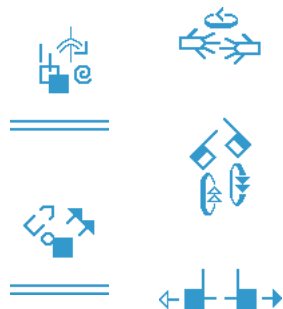


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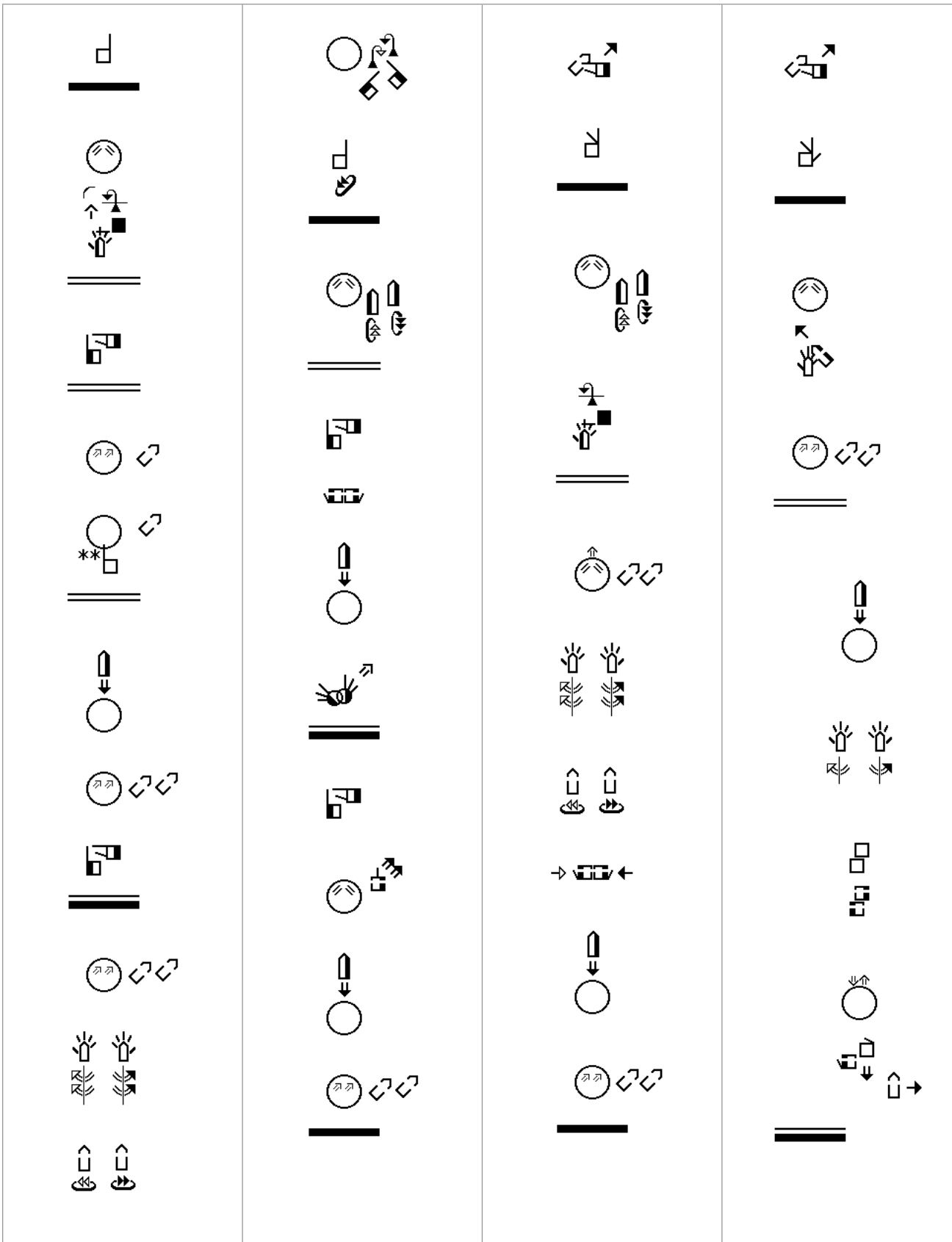
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1 In the beginning the Word already existed. The Word was with God, and the Word was God. 2 He existed in the beginning with God. 3 God created everything through him, and nothing was created except through him. NLT

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4 The Word gave life to everything that was created, and his life brought light to everyone. 5 The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness can never extinguish it. NLT

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6 God sent a man, John the Baptist, 7 to tell about the light so that everyone might believe because of his testimony. 8 John himself was not the light; he was simply a witness to tell about the light. NLT

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11 He came to his own people, and even they rejected him. 12 But to all who believed him and accepted him, he gave the right to become children of God. 13 They are reborn--not with a physical birth resulting from human passion or plan, but a birth that comes from God. NLT



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14 So the Word became human and made his home among us. He was full of unending love and faithfulness. And we have seen his glory, the glory of the Father’s one and only Son. NLT



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15 John testified about him when he shouted to the crowds, “This is the one I was talking about when I said, ‘Someone is coming after me who is far greater than I am, for he existed long before me.’ 16 From his abundance we have all received one gracious blessing after another.NLT



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17 For the law was given through Moses, but God's unfailing love and faithfulness came through Jesus Christ. 18 No one has ever seen God. But the one and only Son is himself God and is near to the Father's heart. He has revealed God to us. NLT



