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1 Peter 1. This letter is from Peter, an apostle of Jesus Christ. I am writing to God's chosen people who are living as foreigners in the provinces of Pontus, Galatia, Cappadocia, Asia, and Bithynia. NLT

Verse 4. and we have a priceless inheritance -- an inheritance that is kept in heaven for you, pure and undefiled, beyond the reach of change and decay. Verse 5. And through your faith, God is protecting you by his power until you receive this salvation, which is ready to be revealed on the last day for all to see.

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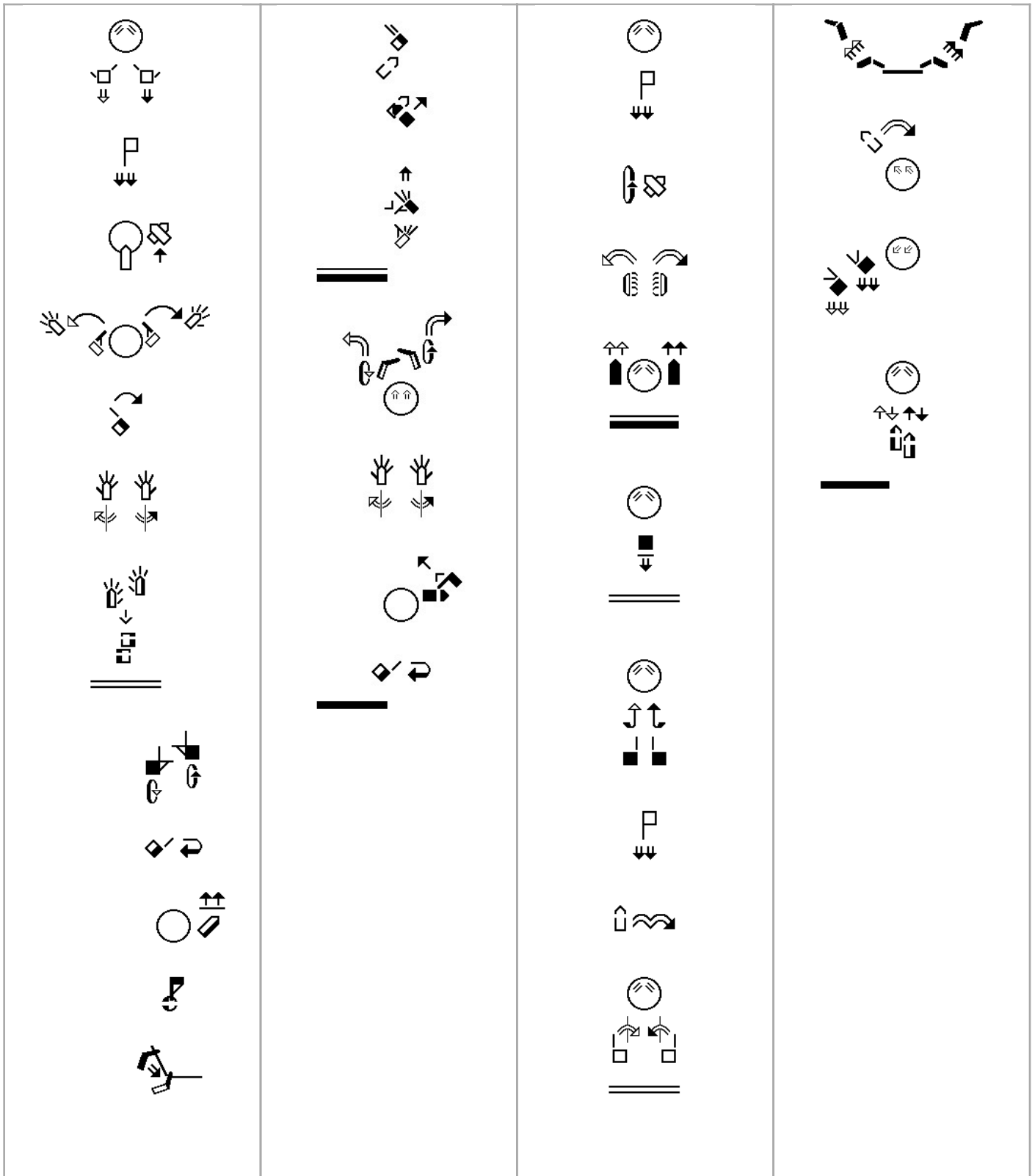
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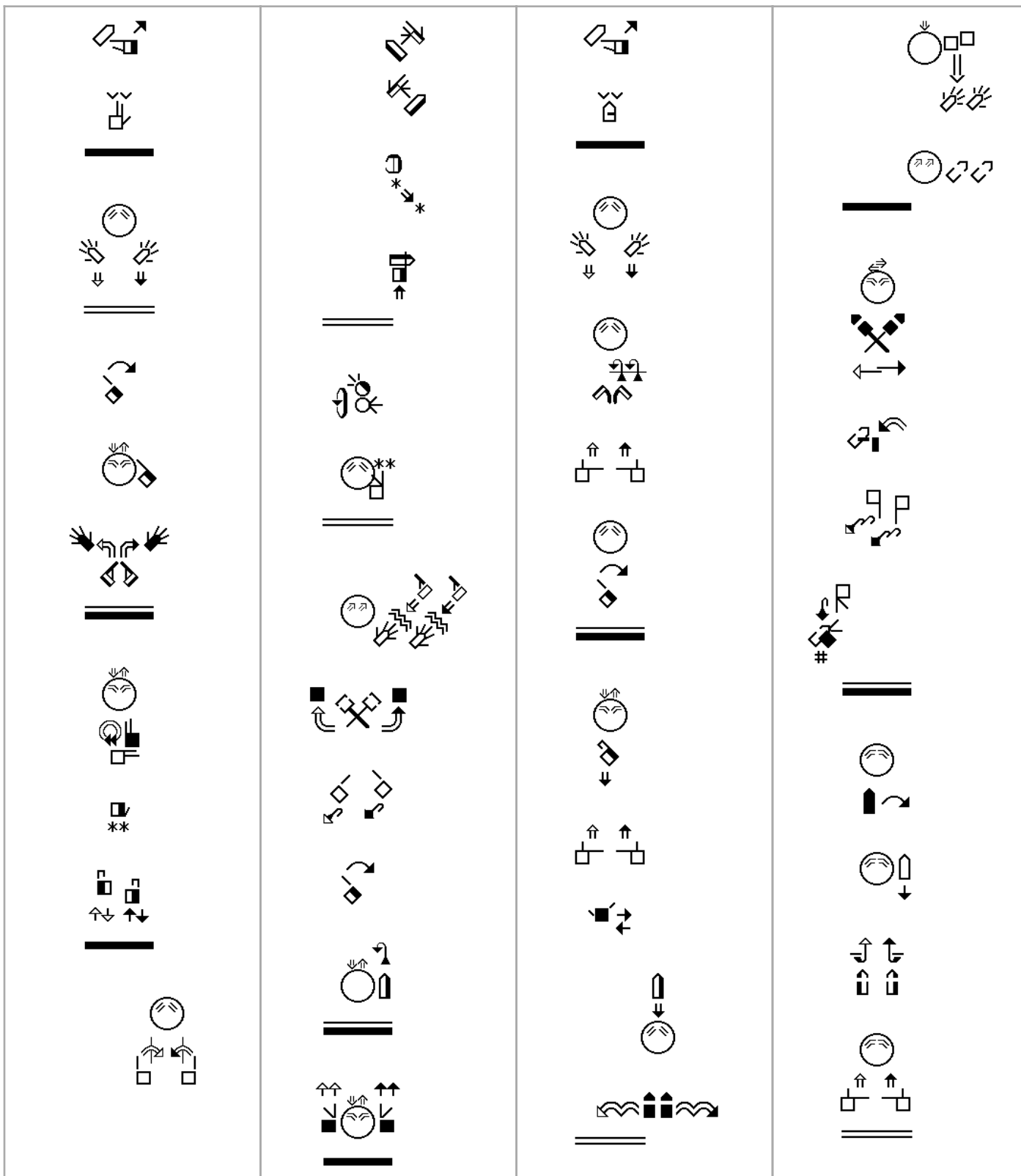
Verse 8. You love him even though you have never seen him. Though you do not see him now, you trust him; and you rejoice with a glorious, inexpressible joy. Verse 9. The reward for trusting him will be the salvation of your souls. Verse 10. This salvation was something even the prophets wanted to know more about when NLT

