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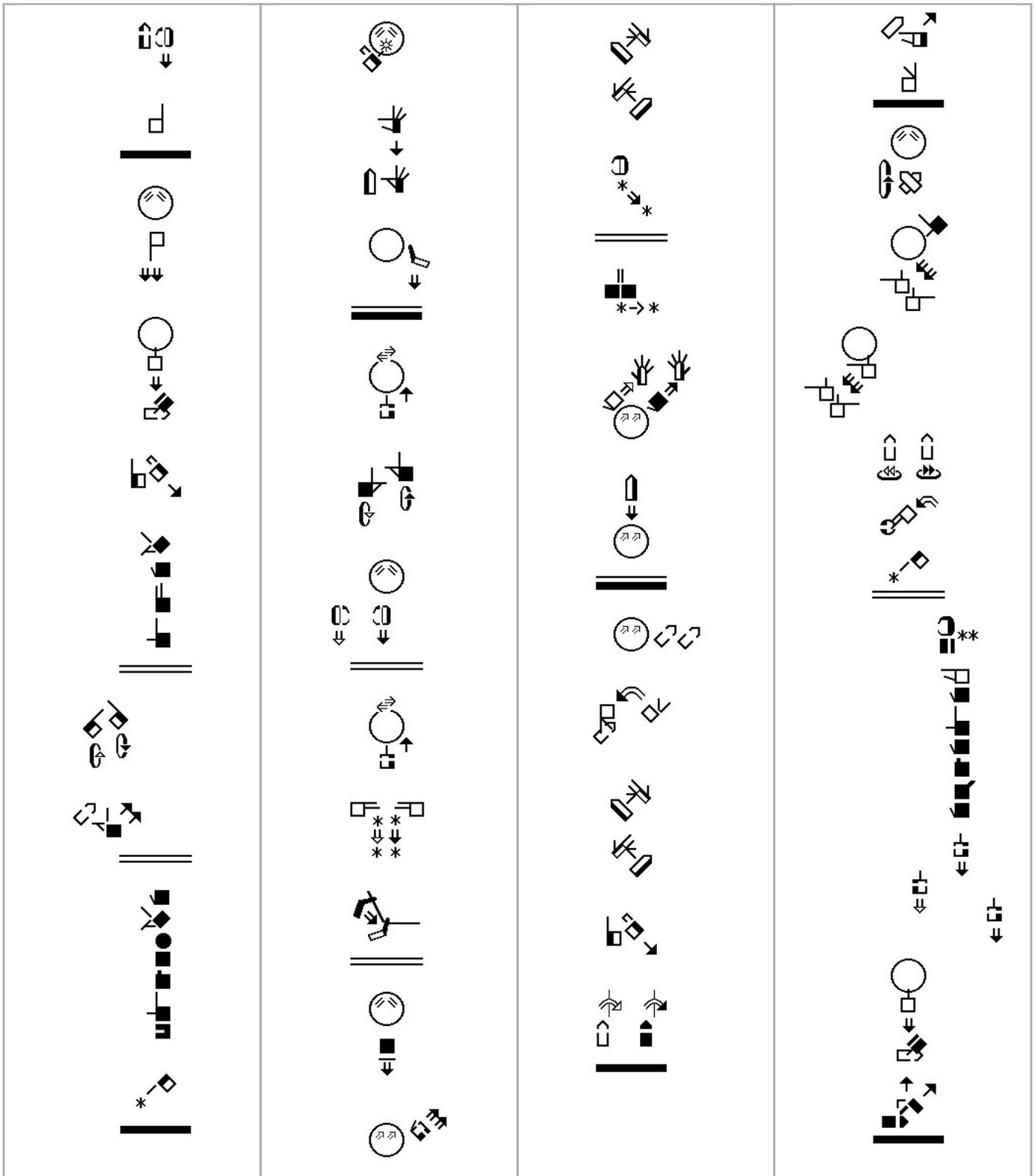


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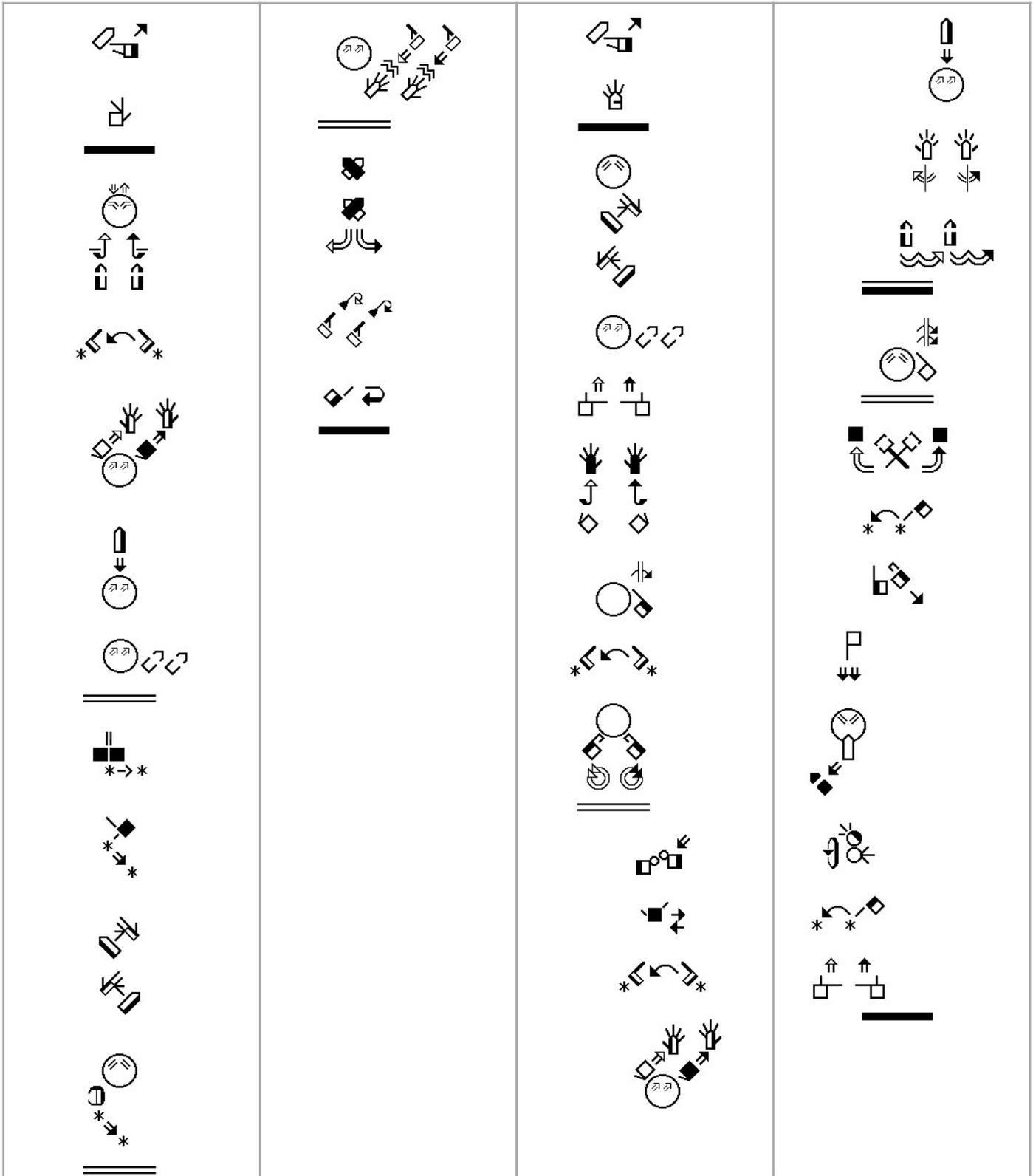




Chapter 1. This letter is from Paul, an apostle. I was not appointed by any group of people or any human authority, but by Jesus Christ himself and by God the Father, who raised Jesus from the dead. Verse 2. All the brothers and sisters here join me in sending this letter to the churches in Galatia.

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Galatians 1:3-4

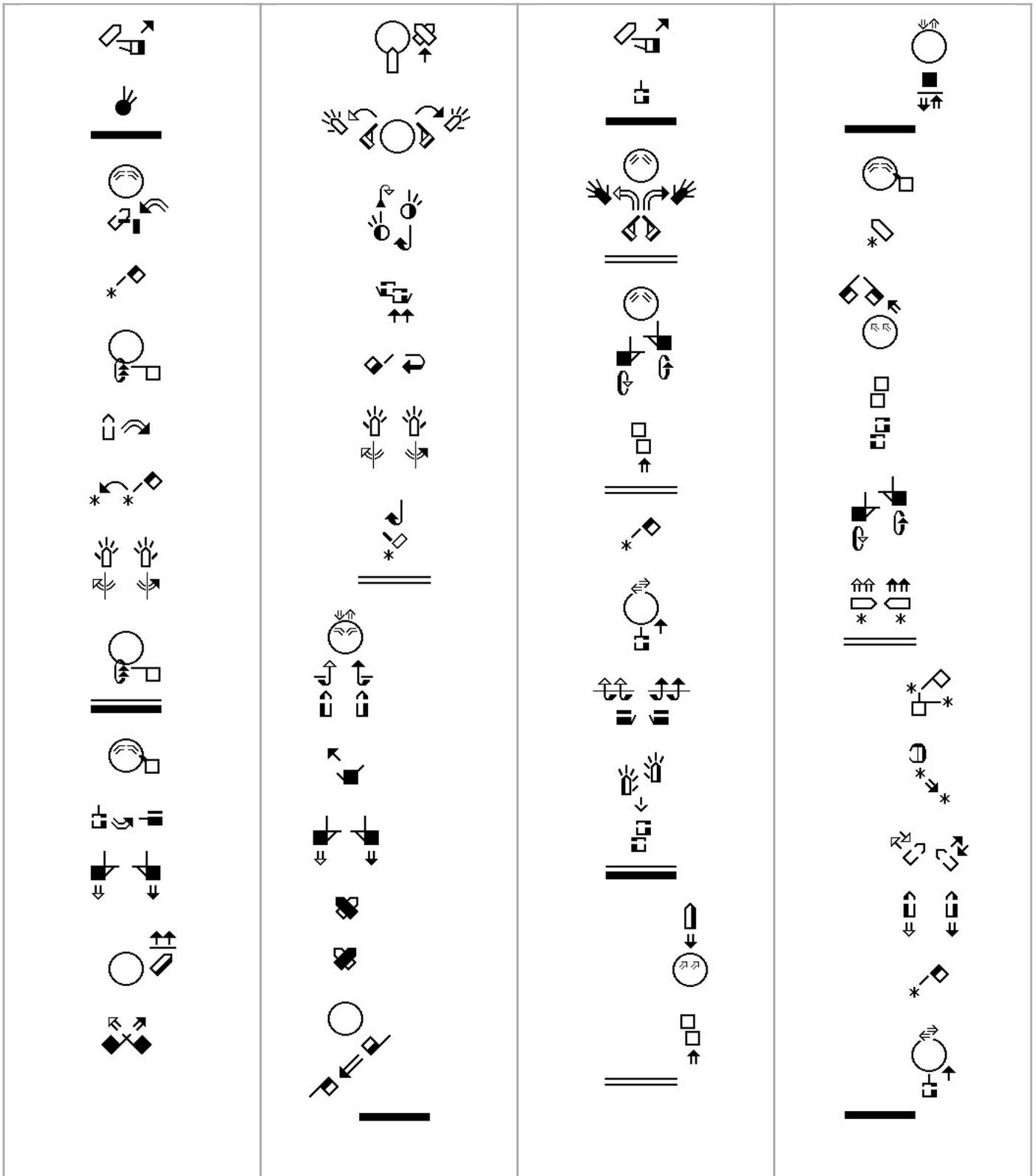


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Verse 3. May God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ give you grace and peace.
 Verse 4. Jesus gave his life for our sins, just as God our Father planned, in order to rescue us from this evil world in which we live.
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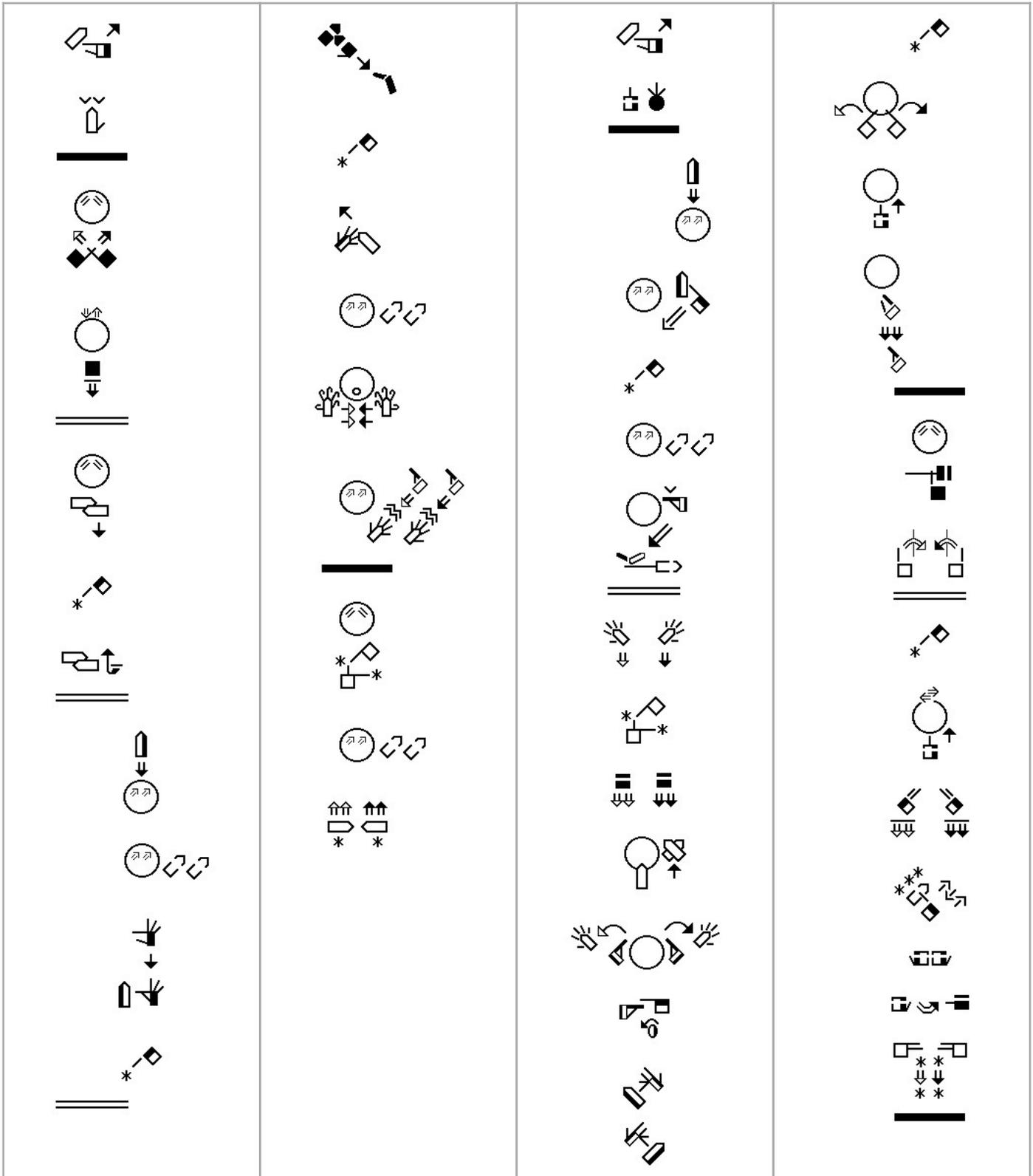
Verse 5. All glory to God forever and ever! Amen. Verse 6. I am shocked that you are turning away so soon from God, who called you to himself through the loving mercy of Christ. You are following a different way that pretends to be the Good News NLT



Verse 9. I say again what we have said before: If anyone preaches any other Good News than the one you welcomed, let that person be cursed. Verse 10. Obviously, I'm not trying to win the approval of people, but of God. If pleasing people were my goal, I would not be Christ's servant.

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Galatians 1:15-16



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Verse 15. But even before I was born, God chose me and called me by his marvelous grace. Then it pleased him Verse 16. to reveal his Son to me so that I would proclaim the Good News about Jesus to the Gentiles. When this happened, I did not rush out to consult with any human being. NLT

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Verse 17. Nor did I go up to Jerusalem to consult with those who were apostles before I was. Instead, I went away into Arabia, and later I returned to the city of Damascus.
 Verse 18. Then three years later I went to Jerusalem

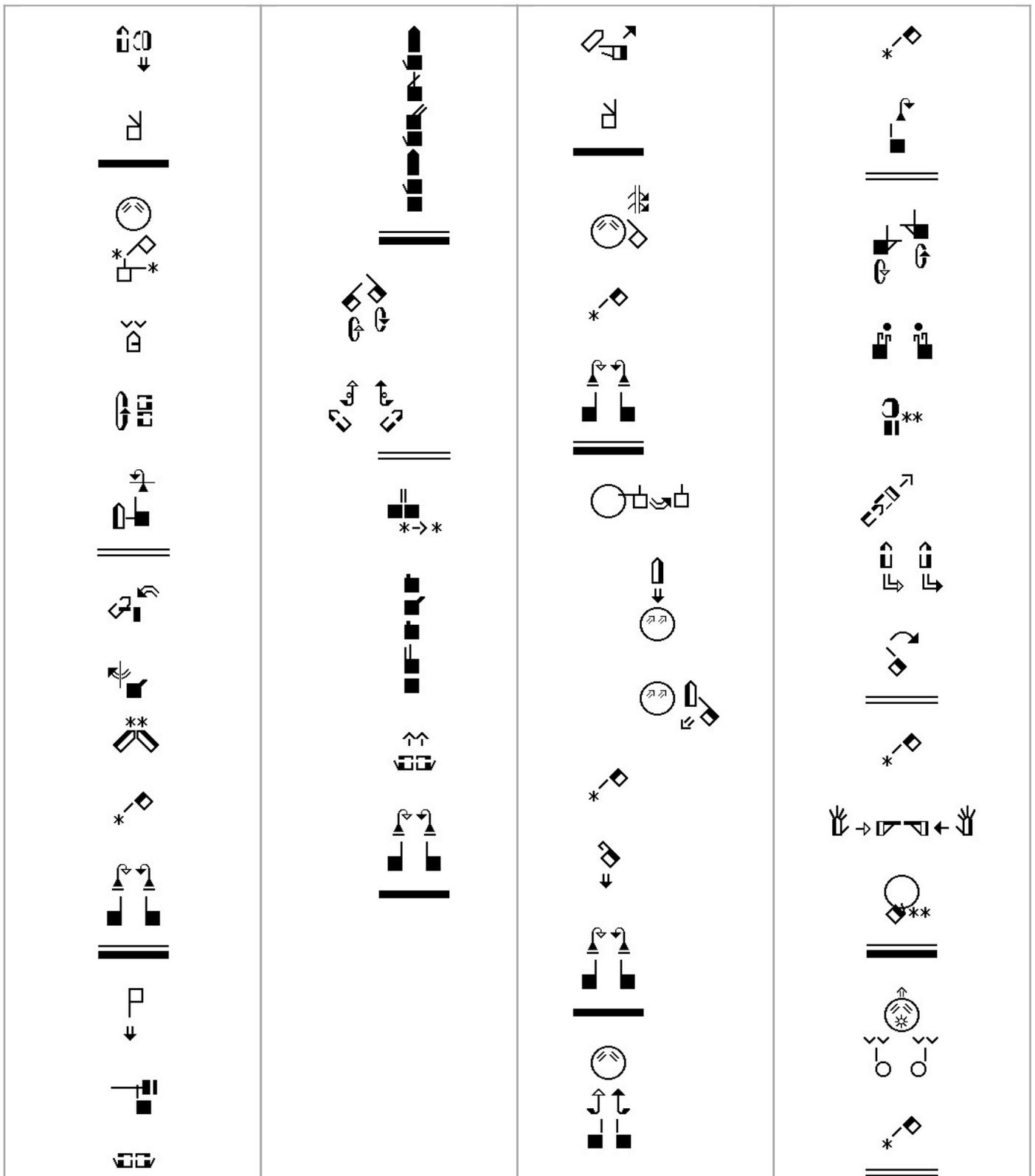
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Galatians 1:18-20

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Galatians 1:24

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Chapter 2. Then fourteen years later I went back to Jerusalem again, this time with Barnabas; and Titus came along, too. Verse 2. I went there because God revealed to me that I should go. While I was there I met privately with those considered to be leaders of the church

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Galatians 2:2-3

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even demand that my companion Titus be circumcised, though he was a Gentile. Verse 4. Even that question came up only because of some so-called Christians there -- false ones, really -- who were secretly brought in. They sneaked in to spy on us and take away the freedom we have in Christ Jesus.

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Galatians 2:4-5

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Galatians 2:8-9

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Verse 8. For the same God who worked through Peter as the apostle to the Jews also worked through me as the apostle to the Gentiles. Verse 9. In fact, James, Peter, and John, who were known as pillars of the church, recognized the gift God had given me, and they

Galatians 2:11-12

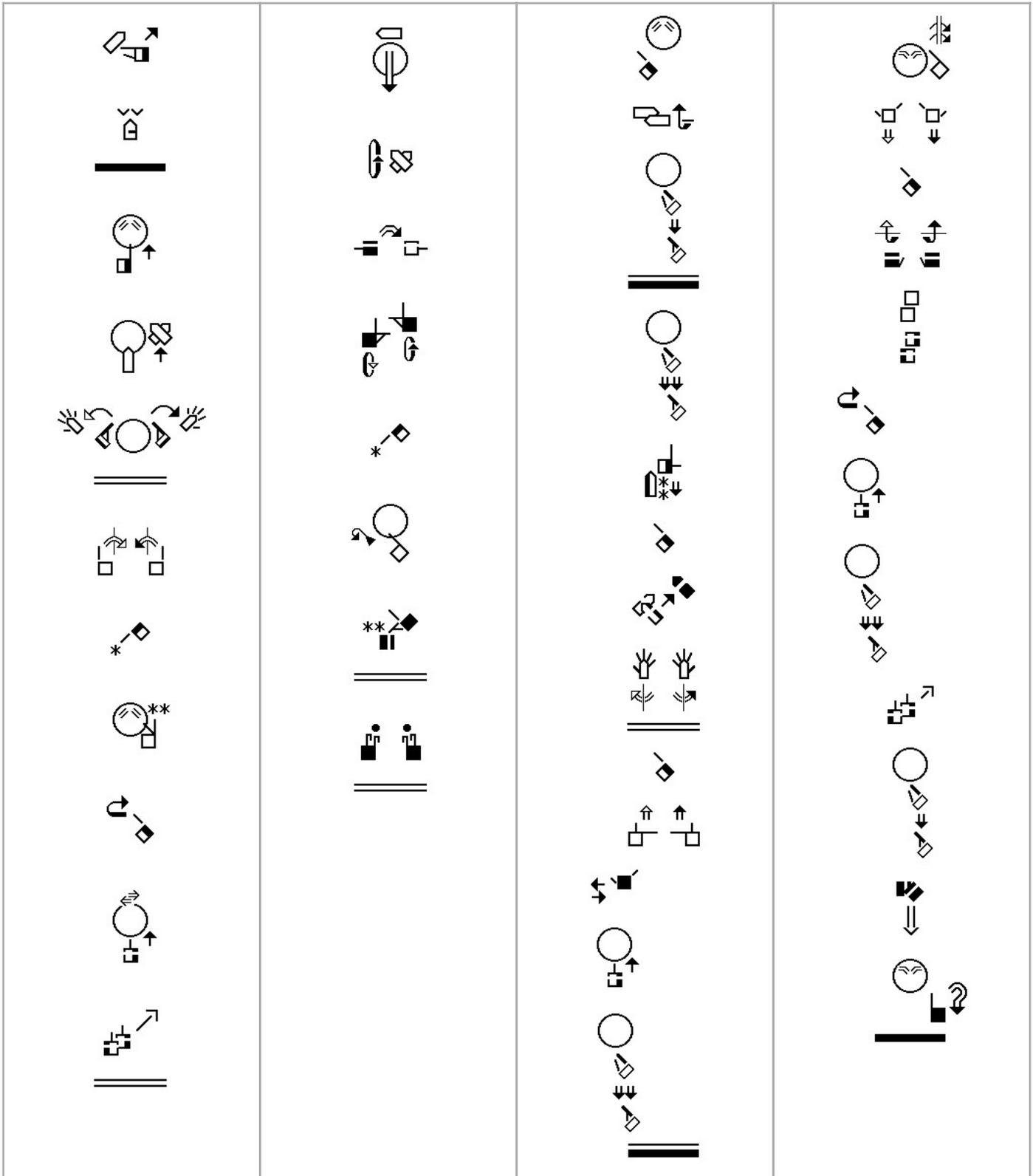
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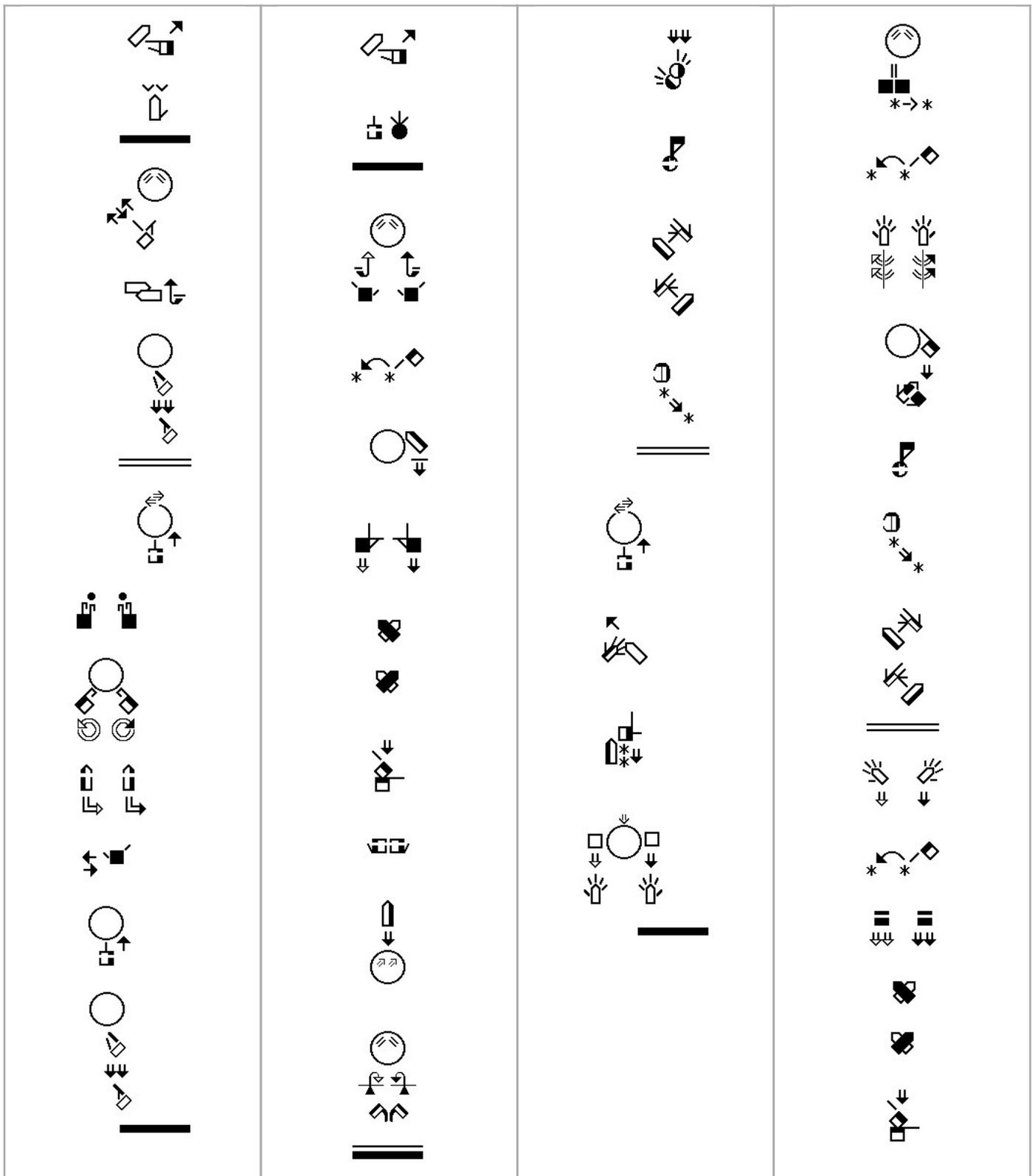
Peter wouldn't eat with the Gentiles anymore. He was afraid of criticism from these people who insisted on the necessity of circumcision. Verse 13. As a result, other Jewish Christians followed Peter's hypocrisy, and even Barnabas was led astray by their hypocrisy.

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Galatians 2:14

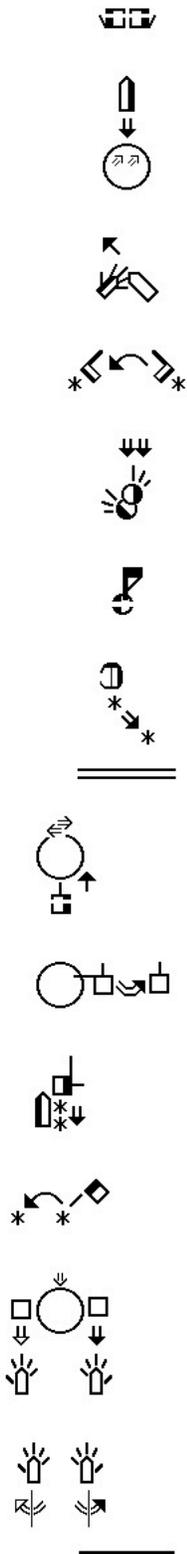


Verse 14. When I saw that they were not following the truth of the gospel message, I said to Peter in front of all the others, "Since you, a Jew by birth, have discarded the Jewish laws and are living like a Gentile, why are you now trying to make these Gentiles follow the Jewish traditions?"



Verse 15. "You and I are Jews by birth, not 'sinners' like the Gentiles. Verse 16. Yet we know that a person is made right with God by faith in Jesus Christ, not by obeying the law. And we have believed in Christ Jesus, so that we might be made right NLT

Galatians 2:16-17

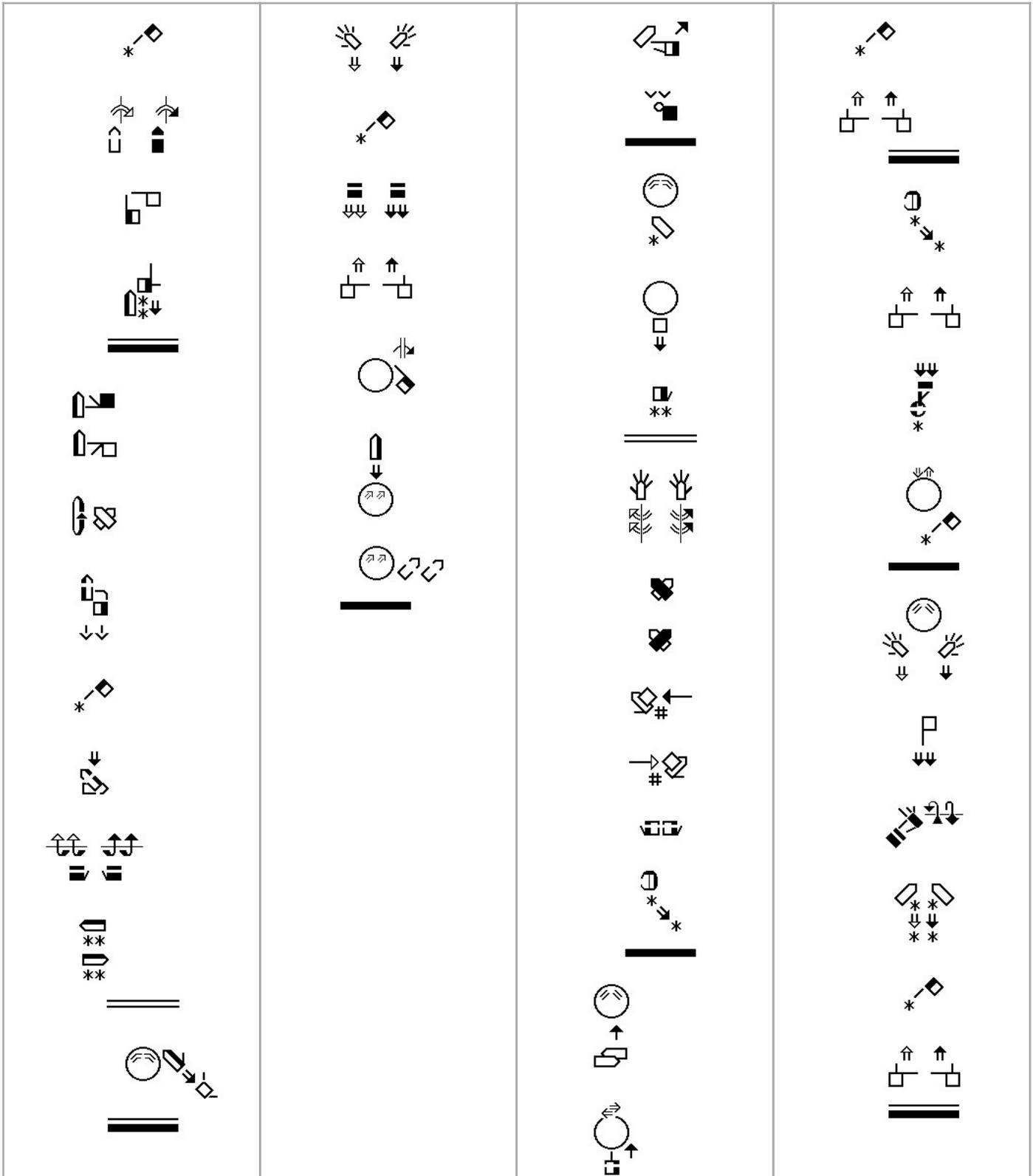
			
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with God because of our faith in Christ, not because we have obeyed the law. For no one will ever be made right with God by obeying the law." Verse 17. But suppose we seek to be made right with God through faith in Christ and then we are found guilty because we have abandoned the law. Would that mean

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Christ has led us into sin? Absolutely not! Verse 18. Rather, I am a sinner if I rebuild the old system of law I already tore down. Verse 19. For when I tried to keep the law, it condemned me. So
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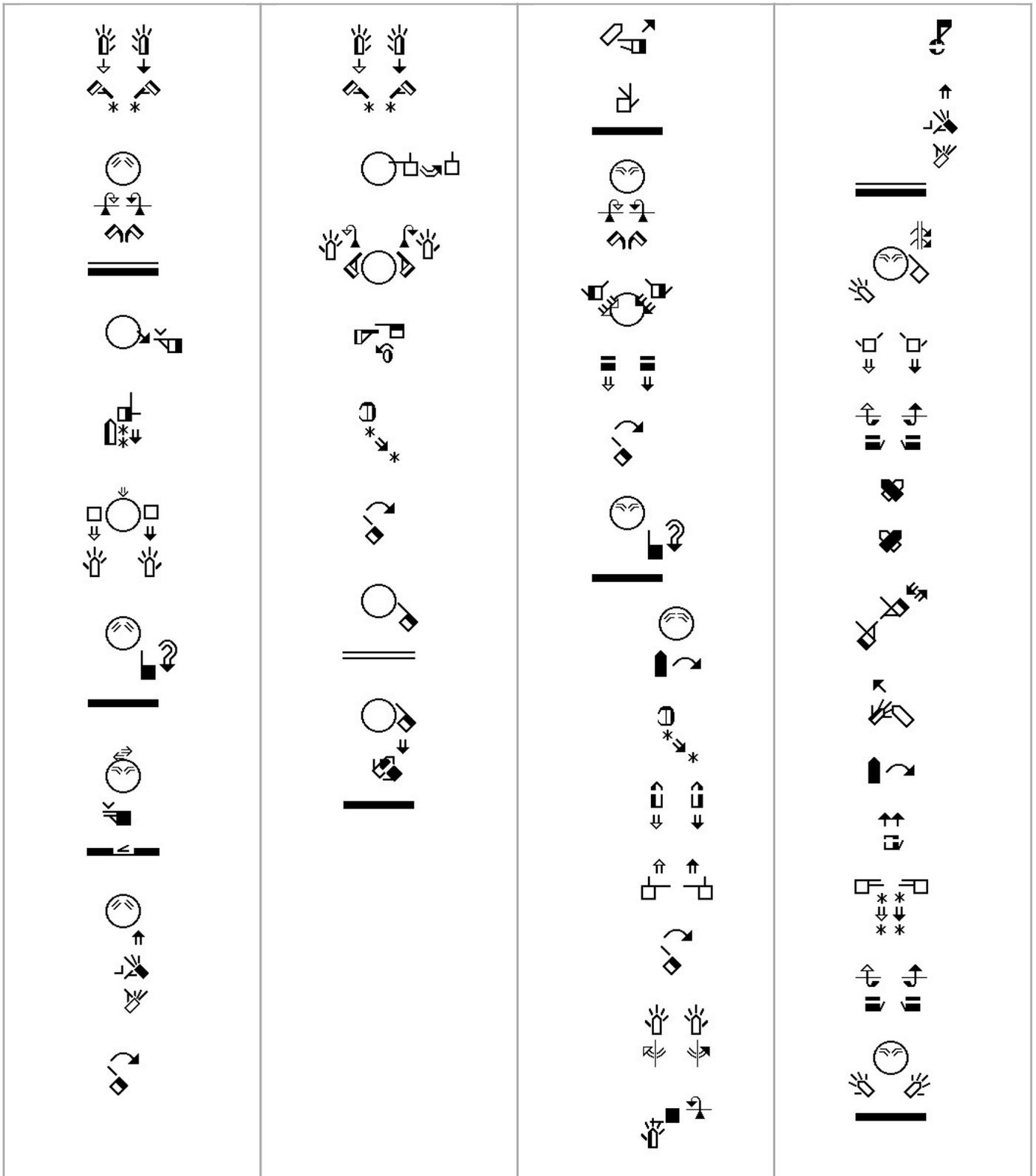
Galatians 2:19-20



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by trusting in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me. Verse 21. I do not treat the grace of God as meaningless. For if keeping the law could make us right with God, then there was no need for Christ to die.

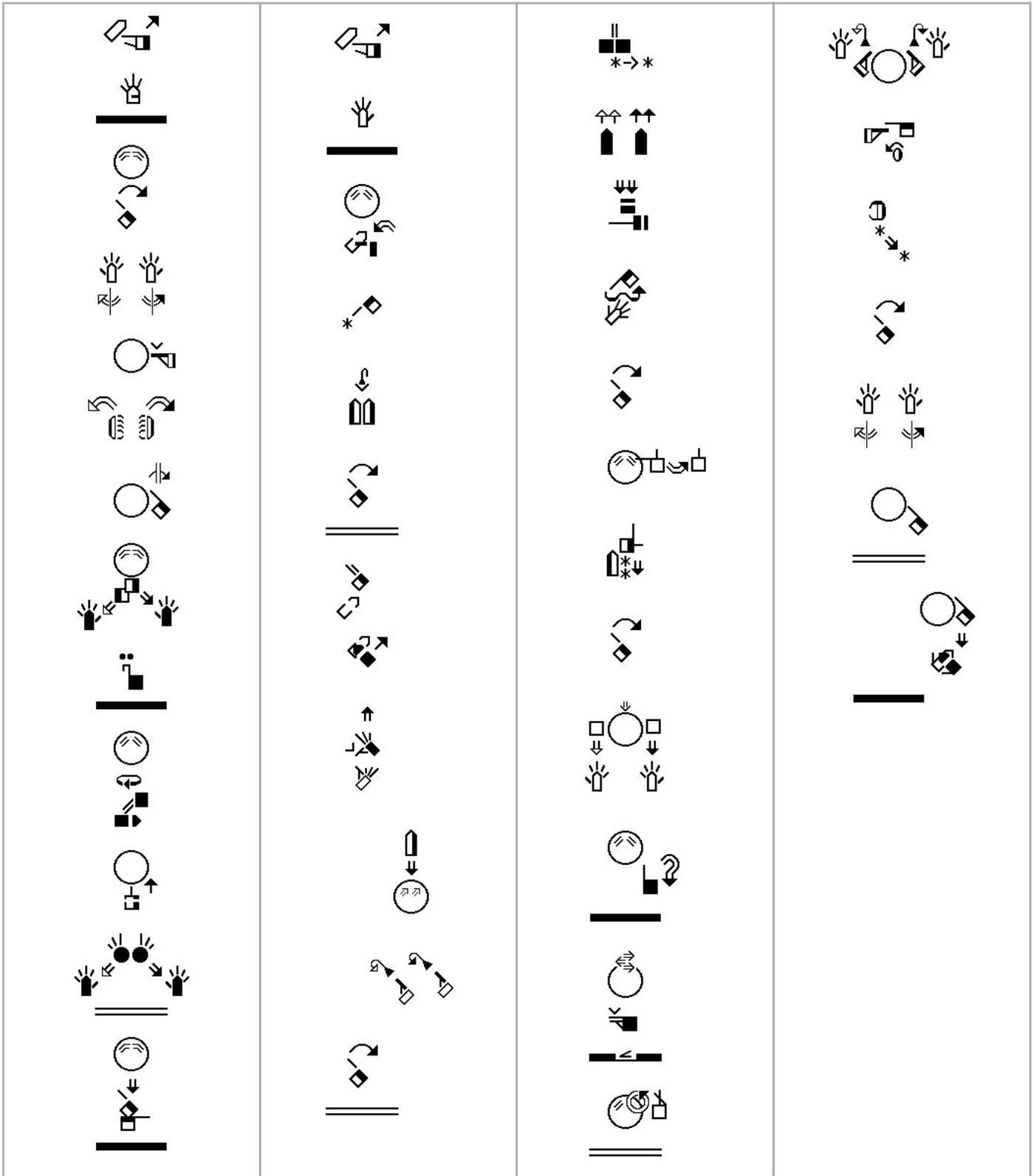
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by obeying the law of Moses? Of course not! You received the Spirit because you believed the message you heard about Christ. Verse 3. How foolish can you be? After starting your Christian lives in the Spirit, why are you now trying to become perfect by your own human effort?

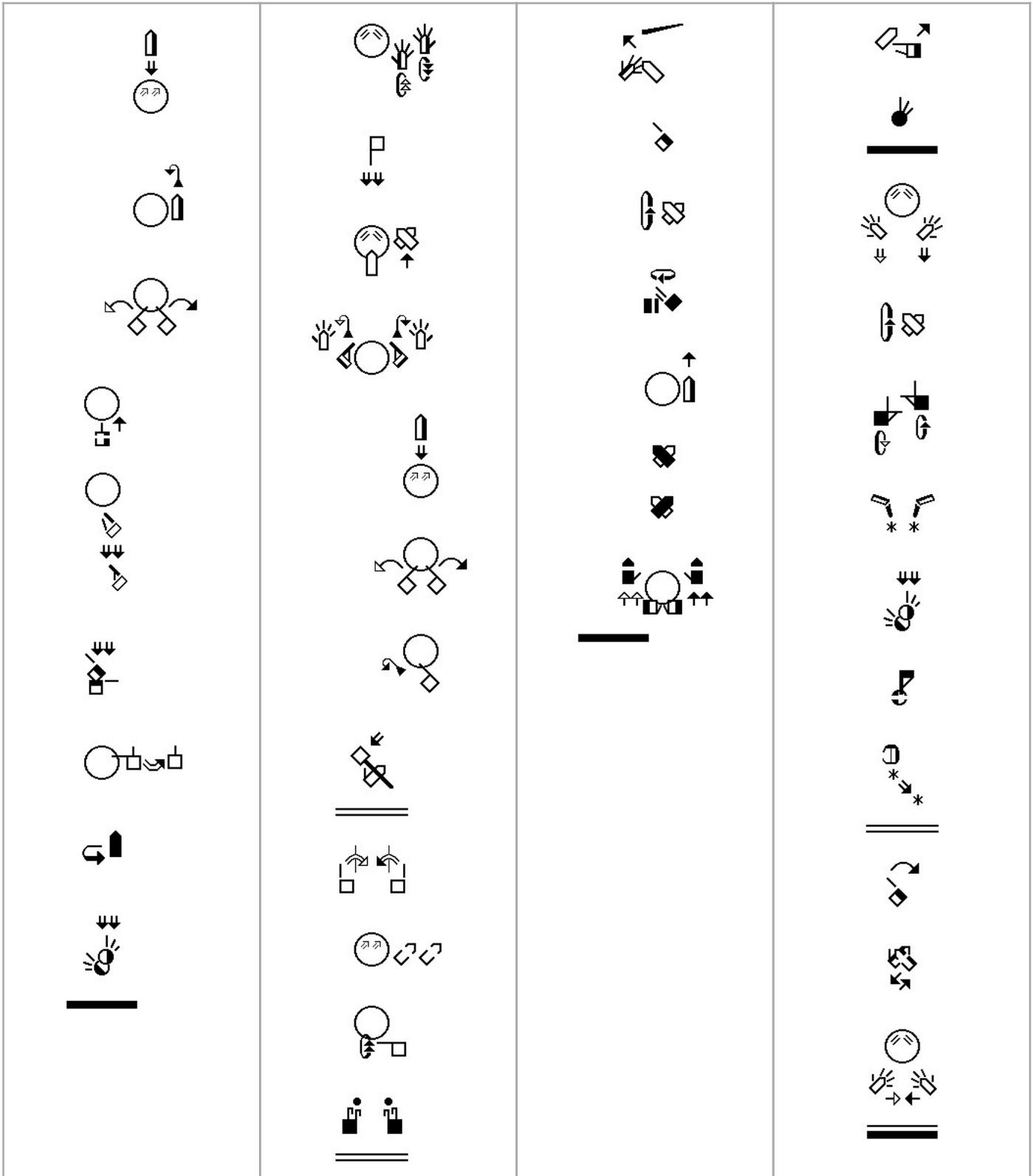
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Galatians 3:4-5



Verse 4. Have you experienced so much for nothing? Surely it was not in vain, was it? Verse 5. I ask you again, does God give you the Holy Spirit and work miracles among you because you obey the law? Of course not! It is because you believe the message you heard about Christ.

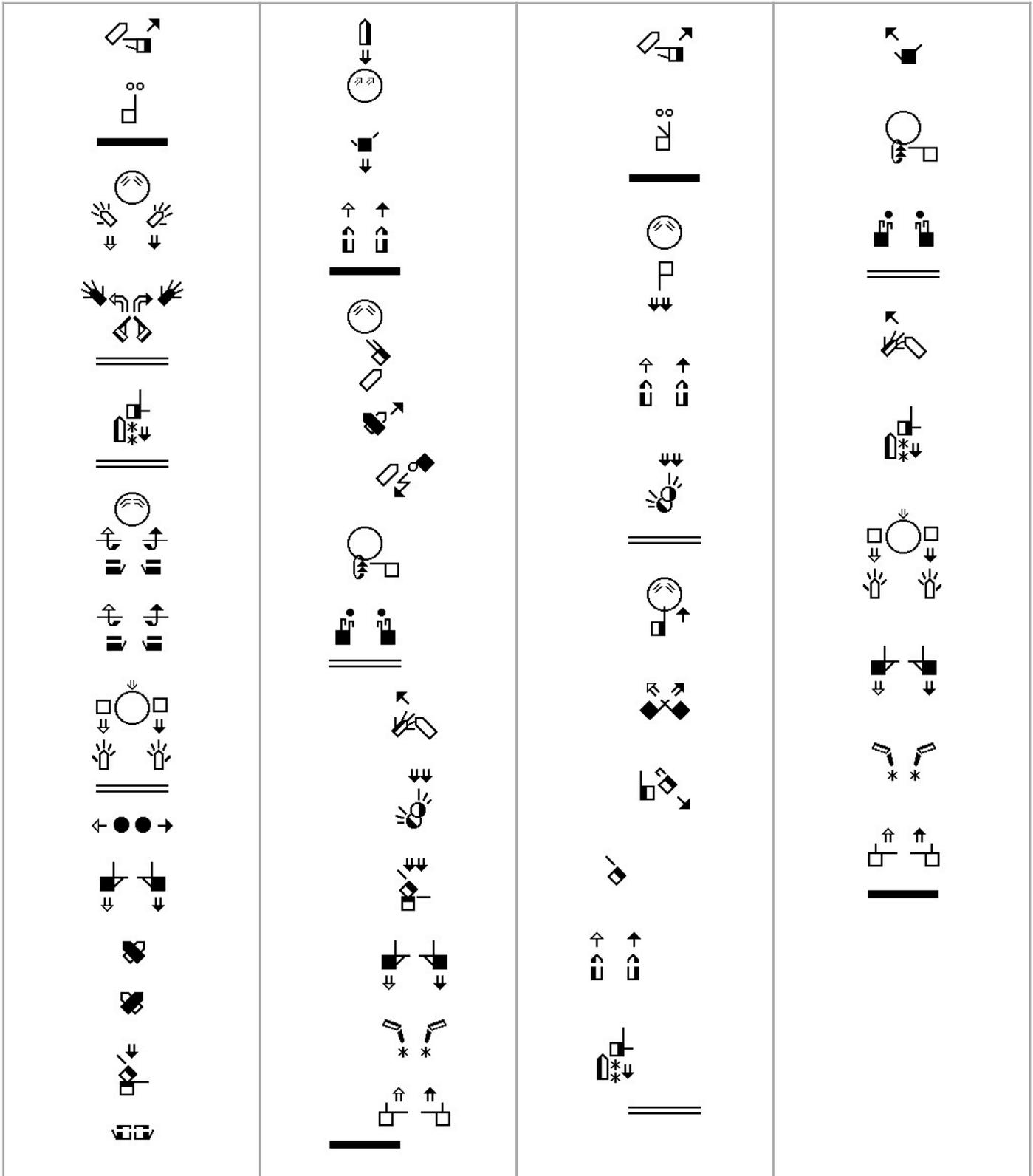
Galatians 3:8-9



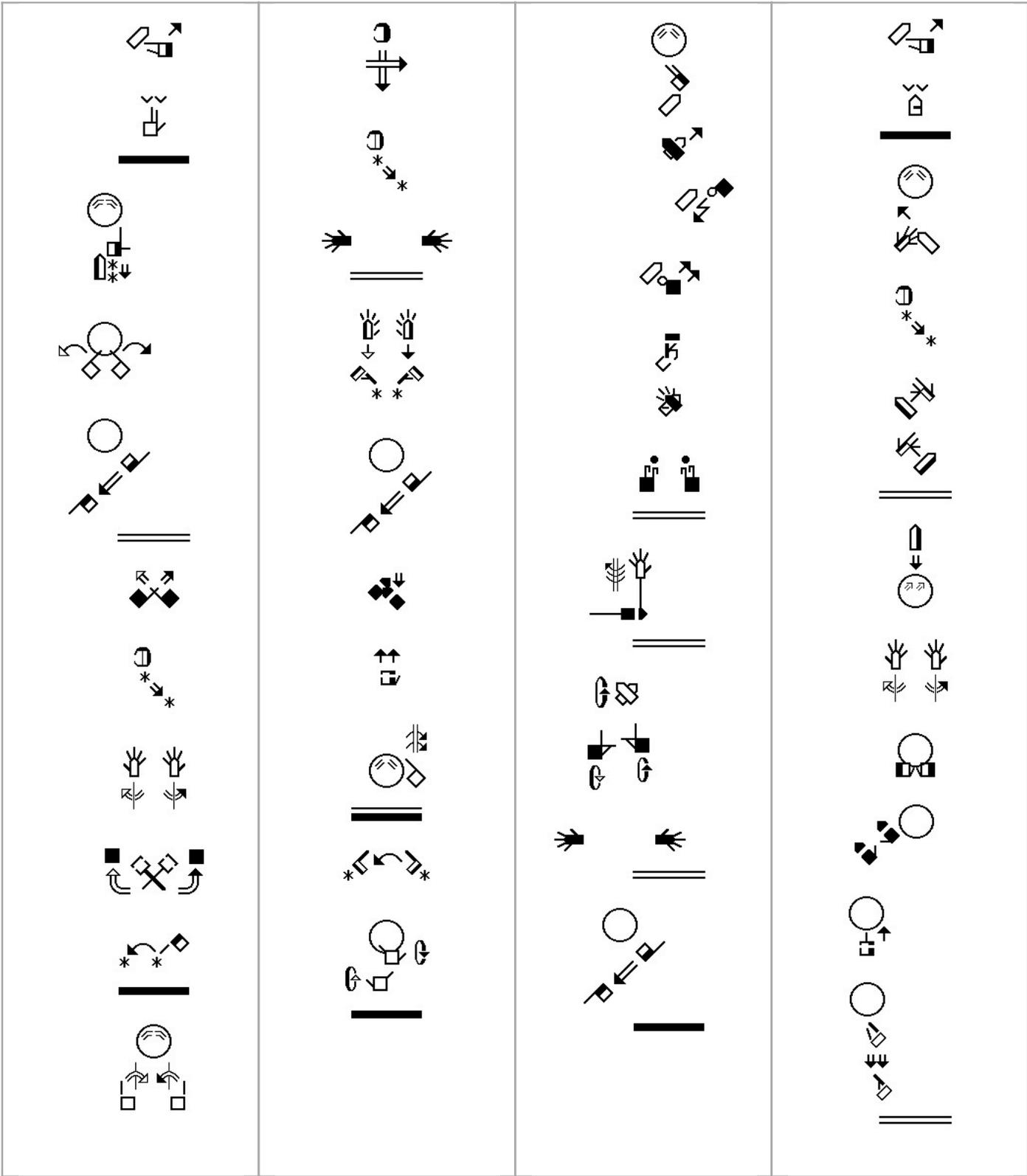
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the same blessing Abraham received because of his faith. Verse 10. But those who depend on the law to make them right with God are under his curse, for the Scriptures say, "Cursed is everyone who does not observe and obey all the commands that are written in God's Book of the Law."
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Galatians 3:11-12

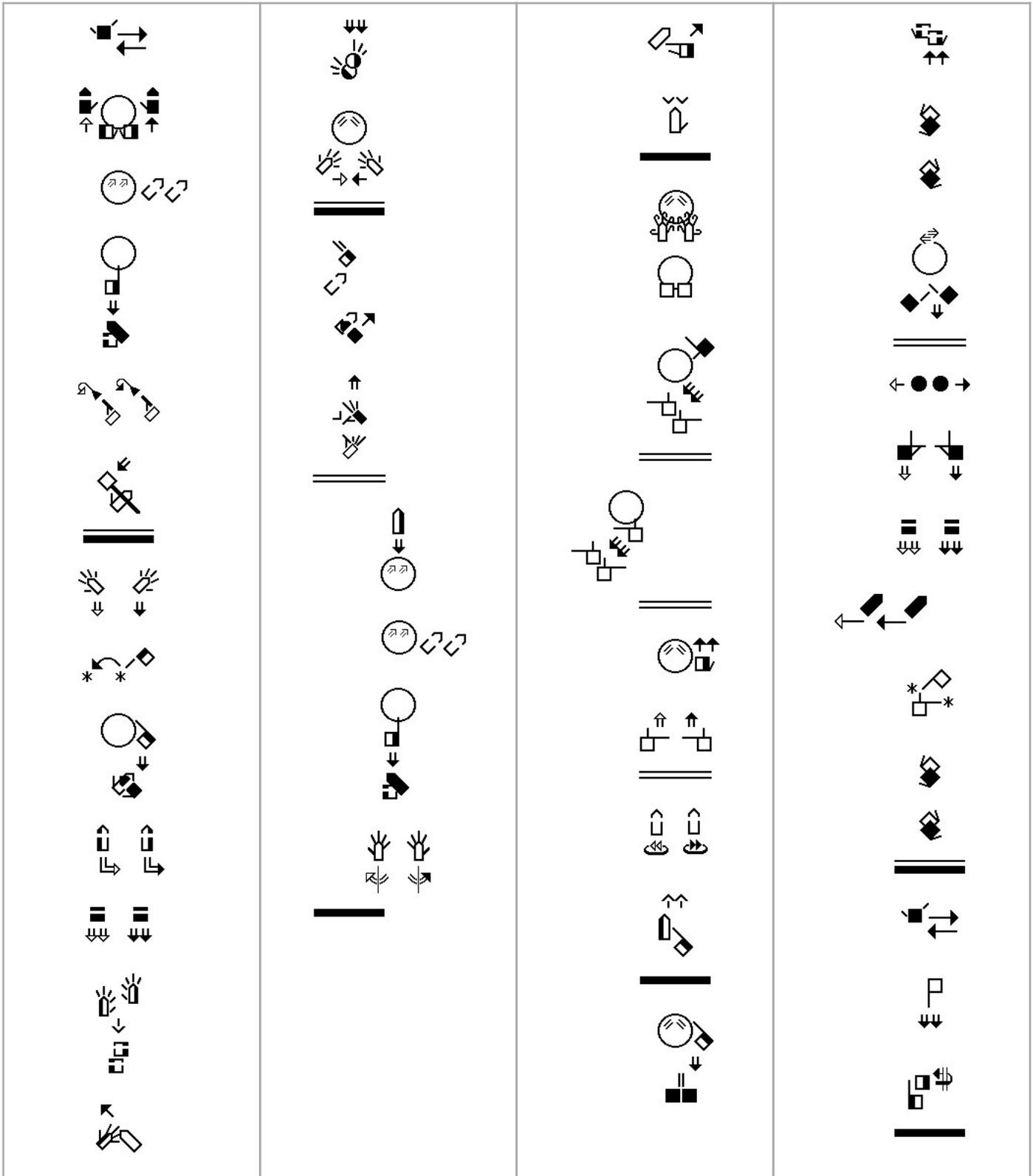


Verse 11. So it is clear that no one can be made right with God by trying to keep the law. For the Scriptures say, "It is through faith that a righteous person has life." Verse 12. This way of faith is very different from the way of law, which says, "It is through obeying the law that a person has life."
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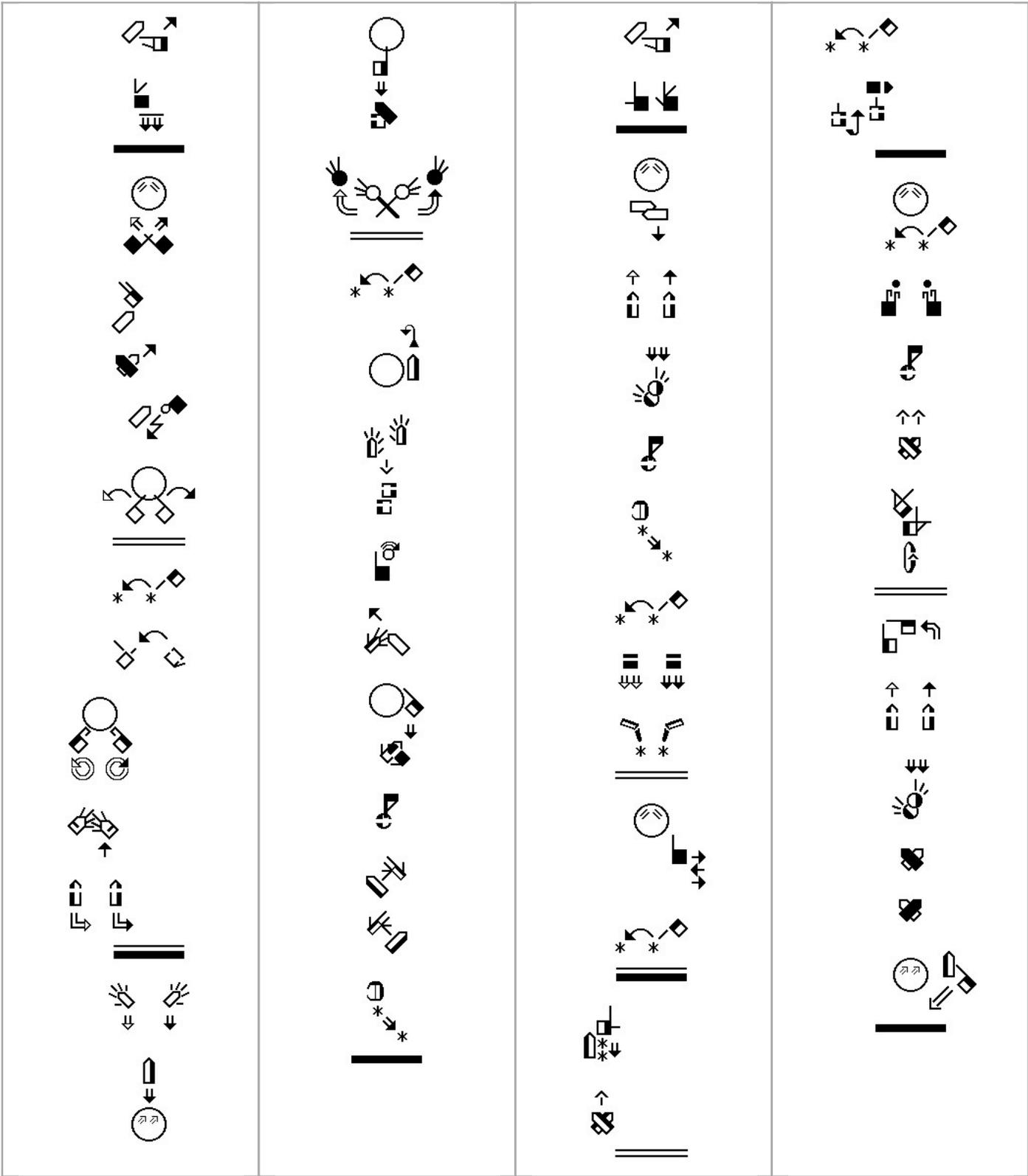


Verse 13. But Christ has rescued us from the curse pronounced by the law. When he was hung on the cross, he took upon himself the curse for our wrongdoing. For it is written in the Scriptures, "Cursed is everyone who is hung on a tree." Verse 14. Through Christ Jesus, God has blessed the Gentiles
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Galatians 3:14-15

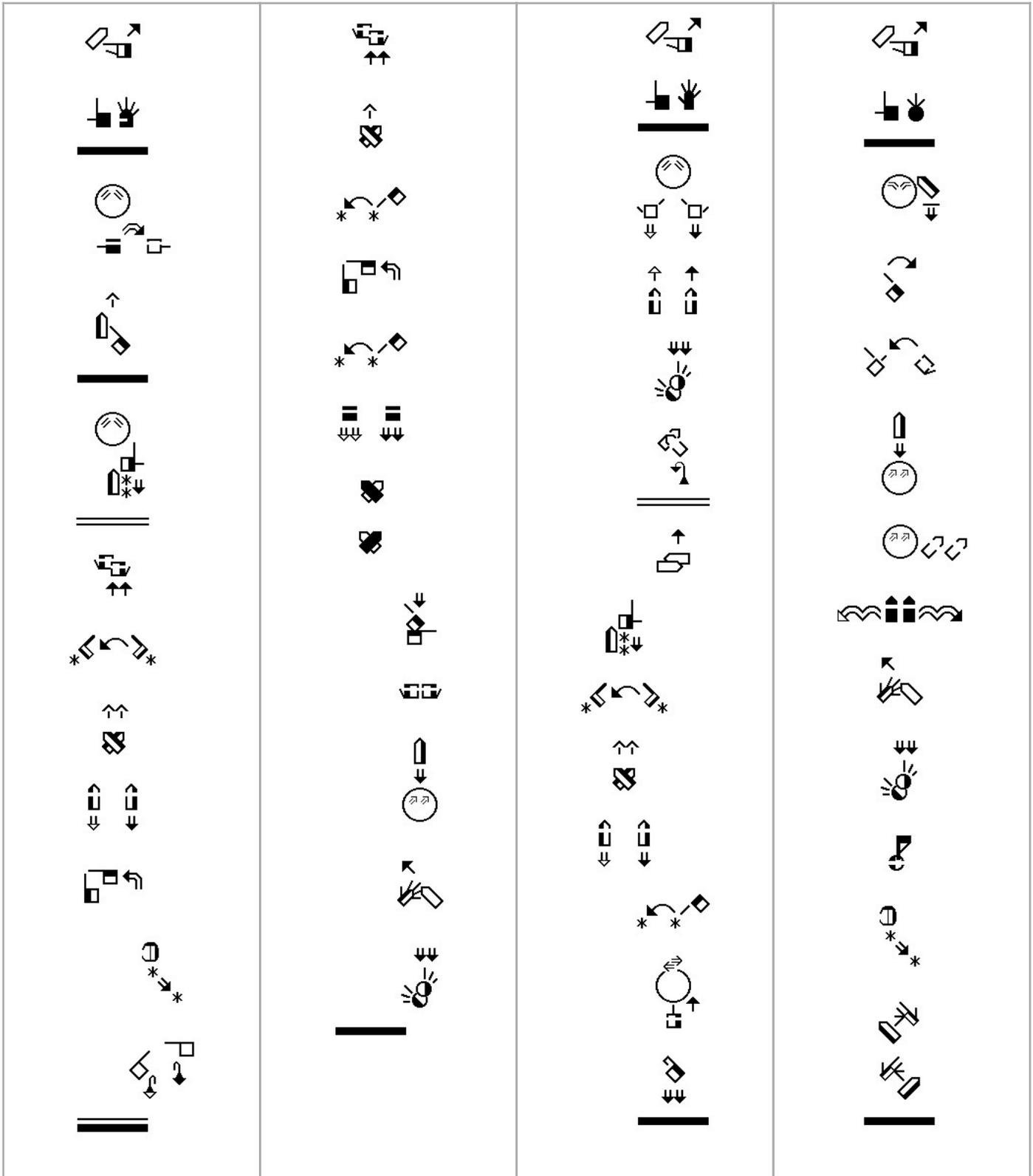


with the same blessing he promised to Abraham, so that we who are believers might receive the promised Holy Spirit through faith. Verse 15. Dear brothers and sisters, here's an example from everyday life. Just as no one can set aside or amend an irrevocable agreement, so it is in this case. NLT



Verse 22. But the Scriptures declare that we are all prisoners of sin, so we receive God's promise of freedom only by believing in Jesus Christ. Verse 23. Before the way of faith in Christ was available to us, we were placed under guard by the law. We were kept in protective custody, so to speak, until the way of faith was revealed. NLT

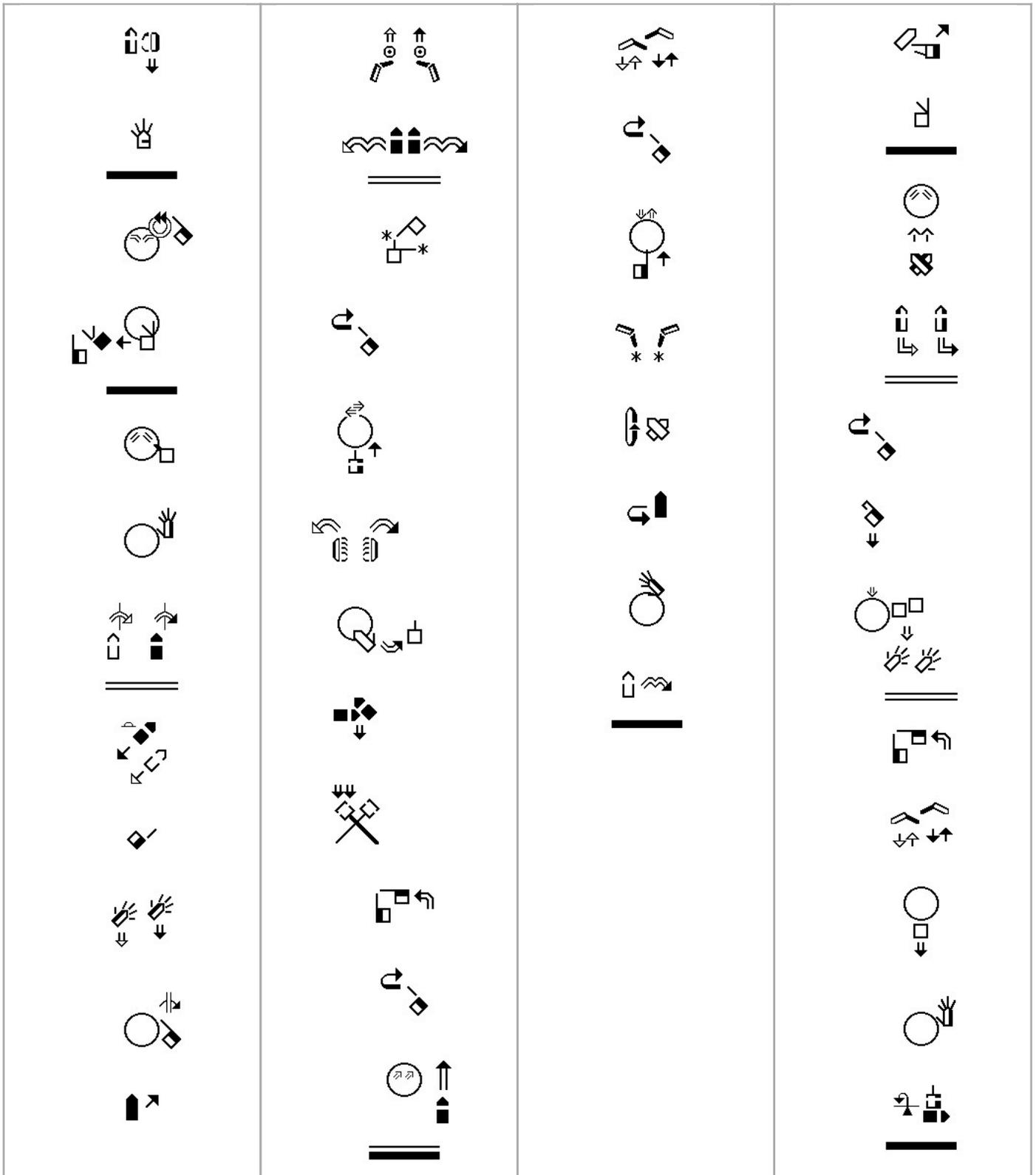
Galatians 3:24-25



Verse 24. Let me put it another way. The law was our guardian until Christ came; it protected us until we could be made right with God through faith. Verse 25. And now that the way of faith has come, we no longer need the law as our guardian. Verse 26. For you are all children of God through faith in Christ Jesus. NLT

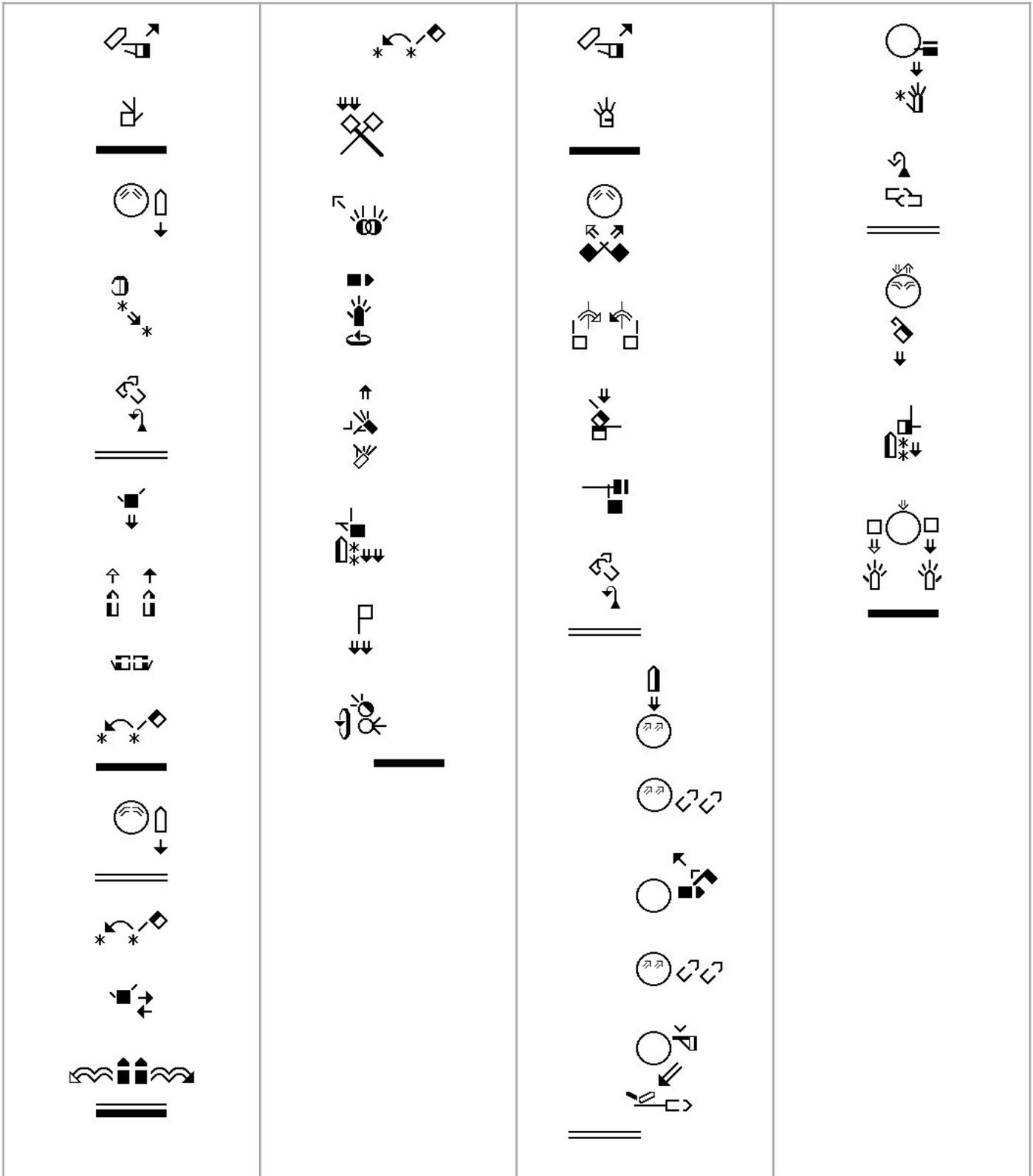
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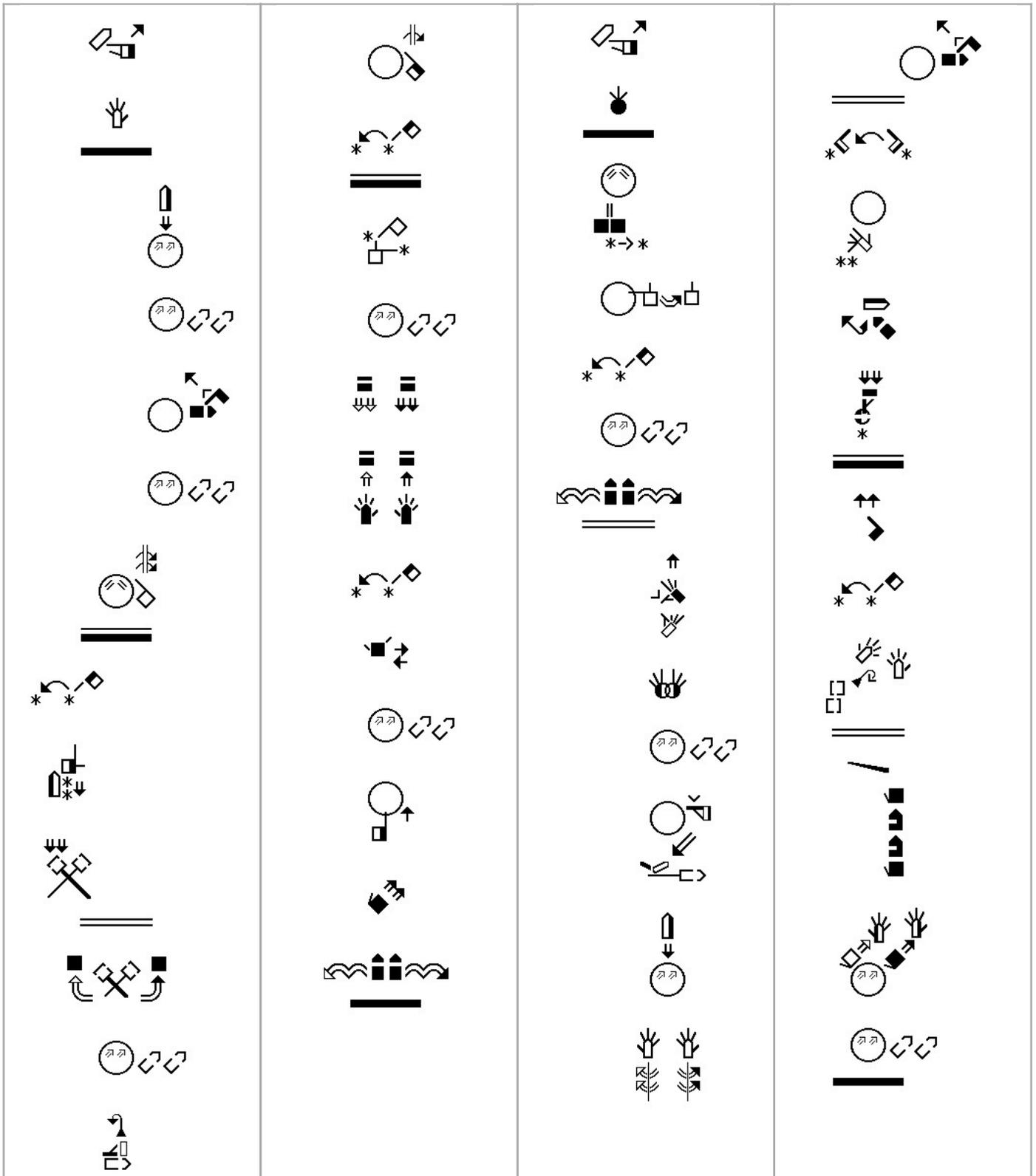
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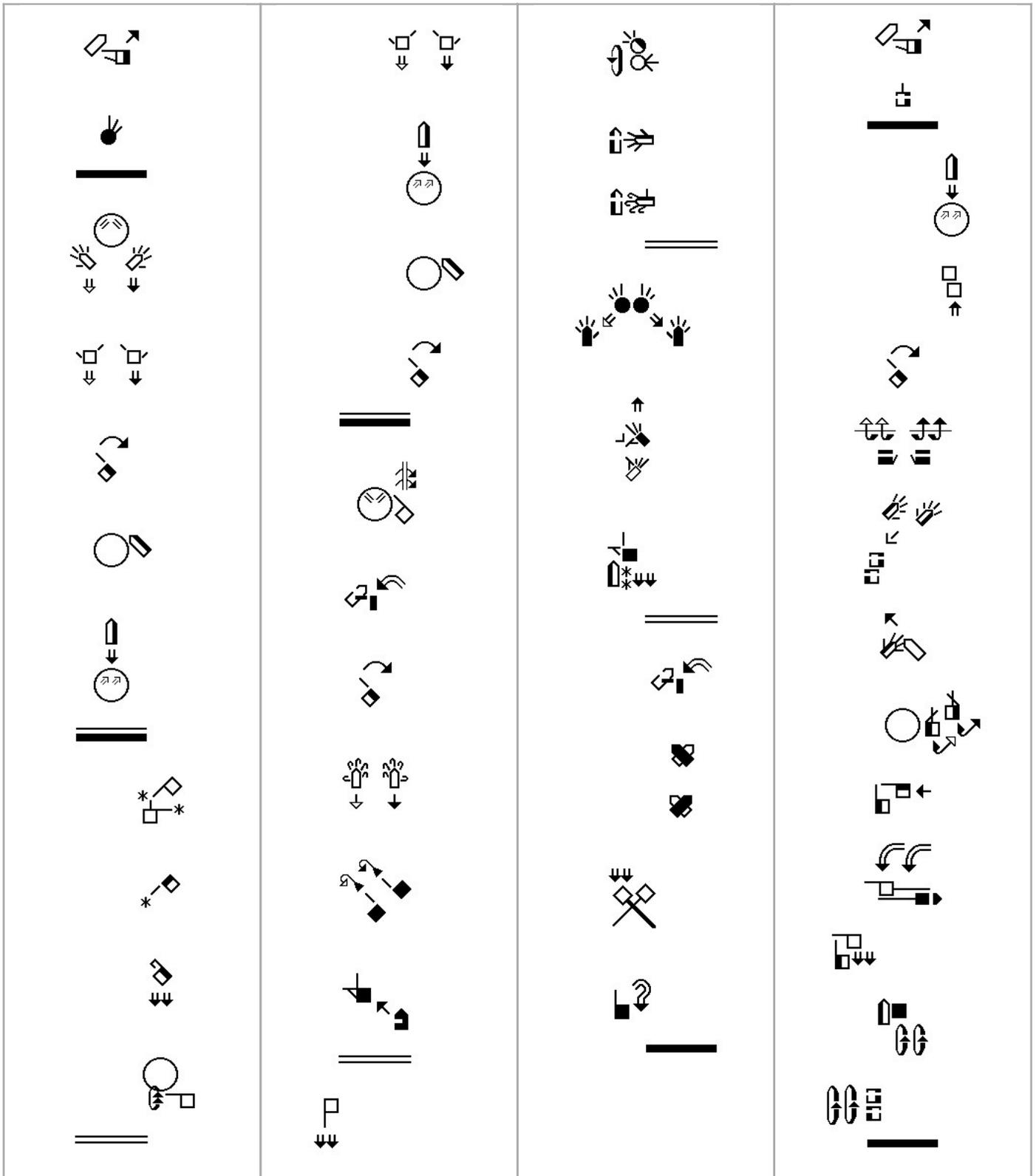
Chapter 4. Think of it this way. If a father dies and leaves an inheritance for his young children, those children are not much better off than slaves until they grow up, even though they actually own everything their father had. Verse 2. They have to obey their guardians until they reach whatever age their father set. NLT

Galatians 4:3-4





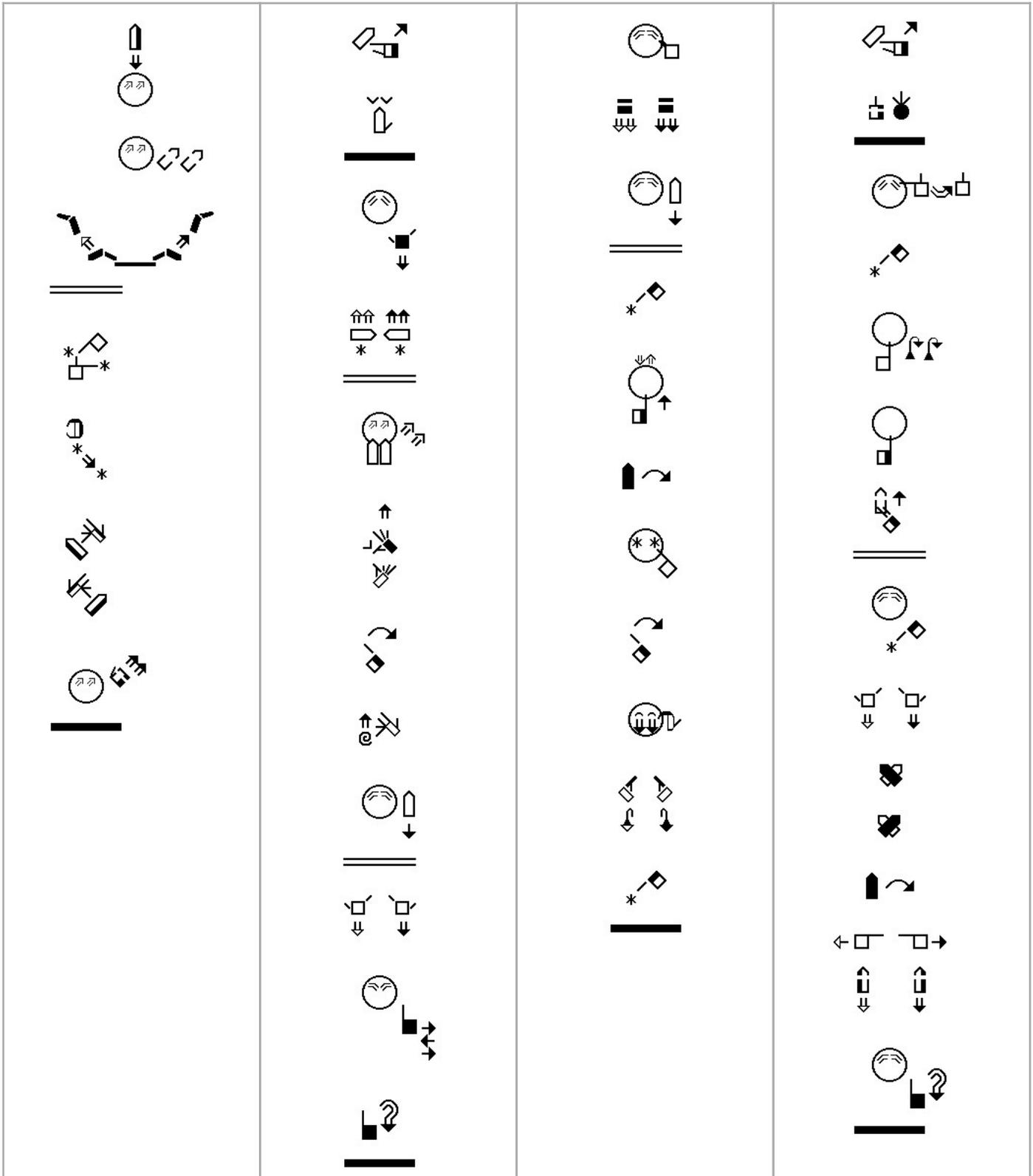
Verse 5. God sent him to buy freedom for us who were slaves to the law, so that he could adopt us as his very own children. Verse 6. And because we are his children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, prompting us to call out, "Abba, Father." NLT



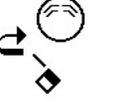
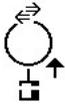
Verse 9. So now that you know God (or should I say, now that God knows you), why do you want to go back again and become slaves once more to the weak and useless spiritual principles of this world? Verse 10. You are trying to earn favor with God by observing certain days or months or seasons or years.

