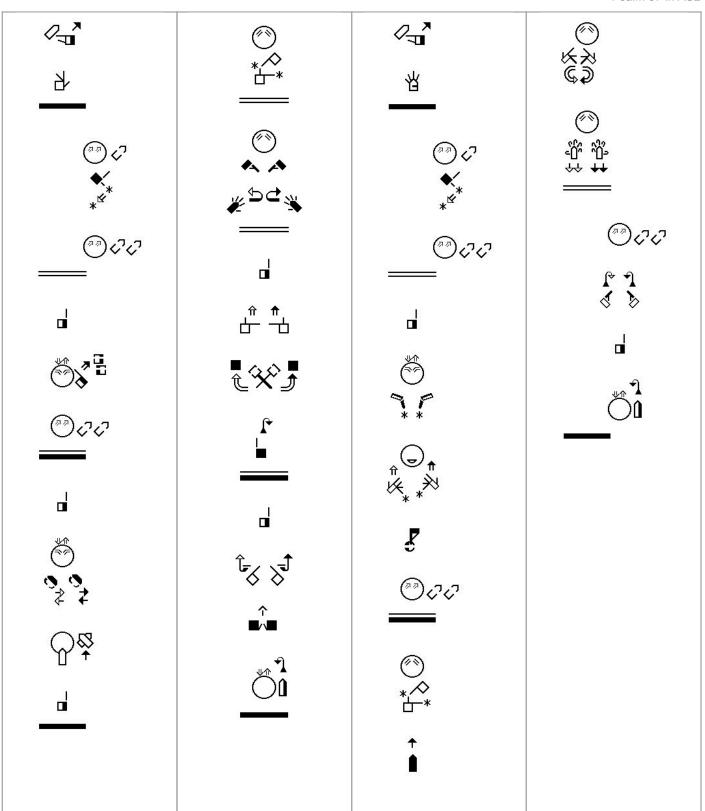
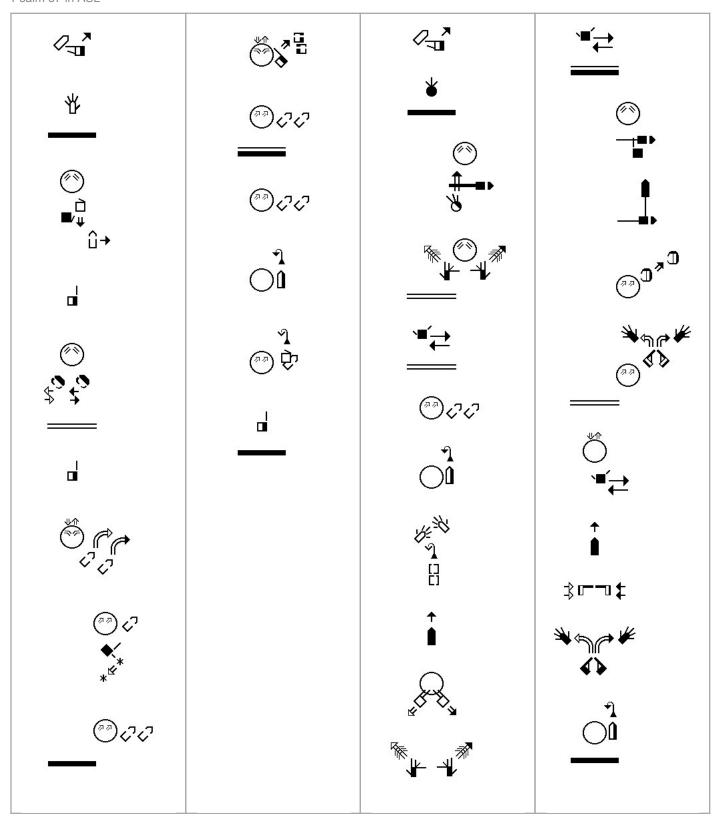


Psalm 37. Don't worry about the wicked or envy those who do wrong. Verse 2. For like grass, they soon fade away. Like spring flowers, they soon wither. NLT

