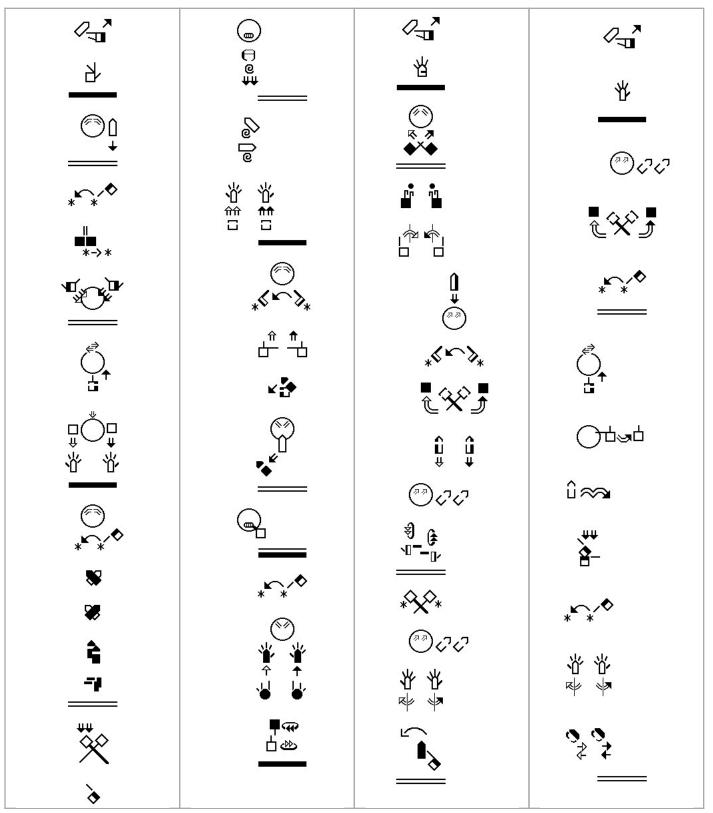
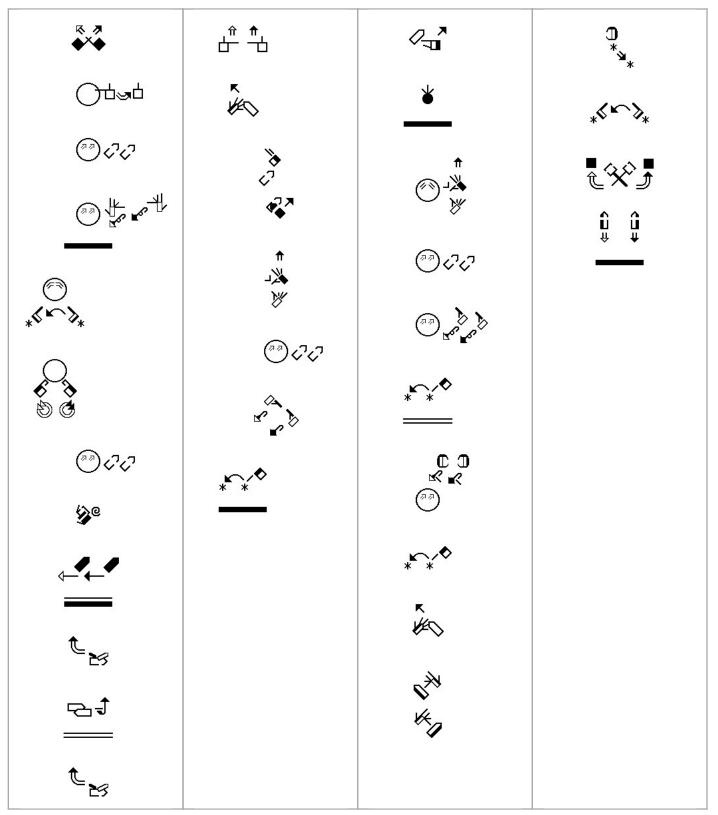


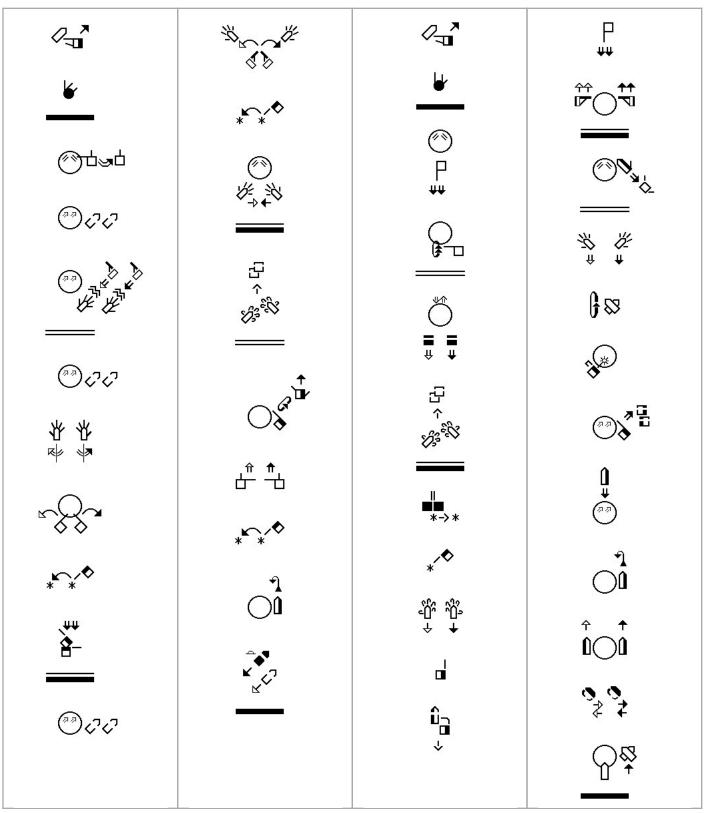
19 Chapter 3. Remind the believers to submit to the government and its officers. They should be obedient, always ready to do what is good. Verse 2. They must not slander anyone and must avoid quarreling. Instead, they should be gentle and show true humility to everyone. NLT