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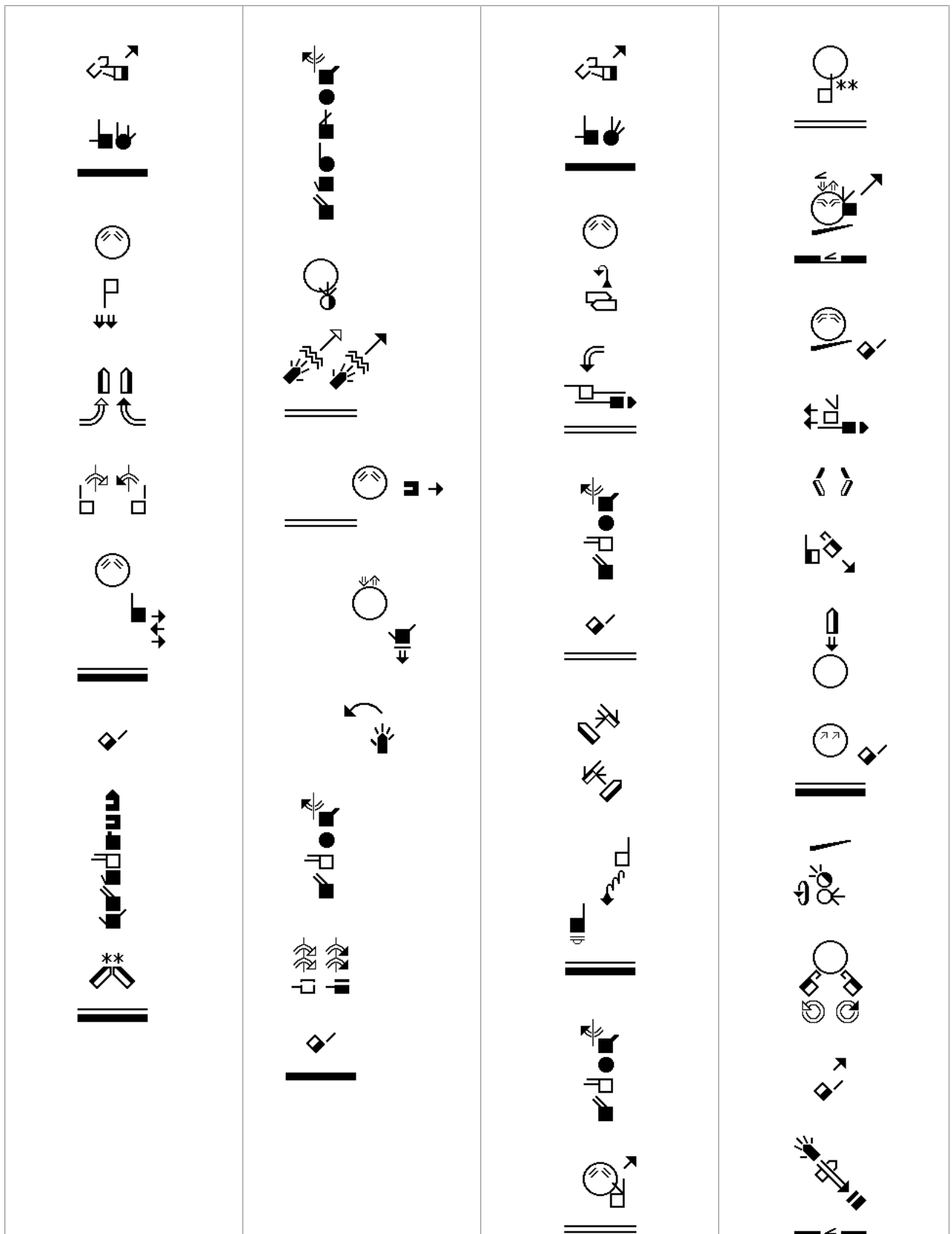


19 This was John's testimony when the Jewish leaders sent priests and Temple assistants from Jerusalem to ask John, "Who are you?" NLT

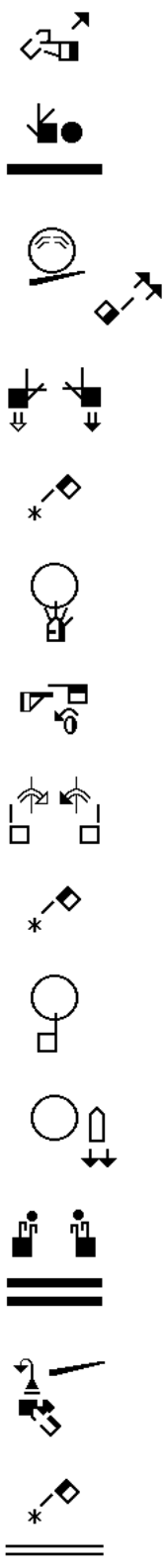
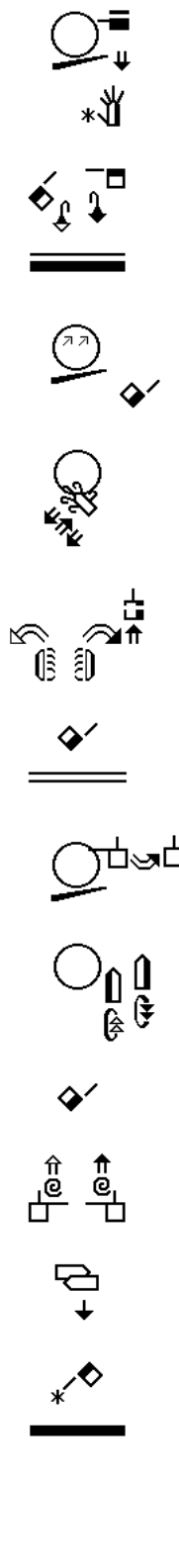
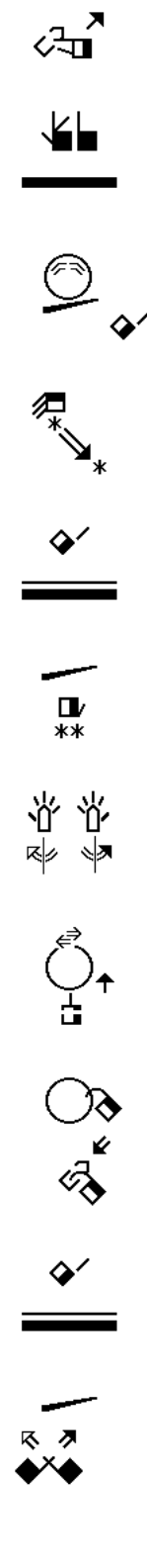
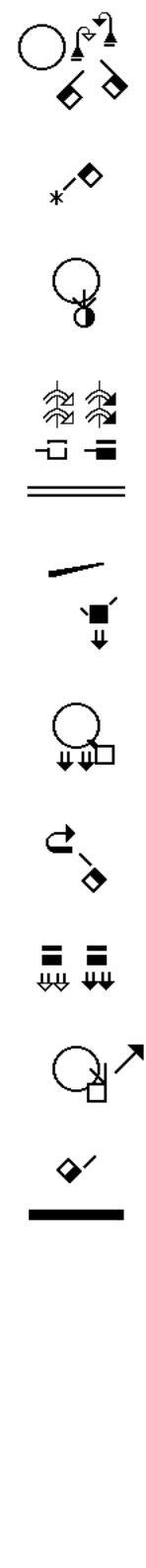