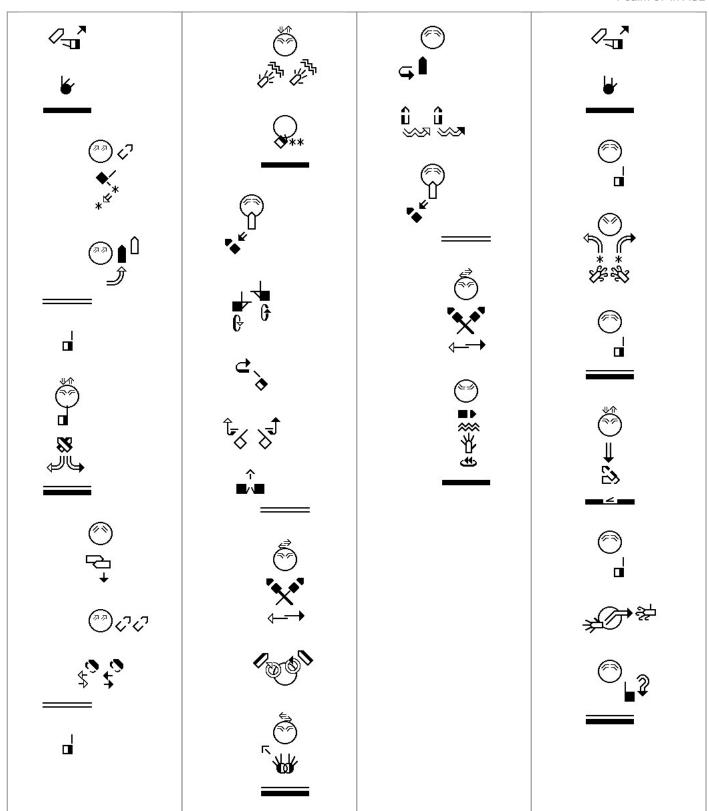


Verse 3. Trust in the Lord and do good. Then you will live safely in the land and prosper. Verse 4. Take delight in the LORD, and he will give you your heart's desires.

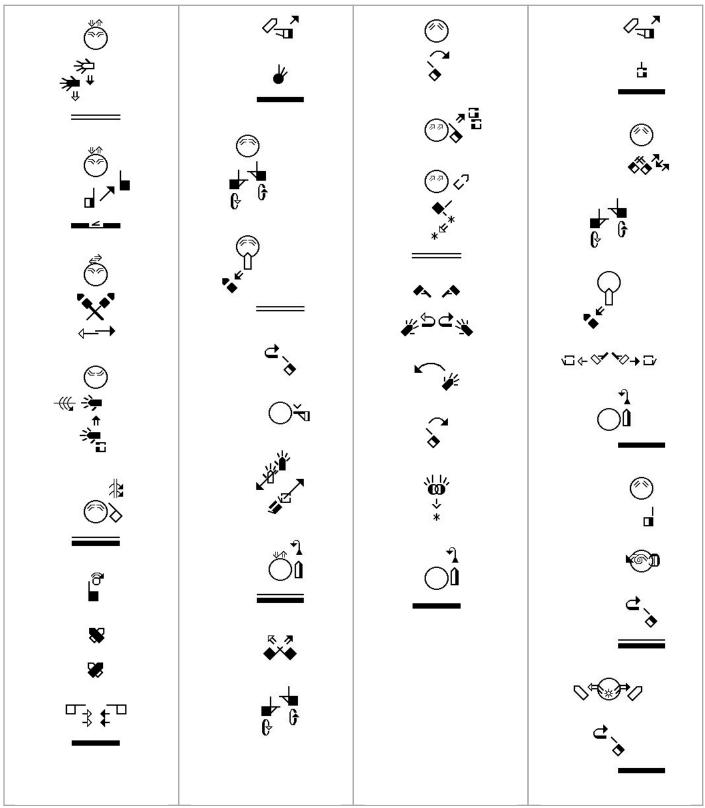


Verse 5. Commit everything you do to the LORD. Trust him, and he will help you. Verse 6. He will make your innocence radiate like the dawn, and the justice of your cause will shine like the noonday sun.

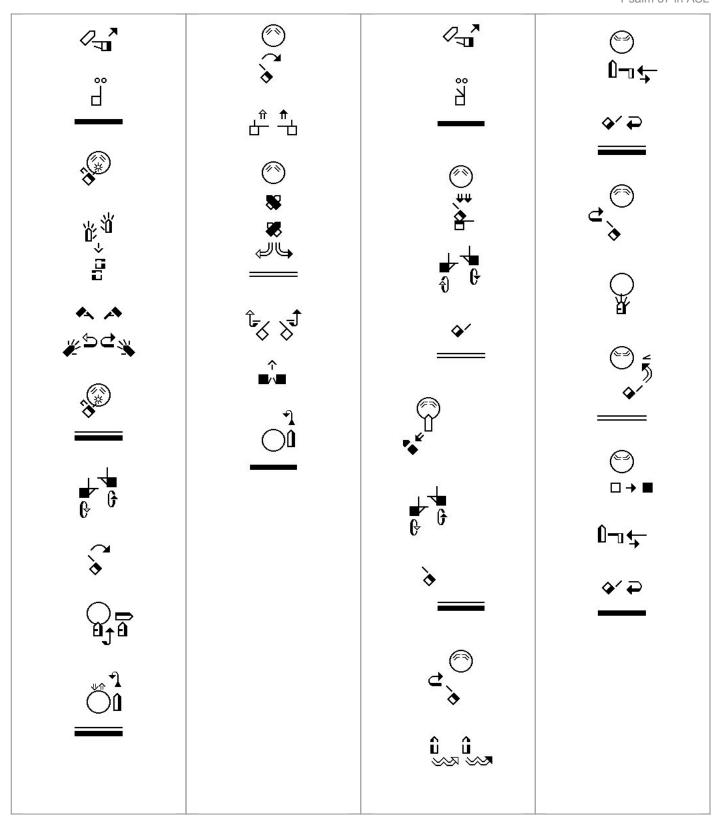
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Verse 7. Be still in the presence of the LORD, and wait patiently for him to act. Don't worry about evil people who prosper or fret about their wicked schemes. Verse 8. Stop being angry! Turn from your rage!