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they prophesied about this gracious salvation prepared for you. Verse 11. They wondered what time or situation the Spirit of Christ within them was talking about when he told them in advance about Christ's suffering and his great glory afterward. Verse 12. They were told that their messages were not for themselves, but for you. NLT



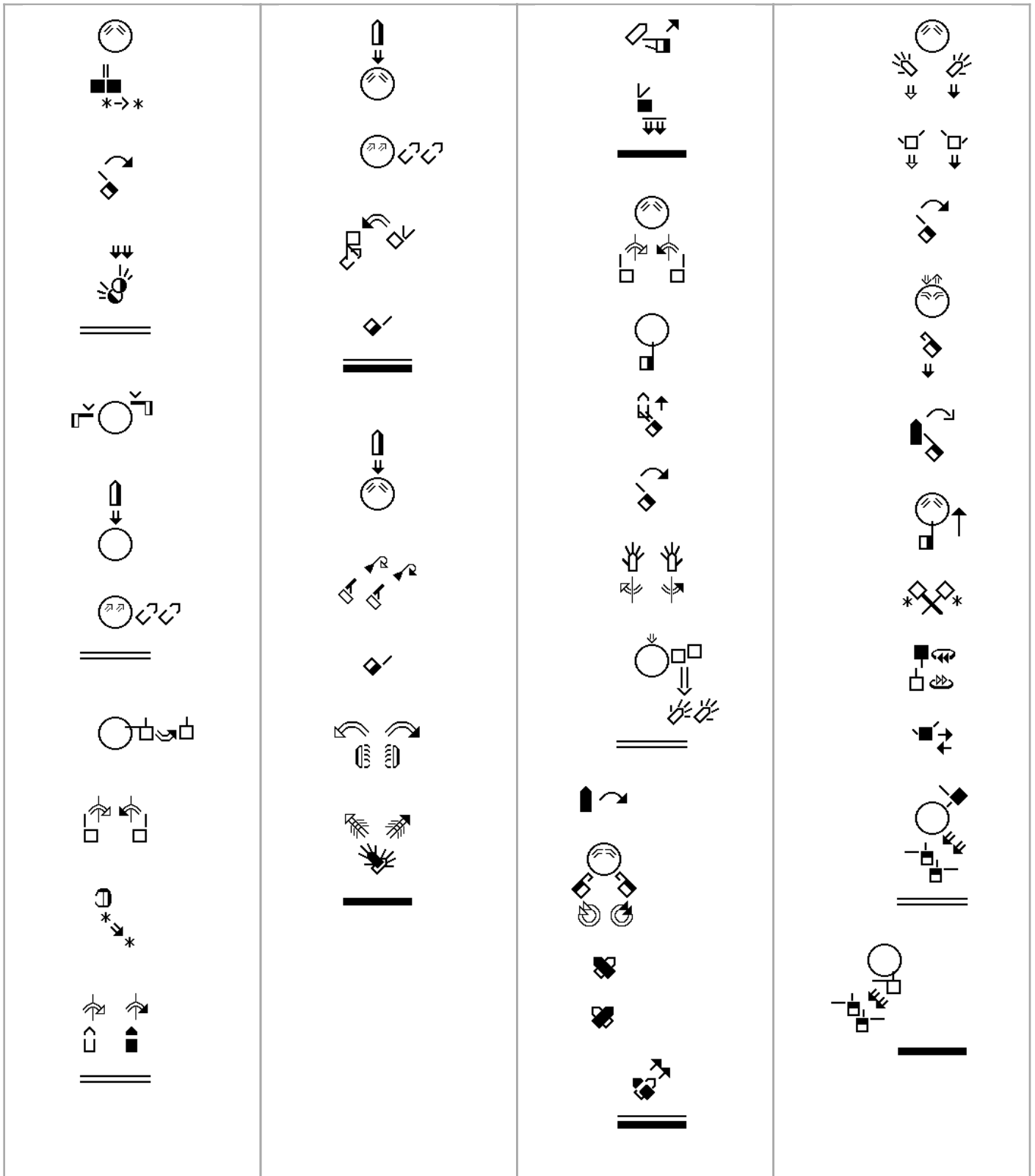
9 And now this Good News has been announced to you by those who preached in the power of the Holy Spirit sent from heaven. It is all so wonderful that even the angels are eagerly watching these things happen. NLT



Verse 13. So think clearly and exercise self-control. Look forward to the gracious salvation that will come to you when Jesus Christ is revealed to the world. Verse 14. So you must live as God's obedient children. Don't slip back into your old ways of living NLT

