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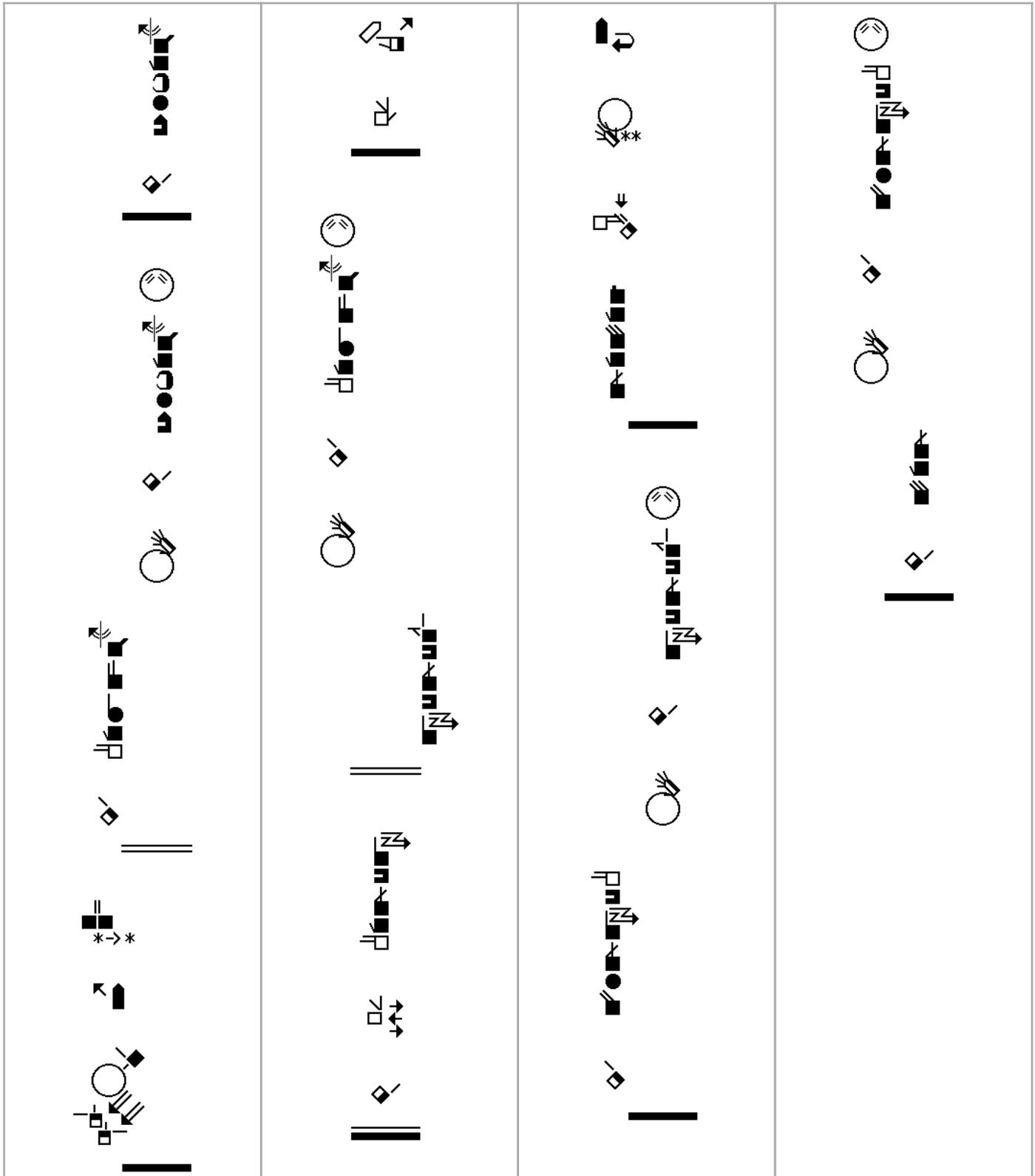
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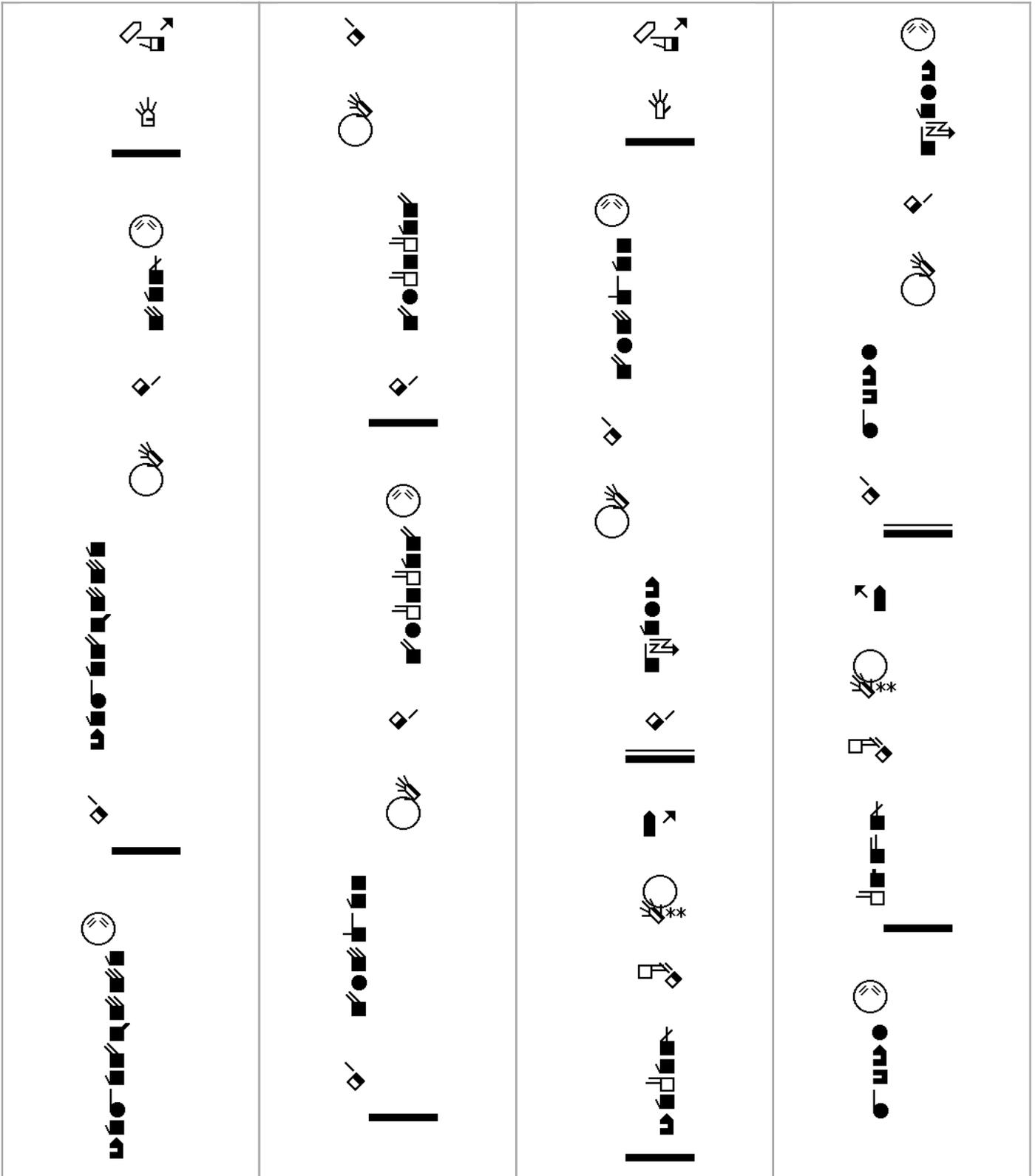


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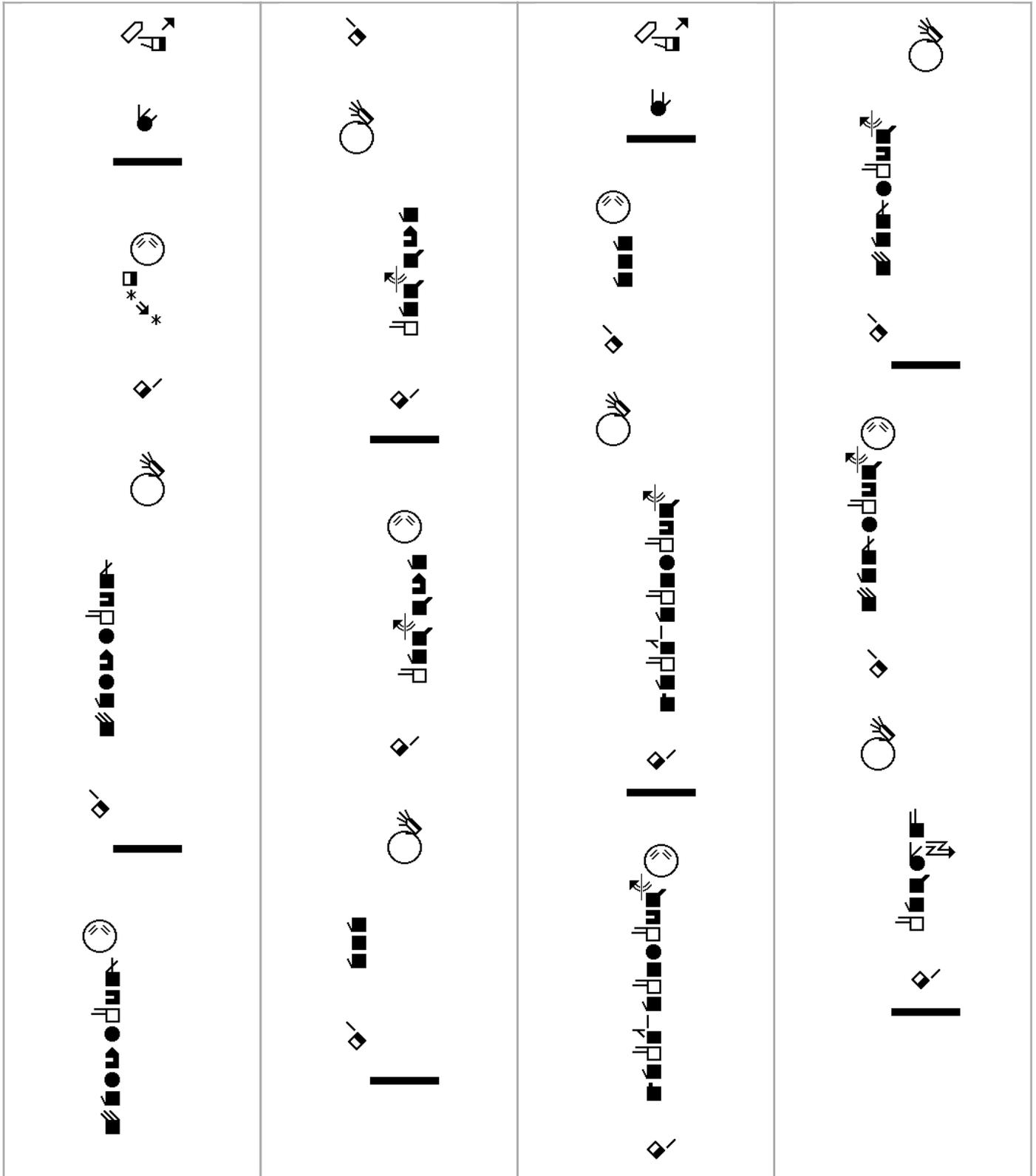
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of Jacob. Jacob was the father of Judah and his brothers. 3 Judah was the father of Perez and Zerah (whose mother was Tamar). Perez was the father of Hezron. Hezron was the father of Ram. NLT



4 Ram was the father of Amminadab. Amminadab was the father of Nahshon. Nahshon was the father of Salmon. 5 Salmon was the father of Boaz (whose mother was Rahab). Boaz was the father of Obed (whose mother was Ruth). Obed was the father of Jesse.

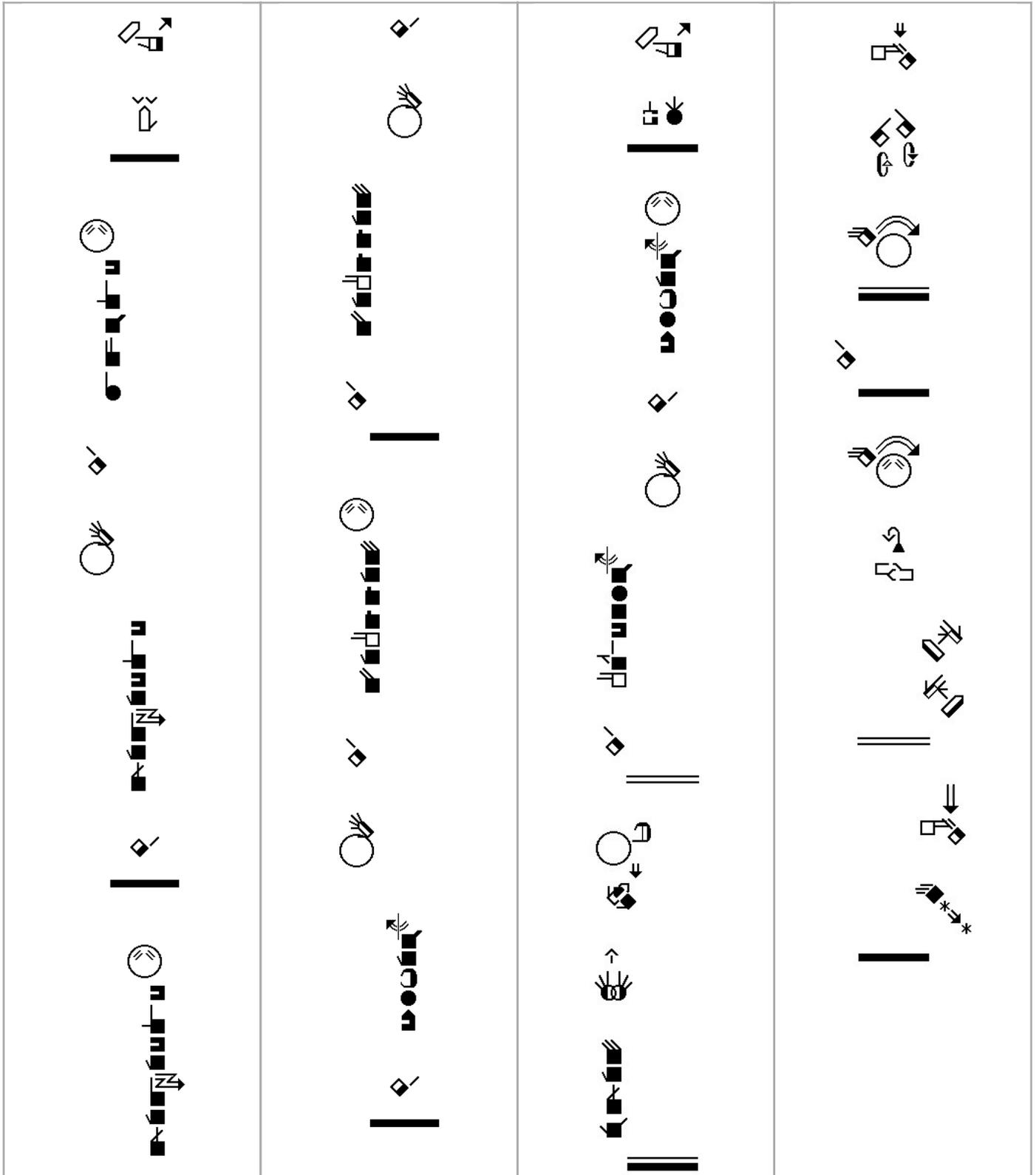
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7 Solomon was the father of Rehoboam. Rehoboam was the father of Abijah. Abijah was the father of Asa. 8 Asa was the father of Jehoshaphat. Jehoshaphat was the father of Jehoram. Jehoram was the father of Uzziah. NLT

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11 Josiah was the father of Jehoiachin and his brothers (born at the time of the exile to Babylon). 12 After the Babylonian exile: Jehoiachin was the father of Shealtiel. Shealtiel was the father of Zerubbabel. NLT



15 Eliud was the father of Eleazar. Eleazar was the father of Matthan. Matthan was the father of Jacob. 16 Jacob was the father of Joseph, the husband of Mary. Mary gave birth to Jesus, who is called the Messiah. NLT

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was engaged to be married to Joseph. But before the marriage took place, while she was still a virgin, she became pregnant through the power of the Holy Spirit. 19 Joseph, her fiance, was a good man and did not want to disgrace her publicly, so NLT

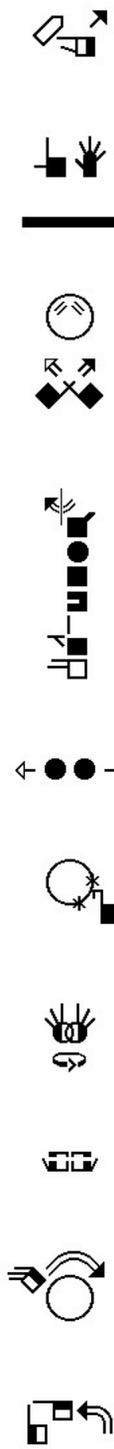
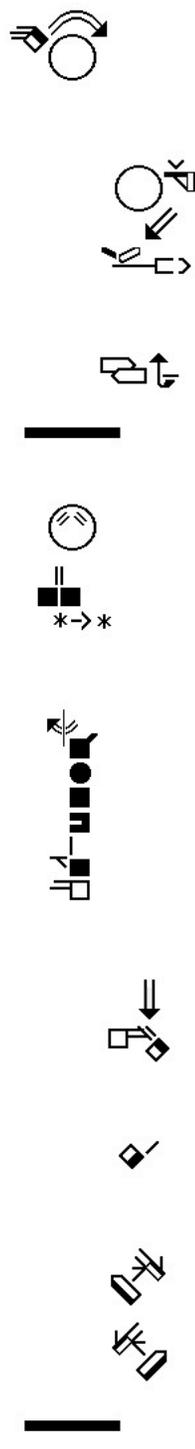
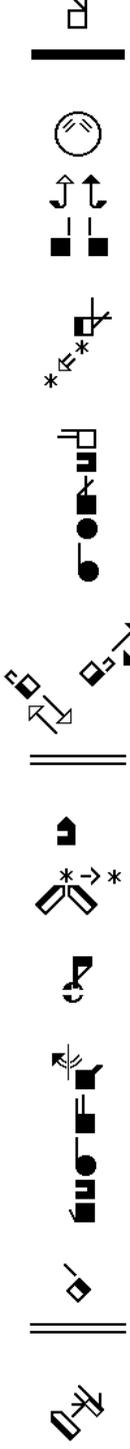
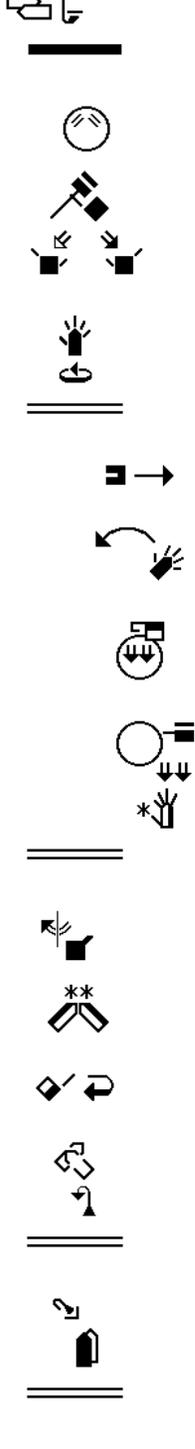
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the child within her was conceived by the Holy Spirit. 21 And she will have a son, and you are to name him Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins." 22 All of this occurred to fulfill the Lord's message through his prophet: NLT

Matthew 1:23-24

<p>A vertical sequence of 15 sign language icons. From top to bottom: 1. A hand pointing up and right. 2. Two hands pointing down. 3. A thick horizontal line. 4. Two hands pointing down towards a circle. 5. A thick horizontal line. 6. A hand pointing up and right towards a circle. 7. Two hands pointing towards each other. 8. Two hands pointing towards each other. 9. Two hands pointing towards each other. 10. Two hands pointing towards each other. 11. A hand pointing up and right towards a circle. 12. A thick horizontal line. 13. A hand pointing up and right towards a circle. 14. A hand pointing up and right towards a circle. 15. A thick horizontal line.</p>	<p>A vertical sequence of 15 sign language icons. From top to bottom: 1. A hand pointing up and right. 2. A circle with a hand pointing up and right. 3. A hand pointing up and right. 4. A hand pointing up and right. 5. A thick horizontal line. 6. A hand pointing up and right. 7. A hand pointing up and right. 8. A hand pointing up and right. 9. A hand pointing up and right. 10. A hand pointing up and right. 11. A hand pointing up and right. 12. A hand pointing up and right. 13. A hand pointing up and right. 14. A hand pointing up and right. 15. A thick horizontal line.</p>	<p>A vertical sequence of 15 sign language icons. From top to bottom: 1. A hand pointing up and right. 2. Two hands pointing down. 3. A thick horizontal line. 4. A circle with a hand pointing up and right. 5. Two hands pointing towards each other. 6. A hand pointing up and right. 7. A hand pointing up and right. 8. A hand pointing up and right. 9. A hand pointing up and right. 10. A hand pointing up and right. 11. A hand pointing up and right. 12. A hand pointing up and right. 13. A hand pointing up and right. 14. A hand pointing up and right. 15. A hand pointing up and right.</p>	<p>A vertical sequence of 15 sign language icons. From top to bottom: 1. A hand pointing up and right towards a circle. 2. A hand pointing up and right. 3. A circle with a hand pointing up and right. 4. A thick horizontal line. 5. A hand pointing up and right. 6. A hand pointing up and right. 7. A hand pointing up and right. 8. A hand pointing up and right. 9. A hand pointing up and right. 10. A hand pointing up and right. 11. A hand pointing up and right. 12. A hand pointing up and right. 13. A hand pointing up and right. 14. A hand pointing up and right. 15. A thick horizontal line.</p>
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23 "Look! The virgin will conceive a child! She will give birth to a son, and they will call him Immanuel, which means 'God is with us.'" 24 When Joseph woke up, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded and took Mary as his wife. NLT

 <p>Sign language icons for Matthew 1:25, including symbols for 'he', 'did not', 'have', 'sexual', 'relations', 'with', 'her', 'until', 'her', 'son', 'was', 'born', 'and', 'Joseph', 'named', 'him', 'Jesus'.</p>	 <p>Sign language icons for Matthew 2:1, including symbols for 'Jesus', 'was', 'born', 'in', 'Bethlehem', 'in', 'Judea', 'during', 'the', 'reign', 'of', 'King', 'Herod', 'About', 'that', 'time', 'some', 'wise', 'men', 'from', 'eastern', 'lands', 'arrived', 'in', 'Jerusalem', 'asking'.</p>	 <p>Sign language icons for Matthew 1:25, including symbols for 'he', 'did not', 'have', 'sexual', 'relations', 'with', 'her', 'until', 'her', 'son', 'was', 'born', 'and', 'Joseph', 'named', 'him', 'Jesus'.</p>	 <p>Sign language icons for Matthew 2:1, including symbols for 'Jesus', 'was', 'born', 'in', 'Bethlehem', 'in', 'Judea', 'during', 'the', 'reign', 'of', 'King', 'Herod', 'About', 'that', 'time', 'some', 'wise', 'men', 'from', 'eastern', 'lands', 'arrived', 'in', 'Jerusalem', 'asking'.</p>
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25 But he did not have sexual relations with her until her son was born. And Joseph named him Jesus. 2. Jesus was born in Bethlehem in Judea, during the reign of King Herod. About that time some wise men from eastern lands arrived in Jerusalem, asking, NLT

Matthew 2:2-3

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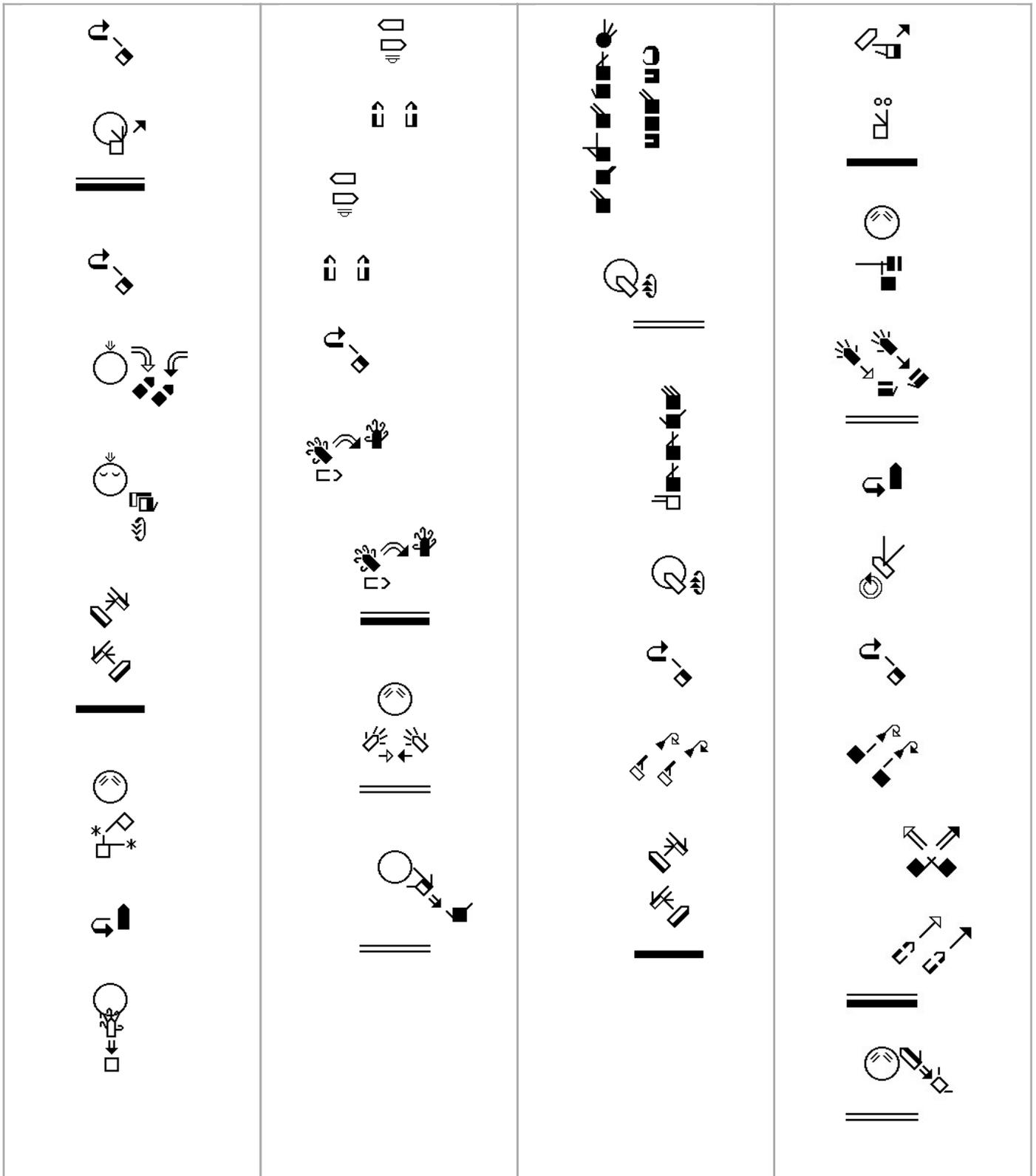
and he learned from them the time when the star first appeared. 8 Then he told them, "Go to Bethlehem and search carefully for the child. And when you find him, come back and tell me so that I can go and worship him, too!" 9 After this interview the wise men went their way. And the star NLT

Matthew 2:9-11

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they had seen in the east guided them to Bethlehem. It went ahead of them and stopped over the place where the child was. 10 When they saw the star, they were filled with joy! 11 They entered the house and saw the child with his mother, Mary, NLT



and they bowed down and worshiped him. Then they opened their treasure chests and gave him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. 12 When it was time to leave, they returned to their own country by another route,

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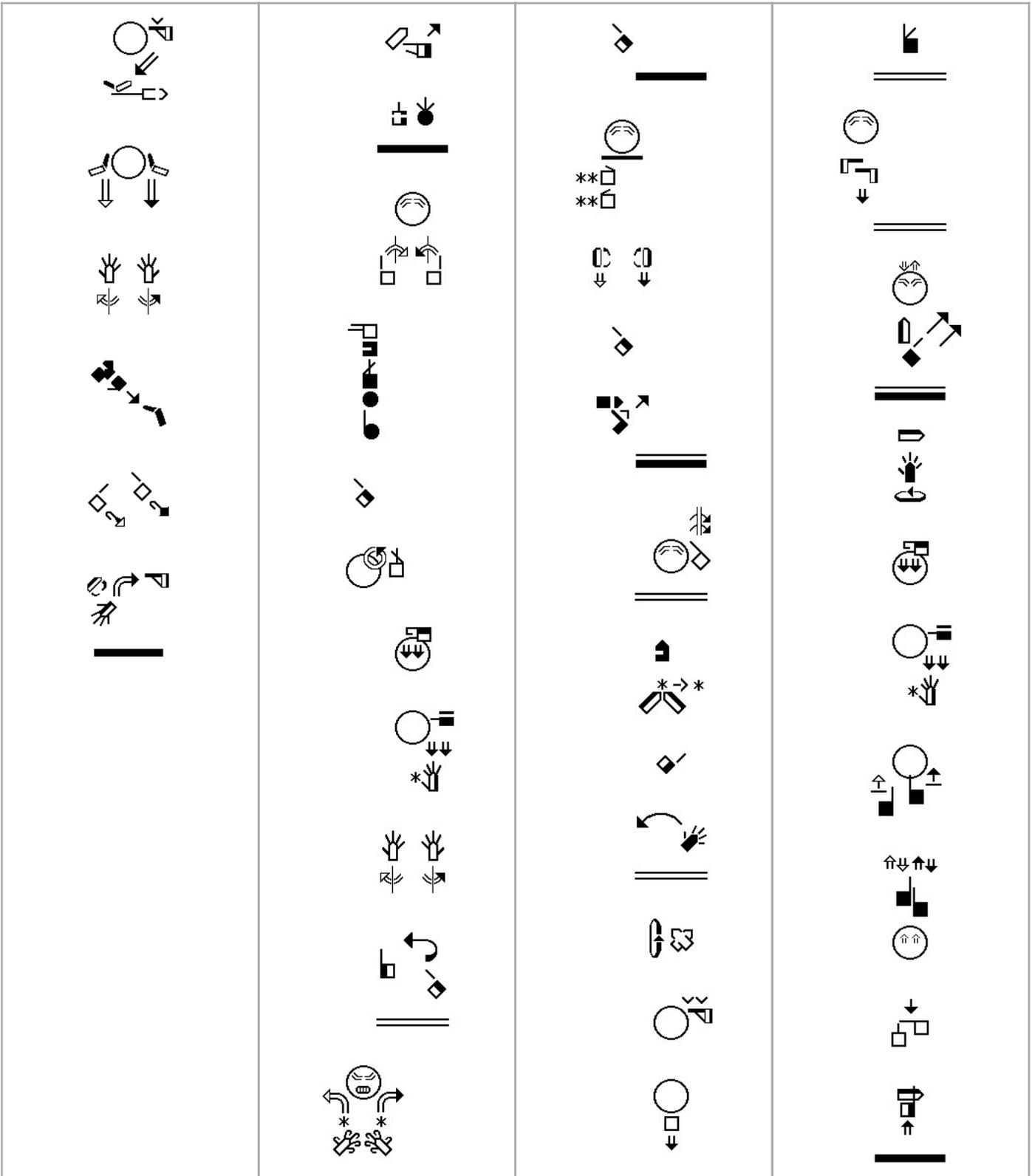
Matthew 2:12-13

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because Herod is going to search for the child to kill him." 14 That night Joseph left for Egypt with the child and Mary, his mother, 15 and they stayed there until Herod's death. This fulfilled what the Lord had spoken through the prophet: NLT

Matthew 2:15-16



"I called my Son out of Egypt." 16 Herod was furious when he realized that the wise men had outwitted him. He sent soldiers to kill all the boys in and around Bethlehem who were two years old and under, based on the wise men's report of the star's first appearance.

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17 Herod's brutal action fulfilled what God had spoken through the prophet Jeremiah:
 18 "A cry was heard in Ramah--weeping and great mourning. Rachel weeps for her children, refusing to be comforted, for they are dead." NLT

Matthew 2:19-20

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19 When Herod died, an angel of the Lord appeared in a dream to Joseph in Egypt. 20 "Get up!" the angel said. "Take the child and his mother back to the land of Israel, because those who were trying to kill the child are dead." NLT

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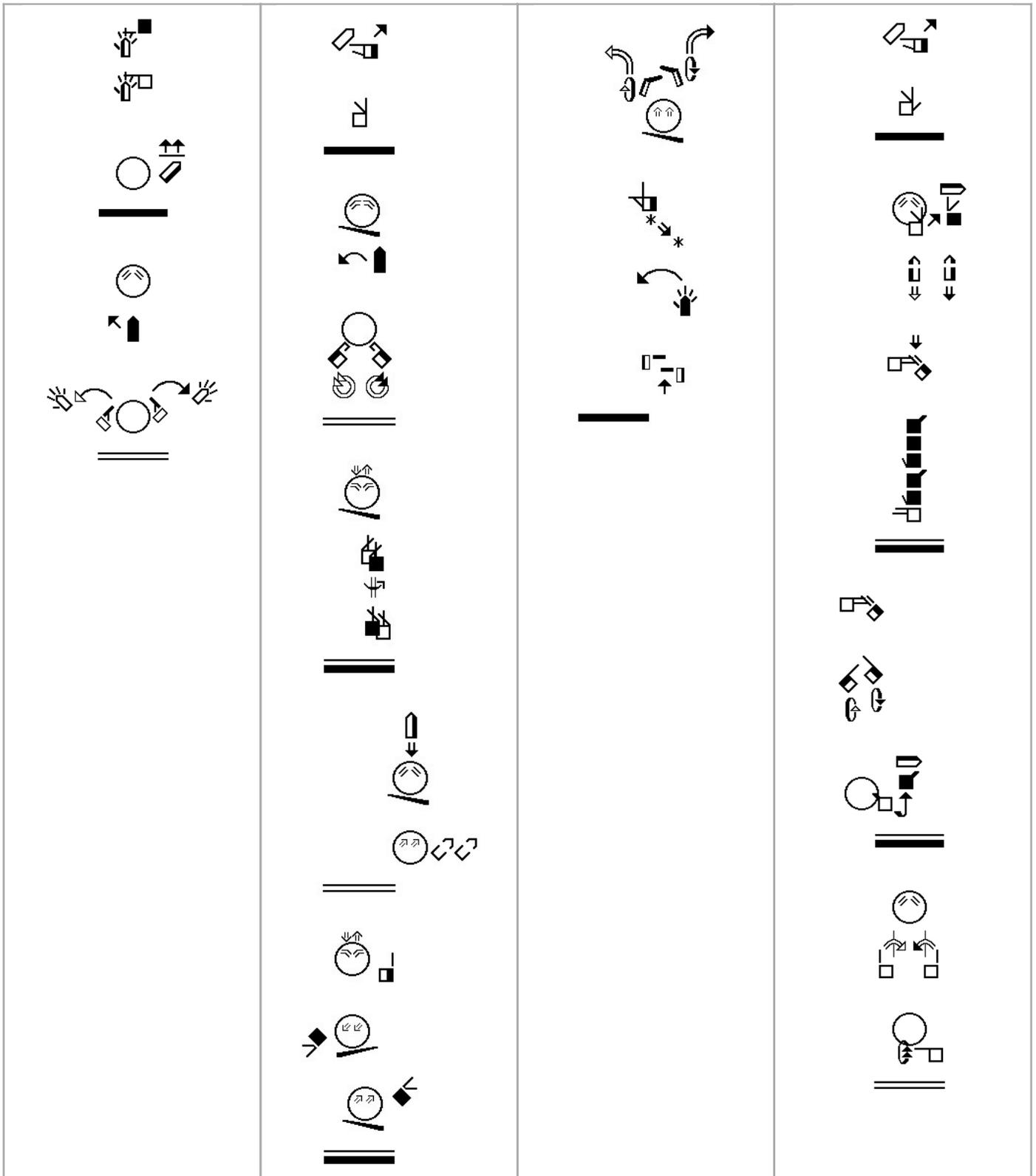
21 So Joseph got up and returned to the land of Israel with Jesus and his mother. 22 But when he learned that the new ruler of Judea was Herod's son Archelaus, he was afraid to go there. Then,

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Matthew 2:22-23, 3:1

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after being warned in a dream, he left for the region of Galilee. 23 So the family went and lived in a town called Nazareth. This fulfilled what the prophets had said: "He will be called a Nazarene." 3. In those days John the Baptist came to the Judean wilderness NLT



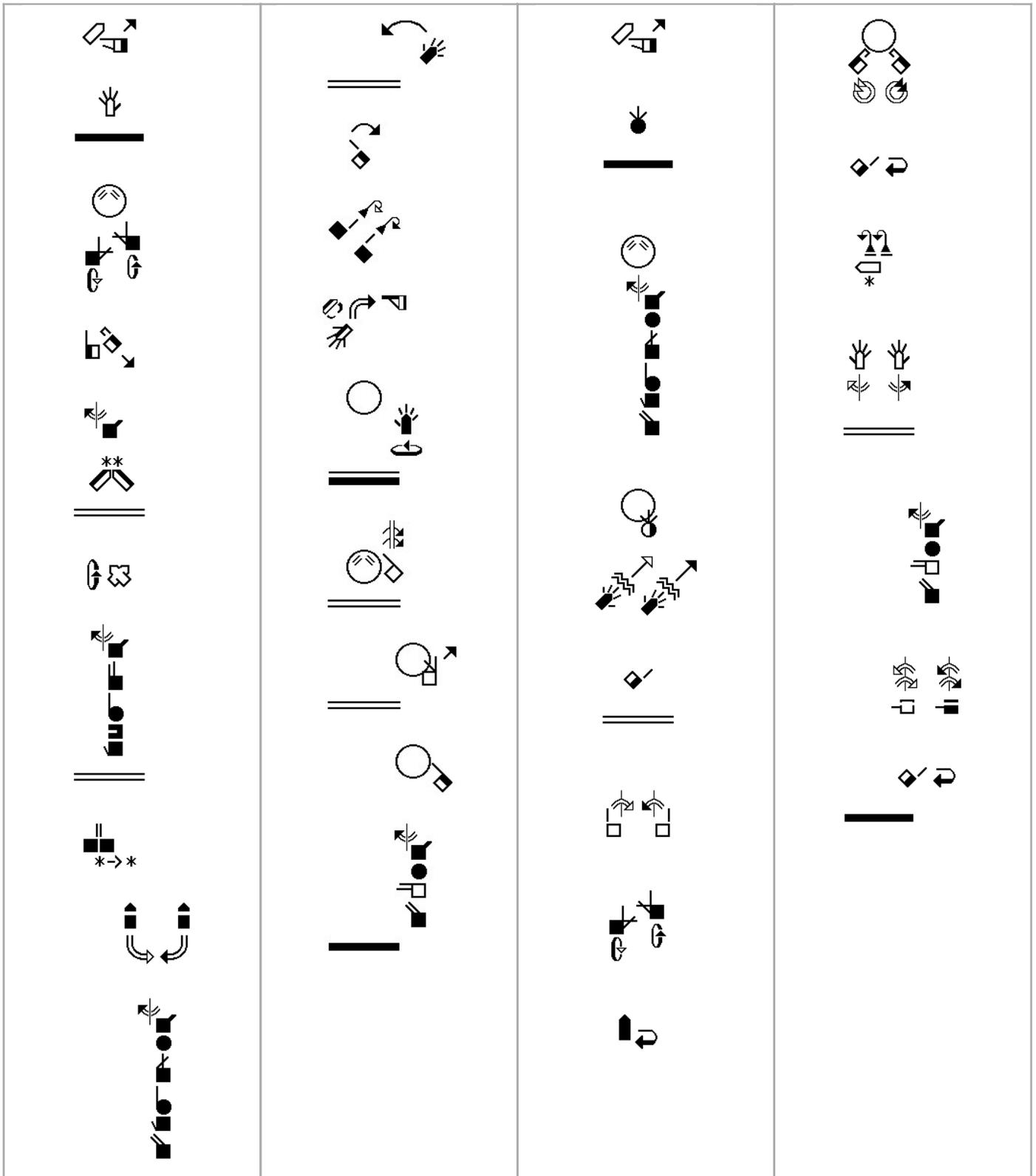
and began preaching. His message was, 2 "Repent of your sins and turn to God,
for the Kingdom of Heaven is near." 3 The prophet Isaiah was speaking

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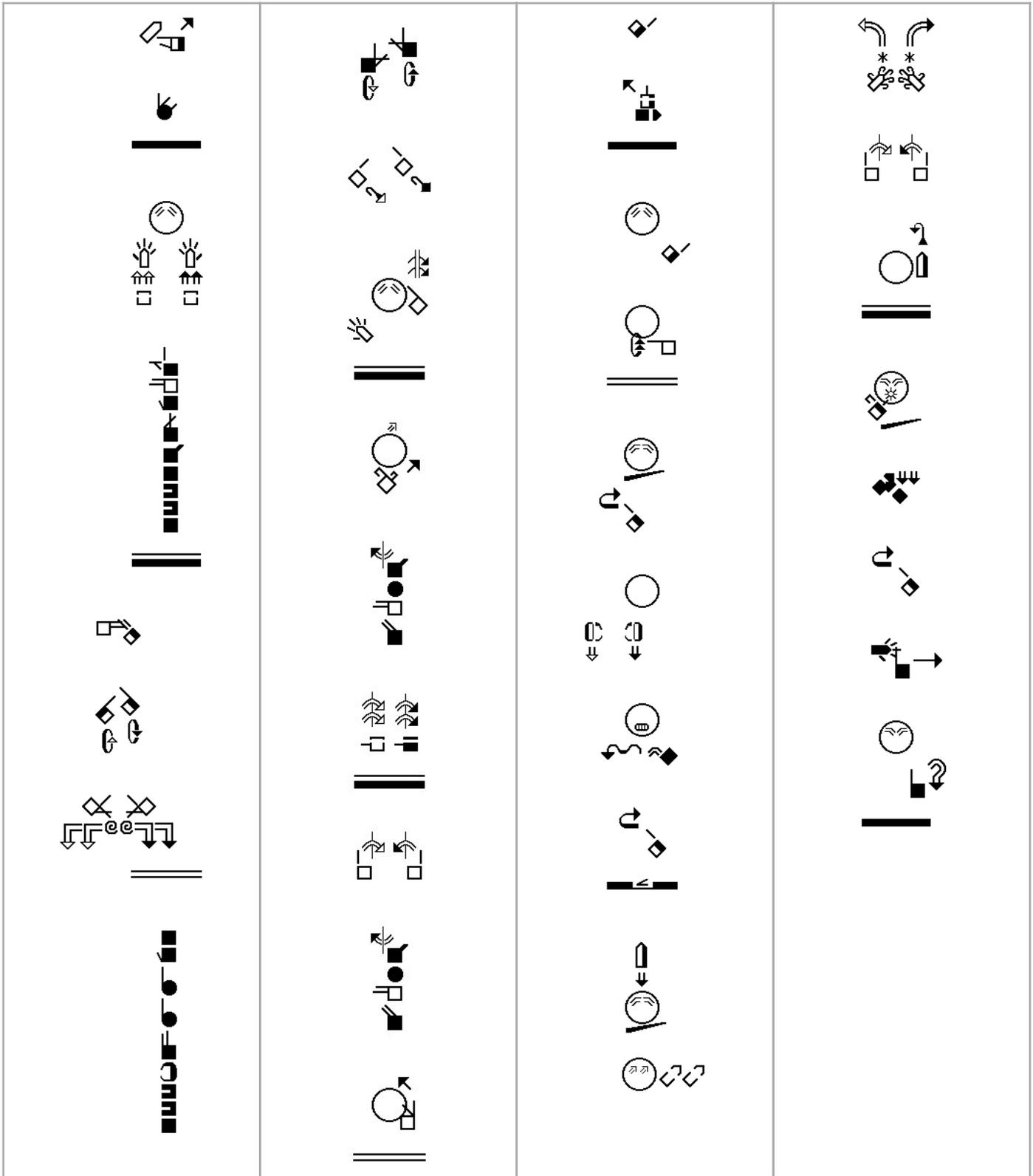
Matthew 3:3-4

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about John when he said, "He is a voice shouting in the wilderness, 'Prepare the way for the LORD'S coming! Clear the road for him!'" 4 John's clothes were woven from coarse camel hair, and he wore a leather belt around his waist. For food he ate locusts and wild honey. NLT

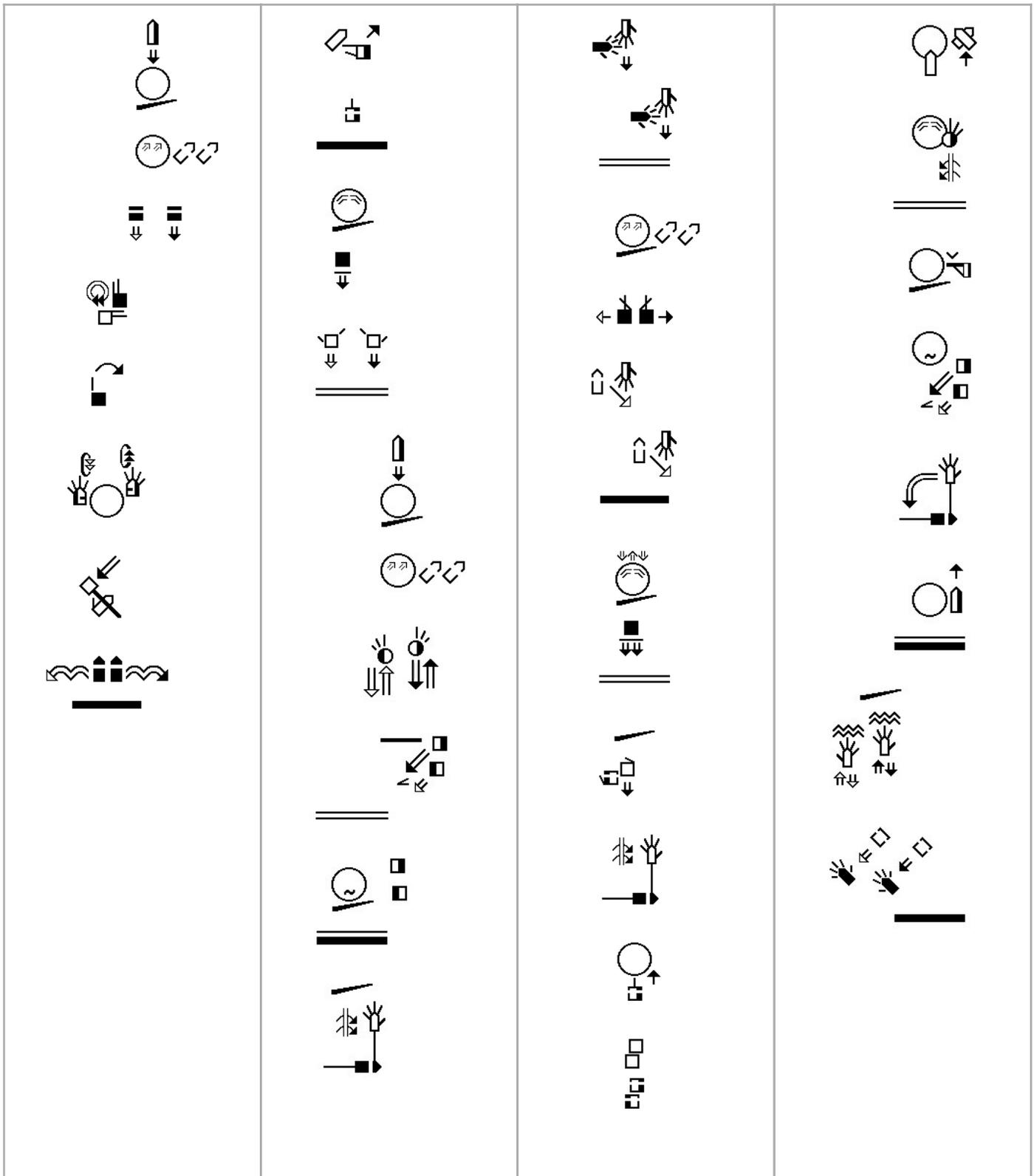


5 People from Jerusalem and from all of Judea and all over the Jordan Valley went out to see and hear John. 6 And when they confessed their sins, he baptized them in the Jordan River. NLT



7 But when he saw many Pharisees and Sadducees coming to watch him baptize, he denounced them. "You brood of snakes!" he exclaimed. "Who warned you to flee God's coming wrath?" NLT

Matthew 3:9-10



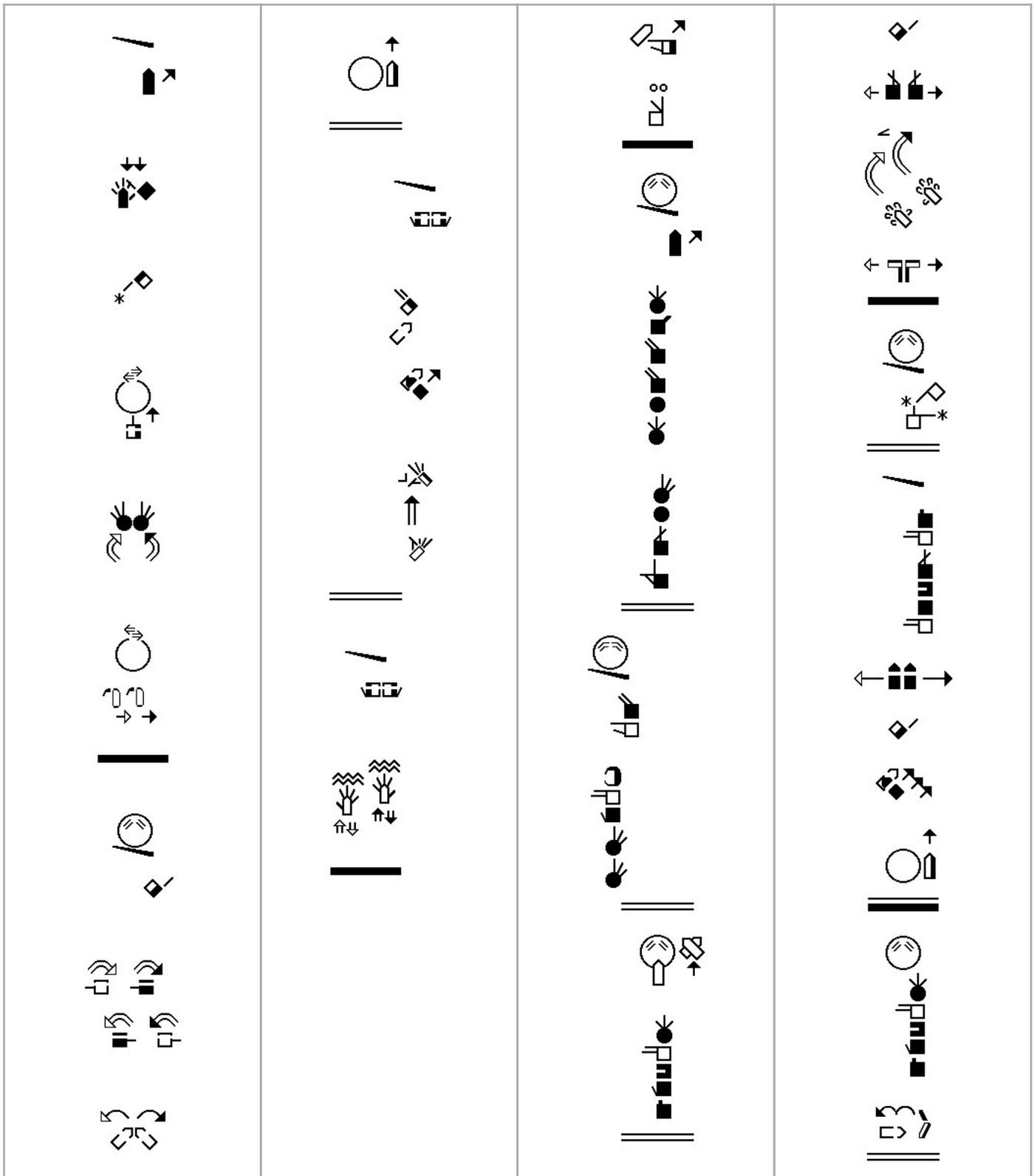
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God can create children of Abraham from these very stones. 10 Even now the ax of God's judgment is poised, ready to sever the roots of the trees. Yes, every tree that does not produce good fruit will be chopped down and thrown into the fire. NLT

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11 "I baptize with water those who repent of their sins and turn to God. But someone is coming soon who is greater than I am -- so much greater that I'm not worthy even to be his slave NLT

Matthew 3:11-12



and carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire. 12 He is ready to separate the chaff from the wheat with his winnowing fork. Then he will clean up the threshing area, gathering the wheat NLT

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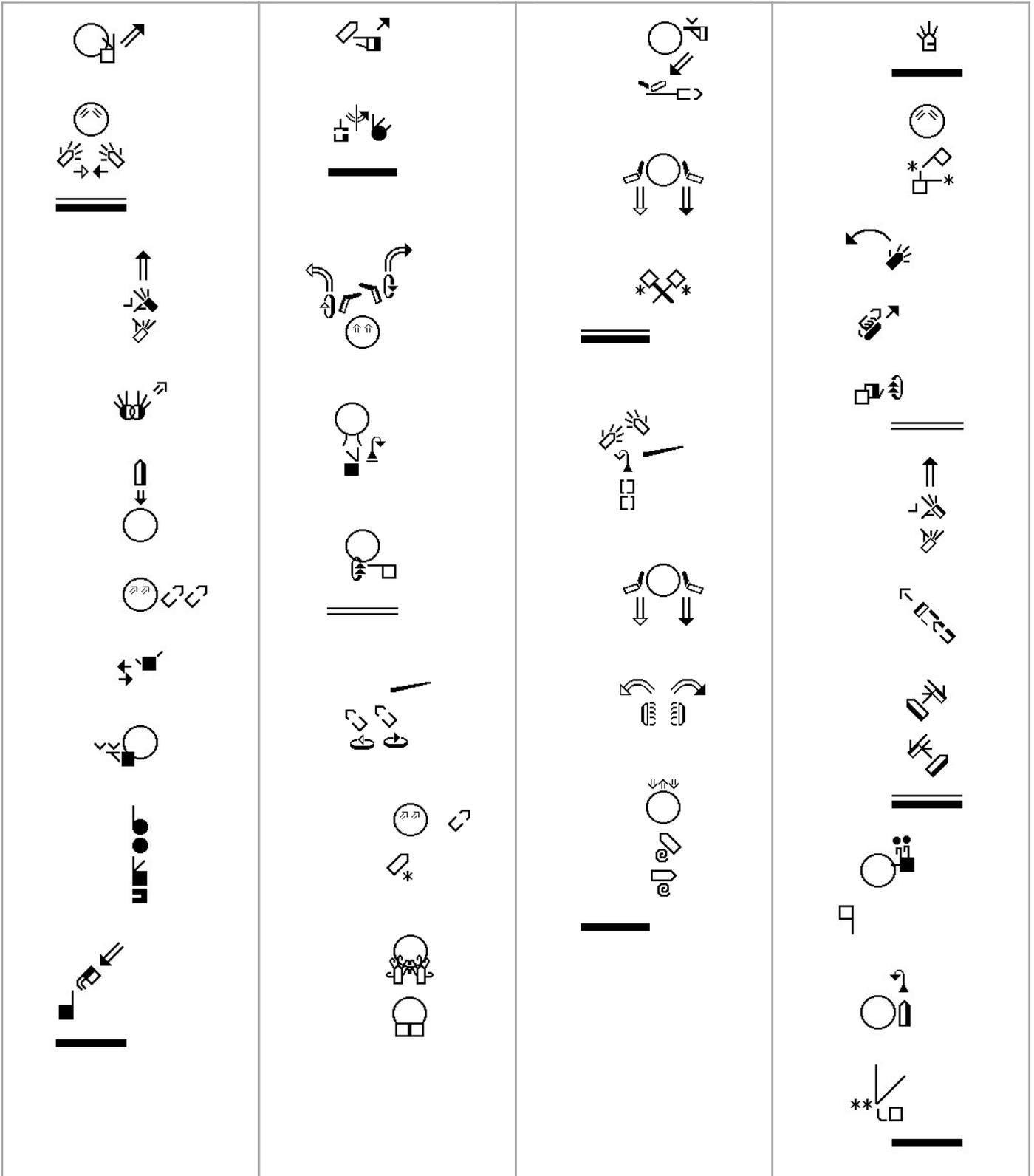
into his barn but burning the chaff with never-ending fire." 13 Then Jesus went from Galilee to the Jordan River to be baptized by John. 14 But John tried to talk him out of it. "I

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Matthew 3:14-16

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am the one who needs to be baptized by you," he said, "so why are you coming to me?" 15 But Jesus said, "It should be done, for we must carry out all that God requires." So John agreed to baptize him. 16 After his baptism, as Jesus came up out of the water, the heavens were opened NLT



and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and settling on him. 17 And a voice from heaven said, "This is my dearly loved Son, who brings me great joy." 4. Then Jesus was led by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted there by the devil. NLT