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Galatians 4:14-16



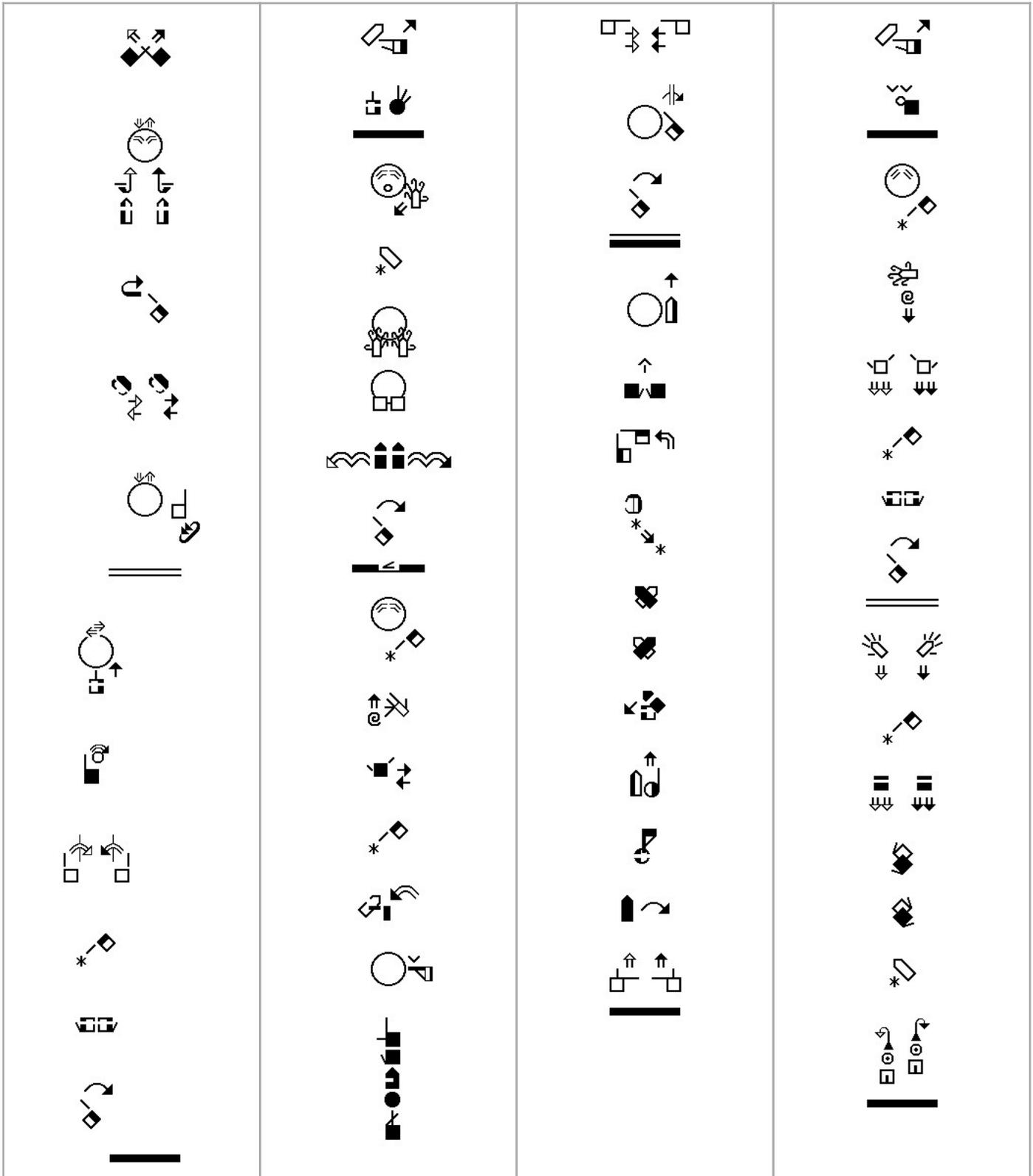
were an angel from God or even Christ Jesus himself. Verse 15. Where is that joyful and grateful spirit you felt then? I am sure you would have taken out your own eyes and given them to me if it had been possible. Verse 16. Have I now become your enemy because I am telling you the truth?
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Verse 17. Those false teachers are so eager to win your favor, but their intentions are not good. They are trying to shut you off from me so that you will pay attention only to them.
 Verse 18. If someone is eager to do good things for you, that's all right;

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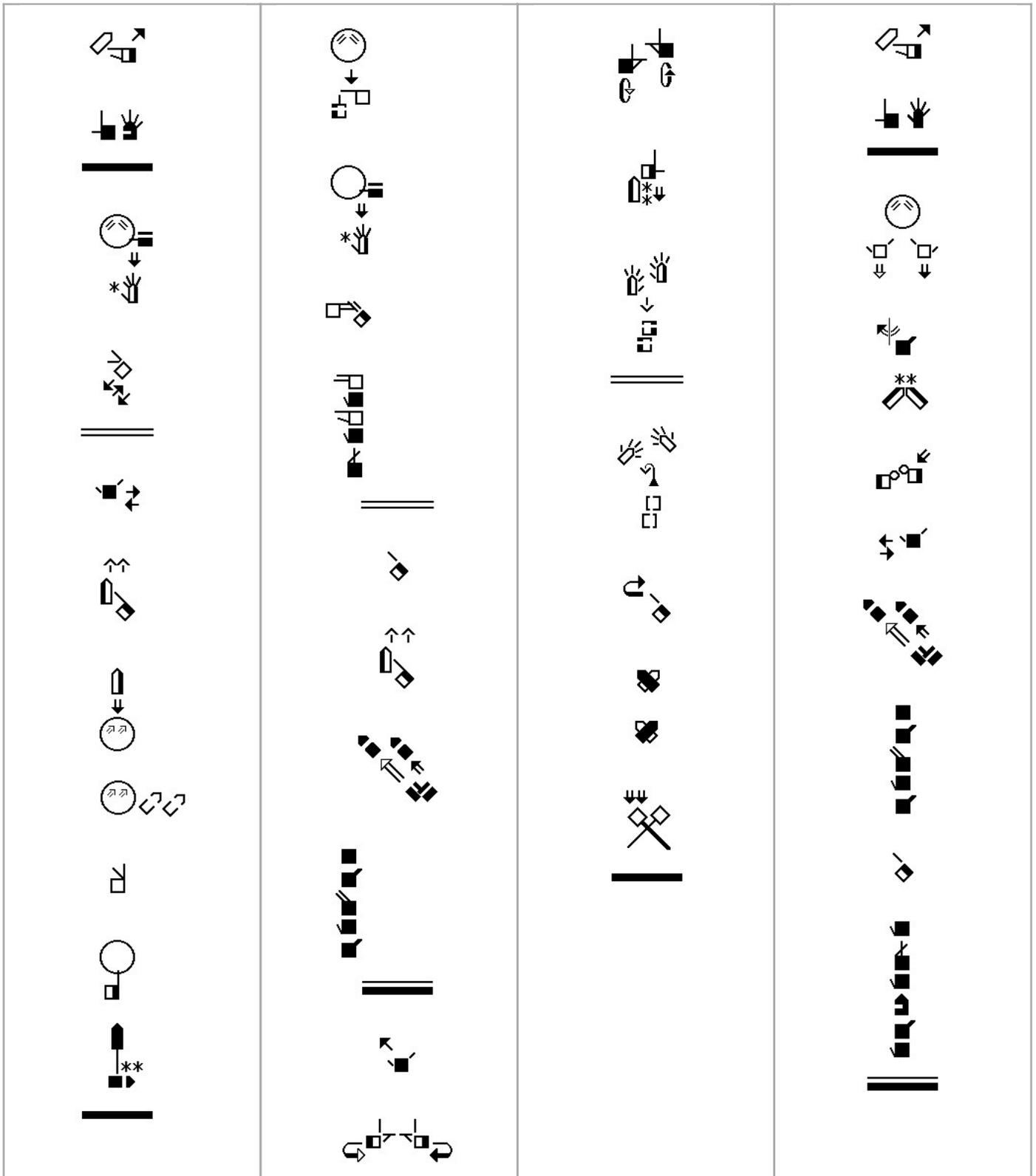
Galatians 4:18-20



but let them do it all the time, not just when I'm with you. Verse 19. Oh, my dear children! I feel as if I'm going through labor pains for you again, and they will continue until Christ is fully developed in your lives. Verse 20. I wish I were with you right now so I could change my tone. NLT

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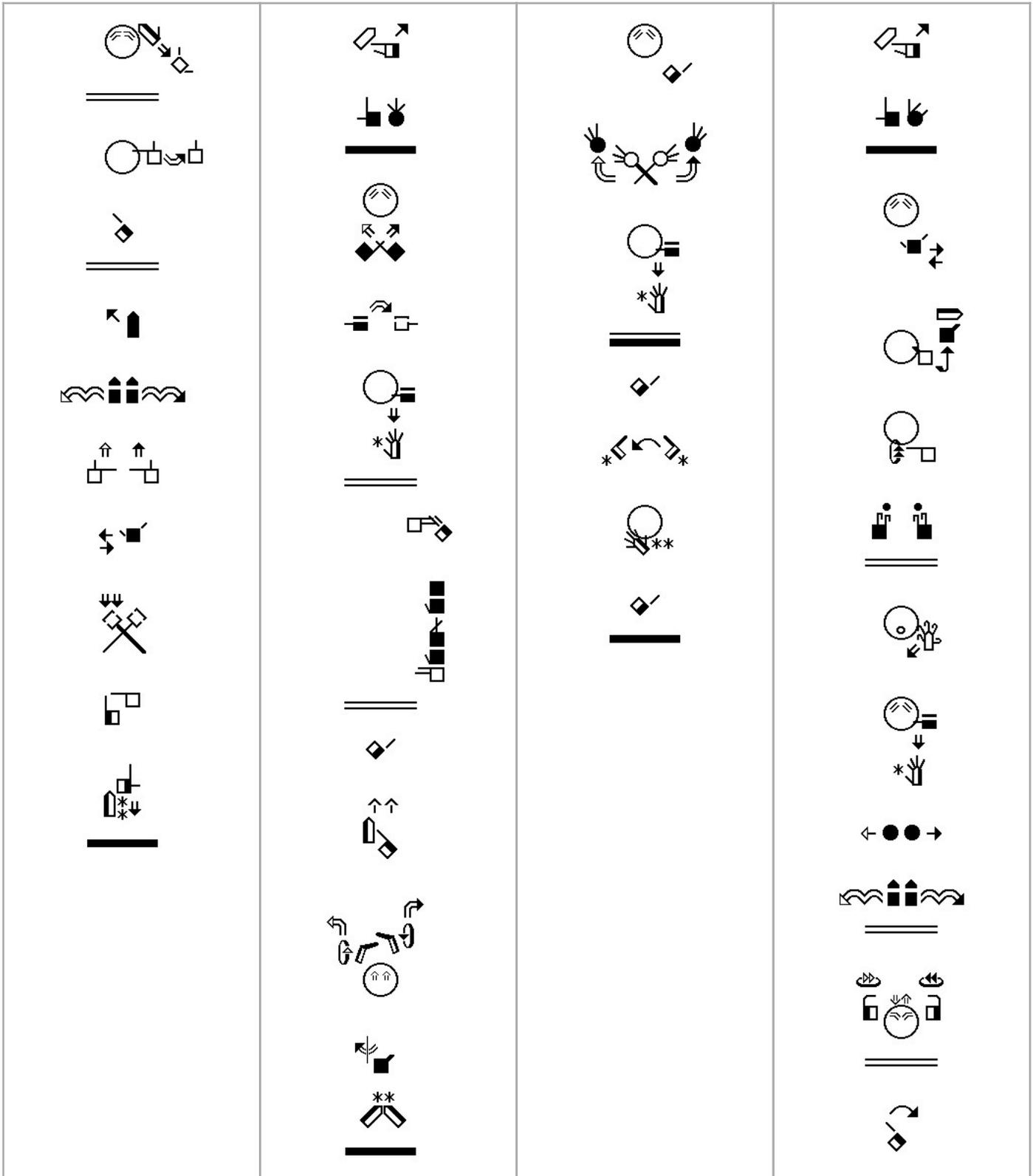
But at this distance I don't know how else to help you. Verse 21. Tell me, you who want to live under the law, do you know what the law actually says? Verse 22. The Scriptures say that Abraham had two sons, one NLT



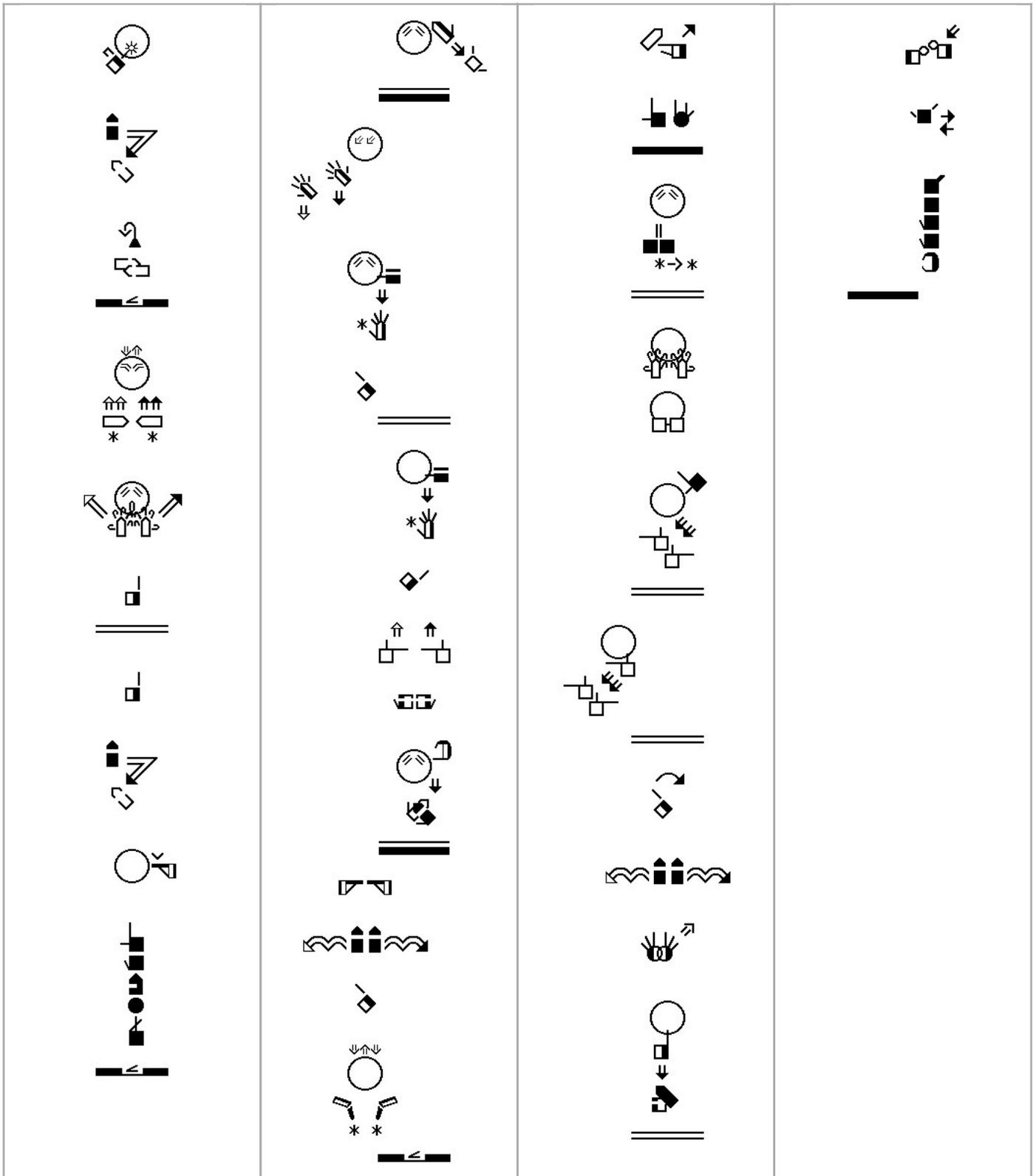
Verse 24. These two women serve as an illustration of God's two covenants. The first woman, Hagar, represents Mount Sinai where people received the law that enslaved them. Verse 25. And now Jerusalem is just like Mount Sinai in Arabia,

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Galatians 4:25-27



because she and her children live in slavery to the law. Verse 26. But the other woman, Sarah, represents the heavenly Jerusalem. She is the free woman, and she is our mother. Verse 27. As Isaiah said, "Rejoice, O childless woman, you



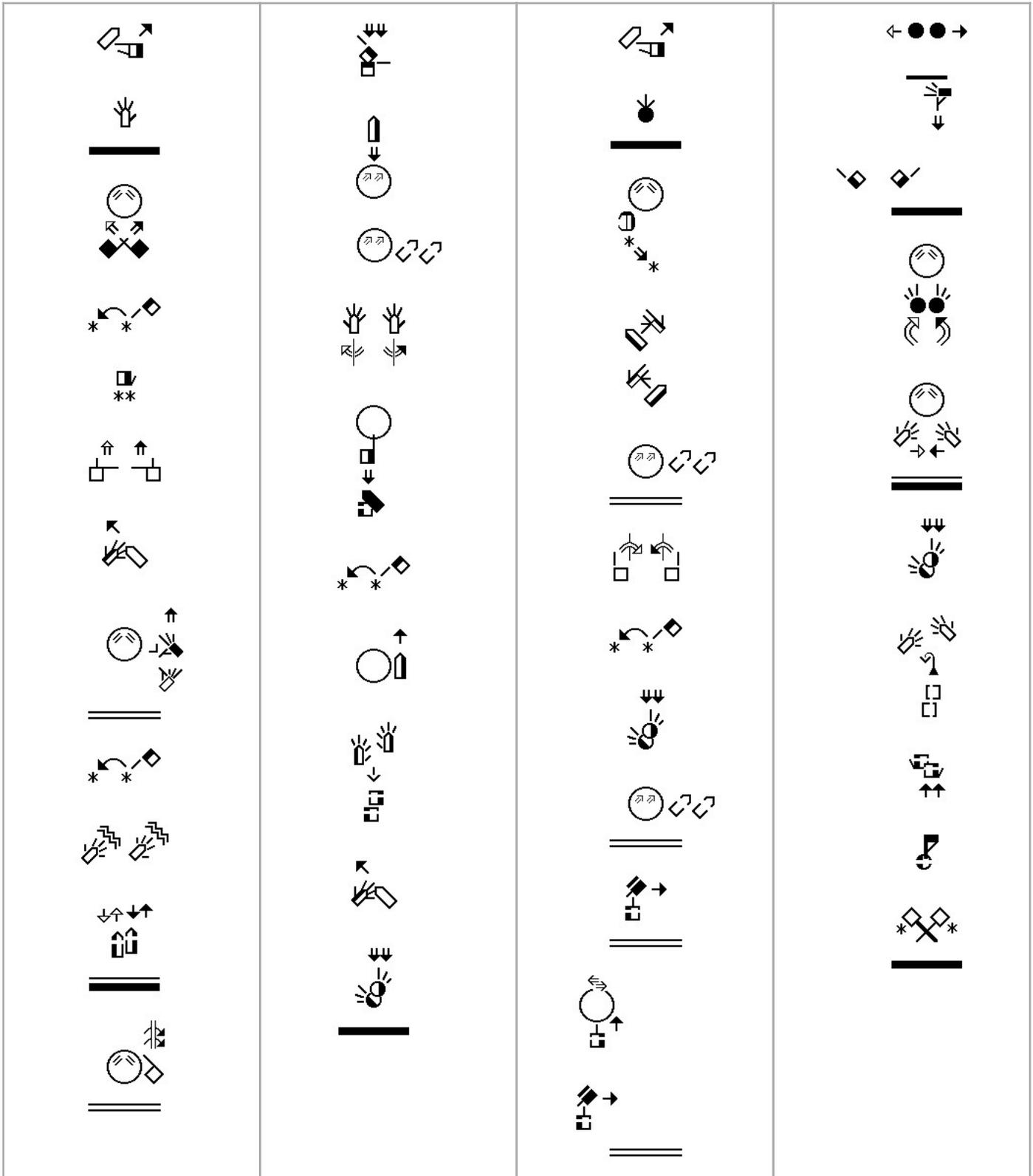
who have never given birth! Break into a joyful shout, you who have never been in labor! For the desolate woman now has more children than the woman who lives with her husband!" Verse 28. And you, dear brothers and sisters, are children of the promise, just like Isaac.

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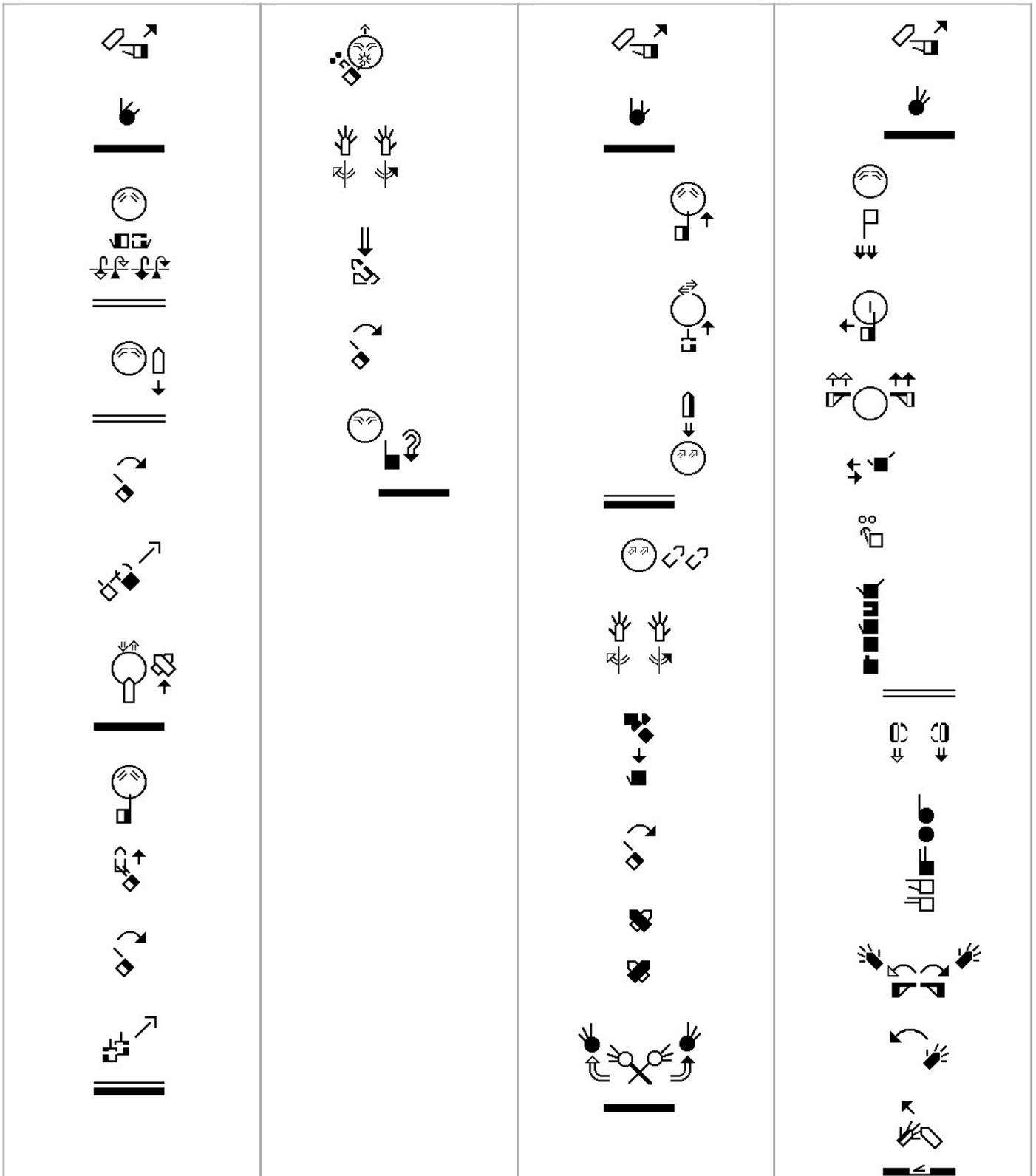
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and her son, for the son of the slave woman will not share the inheritance with the free woman's son." Verse 31. So, dear brothers and sisters, we are not children of the slave woman; we are children of the free woman.
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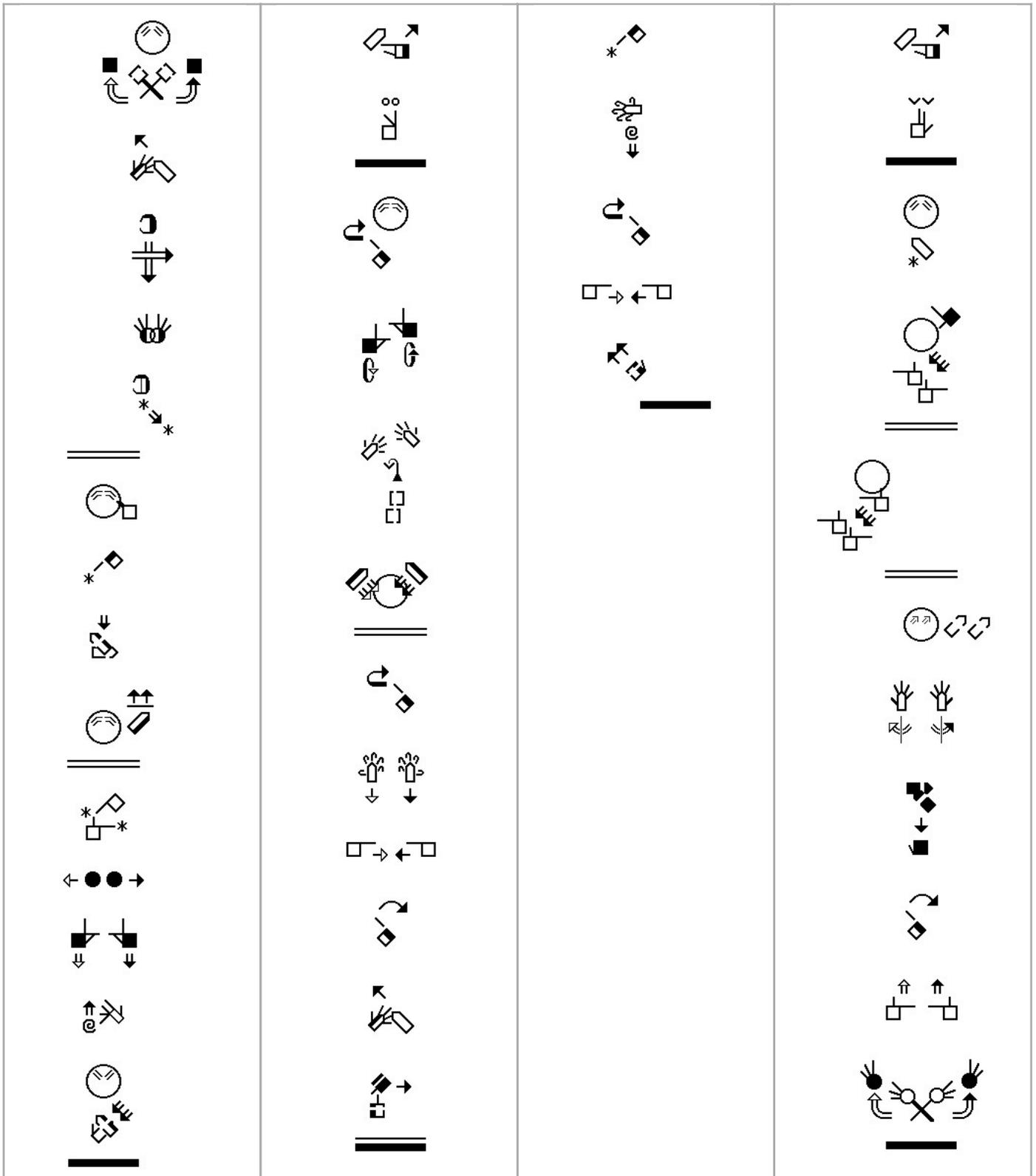
Galatians 5:5-6



Verse 5. But we who live by the Spirit eagerly wait to receive by faith the righteousness God has promised to us. Verse 6. For when we place our faith in Christ Jesus, there is no benefit in being circumcised or being uncircumcised. What is important is faith expressing itself in love.
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Verse 7. You were running the race so well. Who has held you back from following the truth? Verse 8. It certainly isn't God, for he is the one who called you to freedom. Verse 9. This false teaching is like a little yeast that spreads through the whole batch of dough!
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If I were no longer preaching salvation through the cross of Christ, no one would be offended. Verse 12. I just wish that those troublemakers who want to mutilate you by circumcision would mutilate themselves. Verse 13. For you have been called to live in freedom, my brothers and sisters.

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Galatians 5:13-14

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But don't use your freedom to satisfy your sinful nature. Instead, use your freedom to serve one another in love. Verse 14. For the whole law can be summed up in this one command: "Love your neighbor as yourself." NLT

Galatians 5:20-21

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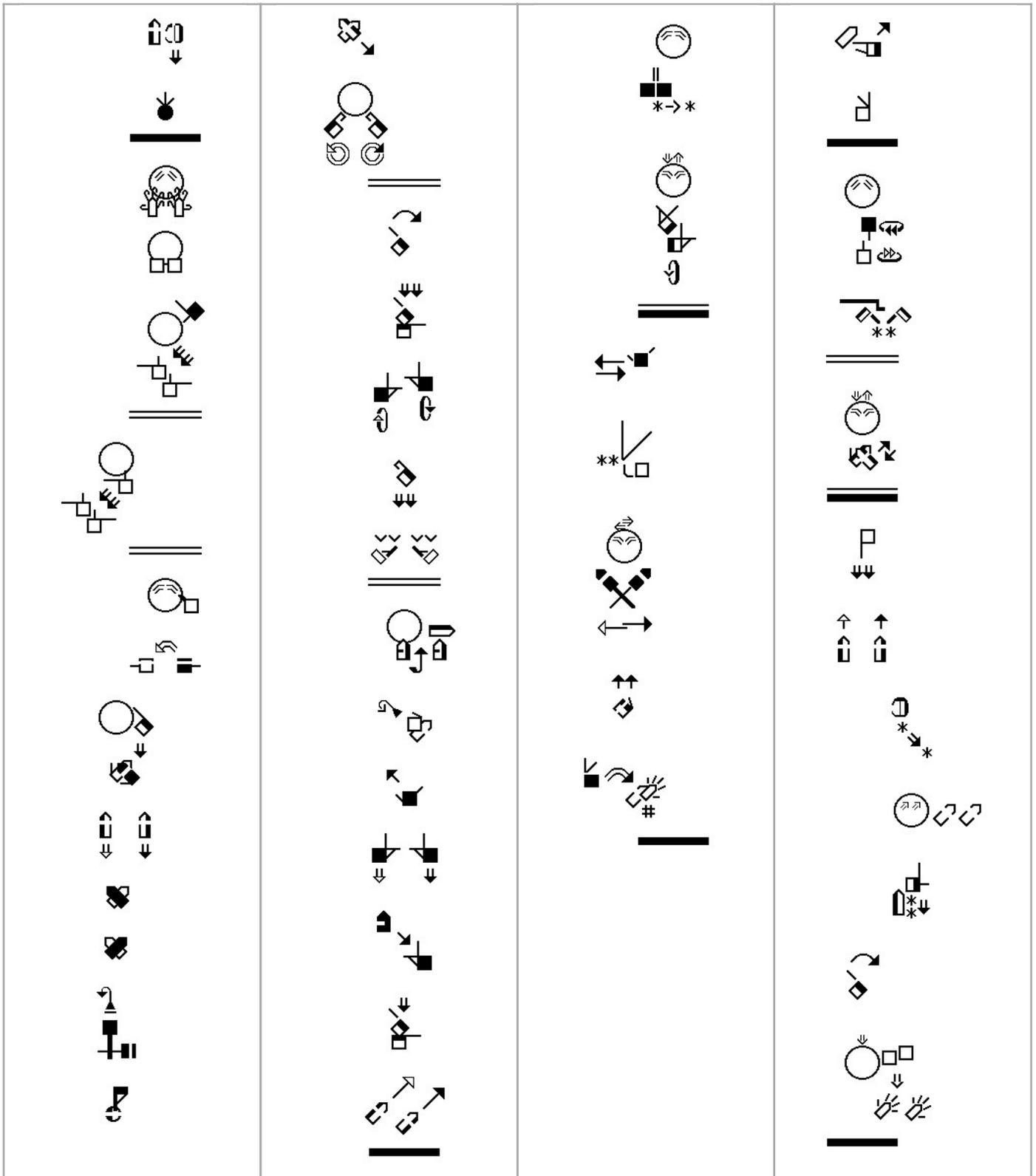
Verse 22. But the Holy Spirit produces this kind of fruit in our lives: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, Verse 23. gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against these things! Verse 24. Those who belong to Christ Jesus have nailed the passions and desires of their sinful nature

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Galatians 5:24-26

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to his cross and crucified them there. Verse 25. Since we are living by the Spirit, let us follow the Spirit's leading in every part of our lives. Verse 26. Let us not become conceited, or provoke one another, or be jealous of one another. NLT



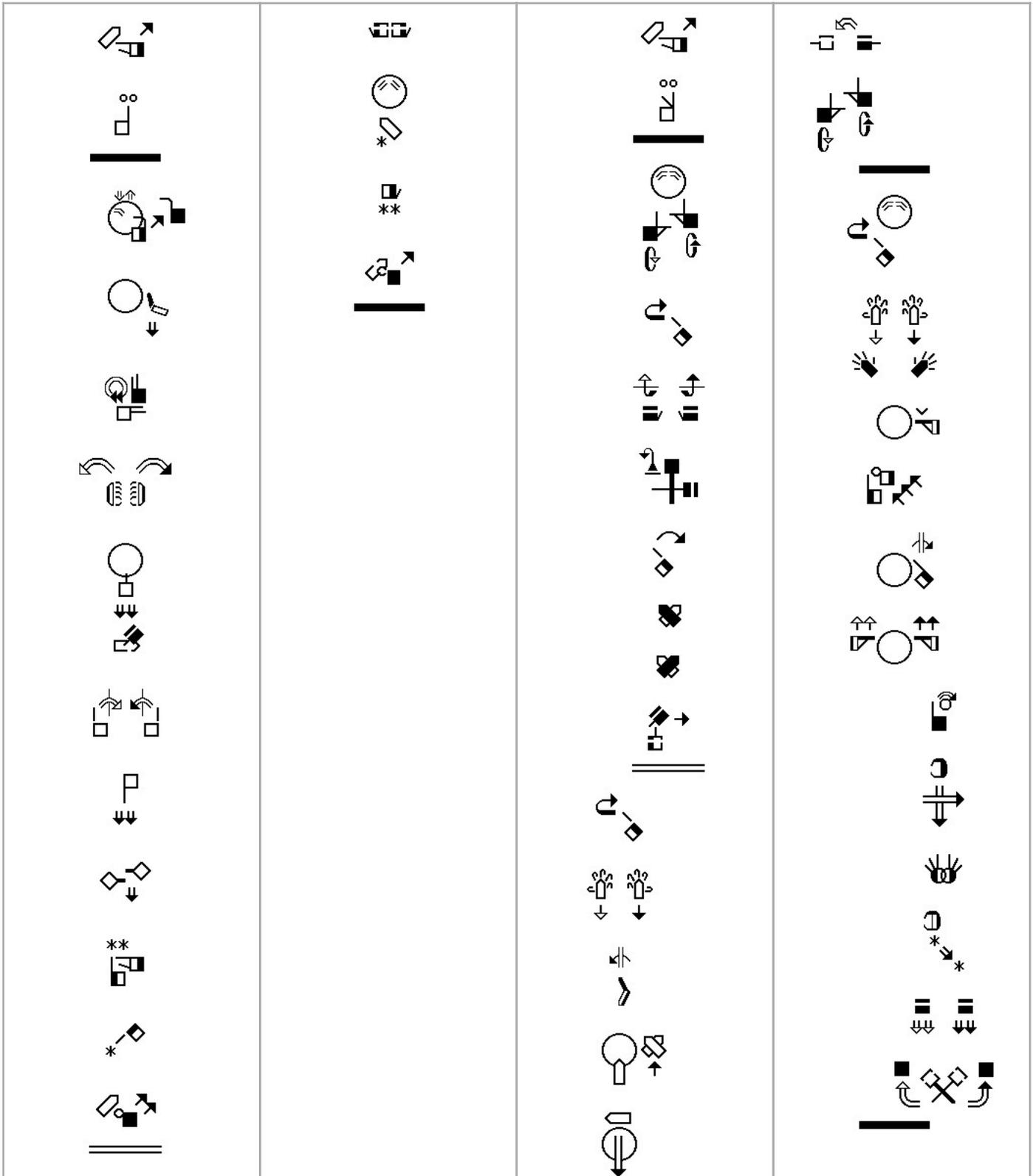
Chapter 6. Dear brothers and sisters, if another believer is overcome by some sin, you who are godly should gently and humbly help that person back onto the right path. And be careful not to fall into the same temptation yourself. Verse 2. Share each other's burdens, and in this way obey the law of Christ.
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Galatians 6:7-8

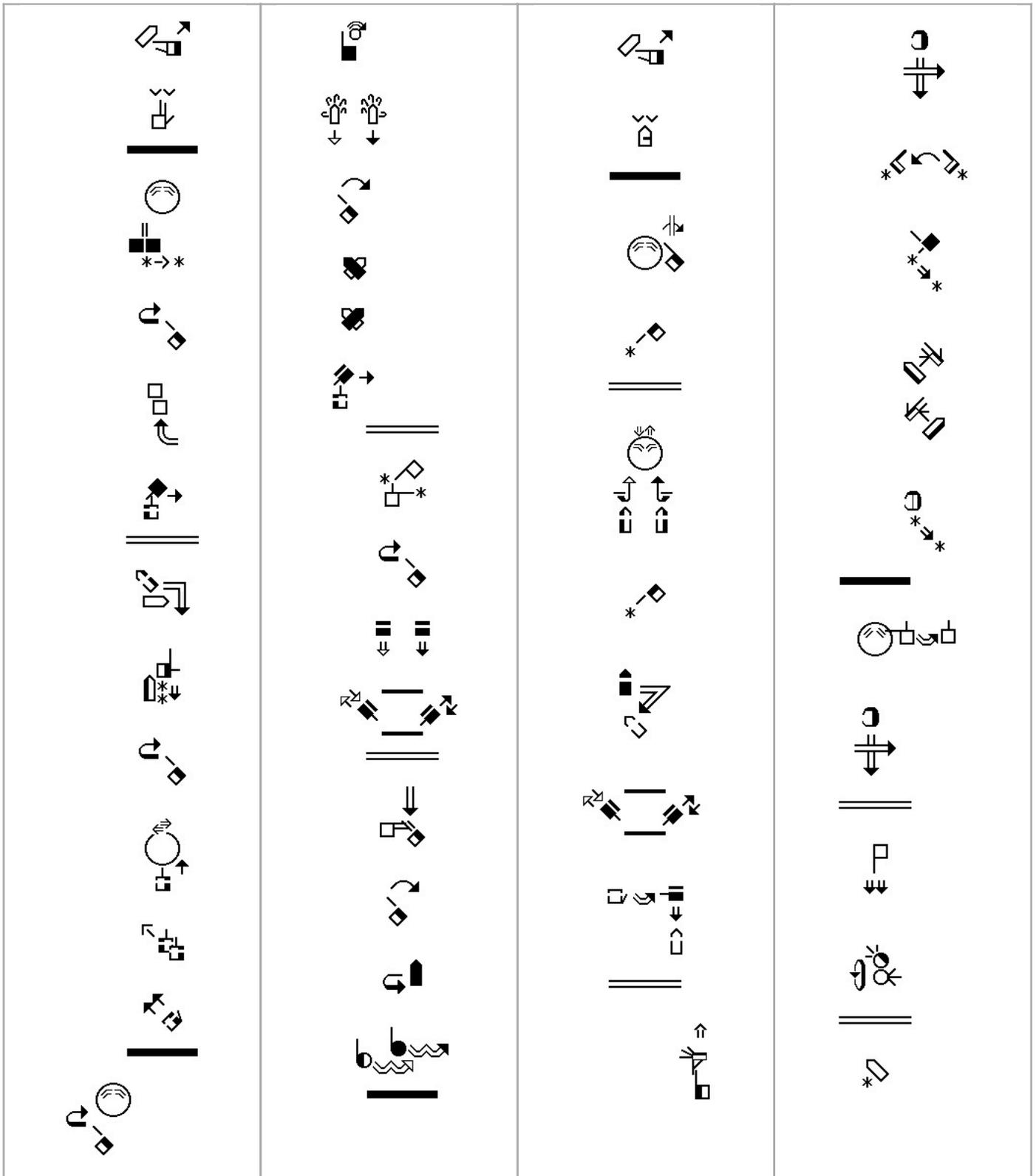
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You will always harvest what you plant. Verse 8. Those who live only to satisfy their own sinful nature will harvest decay and death from that sinful nature. But those who live to please the Spirit will harvest everlasting life from the Spirit. NLT

Galatians 6:11-12



Verse 11. NOTICE WHAT LARGE LETTERS I USE AS I WRITE THESE CLOSING WORDS IN MY OWN HANDWRITING. Verse 12. Those who are trying to force you to be circumcised want to look good to others. They don't want to be persecuted for teaching that the cross of Christ alone can save. NLT



Verse 13. And even those who advocate circumcision don't keep the whole law themselves. They only want you to be circumcised so they can boast about it and claim you as their disciples. Verse 14. As for me, may I never boast about anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ. Because of that cross,

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Galatians 6:14-16

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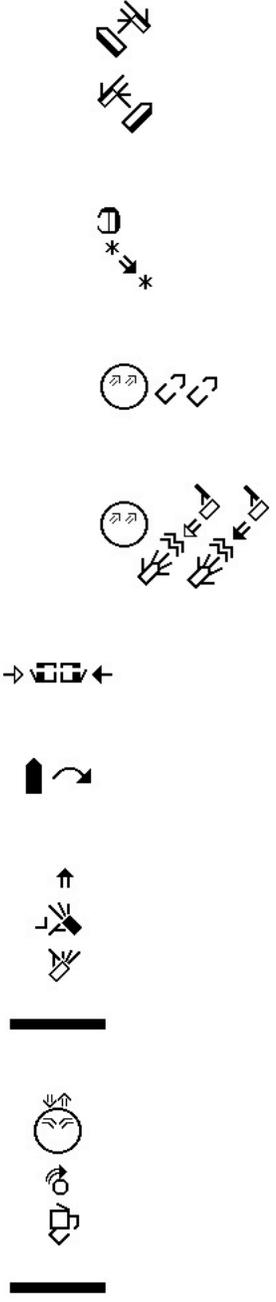
my interest in this world has been crucified, and the world's interest in me has also died. Verse 15. It doesn't matter whether we have been circumcised or not. What counts is whether we have been transformed into a new creation. Verse 16. May God's peace and mercy be upon all who
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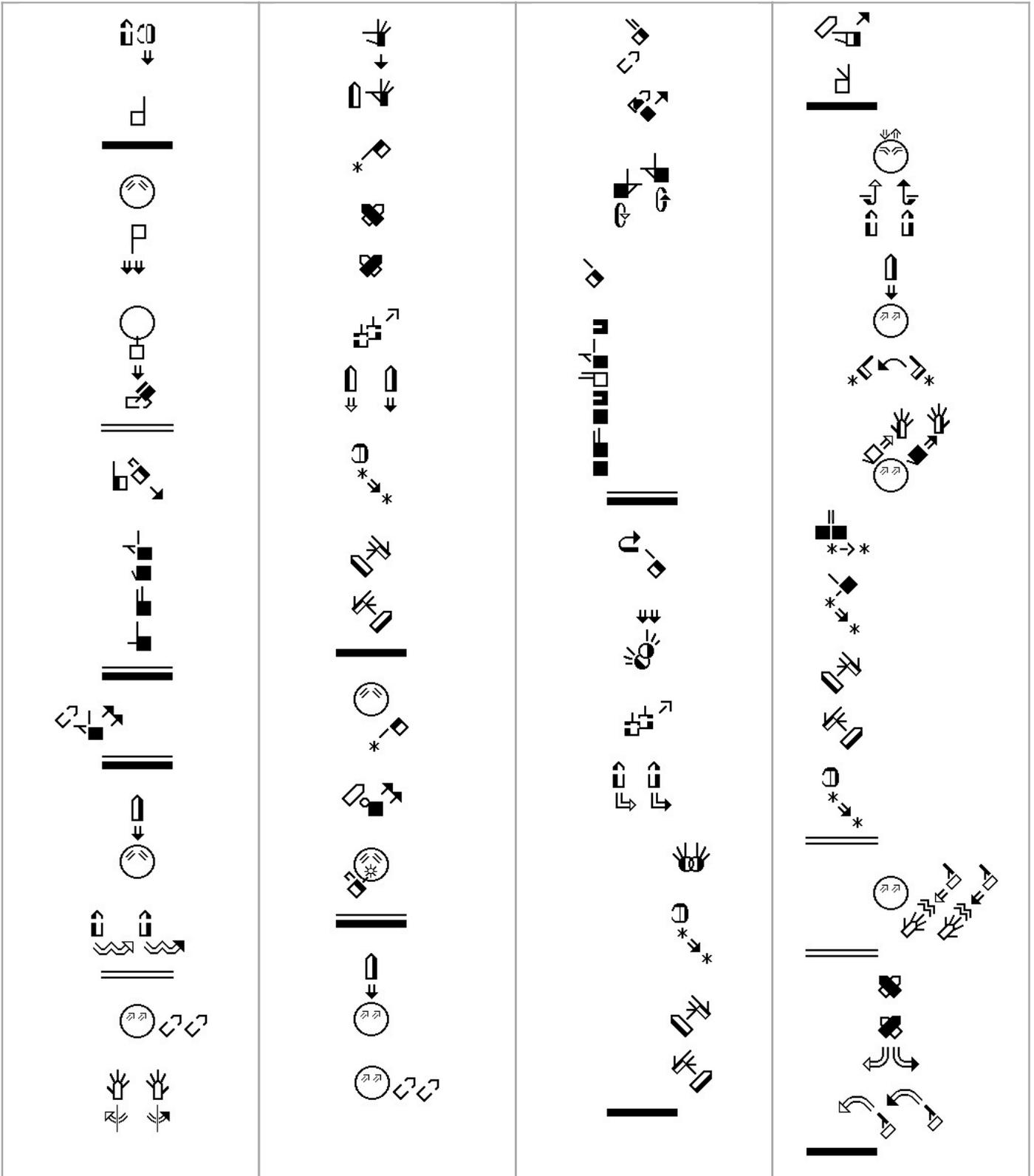
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live by this principle; they are the new people of God. Verse 17. From now on, don't let anyone trouble me with these things. For I bear on my body the scars that show I belong to Jesus. Verse 18. Dear brothers and sisters, may

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Galatians 6:18

			
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Chapter 1. This letter is from Paul, chosen by the will of God to be an apostle of Christ Jesus. I am writing to God's holy people in Ephesus, who are faithful followers of Christ Jesus. Verse 2. May God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ give you grace and peace.

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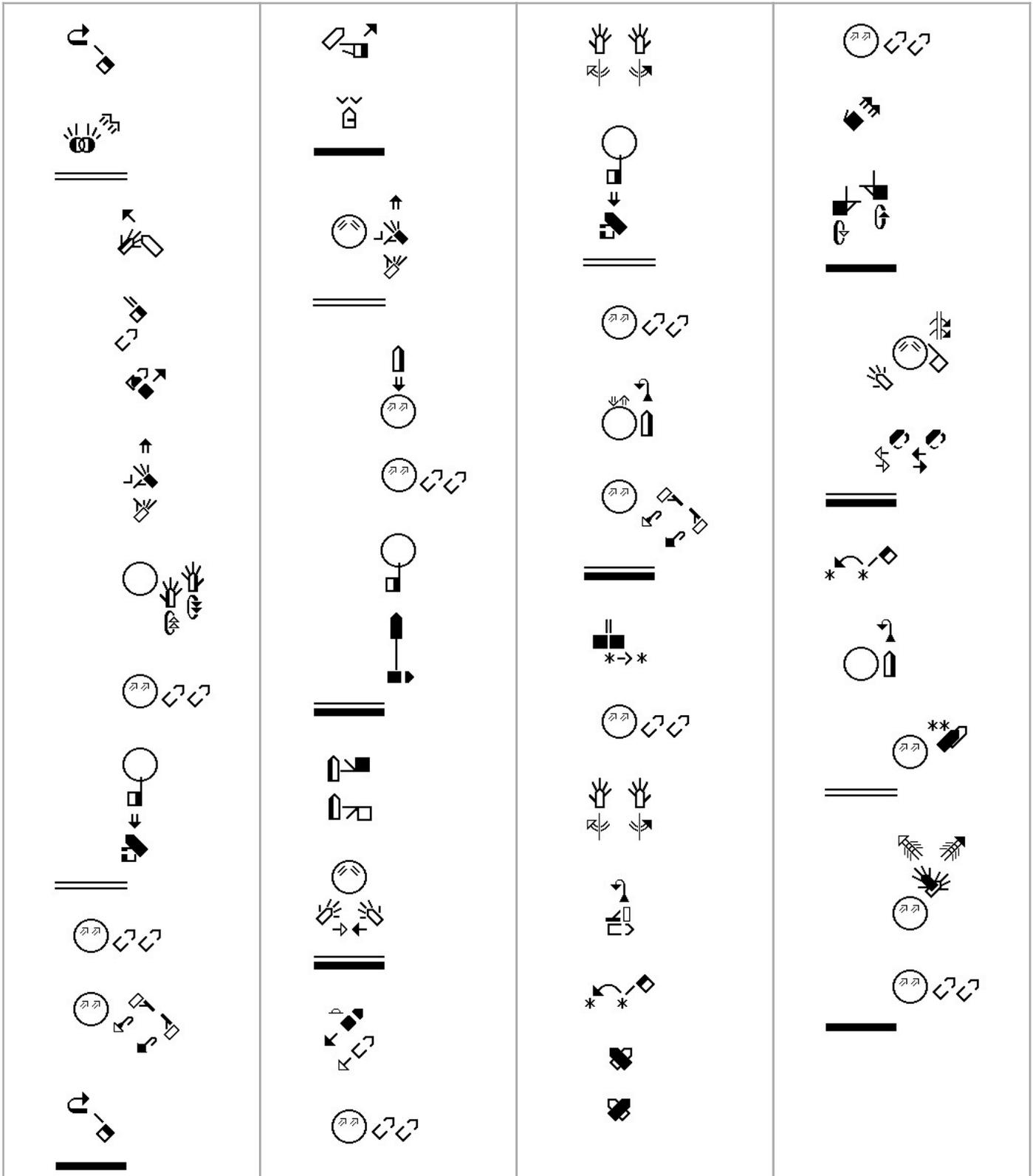
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us in Christ to be holy and without fault in his eyes. Verse 5. God decided in advance to adopt us into his own family by bringing us to himself through Jesus Christ. This is what he wanted to do, and it gave him great pleasure.
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Ephesians 1:6-7

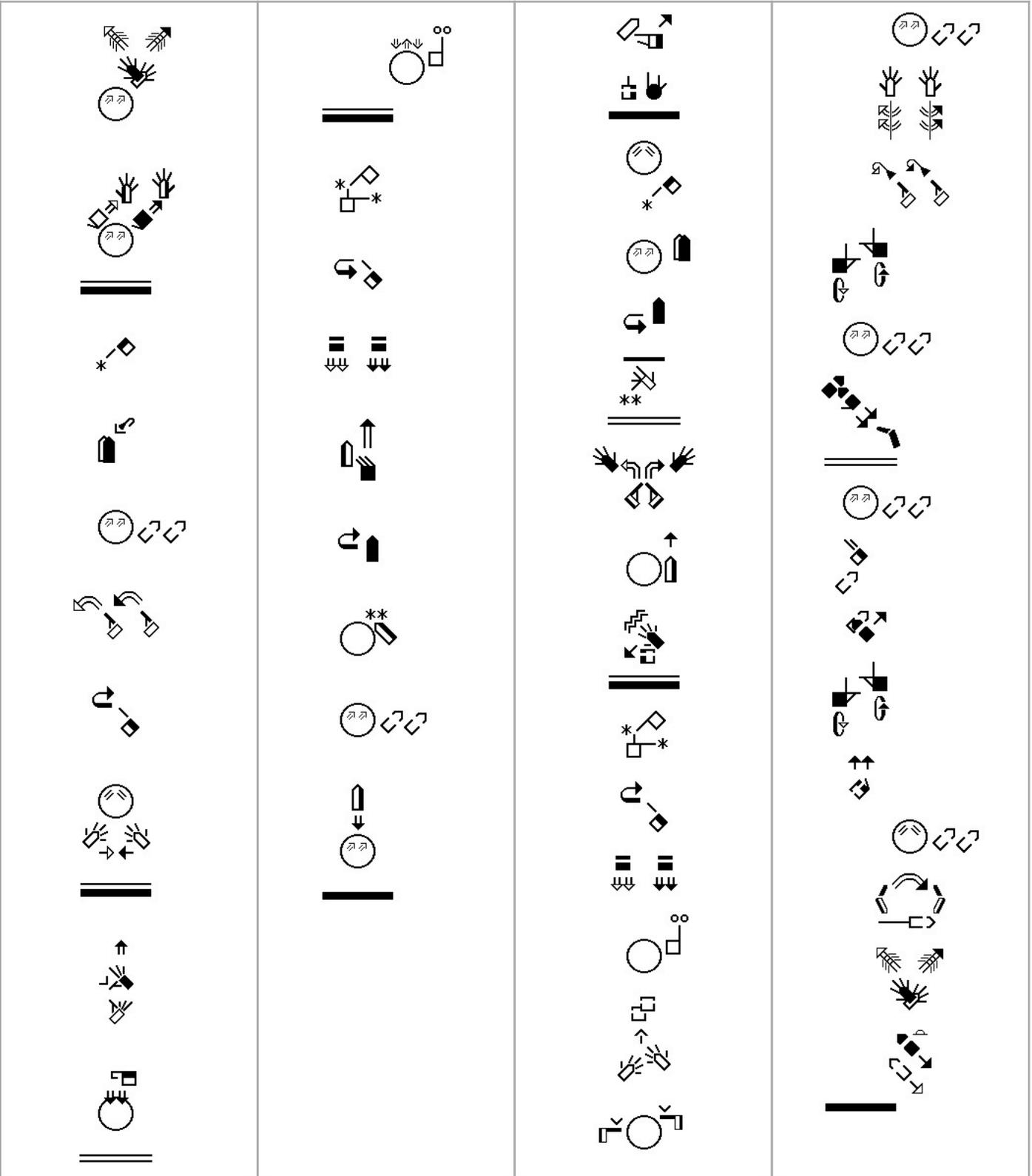
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Ephesians 1:13-14



you as his own by giving you the Holy Spirit, whom he promised long ago. Verse 14. The Spirit is God's guarantee that he will give us the inheritance he promised and that he has purchased us to be his own people. He did this so we would praise and glorify him. NLT

Ephesians 1:17-18

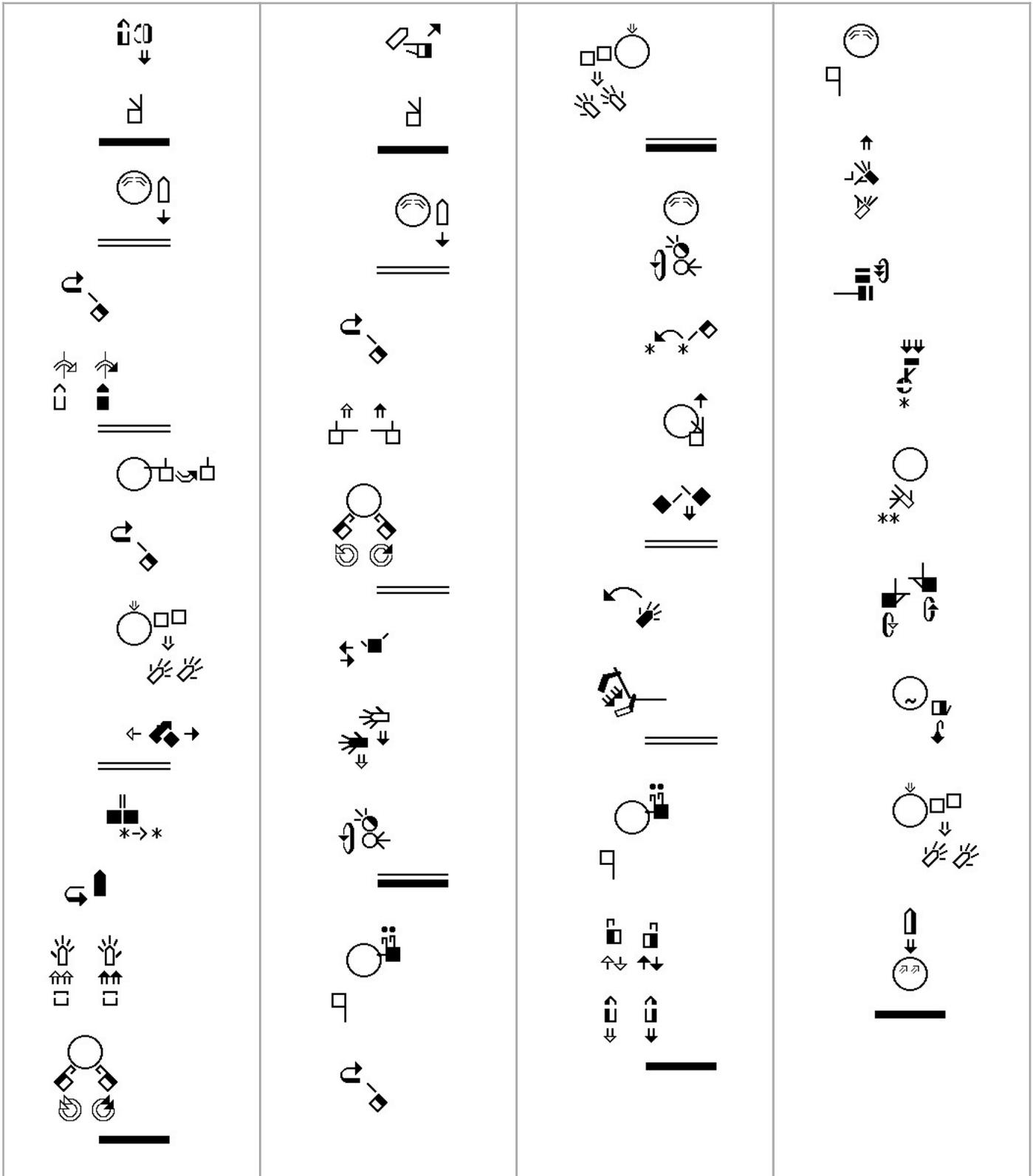


to give you spiritual wisdom and insight so that you might grow in your knowledge of God. Verse 18. I pray that your hearts will be flooded with light so that you can understand the confident hope he has given to those he called -- his holy people who are his rich and glorious inheritance.

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Verse 23. And the church is his body; it is made full and complete by Christ, who fills all things everywhere with himself.
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Ephesians 2:1-2



Chapter 2. Once you were dead because of your disobedience and your many sins. Verse 2. You used to live in sin, just like the rest of the world, obeying the devil -- the commander of the powers in the unseen world. He is the spirit at work in the hearts of those who refuse to obey God.

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Verse 3. All of us used to live that way, following the passionate desires and inclinations of our sinful nature. By our very nature we were subject to God's anger, just like everyone else. Verse 4. But God is so rich in mercy, and he loved us so much,

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Verse 7. So God can point to us in all future ages as examples of the incredible wealth of his grace and kindness toward us, as shown in all he has done for us who are united with Christ Jesus. Verse 8. God saved you by his grace when you believed. NLT

Ephesians 2:8-10

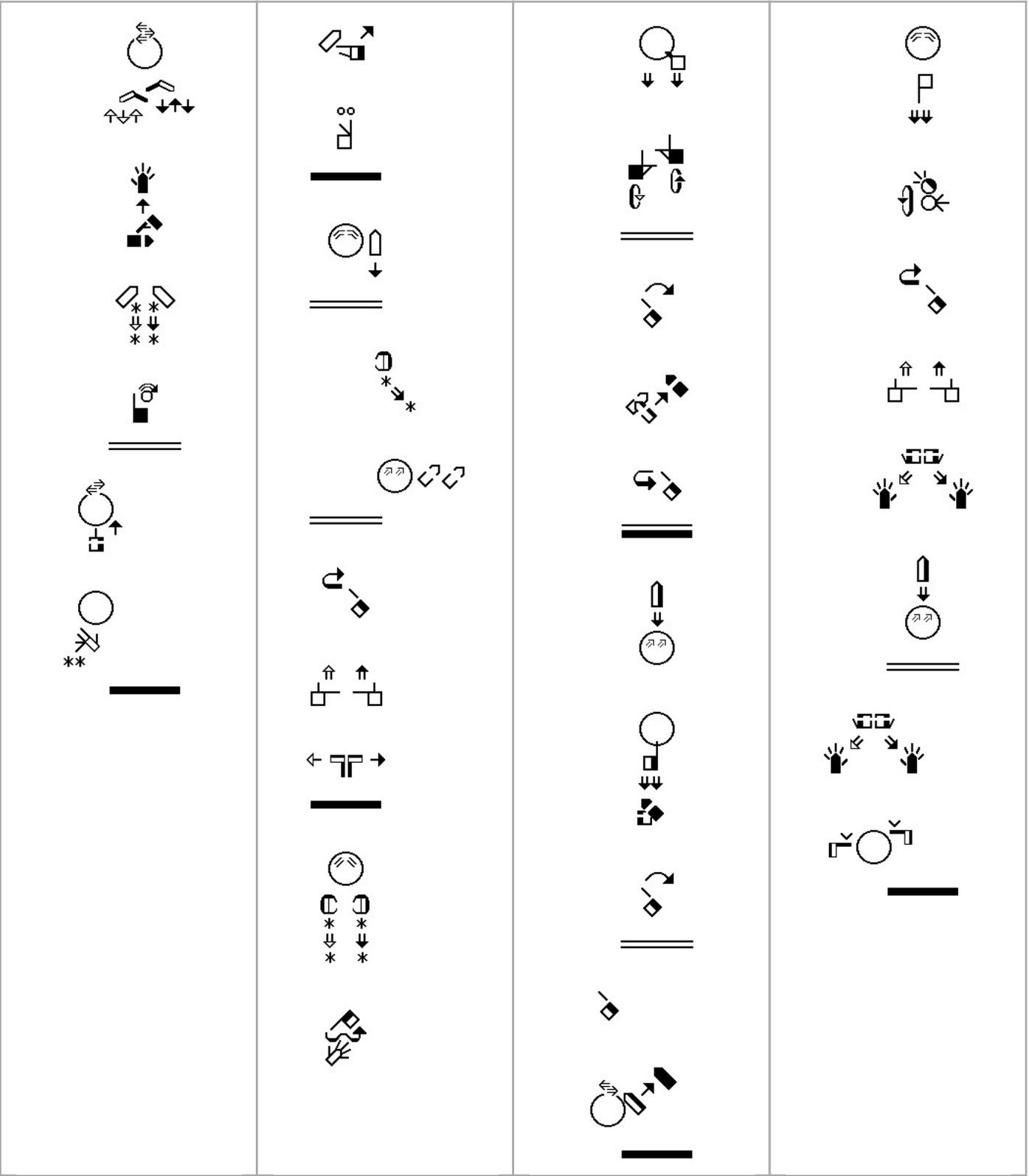
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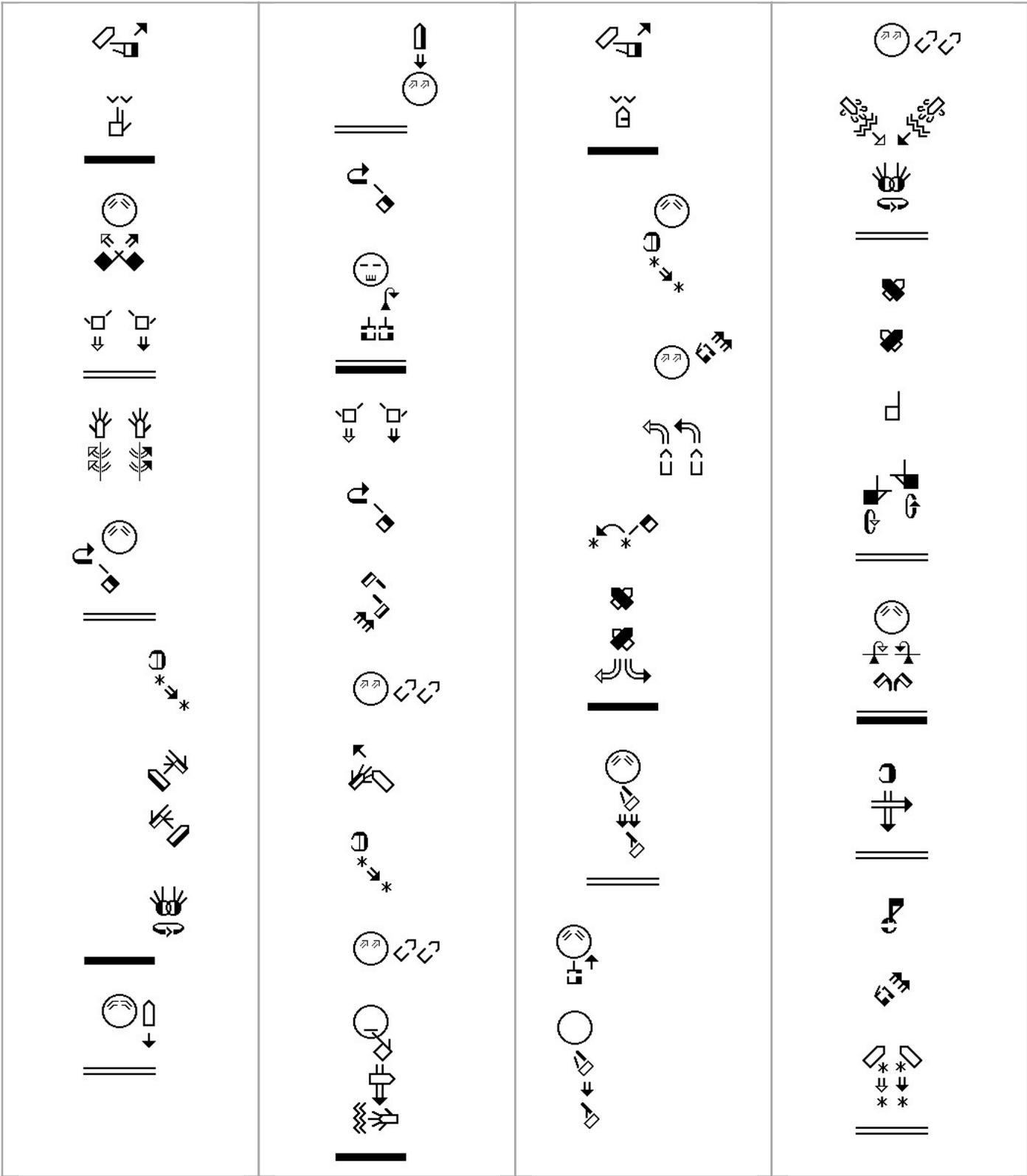
anew in Christ Jesus, so we can do the good things he planned for us long ago. Verse 11. Don't forget that you Gentiles used to be outsiders. You were called "uncircumcised heathens" by the Jews, who were proud of their circumcision,

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Ephesians 2:11-12



even though it affected only their bodies and not their hearts. Verse 12. In those days you were living apart from Christ. You were excluded from citizenship among the people of Israel, and you did not know the covenant promises God had made to them. You lived in this world without God and without hope. NLT



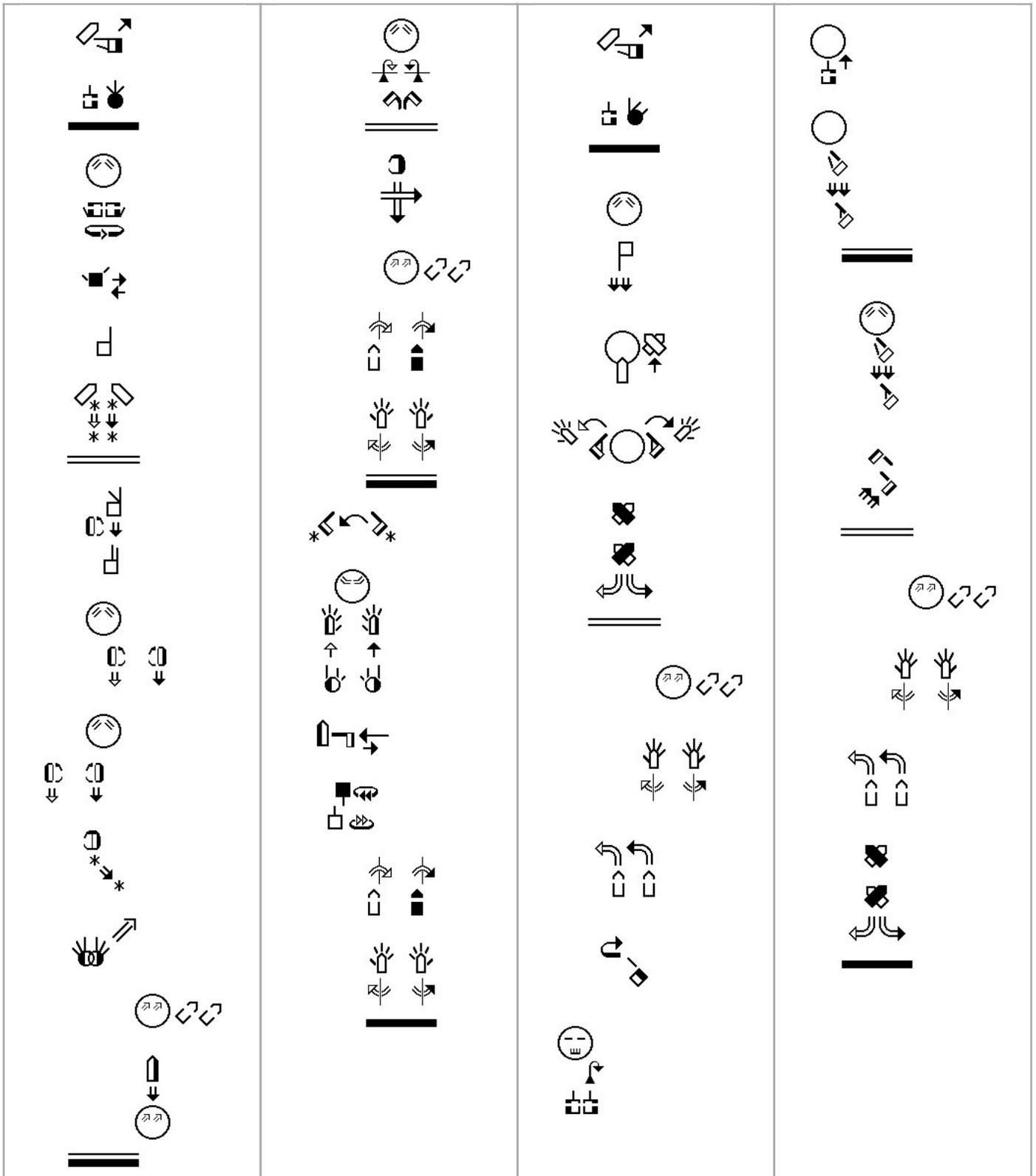
Verse 13. But now you have been united with Christ Jesus. Once you were far away from God, but now you have been brought near to him through the blood of Christ. Verse 14. For Christ himself has brought peace to us. He united Jews and Gentiles into one people when, in his own body on the cross,

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Ephesians 2:14-15

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he broke down the wall of hostility that separated us. Verse 15. He did this by ending the system of law with its commandments and regulations. He made peace between Jews and Gentiles by creating in himself one new people from the two groups. NLT



Verse 16. Together as one body, Christ reconciled both groups to God by means of his death on the cross, and our hostility toward each other was put to death. Verse 17. He brought this Good News of peace to you Gentiles who were far away from him, and peace to the Jews who were near.
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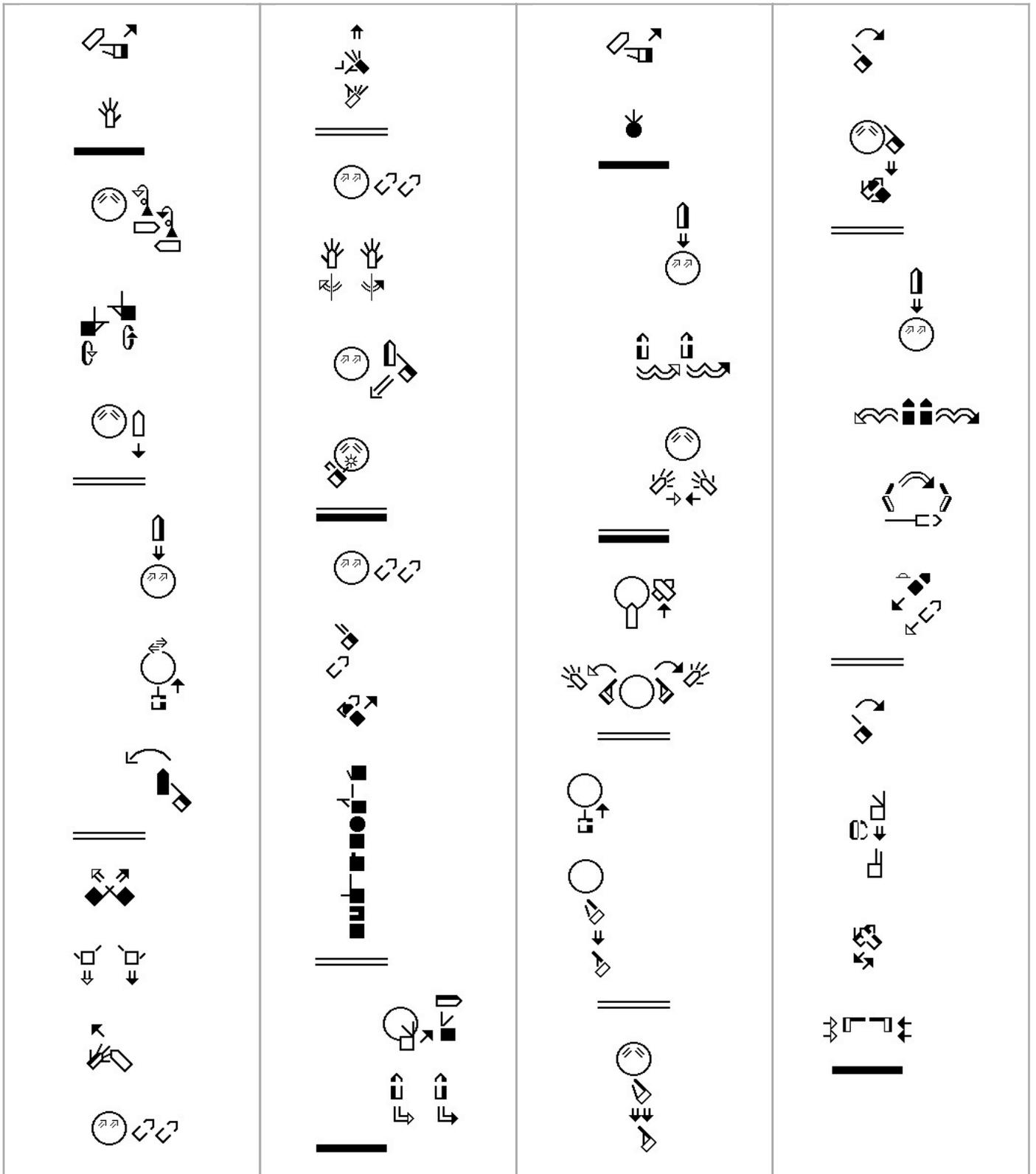
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Chapter 3. When I think of all this, I, Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus for the benefit of you Gentiles... Verse 2. assuming, by the way, that you know God gave me the special responsibility of extending his grace to you Gentiles.

