

















































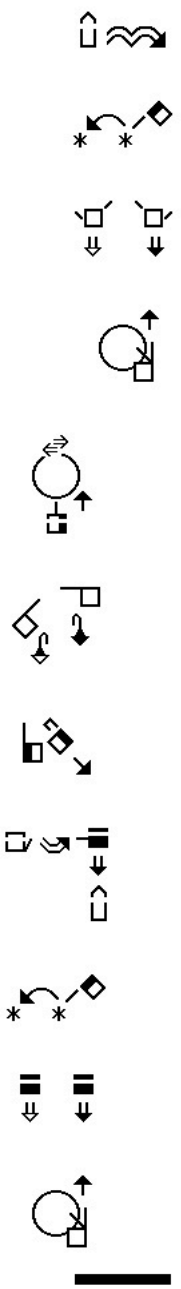
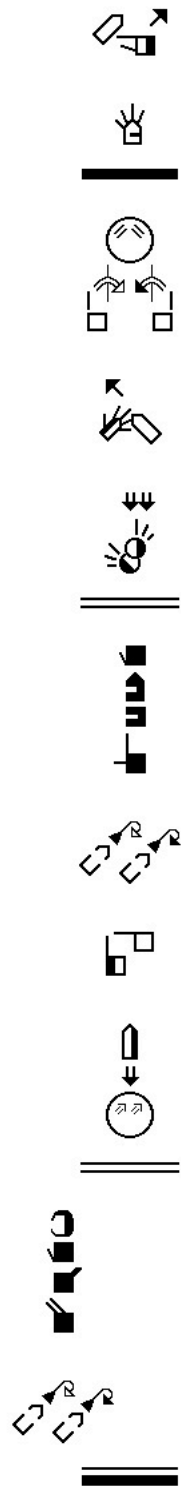

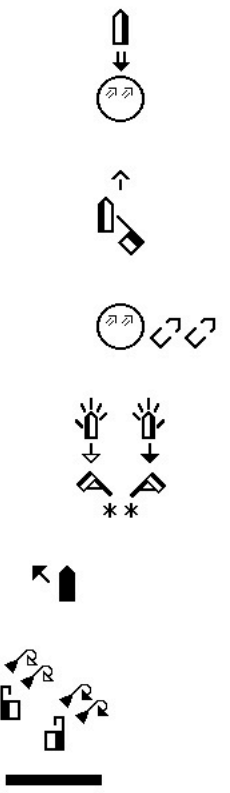
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Chapter 11. Faith is the confidence that what we hope for will actually happen; it gives us assurance about things we cannot see. Verse 2. Through their faith, the people in days of old earned a good reputation. Verse 3. By faith we understand that the entire universe was formed at God's command,