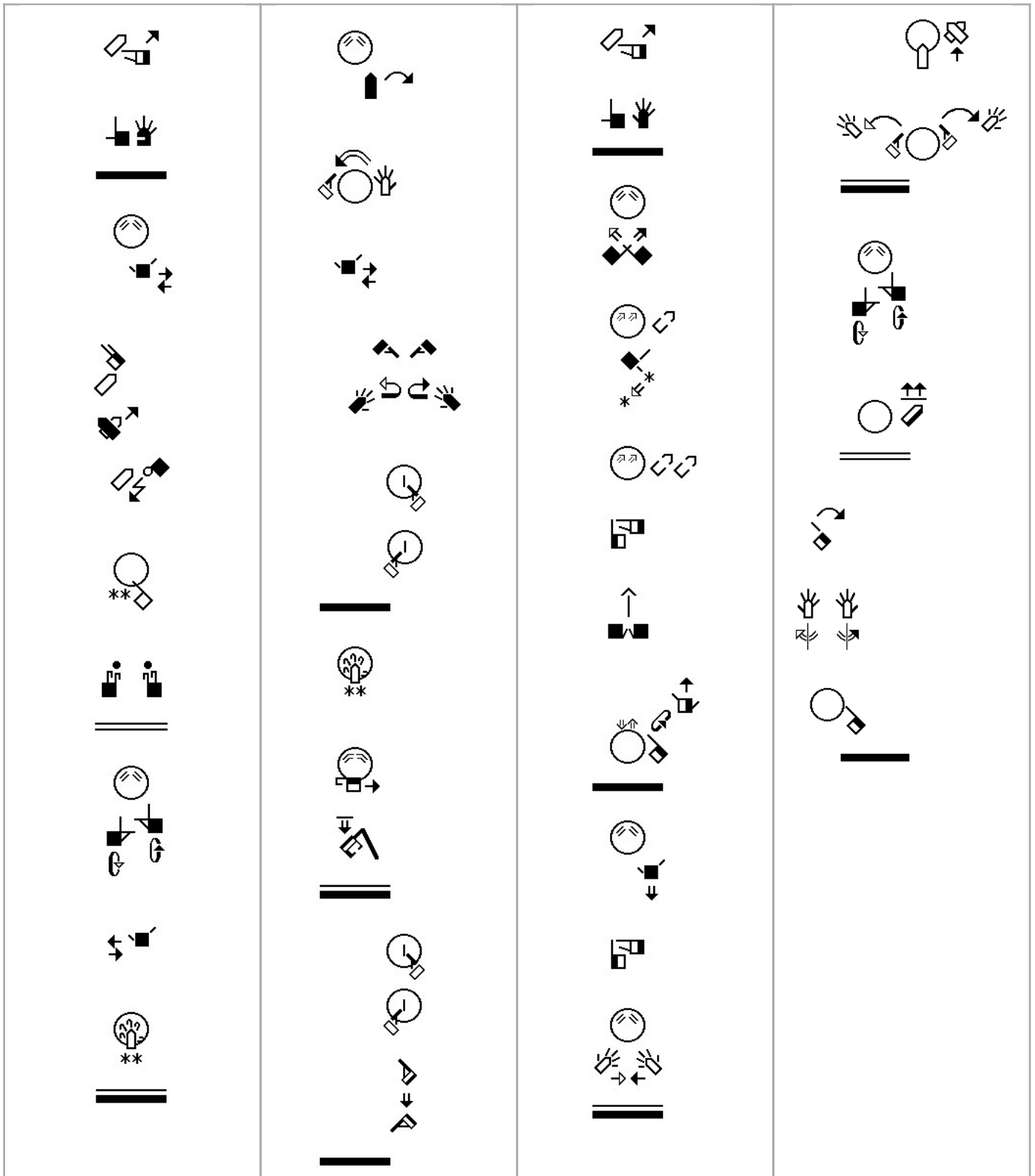
<p>A vertical sequence of ASL signs. It starts with a hand sign for 'remember' (a hand with fingers curled, palm up, moving forward), followed by a sign for 'heavenly' (a hand with fingers curled, palm up, moving up), then 'Father' (a hand with fingers curled, palm up, moving forward), 'to whom you pray' (a hand with fingers curled, palm up, moving forward), 'has no favorites' (a hand with fingers curled, palm up, moving forward), and ends with a sign for 'remember'.</p>	<p>A vertical sequence of ASL signs. It starts with a sign for 'judge' (a hand with fingers curled, palm up, moving forward), followed by 'or reward' (a hand with fingers curled, palm up, moving forward), 'you' (a hand with fingers curled, palm up, moving forward), 'according to what you do' (a hand with fingers curled, palm up, moving forward), and ends with a sign for 'judge'.