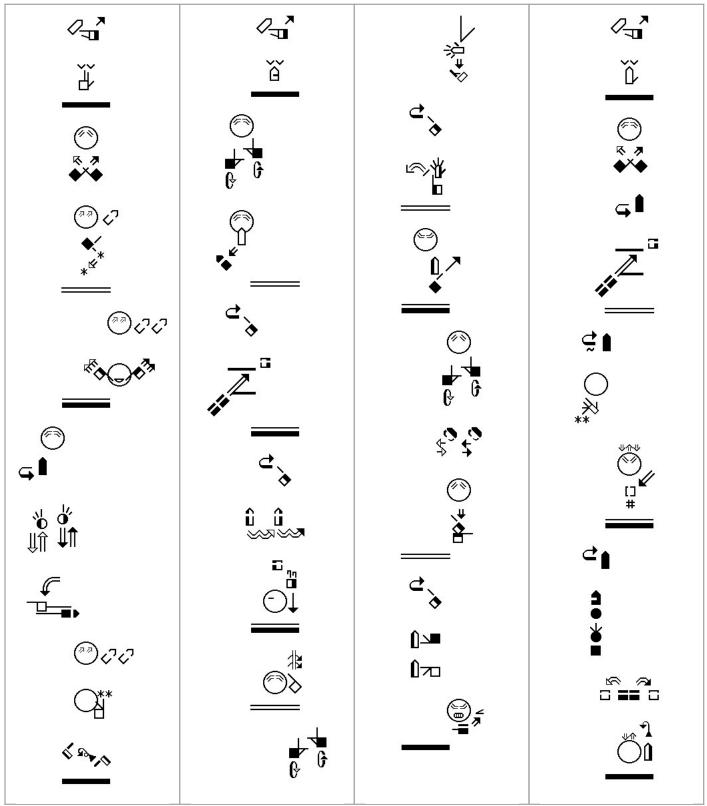
Do not lose your temper -- it only leads to harm. Verse 9. For the wicked will be destroyed, but those who trust in the LORD will possess the land. Verse 10. Soon the wicked will disappear. Though you look for them, they will be gone. NLT



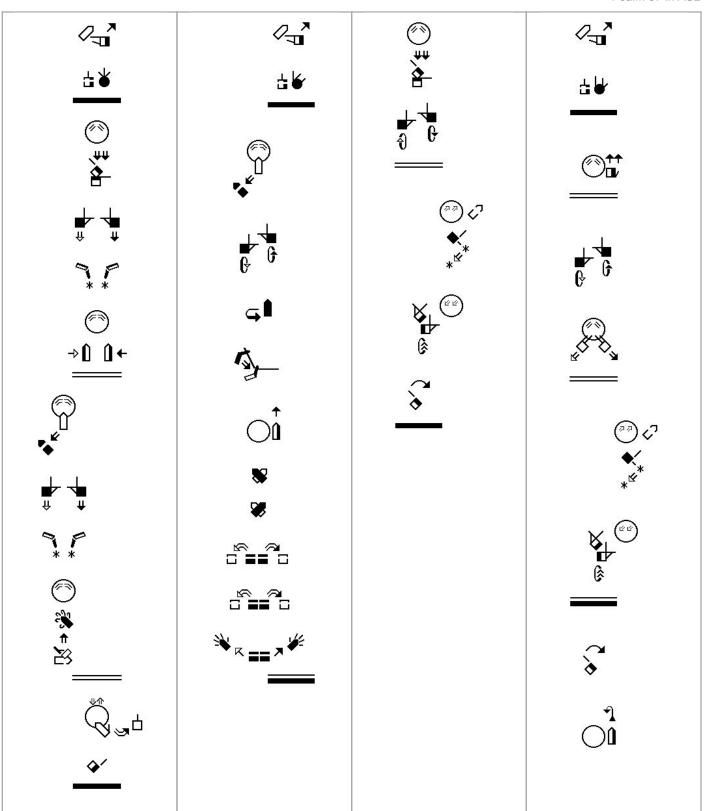
Verse 11. The lowly will possess the land and will live in peace and prosperity.