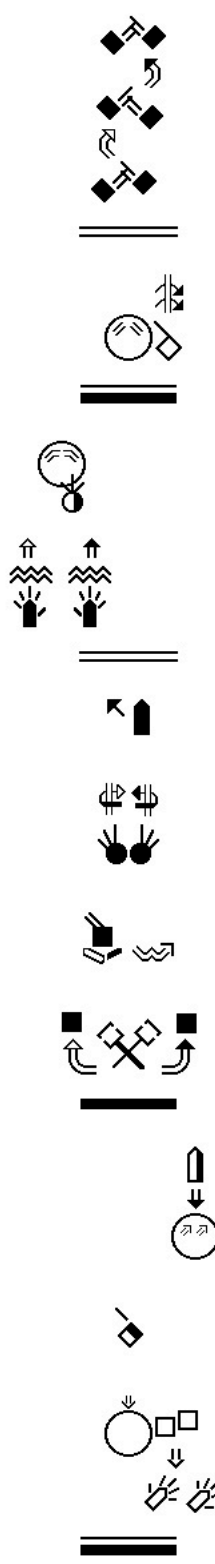
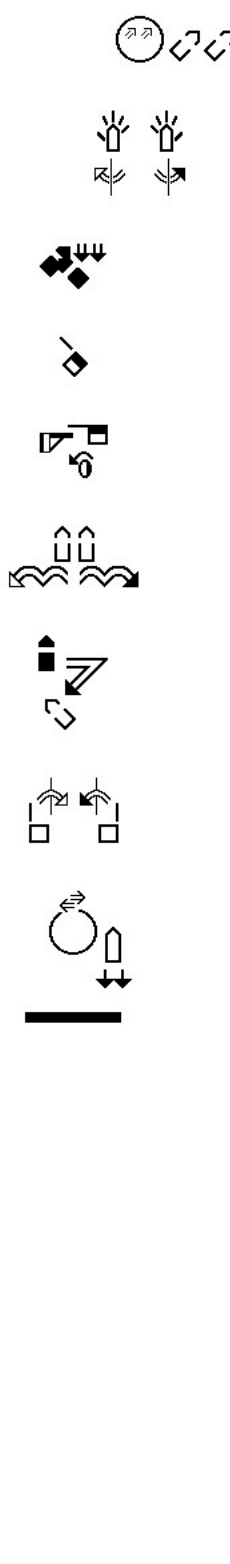
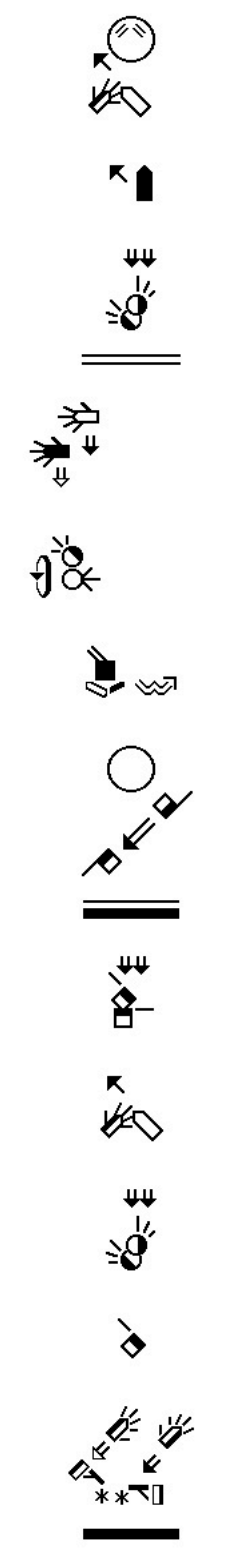
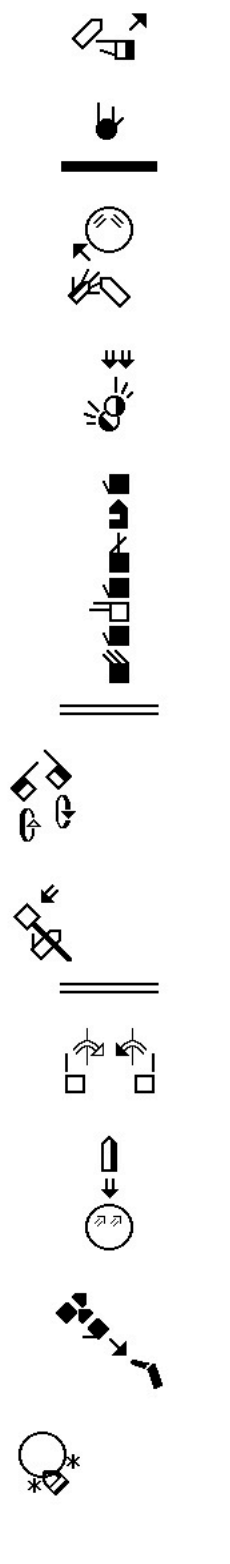
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that what we now see did not come from anything that can be seen. Verse 4. It was by faith that Abel brought a more acceptable offering to God than Cain did. Abel's offering gave evidence that he was a righteous man, and God showed his approval of his gifts. NLT

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built a large boat to save his family from the flood. He obeyed God, who warned him about things that had never happened before. By his faith Noah condemned the rest of the world, and he received the righteousness that comes by faith. Verse 8. It was by faith that Abraham obeyed when God called him