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20 He came right out and said, "I am not the Messiah." 21 "Well then, who are you?" they asked. "Are you Elijah?" "No," he replied. "Are you the Prophet we are expecting?" "No." 22 "Then who are you? We need an answer for those who sent us. What do you have to say about yourself?" NLT

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28 This encounter took place in Bethany, an area east of the Jordan River, where John was baptizing. 29 The next day, John saw Jesus coming toward him and said, "Look! The Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!" NLT

30 "He is the one I was talking about when I said, 'A man is coming after me who is far greater than I am, for he existed long before me.'" 31 "I did not recognize him as the Messiah, but I have been baptizing with water so that he might be revealed to Israel." NLT



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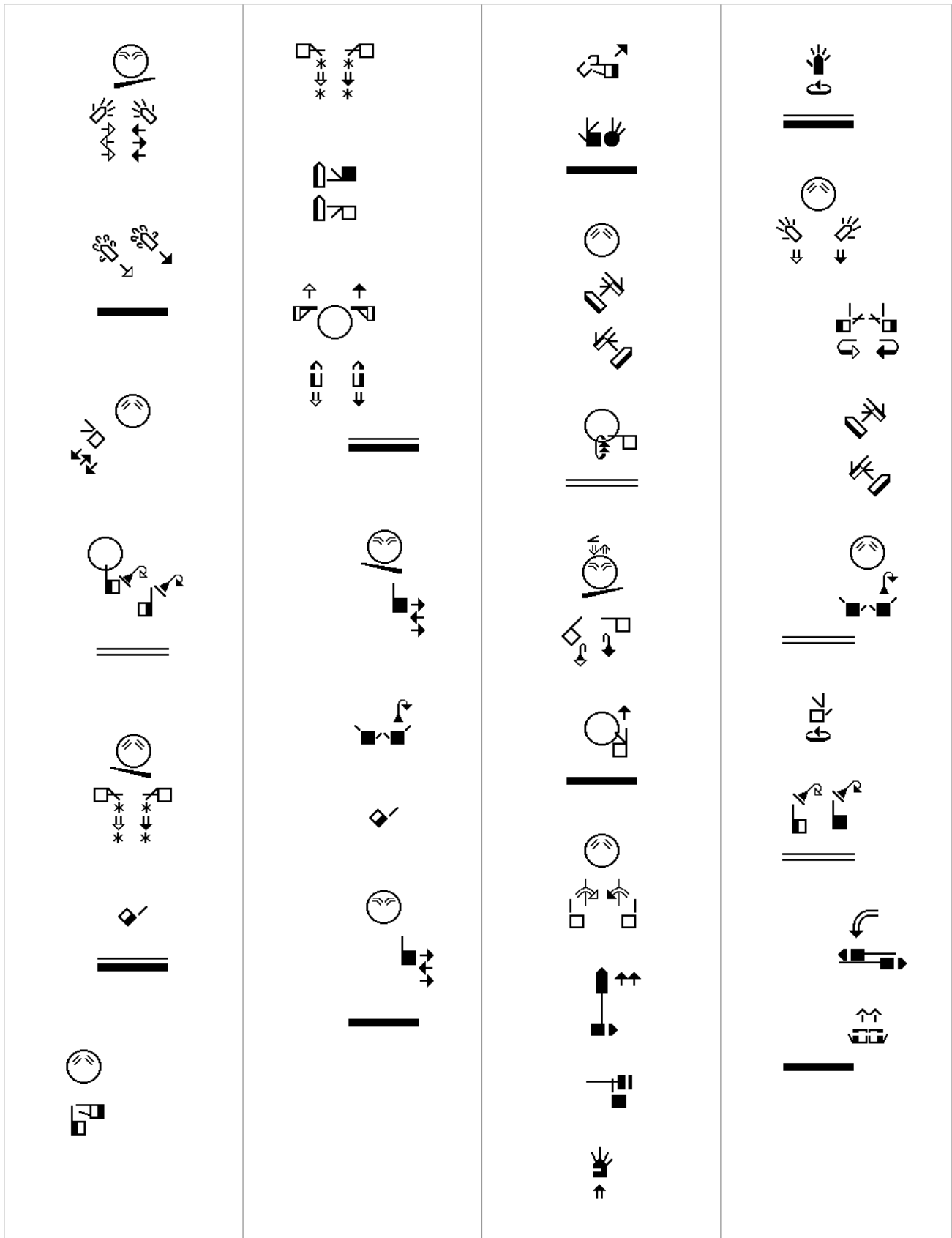
32 Then John testified, “I saw the Holy Spirit descending like a dove from heaven and resting upon him.” 33 “I didn’t know he was the one, but when God sent me to baptize with water, he told me, ‘The one on whom you see the Holy Spirit descend and rest is the one who will baptize with the Holy Spirit.’” NLT



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34 "I saw this happen to Jesus, so I testify that he is the Chosen One of God."
 35 The following day John was again standing with two of his disciples. NLT



