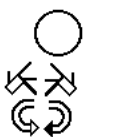










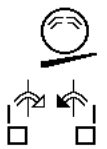










me help you get rid of that speck in your eye,' when you can't see past the log in your own eye? Hypocrite! First get rid of the log in your own eye; then you will see well enough to deal with the speck in your friend's eye. Verse 43. "A good tree can't produce bad fruit, and a bad tree

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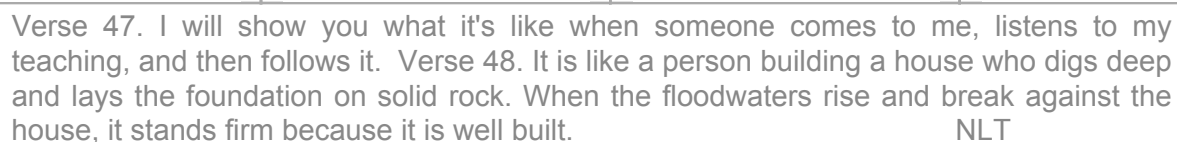
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can't produce good fruit. Verse 44. A tree is identified by its fruit. Figs never grow on thornbushes, nor grapes on bramble bushes. Verse 45. A good person produces good things from the treasury of a good heart, NLT

        	      	        	        
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and an evil person produces evil things from the treasury of an evil heart. What you say flows from what is in your heart. Verse 46. "So why do you keep calling me 'Lord, Lord!' when you don't do what I say?"

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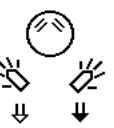





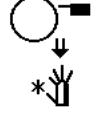







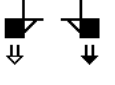
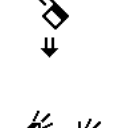
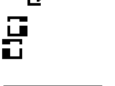

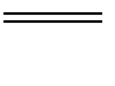





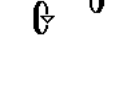





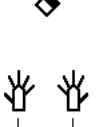











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Verse 49. But anyone who hears and doesn't obey is like a person who builds a house without a foundation. When the floods sweep down against that house, it will collapse into a heap of ruins."

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Luke 7. When Jesus had finished saying all this to the people, he returned to Capernaum. Verse 2. At that time the highly valued slave of a Roman officer was sick and near death. Verse 3. When the officer heard about Jesus, he sent some respected Jewish elders to ask him to come and heal his slave. NLT

          	          	          	          
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Verse 4. So they earnestly begged Jesus to help the man. "If anyone deserves your help, he does," they said, Verse 5. "for he loves the Jewish people and even built a synagogue for us."

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Verse 6. So Jesus went with them. But just before they arrived at the house, the officer sent some friends to say, "Lord, don't trouble yourself by coming to my home, for I am not worthy of such an honor. Verse 7. I am not even worthy to come and meet you. Just say the word

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from where you are, and my servant will be healed. Verse 8. I know this because I am under the authority of my superior officers, and I have authority over my soldiers. I only need to say, 'Go,' and they go, or 'Come,' and they come. And if I say to my slaves, 'Do this,' they do it."

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Verse 9. When Jesus heard this, he was amazed. Turning to the crowd that was following him, he said, "I tell you, I haven't seen faith like this in all Israel!" Verse 10. And when the officer's friends returned to his house, they found the slave completely healed. NLT

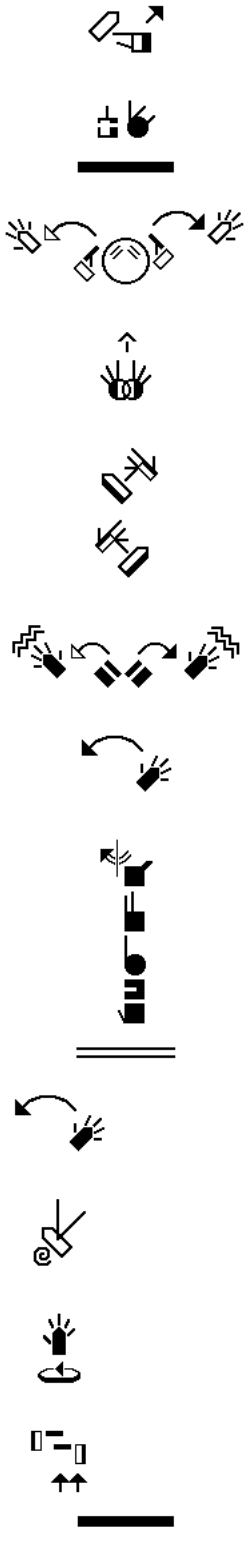

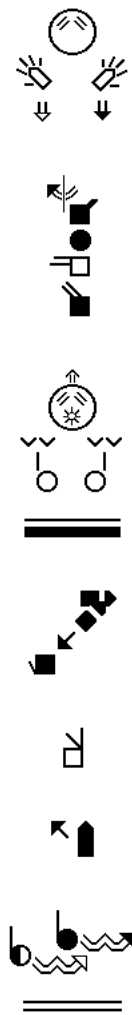
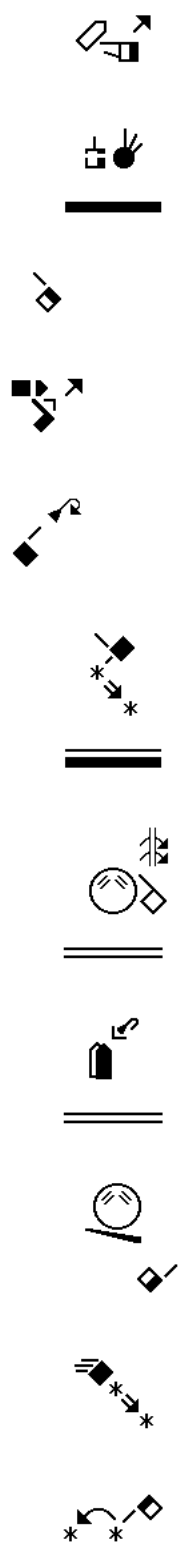
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Verse 13. When the Lord saw her, his heart overflowed with compassion. "Don't cry!" he said. Verse 14. Then he walked over to the coffin and touched it, and the bearers stopped. "Young man," he said, "I tell you, get up."

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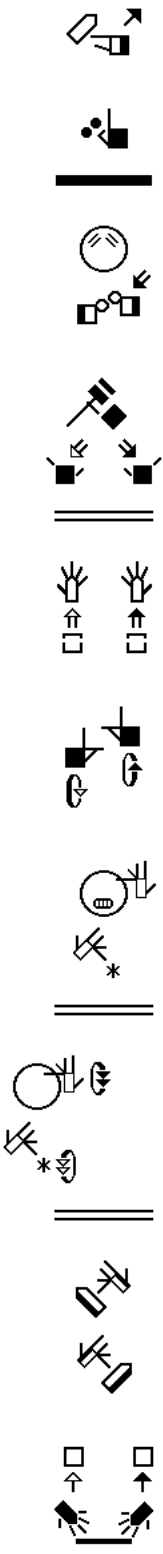
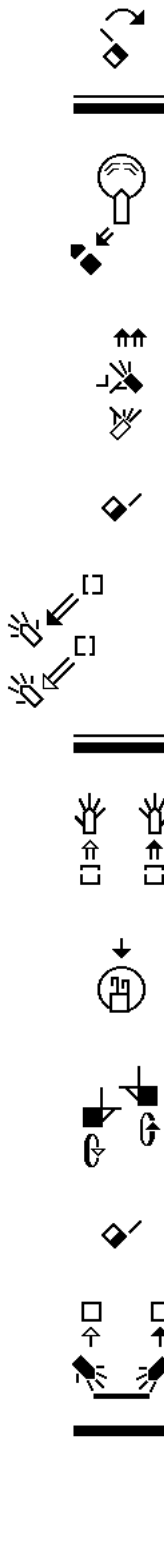
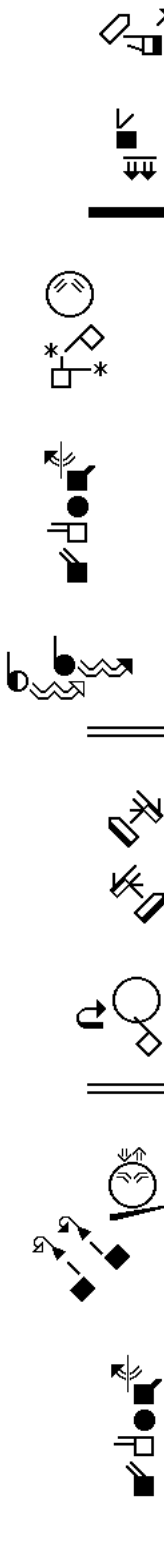
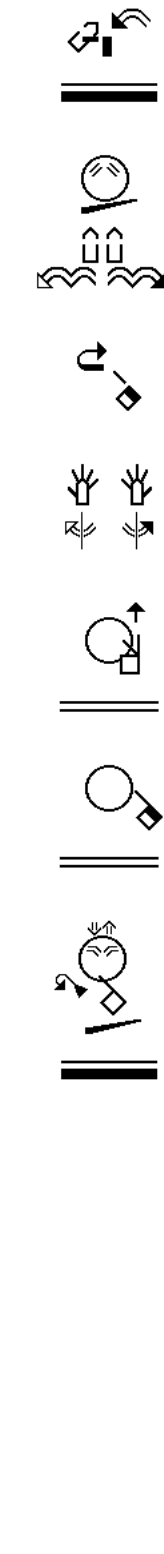
			
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Verse 17. And the news about Jesus spread throughout Judea and the surrounding countryside. Verse 18. The disciples of John the Baptist told John about everything Jesus was doing. So John called for two of his disciples, Verse 19. and he sent them to the Lord to ask him, "Are you the Messiah we've

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been expecting, or should we keep looking for someone else?" Verse 20. John's two disciples found Jesus and said to him, "John the Baptist sent us to ask, 'Are you the Messiah we've been expecting, or should we keep looking for someone else?'" NLT

			
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Verse 21. At that very time, Jesus cured many people of their diseases and illnesses, and he cast out evil spirits and restored sight to many who were blind. Verse 22. Then he told John's disciples, "Go back to John and tell him what you have seen and heard -- NLT

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Verse 23. And tell him, 'God blesses those who do not turn away because of me.'" Verse 24. After John's disciples left, Jesus began talking about him to the crowds. "What kind of man did you go into the wilderness to see? Was he a weak reed, swayed by every breath of wind?"

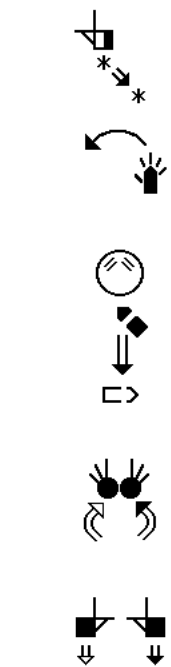
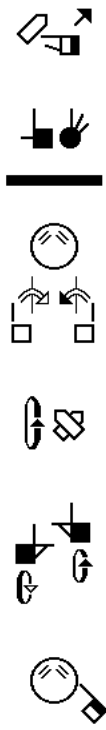
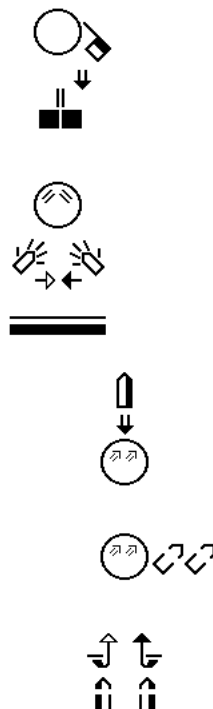
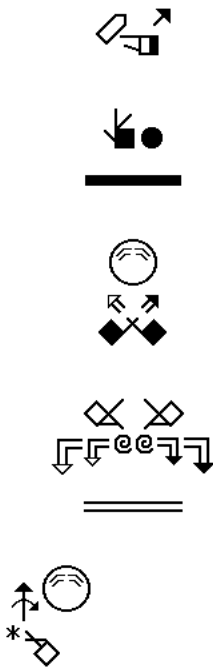
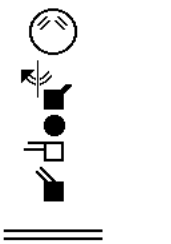
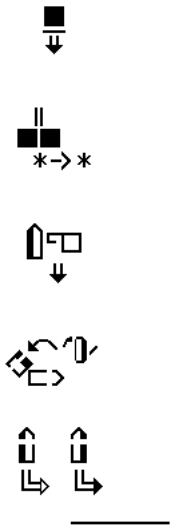
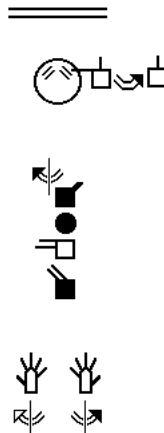
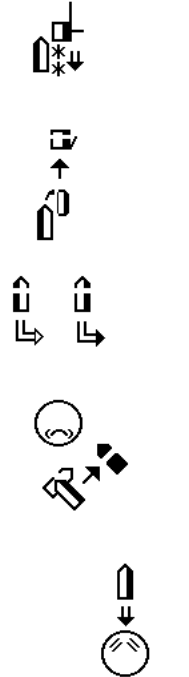
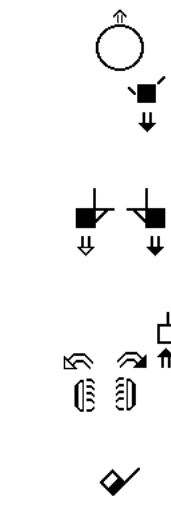

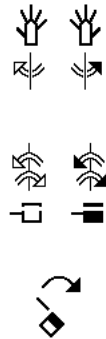

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Verse 25. Or were you expecting to see a man dressed in expensive clothes? No, people who wear beautiful clothes and live in luxury are found in palaces. Verse 26. Were you looking for a prophet? Yes, and he is more than a prophet. Verse 27. John is the man to whom the Scriptures refer when they say, 'Look, I am sending my messenger

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ahead of you, and he will prepare your way before you.' Verse 28. I tell you, of all who have ever lived, none is greater than John. Yet

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even the least person in the Kingdom of God is greater than he is!" Verse 29. When they heard this, all the people -- even the tax collectors -- agreed that God's way was right, for they had been baptized by John. Verse 30. But the Pharisees and experts in religious law rejected God's plan for them,

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for they had refused John's baptism. Verse 31. "To what can I compare the people of this generation?" Jesus asked. "How can I describe them? Verse 32. They are like children playing a game in the public square. They complain to their friends, "We played wedding songs, and you didn't dance, so

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we played funeral songs, and you didn't weep.' Verse 33. For John the Baptist didn't spend his time eating bread or drinking wine, and you say, 'He's possessed by a demon.' Verse 34. The Son of Man, on the other hand, feasts and drinks, and you NLT

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say, 'He's a glutton and a drunkard, and a friend of tax collectors and other sinners!' Verse 35. But wisdom is shown to be right by the lives of those who follow it." Verse 36. One of the Pharisees asked Jesus to have dinner with him, so

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Her tears fell on his feet, and she wiped them off with her hair. Then she kept kissing his feet and putting perfume on them. Verse 39. When the Pharisee who had invited him saw this, he said to himself, "If this man were a prophet, he would know what kind of woman is touching him. She's a sinner!"

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Verse 40. Then Jesus answered his thoughts. "Simon," he said to the Pharisee, "I have something to say to you." "Go ahead, Teacher," Simon replied. Verse 41. Then Jesus told him this story: "A man loaned money to two people -- 500 pieces of silver to one and 50 pieces to the other.

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Verse 42. But neither of them could repay him, so he kindly forgave them both, canceling their debts. Who do you suppose loved him more after that?" Verse 43. Simon answered, "I suppose the one for whom he canceled the larger debt." "That's right," Jesus said.

























































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






































































Verse 44. Then he turned to the woman and said to Simon, "Look at this woman kneeling here. When I entered your home, you didn't offer me water to wash the dust from my feet, but she has washed them with her tears and wiped them with her hair. NLT

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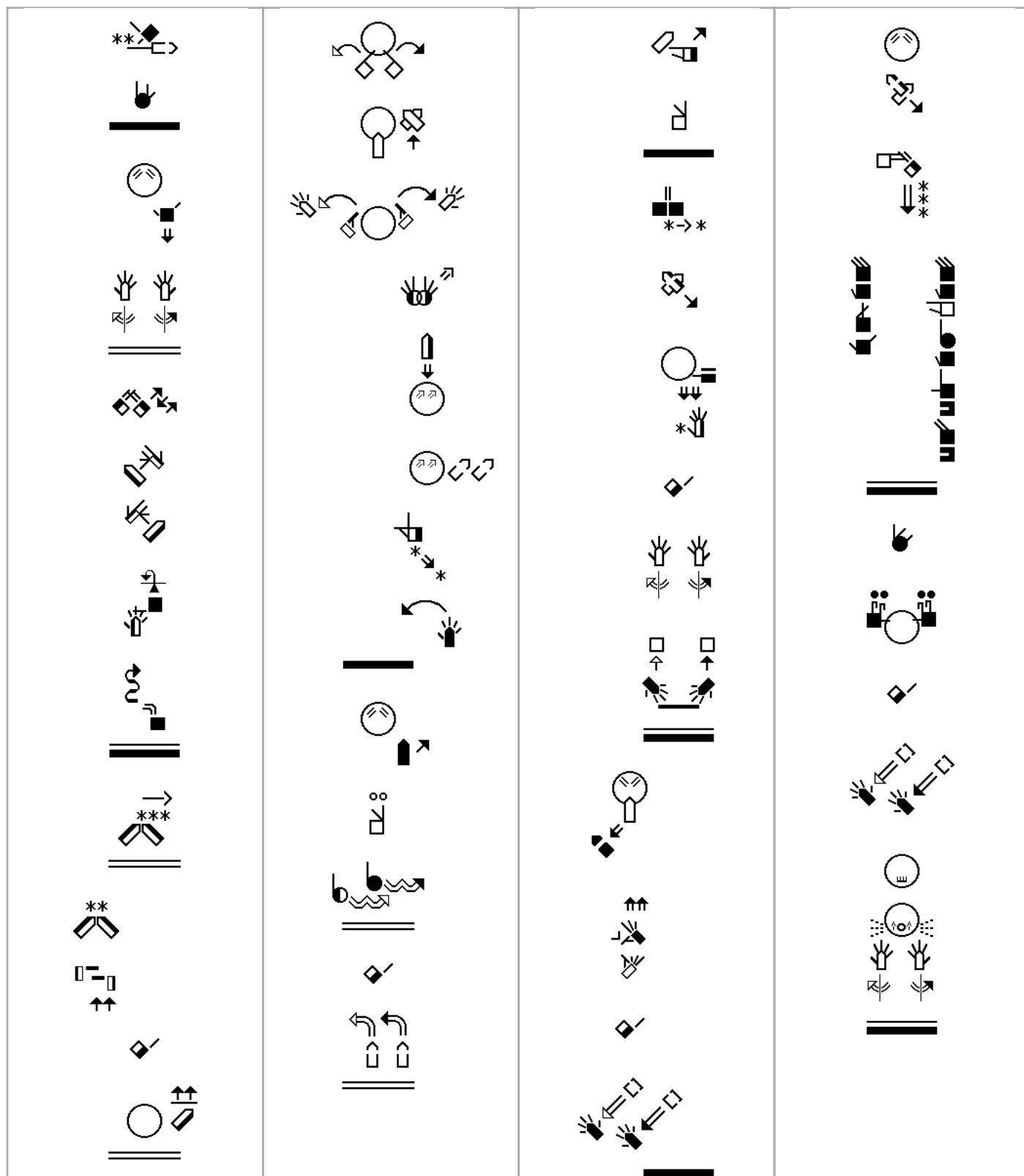
Verse 45. You didn't greet me with a kiss, but from the time I first came in, she has not stopped kissing my feet. Verse 46. You neglected the courtesy of olive oil to anoint my head, but she has anointed my feet with rare perfume. NLT

             	             	             	             
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Verse 47. "I tell you, her sins -- and there are many -- have been forgiven, so she has shown me much love. But a person who is forgiven little shows only little love." Verse 48. Then Jesus said to the woman, "Your sins are forgiven." NLT

                    	                    	                    	                    
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Verse 49. The men at the table said among themselves, "Who is this man, that he goes around forgiving sins?" Verse 50. And Jesus said to the woman, "Your faith has saved you; go in peace."
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Luke 8. Soon afterward Jesus began a tour of the nearby towns and villages, preaching and announcing the Good News about the Kingdom of God. He took his twelve disciples with him, Verse 2. along with some women he had healed and from whom he had cast out evil spirits. Among them were Mary Magdalene, from whom he had cast out seven

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Verse 3. Joanna, the wife of Chuza, Herod's business manager; Susanna; and many others who were contributing their own resources to support Jesus and his disciples. Verse 4. One day Jesus told a story to a large crowd that had gathered from many towns to hear him:

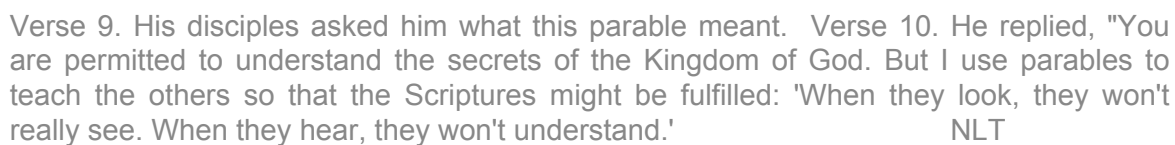
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


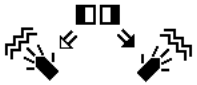

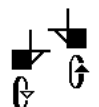
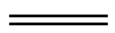



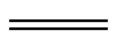
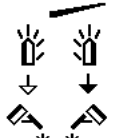


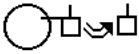







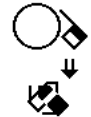



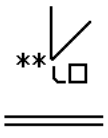











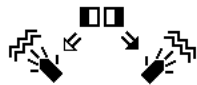

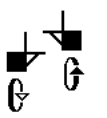


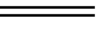
Verse 5. "A farmer went out to plant his seed. As he scattered it across his field, some seed fell on a footpath, where it was stepped on, and the birds ate it. Verse 6. Other seed fell among rocks. It began to grow, but the plant soon wilted and died for lack of moisture.

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
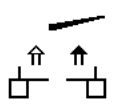
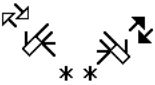




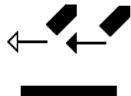









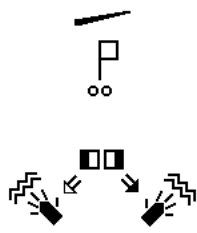









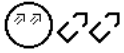



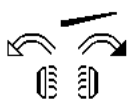



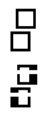


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Verse 13. The seeds on the rocky soil represent those who hear the message and receive it with joy. But since they don't have deep roots, they believe for a while, then they fall away when they face temptation. Verse 14. The seeds that fell among the thorns represent those who hear the message,

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but all too quickly the message is crowded out by the cares and riches and pleasures of this life. And so they never grow into maturity. Verse 15. And the seeds that fell on the good soil represent honest, goodhearted people who hear God's word, cling to it, and patiently produce a huge harvest.

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Verse 16. "No one lights a lamp and then covers it with a bowl or hides it under a bed. A lamp is placed on a stand, where its light can be seen by all who enter the house. Verse 17. For all that is secret will eventually be brought into the open, and everything that is concealed

will be brought to light and made known to all. Verse 18. "So pay attention to how you hear. To those who listen to my teaching, more understanding will be given. But for those who are not listening, even what they think they understand will be taken away from them."

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Verse 19. Then Jesus' mother and brothers came to see him, but they couldn't get to him because of the crowd. Verse 20. Someone told Jesus, "Your mother and your brothers are outside, and they want to see you." Verse 21. Jesus replied, "My mother and my brothers are

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all those who hear God's word and obey it." Verse 22. One day Jesus said to his disciples, "Let's cross to the other side of the lake." So they got into a boat and started out. Verse 23. As they sailed across, Jesus settled down for a nap. But soon NLT

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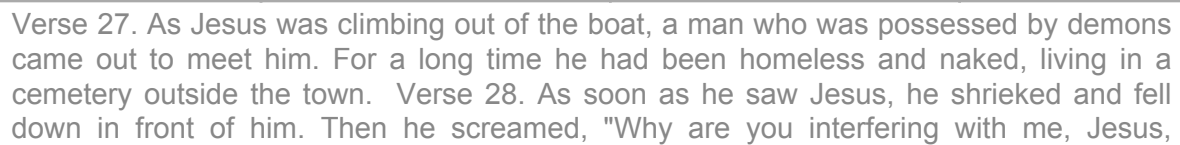
a fierce storm came down on the lake. The boat was filling with water, and they were in real danger. Verse 24. The disciples went and woke him up, shouting, "Master, Master, we're going to drown!" When Jesus woke up, he rebuked the wind and the raging waves. The storm stopped and all was calm!

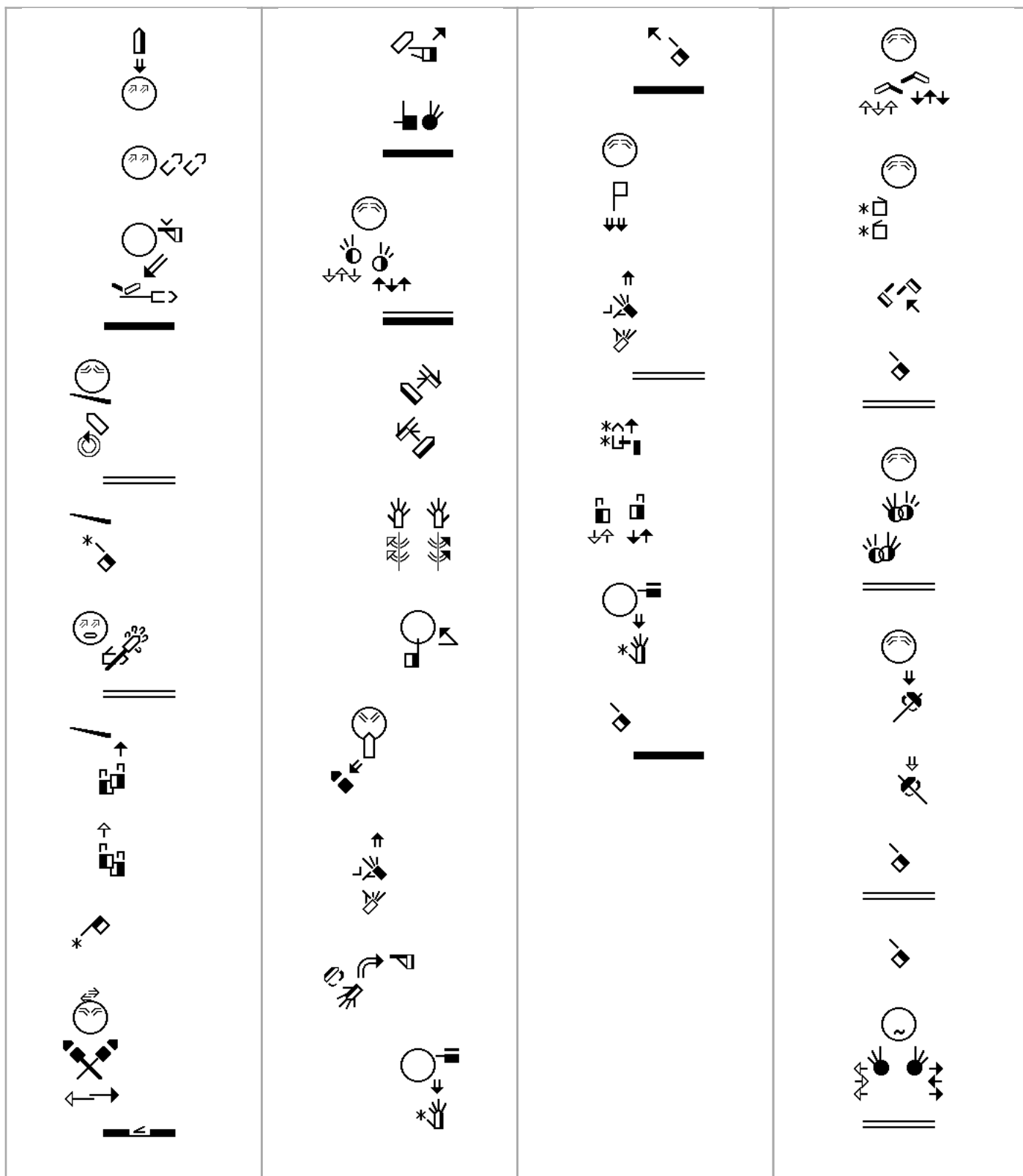
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Verse 25. Then he asked them, "Where is your faith?" The disciples were terrified and amazed. "Who is this man?" they asked each other. "When he gives a command, even the wind and waves obey him!" Verse 26. So they arrived in the region of the Gerasenes, across the lake from Galilee.




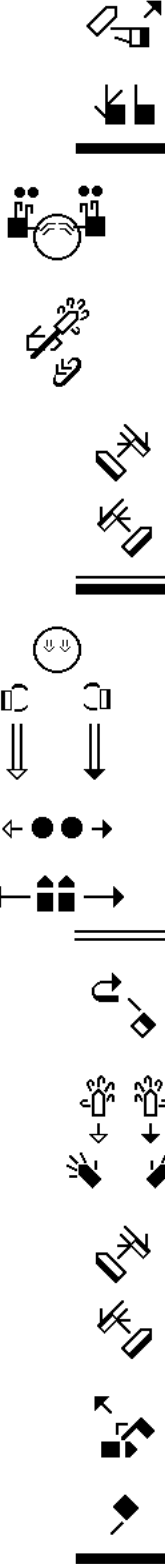
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Son of the Most High God? Please, I beg you, don't torture me!" Verse 29. For Jesus had already commanded the evil spirit to come out of him. This spirit had often taken control of the man. Even when he was placed under guard and put in chains and shackles, he simply

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broke them and rushed out into the wilderness, completely under the demon's power. Verse 30. Jesus demanded, "What is your name?" "Legion," he replied, for he was filled with many demons. Verse 31. The demons kept begging Jesus not to send them into the bottomless pit.

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Verse 32. There happened to be a large herd of pigs feeding on the hillside nearby, and the demons begged him to let them enter into the pigs. So Jesus gave them permission. Verse 33. Then the demons came out of the man and entered the pigs, and the entire herd plunged down the steep hillside into the lake and drowned. NLT

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Verse 34. When the herdsmen saw it, they fled to the nearby town and the surrounding countryside, spreading the news as they ran. Verse 35. People rushed out to see what had happened. A crowd soon gathered around Jesus, and they saw the man who had been freed from the demons. He was sitting

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at Jesus' feet, fully clothed and perfectly sane, and they were all afraid. Verse 36. Then those who had seen what happened told the others how the demon-possessed man had been healed. Verse 37. And all the people in the region of the Gerasenes begged Jesus to go away

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and leave them alone, for a great wave of fear swept over them. So Jesus returned to the boat and left, crossing back to the other side of the lake. Verse 38. The man who had been freed from the demons begged to go with him. But Jesus sent him home, saying, NLT

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Verse 39. "No, go back to your family, and tell them everything God has done for you." So he went all through the town proclaiming the great things Jesus had done for him. Verse 40. On the other side of the lake the crowds welcomed Jesus, because they had been waiting for him.