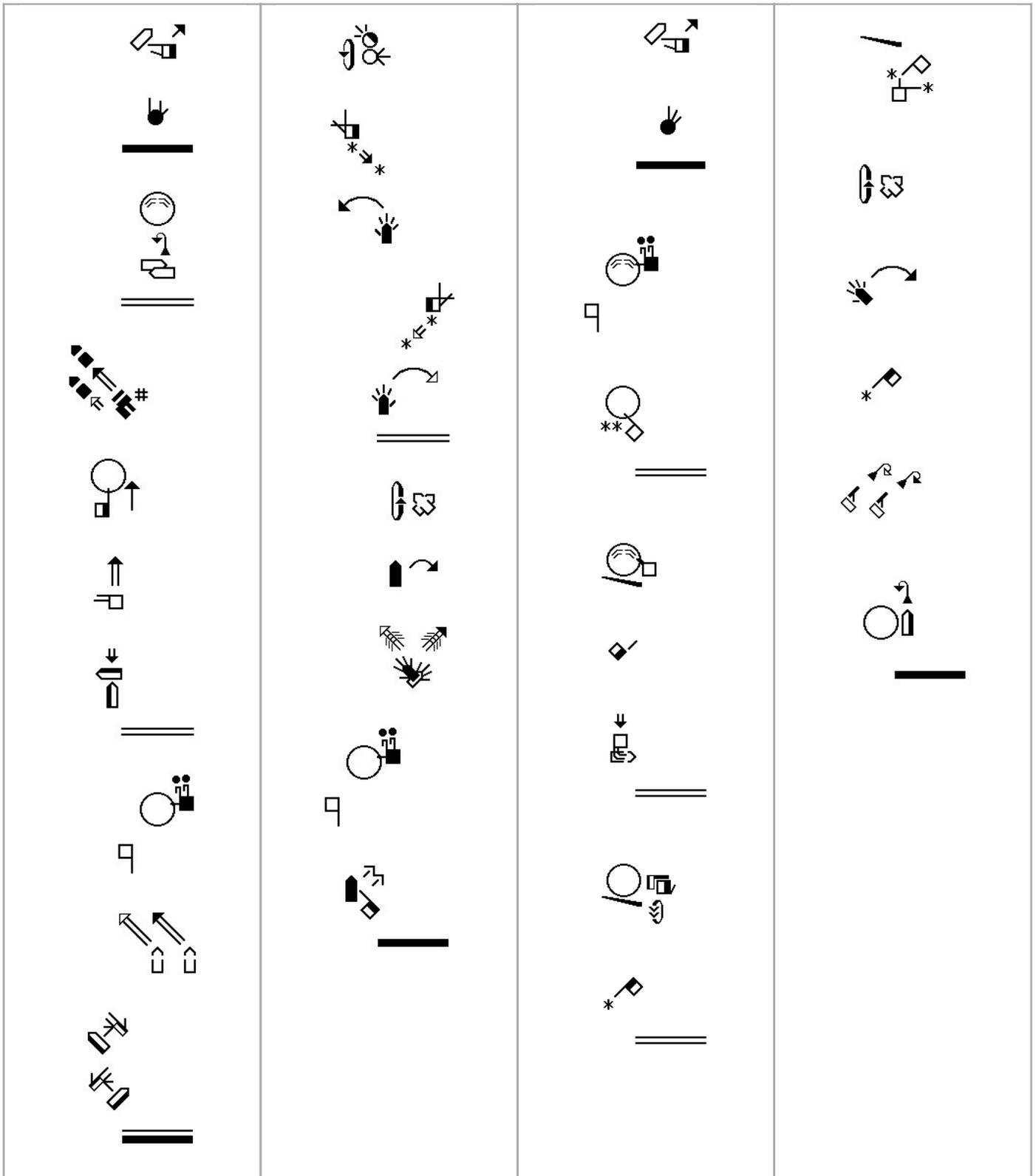
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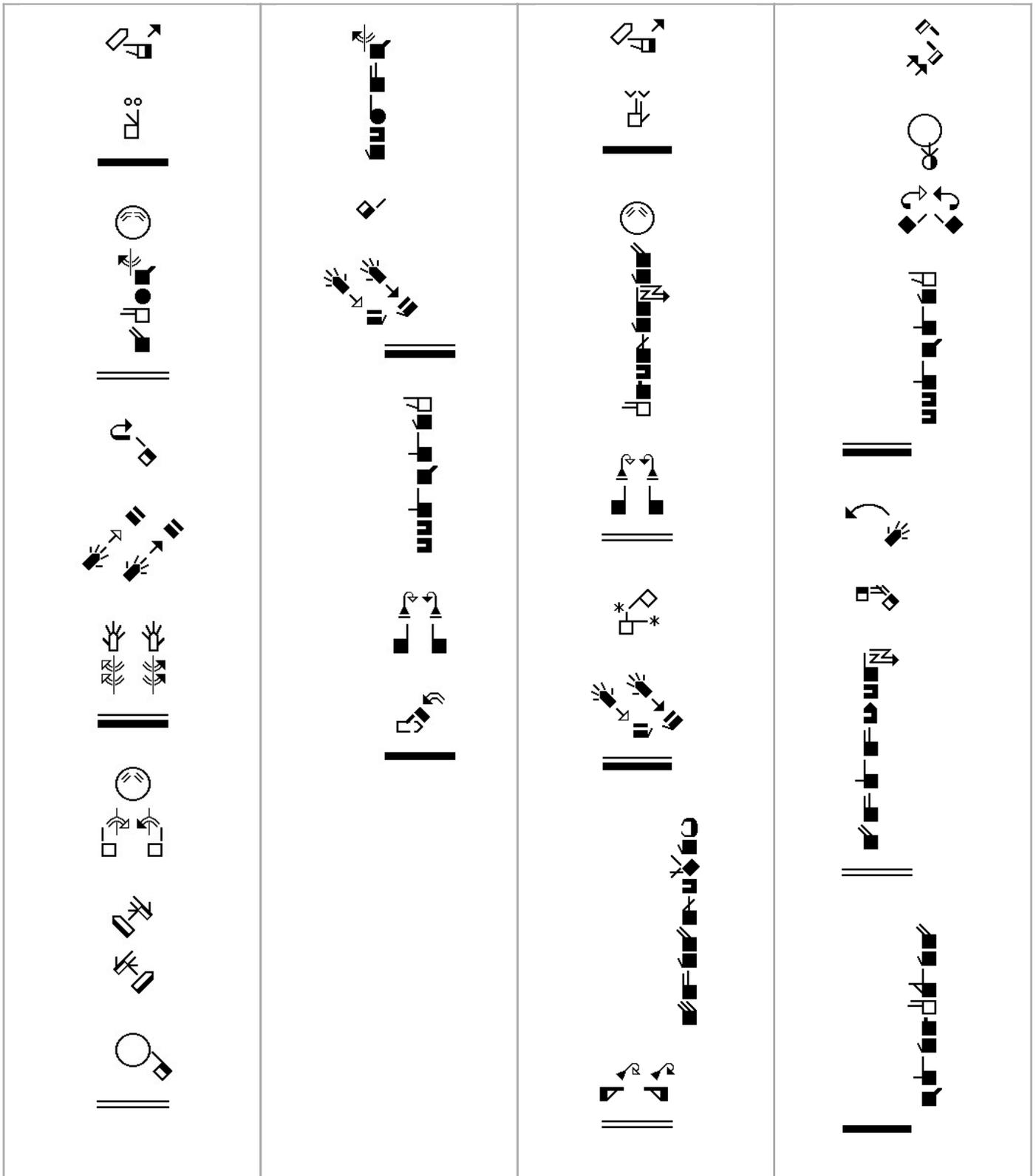
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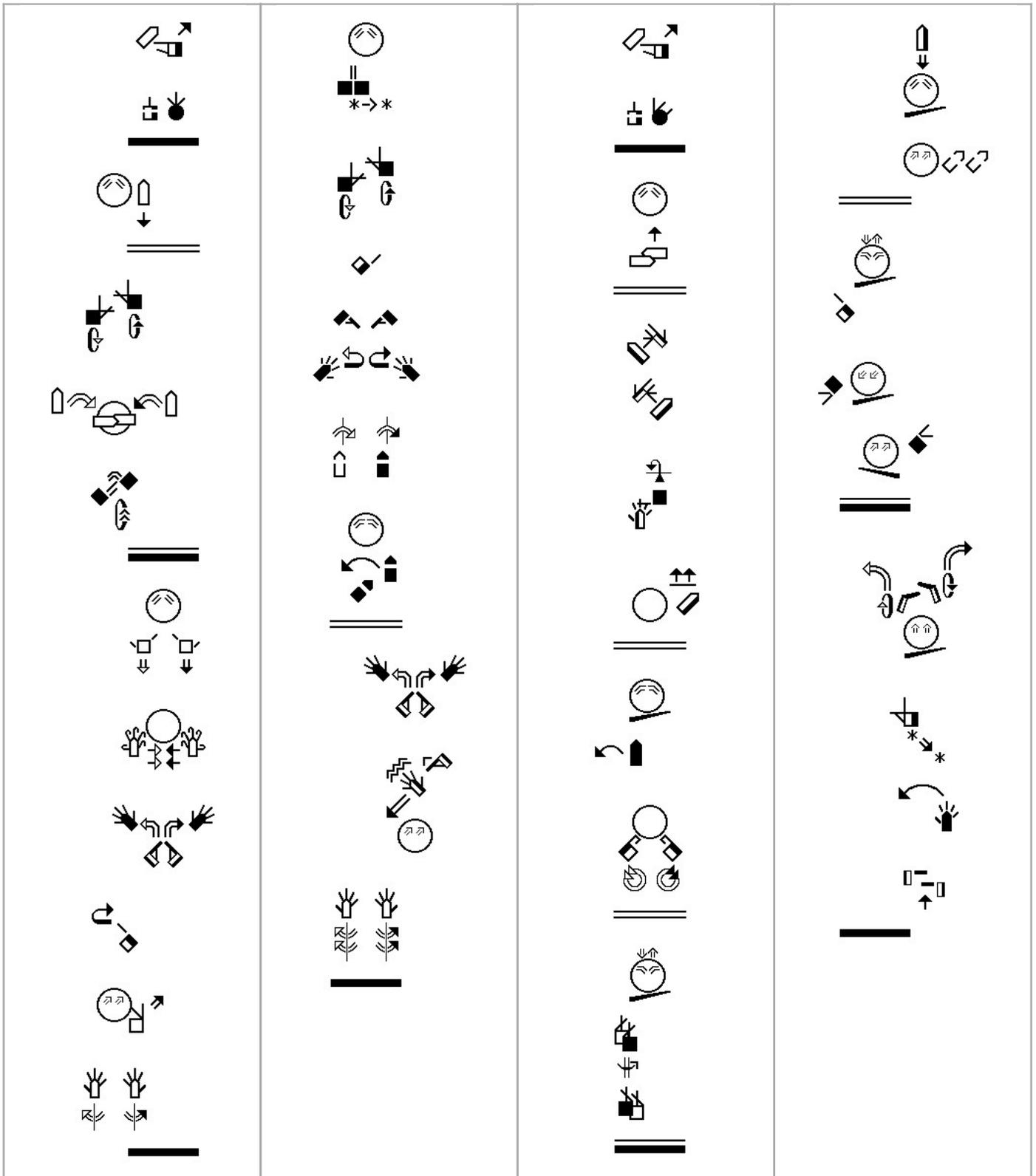
42 the Scriptures say, 'He will order his angels to protect you. And they will hold you up with their hands so you won't even hurt your foot on a stone.'" 7 Jesus responded, "The Scriptures also say, 'You must not test the LORD your God.'" NLT



8 Next the devil took him to the peak of a very high mountain and showed him the kingdoms of the world and all their glory. 9 "I will give it all to you," he said, "if you will kneel down and worship me." NLT



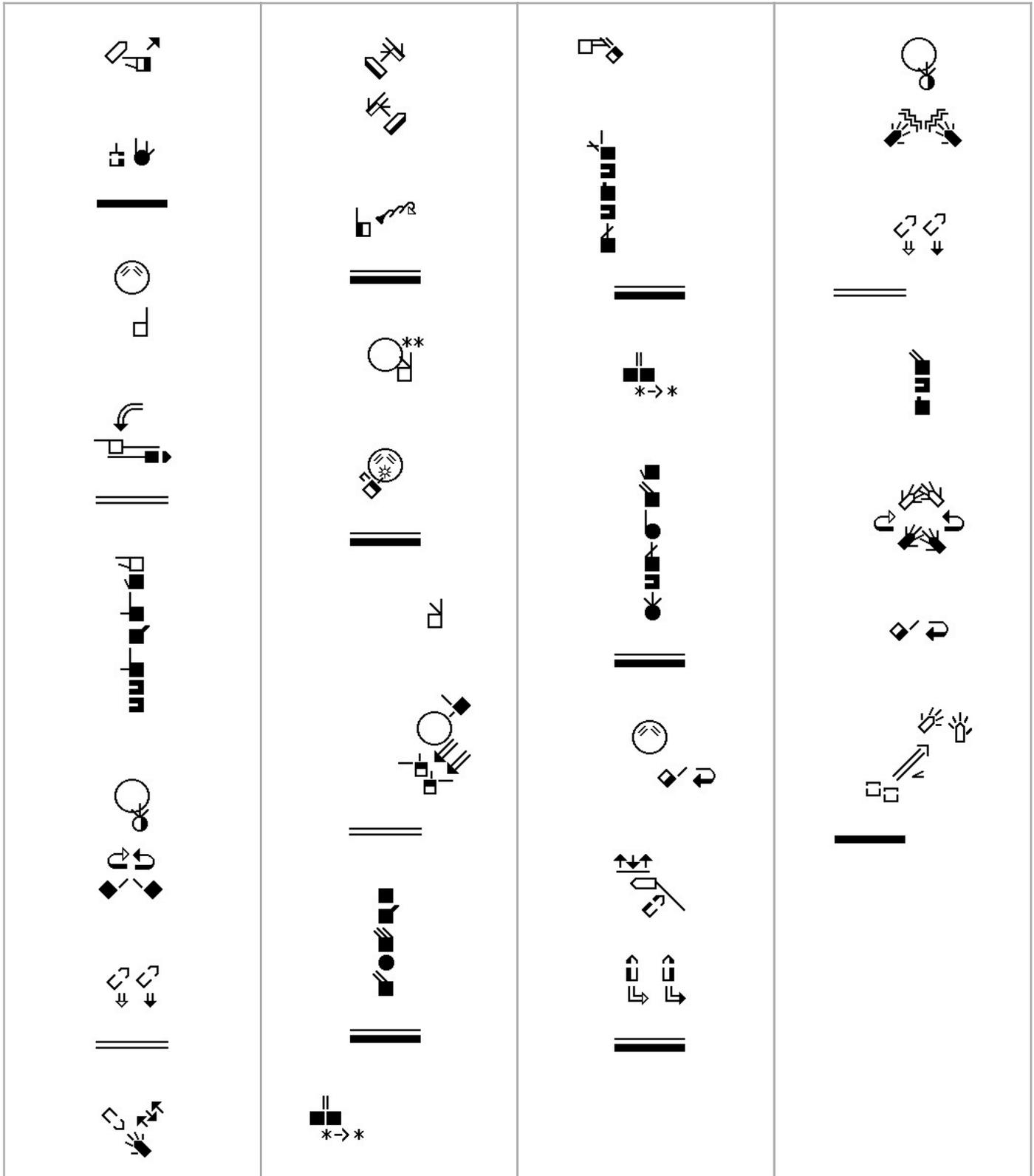
12 When Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he left Judea and returned to Galilee. 13 He went first to Nazareth, then left there and moved to Capernaum, beside the Sea of Galilee, in the region of Zebulun and Naphtali. NLT



the people who sat in darkness have seen a great light. And for those who lived in the land where death casts its shadow, a light has shined." 17 From then on Jesus began to preach, "Repent of your sins and turn to God, for the Kingdom of Heaven is near."

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Matthew 4:18

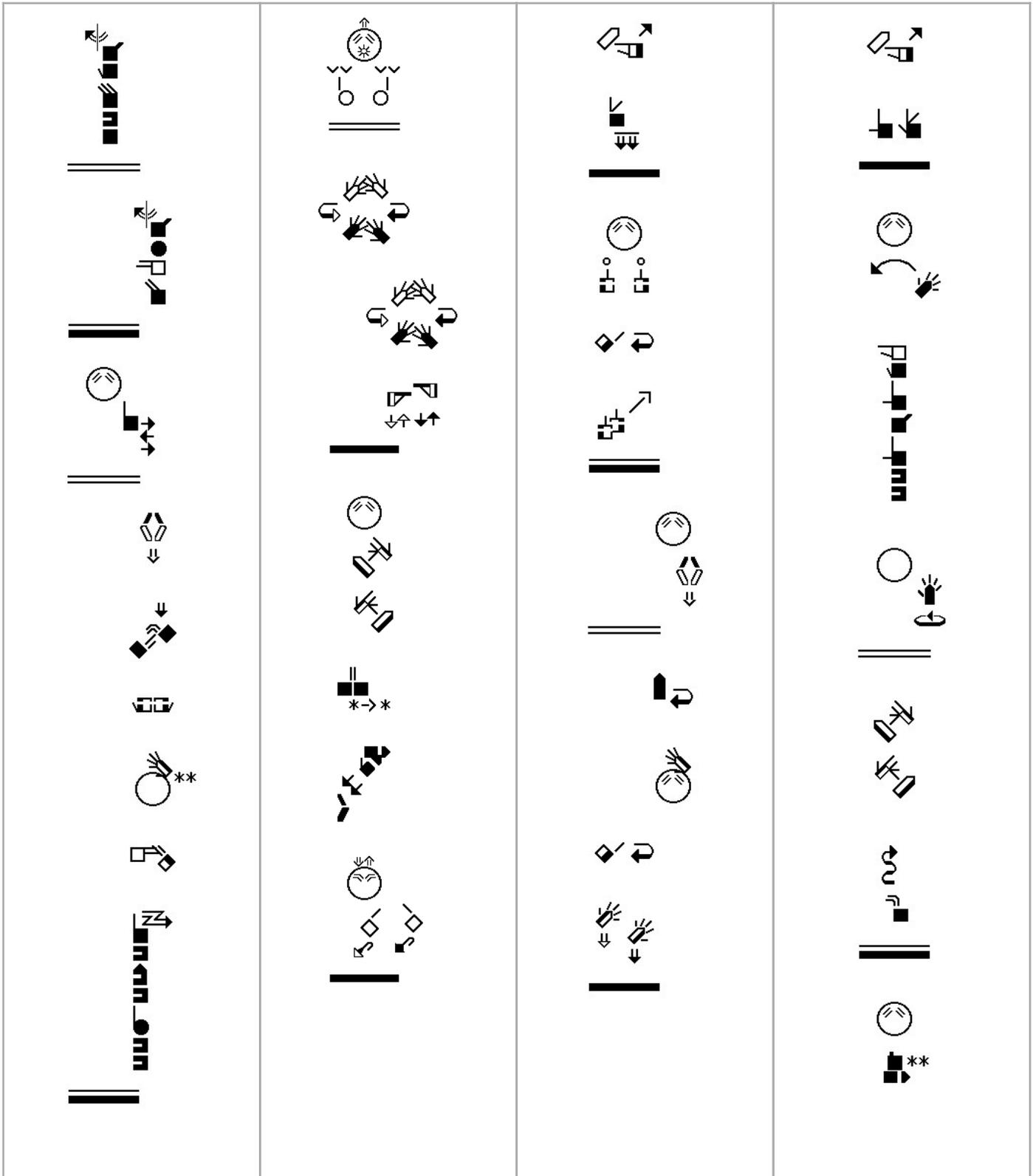


18 One day as Jesus was walking along the shore of the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers--Simon, also called Peter, and Andrew--throwing a net into the water, for they fished for a living. NLT

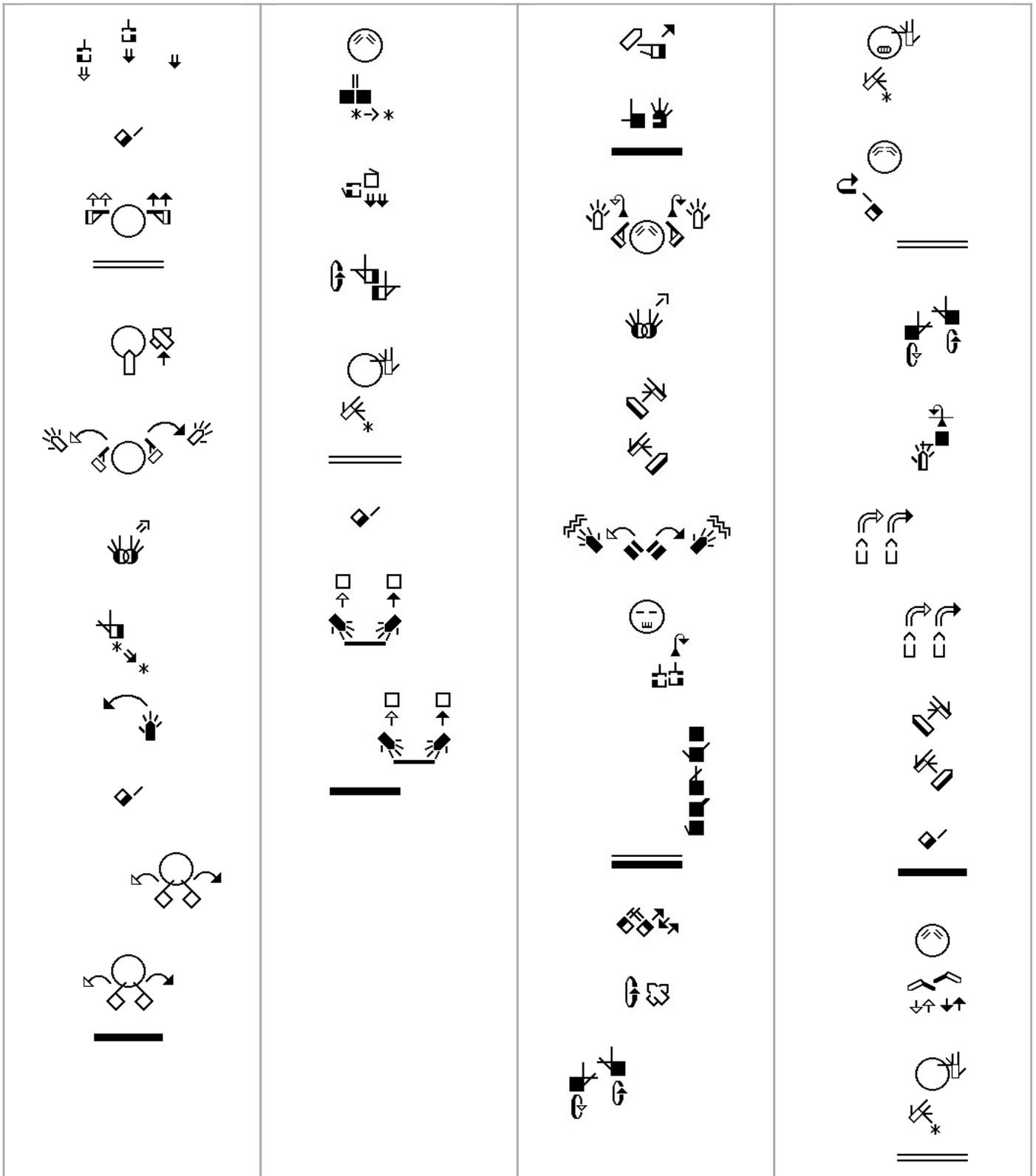
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19 Jesus called out to them, "Come, follow me, and I will show you how to fish for people!" 20 And they left their nets at once and followed him. 21 A little farther up the shore he saw two other brothers, NLT

Matthew 4:21-23



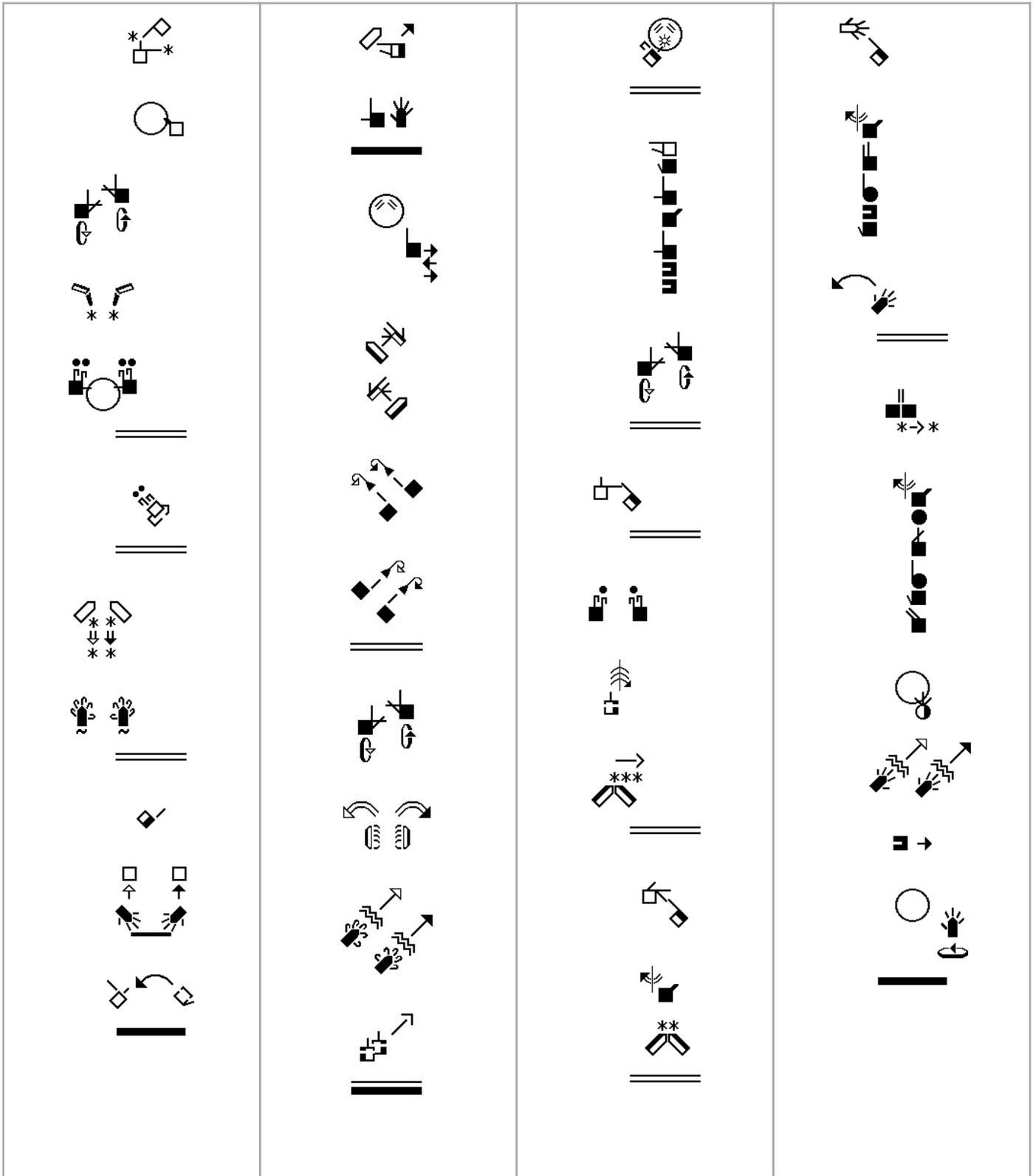
James and John, sitting in a boat with their father, Zebedee, repairing their nets. And he called them to come, too. 22 They immediately followed him, leaving the boat and their father behind. 23 Jesus traveled throughout the region of Galilee, NLT



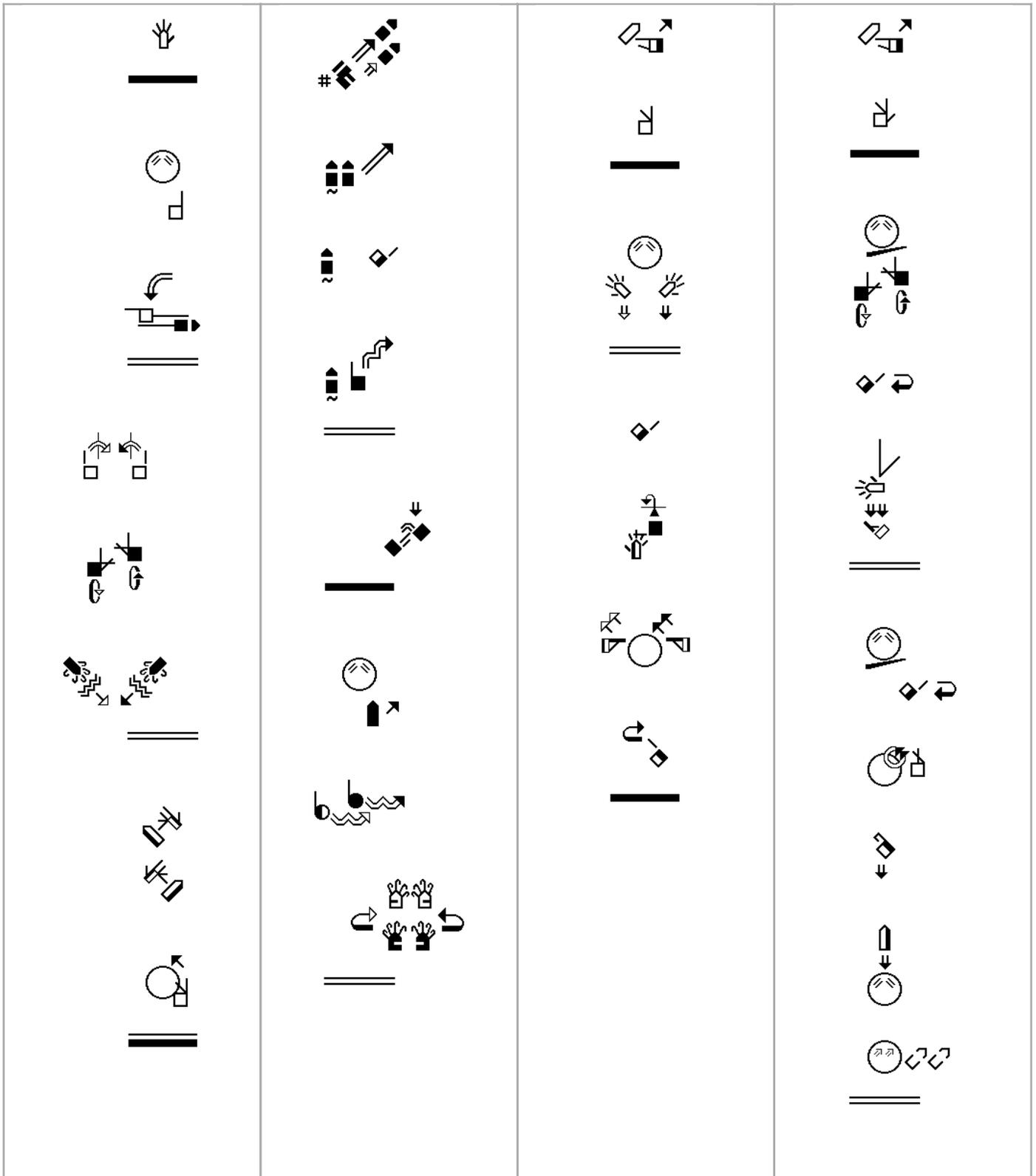
teaching in the synagogues and announcing the Good News about the Kingdom. And he healed every kind of disease and illness. 24 News about him spread as far as Syria, and people soon began bringing to him all who were sick. And whatever their sickness or disease,

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Matthew 4:24-25



or if they were demon-possessed or epileptic or paralyzed -- he healed them all. 25 Large crowds followed him wherever he went -- people from Galilee, the Ten Towns, Jerusalem, from all over Judea, and from east of the Jordan River. NLT



5. One day as he saw the crowds gathering, Jesus went up on the mountainside and sat down. His disciples gathered around him, 2 and he began to teach them. 3 "God blesses those who are poor and realize their need for him, NLT

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for they will inherit the whole earth. 6 God blesses those who hunger and thirst for justice, for they will be satisfied. 7 God blesses those who are merciful,

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Matthew 5:7-9

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for they will be called the children of God. 10 God blesses those who are persecuted for doing right, for the Kingdom of Heaven is theirs. 11 "God blesses you when people mock you and persecute you and lie

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Matthew 5:11-12

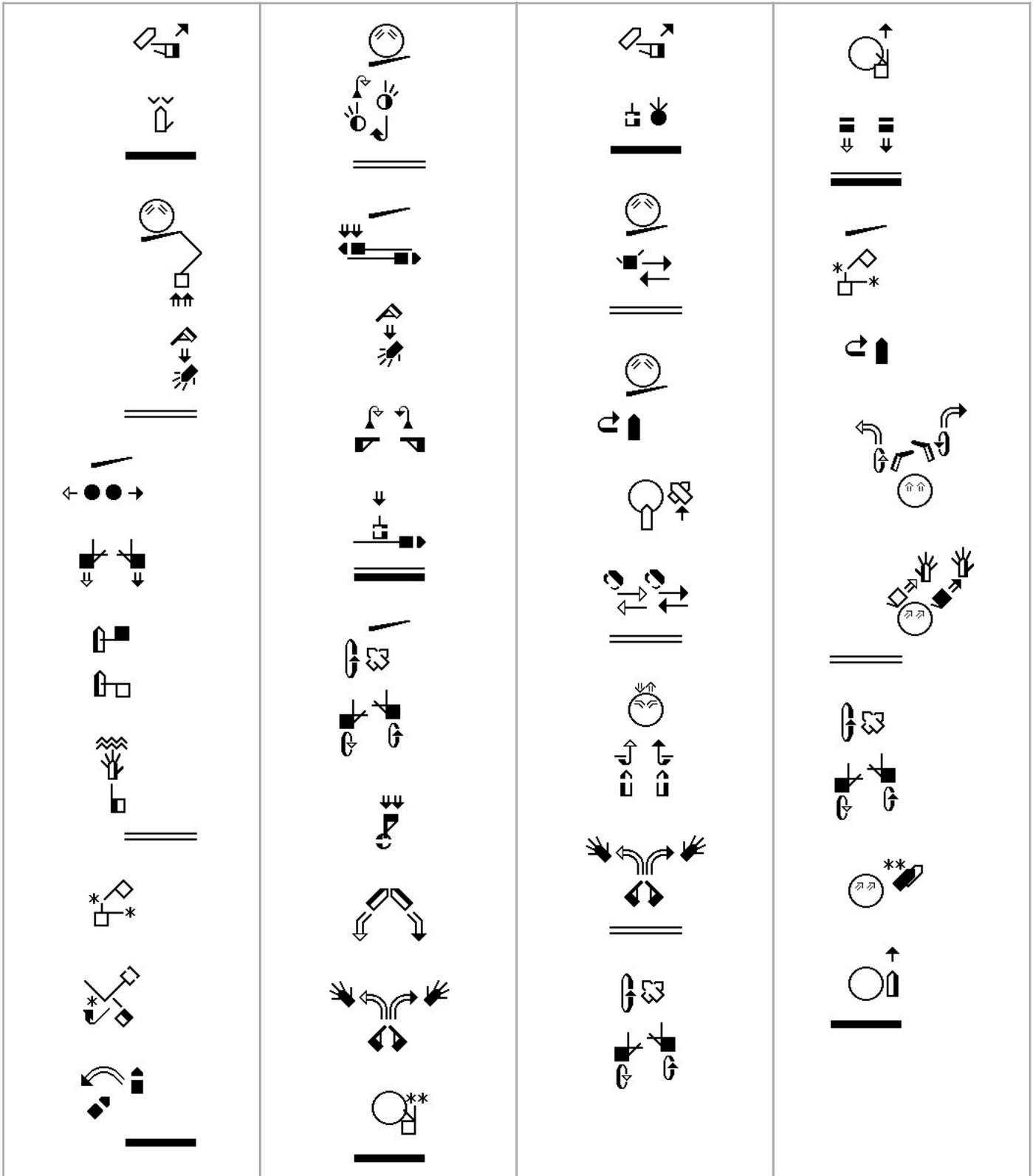
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about you and say all sorts of evil things against you because you are my followers.
 12. Be happy about it! Be very glad! For a great reward awaits you in heaven. And remember, the ancient prophets were persecuted in the same way. NLT

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13 "You are the salt of the earth. But what good is salt if it has lost its flavor? Can you make it salty again? It will be thrown out and trampled underfoot as worthless. 14 "You are the light of the world -- like a city on a hilltop that cannot be hidden. NLT

Matthew 5:15-16

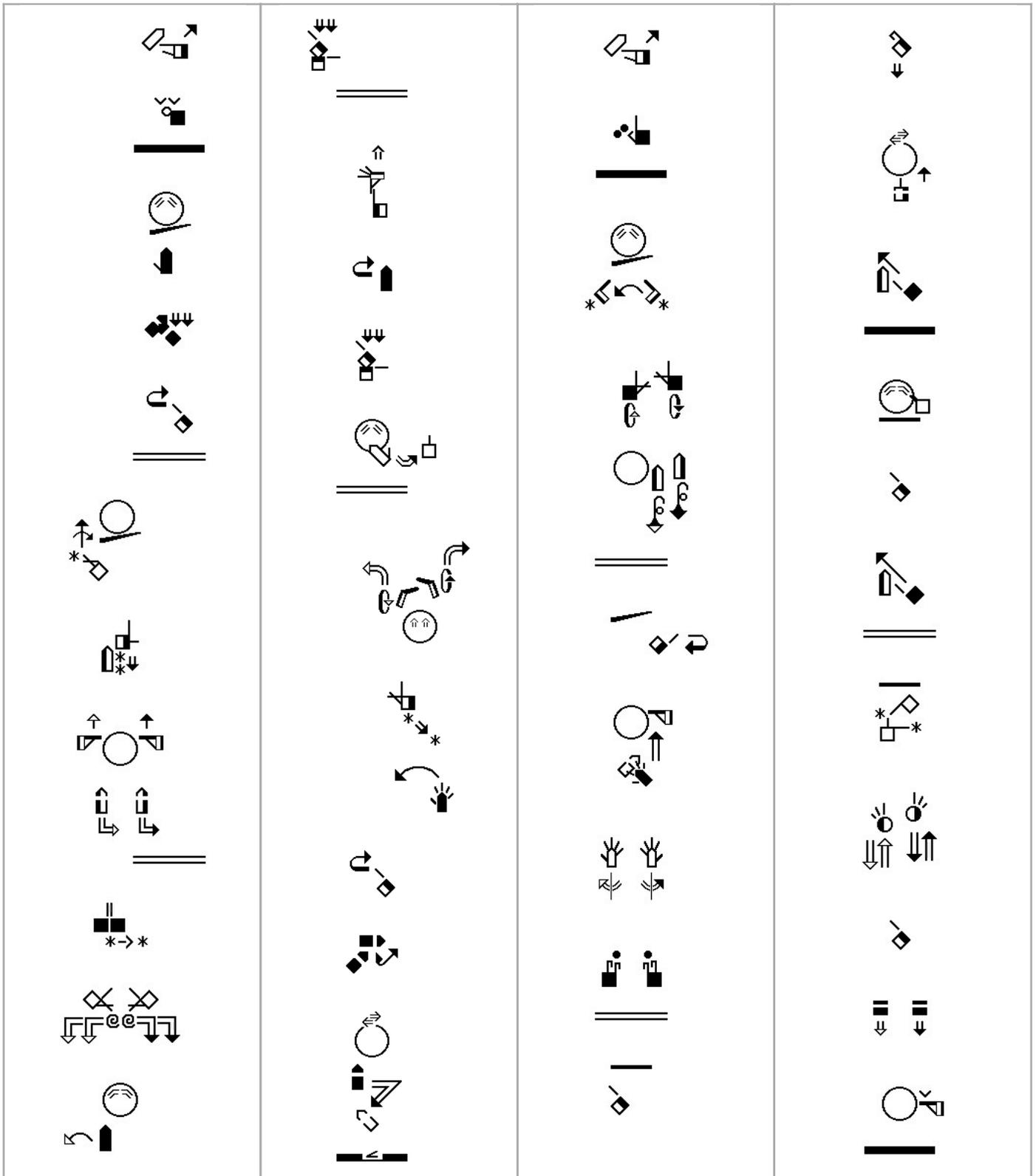


15 No one lights a lamp and then puts it under a basket. Instead, a lamp is placed on a stand, where it gives light to everyone in the house. 16 In the same way, let your good deeds shine out for all to see, so that everyone will praise your heavenly Father.
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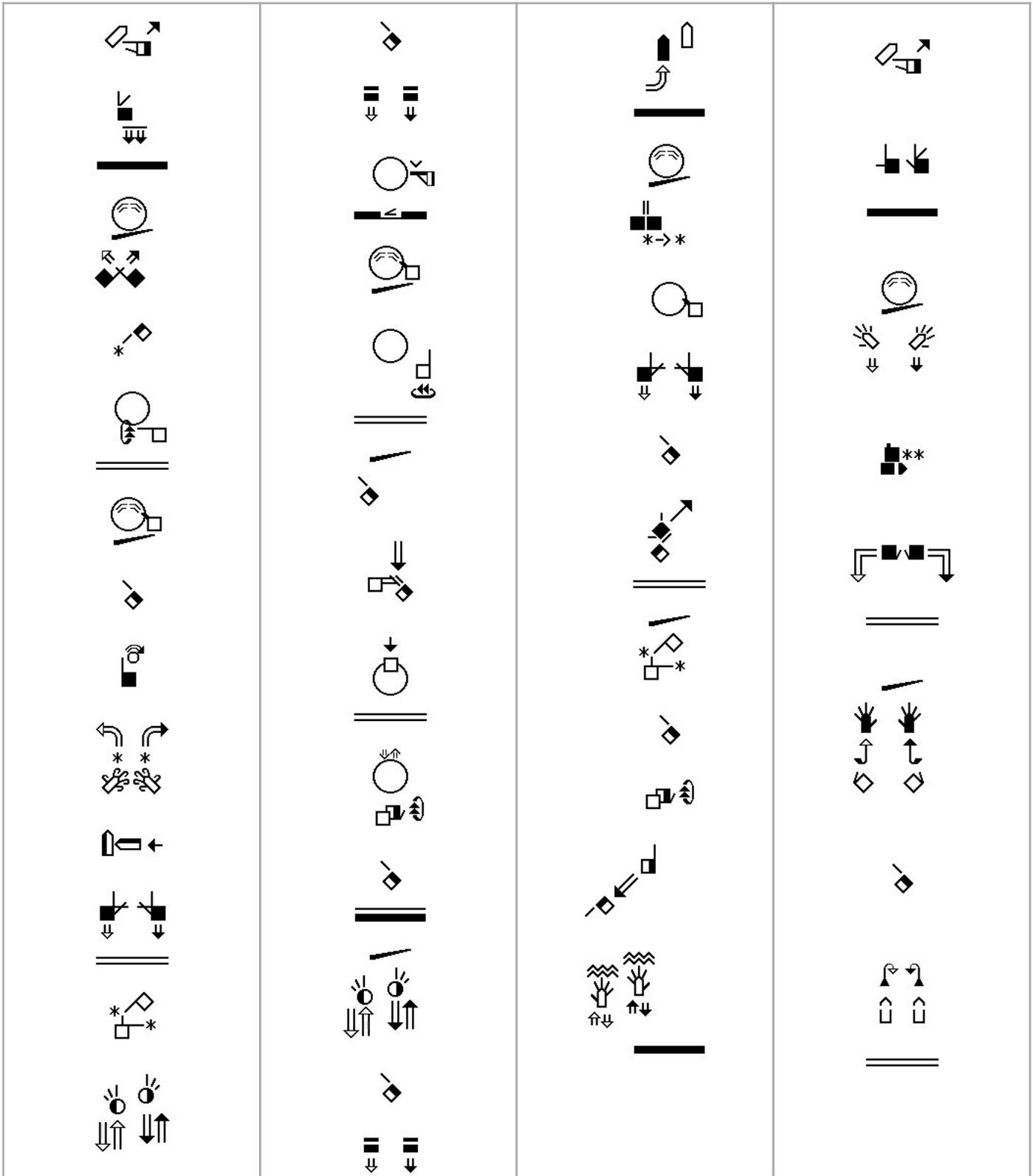
19 So if you ignore the least commandment and teach others to do the same, you will be called the least in the Kingdom of Heaven. But anyone who obeys God's laws and teaches them will be called great in the Kingdom of Heaven. NLT



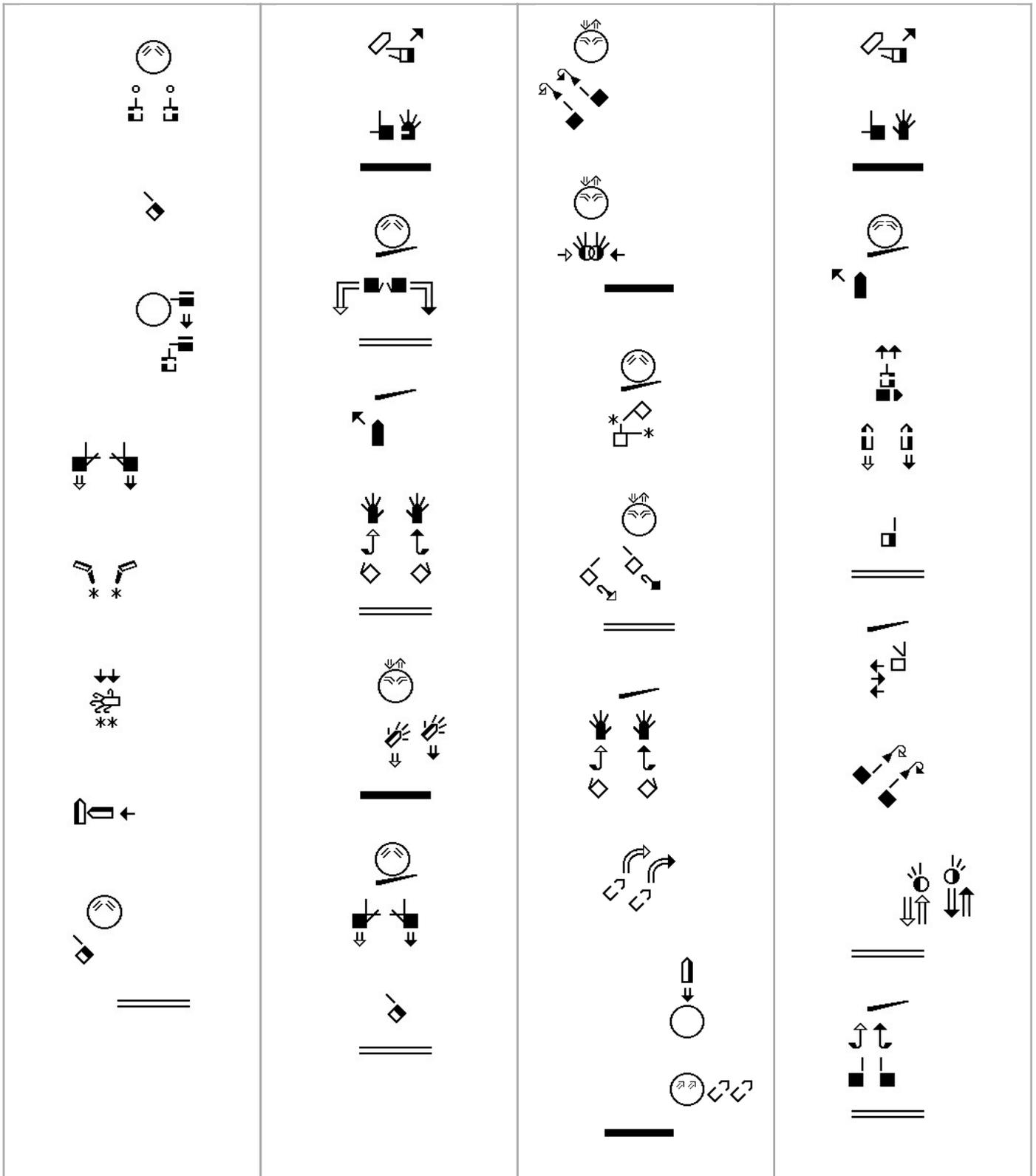
20 "But I warn you -- unless your righteousness is better than the righteousness of the teachers of religious law and the Pharisees, you will never enter the Kingdom of Heaven!
 21 "You have heard that our ancestors were told, 'You must not murder. If you commit murder, you are subject to judgment.'

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Matthew 5:22-23



22 But I say, if you are even angry with someone, you are subject to judgment! If you call someone an idiot, you are in danger of being brought before the court. And if you curse someone, you are in danger of the fires of hell. 23 "So if you are presenting a sacrifice at the altar in the Temple NLT



and you suddenly remember that someone has something against you, 24 leave your sacrifice there at the altar. Go and be reconciled to that person. Then come and offer your sacrifice to God. 25 "When you are on the way to court with your adversary, NLT

Matthew 5:25-26

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settle your differences quickly. Otherwise, your accuser may hand you over to the judge, who will hand you over to an officer, and you will be thrown into prison. 26 And if that happens, you surely won't be free again until you have paid the last penny. NLT

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Matthew 5:29-30

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causes you to lust, gouge it out and throw it away. It is better for you to lose one part of your body than for your whole body to be thrown into hell. 30 And if your hand -- even your stronger hand -- causes you to sin, cut it off and throw it away. It is better for you to lose one part of your body NLT

<p>Sign language sequence for Matthew 5:30-32, column 1. It includes signs for 'eye', 'hell', 'law', 'man', 'divorce', 'wife', 'written notice', 'divorce', 'I say', 'man', 'divorces', 'wife', 'unless', 'whole body', 'thrown', 'hell', 'You have heard', 'law', 'man', 'divorce', 'wife', 'merely', 'giving', 'her', 'written notice', 'divorce', 'I say', 'man', 'divorces', 'wife', 'unless', 'whole body', 'thrown', 'hell'.</p>	<p>Sign language sequence for Matthew 5:30-32, column 2. It includes signs for 'eye', 'hell', 'law', 'man', 'divorce', 'wife', 'written notice', 'divorce', 'I say', 'man', 'divorces', 'wife', 'unless', 'whole body', 'thrown', 'hell', 'You have heard', 'law', 'man', 'divorce', 'wife', 'merely', 'giving', 'her', 'written notice', 'divorce', 'I say', 'man', 'divorces', 'wife', 'unless', 'whole body', 'thrown', 'hell'.</p>	<p>Sign language sequence for Matthew 5:30-32, column 3. It includes signs for 'eye', 'hell', 'law', 'man', 'divorce', 'wife', 'written notice', 'divorce', 'I say', 'man', 'divorces', 'wife', 'unless', 'whole body', 'thrown', 'hell', 'You have heard', 'law', 'man', 'divorce', 'wife', 'merely', 'giving', 'her', 'written notice', 'divorce', 'I say', 'man', 'divorces', 'wife', 'unless', 'whole body', 'thrown', 'hell'.</p>	<p>Sign language sequence for Matthew 5:30-32, column 4. It includes signs for 'eye', 'hell', 'law', 'man', 'divorce', 'wife', 'written notice', 'divorce', 'I say', 'man', 'divorces', 'wife', 'unless', 'whole body', 'thrown', 'hell', 'You have heard', 'law', 'man', 'divorce', 'wife', 'merely', 'giving', 'her', 'written notice', 'divorce', 'I say', 'man', 'divorces', 'wife', 'unless', 'whole body', 'thrown', 'hell'.</p>
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than for your whole body to be thrown into hell. 31 "You have heard the law that says, 'A man can divorce his wife by merely giving her a written notice of divorce.' 32 But I say that a man who divorces his wife, unless

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Anything beyond this is from the evil one. 38 "You have heard the law that says the punishment must match the injury: 'An eye for an eye, and a tooth for a tooth.' 39 But I say, do not resist an evil person!
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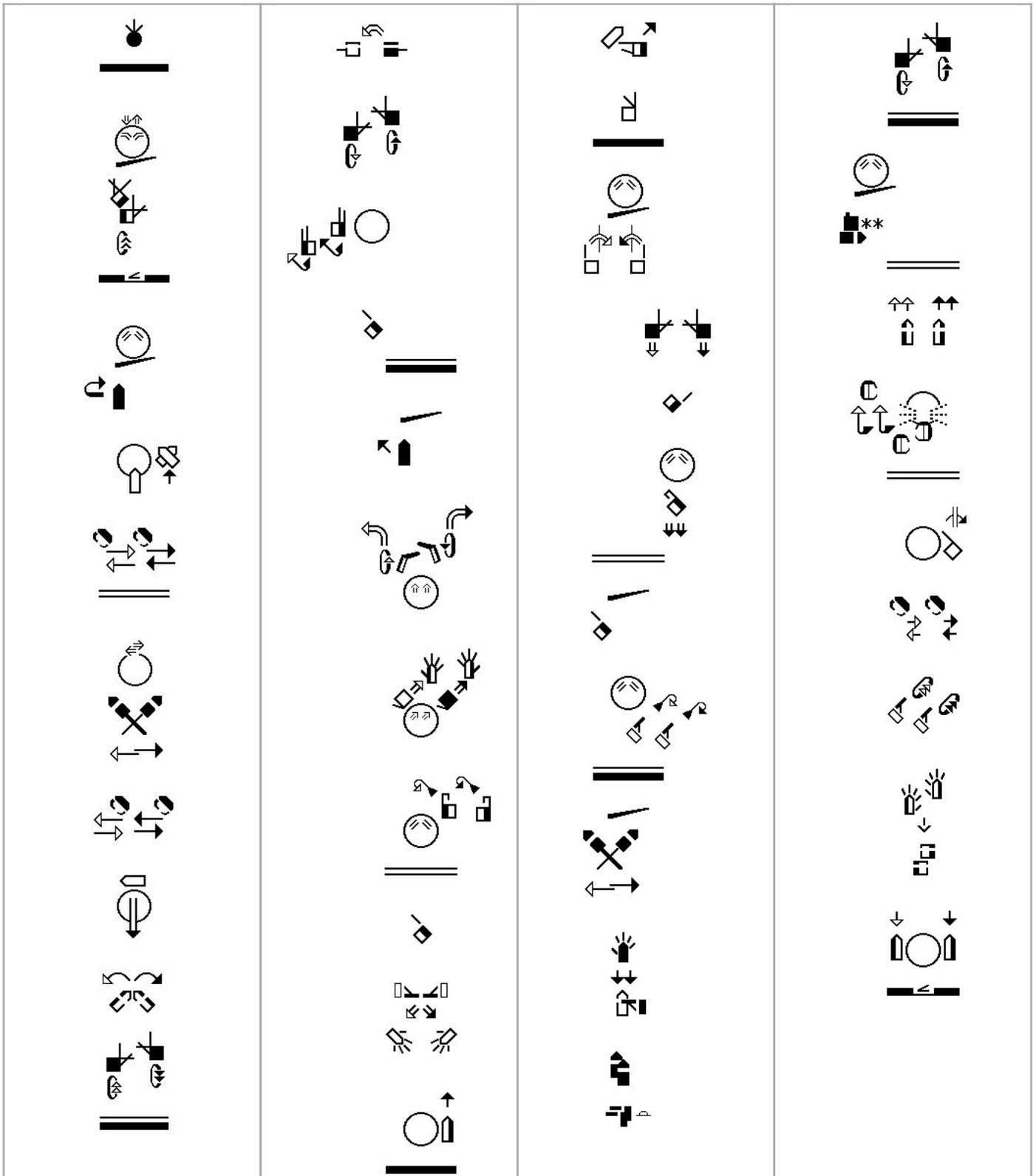
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carry it two miles. 42 Give to those who ask, and don't turn away from those who want to borrow. 43 "You have heard the law that says, 'Love your neighbor' and hate your enemy. NLT

Matthew 5:47-48

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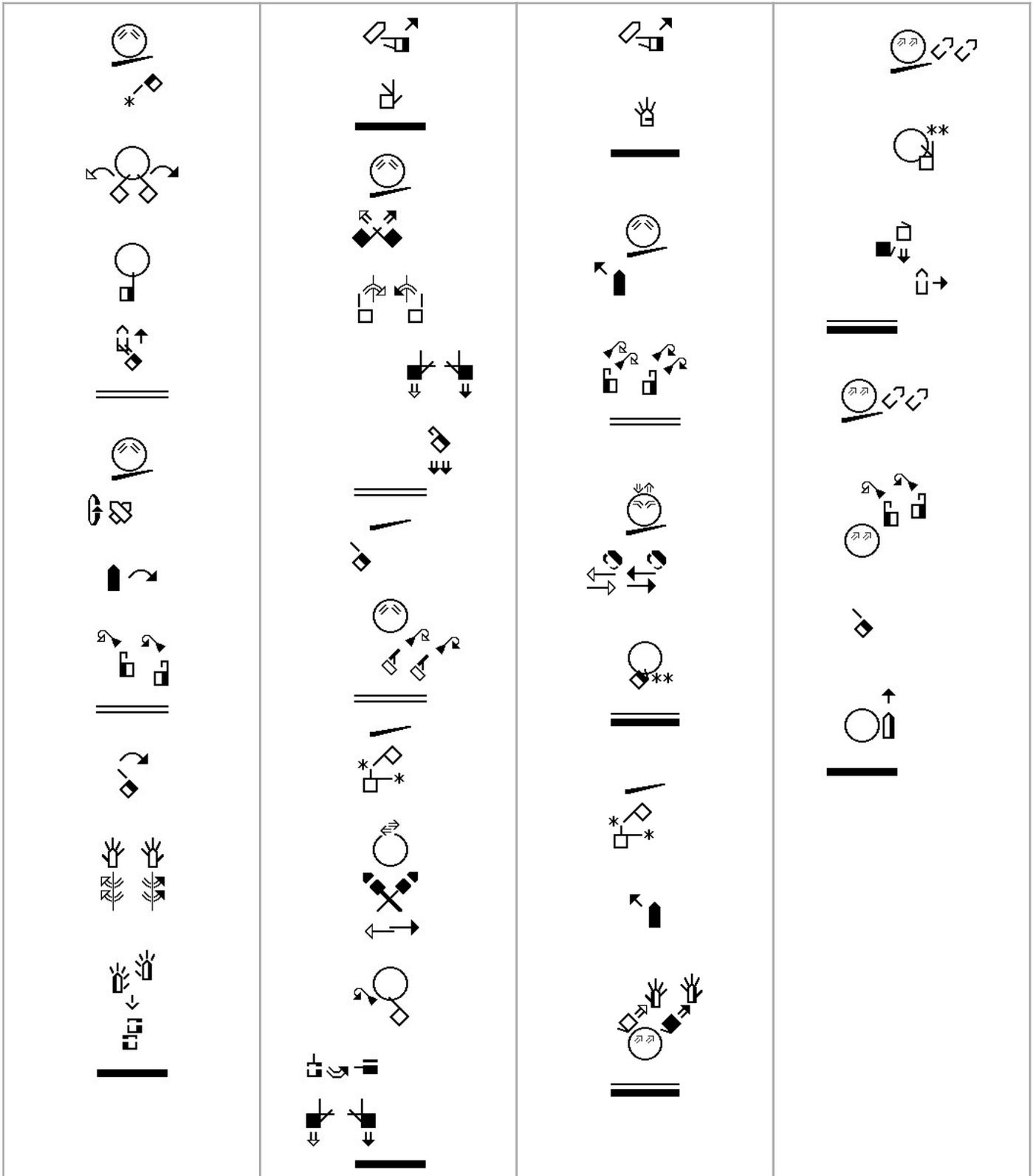
how are you different from anyone else? Even pagans do that. 48 But you are to be perfect, even as your Father in heaven is perfect.



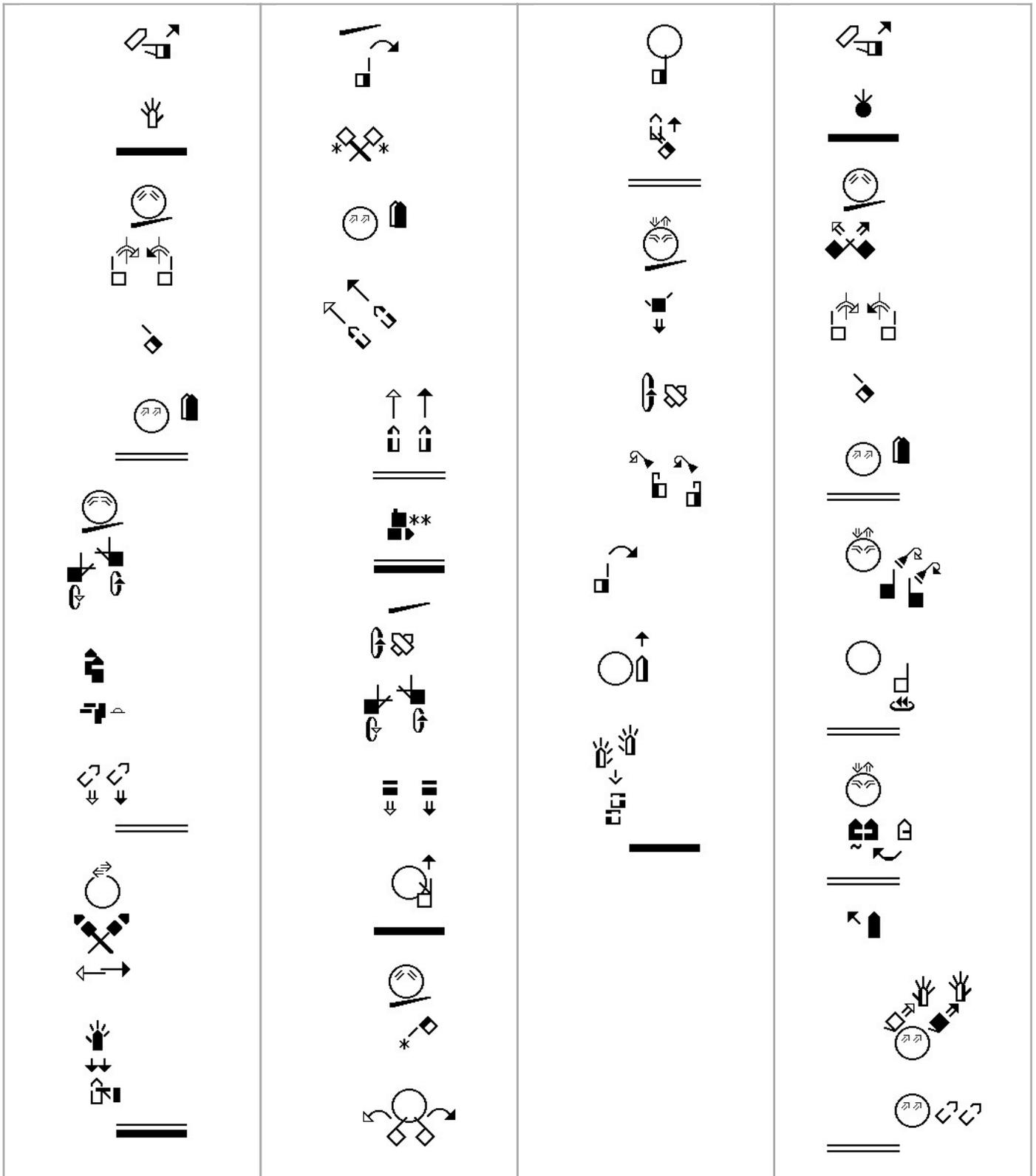
6 "Watch out! Don't do your good deeds publicly, to be admired by others, for you will lose the reward from your Father in heaven. 2 When you give to someone in need, don't do as the hypocrites do -- blowing trumpets in the synagogues and streets to call attention to their acts of charity!