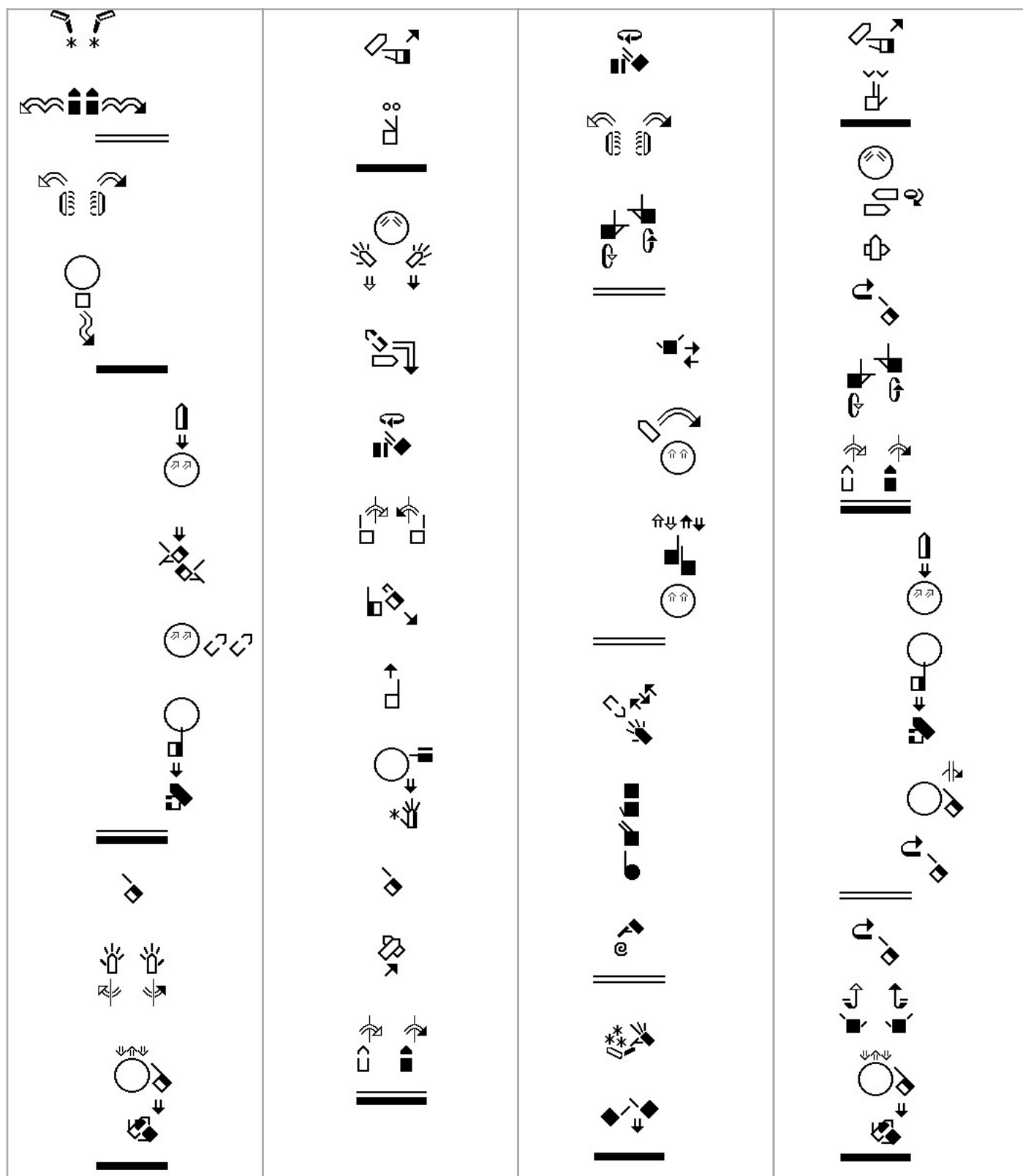
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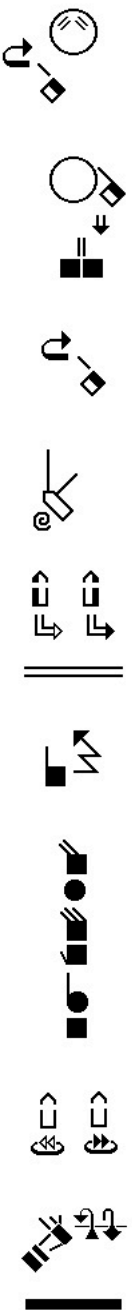

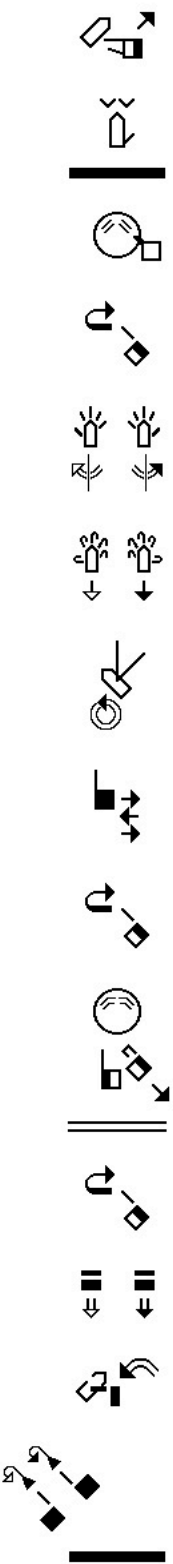
and Jacob, who inherited the same promise. Verse 10. Abraham was confidently looking forward to a city with eternal foundations, a city designed and built by God. Verse 11. It was by faith that even Sarah was able to have a child, though she was