Ephesians 3:3-4

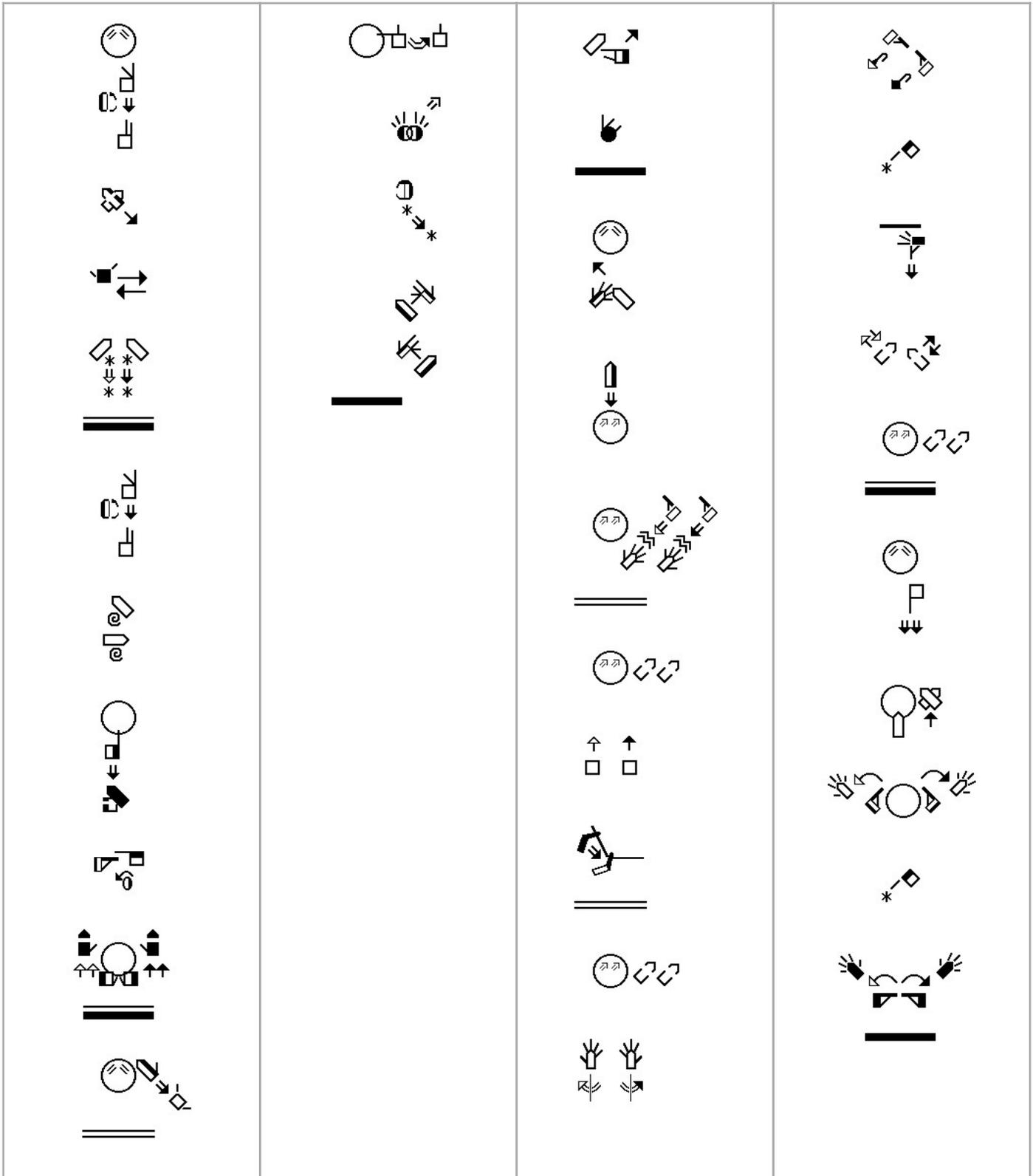
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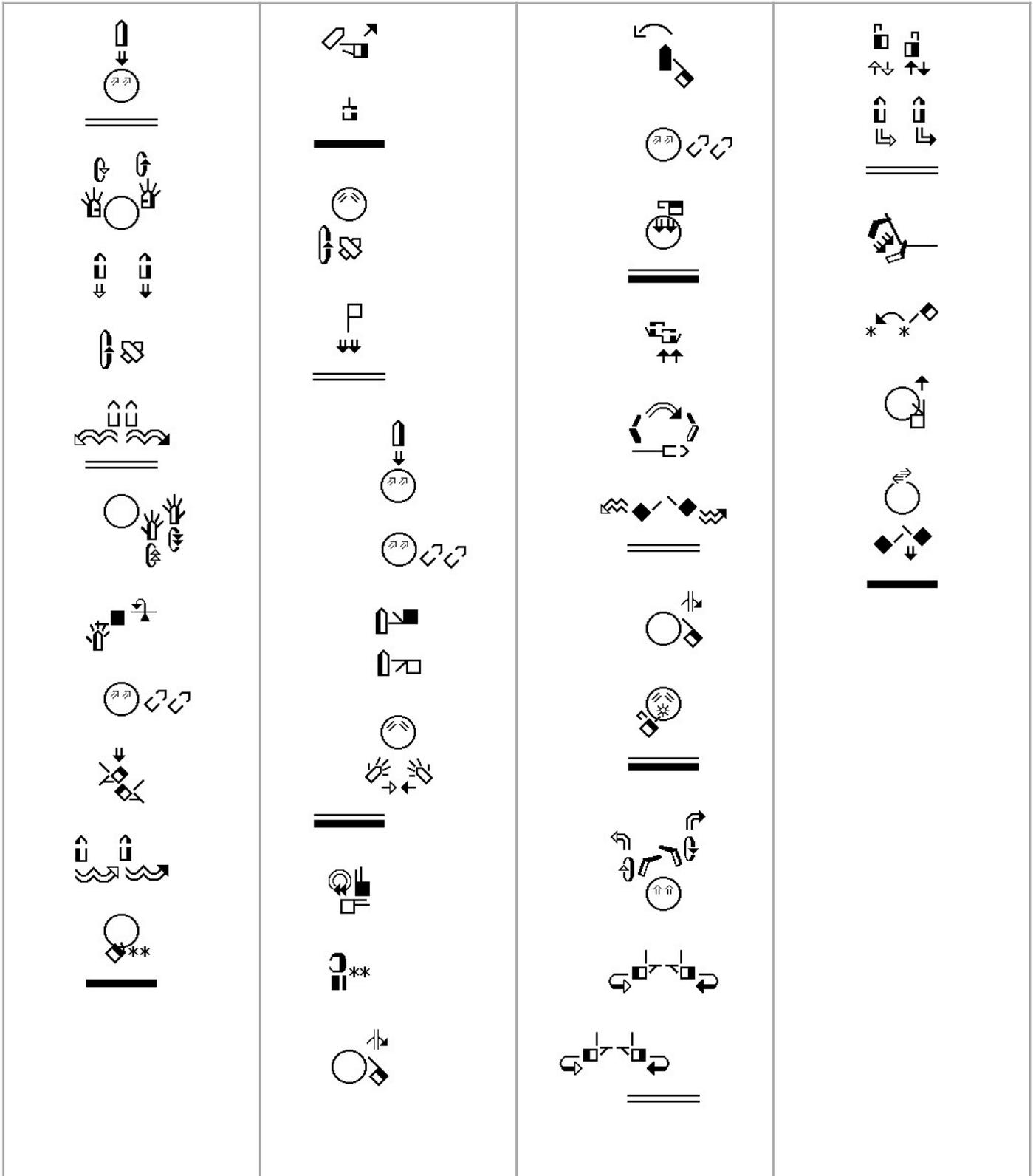
Verse 5. God did not reveal it to previous generations, but now by his Spirit he has revealed it to his holy apostles and prophets. Verse 6. And this is God's plan: Both Gentiles and Jews who believe the Good News share equally in the riches inherited by God's children.

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Ephesians 3:6-7



Ephesians 3:9-10

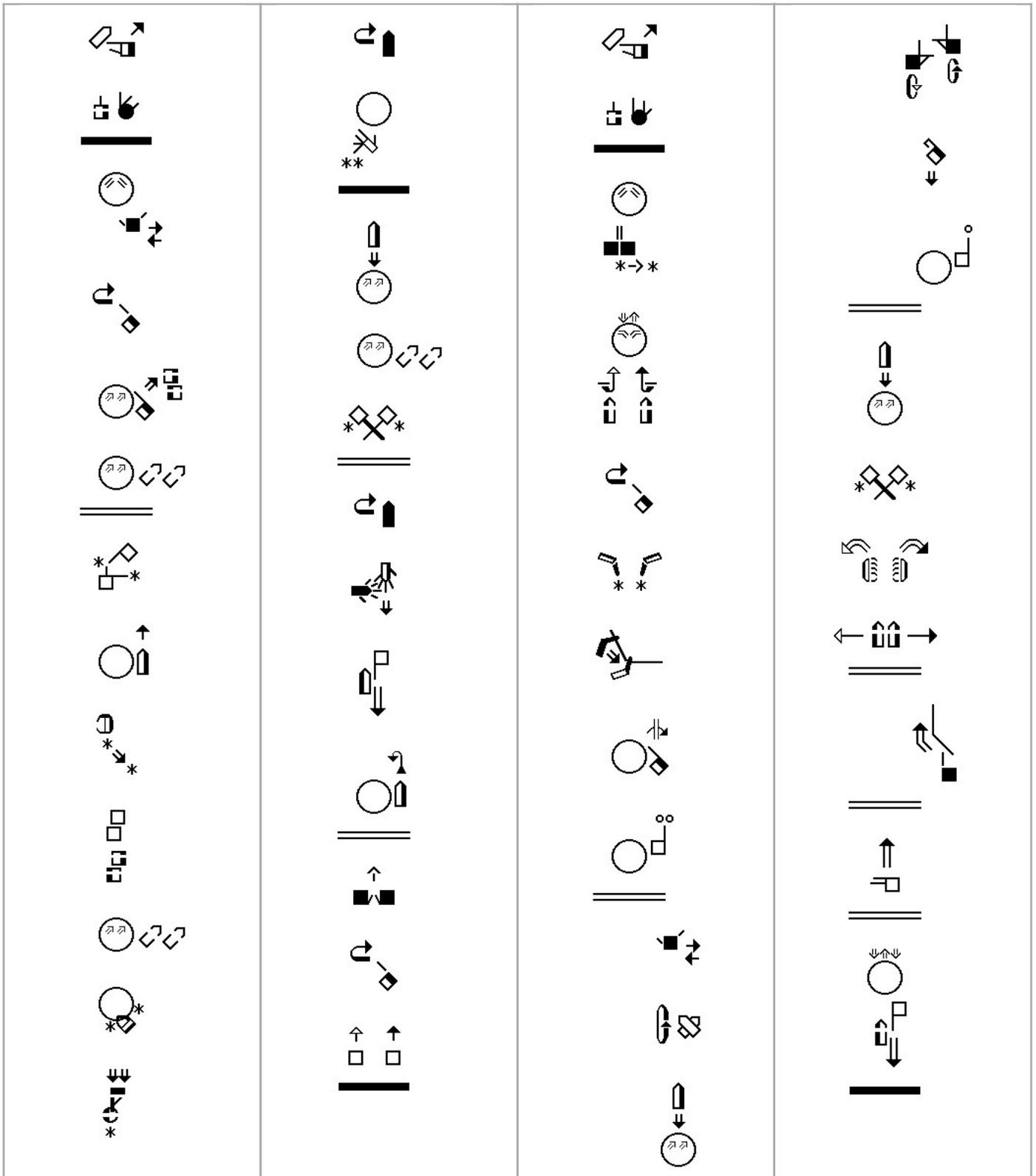


that God, the Creator of all things, had kept secret from the beginning. Verse 10. God's purpose in all this was to use the church to display his wisdom in its rich variety to all the unseen rulers and authorities in the heavenly places. NLT

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Verse 11. This was his eternal plan, which he carried out through Christ Jesus our Lord.
 Verse 12. Because of Christ and our faith in him, we can now come boldly and confidently into God's presence. Verse 13. So please don't lose heart because of my trials here. I am suffering for you, so you should feel honored.

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Verse 17. Then Christ will make his home in your hearts as you trust in him. Your roots will grow down into God's love and keep you strong. Verse 18. And may you have the power to understand, as all God's people should, how wide, how long, how high, and how deep his love is.

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Ephesians 3:19-20

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Verse 19. May you experience the love of Christ, though it is too great to understand fully. Then you will be made complete with all the fullness of life and power that comes from God. Verse 20. Now all glory to God, who is able, through his mighty power at work within us, to accomplish infinitely more than we might ask or think. NLT

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Verse 21. Glory to him in the church and in Christ Jesus through all generations forever and ever! Amen.

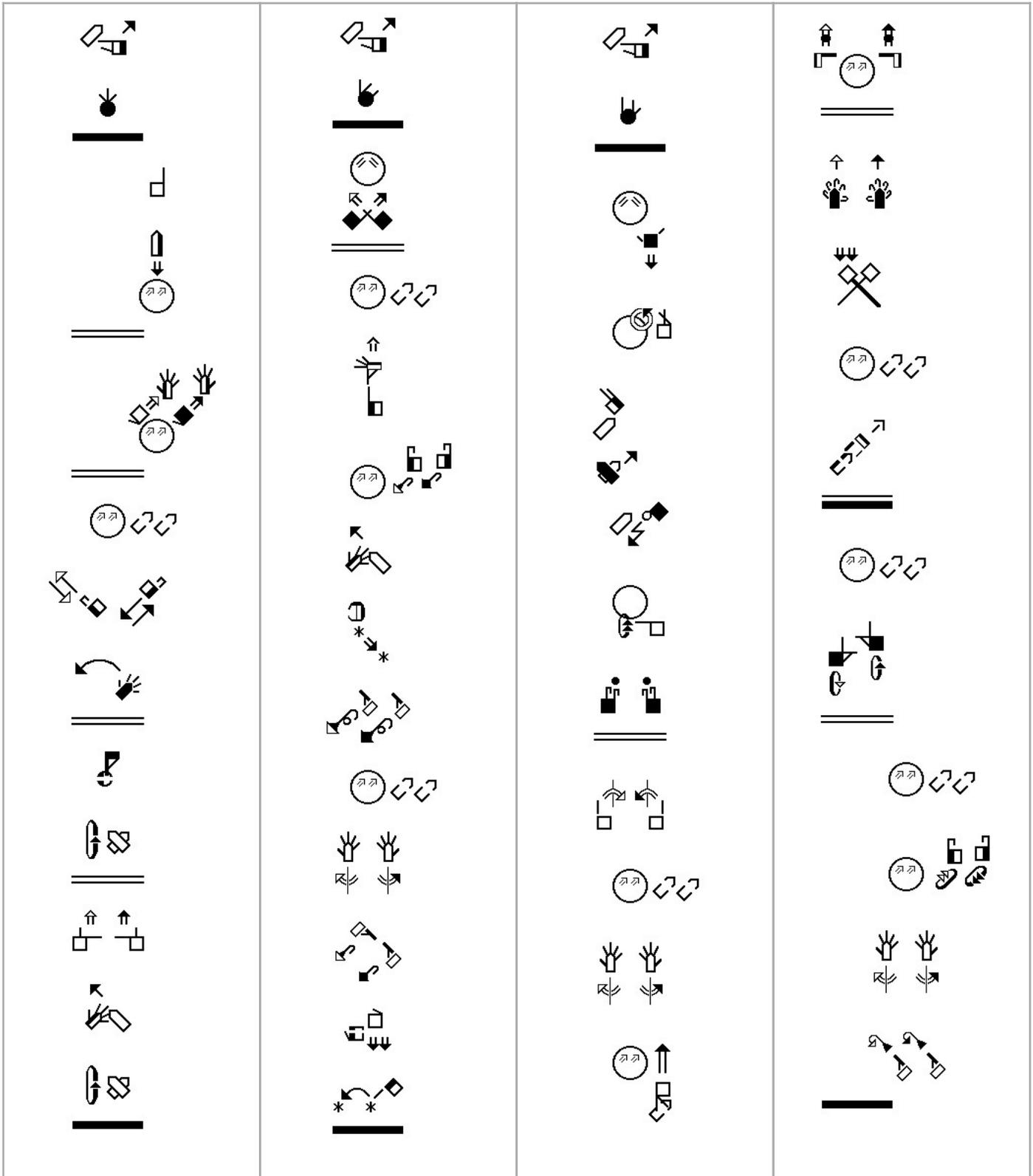
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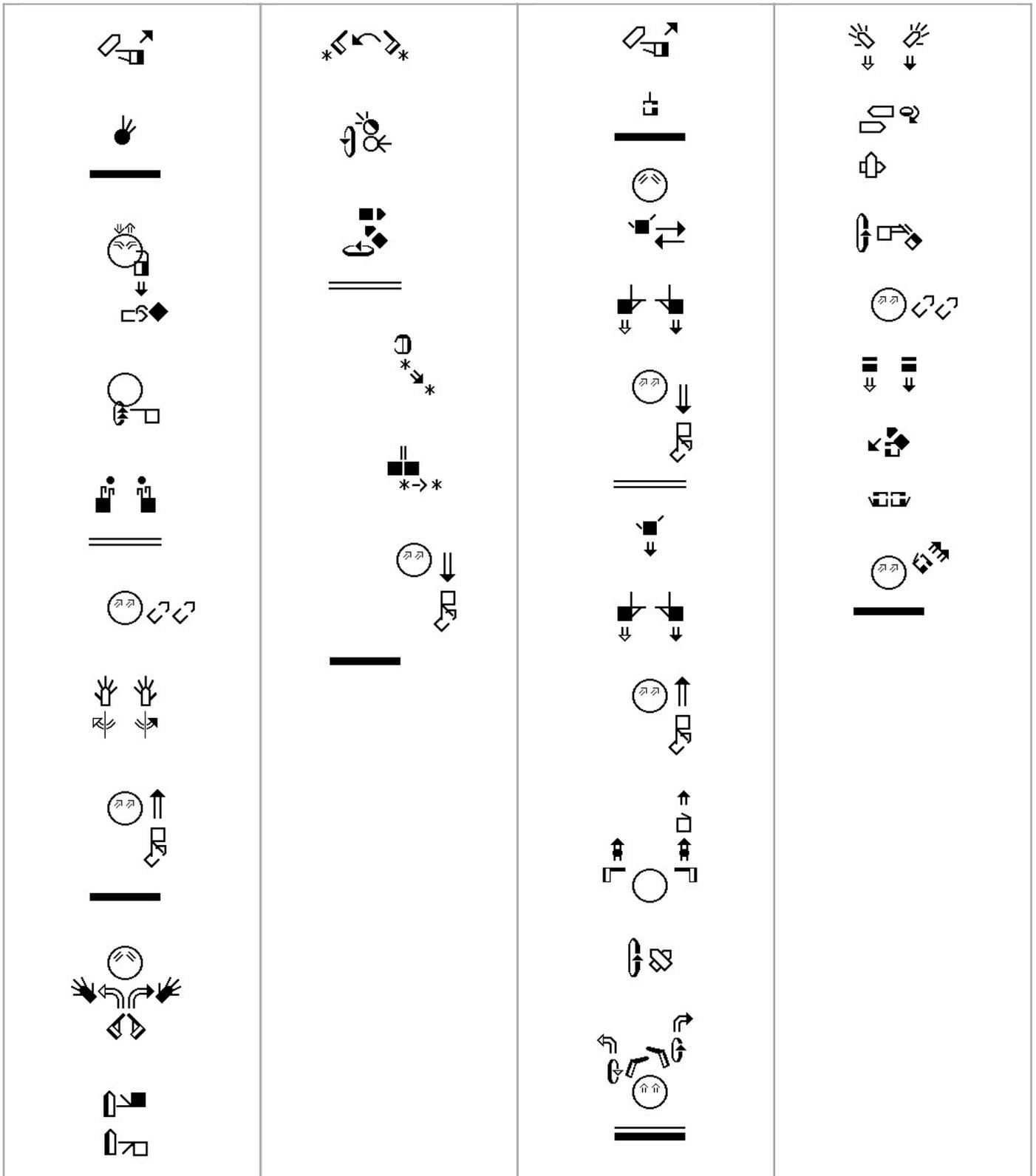
Verse 3. Make every effort to keep yourselves united in the Spirit, binding yourselves together with peace. Verse 4. For there is one body and one Spirit, just as you have been called to one glorious hope for the future. Verse 5. There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism,

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Ephesians 4:6-8



Verse 6. and one God and Father, who is over all and in all and living through all. Verse 7. However, he has given each one of us a special gift through the generosity of Christ. Verse 8. That is why the Scriptures say, "When he ascended to the heights, he led a crowd of captives and gave gifts to his people." NLT

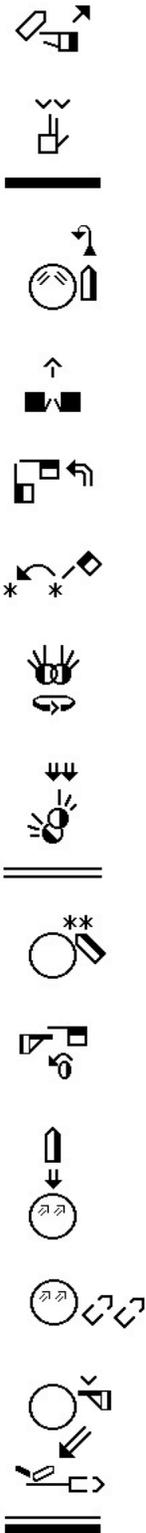
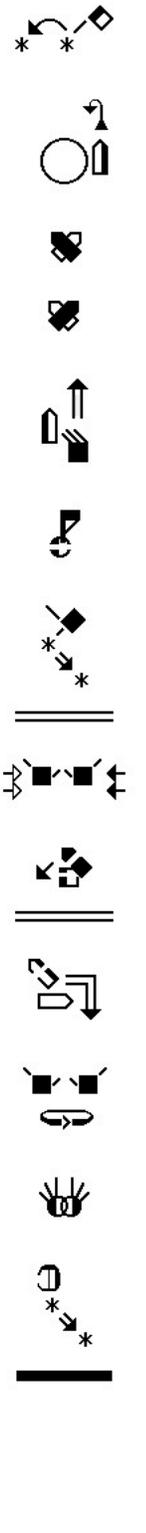
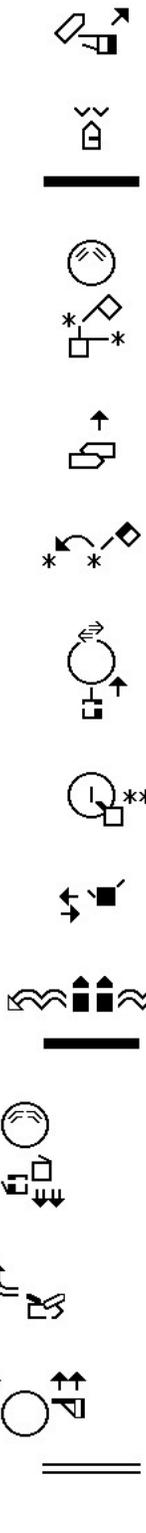


Verse 9. Notice that it says "he ascended." This clearly means that Christ also descended to our lowly world. Verse 10. And the same one who descended is the one who ascended higher than all the heavens, so that he might fill the entire universe with himself.

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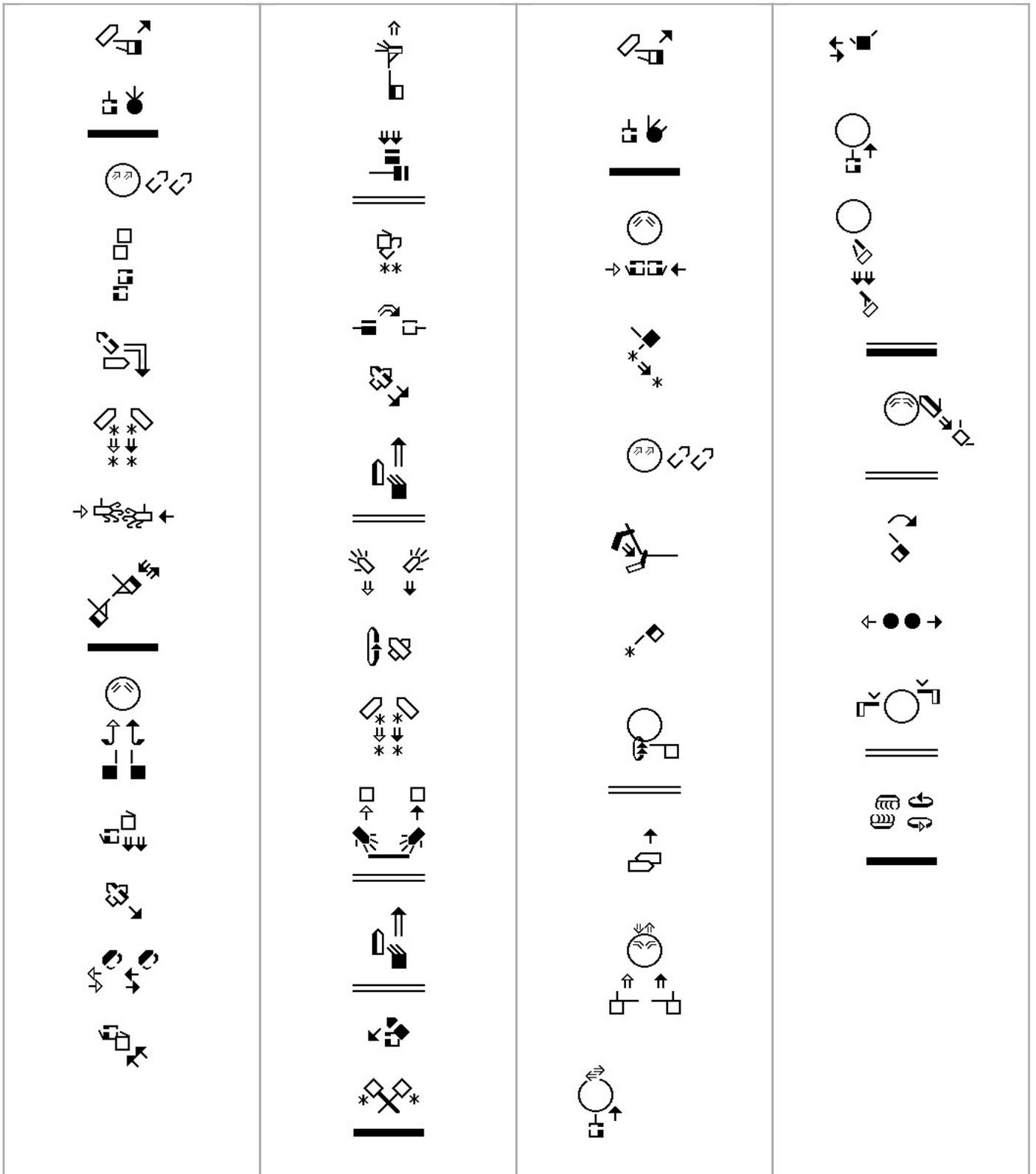
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Verse 13. This will continue until we all come to such unity in our faith and knowledge of God's Son that we will be mature in the Lord, measuring up to the full and complete standard of Christ. Verse 14. Then we will no longer be immature like children. We won't be tossed and blown about by every wind of new teaching.

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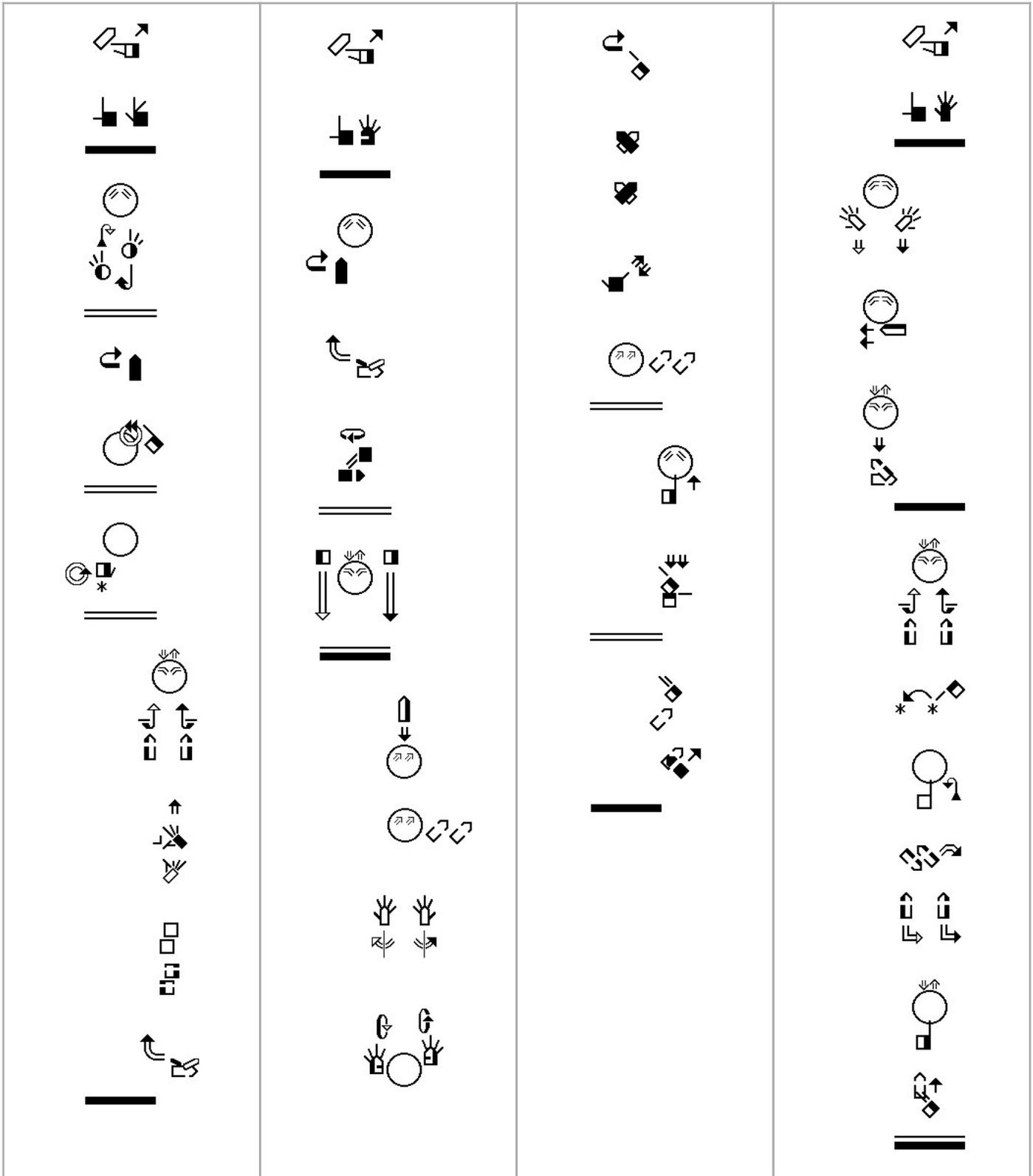
Verse 16. He makes the whole body fit together perfectly. As each part does its own special work, it helps the other parts grow so that the whole body is healthy and growing and full of love. Verse 17. With the Lord's authority I say this: Live no longer as the Gentiles do, for they are hopelessly confused. NLT

Ephesians 4:18-19

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Verse 18. Their minds are full of darkness; they wander far from the life God gives because they have closed their minds and hardened their hearts against him. Verse 19. They have no sense of shame. They live for lustful pleasure and eagerly practice every kind of impurity.

Ephesians 4:23-25

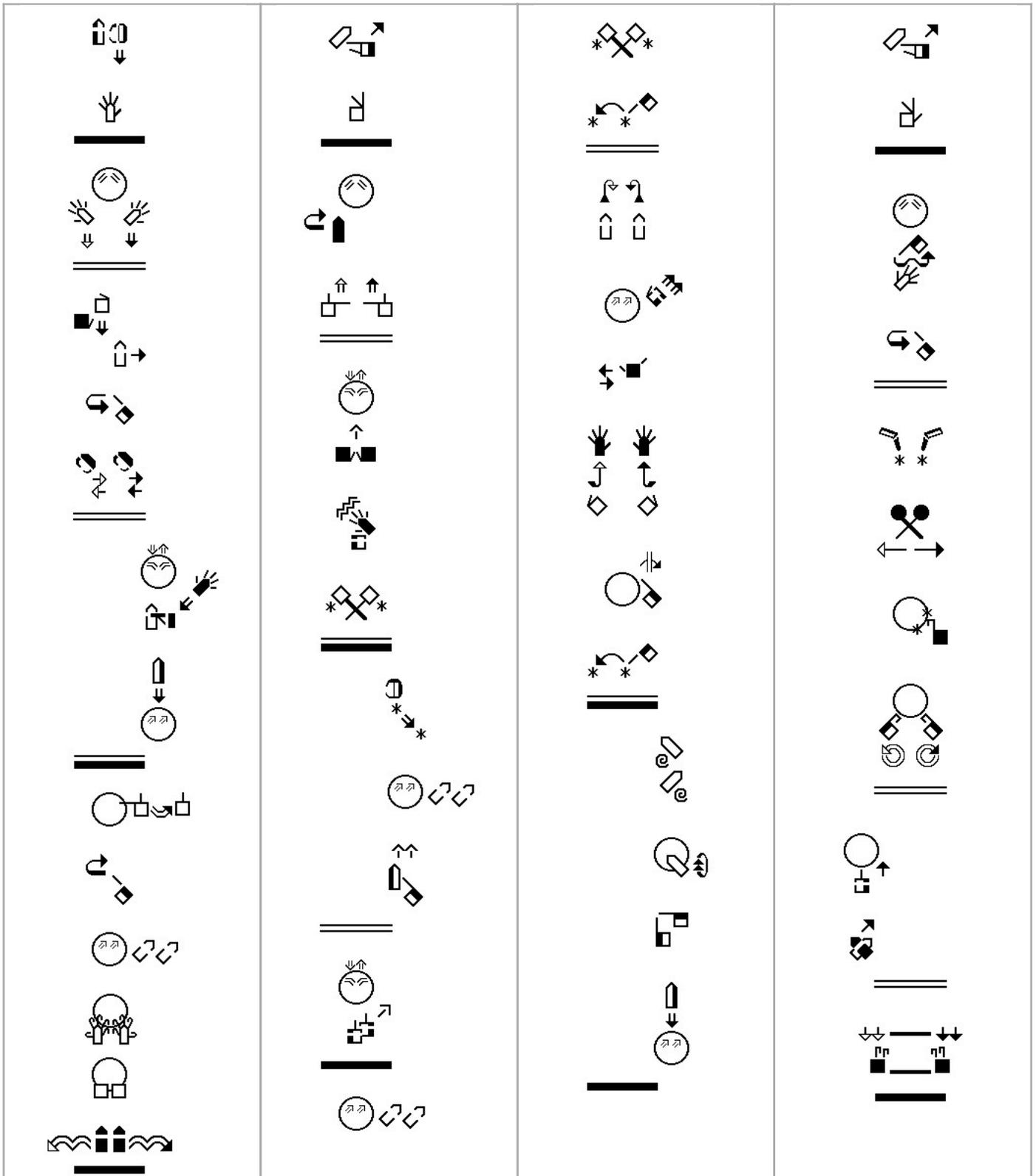


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for we are all parts of the same body. Verse 26. And "don't sin by letting anger control you." Don't let the sun go down while you are still angry, Verse 27. for anger gives a foothold to the devil.
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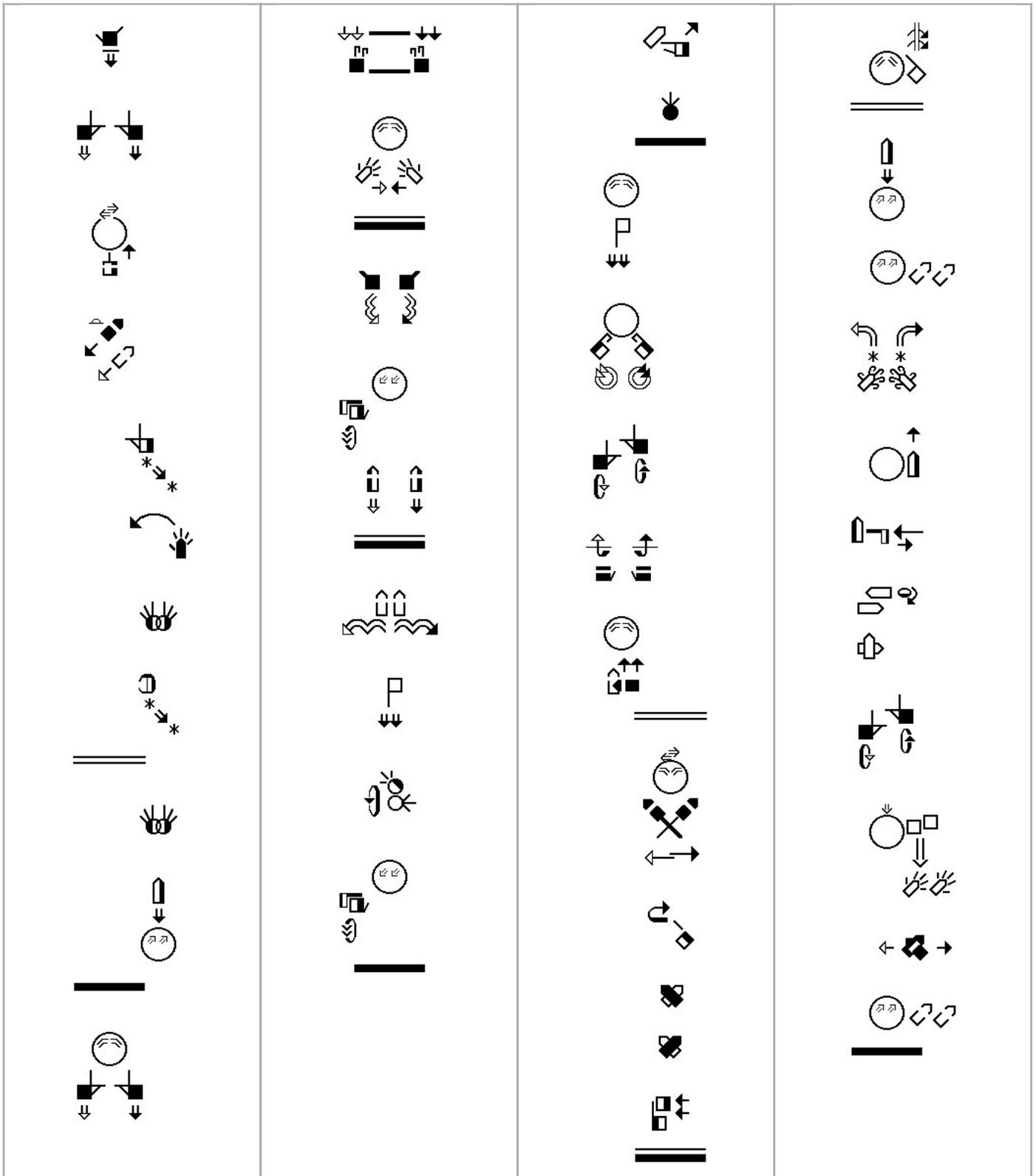


Chapter 5. Imitate God, therefore, in everything you do, because you are his dear children. Verse 2. Live a life filled with love, following the example of Christ. He loved us and offered himself as a sacrifice for us, a pleasing aroma to God. Verse 3. Let there be no sexual immorality, impurity, or greed among you. NLT

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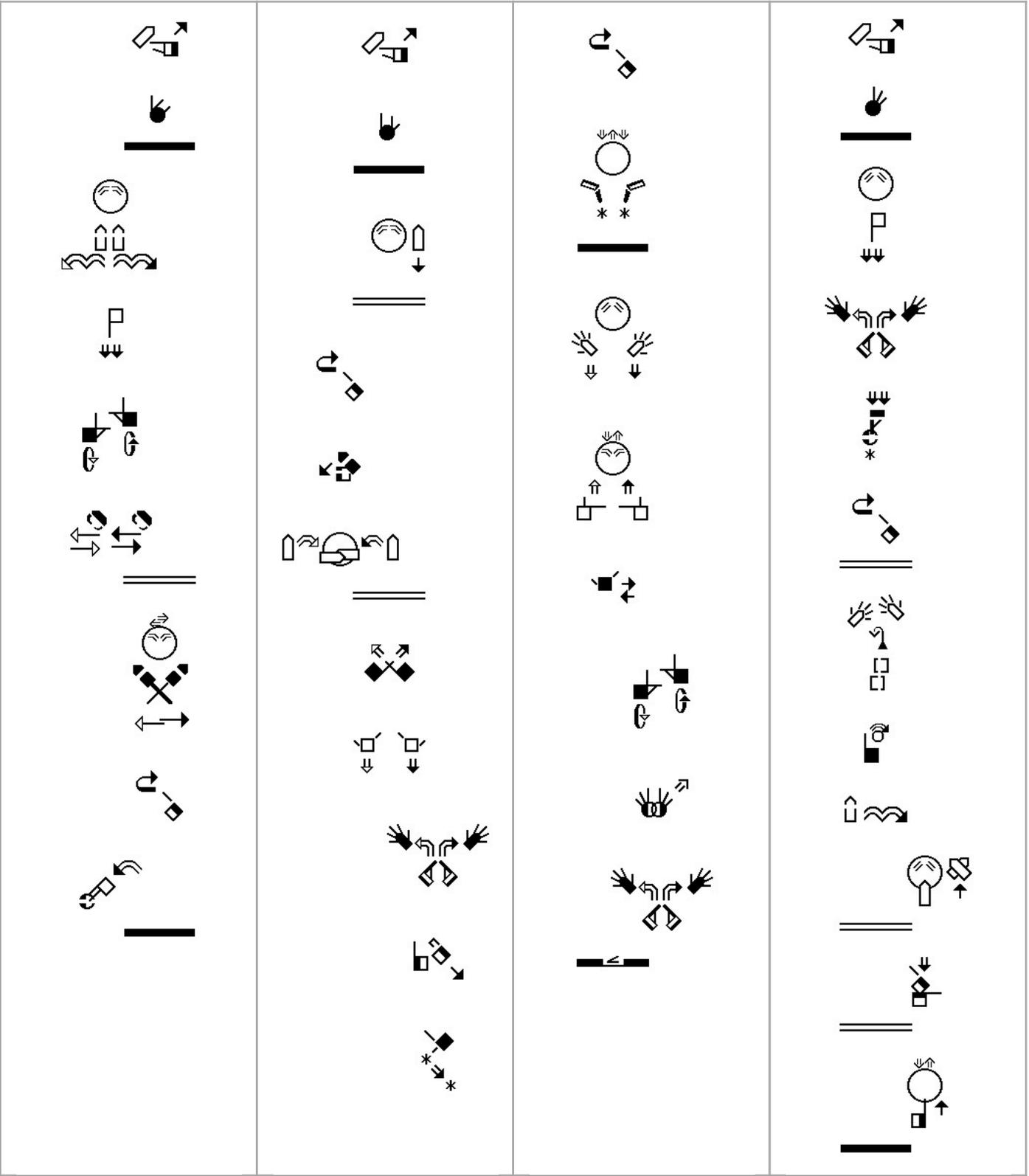
Such sins have no place among God's people. Verse 4. Obscene stories, foolish talk, and coarse jokes -- these are not for you. Instead, let there be thankfulness to God. Verse 5. You can be sure that no immoral, impure, or greedy person NLT



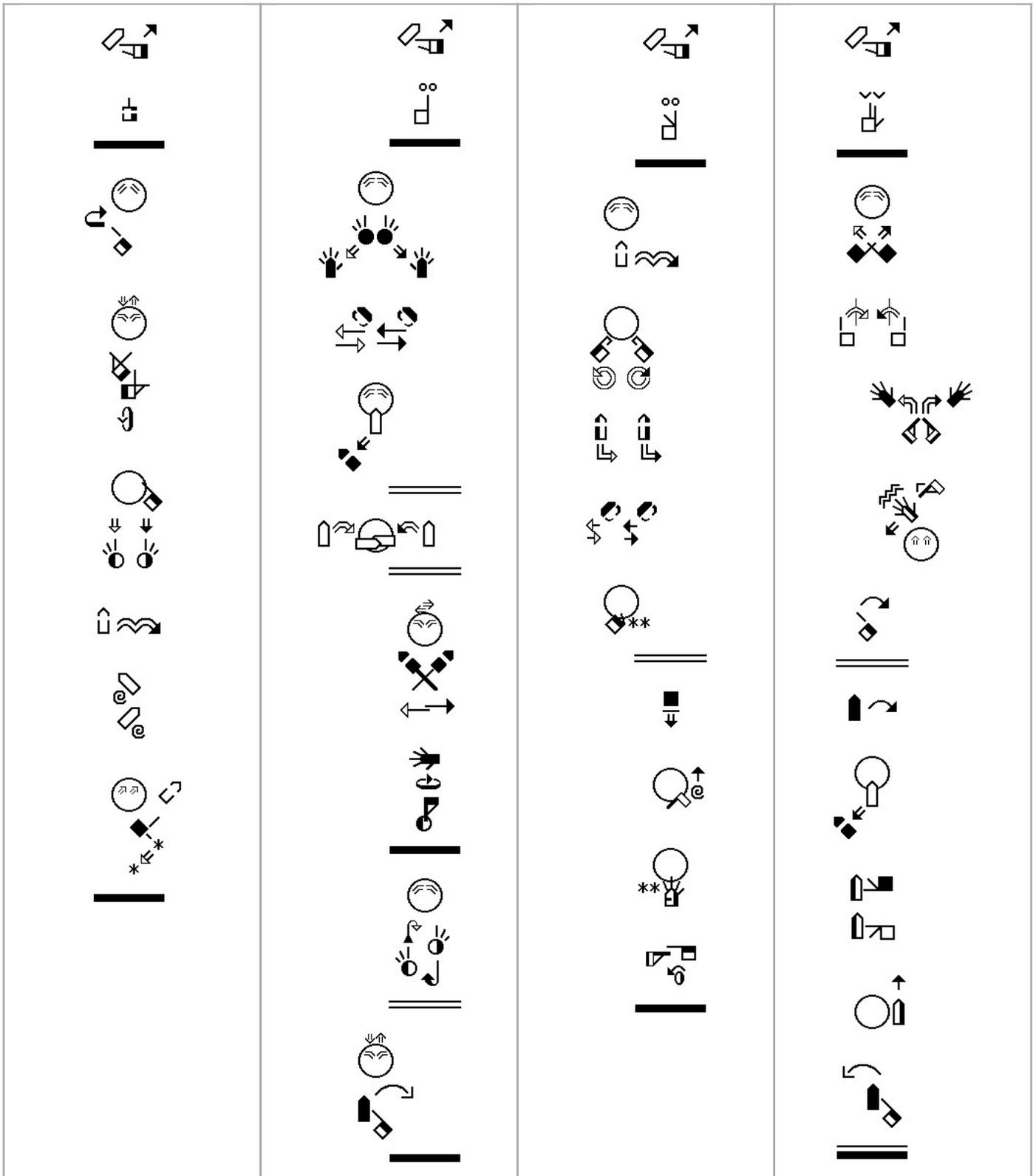
will inherit the Kingdom of Christ and of God. For a greedy person is an idolater, worshipping the things of this world. Verse 6. Don't be fooled by those who try to excuse these sins, for the anger of God will fall on all who disobey him.

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Ephesians 5:7-9



Verse 7. Don't participate in the things these people do. Verse 8. For once you were full of darkness, but now you have light from the Lord. So live as people of light! Verse 9. For this light within you produces only what is good and right and true. NLT



Verse 10. Carefully determine what pleases the Lord. Verse 11. Take no part in the worthless deeds of evil and darkness; instead, expose them. Verse 12. It is shameful even to talk about the things that ungodly people do in secret. Verse 13. But their evil intentions will be exposed when the light shines on them,
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Ephesians 5:14-15

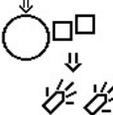
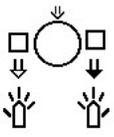
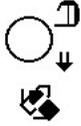
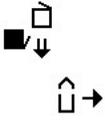
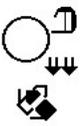
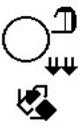
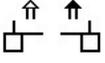
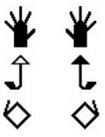
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Verse 21. And further, submit to one another out of reverence for Christ. Verse 22. For wives, this means submit your husbands as to the Lord. Verse 23. For a husband is the head of his wife as Christ is the head of the church. He is the Savior of his body, the church.

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Ephesians 5:24-25

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For a man who loves his wife actually shows love for himself. Verse 29. No one hates his own body but feeds and cares for it, just as Christ cares for the church. Verse 30. And we are members of his body. NLT

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Chapter 6. Children, obey your parents because you belong to the Lord, for this is the right thing to do. Verse 2. "Honor your father and mother." This is the first commandment with a promise: Verse 3. If you honor your father and mother, "things will go well for you, and you will have a long life on the earth".
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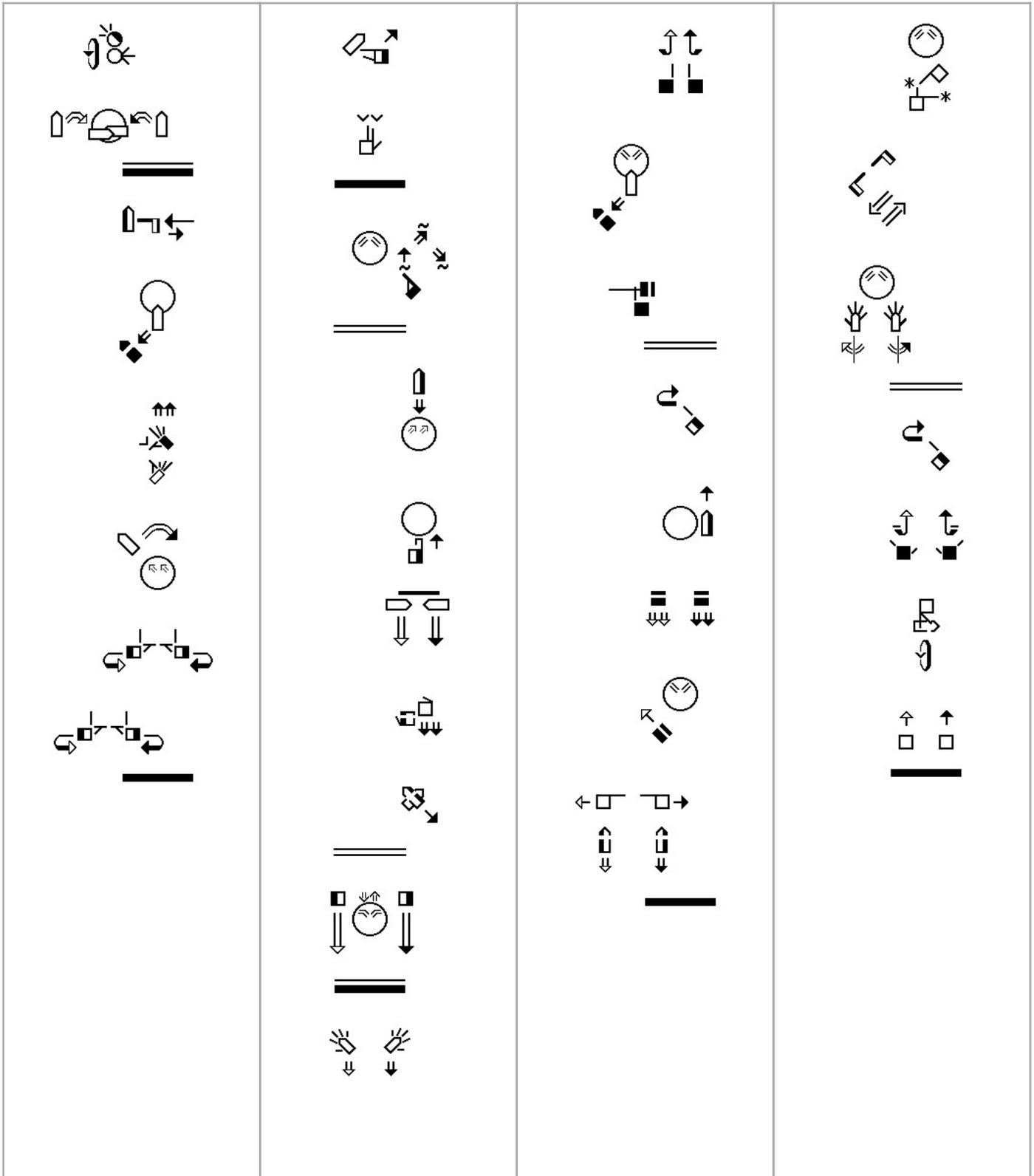
whether we are slaves or free. Verse 9. Masters, treat your slaves in the same way. Don't threaten them; remember, you both have the same Master in heaven, and he has no favorites. Verse 10. A final word: Be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. NLT

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Verse 11. Put on all of God's armor so that you will be able to stand firm against all strategies of the devil. Verse 12. For we are not fighting against flesh-and-blood enemies, but against evil rulers and authorities of the unseen world, against mighty powers in

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Ephesians 6:12-13



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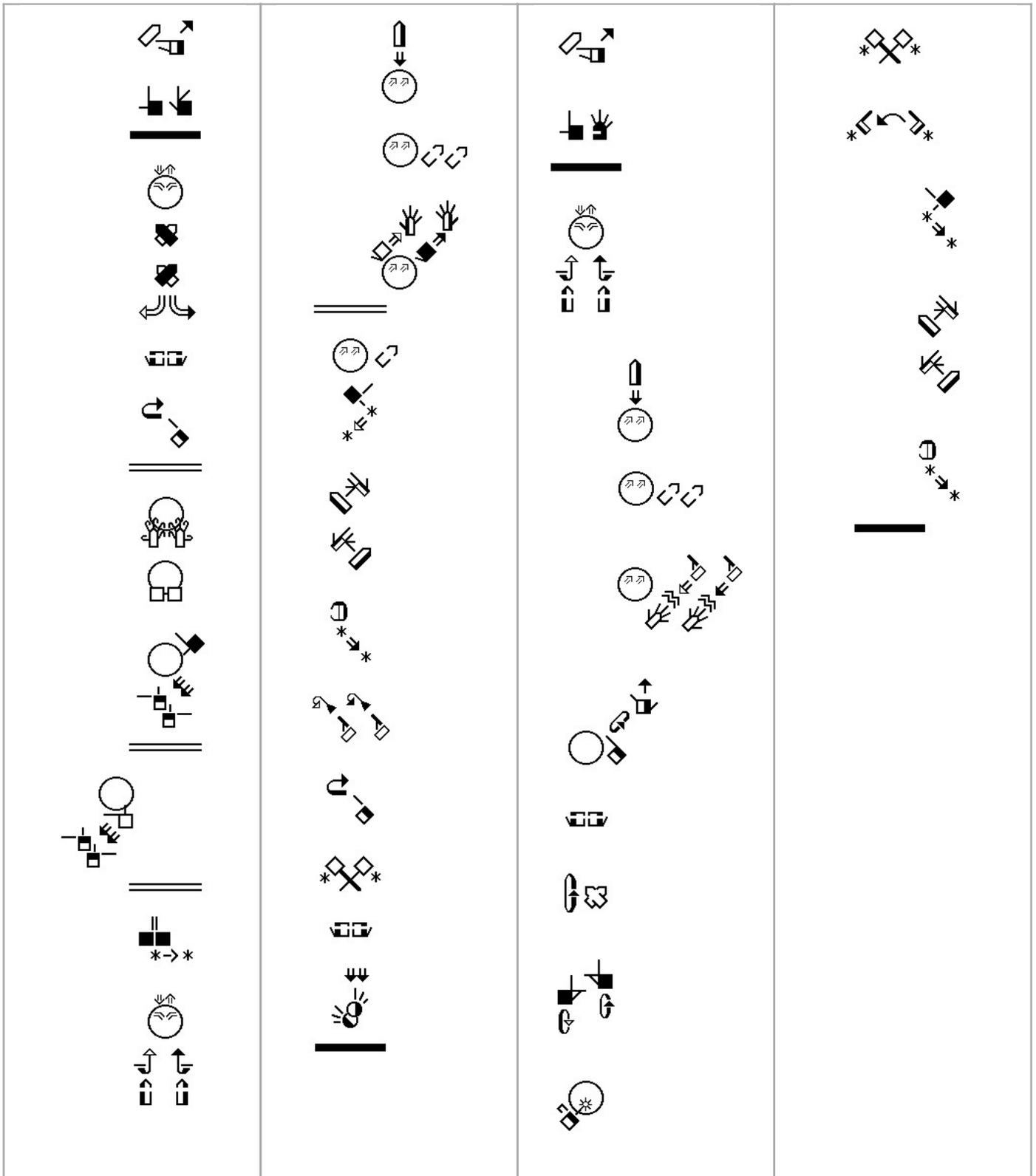
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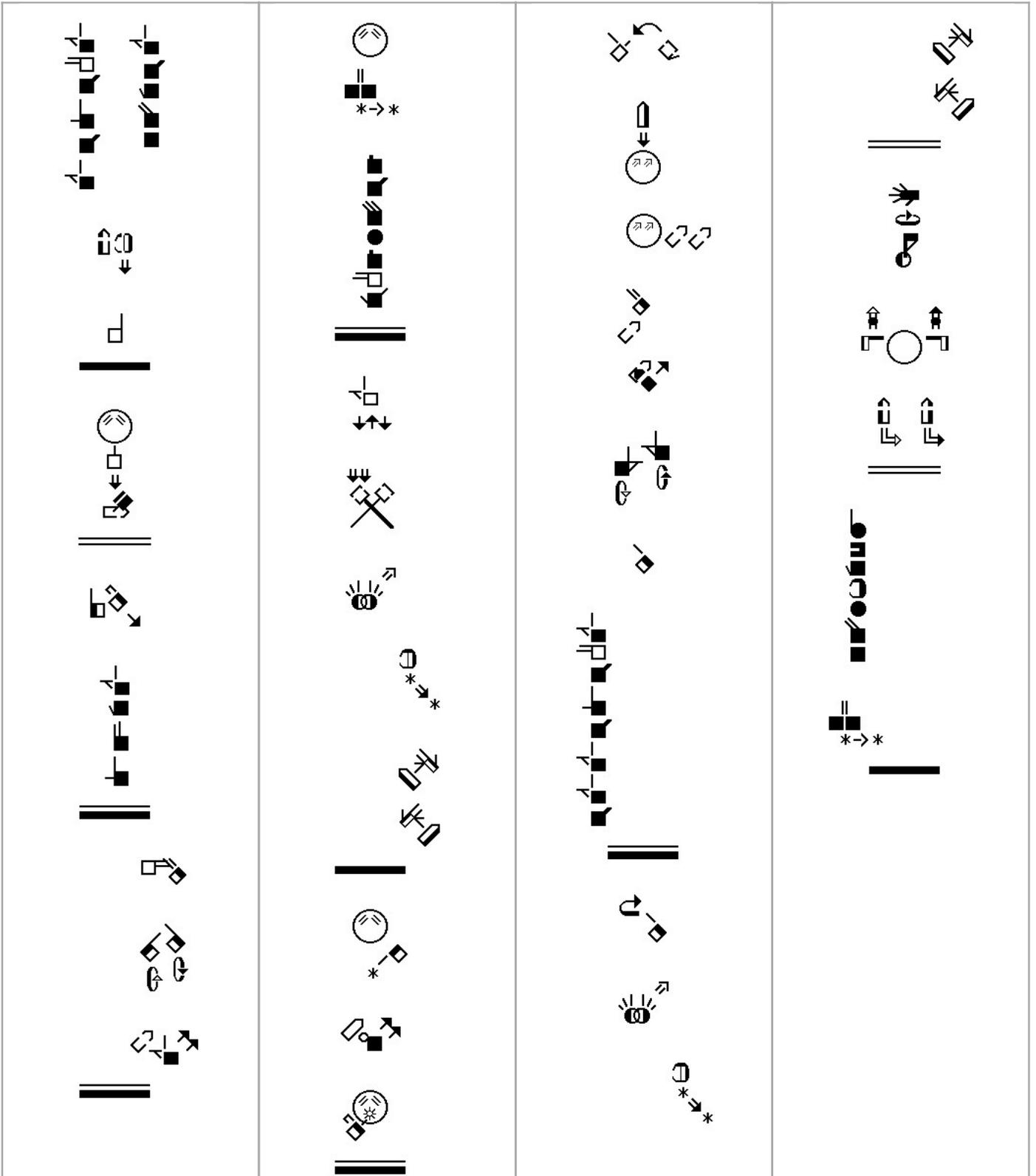
Verse 17. Put on salvation as your helmet, and take the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. Verse 18. Pray in the Spirit at all times and on every occasion. Stay alert and be persistent in your prayers for all believers everywhere. Verse 19. And pray for me, too. Ask God to give me the right words
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so I can boldly explain God's mysterious plan that the Good News is for Jews and Gentiles alike. Verse 20. I am in chains now, still preaching this message as God's ambassador. So pray that I will keep on speaking boldly for him, as I should. NLT



Verse 23. Peace be with you, dear brothers and sisters, and may God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ give you love with faithfulness. Verse 24. May God's grace be eternally upon all who love our Lord Jesus Christ.

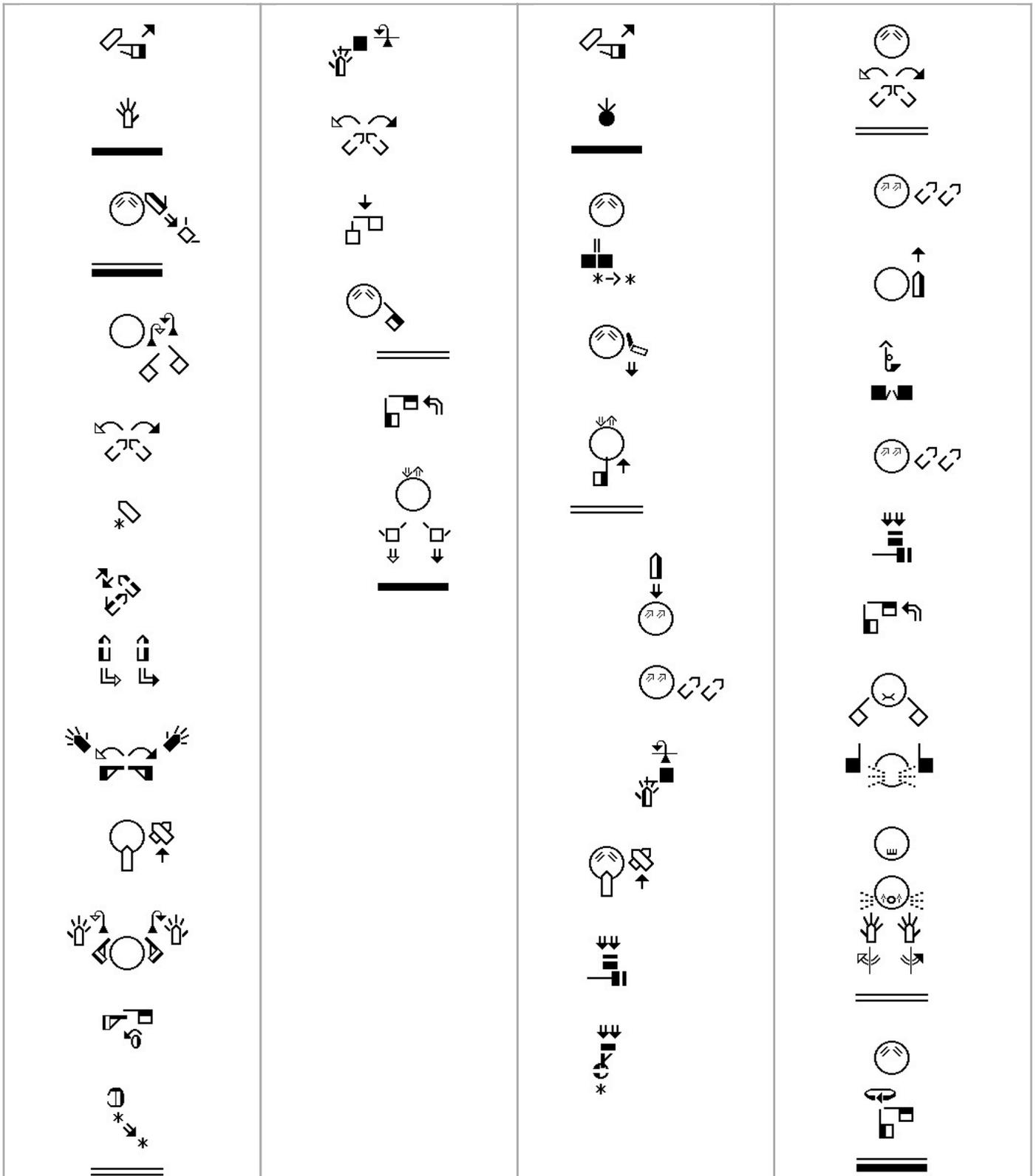


Chapter One. This letter is from Paul and Timothy, slaves of Christ Jesus. I am writing to all of God's holy people in Philippi who belong to Christ Jesus, including the elders and deacons.

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Philippians 1:2-4

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Verse 5. for you have been my partners in spreading the Good News about Christ from the time you first heard it until now. Verse 6. And I am certain that God, who began the good work within you, will continue his work until it is finally finished

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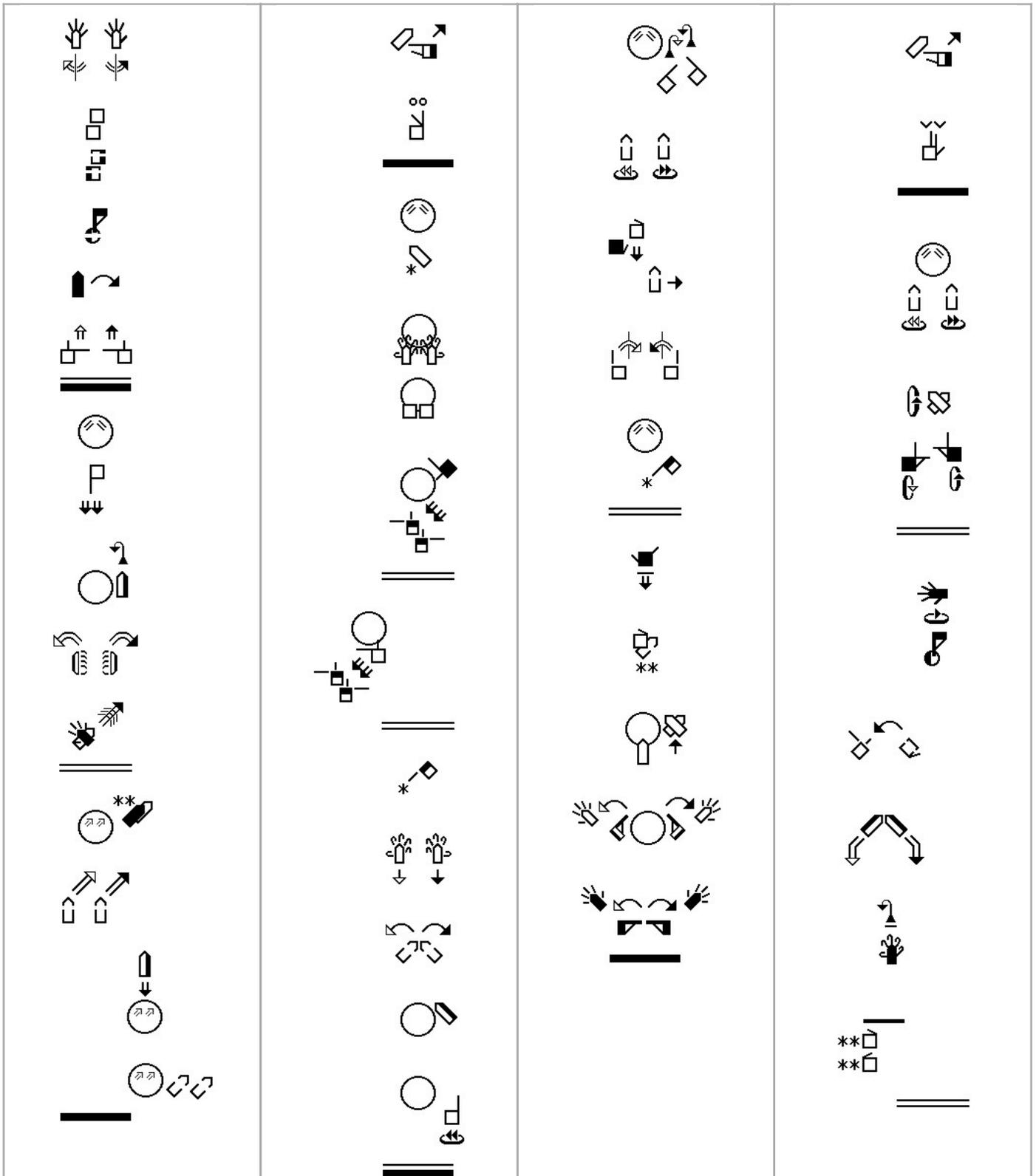
both in my imprisonment and in defending and confirming the truth of the Good News. Verse 8. God knows how much I love you and long for you with the tender compassion of Christ Jesus. Verse 9. I pray that your love will overflow more and more,

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Philippians 1:9-11

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and that you will keep on growing in knowledge and understanding. Verse 10. For I want you to understand what really matters, so that you may live pure and blameless lives until the day of Christ's return. Verse 11. May you always be filled with the fruit of your salvation -- the righteous character



produced in your life by Jesus Christ -- for this will bring much glory and praise to God. Verse 12. And I want you to know, my dear brothers and sisters, that everything that has happened to me here has helped to spread the Good News. Verse 13. For everyone here, including the whole palace guard,

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But others preach about Christ with pure motives. Verse 16. They preach because they love me, for they know I have been appointed to defend the Good News. Verse 17. Those others do not have pure

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Philippians 1:17-18

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motives as they preach about Christ. They preach with selfish ambition, not sincerely, intending to make my chains more painful to me. Verse 18. But that doesn't matter. Whether their motives are false or genuine, the message about Christ is being preached either way, so I rejoice. And I will continue to rejoice. NLT

Philippians 1:20-22

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life will bring honor to Christ, whether I live or die. Verse 21. For to me, living means living for Christ, and dying is even better. Verse 22. But if I live, I can do more fruitful work for Christ. So I really don't know which is better.

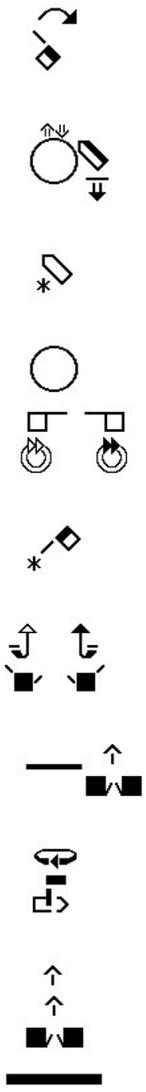
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conducting yourselves in a manner worthy of the Good News about Christ. Then, whether I come and see you again or only hear about you, I will know that you are standing side by side, fighting together for the faith, which is the Good News. Verse 28. Don't be intimidated in any way by your enemies. This will be a sign to them that they NLT

Philippians 1:28-30

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are going to be destroyed, but that you are going to be saved, even by God himself. Verse 29. For you have been given not only the privilege of trusting in Christ but also the privilege of suffering for him. Verse 30. We are in this struggle together. You have seen my struggle in the past,

			
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and you know that I am still in the midst of it.

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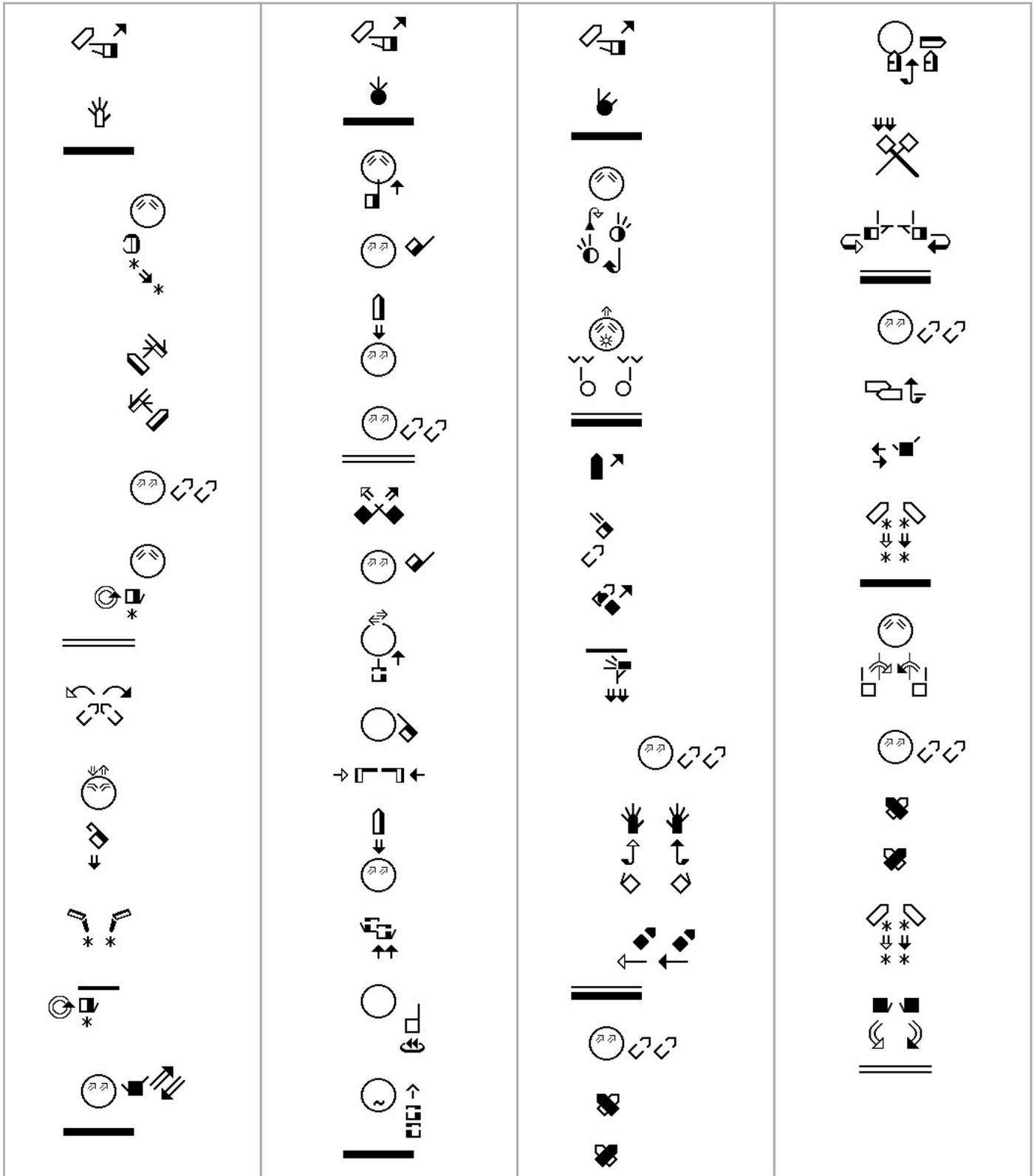
Chapter 2. Is there any encouragement from belonging to Christ? Any comfort from his love? Any fellowship together in the Spirit? Are your hearts tender and compassionate? Verse 2. Then make me truly happy by agreeing wholeheartedly with each other, loving one another, and working together with one mind and purpose. NLT

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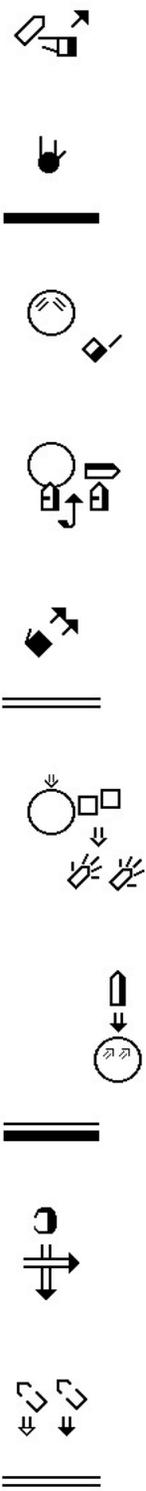
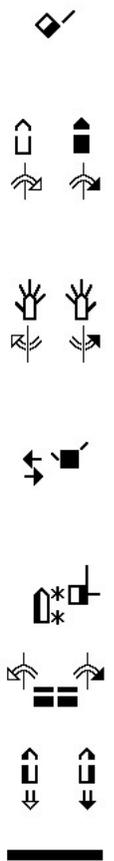
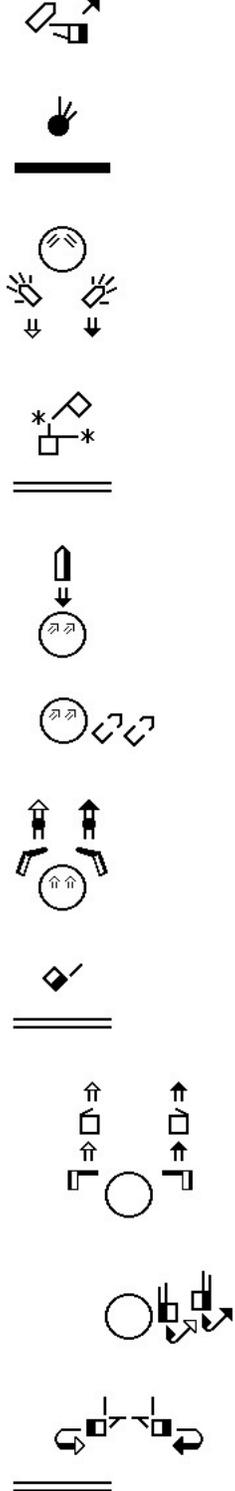
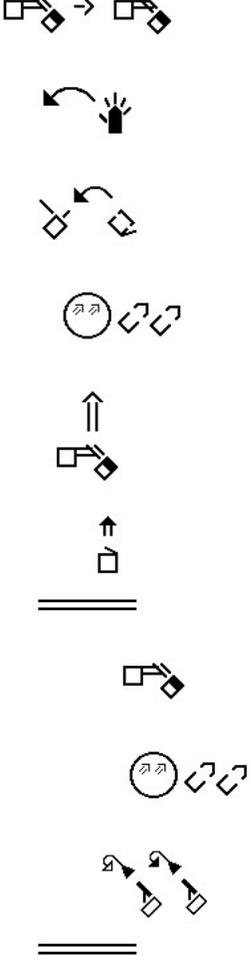
Verse 3. Don't be selfish; don't try to impress others. Be humble, thinking of others as better than yourselves. Verse 4. Don't look out only for your own interests, but take an interest in others, too.

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Philippians 2:5-7



Verse 5. You must have the same attitude that Christ Jesus had. Verse 6. Though he was God, he did not think of equality with God as something to cling to. Verse 7. Instead, he gave up his divine privileges; he took the humble position of a slave and was born as a human being. When he appeared in human form,

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Verse 8. he humbled himself in obedience to God and died a criminal's death on a cross.
 Verse 9. Therefore, God elevated him to the place of highest honor and gave him the name above all other names,
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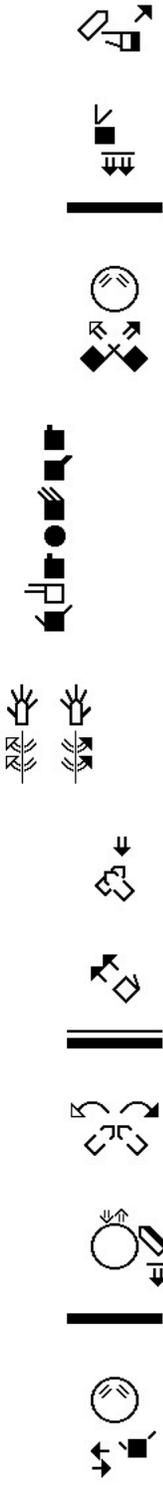
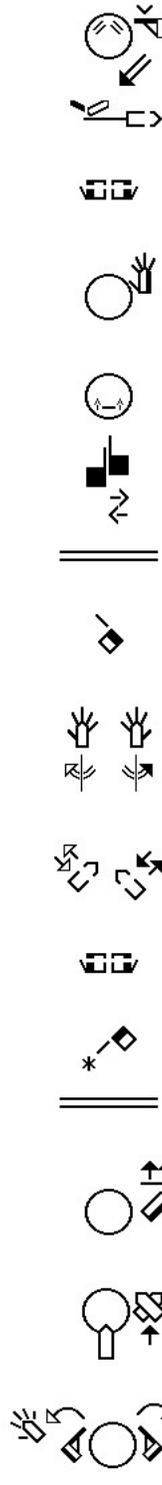
<p>Verse 12. Dear friends, you always followed my instructions when I was with you. And now that I am away, it is even more important. Work hard to show the results of your salvation, obeying God with deep reverence and fear. Verse 13. For God is working in you, giving you</p>			

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is an offering to God. And I want all of you to share that joy. Verse 18. Yes, you should rejoice, and I will share your joy. Verse 19. If the Lord Jesus is willing, I hope to send Timothy to you soon for a visit. Then he can cheer me up

Philippians 2:22-23

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Verse 22. But you know how Timothy has proved himself. Like a son with his father, he has served with me in preaching the Good News. Verse 23. I hope to send him to you just as soon as I find out what is going to happen to me here. NLT

<p>Verse 25. Meanwhile, I thought I should send Epaphroditus back to you. He is a true brother, co-worker, and fellow soldier. And he was your messenger to help me in my need.</p>	<p>Verse 25. Meanwhile, I thought I should send Epaphroditus back to you. He is a true brother, co-worker, and fellow soldier. And he was your messenger to help me in my need.</p>	<p>Verse 25. Meanwhile, I thought I should send Epaphroditus back to you. He is a true brother, co-worker, and fellow soldier. And he was your messenger to help me in my need.</p>	<p>Verse 25. Meanwhile, I thought I should send Epaphroditus back to you. He is a true brother, co-worker, and fellow soldier. And he was your messenger to help me in my need.</p>

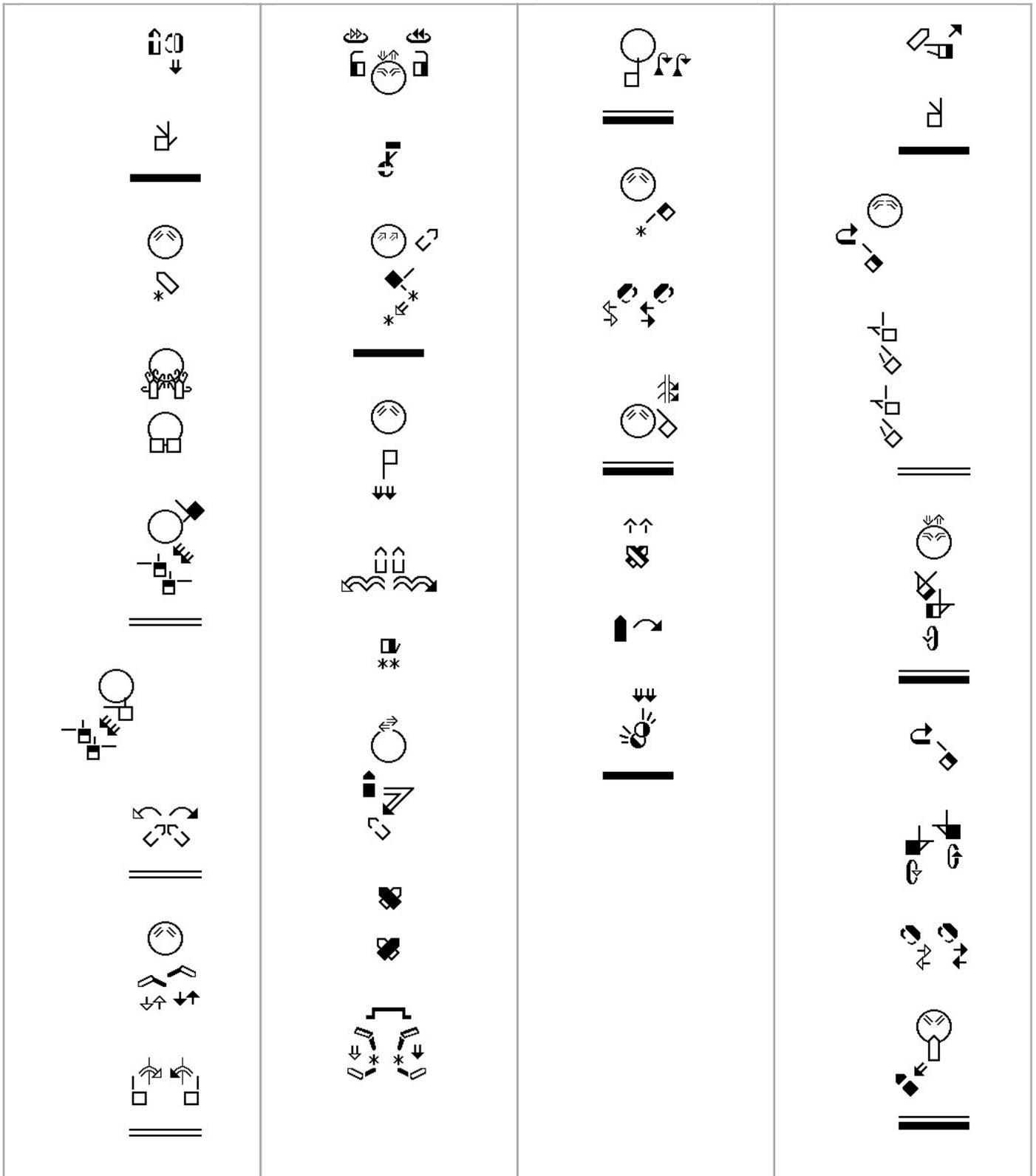
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Verse 26. I am sending him because he has been longing to see you, and he was very distressed that you heard he was ill. Verse 27. And he certainly was ill; in fact, he almost died. But God had mercy on him -- and also on me, so that I would not have one sorrow after another.