Verse 12. The wicked plot against the godly; they snarl at them in defiance.

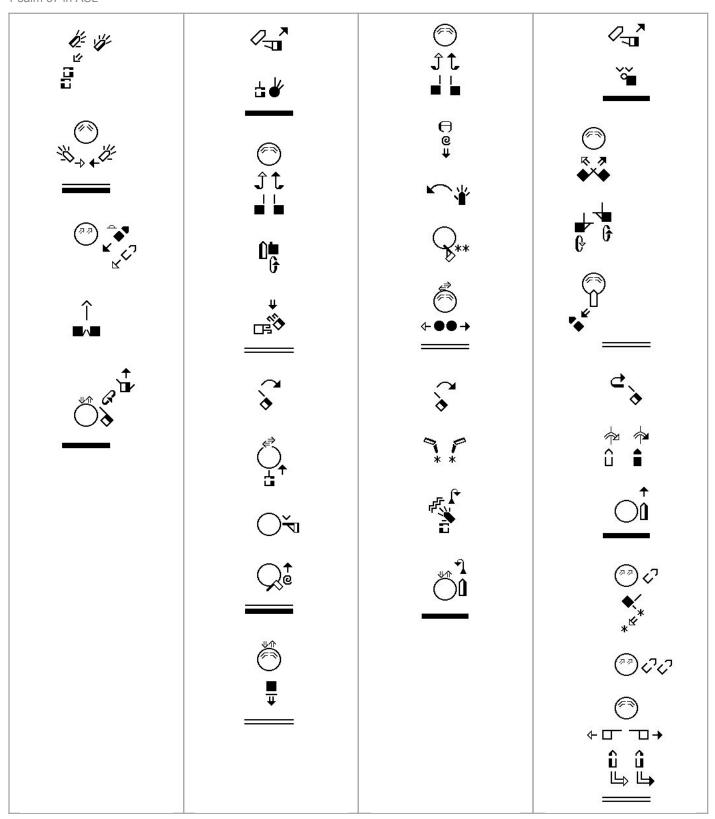
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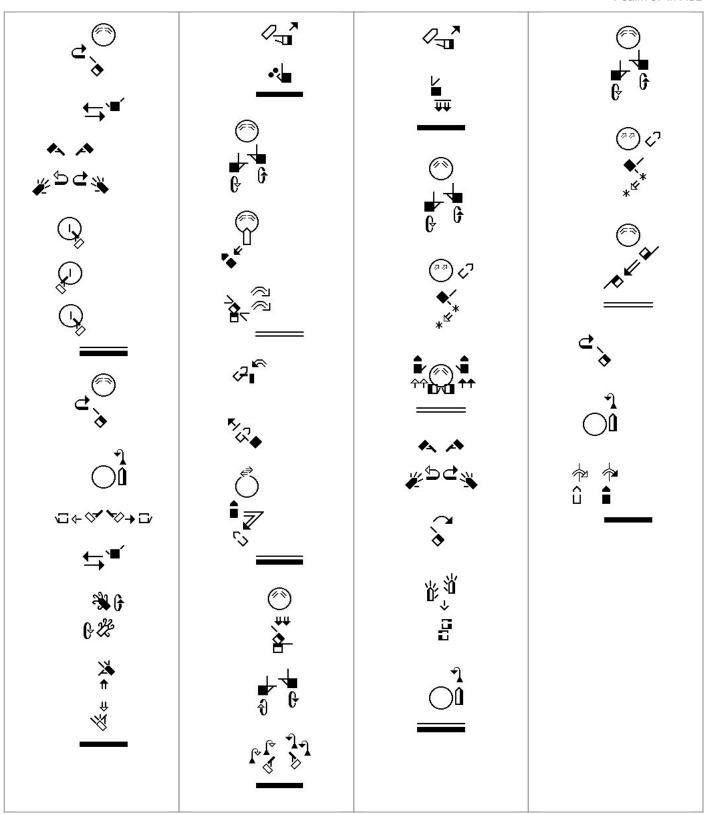
Verse 13. But the Lord just laughs, for he sees their day of judgment coming. Verse 14. The wicked draw their swords and string their bows to kill the poor and the oppressed, to slaughter those who do right. Verse 15. But their swords will stab their own hearts, and their bows will be broken.



