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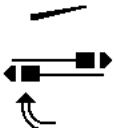

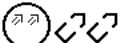
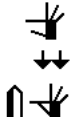

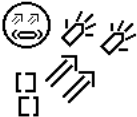




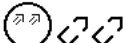









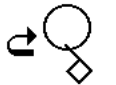

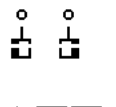



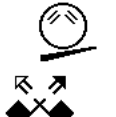
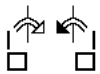


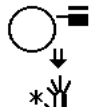




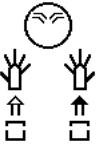





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Verse 3. A widow of that city came to him repeatedly, saying, 'Give me justice in this dispute with my enemy.' Verse 4. The judge ignored her for a while, but finally he said to himself, 'I don't fear God or care about people,

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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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












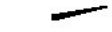














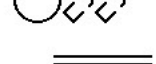





















don't you think God will surely give justice to his chosen people who cry out to him day and night? Will he keep putting them off? Verse 8. I tell you, he will grant justice to them quickly! But when the Son of Man returns, how many will he find on the earth who have faith?"

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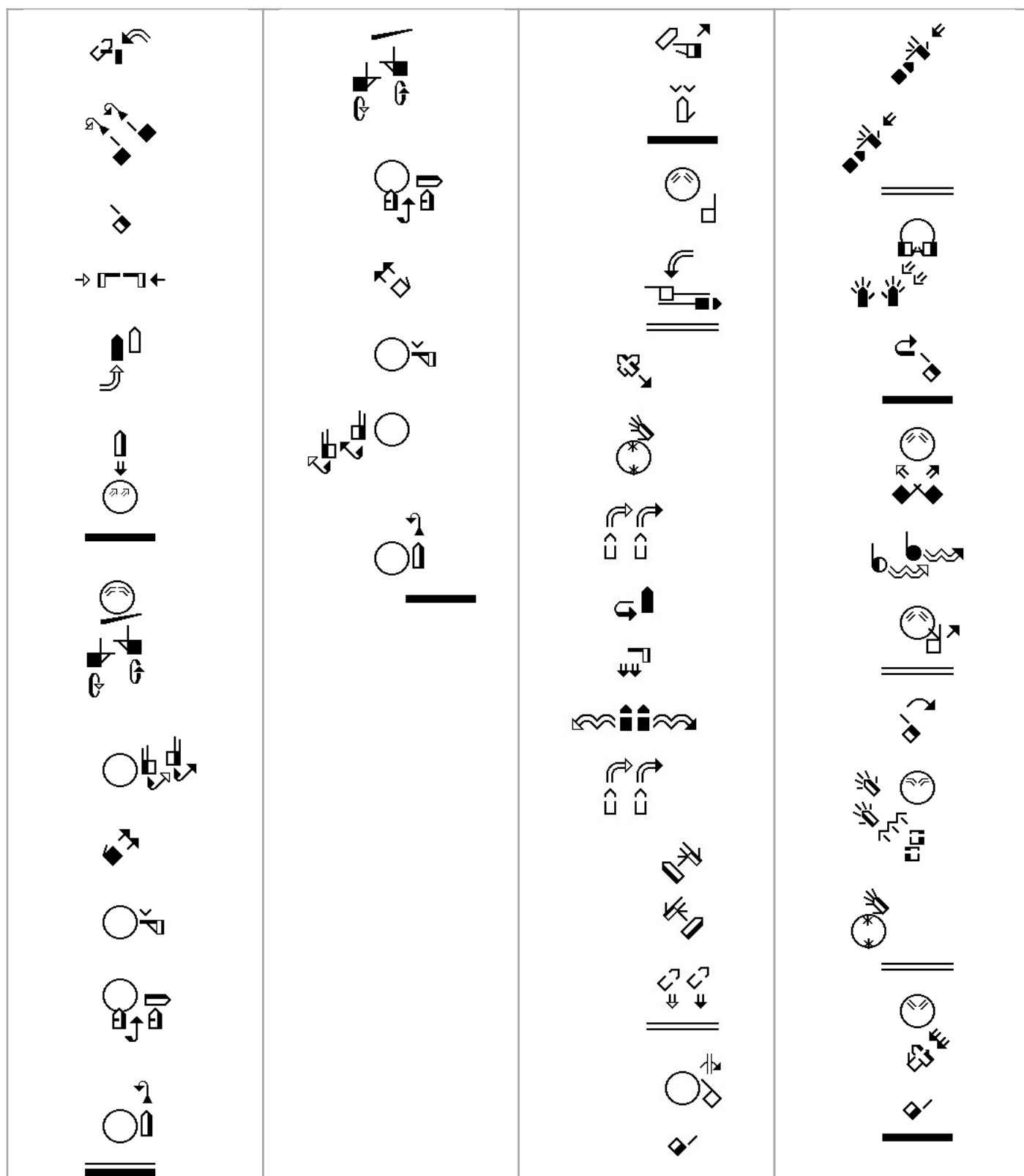
Verse 11. The Pharisee stood by himself and prayed this prayer: 'I thank you, God, that I am not a sinner like everyone else. For I don't cheat, I don't sin, and I don't commit adultery. I'm certainly not like that tax collector! Verse 12. I fast twice a week, and I give you a tenth of my income.