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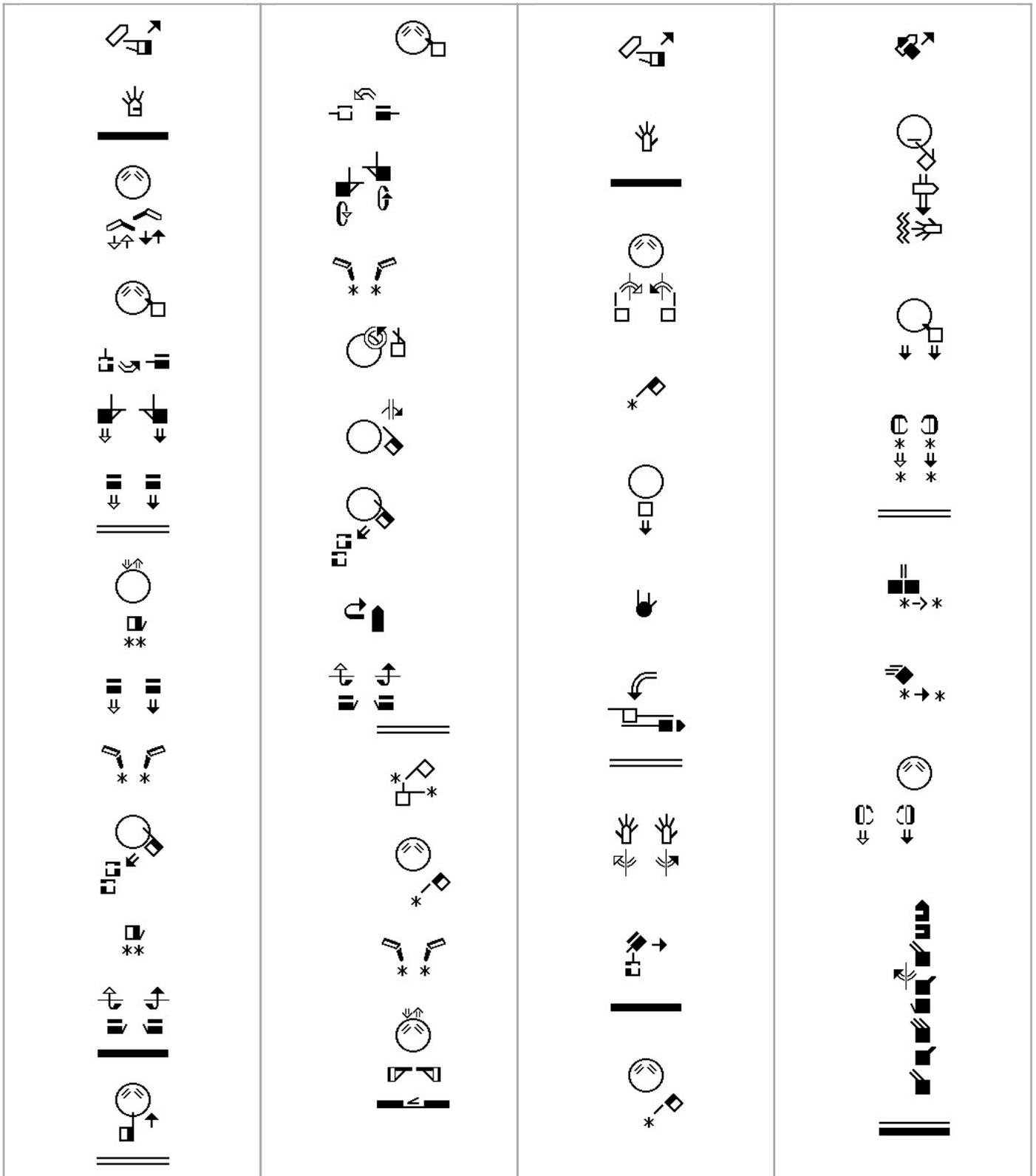


Chapter 3. Whatever happens, my dear brothers and sisters, rejoice in the Lord. I never get tired of telling you these things, and I do it to safeguard your faith. Verse 2. Watch out for those dogs, those people who do evil, NLT

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those mutilators who say you must be circumcised to be saved. Verse 3. For we who worship by the Spirit of God are the ones who are truly circumcised. We rely on what Christ Jesus has done for us. We put no confidence in human effort, NLT



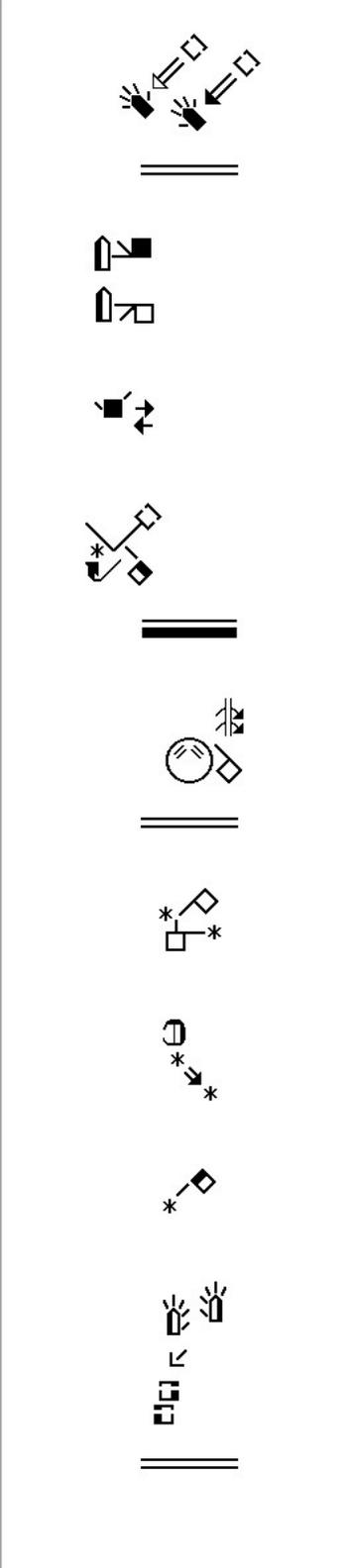
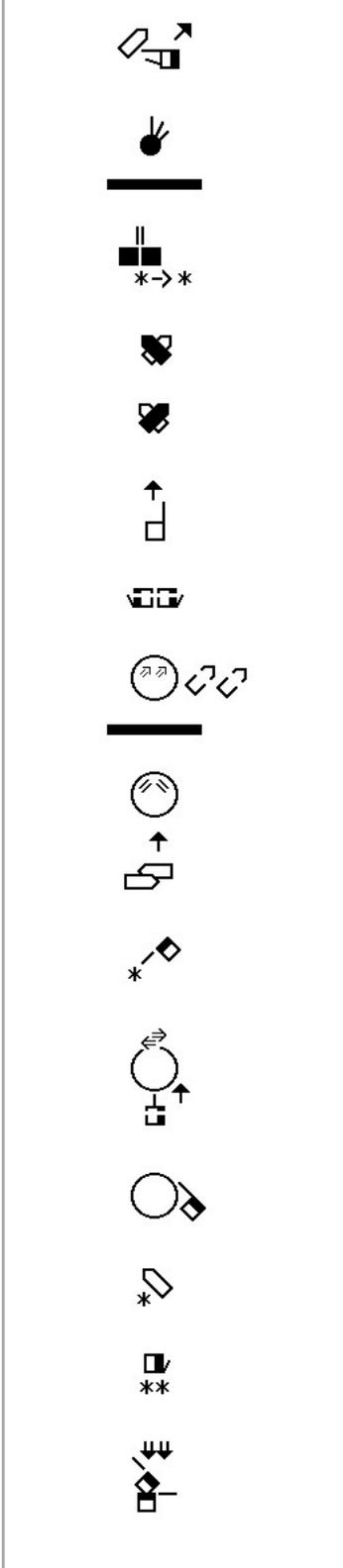
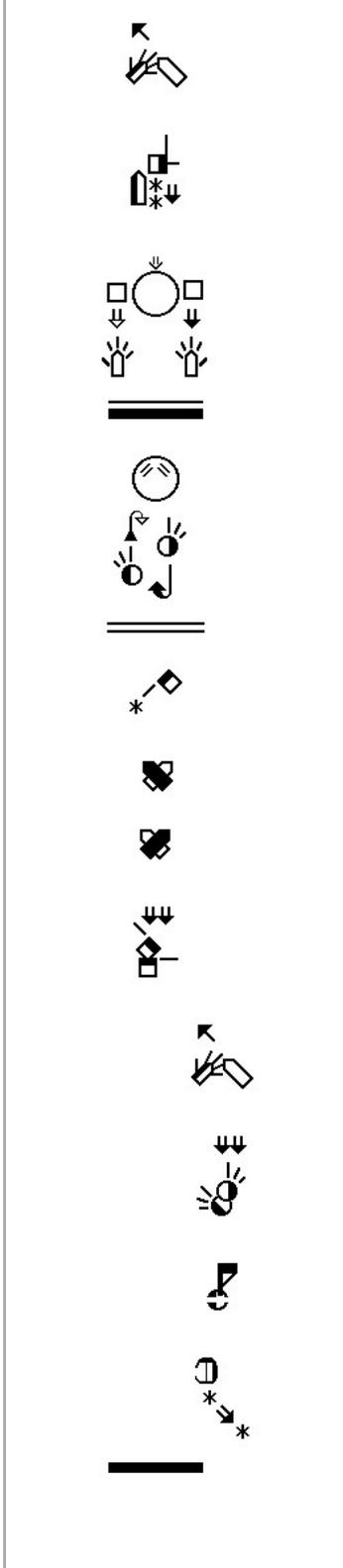
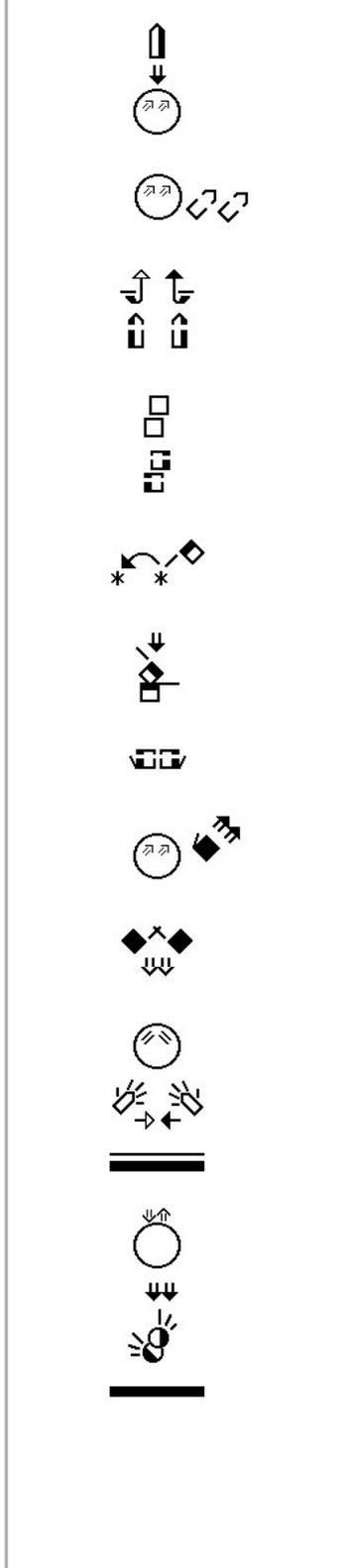
Verse 4. though I could have confidence in my own effort if anyone could. Indeed, if others have reason for confidence in their own efforts, I have even more! Verse 5. I was circumcised when I was eight days old. I am a pure-blooded citizen of Israel and a member of the tribe of Benjamin --

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Verse 7. I once thought these things were valuable, but now I consider them worthless because of what Christ has done. Verse 8. Yes, everything else is worthless when compared with the infinite value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have NLT

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202 discarded everything else, counting it all as garbage, so that I could gain Christ Verse 9. and become one with him. I no longer count on my own righteousness through obeying the law; rather, I become righteous through faith in Christ. For God's way of making us right with himself depends on faith. NLT

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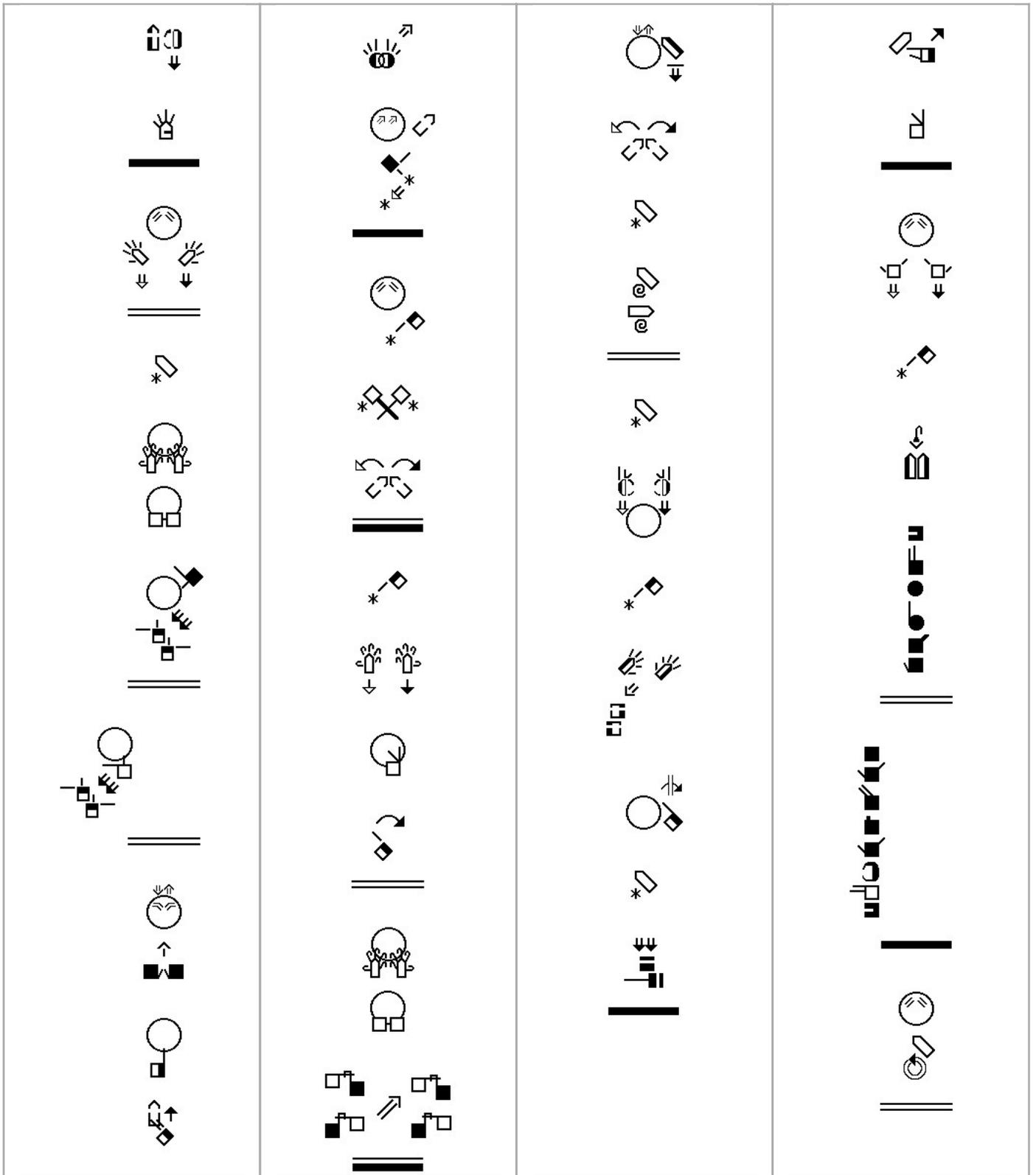
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Verse 16. But we must hold on to the progress we have already made. Verse 17. Dear brothers and sisters, pattern your lives after mine, and learn from those who follow our example. Verse 18. For I have told you often before, and I say it again with tears in my eyes, that there are

Philippians 3:20-21

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lives. And we are eagerly waiting for him to return as our Savior. Verse 21. He will take our weak mortal bodies and change them into glorious bodies like his own, using the same power with which he will bring everything under his control. NLT



Chapter 4. Therefore, my dear brothers and sisters, stay true to the Lord. I love you and long to see you, dear friends, for you are my joy and the crown I receive for my work. Verse 2. Now I appeal to Euodia and Syntyche. Please, NLT

Philippians 4:2-3

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whose names are written in the Book of Life. Verse 4. Always be full of joy in the Lord. I say it again -- rejoice! Verse 5. Let everyone see that you are considerate in all you do. Remember, the Lord is coming soon.

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Verse 6. Don't worry about anything; instead, pray about everything. Tell God what you need, and thank him for all he has done. Verse 7. Then you will experience God's peace, which exceeds anything we can understand. His peace will guard your hearts NLT

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and minds as you live in Christ Jesus. Verse 8. And now, dear brothers and sisters, one final thing. Fix your thoughts on what is true, and honorable, and right, and pure, and lovely, and admirable. Think about things that are excellent and worthy of praise. NLT

Philippians 4:9-10

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I have learned the secret of living in every situation, whether it is with a full stomach or empty, with plenty or little. Verse 13. For I can do everything through Christ, who gives me strength. Verse 14. Even so, you have done well to share with me in my present difficulty.

Philippians 4:16-18

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I am generously supplied with the gifts you sent me with Epaphroditus. They are a sweet-smelling sacrifice that is acceptable and pleasing to God. Verse 19. And this same God who takes care of me will supply all your needs from his glorious riches, which have been given to us in Christ Jesus.

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Verse 22. And all the rest of God's people send you greetings, too, especially those in Caesar's household. Verse 23. May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit.

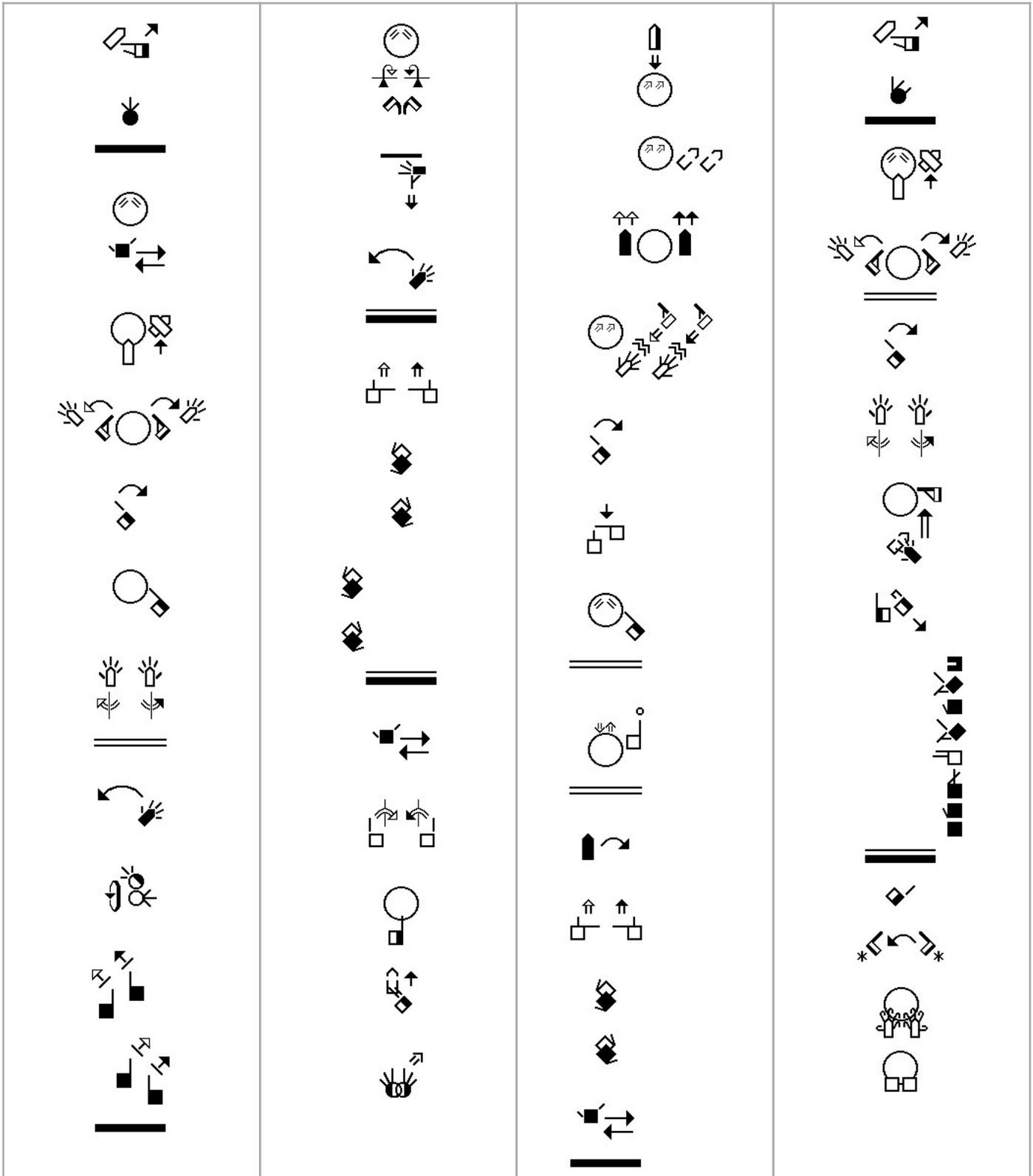
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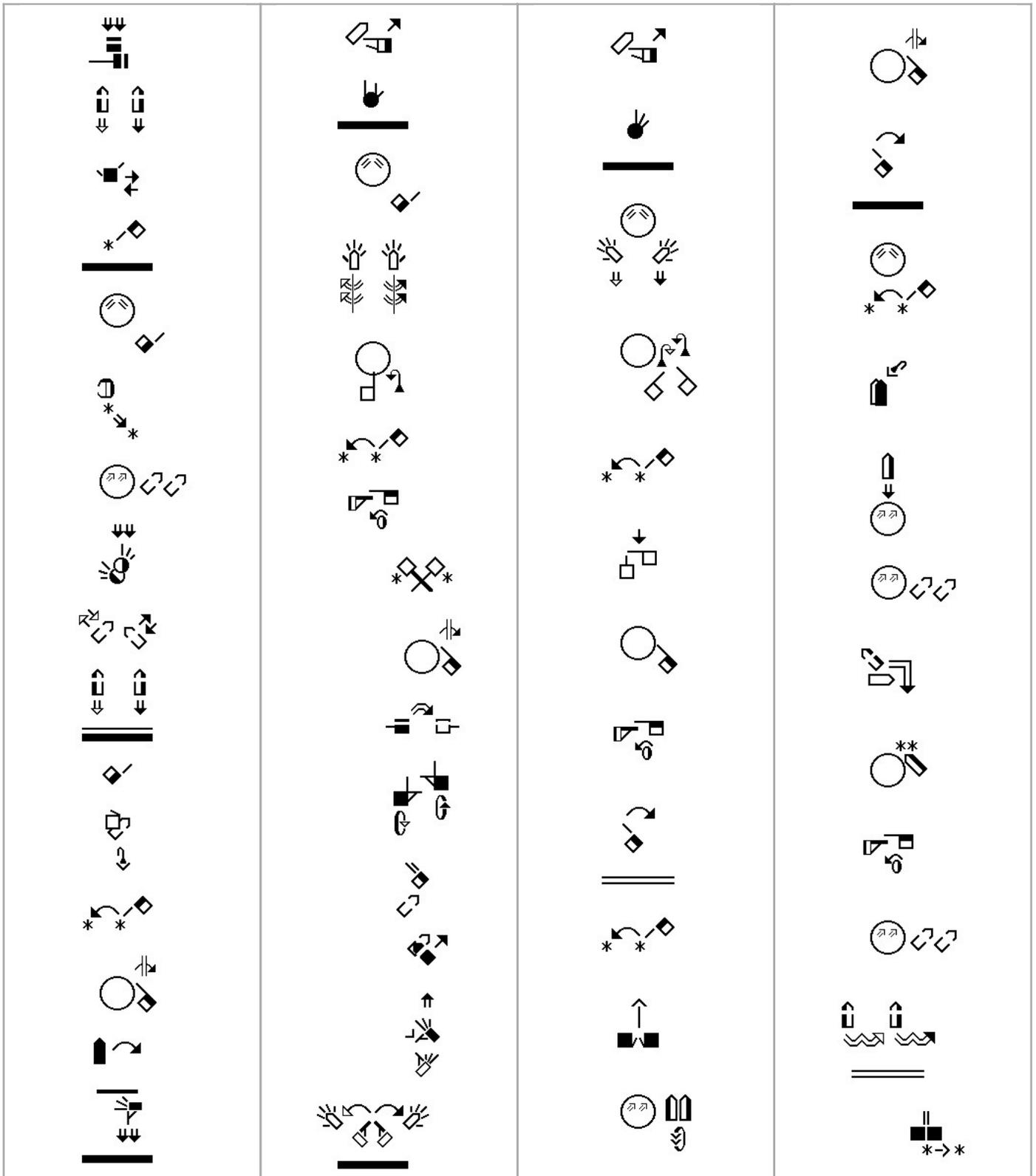
Chapter 1. This letter is from Paul, chosen by the will of God to be an apostle of Christ Jesus, and from our brother Timothy. Verse 2. We are writing to God's holy people in the city
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<p>Verse 4. For we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and your love for all of God's people,</p>	<p>Verse 5. which come from your confident hope of what God has reserved for you in heaven.</p>	<p>You have had this expectation ever since you first heard the truth of the Good News.</p>	<p>NLT</p>

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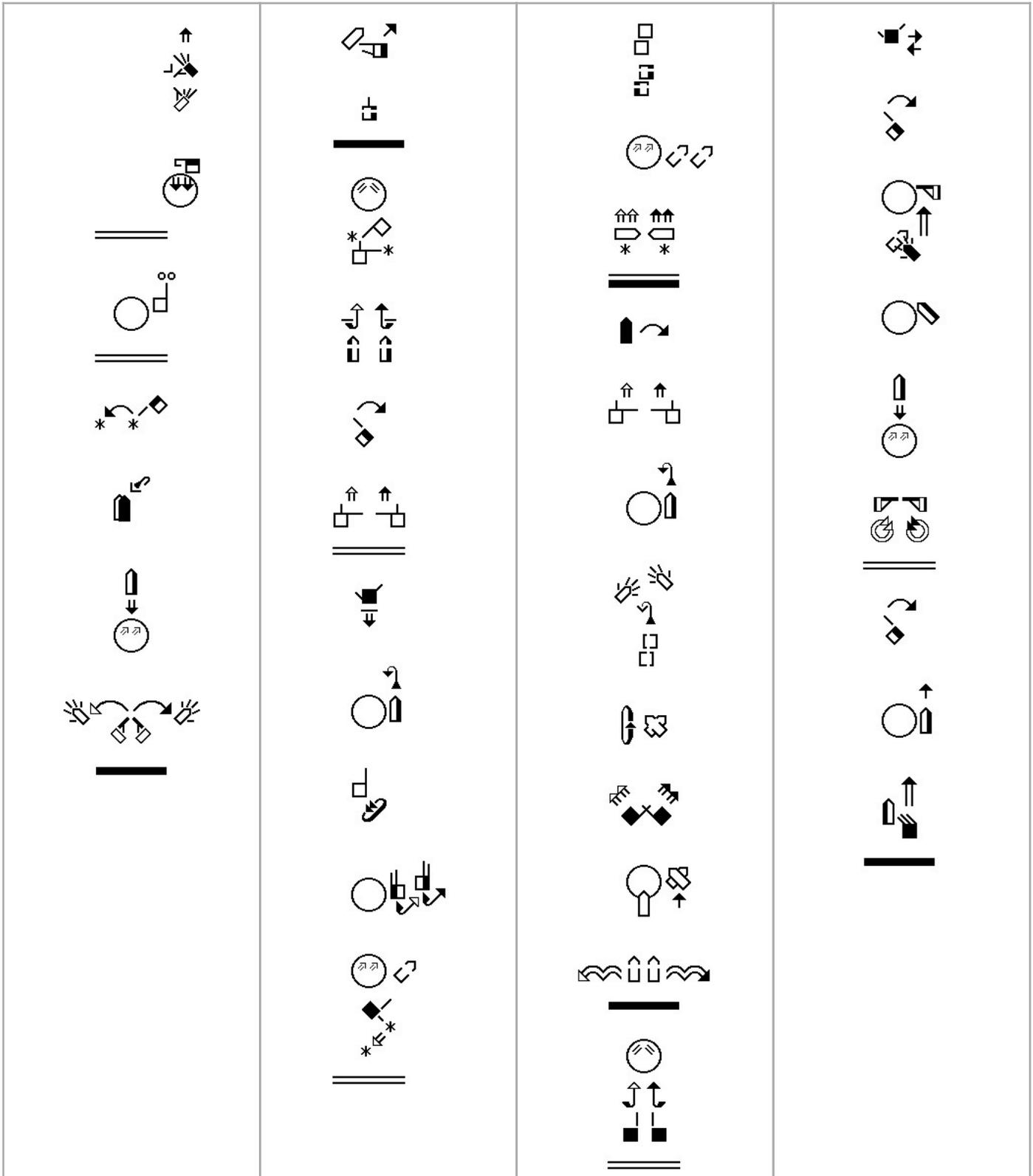
Verse 6. This same Good News that came to you is going out all over the world. It is bearing fruit everywhere by changing lives, just as it changed your lives from the day you first heard and understood the truth about God's wonderful grace. Verse 7. You learned about the Good News from Epaphras, our beloved NLT



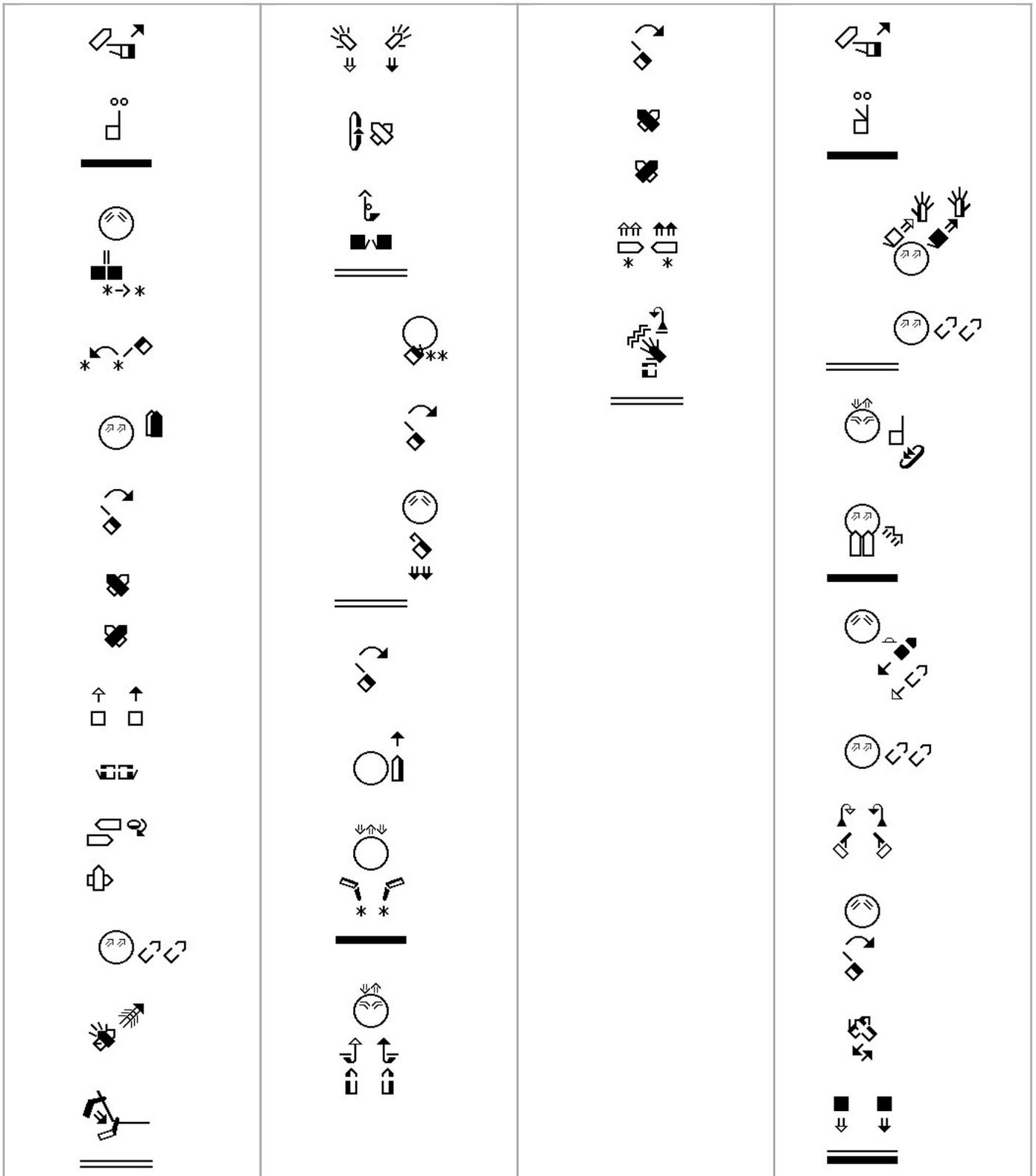
co-worker. He is Christ's faithful servant, and he is helping us on your behalf. Verse 8. He has told us about the love for others that the Holy Spirit has given you. Verse 9. So we have not stopped praying for you since we first heard about you. We ask God to give you complete knowledge of his will and

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Colossians 1:9-10



to give you spiritual wisdom and understanding. Verse 10. Then the way you live will always honor and please the Lord, and your lives will produce every kind of good fruit. All the while, you will grow as you learn to know God better and better. NLT



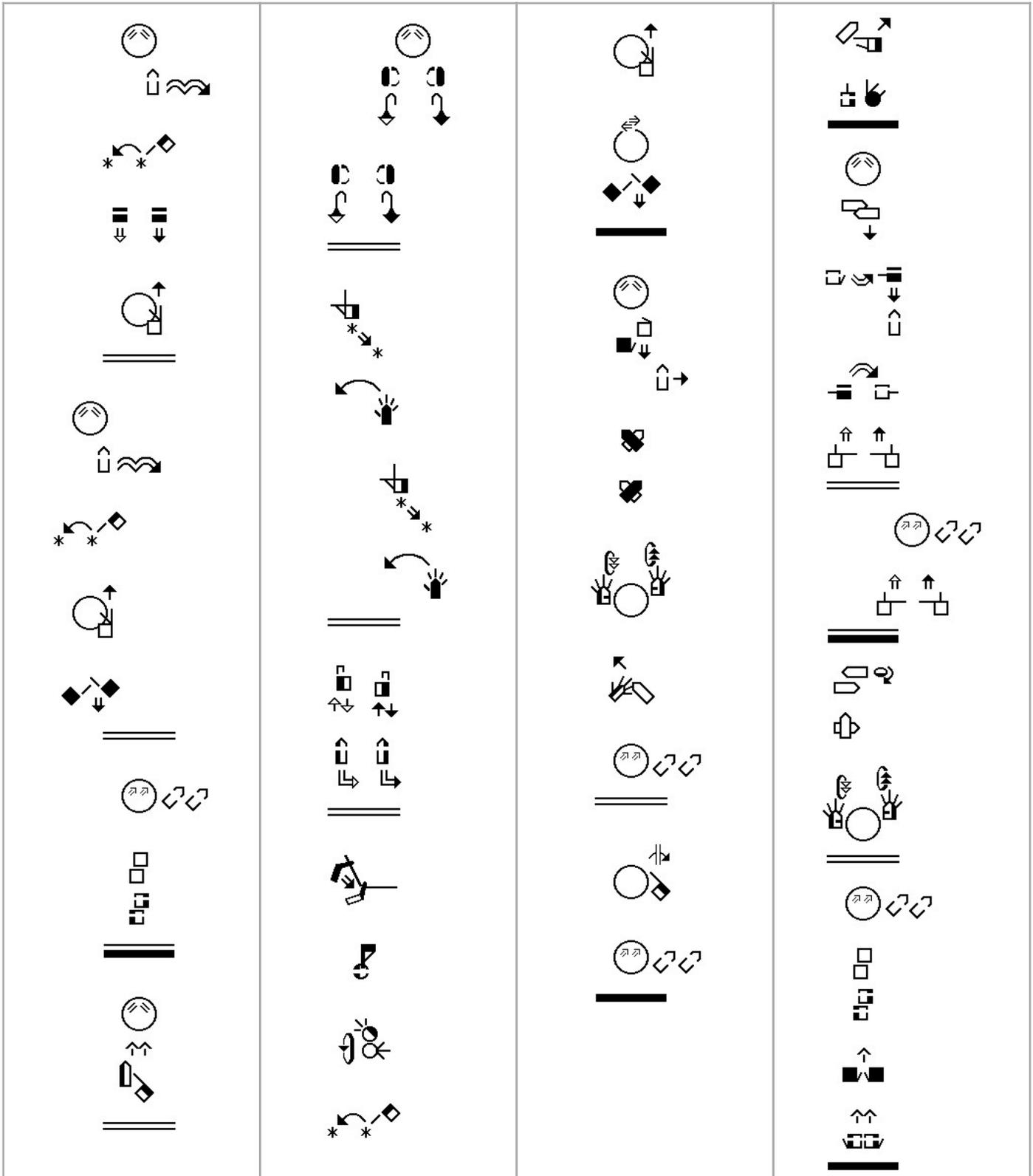
Verse 11. We also pray that you will be strengthened with all his glorious power so you will have all the endurance and patience you need. May you be filled with joy, Verse 12. always thanking the Father. He has enabled you to share in the inheritance NLT

Colossians 1:12-14

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that belongs to his people, who live in the light. Verse 13. For he has rescued us from the kingdom of darkness and transferred us into the Kingdom of his dear Son, Verse 14. who purchased our freedom and forgave our sins. NLT

Colossians 1:16-17



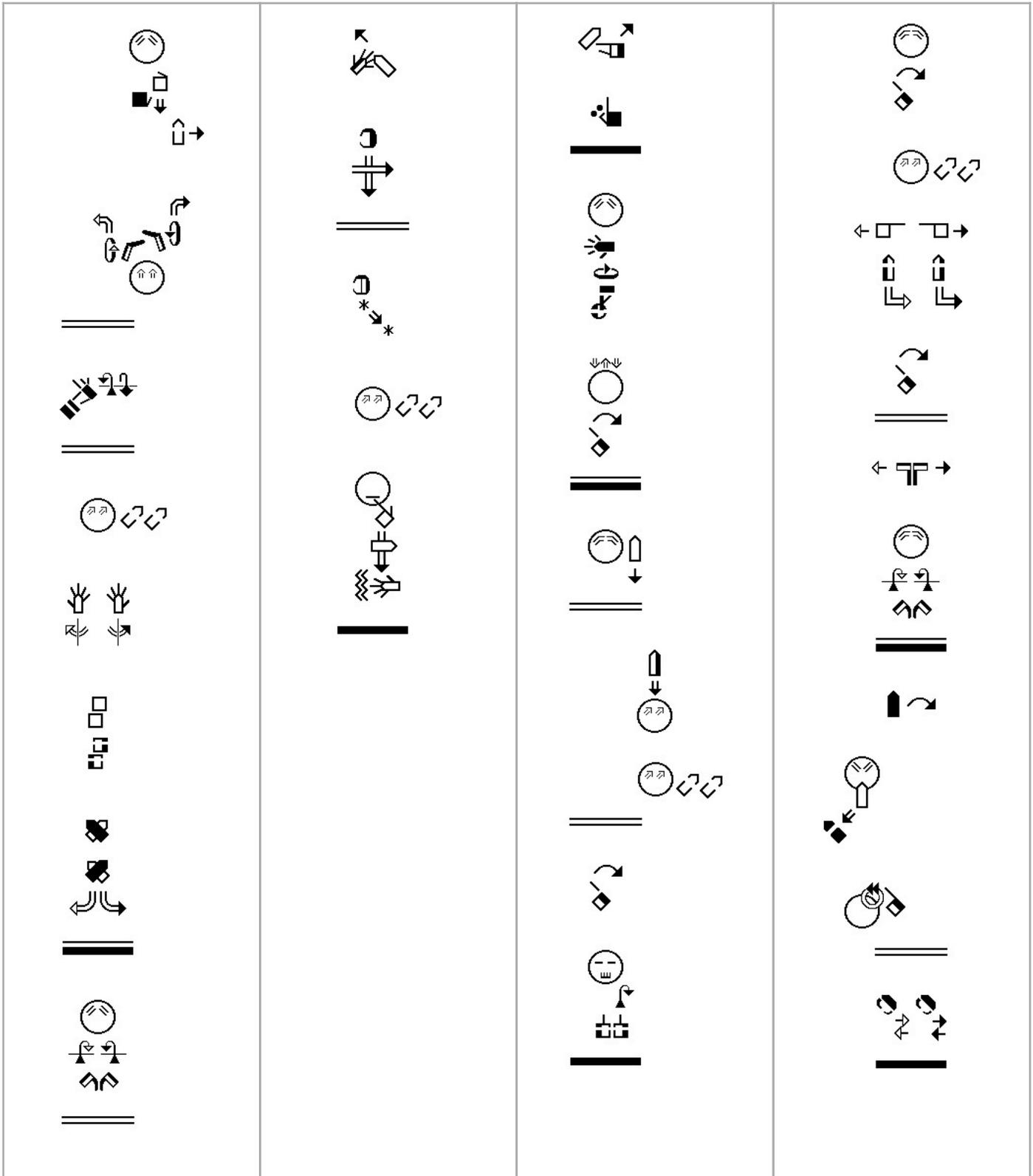
232 He made the things we can see and the things we can't see -- such as thrones, kingdoms, rulers, and authorities in the unseen world. Everything was created through him and for him. Verse 17. He existed before anything else, and he holds all creation together. NLT

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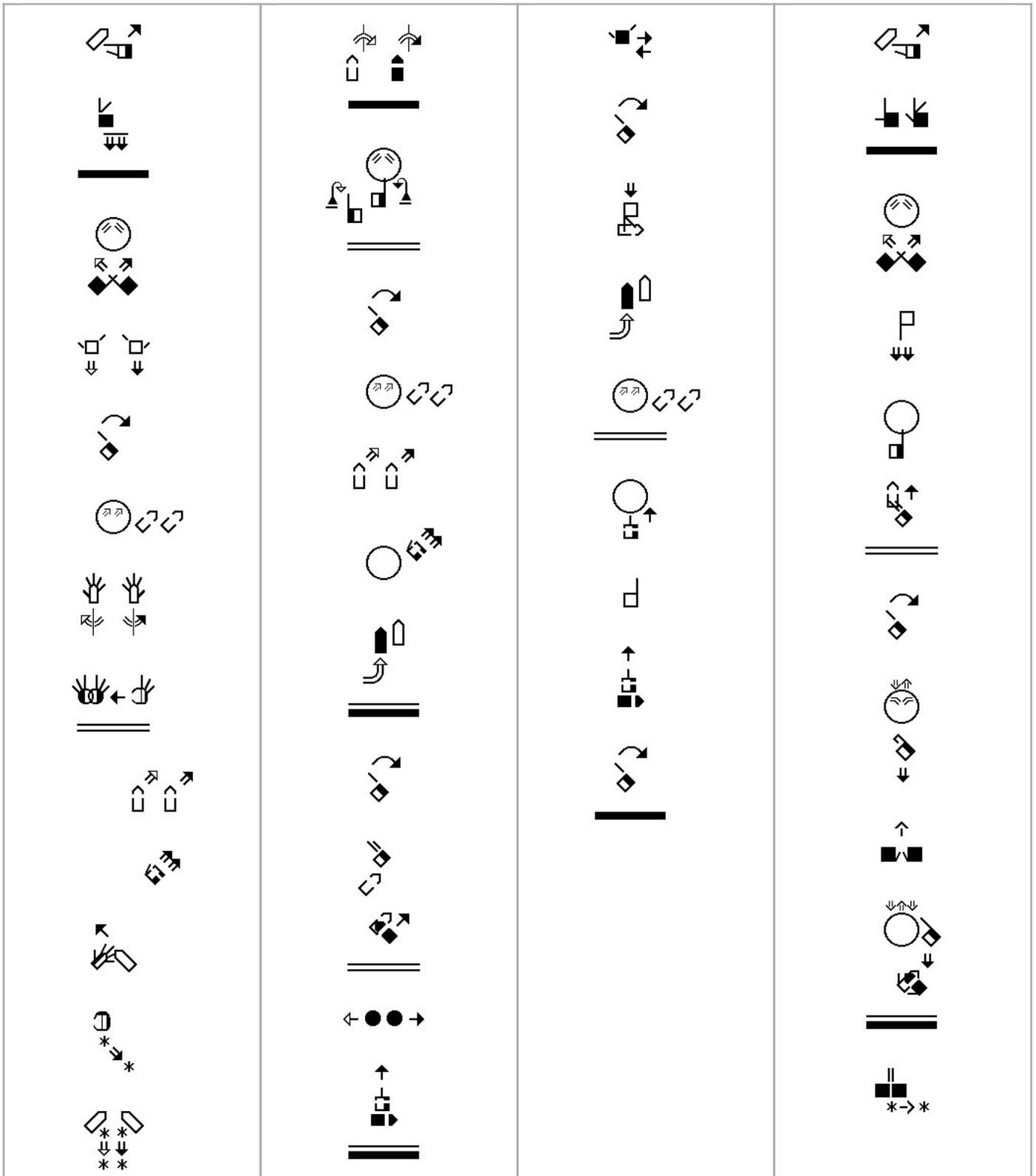
Verse 18. Christ is also the head of the church, which is his body. He is the beginning, supreme over all who rise from the dead. So he is first in everything. Verse 19. For God in all his fullness was pleased to live in Christ, Verse 20. and through him God reconciled everything to himself.

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Colossians 1:20-21



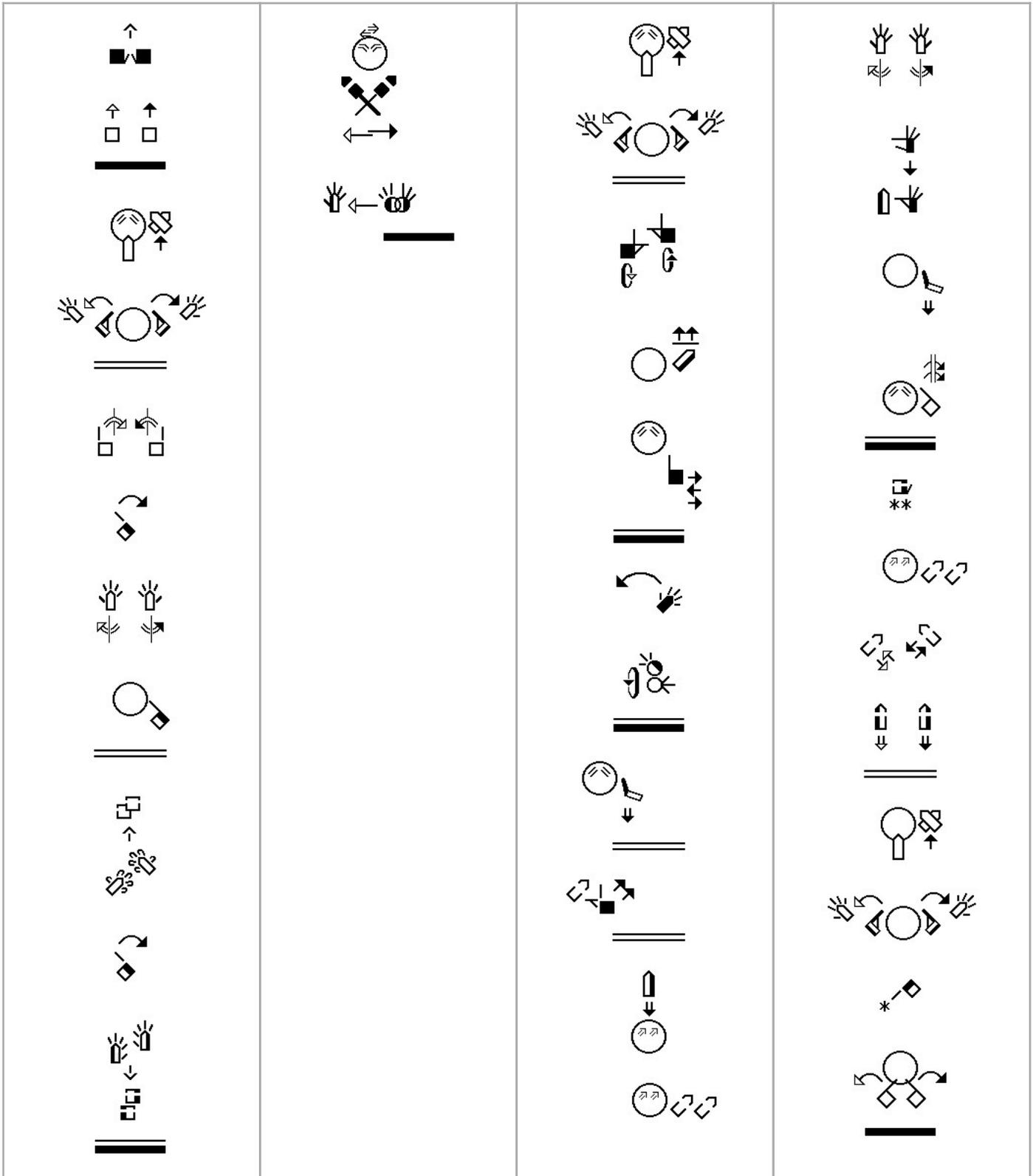
He made peace with everything in heaven and on earth by means of Christ's blood on the cross. Verse 21. This includes you who were once far away from God. You were his enemies, separated from him by your evil thoughts and actions. NLT



Verse 22. Yet now he has reconciled you to himself through the death of Christ in his physical body. As a result, he has brought you into his own presence, and you are holy and blameless as you stand before him without a single fault. Verse 23. But you must continue to believe this truth and

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stand firmly in it. Don't drift away from the assurance you received when you heard the Good News. The Good News has been preached all over the world, and I, Paul, have been appointed as God's servant to proclaim it. NLT

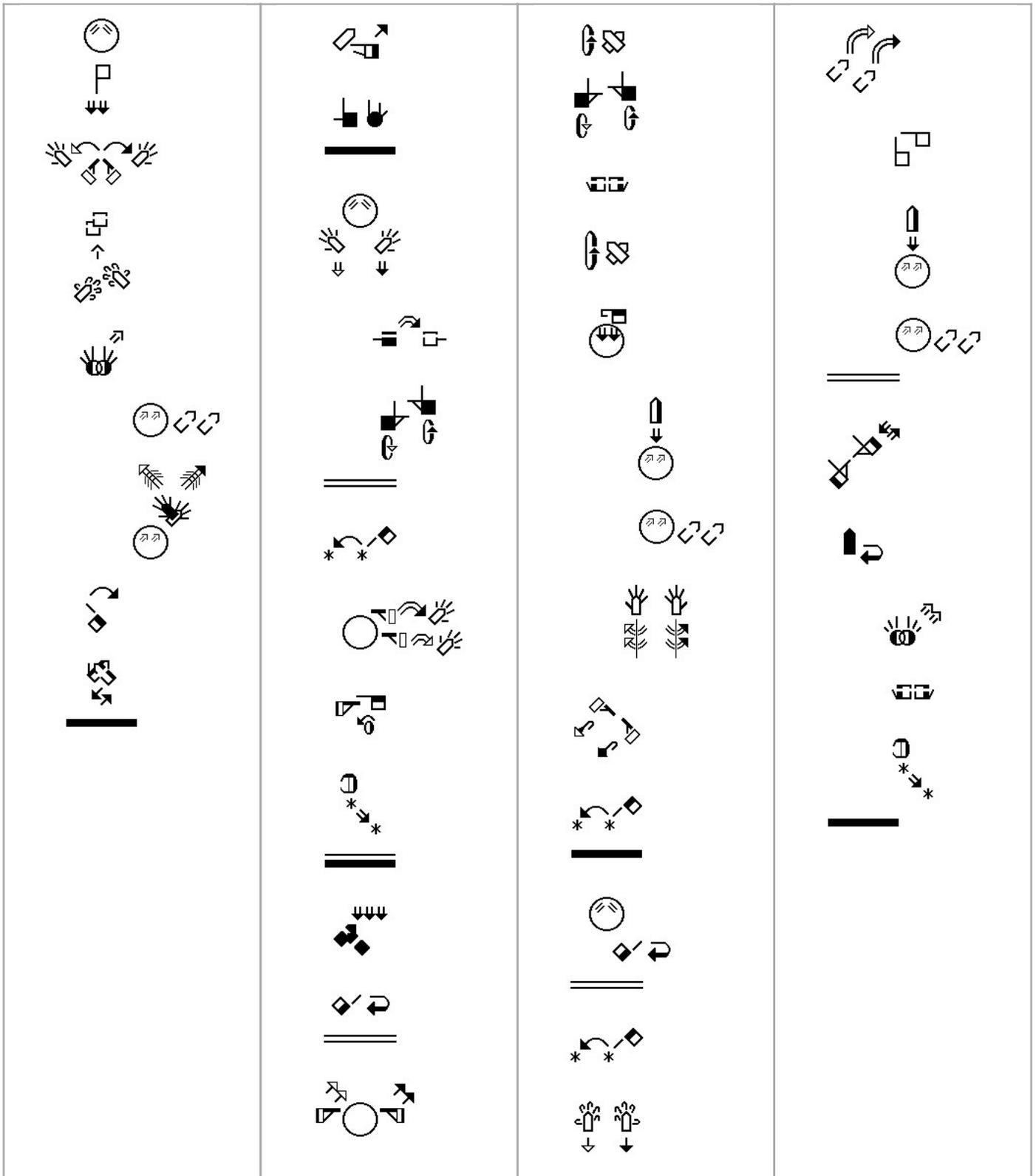
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Verse 24. I am glad when I suffer for you in my body, for I am participating in the sufferings of Christ that continue for his body, the church. Verse 25. God has given me the responsibility of serving his church by proclaiming his entire message to you. NLT

Colossians 1:26-27

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Verse 26. This message was kept secret for centuries and generations past, but now it has been revealed to God's people. Verse 27. For God wanted them to know that the riches and glory of Christ are for you Gentiles, too. And this is the secret: Christ lives in you.



This gives you assurance of sharing his glory. Verse 28. So we tell others about Christ, warning everyone and teaching everyone with all the wisdom God has given us. We want to present them to God, perfect in their relationship to Christ.

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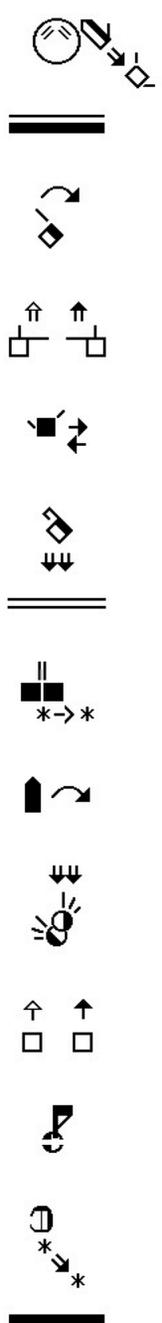
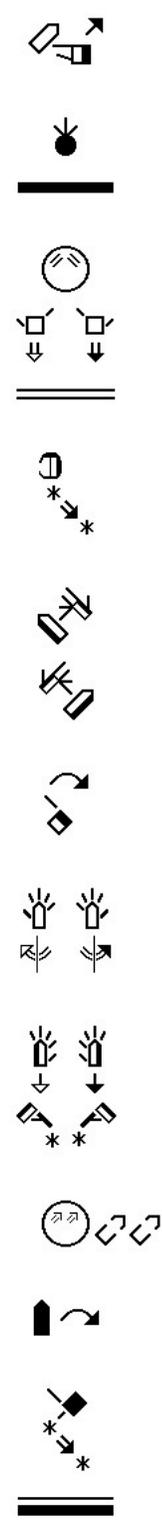
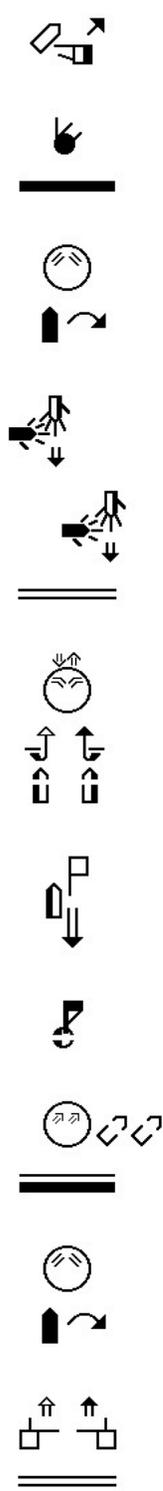
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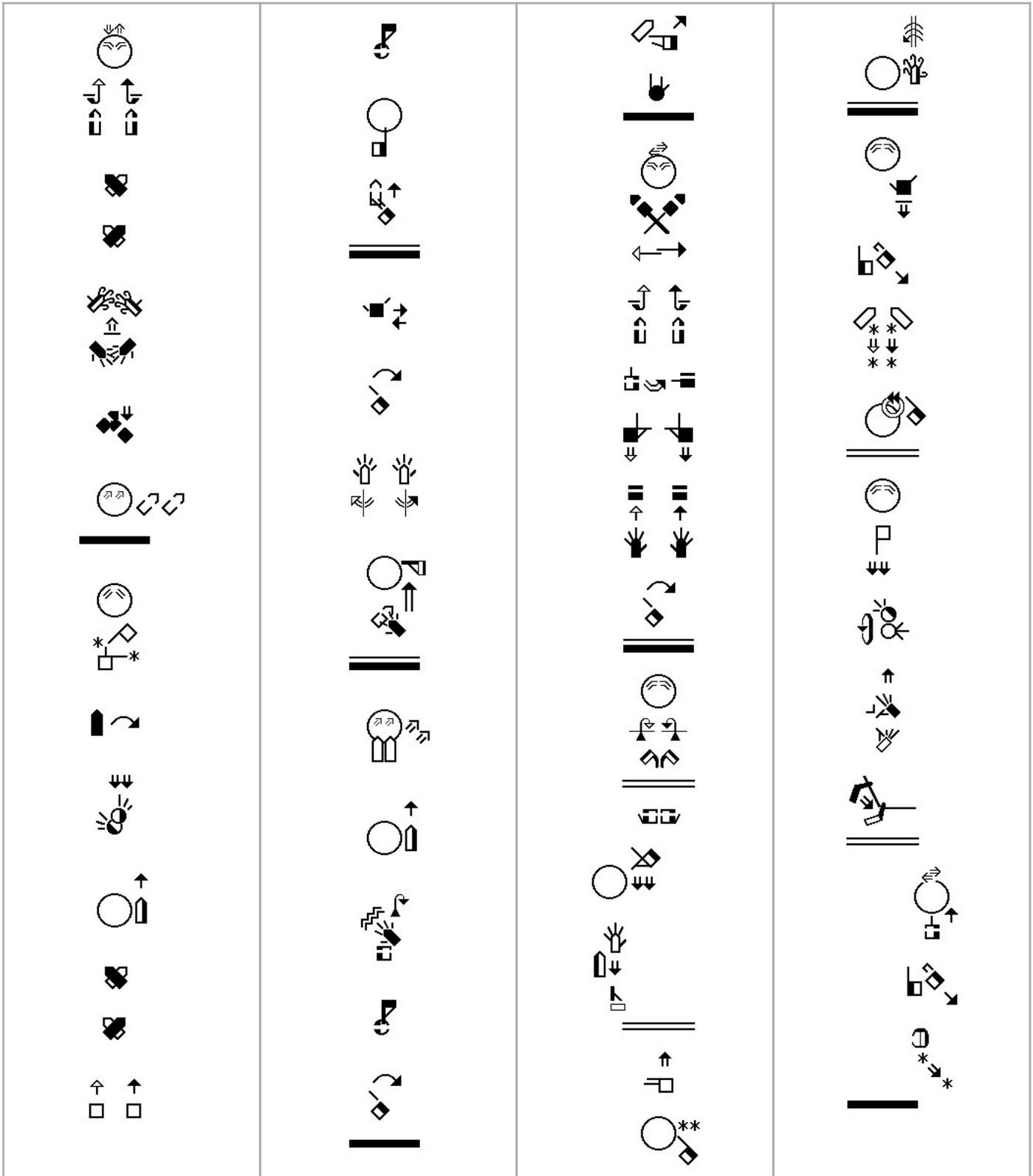
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them to have complete confidence that they understand God's mysterious plan, which is Christ himself. Verse 3. In him lie hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge. Verse 4. I am telling you this so no one will deceive you with well-crafted arguments. Verse 5. For though I am far away from you, my heart is with you. And I rejoice NLT

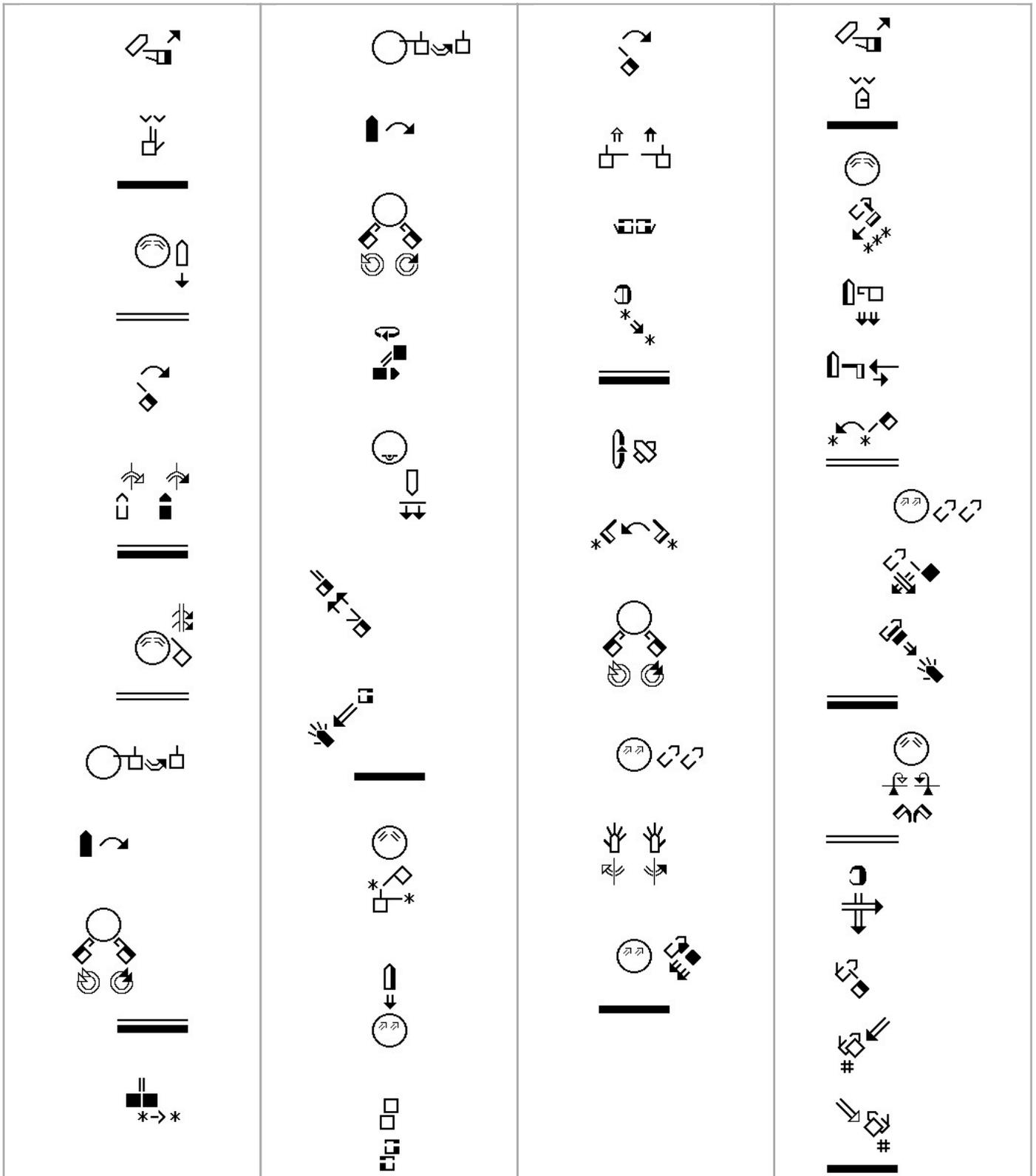
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that you are living as you should and that your faith in Christ is strong. Verse 6. And now, just as you accepted Christ Jesus as your Lord, you must continue to follow him. Verse 7. Let your roots grow down into him, and let your lives

Colossians 2:7-8

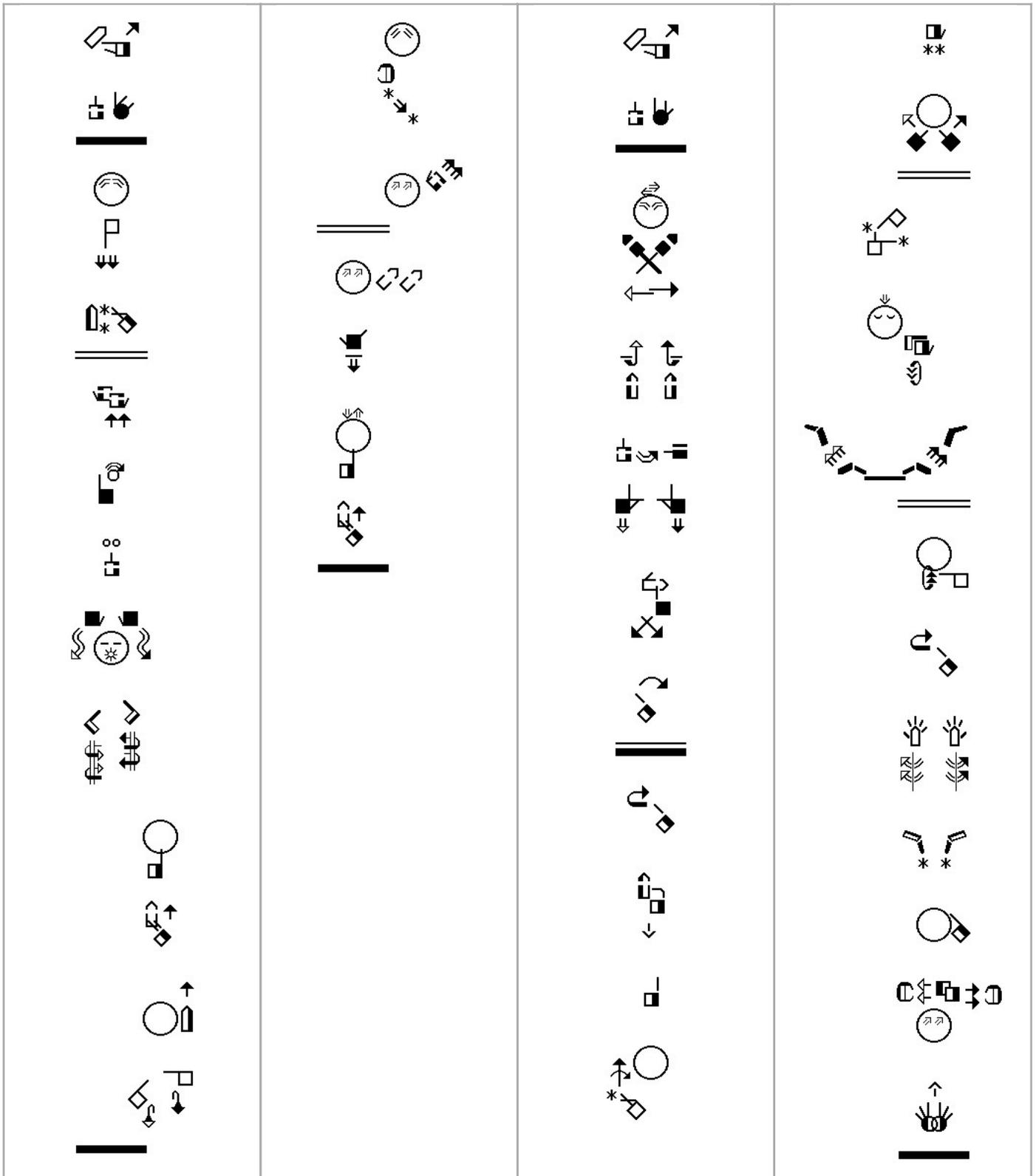


be built on him. Then your faith will grow strong in the truth you were taught, and you will overflow with thankfulness. Verse 8. Don't let anyone capture you with empty philosophies and high-sounding nonsense that come from human thinking and from the spiritual powers of this world, rather than from Christ. NLT



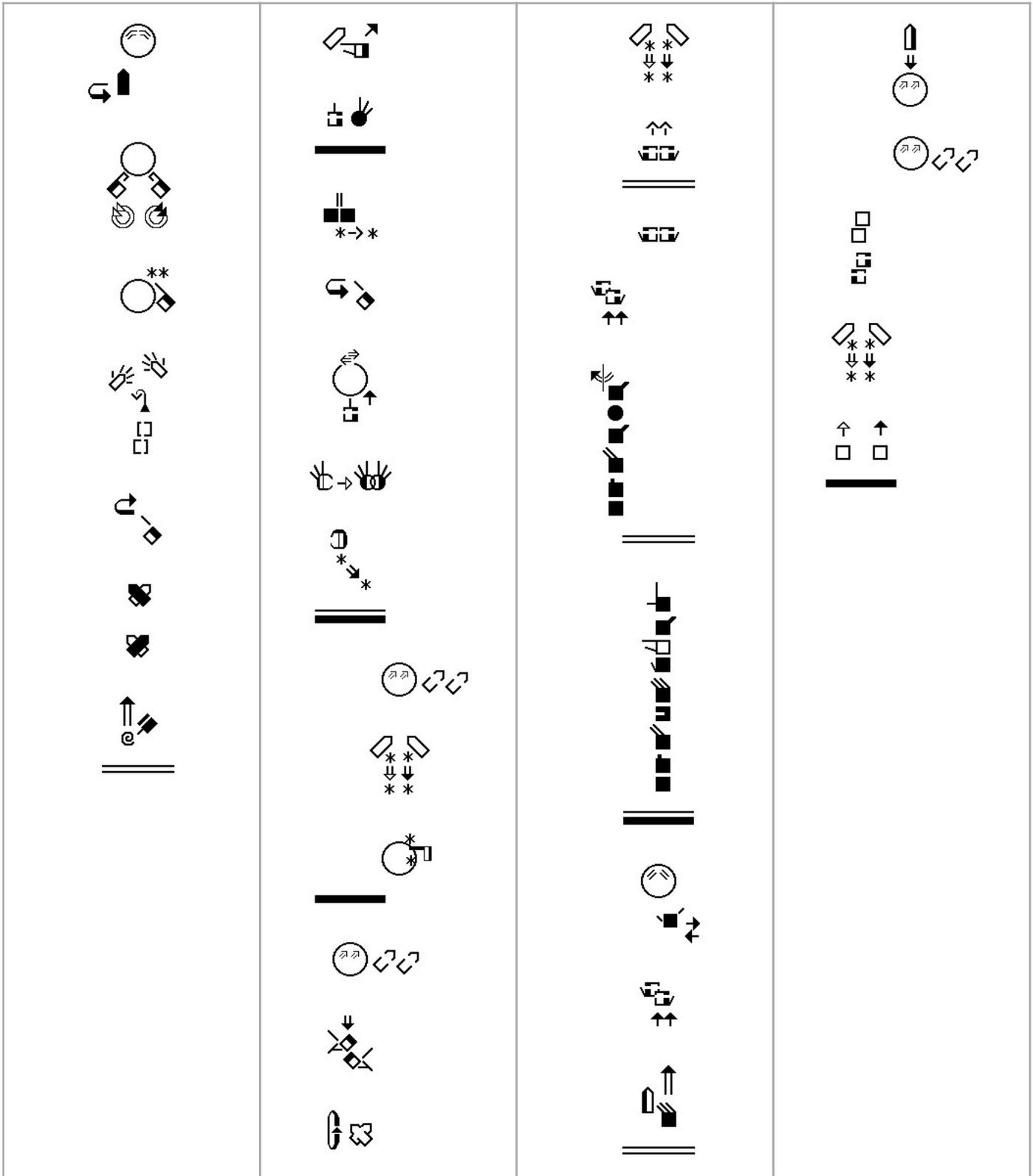
Verse 13. You were dead because of your sins and because your sinful nature was not yet cut away. Then God made you alive with Christ, for he forgave all our sins. Verse 14. He canceled the record of the charges against us and took it away by nailing it to the cross.

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Verse 17. For these rules are only shadows of the reality yet to come. And Christ himself is that reality. Verse 18. Don't let anyone condemn you by insisting on pious self-denial or the worship of angels, saying they have had visions about these things. NLT

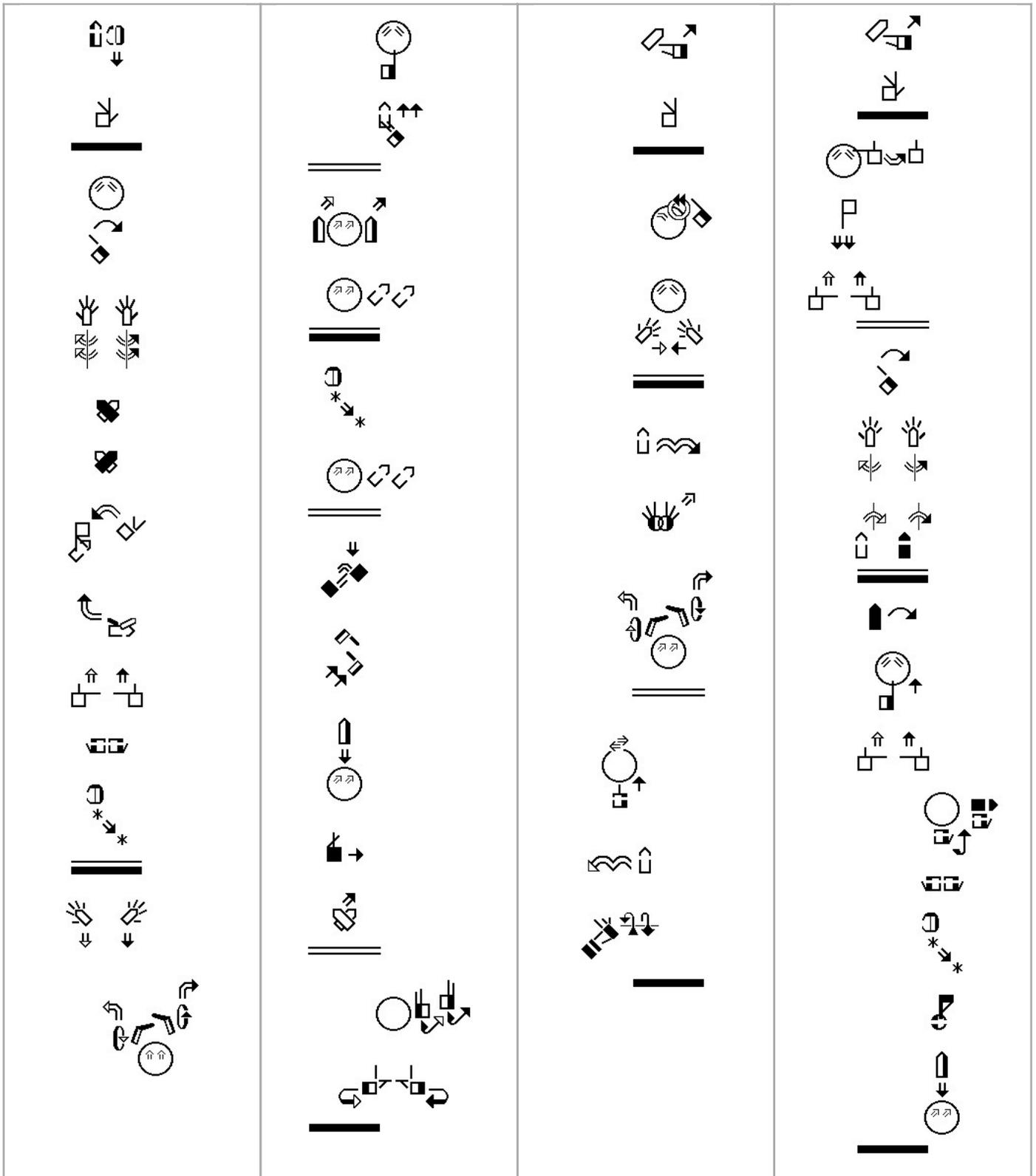
Colossians 2:18-19



Their sinful minds have made them proud, Verse 19. and they are not connected to Christ, the head of the body. For he holds the whole body together with its joints and ligaments, and it grows as God nourishes it. NLT

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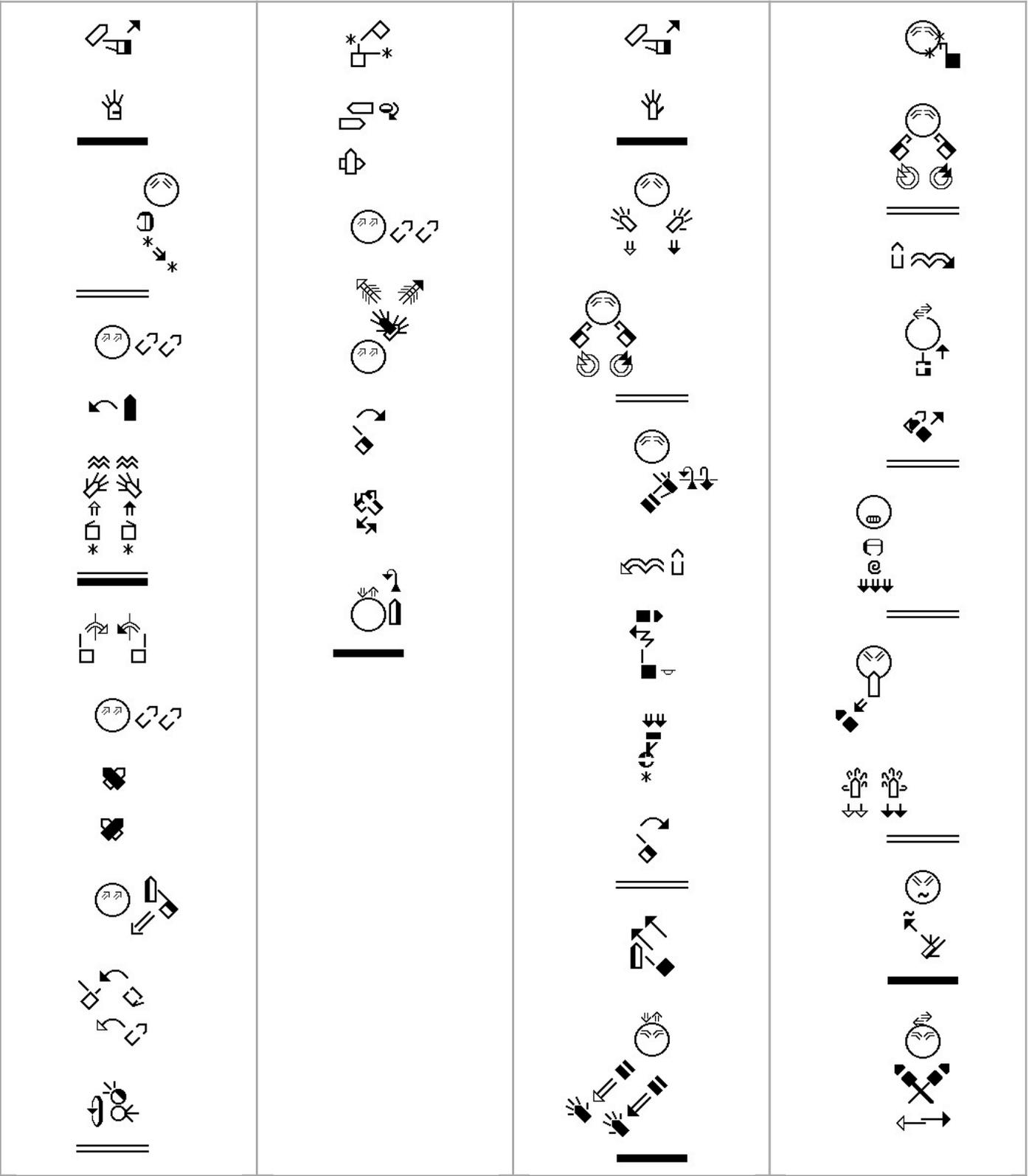
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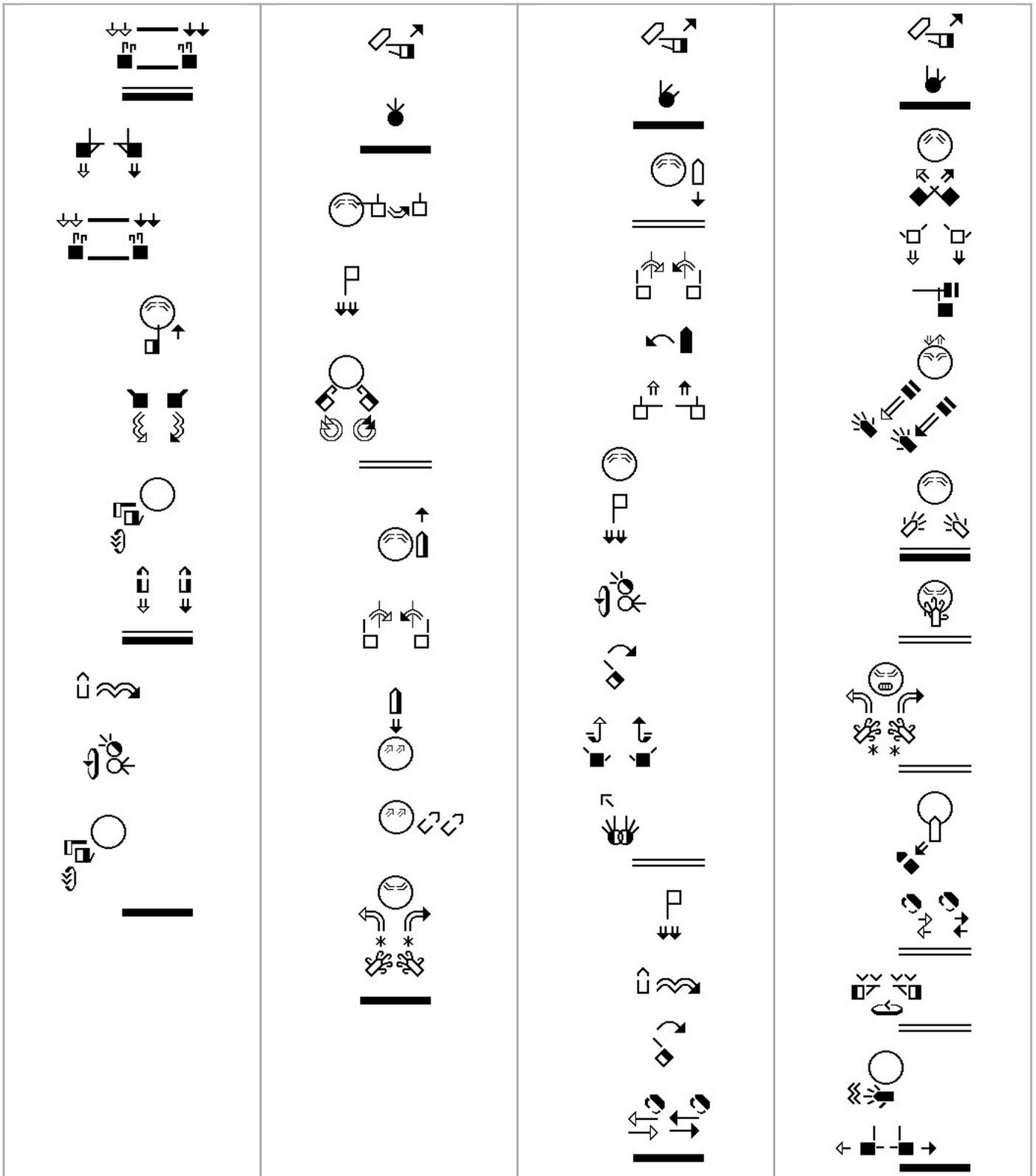


Chapter 3. Since you have been raised to new life with Christ, set your sights on the realities of heaven, where Christ sits in the place of honor at God's right hand. Verse 2. Think about the things of heaven, not the things of earth. Verse 3. For you died to this life, and your real life is hidden with Christ in God.