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Verse 41. Then a man named Jairus, a leader of the local synagogue, came and fell at Jesus' feet, pleading with him to come home with him. Verse 42. His only daughter, who was twelve years old, was dying. As Jesus went with him, he was surrounded by the crowds.

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Verse 49. While he was still speaking to her, a messenger arrived from the home of Jairus, the leader of the synagogue. He told him, "Your daughter is dead. There's no use troubling the Teacher now." Verse 50. But when Jesus heard what had happened, he said to Jairus, "Don't

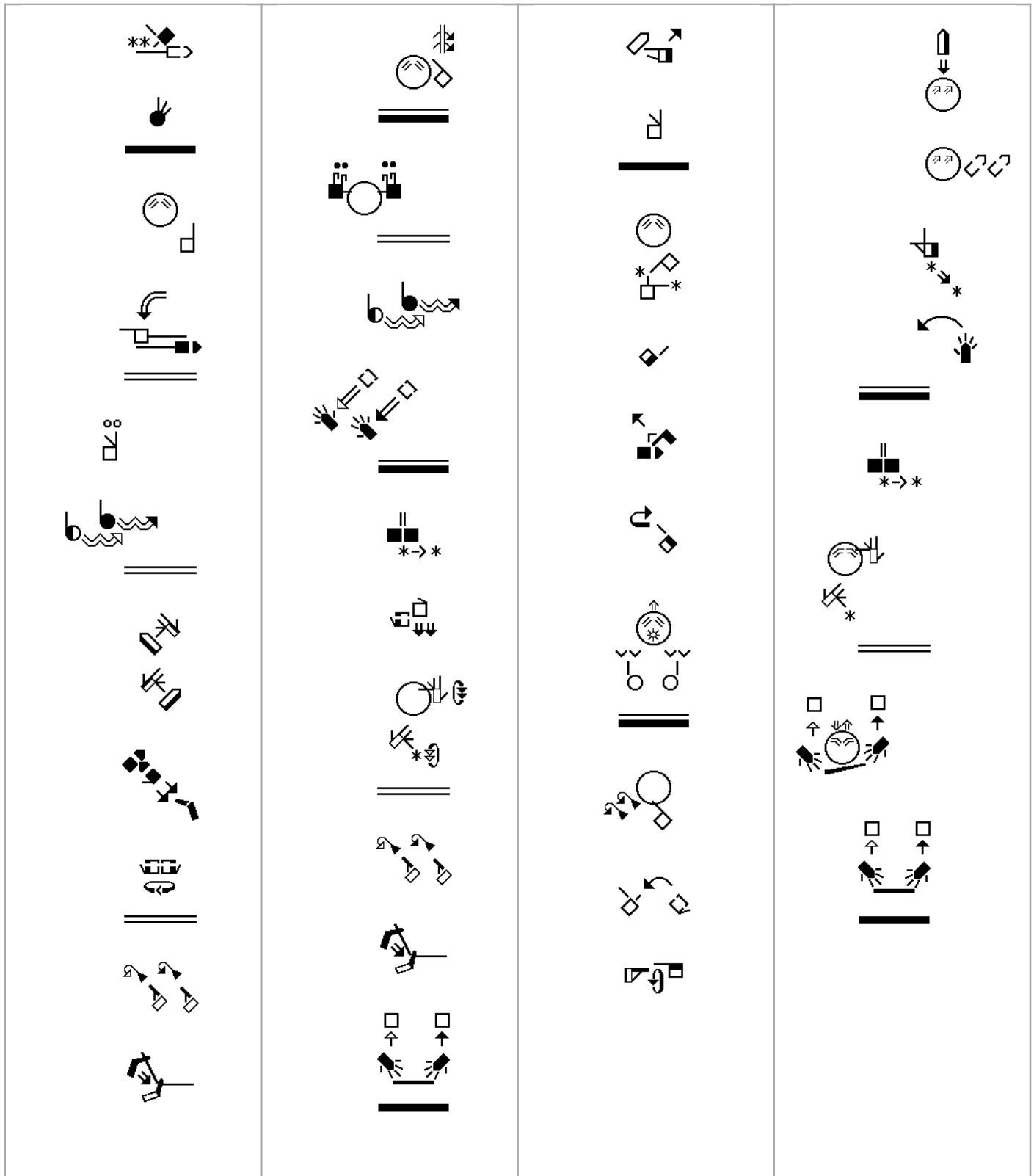
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"Stop the weeping! She isn't dead; she's only asleep." Verse 53. But the crowd laughed at him because they all knew she had died. Verse 54. Then Jesus took her by the hand and said in a loud voice, "My child, get up!" Verse 55. And at that moment her life returned, and she immediately stood up! Then

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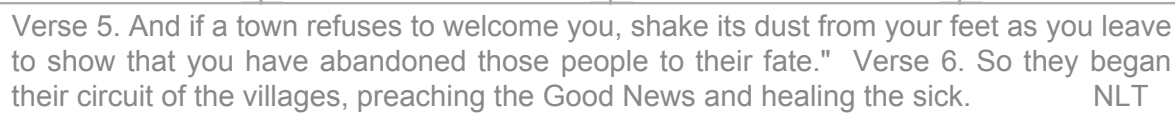
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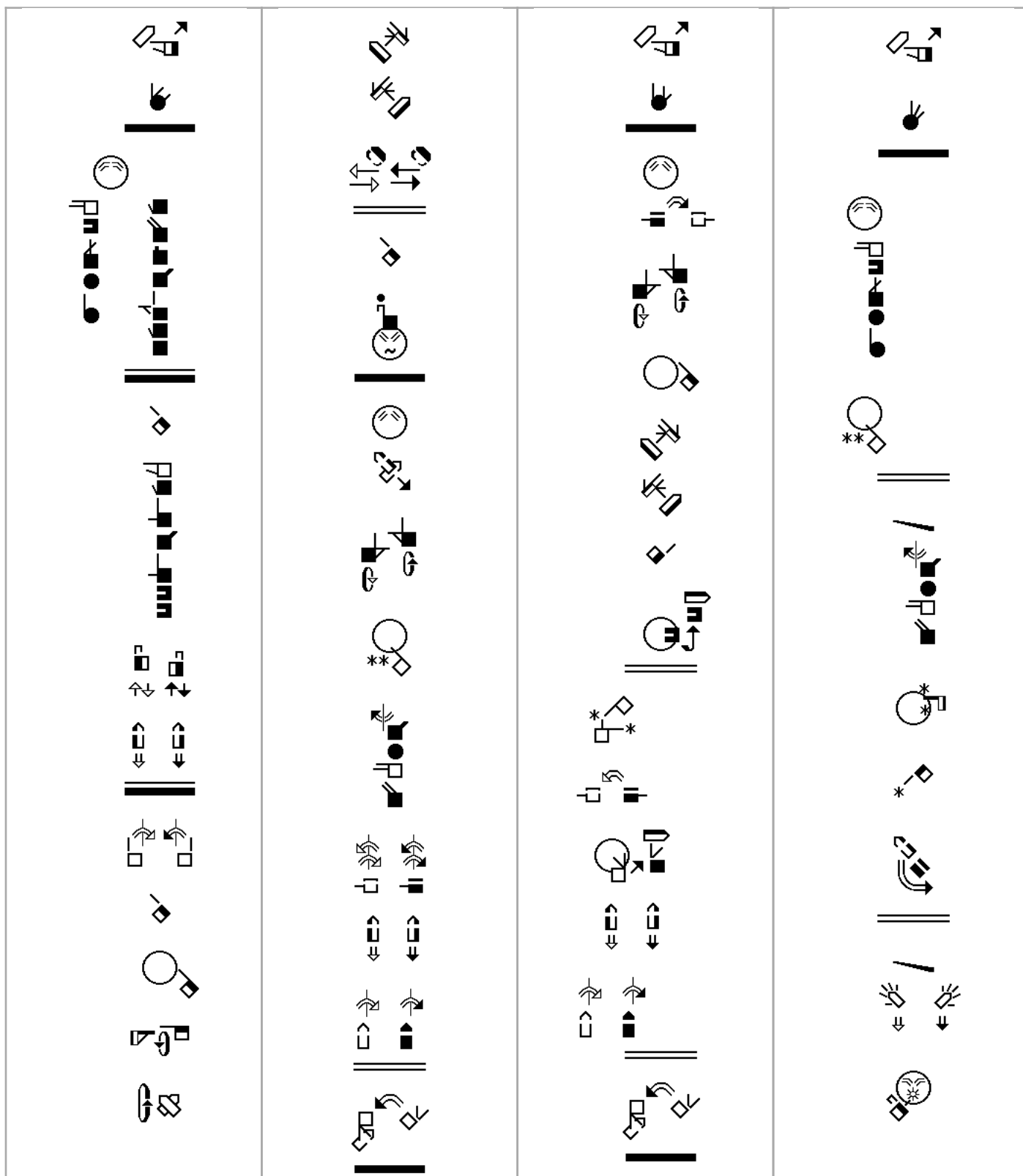


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


















































































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Verse 3. "Take nothing for your journey," he instructed them. "Don't take a walking stick, a traveler's bag, food, money, or even a change of clothes. Verse 4. Wherever you go, stay in the same house until you leave town. NLT



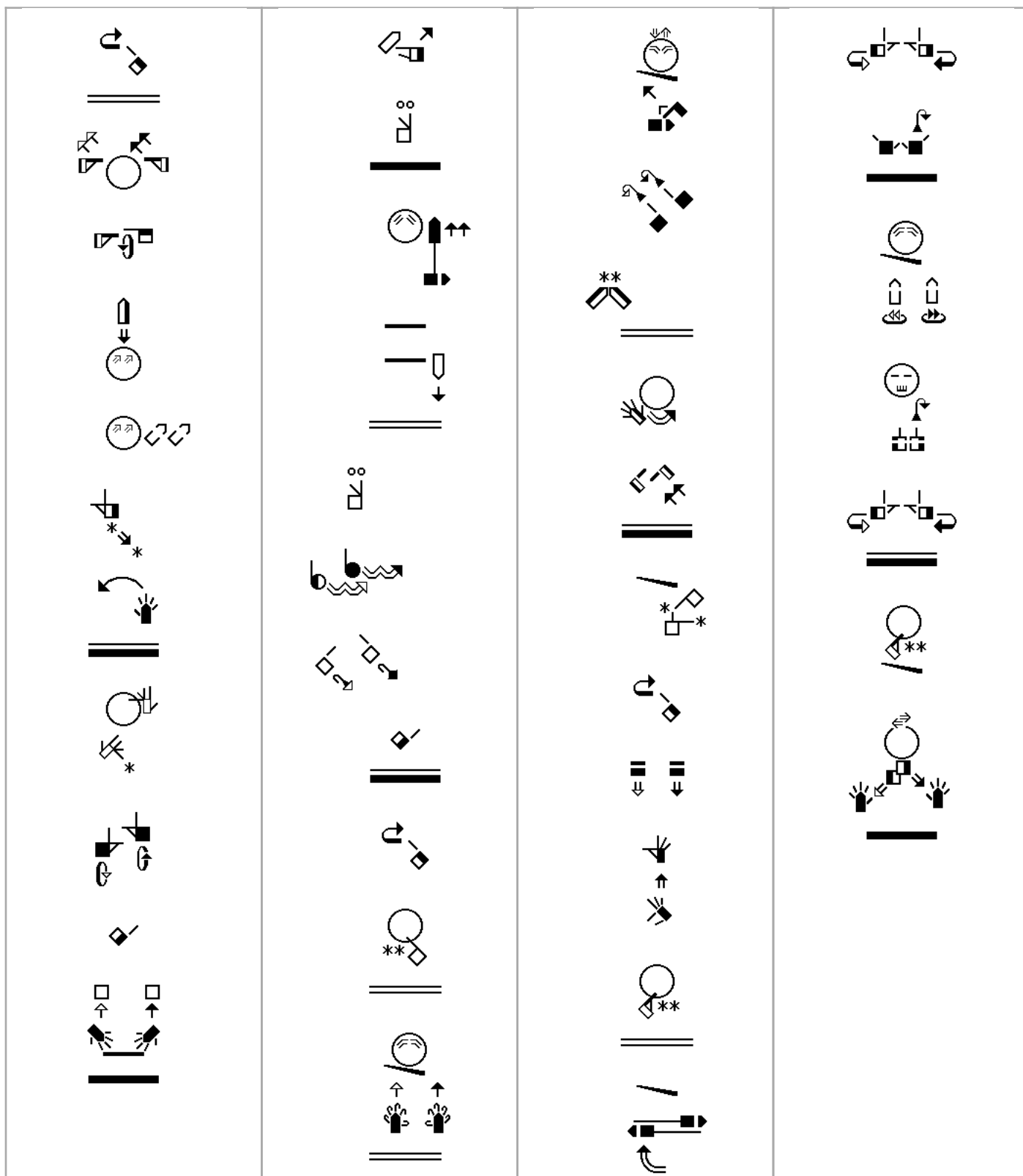


Verse 7. When Herod Antipas, the ruler of Galilee, heard about everything Jesus was doing, he was puzzled. Some were saying that John the Baptist had been raised from the dead. Verse 8. Others thought Jesus was Elijah or one of the other prophets risen from the dead. Verse 9. "I beheaded John," Herod said, "So who

                      	                      	                      	                     
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is this man about whom I hear such stories?" And he kept trying to see him. Verse 10. When the apostles returned, they told Jesus everything they had done. Then he slipped quietly away with them toward the town of Bethsaida. Verse 11. But the crowds found out where he was going, and they followed him. He welcomed

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them and taught them about the Kingdom of God, and he healed those who were sick. Verse 12. Late in the afternoon the twelve disciples came to him and said, "Send the crowds away to the nearby villages and farms, so they can find food and lodging for the night. There is nothing to eat here in this remote place."

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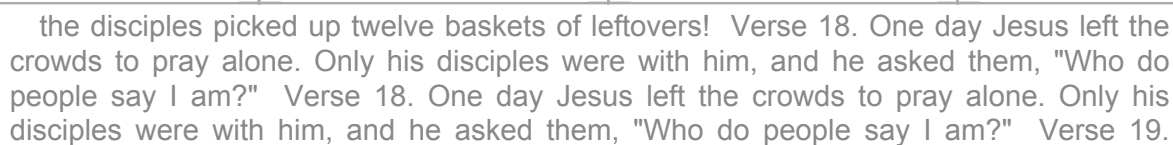
Verse 13. But Jesus said, "You feed them." "But we have only five loaves of bread and two fish," they answered. "Or are you expecting us to go and buy enough food for this whole crowd?" Verse 14. For there were about 5,000 men there. Jesus replied, "Tell them to sit down in groups of about fifty each."

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Verse 15. So the people all sat down. Verse 16. Jesus took the five loaves and two fish, looked up toward heaven, and blessed them. Then, breaking the loaves into pieces, he kept giving the bread and fish to the disciples so they could distribute it to the people. Verse 17. They all ate as much as they wanted, and afterward,

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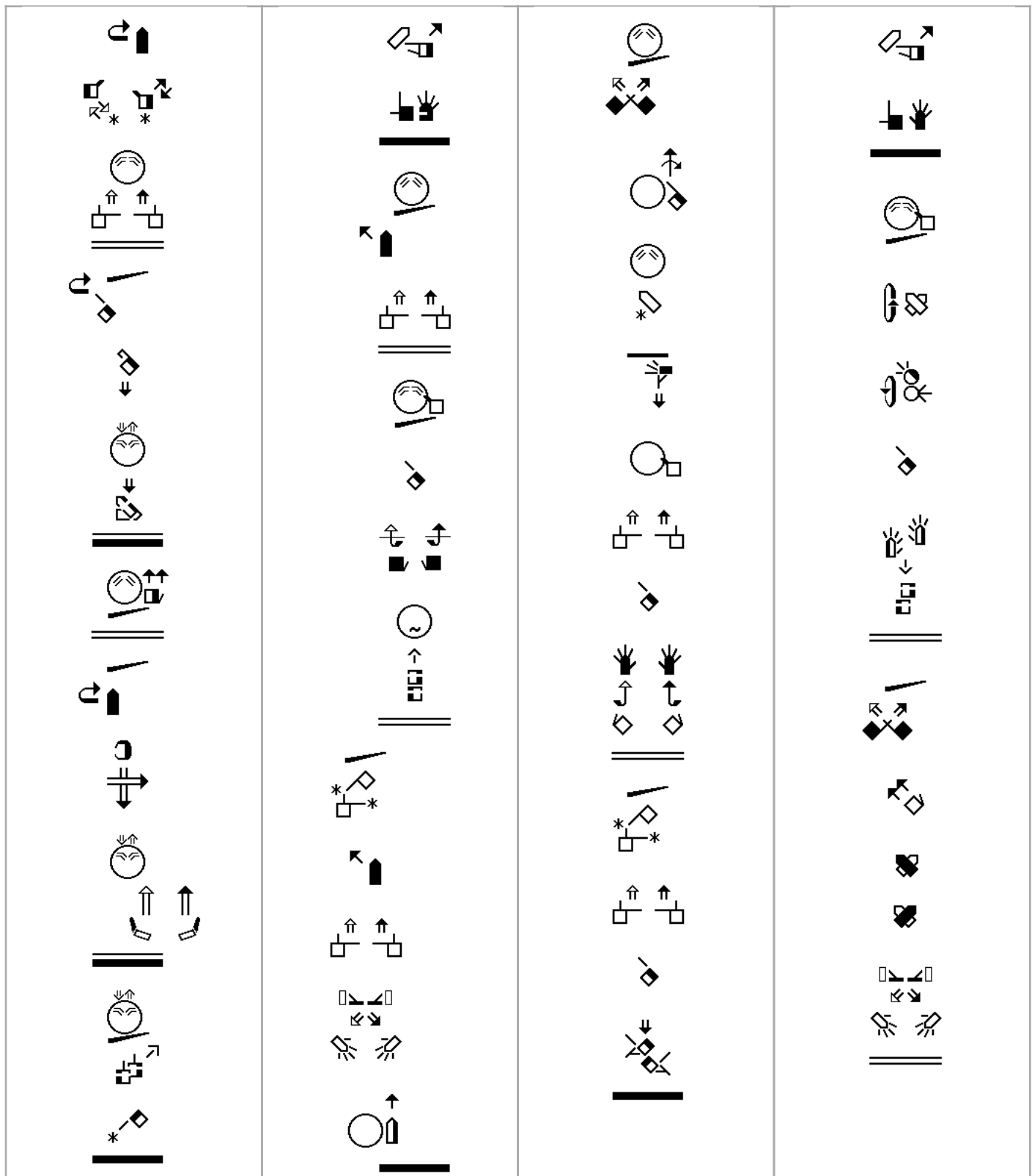


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say Elijah, and others say you are one of the other ancient prophets risen from the dead." Verse 20. Then he asked them, "But who do you say I am?" Peter replied, "You are the Messiah sent from God!" Verse 21. Jesus warned his disciples not to tell anyone who he was.

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Verse 22. "The Son of Man must suffer many terrible things," he said. "He will be rejected by the elders, the leading priests, and the teachers of religious law. He will be killed, but on the third day he will be raised from the dead." Verse 23. Then he said to the crowd, "If any of you wants to be my follower,



you must turn from your selfish ways, take up your cross daily, and follow me. Verse 24. If you try to hang on to your life, you will lose it. But if you give up your life for my sake, you will save it. Verse 25. And what do you benefit if you gain the whole world but are yourself lost

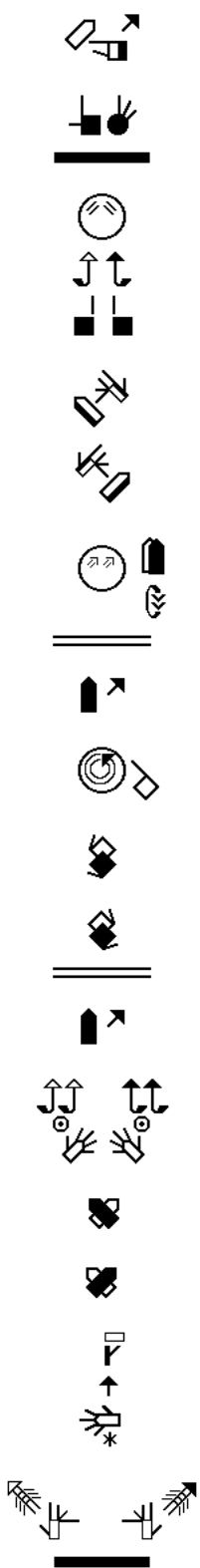
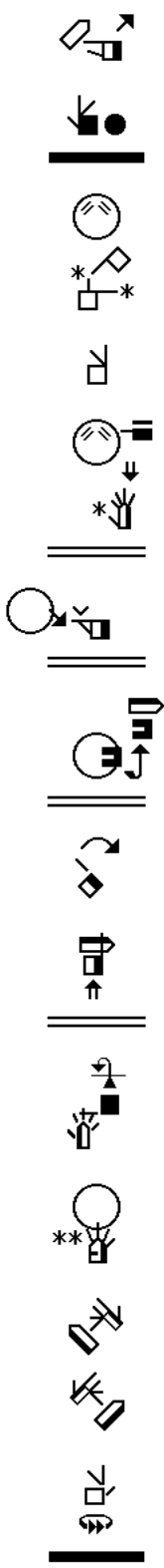


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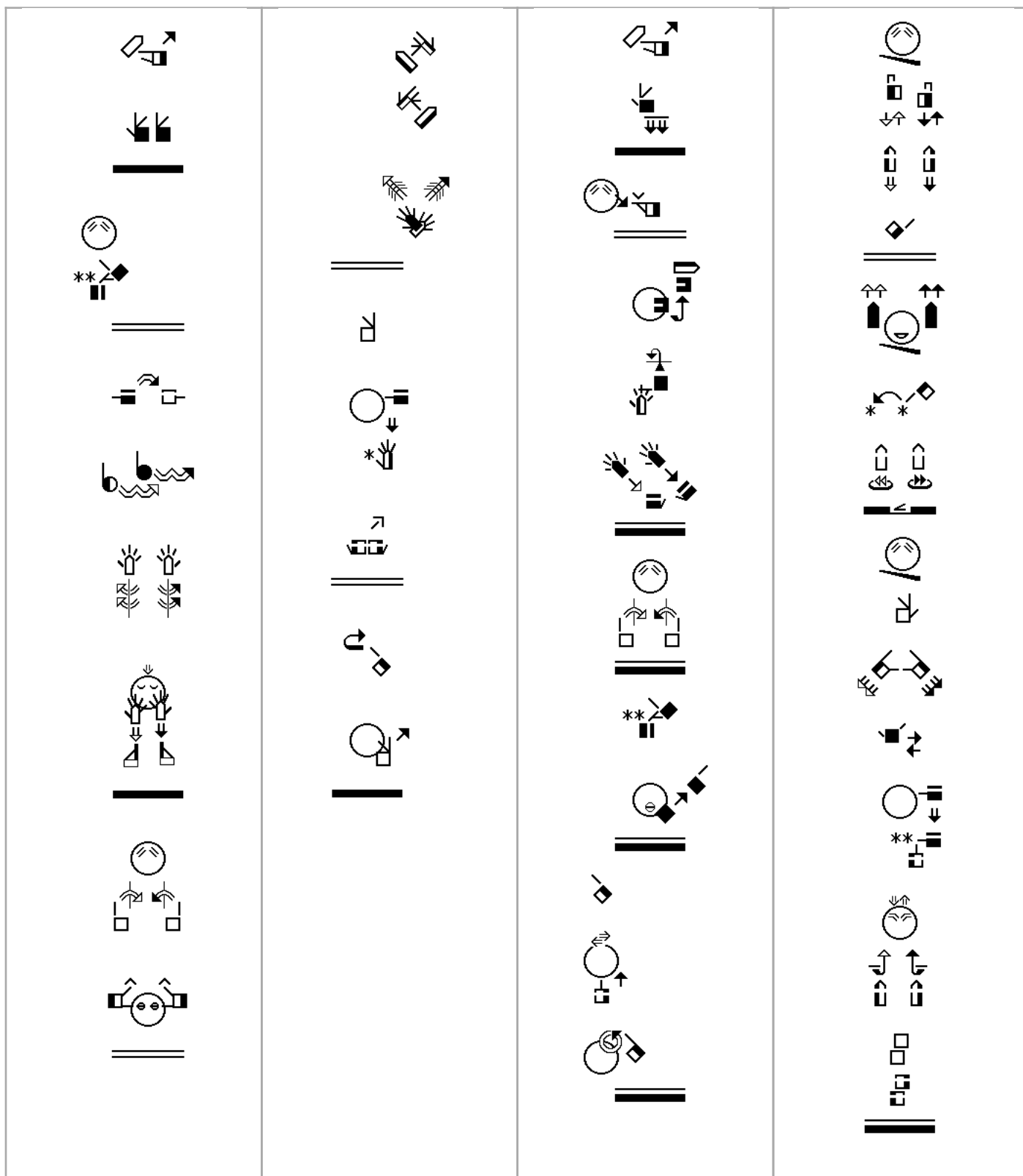
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Verse 27. I tell you the truth, some standing here right now will not die before they see the Kingdom of God." Verse 28. About eight days later Jesus took Peter, James, and John up on a mountain to pray.

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Verse 29. And as he was praying, the appearance of his face was transformed, and his clothes became dazzling white. Verse 30. Then two men, Moses and Elijah, appeared and began talking with Jesus. Verse 31. They were glorious to see. And they were speaking about his exodus from this world, which was about to be fulfilled in Jerusalem.



Verse 32. Peter and the others had fallen asleep. When they woke up, they saw Jesus' glory and the two men standing with him. Verse 33. As Moses and Elijah were starting to leave, Peter, not even knowing what he was saying, blurted out, "Master, it's wonderful for us to be here! Let's make three shelters as memorials --

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Verse 36. When the voice finished, Jesus was there alone. They didn't tell anyone at that time what they had seen. Verse 37. The next day, after they had come down the mountain, a large crowd met Jesus. Verse 38. A man in the crowd called out to him, "Teacher, I beg you

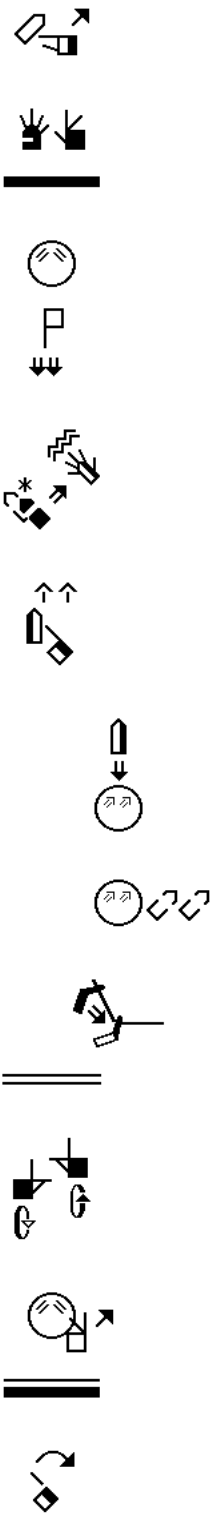
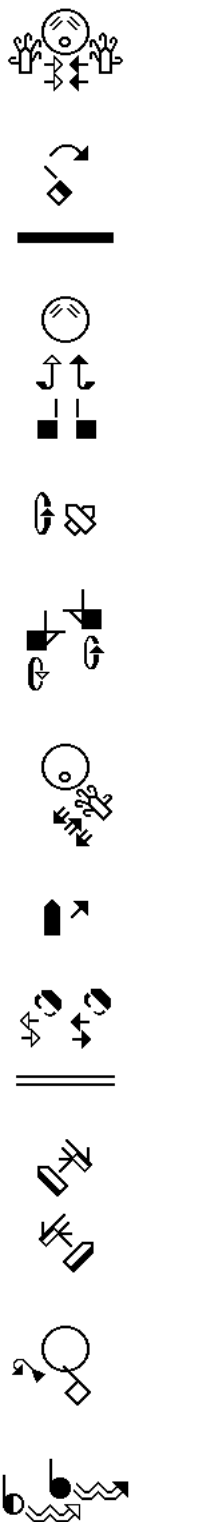
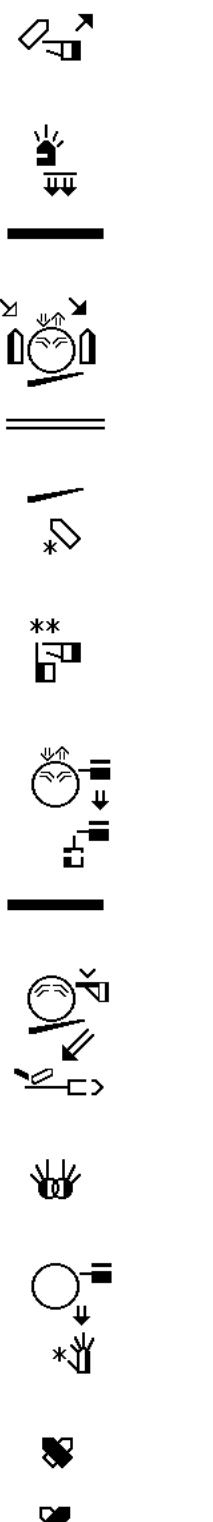
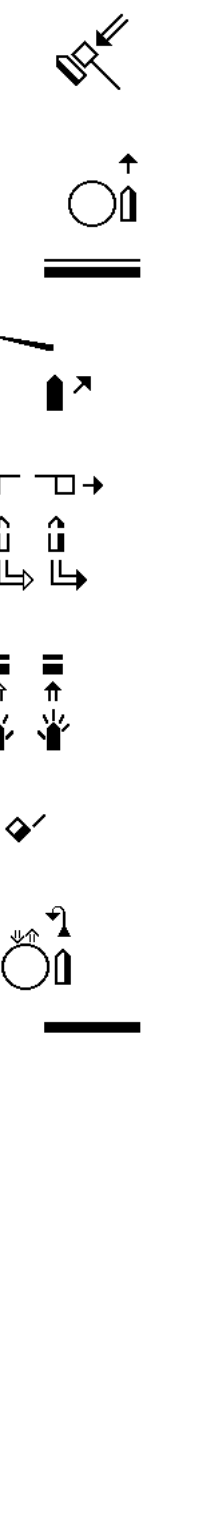
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to look at my son, my only child. Verse 39. An evil spirit keeps seizing him, making him scream. It throws him into convulsions so that he foams at the mouth. It batters him and hardly ever leaves him alone. Verse 40. I begged your disciples to cast out the spirit, but they couldn't do it." NLT

























































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Verse 41. "You faithless and corrupt people," Jesus said, "how long must I be with you and put up with you?" Then he said to the man, "Bring your son here." Verse 42. As the boy came forward, the demon knocked him to the ground and threw him into a violent convulsion. But Jesus rebuked the evil spirit and healed the boy. Then he gave him back

			
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Verse 43. Awe gripped the people as they saw this majestic display of God's power. While everyone was marveling at everything he was doing, Jesus said to his disciples, Verse 44. "Listen to me and remember what I say. The Son of Man is going to be betrayed into the hands of his enemies."