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Matthew 6:2-4



I tell you the truth, they have received all the reward they will ever get. 3 But when you give to someone in need, don't let your left hand know what your right hand is doing. 4 Give your gifts in private, and your Father, who sees everything, will reward you. NLT



5 "When you pray, don't be like the hypocrites who love to pray publicly on street corners and in the synagogues where everyone can see them. I tell you the truth, that is all the reward they will ever get. 6 But when you pray, go away by yourself, shut the door behind you,

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8 Don't be like them, for your Father knows exactly what you need even before you ask him! 9 Pray like this: Our Father in heaven, may your name be kept holy. NLT

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have forgiven those who sin against us. 13 And don't let us yield to temptation, but rescue us from the evil one. 14 "If you forgive those who sin against you, your heavenly Father will forgive you. NLT

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so people will admire them for their fasting. I tell you the truth, that is the only reward they will ever get. 17 But when you fast, comb your hair and wash your face. 18 Then no one will notice that you are fasting, except your Father,

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Matthew 6:18-19

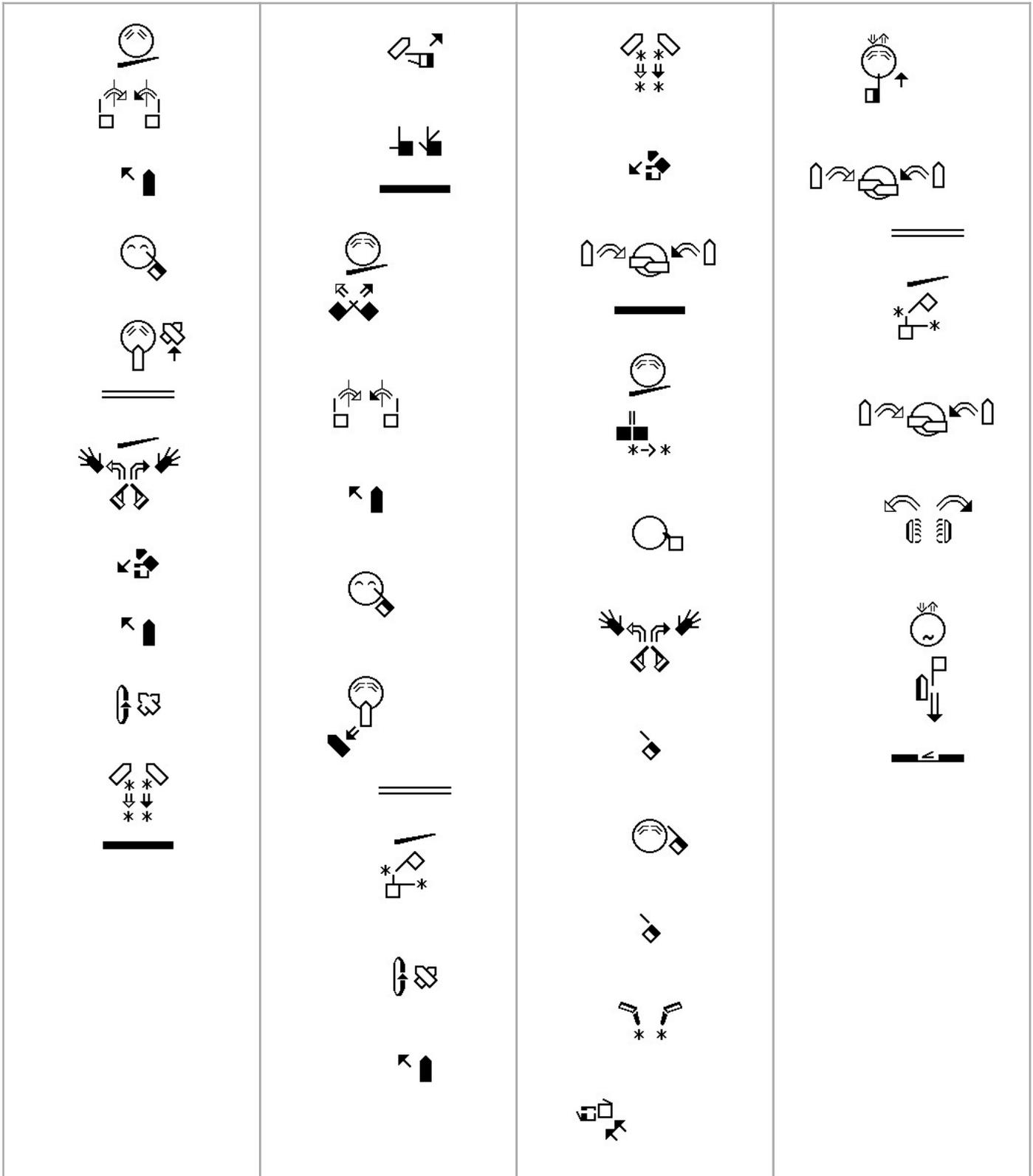
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who knows what you do in private. And your Father, who sees everything, will reward you. 19 "Don't store up treasures here on earth, where moths eat them and rust destroys them, and where thieves break in and steal. NLT

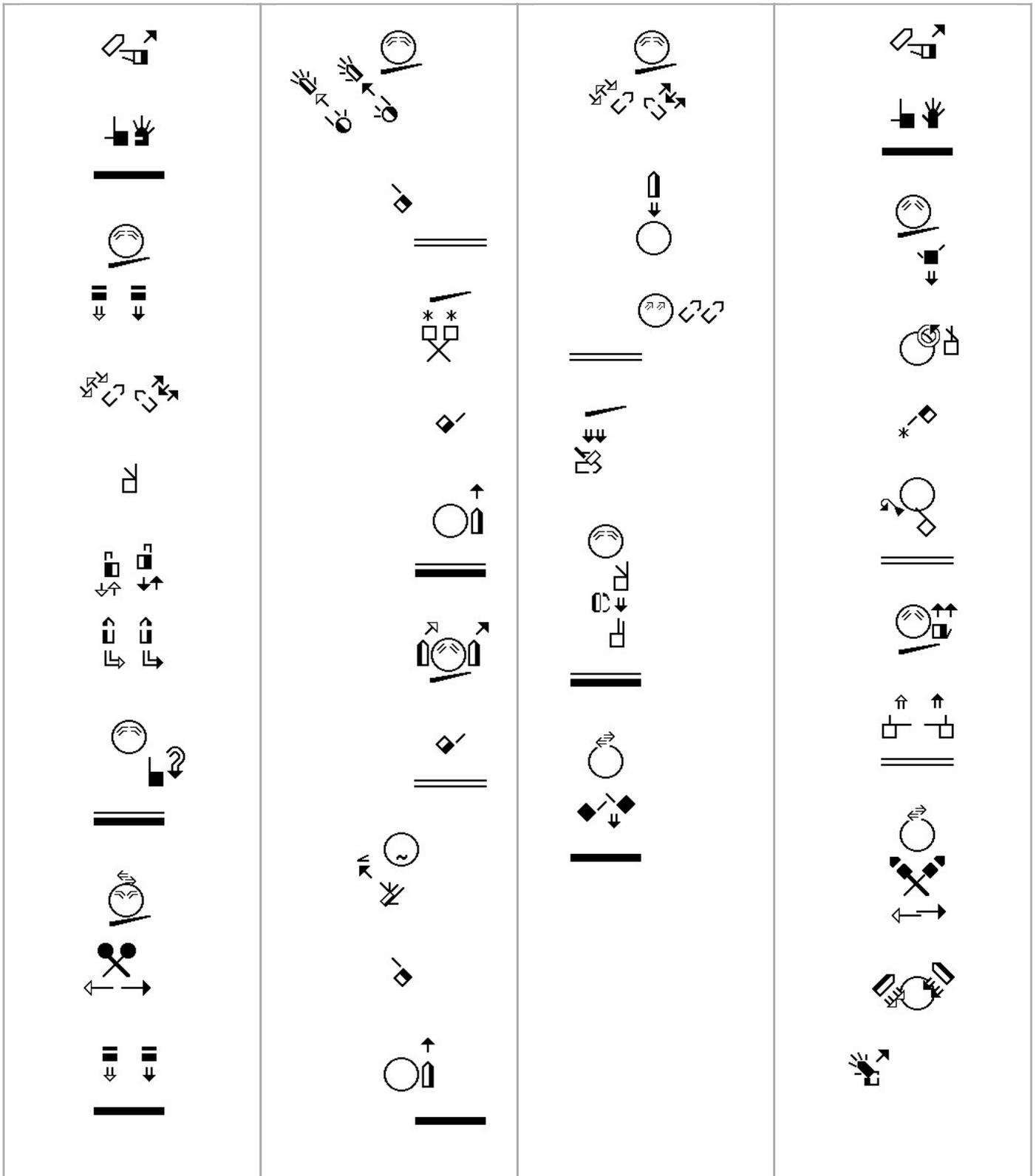
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20 Store your treasures in heaven, where moths and rust cannot destroy, and thieves do not break in and steal. 21 Wherever your treasure is, there the desires of your heart will also be. 22 "Your eye is a lamp that provides light for your body. NLT

Matthew 6:22-23

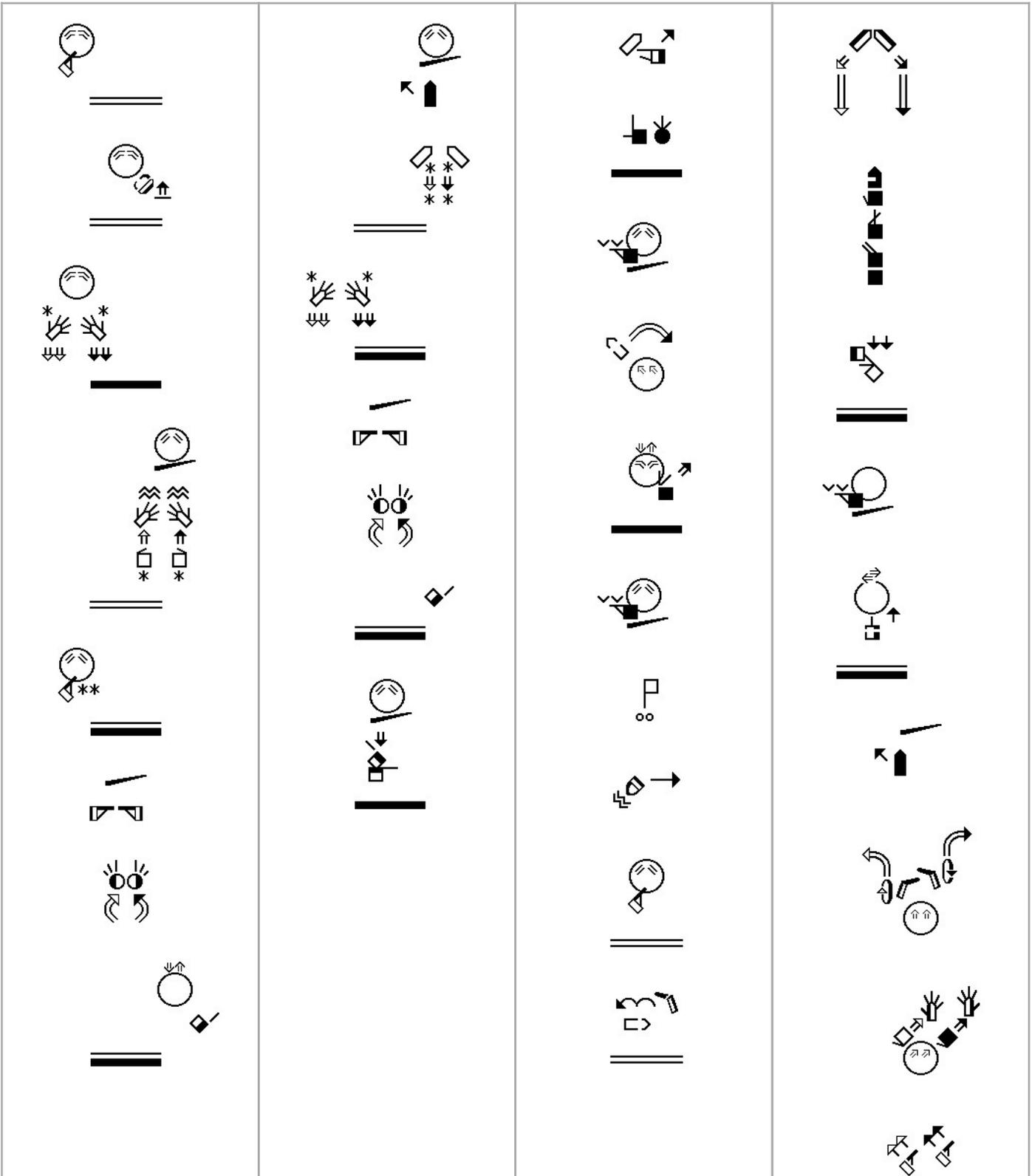


When your eye is good, your whole body is filled with light. 23 But when your eye is bad, your whole body is filled with darkness. And if the light you think you have is actually darkness, how deep that darkness is!

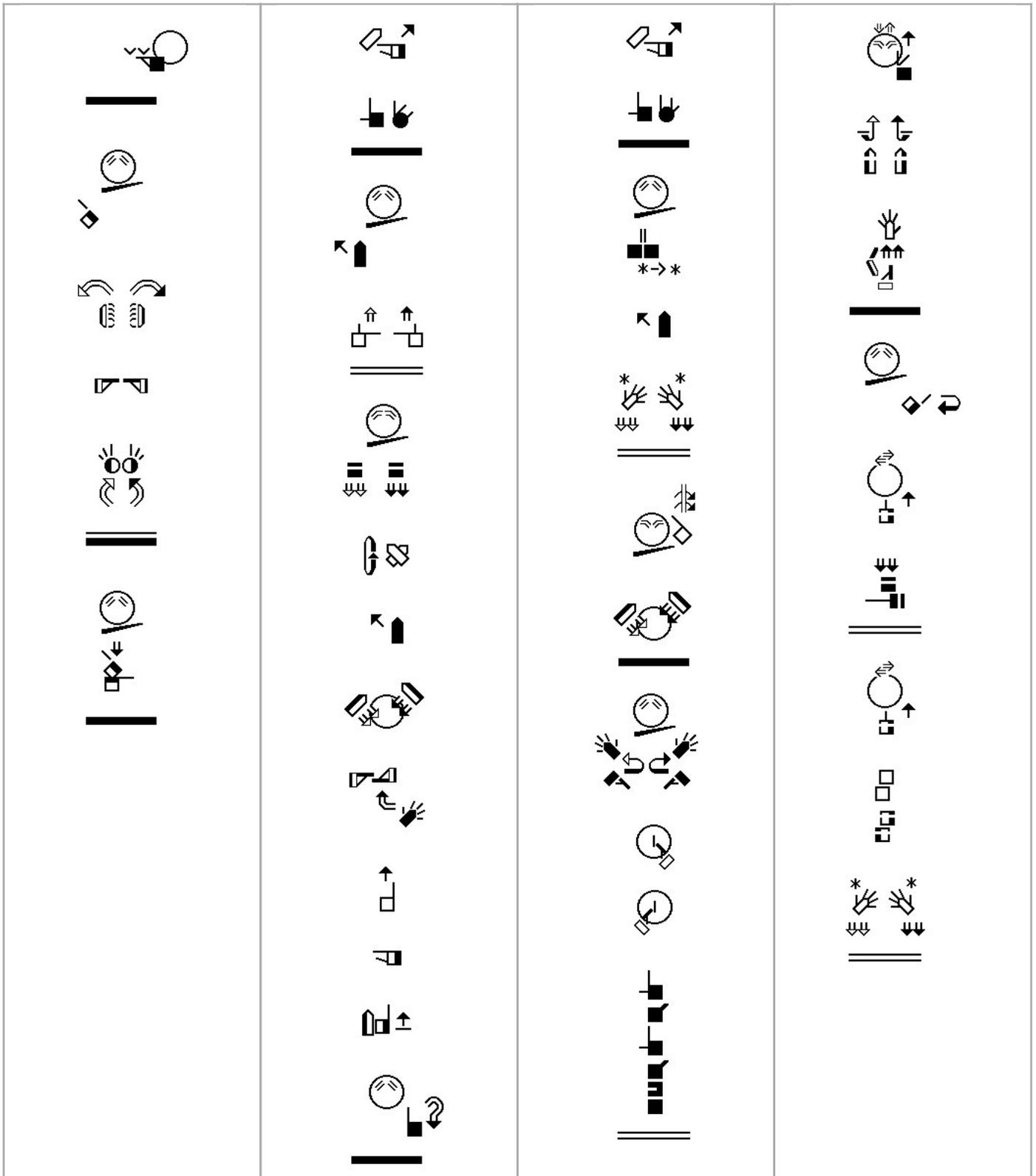


24 "No one can serve two masters. For you will hate one and love the other; you will be devote to one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and money. 25 "That is why I tell you not to worry about everyday life -- whether you have enough NLT

Matthew 6:25-26



food and drink, or enough clothes to wear. Isn't life more than food, and your body more than clothing? 26 Look at the birds. They don't plant or harvest or store food in barns, for your heavenly Father feeds them. NLT



them. And aren't you far more valuable to him than they are? 27 Can all your worries add a single moment to your life? 28 "And why worry about your clothing? Look at the lilies of the field and how they grow. They don't work or make their clothing,

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Matthew 6:29-30

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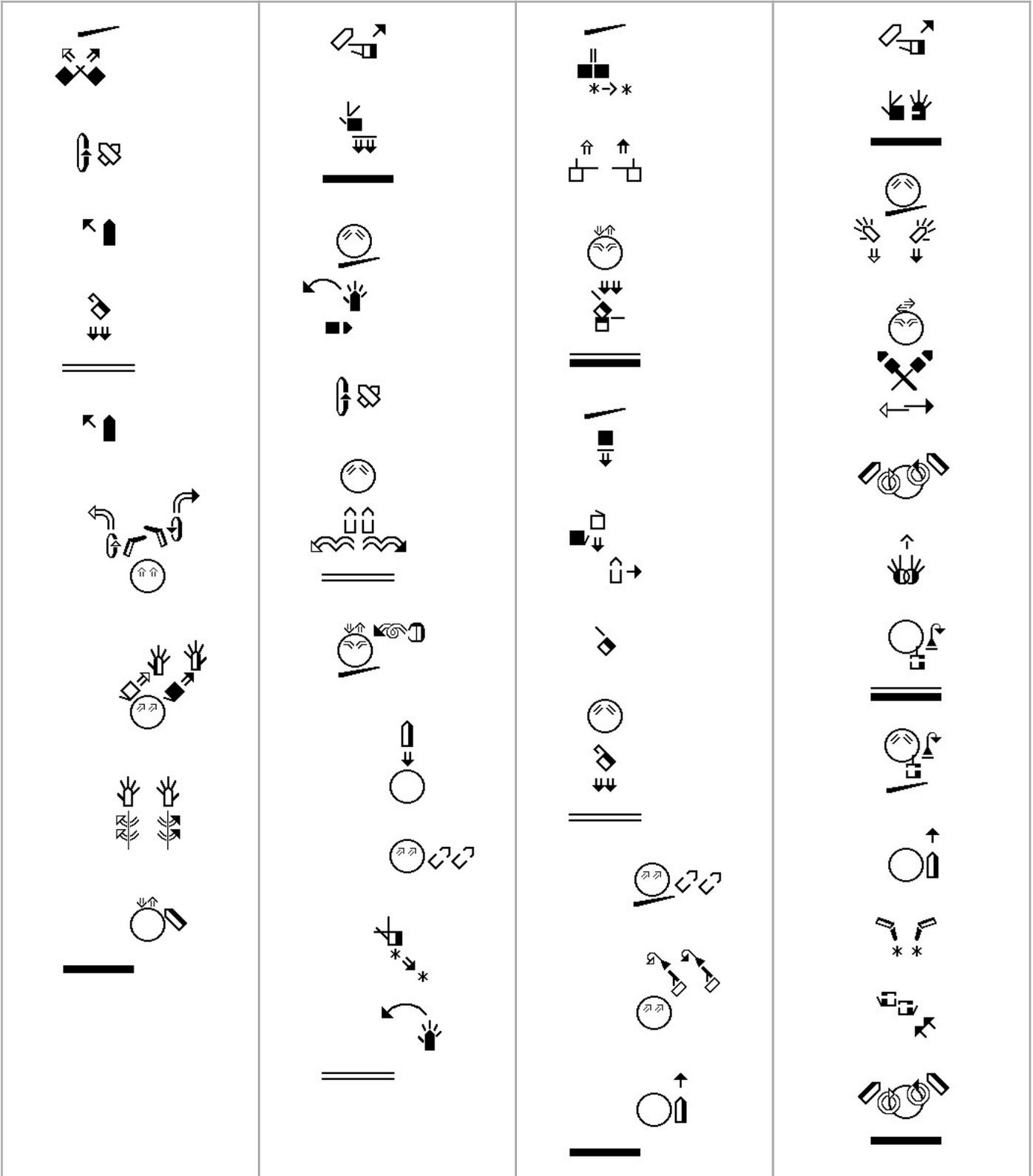
29 yet Solomon in all his glory was not dressed as beautifully as they are. 30 And if God cares so wonderfully for wildflowers that are here today and thrown into the fire tomorrow, he

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will certainly care for you. Why do you have so little faith? 31 "So don't worry about these things, saying, 'What will we eat? What will we drink? What will we wear?' 32 These things dominate the thoughts of unbelievers,

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Matthew 6:32-34

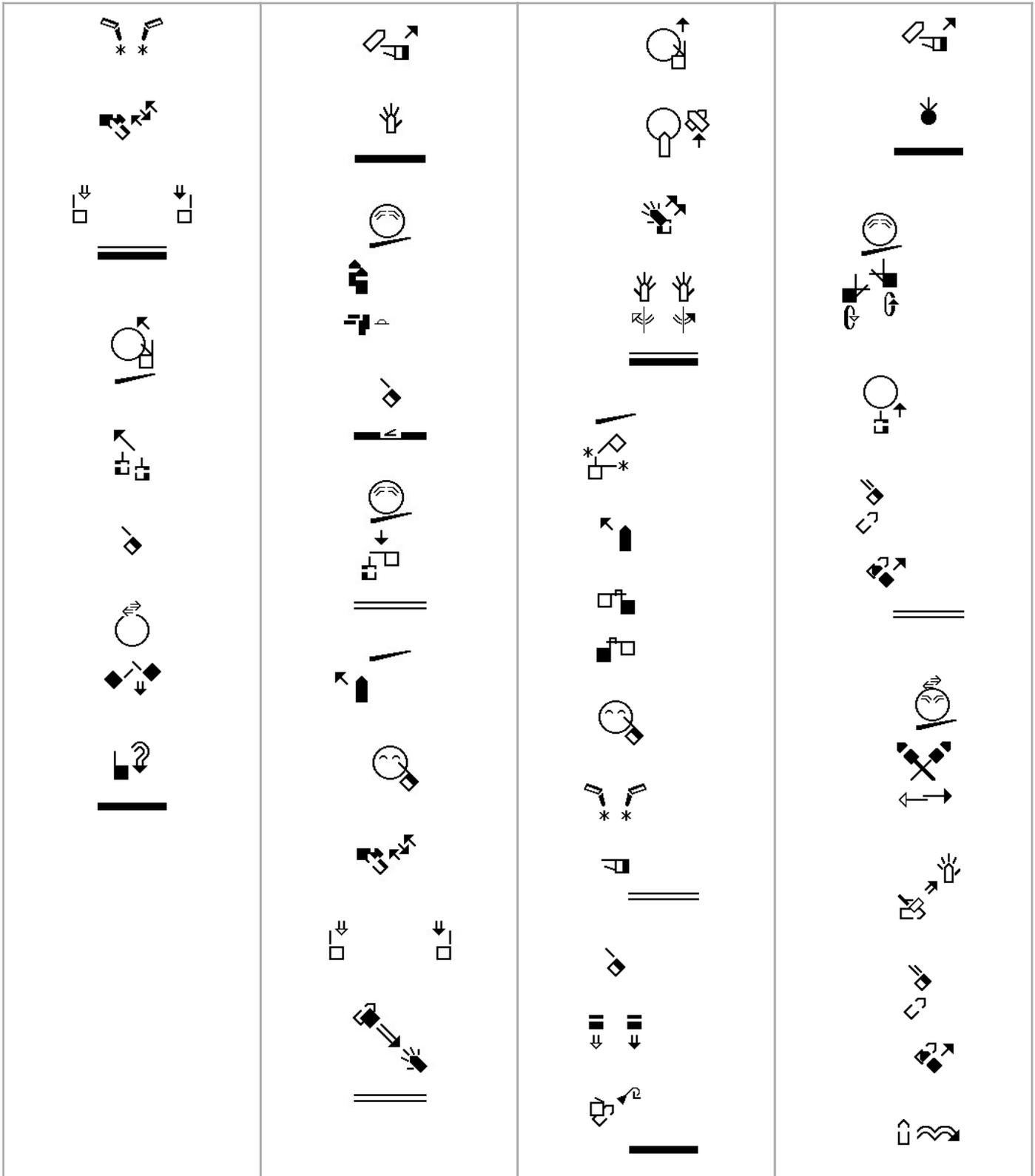


but your heavenly Father already knows all your needs. 33 Seek the Kingdom of God above all else, and live righteously, and he will give you everything you need. 34 "So don't worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will bring its own worries. NLT

Matthew 7:3-4

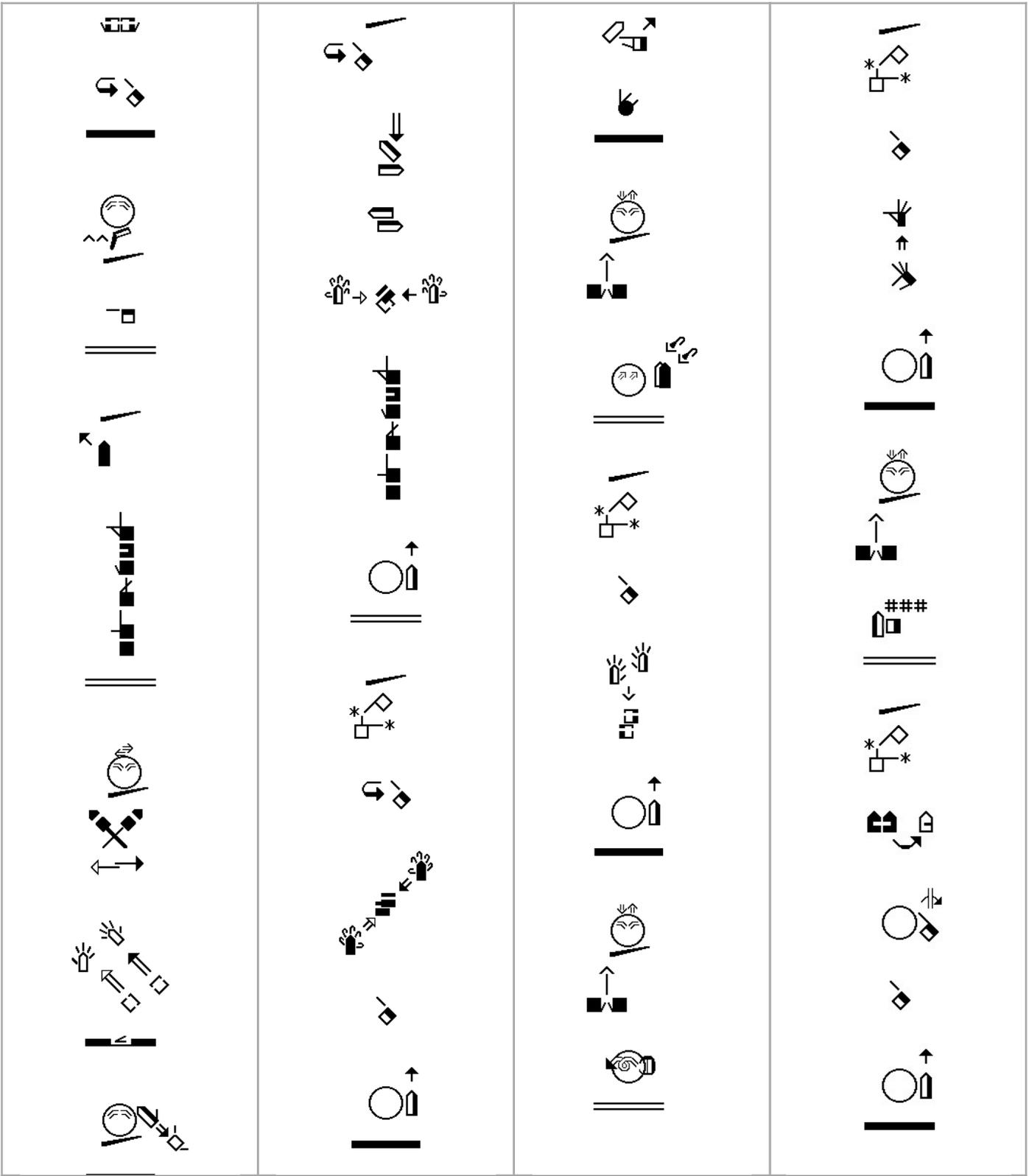
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3 "And why worry about a speck in your friend's eye when you have a log in your own? 4 How can you think of saying to your friend, 'Let me help you get rid of that speck in your eye,' when NLT

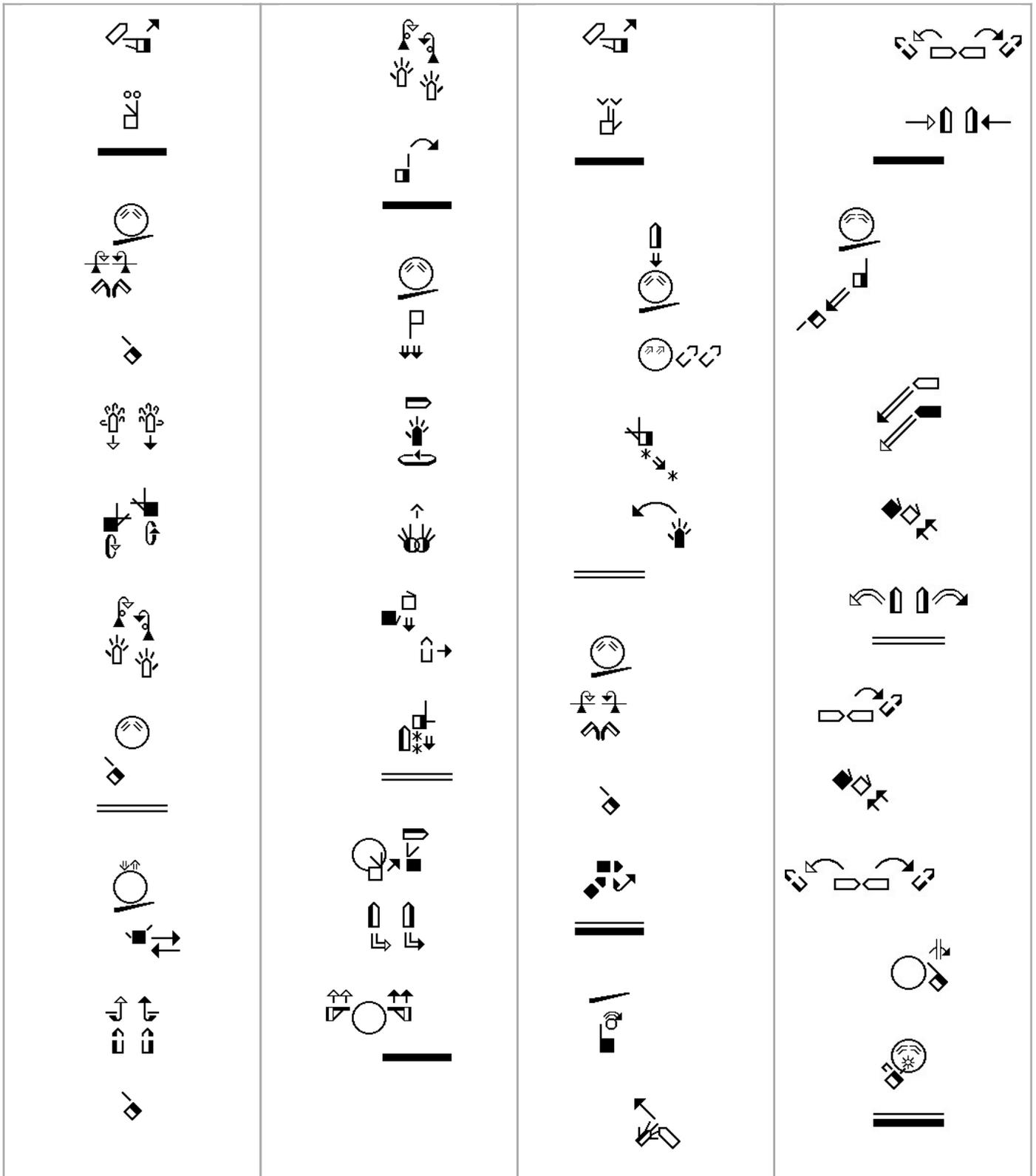


can't see past the log in your own eye? 5 Hypocrite! First get rid of the log in your own eye; you will see well enough to deal with the speck in your friend's eye. 6 "Don't waste what is holy on people who are unholy. NLT

Matthew 7:6-7



Don't throw your pearls to pigs! They will trample the pearls, then turn and attack you. 7
 "Keep on asking, and you will receive what you ask for. Keep on seeking, and you
 will find. Keep on knocking, and the door will be opened to you. NLT



12 "Do to others whatever you would like them to do to you. This is the essence of all that is taught in the law and the prophets. 13 "You can enter God's Kingdom only through the narrow gate. The highway to hell is broad, and its gate is wide for

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Matthew 7:13-15

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104 the many who choose that way. 14 But the gateway to life is very narrow and the road is difficult, and only a few ever find it. 15 "Beware of false prophets who come disguised NLT

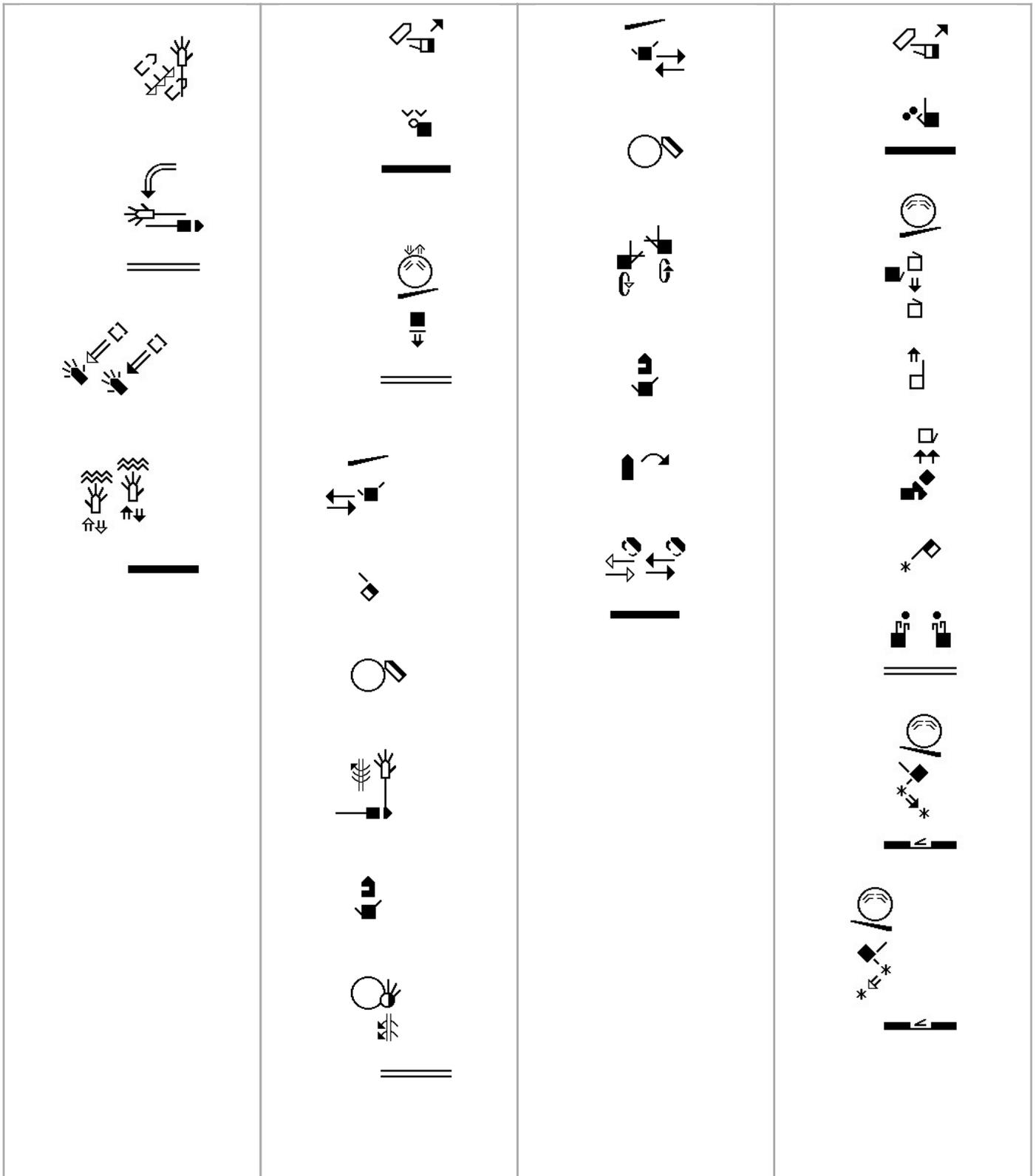
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as harmless sheep but are really vicious wolves. 16 You can identify them by their fruit, that is by the way they act. Can you pick grapes from thorn bushes, or figs from thistles? NLT

Matthew 7:17-19

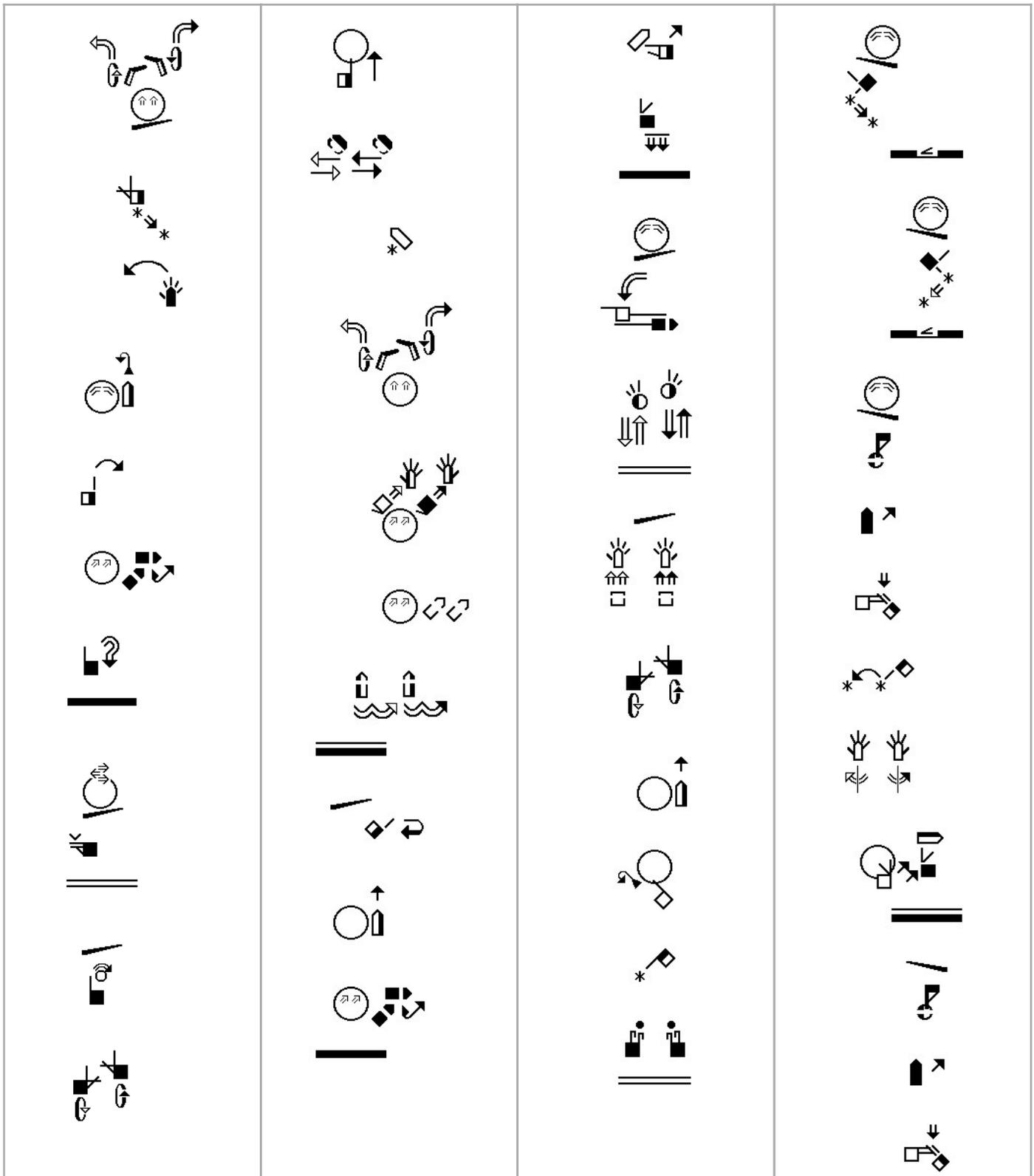
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17 A good tree produces good fruit, and a bad tree produces bad fruit. 18 A good tree can't produce bad fruit, and a bad tree can't produce good fruit. 19 So every tree that does not produce good fruit
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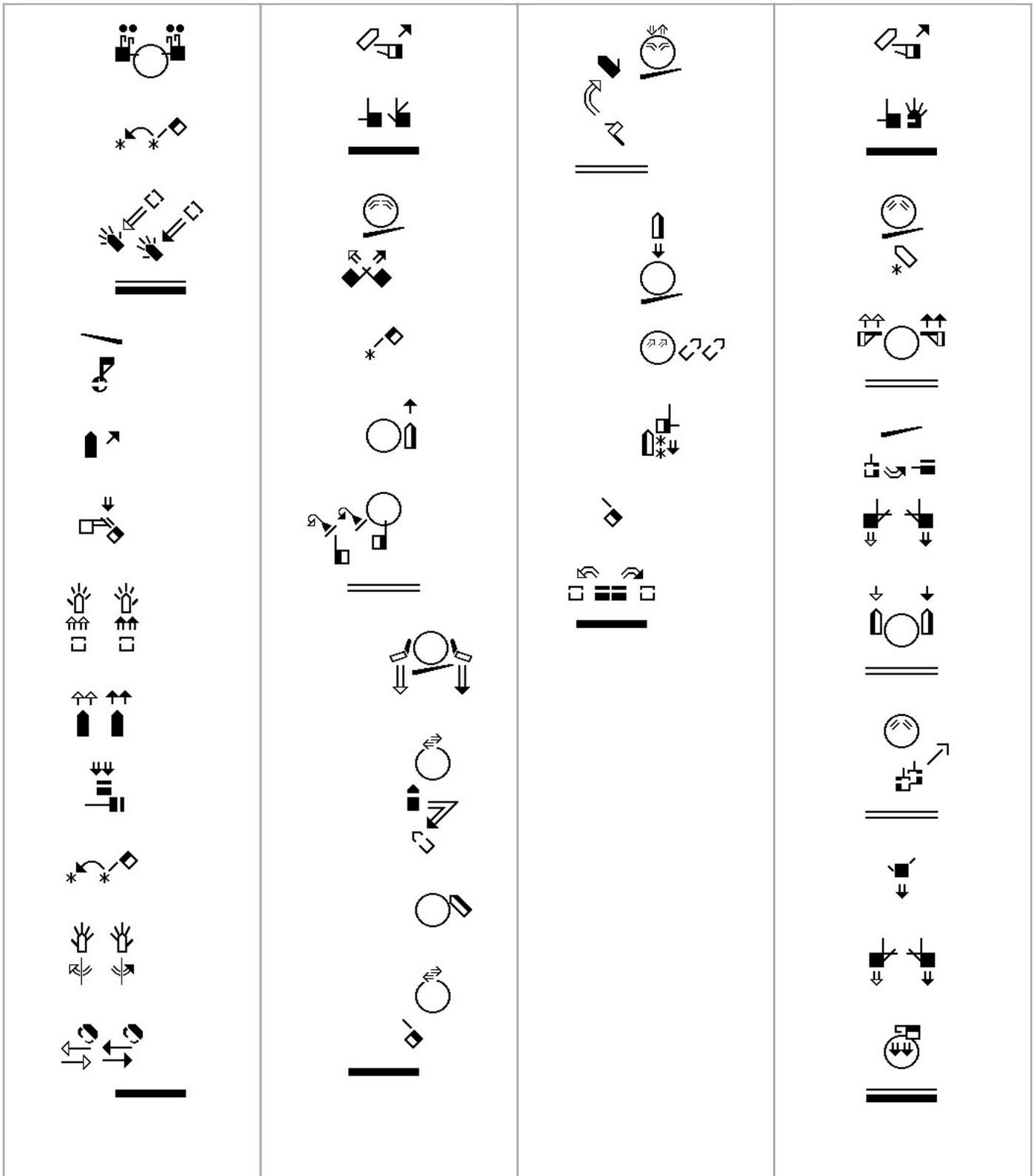


is chopped down and thrown into the fire. 20. Yes, just as you can identify a tree by its fruit, so you can identify people by their actions. 21. "Not everyone who calls out to me, 'Lord! Lord!' NLT

Matthew 7:21-22

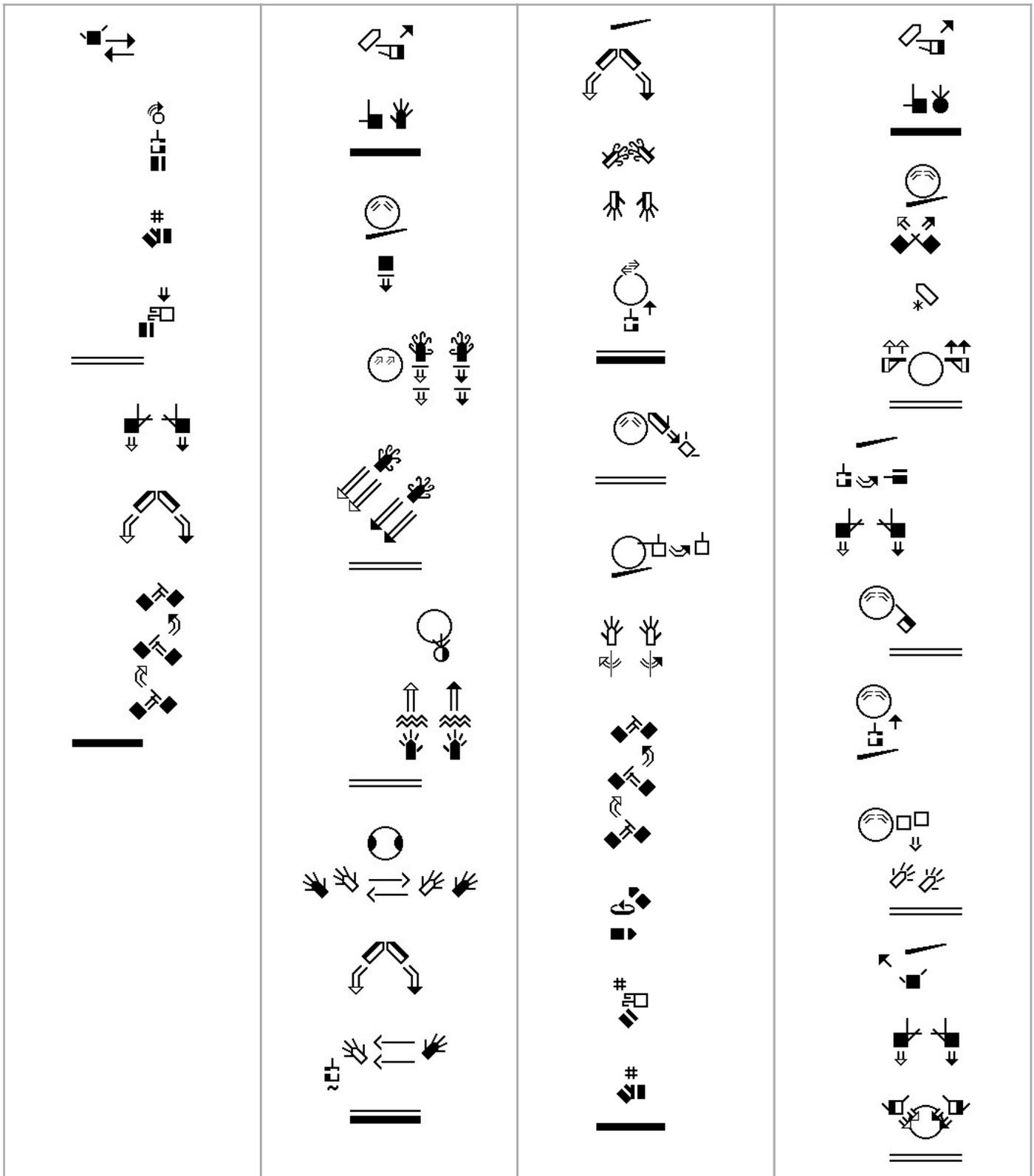


108 will enter the Kingdom of Heaven. Only those who actually do the will of my Father in heaven will enter. 22 On judgment day many will say to me, 'Lord! Lord! We prophesied in your name and NLT

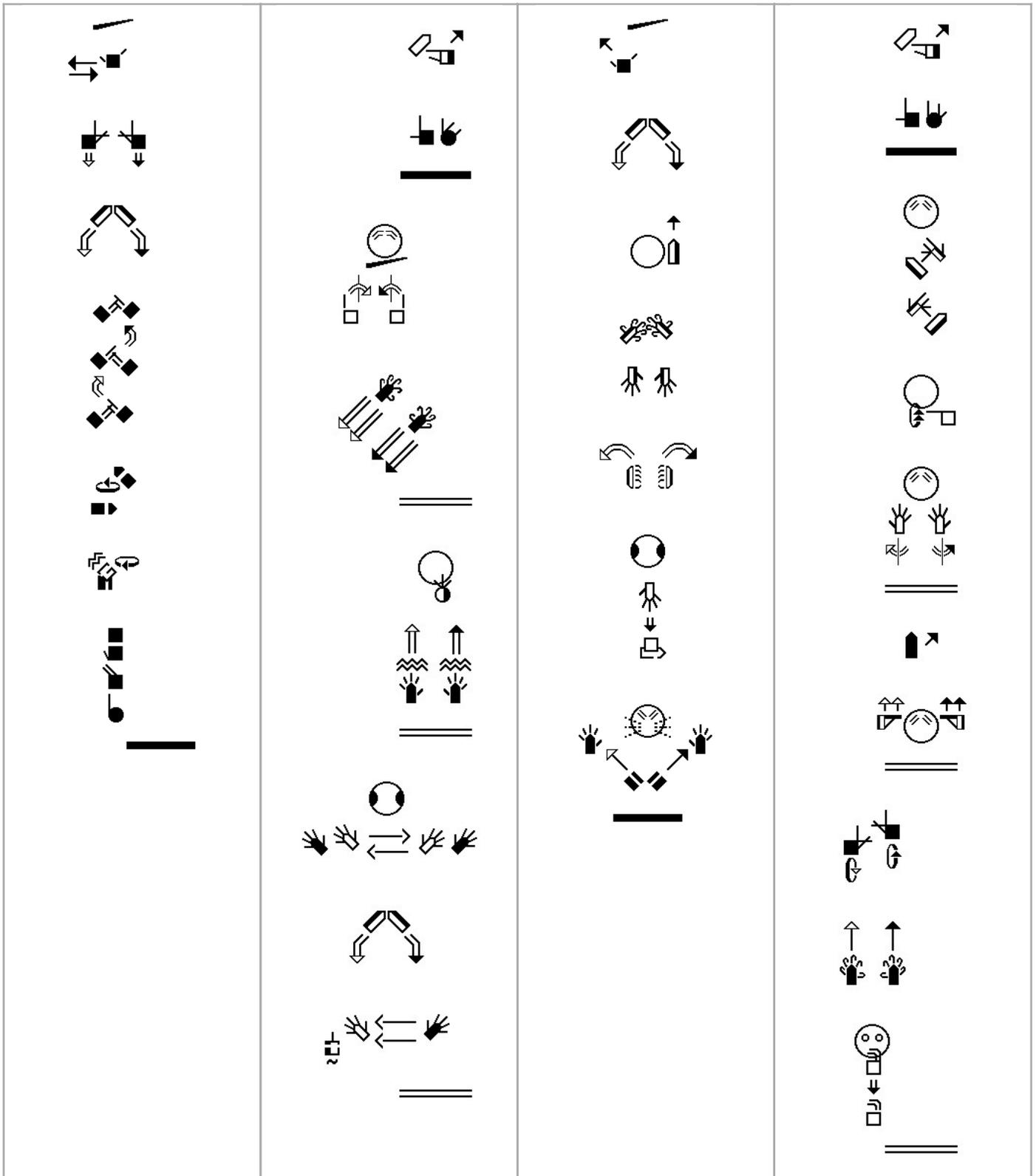


cast out demons in your name and performed many miracles in your name.' 23 But I will reply, 'I never knew you. Get away from me, you who break God's laws.' 24 "Anyone who listens to my teaching and follows it is wise, NLT

Matthew 7:24-26



like a person who builds a house on solid rock. 25 Though the rain comes in torrents and the floodwaters rise and the winds beat against that house, it won't collapse because it is built on bedrock. 26 But anyone who hears my teaching and doesn't obey it is foolish,



like a person who builds a house on sand. 27 When the rains and floods come and the winds beat against that house, it will collapse with a mighty crash." 28 When Jesus had finished saying these things, the crowds were amazed at his teaching,

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Matthew 7:29, 8:1-2

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"Lord," the man said, "if you are willing, you can heal me and make me clean." 3 Jesus reached out and touched him. "I am willing," he said. "Be healed!" And instantly the leprosy disappeared. 4 Then Jesus said to him, "Don't tell anyone about this. NLT

Matthew 8:4-5

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114 Instead, go to the priest and let him examine you. Take along the offering required in the law of Moses for those who have been healed of leprosy. This will be a public testimony that you have been cleansed." 5 When Jesus returned to Capernaum, NLT

Matthew 8:8-9

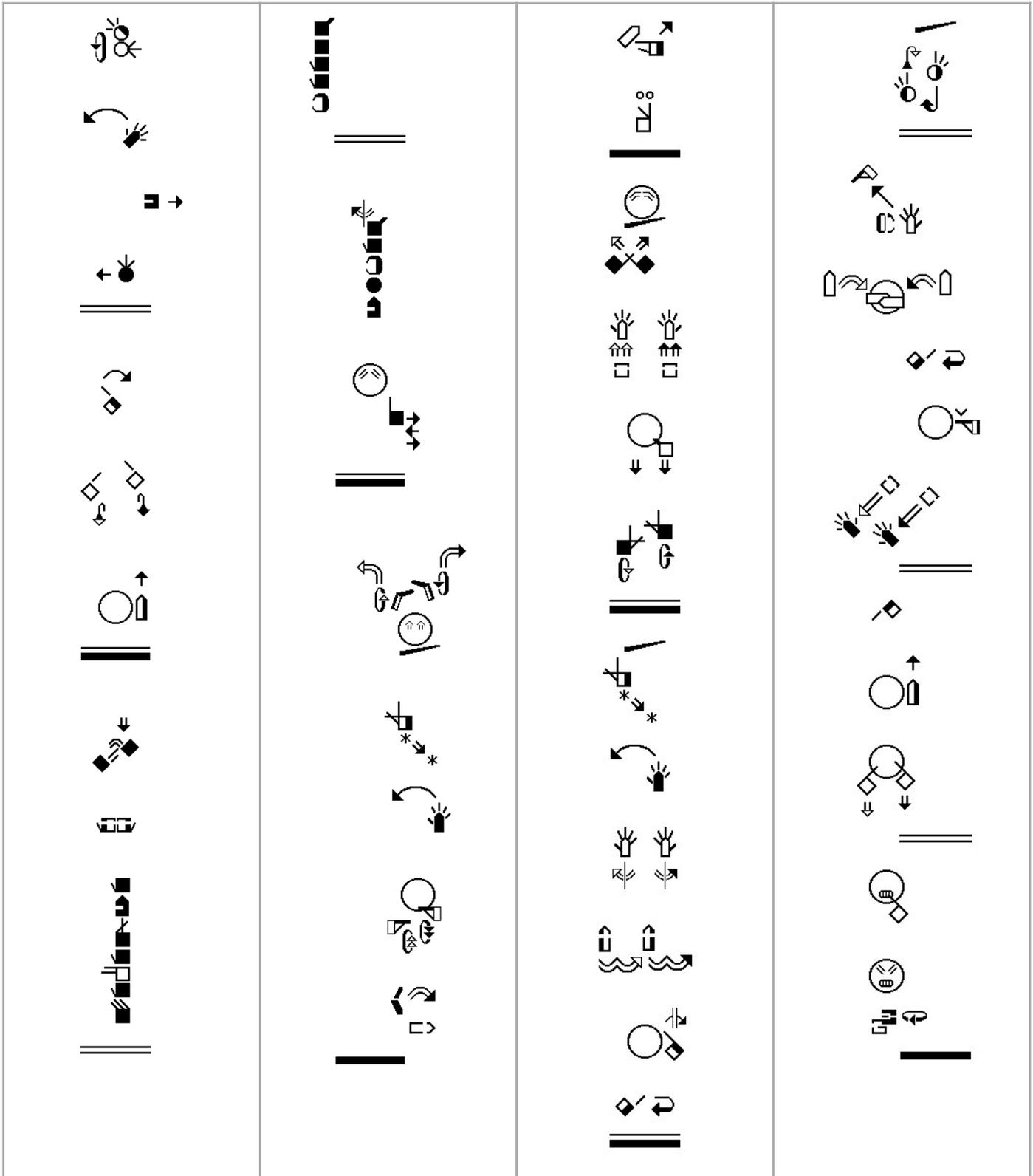
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worthy to have you come into my home. Just say the word from where you are, and my servant will be healed. 9 I know this because I am under the authority of my superior officers, and I have authority over my soldiers. I only need to say, 'Go,' and they go, or 'Come,'

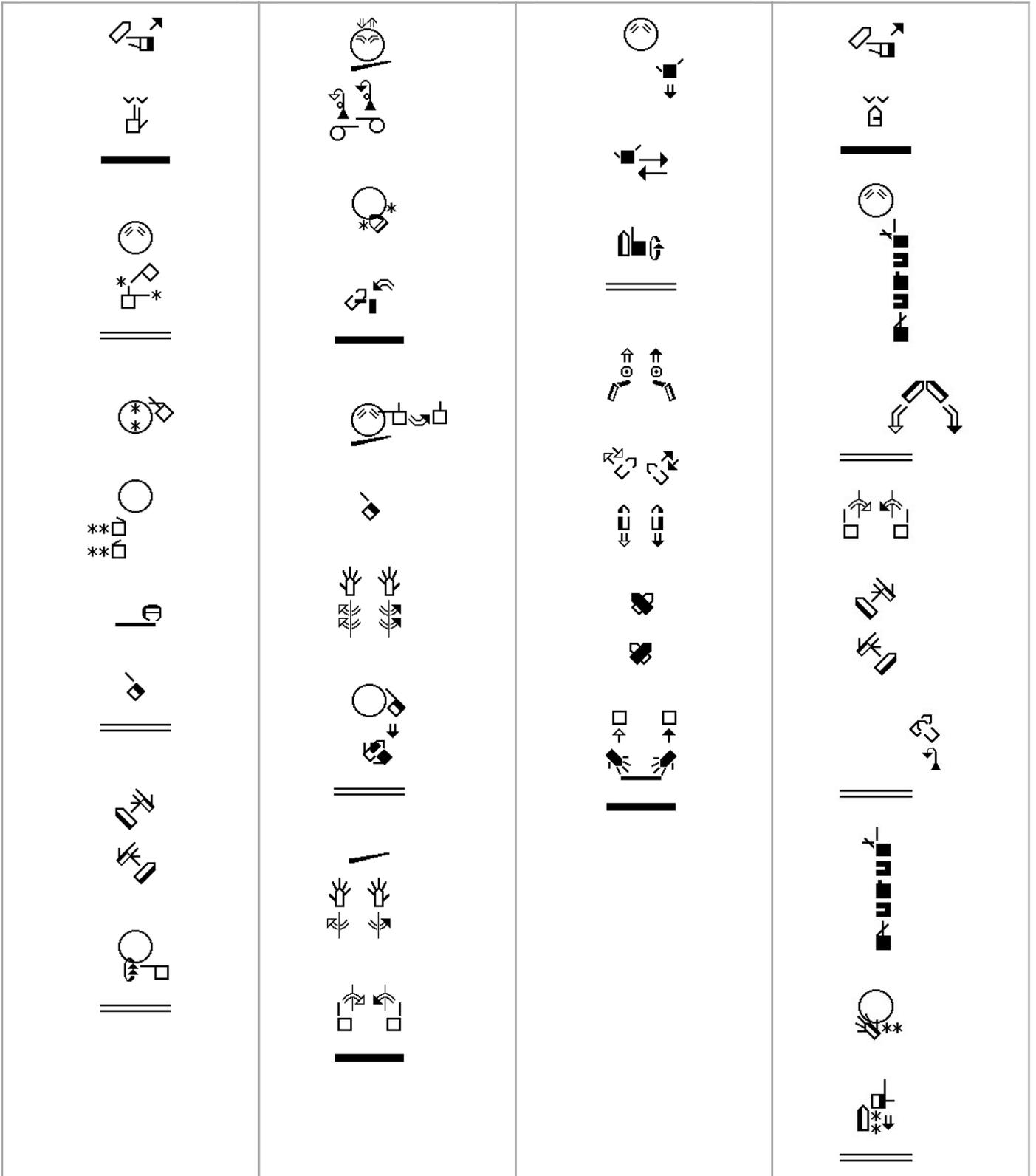
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and they come. And if I say to my slaves, 'Do this,' they do it." 10 When Jesus heard this, he was amazed. Turning to those who were following him, he said, "I tell you the truth, I haven't seen faith like this in all Israel! 11 And I tell you this, that many Gentiles NLT

Matthew 8:11-12



118 will come from all over the world -- from east and west -- and sit down with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob at the feast in the Kingdom of Heaven. 12 But many Israelites -- those for whom the Kingdom was prepared -- will be thrown into outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth." NLT



13 Then Jesus said to the Roman officer, "Go back home. Because you believed, it has happened." And the young servant was healed that same hour.
 14 When Jesus arrived at Peter's house, Peter's mother-in-law

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to Jesus. He cast out the evil spirits with a simple command, and he healed all the sick.
 17 This fulfilled the word of the Lord through the prophet Isaiah, who said, "He took our
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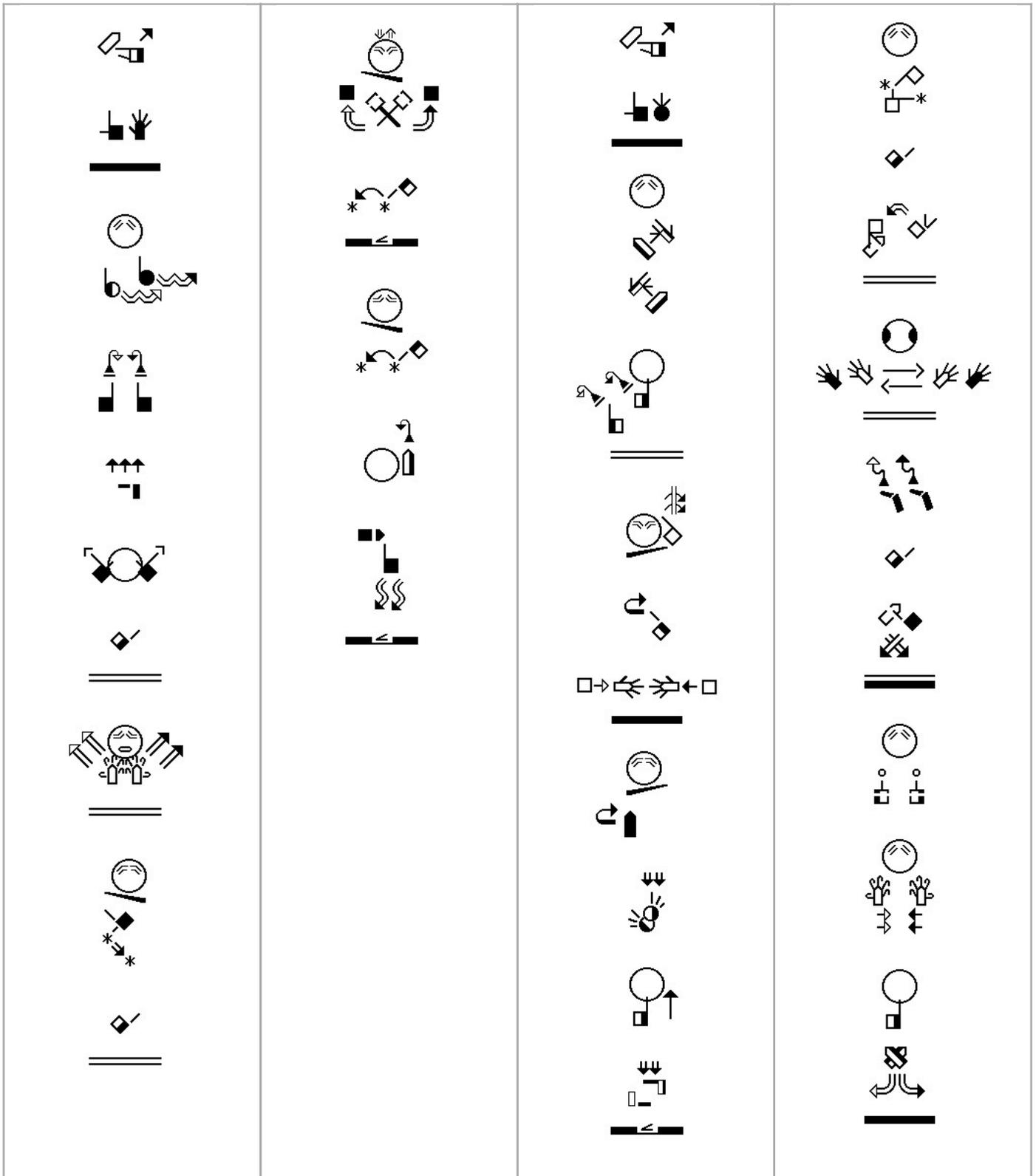
Matthew 8:18-19

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122 18 When Jesus saw the crowd around him, he instructed his disciples to cross to the other side of the lake. 19 Then one of the teachers of religious law said to him, "Teacher, I will follow you wherever you go." NLT

<p>Sign language sequence for Matthew 8:20-21, column 1. It includes signs for 'Jesus' (hand over forehead), 'replied' (hand over mouth), 'foxes' (hand over forehead), 'live' (hand over forehead), 'birds' (hand over forehead), 'nests' (hand over forehead), 'Son of Man' (hand over forehead), 'no place' (hand over forehead), 'even' (hand over forehead), 'to lay his head' (hand over forehead), 'another' (hand over forehead), 'disciple' (hand over forehead), 'said' (hand over mouth), 'Lord' (hand over forehead), 'first' (hand over forehead), 'let me return home' (hand over forehead), 'and bury my father' (hand over forehead).</p>	<p>Sign language sequence for Matthew 8:20-21, column 2. It includes signs for 'Jesus' (hand over forehead), 'replied' (hand over mouth), 'foxes' (hand over forehead), 'live' (hand over forehead), 'birds' (hand over forehead), 'nests' (hand over forehead), 'Son of Man' (hand over forehead), 'no place' (hand over forehead), 'even' (hand over forehead), 'to lay his head' (hand over forehead), 'another' (hand over forehead), 'disciple' (hand over forehead), 'said' (hand over mouth), 'Lord' (hand over forehead), 'first' (hand over forehead), 'let me return home' (hand over forehead), 'and bury my father' (hand over forehead).</p>	<p>Sign language sequence for Matthew 8:20-21, column 3. It includes signs for 'Jesus' (hand over forehead), 'replied' (hand over mouth), 'foxes' (hand over forehead), 'live' (hand over forehead), 'birds' (hand over forehead), 'nests' (hand over forehead), 'Son of Man' (hand over forehead), 'no place' (hand over forehead), 'even' (hand over forehead), 'to lay his head' (hand over forehead), 'another' (hand over forehead), 'disciple' (hand over forehead), 'said' (hand over mouth), 'Lord' (hand over forehead), 'first' (hand over forehead), 'let me return home' (hand over forehead), 'and bury my father' (hand over forehead).</p>	<p>Sign language sequence for Matthew 8:20-21, column 4. It includes signs for 'Jesus' (hand over forehead), 'replied' (hand over mouth), 'foxes' (hand over forehead), 'live' (hand over forehead), 'birds' (hand over forehead), 'nests' (hand over forehead), 'Son of Man' (hand over forehead), 'no place' (hand over forehead), 'even' (hand over forehead), 'to lay his head' (hand over forehead), 'another' (hand over forehead), 'disciple' (hand over forehead), 'said' (hand over mouth), 'Lord' (hand over forehead), 'first' (hand over forehead), 'let me return home' (hand over forehead), 'and bury my father' (hand over forehead).</p>
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20 But Jesus replied, "Foxes have dens to live in, and birds have nests, but the Son of Man has no place even to lay his head." 21 Another of his disciples said, "Lord, first let me return home and bury my father."
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25 The disciples went and woke him up, shouting, "Lord, save us! We're going to drown!" 26 Jesus responded, "Why are you afraid? You have so little faith!" Then he got up and rebuked the wind and waves, and suddenly there was a great calm.