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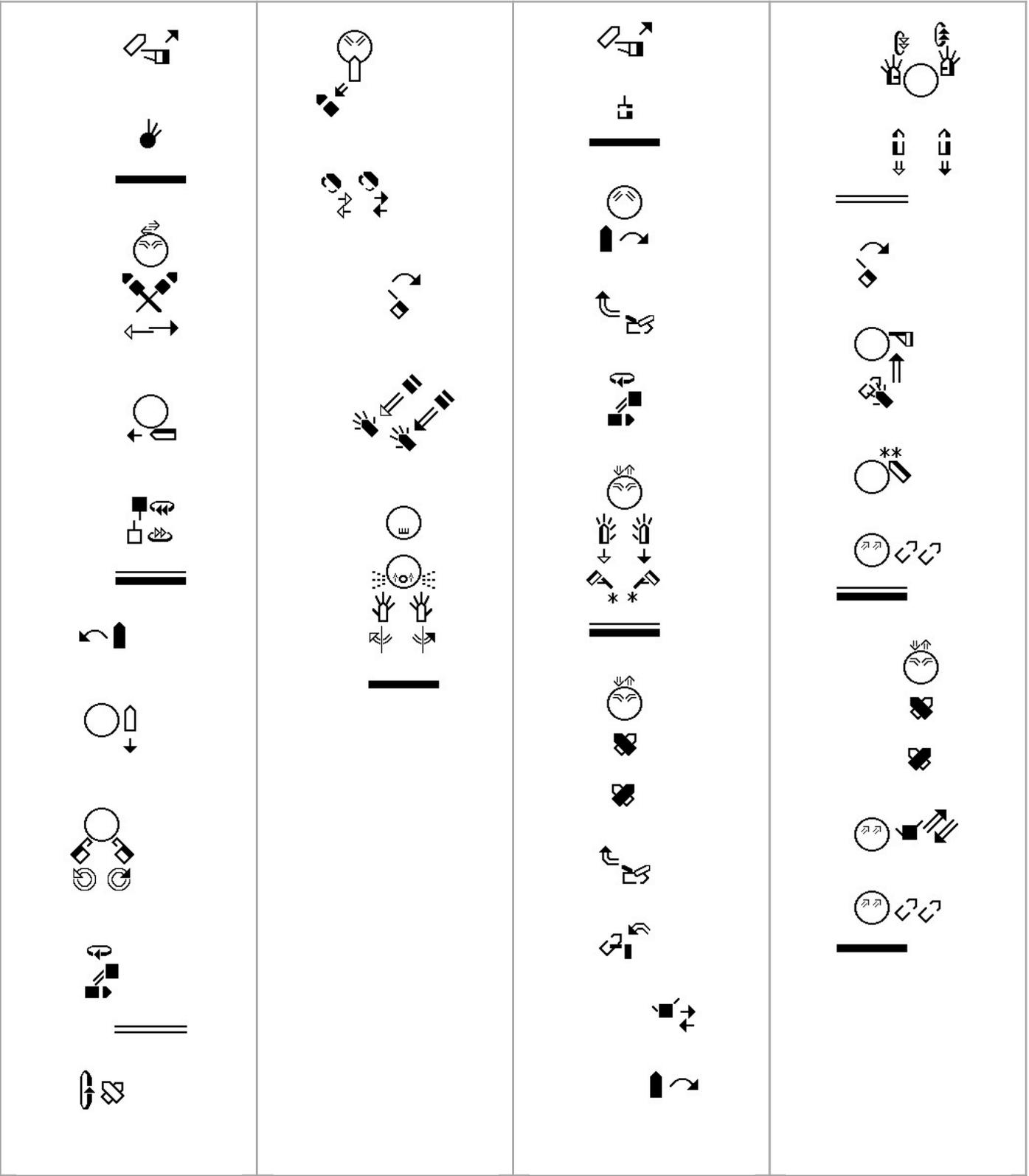
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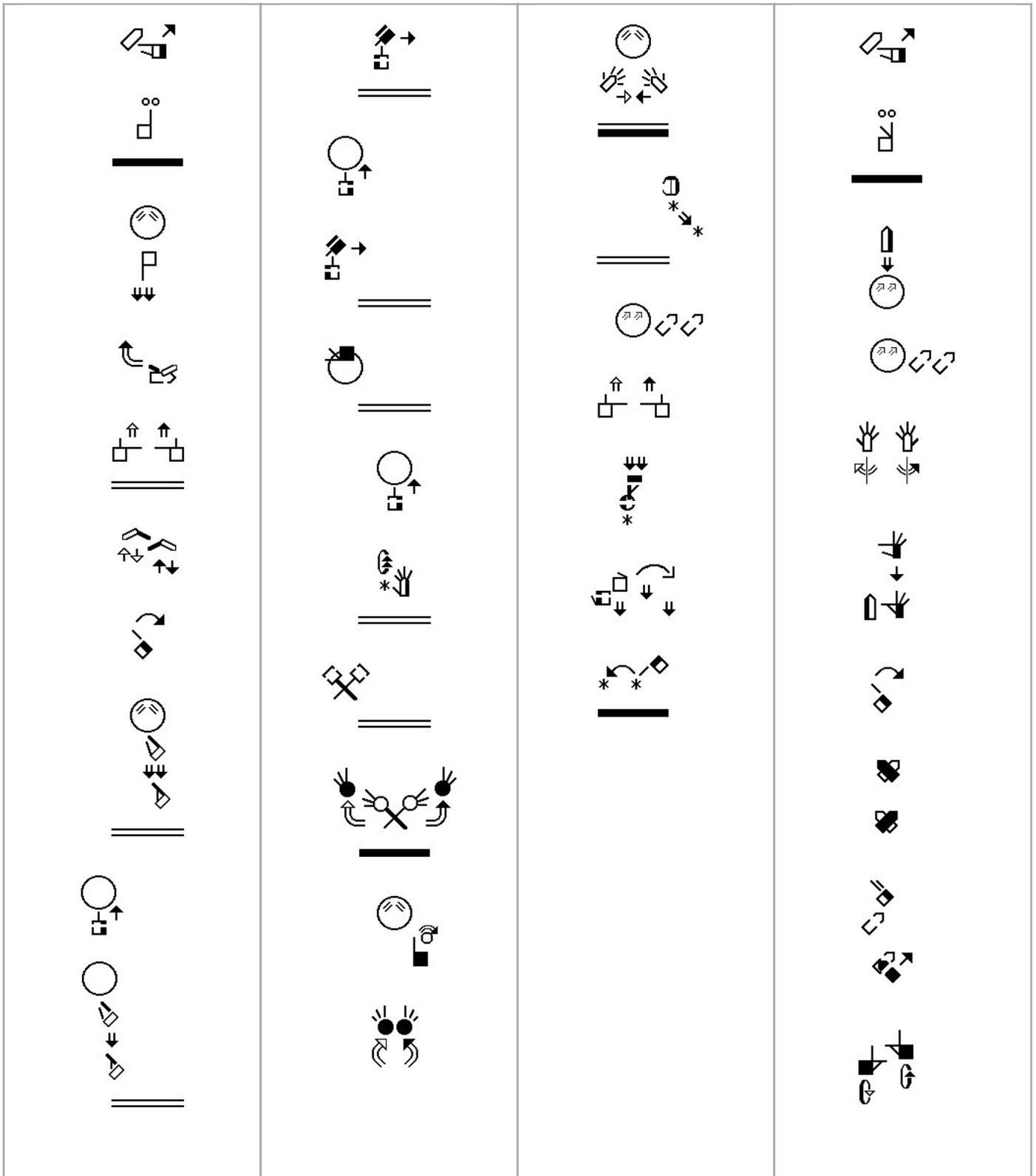




be greedy, for a greedy person is an idolater, worshipping the things of this world. Verse 6. Because of these sins, the anger of God is coming. Verse 7. You used to do these things when your life was still part of this world. Verse 8. But now is the time to get rid of anger, rage, malicious behavior, slander, and dirty language. NLT

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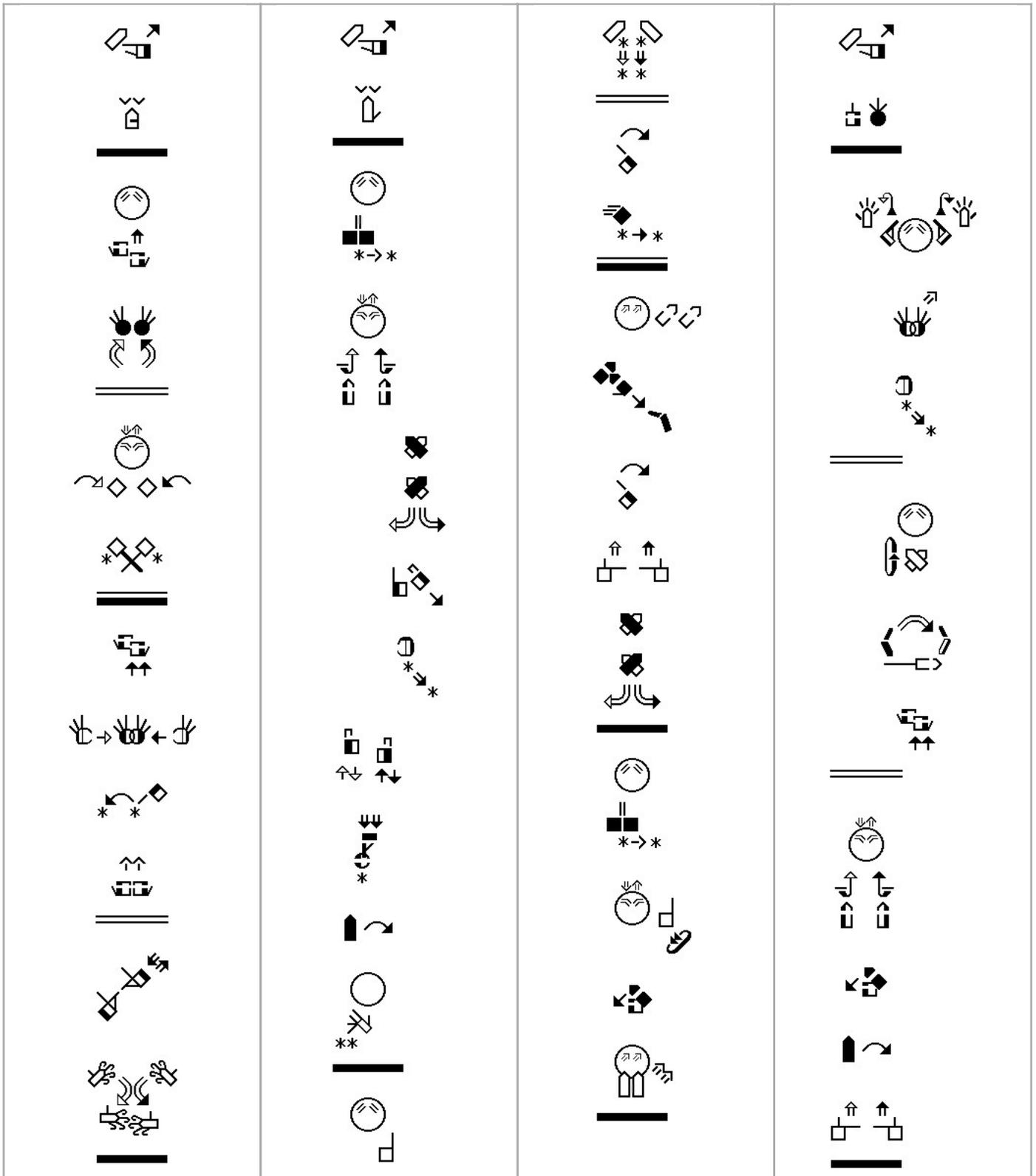


Verse 11. In this new life, it doesn't matter if you are a Jew or a Gentile, circumcised or uncircumcised, barbaric, uncivilized, slave, or free. Christ is all that matters, and he lives in all of us. Verse 12. Since God chose you to be the holy people

Colossians 3:12-13

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he loves, you must clothe yourselves with tenderhearted mercy, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience. Verse 13. Make allowance for each other's faults, and forgive anyone who offends you. Remember, the Lord forgave you, so you must forgive others. NLT



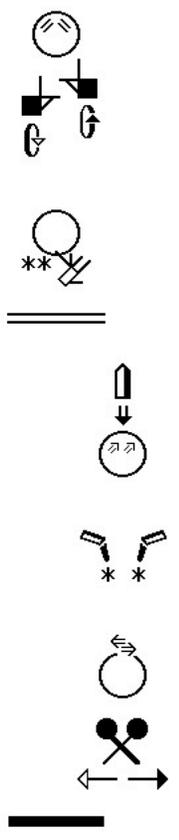
Verse 14. Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds us all together in perfect harmony. Verse 15. And let the peace that comes from Christ rule in your hearts. For as members of one body you are called to live in peace. And always be thankful. Verse 16. Let the message about Christ, in all its richness, fill your lives.

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were working for the Lord rather than for people. Verse 24. Remember that the Lord will give you an inheritance as your reward, and that the Master you are serving is Christ. Verse 25. But if you do what is wrong, you will be paid back for the wrong you have done. NLT

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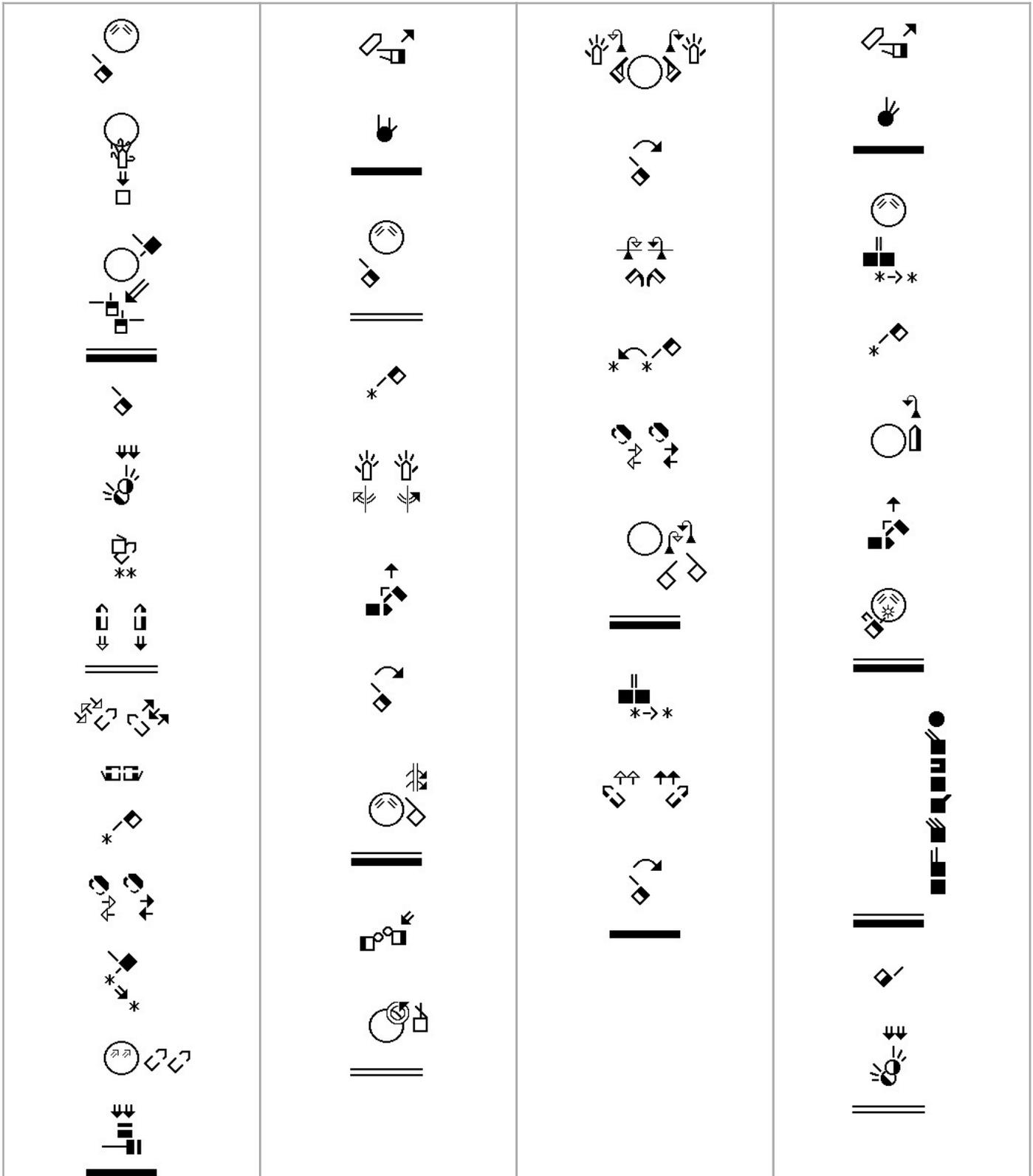
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give us many opportunities to speak about his mysterious plan concerning Christ. That is why I am here in chains. Verse 4. Pray that I will proclaim this message as clearly as I should. Verse 5. Live wisely among those who are not believers, NLT

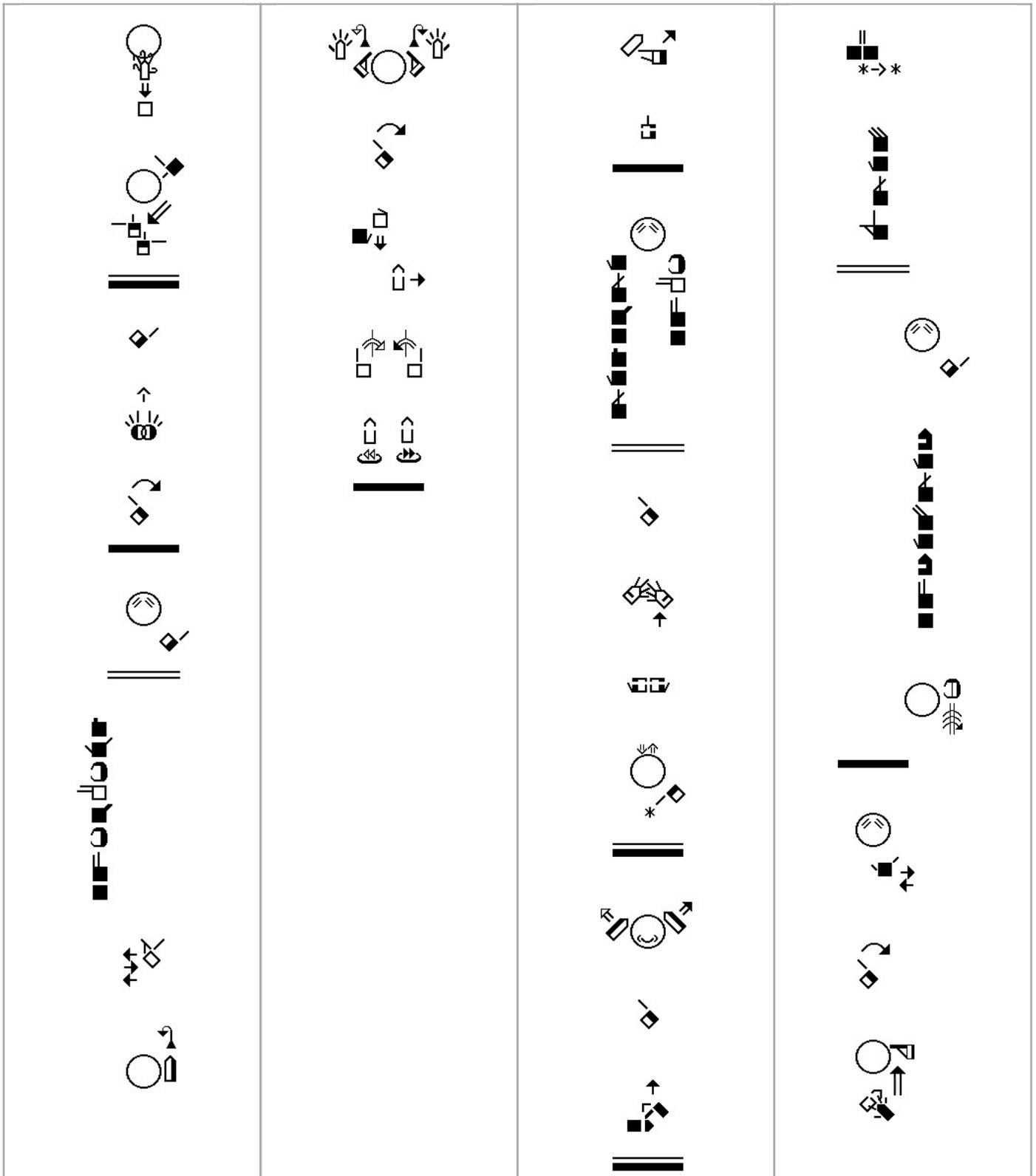
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and make the most of every opportunity. Verse 6. Let your conversation be gracious and attractive so that you will have the right response for everyone. Verse 7. Tychicus will give you a full report about how I am getting along.
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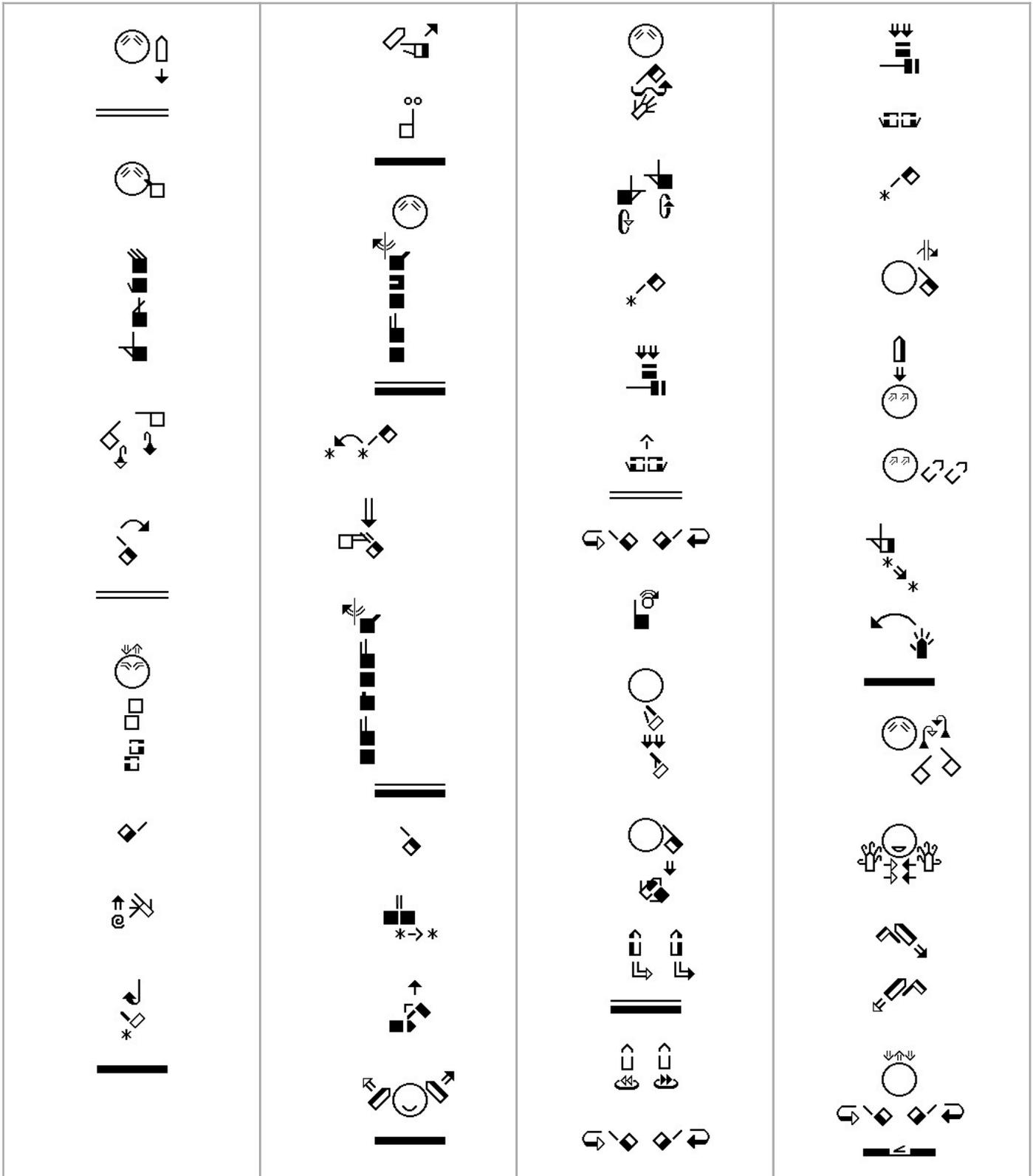
He is a beloved brother and faithful helper who serves with me in the Lord's work. Verse 8. I have sent him to you for this very purpose -- to let you know how we are doing and to encourage you. Verse 9. I am also sending Onesimus, a faithful NLT



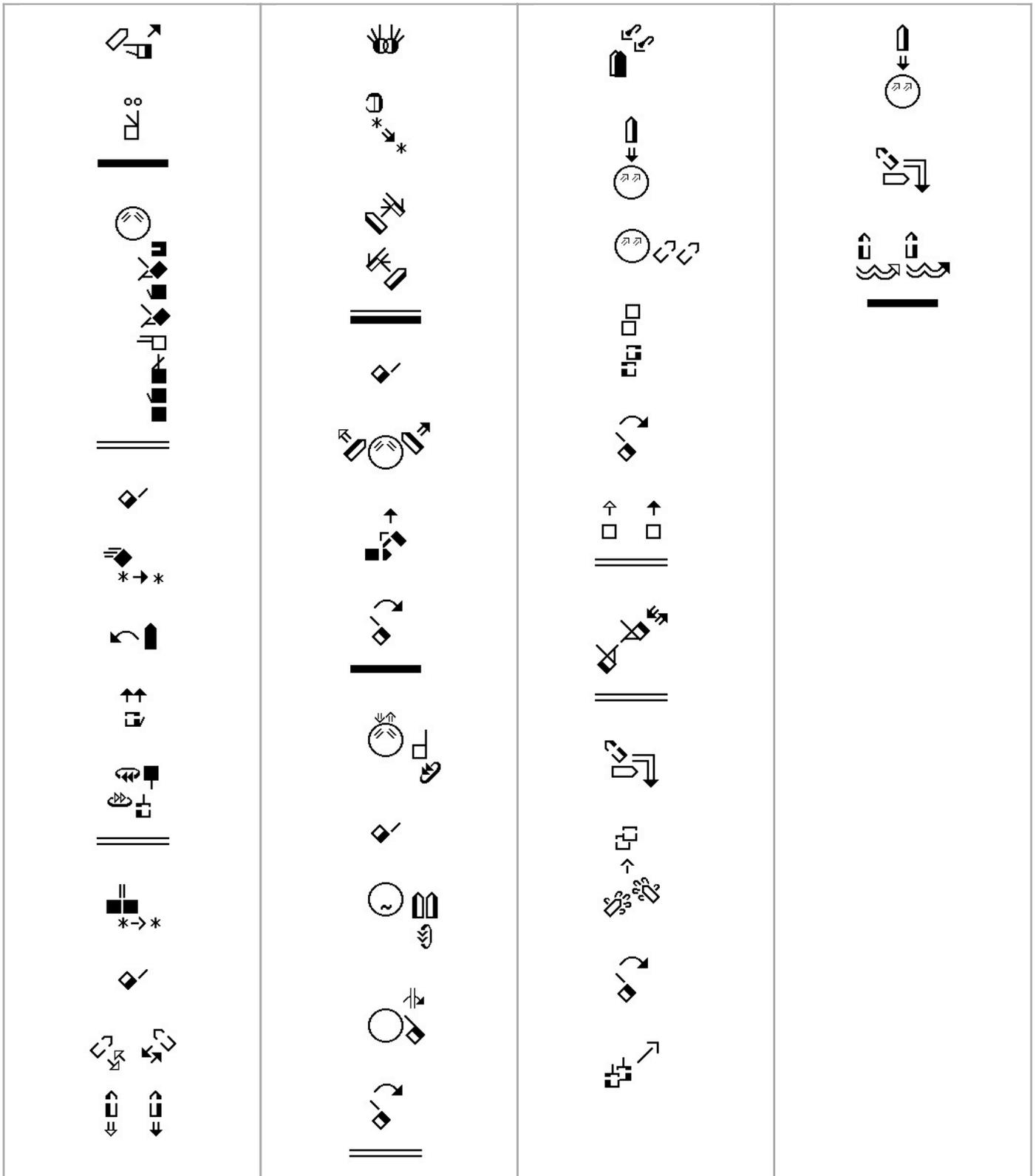
and beloved brother, one of your own people. He and Tychicus will tell you everything that's happening here. Verse 10. Aristarchus, who is in prison with me, sends you his greetings, and so does Mark, Barnabas's cousin. As you were instructed

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Colossians 4:10-11

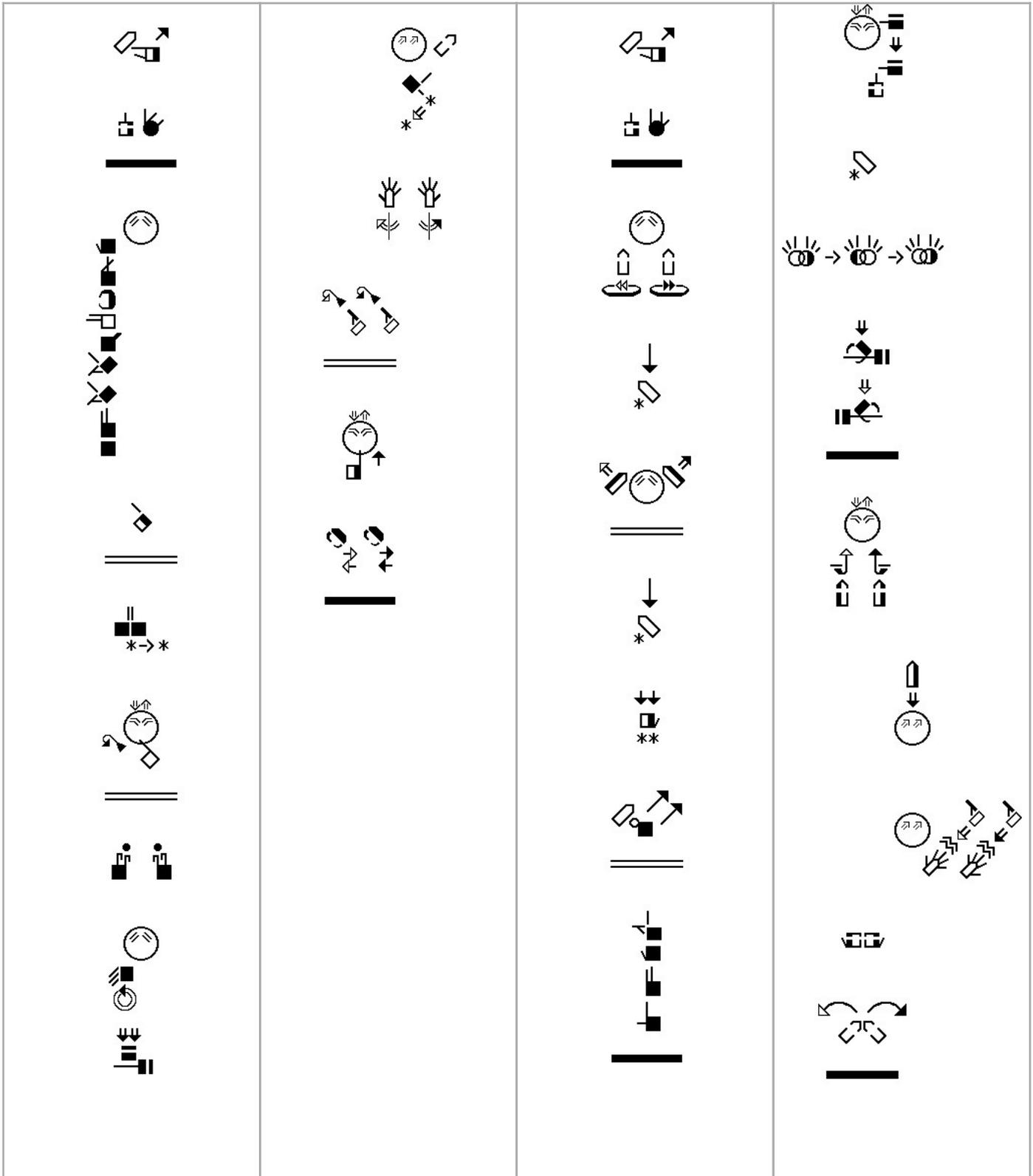


before, make Mark welcome if he comes your way. Verse 11. Jesus (the one we call Justus) also sends his greetings. These are the only Jewish believers among my co-workers; they are working with me here for the Kingdom of God. And what a comfort they have been!



Verse 12. Epaphras, a member of your own fellowship and a servant of Christ Jesus, sends you his greetings. He always prays earnestly for you, asking God to make you strong and perfect, fully confident that you are following the whole will of God. NLT

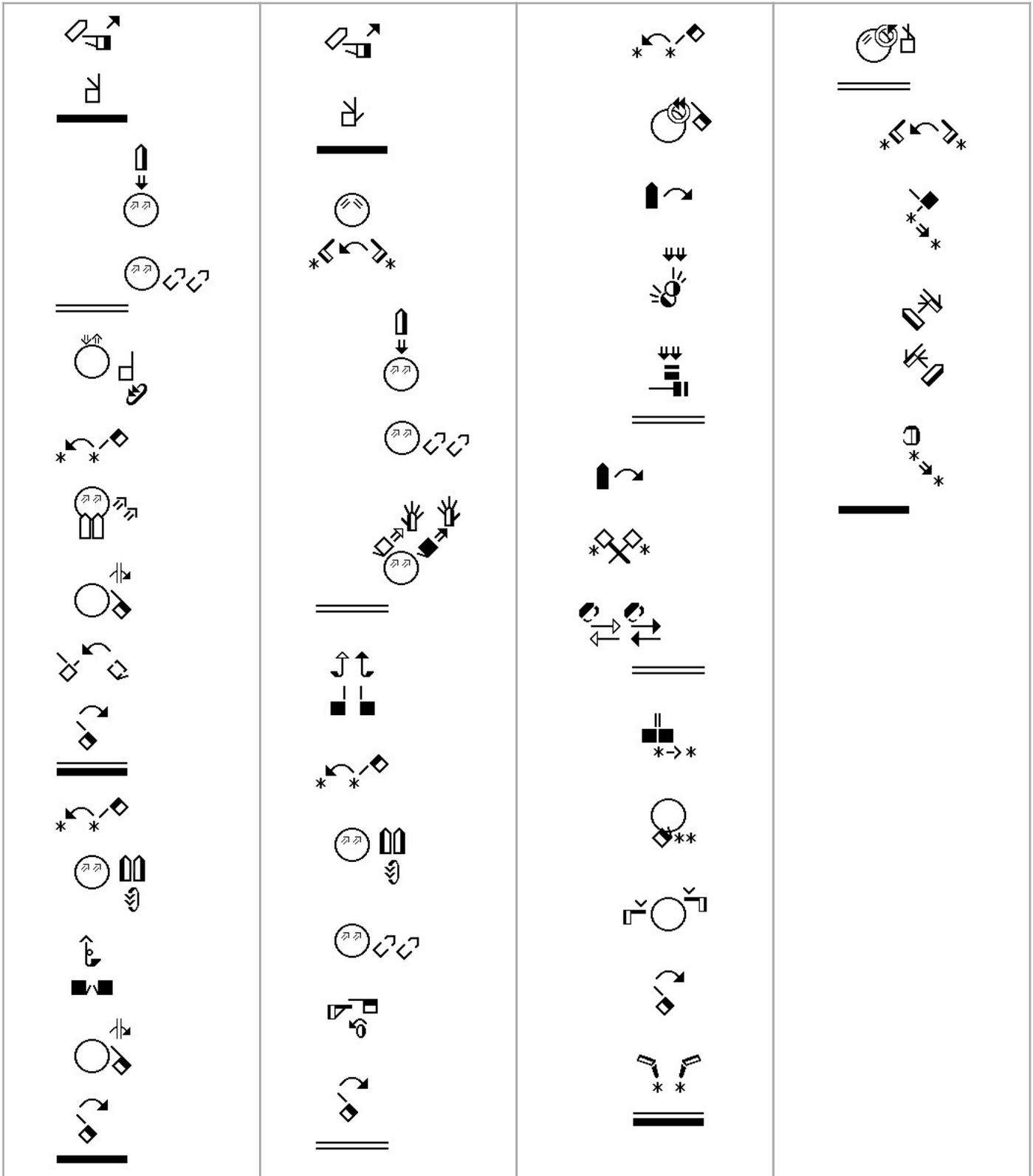
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Verse 17. And say to Archippus, "Be sure to carry out the ministry the Lord gave you."
 Verse 18. HERE IS MY GREETING IN MY OWN HANDWRITING -- PAUL. Remember
 my chains. May God's grace be with you. NLT

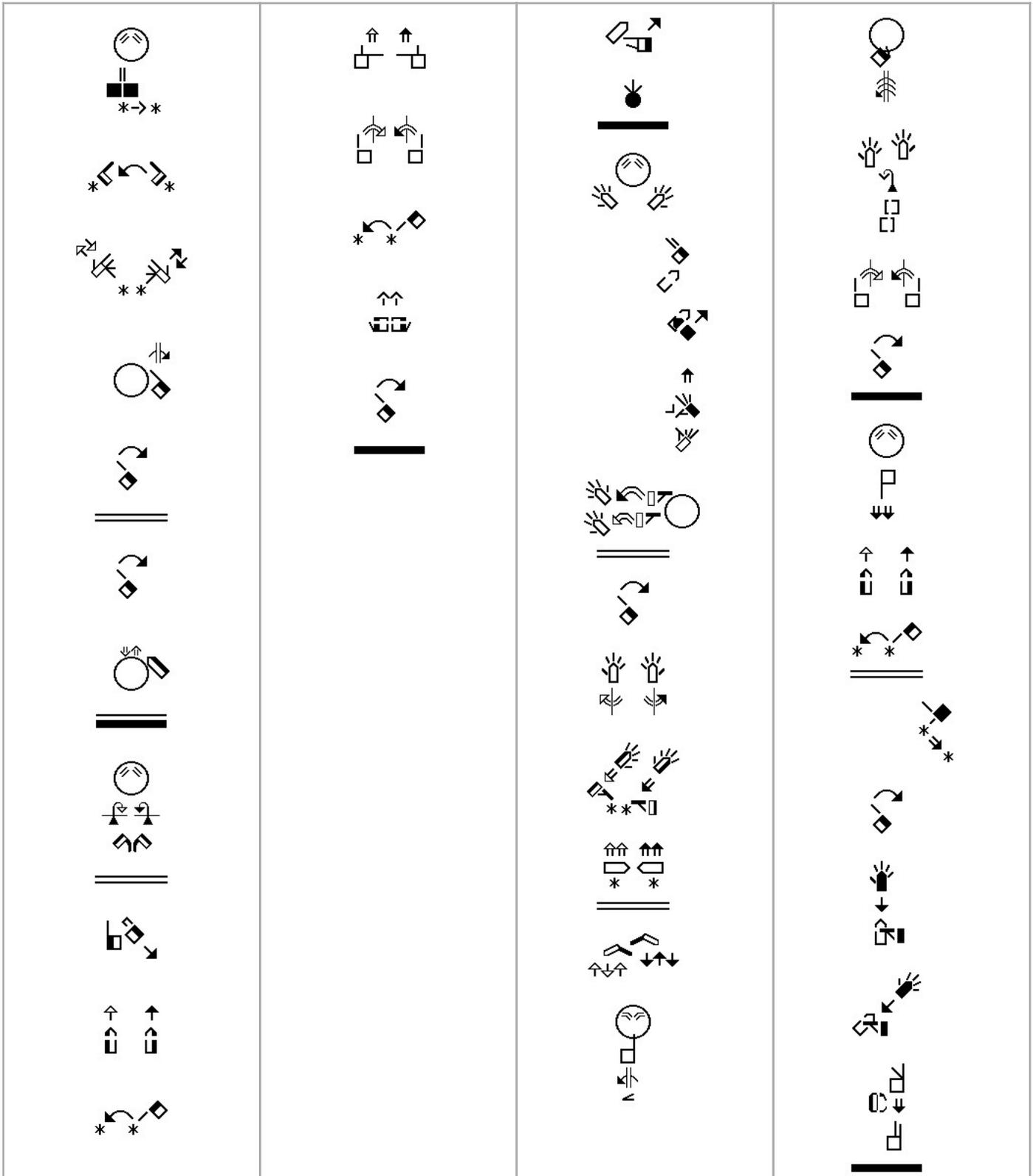
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Verse 4. We know, dear brothers and sisters, that God loves you and has chosen you to be his own people. Verse 5. For when we brought you the Good News, it was not only with words but also with power, for the Holy Spirit gave you full assurance that what we said was true.

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1 Thessalonians 1:5-6



And you know of our concern for you from the way we lived when we were with you. Verse 6. So you received the message with joy from the Holy Spirit in spite of the severe suffering it brought you. In this way, you imitated both us and the Lord. NLT

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Verse 7. As a result, you have become an example to all the believers in Greece -- throughout both Macedonia and Achaia. Verse 8. And now the word of the Lord is ringing out from you to people everywhere, even beyond Macedonia and Achaia, NLT

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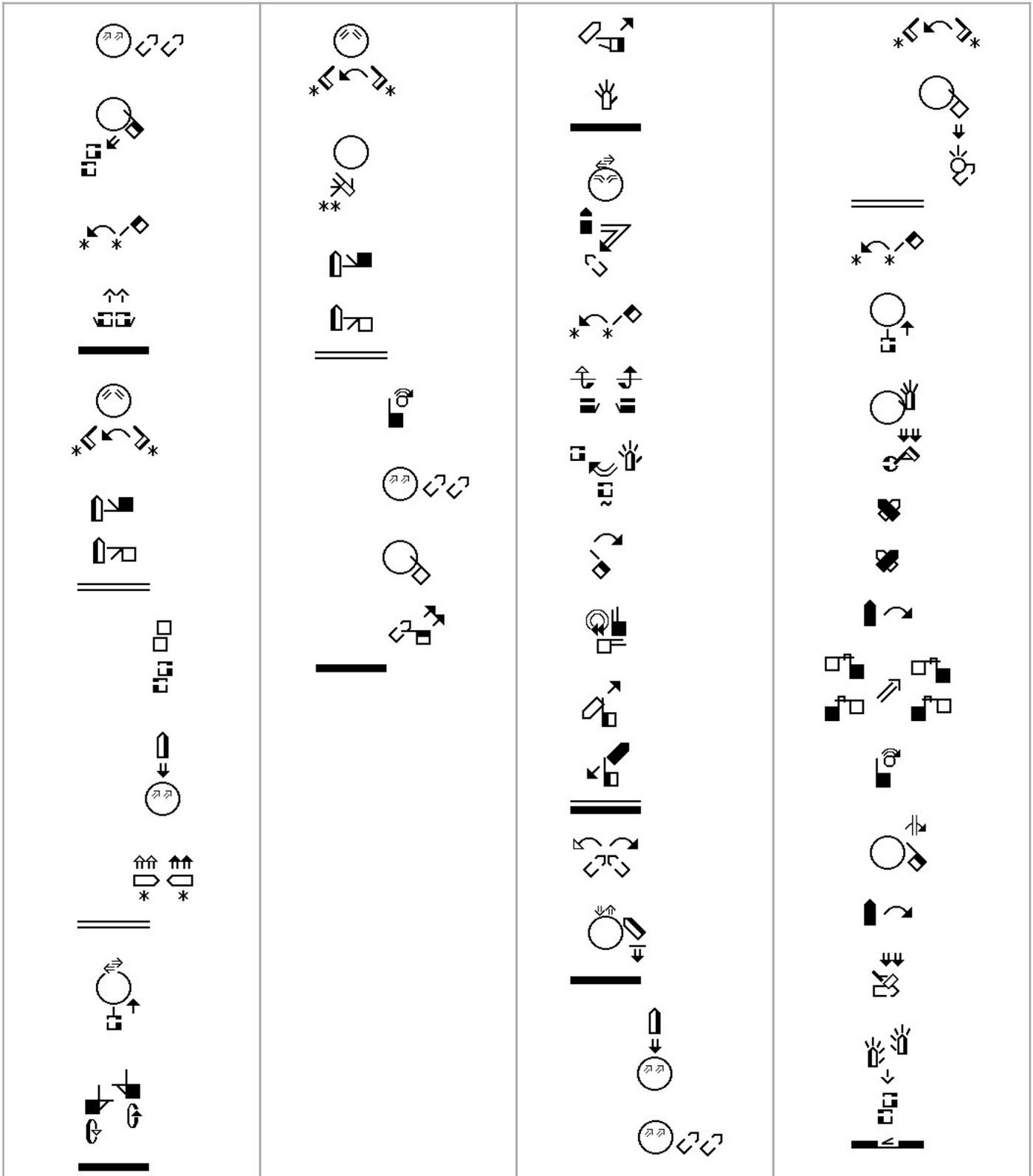
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Chapter 2. You yourselves know, dear brothers and sisters, that our visit to you was not a failure. Verse 2. You know how badly we had been treated at Philippi just before we came to you and how much we suffered there. Yet our God gave us the courage to declare his Good News
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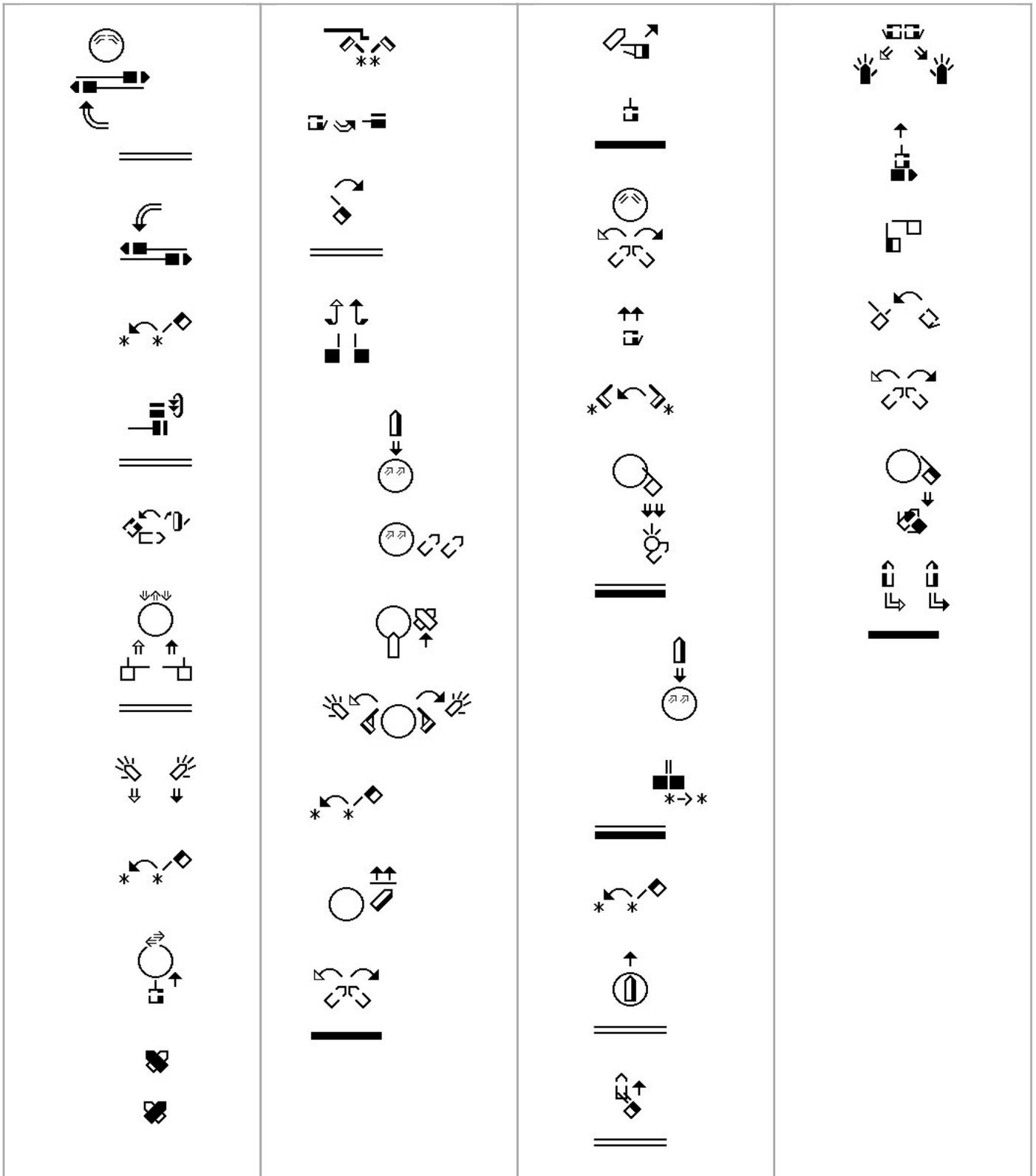


to be entrusted with the Good News. Our purpose is to please God, not people. He alone examines the motives of our hearts. Verse 5. Never once did we try to win you with flattery, as you well know. And God is our witness that we were not pretending to be your friends just to get your money!
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Verse 6. As for human praise, we have never sought it from you or anyone else. Verse 7. As apostles of Christ we certainly had a right to make some demands of you, but instead we were like children among you. Or we

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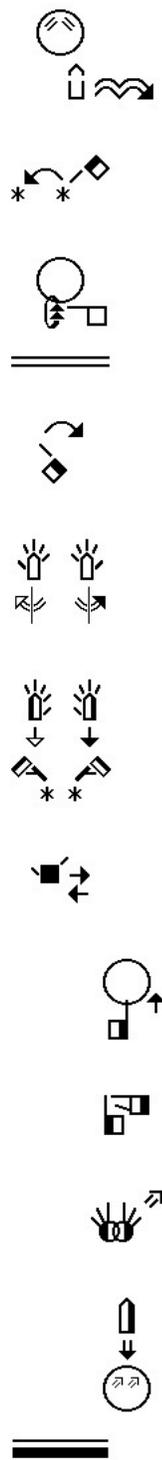
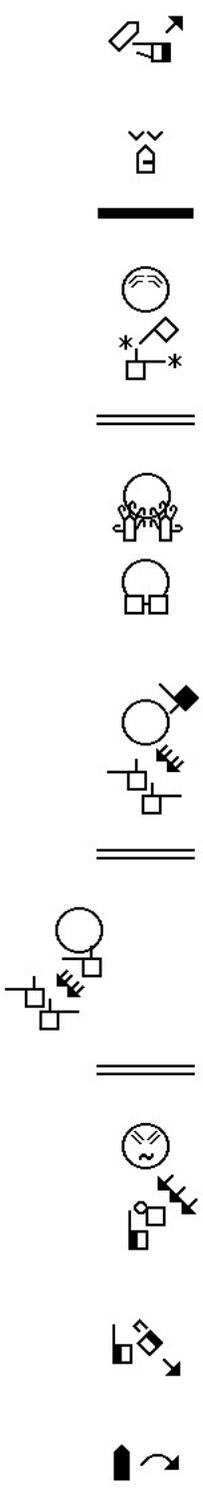


Night and day we toiled to earn a living so that we would not be a burden to any of you as we preached God's Good News to you. Verse 10. You yourselves are our witnesses -- and so is God -- that we were devout and honest and faultless toward all of you believers.

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1 Thessalonians 2:11-13

Verse 11. And you know that we treated each of you as a father treats his own children.
 Verse 12. We pleaded with you, encouraged you, and urged you to live your lives in a way that God would consider worthy. For he called you to share in his Kingdom and glory. Verse 13. Therefore, we never stop thanking God that when

 <p>Sign language sequence for verse 13, column 1. It includes signs for 'you', 'received', 'message', 'us', 'didn't think', 'our words', 'as mere human ideas', 'accepted', 'what we said', 'as the very word of God', 'which, of course, it is', 'And this word continues to work in you who believe', and a thick line.</p>	 <p>Sign language sequence for verse 13, column 2. It includes signs for 'you', 'accepted', 'what we said', 'as the very word of God', 'which, of course, it is', 'And this word continues to work in you who believe', and a thick line.</p>	 <p>Sign language sequence for verse 13, column 3. It includes signs for 'you', 'didn't think', 'our words', 'as mere human ideas', 'accepted', 'what we said', 'as the very word of God', 'which, of course, it is', 'And this word continues to work in you who believe', and a thick line.</p>	 <p>Sign language sequence for verse 13, column 4. It includes signs for 'you', 'didn't think', 'our words', 'as mere human ideas', 'accepted', 'what we said', 'as the very word of God', 'which, of course, it is', 'And this word continues to work in you who believe', and a thick line.</p>
<p>you received his message from us, you didn't think of our words as mere human ideas. You accepted what we said as the very word of God -- which, of course, it is. And this word continues to work in you who believe. Verse 14. And then, dear brothers and sisters, you suffered persecution from your</p>			

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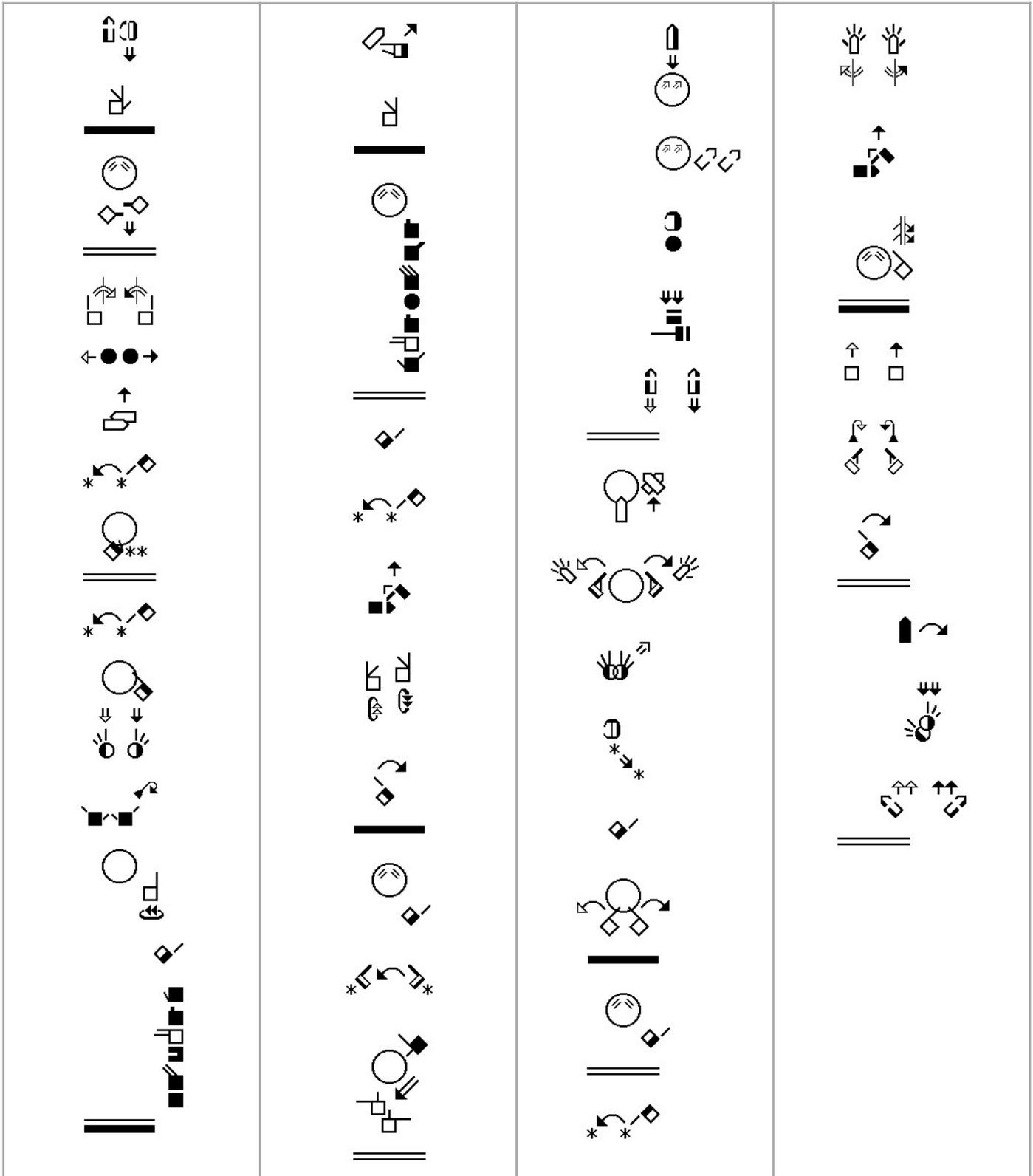
own countrymen. In this way, you imitated the believers in God's churches in Judea who, because of their belief in Christ Jesus, suffered from their own people, the Jews. Verse 15. For some of the Jews killed the prophets, NLT

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but Satan prevented us. Verse 19. After all, what gives us hope and joy, and what will be our proud reward and crown as we stand before our Lord Jesus when he returns? It is you! Verse 20. Yes, you are our pride and joy.

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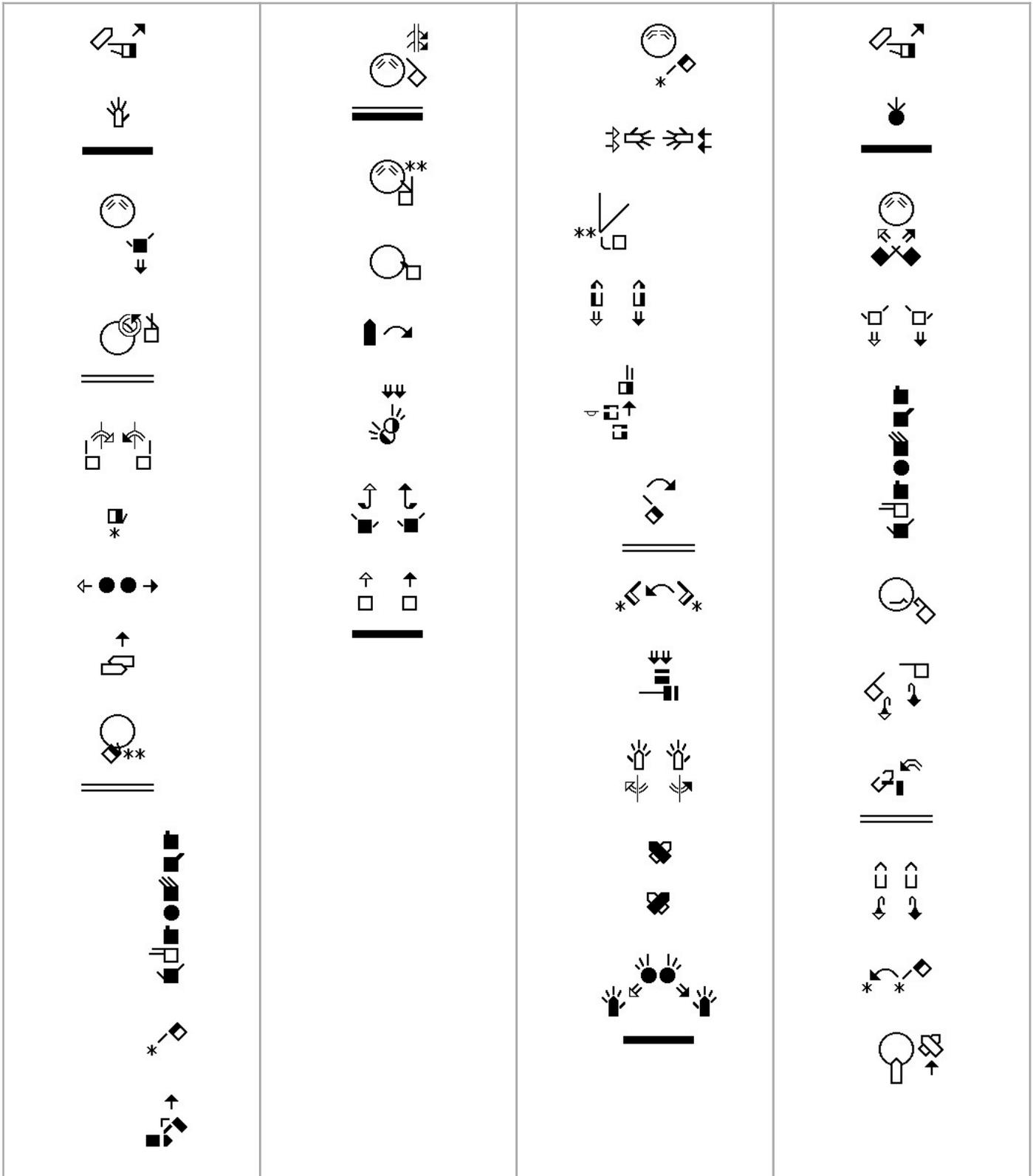


Chapter 3. Finally, when we could stand it no longer, we decided to stay alone in Athens, Verse 2. and we sent Timothy to visit you. He is our brother and God's co-worker in proclaiming the Good News of Christ. We sent him to strengthen you, to encourage you in your faith,

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Verse 3. and to keep you from being shaken by the troubles you were going through. But you know that we are destined for such troubles. Verse 4. Even while we were with you, we warned you that troubles would soon come -- and they did, as you well know. NLT

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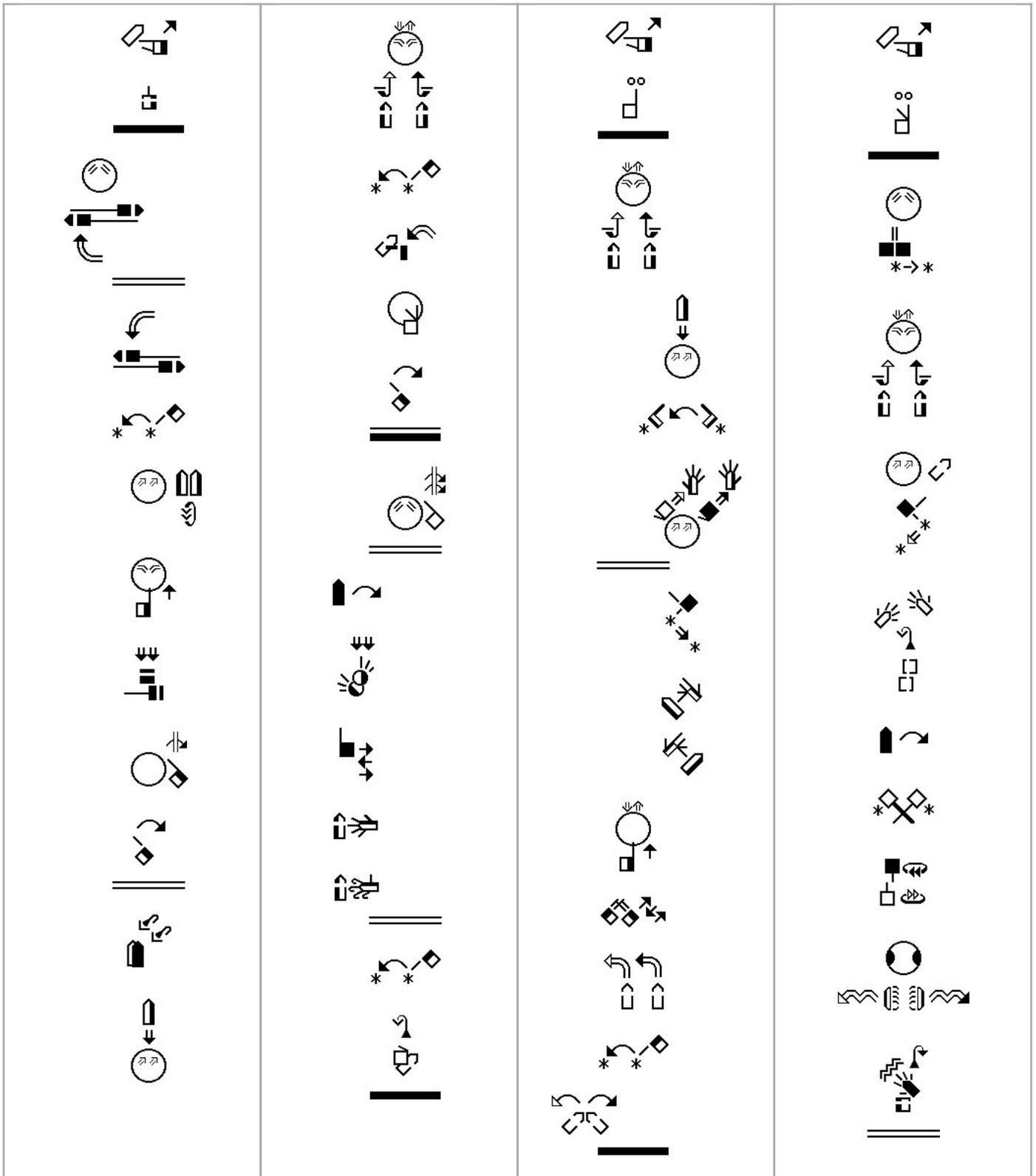


Verse 5. That is why, when I could bear it no longer, I sent Timothy to find out whether your faith was still strong. I was afraid that the tempter had gotten the best of you and that our work had been useless. Verse 6. But now Timothy has just returned, bringing us good
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and suffering, dear brothers and sisters, because you have remained strong in your faith. Verse 8. It gives us new life to know that you are standing firm in the Lord. Verse 9. How we thank God for you! Because of you we have great joy as we enter God's presence. NLT



Verse 10. Night and day we pray earnestly for you, asking God to let us see you again to fill the gaps in your faith. Verse 11. May God our Father and our Lord Jesus bring us to you very soon. Verse 12. And may the Lord make your love for one another and for all people grow and overflow,

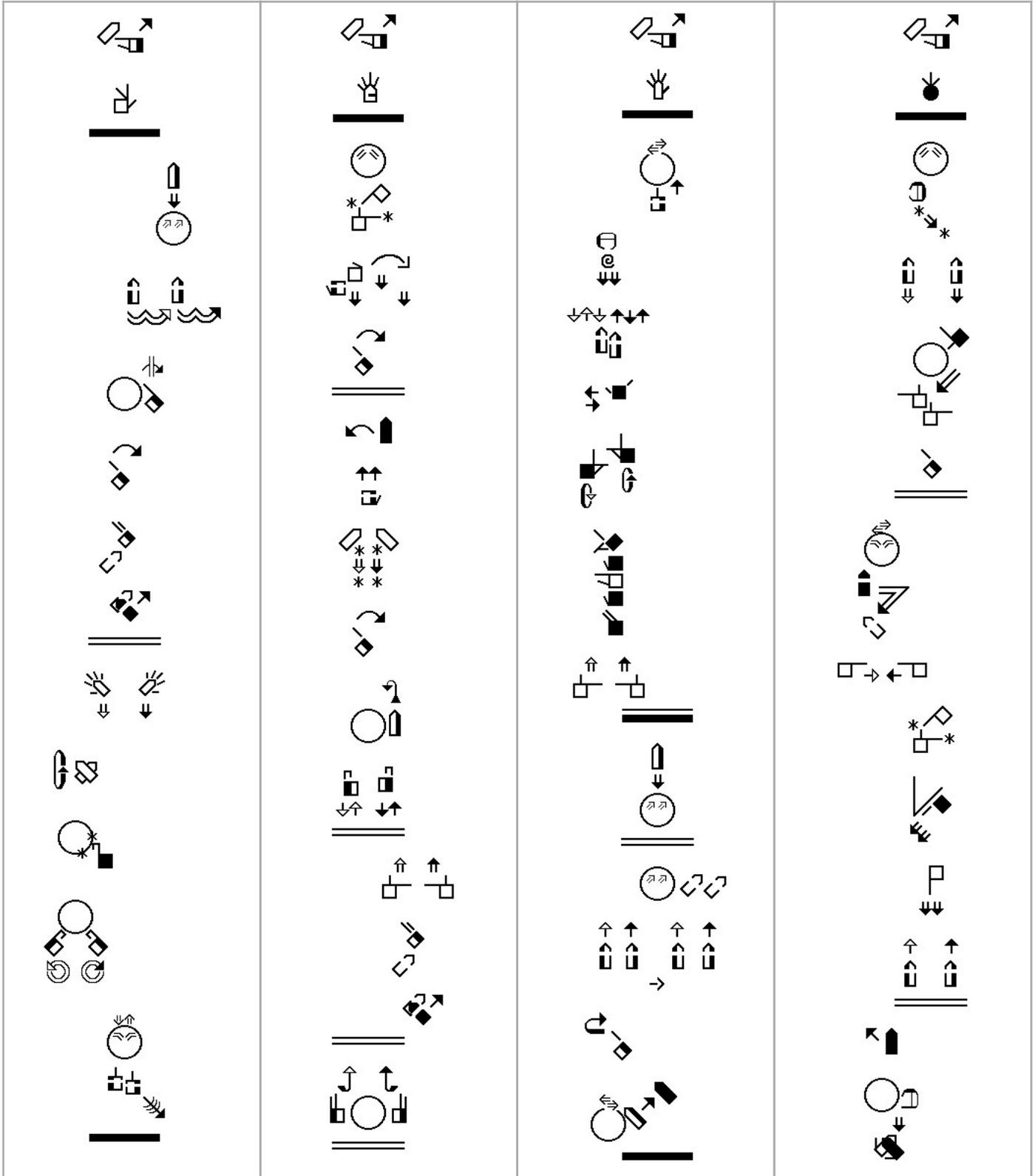
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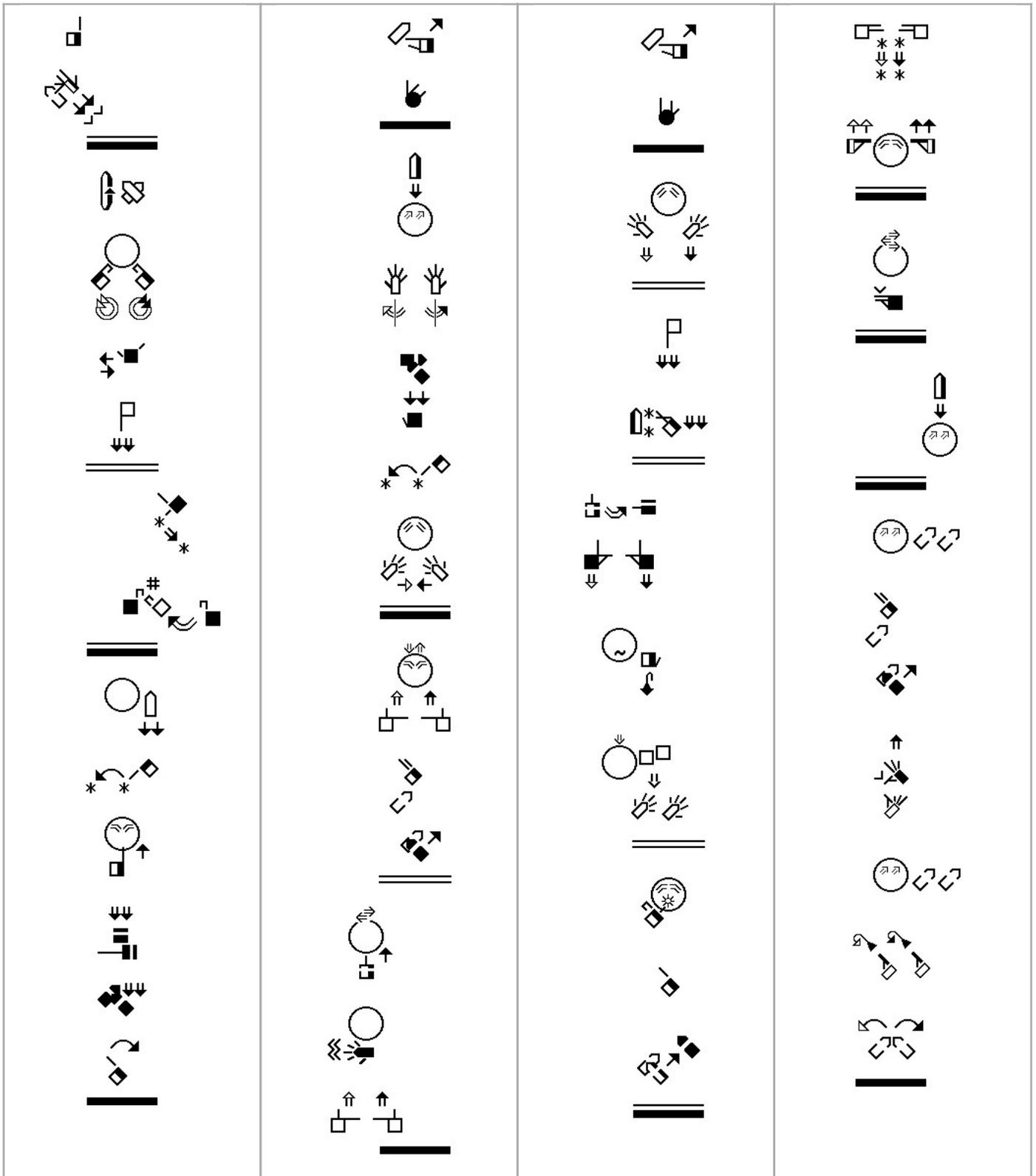
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just as our love for you overflows. Verse 13. May he, as a result, make your hearts strong, blameless, and holy as you stand before God our Father when our Lord Jesus comes again with all his holy people. Amen. NLT

1 Thessalonians 4:3-6



Verse 3. God's will is for you to be holy, so stay away from all sexual sin. Verse 4. Then each of you will control his own body and live in holiness and honor -- Verse 5. not in lustful passion like the pagans who do not know God and his ways. Verse 6. Never harm or cheat a Christian brother in this matter by violating his wife, NLT



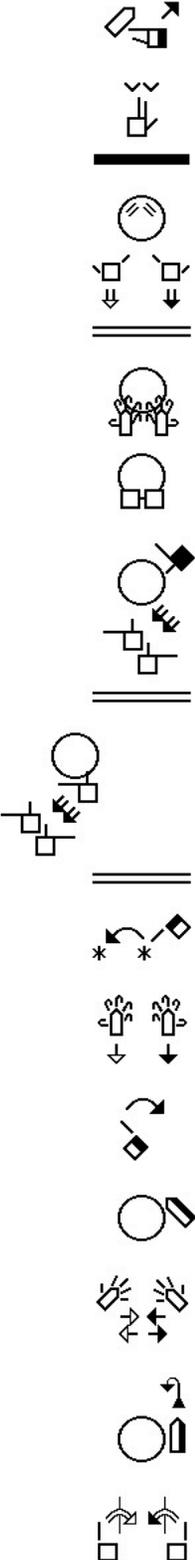
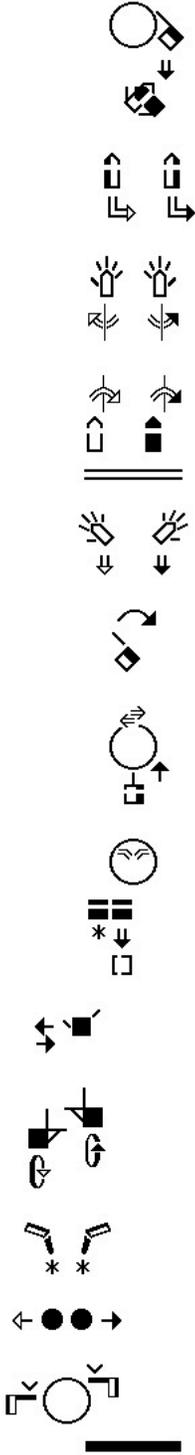
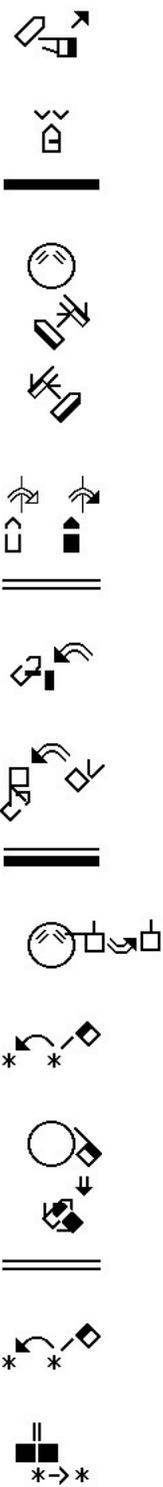
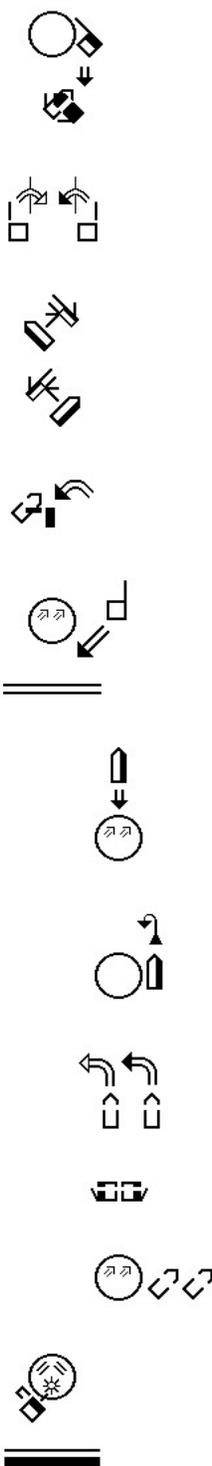
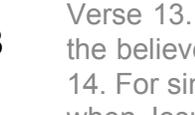
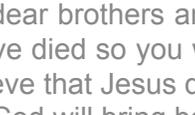
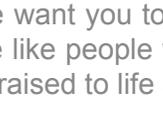
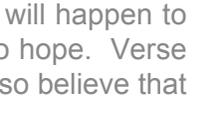
for the Lord avenges all such sins, as we have solemnly warned you before. Verse 7. God has called us to live holy lives, not impure lives. Verse 8. Therefore, anyone who refuses to live by these rules is not disobeying human teaching but is rejecting God, who gives his Holy Spirit to you.

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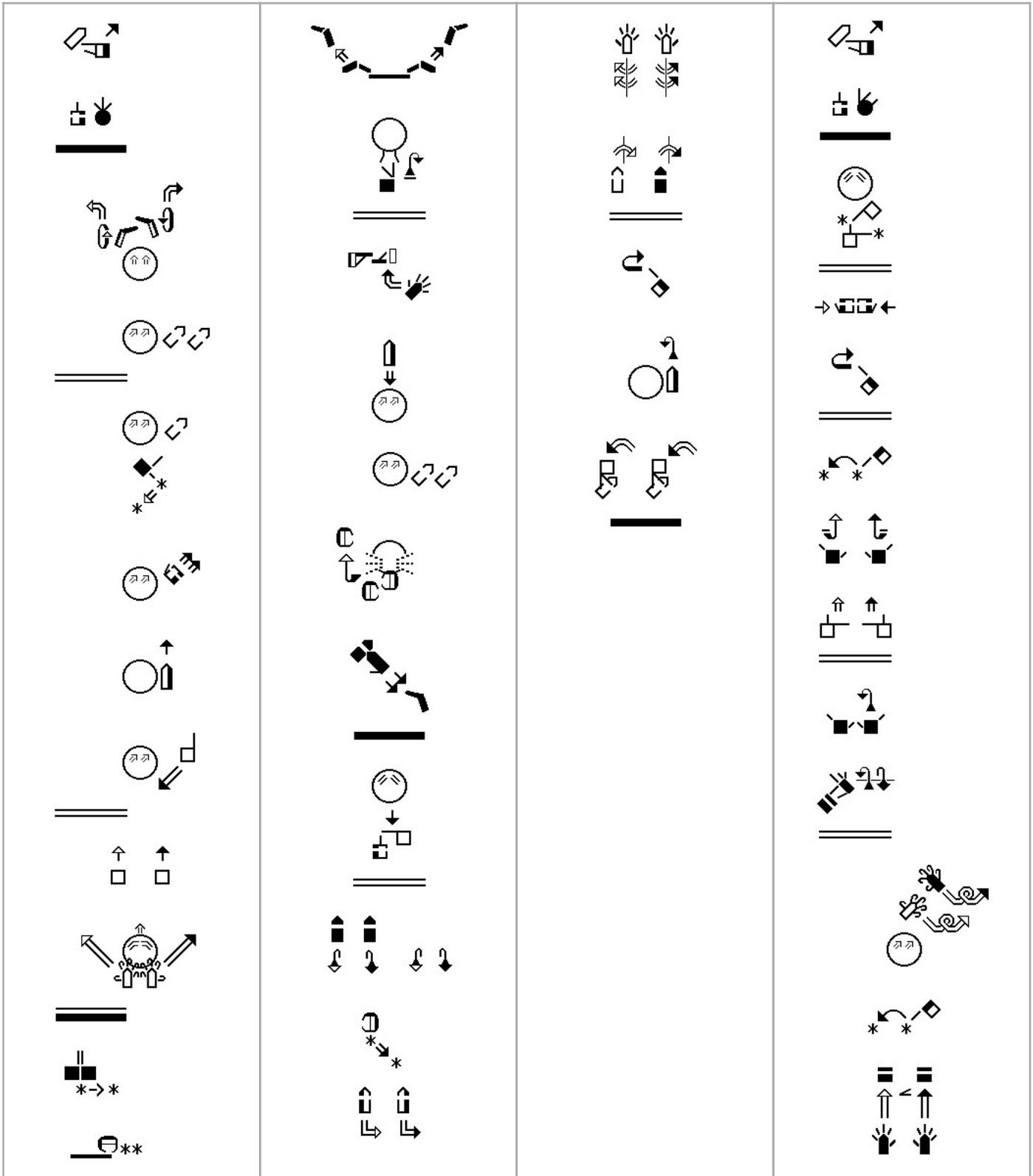
Verse 11. Make it your goal to live a quiet life, minding your own business and working with your hands, just as we instructed you before. Verse 12. Then people who are not Christians will respect the way you live, and you will not need to depend on others. NLT

1 Thessalonians 4:13-14

Verse 13. And now, dear brothers and sisters, we want you to know what will happen to the believers who have died so you will not grieve like people who have no hope. Verse 14. For since we believe that Jesus died and was raised to life again, we also believe that when Jesus returns, God will bring back with him

1 Thessalonians 4:16-17



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Verse 16. For the Lord himself will come down from heaven with a commanding shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trumpet call of God. First, the Christians who have died will rise from their graves. Verse 17. Then, together with them, we who are still alive and remain on the earth will be caught up in the clouds

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to meet the Lord in the air. Then we will be with the Lord forever. Verse 18. So encourage each other with these words.