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Verse 45. But they didn't know what he meant. Its significance was hidden from them, so they couldn't understand it, and they were afraid to ask him about it. Verse 46. Then his disciples began arguing about which of them was the greatest. Verse 47. But Jesus knew their thoughts, so he brought a little child to his side.





















































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Verse 48. Then he said to them, "Anyone who welcomes a little child like this on my behalf welcomes me, and anyone who welcomes me also welcomes my Father who sent me. Whoever is the least among you is the greatest." Verse 49. John said to Jesus, "Master,

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we saw someone using your name to cast out demons, but we told him to stop because he isn't in our group." Verse 50. But Jesus said, "Don't stop him! Anyone who is not against you is for you." NLT

            	            	            	            
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Verse 51. As the time drew near for him to ascend to heaven, Jesus resolutely set out for Jerusalem. Verse 52. He sent messengers ahead to a Samaritan village to prepare for his arrival. Verse 53. But the people of the village did not welcome Jesus because he was on his way to Jerusalem.

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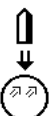

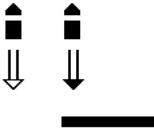
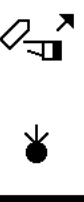

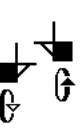
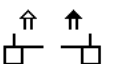



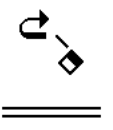

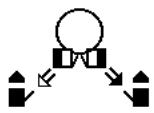




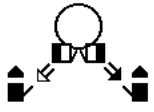






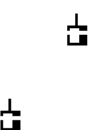





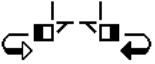

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Verse 59. He said to another person, "Come, follow me." The man agreed, but he said, "Lord, first let me return home and bury my father." Verse 60. But Jesus told him, "Let the spiritually dead bury

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Verse 3. Now go, and remember that I am sending you out as lambs among wolves.
 Verse 4. Don't take any money with you, nor a traveler's bag, nor an extra pair of sandals. And don't stop to greet anyone on the road. Verse 5. "Whenever you enter someone's home, first say,
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'May God's peace be on this house.' Verse 6. If those who live there are peaceful, the blessing will stand; if they are not, the blessing will return to you. Verse 7. Don't move around from home to home. Stay in one place, NLT

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eating and drinking what they provide. Don't hesitate to accept hospitality, because those who work deserve their pay. Verse 8. "If you enter a town and it welcomes you, eat whatever is set before you.

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<p>ASL signs for Verse 9: Heal the sick, and tell them, 'The Kingdom of God is near you now.'</p>	<p>ASL signs for Verse 10: But if a town refuses to welcome you, go out into its streets and say,</p>	<p>ASL signs for Verse 10: But if a town refuses to welcome you, go out into its streets and say,</p>	<p>ASL signs for Verse 10: But if a town refuses to welcome you, go out into its streets and say,</p>
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Verse 11. 'We wipe even the dust of your town from our feet to show that we have abandoned you to your fate. And know this -- the Kingdom of God is near!' Verse 12. I assure you, even wicked Sodom will be better off than such a town on judgment day. NLT

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clothing themselves in burlap and throwing ashes on their heads to show their remorse.
 Verse 14. Yes, Tyre and Sidon will be better off on judgment day than you. Verse 15.
 And you people of Capernaum, will you be honored in heaven? NLT

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



































































Verse 17. When the seventy-two disciples returned, they joyfully reported to him, "Lord, even the demons obey us when we use your name!" Verse 18. "Yes," he told them, "I saw Satan fall from heaven like lightning!"

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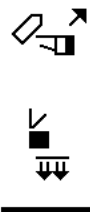



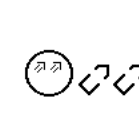
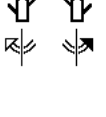


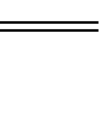

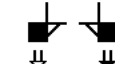
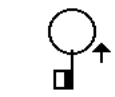

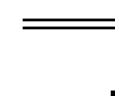



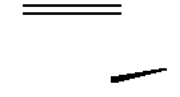




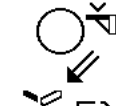


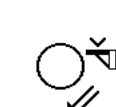
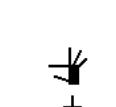
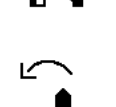


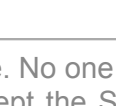

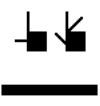







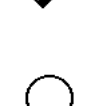

Verse 19. Look, I have given you authority over all the power of the enemy, and you can walk among snakes and scorpions and crush them. Nothing will injure you. Verse 20. But don't rejoice because evil spirits obey you; rejoice because your names are registered in heaven."

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Verse 21. At that same time Jesus was filled with the joy of the Holy Spirit, and he said, "O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, thank you for hiding these things from those who think themselves wise and clever, and for revealing them to the childlike. Yes, Father, it pleased you to do it this way.

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Verse 22. "My Father has entrusted everything to me. No one truly knows the Son except the Father, and no one truly knows the Father except the Son and those to whom the Son chooses to reveal him." Verse 23. Then when they were alone, he turned to the disciples and said,

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"Blessed are the eyes that see what you have seen. Verse 24. I tell you, many prophets and kings longed to see what you see, but they didn't see it. And they longed to hear what you hear, but they didn't hear it."

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Verse 25. One day an expert in religious law stood up to test Jesus by asking him this question: "Teacher, what should I do to inherit eternal life?" Verse 26. Jesus replied, "What does the law of Moses say? How do you read it?" Verse 27. The man answered, "You must love the LORD your God

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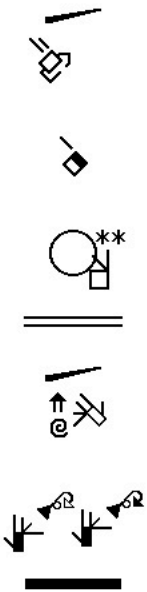
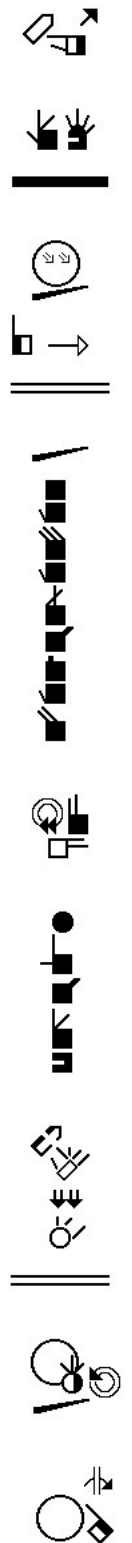

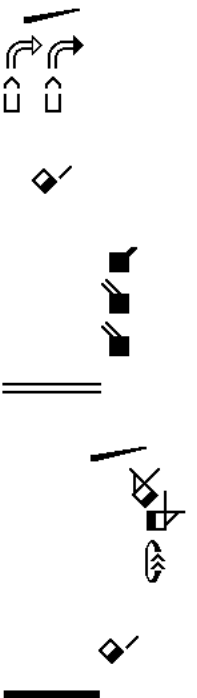
with all your heart, all your soul, all your strength, and all your mind.' And, 'Love your neighbor as yourself.'" Verse 28. "Right!" Jesus told him. "Do this and you will live!" Verse 29. The man wanted to justify his actions, so

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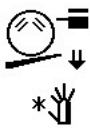




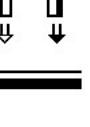
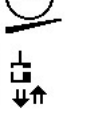


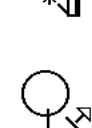

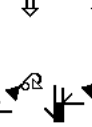


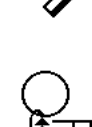

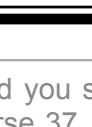








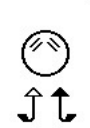


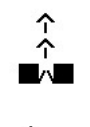
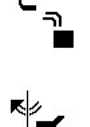




Verse 31. "By chance a priest came along. But when he saw the man lying there, he crossed to the other side of the road and passed him by. Verse 32. A Temple assistant walked over and looked at him lying there, but he also passed by on the other side. Verse 33. "Then a despised Samaritan came along,

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249 and when he saw the man, he felt compassion for him. Verse 34. Going over to him, the Samaritan soothed his wounds with olive oil and wine and bandaged them. Then he put the man on his own donkey and took him to an inn, where he took care of him. NLT

Verse 35. The next day he handed the innkeeper two silver coins, telling him, 'Take care of this man. If his bill runs higher than this, I'll pay you the next time I'm here.' Verse 36. "Now


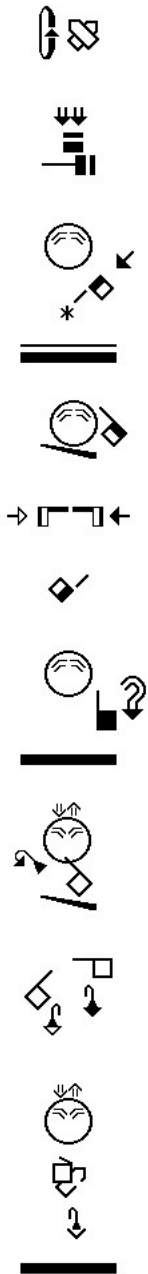
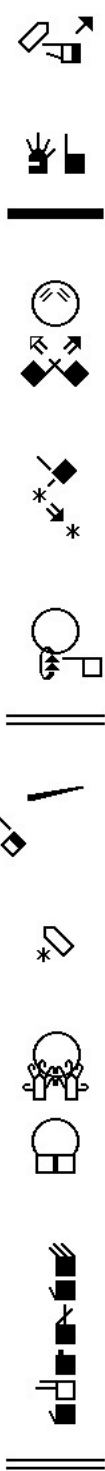

      	         	      	         
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which of these three would you say was a neighbor to the man who was attacked by bandits?" Jesus asked. Verse 37. The man replied, "The one who showed him mercy." Then Jesus said, "Yes, now go and do the same." Verse 38. As Jesus and the disciples continued on their way to Jerusalem, they came to a certain village

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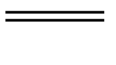




















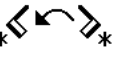































































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where a woman named Martha welcomed them into her home. Verse 39. Her sister, Mary, sat at the Lord's feet, listening to what he taught. Verse 40. But Martha was distracted by the big dinner she was preparing.

			
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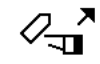




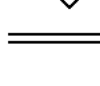
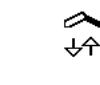







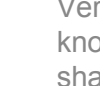


Luke 11. Once Jesus was in a certain place praying. As he finished, one of his disciples came to him and said, "Lord, teach us to pray, just as John taught his disciples." Verse 2. Jesus said, "This is how you should pray: "Father, may your name be kept holy. May your Kingdom come soon. NLT

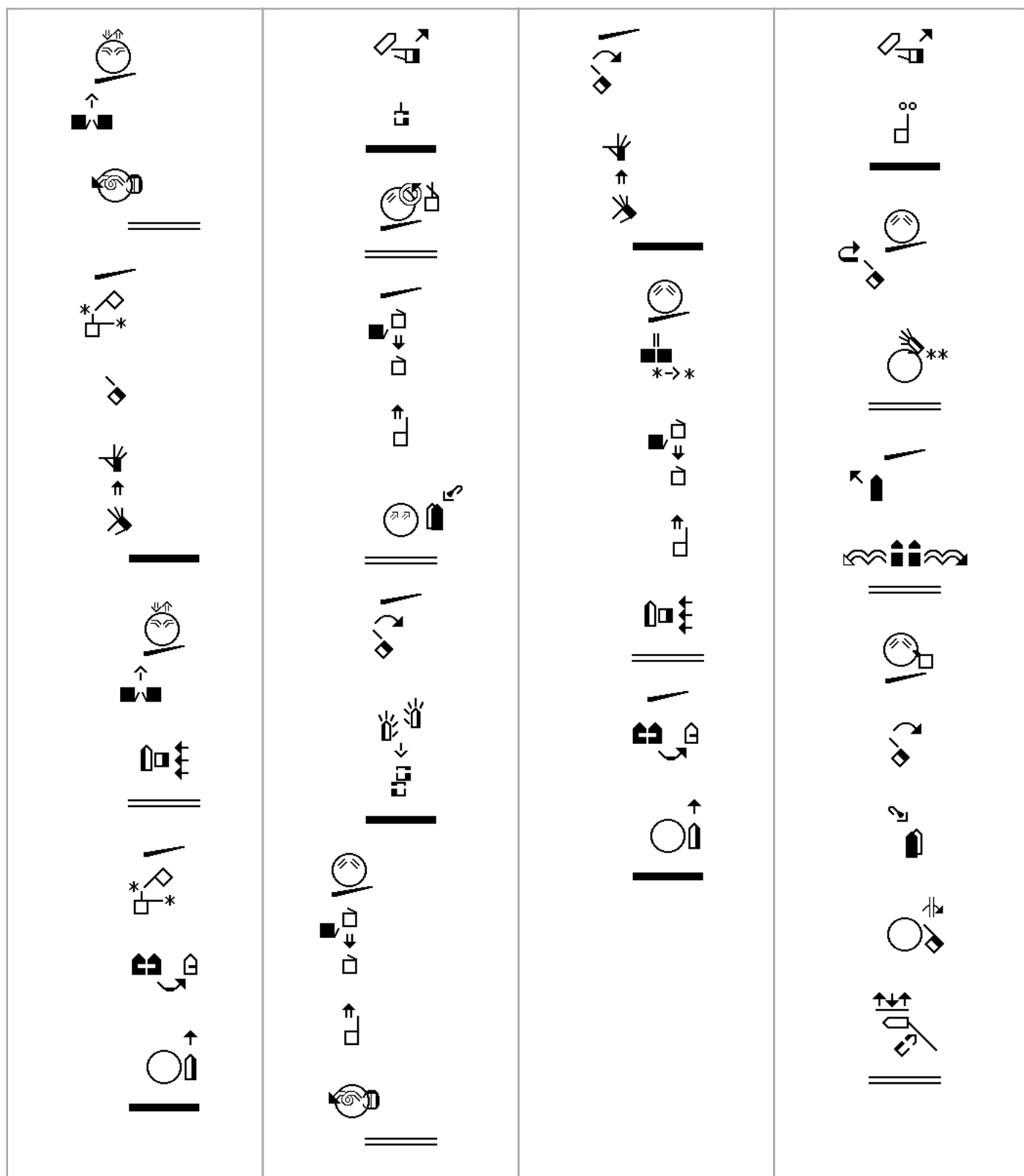
                      	                      	                      	                      
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Verse 3. Give us each day the food we need, Verse 4. and forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. And don't let us yield to temptation." Verse 5. Then, teaching them more about prayer, he used this story: "Suppose

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you went to a friend's house at midnight, wanting to borrow three loaves of bread. You say to him, Verse 6. 'A friend of mine has just arrived for a visit, and I have nothing for him to eat.' Verse 7. And suppose he calls out from his bedroom, 'Don't bother me. The door is locked for the night, and my family and I are all in bed. I can't help you.' NLT

                
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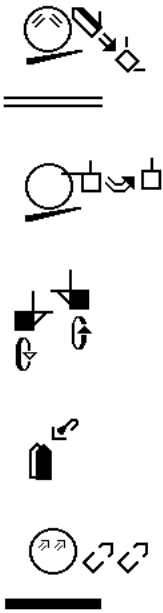
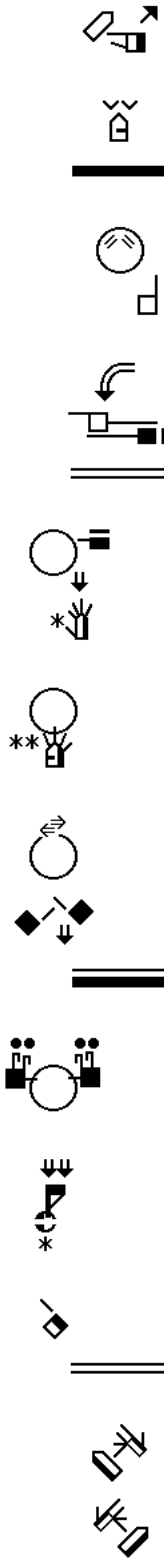
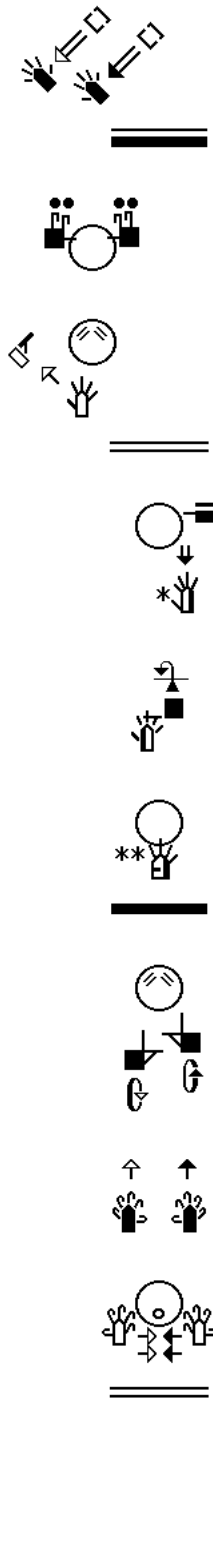
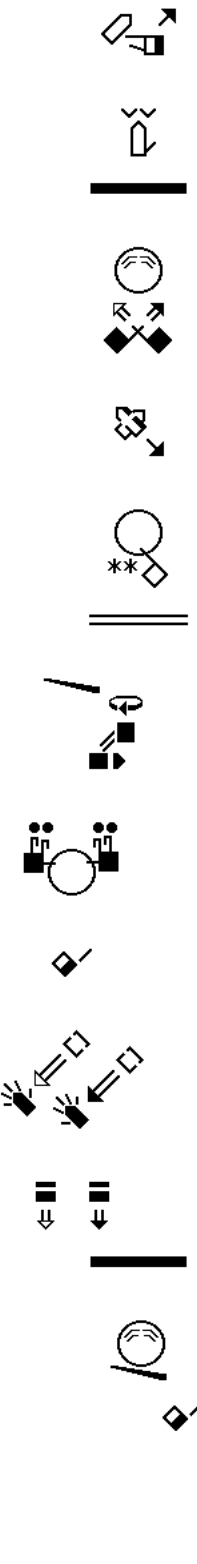


Keep on seeking, and you will find. Keep on knocking, and the door will be opened to you. Verse 10. For everyone who asks, receives. Everyone who seeks, finds. And to everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. Verse 11. "You fathers -- if your children ask for a fish,

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do you give them a snake instead? Verse 12. Or if they ask for an egg, do you give them a scorpion? Of course not! Verse 13. So if you sinful people know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit NLT

			
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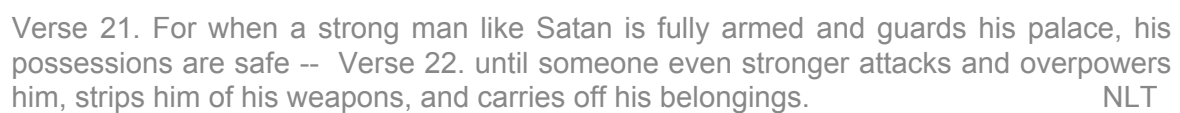
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war is doomed. A family splintered by feuding will fall apart. Verse 18. You say I am empowered by Satan. But if Satan is divided and fighting against himself, how can his kingdom survive? Verse 19. And if I am empowered by Satan, what about your own NLT

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exorcists? They cast out demons, too, so they will condemn you for what you have said.
 Verse 20. But if I am casting out demons by the power of God, then the Kingdom of God
 has arrived among you.

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Verse 25. So it returns and finds that its former home is all swept and in order. Verse 26. Then the spirit finds seven other spirits more evil than itself, and they all enter the person and live there. And so that person is worse off than before." Verse 27. As he was speaking, a woman in the crowd called out,

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keeps asking me to show them a miraculous sign. But the only sign I will give them is the sign of Jonah. Verse 30. What happened to him was a sign to the people of Nineveh that God had sent him. What happens to the Son of Man will be a sign to these people NLT

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that he was sent by God. Verse 31. "The queen of Sheba will stand up against this generation on judgment day and condemn it, for she came from a distant land to hear the wisdom of Solomon. Now someone greater than Solomon is here -- but you refuse to listen.

































































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Verse 32. The people of Nineveh will also stand up against this generation on judgment day and condemn it, for they repented of their sins at the preaching of Jonah. Now someone greater than Jonah is here -- but you refuse to repent. Verse 33. "No one lights a lamp and then hides it or


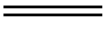


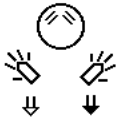


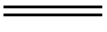
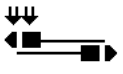




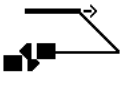








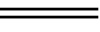













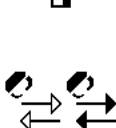












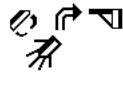

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Verse 35. Make sure that the light you think you have is not actually darkness. Verse 36. If you are filled with light, with no dark corners, then your whole life will be radiant, as though a floodlight were filling you with light." Verse 37. As Jesus was speaking, one of the Pharisees invited him home

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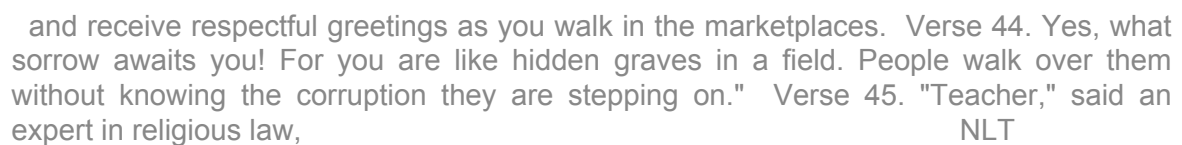
for a meal. So he went in and took his place at the table. Verse 38. His host was amazed to see that he sat down to eat without first performing the hand-washing ceremony required by Jewish custom. Verse 39. Then the Lord said to him, "You Pharisees are

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so careful to clean the outside of the cup and the dish, but inside you are filthy -- full of greed and wickedness! Verse 40. Fools! Didn't God make the inside as well as the outside? Verse 41. So clean the inside by giving gifts to the poor, and you will be clean all over.

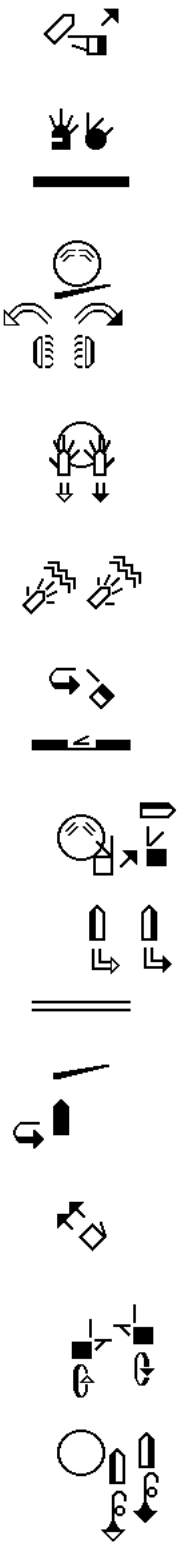

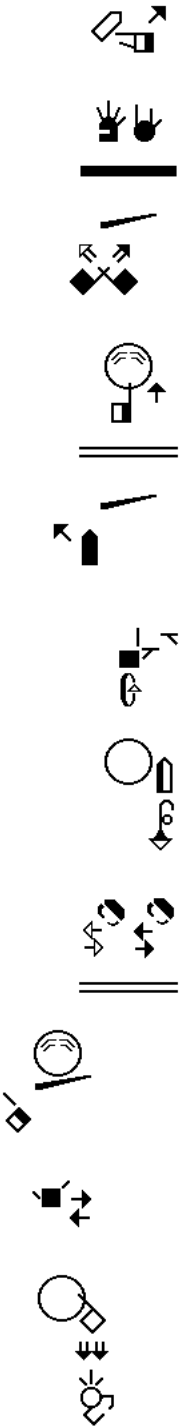
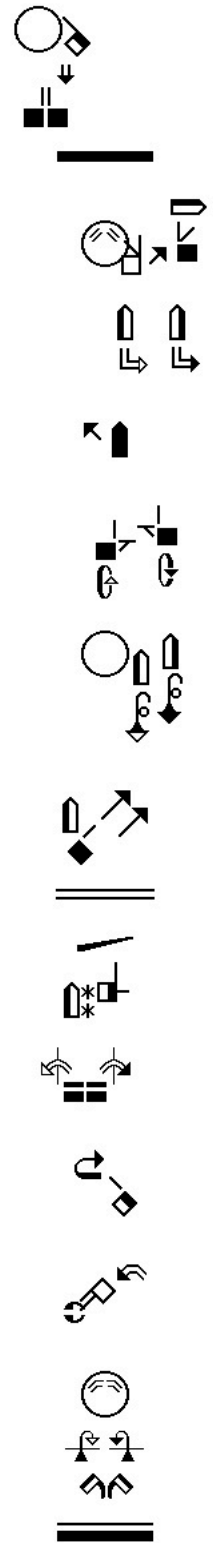
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Verse 42. "What sorrow awaits you Pharisees! For you are careful to tithe even the tiniest income from your herb gardens, but you ignore justice and the love of God. You should tithe, yes, but do not neglect the more important things. Verse 43. "What sorrow awaits you Pharisees! For you love to sit in the seats of honor in the synagogues NLT

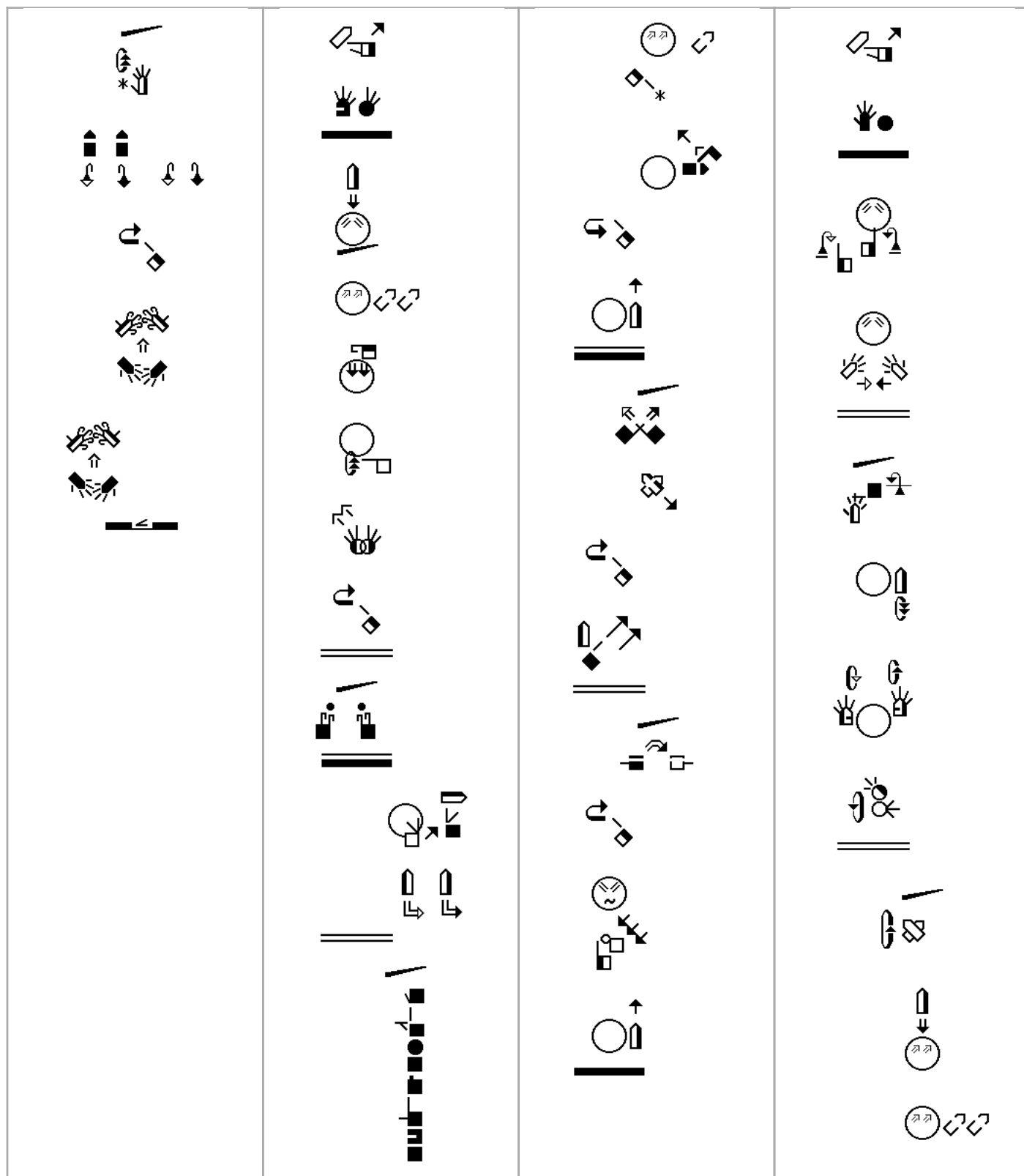


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"you have insulted us, too, in what you just said." Verse 46. "Yes," said Jesus, "what sorrow also awaits you experts in religious law! For you crush people with impossible religious demands, and you never lift a finger to ease the burden.