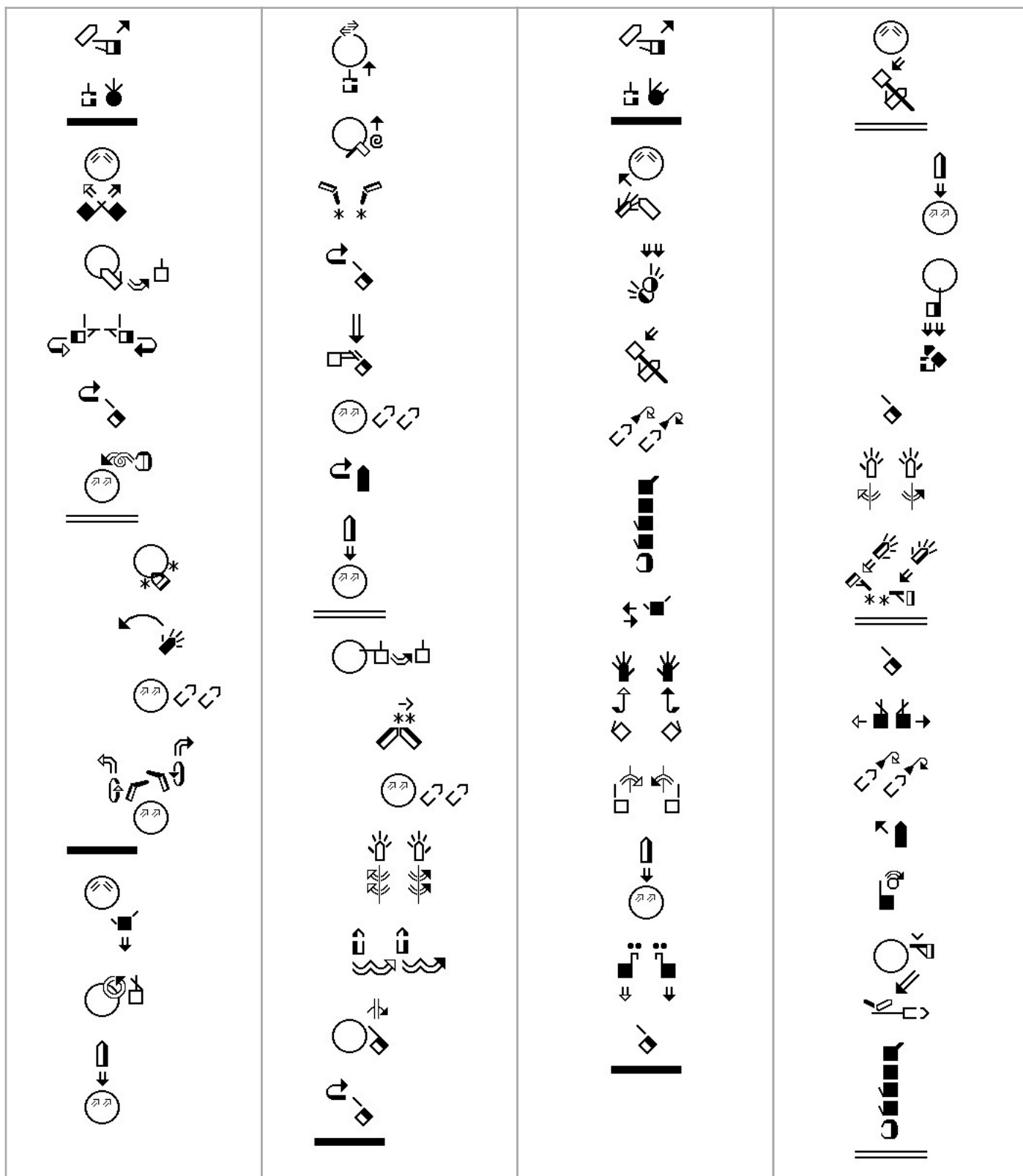
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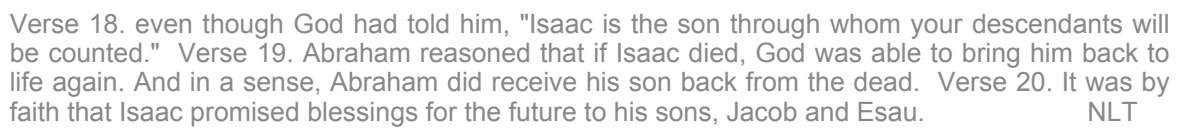
barren and was too old. She believed that God would keep his promise. Verse 12. And so a whole nation came from this one man who was as good as dead -- a nation with so many people that like the stars in the sky and the sand on the seashore, there is no way to count them. Verse 13. All these people died still believing what God had promised them.