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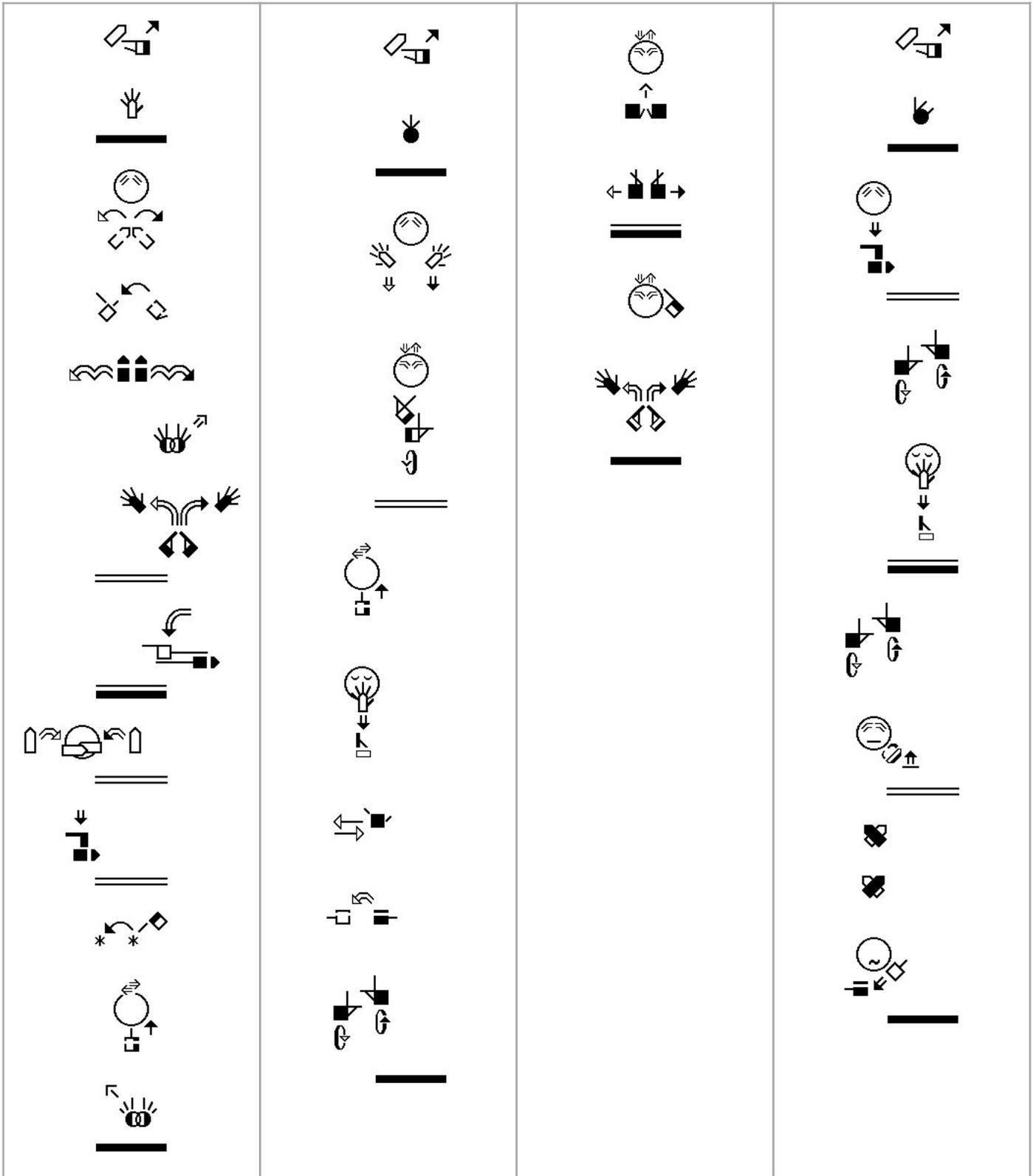
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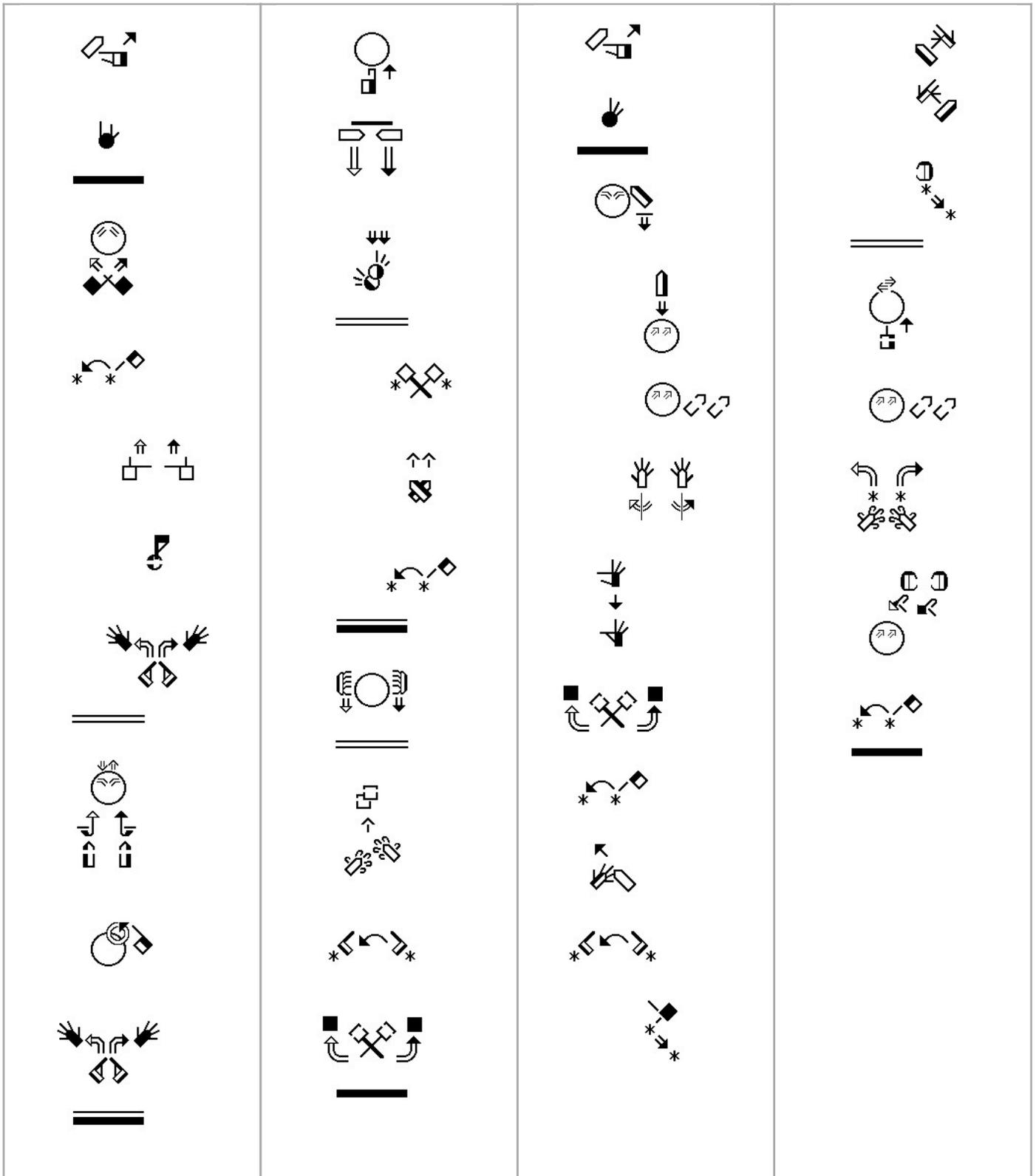
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Verse 3. When people are saying, "Everything is peaceful and secure," then disaster will fall on them as suddenly as a pregnant woman's labor pains begin. And there will be no escape. Verse 4. But you aren't in the dark about these things, dear brothers and sisters, and you won't be surprised when the day of the Lord comes like a thief. NLT

1 Thessalonians 5:5-7



Verse 5. For you are all children of the light and of the day; we don't belong to darkness and night. Verse 6. So be on your guard, not asleep like the others. Stay alert and be clearheaded. Verse 7. Night is the time when people sleep and drinkers get drunk. NLT



Verse 8. But let us who live in the light be clearheaded, protected by the armor of faith and love, and wearing as our helmet the confidence of our salvation. Verse 9. For God chose to save us through our Lord Jesus Christ, not to pour out his anger on us. NLT

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Verse 10. Christ died for us so that, whether we are dead or alive when he returns, we can live with him forever. Verse 11. So encourage each other and build each other up, just as you are already doing. Verse 12. Dear brothers and sisters, honor those who are your leaders in the Lord's work. NLT

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to warn those who are lazy. Encourage those who are timid. Take tender care of those who are weak. Be patient with everyone. Verse 15. See that no one pays back evil for evil, but always try to do good to each other and to all people. NLT

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Verse 16. Always be joyful. Verse 17. Never stop praying. Verse 18. Be thankful in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you who belong to Christ Jesus. NLT

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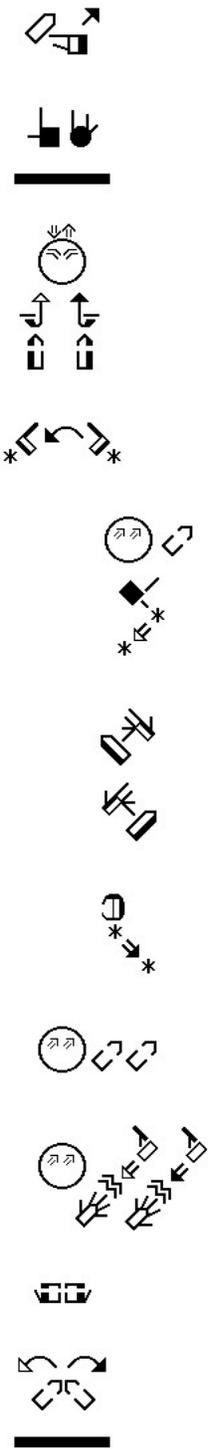
Verse 19. Do not stifle the Holy Spirit. Verse 20. Do not scoff at prophecies, Verse 21. but test everything that is said. Hold on to what is good. Verse 22. Stay away from every kind of evil. NLT

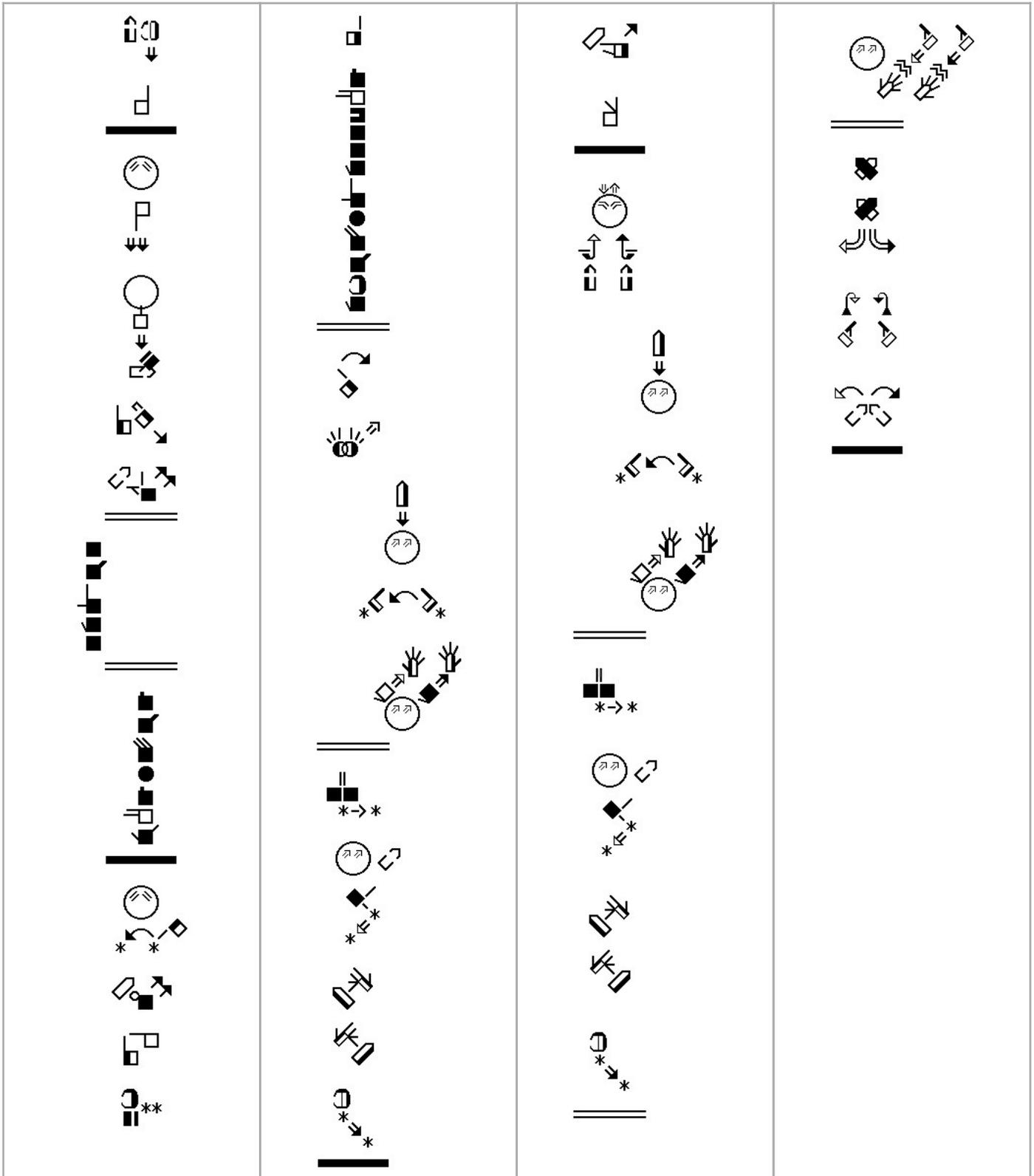
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Verse 23. Now may the God of peace make you holy in every way, and may your whole spirit and soul and body be kept blameless until our Lord Jesus Christ comes again.
 Verse 24. God will make this happen, for he who calls you is faithful. NLT

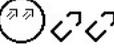
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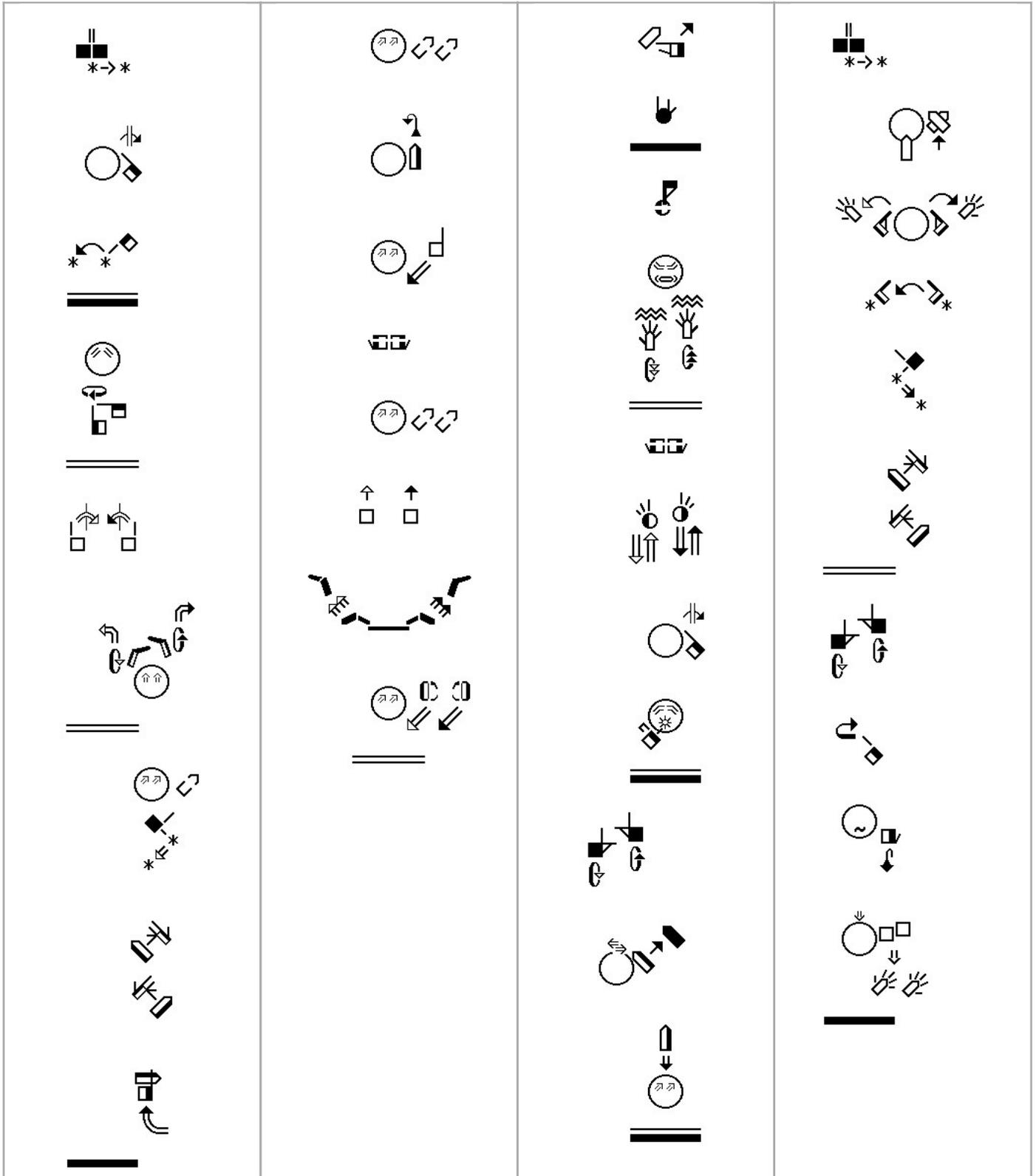


Chapter 1. This letter is from Paul, Silas, and Timothy. We are writing to the church in Thessalonica, to you who belong to God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. Verse 2. May God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ give you grace and peace. NLT

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Verse 5. And God will use this persecution to show his justice and to make you worthy of his Kingdom, for which you are suffering. Verse 6. In his justice he will pay back those who persecute you. Verse 7. And God will provide rest for you who are being persecuted
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2 Thessalonians 1:7-8



and also for us when the Lord Jesus appears from heaven. He will come with his mighty angels, Verse 8. in flaming fire, bringing judgment on those who don't know God and on those who refuse to obey the Good News of our Lord Jesus. NLT

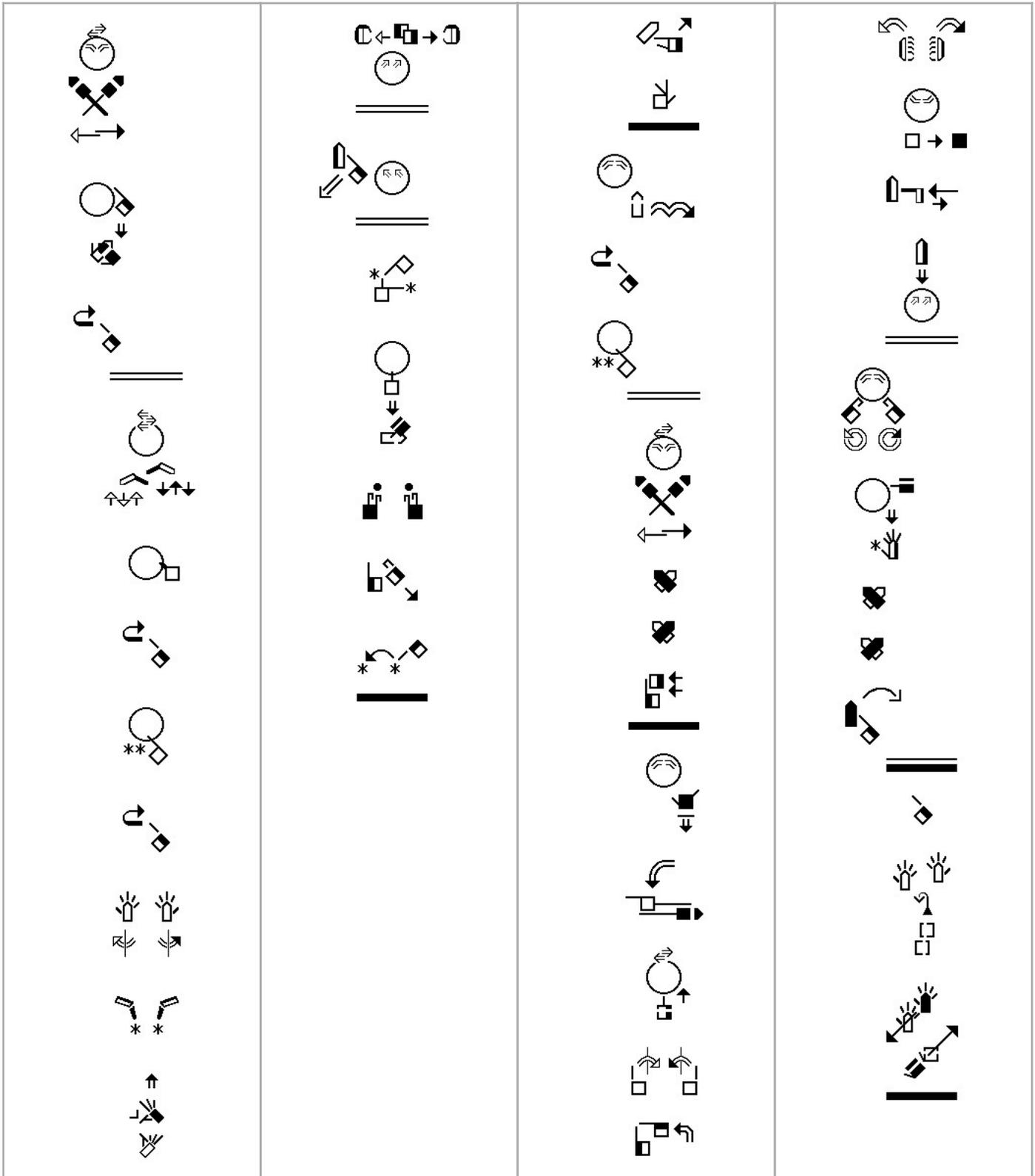
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Verse 12. Then the name of our Lord Jesus will be honored because of the way you live, and you will be honored along with him. This is all made possible because of the grace of our God and our Lord Jesus Christ.

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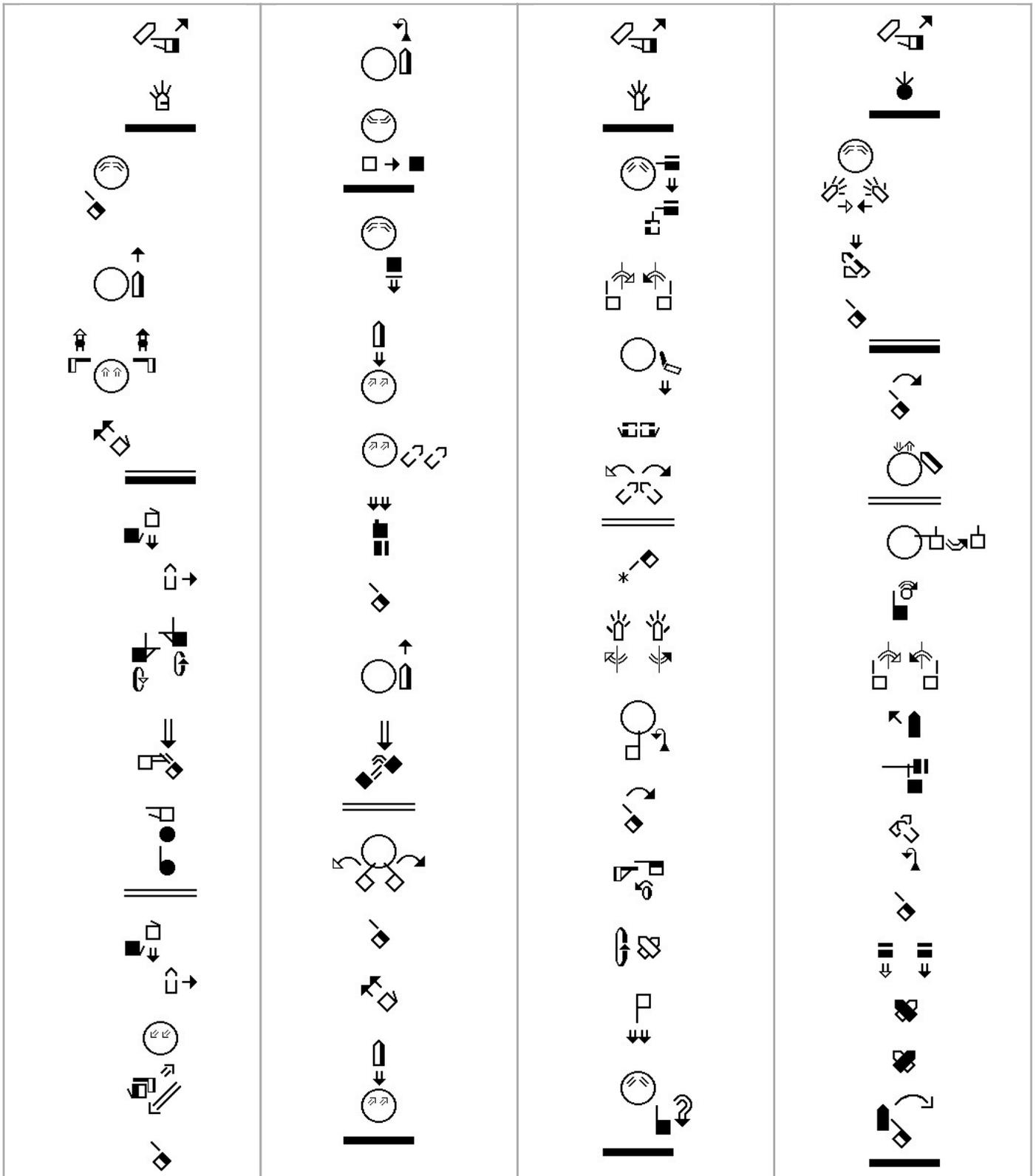
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Chapter 2. Now, dear brothers and sisters, let us clarify some things about the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and how we will be gathered to meet him. Verse 2. Don't be so easily shaken or alarmed by those who say that the day of the Lord has already begun. NLT



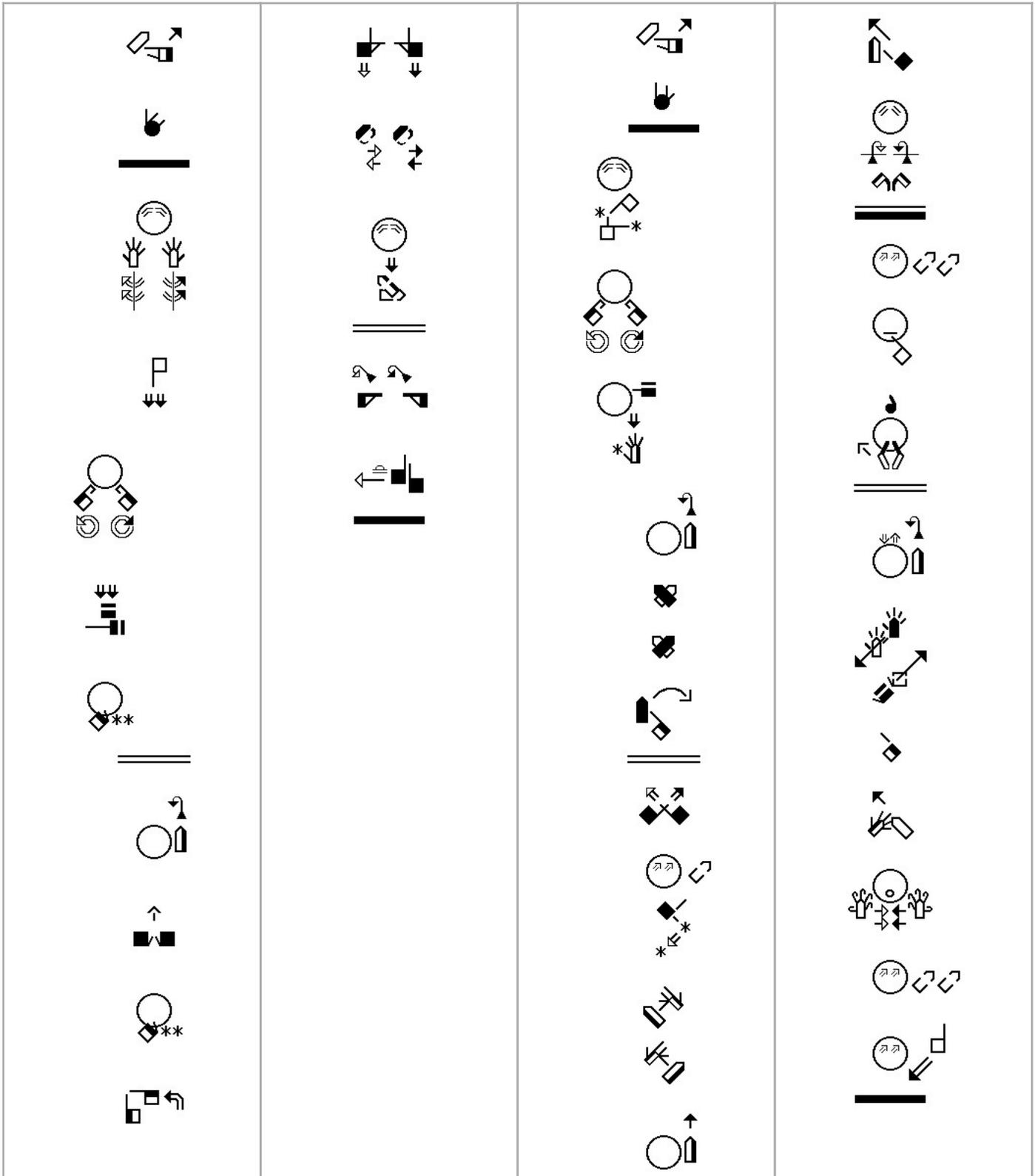
Don't believe them, even if they claim to have had a spiritual vision, a revelation, or a letter supposedly from us. Verse 3. Don't be fooled by what they say. For that day will not come until there is a great rebellion against God and the man of lawlessness is revealed -- the one who brings destruction.

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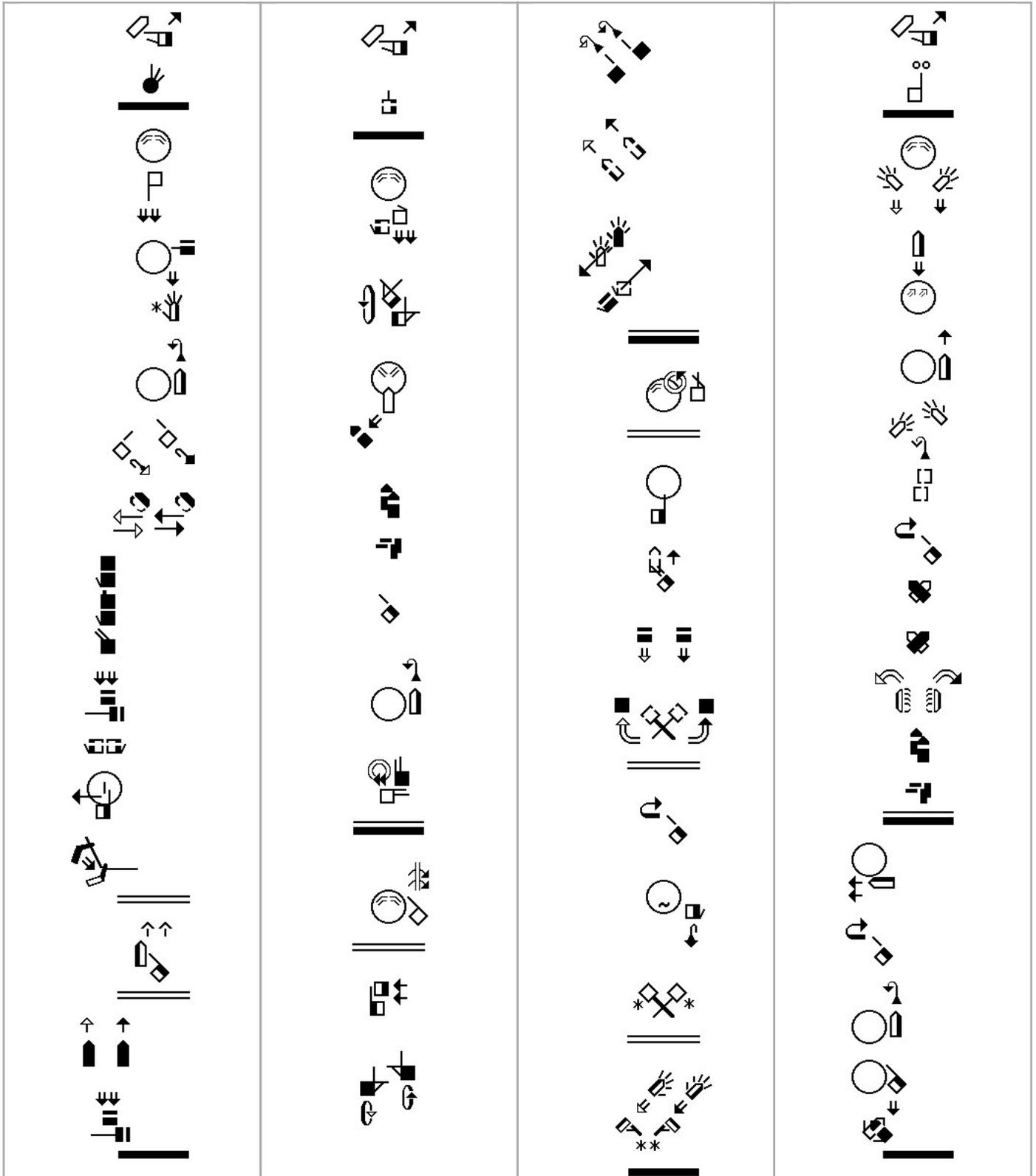
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Verse 4. He will exalt himself and defy everything that people call god and every object of worship. He will even sit in the temple of God, claiming that he himself is God. Verse 5. Don't you remember that I told you about all this when I was with you? Verse 6. And you know what is holding him back, for he can be revealed only when his time comes. NLT



Verse 7. For this lawlessness is already at work secretly, and it will remain secret until the one who is holding it back steps out of the way. Verse 8. Then the man of lawlessness will be revealed, but the Lord Jesus will kill him with the breath of his mouth and destroy him by the splendor of his coming.
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2 Thessalonians 2:9-11



336 Verse 9. This man will come to do the work of Satan with counterfeit power and signs and miracles. Verse 10. He will use every kind of evil deception to fool those on their way to destruction, because they refuse to love and accept the truth that would save them. Verse 11. So God will cause them to be greatly deceived, and they will believe these lies. NLT

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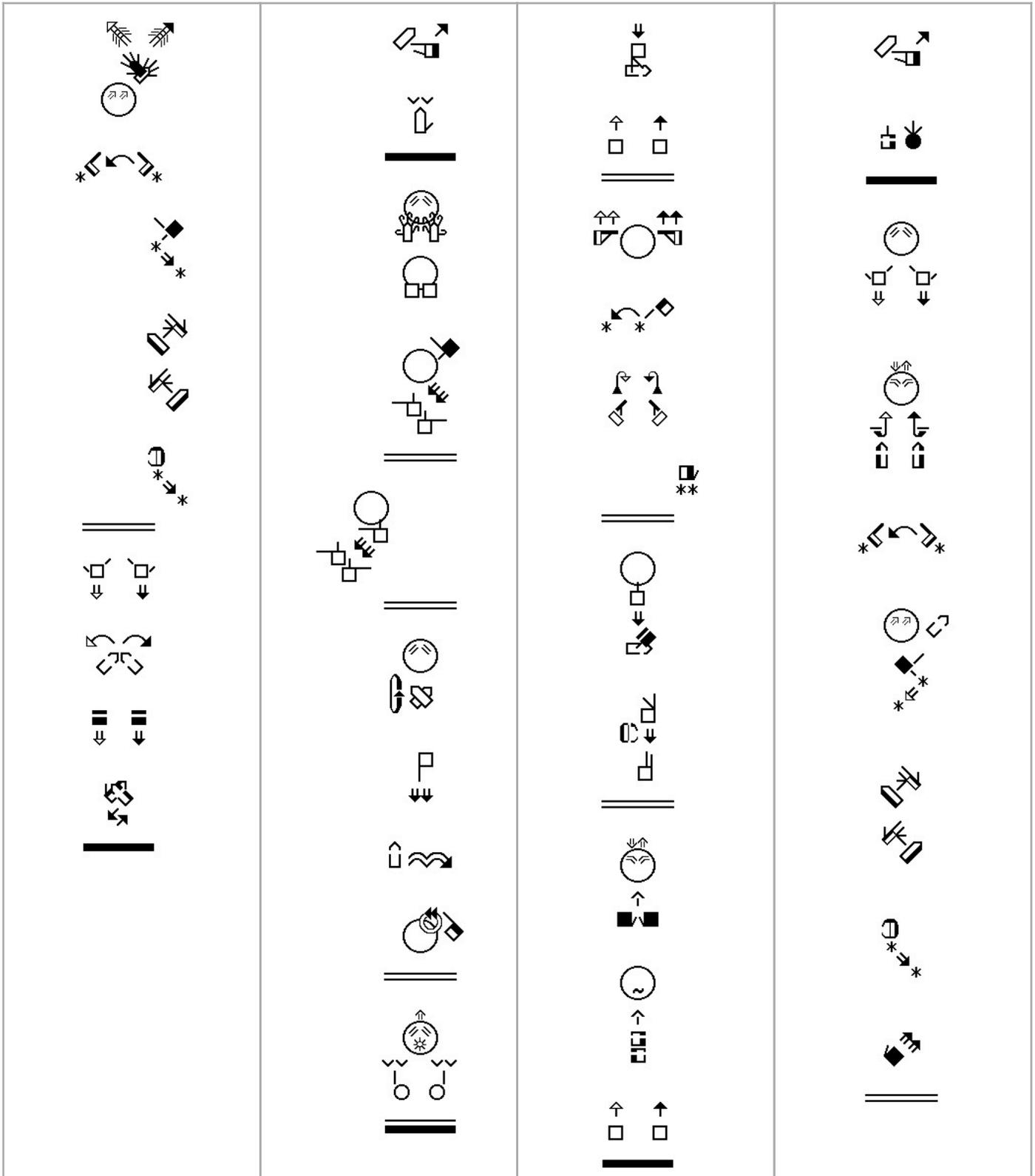
Verse 12. Then they will be condemned for enjoying evil rather than believing the truth.
 Verse 13. As for us, we can't help but thank God for you, dear brothers and sisters loved by the Lord. We are always thankful that God

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chose you to be among the first to experience salvation -- a salvation that came through the Spirit who makes you holy and through your belief in the truth. Verse 14. He called you to salvation when we told you the Good News; NLT



now you can share in the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. Verse 15. With all these things in mind, dear brothers and sisters, stand firm and keep a strong grip on the teaching we passed on to you both in person and by letter. Verse 16. Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself

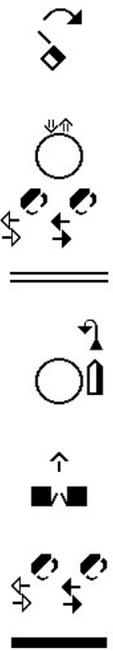
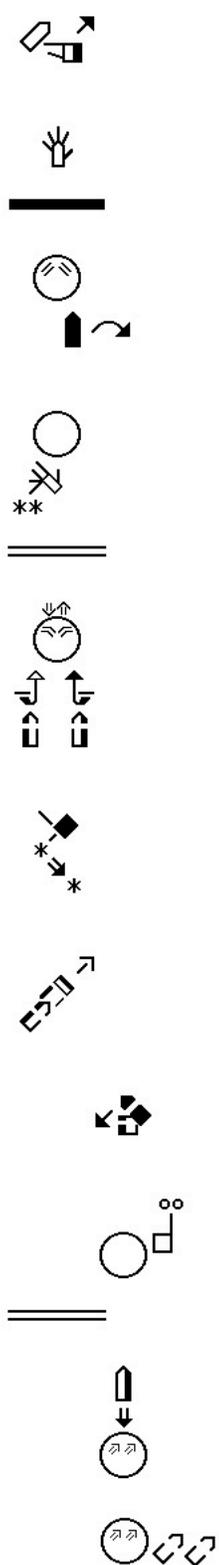
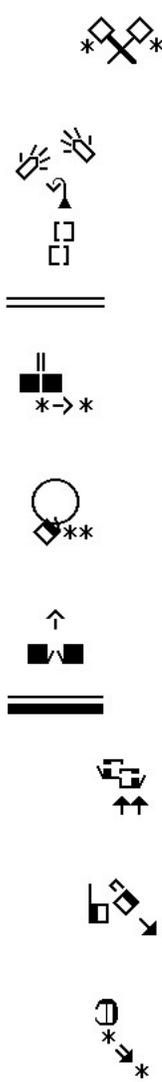
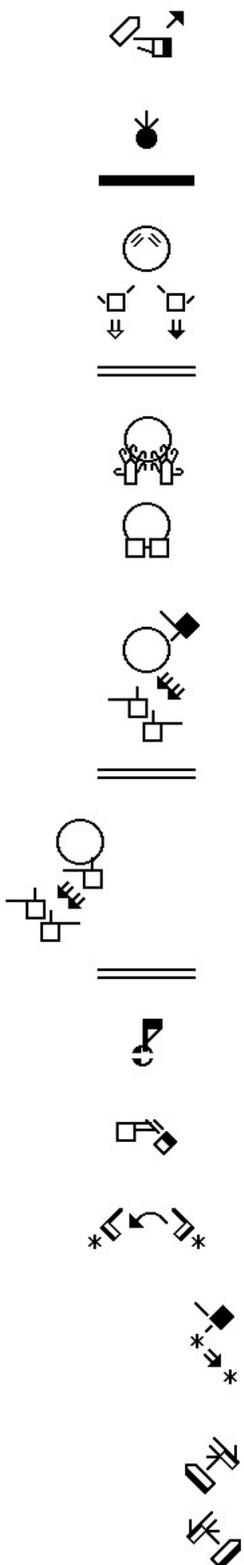
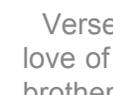
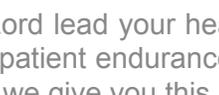
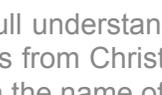
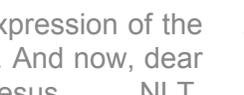
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for not everyone is a believer. Verse 3. But the Lord is faithful; he will strengthen you and guard you from the evil one. Verse 4. And we are confident in the Lord that you are doing and will continue to do the things we commanded you. NLT

Verse 5. May the Lord lead your hearts into a full understanding and expression of the love of God and the patient endurance that comes from Christ. Verse 6. And now, dear brothers and sisters, we give you this command in the name of our Lord Jesus NLT

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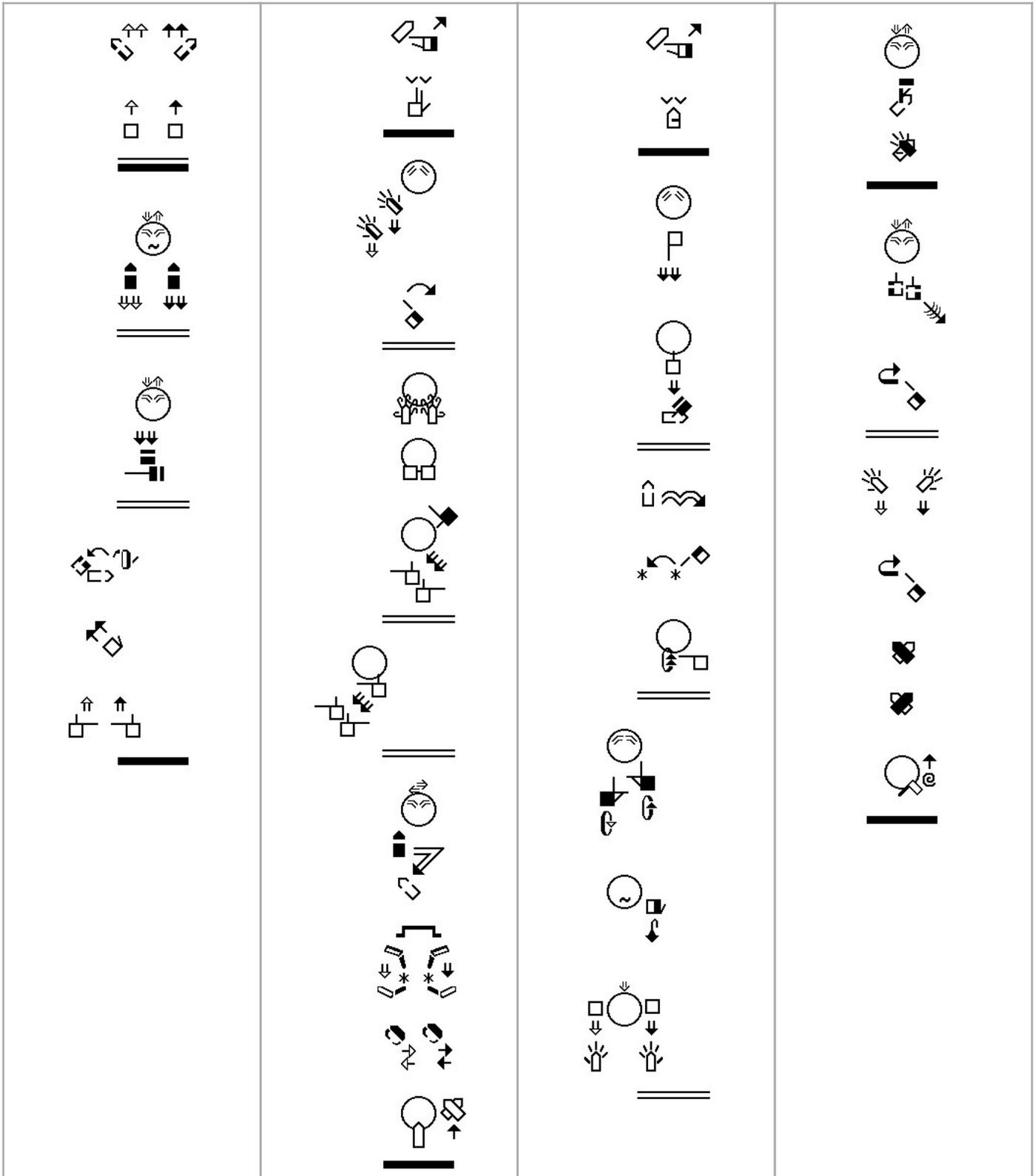
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Christ: Stay away from all believers who live idle lives and don't follow the tradition they received from us. Verse 7. For you know that you ought to imitate us. We were not idle when we were with you. Verse 8. We never accepted food from anyone without paying for it. NLT

We worked hard day and night so we would not be a burden to any of you. Verse 9. We certainly had the right to ask you to feed us, but we wanted to give you an example to follow. Verse 10. Even while we were with you, we gave you this command: NLT

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to settle down and work to earn their own living. Verse 13. As for the rest of you, dear brothers and sisters, never get tired of doing good. Verse 14. Take note of those who refuse to obey what we say in this letter. Stay away from them so they will be ashamed. NLT

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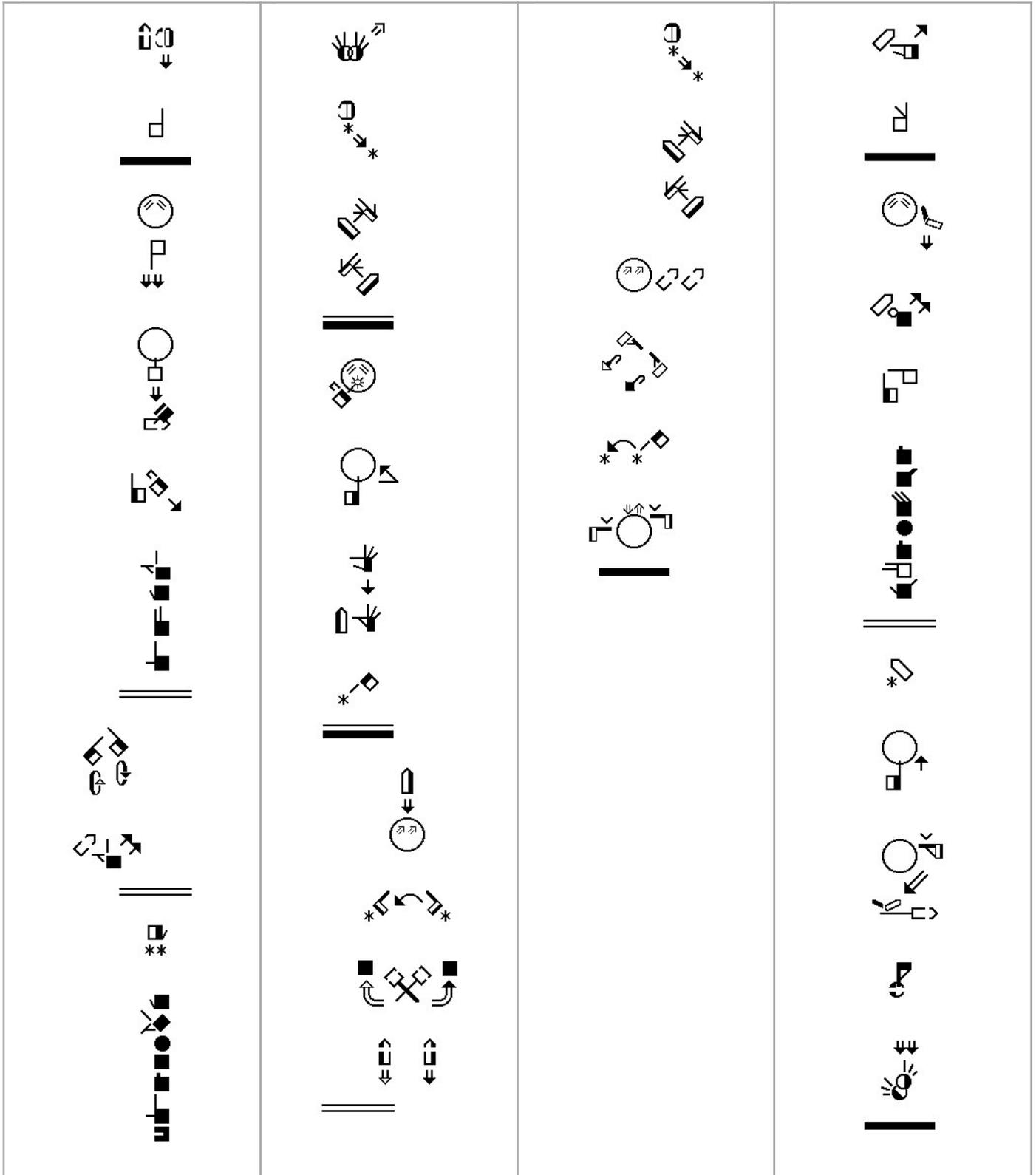
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Verse 15. Don't think of them as enemies, but warn them as you would a brother or sister. Verse 16. Now may the Lord of peace himself give you his peace at all times and in every situation. The Lord be with you all.
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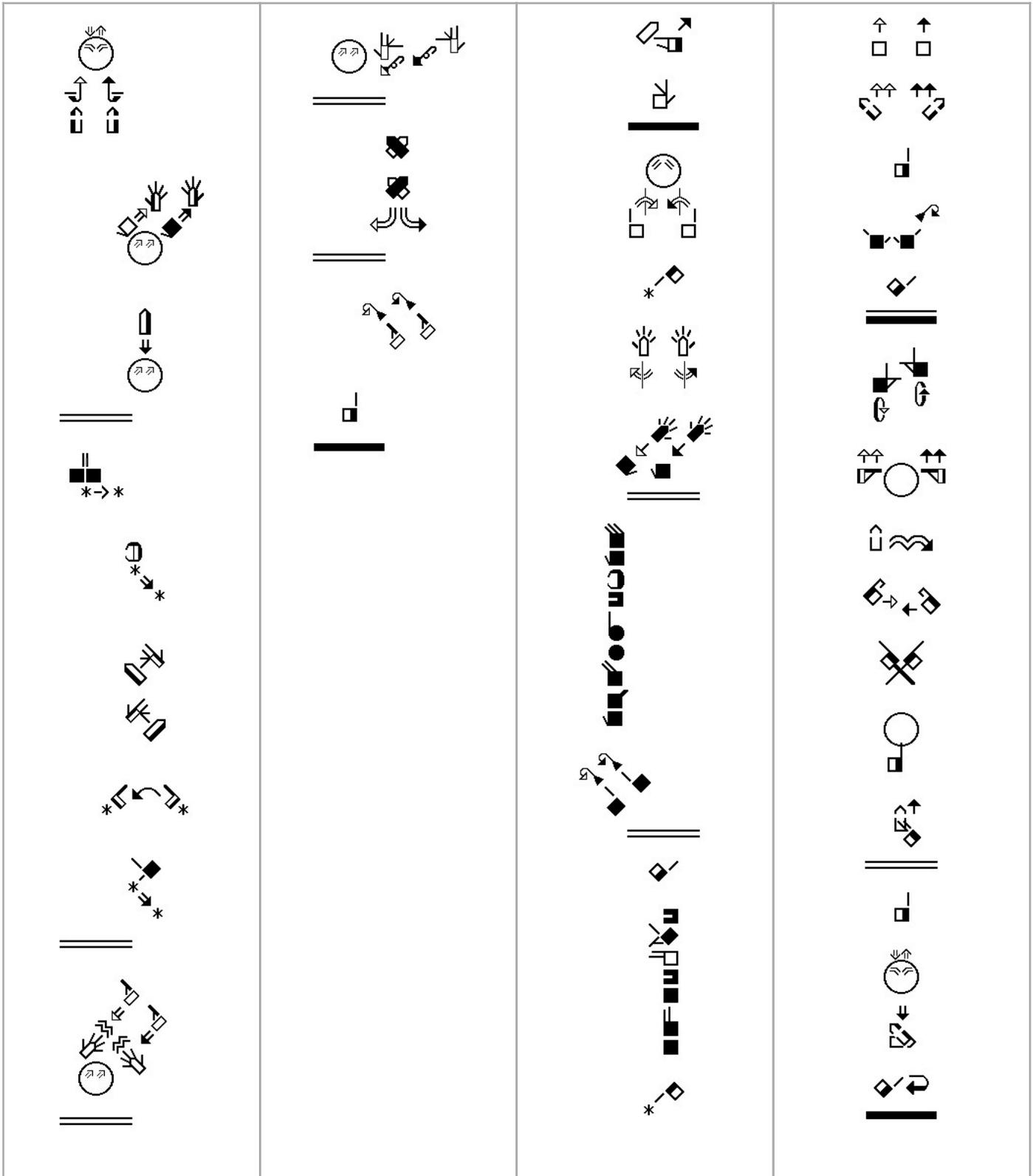
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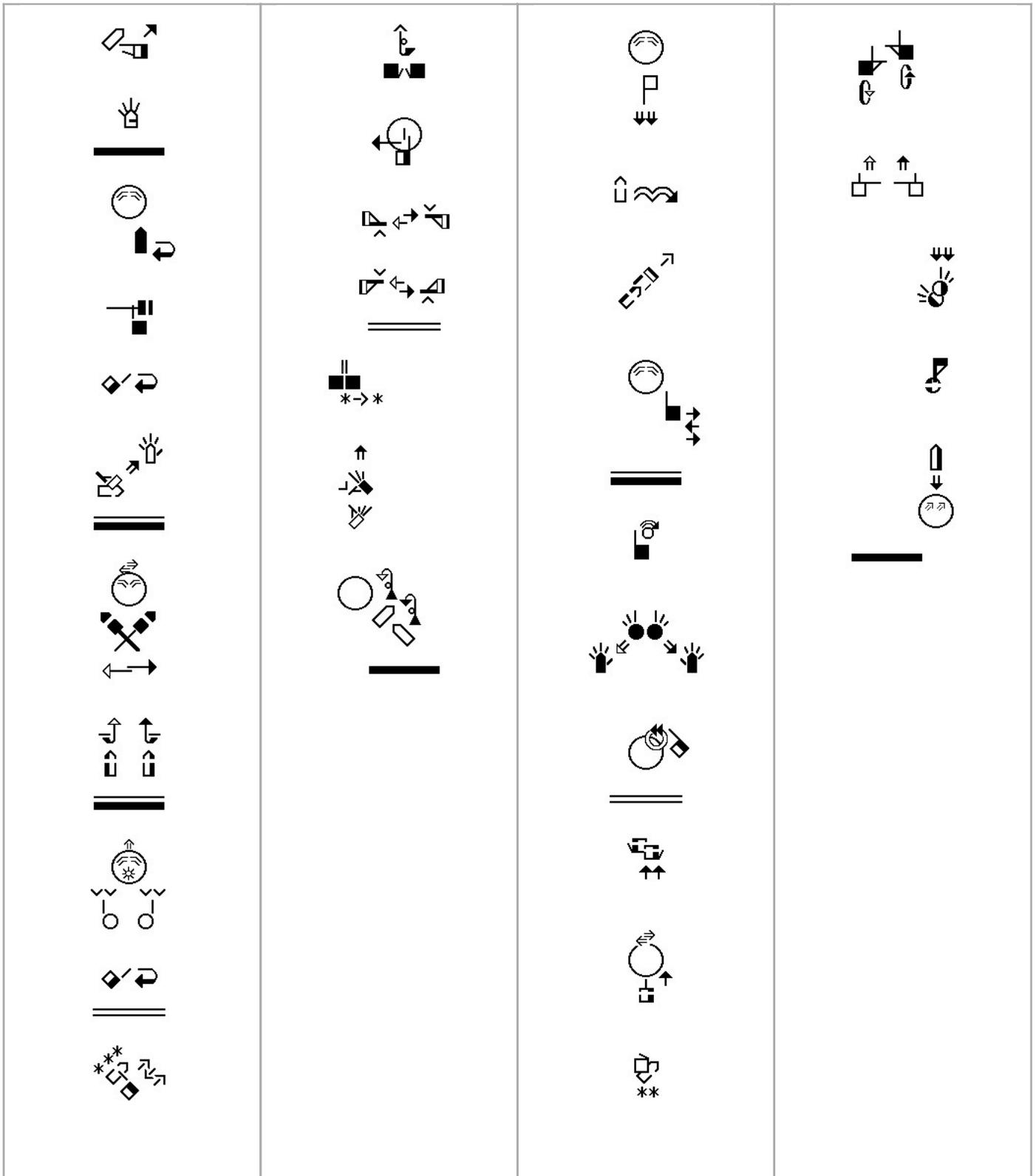
Verse 17. HERE IS MY GREETING IN MY OWN HANDWRITING -- PAUL. I DO THIS IN ALL MY LETTERS TO PROVE THEY ARE FROM ME. Verse 18. May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.



Chapter 1. This letter is from Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus, appointed by the command of God our Savior and Christ Jesus, who gives us hope. Verse 2. I am writing to Timothy, my true son in the faith. NLT

1 Timothy 1:2-3



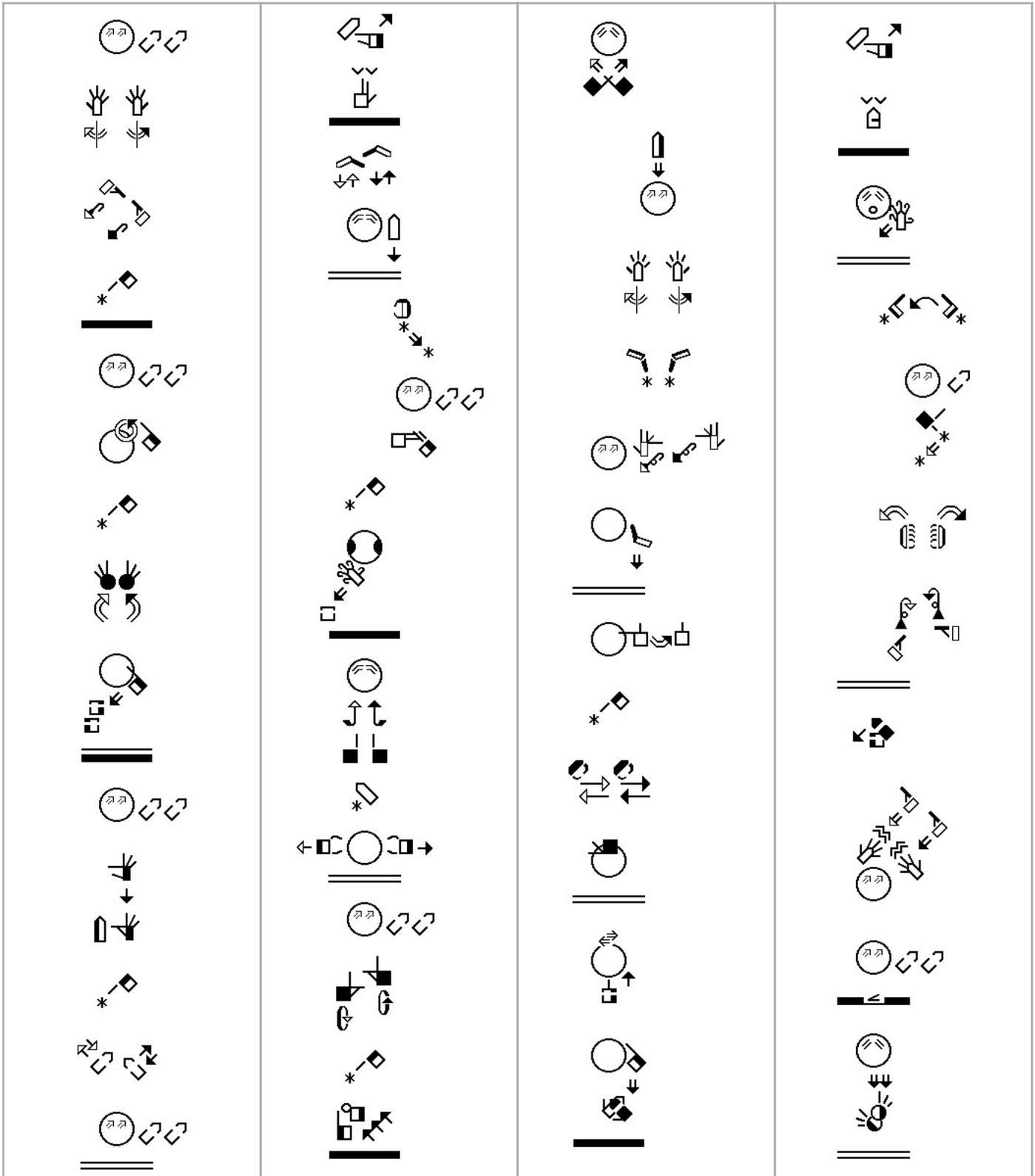


Verse 4. Don't let them waste their time in endless discussion of myths and spiritual pedigrees. These things only lead to meaningless speculations, which don't help people live a life of faith in God.

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or are slave traders, liars, promise breakers, or who do anything else that contradicts the wholesome teaching Verse 11. that comes from the glorious Good News entrusted to me by our blessed God. Verse 12. I thank Christ Jesus our Lord, who has given me strength to do his work.

1 Timothy 1:12-14



He considered me trustworthy and appointed me to serve him, Verse 13. even though I used to blaspheme the name of Christ. In my insolence, I persecuted his people. But God had mercy on me because I did it in ignorance and unbelief. Verse 14. Oh, how generous and gracious our Lord was! He filled me with the faith NLT

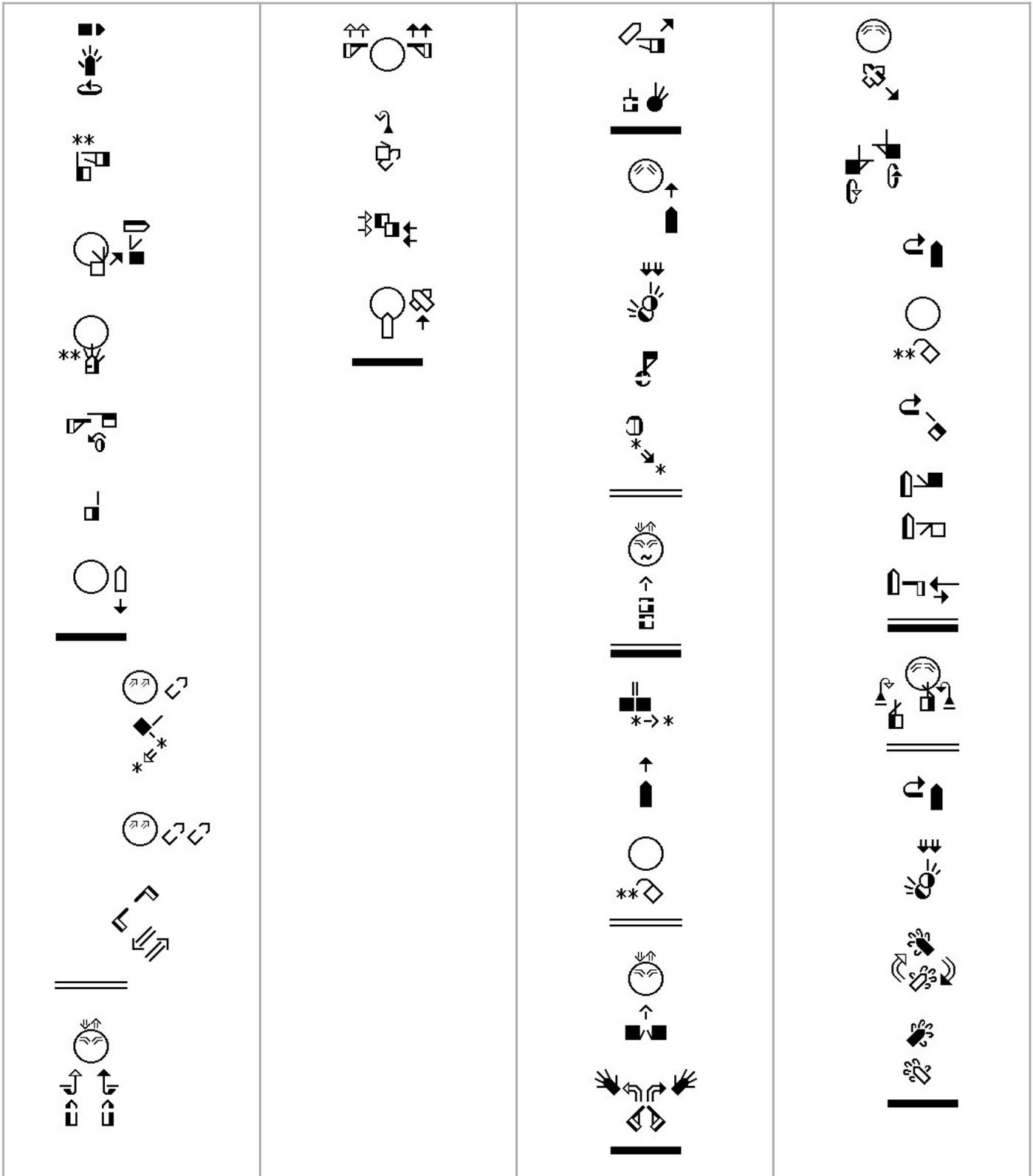
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and love that come from Christ Jesus. Verse 15. This is a trustworthy saying, and everyone should accept it: "Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners" -- and I am the worst of them all.

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1 Timothy 1:18-19



based on the prophetic words spoken about you earlier. May they help you fight well in the Lord's battles. Verse 19. Cling to your faith in Christ, and keep your conscience clear. For some people have deliberately violated their consciences; as a result, their faith has been shipwrecked.

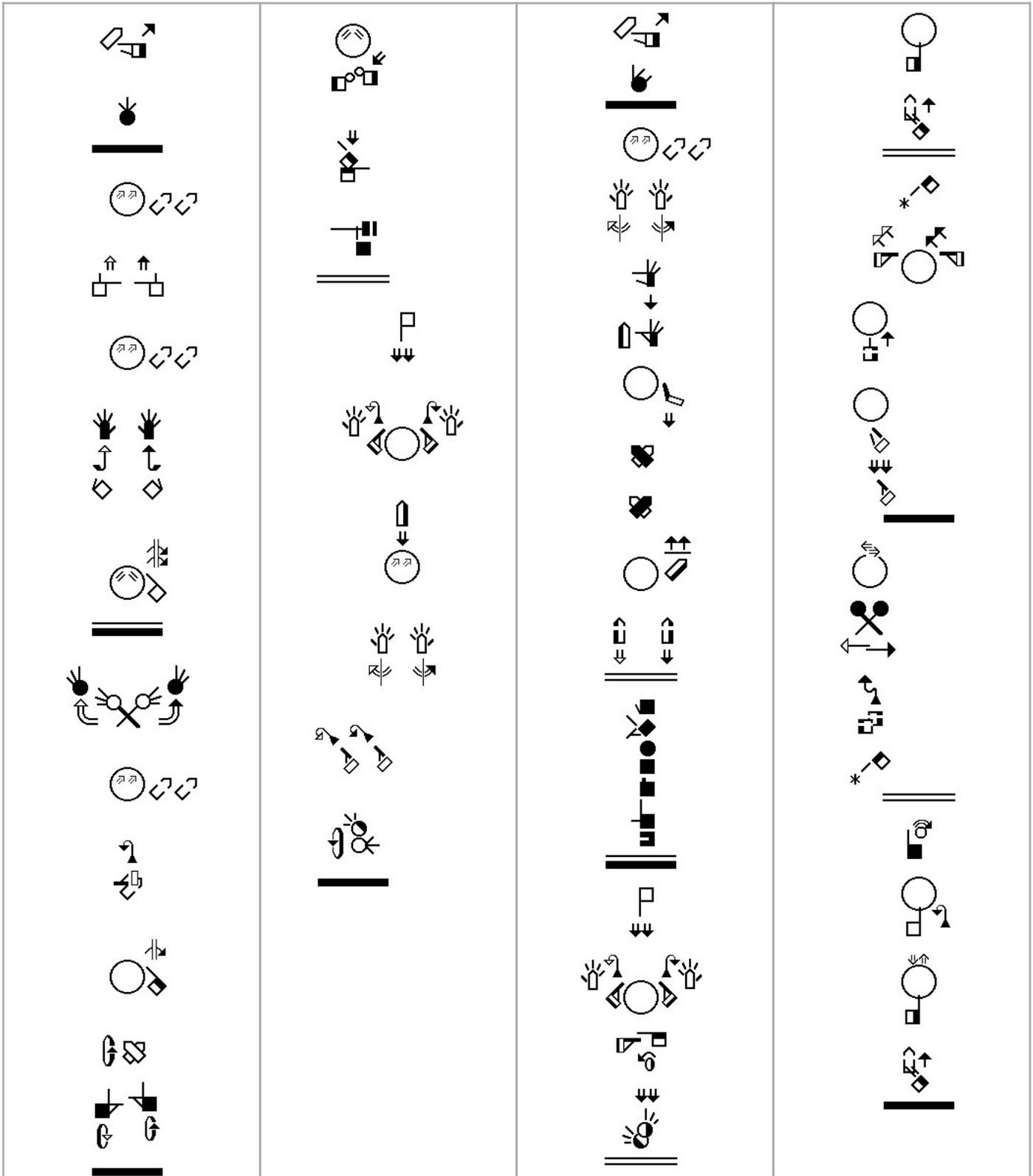
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Verse 20. Hymenaeus and Alexander are two examples. I threw them out and handed them over to Satan so they might learn not to blaspheme God.

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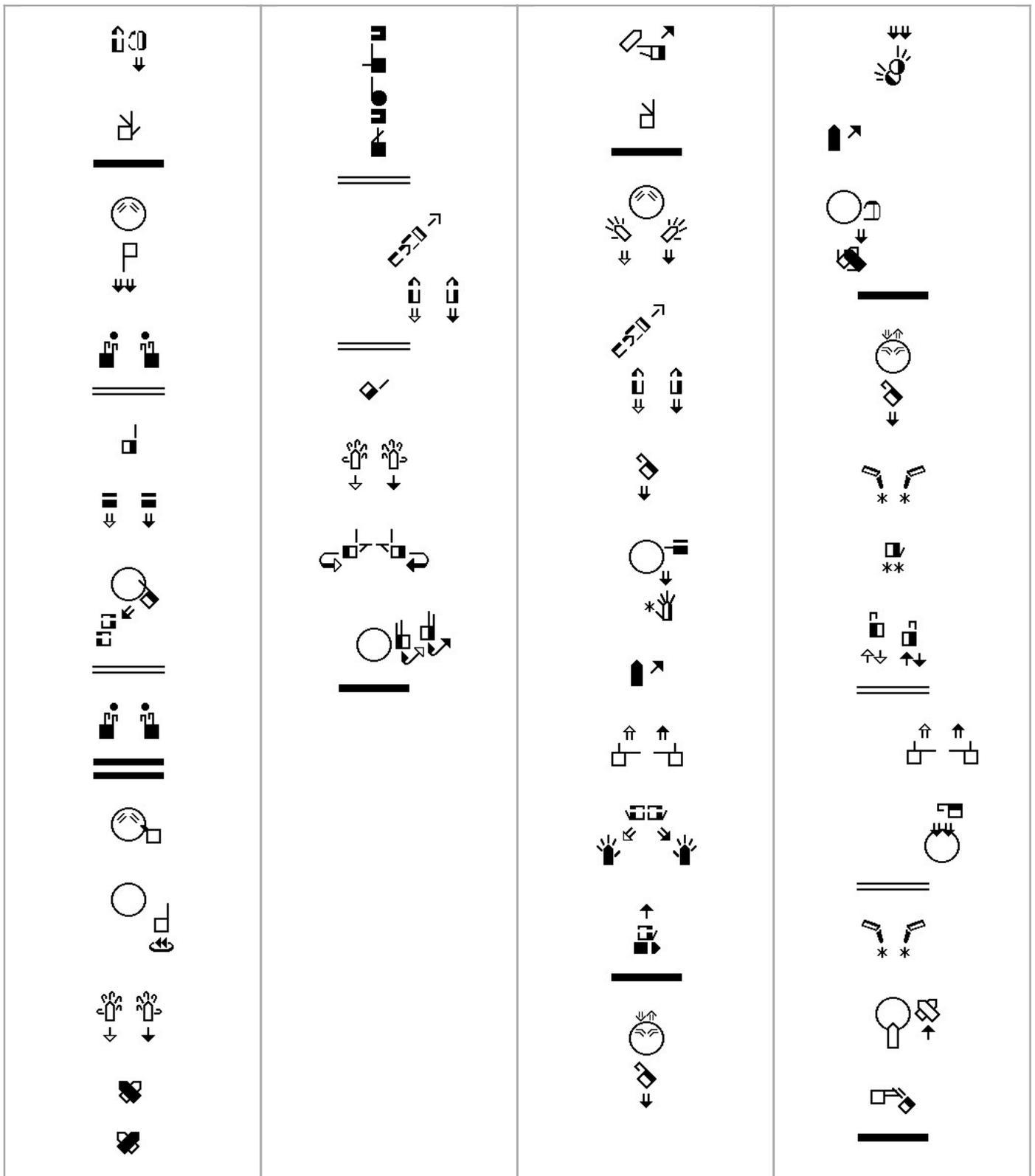
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Verse 6. He gave his life to purchase freedom for everyone. This is the message God gave to the world at just the right time. Verse 7. And I have been chosen as a preacher and apostle to teach the Gentiles this message about faith and truth. I'm not exaggerating -- just telling the truth.
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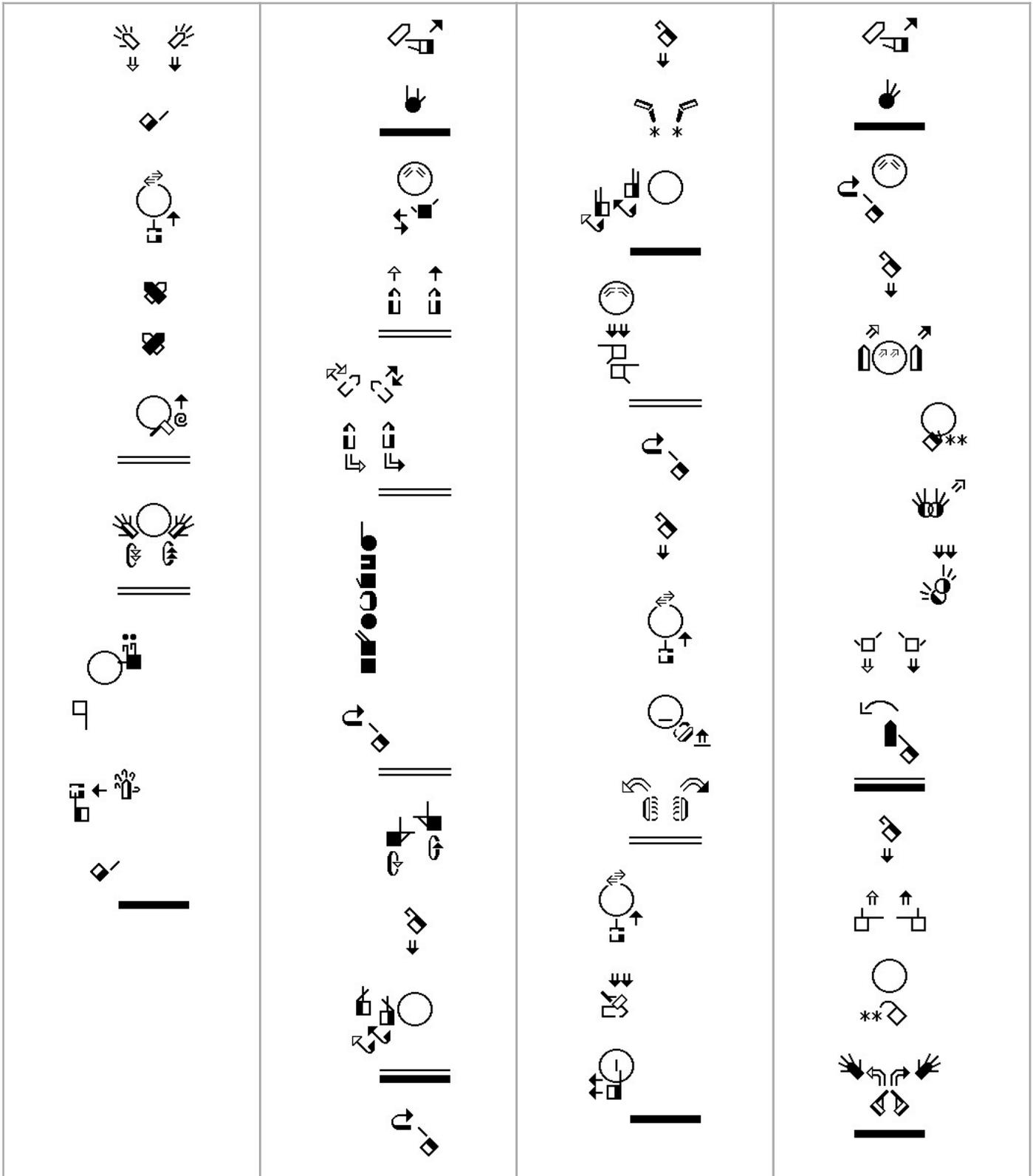
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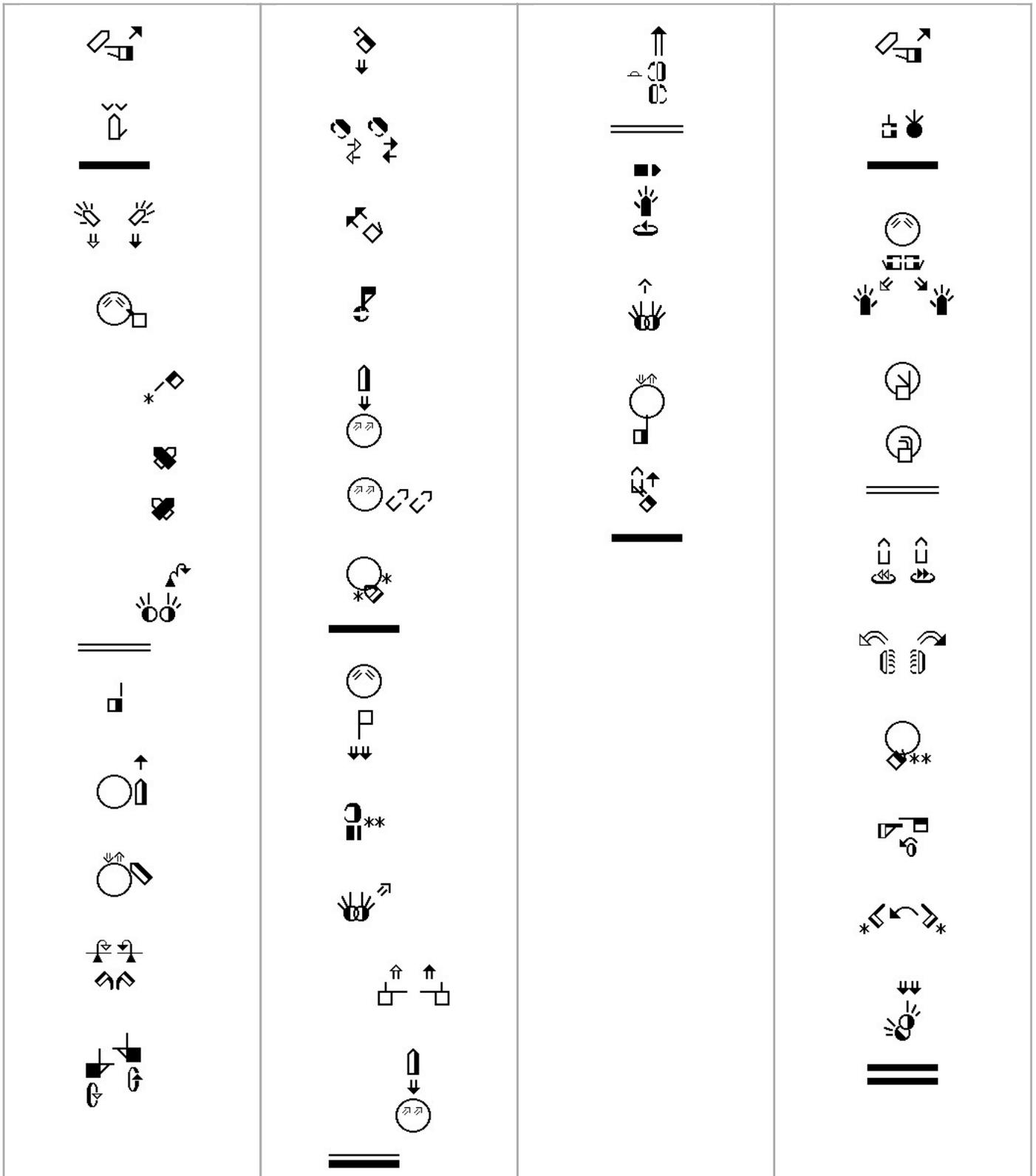


Chapter 3. This is a trustworthy saying: "If someone aspires to be an elder, he desires an honorable position." Verse 2. So an elder must be a man whose life is above reproach. He must be faithful to his wife. He must exercise self-control, live wisely, and have a good reputation.