			
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Verse 47. What sorrow awaits you! For you build monuments for the prophets your own ancestors killed long ago. Verse 48. But in fact, you stand as witnesses who agree with what your ancestors did. They killed the prophets, and you join in their crime by NLT



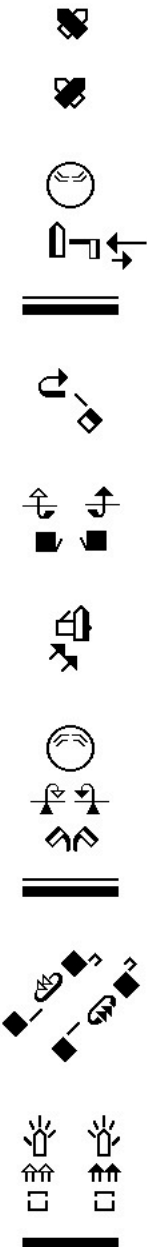
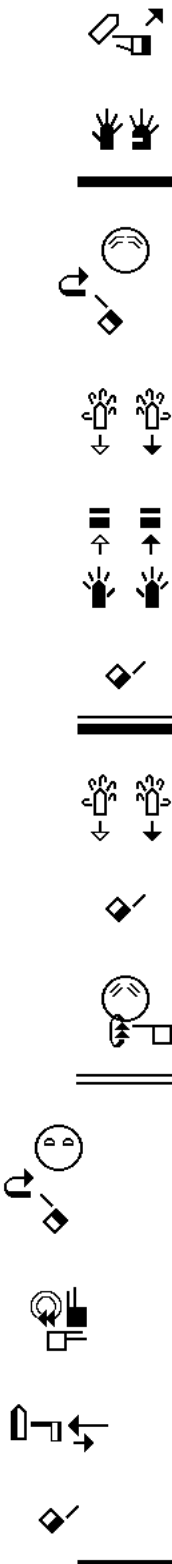
building the monuments! Verse 49. This is what God in his wisdom said about you: 'I will send prophets and apostles to them, but they will kill some and persecute the others.' Verse 50. "As a result, this generation will be held responsible for the murder of all God's NLT

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281 prophets from the creation of the world -- Verse 51. from the murder of Abel to the murder of Zechariah, who was killed between the altar and the sanctuary. Yes, it will certainly be charged against this generation. NLT

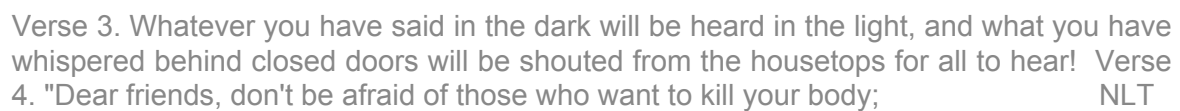
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Verse 52. "What sorrow awaits you experts in religious law! For you remove the key to knowledge from the people. You don't enter the Kingdom yourselves, and you prevent others from entering." Verse 53. As Jesus was leaving, the teachers of religious law and the Pharisees

			
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Luke 12. Meanwhile, the crowds grew until thousands were milling about and stepping on each other. Jesus turned first to his disciples and warned them, "Beware of the yeast of the Pharisees -- their hypocrisy. Verse 2. The time is coming when everything that is covered up will be revealed, and all that is secret will be made known to all. NLT



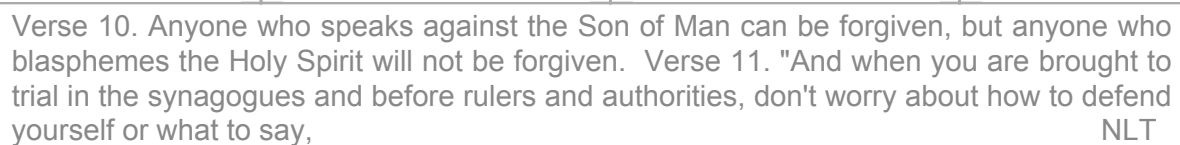
they cannot do any more to you after that. Verse 5. But I'll tell you whom to fear. Fear God, who has the power to kill you and then throw you into hell. Yes, he's the one to fear. Verse 6. "What is the price of five sparrows -- two

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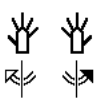


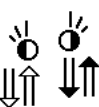














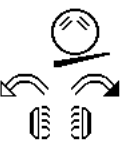

















copper coins? Yet God does not forget a single one of them. Verse 7. And the very hairs on your head are all numbered. So don't be afraid; you are more valuable to God than a whole flock of sparrows. Verse 8. "I tell you the truth, everyone who acknowledges me publicly here on earth,

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the Son of Man will also acknowledge in the presence of God's angels. Verse 9. But anyone who denies me here on earth will be denied before God's angels. NLT



























































































Verse 12. for the Holy Spirit will teach you at that time what needs to be said." Verse 13. Then someone called from the crowd, "Teacher, please tell my brother to divide our father's estate with me." Verse 14. Jesus replied, "Friend,

        	         	        	        
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who made me a judge over you to decide such things as that?" Verse 15. Then he said, "Beware! Guard against every kind of greed. Life is not measured by how much you own." Verse 16. Then he told them a story: "A rich man had a fertile farm that produced fine crops.

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Verse 17. He said to himself, 'What should I do? I don't have room for all my crops.'
 Verse 18. Then he said, 'I know! I'll tear down my barns and build bigger ones. Then I'll have room enough to store all my wheat and other goods.'

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Verse 21. "Yes, a person is a fool to store up earthly wealth but not have a rich relationship with God." Verse 22. Then, turning to his disciples, Jesus said, "That is why I tell you not to worry about everyday life -- whether you have enough food to eat or enough clothes to wear.

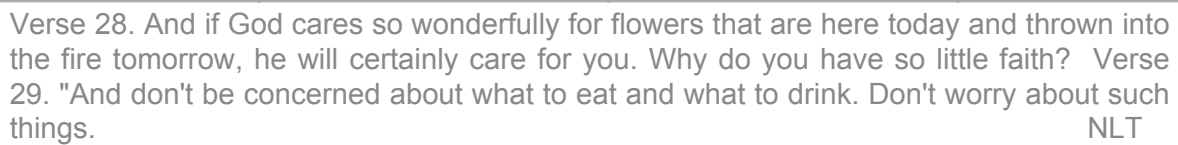
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




















































Verse 23. For life is more than food, and your body more than clothing. Verse 24. Look at the ravens. They don't plant or harvest or store food in barns, for God feeds them. And you are far more valuable to him than any birds! Verse 25. Can all your worries add a single moment to your life?

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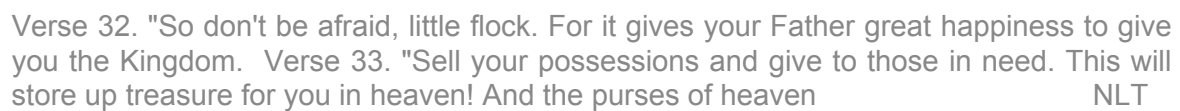
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Verse 26. And if worry can't accomplish a little thing like that, what's the use of worrying over bigger things? Verse 27. "Look at the lilies and how they grow. They don't work or make their clothing, yet Solomon in all his glory was not dressed as beautifully as they are.



             	             	             	             
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Verse 30. These things dominate the thoughts of unbelievers all over the world, but your Father already knows your needs. Verse 31. Seek the Kingdom of God above all else, and he will give you everything you need.



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never get old or develop holes. Your treasure will be safe; no thief can steal it and no moth can destroy it. Verse 34. Wherever your treasure is, there the desires of your heart will also be. Verse 35. "Be dressed for service and keep your lamps burning,

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Verse 36. as though you were waiting for your master to return from the wedding feast. Then you will be ready to open the door and let him in the moment he arrives and knocks. Verse 37. The servants who are ready and waiting for his return will be rewarded. I tell you the truth, he himself will seat them, NLT

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Verse 42. And the Lord replied, "A faithful, sensible servant is one to whom the master can give the responsibility of managing his other household servants and feeding them. Verse 43. If the master returns and finds that the servant has done a good job, there will be a reward.

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Verse 44. I tell you the truth, the master will put that servant in charge of all he owns.
 Verse 45. But what if the servant thinks, 'My master won't be back for a while,' and he begins beating the other servants, partying, and getting drunk?
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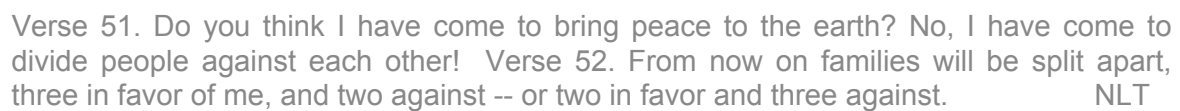
Verse 46. The master will return unannounced and unexpected, and he will cut the servant in pieces and banish him with the unfaithful. Verse 47. "And a servant who knows what the master wants, but isn't prepared and doesn't carry out those instructions, will be severely punished.

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Verse 48. But someone who does not know, and then does something wrong, will be punished only lightly. When someone has been given much, much will be required in return; and when someone has been entrusted with much, even more will be required. NLT

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































































































Verse 49. "I have come to set the world on fire, and I wish it were already burning! Verse 50. I have a terrible baptism of suffering ahead of me, and I am under a heavy burden until it is accomplished.



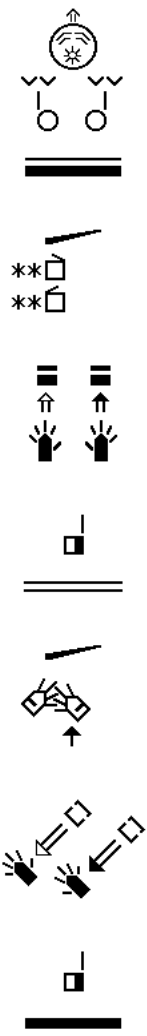


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Verse 53. 'Father will be divided against son and son against father; mother against daughter and daughter against mother; and mother-in-law against daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.'" Verse 54. Then Jesus turned to the crowd and said, "When you see clouds beginning to form in the west,

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Verse 57. "Why can't you decide for yourselves what is right? Verse 58. When you are on the way to court with your accuser, try to settle the matter before you get there. Otherwise, your accuser may drag you before the judge, NLT

			
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Luke 13. About this time Jesus was informed that Pilate had murdered some people from Galilee as they were offering sacrifices at the Temple. Verse 2. "Do you think those Galileans were worse sinners than all the other people from Galilee?" Jesus asked. "Is that why they suffered?"

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Verse 9. If we get figs next year, fine. If not, then you can cut it down.'" Verse 10. One Sabbath day as Jesus was teaching in a synagogue, Verse 11. he saw a woman who had been crippled by an evil spirit. She had been bent double for eighteen years and was unable to stand up straight.

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Verse 12. When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, "Dear woman, you are healed of your sickness!" Verse 13. Then he touched her, and instantly she could stand straight. How she praised God! Verse 14. But the leader in charge of the synagogue was indignant that Jesus had healed her on the Sabbath day. NLT

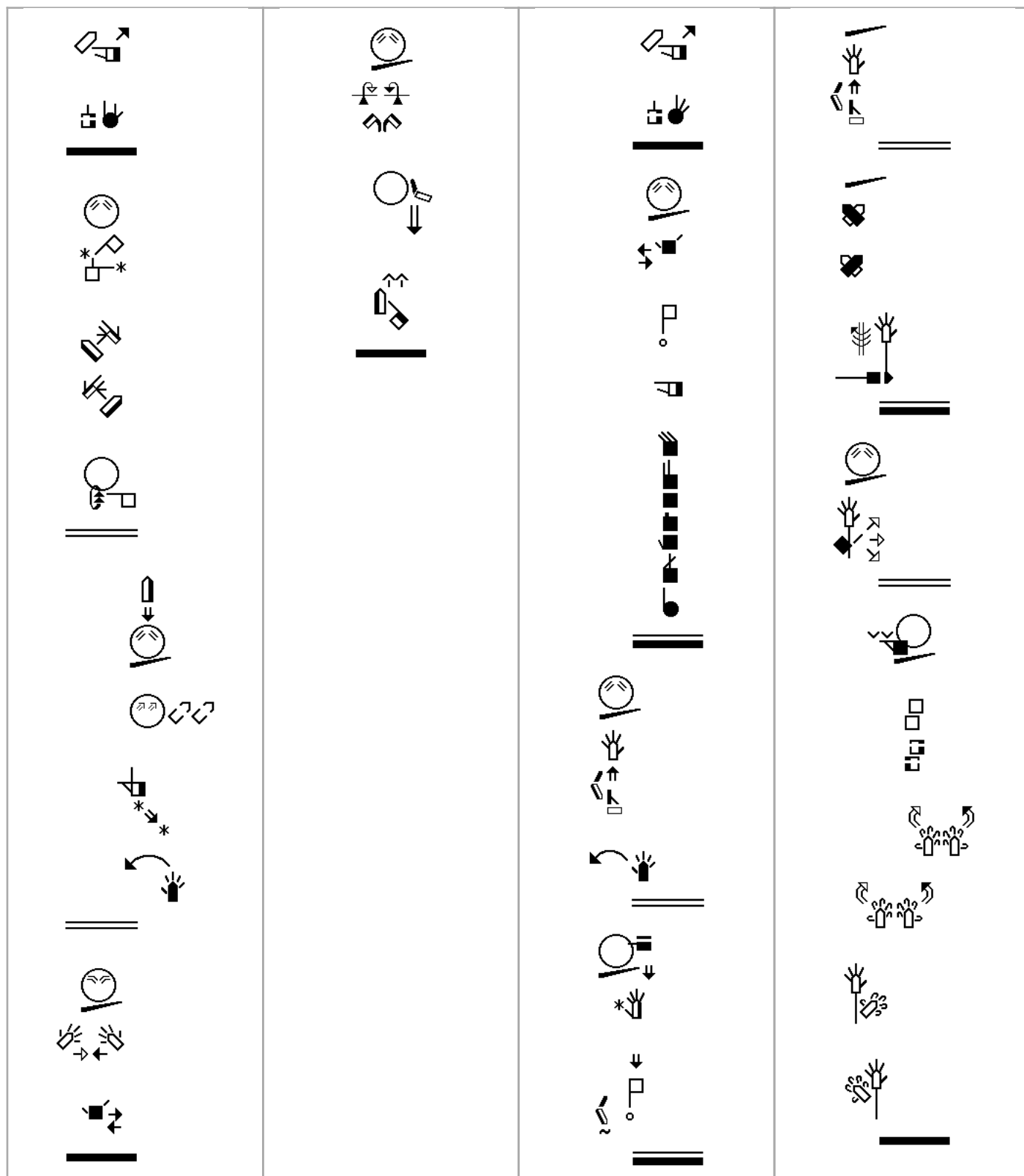
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"There are six days of the week for working," he said to the crowd. "Come on those days to be healed, not on the Sabbath." Verse 15. But the Lord replied, "You hypocrites! Each of you works on the Sabbath day! Don't you untie your ox or your donkey from its stall on the Sabbath and lead it out for water?"

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321 Verse 16. This dear woman, a daughter of Abraham, has been held in bondage by Satan for eighteen years. Isn't it right that she be released, even on the Sabbath?" Verse 17. This shamed his enemies, but all the people rejoiced at the wonderful things he did. NLT

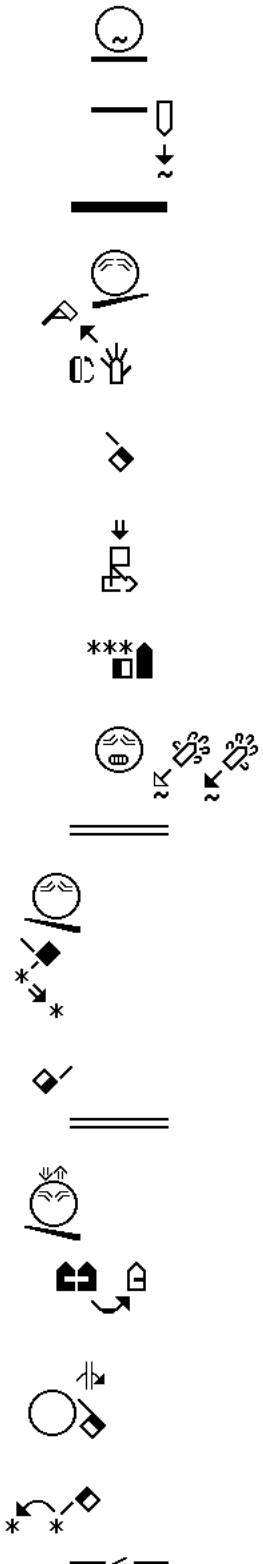
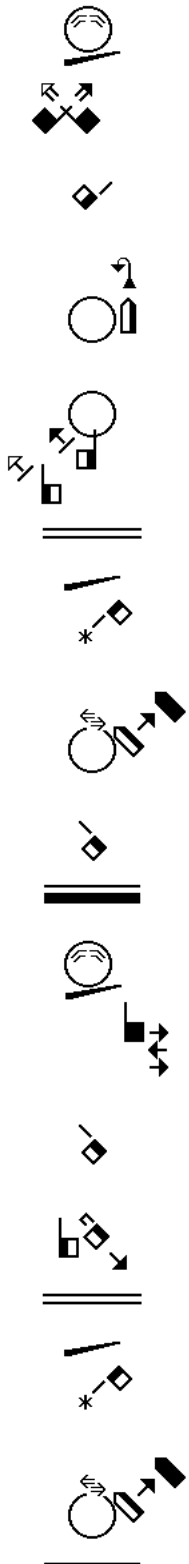
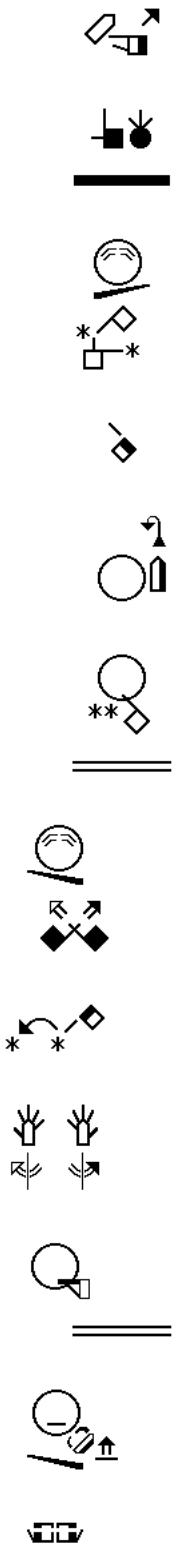
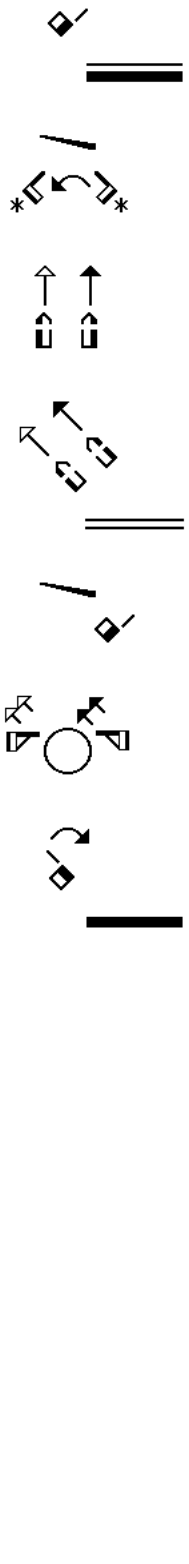


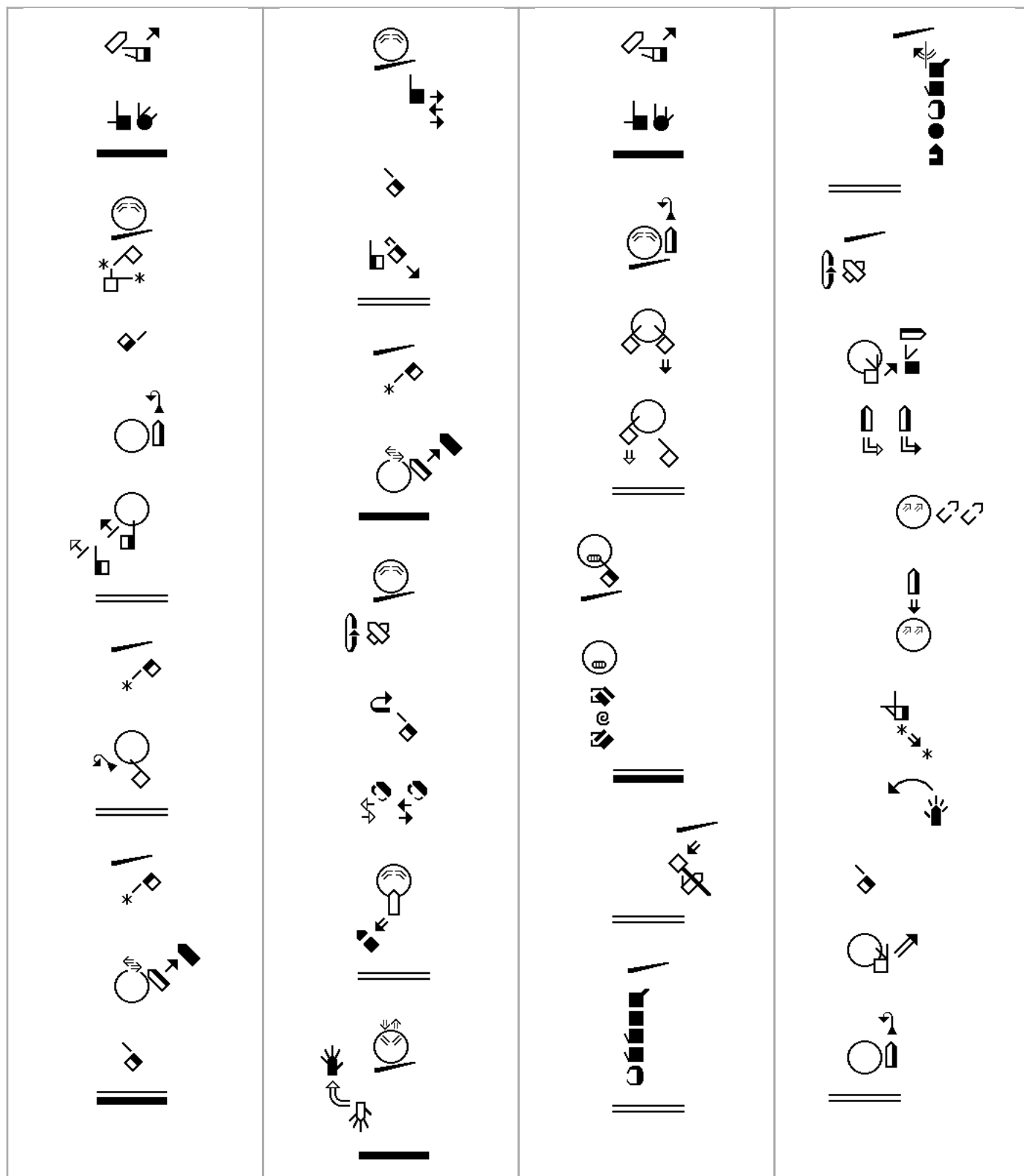
Verse 18. Then Jesus said, "What is the Kingdom of God like? How can I illustrate it?
 Verse 19. It is like a tiny mustard seed that a man planted in a garden; it grows and
 becomes a tree, and the birds make nests in its branches."
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Verse 23. Someone asked him, "Lord, will only a few be saved?" He replied, Verse 24. "Work hard to enter the narrow door to God's Kingdom, for many will try to enter but will fail. Verse 25. When the master of the house has locked the door, it will

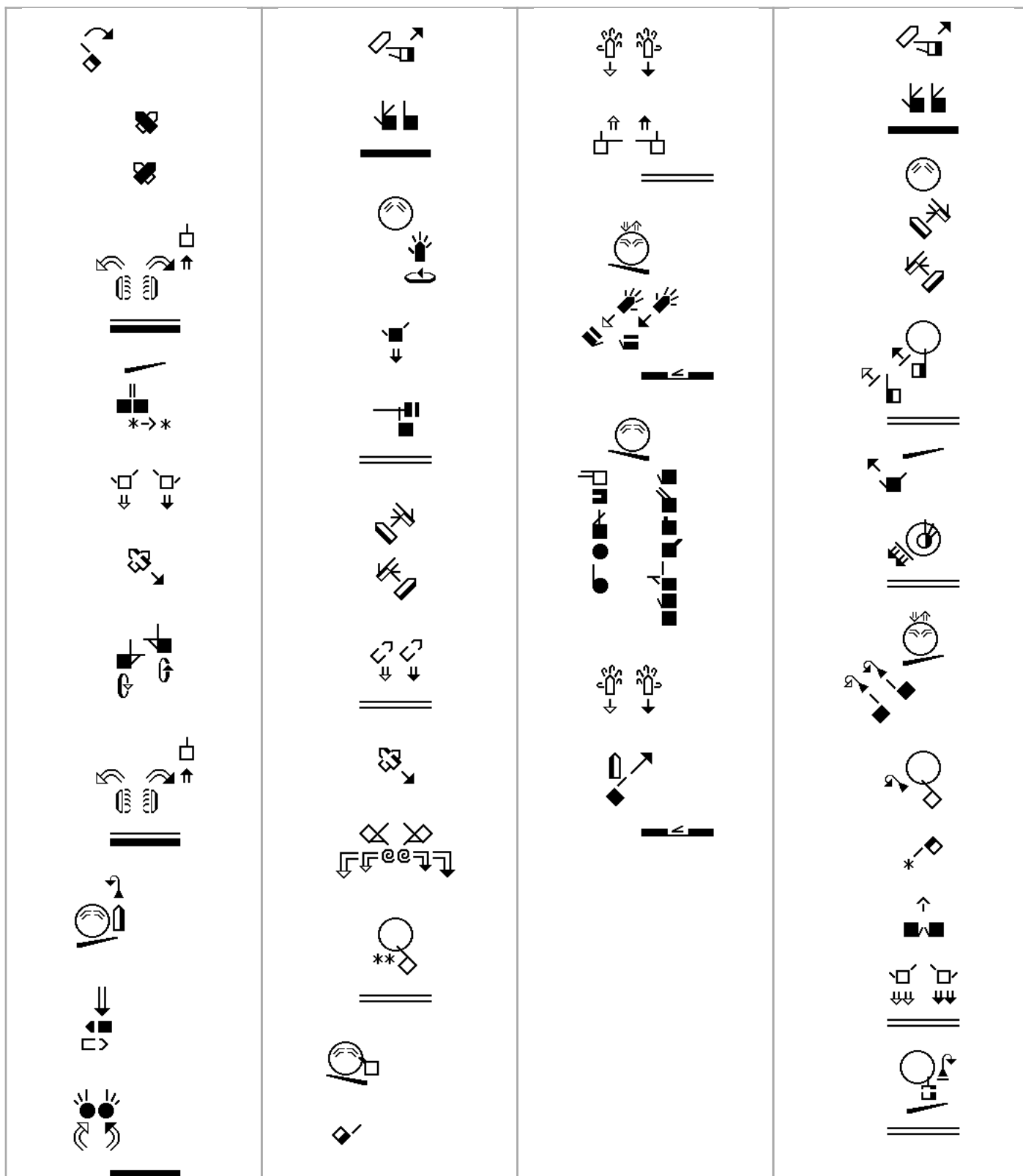
			
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Verse 27. And he will reply, 'I tell you, I don't know you or where you come from. Get away from me, all you who do evil.' Verse 28. "There will be weeping and gnashing of teeth, for you will see Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, and all the prophets in the Kingdom of God,

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327 but you will be thrown out. Verse 29. And people will come from all over the world -- from east and west, north and south -- to take their places in the Kingdom of God. Verse 30. And note this: Some who seem least important now will NLT

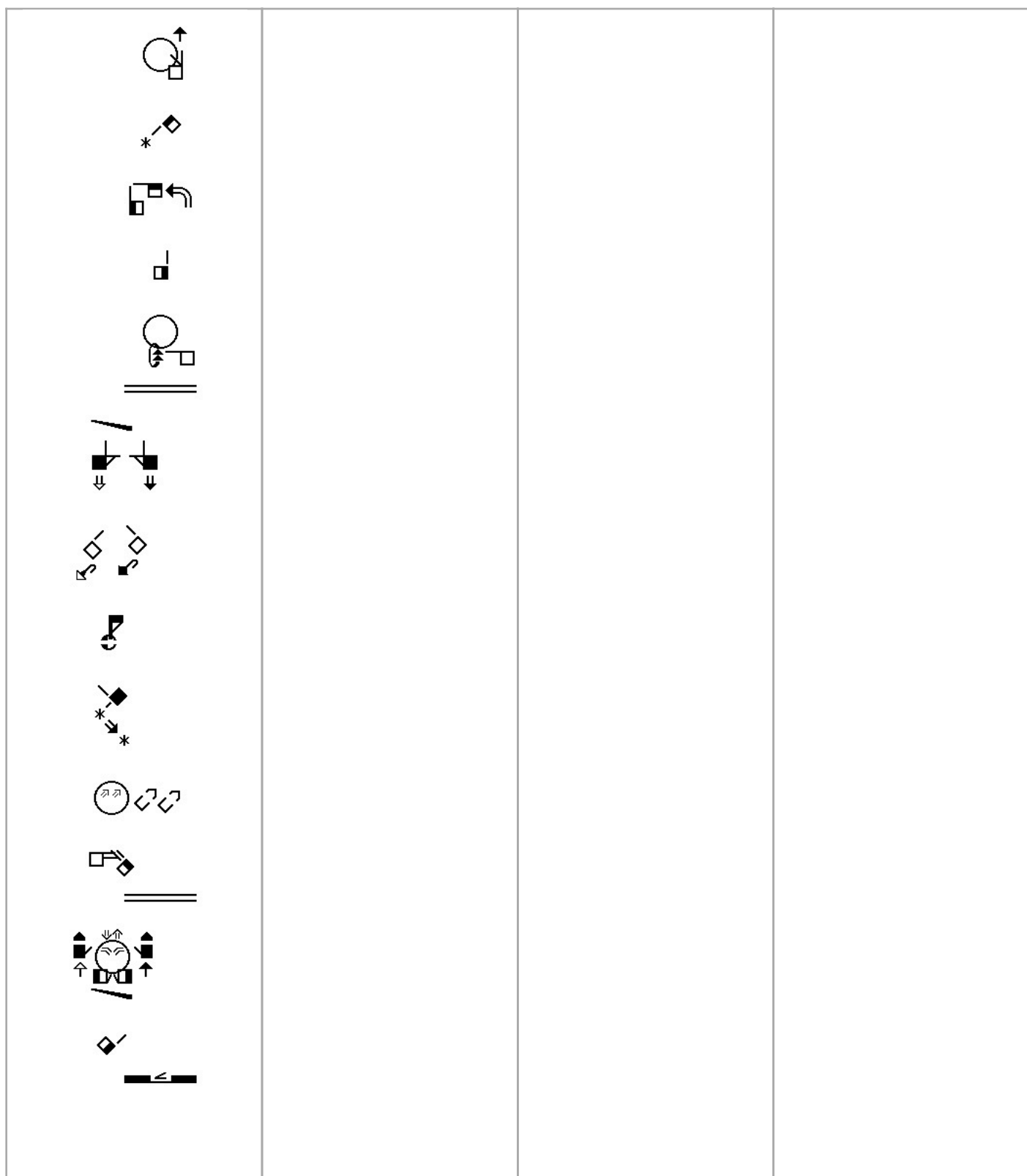


be the greatest then, and some who are the greatest now will be least important then." Verse 31. At that time some some Pharisees said to him, "Get away from here if you want to live! Herod Antipas wants to kill you!" Verse 32. Jesus replied, "Go tell that fox that I will keep on




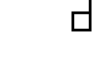


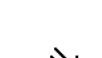








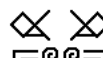
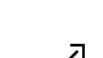



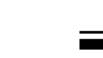


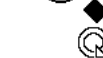












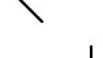

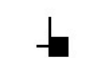









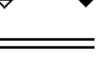




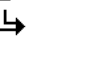
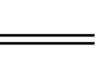




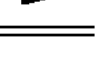
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and stones God's messengers! How often I have wanted to gather your children together as a hen protects her chicks beneath her wings, but you wouldn't let me. Verse 35. And now, look, your house is abandoned. And you will never



see me again until you say, 'Blessings on the one who comes in the name of the LORD!'"
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Luke 14. One Sabbath day Jesus went to eat dinner in the home of a leader of the Pharisees, and the people were watching him closely. Verse 2. There was a man there whose arms and legs were swollen. Verse 3. Jesus asked the Pharisees and experts in religious law,