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Matthew 8:27-28

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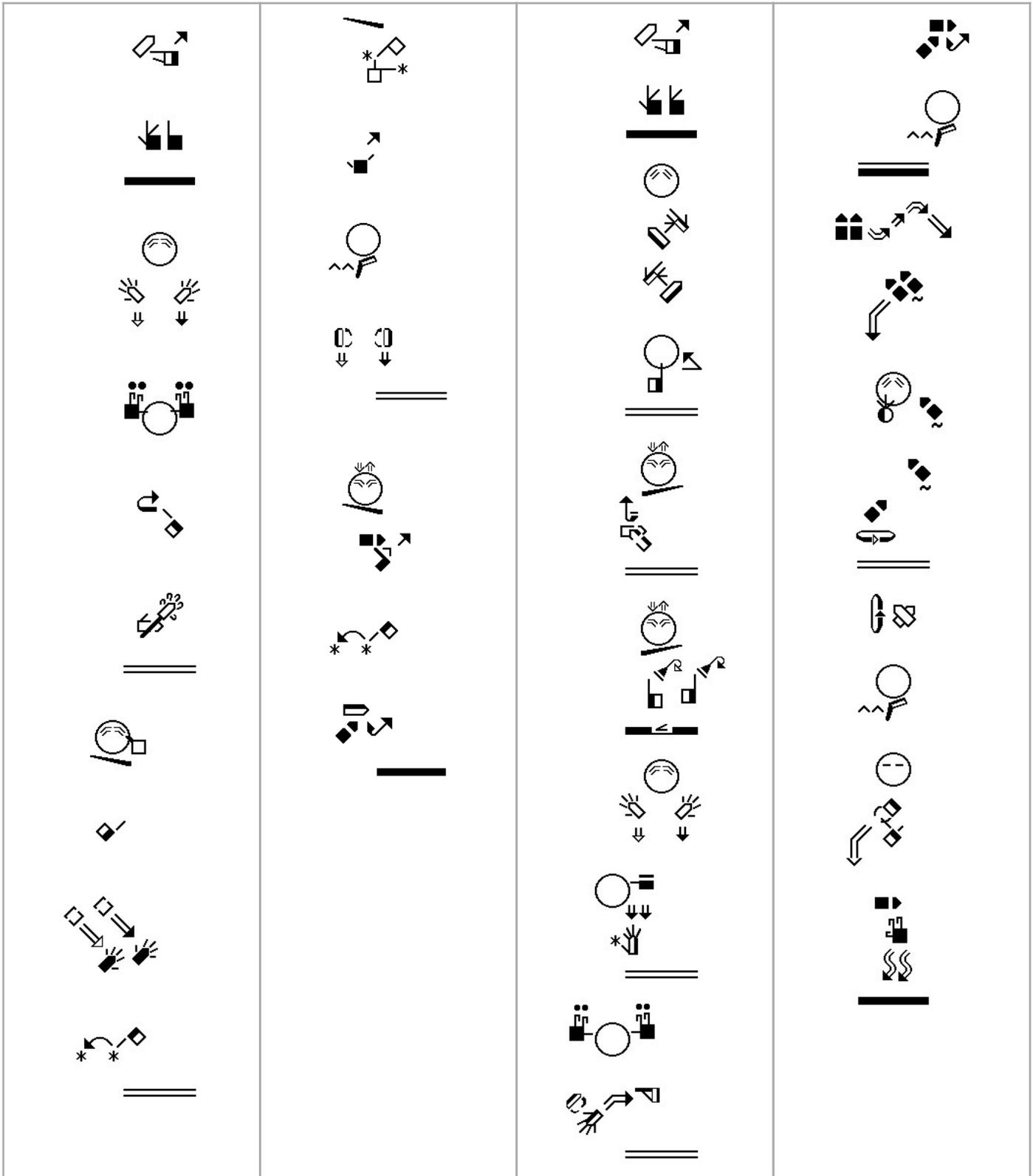
126 27 The disciples were amazed. "Who is this man?" they asked. "Even the winds and waves obey him!" 28 When Jesus arrived on the other side of the lake, in the region of the Gadarenes, two men who were possessed by demons met him. They lived in a cemetery
NLT

<p>A vertical sequence of 15 sign language icons. From top to bottom: two vertical bars with arrows pointing down; two hands with fingers spread; two hands with fingers spread; a face with a wide, open-mouthed smile; two hands with fingers spread; two hands with fingers spread; a hand with fingers spread.</p>	<p>A vertical sequence of 15 sign language icons. From top to bottom: a hand with fingers spread; a hand with fingers spread.</p>	<p>A vertical sequence of 15 sign language icons. From top to bottom: a hand with fingers spread; a hand with fingers spread.</p>	<p>A vertical sequence of 15 sign language icons. From top to bottom: a hand with fingers spread; a hand with fingers spread.</p>
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and were so violent that no one could go through that area. 29 They began screaming at him, "Why are you interfering with us, Son of God? Have you come here to torture us before God's appointed time?" 30 There happened to be a large herd of pigs feeding in the distance.

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Matthew 8:31-32



31 So the demons begged, "If you cast us out, send us into that herd of pigs." 32 "All right, go!" Jesus commanded them. So the demons came out of the men and entered the pigs, and the whole herd plunged down the steep hillside into the lake and drowned in the water. NLT

Matthew 9:1-2

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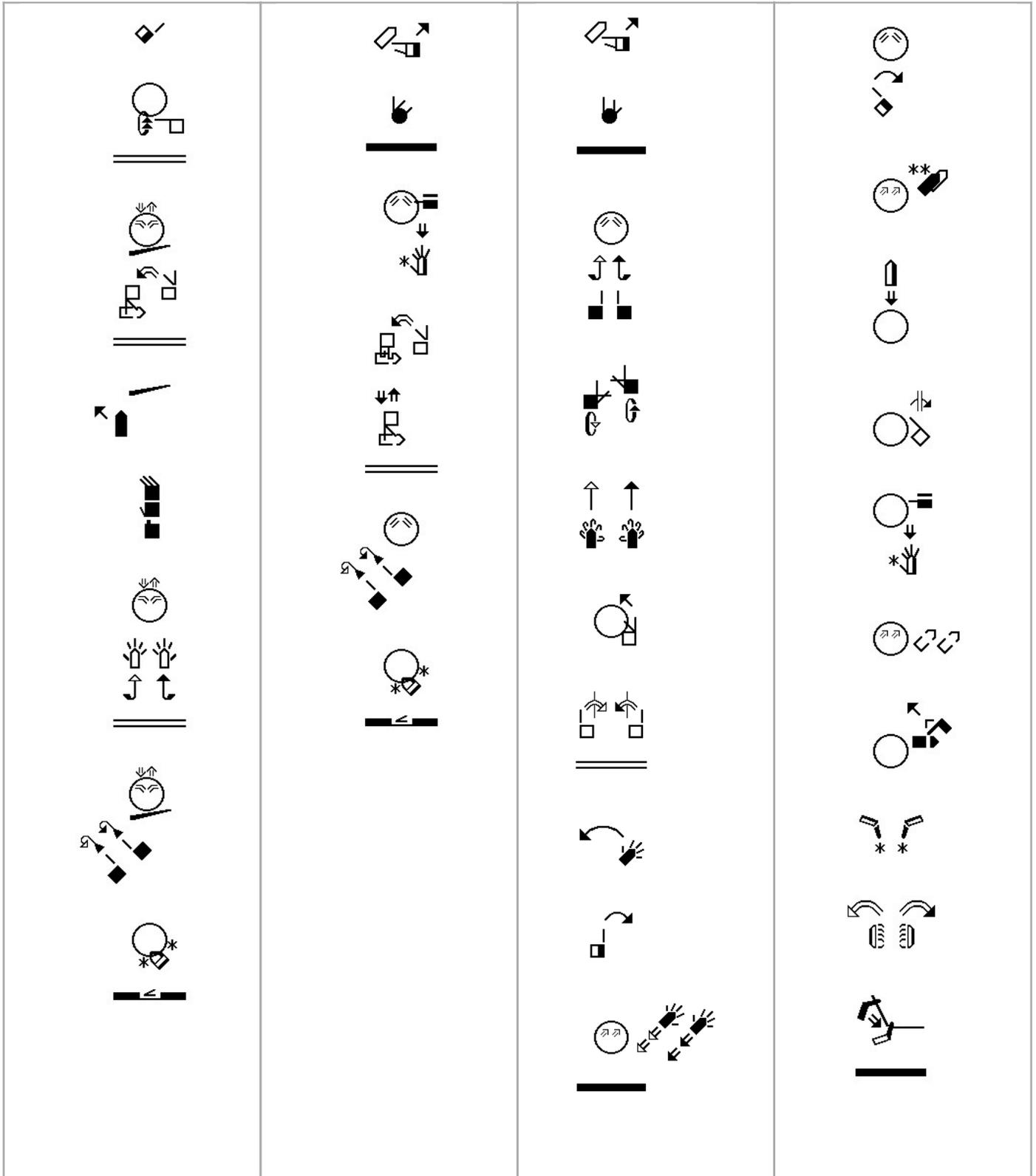
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3 But some of the teachers of religious law said to themselves, "That's blasphemy! Does he think he's God?" 4 Jesus knew what they were thinking, so he asked them, "Why do you have such evil thoughts in your hearts?"

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Matthew 9:5-6

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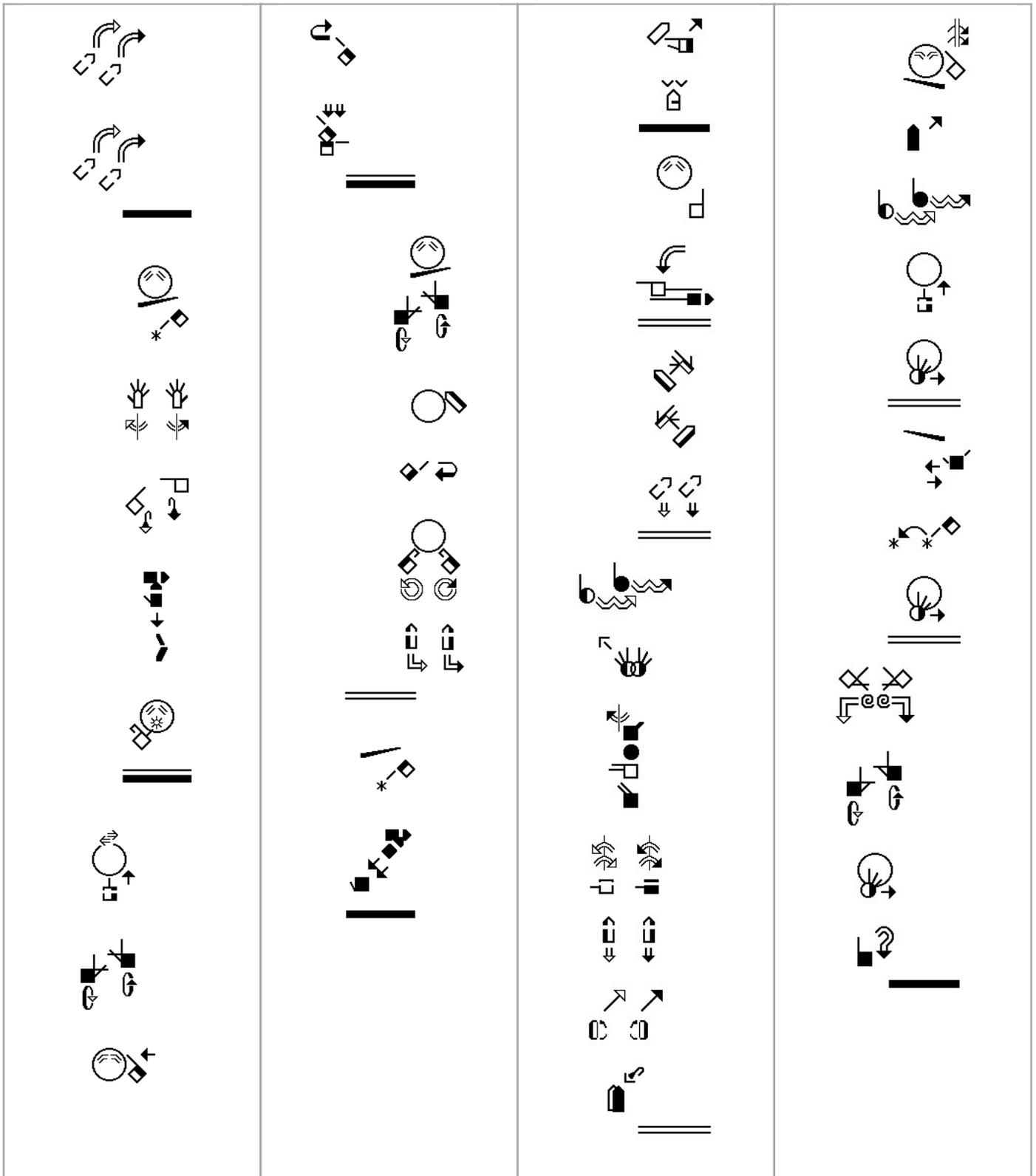
and said, "Stand up, pick up your mat, and go home!" 7 And the man jumped up and went home! 8 Fear swept through the crowd as they saw this happen. And they praised God for sending a man with such great authority.

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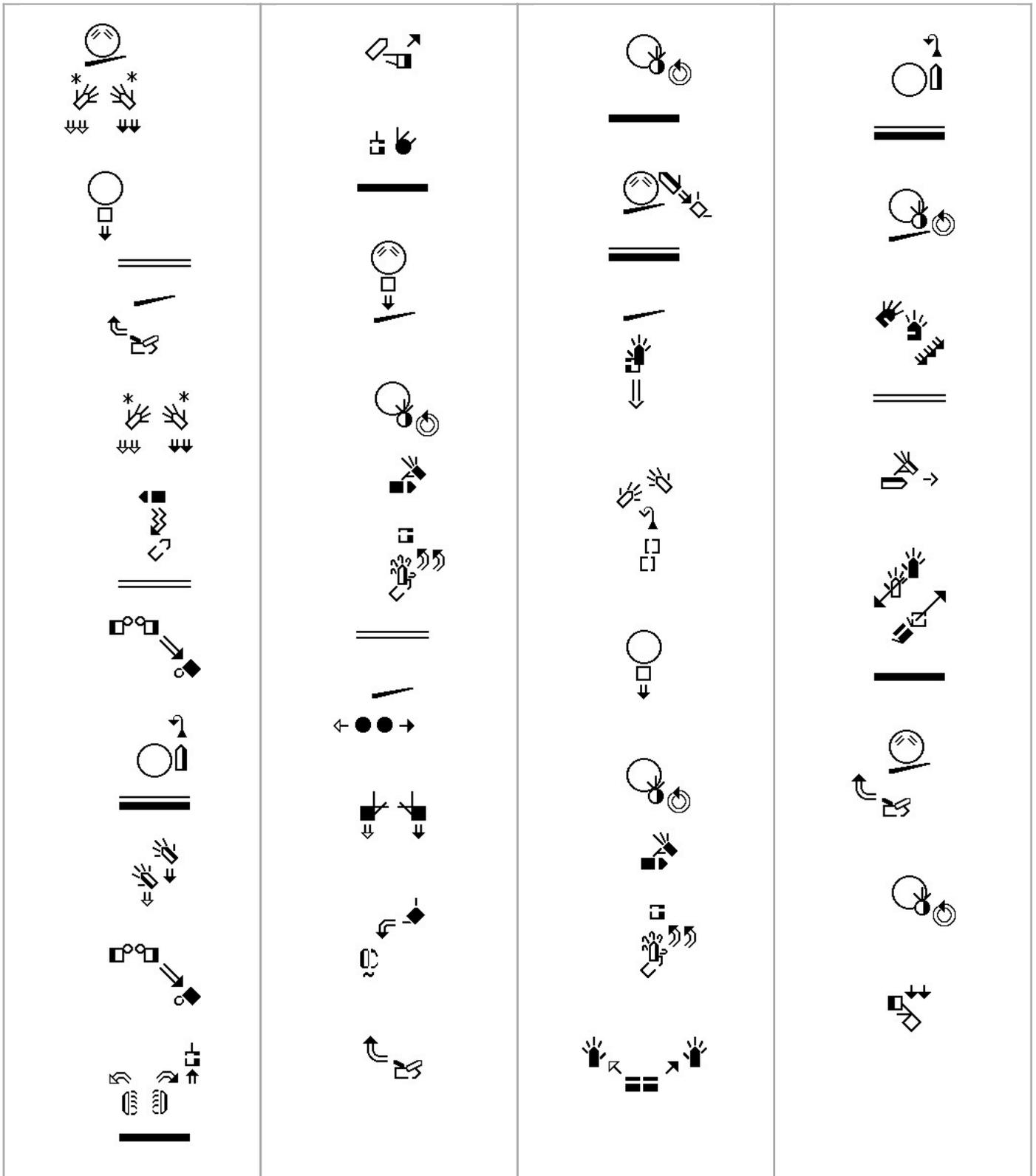
to his home as dinner guests, along with many tax collectors and other disreputable sinners. 11 But when the Pharisees saw this, they asked his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with such scum?"

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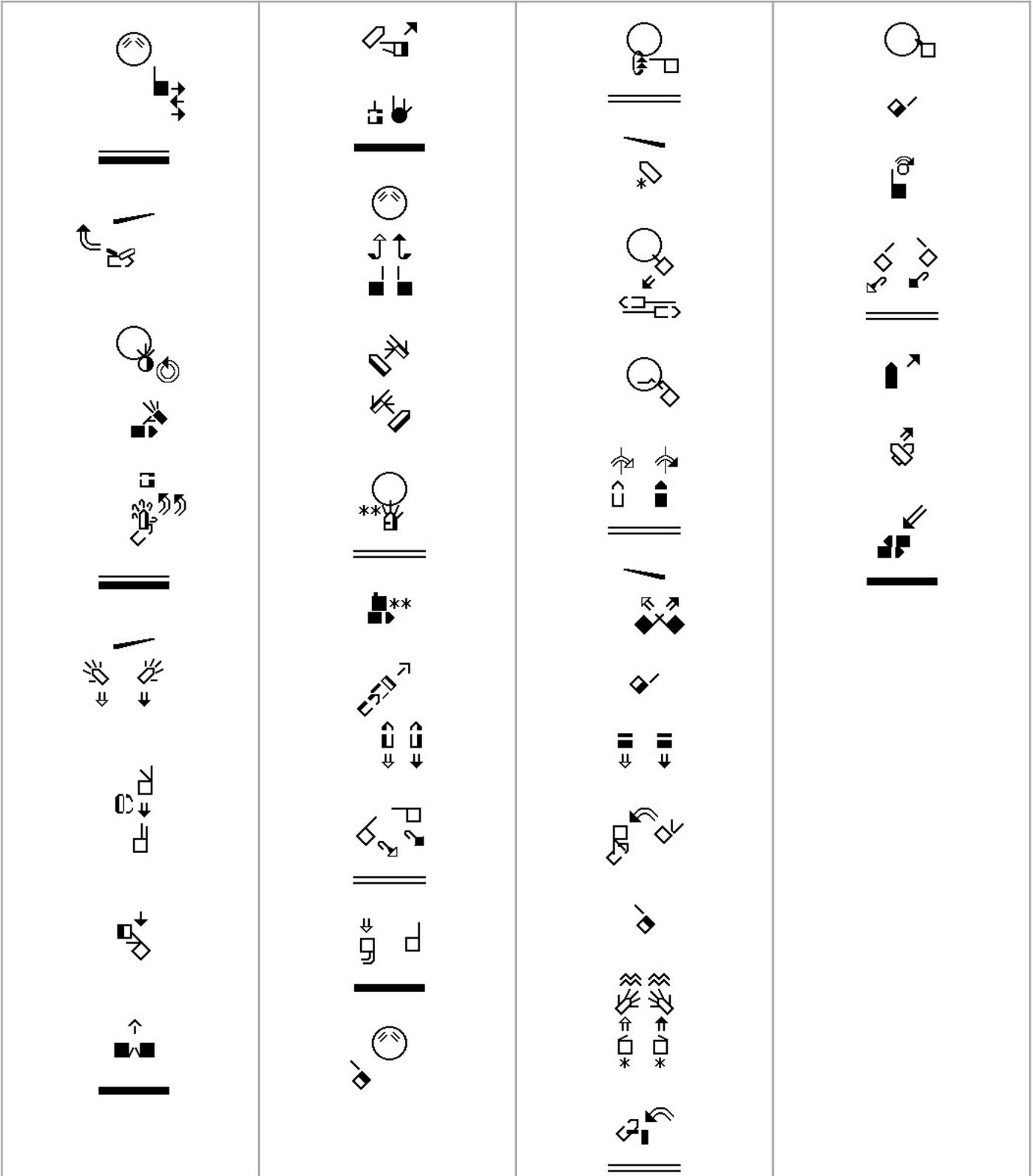
offer sacrifices.' For I have come to call not those who think they are righteous, but those who know they are sinners." 14 One day the disciples of John the Baptist came to Jesus and asked him, "Why don't your disciples fast like we do and the Pharisees do?"

NLT



For the new patch would shrink and rip away from the old cloth, leaving an even bigger tear than before. 17 "And no one puts new wine into old wineskins. For the old skins would burst from the pressure, spilling the wine and ruining the skins. New wine is stored NLT

Matthew 9:17-18



in new wineskins so that both are preserved." 18 As Jesus was saying this, the leader of a synagogue came and knelt before him. "My daughter has just died," he said, "but you can bring her back to life again if you just come and lay your hand on her."
NLT

<p>A sequence of pictographs showing a man (Jesus) and several smaller figures (disciples) standing together, then some of them standing up and walking away, representing Jesus and his disciples getting up and going with him.</p>	<p>A sequence of pictographs showing a woman with a circular symbol on her head (representing a bleeding condition) approaching a man (Jesus) who is standing with his hands together in prayer. The woman is shown touching the man's robe, representing a woman with a bleeding condition coming up behind him and touching his robe.</p>	<p>A sequence of pictographs showing a man (Jesus) looking back at a woman (the one who touched his robe). The woman is shown with a circular symbol on her head, and then the symbol disappears, representing Jesus looking at her and her being healed.</p>	<p>A sequence of pictographs showing a man (Jesus) walking away from a group of people, representing Jesus continuing on his way.</p>
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19 So Jesus and his disciples got up and went with him. 20 Just then a woman who had suffered for twelve years with constant bleeding came up behind him. She touched the fringe of his robe, 21 for she thought, "If I can

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Matthew 9:21-22

<p>A vertical sequence of 14 sign language icons. From top to bottom: a hand with fingers curled; a hand with fingers spread; a hand with fingers spread and a small circle above; a hand with fingers spread; a hand with fingers spread.</p>	<p>A vertical sequence of 14 sign language icons. From top to bottom: a hand with fingers spread; a hand with fingers spread.</p>	<p>A vertical sequence of 14 sign language icons. From top to bottom: a hand with fingers spread; a hand with fingers spread.</p>	<p>A vertical sequence of 14 sign language icons. From top to bottom: a hand with fingers spread; a hand with fingers spread.</p>
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23 When Jesus arrived at the official's home, he saw the noisy crowd and heard the funeral music. 24 "Get out!" he told them. "The girl isn't dead; she's only asleep." But the crowd laughed at him.

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Matthew 9:25-27

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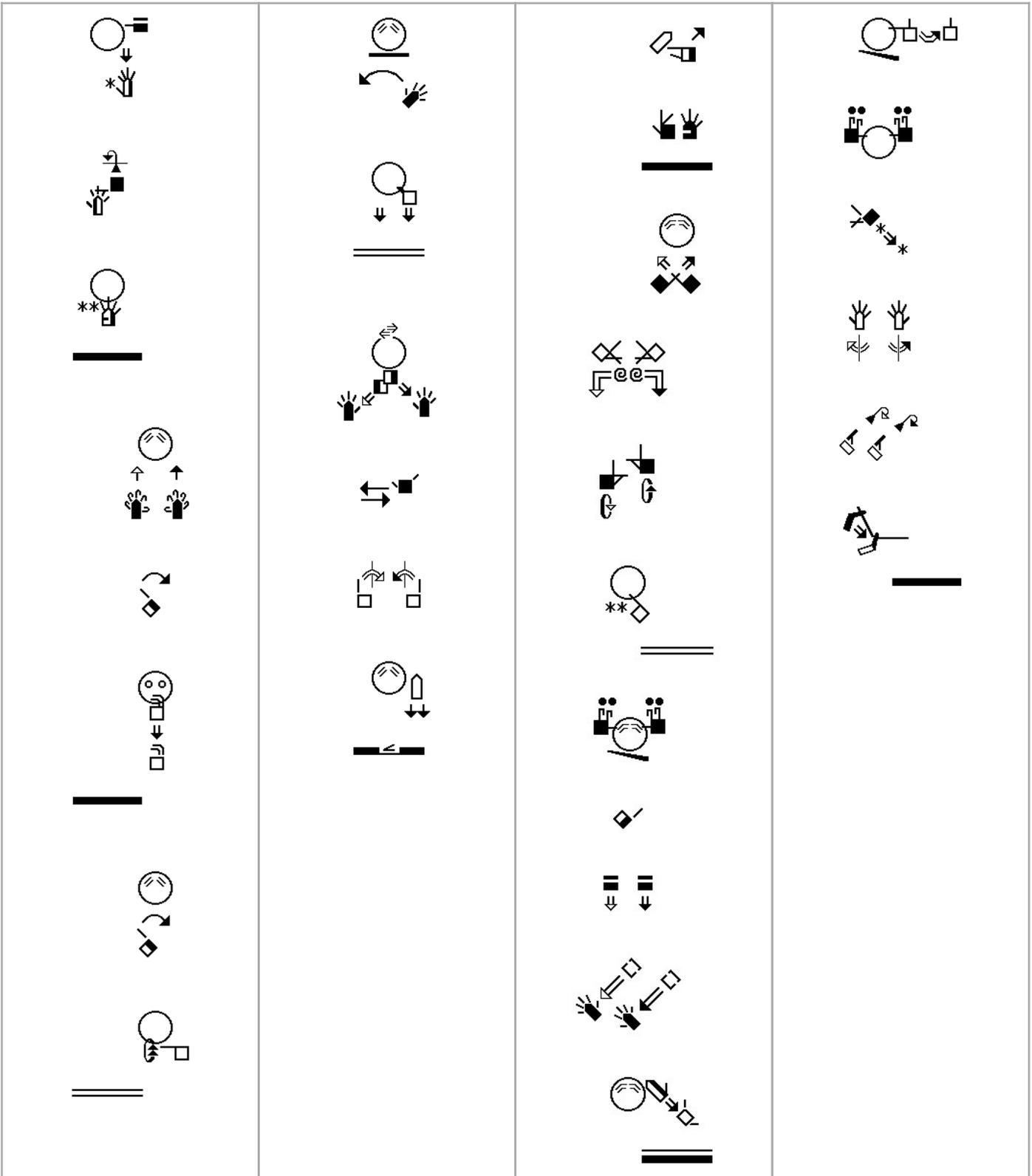
25 After the crowd was put outside, however, Jesus went in and took the girl by the hand, and she stood up! 26 The report of this miracle swept through the entire countryside. 27 After Jesus left the girl's home, two blind men followed along behind him, NLT

Matthew 9:29-31

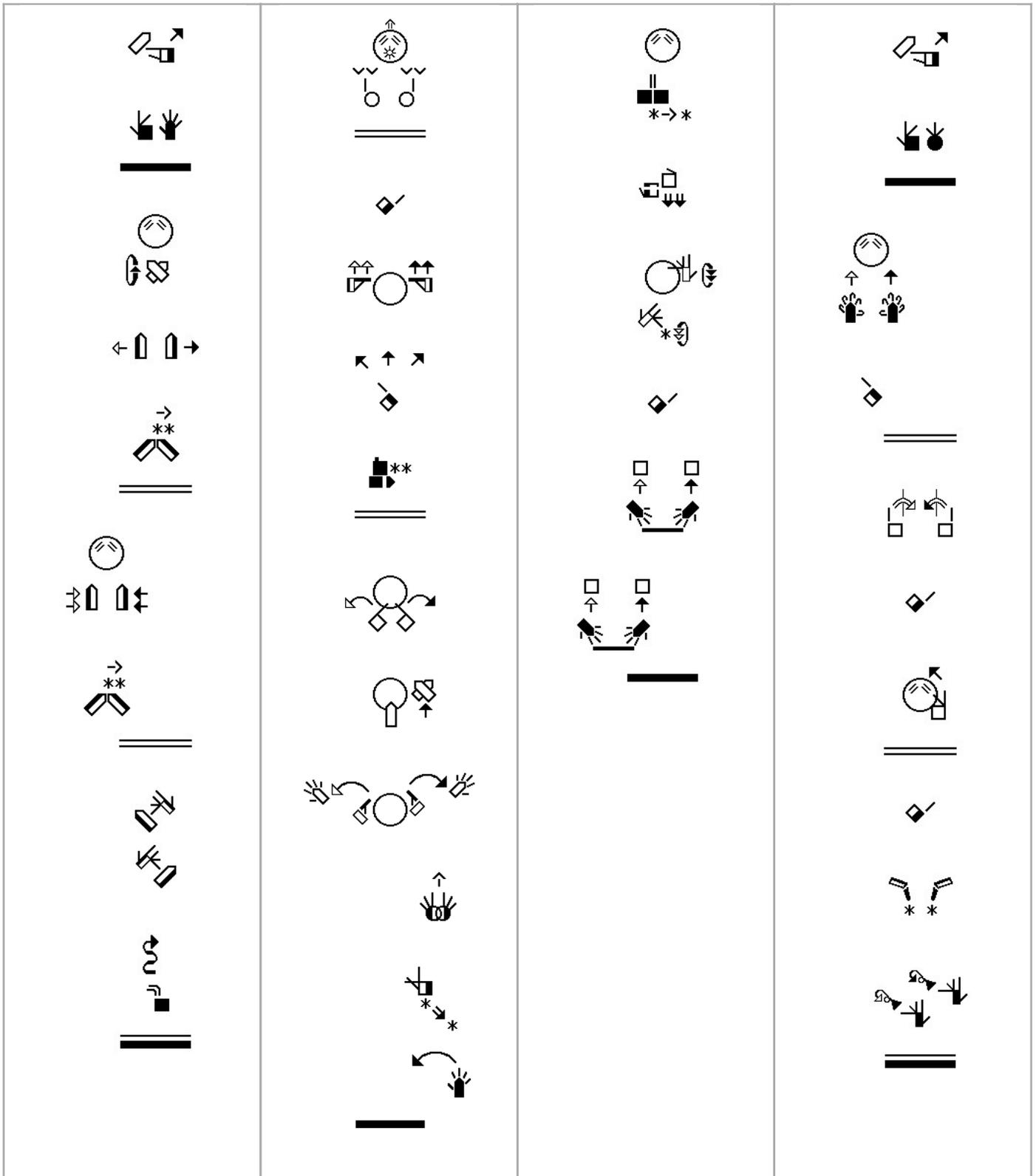
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29 Then he touched their eyes and said, "Because of your faith, it will happen." 30 Then their eyes were opened, and they could see! Jesus sternly warned them, "Don't tell anyone about this." 31 But instead, they went out
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Matthew 9:33-34



148 the man began to speak. The crowds were amazed. "Nothing like this has ever happened in Israel!" they exclaimed. 34 But the Pharisees said, "He can cast out demons because he is empowered by the prince of demons." NLT



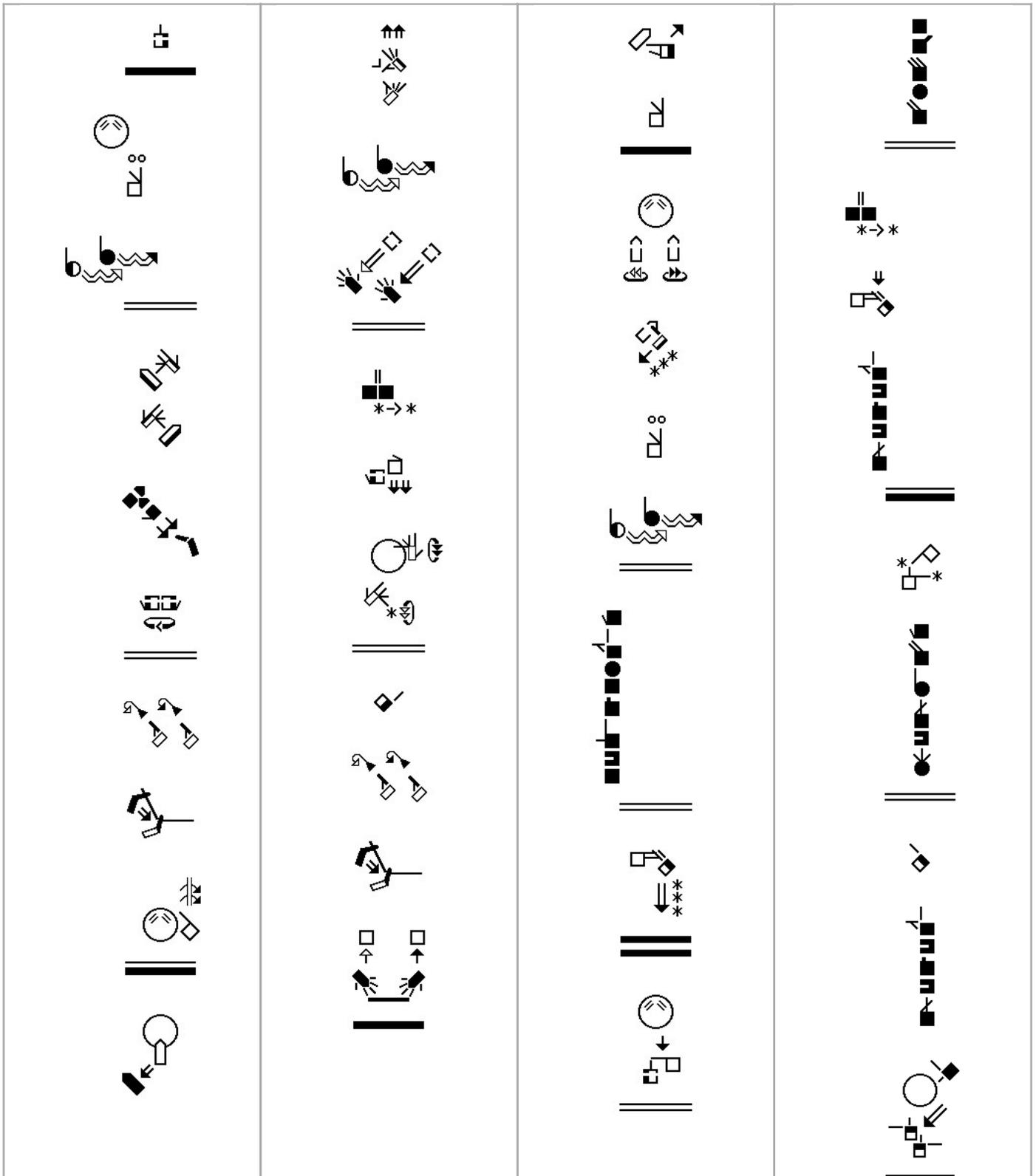
35 Jesus traveled through all the towns and villages of that area, teaching in the synagogues and announcing the Good News about the Kingdom. And he healed every kind of disease and illness. 36 When he saw the crowds, he had compassion on them

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Matthew 9:36-38

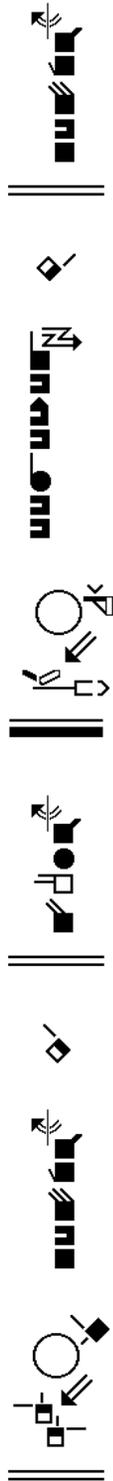
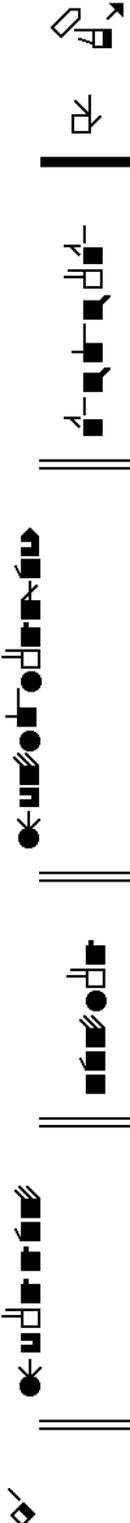
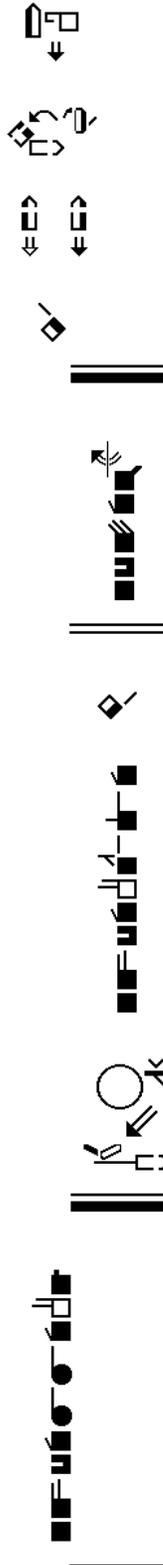
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because they were confused and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. 37 He said to his disciples, "The harvest is great, but the workers are few. 38 So pray to the Lord who is in charge of the harvest; ask him to send more workers into his fields." NLT



10 Jesus called his twelve disciples together and gave them authority to cast out evil spirits and to heal every kind of disease and illness. 2 Here are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon (also called Peter), then Andrew (Peter's brother),

Matthew 10:2-4

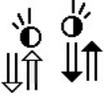
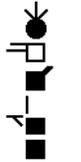
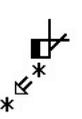
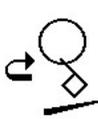
			
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(who later betrayed him). 5 Jesus sent out the twelve apostles with these instructions: "Don't go to the Gentiles or the Samaritans, 6 but only to the people of Israel -- God's lost sheep. NLT

Matthew 10:10-12

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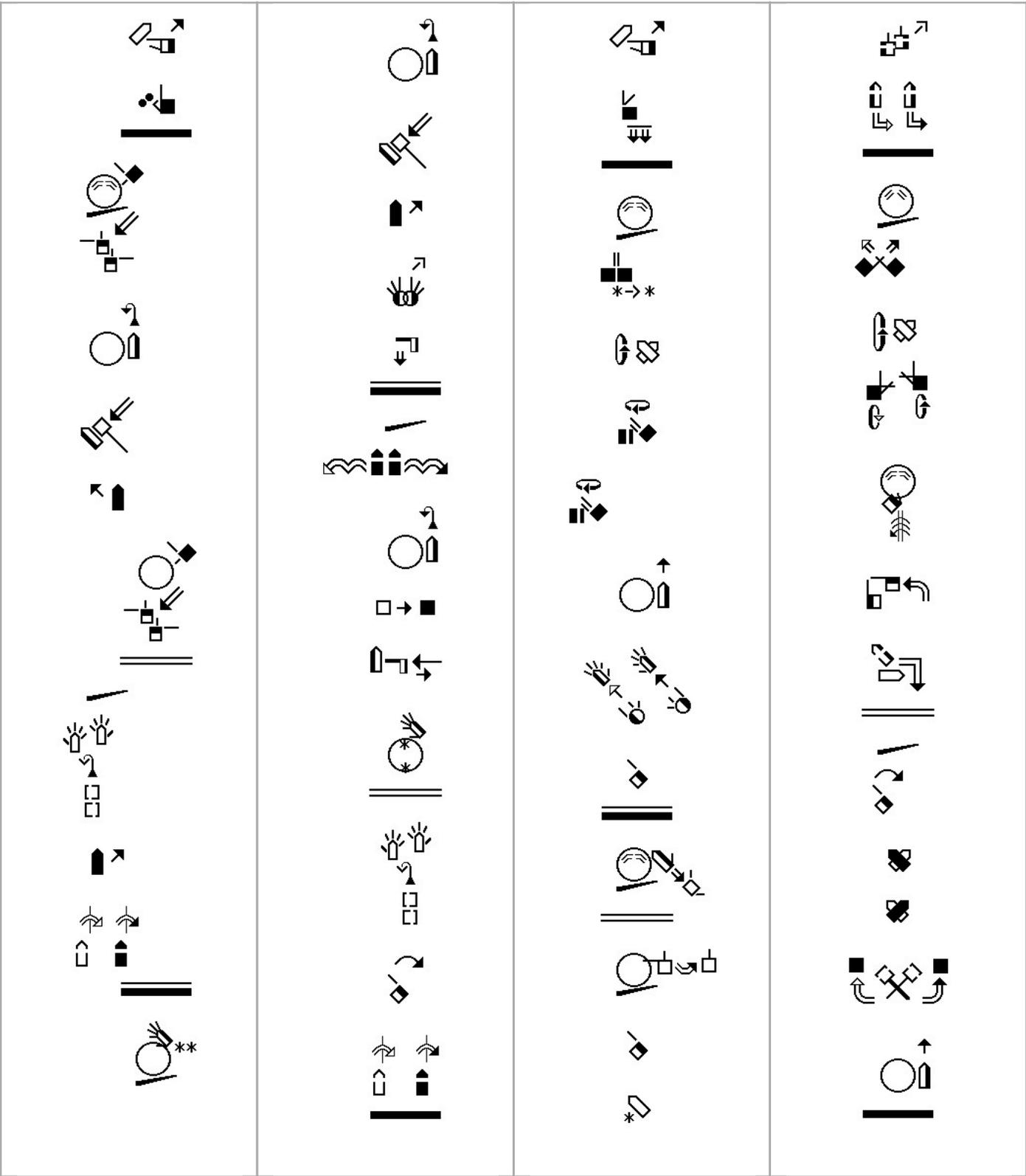
17 But beware! For you will be handed over to the courts and will be flogged with whips in the synagogues. 18 You will stand trial before governors and kings because you are my followers. But this will be your opportunity to tell

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Matthew 10:18-20

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the rulers and other unbelievers about me. 19 When you are arrested, don't worry about how to respond or what to say. God will give you the right words at the right time. 20 For it is not you who will be speaking -- it will be the Spirit of your Father speaking through you.

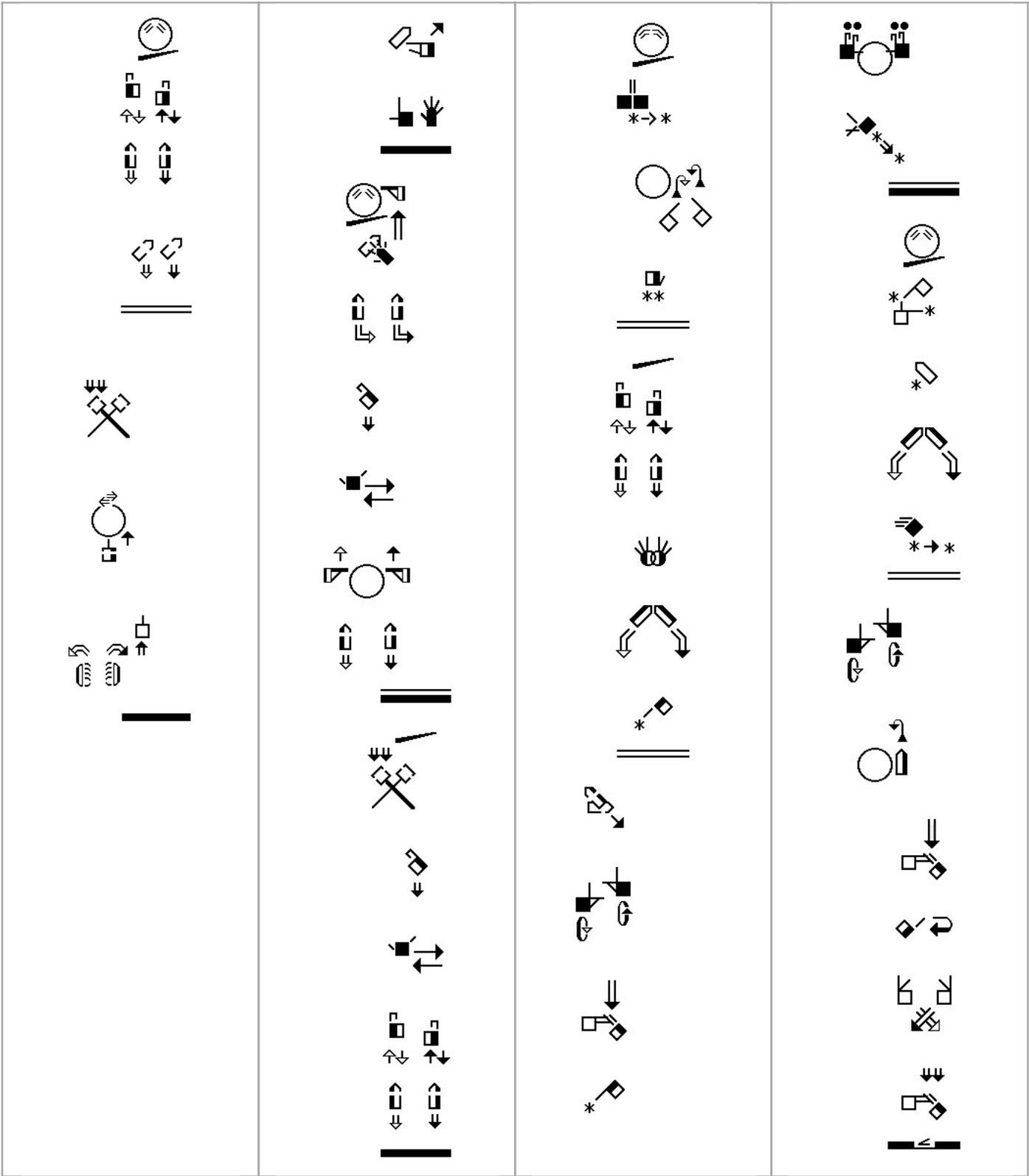


21 "A brother will betray his brother to death, a father will betray his own child, and children will rebel against their parents and cause them to be killed. 22 And all nations will hate you because you are my followers. But everyone who endures to the end will be saved.

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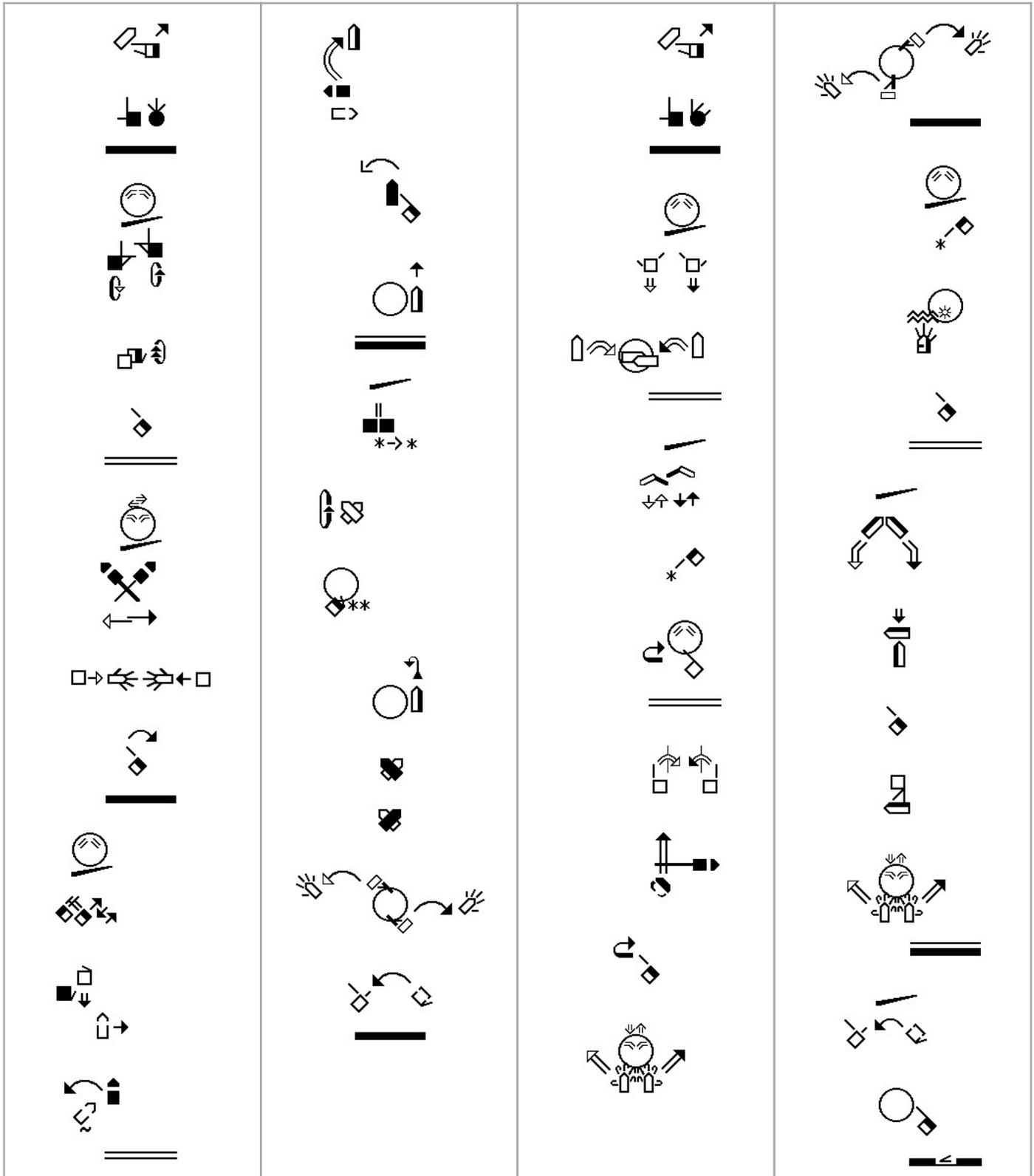
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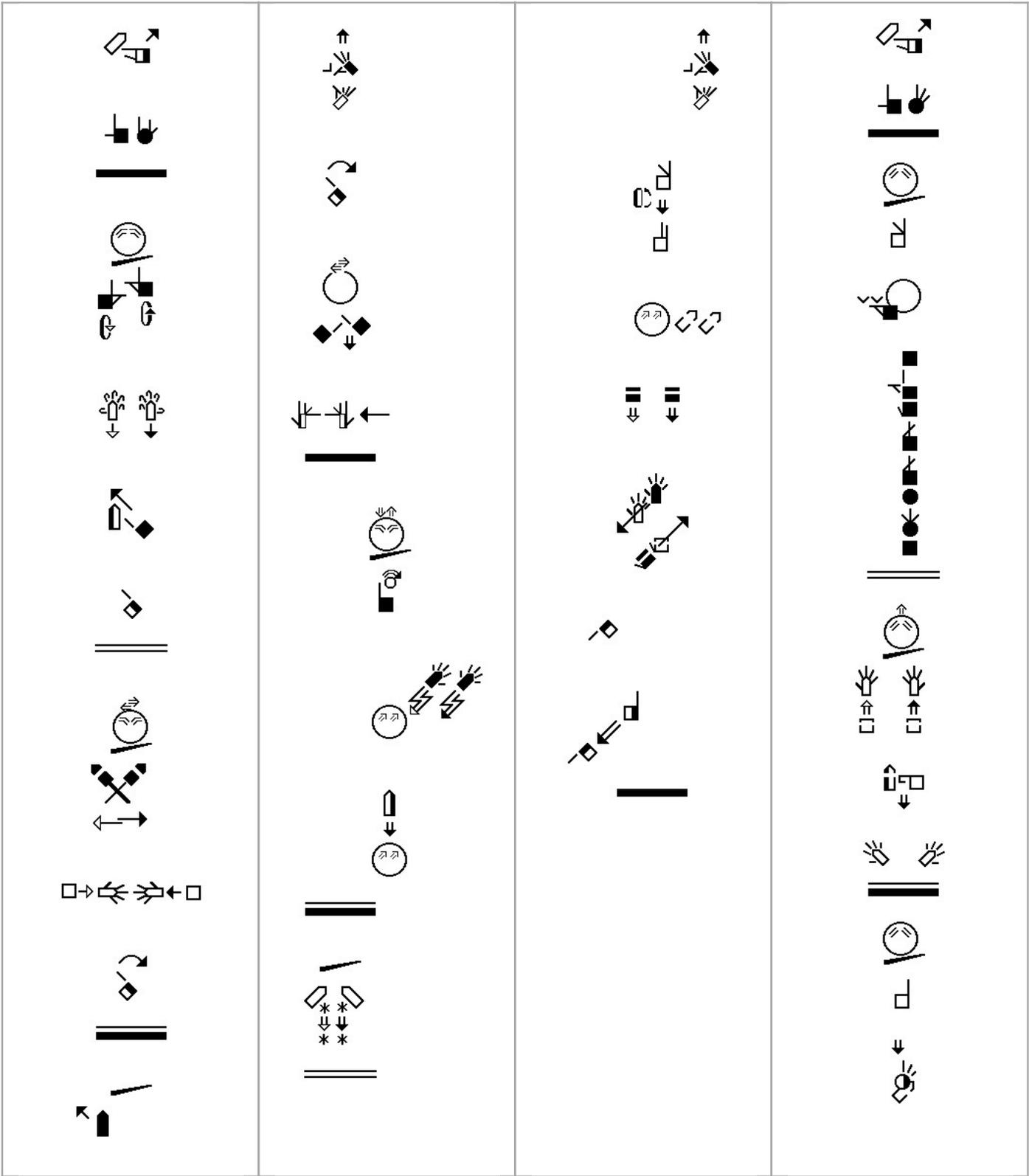


and slaves are not greater than their master. 25 Students are to be like their teacher, and slaves are to be like their master. And since I, the master of the household, have been called the prince of demons, the members of my household will be called by even worse names!
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Matthew 10:26-27

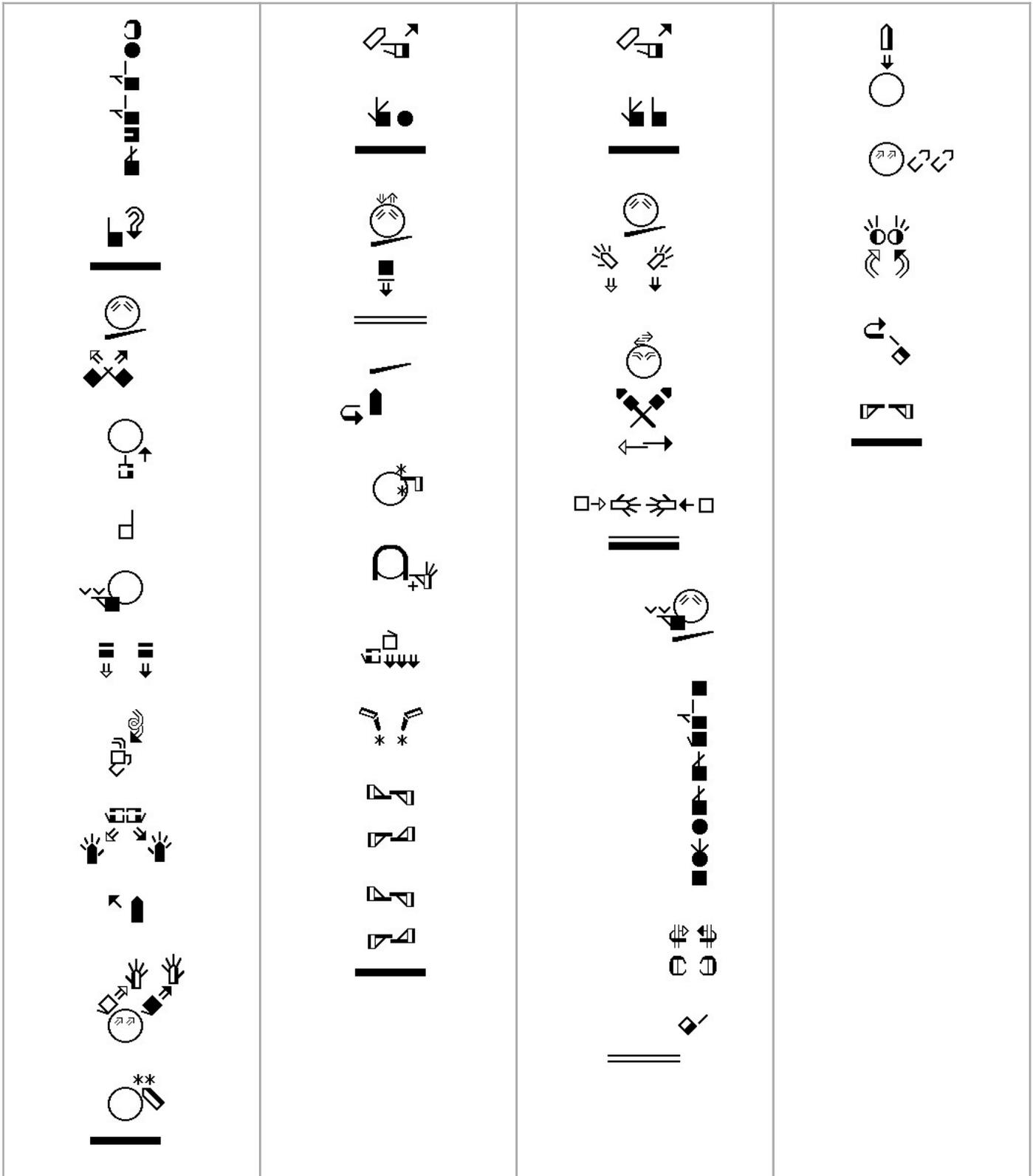


26 "But don't be afraid of those who threaten you. For the time is coming when everything that is covered will be revealed, and all that is secret will be made known to all. 27 What I tell you now in the darkness, shout abroad when daybreak comes. What I whisper in your ear, shout from the housetops for all to hear!