1 Timothy 3:7-9



so that he will not be disgraced and fall into the devil's trap. Verse 8. In the same way, deacons must be well respected and have integrity. They must not be heavy drinkers or dishonest with money. Verse 9. They must be committed to the mystery of the faith now revealed and must live with a clear conscience. NLT

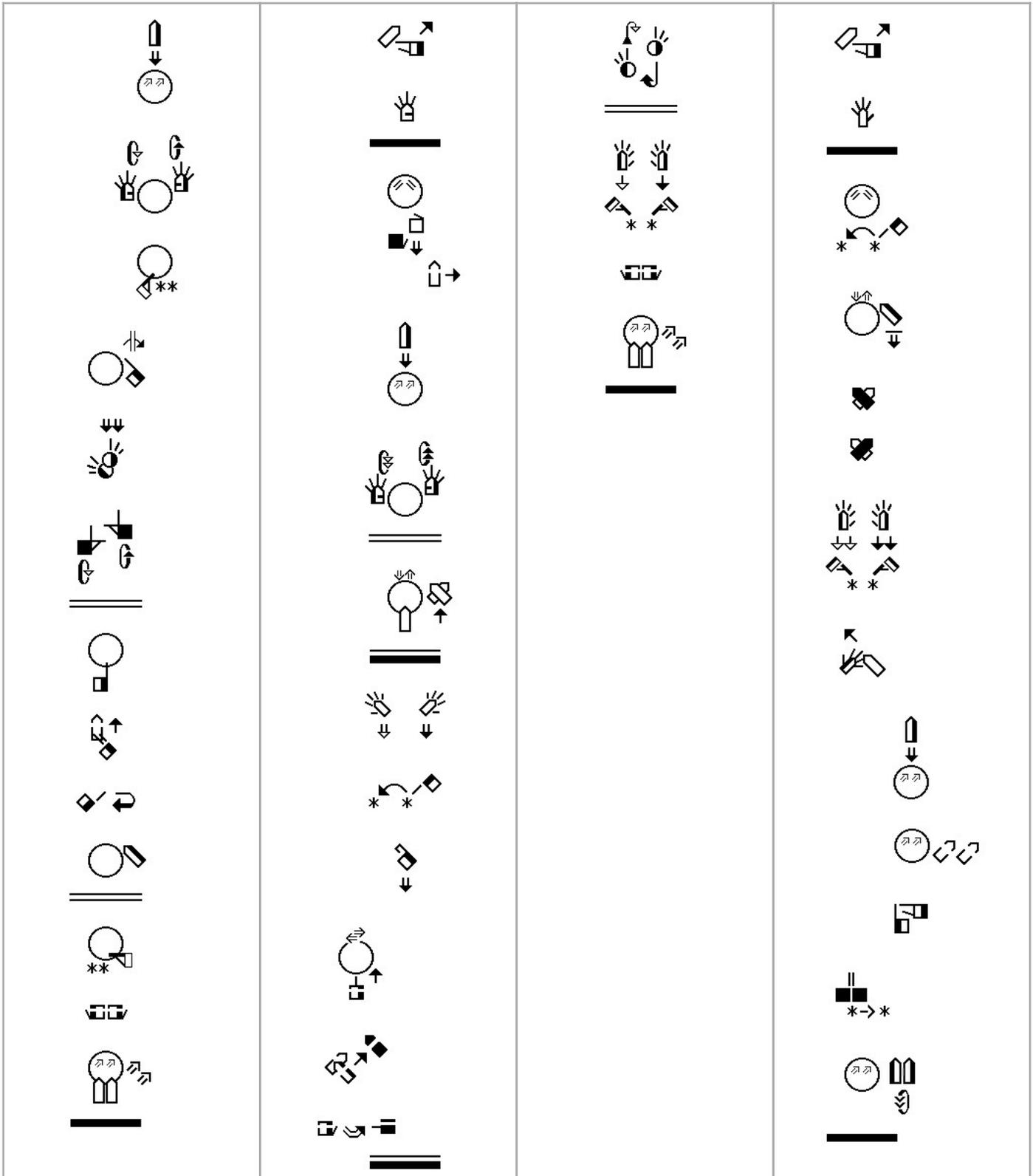


Verse 15. so that if I am delayed, you will know how people must conduct themselves in the household of God. This is the church of the living God, which is the pillar and foundation of the truth. Verse 16. Without question, this is the great mystery of our faith: NLT

1 Timothy 3:16

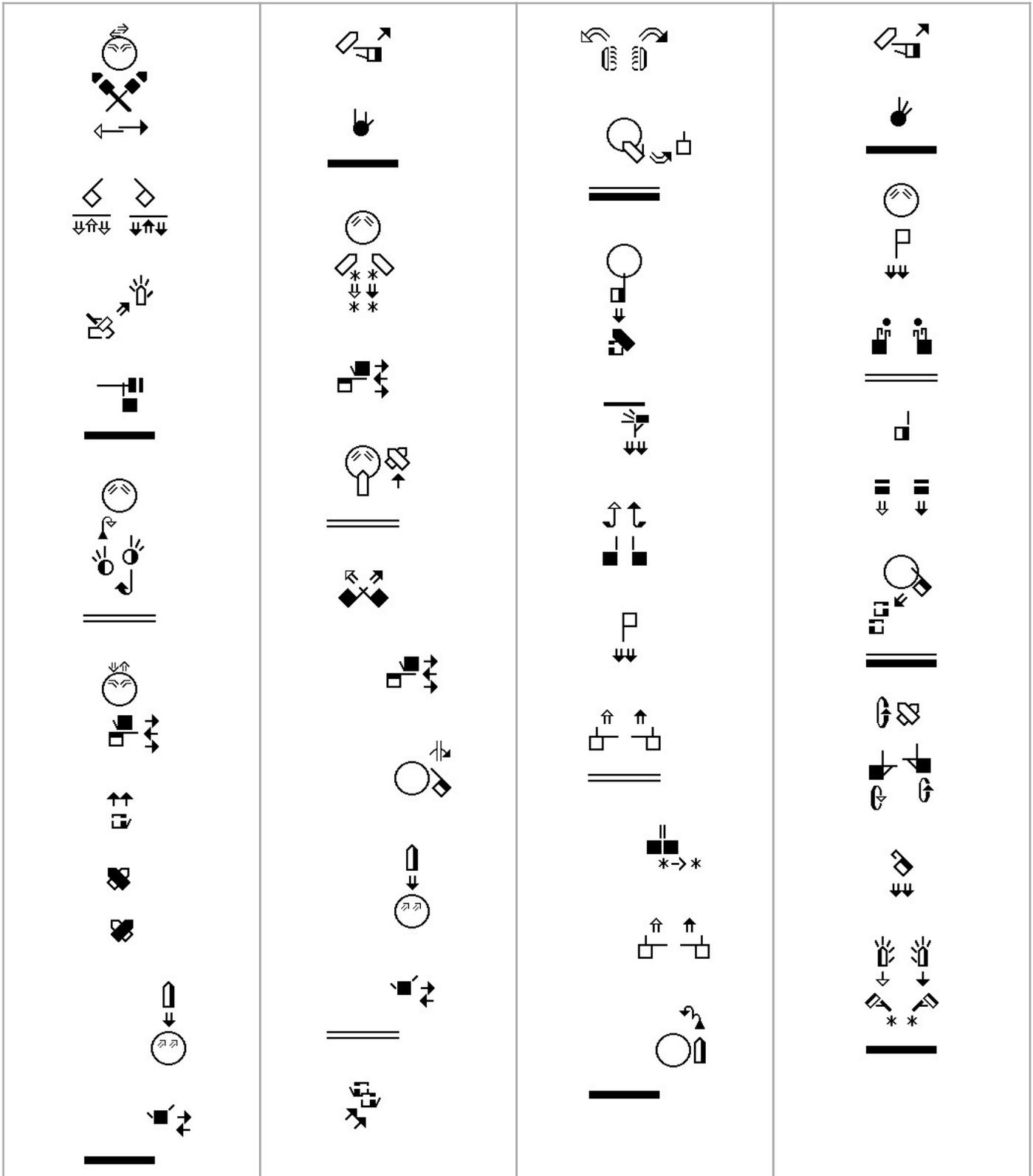
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1 Timothy 4:3-5



God created those foods to be eaten with thanks by faithful people who know the truth. Verse 4. Since everything God created is good, we should not reject any of it but receive it with thanks. Verse 5. For we know it is made acceptable by the word of God and prayer. NLT

1 Timothy 4:7-9



Instead, train yourself to be godly. Verse 8. Physical training is good, but training for godliness is much better, promising benefits in this life and in the life to come. Verse 9. This is a trustworthy saying, and everyone should accept it. NLT

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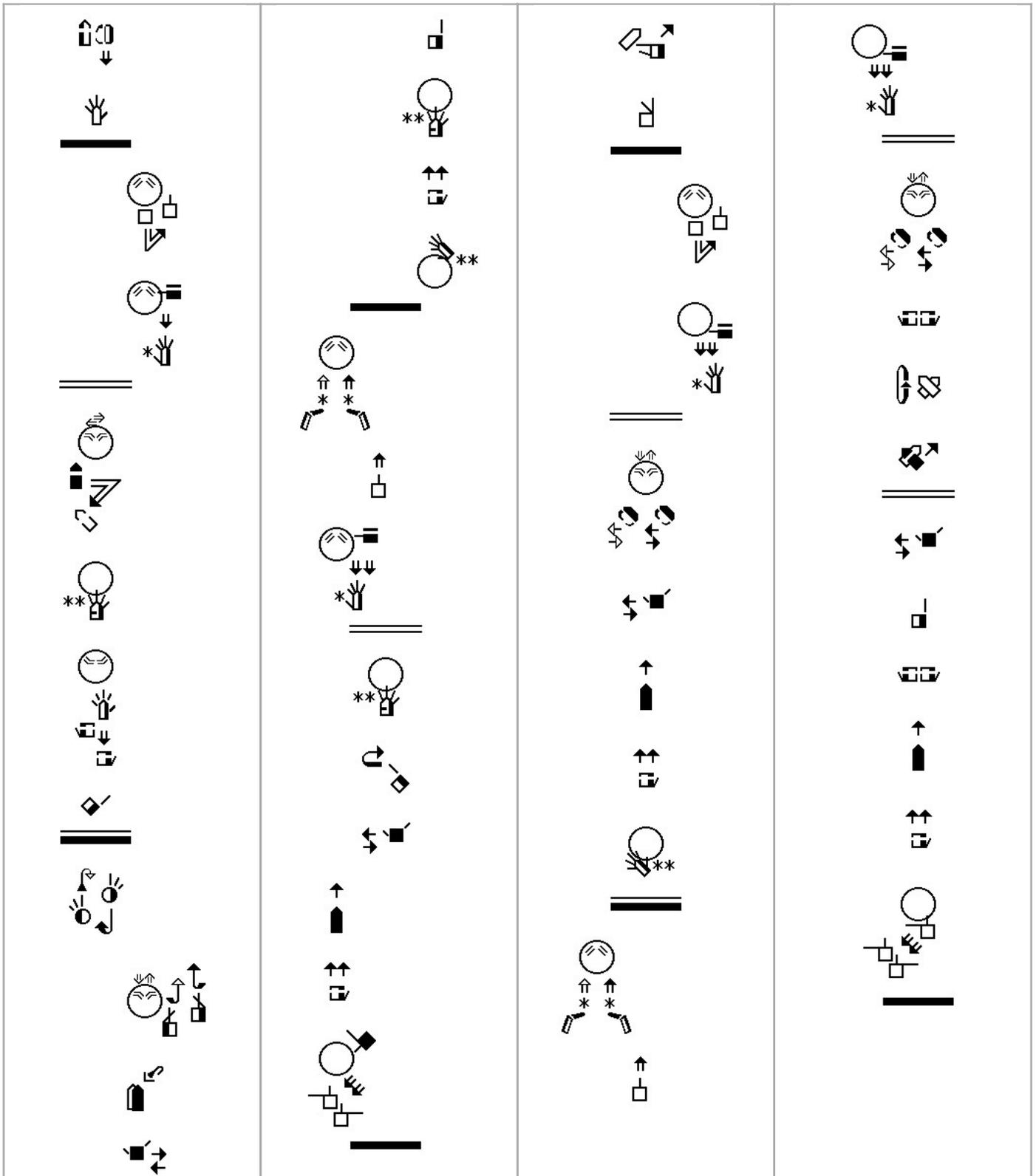
Verse 10. This is why we work hard and continue to struggle, for our hope is in the living God, who is the Savior of all people and particularly of all believers. Verse 11. Teach these things and insist that everyone learn them. Verse 12. Don't let anyone think less of you because you are young.
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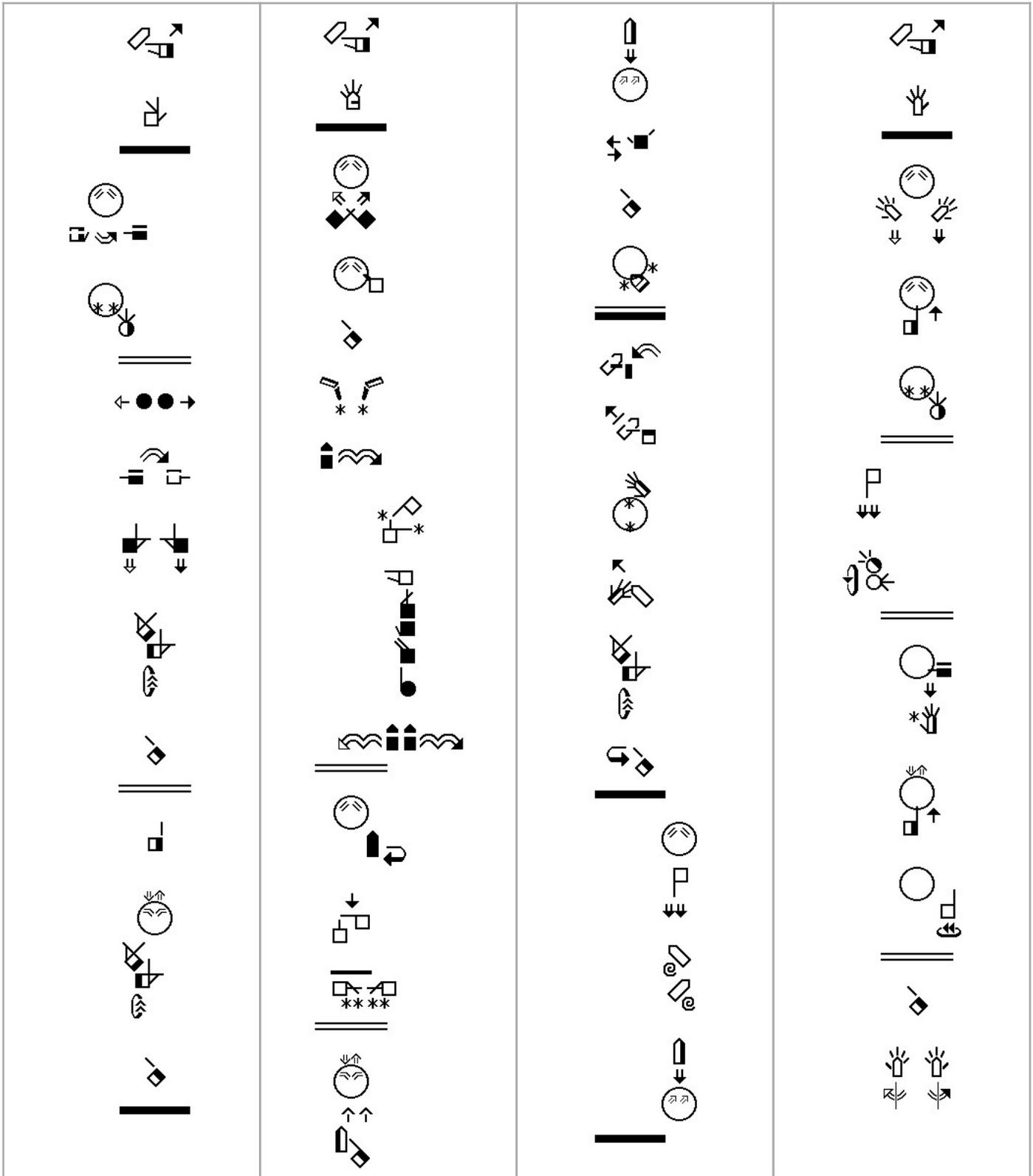
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Chapter 5. Never speak harshly to an older man, but appeal to him respectfully as you would to your own father. Talk to younger men as you would to your own brothers. Verse 2. Treat older women as you would your mother, and treat younger women with all purity as you would your own sisters.

1 Timothy 5:3-5



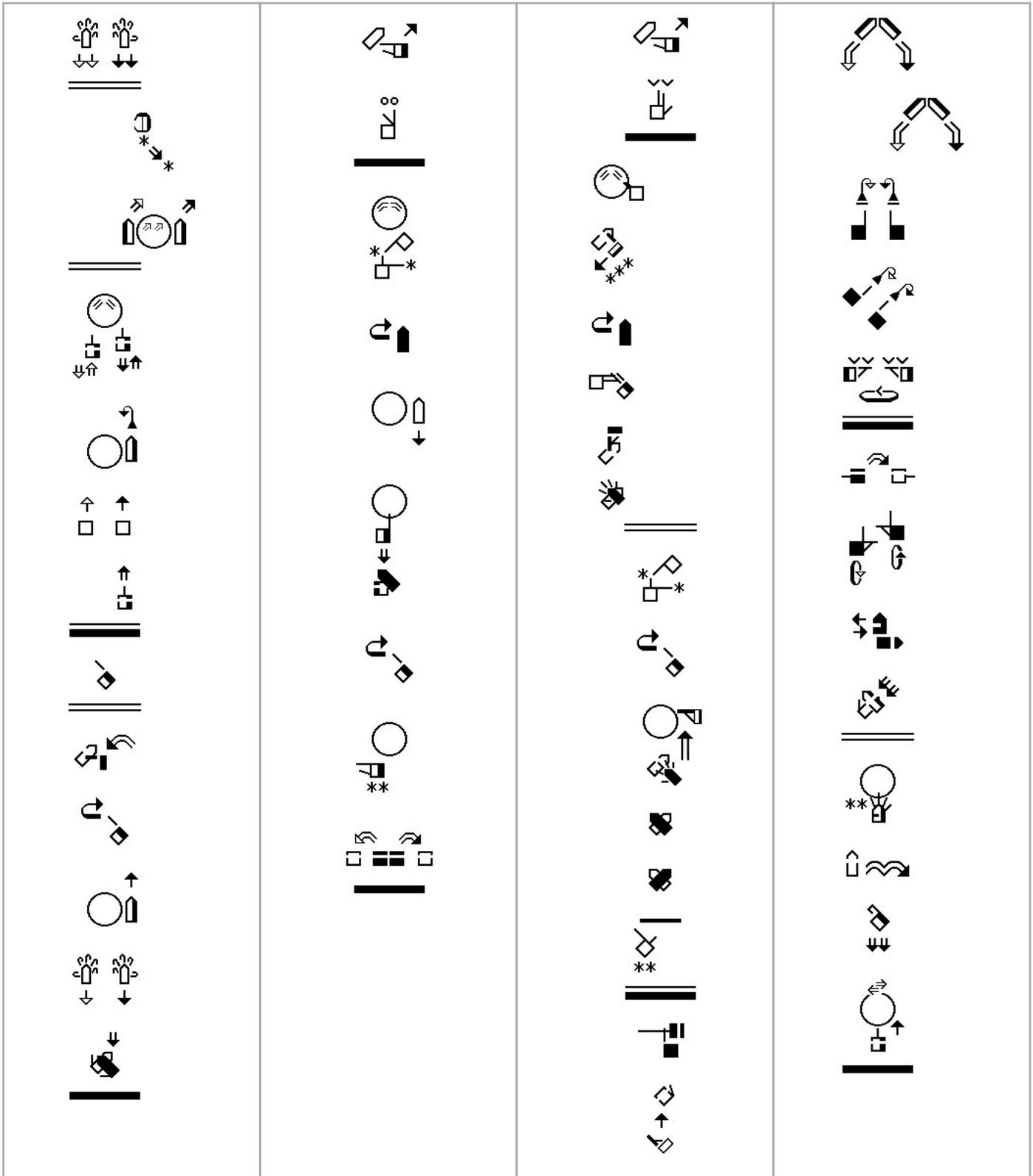
Verse 3. Take care of any widow who has no one else to care for her. Verse 4. But if she has children or grandchildren, their first responsibility is to show godliness at home and repay their parents by taking care of them. This is something that pleases God. Verse 5. Now a true widow, a woman who is truly alone in this world, NLT

1 Timothy 5:8-10

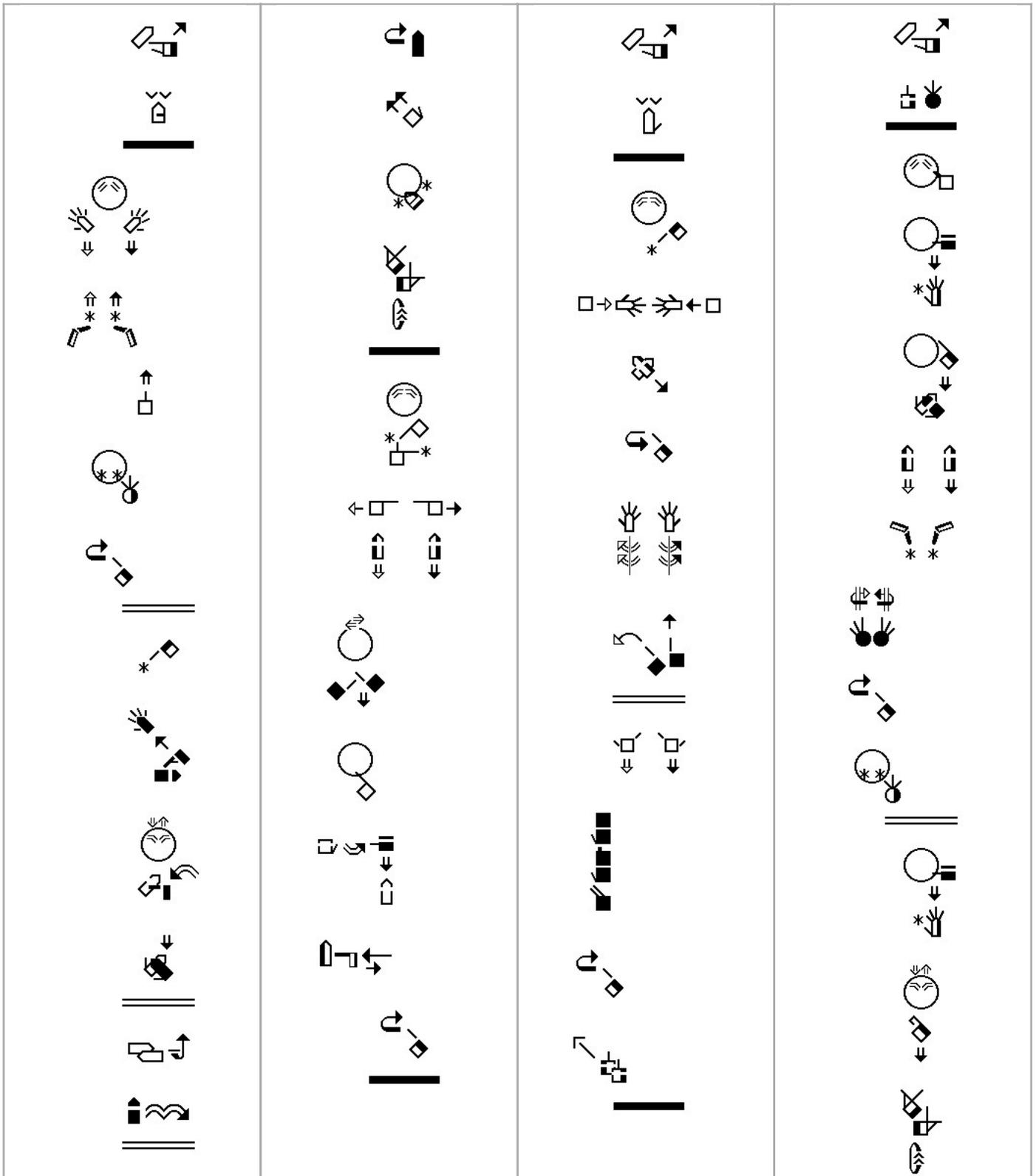
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have denied the true faith. Such people are worse than unbelievers. Verse 9. A widow who is put on the list for support must be a woman who is at least sixty years old and was faithful to her husband. Verse 10. She must be well respected by everyone because of the good she has done. NLT

1 Timothy 5:11-13



desires will overpower their devotion to Christ and they will want to remarry. Verse 12. Then they would be guilty of breaking their previous pledge. Verse 13. And if they are on the list, they will learn to be lazy and will spend their time gossiping from house to house, meddling in other people's business and talking about things they shouldn't. NLT



Verse 14. So I advise these younger widows to marry again, have children, and take care of their own homes. Then the enemy will not be able to say anything against them. Verse 15. For I am afraid that some of them have already gone astray and now follow Satan. Verse 16. If a woman who is a believer has relatives who are widows, she must take care

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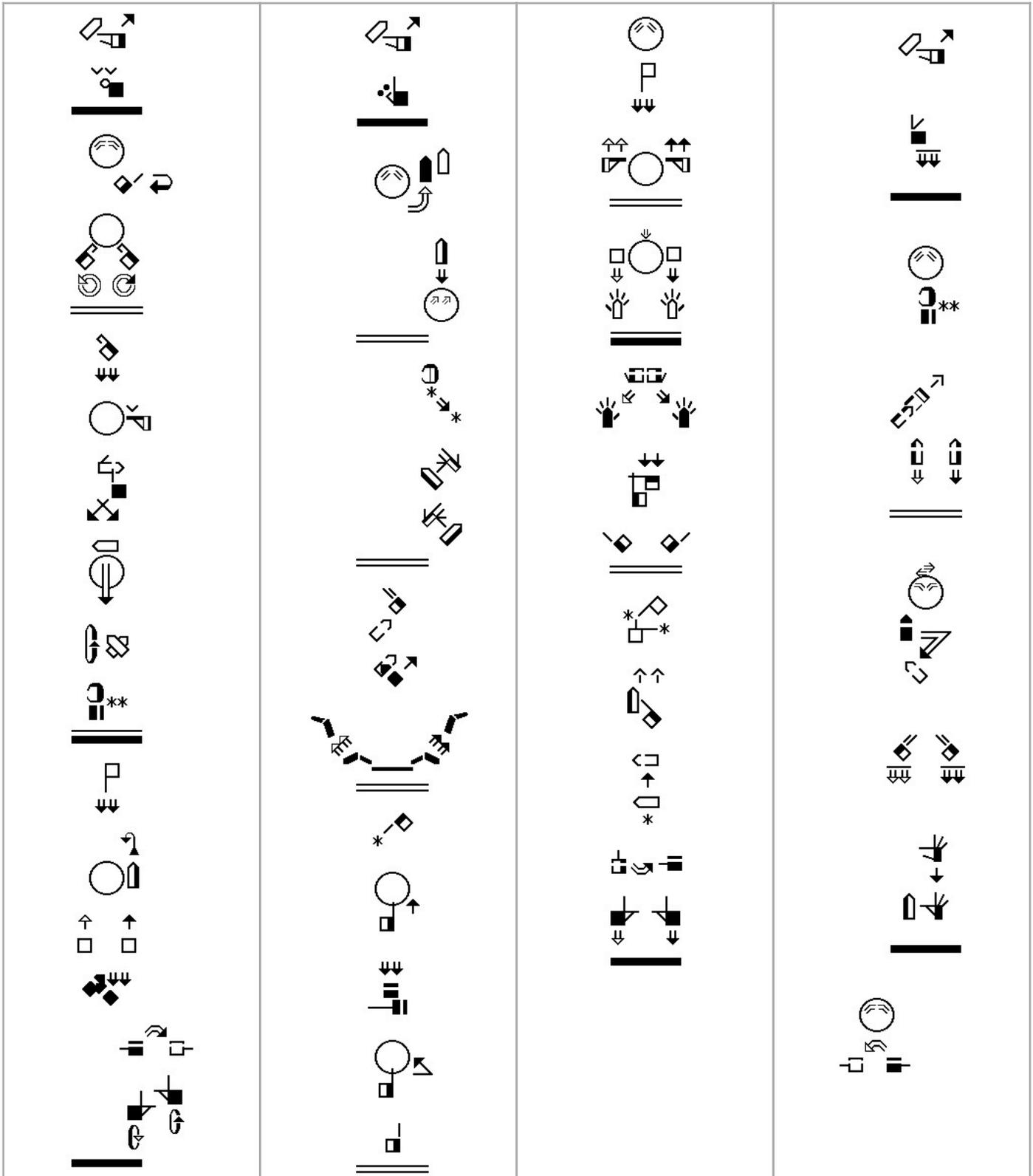
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of them and not put the responsibility on the church. Then the church can care for the widows who are truly alone. Verse 17. Elders who do their work well should be respected and paid well, especially those who work hard at both preaching and teaching. Verse 18. For the Scripture says,

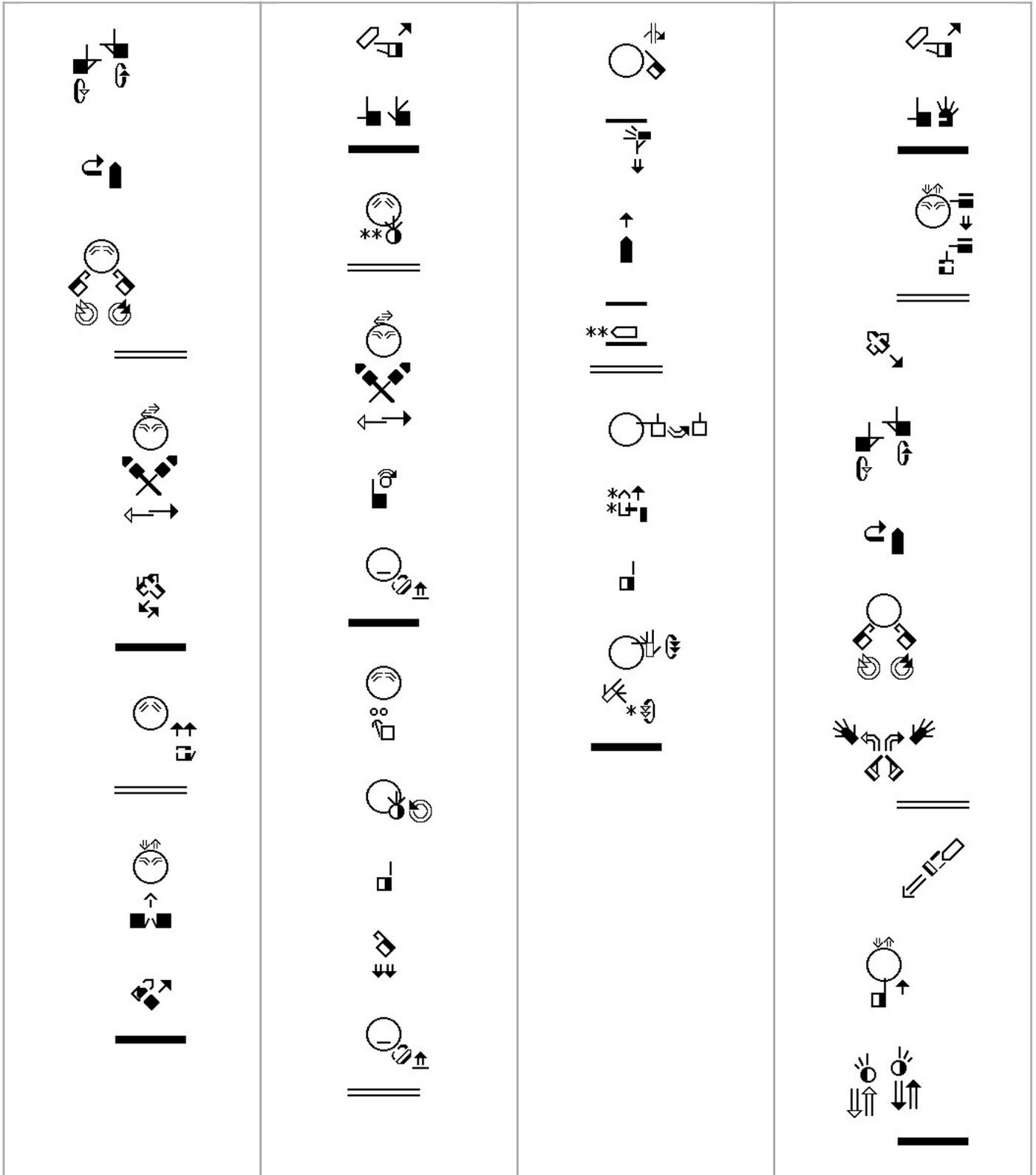
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"You must not muzzle an ox to keep it from eating as it treads out the grain." And in another place, "Those who work deserve their pay!" Verse 19. Do not listen to an accusation against an elder unless it is confirmed by two or three witnesses. NLT

1 Timothy 5:20-22

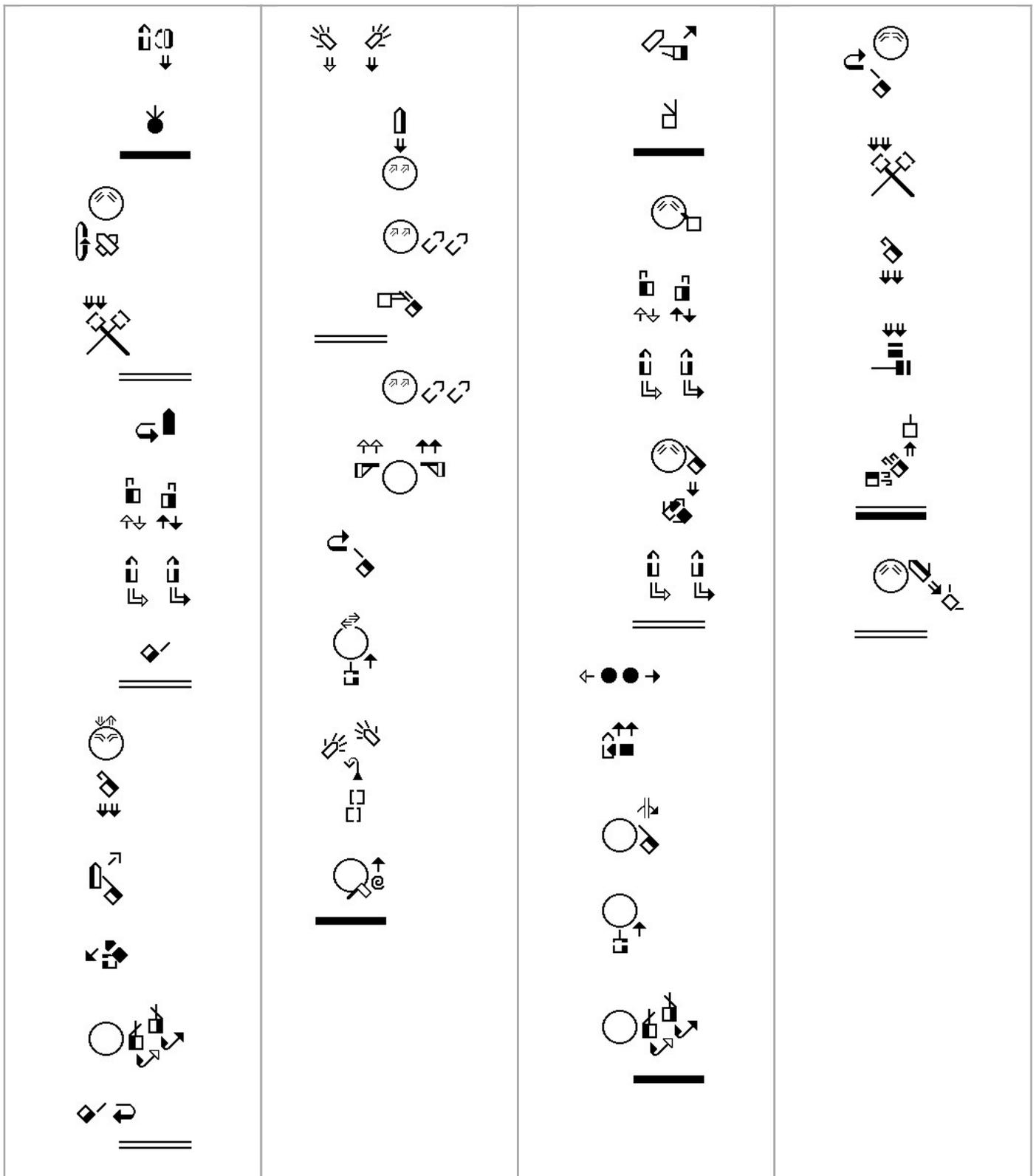


Verse 20. Those who sin should be reprimanded in front of the whole church; this will serve as a strong warning to others. Verse 21. I solemnly command you in the presence of God and Christ Jesus and the holy angels to obey these instructions without taking sides or showing favoritism to anyone. Verse 22. Never be in a hurry about appointing a church leader. NLT



Do not share in the sins of others. Keep yourself pure. Verse 23. Don't drink only water. You ought to drink a little wine for the sake of your stomach because you are sick so often. Verse 24. Remember, the sins of some people are obvious, leading them to certain judgment.

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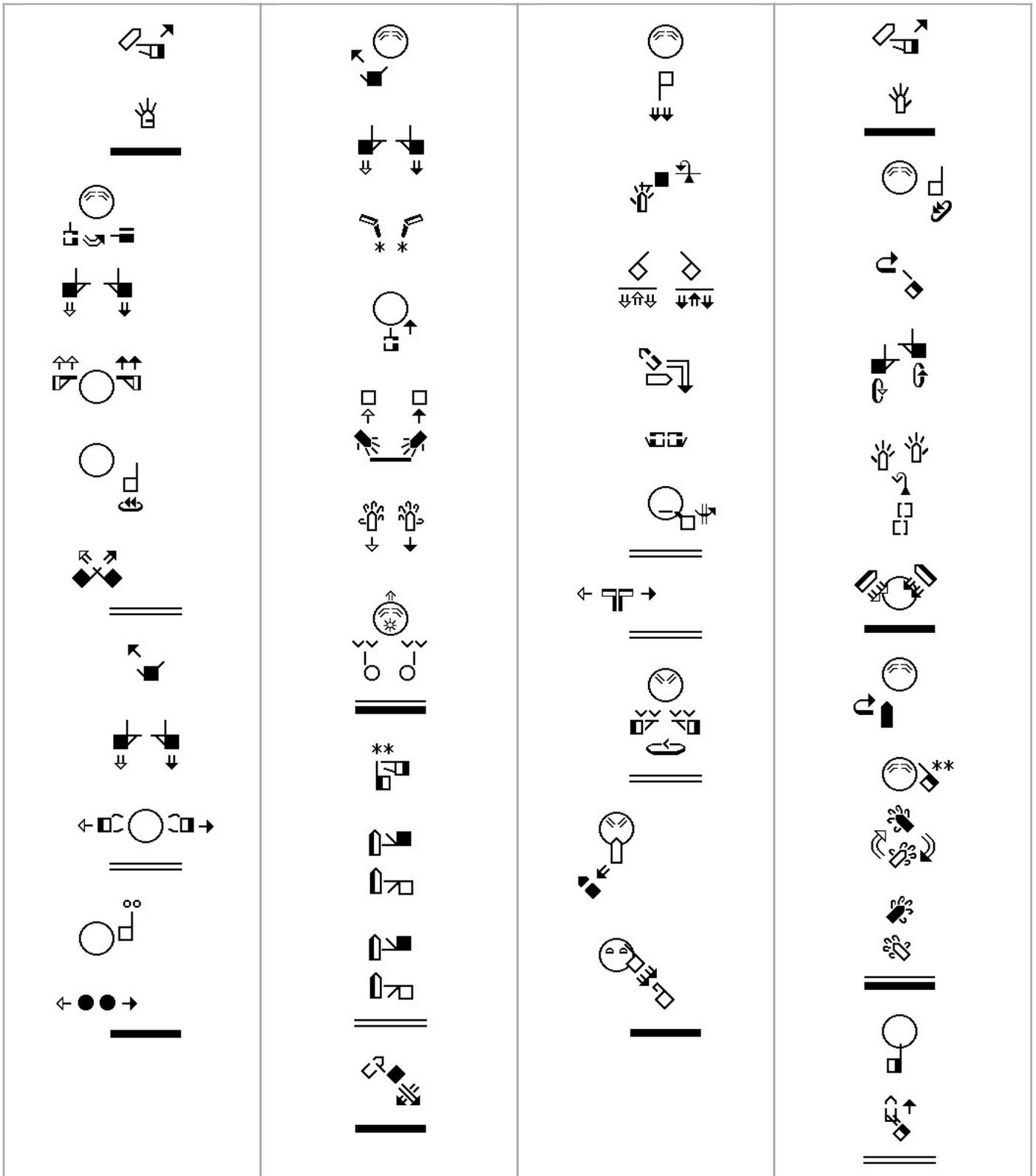


Chapter 6. All slaves should show full respect for their masters so they will not bring shame on the name of God and his teaching. Verse 2. If the masters are believers, that is no excuse for being disrespectful. Those slaves should work all the harder NLT

1 Timothy 6:2-3

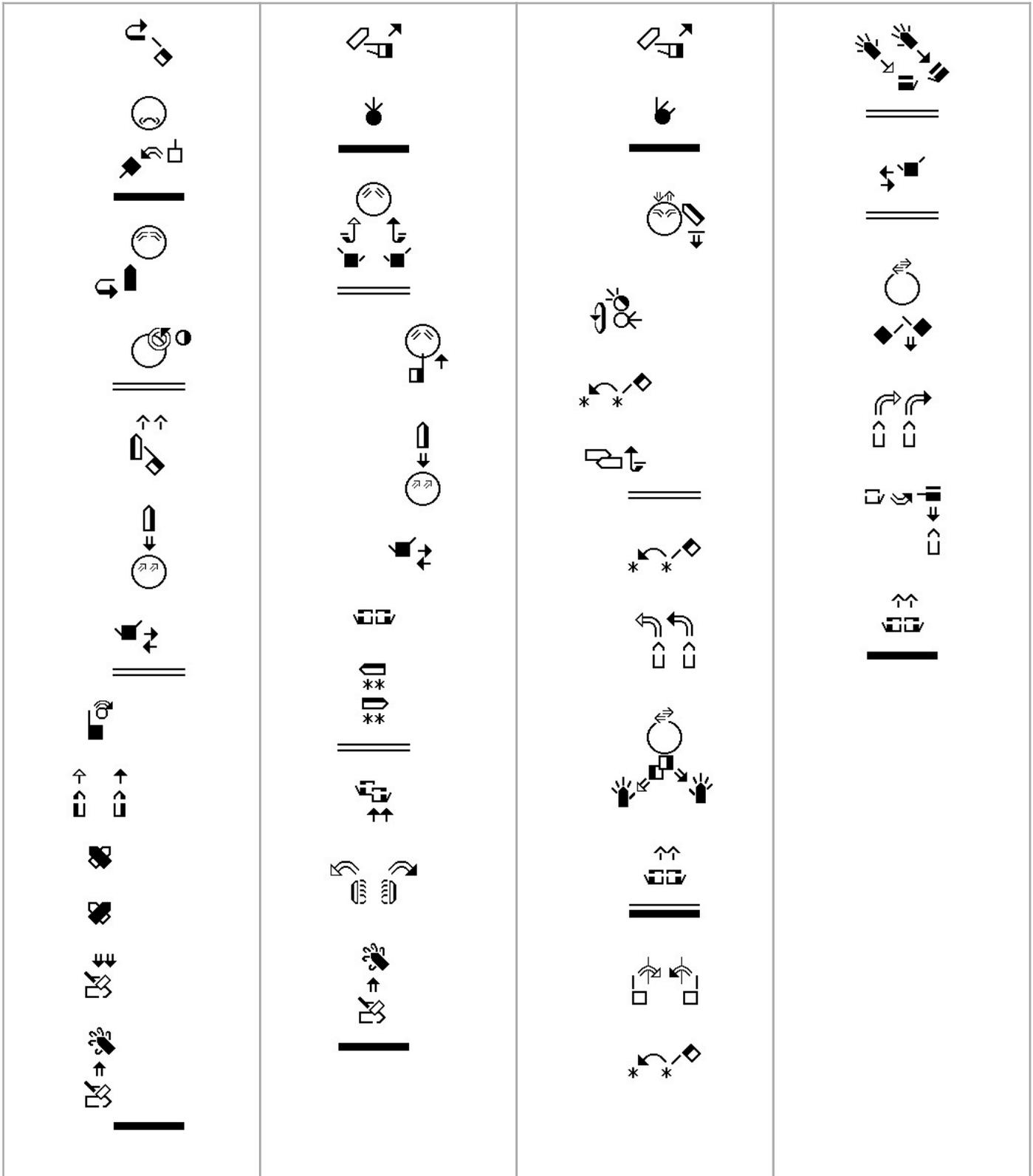
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because their efforts are helping other believers who are well loved. Teach these things, Timothy, and encourage everyone to obey them. Verse 3. Some people may contradict our teaching, but these are the wholesome teachings of the Lord Jesus Christ. These teachings promote a godly life. NLT



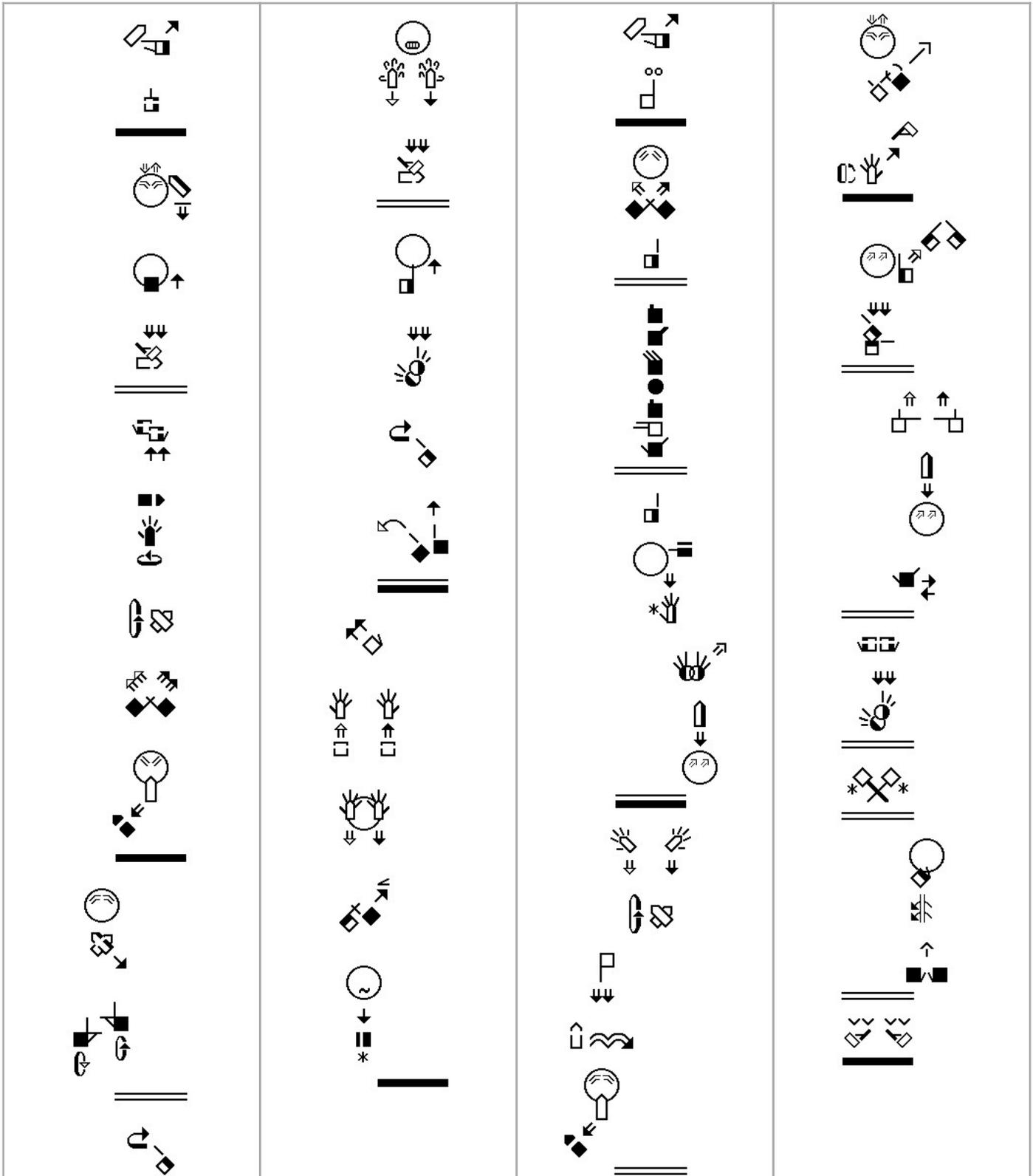
Verse 4. Anyone who teaches something different is arrogant and lacks understanding. Such a person has an unhealthy desire to quibble over the meaning of words. This stirs up arguments ending in jealousy, division, slander, and evil suspicions. Verse 5. These people always cause trouble. Their minds are corrupt,

1 Timothy 6:6-7

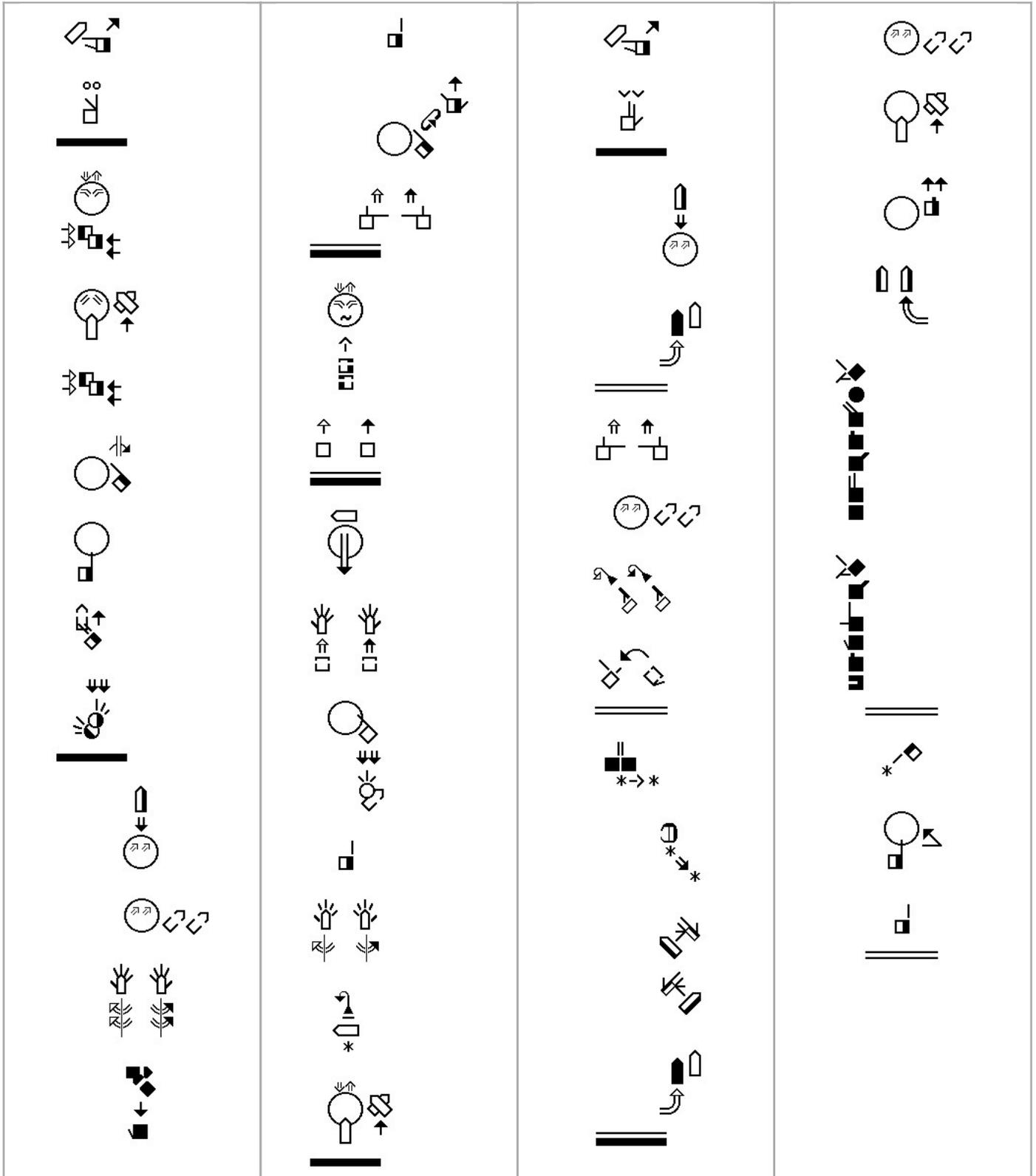


and they have turned their backs on the truth. To them, a show of godliness is just a way to become wealthy. Verse 7. After all, we brought nothing with us when we came into the world, and we can't take anything with us when we leave it. NLT

1 Timothy 6:10-11



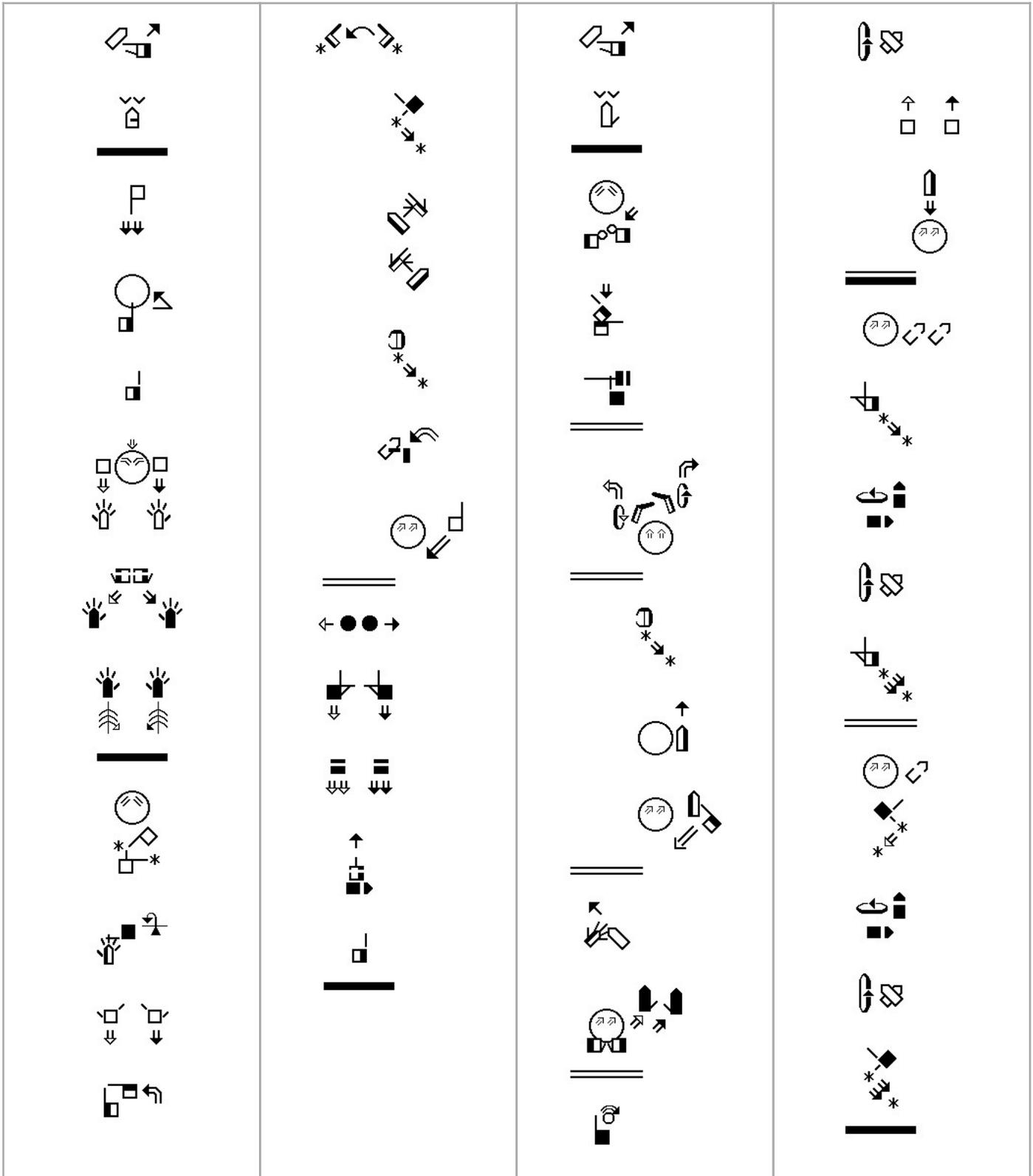
Verse 10. For the love of money is the root of all kinds of evil. And some people, craving money, have wandered from the true faith and pierced themselves with many sorrows. Verse 11. But you, Timothy, are a man of God; so run from all these evil things. Pursue righteousness and a godly life, along with faith, love, perseverance, and gentleness. NLT



Verse 12. Fight the good fight for the true faith. Hold tightly to the eternal life to which God has called you, which you have confessed so well before many witnesses. Verse 13. And I charge you before God, who gives life to all, and before Christ Jesus, who gave a good testimony before Pontius Pilate,

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1 Timothy 6:14-15



Verse 14. that you obey this command without wavering. Then no one can find fault with you from now until our Lord Jesus Christ comes again. Verse 15. For at just the right time Christ will be revealed from heaven by the blessed and only almighty God, the King of all kings and Lord of all lords. NLT

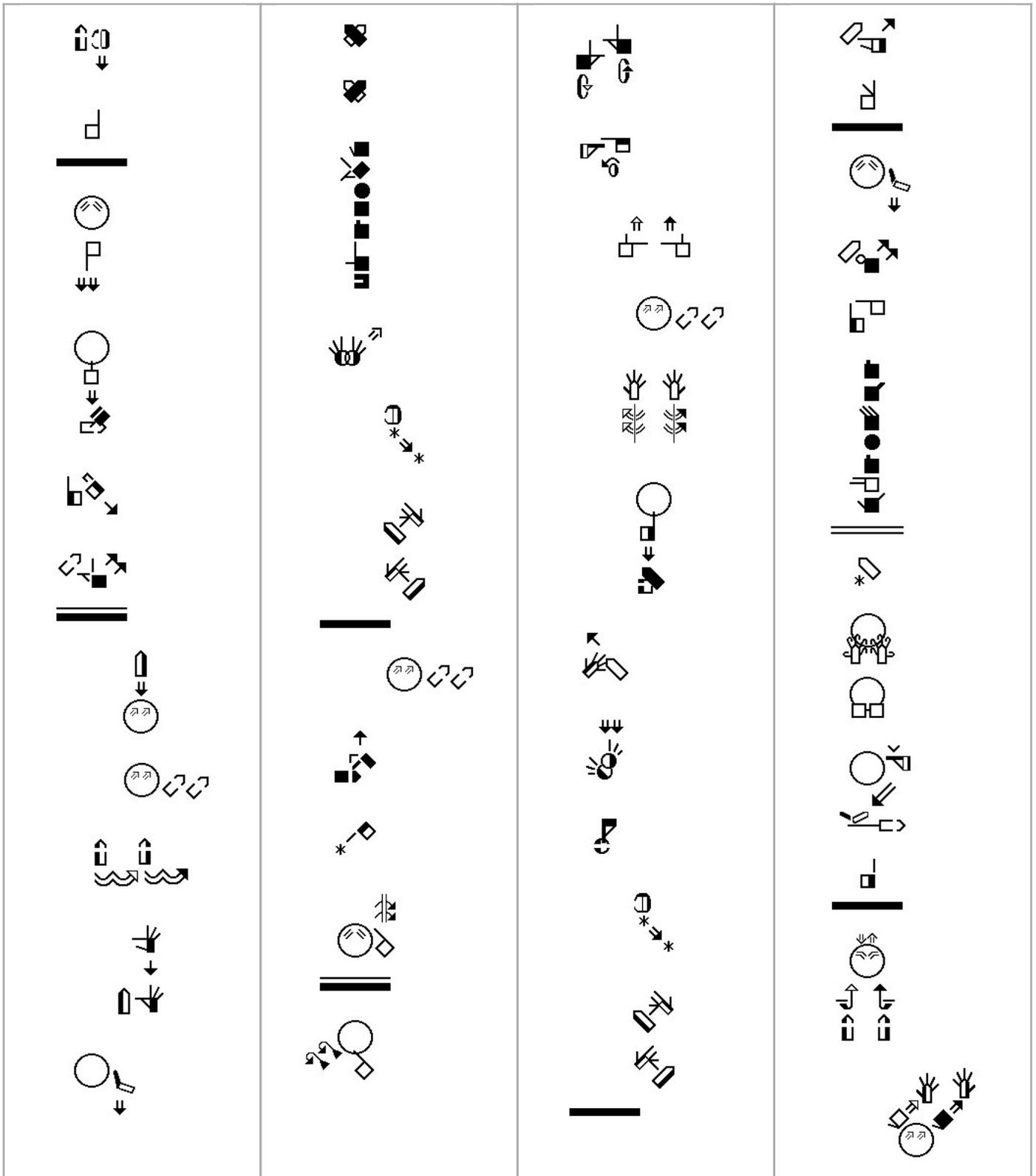
Verse 16. He alone can never die, and he lives in light so brilliant that no human can approach him. No human eye has ever seen him, nor ever will. All honor and power to him forever! Amen. Verse 17. Teach those who are rich in this world not to be proud and

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Verse 19. By doing this they will be storing up their treasure as a good foundation for the future so that they may experience true life. Verse 20. Timothy, guard what God has entrusted to you. Avoid godless, foolish discussions with those who oppose you with their so-called knowledge.

1 Timothy 6:21

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Chapter 1. This letter is from Paul, chosen by the will of God to be an apostle of Christ Jesus. I have been sent out to tell others about the life he has promised through faith in Christ Jesus. Verse 2. I am writing to Timothy, my dear son. May NLT

2 Timothy 1:2-3

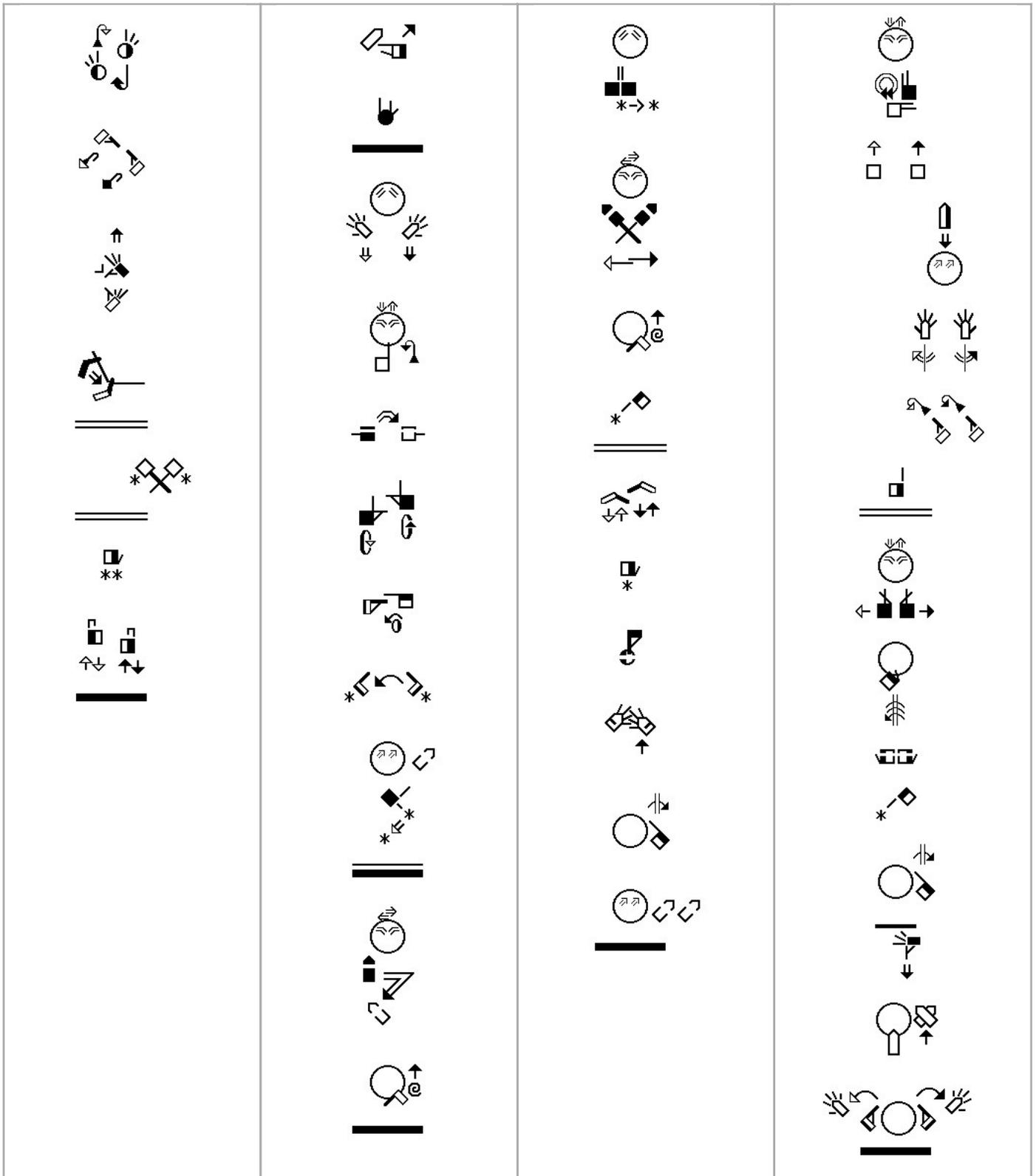
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Verse 4. I long to see you again, for I remember your tears as we parted. And I will be filled with joy when we are together again. Verse 5. I remember your genuine faith, for you share the faith that first filled your grandmother Lois and your mother, Eunice. NLT

2 Timothy 1:5-7

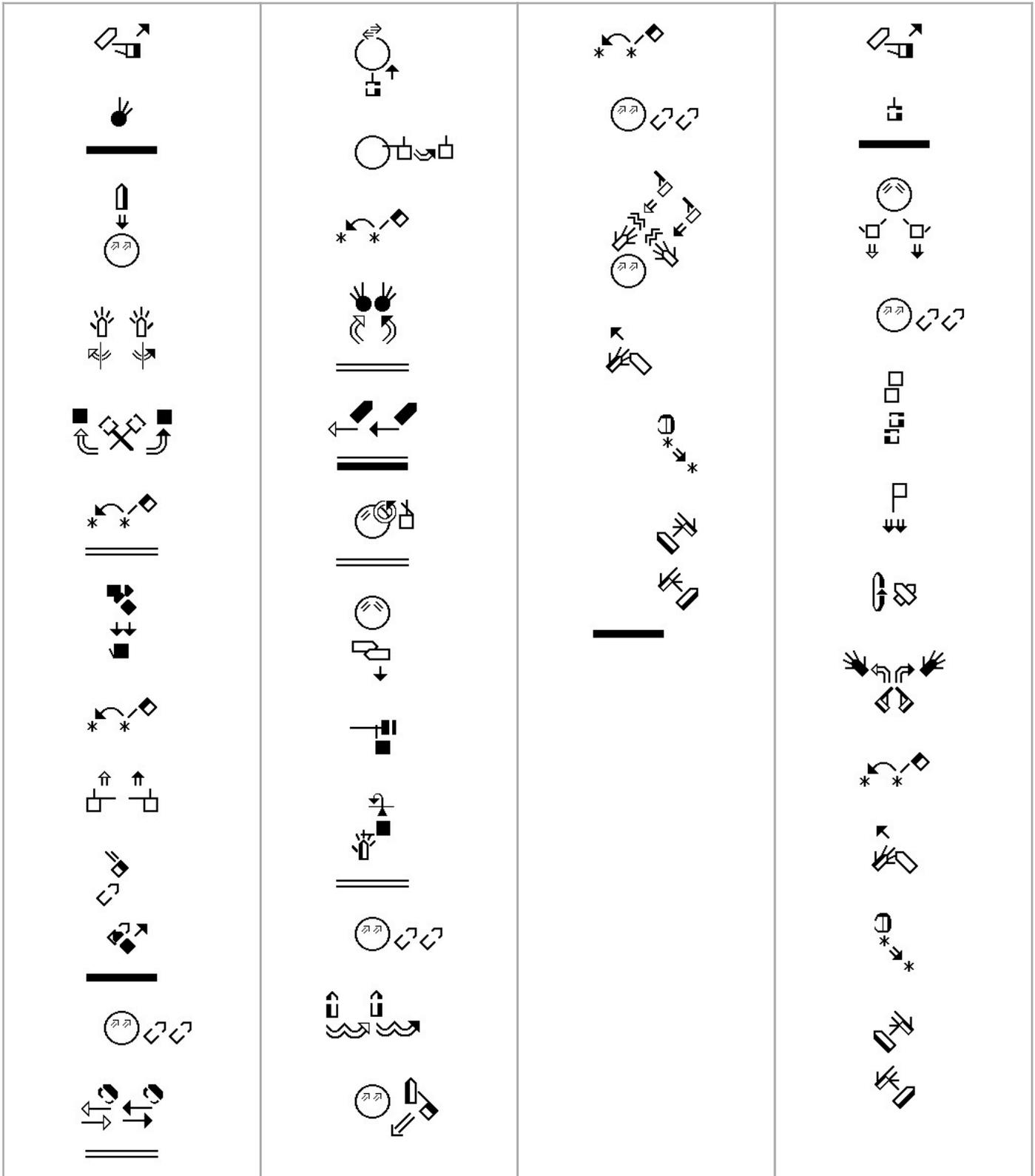
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And I know that same faith continues strong in you. Verse 6. This is why I remind you to fan into flames the spiritual gift God gave you when I laid my hands on you. Verse 7. For God has not given us a spirit of fear and timidity, NLT

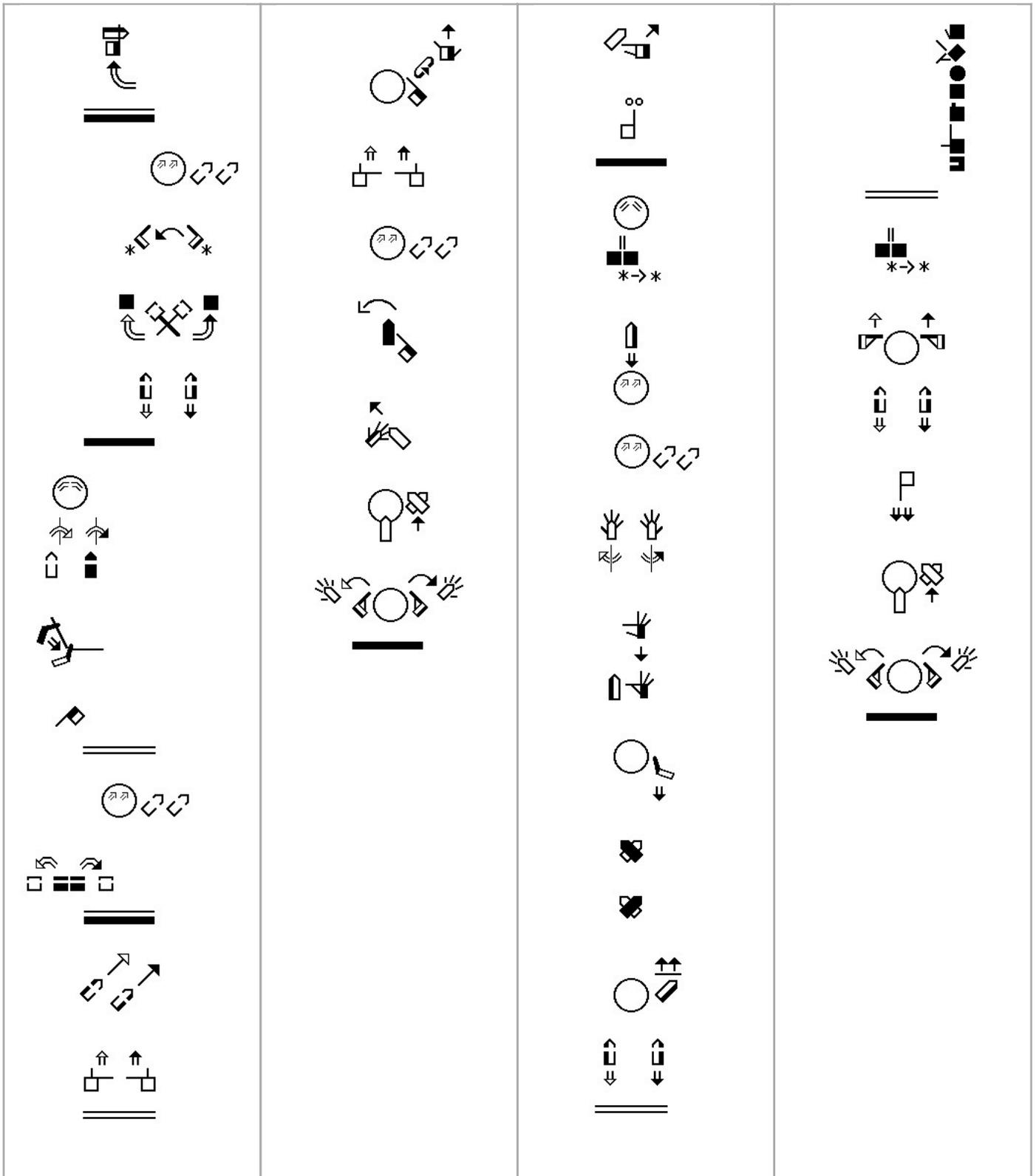


but of power, love, and self-discipline. Verse 8. So never be ashamed to tell others about our Lord. And don't be ashamed of me, either, even though I'm in prison for him. With the strength God gives you, be ready to suffer with me for the sake of the Good News.

2 Timothy 1:9-10



Verse 9. For God saved us and called us to live a holy life. He did this, not because we deserved it, but because that was his plan from before the beginning of time -- to show us his grace through Christ Jesus. Verse 10. And now he has made all of this plain to us by the appearing of Christ Jesus, NLT



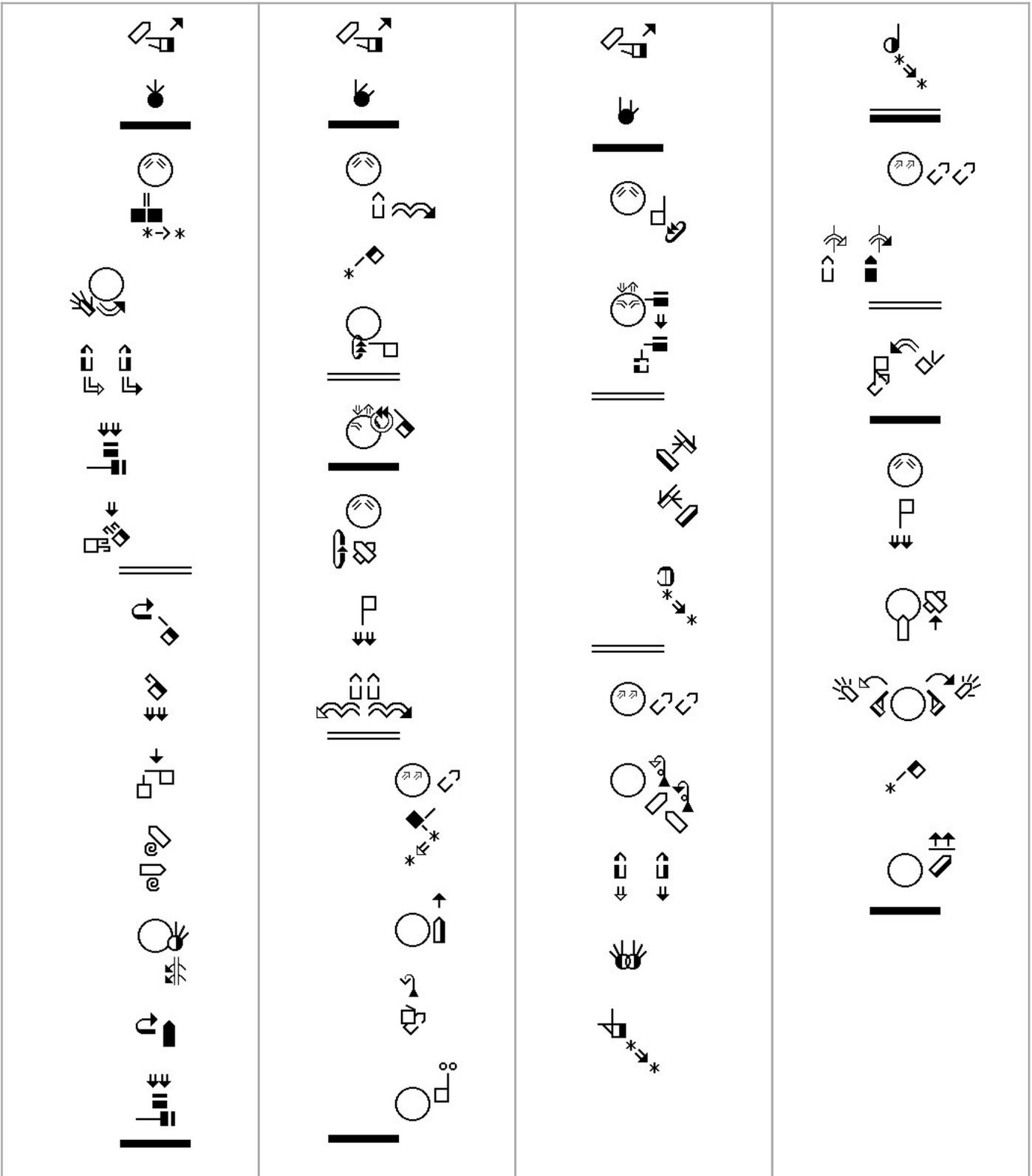
our Savior. He broke the power of death and illuminated the way to life and immortality through the Good News. Verse 11. And God chose me to be a preacher, an apostle, and a teacher of this Good News.