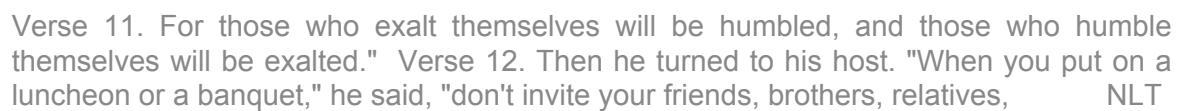
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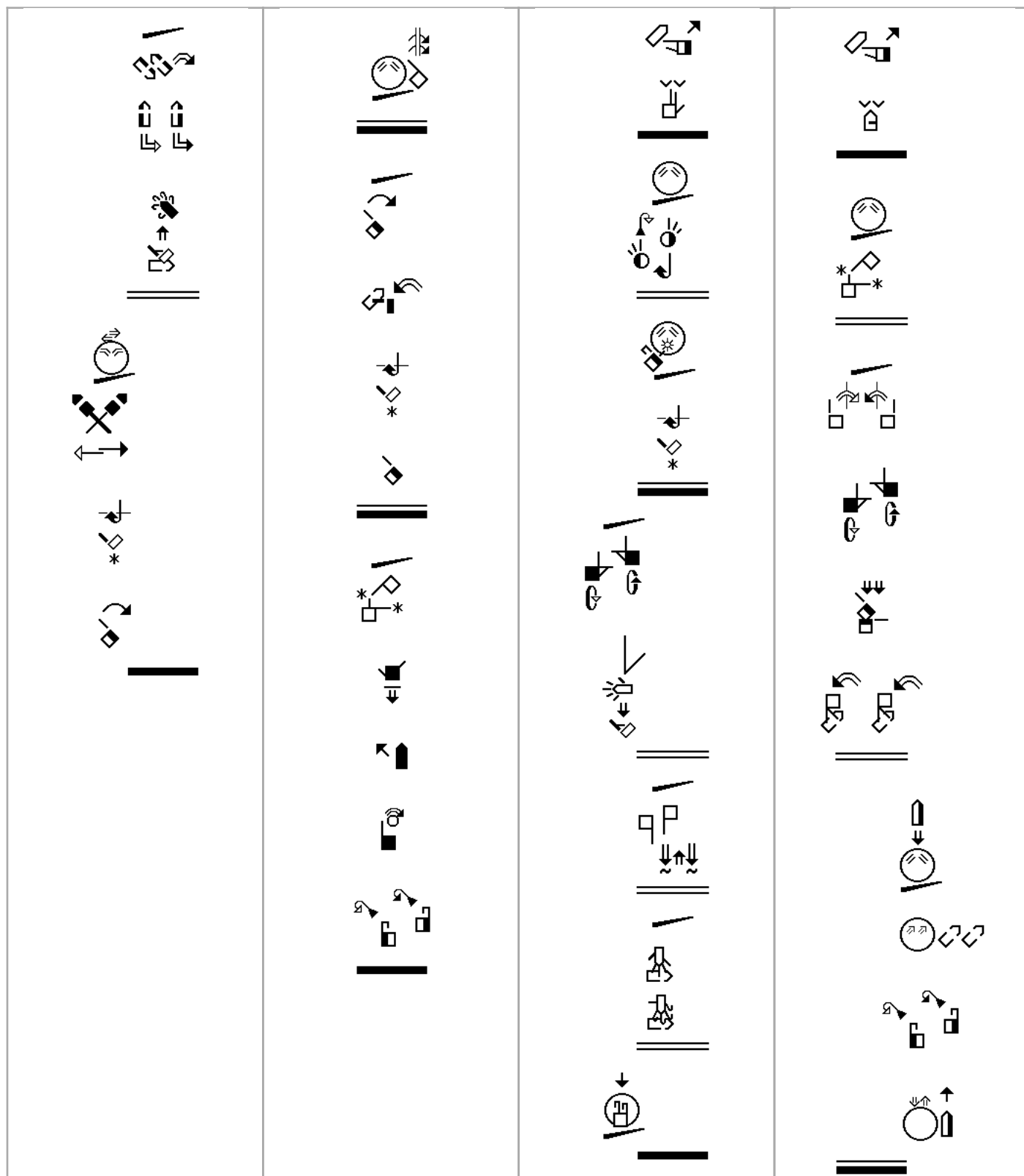
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doesn't work on the Sabbath? If your son or your cow falls into a pit, don't you rush to get him out?" Verse 6. Again they could not answer. Verse 7. When Jesus noticed that all who had come to the dinner were trying to sit in the seats of honor near the head of the table,

335 he gave them this advice: Verse 8. "When you are invited to a wedding feast, don't sit in the seat of honor. What if someone who is more distinguished than you has also been invited? Verse 9. The host will come and say, 'Give this person your seat.' NLT

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and rich neighbors. For they will invite you back, and that will be your only reward.
 Verse 13. Instead, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. Verse 14. Then
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339 for inviting those who could not repay you." Verse 15. Hearing this, a man sitting at the table with Jesus exclaimed, "What a blessing it will be to attend a banquet in the Kingdom of God!" Verse 16. Jesus replied with this story: "A man

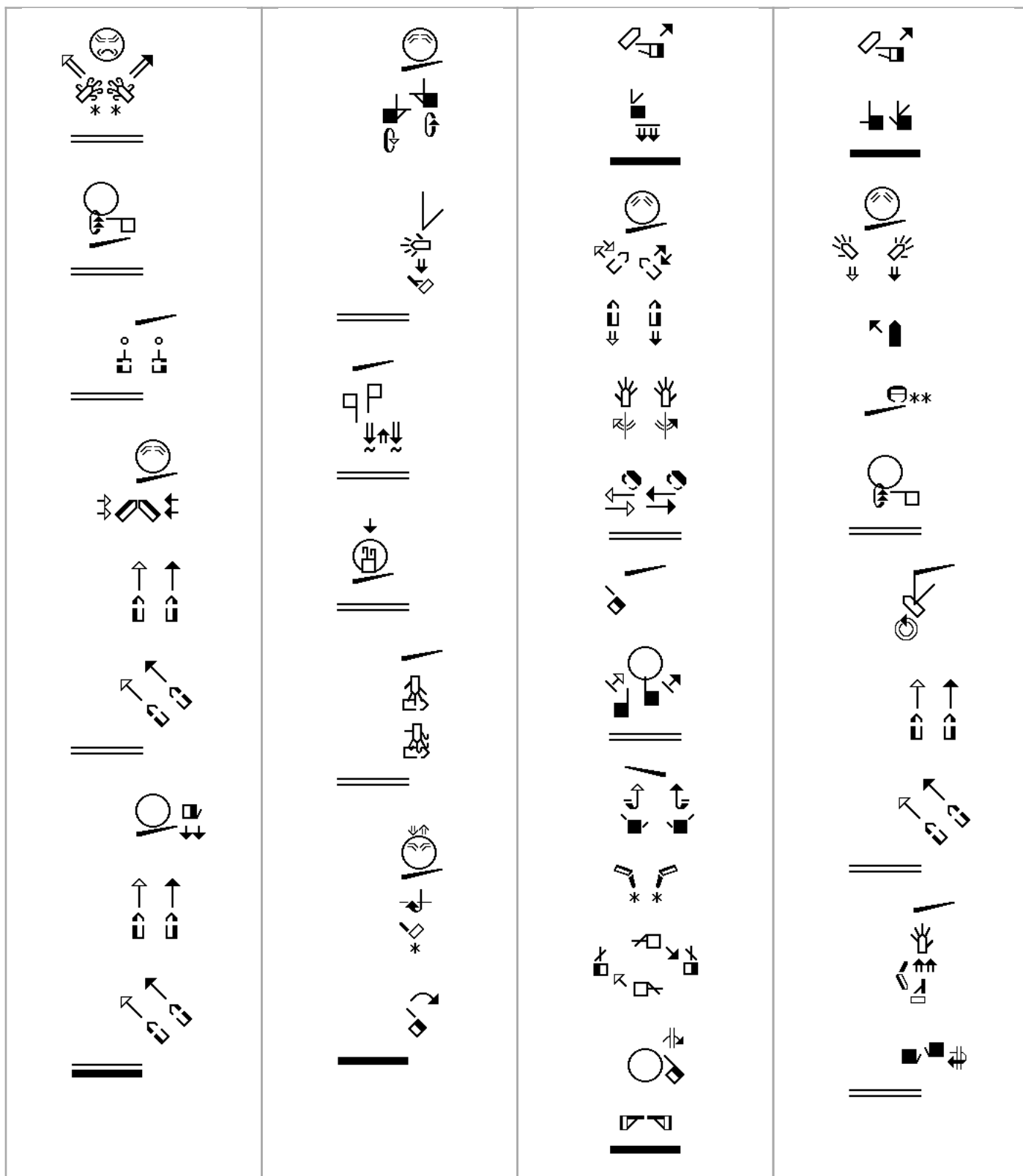
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prepared a great feast and sent out many invitations. Verse 17. When the banquet was ready, he sent his servant to tell the guests, 'Come, the banquet is ready.' Verse 18. But they all began making excuses. One said, 'I have just bought a field

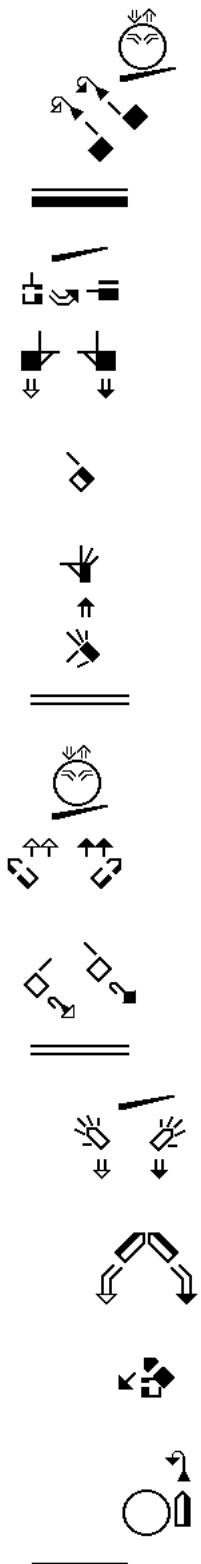

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and must inspect it. Please excuse me.' Verse 19. Another said, 'I have just bought five pairs of oxen, and I want to try them out. Please excuse me.' Verse 20. Another said, 'I now have a wife, so I can't come.' Verse 21. "The servant returned and told his master what they had said. His master

























































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was furious and said, 'Go quickly into the streets and alleys of the town and invite the poor, the crippled, the blind, and the lame.' Verse 22. After the servant had done this, he reported, 'There is still room for more.' Verse 23. So his master said, 'Go out into the country lanes and behind the hedges

			
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343 and urge anyone you find to come, so that the house will be full. Verse 24. For none of those I first invited will get even the smallest taste of my banquet." Verse 25. A large crowd was following Jesus. He turned around and said to them, NLT

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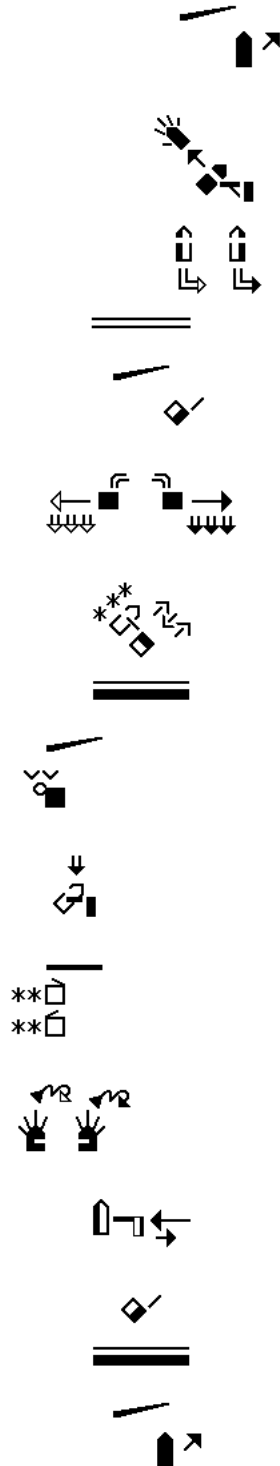
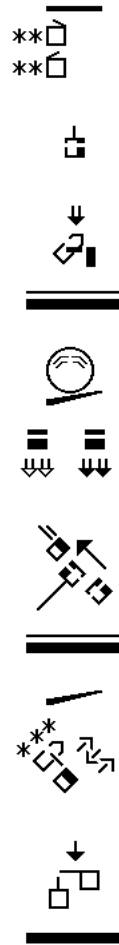
Verse 26. "If you want to be my disciple, you must hate everyone else by comparison -- your father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters -- yes, even your own life. Otherwise, you cannot be my disciple. Verse 27. And if you do not carry your own cross and follow me,

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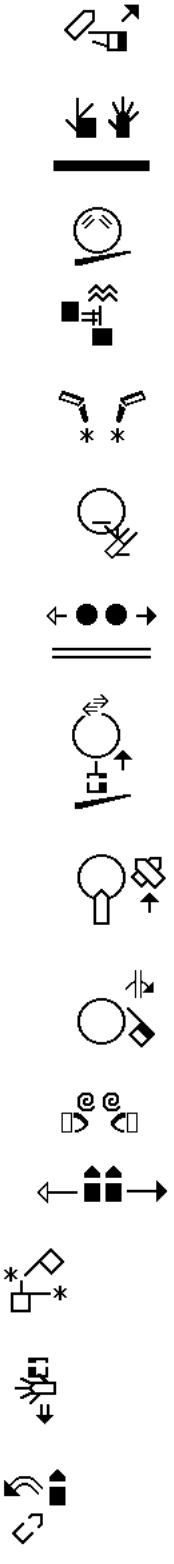
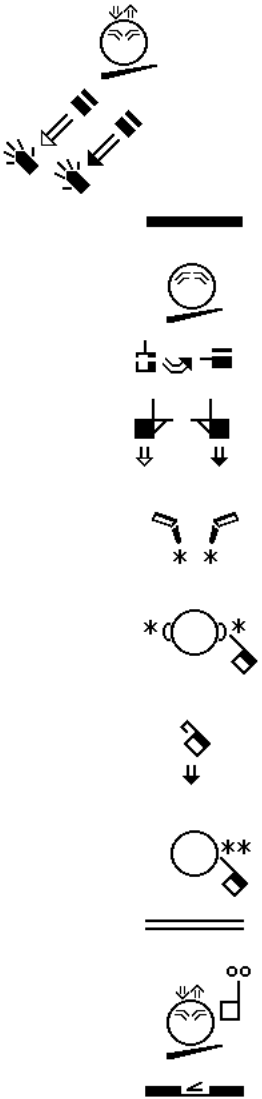
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Verse 29. Otherwise, you might complete only the foundation before running out of money, and then everyone would laugh at you. Verse 30. They would say, 'There's the person who started that building and couldn't afford to finish it!' NLT



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Luke 15. Tax collectors and other notorious sinners often came to listen to Jesus teach. Verse 2. This made the Pharisees and teachers of religious law complain that he was associating with such sinful people -- even eating with them!

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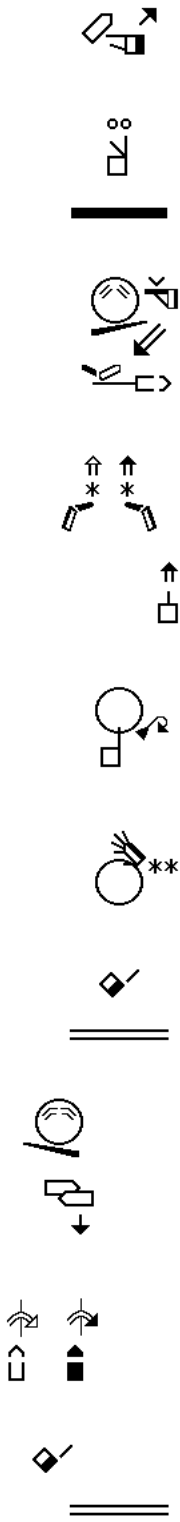
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Verse 5. And when he has found it, he will joyfully carry it home on his shoulders. Verse 6. When he arrives, he will call together his friends and neighbors, saying, 'Rejoice with me because I have found my lost sheep.' Verse 7. In the same way, there is more joy in heaven over one lost sinner who repents and returns to God

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353 than over ninety-nine others who are righteous and haven't strayed away! Verse 8. "Or suppose a woman has ten silver coins and loses one. Won't she light a lamp and sweep the entire house and search carefully until she finds it? NLT

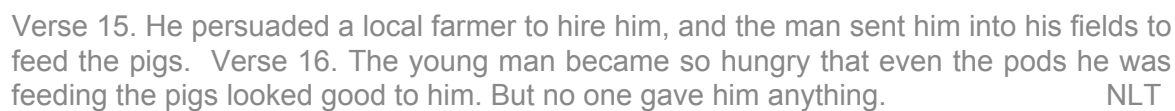
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Verse 11. To illustrate the point further, Jesus told them this story: "A man had two sons.
 Verse 12. The younger son told his father, 'I want my share of your estate now before
 you die.' So his father agreed to divide his wealth between his sons.

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Verse 13. "A few days later this younger son packed all his belongings and moved to a distant land, and there he wasted all his money in wild living. Verse 14. About the time his money ran out, a great famine swept over the land, and he began to starve. NLT



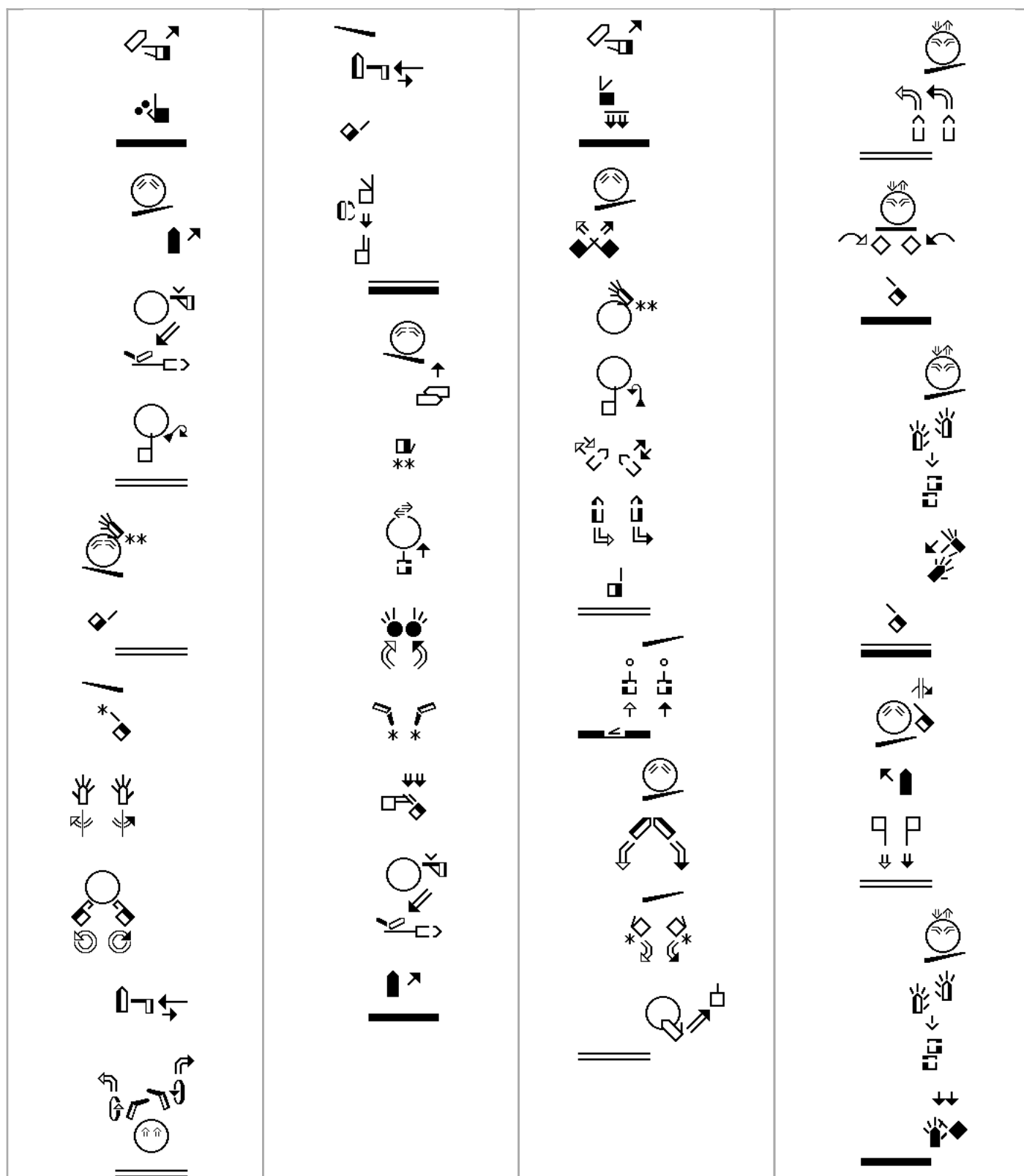
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Verse 17. "When he finally came to his senses, he said to himself, 'At home even the hired servants have food enough to spare, and here I am dying of hunger! Verse 18. I will go home to my father and say, "Father, I have sinned against both heaven and you, NLT

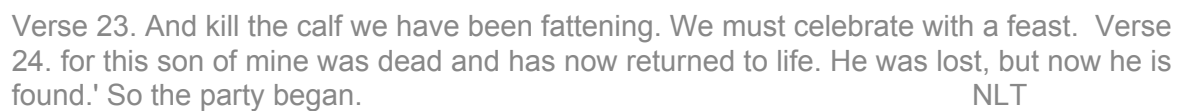
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Verse 19. and I am no longer worthy of being called your son. Please take me on as a hired servant." Verse 20. "So he returned home to his father. And while he was still a long way off, his father saw him coming. Filled with love and compassion, he ran to his son, embraced him, and kissed him.

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Verse 21. His son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against both heaven and you, and I am no longer worthy of being called your son.' Verse 22. "But his father said to the servants, 'Quick! Bring the finest robe in the house and put it on him. Get a ring for his finger and sandals for his feet.

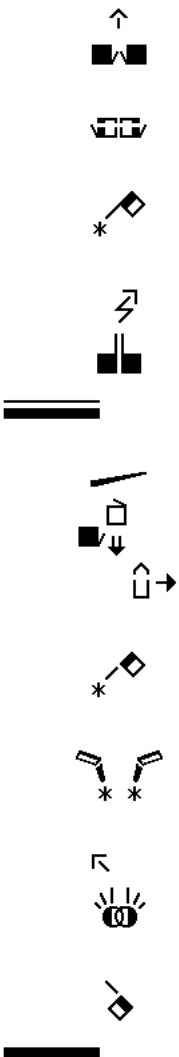
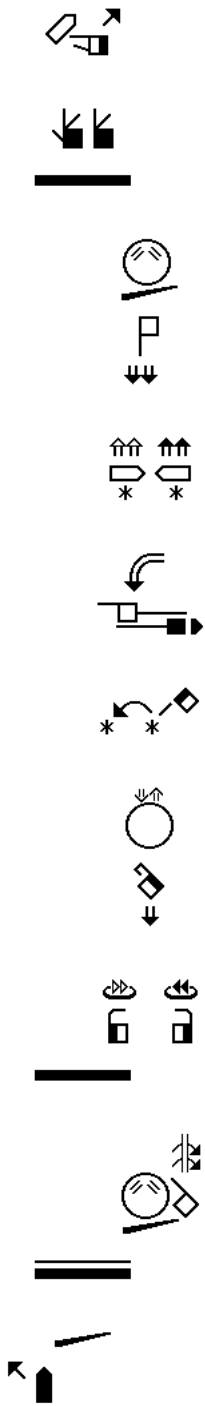
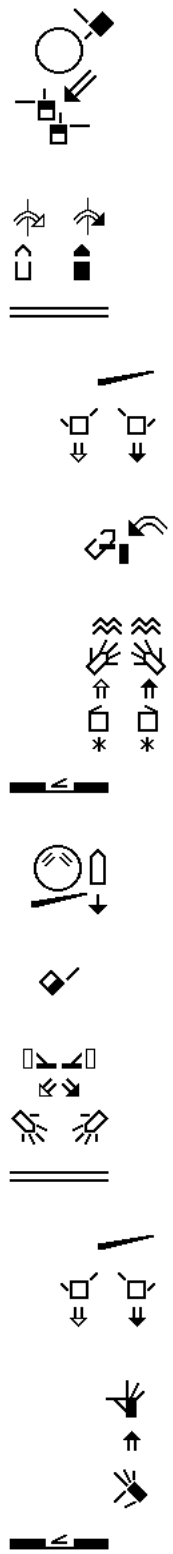


Verse 25. "Meanwhile, the older son was in the fields working. When he returned home, he heard music and dancing in the house, Verse 26. and he asked one of the servants what was going on. Verse 27. 'Your brother is back,' he was told, 'and your father has killed the fattened calf. NLT

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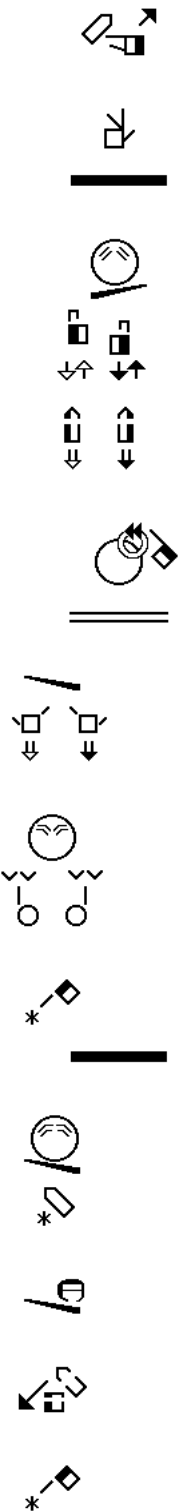
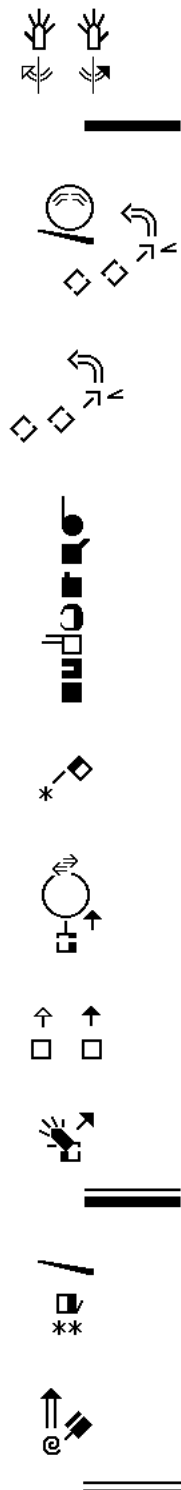
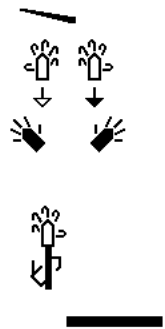
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gave me even one young goat for a feast with my friends. Verse 30. Yet when this son of yours comes back after squandering your money on prostitutes, you celebrate by killing the fattened calf!' Verse 31. "His father said to him, 'Look, dear son, you have always

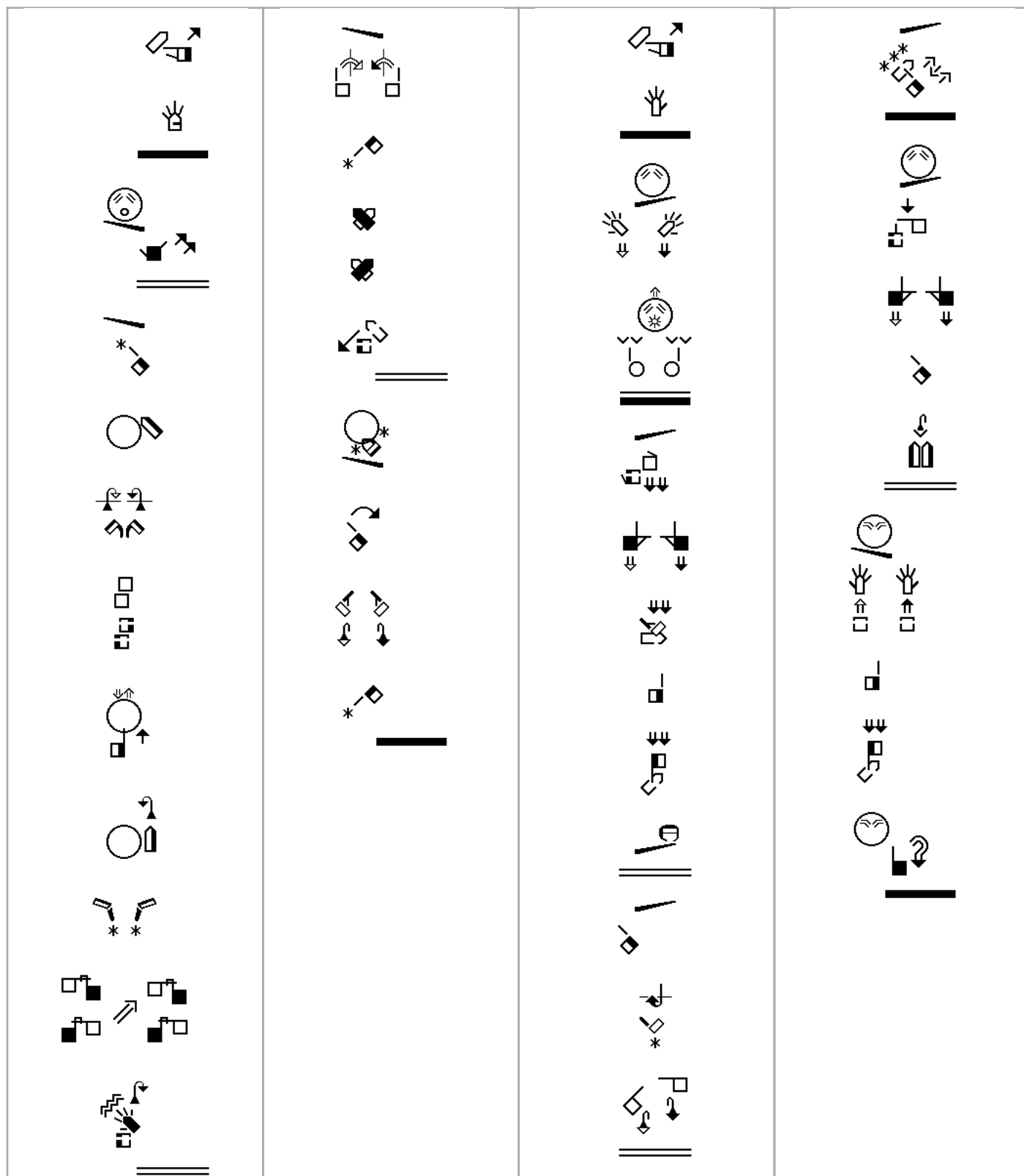
			
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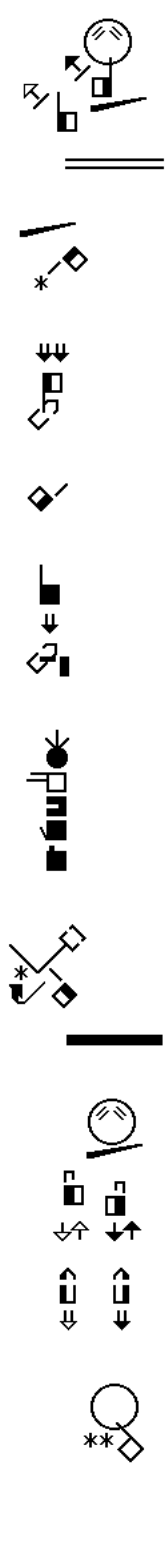
Luke 16. Jesus told this story to his disciples: "There was a certain rich man who had a manager handling his affairs. One day a report came that the manager was wasting his employer's money. Verse 2. So the employer called him in and said, 'What's this I hear about you?' NLT