39 "Come and see," he said. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon when they went with him to the place where he was staying, and they remained with him the rest of the day. NLT



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40 Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother, was one of these men who heard what John said and then followed Jesus. 41 Andrew went to find his brother, Simon, and told him, “We have found the Messiah” (which means “Christ”). NLT

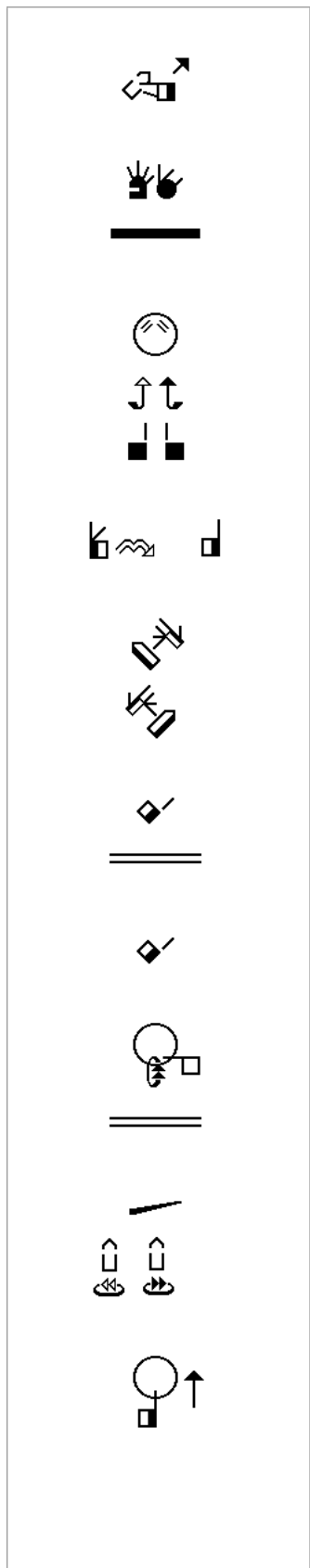
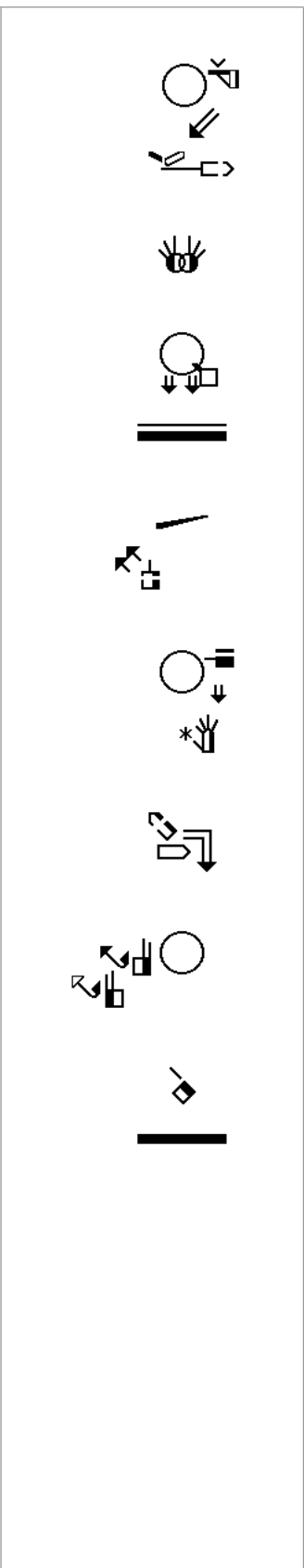
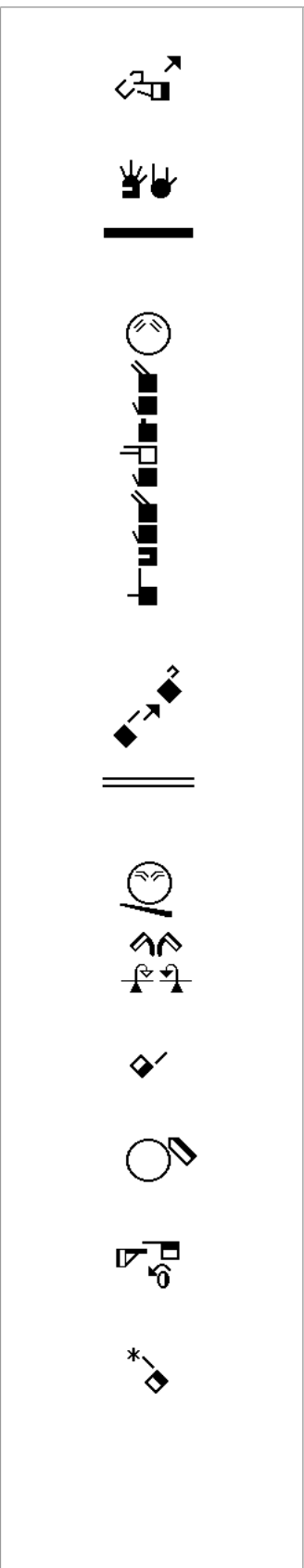
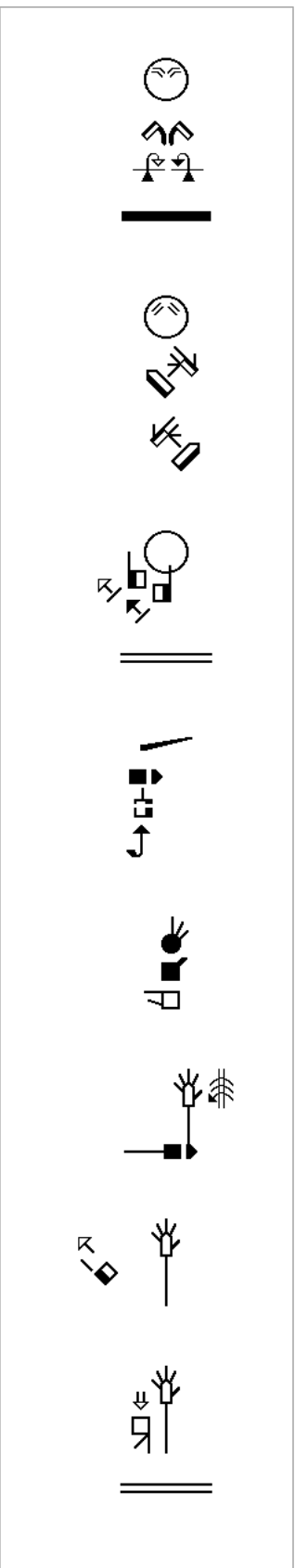