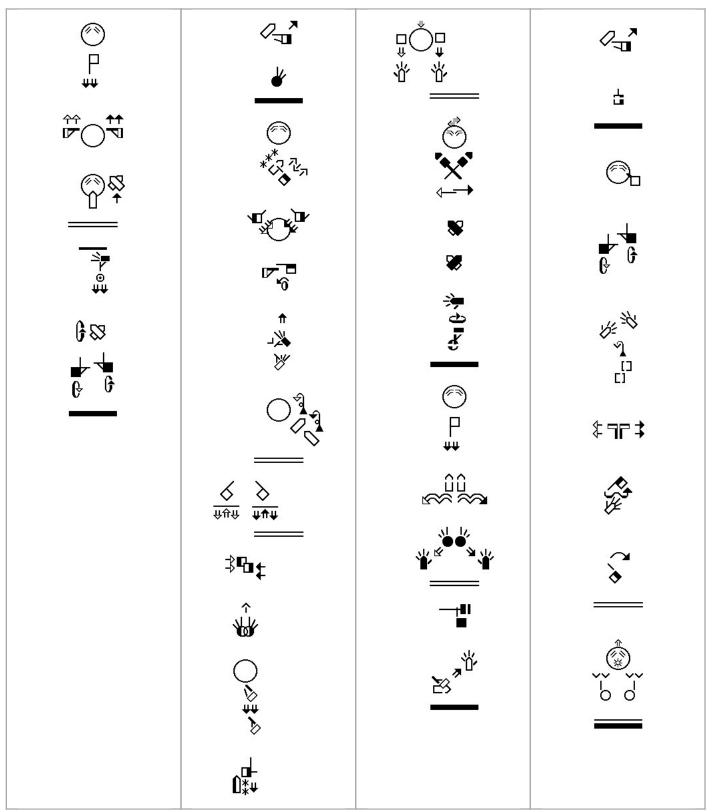
Verse 3. Once we, too, were foolish and disobedient. We were misled and became slaves to many lusts and pleasures. Our lives were full of evil and envy, and we hated each other. Verse 4. But -- "When God our Savior revealed his kindness and love, Verse 5. he saved us, not because of the righteous things we had done, NLT



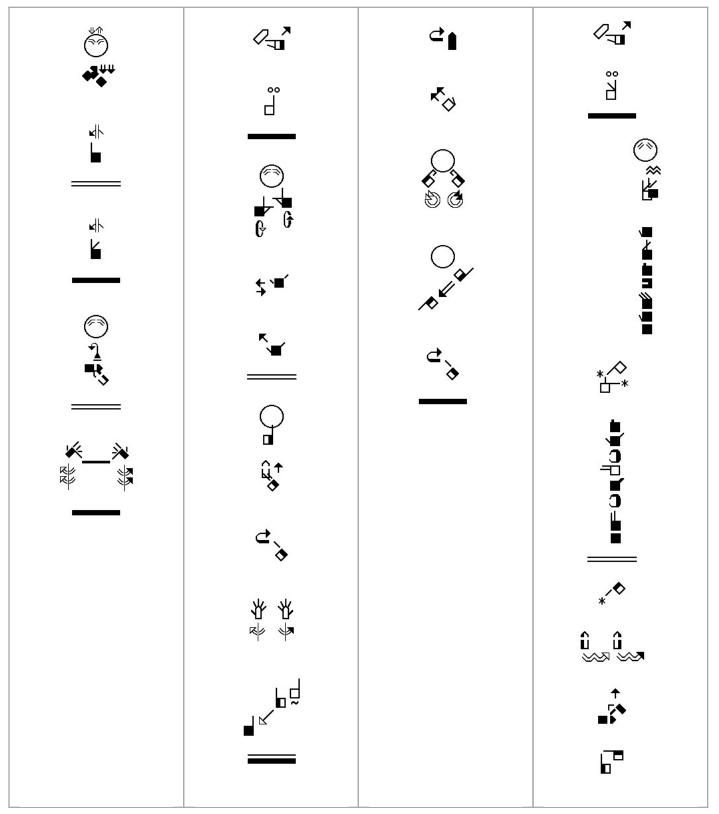
but because of his mercy. He washed away our sins, giving us a new birth and new life
through the Holy Spirit. Verse 6. He generously poured out the Spirit upon us through Jesus Christ our Savior.