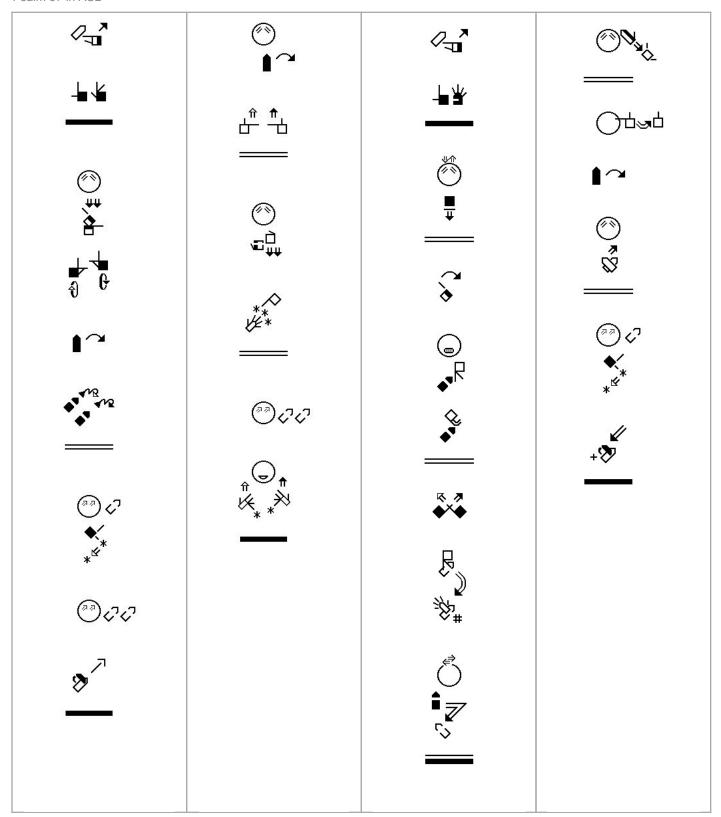
Verse 16. It is better to be godly and have little than to be evil and rich. Verse 17. For the strength of the wicked will be shattered, but the LORD takes care of the godly. Verse 18. Day by day the LORD takes care of the innocent, and they will NLT



receive an inheritance that lasts forever. Verse 19. They will not be disgraced in hard times; even in famine they will have more than enough. Verse 20. But the wicked will die. The LORD'S enemies

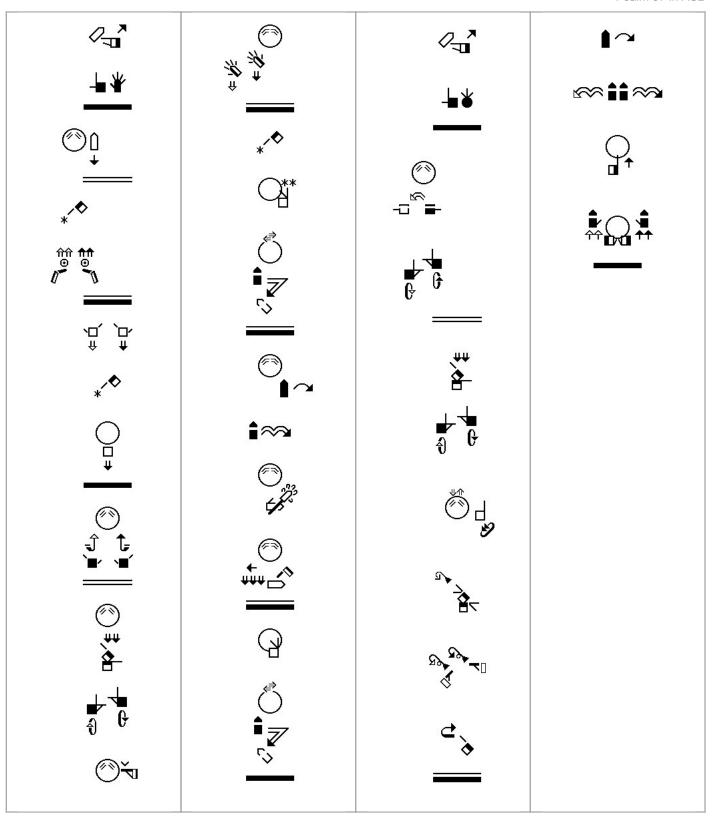


are like flowers in a field -- they will disappear like smoke. Verse 21. The wicked borrow and never repay, but the godly are generous givers. Verse 22. Those the LORD blesses will possess the land, but those he curses will die. NLT