28 "Don't be afraid of those who want to kill your body; they cannot touch your soul. Fear only God, who can destroy both soul and body in hell. 29 What is the price of two sparrows -- one NLT

Matthew 10:29-31



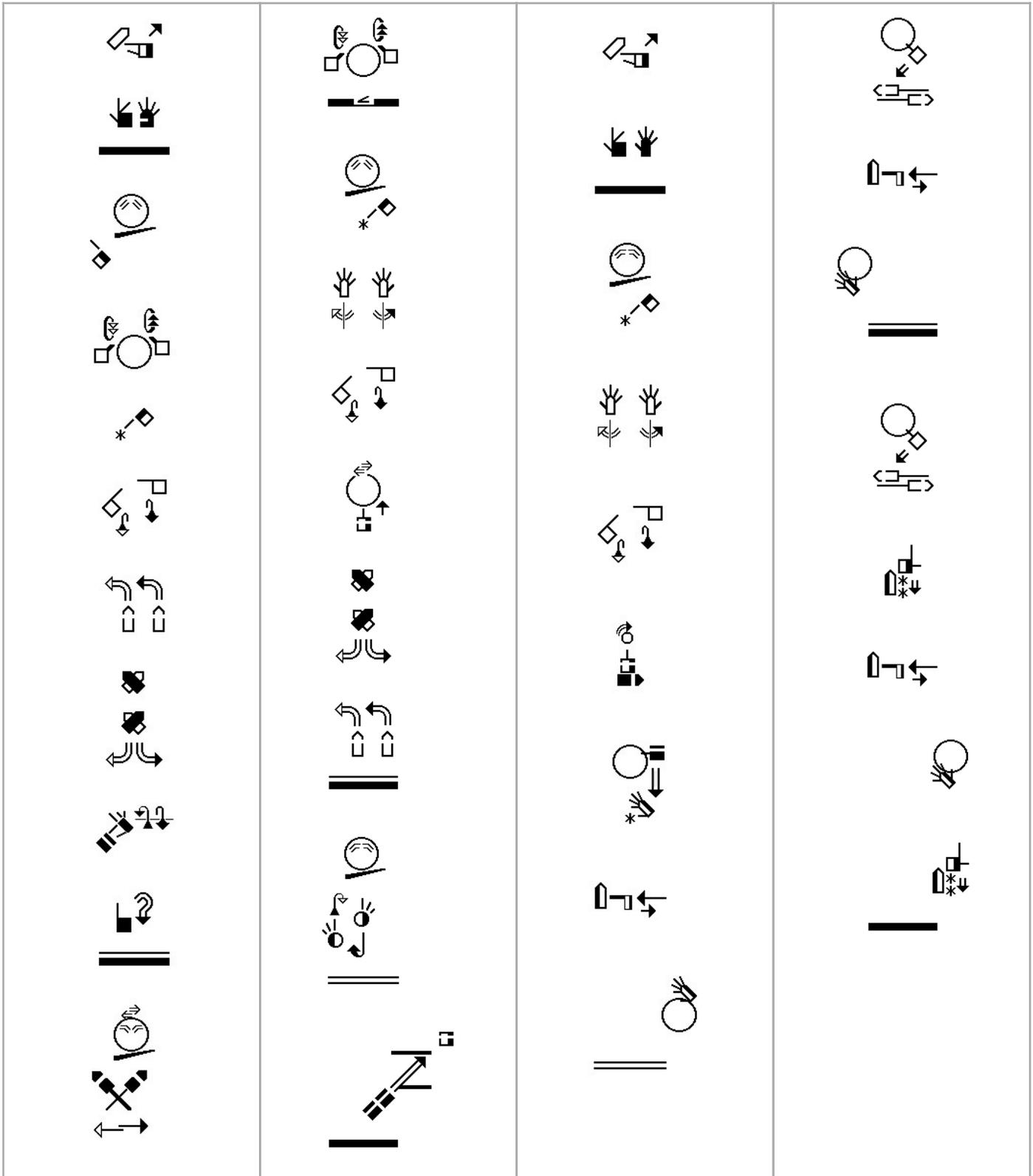
166 copper coin? But not a single sparrow can fall to the ground without your Father knowing it. 30 And the very hairs on your head are all numbered. 31 So don't be afraid; you are more valuable to God than a whole flock of sparrows. NLT

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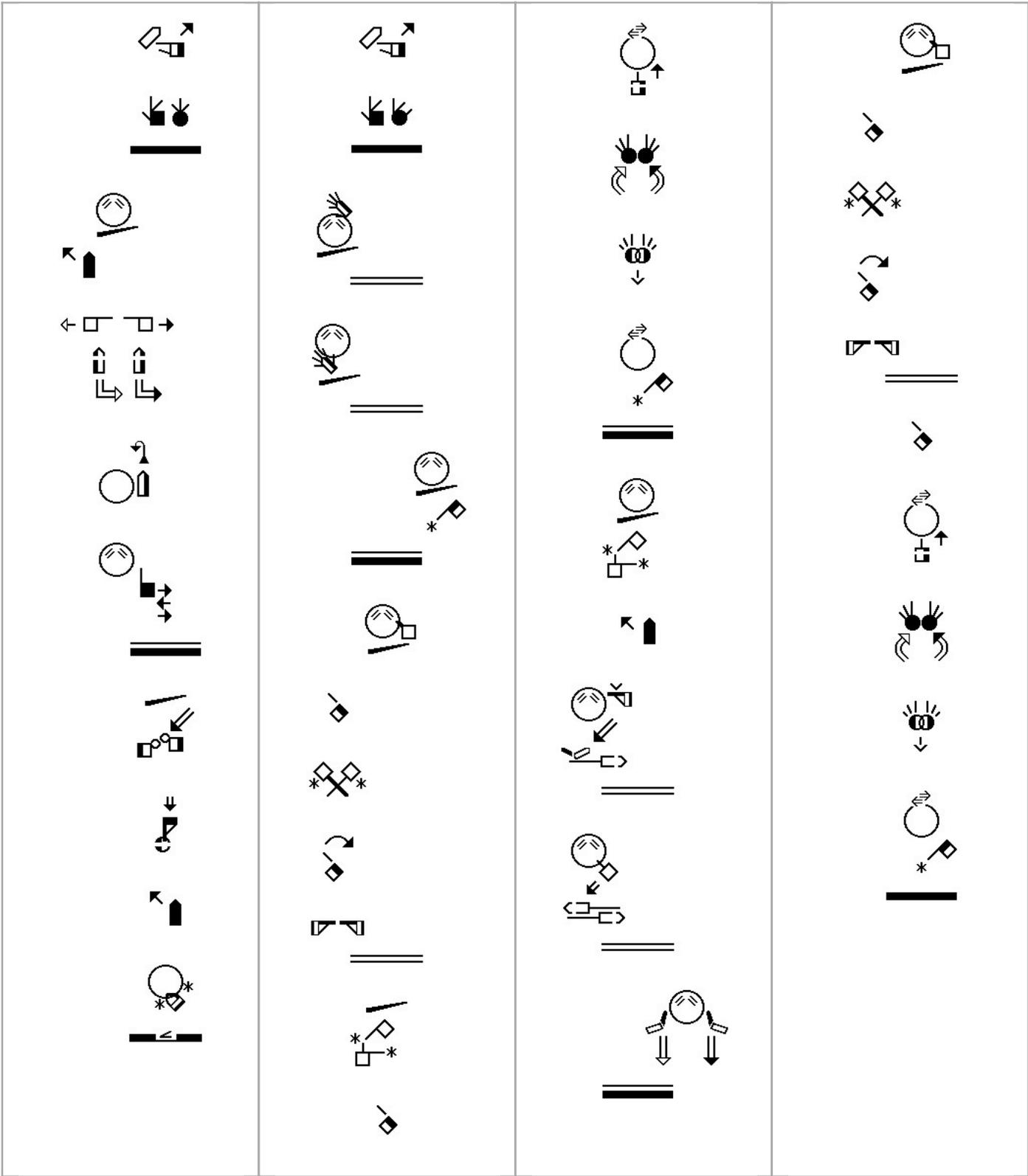
32 "Everyone who acknowledges me publicly here on earth, I will also acknowledge before my Father in heaven. 33 But everyone who denies me here on earth, I will also deny before my Father in heaven.

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Matthew 10:34-35



34 "Don't imagine that I came to bring peace to the earth! I came not to bring peace, but a sword. 35 'I have come to set a man against his father, a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law.



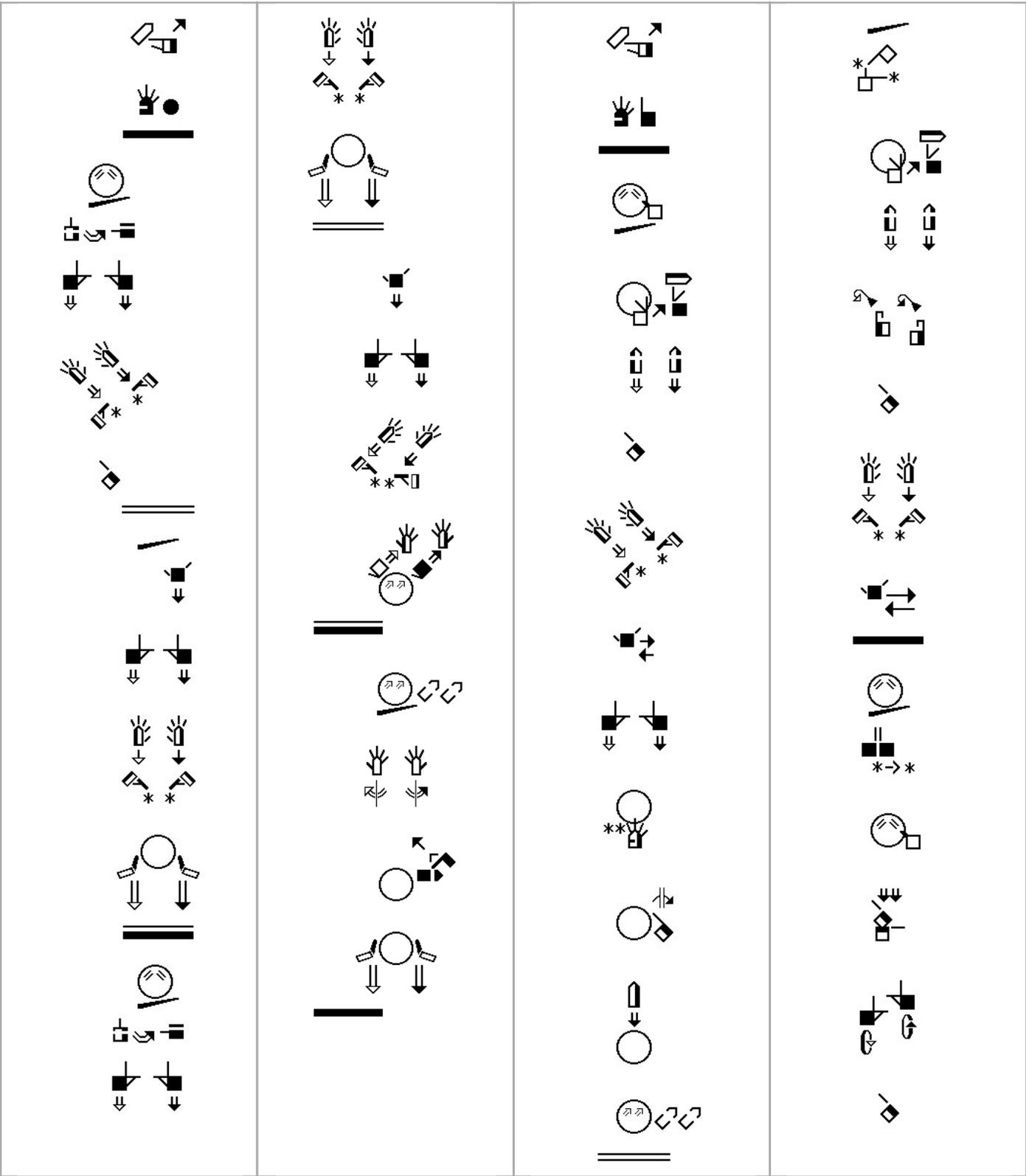
36 Your enemies will be right in your own household! 37 "If you love your father or mother more than you love me, you are not worthy of being mine; or if you love your son or daughter more than me, you are not worthy of being mine.

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Matthew 10:38-39

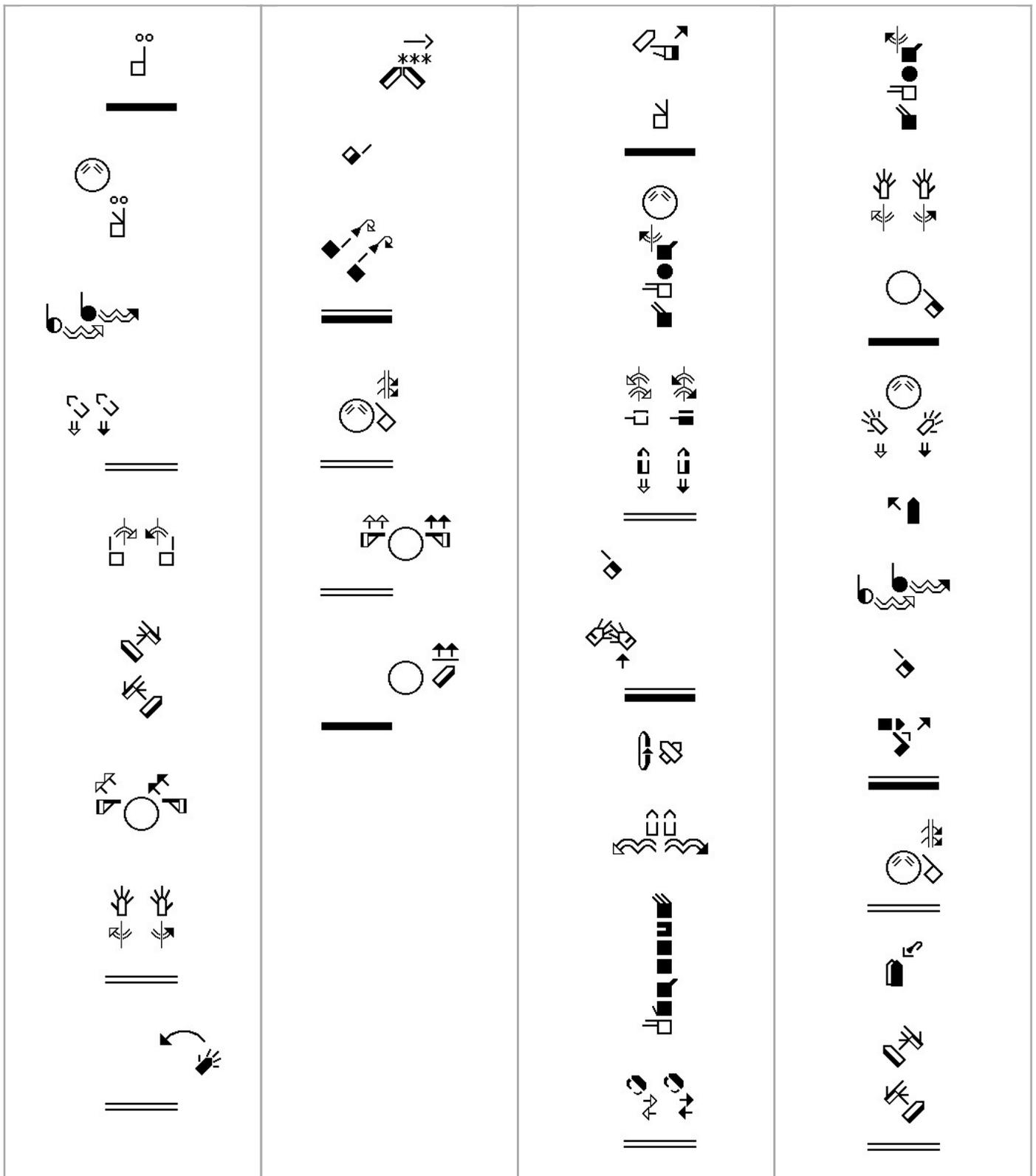
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38 If you refuse to take your cross and follow me, you are not worthy of being mine.
 39 If you cling to your life, you will lose it; but if you give up your life for me, you will find it.
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40 "Anyone who receives you receives me, and anyone who receives me receives the Father who sent me. 41 If you receive a prophet as one who speaks for God, you will be given the same reward as a prophet. And if you

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11 When Jesus had finished giving these instructions to his twelve disciples, he went out to teach and preach in towns throughout the region. 2 John the Baptist, who was in prison, heard about all the things the Messiah was doing. So he sent his disciples to ask Jesus,

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Matthew 11:3-4

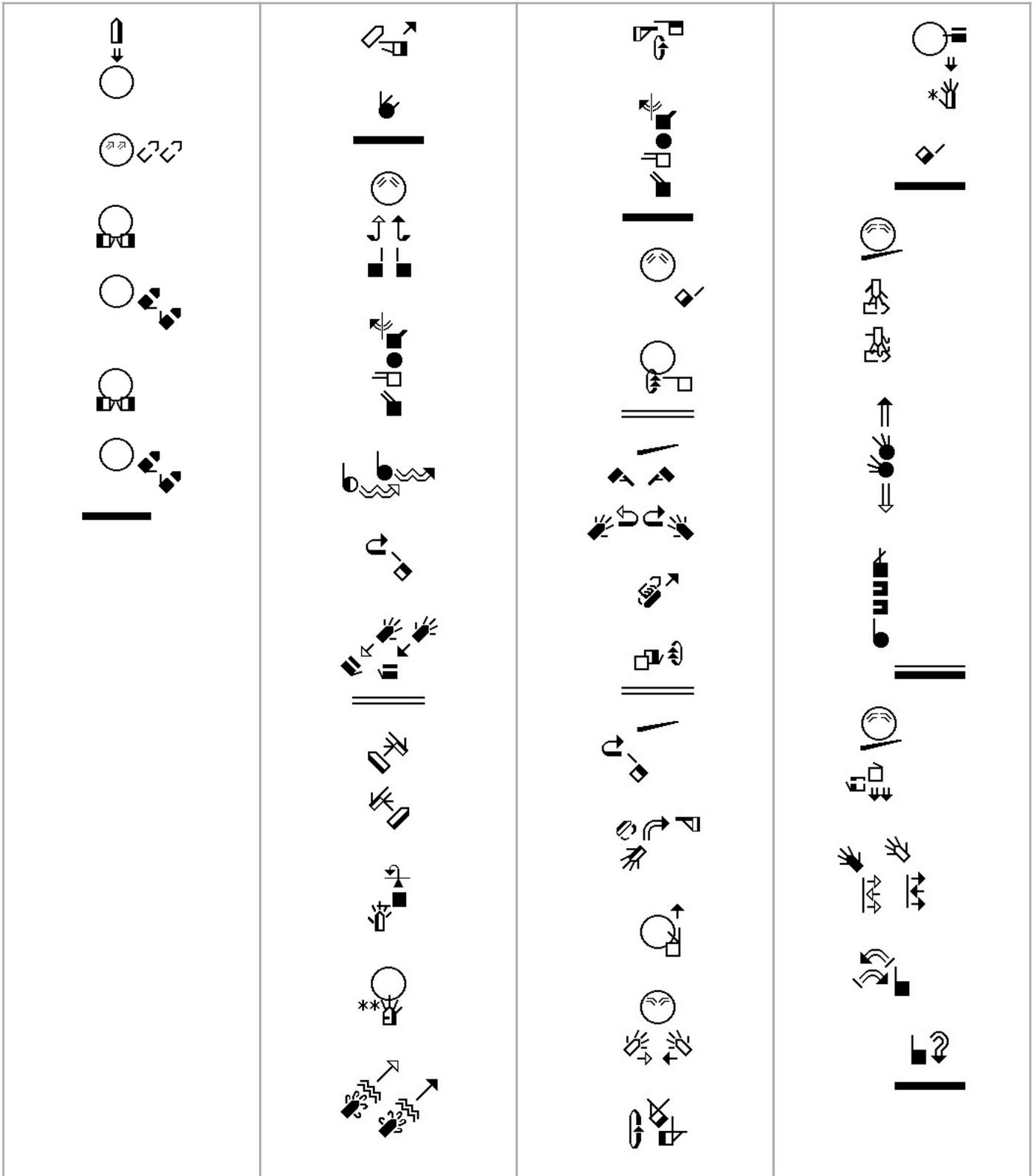
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174 3 "Are you the Messiah we've been expecting, or should we keep looking for someone else?" 4 Jesus told them, "Go back to John and tell him what you have heard and seen-- NLT

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5 the blind see, the lame walk, the lepers are cured, the deaf hear, the dead are raised to life, and the Good News is being preached to the poor. 6 And tell him,

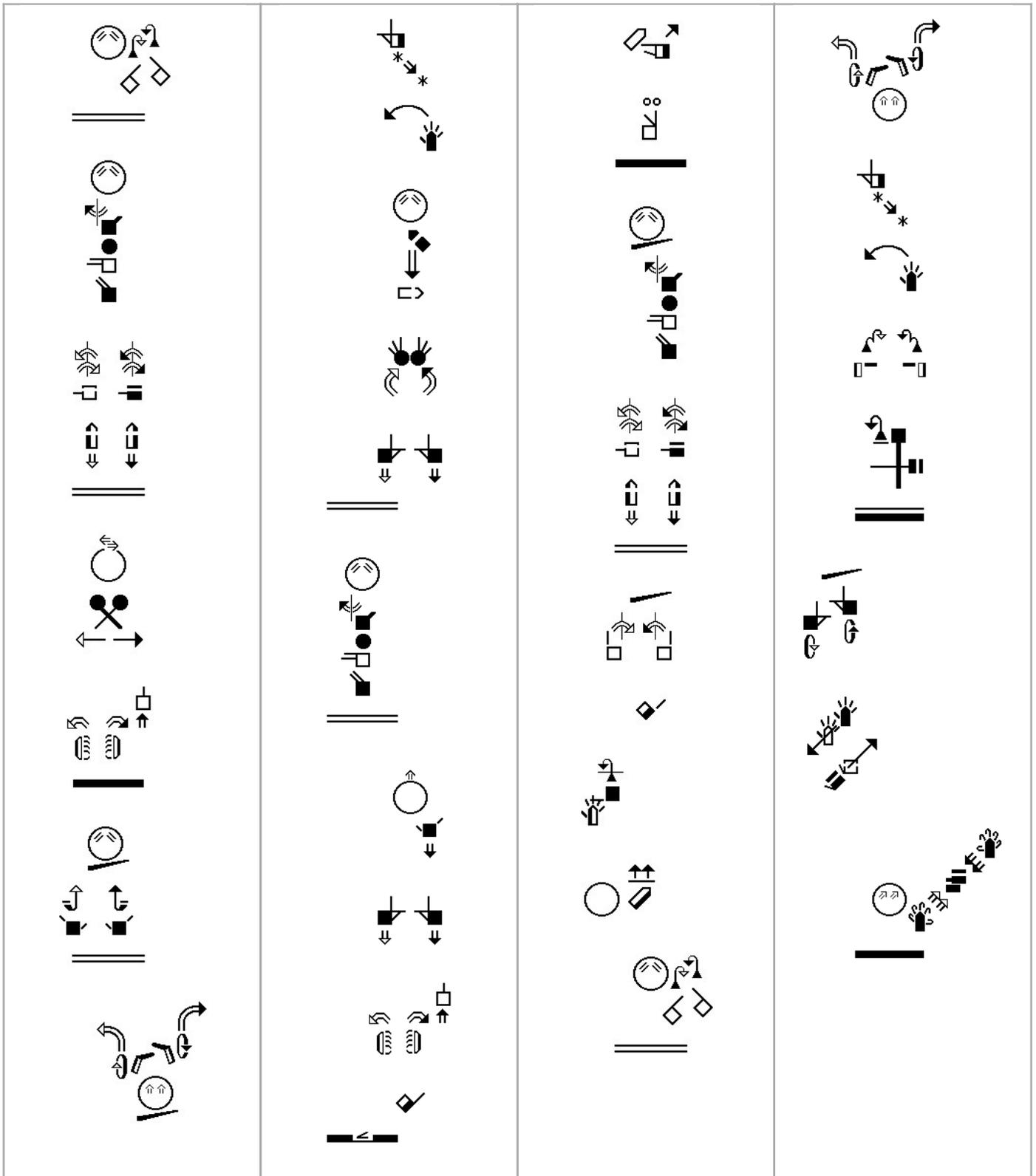
Matthew 11:6-7



'God blesses those who do not turn away because of me.'" 7 As John's disciples were leaving, Jesus began talking about him to the crowds. "What kind of man did you go into the wilderness to see? Was he a weak reed, swayed by every breath of wind? NLT

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8 Or were you expecting to see a man dressed in expensive clothes? No, people with expensive clothes live in palaces. 9 Were you looking for a prophet? Yes, and he is more than a prophet.
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none is greater than John the Baptist. Yet even the least person in the Kingdom of Heaven is greater than he is! 12 And from the time John the Baptist began preaching until now, the Kingdom of Heaven has been forcefully advancing, and violent people are attacking it.

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Matthew 11:13-14

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13 For before John came, all the prophets and the law of Moses looked forward to this present time. 14 And if you are willing to accept what I say, he is Elijah, the one the prophets said would come.

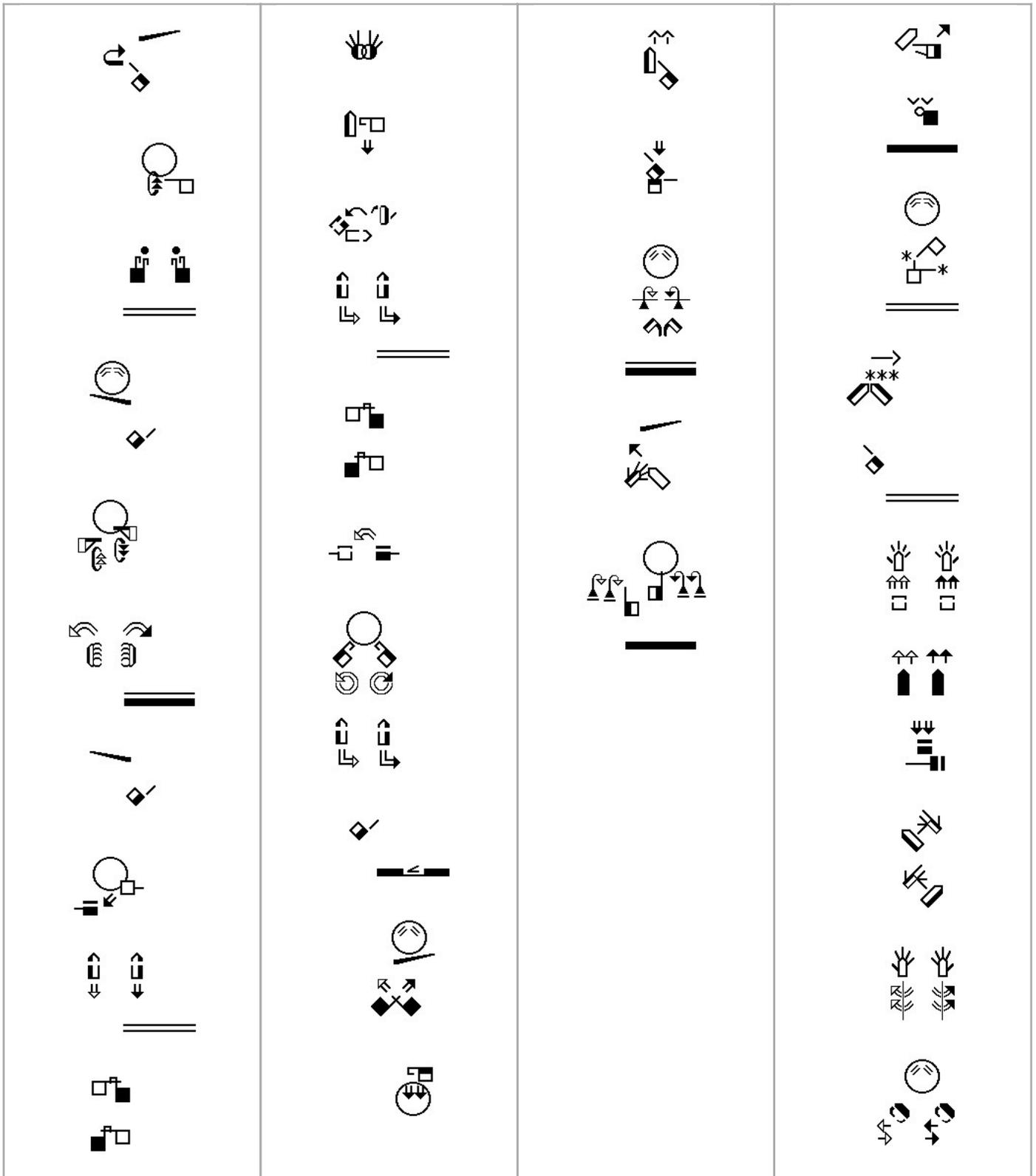
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15 Anyone with ears to hear should listen and understand! 16 "To what can I compare this generation? It is like children playing a game in the public square. They complain to their friends, 17 'We played wedding songs, and you didn't dance,' NLT

Matthew 11:17-19

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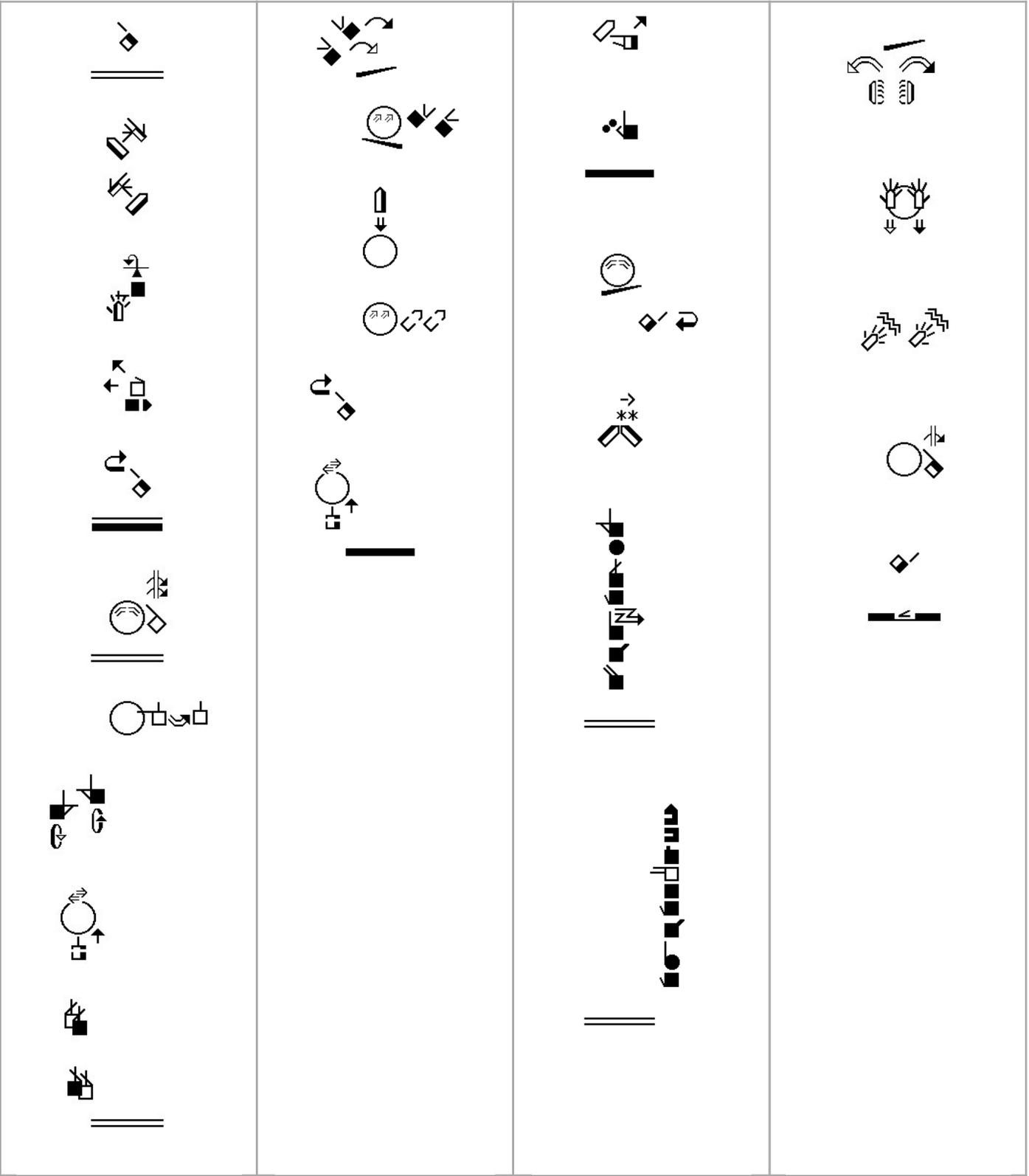
so we played funeral songs, and you didn't mourn.' 18 For John didn't spend his time eating and drinking, and you say, 'He's possessed by a demon.' 19 The Son of Man, on the other hand, feasts and drinks, NLT



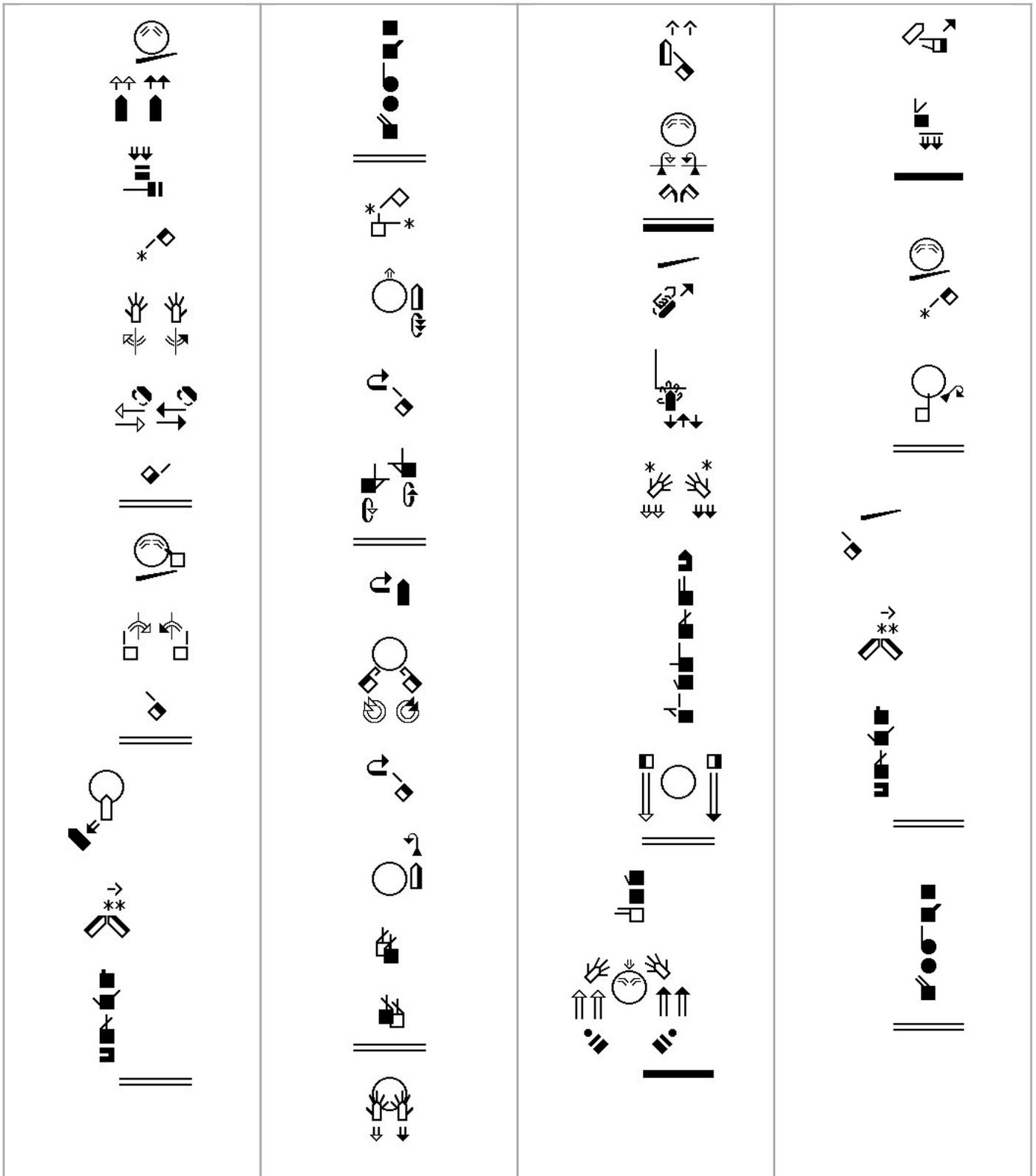
and you say, 'He's a glutton and a drunkard, and a friend of tax collectors and other sinners!' But wisdom is shown to be right by its results." 20 Then Jesus began to denounce the towns where he had done so many of his miracles,

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Matthew 11:20-21



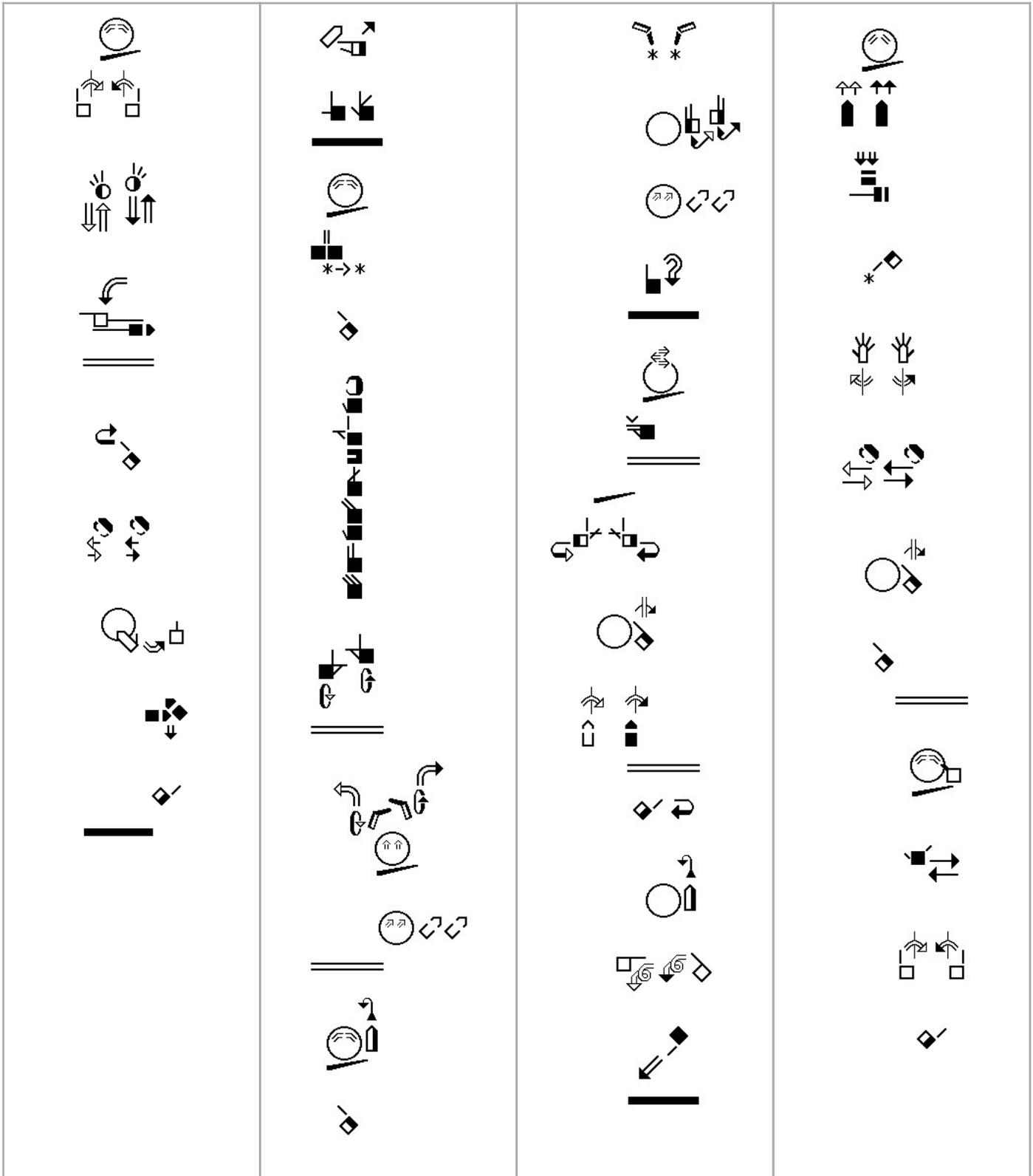
184 because they hadn't repented of their sins and turned to God. 21 "What sorrow awaits you, Korazin and Bethsaida! NLT

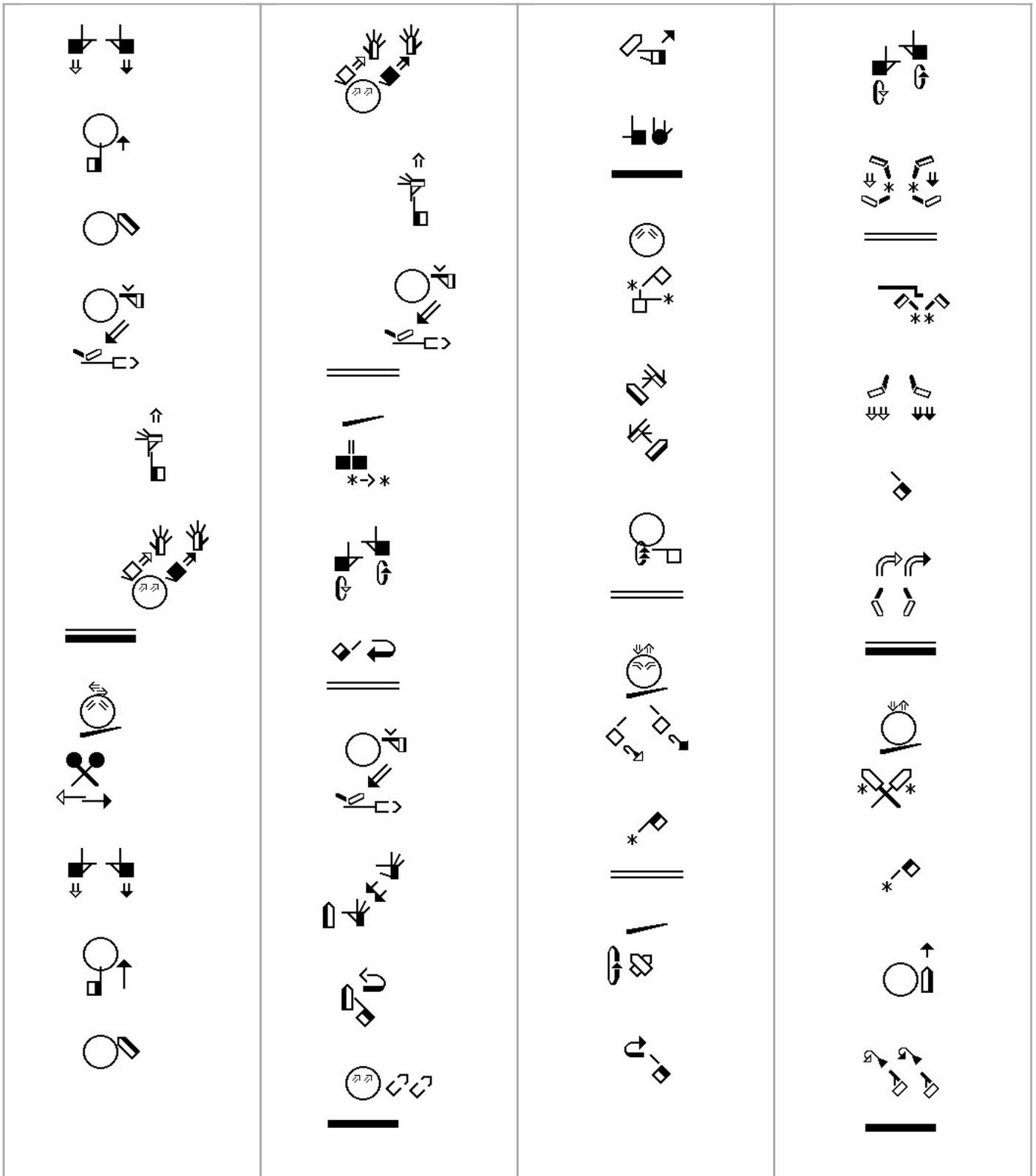


For if the miracles I did in you had been done in wicked Tyre and Sidon, their people would have repented of their sins long ago, clothing themselves in burlap and throwing ashes on their heads to show their remorse. 22 I tell you, Tyre and Sidon

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Matthew 11:22-23



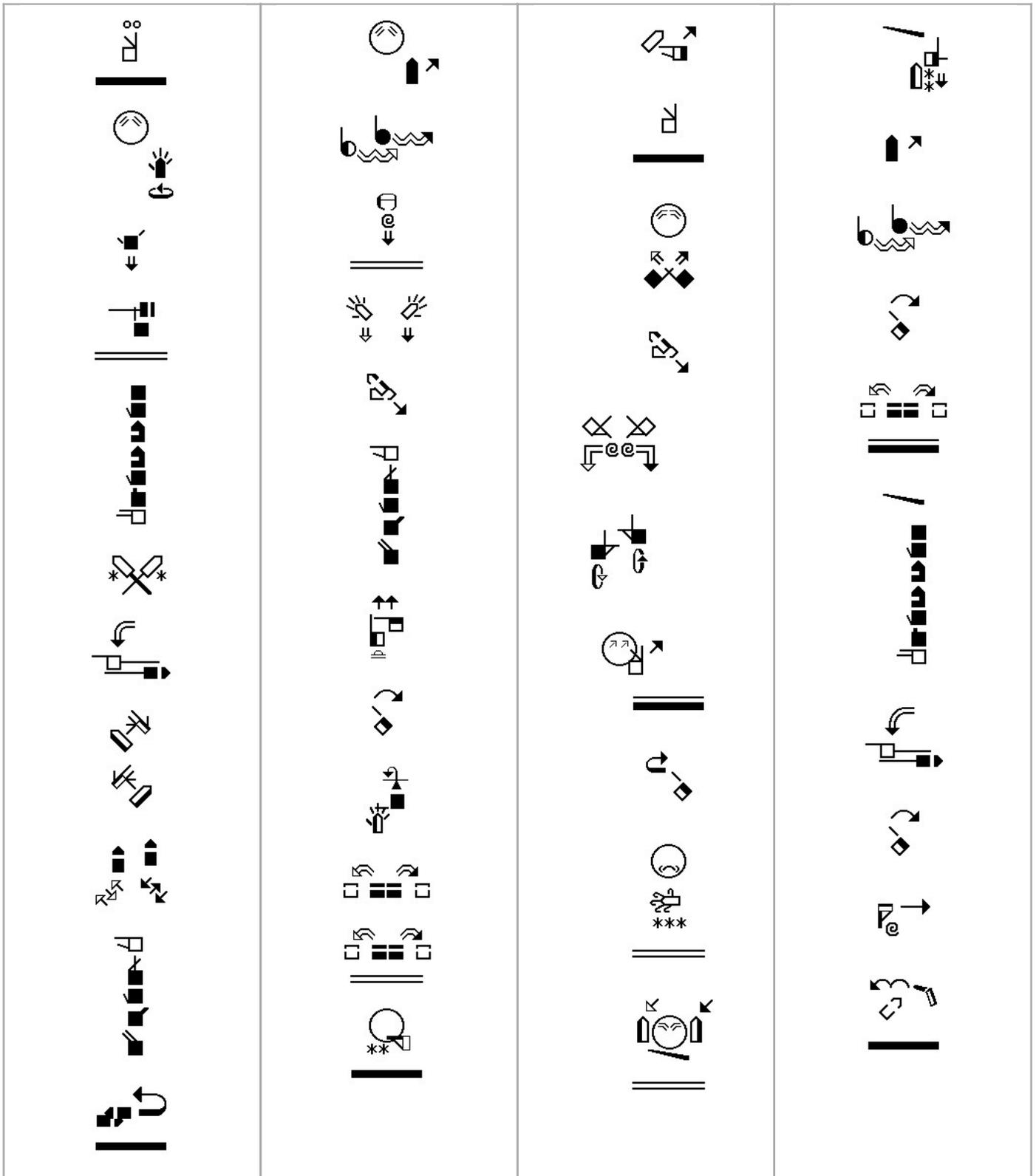


one truly knows the Son except the Father, and no one truly knows the Father except the Son and those to whom the Son chooses to reveal him." 28 Then Jesus said, "Come to me, all of you who are weary and carry heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. NLT

Matthew 11:29-30

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29 Take my yoke upon you. Let me teach you, because I am humble and gentle and heart, and you will find rest for your souls. 30 For my yoke is easy to bear, and the burden I give you is light." NLT

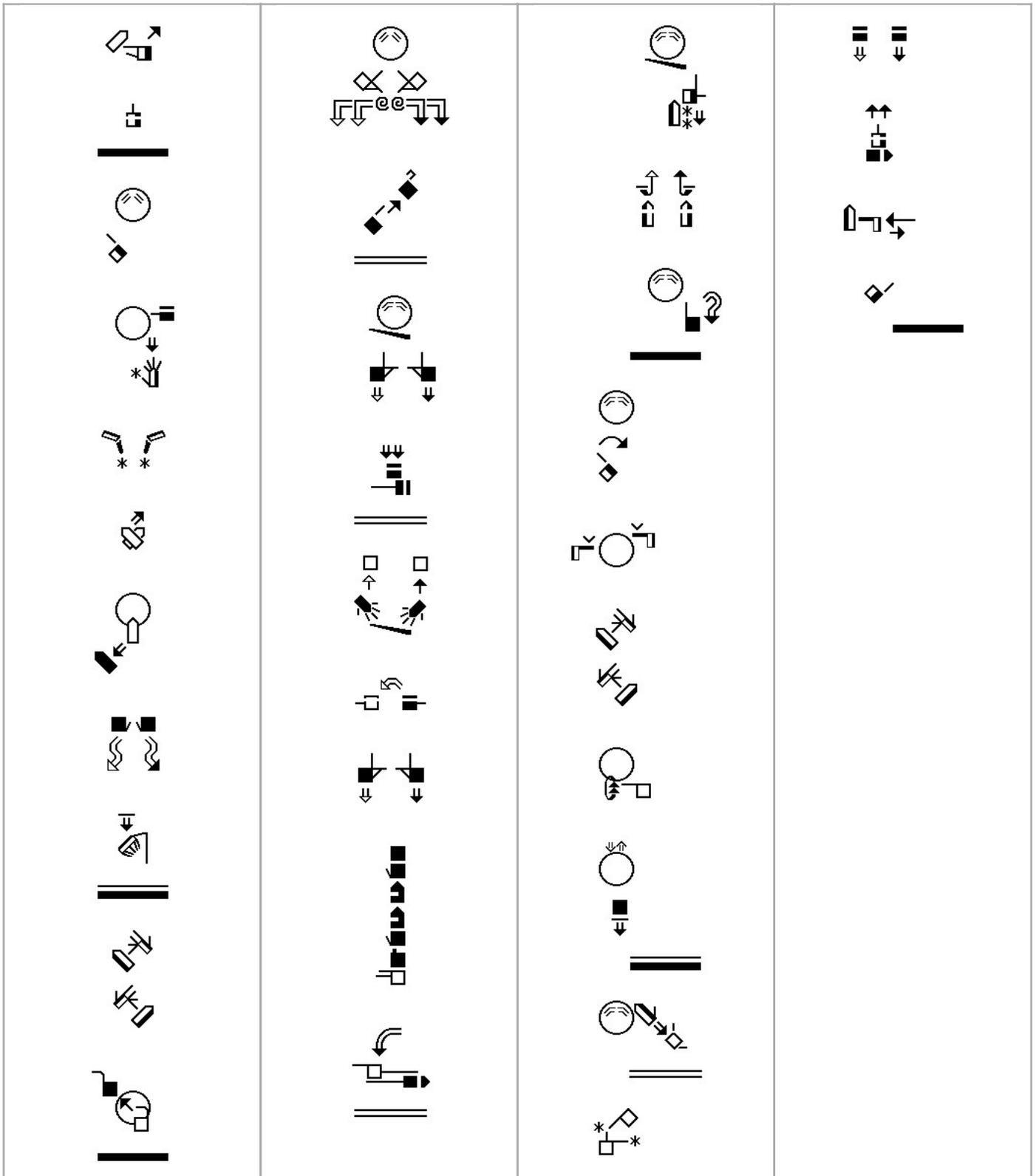


12 At about that time Jesus was walking through some grainfields on the Sabbath. His disciples were hungry, so they began breaking off some heads of grain and eating them. 2 But some Pharisees saw them do it and protested, "Look, your disciples are breaking the law by harvesting grain on the Sabbath."

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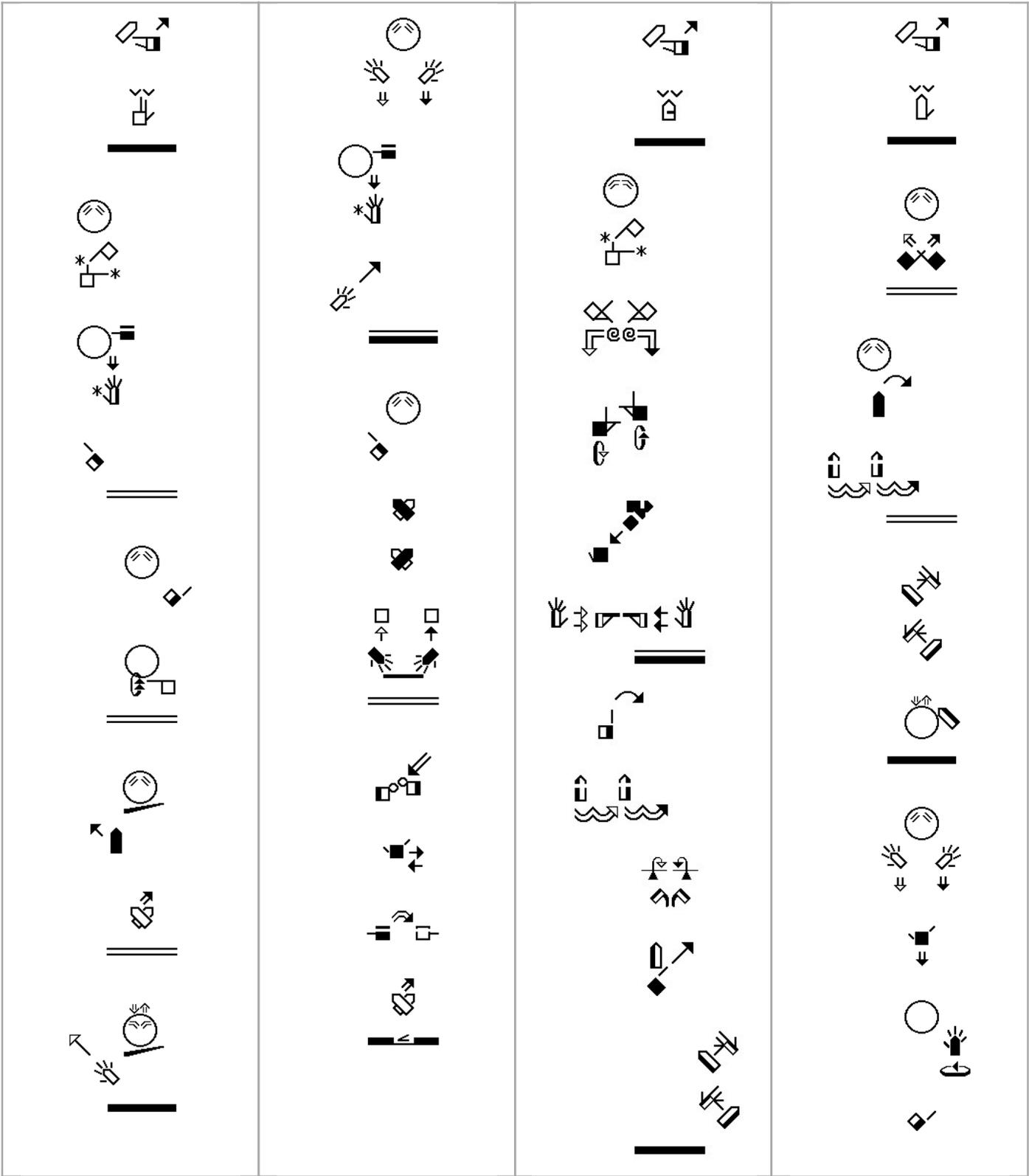
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5 And haven't you read in the law of Moses that the priests on duty in the Temple may work on the Sabbath? 6 I tell you, there is one here who is even greater than the Temple! 7 But you would not have condemned my innocent disciples if you knew the meaning of this Scripture: 'I want you to show NLT



10 where he noticed a man with a deformed hand. The Pharisees asked Jesus, "Does the law permit a person to work by healing on the Sabbath?" (They were hoping he would say yes, so they could bring charges against him.)