2 Timothy 1:12-13

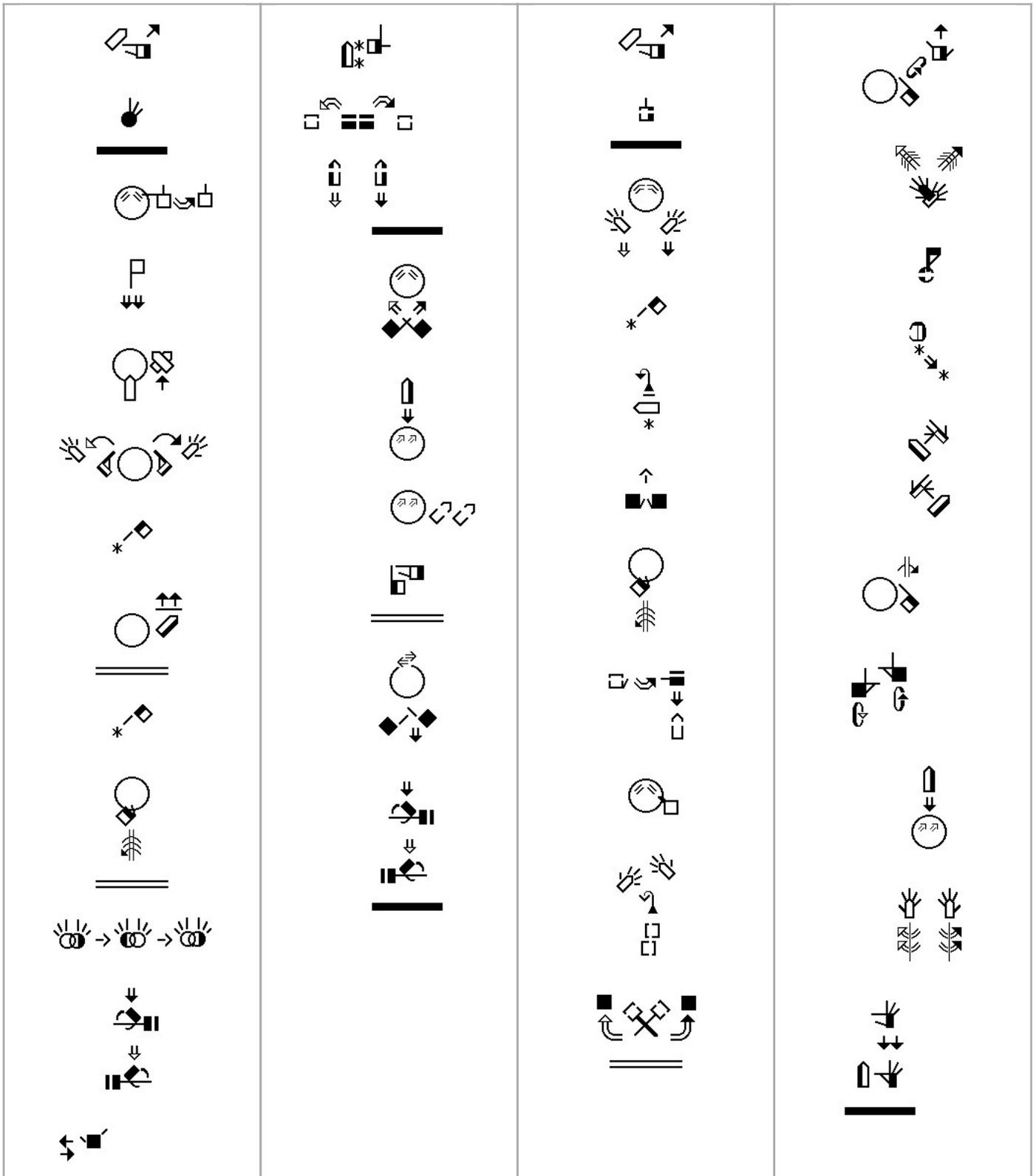
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Verse 12. That is why I am suffering here in prison. But I am not ashamed of it, for I know the one in whom I trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard what I have entrusted to him until the day of his return. Verse 13. Hold on to the pattern of wholesome teaching you learned from me -- a pattern

2 Timothy 2:6-8



Verse 6. And hardworking farmers should be the first to enjoy the fruit of their labor. Verse 7. Think about what I am saying. The Lord will help you understand all these things. Verse 8. Always remember that Jesus Christ, a descendant of King David, was raised from the dead. This is the Good News I preach. NLT

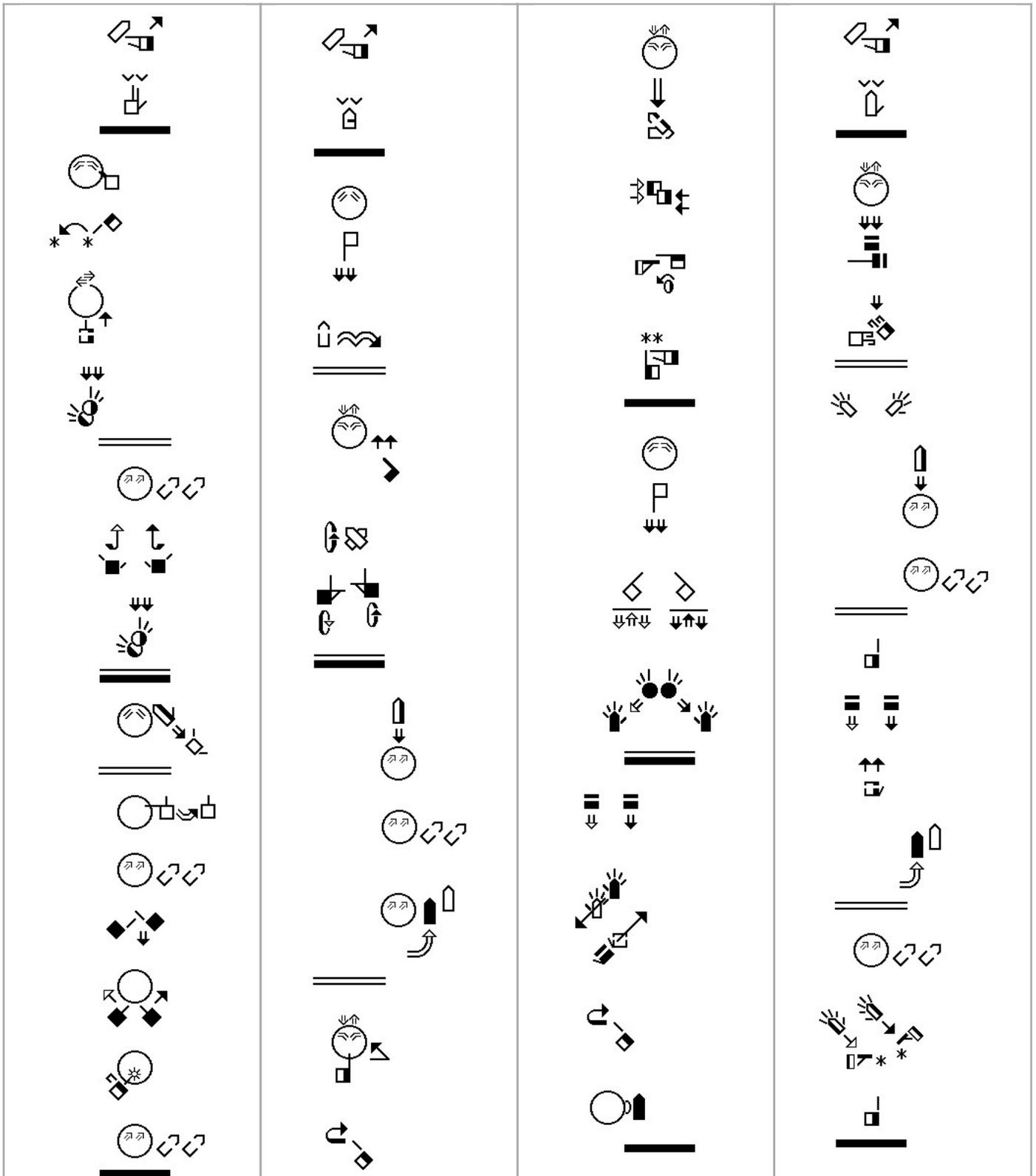


Verse 9. And because I preach this Good News, I am suffering and have been chained like a criminal. But the word of God cannot be chained. Verse 10. So I am willing to endure anything if it will bring salvation and eternal glory in Christ Jesus to those God has chosen.

2 Timothy 2:11-12

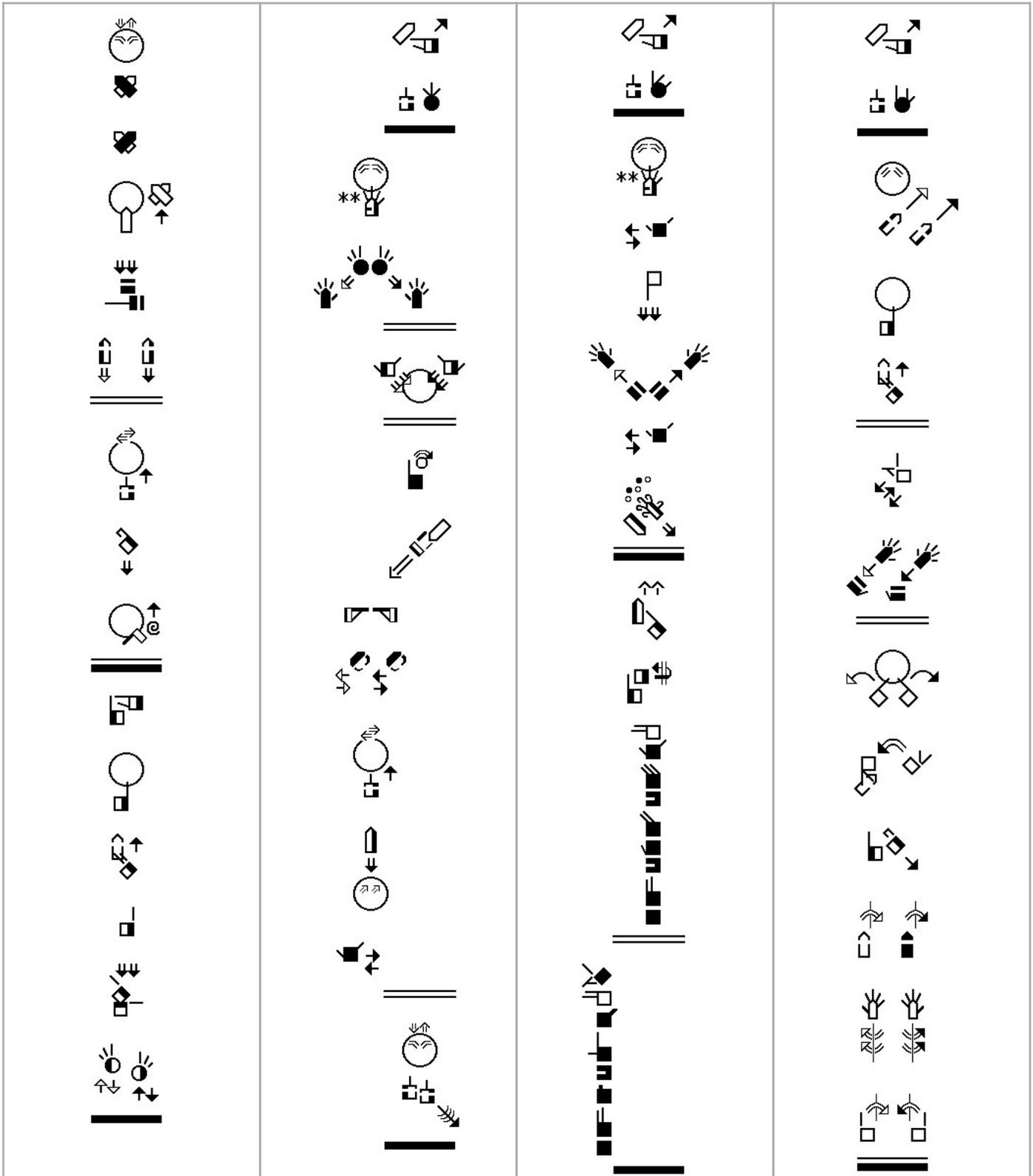
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Verse 11. This is a trustworthy saying: If we die with him, we will also live with him.
 Verse 12. If we endure hardship, we will reign with him. If we deny him, he will deny us.
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Verse 13. If we are unfaithful, he remains faithful, for he cannot deny who he is. Verse 14. Remind everyone about these things, and command them in God's presence to stop fighting over words. Such arguments are useless, and they can ruin those who hear them. Verse 15. Work hard so you can present yourself to God and receive his approval. NLT

2 Timothy 2:15-18

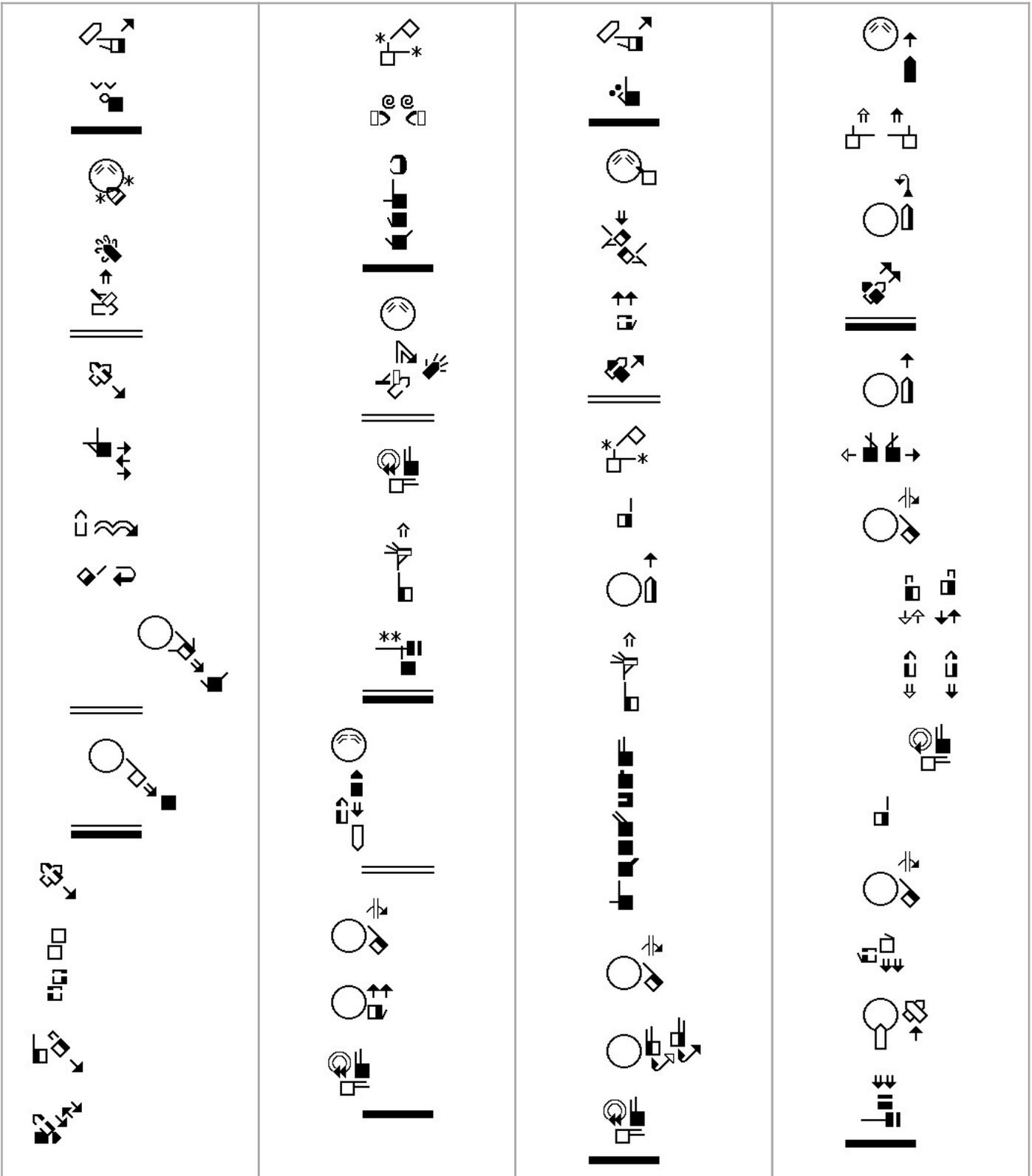


Be a good worker, one who does not need to be ashamed and who correctly explains the word of truth. Verse 16. Avoid worthless, foolish talk that only leads to more godless behavior. Verse 17. This kind of talk spreads like cancer, as in the case of Hymenaeus and Philetus. Verse 18. They have left the path of truth, claiming that the resurrection of the dead has already occurred; NLT

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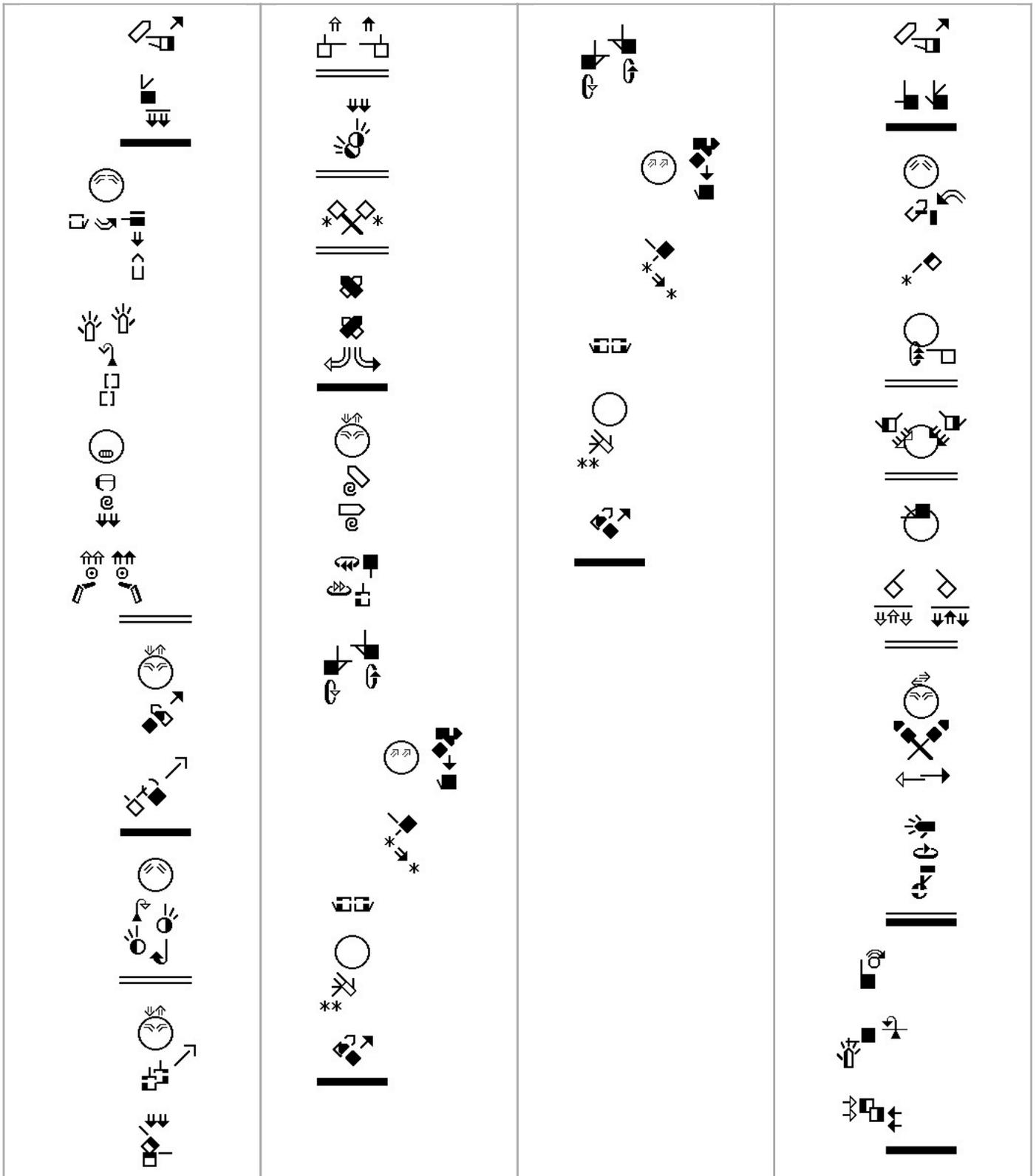
in this way, they have turned some people away from the faith. Verse 19. But God's truth stands firm like a foundation stone with this inscription: "The LORD knows those who are his," and "All who belong to the LORD must turn away from evil." NLT

2 Timothy 2:20-21



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Verse 20. In a wealthy home some utensils are made of gold and silver, and some are made of wood and clay. The expensive utensils are used for special occasions, and the cheap ones are for everyday use. Verse 21. If you keep yourself pure, you will be a special utensil for honorable use. Your life will be clean, and you will be ready for the Master to use you for every good work. NLT



Verse 22. Run from anything that stimulates youthful lusts. Instead, pursue righteous living, faithfulness, love, and peace. Enjoy the companionship of those who call on the Lord with pure hearts. Verse 23. Again I say, don't get involved in foolish, ignorant arguments that only start fights.

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Verse 26. Then they will come to their senses and escape from the devil's trap. For they have been held captive by him to do whatever he wants.

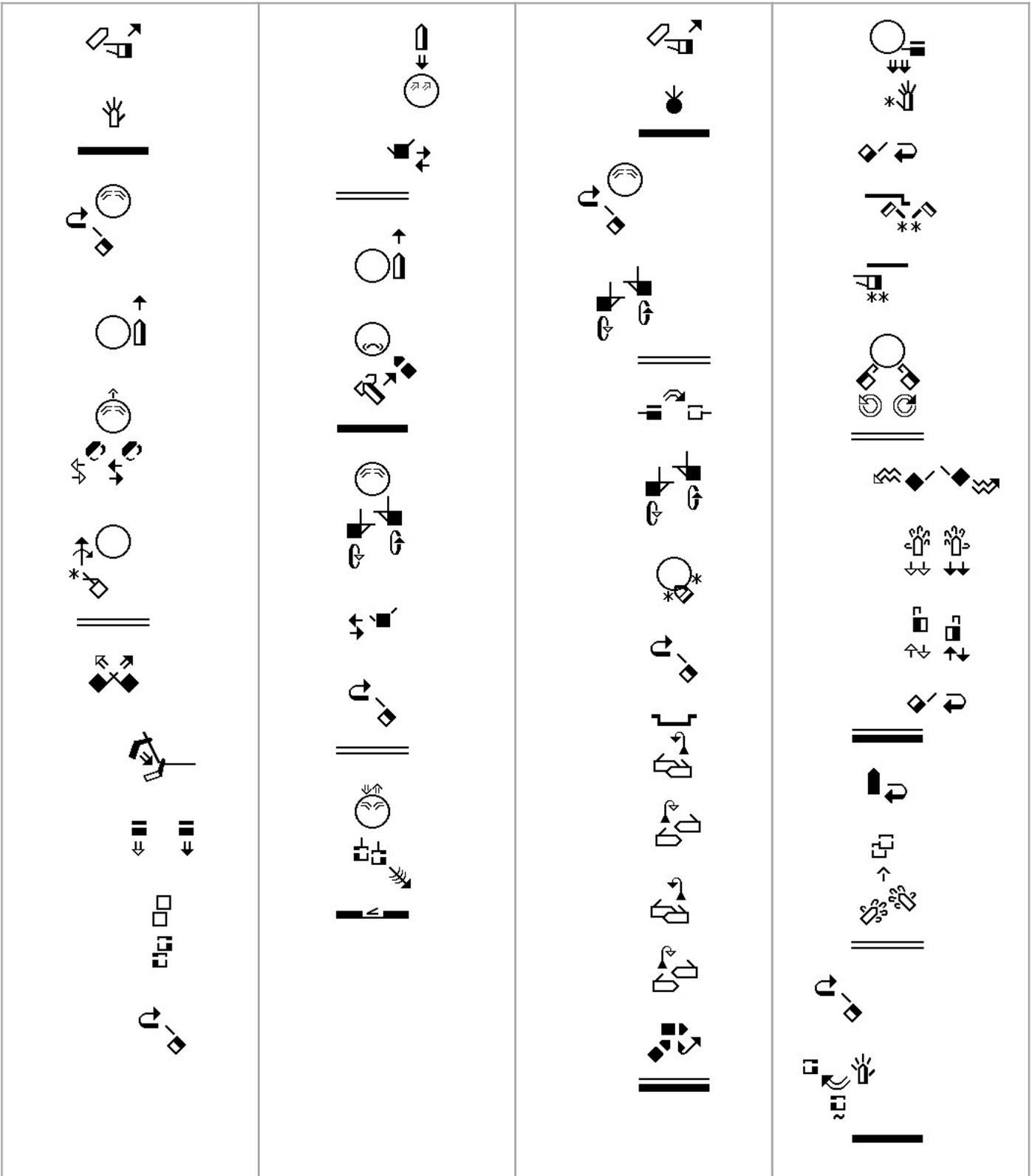
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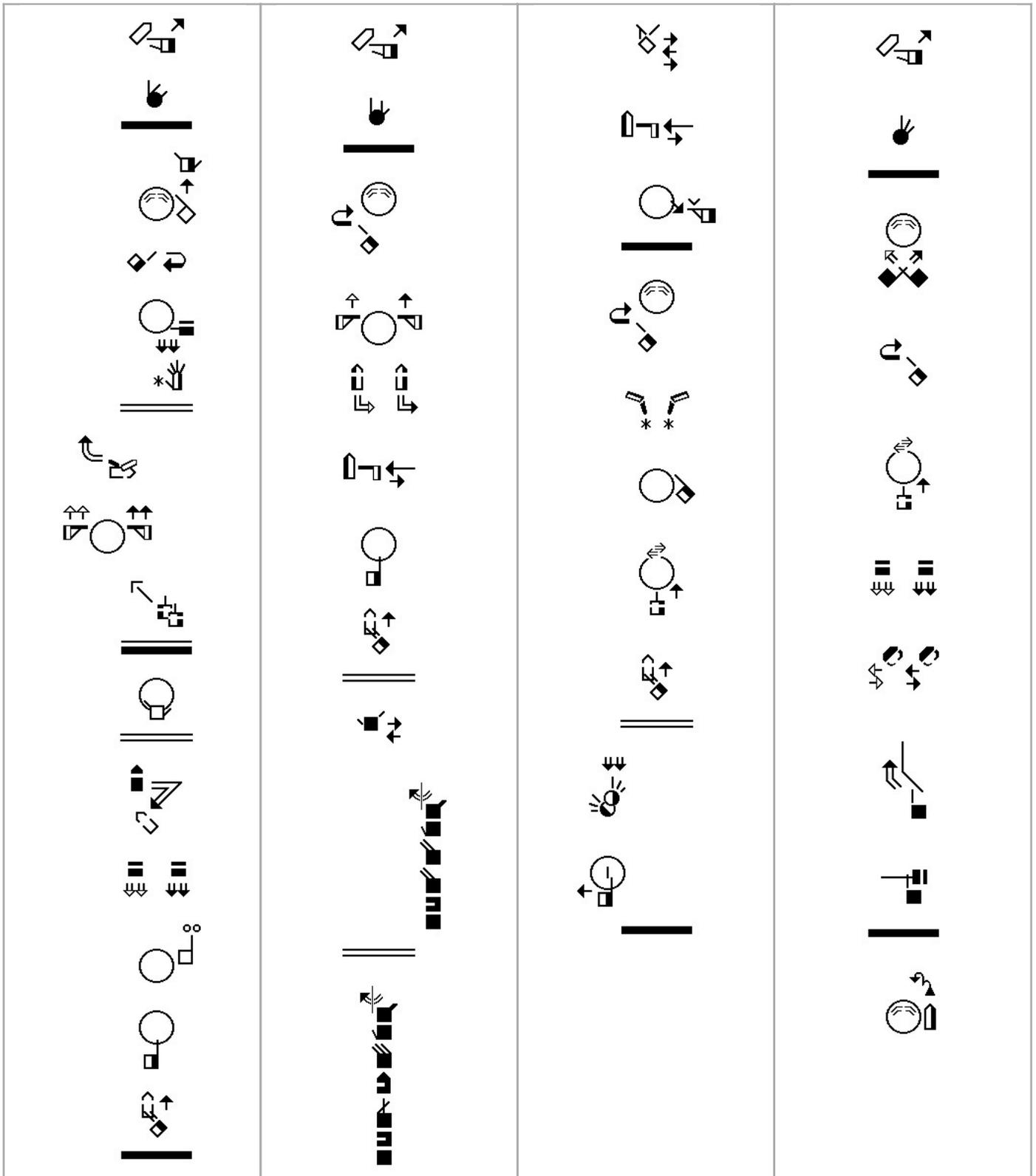
Chapter 3. You should know this, Timothy, that in the last days there will be very difficult times. Verse 2. For people will love only themselves and their money. They will be boastful and proud, scoffing at God, disobedient to their parents, and ungrateful. They will consider nothing sacred. NLT

2 Timothy 3:5-6



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Verse 5. They will act religious, but they will reject the power that could make them godly. Stay away from people like that! Verse 6. They are the kind who work their way into people's homes and win the confidence of vulnerable women who are burdened with the guilt of sin and controlled by various desires. NLT



Verse 7. (Such women are forever following new teachings, but they are never able to understand the truth.) Verse 8. These teachers oppose the truth just as Jannes and Jambres opposed Moses. They have depraved minds and a counterfeit faith. Verse 9. But they won't get away with this for long. Someday

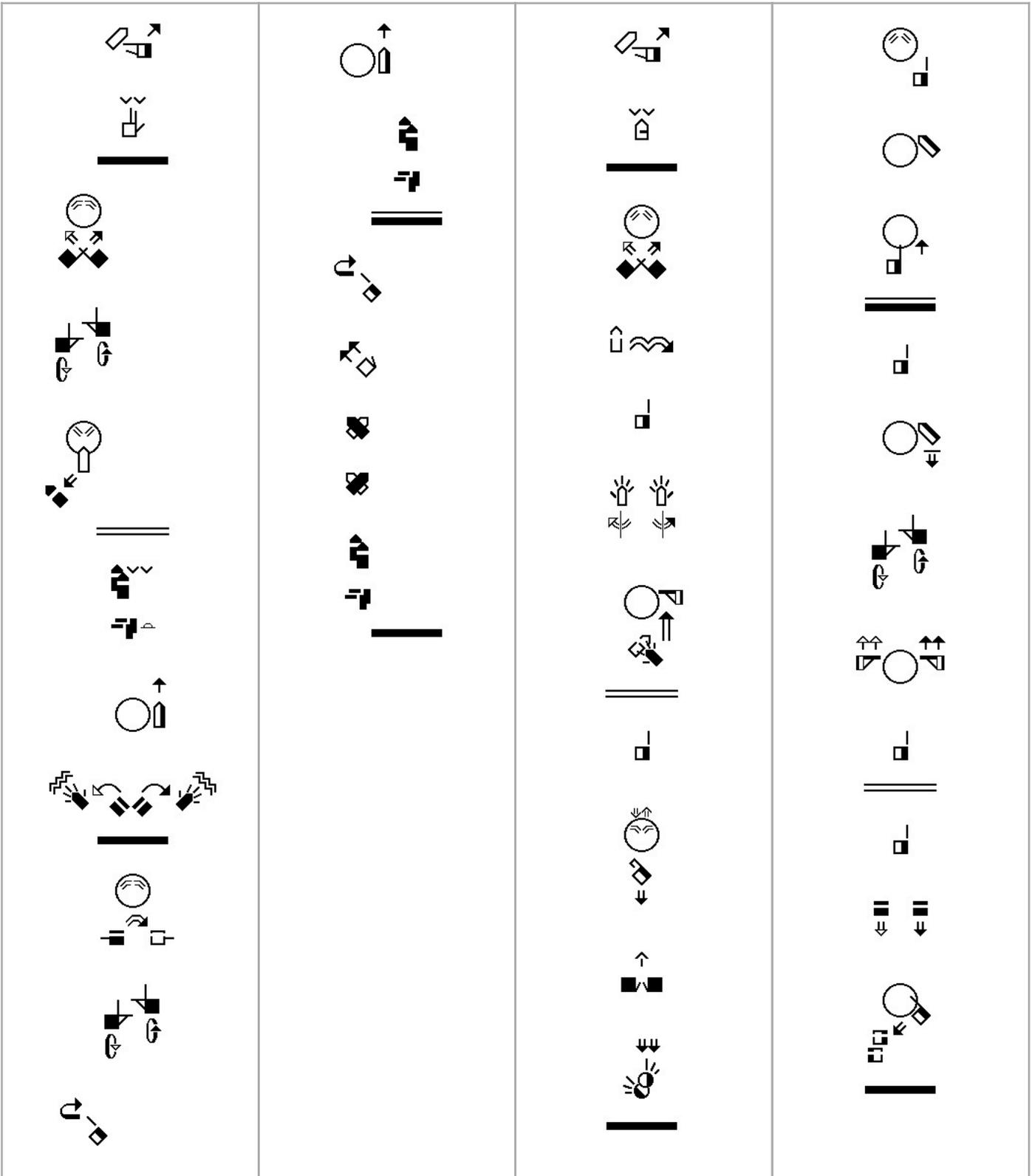
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all about how I was persecuted in Antioch, Iconium, and Lystra -- but the Lord rescued me from all of it. Verse 12. Yes, and everyone who wants to live a godly life in Christ Jesus will suffer persecution.

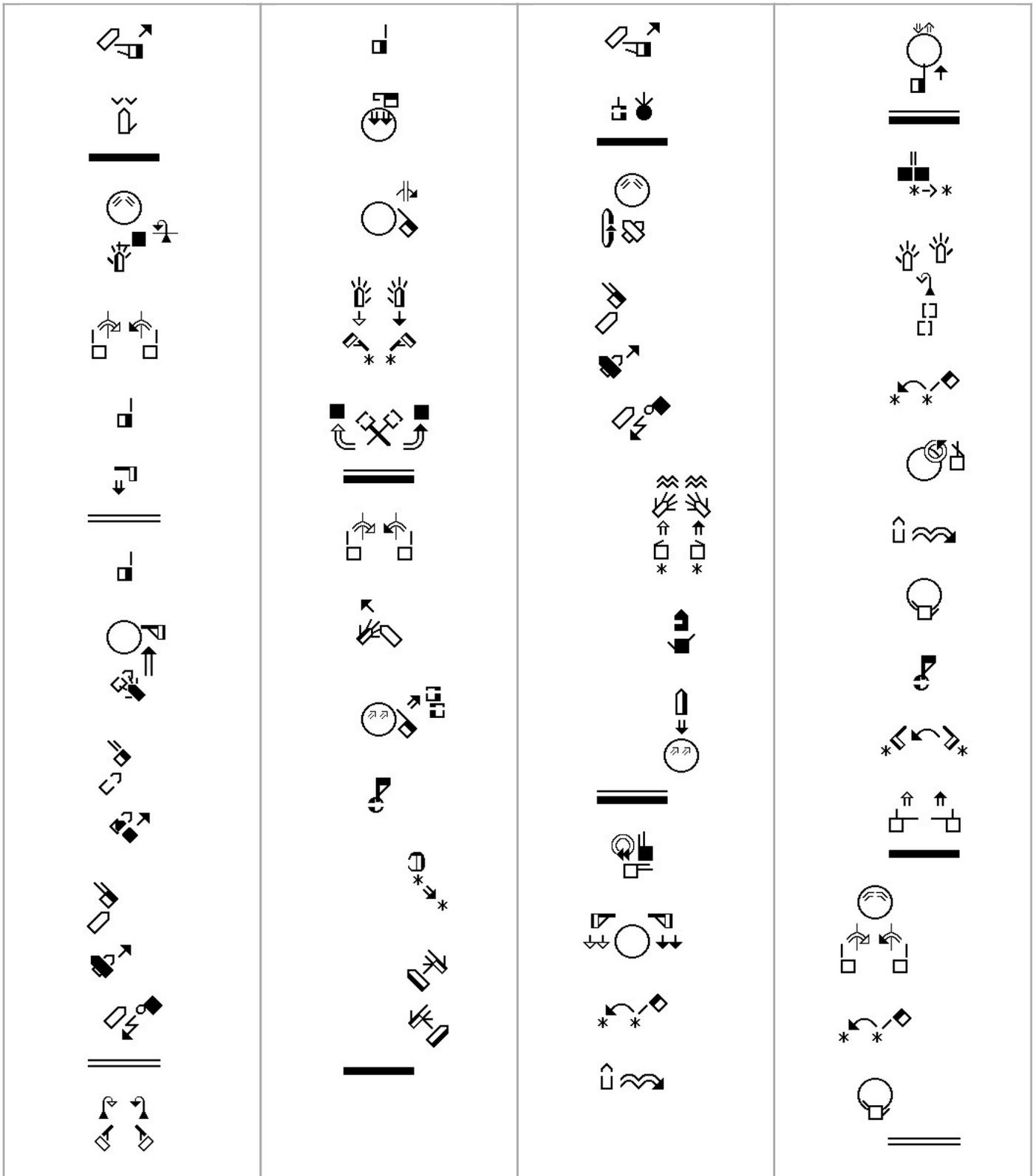
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2 Timothy 3:13-14



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Verse 13. But evil people and impostors will flourish. They will deceive others and will themselves be deceived. Verse 14. But you must remain faithful to the things you have been taught. You know they are true, for you know you can trust those who taught you. NLT

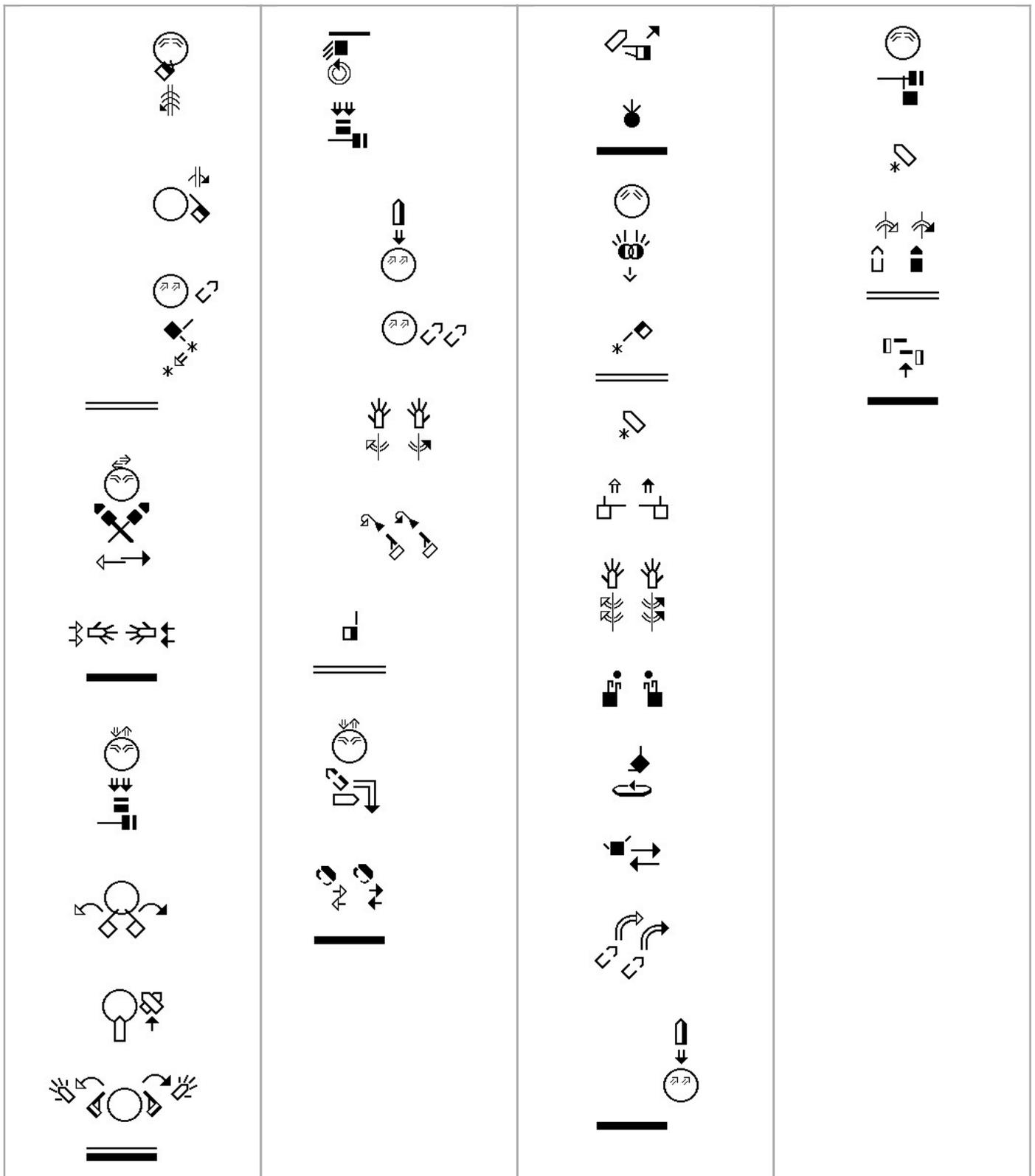


Verse 15. You have been taught the holy Scriptures from childhood, and they have given you the wisdom to receive the salvation that comes by trusting in Christ Jesus. Verse 16. All Scripture is inspired by God and is useful to teach us what is true and to make us realize what is wrong in our lives. It corrects us when we are wrong

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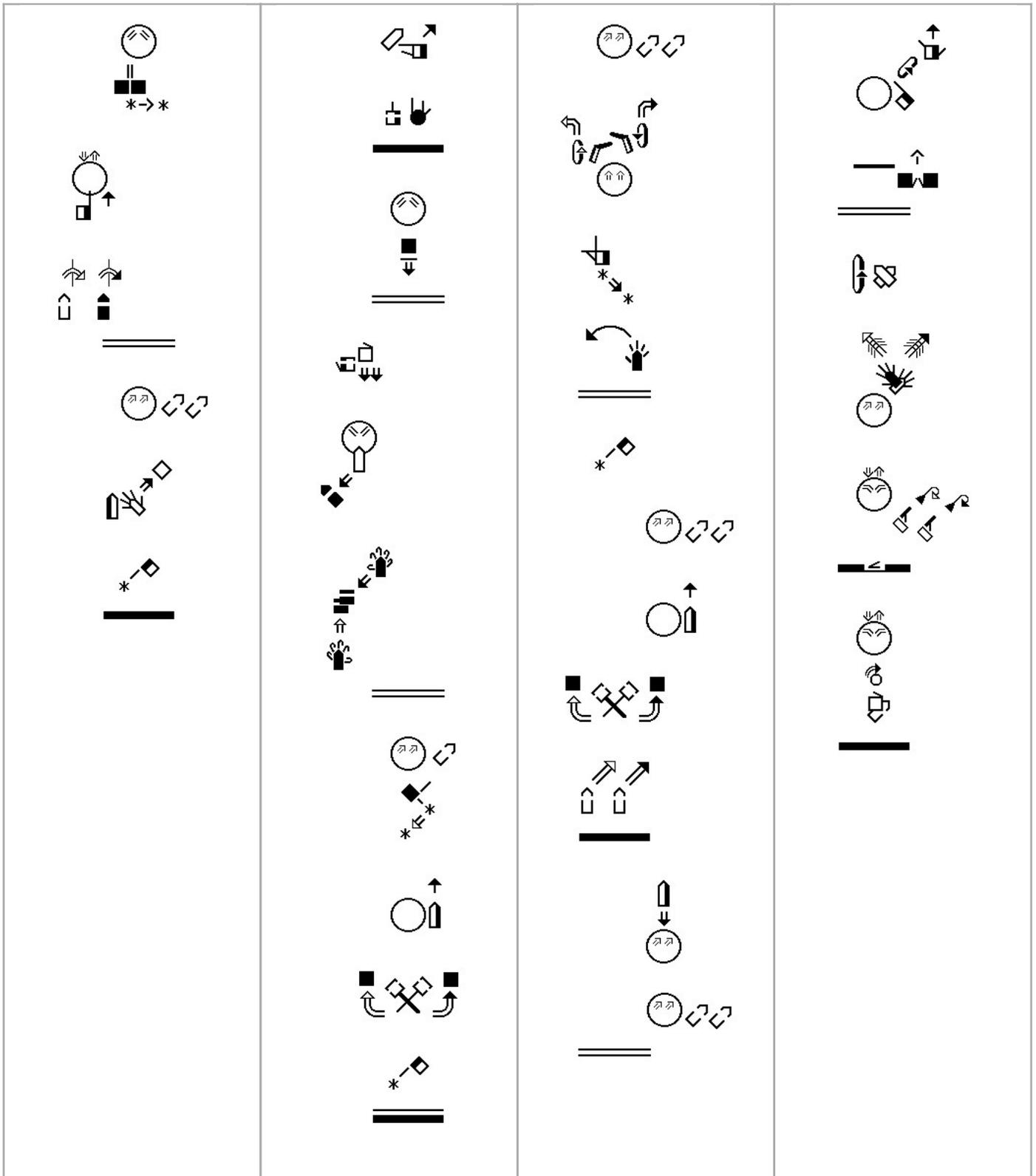
Don't be afraid of suffering for the Lord. Work at telling others the Good News, and fully carry out the ministry God has given you. Verse 6. As for me, my life has already been poured out as an offering to God. The time of my death is near.

2 Timothy 4:7-8

Verse 7. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, and I have remained faithful. Verse 8. And now the prize awaits me -- the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will give me on the day of his return. And the prize is not just for me but for all who eagerly look forward to his appearing. NLT

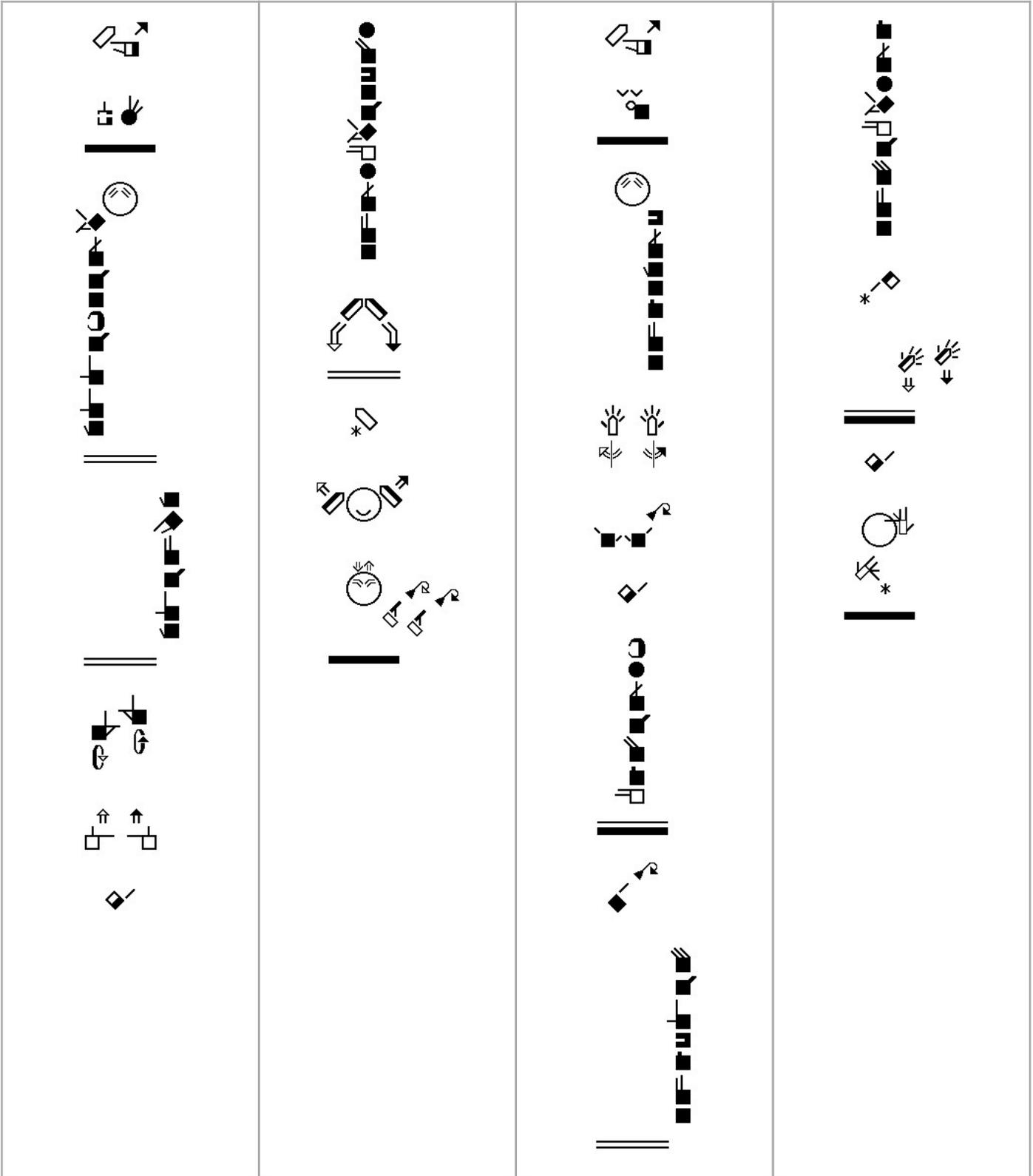
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<p>Handwritten sign for verse 11: Only Luke is with me. Bring Mark with you when you come, for he will be helpful to me in my ministry.</p>	<p>Handwritten sign for verse 12: I sent Tychicus to Ephesus.</p>	<p>Handwritten sign for verse 13: When you come, be sure to bring the coat I left with Carpus at Troas.</p>	<p>Handwritten sign for verse 14: The Lord will be with you and will bring you back safely.</p>
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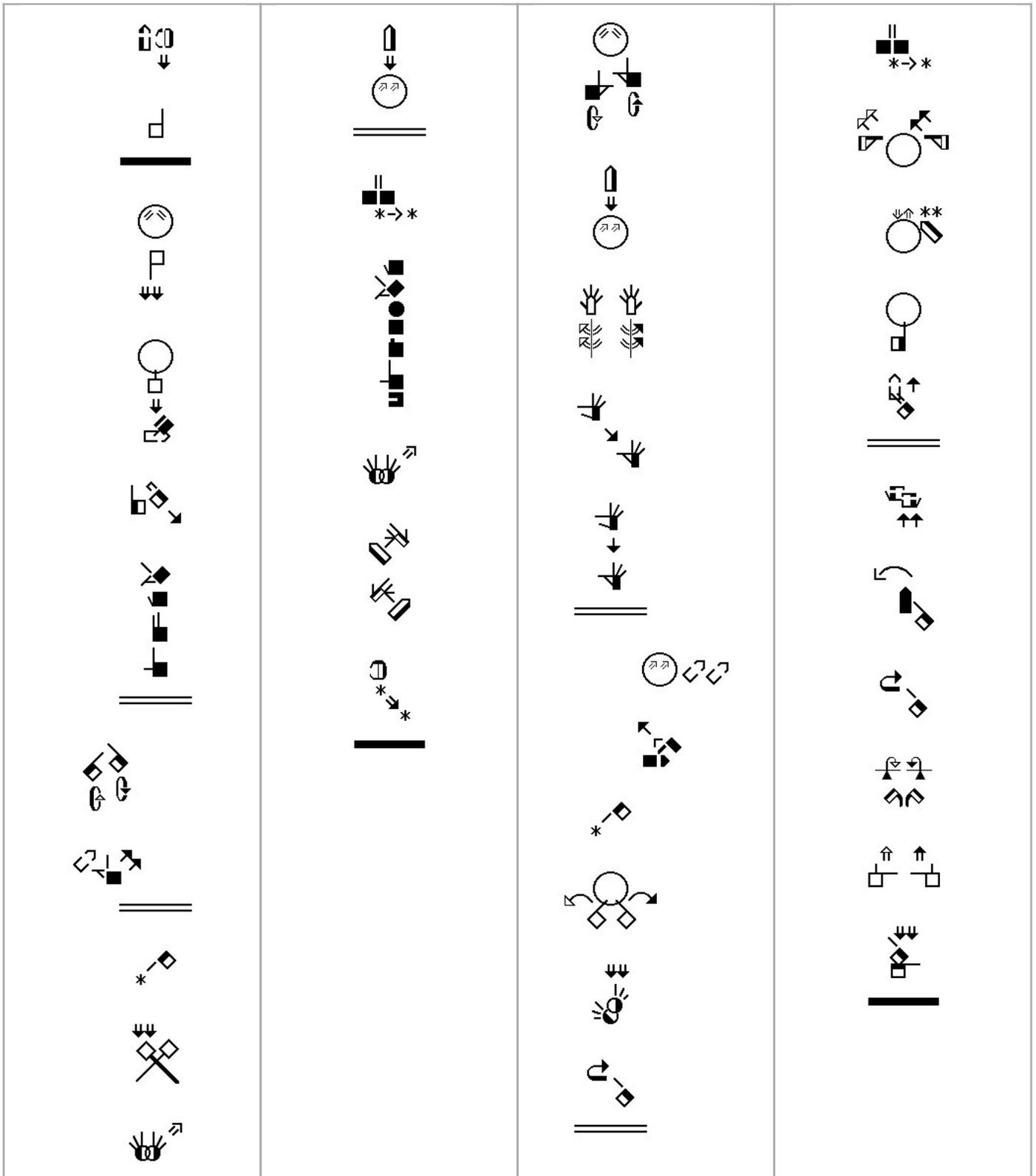
And he rescued me from certain death. Verse 18. Yes, and the Lord will deliver me from every evil attack and will bring me safely into his heavenly Kingdom. All glory to God forever and ever! Amen.

2 Timothy 4:19-20



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Verse 21. Do your best to get here before winter. Eubulus send you greetings, and so do Pudens, Linus, Claudia, and all the brothers and sisters. Verse 22. May the Lord be with your spirit. And may his grace be with all of you.



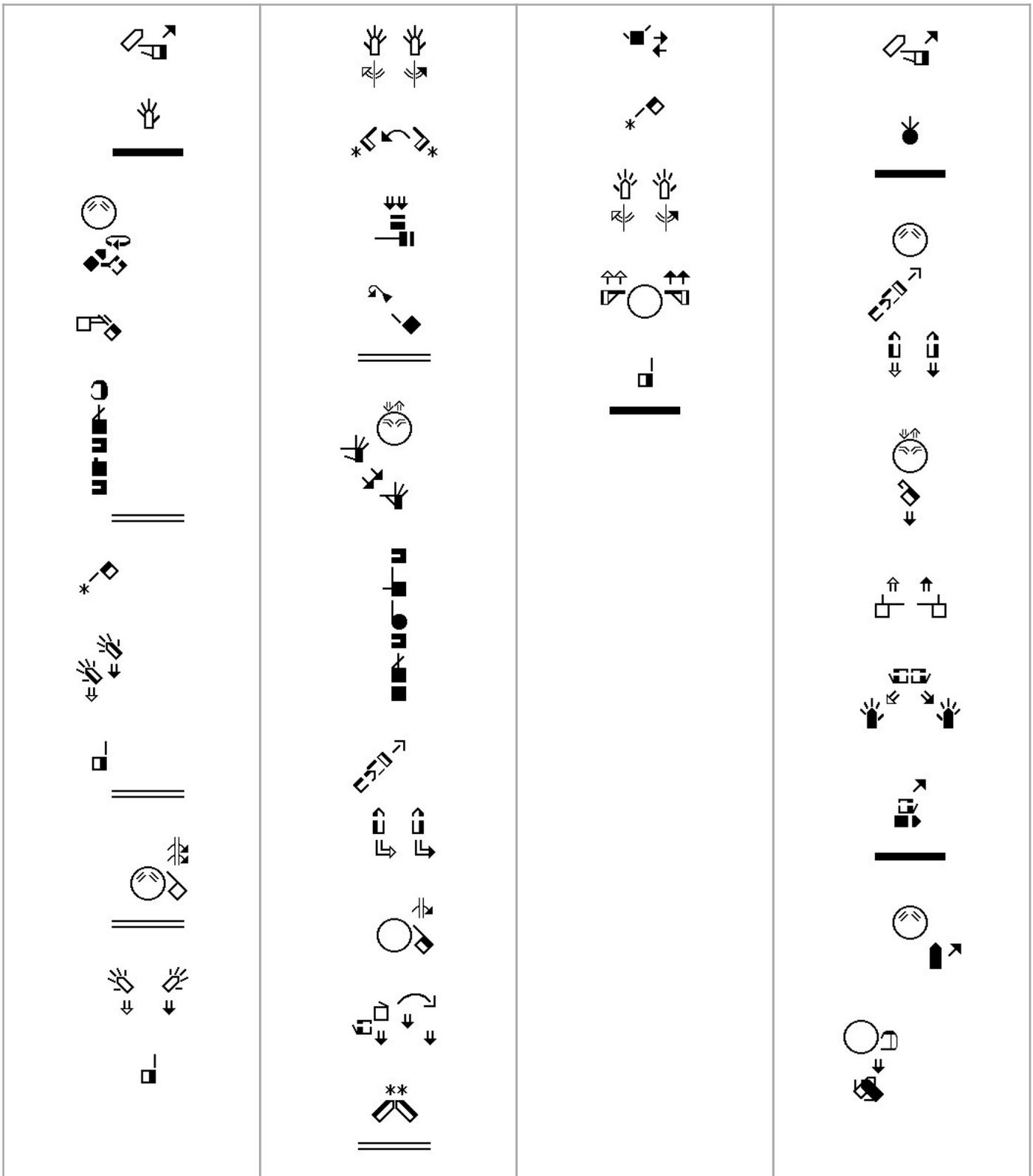
Chapter 1. This letter is from Paul, a slave of God and an apostle of Jesus Christ. I have been sent to proclaim faith to those God has chosen and to teach them to know the truth that shows them how to live godly lives.

Titus 1:2-3

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that I have been entrusted with this work for him. Verse 4. I am writing to Titus, my true son in the faith that we share. May God the Father and Christ Jesus our Savior give you grace and peace. NLT

Titus 1:5-6



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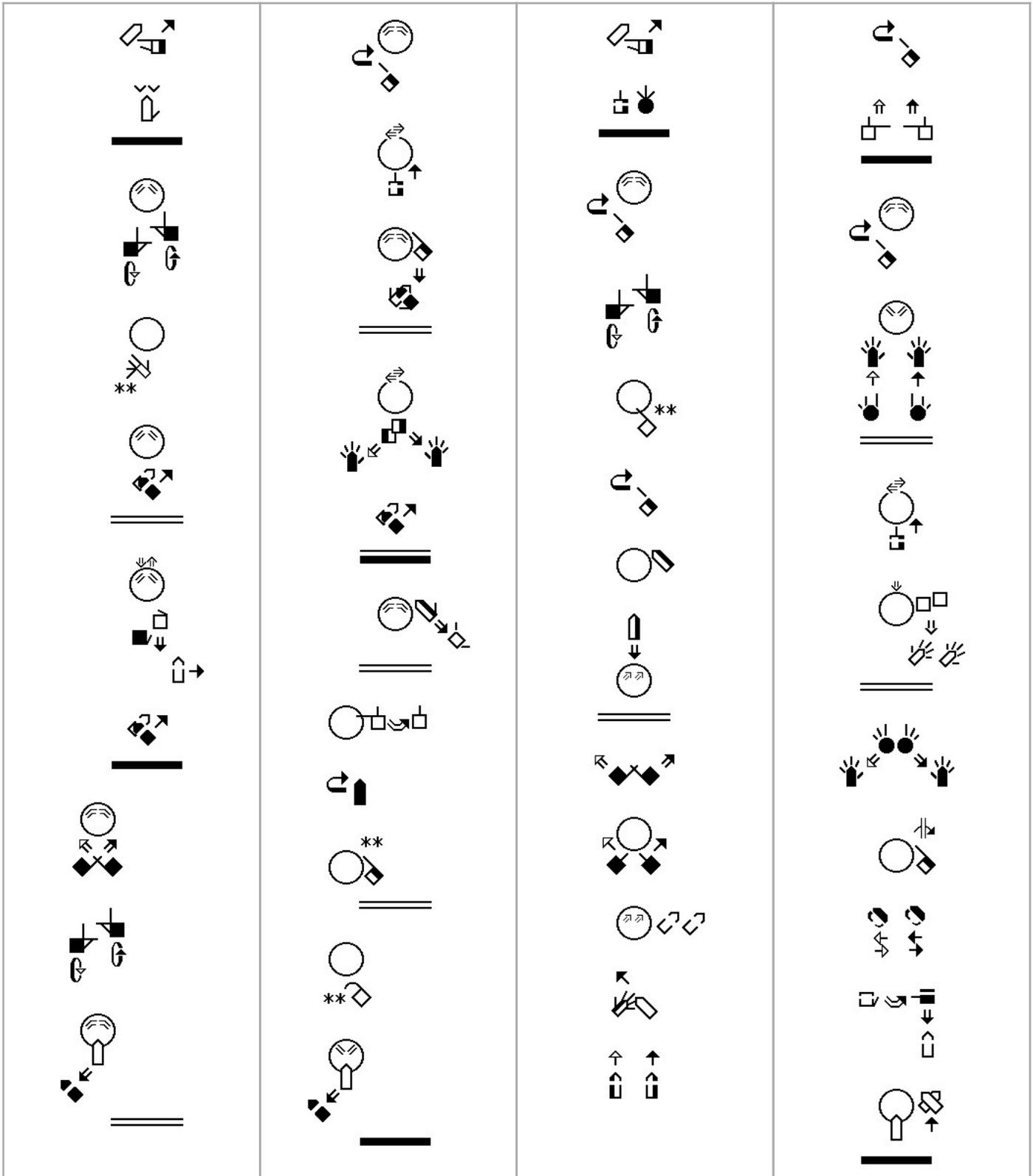
must be faithful to his wife, and his children must be believers who don't have a reputation for being wild or rebellious. Verse 7. For an elder is a manager of God's household, so he must live a blameless life. He must not be arrogant or quick-tempered; he must not be a heavy drinker, violent, or dishonest with money. NLT

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Verse 13. This is true. So reprimand them sternly to make them strong in the faith. Verse 14. They must stop listening to Jewish myths and the commands of people who have turned away from the truth.

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Titus 1:15-16



Verse 15. Everything is pure to those whose hearts are pure. But nothing is pure to those who are corrupt and unbelieving, because their minds and consciences are corrupted. Verse 16. Such people claim they know God, but they deny him by the way they live. They are detestable and disobedient, worthless for doing anything good. NLT

Titus 2:3-4

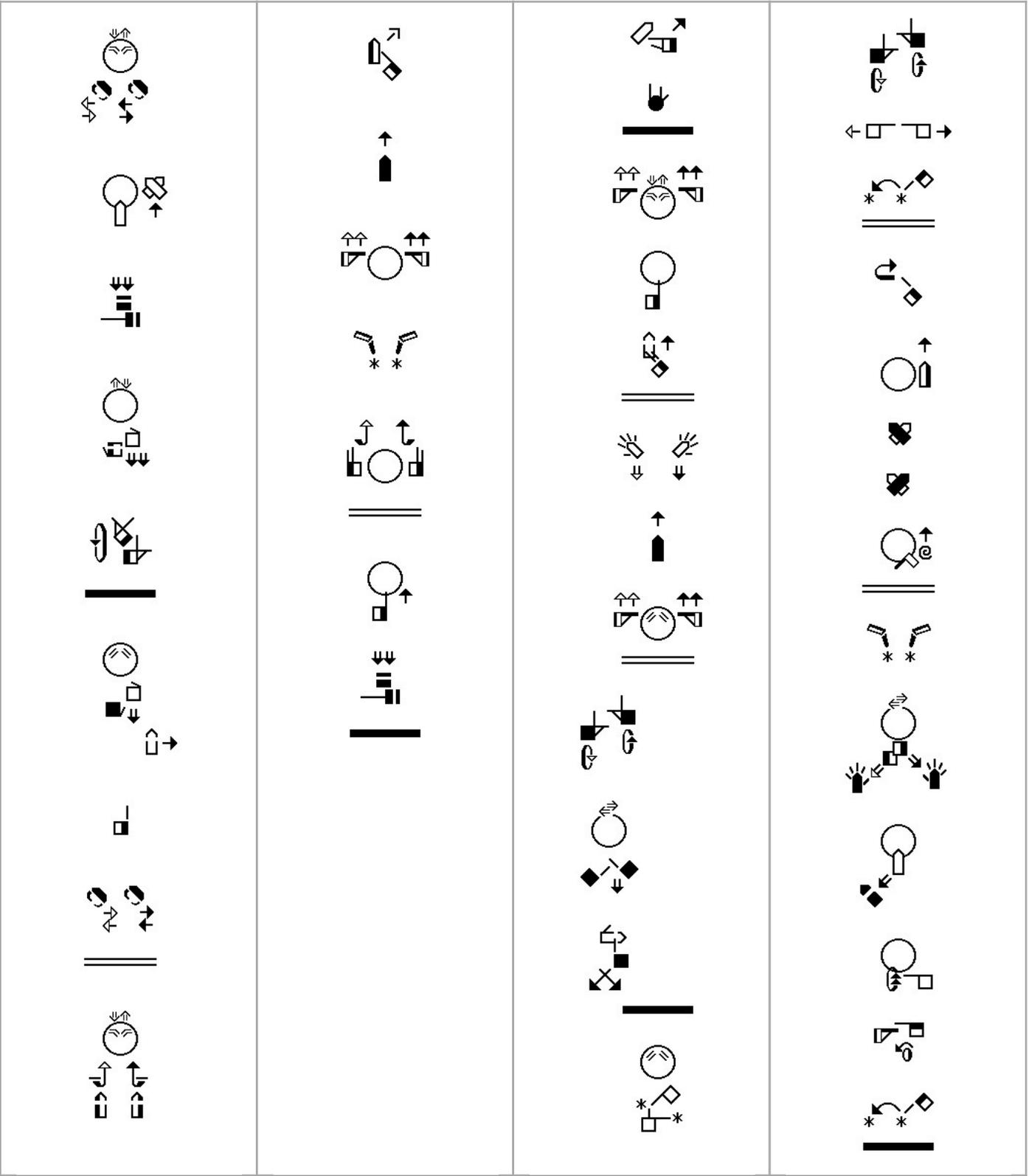
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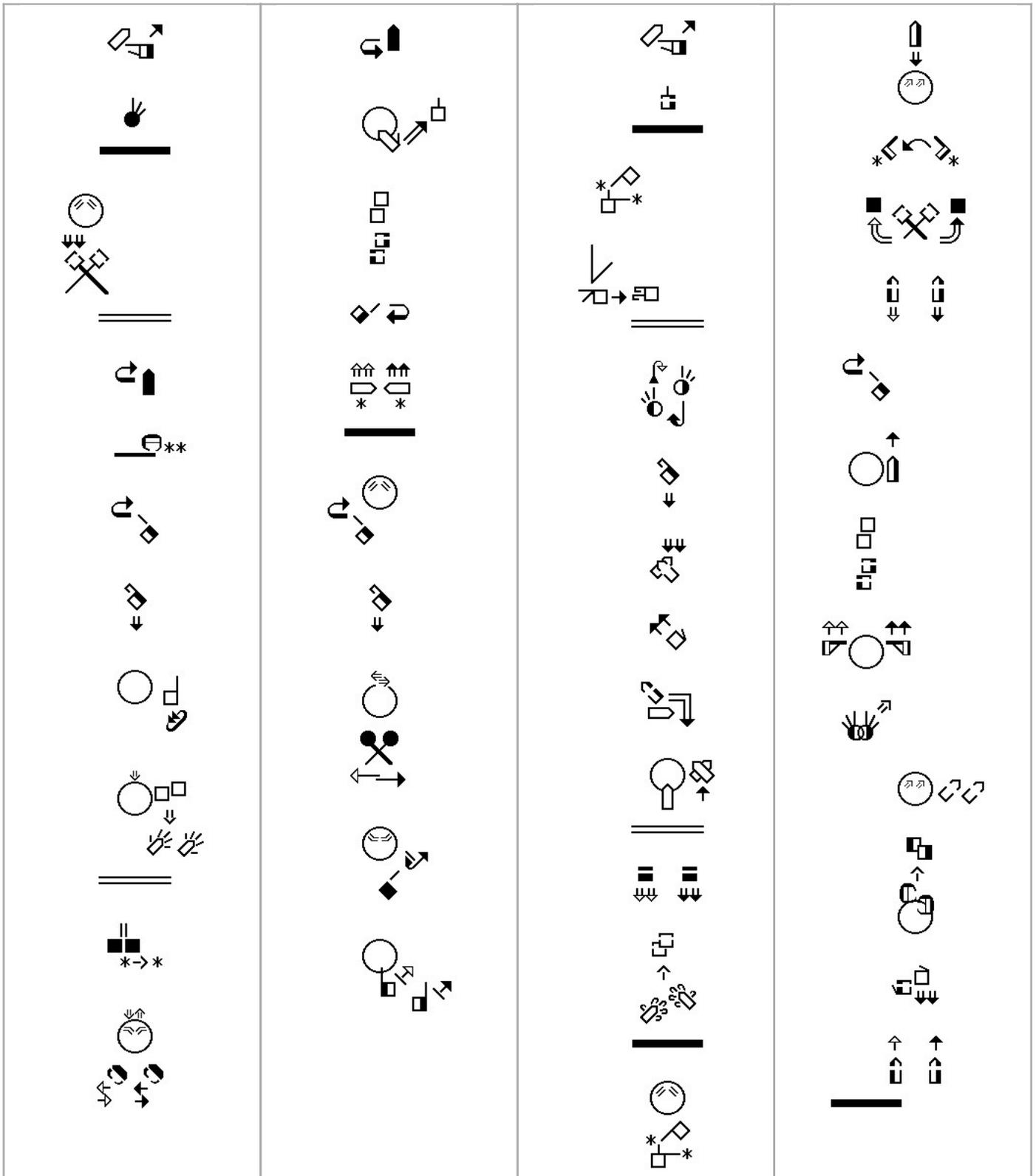
Verse 5. to live wisely and be pure, to work in their homes, to do good, and to be submissive to their husbands. Then they will not bring shame on the word of God. Verse 6. In the same way, encourage the young men to live wisely. Verse 7. And you yourself must be an example to them

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Titus 2:7-8



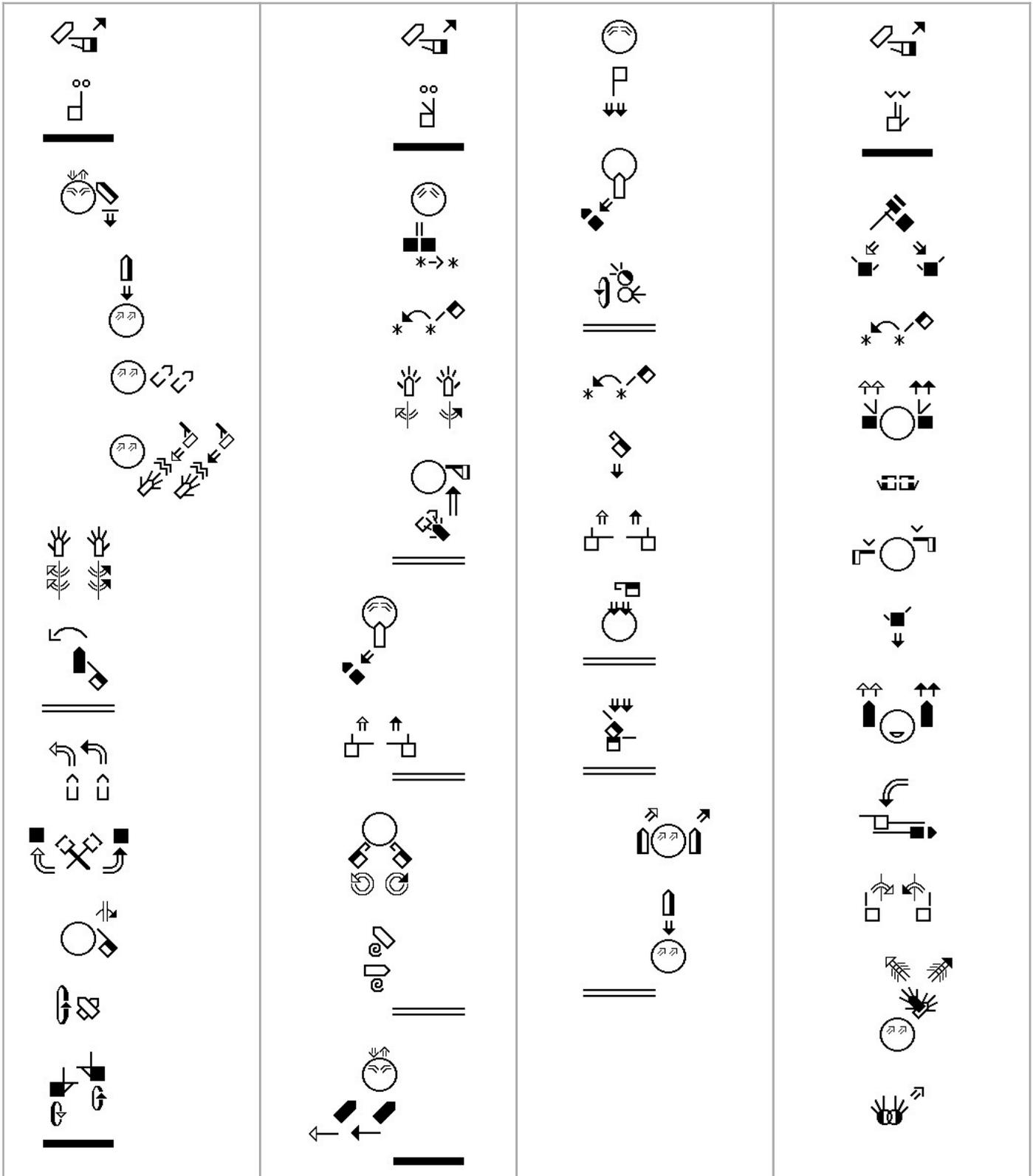
by doing good works of every kind. Let everything you do reflect the integrity and seriousness of your teaching. Verse 8. Teach the truth so that your teaching can't be criticized. Then those who oppose us will be ashamed and have nothing bad to say about us.



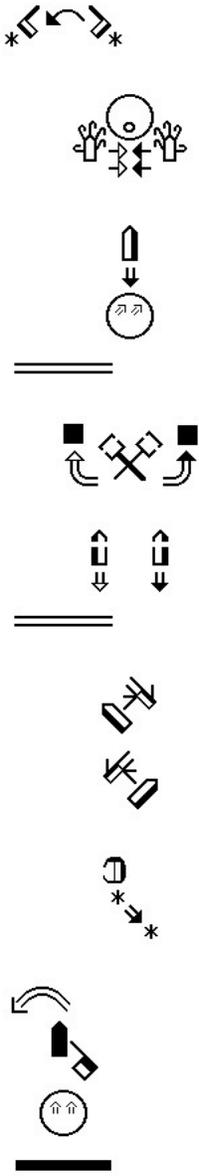
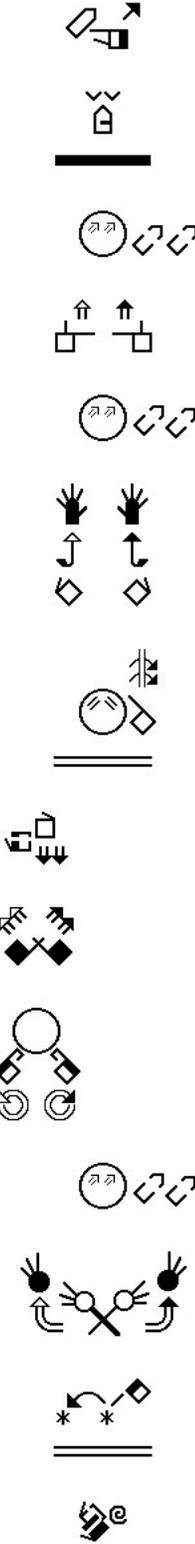
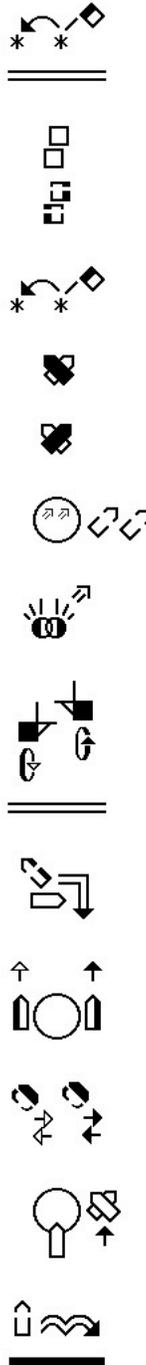
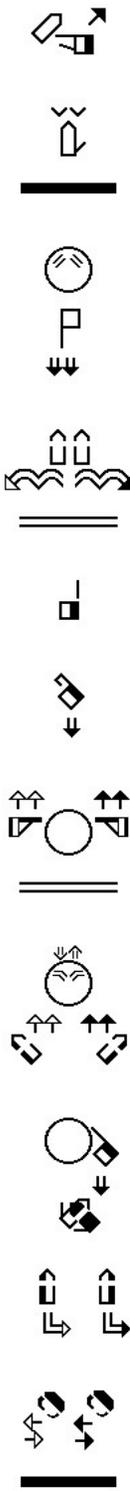
Verse 9. Slaves must always obey their masters and do their best to please them. They must not talk back Verse 10. or steal, but must show themselves to be entirely trustworthy and good. Then they will make the teaching about God our Savior attractive in every way.

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Titus 2:11-13



Verse 11. For the grace of God has been revealed, bringing salvation to all people. Verse 12. And we are instructed to turn from godless living and sinful pleasures. We should live in this evil world with wisdom, righteousness, and devotion to God, Verse 13. while we look forward with hope to that wonderful day when the glory of NLT

			
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our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ, will be revealed. Verse 14. He gave his life to free us from every kind of sin, to cleanse us, and to make us his very own people, totally committed to doing good deeds. Verse 15. You must teach these things and encourage the believers to do them.

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474 You have the authority to correct them when necessary, so don't let anyone disregard what you say.

Chapter 3. Remind the believers to submit to the government and its officers. They should be obedient, always ready to do what is good. NLT

Verse 2. They must not slander anyone and must avoid quarreling. Instead, they should be gentle and show true humility to everyone. 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.

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<p>Verse 6. He generously poured out the Spirit upon us through Jesus Christ our Savior.</p>	<p>Verse 7. Because of his grace he declared us righteous and gave us confidence that we will inherit eternal life."</p>	<p>Verse 8. This is a trustworthy saying, and I want you to insist .</p>	<p>NLT</p>

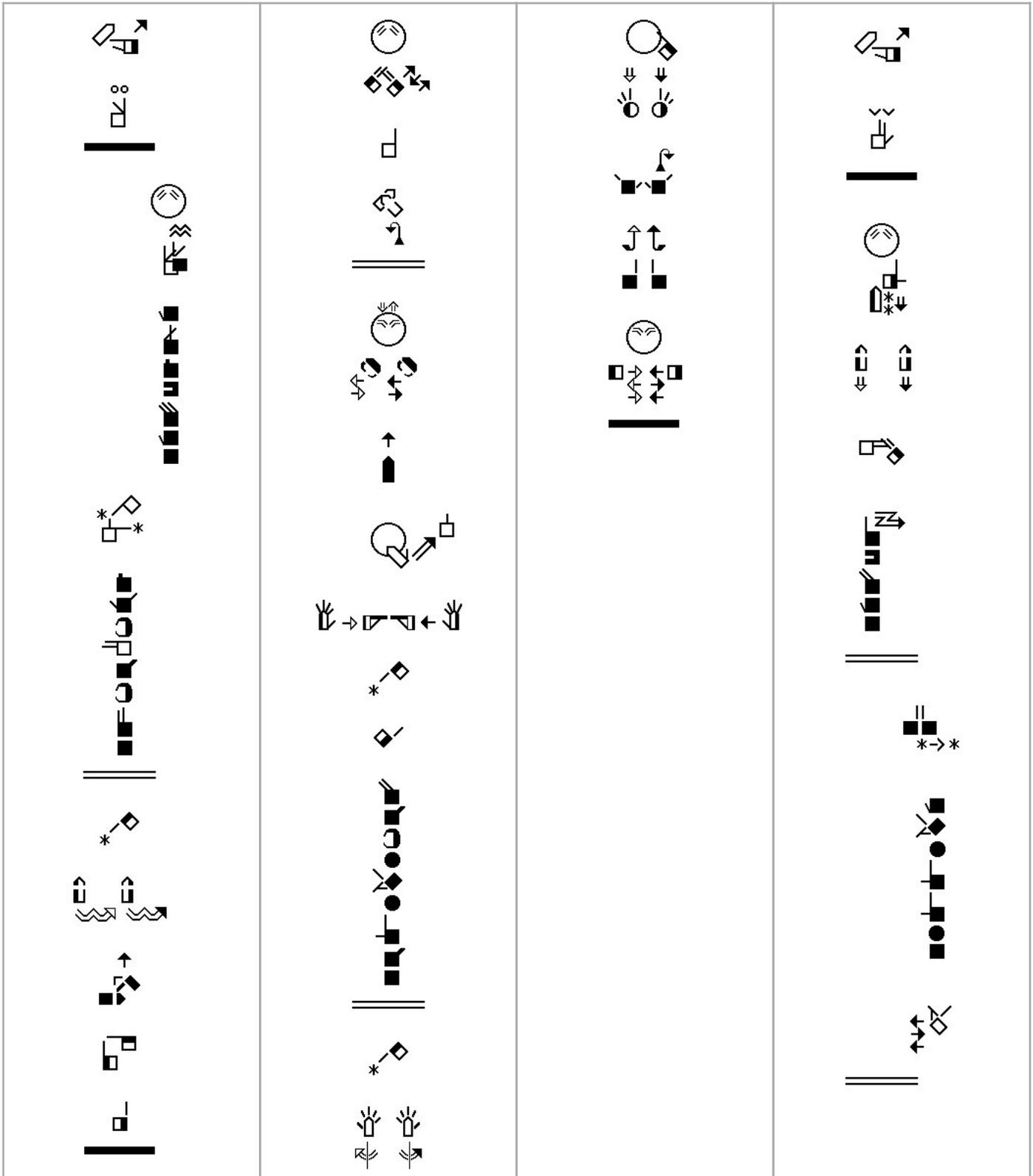
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on these teachings so that all who trust in God will devote themselves to doing good. These teachings are good and beneficial for everyone. Verse 9. Do not get involved in foolish discussions about spiritual pedigrees or in quarrels and fights about obedience to Jewish laws. These things are useless and a waste of time.

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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 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 . NLT

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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.

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Titus 3:15

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Verse 1. This letter is from Paul, a prisoner for preaching the Good News about Christ Jesus, and from our brother Timothy. I am writing to Philemon, our beloved co-worker, Verse 2. and to our sister Apphia, and to our fellow soldier Archippus,

Philemon 7-8

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Verse 7. Your love has given me much joy and comfort, my brother, for your kindness has often refreshed the hearts of God's people. Verse 8. That is why I am boldly asking a favor of you. I could demand it in the name of Christ because it is the right thing for you to do. NLT

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Verse 9. But because of our love, I prefer simply to ask you. Consider this as a request from me -- Paul, an old man and now also a prisoner for the sake of Christ Jesus. Verse 10. I appeal to you to show kindness to my child, Onesimus. NLT

Philemon 15-16

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Verse 15. It seems you lost Onesimus for a little while so that you could have him back forever. Verse 16. He is no longer like a slave to you. He is more than a slave, for he is a beloved brother, especially to me. Now he will mean much more to you,
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both as a man and as a brother in the Lord. Verse 17. So if you consider me your partner, welcome him as you would welcome me. Verse 18. If he has wronged you in any way or owes you anything, charge it to me. Verse 19. I, PAUL, WRITE THIS WITH MY OWN HAND: I WILL REPAY IT.

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Philemon 19-21

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AND I WON'T MENTION THAT YOU OWE ME YOUR VERY SOUL! Verse 20. Yes, my brother, please do me this favor for the Lord's sake. Give me this encouragement in Christ. Verse 21. I am confident as I write this letter that you will do what I ask and even more!
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