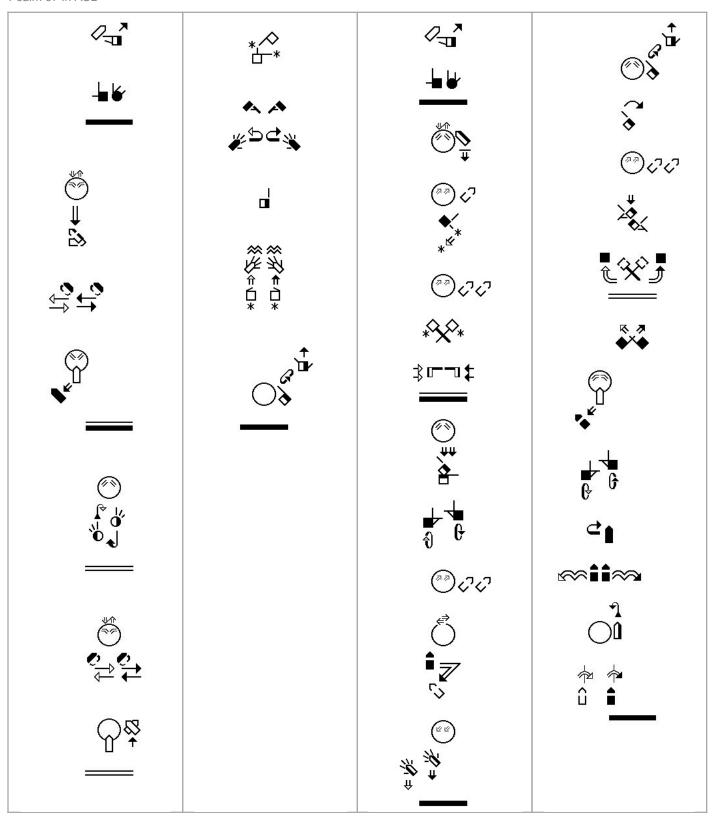


Verse 23. The LORD directs the steps of the godly. He delights in every detail of their lives. Verse 24. Though they stumble, they will never fall, for the LORD holds them by the hand.

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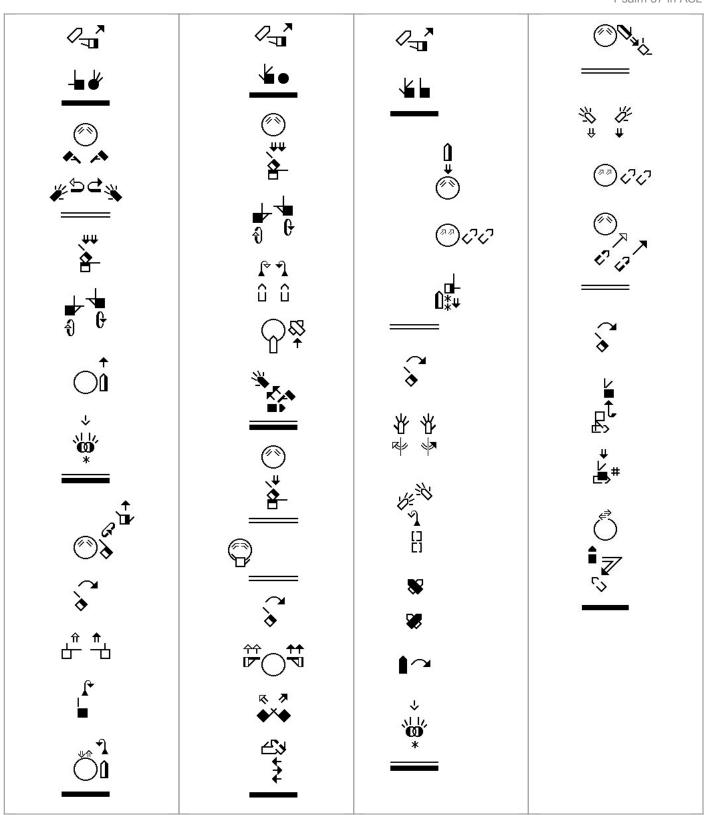


Verse 25. Once I was young, and now I am old. Yet I have never seen the godly abandoned or their children begging for bread. Verse 26. The godly always give generous loans to others, and their children are a blessing.