			
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367 Get your report in order, because you are going to be fired.' Verse 3. "The manager thought to himself, 'Now what? My boss has fired me. I don't have the strength to dig ditches, and I'm too proud to beg. NLT

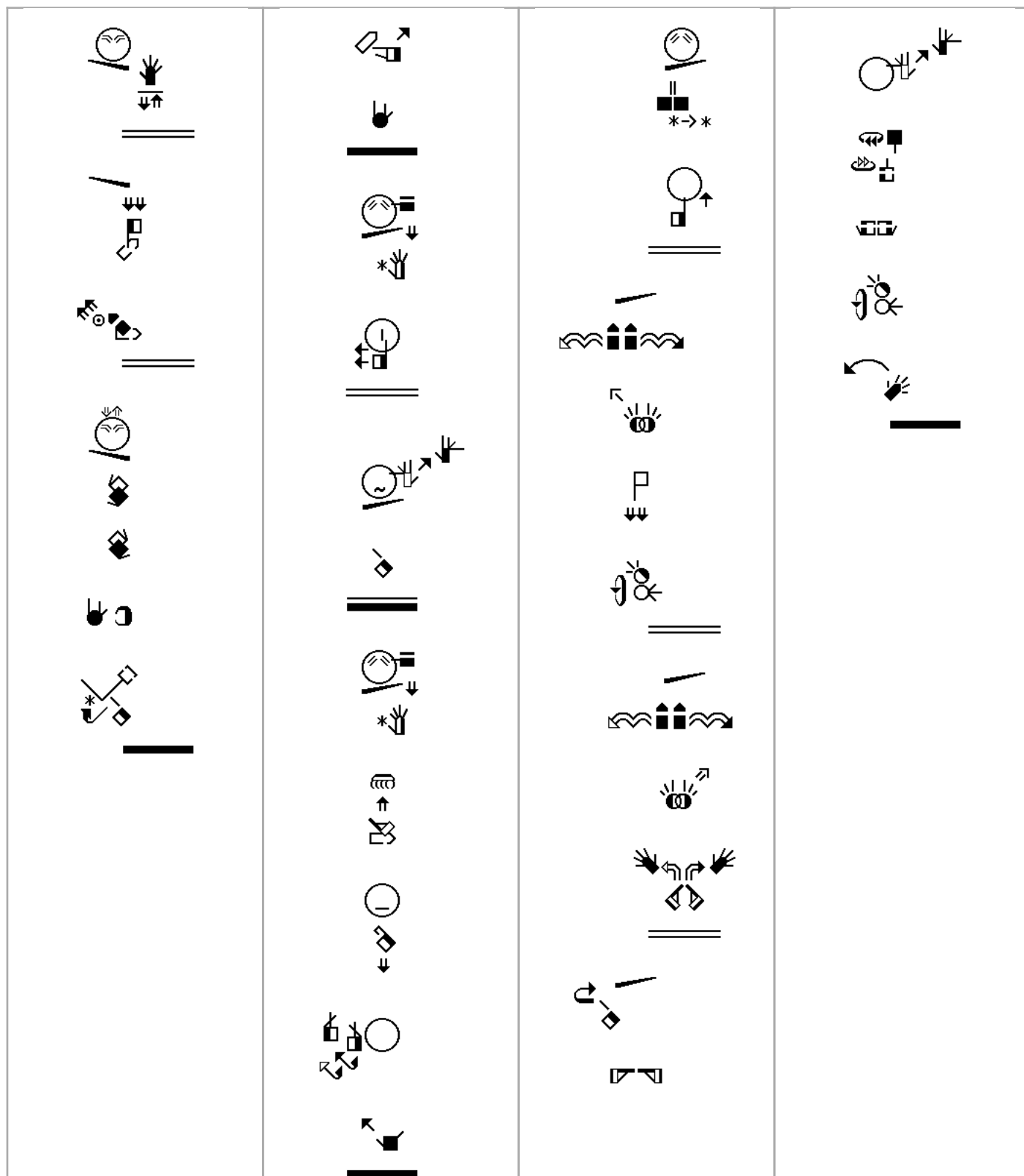


Verse 4. Ah, I know how to ensure that I'll have plenty of friends who will give me a home when I am fired.' Verse 5. "So he invited each person who owed money to his employer to come and discuss the situation. He asked the first one, 'How much do you owe him?' NLT

			
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Verse 6. The man replied, 'I owe him 800 gallons of olive oil.' So the manager told him, 'Take the bill and quickly change it to 400 gallons.' Verse 7. "'And how much do you owe my employer?' he asked the next man. 'I owe him 1,000 bushels of wheat,' was the reply. 'Here,' the manager said,

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'take the bill and change it to 800 bushels.' Verse 8. "The rich man had to admire the dishonest rascal for being so shrewd. And it is true that the children of this world are more shrewd in dealing with the world around them than are the children of the light. NLT

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Verse 9. Here's the lesson: Use your worldly resources to benefit others and make friends. Then, when your earthly possessions are gone, they will welcome you to an eternal home. Verse 10. "If you are faithful in little things, you will be faithful in large ones.

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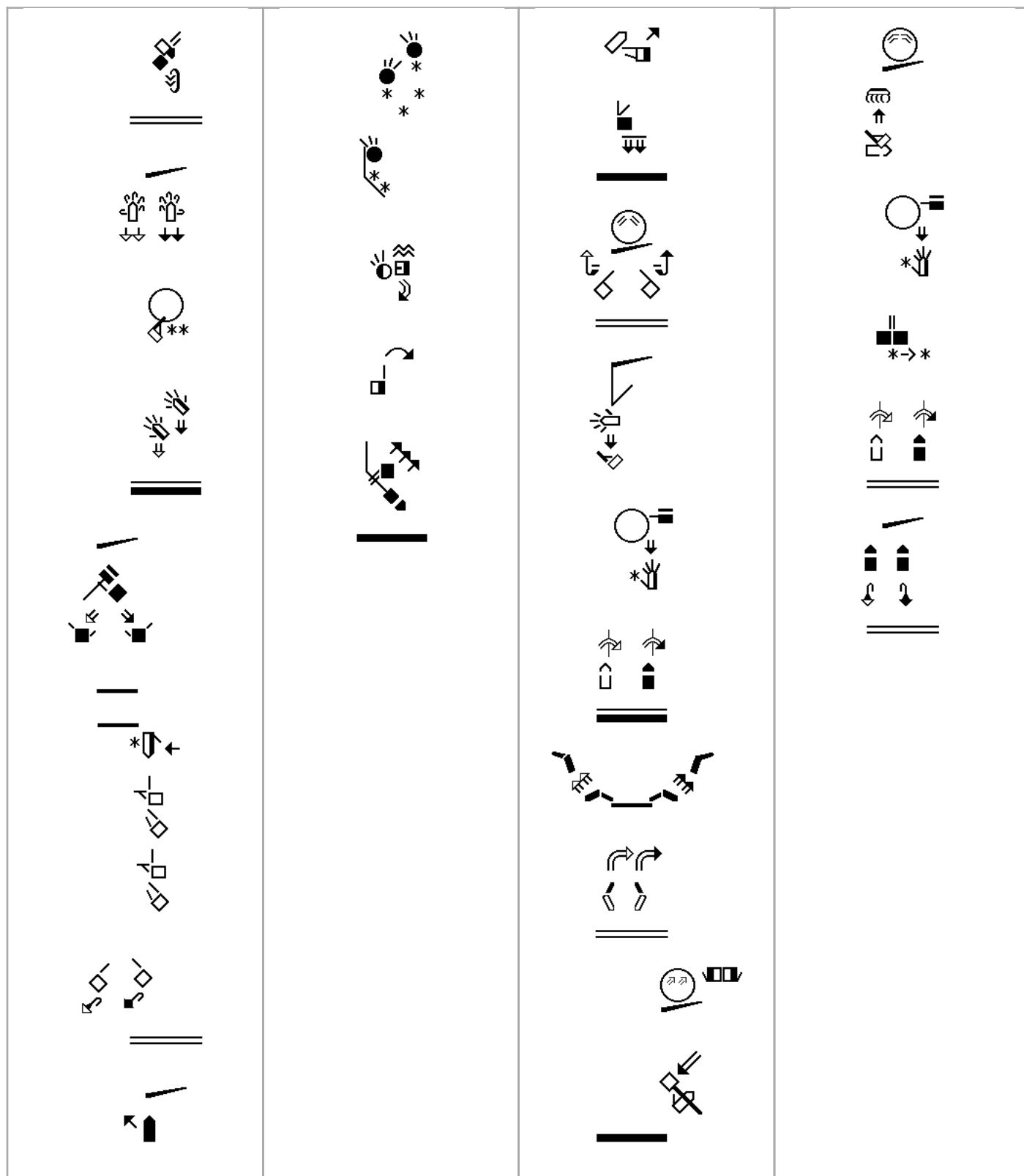
Verse 14. The Pharisees, who dearly loved their money, heard all this and scoffed at him. Verse 15. Then he said to them, "You like to appear righteous in public, but God knows your hearts. What this world honors is detestable in the sight of God. Verse 16. "Until John the Baptist, the law of Moses

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377 and fine linen and who lived each day in luxury. Verse 20. At his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus who was covered with sores. Verse 21. As Lazarus lay there longing for scraps from the rich man's table, NLT



the dogs would come and lick his open sores. Verse 22. "Finally, the poor man died and was carried by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried,

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381 Verse 26. And besides, there is a great chasm separating us. No one can cross over to you from here, and no one can cross over to us from there.' Verse 27. "Then the rich man said, "Please, Father Abraham, at least send him to my father's home. NLT

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Verse 28. For I have five brothers and I want him to warn them so they don't end up in this place of torment.' Verse 29. "But Abraham said, 'Moses and the prophets have warned them. Your brothers can read what they wrote.'

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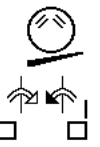


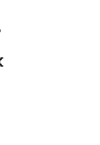


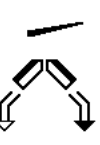





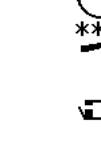








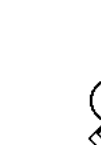


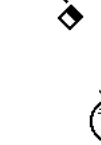

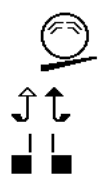

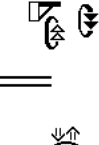
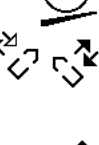

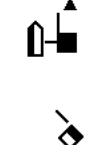

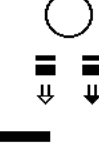

Verse 30. "The rich man replied, 'No, Father Abraham! But if someone is sent to them from the dead, then they will repent of their sins and turn to God.' Verse 31. "But Abraham said, 'If they won't listen to Moses and the prophets, they won't listen even if someone rises from the dead.'"

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385 Verse 3. So watch yourselves! "If another believer sins, rebuke that person; then if there is repentance, forgive. Verse 4. Even if that person wrongs you seven times a day and each time turns again and asks forgiveness, you must forgive." NLT

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Verse 7. "When a servant comes in from plowing or taking care of sheep, does his master say, 'Come in and eat with me'? Verse 8. No, he says, 'Prepare my meal, put on your apron, and serve me while I eat. Then you can eat later.' NLT

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Verse 9. And does the master thank the servant for doing what he was told to do? Of course not. Verse 10. In the same way, when you obey me you should say, 'We are unworthy servants who have simply done our duty.'

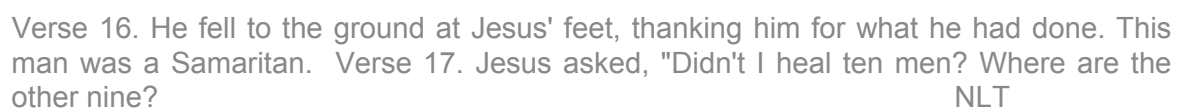
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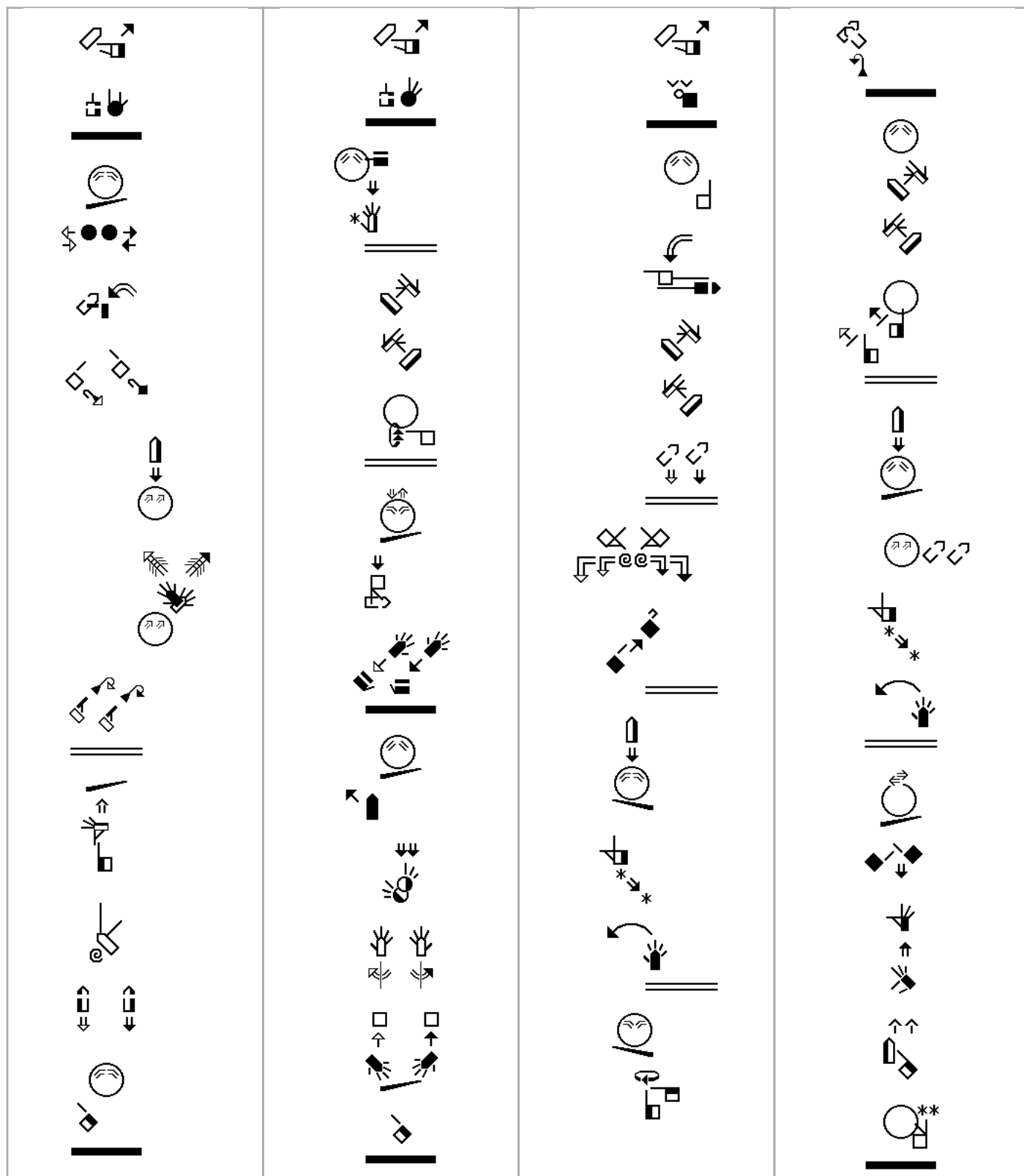
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Verse 11. As Jesus continued on toward Jerusalem, he reached the border between Galilee and Samaria. Verse 12. As he entered a village there, ten lepers stood at a distance, Verse 13. crying out, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" NLT

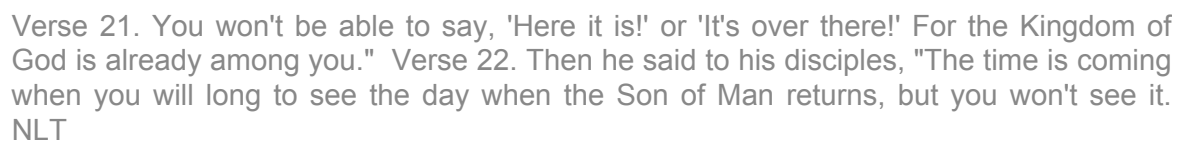
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Verse 14. He looked at them and said, "God show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were cleansed of their leprosy. Verse 15. One of them, when he saw that he was healed, came back to Jesus, shouting, "Praise God!"





Verse 18. Has no one returned to give glory to God except this foreigner?" Verse 19. And Jesus said to the man, "Stand up and go. Your faith has healed you." Verse 20. One day the Pharisees asked Jesus, "When will the Kingdom of God come?" Jesus replied, "The Kingdom of God can't be detected by visible signs. NLT



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Verse 23. People will tell you, "Look, there is the Son of Man," or 'Here he is,' but don't go out and follow them. Verse 24. For as the lightning flashes and lights up the sky from one end to the other, so it will be on the day when the Son of Man comes. NLT

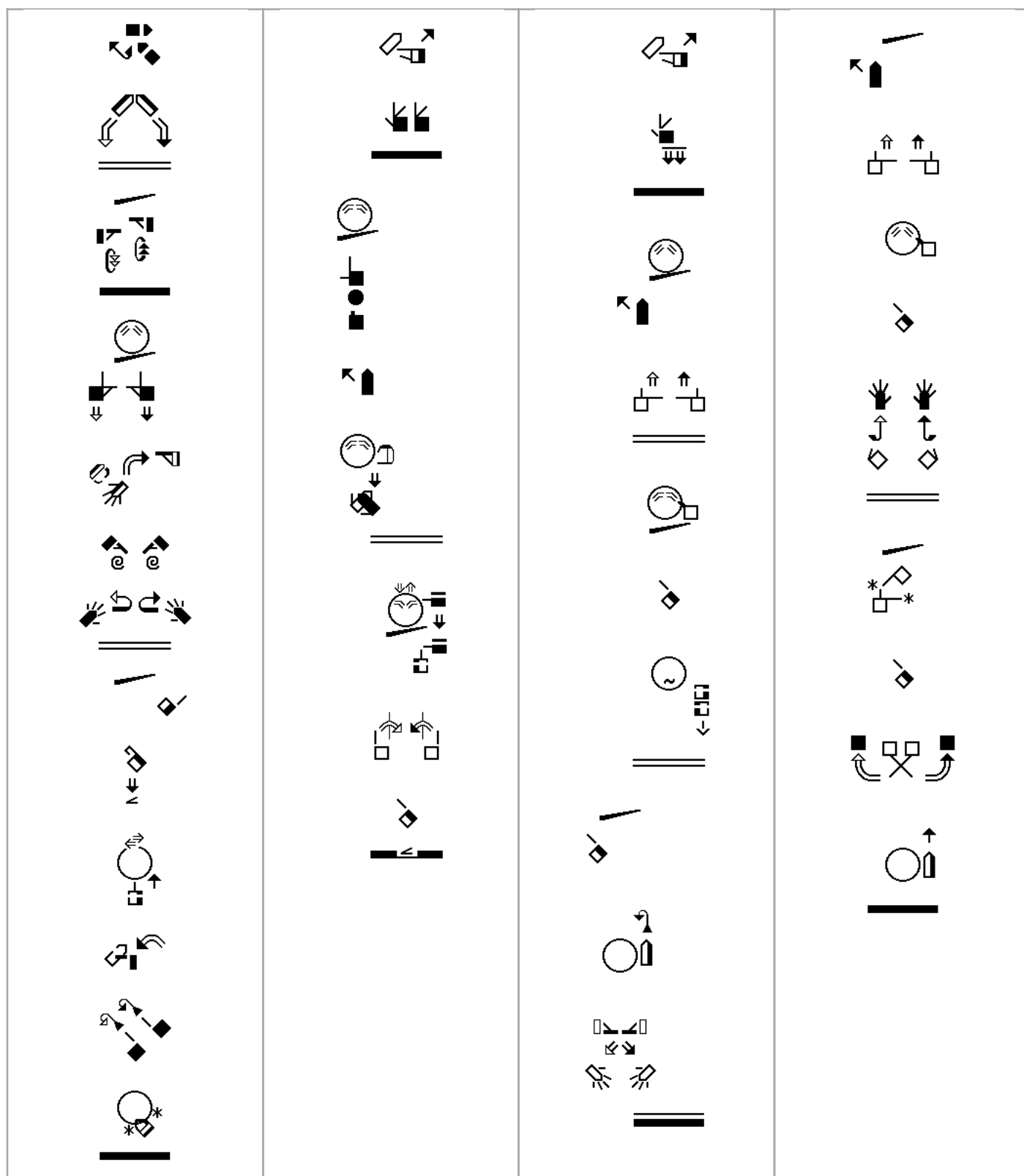
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Verse 25. But first the Son of Man must suffer terribly and be rejected by this generation.
 Verse 26. "When the Son of Man returns, it will be like it was in Noah's day. Verse 27. In those days, the people enjoyed banquets and parties and weddings
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


















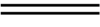

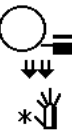






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397 fire and burning sulfur rained down from heaven and destroyed them all. Verse 30. Yes, it will be 'business as usual' right up to the day when the Son of Man is revealed. Verse 31. On that day a person out on the deck of a roof must not go down NLT



into the house to pack. A person out in the field must not return home. Verse 32. Remember what happened to Lot's wife! Verse 33. If you cling to your life, you will lose it, and if you let your life go, you will save it.

         	     	             
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Verse 34. That night two people will be asleep in one bed; one will be taken, the other left. Verse 35. Two women will be grinding flour together at the mill; one will be taken, the other left." (NOTE: no verse 36 in NLT) NLT

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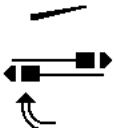

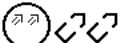
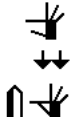

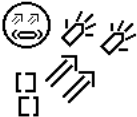




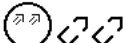









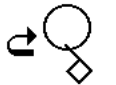

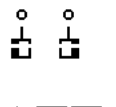



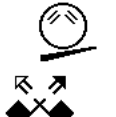
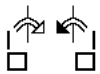


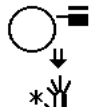




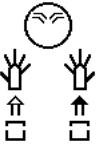







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Verse 3. A widow of that city came to him repeatedly, saying, 'Give me justice in this dispute with my enemy.' Verse 4. The judge ignored her for a while, but finally he said to himself, 'I don't fear God or care about people,

Verse 5. but this woman is driving me crazy. I'm going to see that she gets justice, because she is wearing me out with her constant requests!" Verse 6. Then the Lord said, "Learn a lesson from this unjust judge. Verse 7. Even he rendered a just decision in the end. So

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












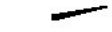














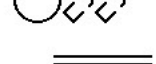


















don't you think God will surely give justice to his chosen people who cry out to him day and night? Will he keep putting them off? Verse 8. I tell you, he will grant justice to them quickly! But when the Son of Man returns, how many will he find on the earth who have faith?"

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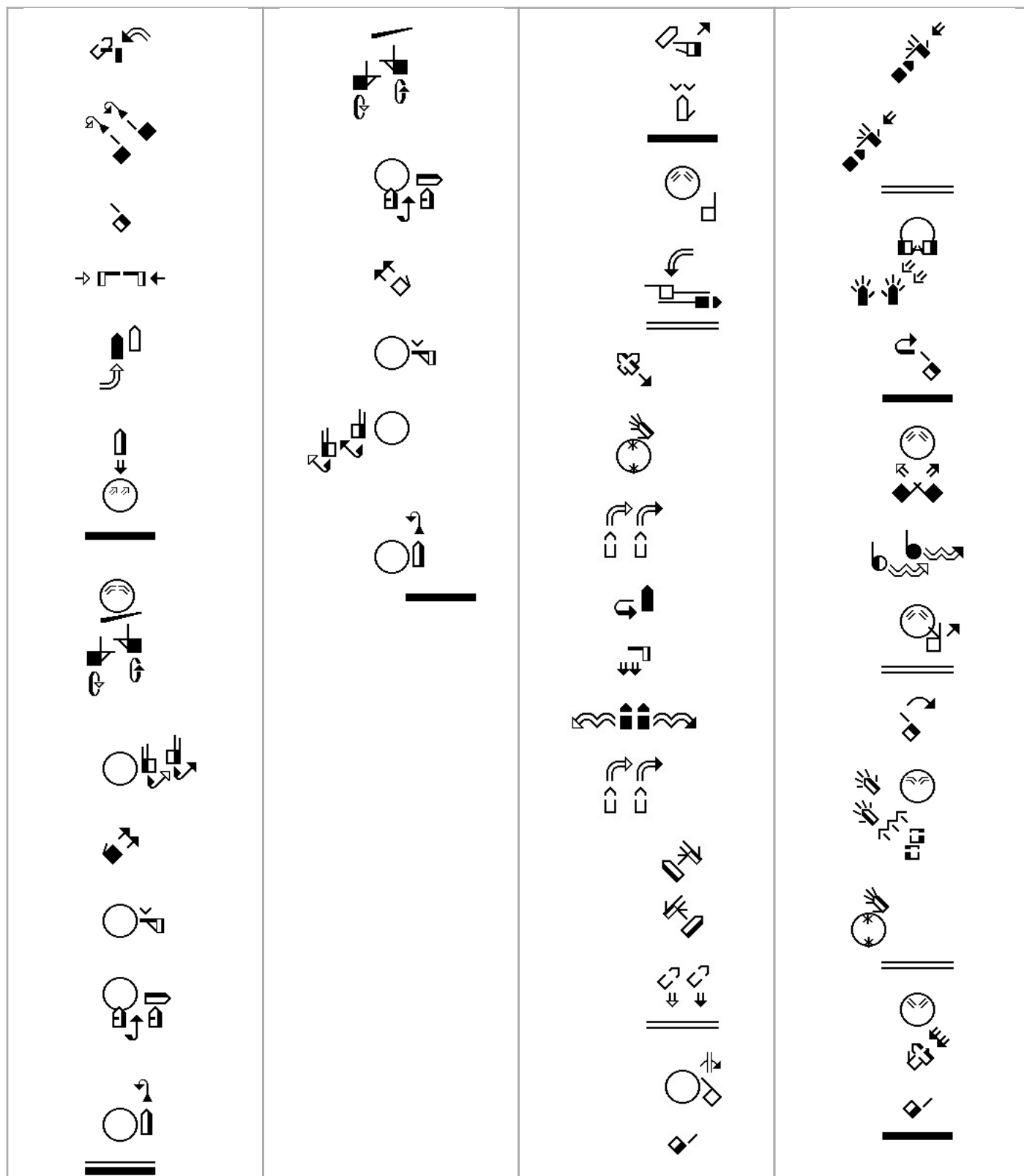
Verse 11. The Pharisee stood by himself and prayed this prayer: 'I thank you, God, that I am not a sinner like everyone else. For I don't cheat, I don't sin, and I don't commit adultery. I'm certainly not like that tax collector! Verse 12. I fast twice a week, and I give you a tenth of my income.

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Verse 13. "But the tax collector stood at a distance and dared not even lift his eyes to heaven as he prayed. Instead, he beat his chest in sorrow, saying, 'O God, be merciful to me, for I am a sinner.'" Verse 14. I tell you, this sinner, not the Pharisee, returned home

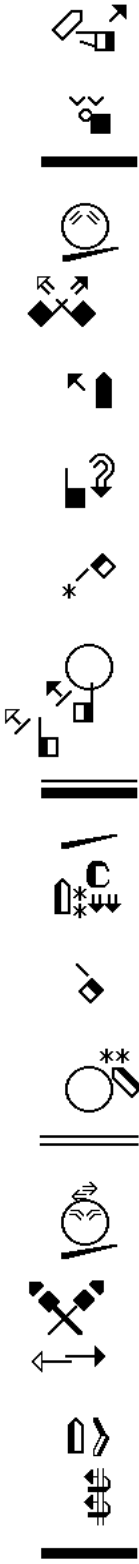


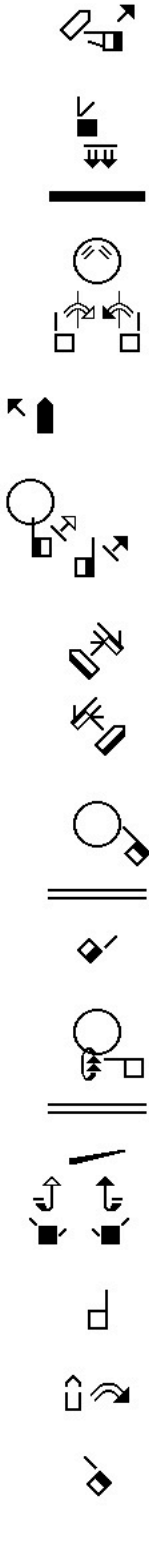
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justified before God. For those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted." Verse 15. One day some parents brought their little children to Jesus so he could touch and bless them. But when the disciples saw this, they scolded the parents for bothering him.