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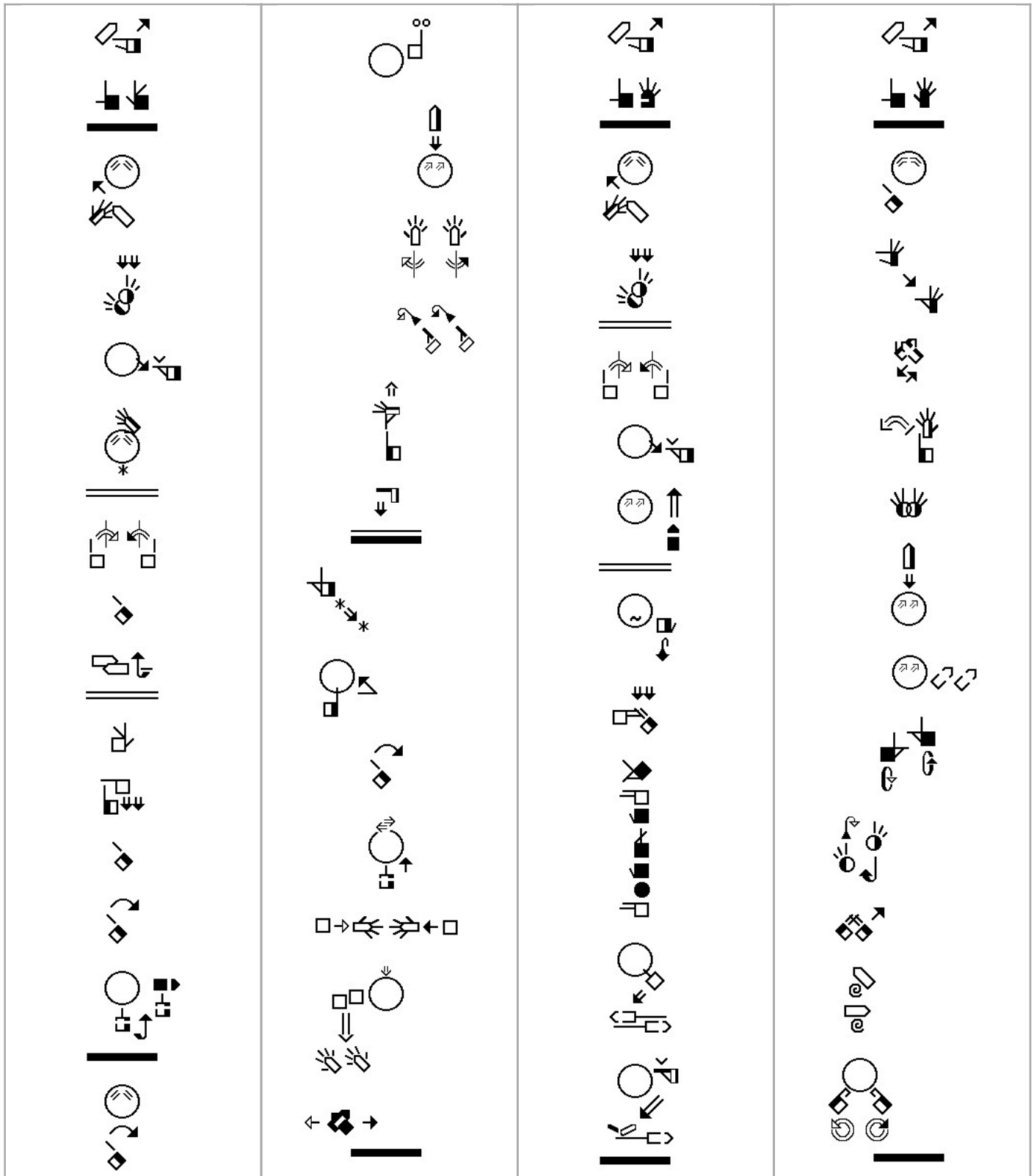


Verse 16. But they were looking for a better place, a heavenly homeland. That is why God is not ashamed to be called their God, for he has prepared a city for them. Verse 17. It was by faith that Abraham offered Isaac as a sacrifice when God was testing him. Abraham, who had received God's promises, was ready to sacrifice his only son, Isaac,



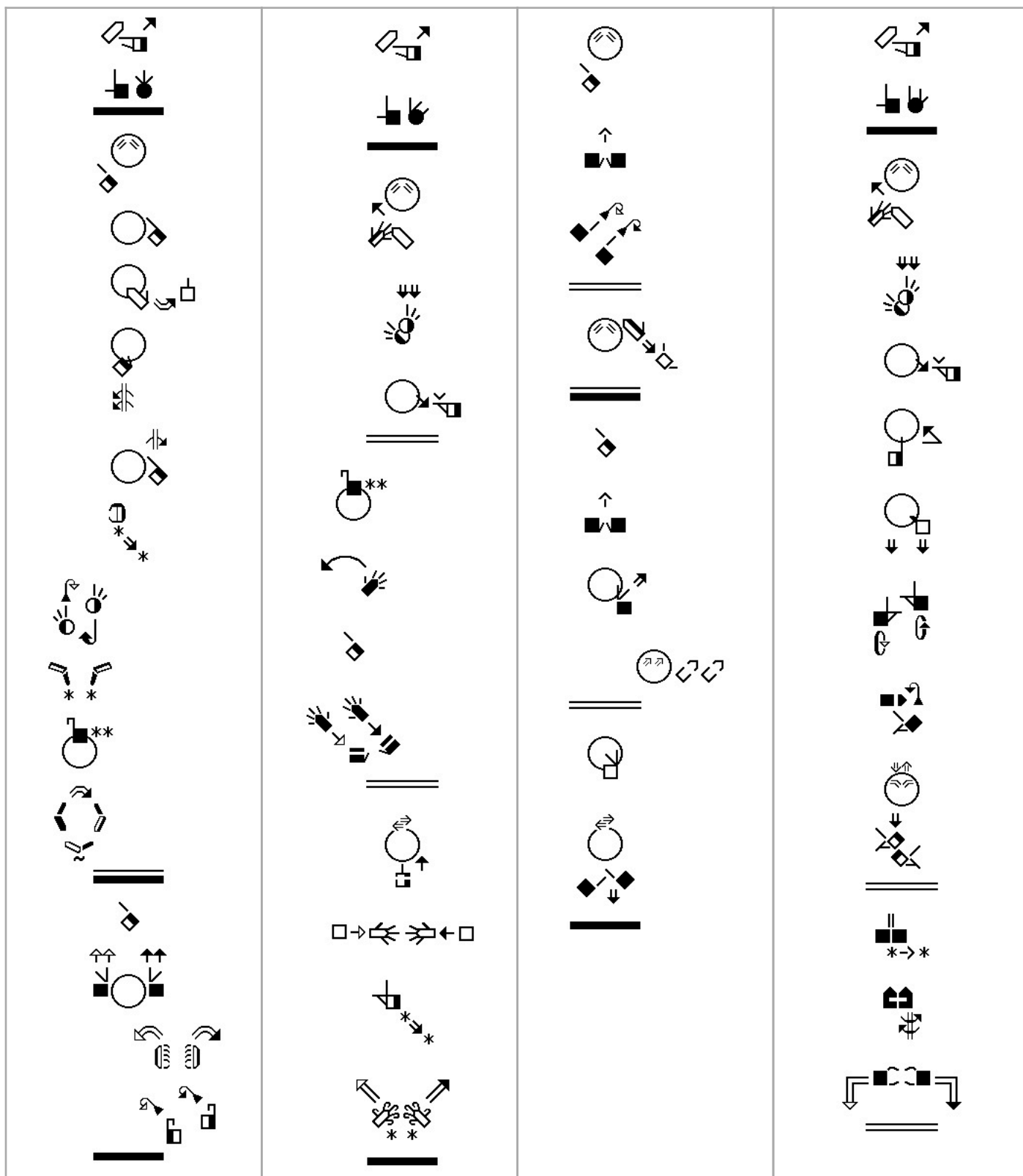
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Verse 21. It was by faith that Jacob, when he was old and dying, blessed each of Joseph's sons and bowed in worship as he leaned on his staff. Verse 22. It was by faith that Joseph, when he was about to die, said confidently that the people of Israel would leave Egypt. He even commanded them to take his bones with them when they left.