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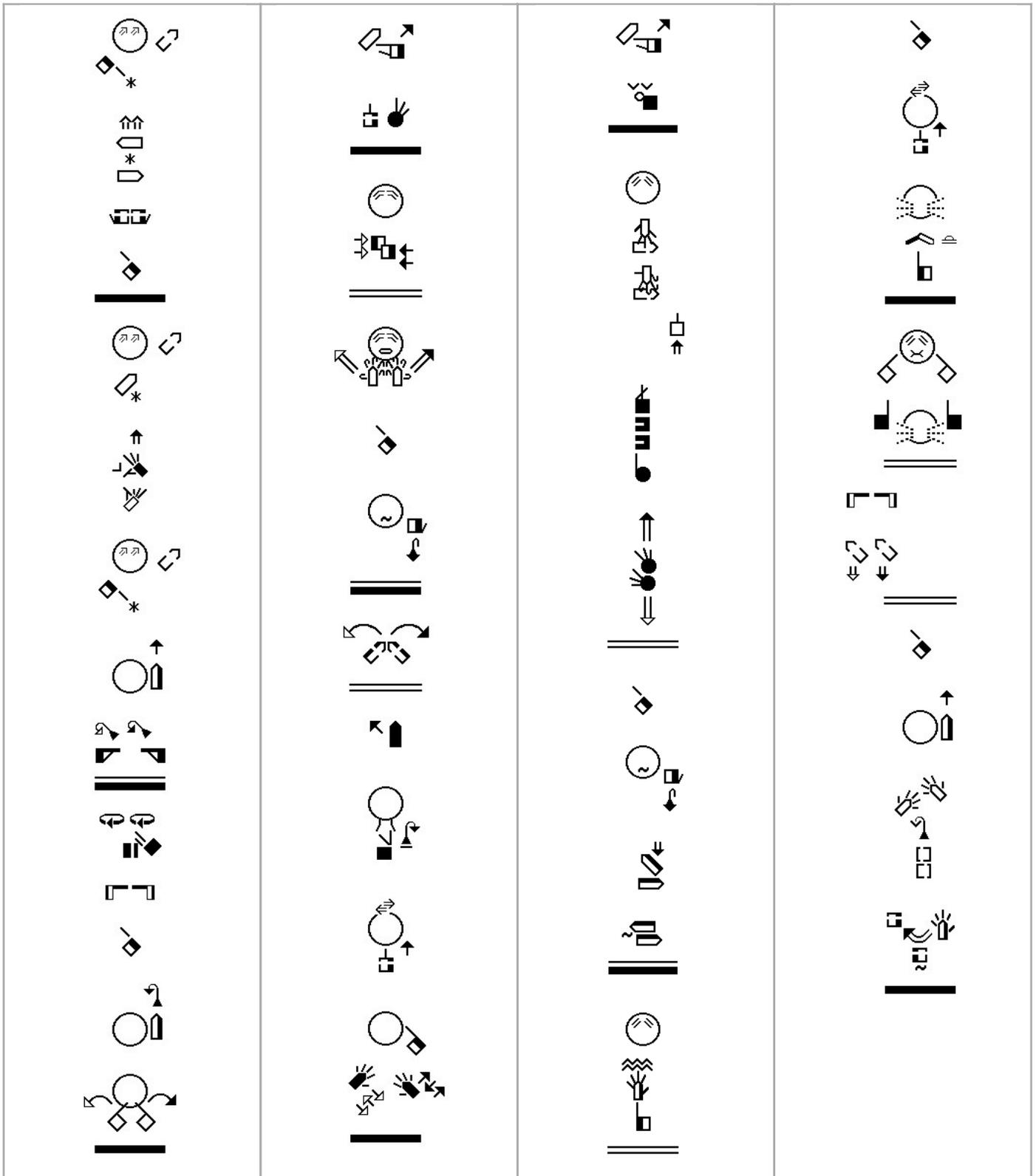


13 Then he said to the man, "Hold out your hand." So the man held out his hand, and it was restored, just like the other one! 14 Then the Pharisees called a meeting to plot how to kill Jesus. 15 But Jesus knew what they were planning. So,

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he left that area, and many people followed him. He healed all the sick among them, 16 but he warned them not to reveal who he was. 17 This fulfilled the prophecy of Isaiah concerning him: 18 "Look at my Servant, whom I have chosen. He is my Beloved, NLT



who pleases me. I will put my Spirit upon him, and he will proclaim justice to the nations. 19 He will not fight or shout or raise his voice in public. 20 He will not crush the weakest reed or put out a flickering candle. Finally he will cause justice to be victorious. NLT

Matthew 12:21-23

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21 And his name will be the hope of all the world." 22 Then a demon-possessed man, who was blind and couldn't speak, was brought to Jesus. He healed the man so that he could both speak and see. 23 The crowd was amazed and asked, "Could it be NLT

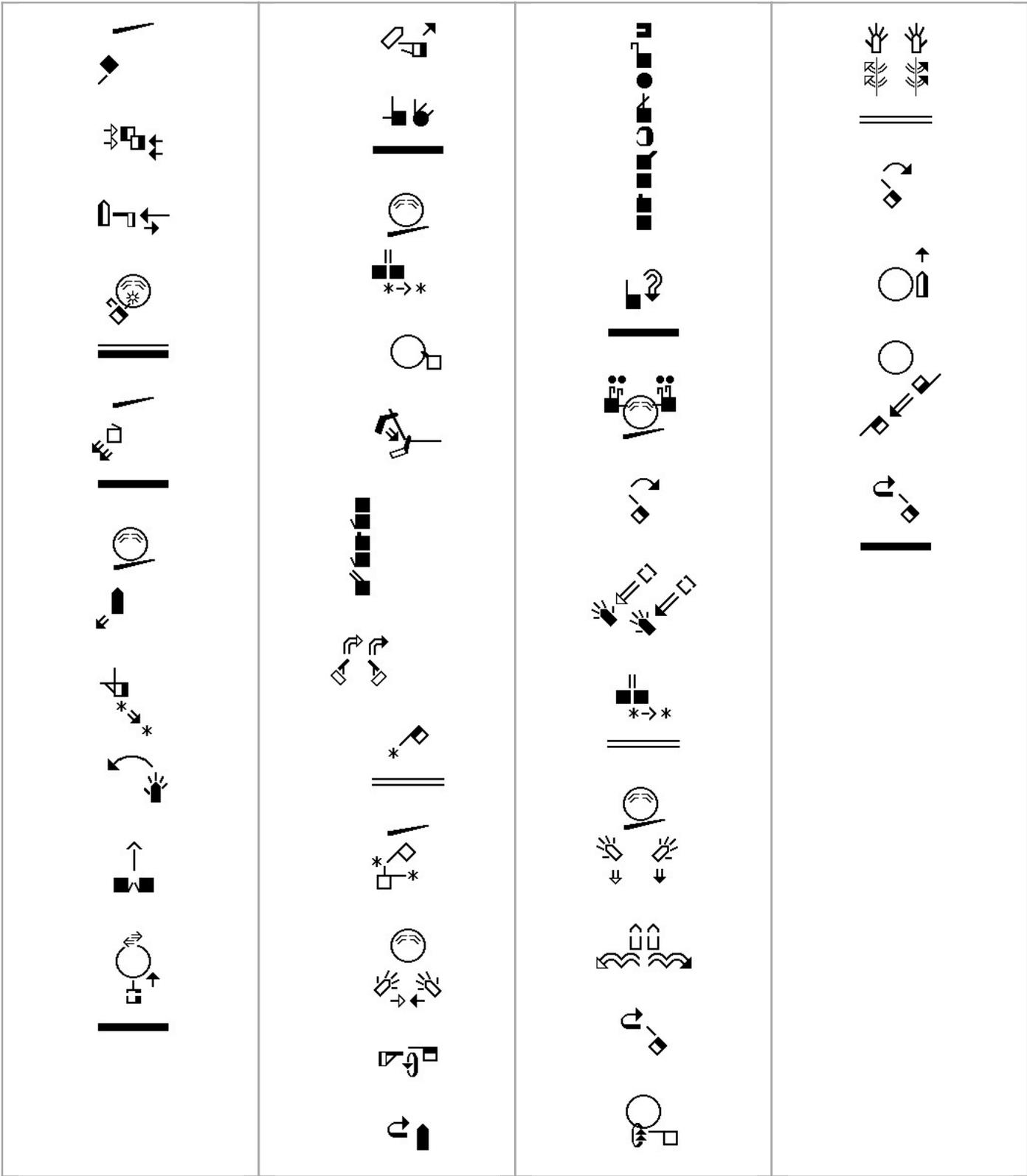
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that Jesus is the Son of David, the Messiah?" 24 But when the Pharisees heard about the miracle, they said, "No wonder he can cast out demons. He gets his power from Satan, the prince of demons."

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Matthew 12:25-26

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and fighting against himself. His own kingdom will not survive. 27 And if I am empowered by Satan, what about your own exorcists? They cast out demons, too, so they will condemn you for what you have said.

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Matthew 12:28-29

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28 But if I am casting out demons by the Spirit of God, then the Kingdom of God has arrived among you. 29 For who is powerful enough to enter the house of a strong man like Satan and plunder his goods? Only someone even stronger -- someone who could NLT

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tie him up and then plunder his house. 30 "Anyone who isn't with me opposes me, and anyone who isn't working with me is actually working against me. 31 "So I tell you, every sin and blasphemy NLT

Matthew 12:31-32

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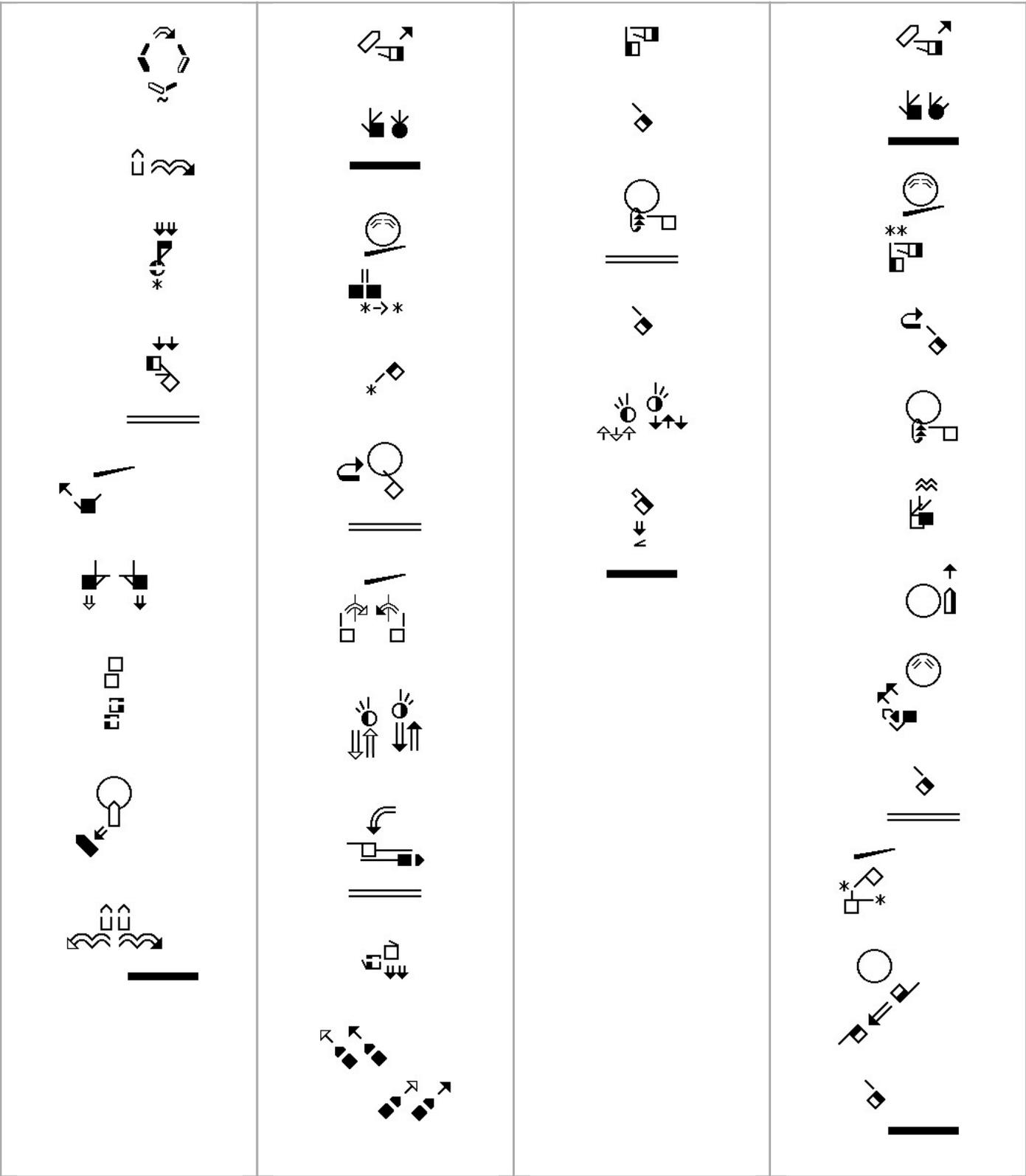
will never be forgiven, either in this world or in the world to come. 33 "A tree is identified by its fruit. If a tree is good, its fruit will be good. If a tree is bad, its fruit will be bad. 34 You brood of snakes! How could evil men

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Matthew 12:34-35

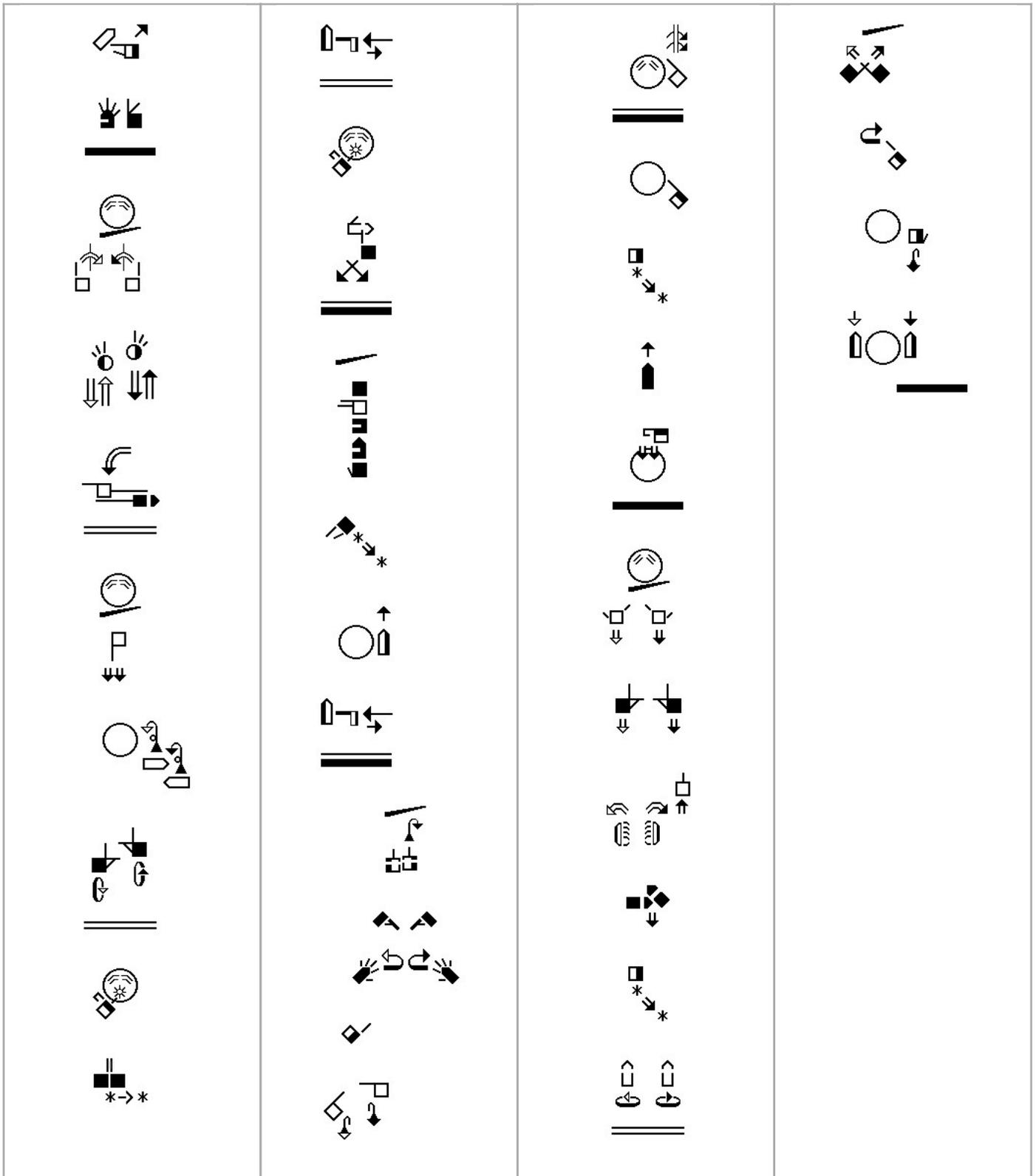
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like you speak what is good and right? For whatever is in your heart determines what you say. 35 A good person produces good things from the treasury of a good heart, and an evil person NLT



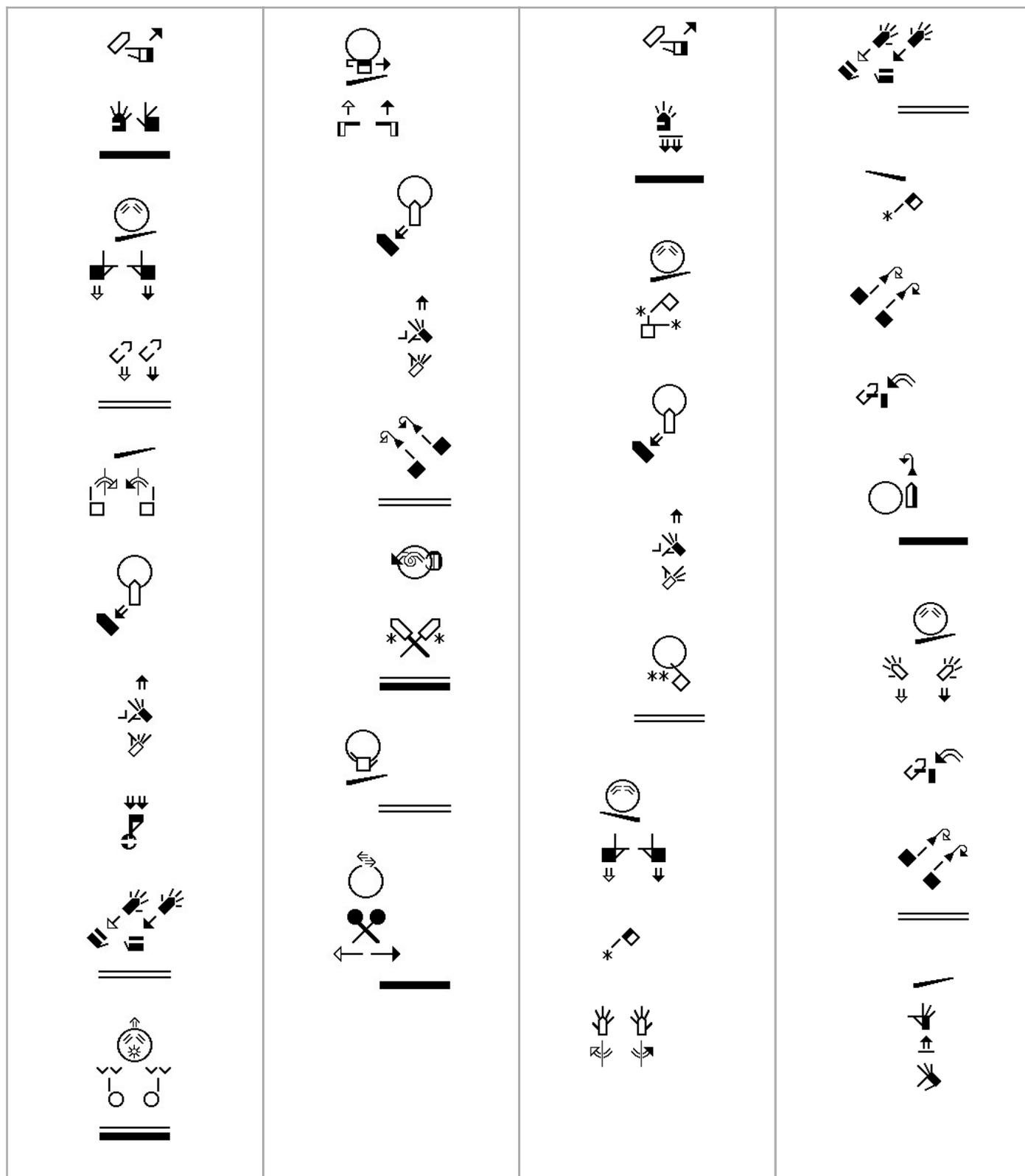
produces evil things from the treasury of an evil heart. 36 And I tell you this, you must give an account on judgment day for every idle word you speak. 37 The words you say will either acquit you or condemn you."

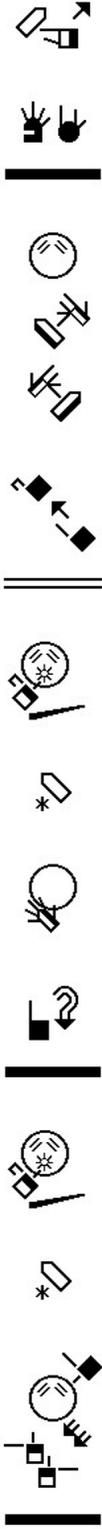
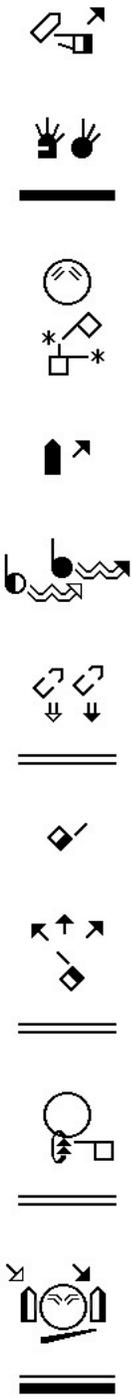
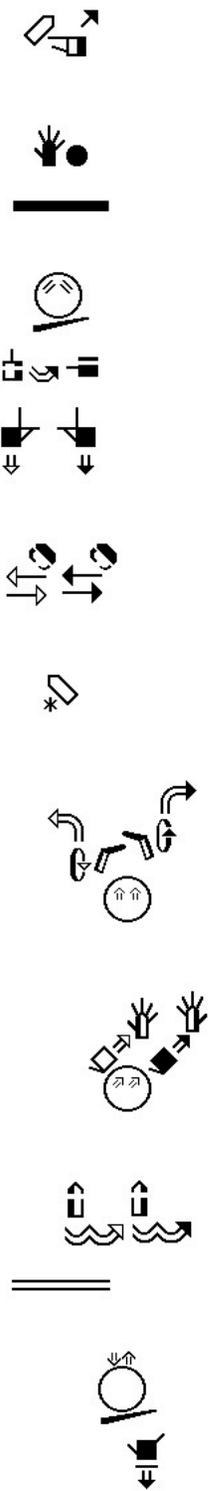
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42 The queen of Sheba will also stand up against this generation on judgment day and condemn it, for she came from a distant land to hear the wisdom of Solomon. Now someone greater than Solomon is here -- but you refuse to listen. NLT

Matthew 12:43-44

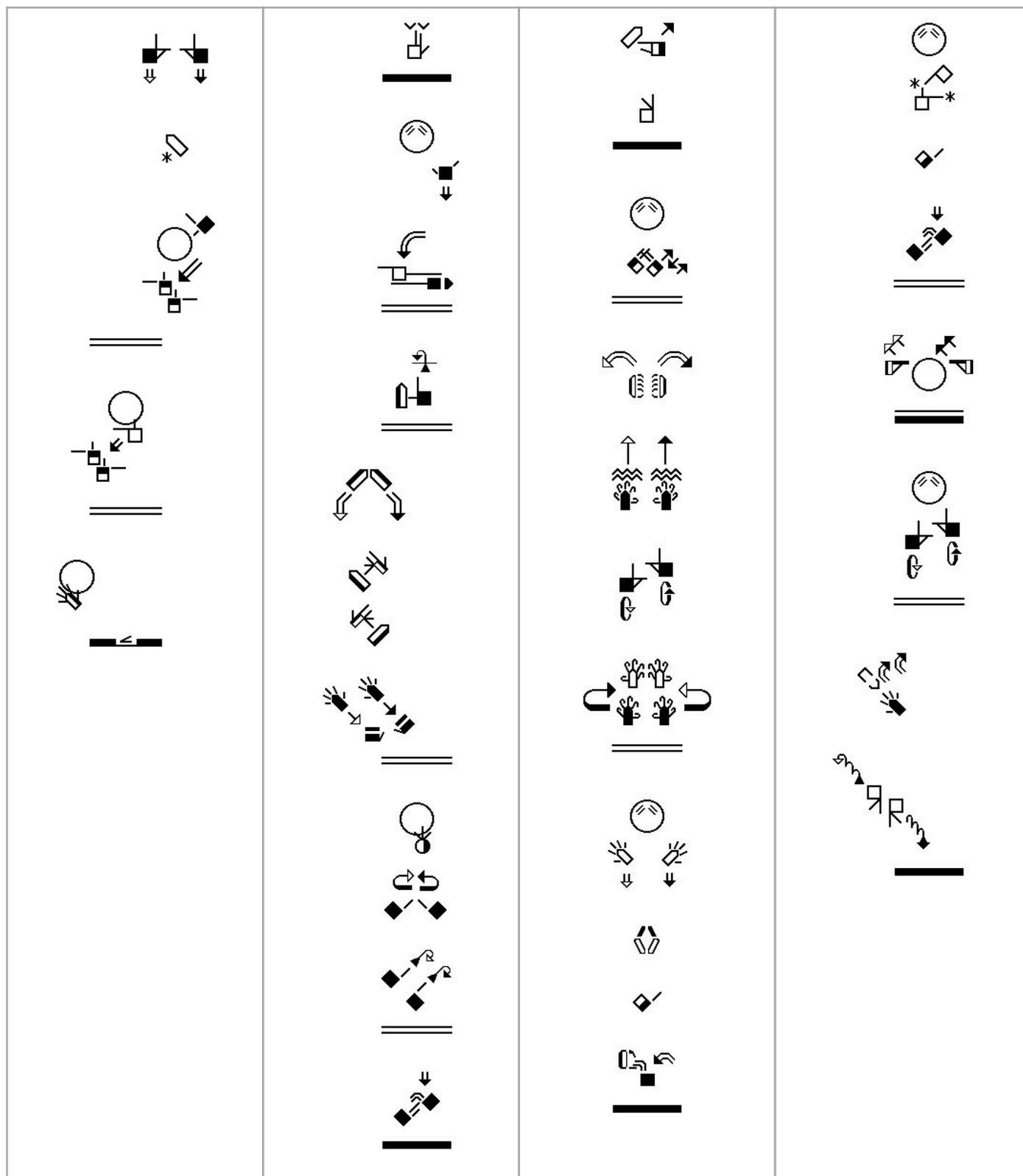


			
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48 Jesus asked, "Who is my mother? Who are my brothers?" 49 Then he pointed to his disciples and said, "Look, these are my mother and brothers. 50 Anyone who does the will of my Father in heaven

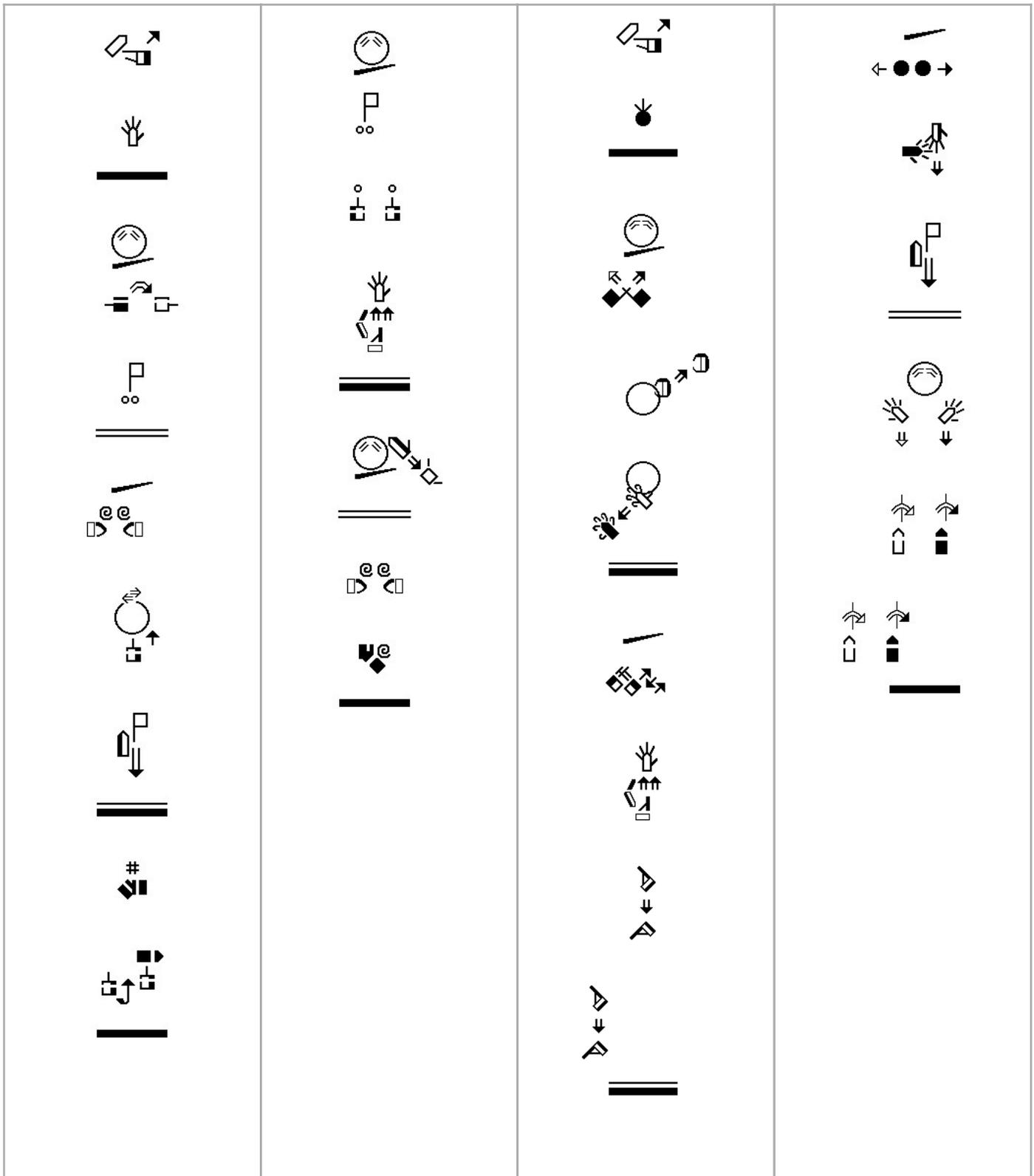
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Matthew 12:50, 13:1-2



is my brother and sister and mother!" **13.** Later that same day Jesus left the house and sat beside the lake. **2** A large crowd soon gathered around him, so he got into a boat. Then he sat there and taught as the people stood on the shore. NLT

Matthew 13:5-6



5 Other seeds fell on shallow soil with underlying rock. The seeds sprouted quickly because the soil was shallow. 6 But the plants soon wilted under the hot sun, and since they didn't have deep roots, they died. NLT

Matthew 13:9-11

<p>A vertical sequence of 13 sign language icons. From top to bottom: 1. Hand pointing up and right. 2. Hand with fingers spread. 3. Thick horizontal line. 4. Hand with fingers spread. 5. Hand pointing up and right. 6. Hand pointing down and left. 7. Hand pointing down and left. 8. Hand pointing up and right. 9. Hand pointing up and right. 10. Hand pointing up and right. 11. Hand pointing up and right. 12. Hand pointing up and right. 13. Hand pointing up and right.</p>	<p>A vertical sequence of 13 sign language icons. From top to bottom: 1. Hand pointing up and right. 2. Thick horizontal line. 3. Hand with fingers spread. 4. Hand pointing up and right. 5. Hand pointing up and right. 6. Hand pointing up and right. 7. Hand pointing up and right. 8. Hand pointing up and right. 9. Hand pointing up and right. 10. Hand pointing up and right. 11. Hand pointing up and right. 12. Hand pointing up and right. 13. Hand pointing up and right.</p>	<p>A vertical sequence of 13 sign language icons. From top to bottom: 1. Hand pointing up and right. 2. Hand pointing up and right. 3. Hand pointing up and right. 4. Hand pointing up and right. 5. Hand pointing up and right. 6. Hand pointing up and right. 7. Hand pointing up and right. 8. Hand pointing up and right. 9. Hand pointing up and right. 10. Hand pointing up and right. 11. Hand pointing up and right. 12. Hand pointing up and right. 13. Hand pointing up and right.</p>	<p>A vertical sequence of 13 sign language icons. From top to bottom: 1. Hand pointing up and right. 2. Hand pointing up and right. 3. Hand pointing up and right. 4. Hand pointing up and right. 5. Hand pointing up and right. 6. Hand pointing up and right. 7. Hand pointing up and right. 8. Hand pointing up and right. 9. Hand pointing up and right. 10. Hand pointing up and right. 11. Hand pointing up and right. 12. Hand pointing up and right. 13. Hand pointing up and right.</p>
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9 "Anyone with ears to hear should listen and understand." 10 His disciples came and asked him, "Why do you use parables when you talk to the people?" 11 He replied, "You are permitted to understand the secrets of the Kingdom of Heaven, NLT

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but others are not. 12 To those who listen to my teaching, more understanding will be given, and they will have an abundance of knowledge. But for those who are not listening, even what little understanding they have will be taken away from them. NLT

Matthew 13:13-14

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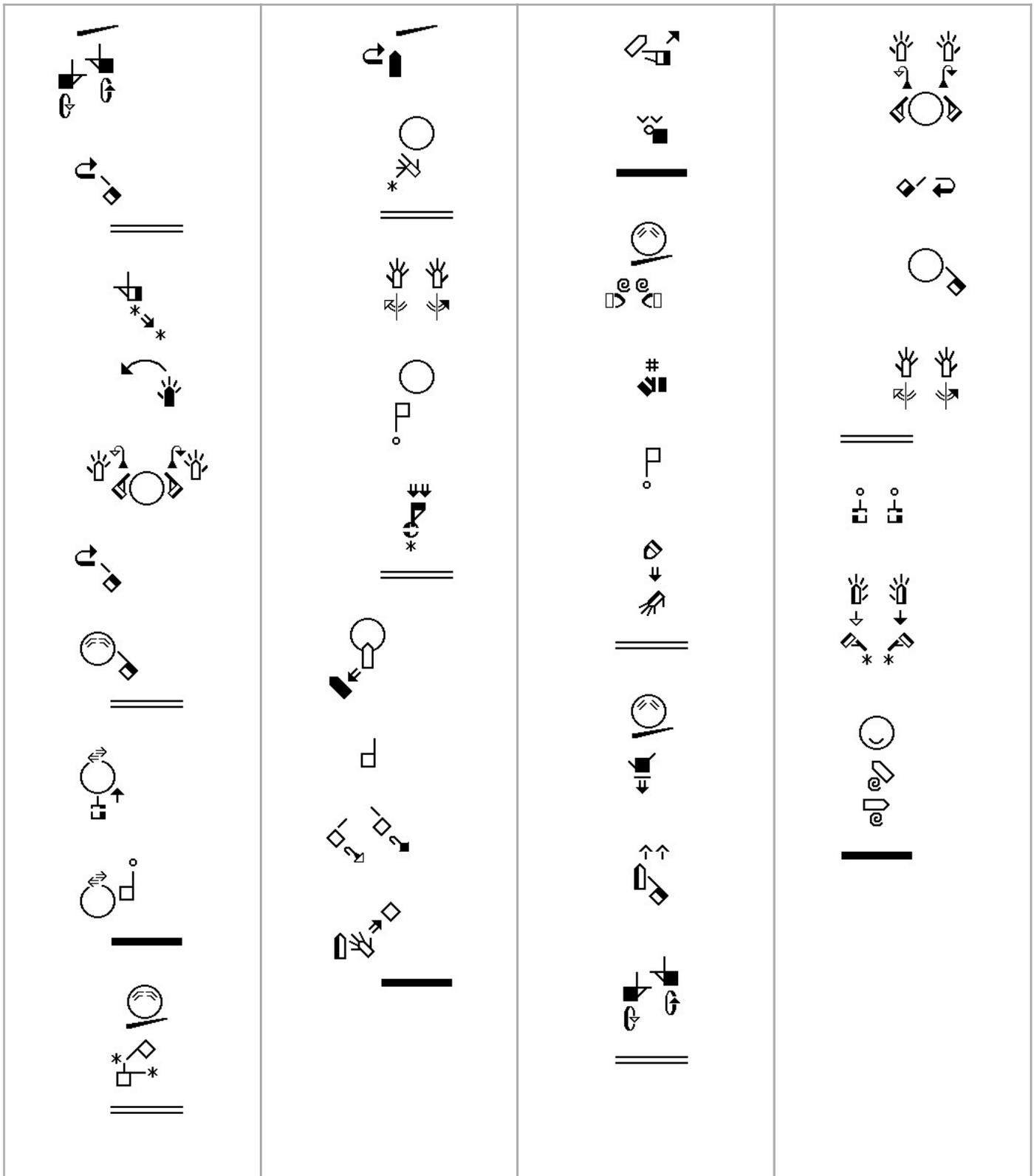
13 That is why I use these parables, For they look, but they don't really see. They hear, but they don't really listen or understand. 14 This fulfills the prophecy of Isaiah that says, 'When you hear what I say, you will not understand. When you see what I do, you will not comprehend. NLT

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prophets and righteous people longed to see what you see, but they didn't see it. And they longed to hear what you hear, but they didn't hear it. 18 "Now listen to the explanation of the parable about the farmer planting seeds: 19 The seed that fell on the footpath represents

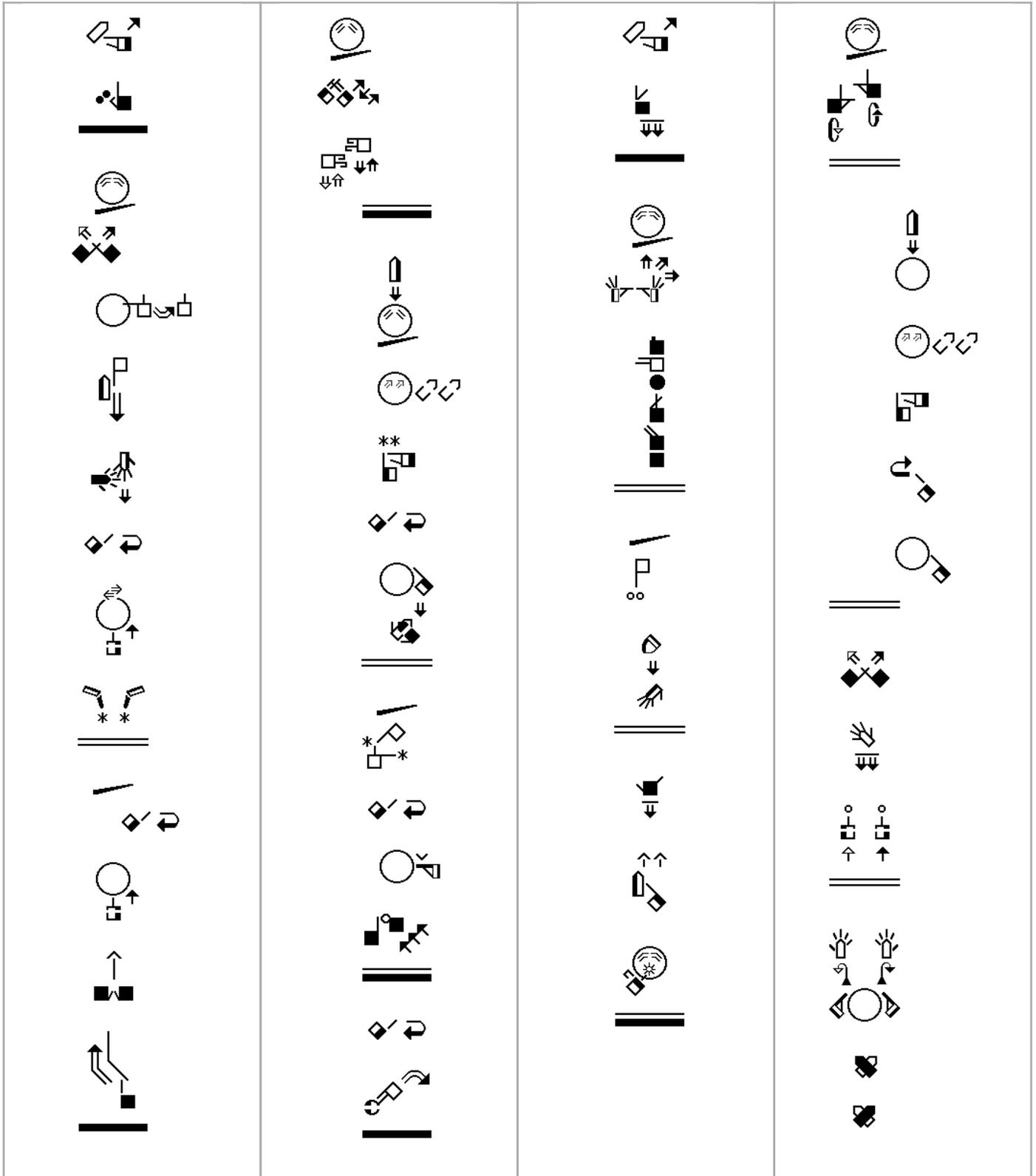
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Matthew 13:19-20



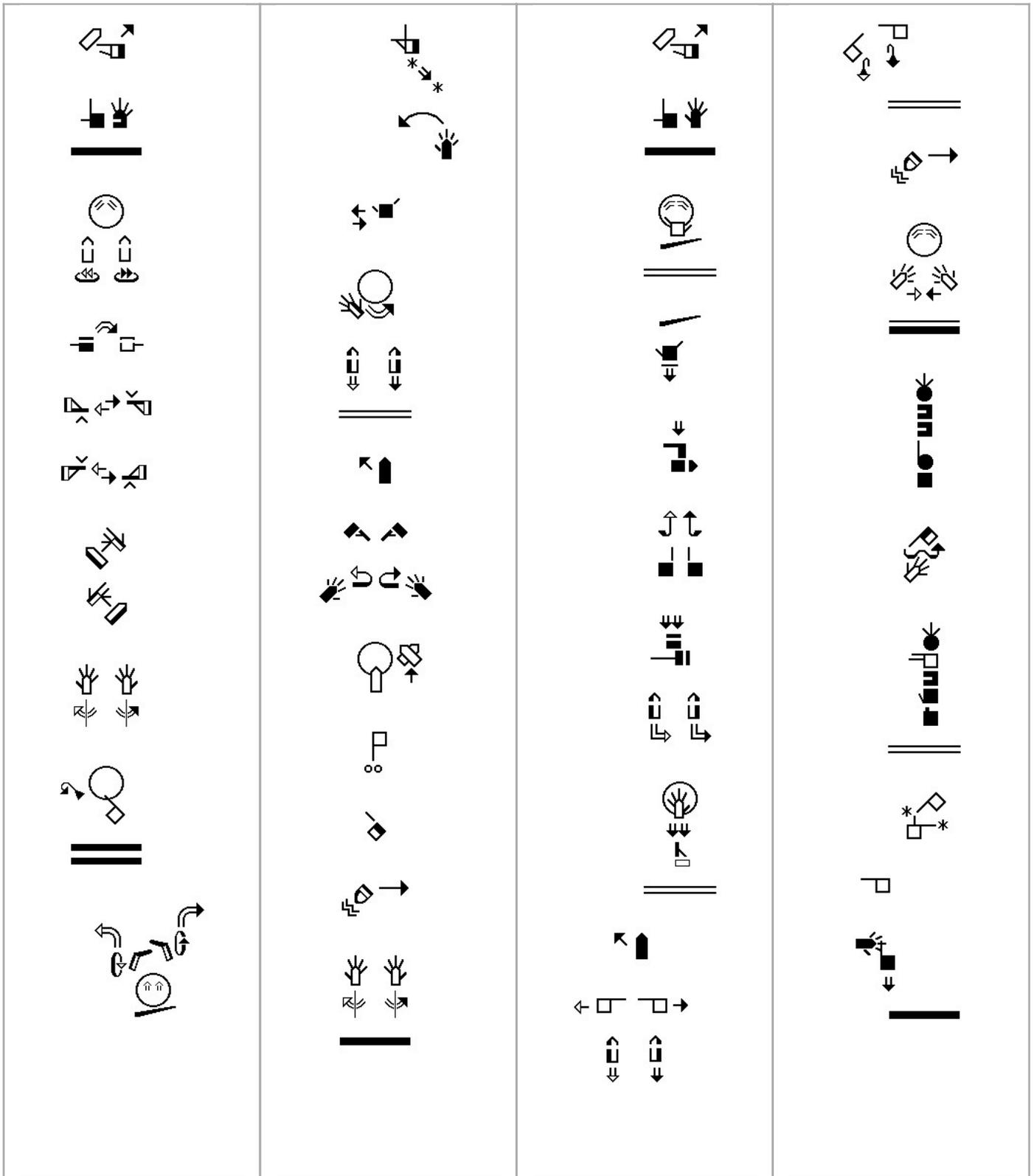
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those who hear the message about the Kingdom and don't understand it. Then the evil one comes and snatches away the seed that was planted in their hearts. 20 The seed on the rocky soil represents those who hear the message and immediately receive it with joy.
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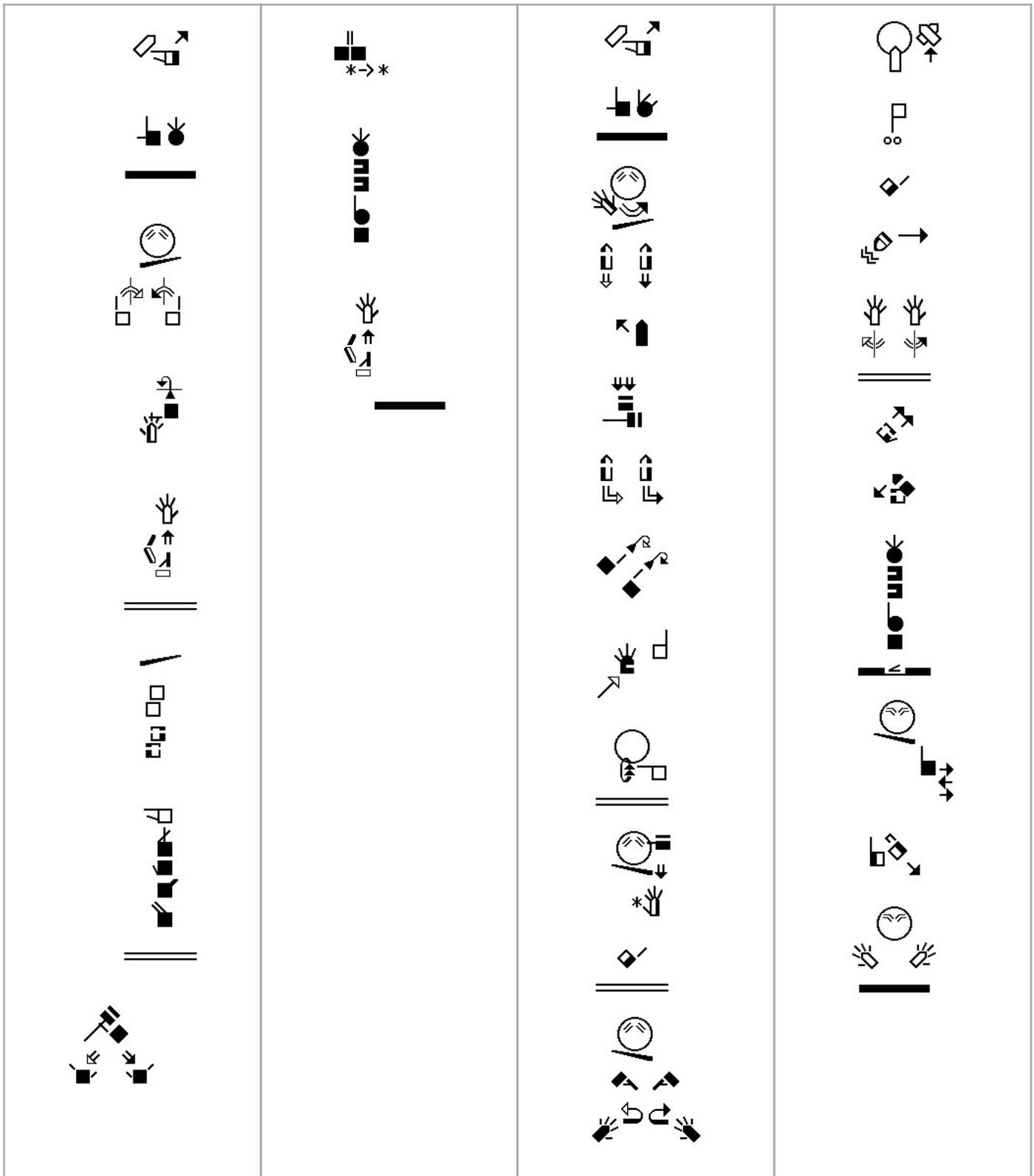
21 But since they don't have deep roots, they don't last long. They fall away as soon as they have problems or are persecuted for believing God's word. 22 The seed that fell among the thorns represents those who hear God's word, but all too quickly the message is

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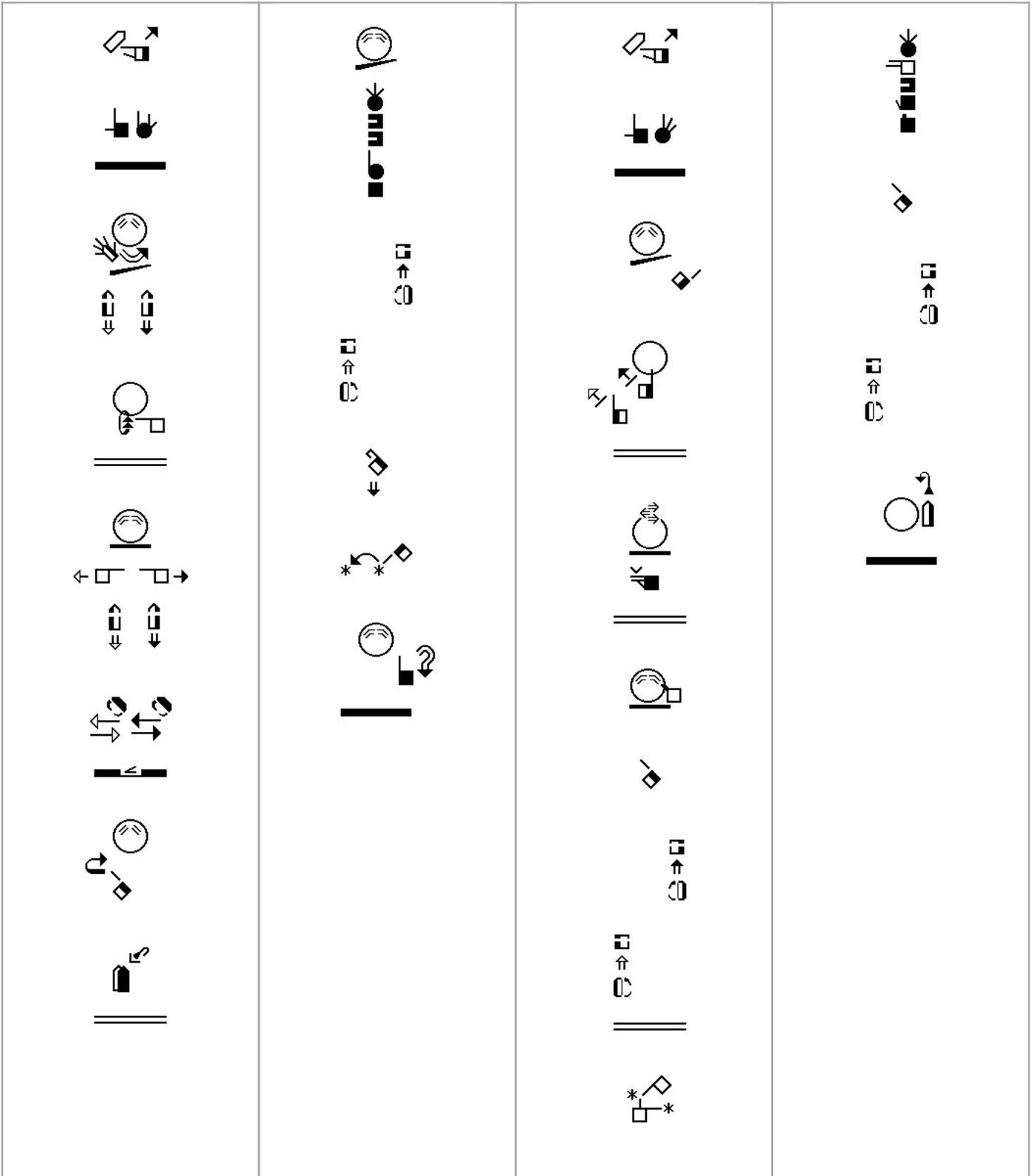


24 Here is another story Jesus told: "The Kingdom of Heaven is like a farmer who planted good seed in his field. 25 But that night as the workers slept, his enemy came and planted weeds among the wheat, then slipped away.
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Matthew 13:26-27

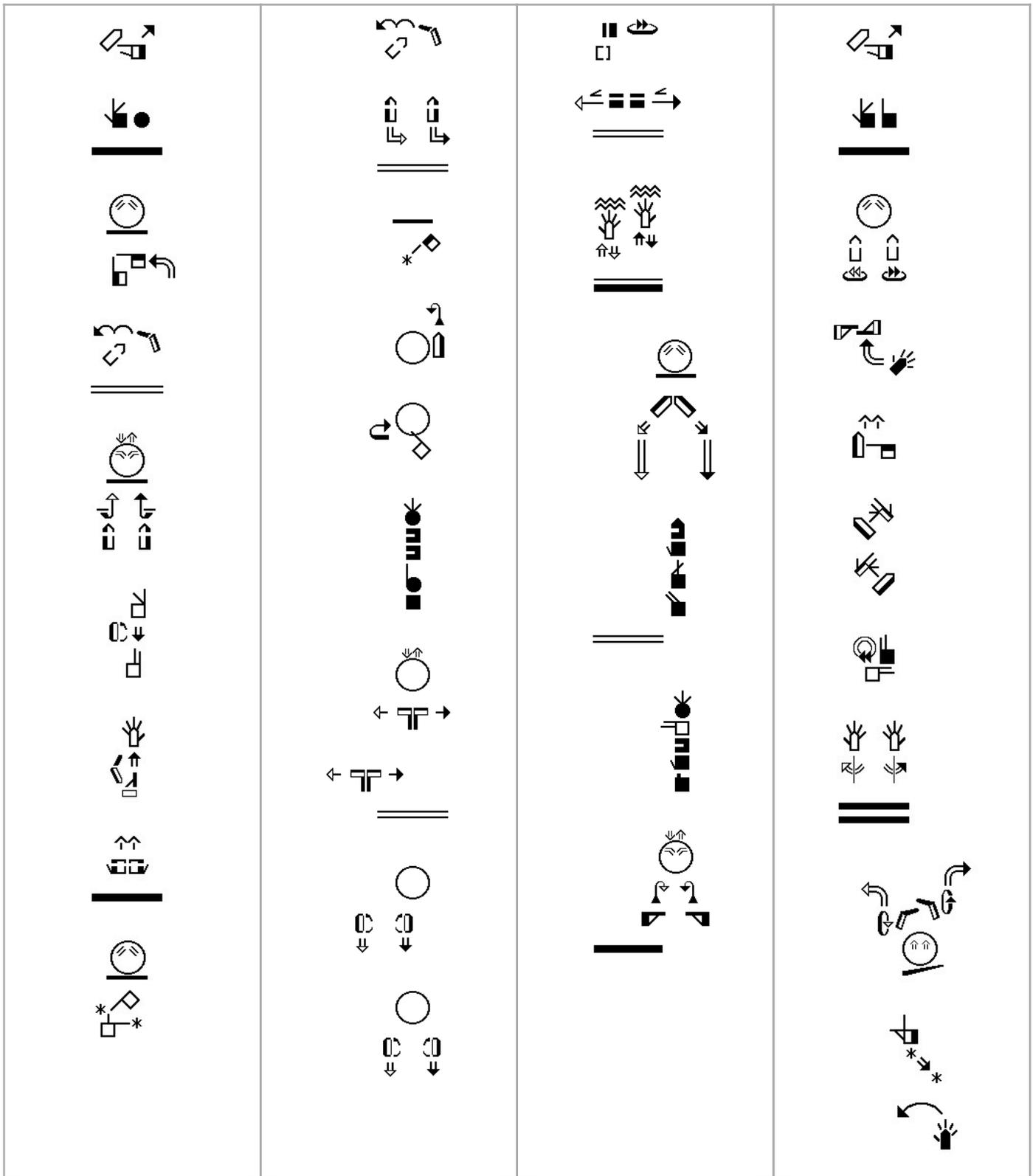


26 When the crop began to grow and produce grain, the weeds also grew. 27 "The farmer's workers went to him and said, "Sir, the field where you planted that good seed is full of weeds!Where did they come from?"



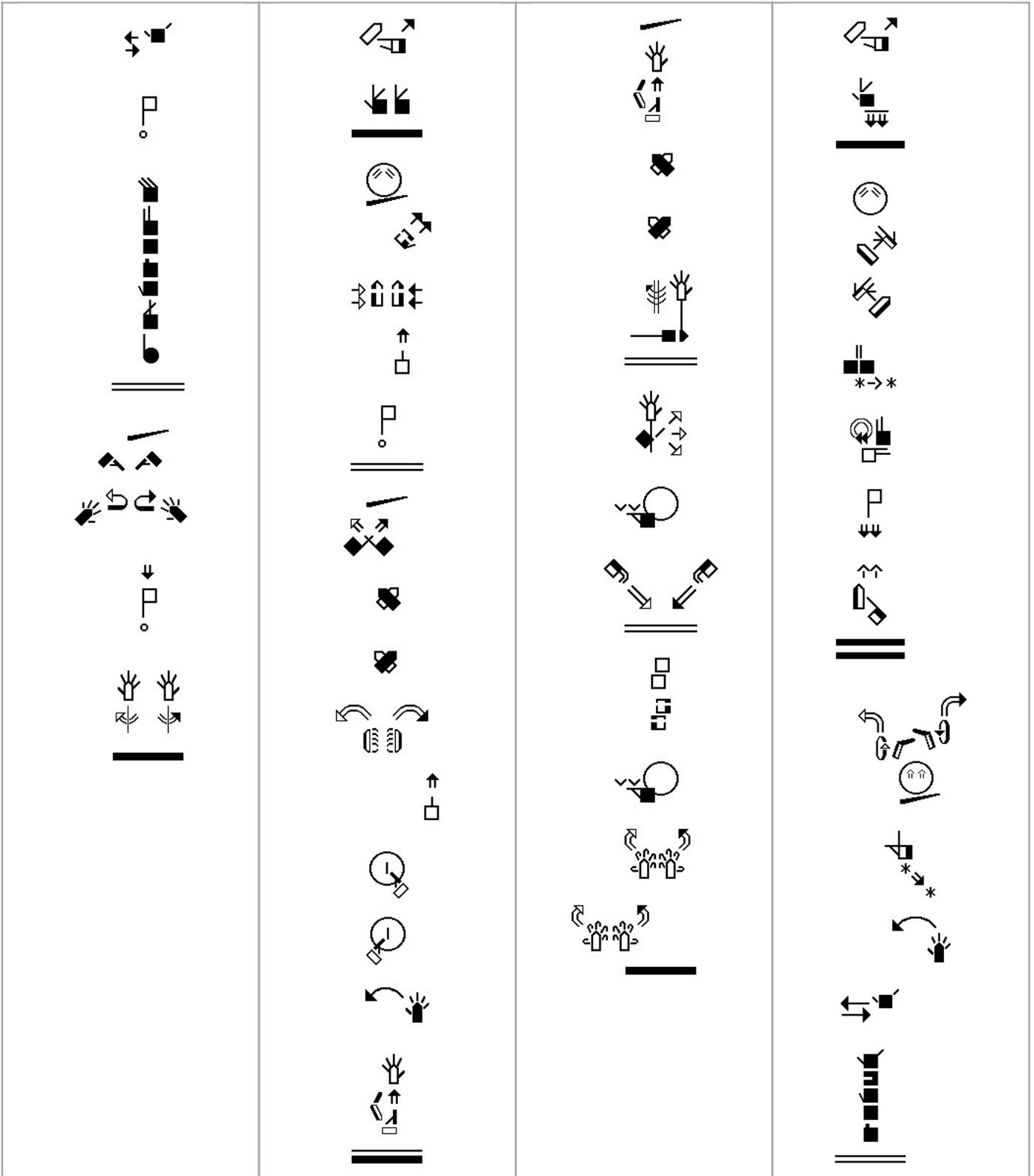
28 "An enemy has done this!" the farmer exclaimed. "Should we pull out the weeds?" they asked. 29 "No," he replied, "you'll uproot the wheat if you do."