</p>	<p>A vertical sequence of ASL signs. It starts with a sign for 'so' (a hand with fingers curled, palm up, moving forward), followed by 'you must live' (a hand with fingers curled, palm up, moving forward), 'in reverent fear' (a hand with fingers curled, palm up, moving forward), 'of him' (a hand with fingers curled, palm up, moving forward), 'during your time' (a hand with fingers curled, palm up, moving forward), 'as "foreigners in the land."' (a hand with fingers curled, palm up, moving forward), and ends with a sign for 'so'.</p>	<p>A vertical sequence of ASL signs. It starts with a sign for 'remember' (a hand with fingers curled, palm up, moving forward), followed by 'heavenly' (a hand with fingers curled, palm up, moving up), 'Father' (a hand with fingers curled, palm up, moving forward), 'to whom you pray' (a hand with fingers curled, palm up, moving forward), 'has no favorites' (a hand with fingers curled, palm up, moving forward), 'He will judge or reward you according to what you do' (a hand with fingers curled, palm up, moving forward), 'So you must live in reverent fear of him during your time as "foreigners in the land."' (a hand with fingers curled, palm up, moving forward), and ends with a sign for 'remember'.</p>
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Verse 17. And remember that the heavenly Father to whom you pray has no favorites. He will judge or reward you according to what you do. So you must live in reverent fear of him during your time as "foreigners in the land." NLT



And you have placed your faith and hope in God because he raised Christ from the dead and gave him great glory. Verse 22. You were cleansed from your sins when you obeyed the truth, so now you must show sincere love to each other as brothers and sisters.

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17 Verse 24. As the Scriptures say, "People are like grass; their beauty is like a flower in the field. The grass withers and the flower fades. Verse 25. But the word of the Lord remains forever." And that word is the Good News that was preached to you. NLT