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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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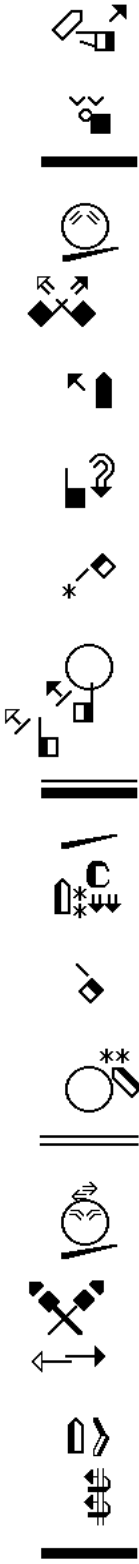


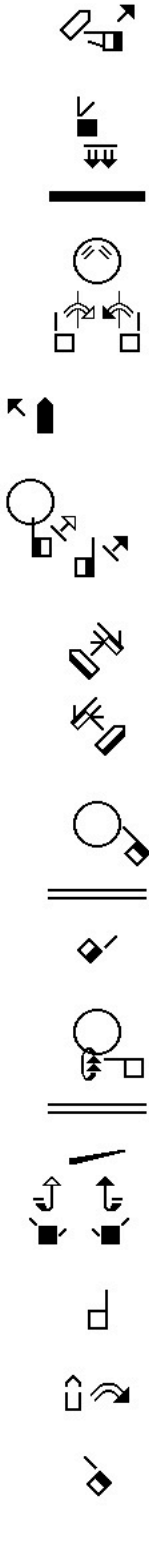








































































justified before God. For those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted." Verse 15. One day some parents brought their little children to Jesus so he could touch and bless them. But when the disciples saw this, they scolded the parents for bothering him.

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Verse 18. Once a religious leader asked Jesus this question: "Good Teacher, what should I do to inherit eternal life?" Verse 19. "Why do you call me good?" Jesus asked him. "Only God is truly good.

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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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413 to enter the Kingdom of God! Verse 25. In fact, it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich person to enter the Kingdom of God!" Verse 26. Those who heard this said, "Then who in the world can be saved?" NLT

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,

                   	                   	                   	                   
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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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Verse 32. He will be handed over to the Romans, and he will be mocked, treated shamefully, and spit upon. Verse 33. They will flog him with a whip and kill him, but on the third day he will rise again." Verse 34. But they didn't understand any of this. The significance of his words

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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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