Verse 23. It was by faith that Moses' parents hid him for three months when he was born. They saw that God had given them an unusual child, and they were not afraid to disobey the king's command. Verse 24. It was by faith that Moses, when he grew up, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter. Verse 25. He chose to share the oppression of God's people instead of enjoying the fleeting pleasures of sin.

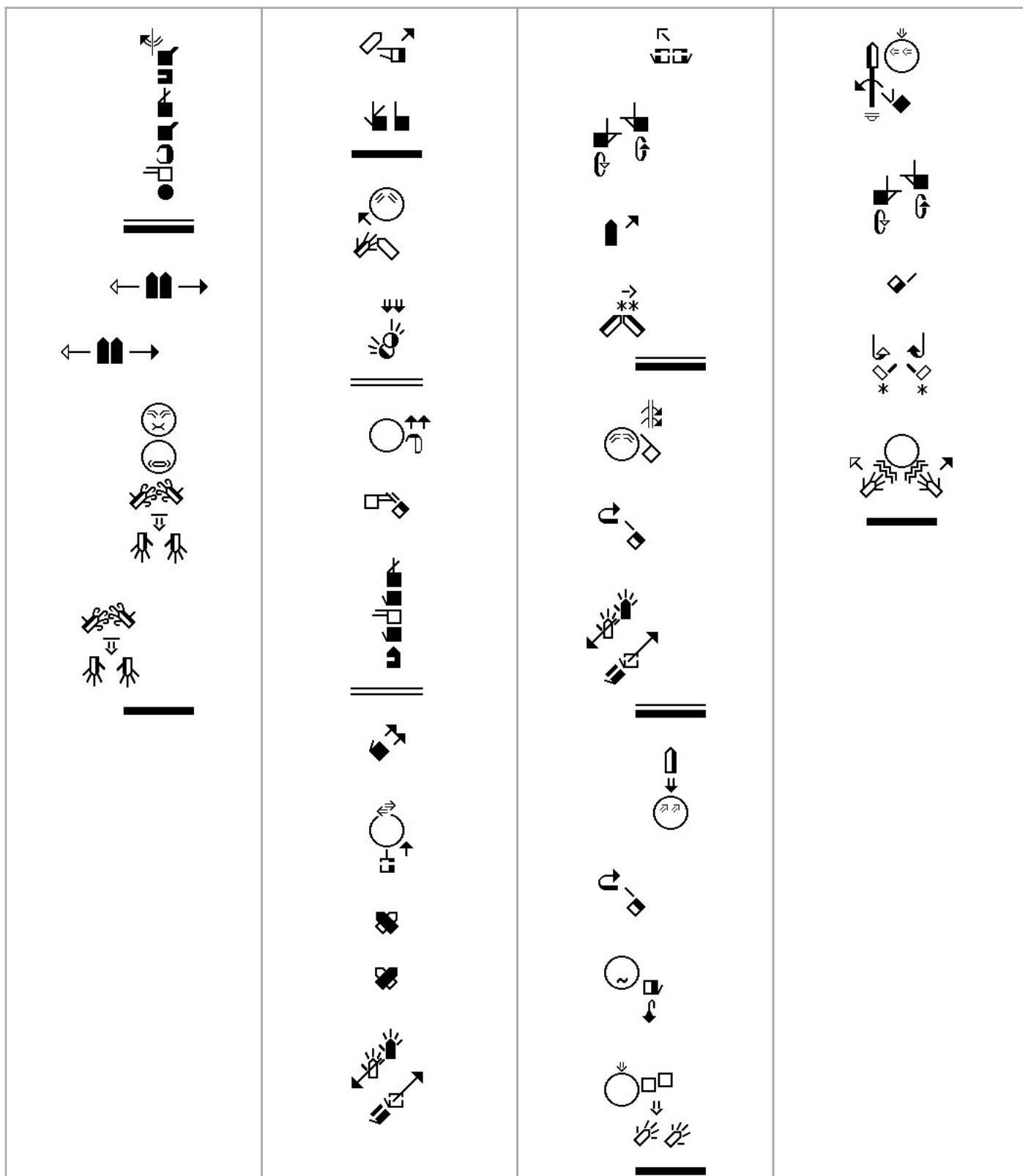
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Verse 26. He thought it was better to suffer for the sake of Christ than to own the treasures of Egypt, for he was looking ahead to his great reward. Verse 27. It was by faith that Moses left the land of Egypt, not fearing the king's anger. He kept right on going because he kept his eyes on the one who is invisible. Verse 28. It was by faith that Moses commanded the people of Israel to keep the Passover and