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42 Then Andrew brought Simon to meet Jesus. Looking intently at Simon, Jesus said, “Your name is Simon, son of John--but you will be called Cephas” (which means “Peter”). 43 The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, “Come, follow me.” NLT

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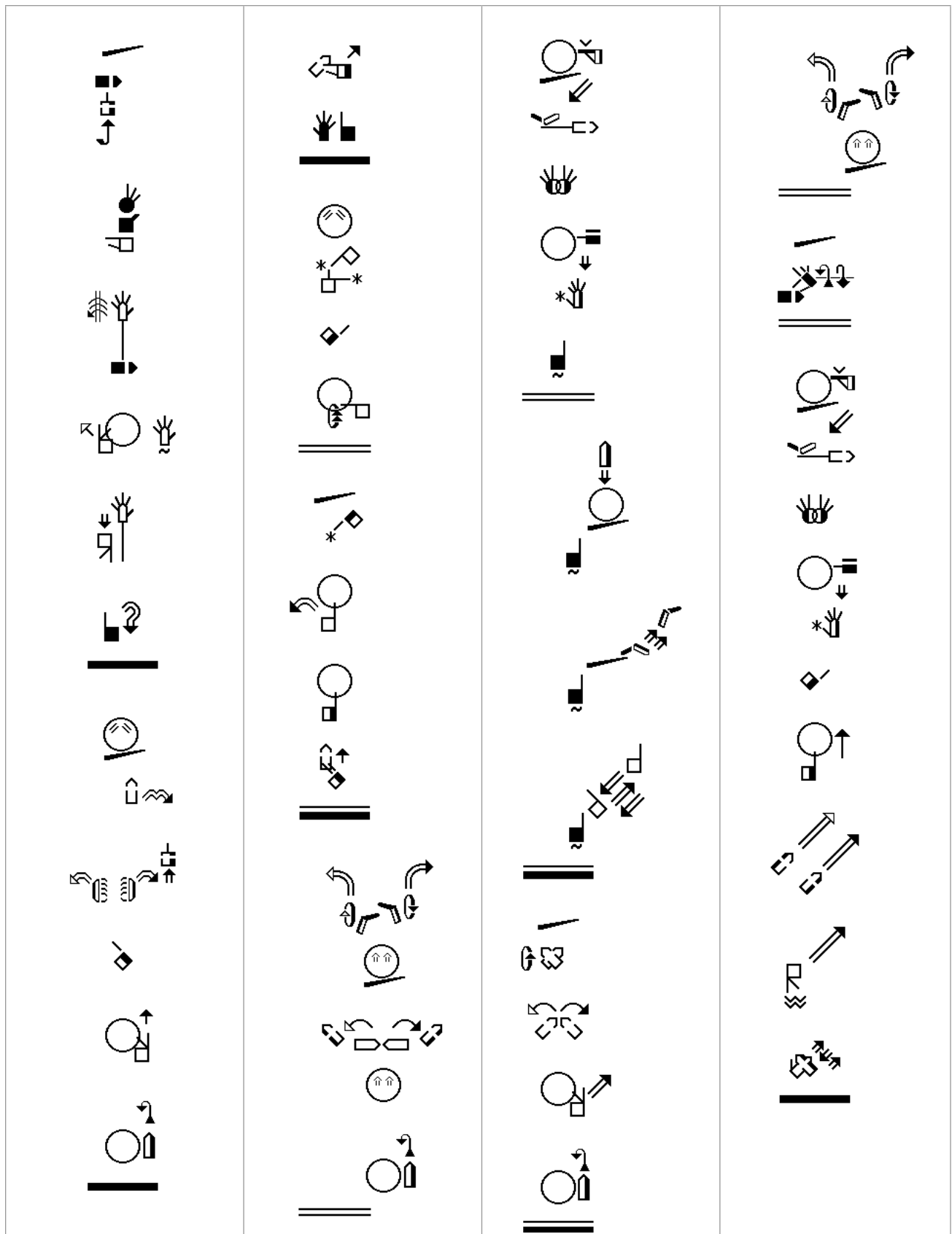
47 As they approached, Jesus said, “Now here is a genuine son of Israel--a man of complete integrity.” 48 “How do you know about me?” Nathanael asked. Jesus replied, “I could see you under the fig tree before Philip found you.” NLT



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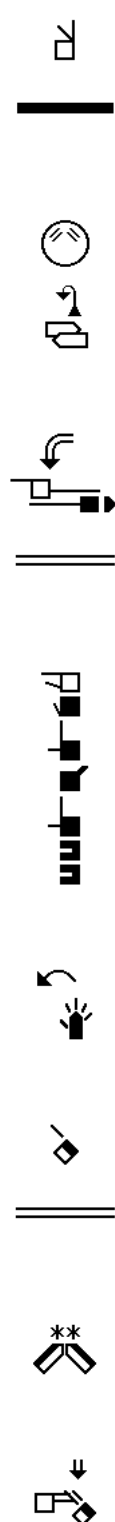



49 Then Nathanael exclaimed, “Rabbi, you are the Son of God--the King of Israel!” 50 Jesus asked him, “Do you believe this just because I told you I had seen you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than this.” NLT





51 Then he said, "I tell you the truth, you will all see heaven open and the angels of God going up and down on the Son of Man, the one who is the stairway between heaven and earth." NLT