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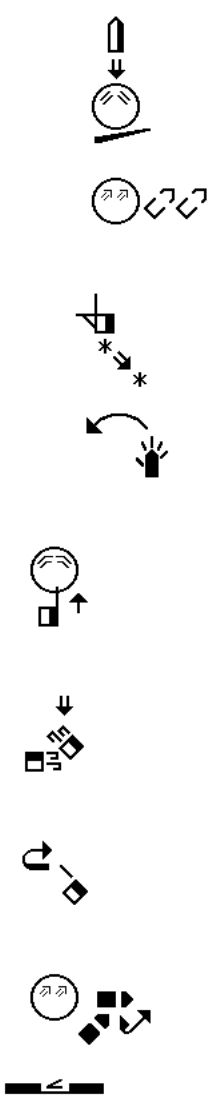
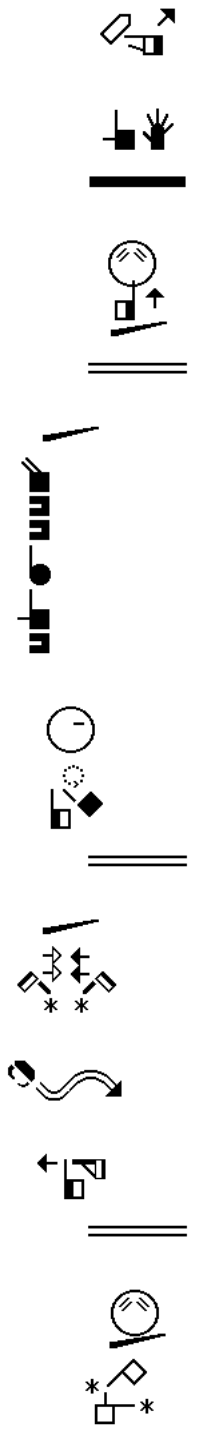
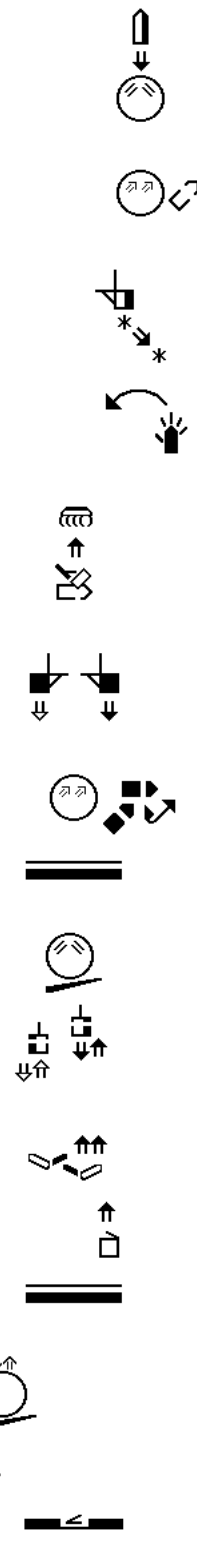
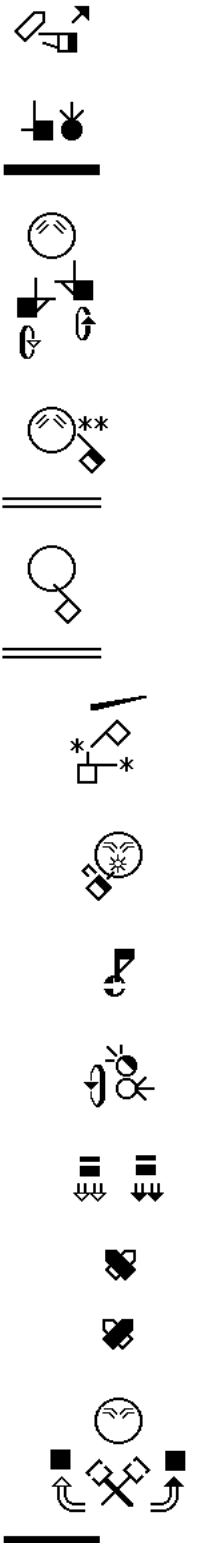
			
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Verse 20. But to answer your question, you know the commandments: "You must not commit adultery. You must not murder. You must not steal. You must not testify falsely. Honor your father and mother." Verse 21. The man replied, "I've carefully obeyed all these commandments since I was young." Verse 22. When Jesus heard his answer, he said, "There is still one thing you

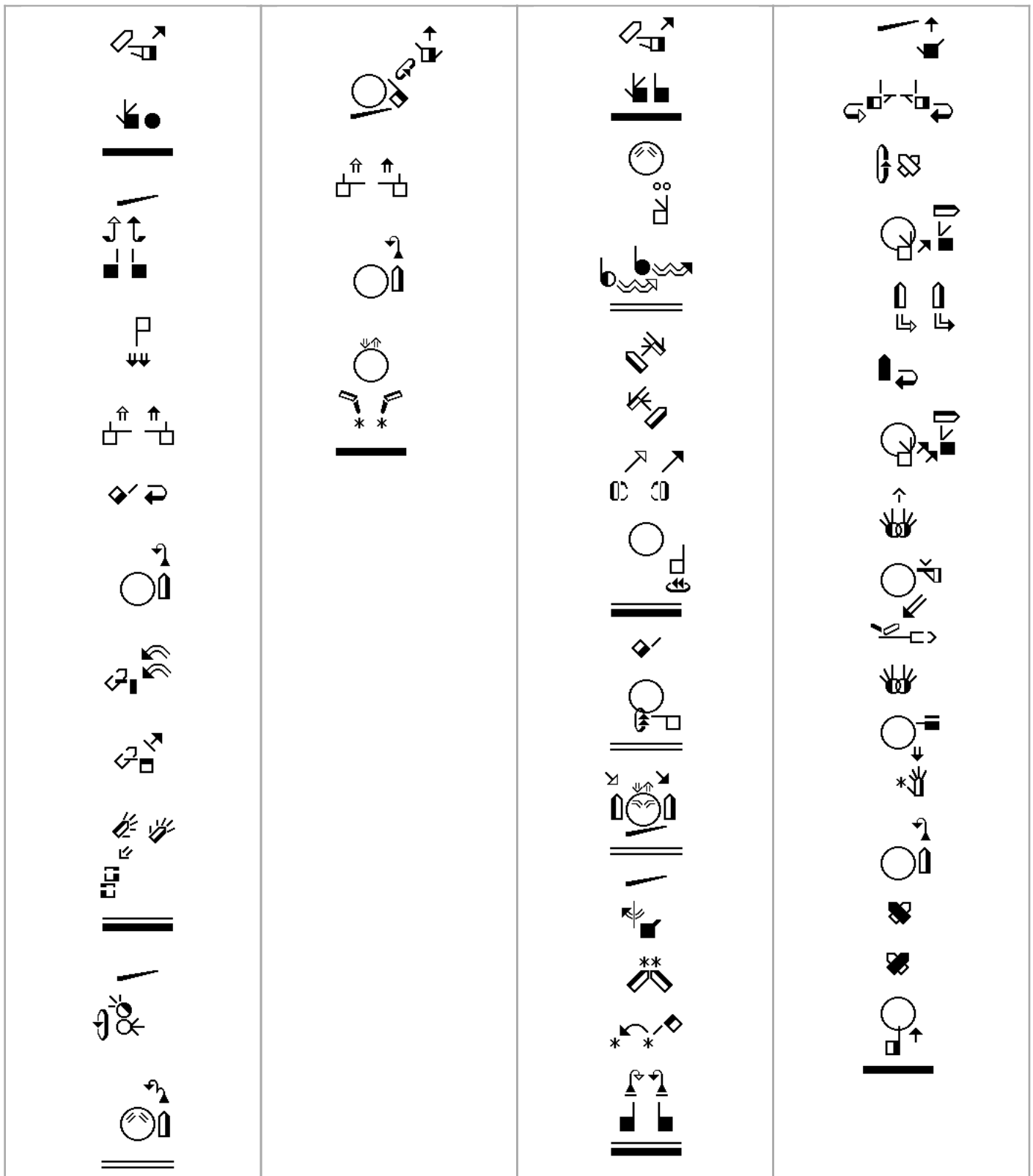
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haven't done. Sell all your possessions and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me." Verse 23. But when the man heard this he became sad, for he was very rich. Verse 24. When Jesus saw this, he said, "How hard it is for the rich

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Verse 27. He replied, "What is impossible for people is possible with God." Verse 28. Peter said, "We've left our homes to follow you." Verse 29. "Yes," Jesus replied, "and I assure you that everyone who has given up house or wife or brothers or parents or children, for the sake of the Kingdom of God,



Verse 30. will be repaid many times over in this life, and will have eternal life in the world to come." Verse 31. Taking the twelve disciples aside, Jesus said, "Listen, we're going up to Jerusalem, where all the predictions of the prophets concerning the Son of Man will come true.

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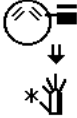



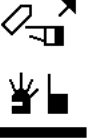


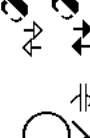





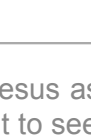



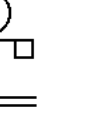


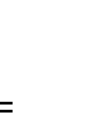


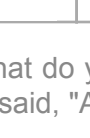





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Verse 38. So he began shouting, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" Verse 39. "Be quiet!" the people in front yelled at him. but he only shouted louder, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" Verse 40. When Jesus heard him, he stopped and ordered that the man be brought

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419 to him. As the man came near, Jesus asked him, Verse 41. "What do you want me to do for you?" "Lord," he said, "I want to see!" Verse 42. And Jesus said, "All right, receive your sight! Your faith has healed you." NLT

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Luke 19. Jesus entered Jericho and made his way through the town. Verse 2. There was a man there named Zacchaeus. He was the chief tax collector in the region, and he had become very rich. Verse 3. He tried to get a look at Jesus, but he was too short to see over the crowd.

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Verse 4. So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore-fig tree beside the road, for Jesus was going to pass that way. Verse 5. When Jesus came by, he looked up at Zacchaeus and called him by name. "Zacchaeus!" he said. "Quick, come down! I must be a guest in your home today."

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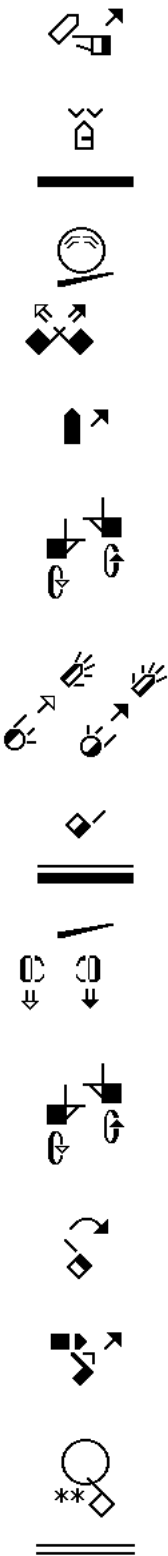



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Verse 8. Meanwhile, Zacchaeus stood before the Lord and said, "I will give half my wealth to the poor, Lord, and if I have cheated people on their taxes, I will give them back four times as much!" Verse 9. Jesus responded, "Salvation has come to this home today,

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for this man has shown himself to be a true son of Abraham. Verse 10. For the Son of Man came to seek and save those who are lost." Verse 11. The crowd was listening to everything Jesus said. And because he was nearing Jerusalem, he told them a story to correct the impression that the Kingdom of God would begin right away. NLT

			
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Verse 14. But his people hated him and sent a delegation after him to say, 'We do not want him to be our king.' Verse 15. "After he was crowned king, he returned and called in the servants to whom he had given the money. He wanted to find out what their profits were.

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Verse 16. The first servant reported, 'Master, I invested your money and made ten times the original amount!' Verse 17. "'Well done!' the king exclaimed. 'You are a good servant. You have been faithful with the little I entrusted to you, so you will be governor of ten cities as your reward.'

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Verse 18. "The next servant reported, 'Master, I invested your money and made five times the original amount.' Verse 19. "'Well done!' the king said. 'You will be governor over five cities.' Verse 20. "But the third servant brought back only the original amount of money and said,

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431 condemn you. If you knew that I'm a hard man who takes what isn't mine and harvests crops I didn't plant, Verse 23. why didn't you deposit my money in the bank? At least I could have gotten some interest on it.' NLT

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even more will be given. But from those who do nothing, even what little they have will be taken away. Verse 27. And as for these enemies of mine who didn't want me to be their king -- bring them in and execute them right here in front of me." NLT

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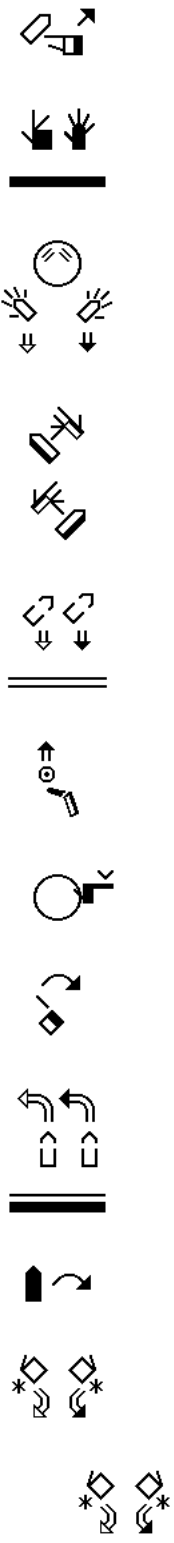
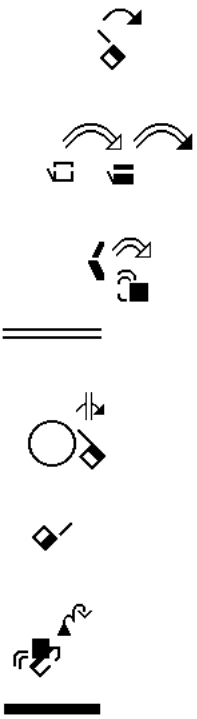

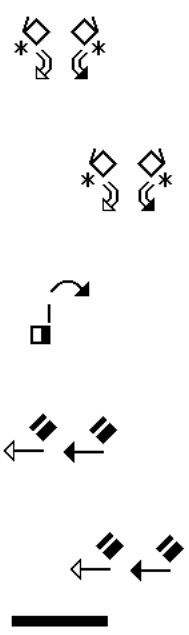
Verse 28. After telling this story, Jesus went on toward Jerusalem, walking ahead of his disciples. Verse 29. As they came to the towns of Bethphage and Bethany on the Mount of Olives, he sent two disciples ahead.

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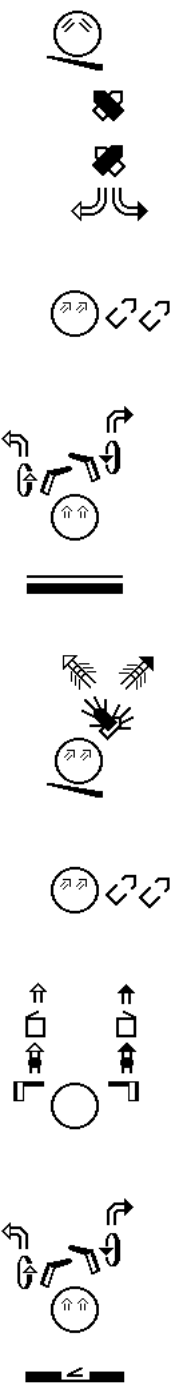

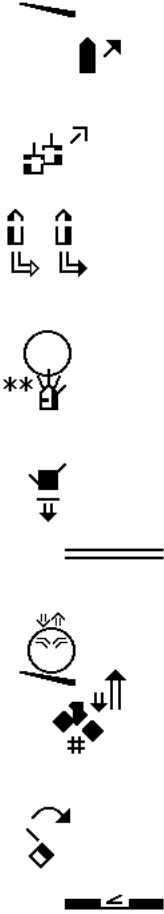
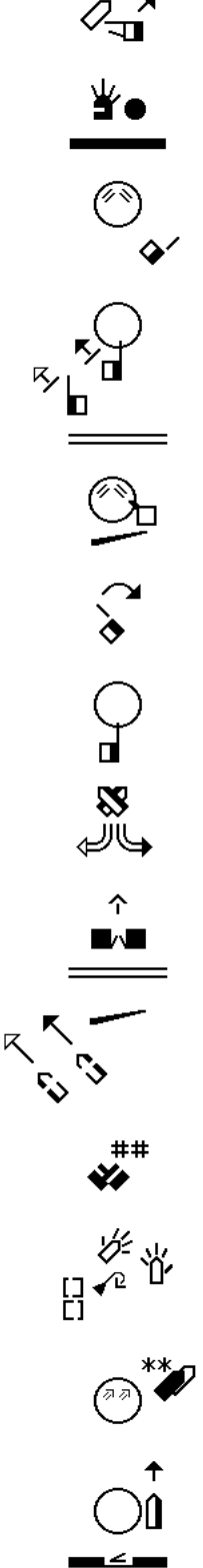
Verse 32. So they went and found the colt, just as Jesus had said. Verse 33. And sure enough, as they were untying it, the owners asked them, "Why are you untying that colt?" Verse 34. And the disciples simply replied, "The Lord needs it." NLT

 <p>ASL signs for Verse 35: Bringing the colt to Jesus and throwing garments over it. The sequence includes signs for 'bring', 'Jesus', 'throw', 'garments', and 'over'.</p>	 <p>ASL signs for Verse 36: Crowds spreading out garments on the road. The sequence includes signs for 'crowd', 'spread', 'garments', and 'road'.</p>	 <p>ASL signs for Verse 37: Jesus riding the colt. The sequence includes signs for 'Jesus', 'ride', 'colt', and 'on'.</p>	 <p>ASL signs for Verse 38: The crowd shouting and praising Jesus. The sequence includes signs for 'crowd', 'shout', 'praise', and 'Jesus'.</p>
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
























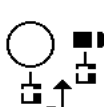







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Verse 37. When they reached the place where the road started down the Mount of Olives, all of his followers began to shout and sing as they walked along, praising God for all the wonderful miracles they had seen. Verse 38. "Blessings on the King who comes in the name of the LORD!"

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Peace in heaven, and glory in highest heaven!" Verse 39. But some of the Pharisees among the crowd said, "Teacher, rebuke your followers for saying things like that!" Verse 40. He replied, "If they kept quiet, the stones along the road would burst into cheers!" NLT

  	    	             	                
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Verse 41. But as they came closer to Jerusalem and Jesus saw the city ahead, he began to weep. Verse 42. "How I wish today that you of all people would understand the way to peace. But now it is too late, and peace is hidden from your eyes.

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



























Verse 43. Before long your enemies will build ramparts against your walls and encircle you and close in on you from every side. Verse 44. They will crush you into the ground, and your children with you. Your enemies will not leave a single stone in place, because you did not accept your opportunity for salvation."

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





















































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Verse 45. Then Jesus entered the Temple and began to drive out the people selling animals for sacrifices. Verse 46. He said to them, "The Scriptures declare, 'My Temple will be a house of prayer,' but you have turned it into a den of thieves."

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Verse 47. After that, he taught daily in the Temple, but the leading priests, the teachers of religious law, and the other leaders of the people began planning how to kill him. Verse 48. But they could think of nothing, because all the people hung on every word he said. NLT

                 	              	              	        
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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?"




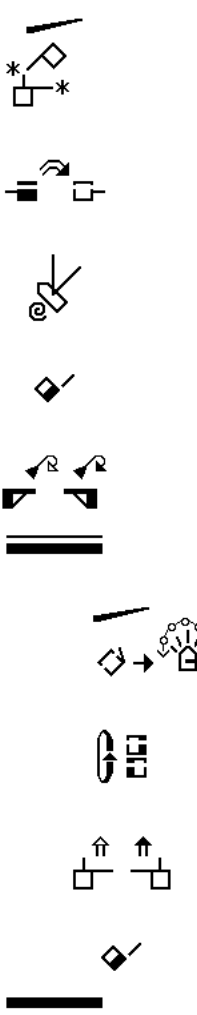
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
















































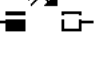

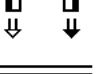










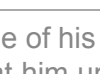
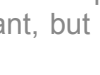
























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he will ask why we didn't believe John. Verse 6. But if we say it was merely human, the people will stone us because they are convinced John was a prophet." Verse 7. So they finally replied that they didn't know.

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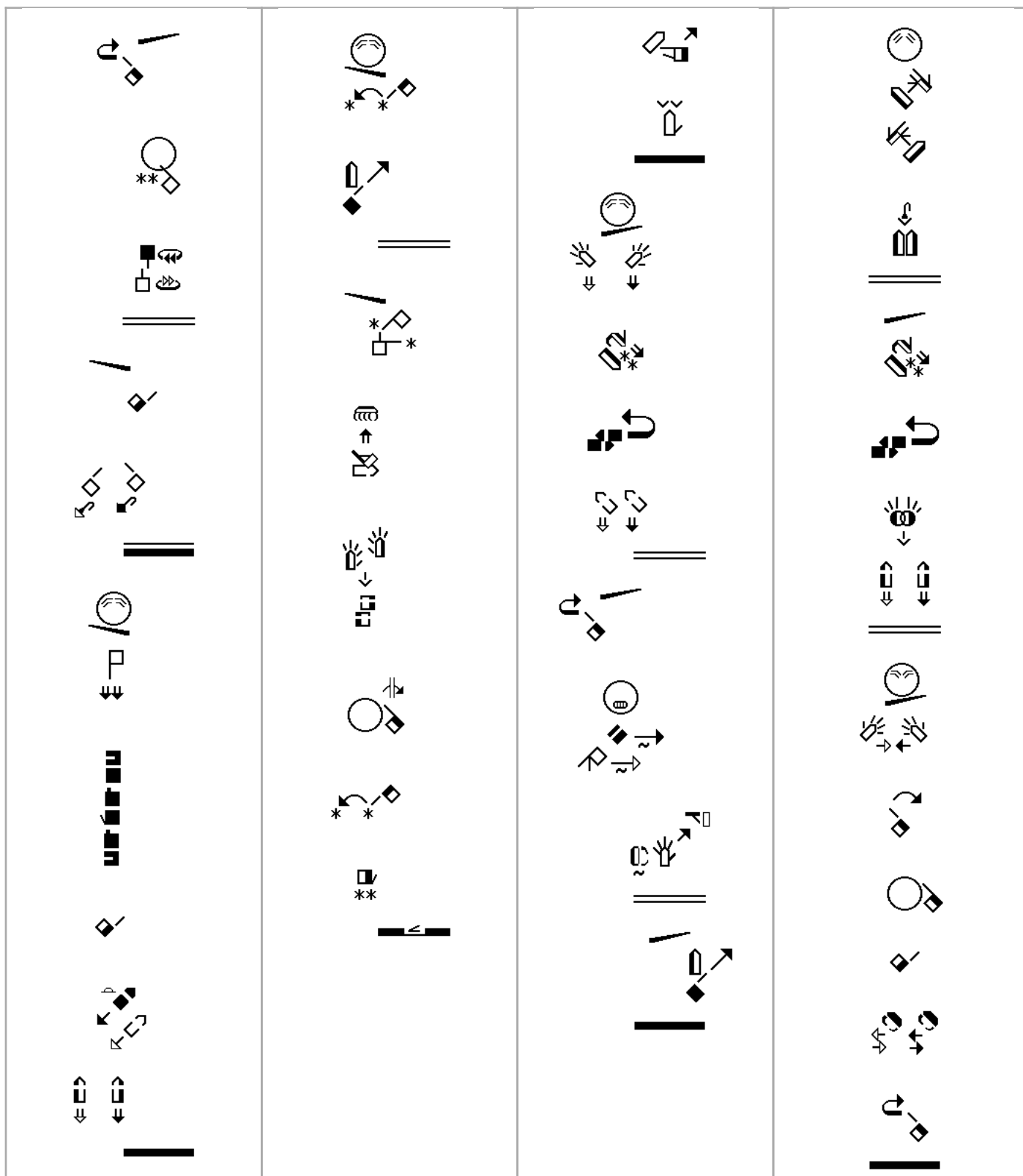
Verse 8. And Jesus responded, "Then I won't tell you by what authority I do these things."
 Verse 9. Now Jesus turned to the people again and told them this story: "A man planted a vineyard, leased it to tenant farmers, and moved to another country to live for several years."
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Verse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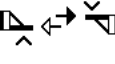
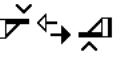
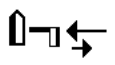







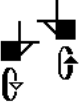

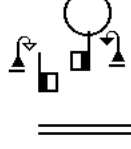

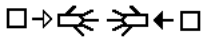




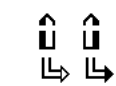

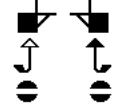


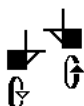















they said to each other, 'Here comes the heir to this estate. Let's kill him and get the estate for ourselves!' Verse 15. So they dragged him out of the vineyard and murdered him. "What do you suppose the owner of the vineyard will do to them?" Jesus asked. NLT

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mean? 'The stone that the builders rejected has now become the cornerstone.' Verse 18. Everyone who stumbles over that stone will be broken to pieces, and it will crush anyone it falls on." Verse 19. The teachers of religious law and the leading priests wanted to

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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?"

























































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

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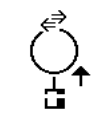

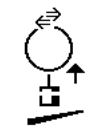
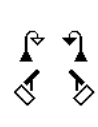




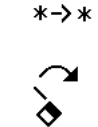




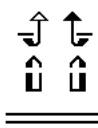
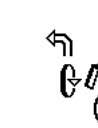
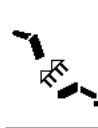





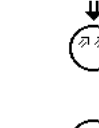
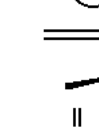



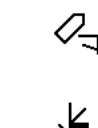


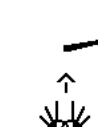



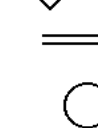


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Verse 29. Well, suppose there were seven brothers. The oldest one married and then died without children. Verse 30. So the second brother married the widow, but he also died. Verse 31. Then the third brother married her. This continued with all seven of them, who died without children. Verse 32. Finally, the woman also died.

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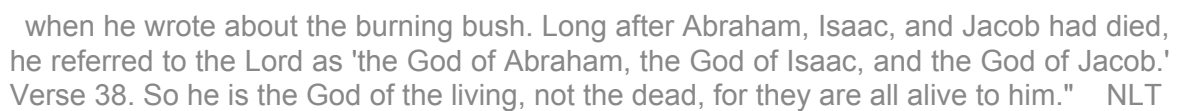
             	             	             	             
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Verse 33. So tell us, whose wife will she be in the resurrection? For all seven were married to her!" Verse 34. Jesus replied, "Marriage is for people here on earth. Verse 35. But in the age to come, those worthy of being raised from the dead NLT

      	         	         	         
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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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463 to my Lord, Sit in the place of honor at my right hand Verse 43. until I humble your
 enemies, making them a footstool under your feet.' Verse 44. Since David called the
 Messiah 'Lord,' how can the Messiah be his son?" Verse 45. Then, with the crowds
 listening, he turned to his disciples and 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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






























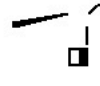
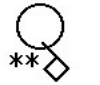










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467 has given more than all the rest of them. Verse 4. For they have given a tiny part of their surplus, but she, poor as she is, has given everything she has." Verse 5. Some of his disciples began talking about the majestic stonework of the Temple NL'T

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and the memorial decorations on the walls. But Jesus said, Verse 6. "The time is coming when all these things will be completely demolished. Not one stone will be left on top of another!" Verse 7. "Teacher," they asked, "when will all this happen?" NLT

       	            	            	             
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469 What sign will show us that these things are about to take place?" Verse 8. He replied, "Don't let anyone mislead you, for many will come in my name, claiming, 'I am the Messiah,' and saying, 'The time has come!' But don't believe them. NLT

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Verse 9. And when you hear of wars and insurrections, don't panic. Yes, these things must take place first, but the end won't follow immediately." Verse 10. Then he added, "Nation will go to war against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. NLT

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Verse 11. There will be great earthquakes, and there will be famines and plagues in many lands, and there will be terrifying things and great miraculous signs from heaven.
 Verse 12. "But before all this occurs, there will be a time of great persecution. You will be dragged into synagogues and prisons, and you will stand trial before kings

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and governors because you are my followers. Verse 13. But this will be your opportunity to tell them about me. Verse 14. So don't worry in advance about how to answer the charges against you, Verse 15. for I will give you the right words and such wisdom

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that none of your opponents will be able to reply or refute you! Verse 16. Even those closest to you -- your parents, brothers, relatives, and friends -- will betray you. They will even kill some of you. Verse 17. And everyone will hate you because you are my followers.
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Verse 18. But not a hair of your head will perish! Verse 19. By standing firm, you will win your souls. Verse 20. "And when you see Jerusalem surrounded by armies, then you will know that the time of its destruction has arrived.

<p>ASL signs for Verse 21: flee to the hills, Jerusalem get out, do not return to the city.</p>	<p>ASL signs for Verse 22: days of God's vengeance, prophetic words of the Scriptures will be fulfilled.</p>	<p>ASL signs for Verse 23: signs in the sun, moon, and stars.</p>	<p>ASL signs for Verse 24: signs in the air, on the earth, and in the sea.</p>
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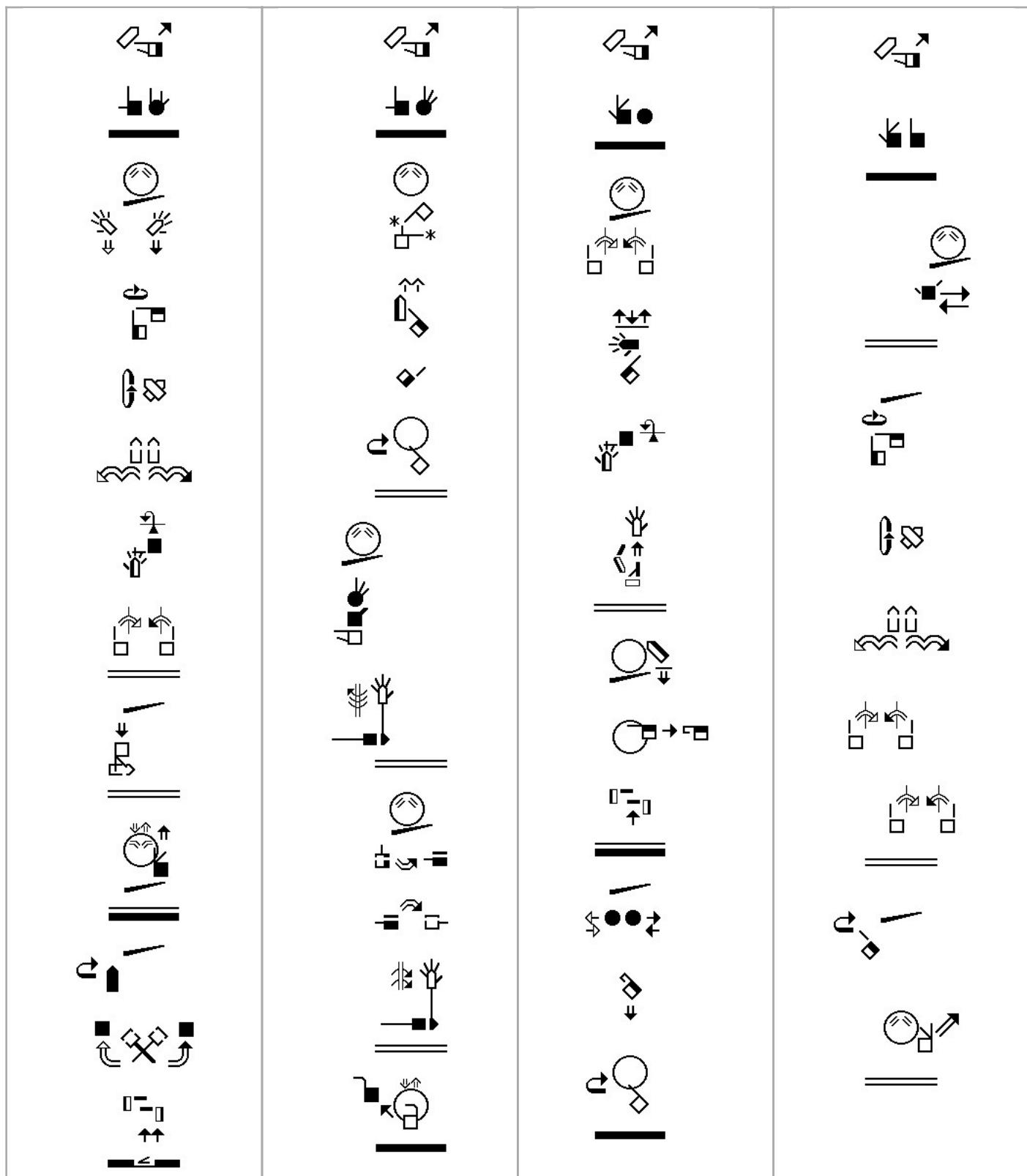
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477 until the period of the Gentiles comes to an end. Verse 25. "And there will be strange signs in the sun, moon, and stars. And here on earth the nations will be in turmoil, perplexed by the roaring seas and strange tides. NLT

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Verse 26. People will be terrified at what they see coming upon the earth, for the powers in the heavens will be shaken. Verse 27. Then everyone will see the Son of Man coming on a cloud with power and great glory.