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to sprinkle blood on the doorposts so that the angel of death would not kill their firstborn sons. Verse 29. It was by faith that the people of Israel went right through the Red Sea as though they were on dry ground. But when the Egyptians tried to follow, they were all drowned. Verse 30. It was by faith that the people of Israel marched around NLT

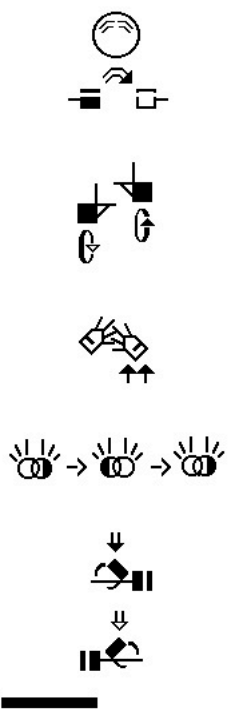
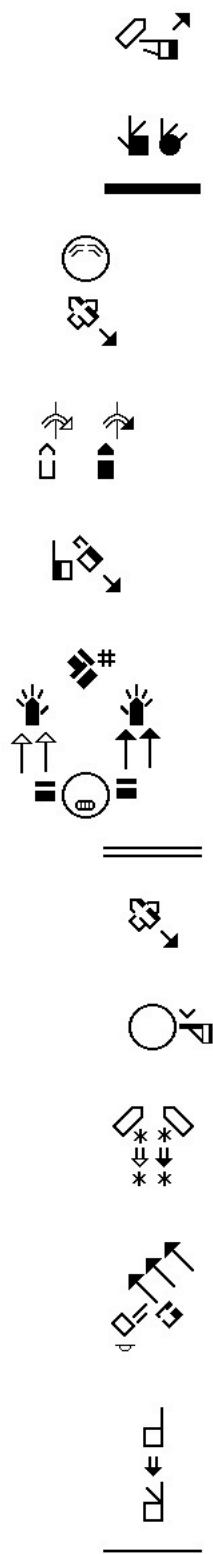
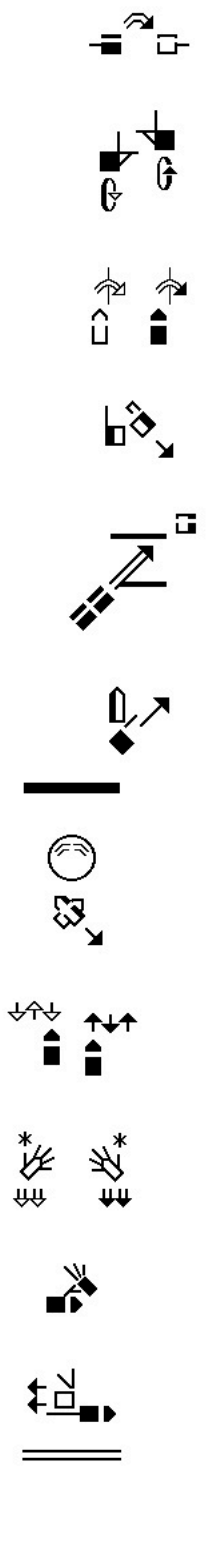
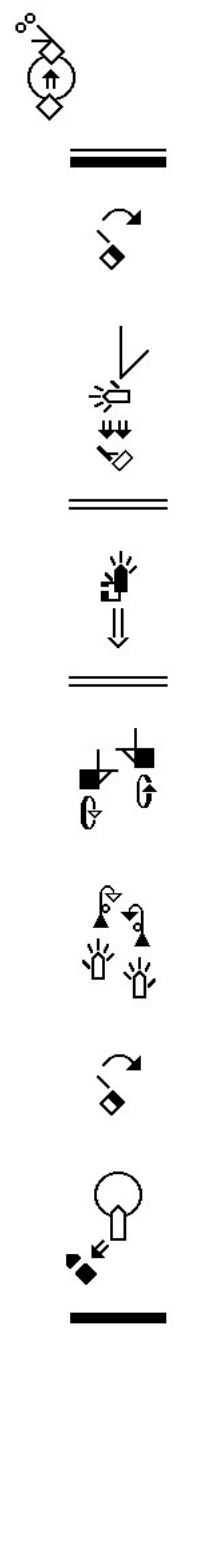