			
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2 The next day there was a wedding celebration in the village of Cana in Galilee. Jesus' mother was there, **2** and Jesus and his disciples were also invited to the celebration. **3** The wine supply ran out during the festivities, so Jesus' mother told him, "They have no more wine." NLT

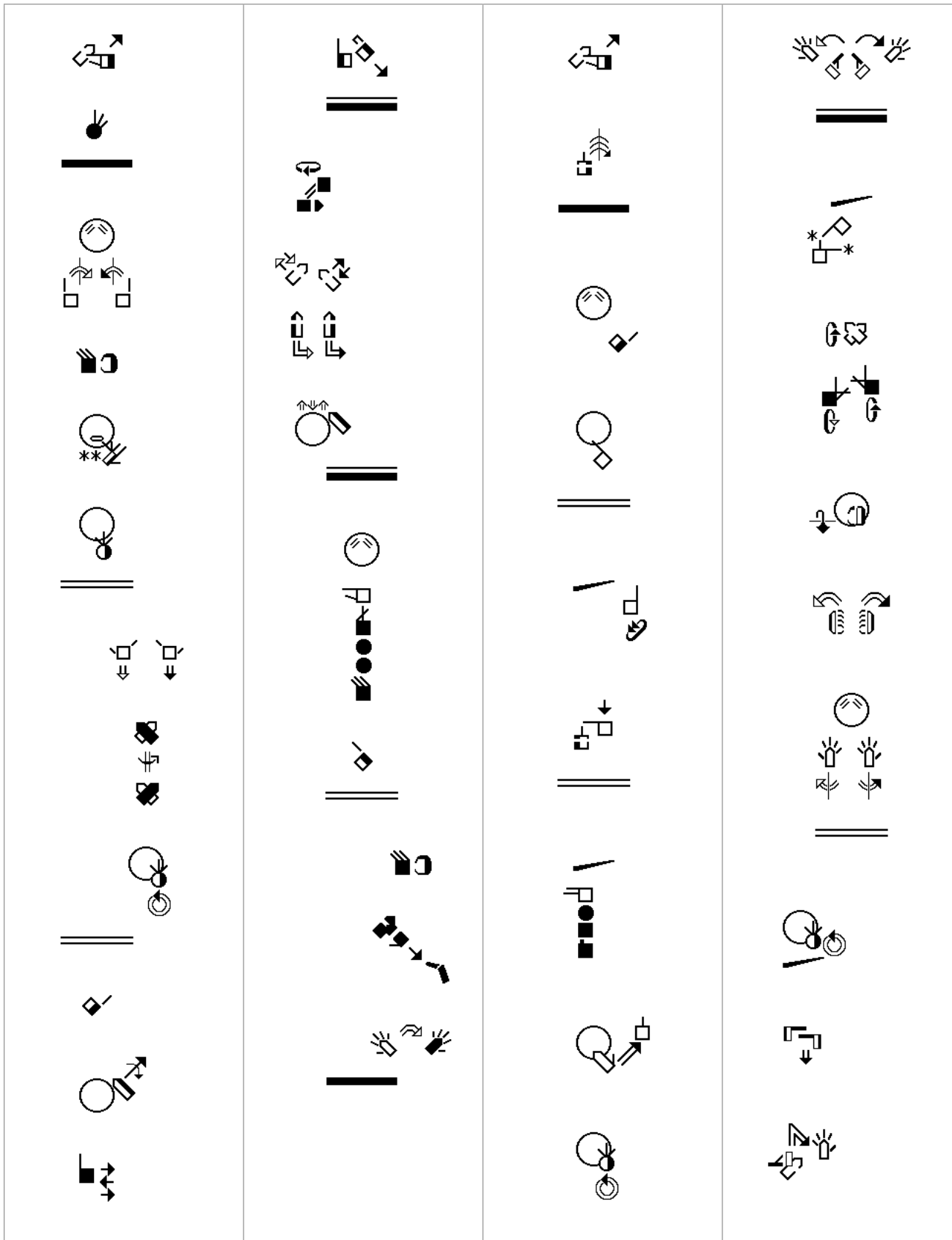


<p>ASL signs for the first sentence: hands pointing to each other, a circle with a hand, a circle with a hand and a square, two parallel lines, a circle with a hand and a square, two parallel lines, a hand with a dot, two hands with arrows, and a thick horizontal line.</p>	<p>ASL signs for the second sentence: a hand with a square, a thick horizontal line, a circle with a hand, hands pointing to each other, hands pointing to each other, a circle with a hand and a square, two parallel lines, a circle with a hand and a square, a hand with a square, a circle with a hand and a square, a hand with a square, and two parallel lines.</p>	<p>ASL signs for the first sentence: a hand with a square, a hand with a square, a circle with a hand and a square, a thick horizontal line, a circle with a hand, a hand with a square, a circle with a hand and a square, a hand with a square, a circle with a hand and a square, a hand with a square, a circle with a hand and a square, a hand with a square, and a thick horizontal line.</p>	<p>ASL signs for the second sentence: a hand with a square, a thick horizontal line, a circle with a hand, two hands pointing to each other, two parallel lines, two hands pointing to each other, two hands pointing to each other, a hand with a square, two parallel lines, a hand with a square, a circle with a hand and a square, and two parallel lines.</p>
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<p>ASL signs for 'Jesus told the servants': A hand sign for 'Jesus' (hand flat, fingers pointing up, palm facing left), followed by a hand sign for 'told' (hand flat, fingers pointing up, palm facing right), then a hand sign for 'servants' (hand flat, fingers pointing up, palm facing left).</p>	<p>ASL signs for 'Fill the jars with water': A hand sign for 'fill' (hand flat, fingers pointing up, palm facing left), followed by a hand sign for 'the jars' (hand flat, fingers pointing up, palm facing right), then a hand sign for 'with water' (hand flat, fingers pointing up, palm facing left).</p>	<p>ASL signs for 'When the jars had been filled': A hand sign for 'when' (hand flat, fingers pointing up, palm facing left), followed by a hand sign for 'the jars' (hand flat, fingers pointing up, palm facing right), then a hand sign for 'had been filled' (hand flat, fingers pointing up, palm facing left).</p>	<p>ASL signs for '8 he said, Now dip some out, and take it to the master of ceremonies': A hand sign for '8' (hand flat, fingers pointing up, palm facing left), followed by a hand sign for 'he said' (hand flat, fingers pointing up, palm facing right), then a hand sign for 'Now dip some out' (hand flat, fingers pointing up, palm facing left), and finally a hand sign for 'take it to the master of ceremonies' (hand flat, fingers pointing up, palm facing left).</p>
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7 Jesus told the servants, “Fill the jars with water.” When the jars had been filled, 8 he said, “Now dip some out, and take it to the master of ceremonies.” So the servants followed his instructions. NLT