Matthew 13:30-31



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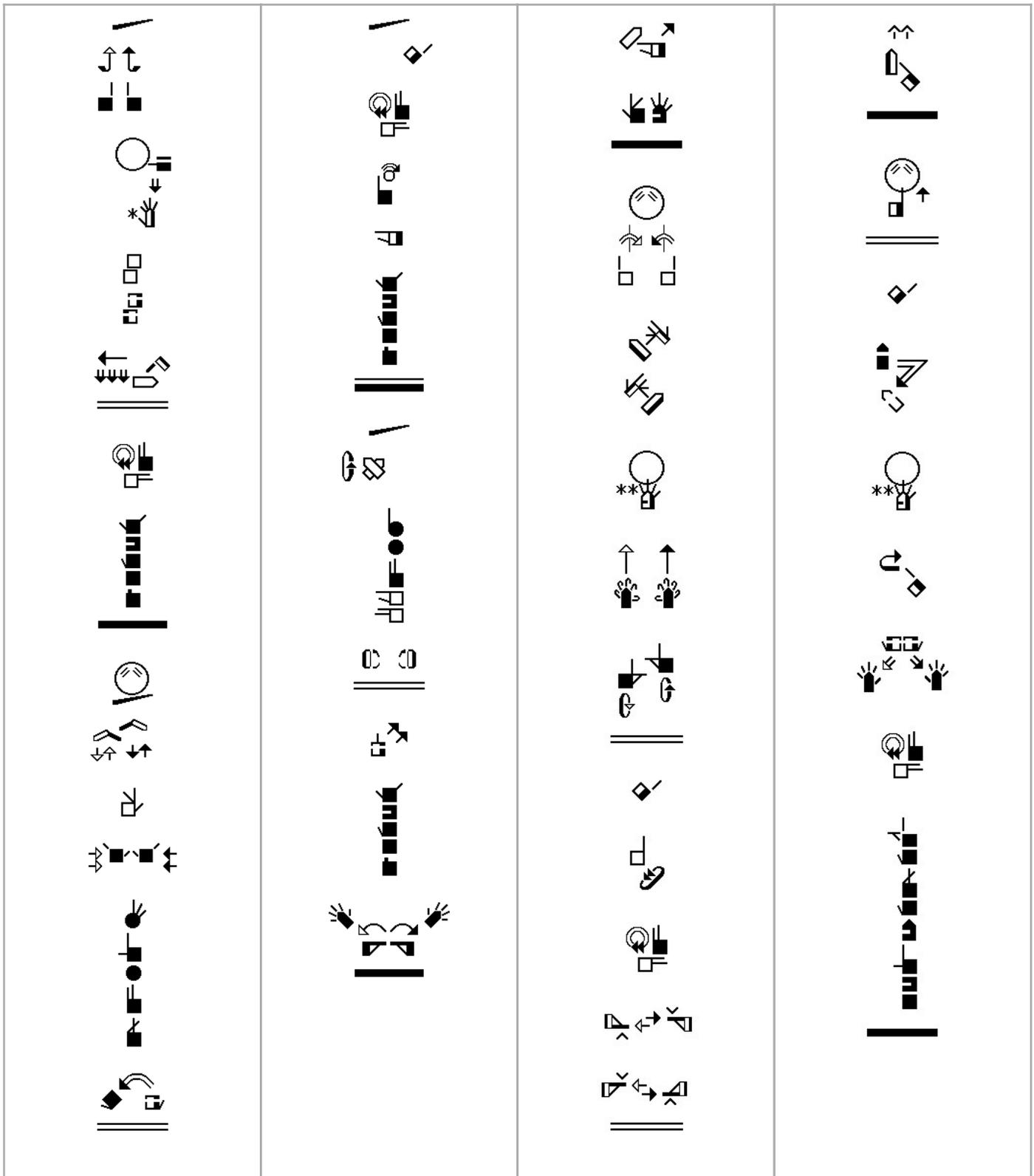
30 Let both grow together until the harvest. Then I will tell the harvesters to sort out the weeds, tie them into bundles, and burn them, and to put the wheat into the barn."
 31 Here is another illustration Jesus used: "The Kingdom of Heaven NLT



is like a mustard seed planted in a field. 32 It is the smallest of all seeds, but it becomes the largest of garden plants; it grows into a tree, and birds come and make nests in its branches." 33 Jesus also used this illustration: "The Kingdom of Heaven is like the yeast

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Matthew 13:33-34

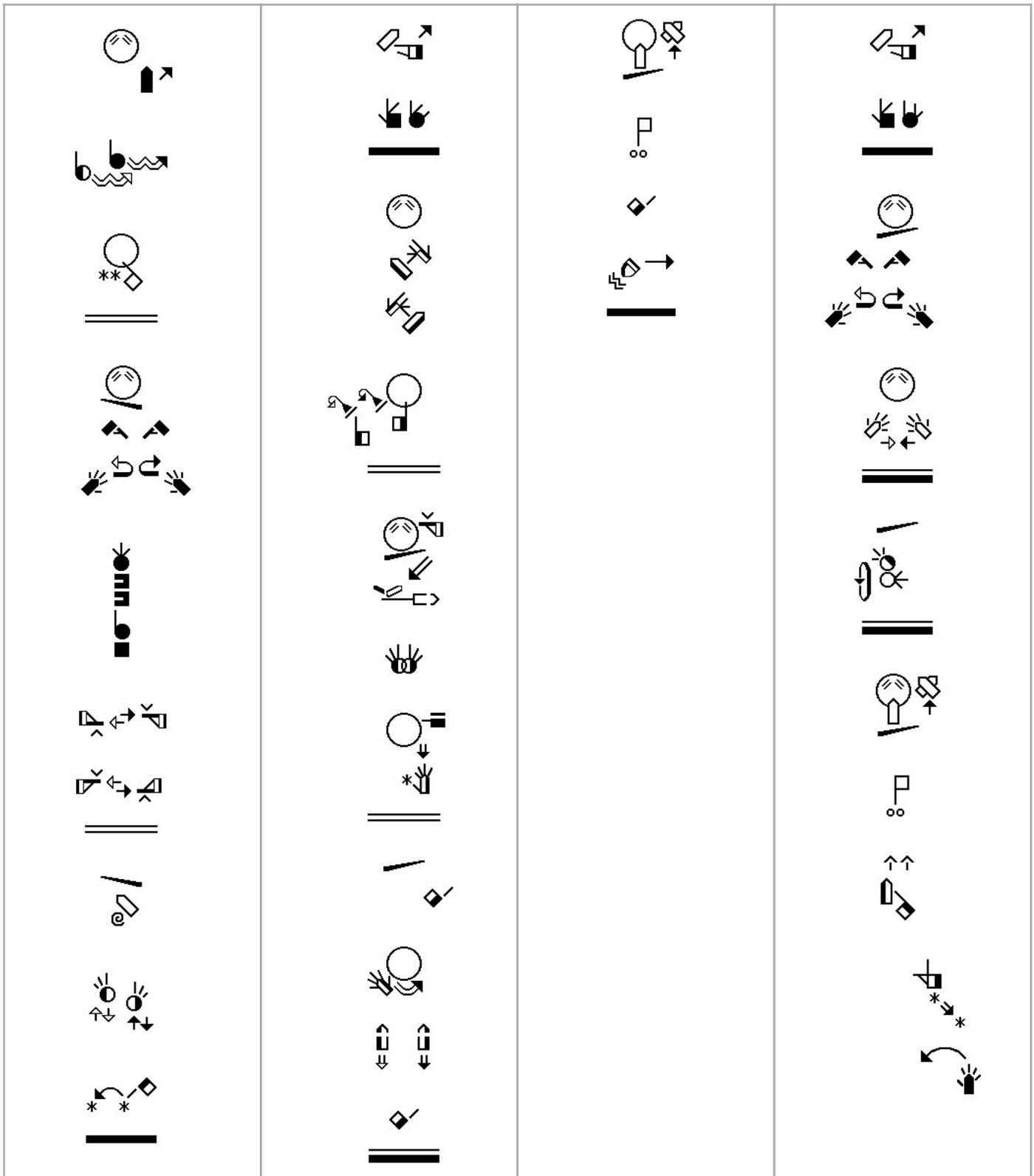


236 a woman used in making bread. Even though she put only a little yeast in three measures of flour, it permeated every part of the dough." 34 Jesus always used stories and illustrations like these when speaking to the crowds. In fact, he never spoke to them without using such parables. NLT

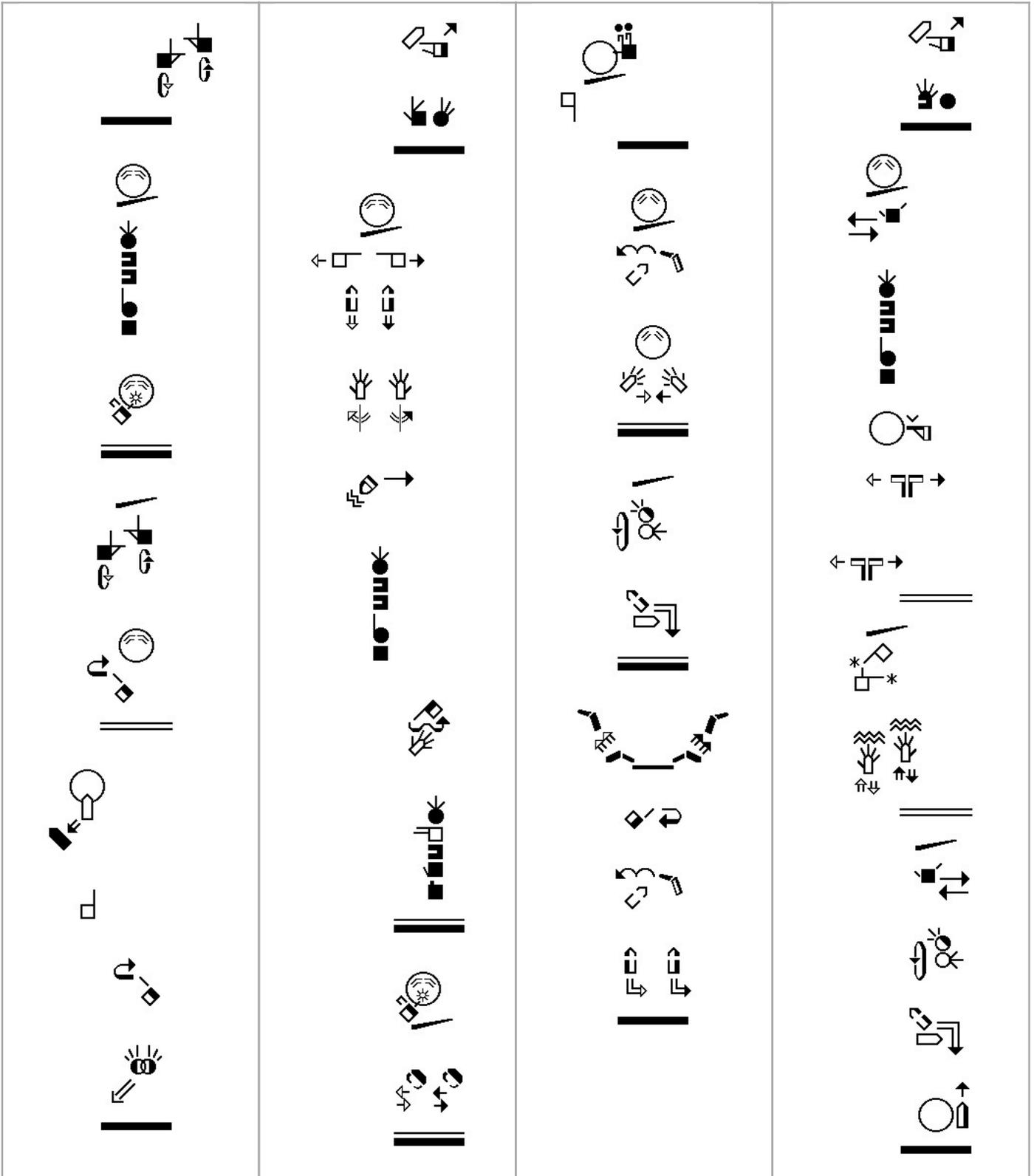
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35 This fulfilled what God had spoken through the prophet: "I will speak to you in parables. I will explain things hidden since the creation of the world." 36 Then, leaving the crowds outside, Jesus went into the house.
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Matthew 13:36-38



His disciples said, "Please explain to us the story of the weeds in the field." 37 Jesus replied, "The Son of Man is the farmer who plants the good seed. 38 The field is the world, and the good seed represents the people of the Kingdom. NLT



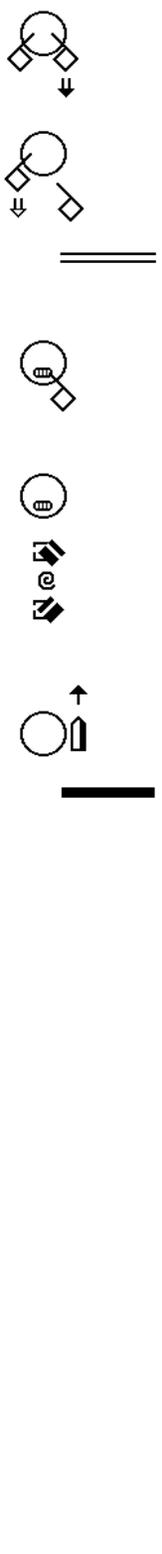
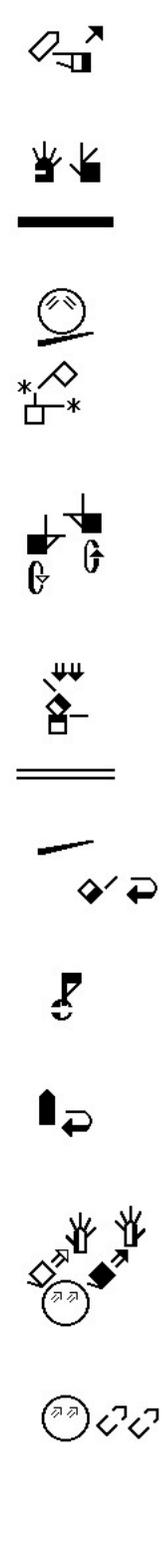
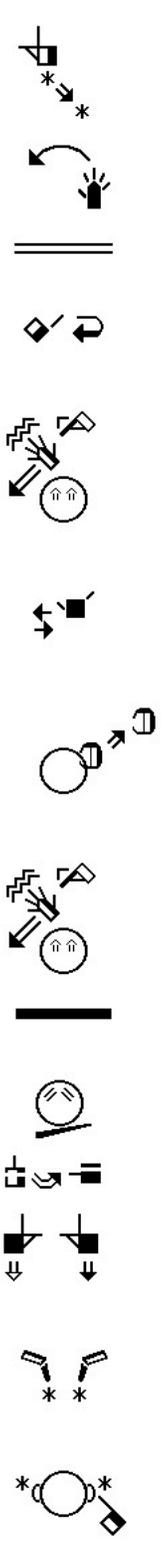
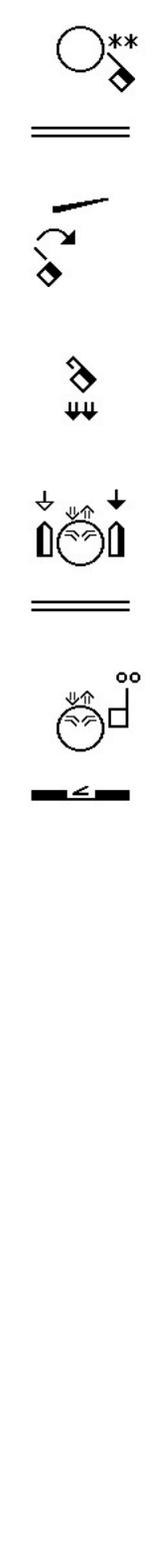
The weeds are the people who belong to the evil one. 39 The enemy who planted the weeds among the wheat is the devil. The harvest is the end of the world, and the harvesters are the angels. 40 "Just as the weeds are sorted out and burned in the fire, so it will be at the end of the world.

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Matthew 13:41-42

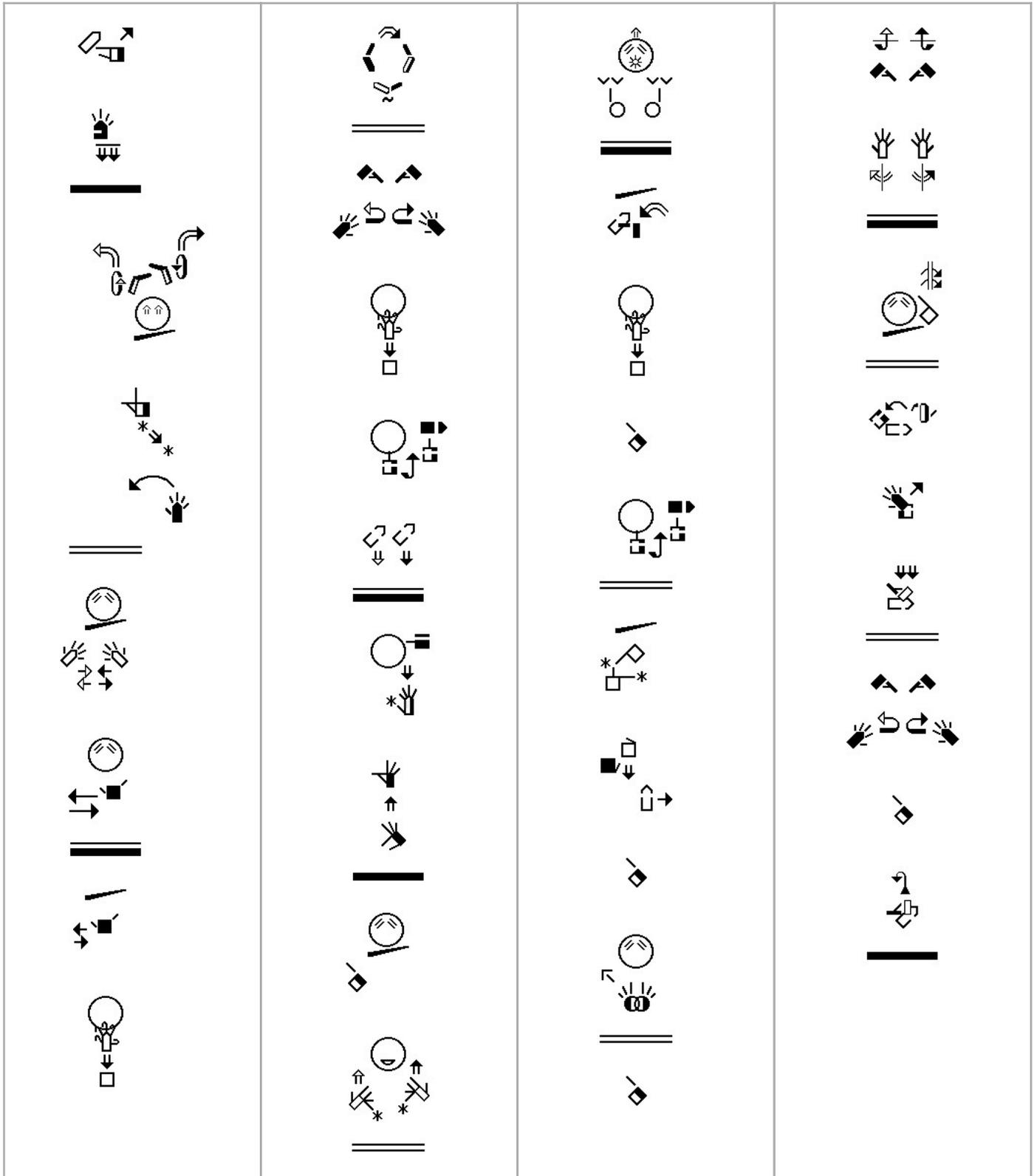
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240 41 The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will remove from his Kingdom everything that causes sin and all who do evil. 42 And the angels will throw them into the fiery furnace, where there NLT

			
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will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. 43 Then the righteous will shine like the sun in their Father's Kingdom. Anyone with ears to hear should listen and understand! NLT

Matthew 13:44

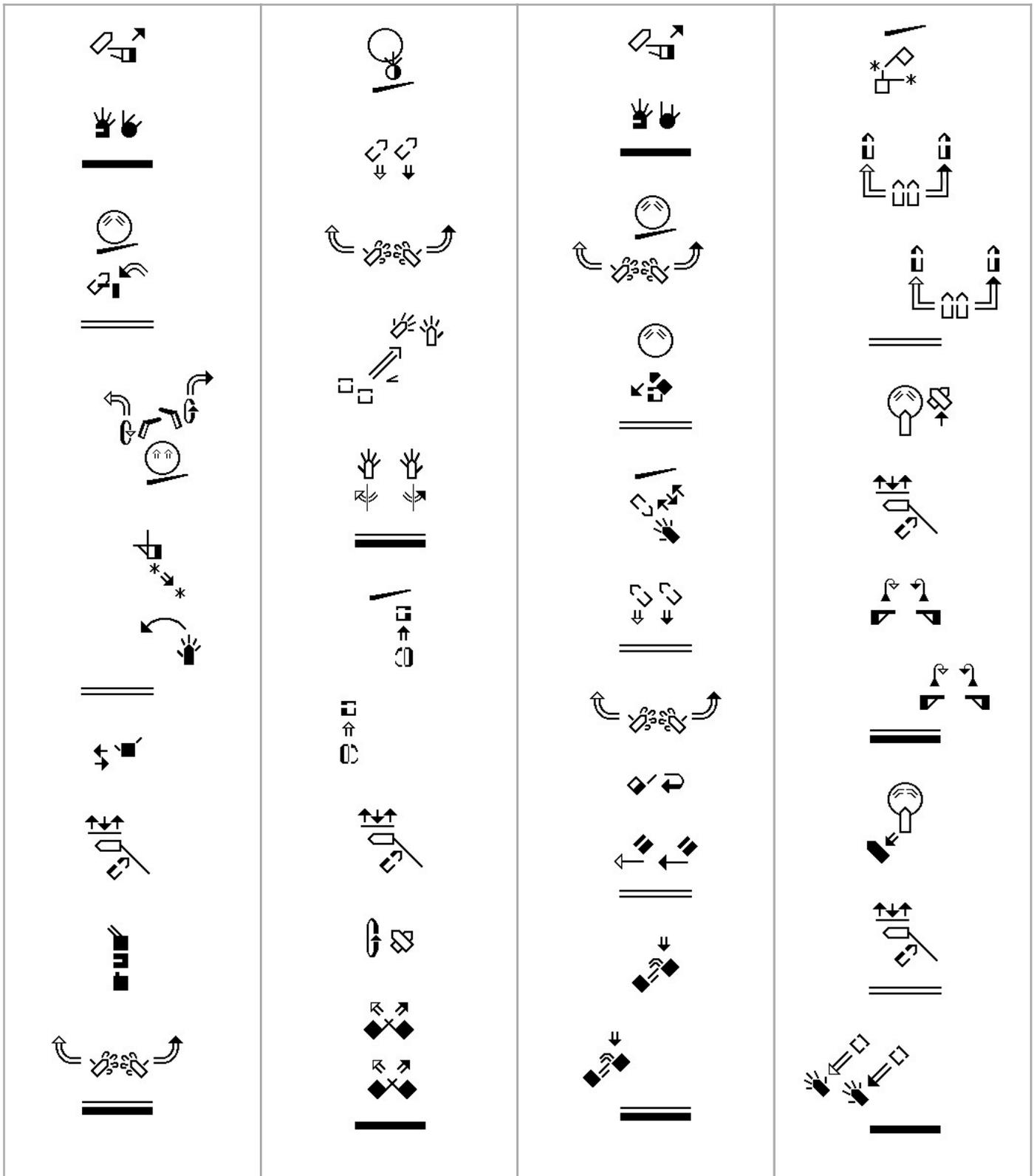


242 44 "The Kingdom of Heaven is like a treasure that a man discovered hidden in a field. In his excitement, he hid it again and sold everything he owned to get enough money to buy the field. NLT

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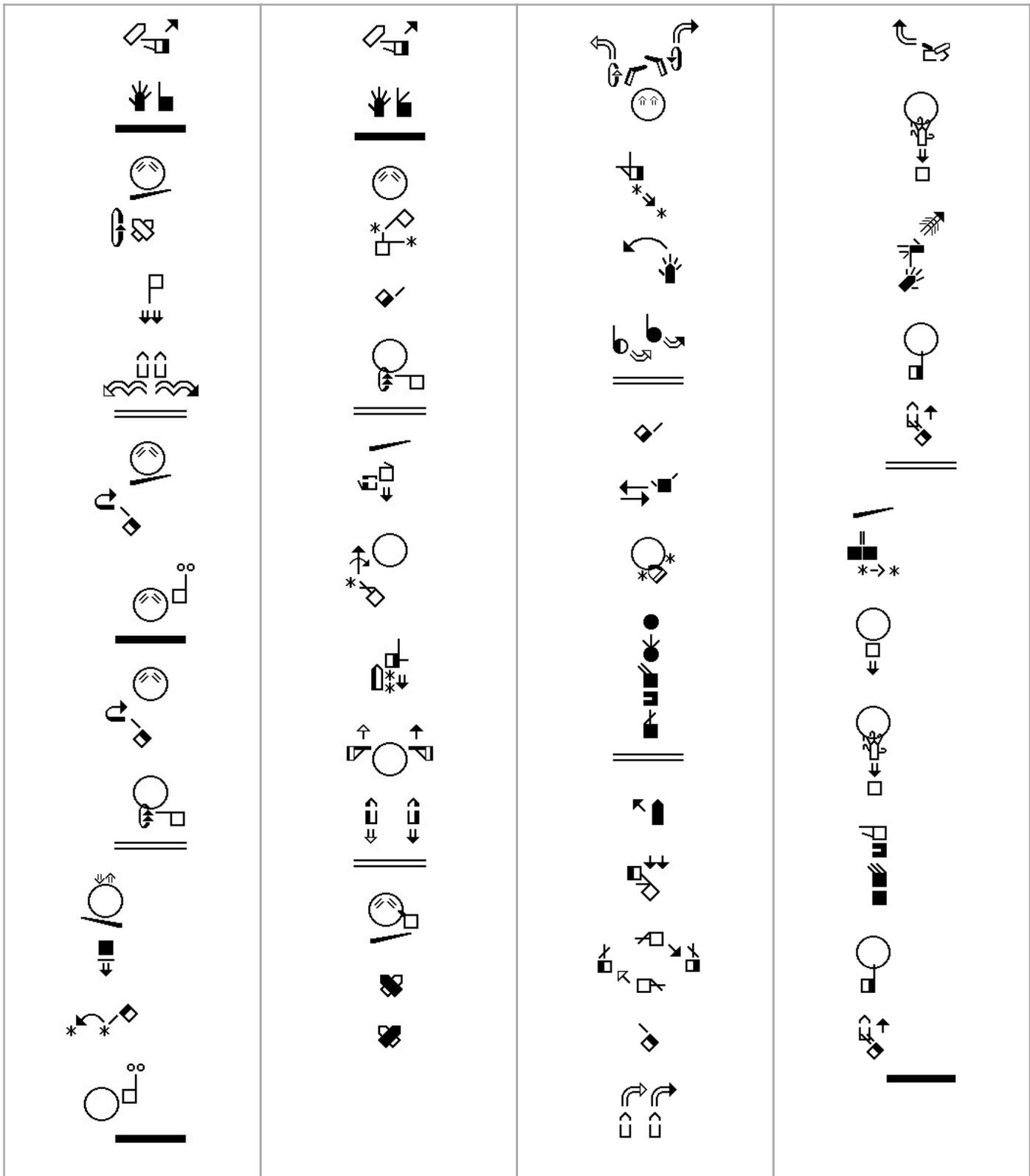
45 "Again, the Kingdom of Heaven is like a merchant on the lookout for choice pearls. 46 When he discovered a pearl of great value, he sold everything he owned and bought it!
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Matthew 13:47-48



47 "Again, the Kingdom of Heaven is like a fishing net that was thrown into the water and caught fish of every kind. 48 When the net was full, they dragged it up onto the shore, sat down, and sorted the good fish into the crates, but threw the bad ones away.
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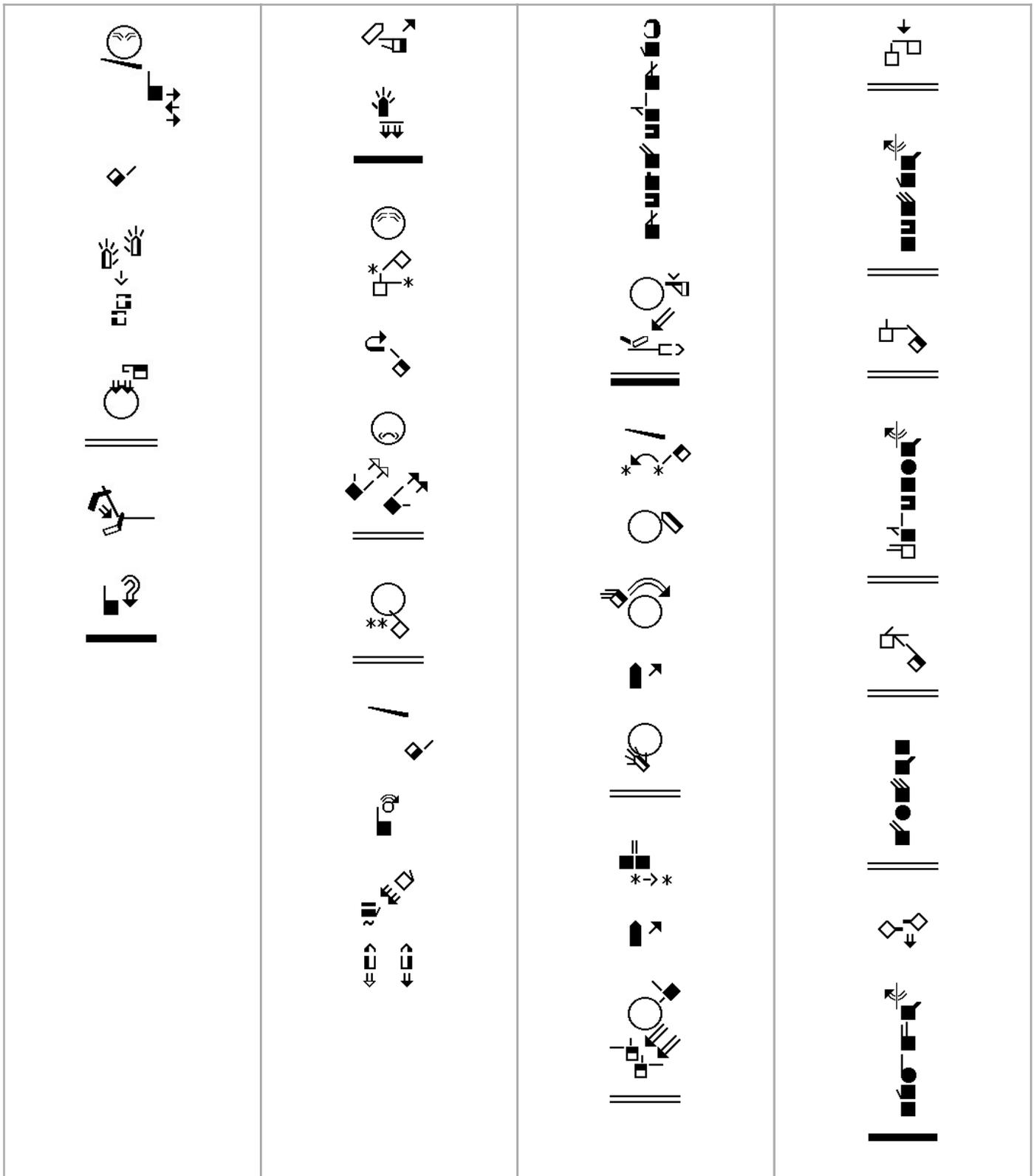
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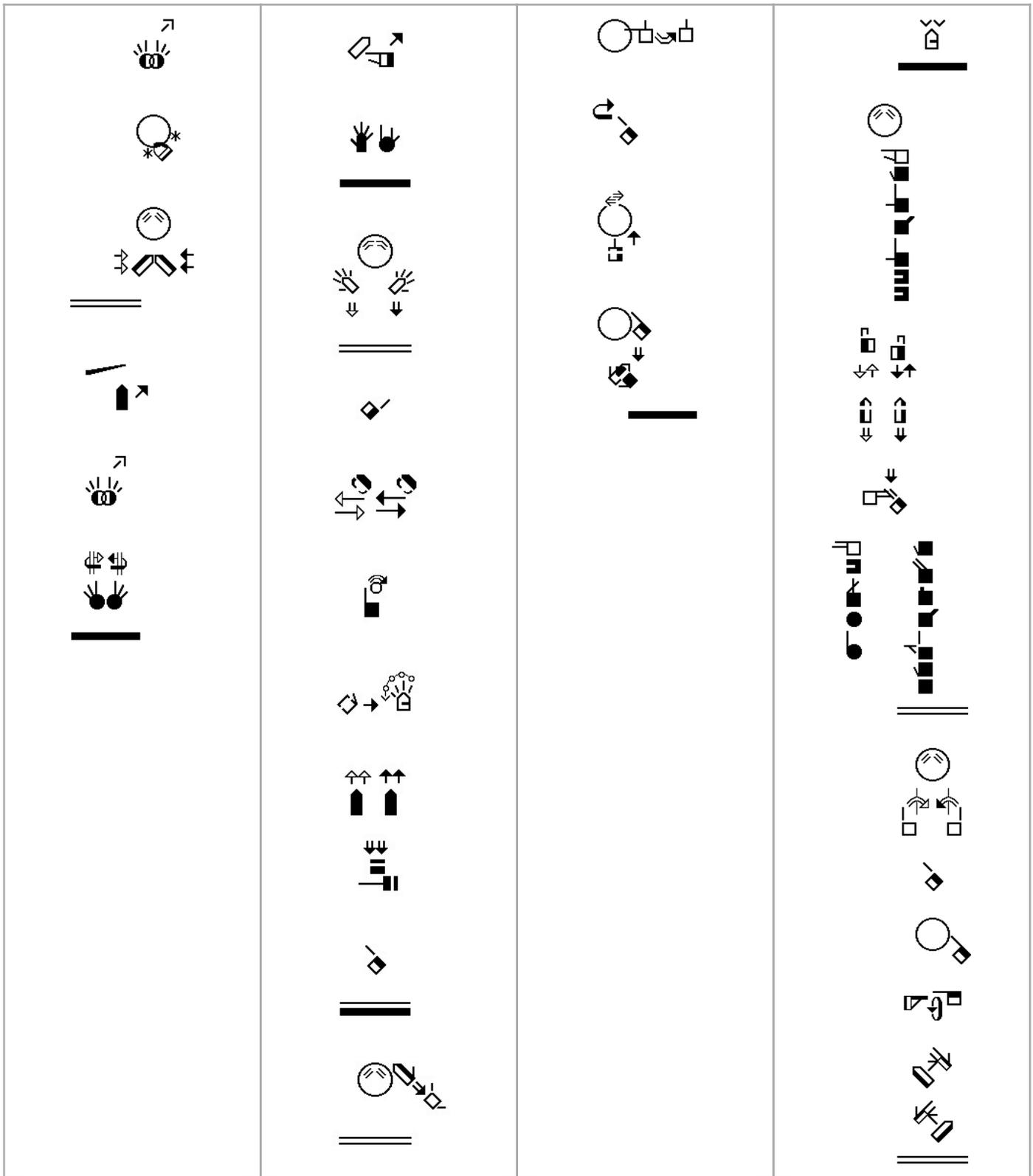
51 Do you understand all these things?" "Yes," they said, "we do." 52 Then he added, "Every teacher of religious law who becomes a disciple in the Kingdom of Heaven is like a homeowner who brings from his storeroom new gems of truth as well as old."
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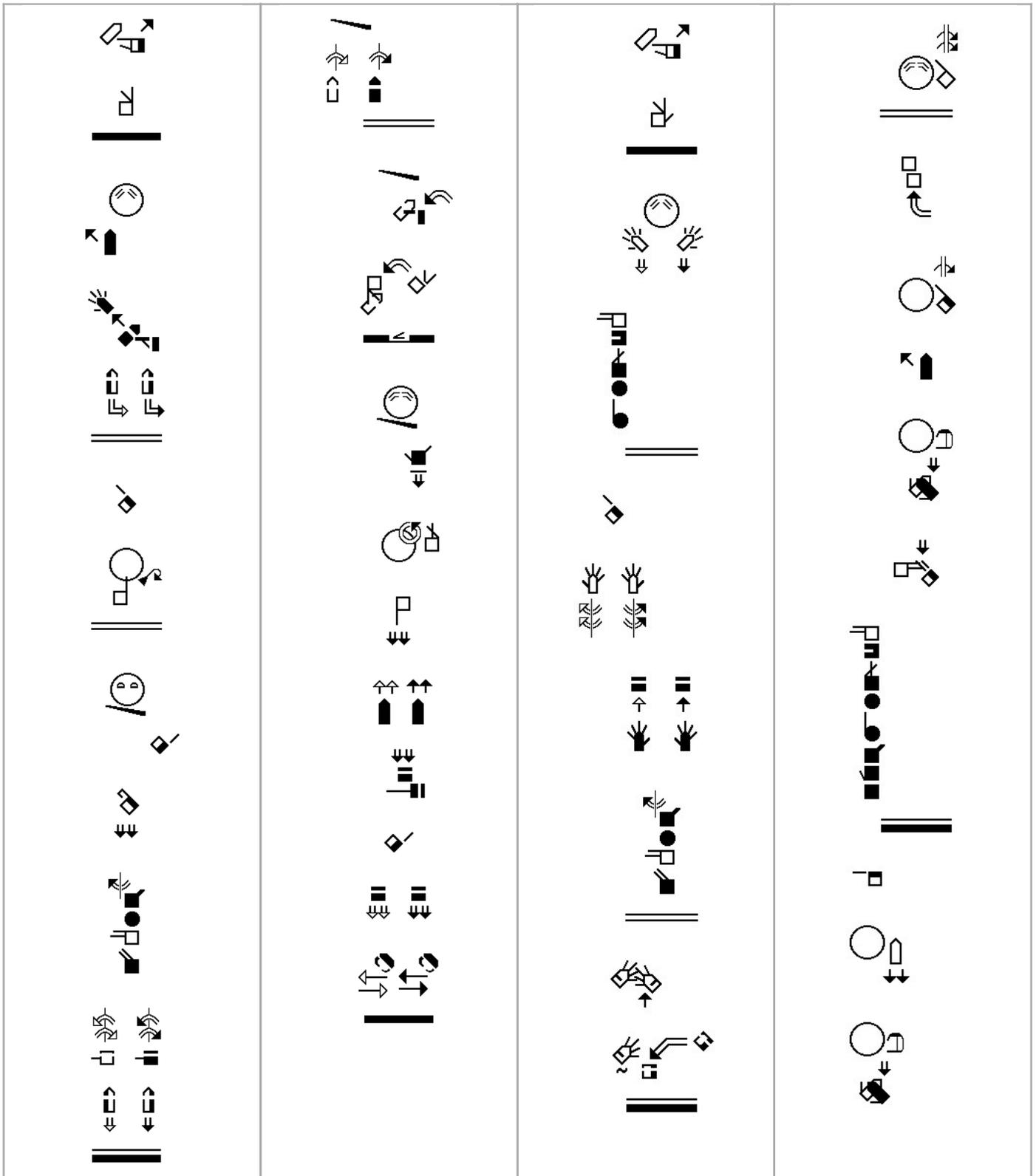
Matthew 13:54-55



248 "Where does he get this wisdom and the power to do miracles?" 55 Then they scoffed, "He's just the carpenter's son, and we know Mary, his mother, and his brothers -- James, Joseph, Simon, and Judas. NLT

Matthew 13:57-58, 14:1





2 he said to his advisers, "This must be John the Baptist raised from the dead! That is why he can do such miracles." 3 For Herod had arrested and imprisoned John as a favor to his wife Herodias (the former wife

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Matthew 14:3-5

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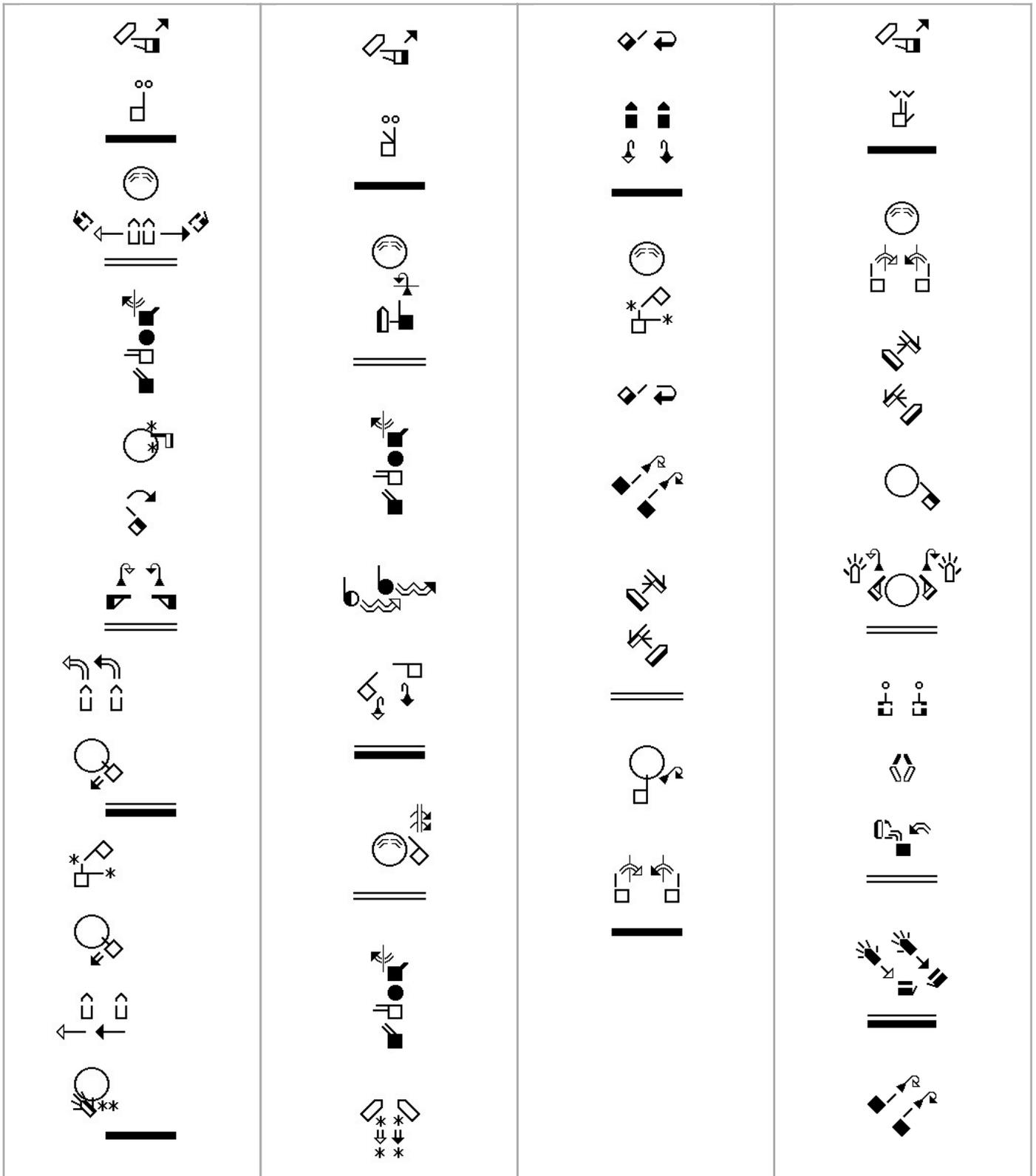
6 But at a birthday party for Herod, Herodias's daughter performed a dance that greatly pleased him, 7 so he promised with a vow to give her anything she wanted. 8 At her mother's urging, the girl said, "I want

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Matthew 14:8-10

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the head of John the Baptist on a tray!" 9 Then the king regretted what he had said; but because of the vow he had made in front of his guests, he issued the necessary orders. 10 So John was beheaded in the prison, NLT

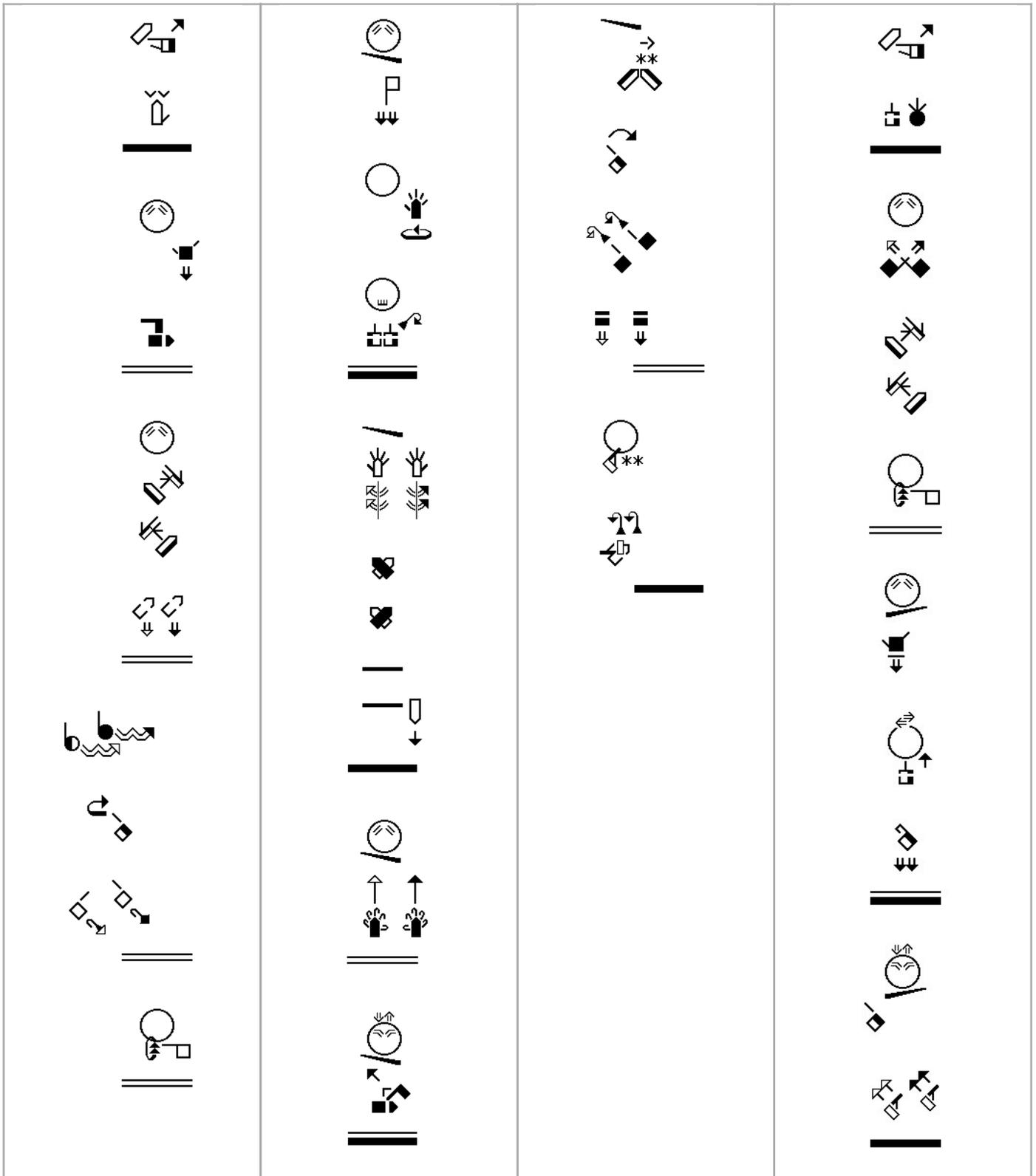


11 and his head was brought on a tray and given to the girl, who took it to her mother.
 12 Later, John's disciples came for his body and buried it. Then they went and told Jesus what had happened.
 13 As soon as Jesus heard the news, he left in a boat to NLT

Matthew 14:13-14

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a remote area to be alone. But the crowds heard where he was headed and followed on foot from many towns. 14 Jesus saw the huge crowd as he stepped from the boat, and he had compassion on them and healed their sick. NLT

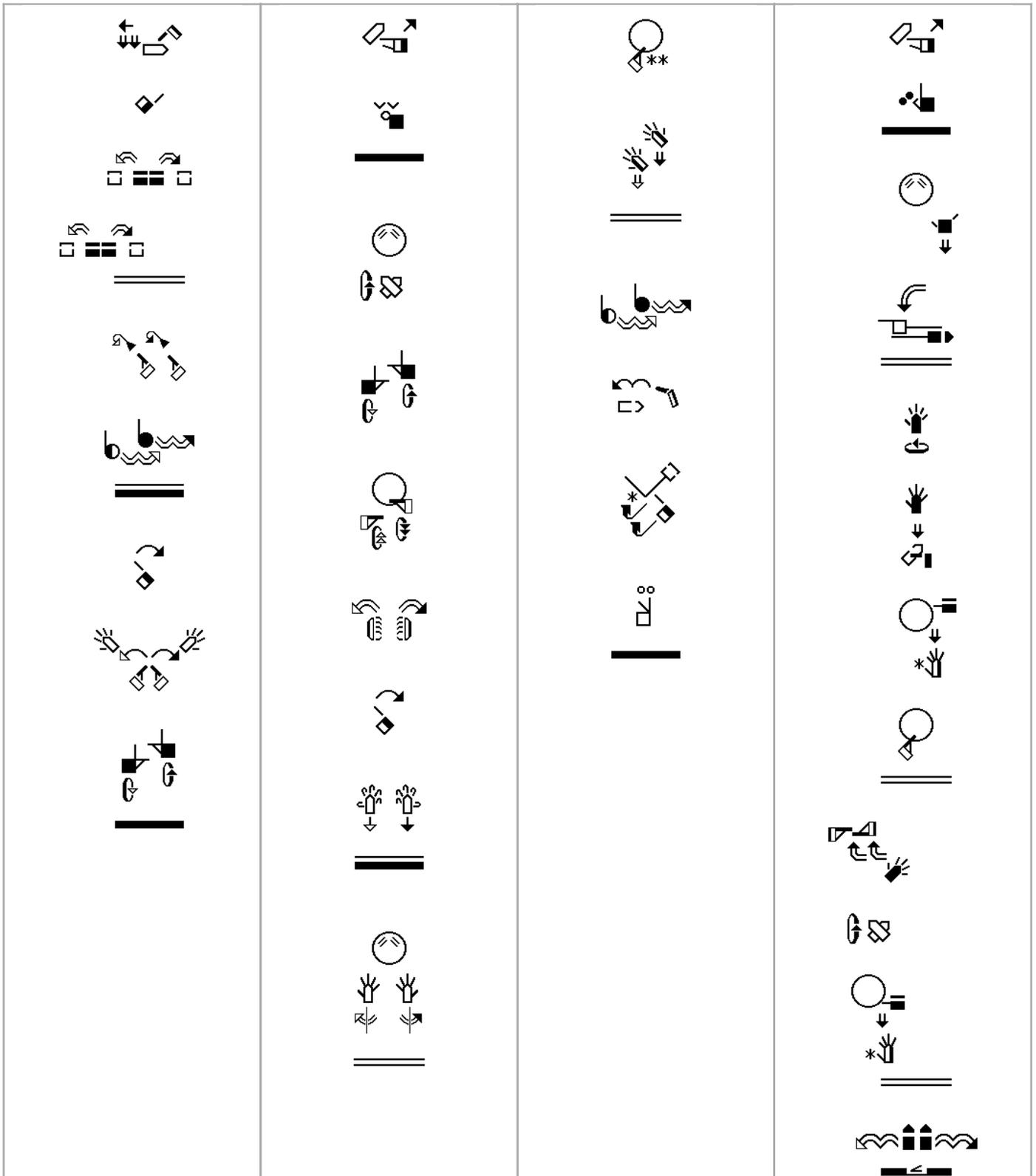


15 That evening the disciples came to him and said, "This is a remote place, and it's already getting late. Send the crowds away so they can go to the villages and buy food for themselves." 16 But Jesus said, "That isn't necessary -- you feed them." NLT

Matthew 14:17-19

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17 "But we have only five loaves of bread and two fish!" they answered. 18 "Bring them here," he said. 19 Then he told the people to sit down on the grass. Jesus took the five loaves and two fish, looked up toward heaven, and blessed them. Then, NLT



breaking the loaves into pieces, he gave the bread to the disciples, who distributed it to the people. 20 They all ate as much as they wanted, and afterward, the disciples picked up twelve baskets of leftovers. 21 About 5,000 men were fed that day, in addition to all the women and children!

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Matthew 14:26-28

<p>Sign language sequence for Matthew 14:26-28, column 1. It includes signs for 'ghost', 'Jesus', 'speak', 'don't be afraid', 'take courage', 'I am here', 'Peter', 'Lord', and 'if it's really you'.</p>	<p>Sign language sequence for Matthew 14:26-28, column 2. It includes signs for 'ghost', 'Jesus', 'speak', 'don't be afraid', 'take courage', 'I am here', 'Peter', 'Lord', and 'if it's really you'.</p>	<p>Sign language sequence for Matthew 14:26-28, column 3. It includes signs for 'ghost', 'Jesus', 'speak', 'don't be afraid', 'take courage', 'I am here', 'Peter', 'Lord', and 'if it's really you'.</p>	<p>Sign language sequence for Matthew 14:26-28, column 4. It includes signs for 'ghost', 'Jesus', 'speak', 'don't be afraid', 'take courage', 'I am here', 'Peter', 'Lord', and 'if it's really you'.</p>
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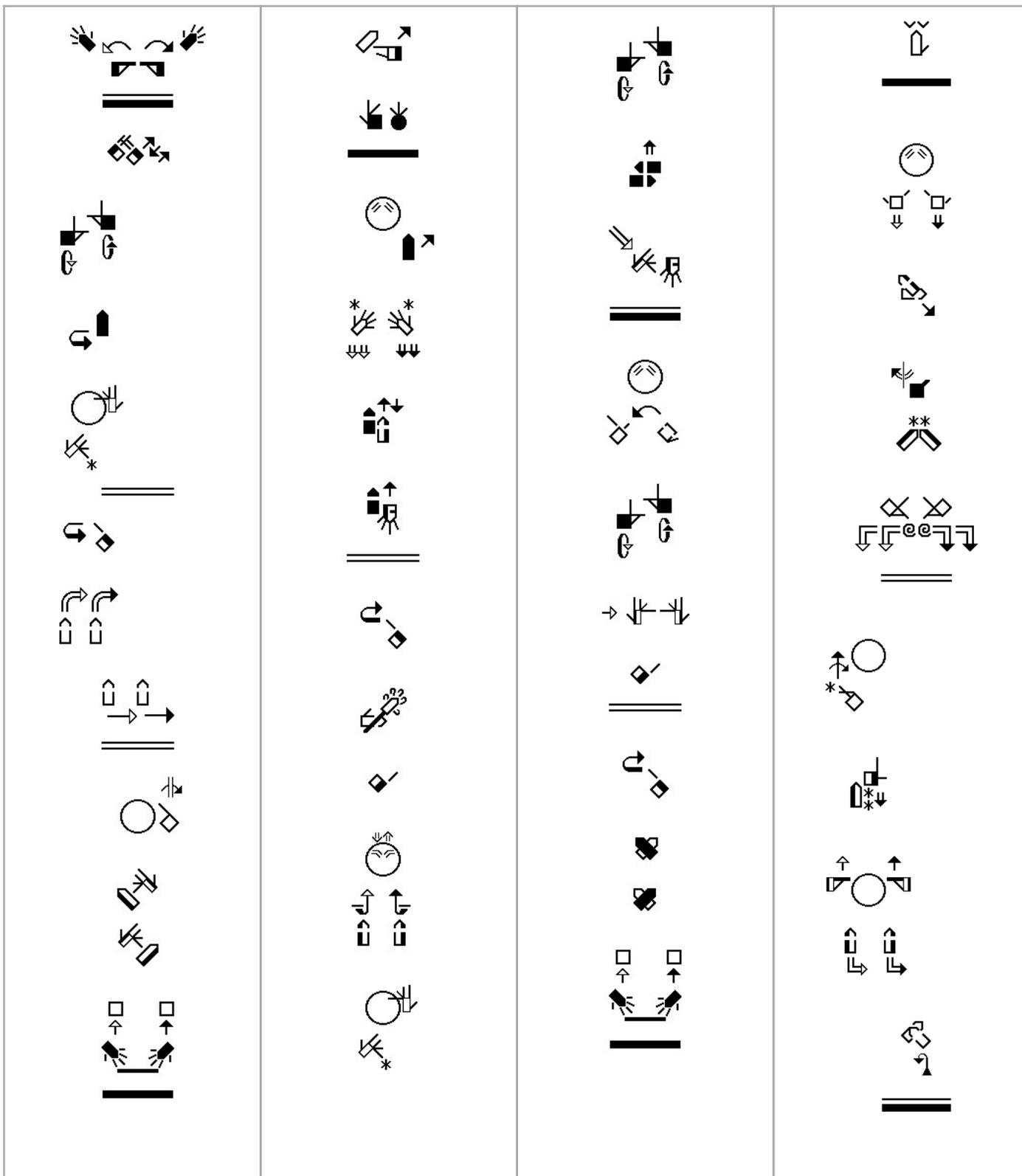
tell me to come to you, walking on the water." 29 "Yes, come," Jesus said. So Peter went over the side of the boat and walked on the water toward Jesus. 30 But when he saw the strong wind and the waves, he was terrified

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Matthew 14:30-32

<p>A pictograph showing a person in a boat with a storm brewing. The person is holding a small square, possibly a piece of wood or a tool. The boat is on a wavy line representing water. Above the boat, there are dark, jagged shapes representing clouds or a storm.</p>	<p>A pictograph showing a person in a boat with a storm brewing. The person is holding a small square, possibly a piece of wood or a tool. The boat is on a wavy line representing water. Above the boat, there are dark, jagged shapes representing clouds or a storm.</p>	<p>A pictograph showing a person in a boat with a storm brewing. The person is holding a small square, possibly a piece of wood or a tool. The boat is on a wavy line representing water. Above the boat, there are dark, jagged shapes representing clouds or a storm.</p>	<p>A pictograph showing a person in a boat with a storm brewing. The person is holding a small square, possibly a piece of wood or a tool. The boat is on a wavy line representing water. Above the boat, there are dark, jagged shapes representing clouds or a storm.</p>
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and began to sink. "Save me, Lord!" he shouted. 31 Jesus immediately reached out and grabbed him. "You have so little faith," Jesus said. "Why did you doubt me?" 32 When they climbed back into the boat, the wind stopped. NLT



spread quickly throughout the whole area, and soon people were bringing all their sick to be healed. 36 They begged him to let the sick touch at least the fringe of his robe, and all who touched him were healed. 15. Some Pharisees and teachers of religious law now arrived from Jerusalem

Matthew 15:3-4

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by your traditions, violate the direct commandments of God? 4 For instance, God says, 'Honor your father and mother,' and 'Anyone who speaks disrespectfully of father or mother must be put to death.'