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Verse 28. So when all these things begin to happen, stand and look up, for your salvation is near!" Verse 29. Then he gave them this illustration: "Notice the fig tree, or any other tree. Verse 30. When the leaves come out, you know without being told that summer is near. Verse 31. In the same way, when you see all these things taking place, NLT

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you can know that the Kingdom of God is near. Verse 32. I tell you the truth, this generation will not pass from the scene until all these things have taken place. Verse 33. Heaven and earth will disappear, but my words will never disappear. NLT

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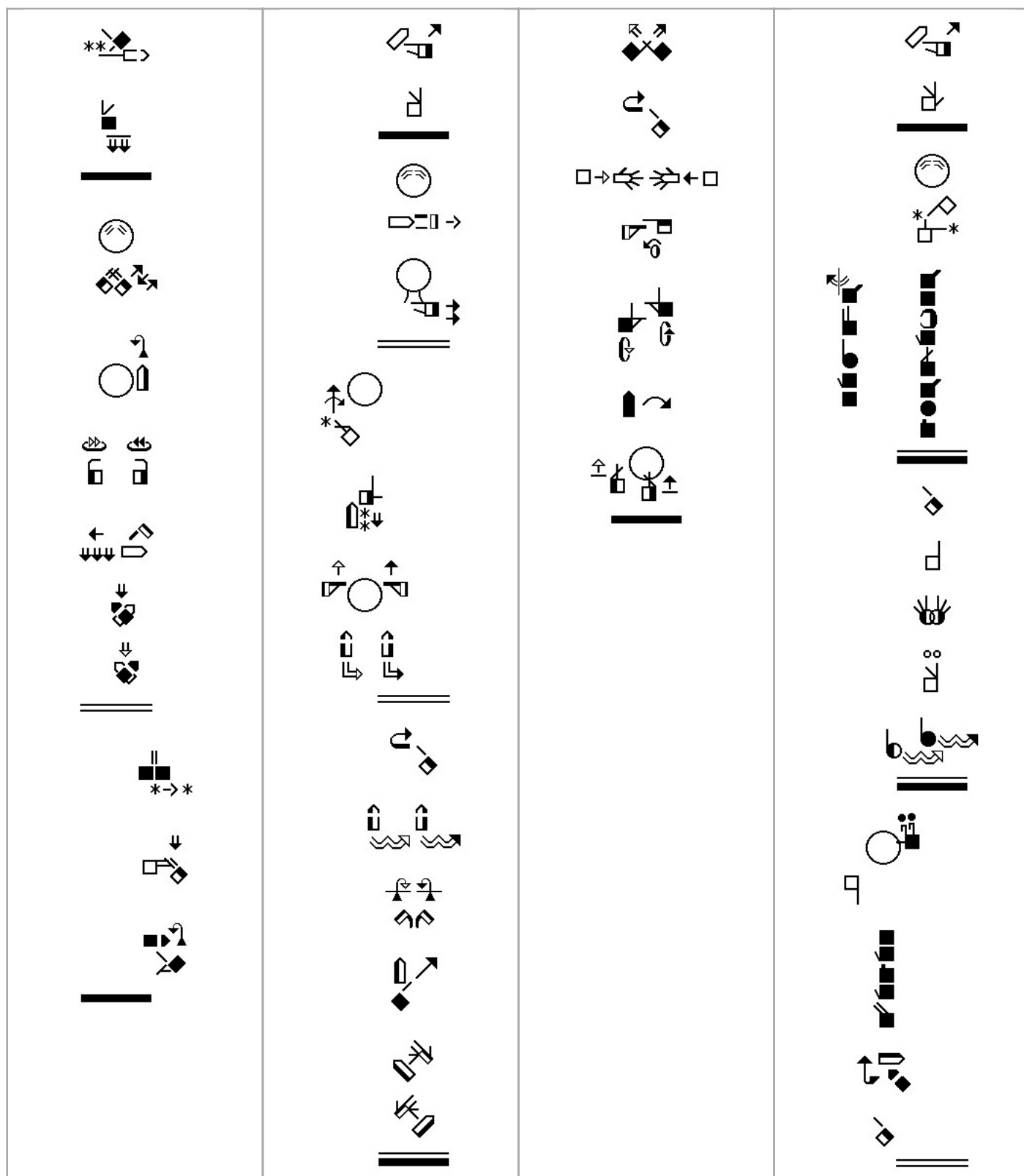
Verse 34. "Watch out! Don't let your hearts be dulled by carousing and drunkenness, and by the worries of this life. Don't let that day catch you unaware, Verse 35. like a trap. For that day will come upon everyone living on the earth. Verse 36. Keep alert at all times. And pray

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that you might be strong enough to escape these coming horrors and stand before the Son of Man." Verse 37. Every day Jesus went to the Temple to teach, and each evening he returned to spend the night on the Mount of Olives. Verse 38. The crowds gathered at the Temple early each morning to hear him.

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Luke 22. The Festival of Unleavened Bread, which is also called Passover, was approaching. Verse 2. The leading priests and teachers of religious law were plotting how to kill Jesus, but they were afraid of the people's reaction. Verse 3. Then Satan entered into Judas Iscariot, who was one of the twelve disciples,

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Verse 4. and he went to the leading priests and captains of the Temple guard to discuss the best way to betray Jesus to them. Verse 5. They were delighted, and they promised to give him money. Verse 6. So he agreed and began looking for an opportunity to betray Jesus

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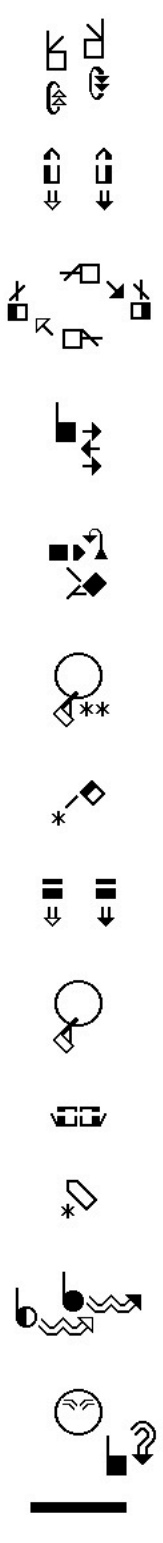
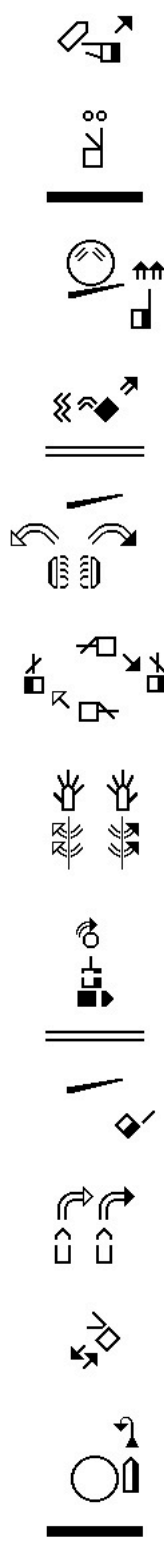
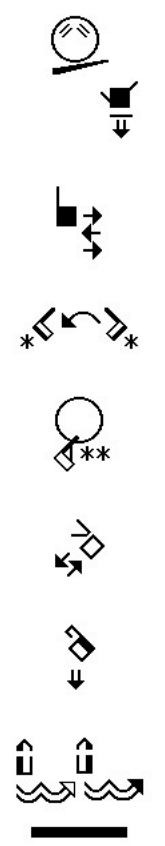
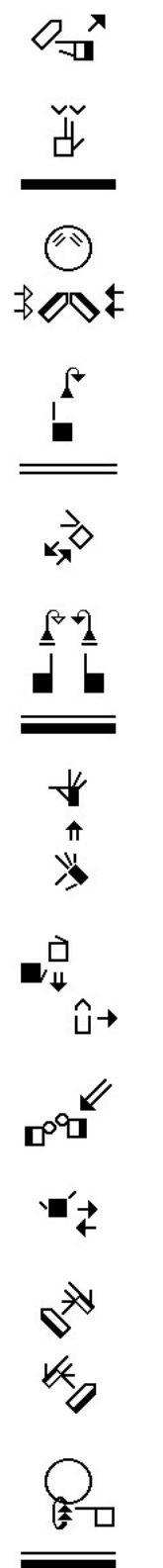
so they could arrest him when the crowds weren't around. Verse 7. Now the Festival of Unleavened Bread arrived, when the Passover lamb is sacrificed. Verse 8. Jesus sent Peter and John ahead and said, "Go and prepare the Passover meal, so we can eat it together."






























































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Verse 9. "Where do you want us to prepare it?" they asked him. Verse 10. He replied, "As soon as you enter Jerusalem, a man carrying a pitcher of water will meet you. Follow him. At the house he enters, Verse 11. say to the owner, 'The Teacher asks: Where is the

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and they prepared the Passover meal there. Verse 14. When the time came, Jesus and the apostles sat down together at the table. Verse 15. Jesus said, "I have been very eager to eat this Passover meal with you before my suffering begins.

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













































Verse 18. For I will not drink wine again until the Kingdom of God has come." Verse 19. He took some bread and gave thanks to God for it. Then he broke it in pieces and gave it to the disciples, saying, "This is my body, which is given for you. Do this to remember me."

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Verse 20. After supper he took another cup of wine and said, "This cup is the new covenant between God and his people -- an agreement confirmed with my blood, which is poured out as a sacrifice for you. Verse 21. "But here at this table, sitting among us as a friend,

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is the man who will betray me. Verse 22. For it has been determined that the Son of Man must die. But what sorrow awaits the one who betrays him." Verse 23. The disciples began to ask each other which of them would ever do such a thing. NLT

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Verse 24. Then they began to argue among themselves about who would be the greatest among them. Verse 25. Jesus told them, "In this world the kings and great men lord it over their people, yet they are called 'friends of the people.' Verse 26. But among you it will be different. Those who are the greatest among you should

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Verse 31. "Simon, Simon, Satan has asked to sift each of you like wheat. Verse 32. But I have pleaded in prayer for you, Simon, that your faith should not fail. So when you have repented and turned to me again,

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strengthen your brothers." Verse 33. Peter said, "Lord, I am ready to go to prison with you, and even to die with you." Verse 34. But Jesus said, "Peter, let me tell you something."

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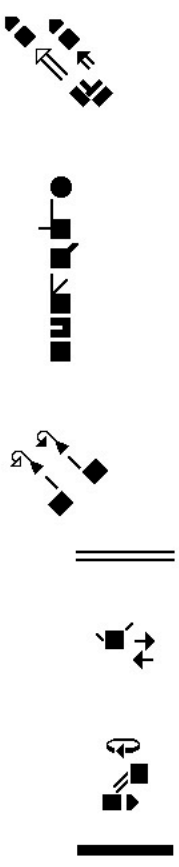

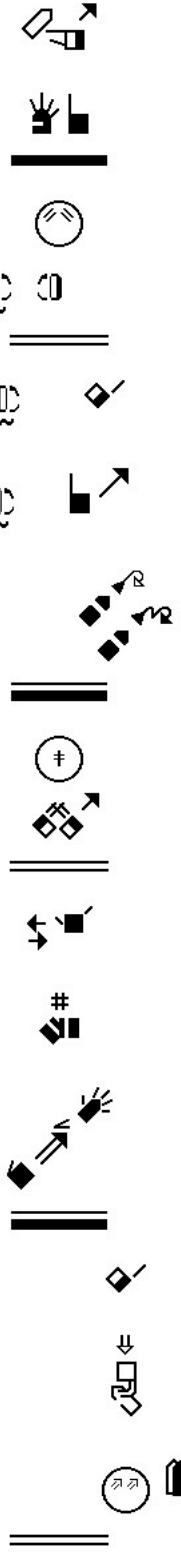
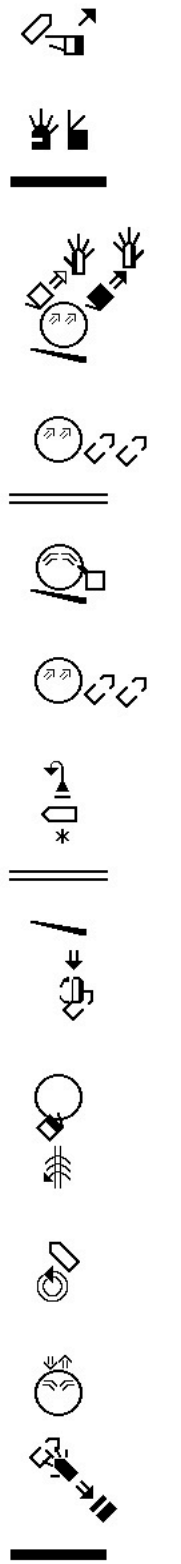
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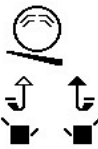
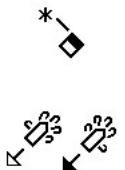
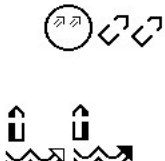
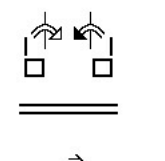
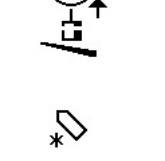
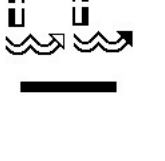


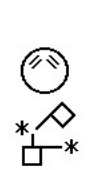
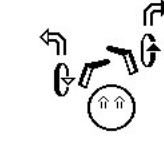
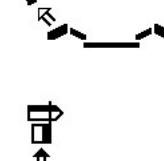
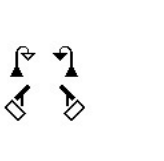





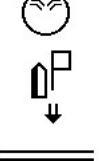


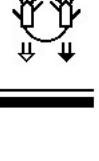




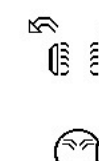


Before the rooster crows tomorrow morning, you will deny three times that you even know me." Verse 35. Then Jesus asked them, "When I sent you out to preach the Good News and you did not have money, a traveler's bag, or extra clothing, did you need anything?" "No," they replied.

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Yet I want your will to be done, not mine." Verse 43. Then an angel from heaven appeared and strengthened him. Verse 44. He prayed more fervently, and he was in such agony of spirit that his sweat fell to the ground like great drops of blood. NLT

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503 Verse 45. At last he stood up again and returned to the disciples, only to find them asleep, exhausted from grief. Verse 46. "Why are you sleeping?" he asked them. "Get up and pray, so that you will not give in to temptation." NLT

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Verse 47. But even as Jesus said this, a crowd approached, led by Judas, one of his twelve disciples. Judas walked over to Jesus to greet him with a kiss. Verse 48. But Jesus said, "Judas, would you betray the Son of Man with a kiss?" Verse 49. When the other disciples saw what was about to happen, they exclaimed, "Lord,

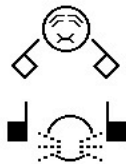
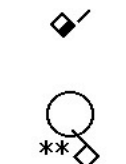
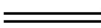
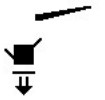
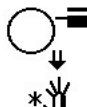





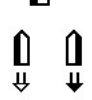
























































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who had come for him. "Am I some dangerous revolutionary," he asked, "that you come with swords and clubs to arrest me? Verse 53. Why didn't you arrest me in the Temple? I was there every day.

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But this is your moment, the time when the power of darkness reigns." Verse 54. So they arrested him and led him to the high priest's home. And Peter followed at a distance. Verse 55. The guards lit a fire in the middle of the courtyard and sat around it, and Peter joined them there. Verse 56. A servant girl noticed him in the firelight and began staring

            	                 	                 	                 
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





















































Finally she said, "This man was one of Jesus' followers!" Verse 57. But Peter denied it. "Woman," he said, "I don't even know him!" Verse 58. After a while someone else looked at him and said, "You must be one of them!" "No, man, I'm not!" Peter retorted. NLT

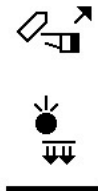






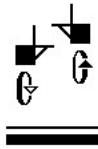

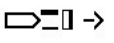

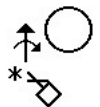

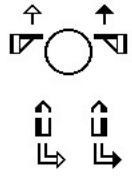







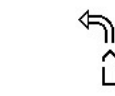
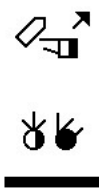
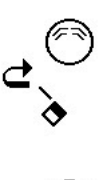







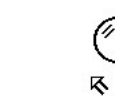
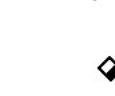
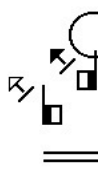

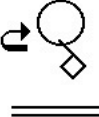


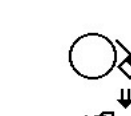





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Verse 59. About an hour later someone else insisted, "This must be one of them, because he is a Galilean, too." Verse 60. But Peter said, "Man, I don't know what you are talking about." And immediately, while he was still speaking, the rooster crowed. NLT

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










Verse 61. At that moment the Lord turned and looked at Peter. Then Peter remembered that the Lord had said, "Before the rooster crows tomorrow morning, you will deny three times that you even know me." Verse 62. And Peter left the courtyard, weeping bitterly. NLT

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Verse 66. At daybreak all the elders of the people assembled, including the leading priests and the teachers of religious law. Jesus was led before this high council, Verse 67. and they said, "Tell us are you the Messiah?" But he replied, "If I tell you, you won't believe me.

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Verse 68. And if I ask you a question, you won't answer. Verse 69. But from now on the Son of Man will be seated in the place of power at God's right hand." Verse 70. They all shouted, "So, are you claiming to be the Son of God?" NLT

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And he replied, "You say that I am." Verse 71. "Why do we need other witnesses?" they said. "We ourselves heard him say it."

























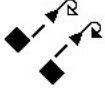



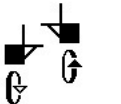





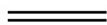

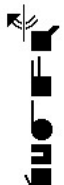

























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Luke 23. Then the entire council took Jesus to Pilate, the Roman governor. Verse 2. They began to state their case: "This man has been leading our people astray by telling them not to pay their taxes to the Roman government and by claiming he is the Messiah, a king."

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Verse 3. So Pilate asked him, "Are you the king of the Jews?" Jesus replied, "You have said it." Verse 4. Pilate turned to the leading priests and to the crowd and said, "I find nothing wrong with this man!"

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Verse 5. Then they became insistent. "But he is causing riots by his teaching wherever he goes -- all over Judea, from Galilee to Jerusalem!" Verse 6. "Oh, is he a Galilean?" Pilate asked. NLT


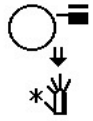

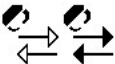
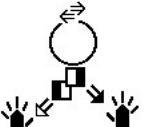


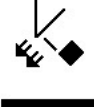
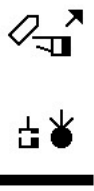
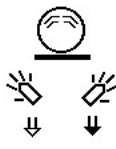









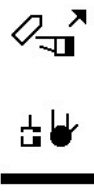
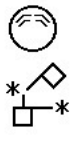














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Verse 7. When they said that he was, Pilate sent him to Herod Antipas, because Galilee was under Herod's jurisdiction, and Herod happened to be in Jerusalem at the time.
 Verse 8. Herod was delighted at the opportunity to see Jesus, NLT

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






















































because he had heard about him and had been hoping for a long time to see him perform a miracle. Verse 9. He asked Jesus question after question, but Jesus refused to answer. Verse 10. Meanwhile, the leading priests and the teachers of religious law stood there shouting their accusations. Verse 11. Then Herod and his soldiers began mocking and ridiculing Jesus. NLT

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
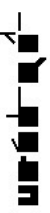





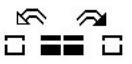















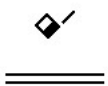







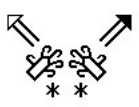




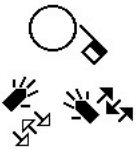



       	          	          	    
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Nothing this man has done calls for the death penalty. Verse 16. So I will have him flogged, and then I will release him." (*NOTE: no verse 17 in NLT) Verse 18. Then a mighty roar rose from the crowd, and with one voice they shouted, "Kill him, and release Barabbas to us!"

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Verse 19. (Barabbas was in prison for taking part in an insurrection in Jerusalem against the government, and for murder.) Verse 20. Pilate argued with them, because he wanted to release Jesus. Verse 21. But they kept shouting, "Crucify him! Crucify him!" NLT

          	           	          	           
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Verse 22. For the third time he demanded, "Why? What crime has he committed? I have found no reason to sentence him to death. So I will have him flogged, and then I will release him." Verse 23. But the mob shouted louder and louder,

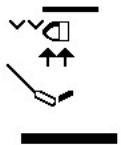




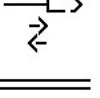






















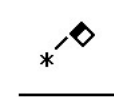

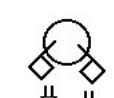
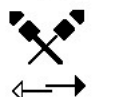


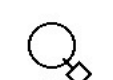









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demanding that Jesus be crucified, and their voices prevailed. Verse 24. So Pilate sentenced Jesus to die as they demanded. Verse 25. As they had requested, he released Barabbas, the man in prison for insurrection and murder. But he turned Jesus over to them to do as they wished.

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Verse 26. As they led Jesus away, a man named Simon, who was from Cyrene, happened to be coming in from the countryside. The soldiers seized him and put the cross on him and made him carry it behind Jesus. Verse 27. A large crowd trailed behind, including many grief-stricken women. NLT

          	          	          	          
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















































Verse 28. But Jesus turned and said to them, "Daughters of Jerusalem, don't weep for me, but weep for yourselves and for your children. Verse 29. For the days are coming when they will say, 'Fortunate indeed are the women who are childless, the wombs that have not borne a child and the breasts that have never nursed.'

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























































Verse 33. When they came to a place called The Skull, they nailed him to the cross. And the criminals were also crucified -- one on his right and one on his left. Verse 34. Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they don't know what they are doing." And the soldiers gambled for his clothes by throwing dice. NLT

              	              	              	              
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Verse 37. They called out to him, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" Verse 38. A sign was fastened to the cross above him with these words: "This is the King of the Jews." Verse 39. One of the criminals hanging beside him scoffed, "So you're the Messiah, are you? Prove it by saving yourself -- and us, too, while you're at it!" NLT

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Verse 44. By this time it was noon, and darkness fell across the whole land until three o'clock. Verse 45. The light from the sun was gone. And suddenly, the curtain in the sanctuary of the Temple was torn down the middle. Verse 46. Then Jesus shouted, "Father, I entrust my spirit into your hands!" And with those words he breathed his last.

























































































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Verse 47. When the Roman officer overseeing the execution saw what had happened, he worshiped God and said, "Surely this man was innocent." Verse 48. And when all the crowd that came to see the crucifixion saw what had happened, they went home in deep sorrow.

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














































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Verse 49. But Jesus' friends, including the women who had followed him from Galilee, stood at a distance watching. Verse 50. Now there was a good and righteous man named Joseph. He was a member of the Jewish high council, Verse 51. but he had not agreed with the decision and actions of the other religious leaders. He

                     	                     	                     	                     
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Verse 54. This was done late on Friday afternoon, the day of preparation, as the Sabbath was about to begin. Verse 55. As his body was taken away, the women from Galilee followed and saw the tomb where his body was placed.

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Luke 24. But very early on Sunday morning the women went to the tomb, taking the spices they had prepared. Verse 2. They found that the stone had been rolled away from the entrance. Verse 3. So they went in, but they didn't find the body of the Lord Jesus. NLT

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Verse 4. As they stood there puzzled, two men suddenly appeared to them, clothed in dazzling robes. Verse 5. The women were terrified and bowed with their faces to the ground. Then the men asked, "Why are you looking among the dead for someone who is alive? Verse 6. He isn't here! He is risen from the dead!

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Remember what he told you back in Galilee, Verse 7. that the Son of Man must be betrayed into the hands of sinful men and be crucified, and that he would rise again on the third day." Verse 8. Then they remembered that he had said this.

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Verse 9. So they rushed back from the tomb to tell his eleven disciples -- and everyone else -- what had happened. Verse 10. It was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and several other women who told the apostles what had happened. NLT



















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Verse 11. But the story sounded like nonsense to the men, so they didn't believe it. Verse 12. However, Peter jumped up and ran to the tomb to look. Stooping, he peered in and saw the empty linen wrappings; then he went home again wondering what had happened. Verse 13. That same day two of Jesus' followers

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were walking to the village of Emmaus, seven miles from Jerusalem. Verse 14. As they walked along they were talking about everything that had happened. Verse 15. As they talked and discussed these things, Jesus himself suddenly came and began walking with them.

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
































"You must be the only person in Jerusalem who hasn't heard about all the things that have happened there the last few days." Verse 19. "What things?" Jesus asked. "The things that happened to Jesus, the man from Nazareth," they said. "He was a prophet who did powerful miracles, and he was a mighty teacher in the eyes of God and all the

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Verse 20. But our leading priests and other religious leaders handed him over to be condemned to death, and they crucified him. Verse 21. We had hoped he was the Messiah who had come to rescue Israel. This all happened three days ago. NLT

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Verse 26. Wasn't it clearly predicted that the Messiah would have to suffer all these things before entering his glory?" Verse 27. Then Jesus took them through the writings of Moses and all the prophets, explaining from all the Scriptures the things concerning himself.

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Verse 30. As they sat down to eat, he took the bread and blessed it Then he broke it and gave it to them. Verse 31. Suddenly, their eyes were opened, and they recognized him. And at that moment he disappeared! Verse 32. They said to each other, "Didn't our hearts burn within us

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as he talked with us on the road and explained the Scriptures to us?" Verse 33. And within the hour they were on their way back to Jerusalem. There they found the eleven disciples and the others who had gathered with them, Verse 34. who said, "The Lord has really risen! He appeared to Peter."

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Verse 35. Then the two from Emmaus told their story of how Jesus had appeared to them as they were walking along the road, and how they had recognized him as he was breaking the bread. Verse 36. And just as they were telling about it, Jesus himself was suddenly standing there among them. "Peace be with you," he said. NLT

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Verse 37. But the whole group was startled and frightened, thinking they were seeing a ghost! Verse 38. "Why are you frightened?" he asked. "Why are your hearts filled with doubt? Verse 39. Look at my hands. Look at my feet. You can see that it's really me. Touch me and make sure that I am not a ghost,

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




















































557 because ghosts don't have bodies, as you see that I do." Verse 40. As he spoke, he showed them his hands and his feet. Verse 41. Still they stood there in disbelief, filled with joy and wonder. Then he asked them, "Do you have anything here to eat?" NLT

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Verse 42. They gave him a piece of broiled fish, Verse 43. and he ate it as they watched. Verse 44. Then he said, "When I was with you before, I told you that everything written about me in the law of Moses and the prophets and in the Psalms

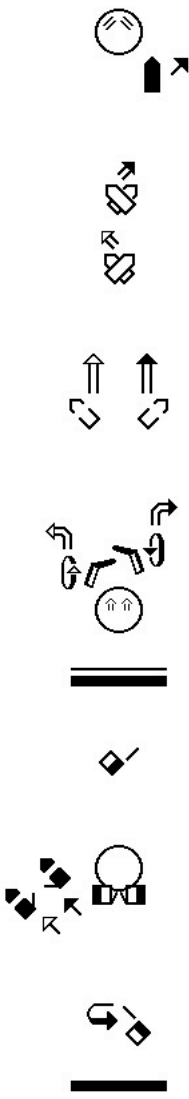
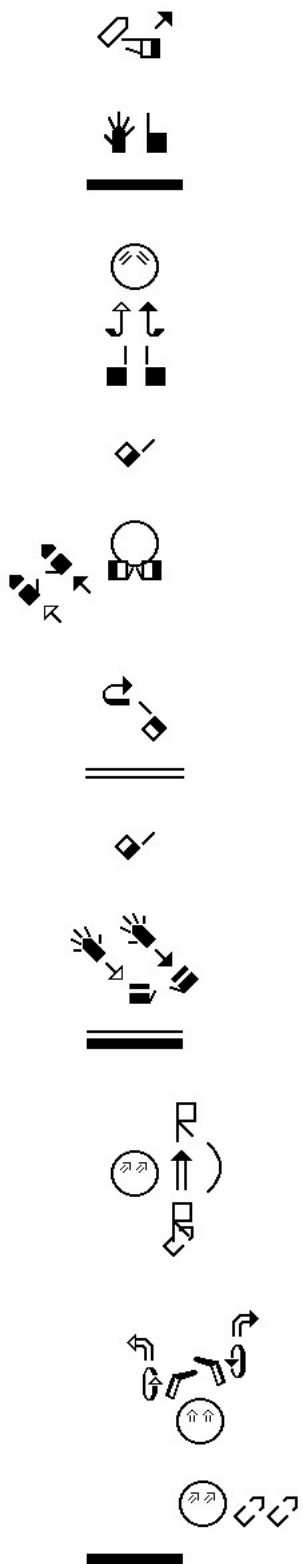
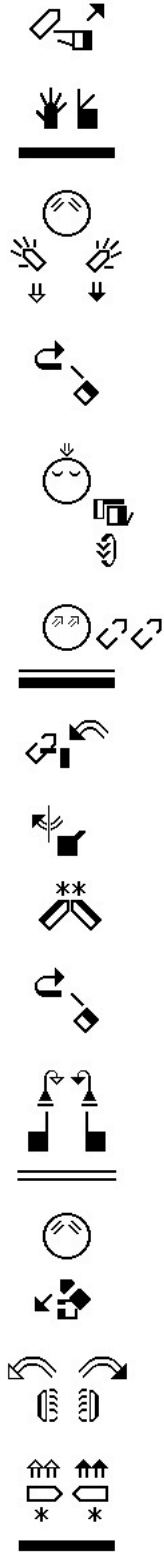
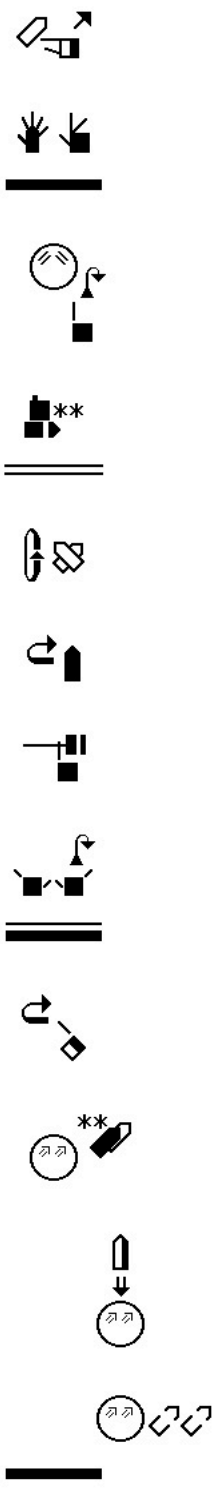
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559 must be fulfilled." Verse 45. Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures.
 Verse 46. And he said, "Yes, it was written long ago that the Messiah would suffer and
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Verse 47. It was also written that this message would be proclaimed in the authority of his name to all the nations, beginning in Jerusalem: 'There is forgiveness of sins for all who repent.' Verse 48. You are witnesses of all these things.
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and lifting his hands to heaven, he blessed them. Verse 51. While he was blessing them, he left them and was taken up to heaven. Verse 52. So they worshiped him and then returned to Jerusalem filled with great joy. Verse 53. And they spent all of their time in the Temple, praising God.

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