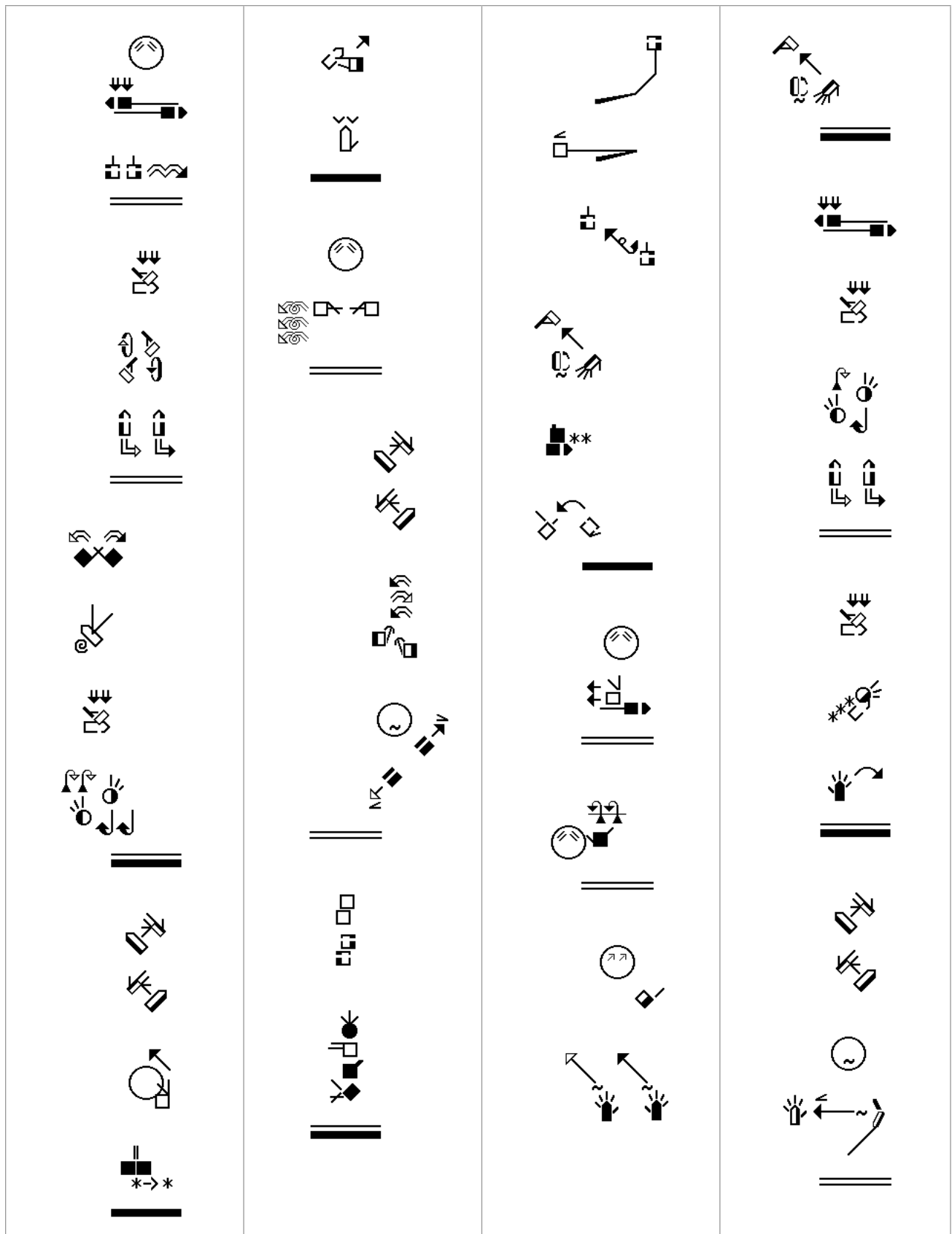
9 When the master of ceremonies tasted the water that was now wine, not knowing where it had come from (though, of course, the servants knew), he called the bridegroom over. 10 "A host always serves the best wine first," he said. "Then, when everyone has had a lot to drink, he brings out the less expensive wine. But you have kept the best until now!" NLT



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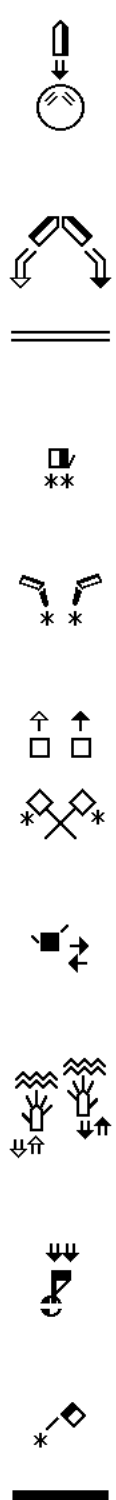
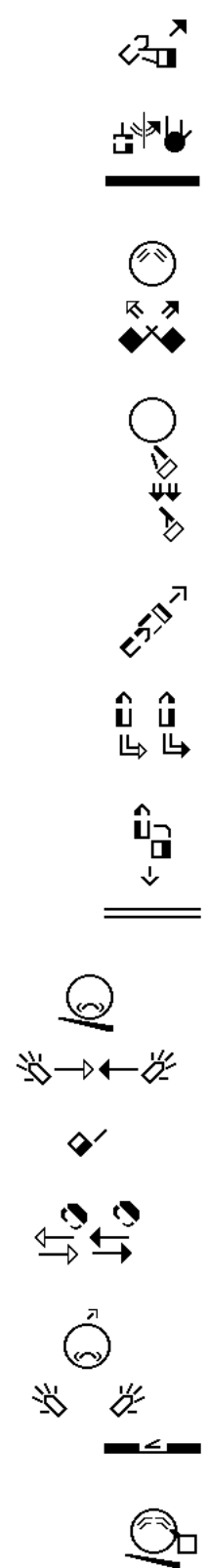