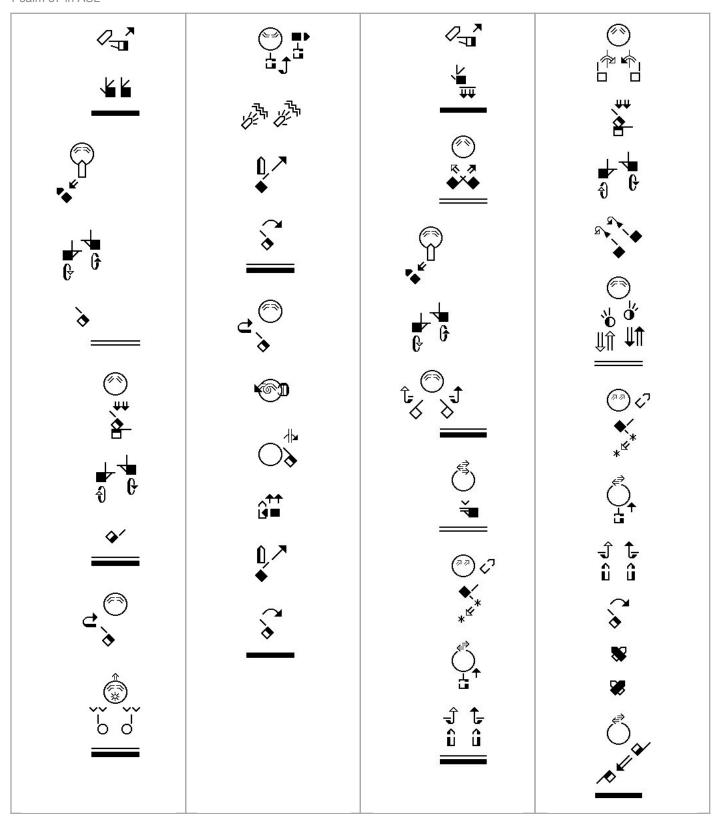


Verse 27. Turn from evil and do good, and you will live in the land forever. Verse 28. For the LORD loves justice, and he will never abandon the godly. He will keep them safe forever, but the children of the wicked will die.

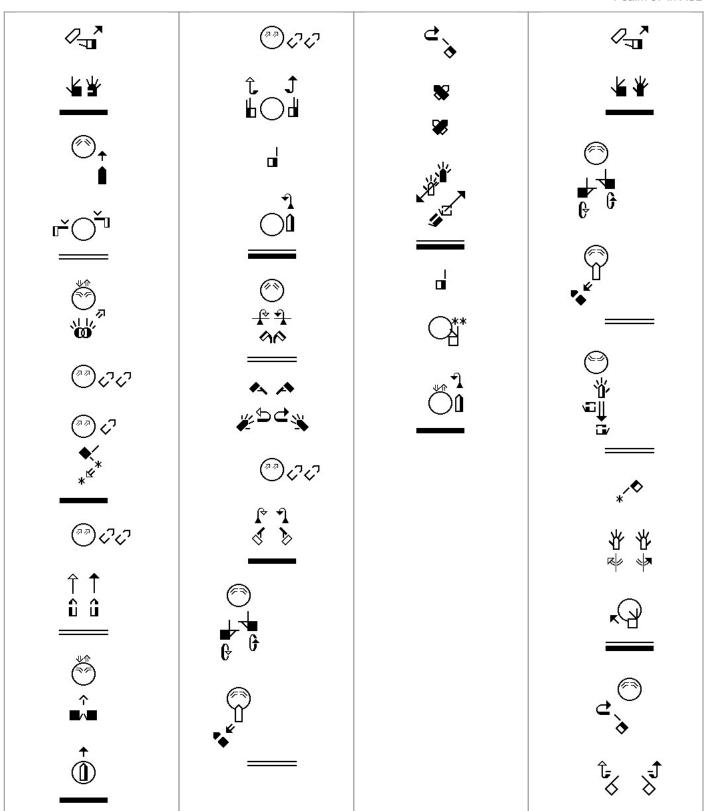
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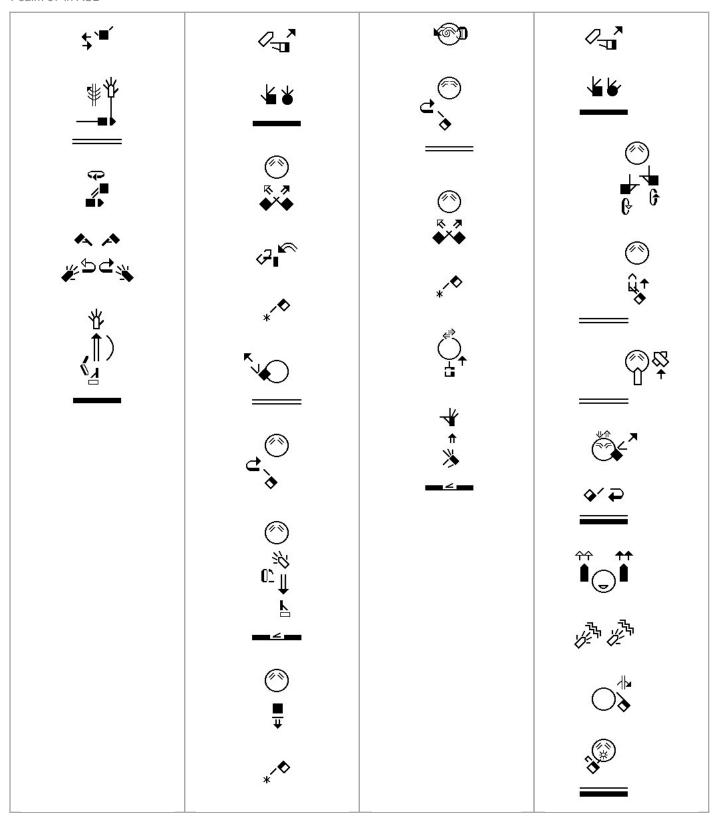
Verse 29. The godly will possess the land and will live there forever. Verse 30. The godly offer good counsel; they teach right from wrong. Verse 31. They have made God's law their own, so they will never slip from his path.