Jericho for seven days, and the walls came crashing down. Verse 31. It was by faith that Rahab the prostitute was not destroyed with the people in her city who refused to obey God. For she had given a friendly welcome to the spies.

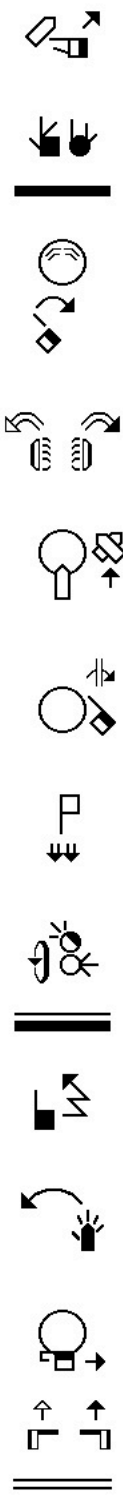
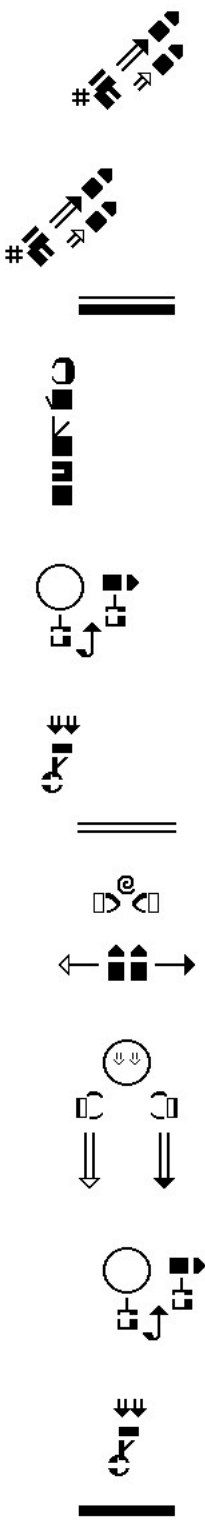
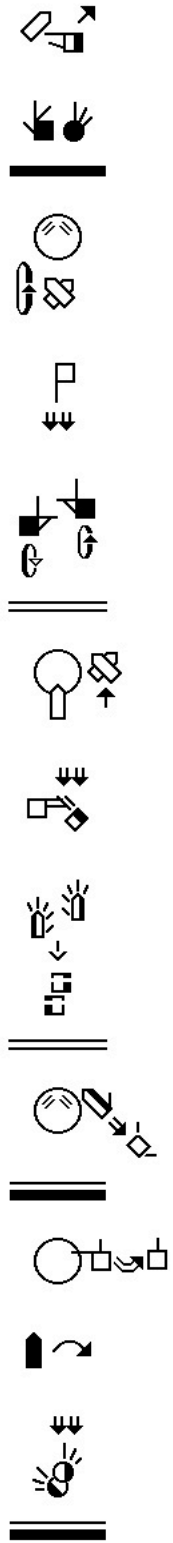
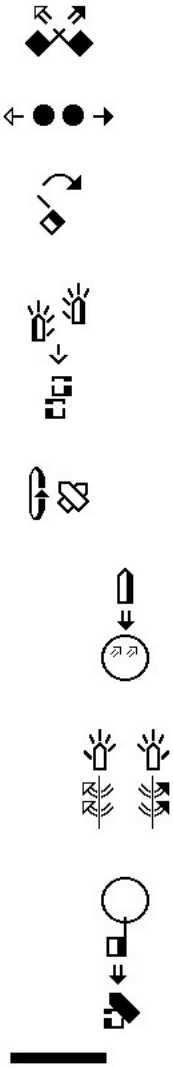
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












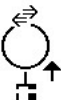




Verse 35. Women received their loved ones back again from death. But others were tortured, refusing to turn from God in order to be set free. They placed their hope in a better life after the resurrection. Verse 36. Some were jeered at, and their backs were cut open with whips. NLT

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Others were chained in prisons. Verse 37. Some died by stoning, some were sawed in half, and others were killed with the sword. Some went about wearing skins of sheep and goats, destitute and oppressed and mistreated.

			
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Verse 38. They were too good for this world, wandering over deserts and mountains, hiding in caves and holes in the ground. Verse 39. All these people earned a good reputation because of their faith, yet none of them received all that God had promised. NLT

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Verse 40. For God had something better in mind for us, so that they would not reach perfection without us.

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