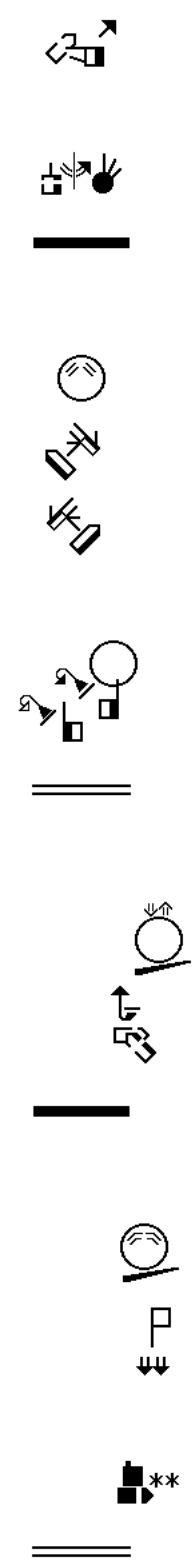
11 This miraculous sign at Cana in Galilee was the first time Jesus revealed his glory. And his disciples believed in him. 12 After the wedding he went to Capernaum for a few days with his mother, his brothers, and his disciples. NLT





15 Jesus made a whip from some ropes and chased them all out of the Temple. He drove out the sheep and cattle, scattered the money changers' coins over the floor, and turned over their tables. NLT



			
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18 But the Jewish leaders demanded, “What are you doing? If God gave you authority to do this, show us a miraculous sign to prove it.” 19 “All right,” Jesus replied. “Destroy this temple, and in three days, I will raise it up.” NLT



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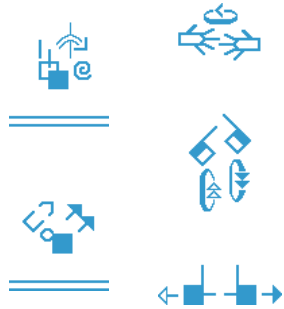
20 “What!” they exclaimed. “It has taken forty-six years to build this Temple, and you can rebuild it in three days?” 21 But when Jesus said “this temple,” he meant his own body. NLT

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22 After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered he had said this, and they believed both the Scriptures and what Jesus had said. 23 Because of the miraculous signs Jesus did in Jerusalem at the Passover celebration, many began to trust in him. NLT



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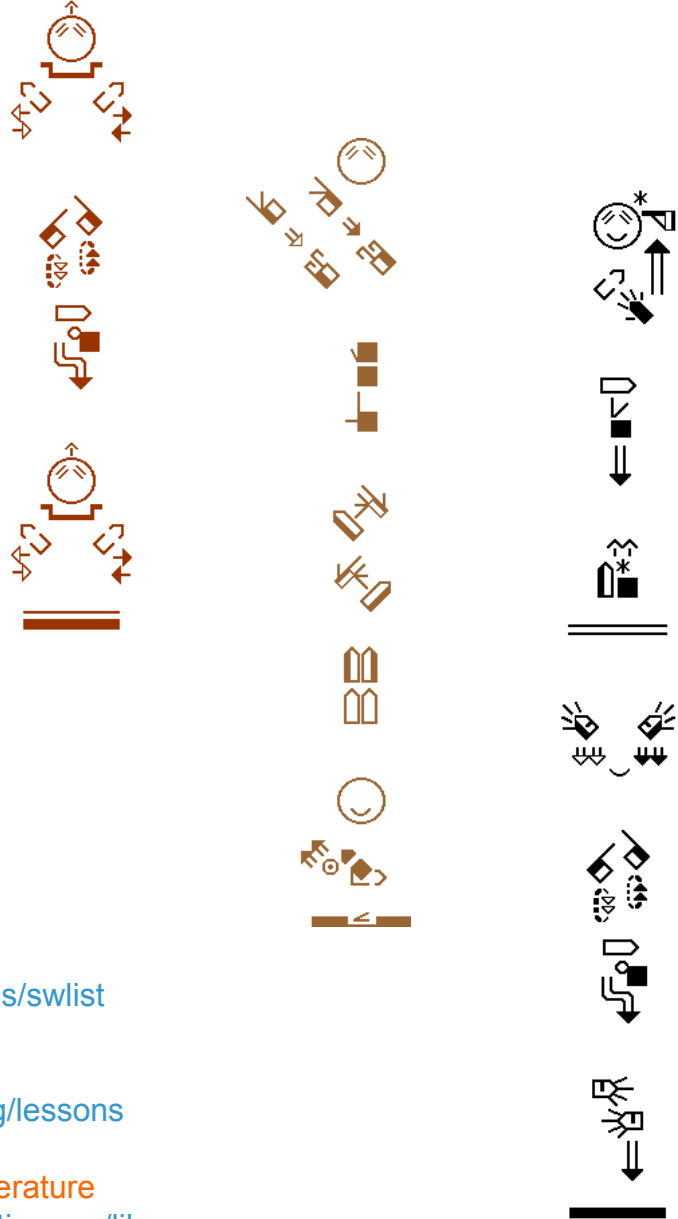
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