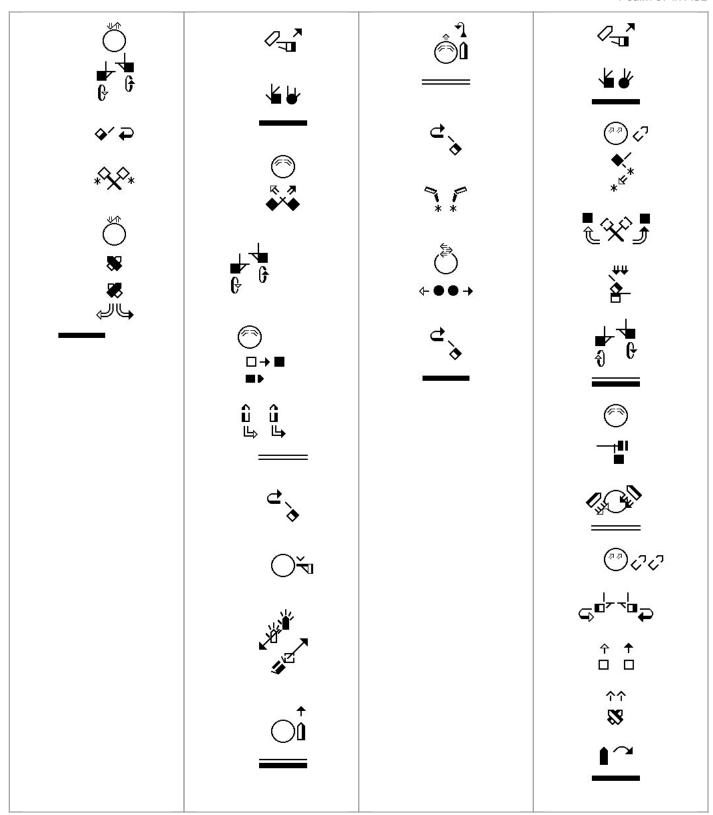
Verse 32. The wicked wait in ambush for the godly, looking for an excuse to kill them. Verse 33. But the LORD will not let the wicked succeed or let the godly be condemned when they are put on trial.



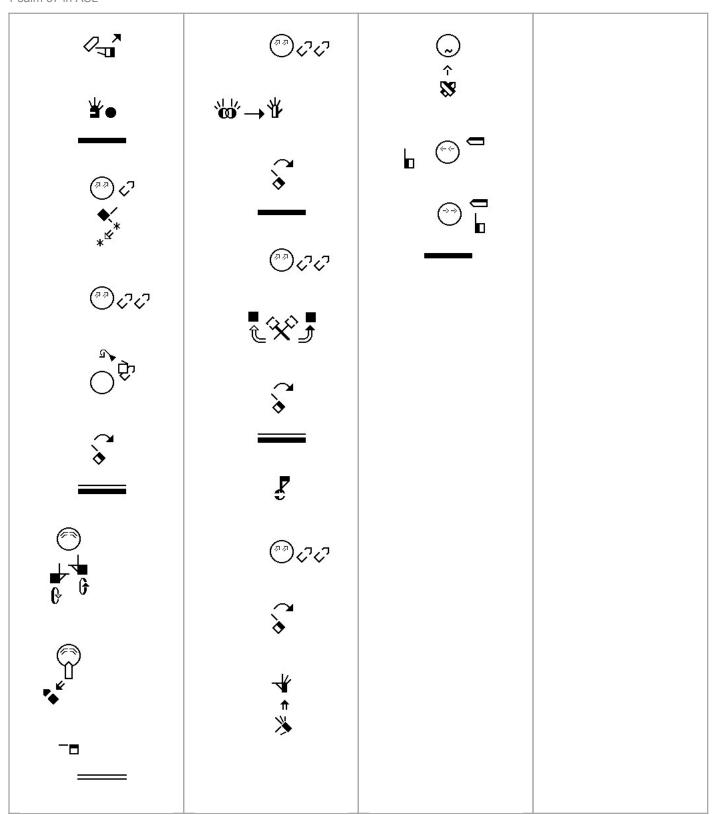
Verse 34. Put your hope in the LORD. Travel steadily along his path. He will honor you by giving you the land. You will see the wicked destroyed. Verse 35. I have seen the wicked and ruthless people flourishing



like a tree in its native soil. Verse 36. But when I looked again, they were gone! Though I searched for them, I could not find them! Verse 37. Look at those who are honest and good, for a wonderful future awaits



those who love peace. Verse 38. But the rebellious will be destroyed; they have no future. Verse 39. The LORD rescues the godly; he is their fortress in times of trouble.



Verse 40. The LORD helps them, rescuing them from the wicked. He saves them, and they find shelter in him.

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