Verse 7. Because of his grace he declared us righteous and gave us confidence that we will inherit eternal life." Verse 8. This is a trustworthy saying, and I want you to insist on these teachings so that all who trust in God will devote themselves to doing good. NLT

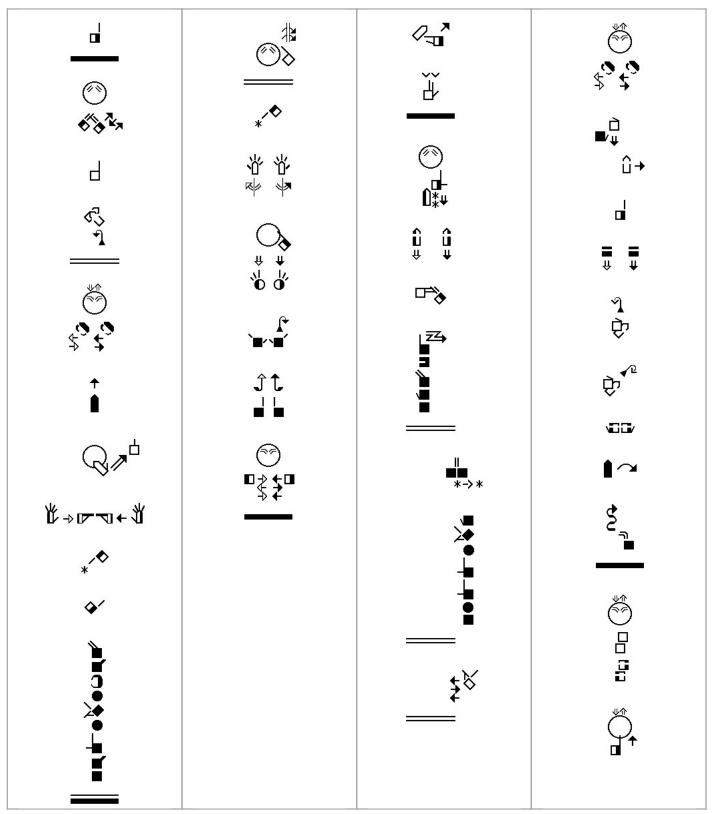


These teachings are good and beneficial for everyone. Verse 9. Do not get involved in foolish discussions about spiritual pedigrees or in quarrels and fights about obedience to Jewish laws. These things are useless and a waste of time. Verse 10. If people are causing divisions among you,

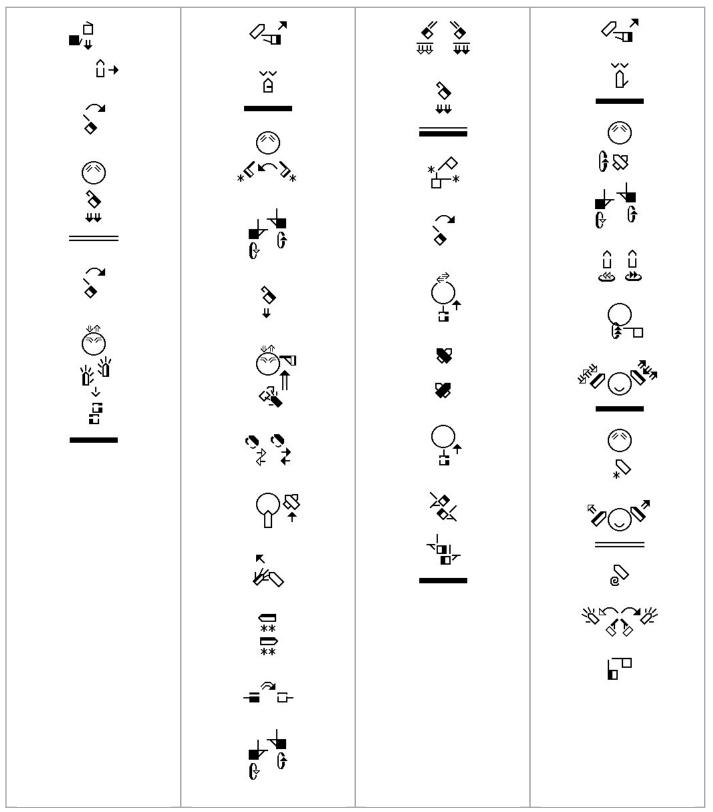


give a first and second warning. After that, have nothing more to do with them. Verse 11. For people like that have turned away from the truth, and their own sins condemn them. Verse 12. I am planning to send either Artemas or Tychicus to NLT

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you. As soon as one of them arrives, do your best to meet me at Nicopolis, for I have
decided to stay there for the winter. Verse 13. Do everything you can to help Zenas the lawyer and Apollos with their trip. See that



they are given everything they need. Verse 14. Our people must learn to do good by meeting the urgent needs of others; then they will not be unproductive. Verse 15. Everybody here sends greetings. Please give my greetings to NLT