Matthew 15:6-8

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And so you cancel the word of God for the sake of your own tradition. 7 You hypocrites! Isaiah was right when he prophesied about you, for he wrote, 8 'These people honor me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me. NLT

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9 Their worship is a farce, for they teach man-made ideas as commands from God."
 10 Then Jesus called to the crowd to come and hear. "Listen," he said, "and try to understand. NLT

Matthew 15:11-12

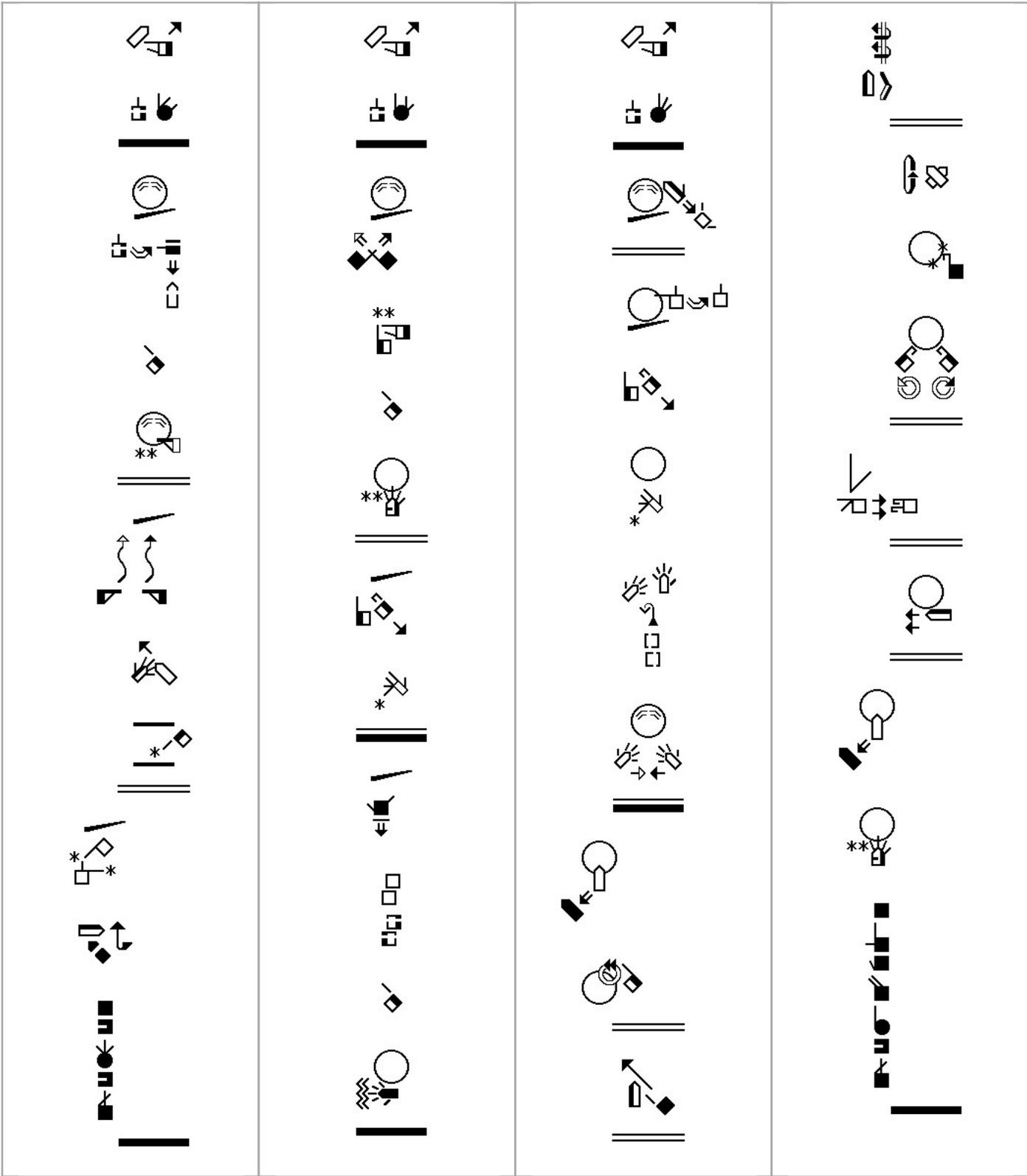
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11 It's not what goes into your mouth that defiles you; you are defiled by the words that come out of your mouth." 12 Then the disciples came to him and asked, "Do you realize you offended the Pharisees by what you just said?" NLT

Matthew 15:14-16

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they will both fall into a ditch." 15 Then Peter said to Jesus, "Explain to us the parable that says people aren't defiled by what they eat." 16 "Don't you understand yet?" Jesus asked. NLT



17 "Anything you eat passes through the stomach and then goes into the sewer. 18 But the words you speak come from the heart -- that's what defiles you. 19 For from the heart come evil thoughts, murder, adultery, all sexual immorality, theft, lying, and slander.

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Matthew 15:20-21

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276 20 These are what defile you. Eating with unwashed hands will never defile you." 21 Then Jesus left Galilee and went north to the region of Tyre and Sidon. NLT

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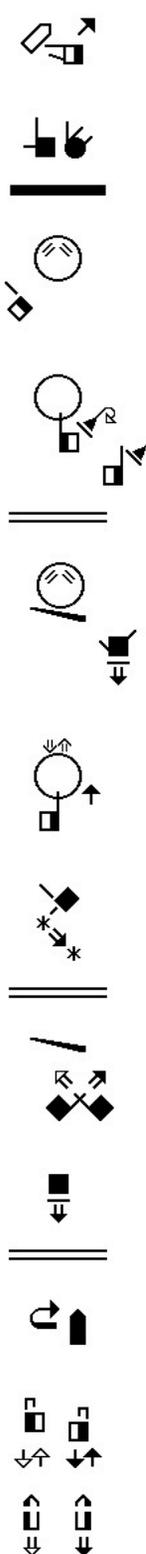
22 A Gentile woman who lived there came to him, pleading, "Have mercy on me, O Lord, Son of David! For my daughter is possessed by a demon that torments her severely." 23 But Jesus gave her no reply, not even a word. Then his

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Matthew 15:23-24

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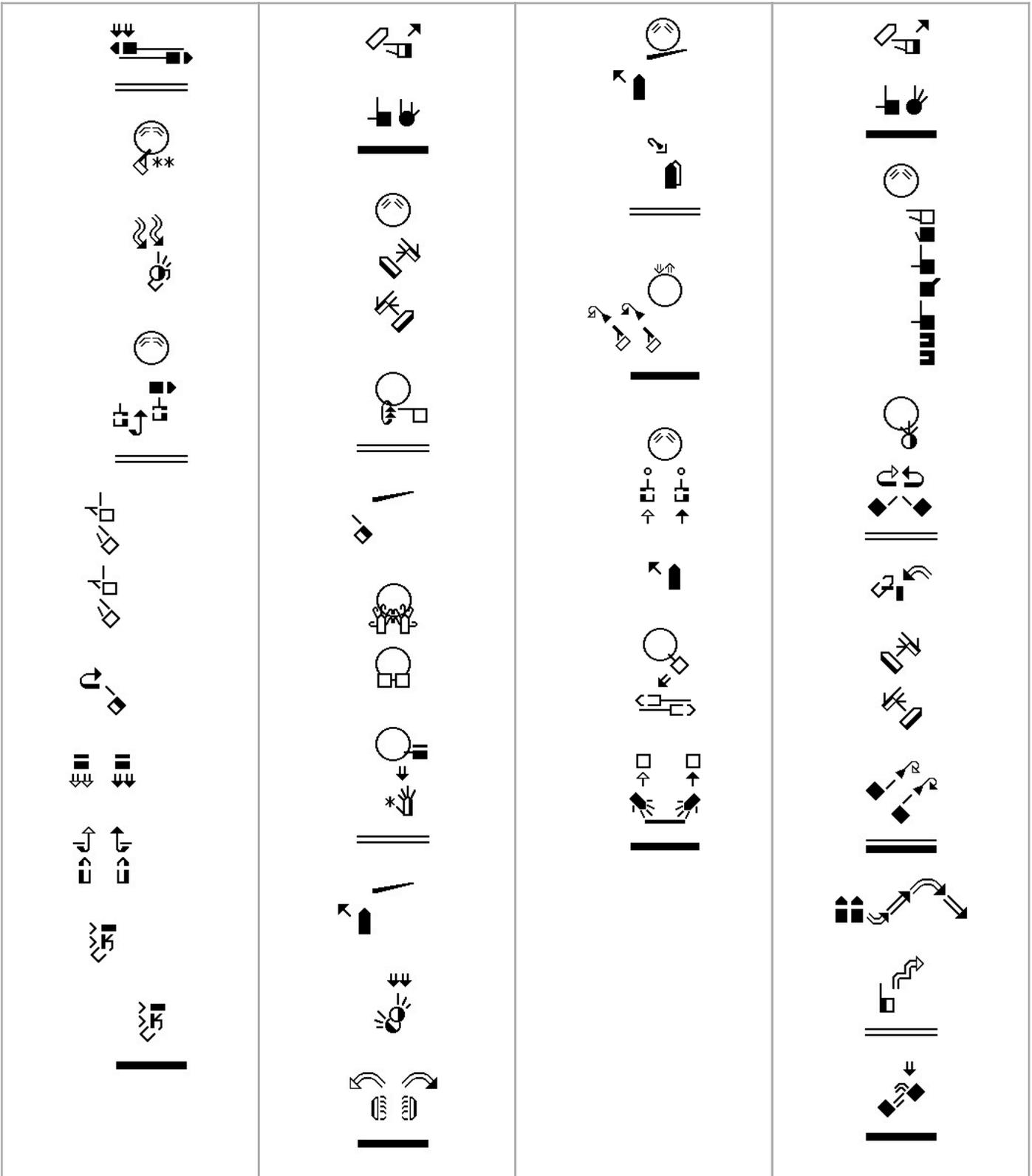
278 disciples urged him to send her away. "Tell her to go away," they said. "She is bothering us with all her begging." 24 Then Jesus said to the woman, "I was sent only to help God's lost sheep --the people of Israel." NLT

 <p>Sign language sequence for Matthew 15:25. It begins with a hand sign for 'she' (right hand up, index finger pointing up), followed by a hand sign for 'came' (right hand up, index finger pointing down), and a hand sign for 'worshiped' (right hand up, index finger pointing down, then right hand up, index finger pointing up). This is followed by a hand sign for 'pleading' (right hand up, index finger pointing down), and a hand sign for 'again' (right hand up, index finger pointing down). The sequence continues with a hand sign for 'Lord' (right hand up, index finger pointing down), a hand sign for 'help' (right hand up, index finger pointing down), and a hand sign for 'me' (right hand up, index finger pointing down). The sequence ends with a hand sign for 'Jesus' (right hand up, index finger pointing down).</p>	 <p>Sign language sequence for Matthew 15:26. It begins with a hand sign for 'Jesus' (right hand up, index finger pointing down), followed by a hand sign for 'responded' (right hand up, index finger pointing down), and a hand sign for 'It' (right hand up, index finger pointing down). This is followed by a hand sign for 'isn't' (right hand up, index finger pointing down), a hand sign for 'right' (right hand up, index finger pointing down), and a hand sign for 'to' (right hand up, index finger pointing down). The sequence continues with a hand sign for 'take' (right hand up, index finger pointing down), a hand sign for 'food' (right hand up, index finger pointing down), and a hand sign for 'from' (right hand up, index finger pointing down). The sequence ends with a hand sign for 'the' (right hand up, index finger pointing down).</p>	 <p>Sign language sequence for Matthew 15:27. It begins with a hand sign for 'She' (right hand up, index finger pointing up), followed by a hand sign for 'replied' (right hand up, index finger pointing down), and a hand sign for 'That's' (right hand up, index finger pointing down). This is followed by a hand sign for 'true' (right hand up, index finger pointing down), a hand sign for 'Lord' (right hand up, index finger pointing down), and a hand sign for 'but' (right hand up, index finger pointing down). The sequence ends with a hand sign for 'Jesus' (right hand up, index finger pointing down).</p>	 <p>Sign language sequence for Matthew 15:28. It begins with a hand sign for 'Jesus' (right hand up, index finger pointing down), followed by a hand sign for 'responded' (right hand up, index finger pointing down), and a hand sign for 'It' (right hand up, index finger pointing down). This is followed by a hand sign for 'isn't' (right hand up, index finger pointing down), a hand sign for 'right' (right hand up, index finger pointing down), and a hand sign for 'to' (right hand up, index finger pointing down). The sequence continues with a hand sign for 'take' (right hand up, index finger pointing down), a hand sign for 'food' (right hand up, index finger pointing down), and a hand sign for 'from' (right hand up, index finger pointing down). The sequence ends with a hand sign for 'the' (right hand up, index finger pointing down).</p>
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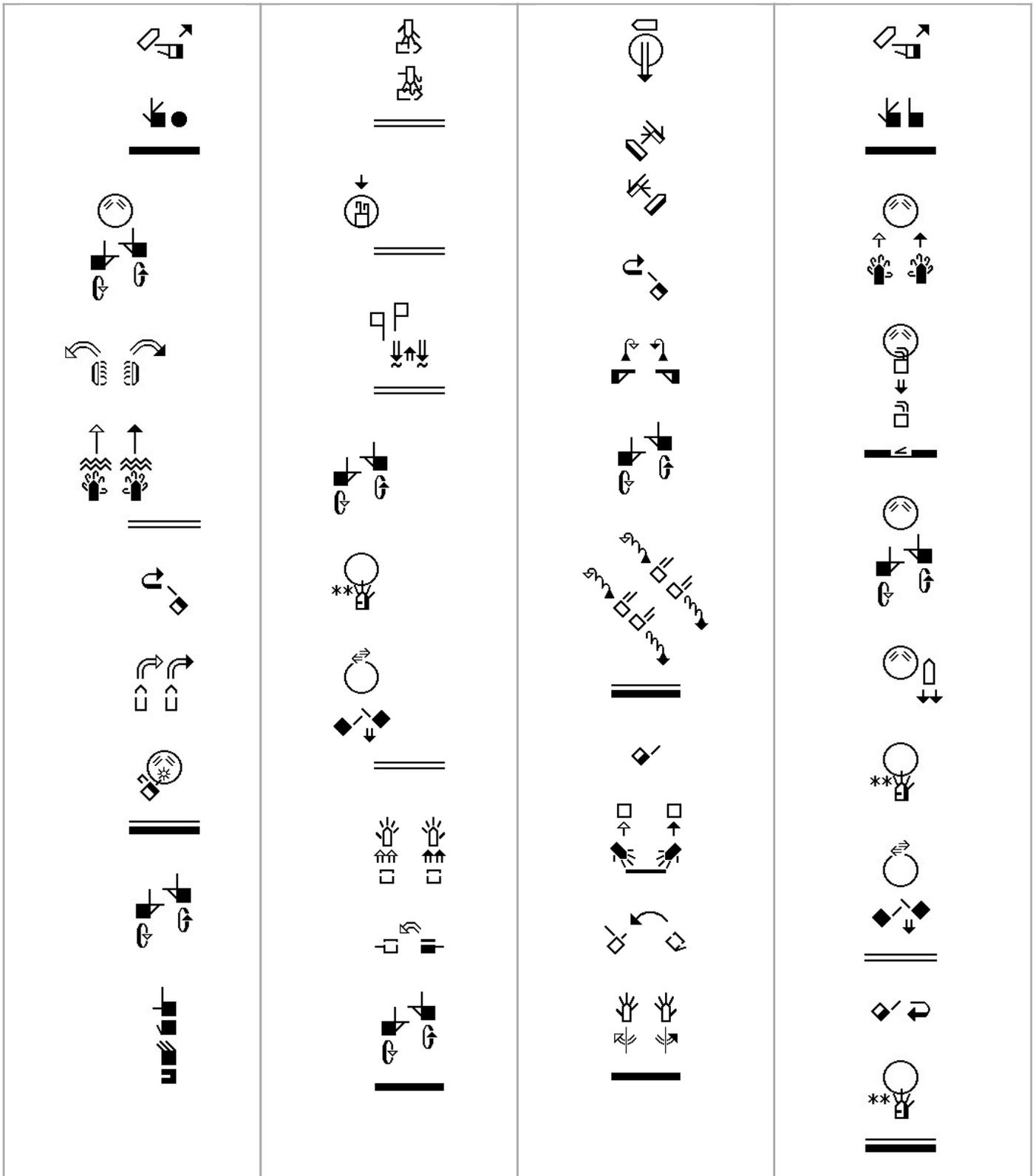
25 But she came and worshiped him, pleading again, "Lord, help me!" 26 Jesus responded, "It isn't right to take food from the children and throw it to the dogs." 27 She replied, "That's true, Lord, but

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Matthew 15:27-29

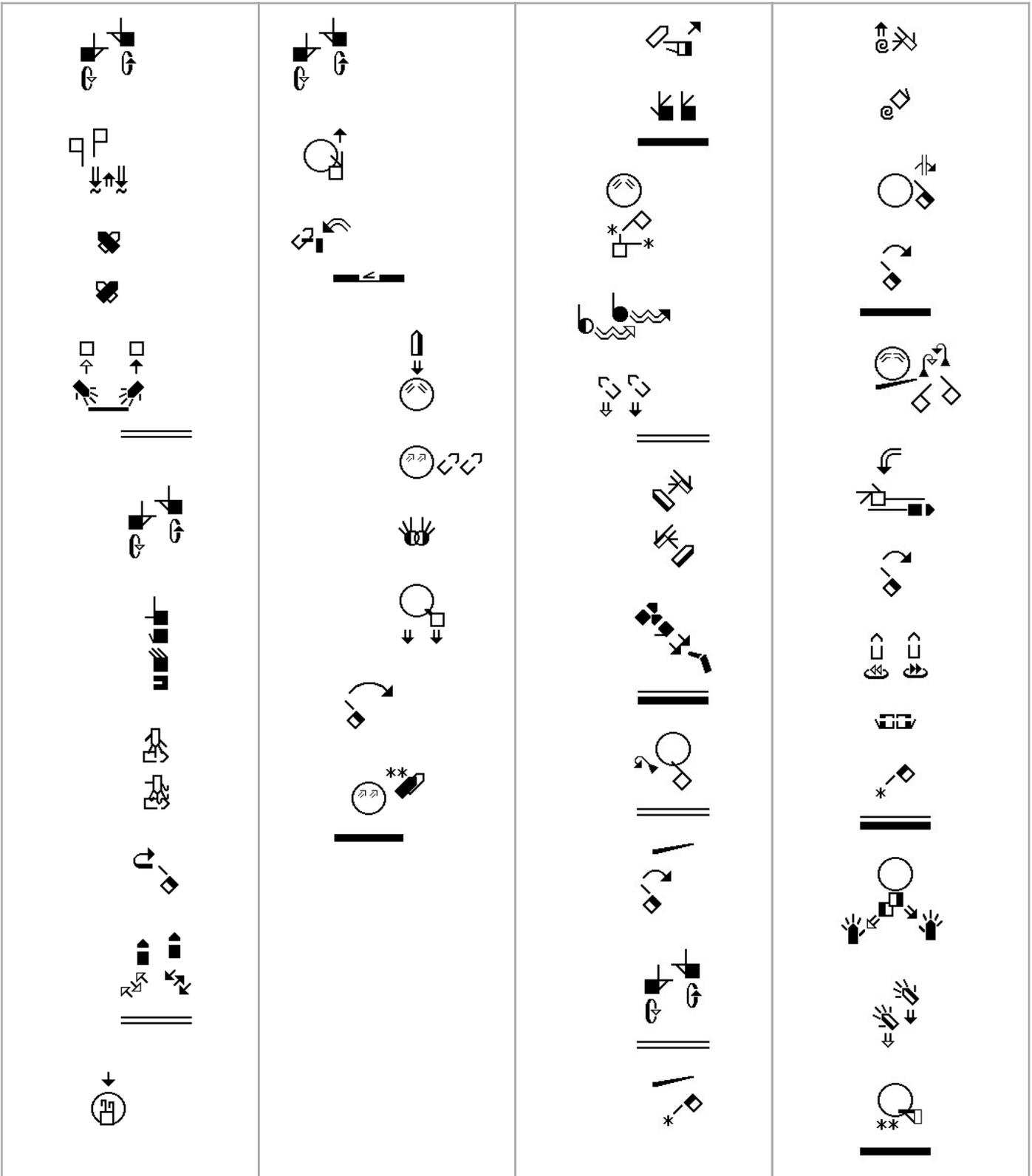


even dogs are allowed to eat the scraps that fall beneath their master's table." 28 "Dear woman," Jesus said to her, "your faith is great. Your request is granted." And her daughter was instantly healed. 29 Jesus returned to the Sea of Galilee and climbed a hill and sat down. NLT

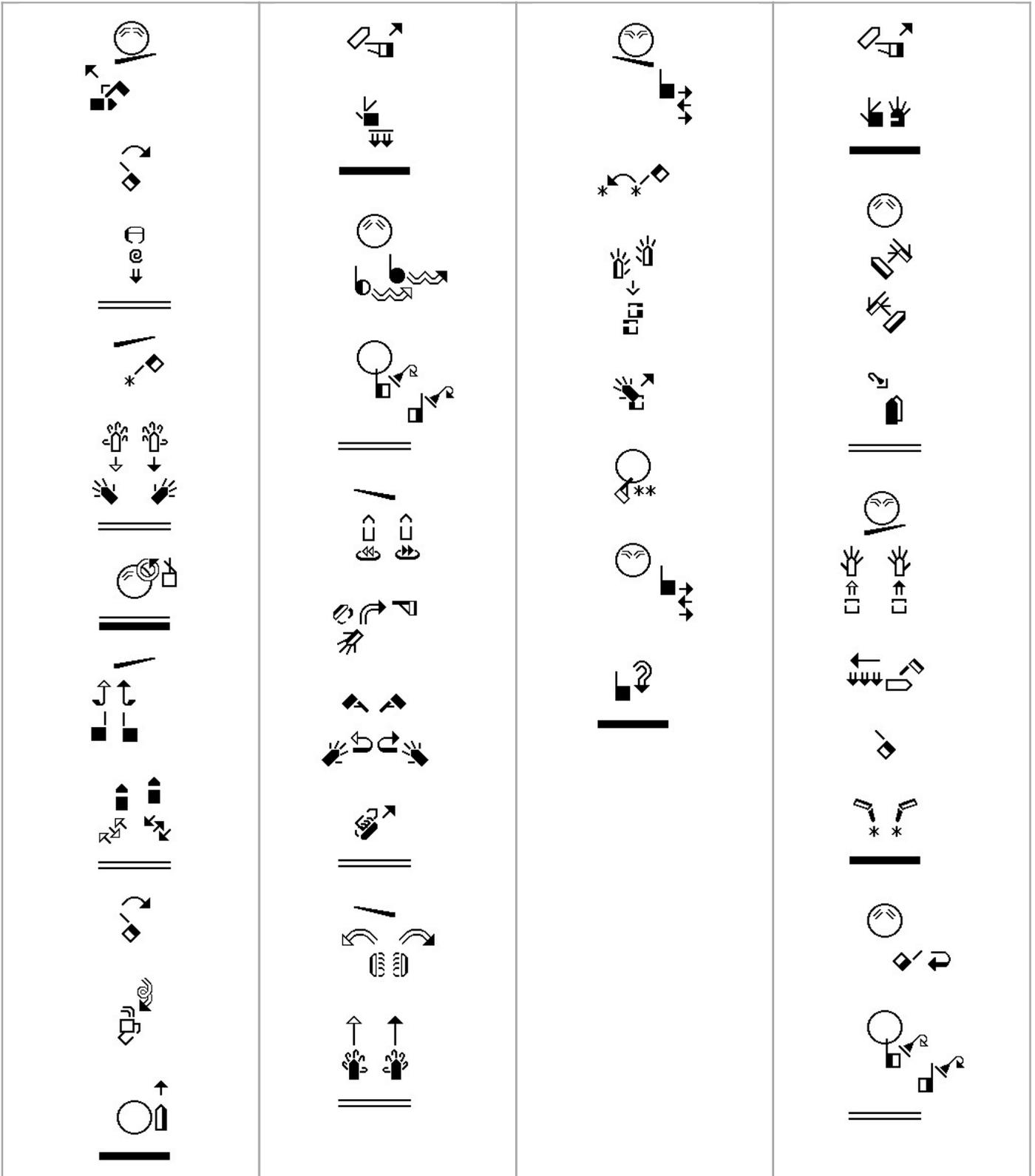


30 A vast crowd brought to him people who were lame, blind, crippled, those who couldn't speak, and many others. They laid them before Jesus, and he healed them all. 31 The crowd was amazed! Those who hadn't been able to speak were talking, NLT

Matthew 15:31-32



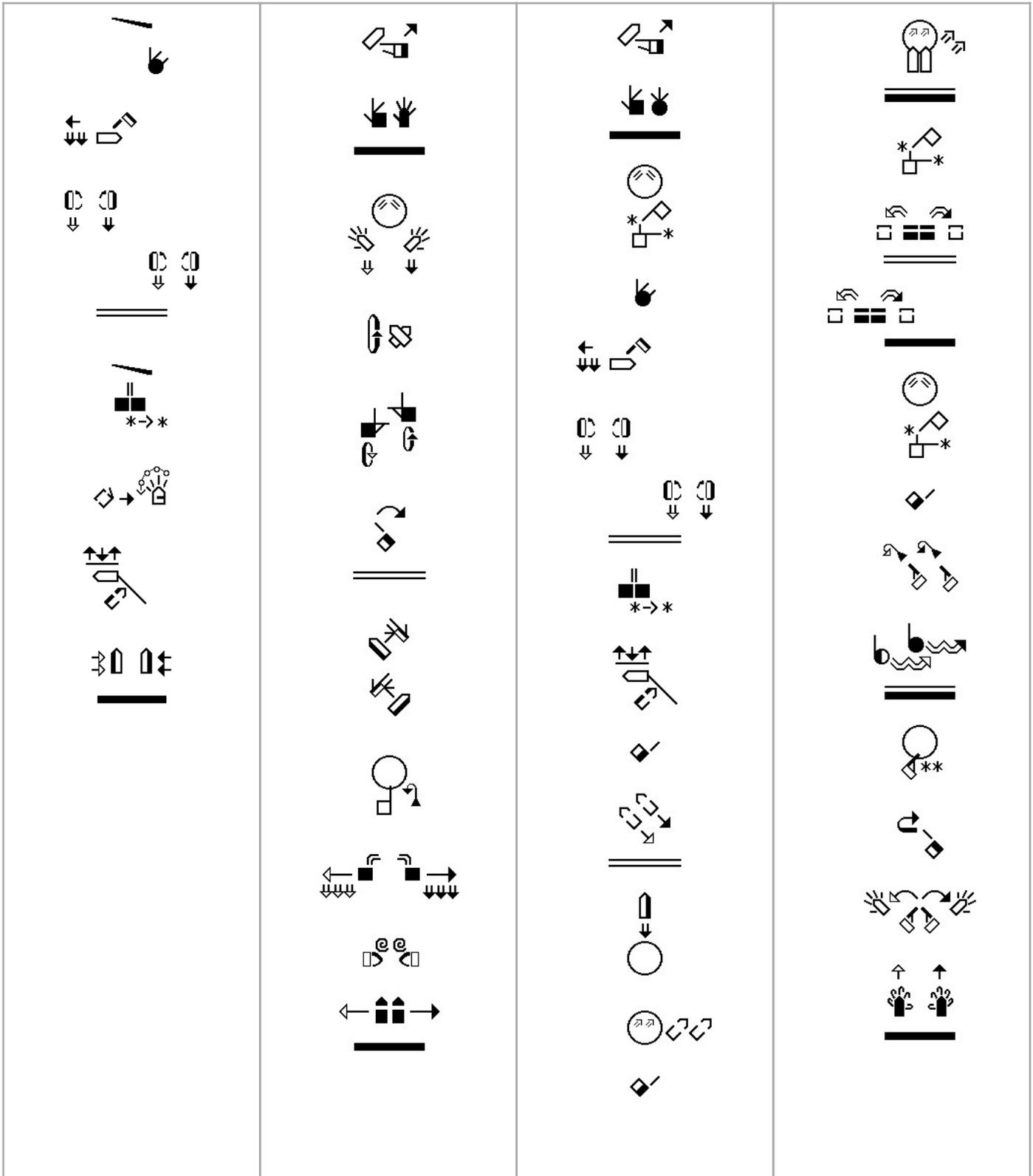
the crippled were made well, the lame were walking, and the blind could see again! And they praised the God of Israel. 32 Then Jesus called his disciples and told them, "I feel sorry for these people. They have been here with me for three days, and they have nothing left to eat. NLT



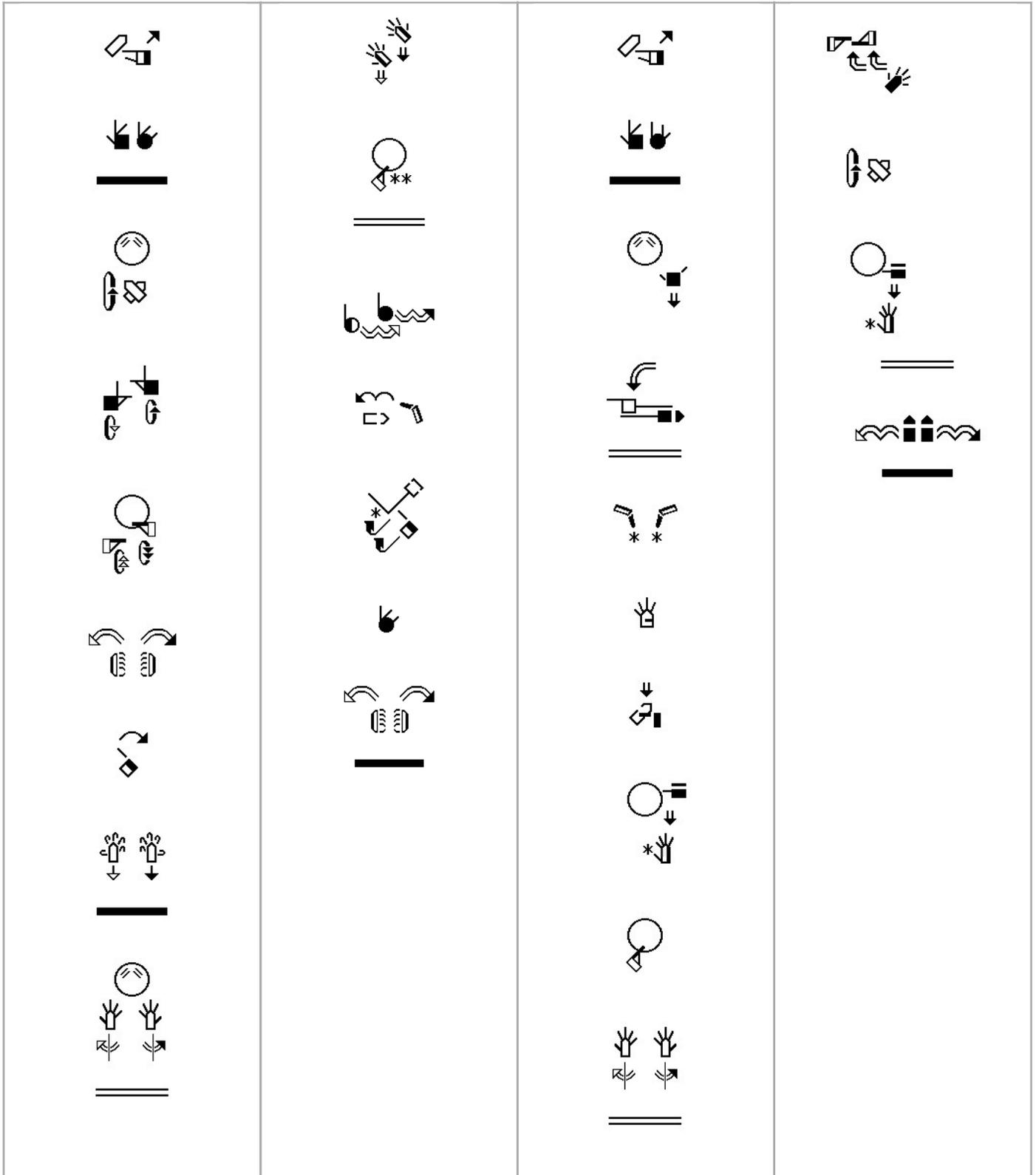
I don't want to send them away hungry, or they will faint along the way." 33 The disciples replied, "Where would we get enough food here in the wilderness for such a huge crowd?" 34 Jesus asked, "How much bread do you have?" They replied,

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Matthew 15:34-36

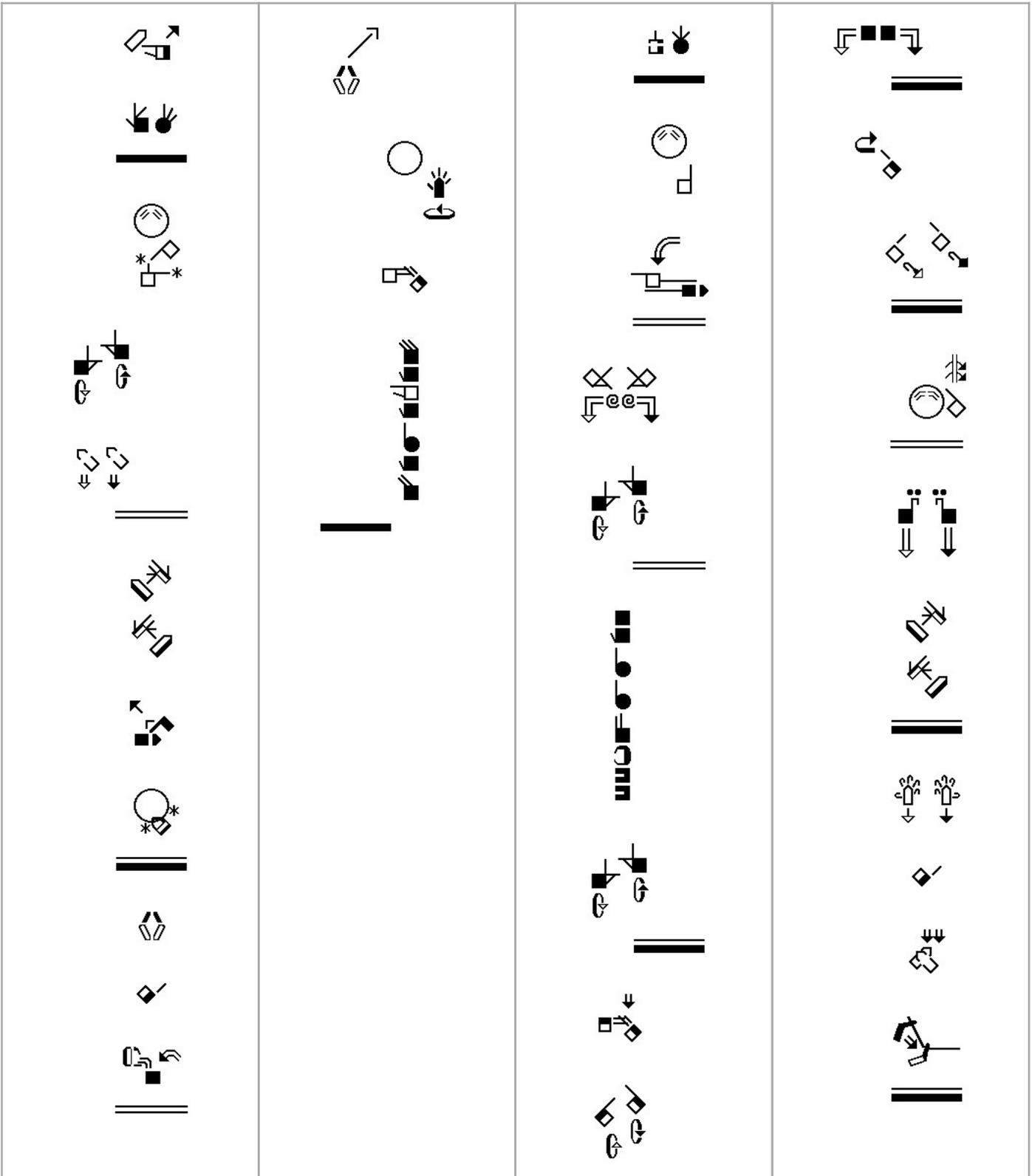


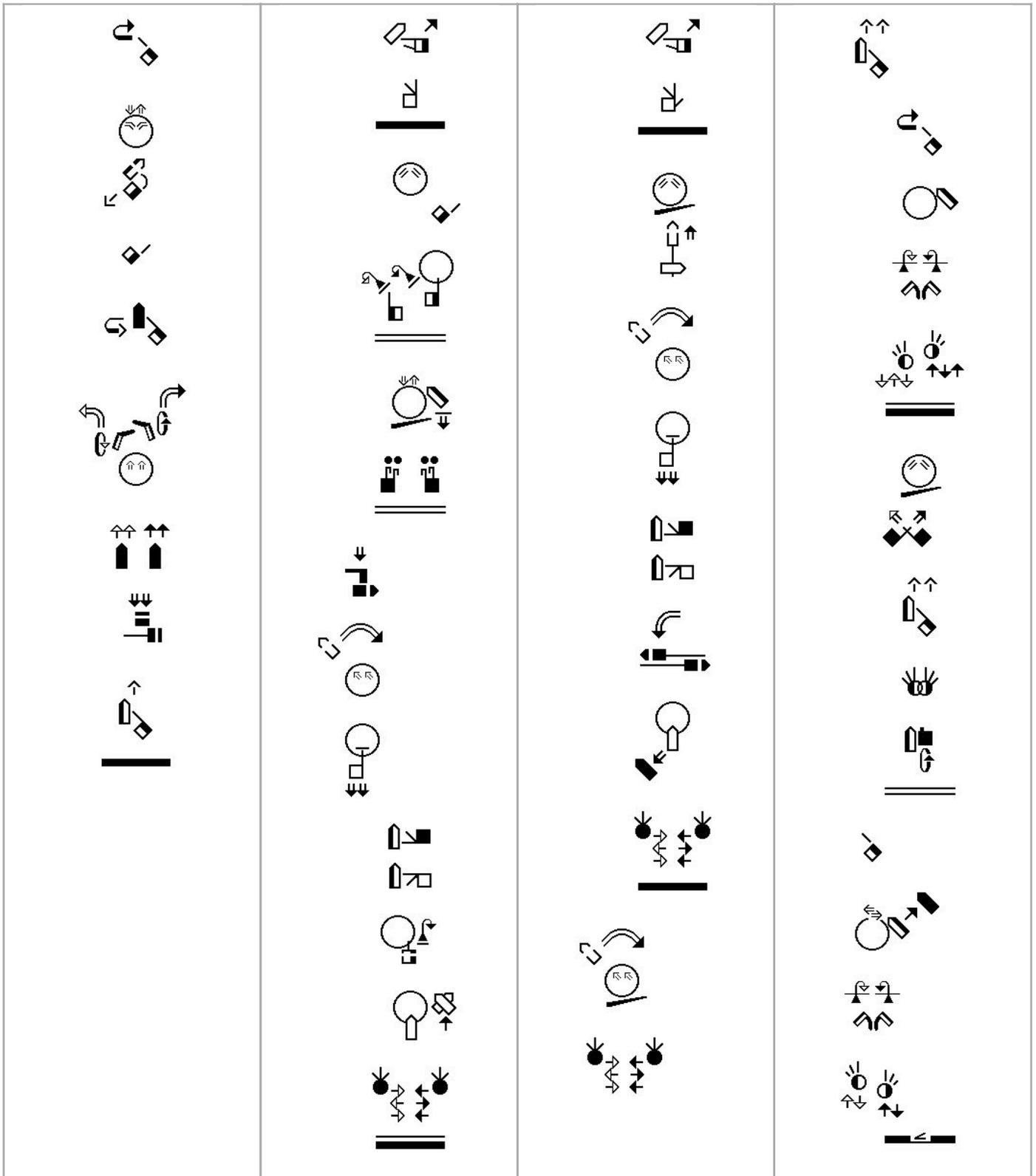
"Seven loaves, and a few small fish." 35 So Jesus told all the people to sit down on the ground. 36 Then he took the seven loaves and the fish, thanked God for them, and broke them into pieces. He gave them to the disciples, who distributed the food to the crowd.
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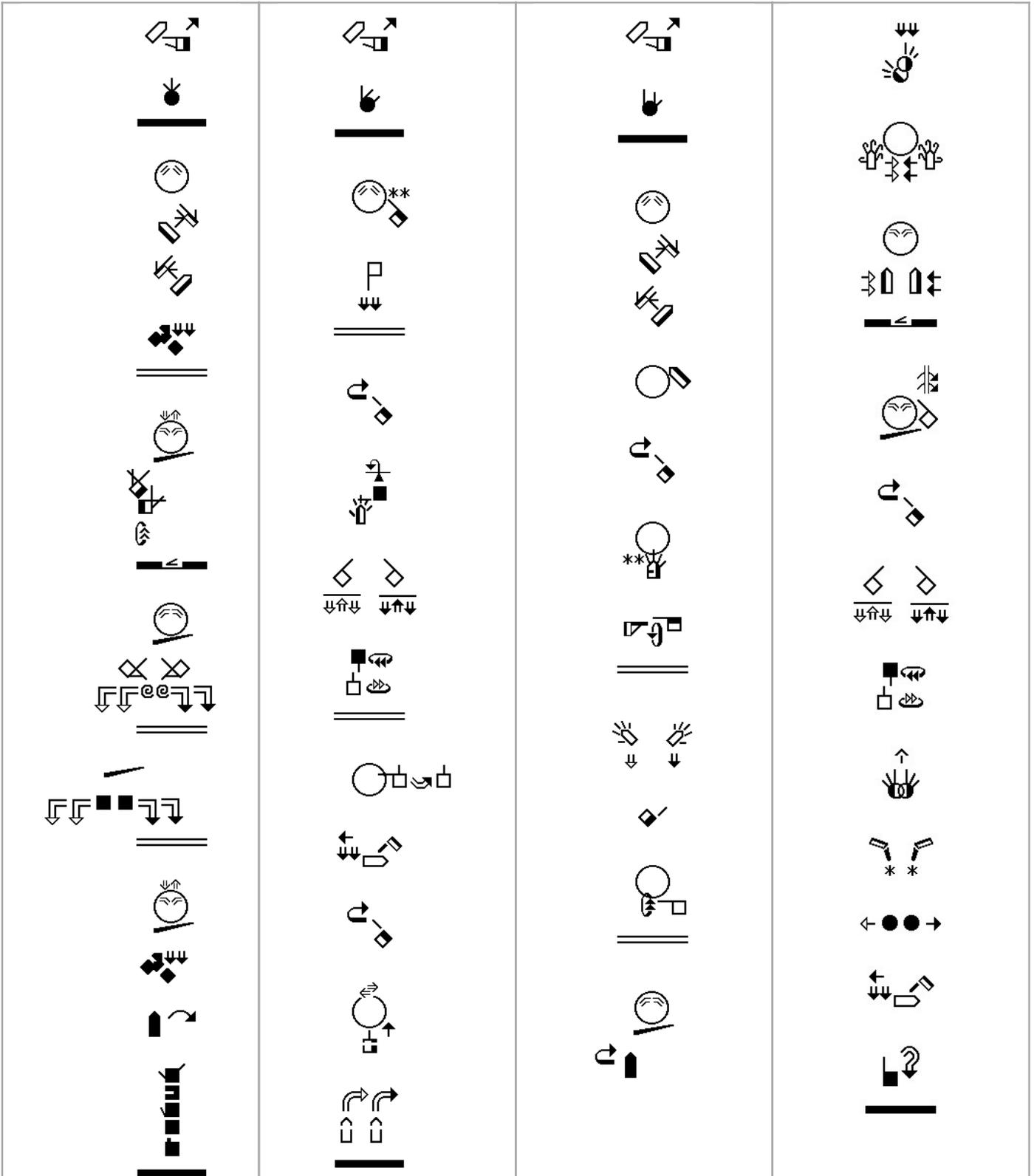
37 They all ate as much as they wanted. Afterward, the disciples picked up seven large baskets of leftover food. 38 There were 4,000 men who were fed that day, in addition to all the women and children.

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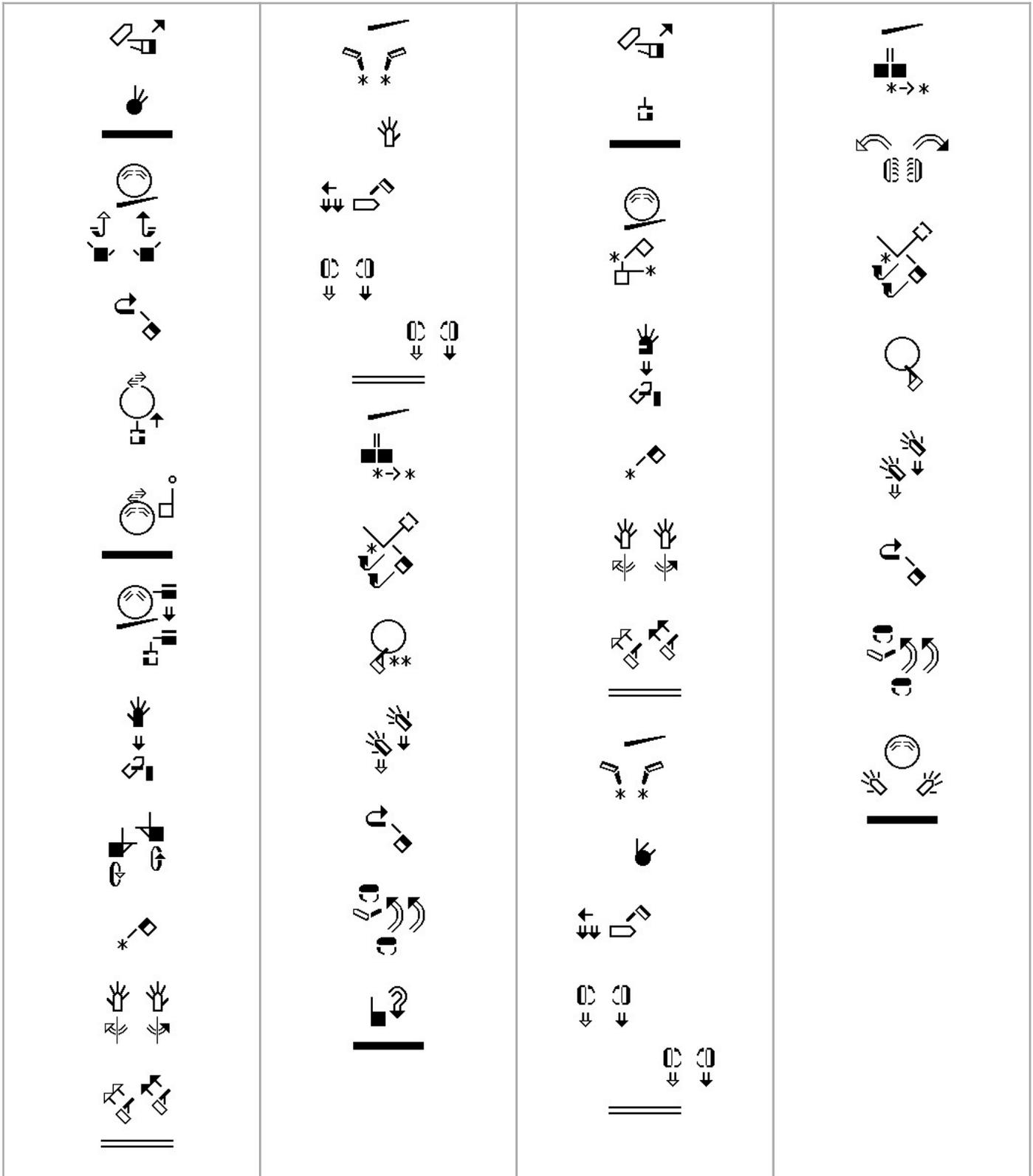


demanding that he show them a miraculous sign from heaven to prove his authority. 2 He replied, "You know the saying, 'Red sky at night means fair weather tomorrow; 3 red sky in the morning means foul weather all day.' You know how to interpret the weather signs in the sky, but you don't know how to interpret the signs of the times!

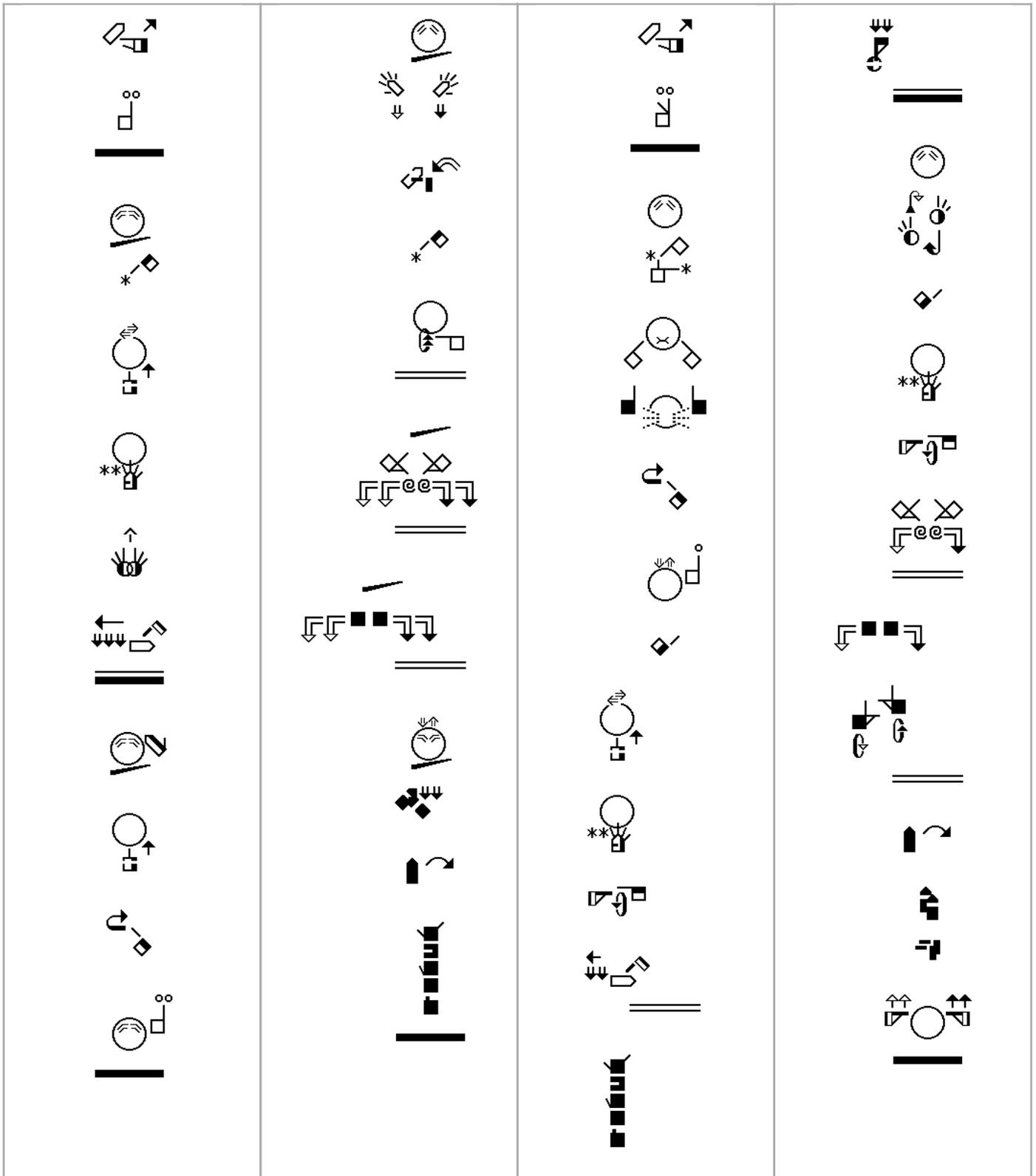


6 "Watch out!" Jesus warned them. "Beware of the yeast of the Pharisees and Sadducees." 7 At this they began to argue with each other because they hadn't brought any bread. 8 Jesus knew what they were saying, so he said, "You have so little faith! Why are you arguing with each other about having no bread?" NLT

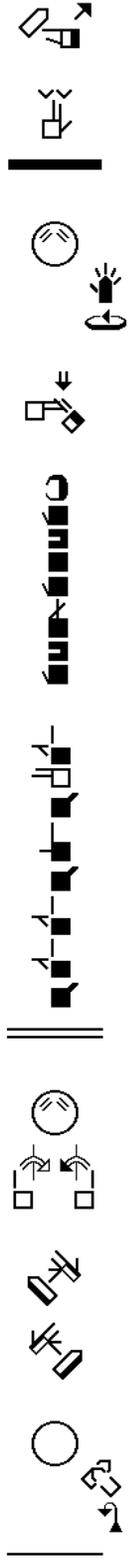
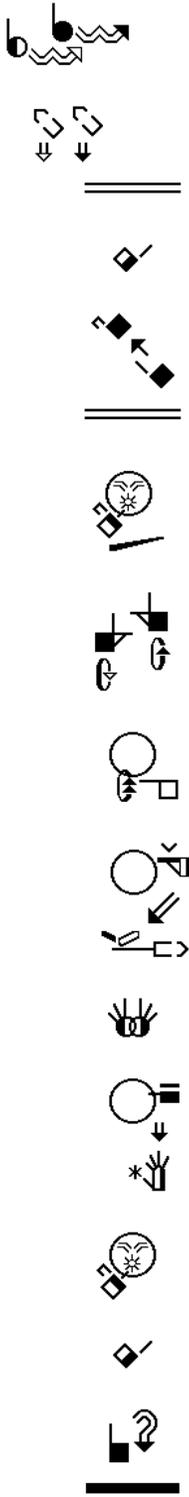
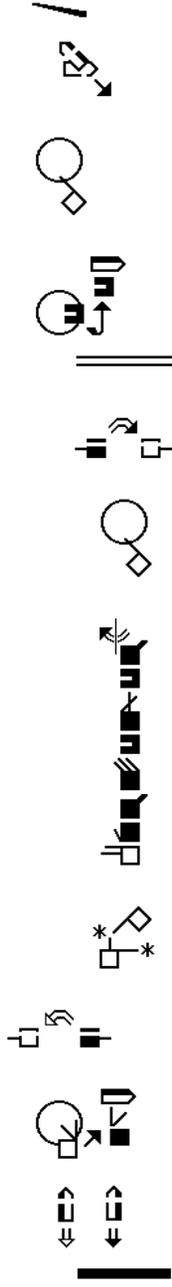
Matthew 16:9-10

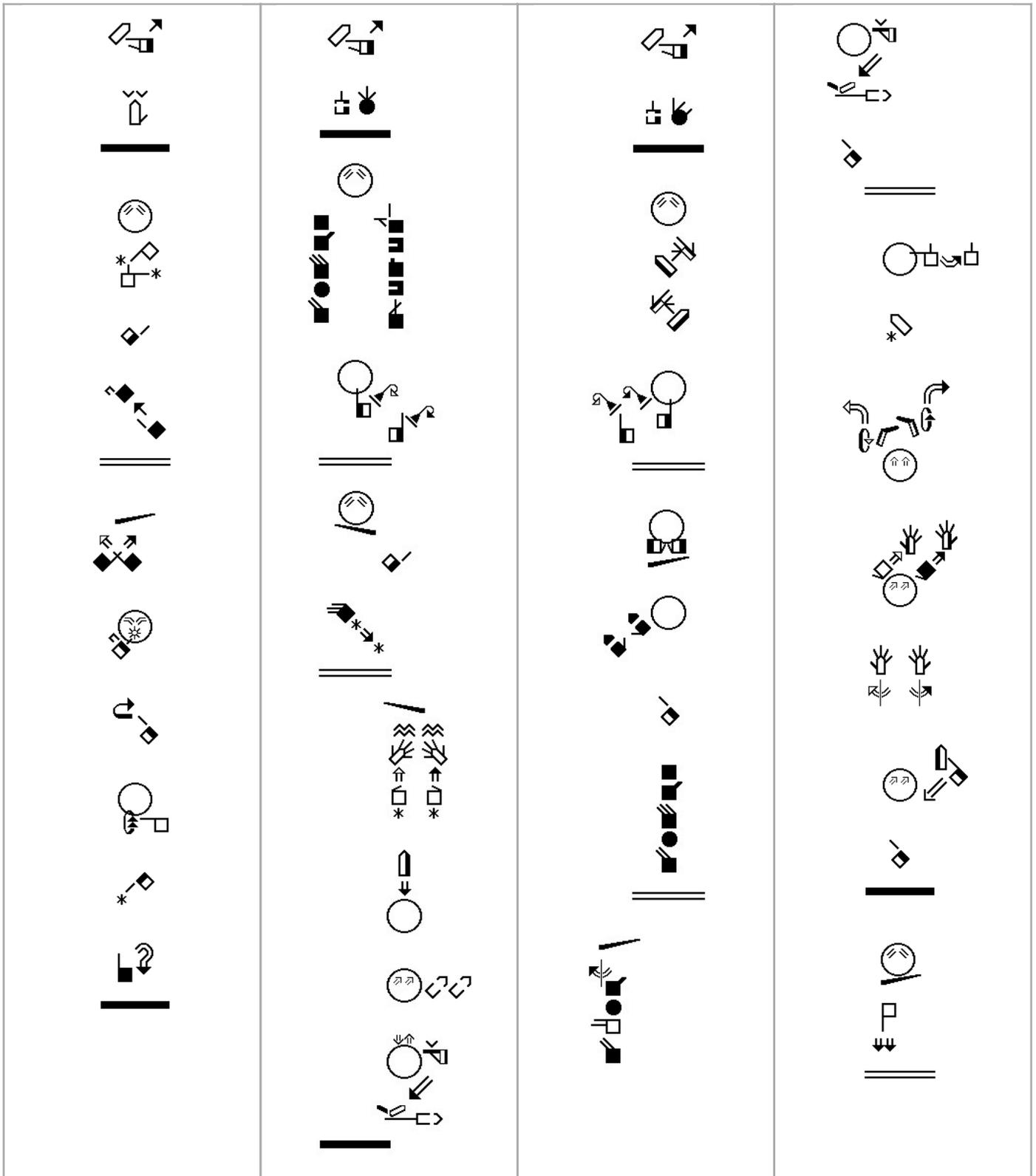


9 Don't you understand even yet? Don't you remember the 5,000 I fed with five loaves, and the baskets of leftovers you picked up? 10 Or the 4,000 I fed with seven loaves, and the large baskets of leftovers you picked up? NLT



11 Why can't you understand that I'm not talking about bread? So again I say, 'Beware of the yeast of the Pharisees and Sadducees.'" 12 Then at last they understood that he wasn't speaking about the yeast in bread, but about the deceptive teaching of the Pharisees and Sadducees. NLT

			
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15 Then he asked them, "But who do you say I am?" 16 Simon Peter answered, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God." 17 Jesus replied, "You are blessed, Simon son of John, because my Father in heaven has revealed this to you. NLT

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Whatever you forbid on earth will be forbidden in heaven, and whatever you permit on earth will be permitted in heaven." 20 Then he sternly warned the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

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Matthew 16:21

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21 From then on Jesus began to tell his disciples plainly that it was necessary for him to go to Jerusalem, and that he would suffer many terrible things at the hands of the elders, the leading priests, and the teachers of religious law. He would be killed, but on the third day he would be raised from the dead. NLT

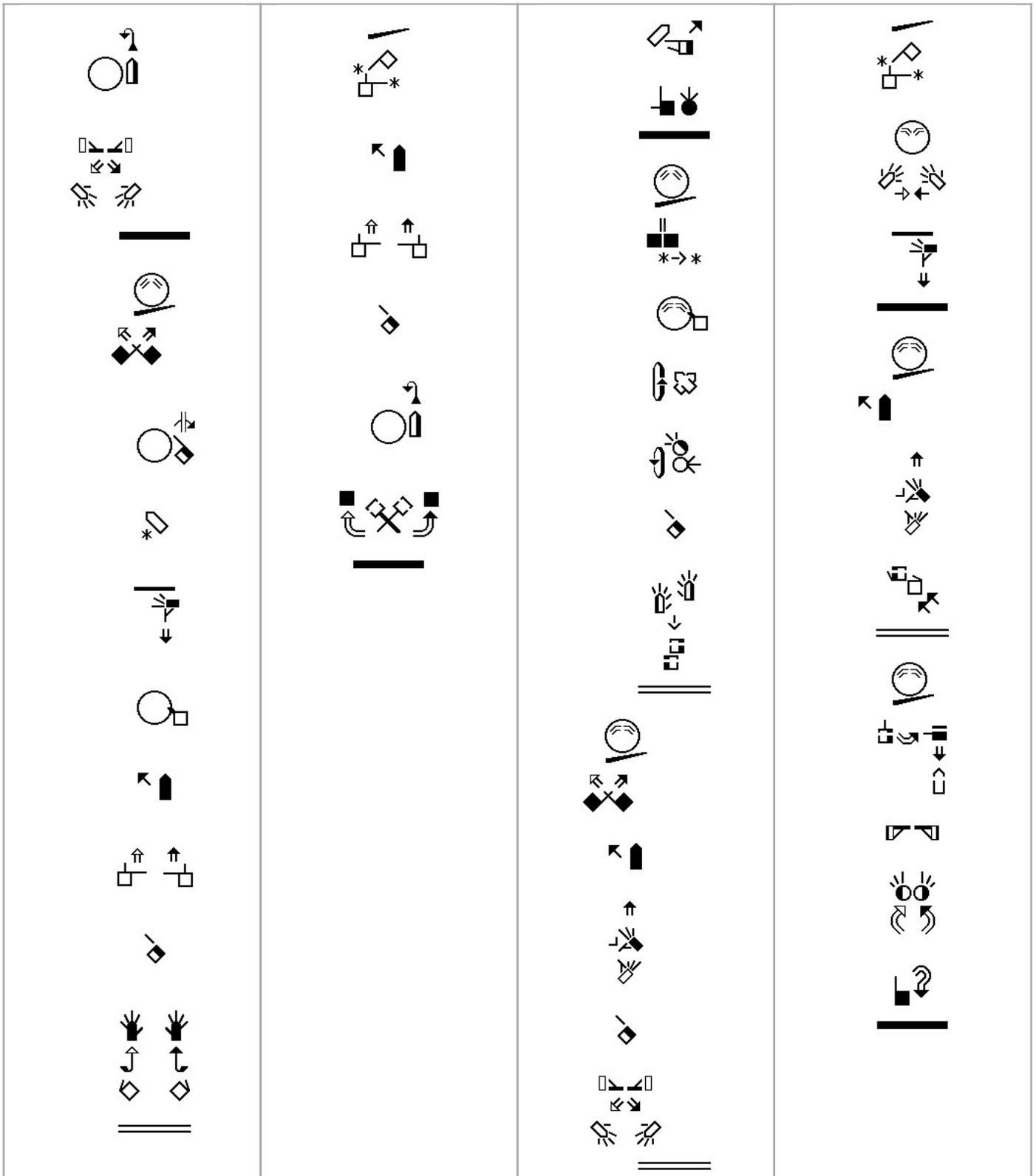
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22 But Peter took him aside and began to reprimand him for saying such things. "Heaven forbid, Lord," he said. "This will never happen to you!" 23 Jesus turned to Peter and said, "Get away from me, Satan! You are a dangerous trap to me. You are seeing things merely from a human point of view, not from God's."

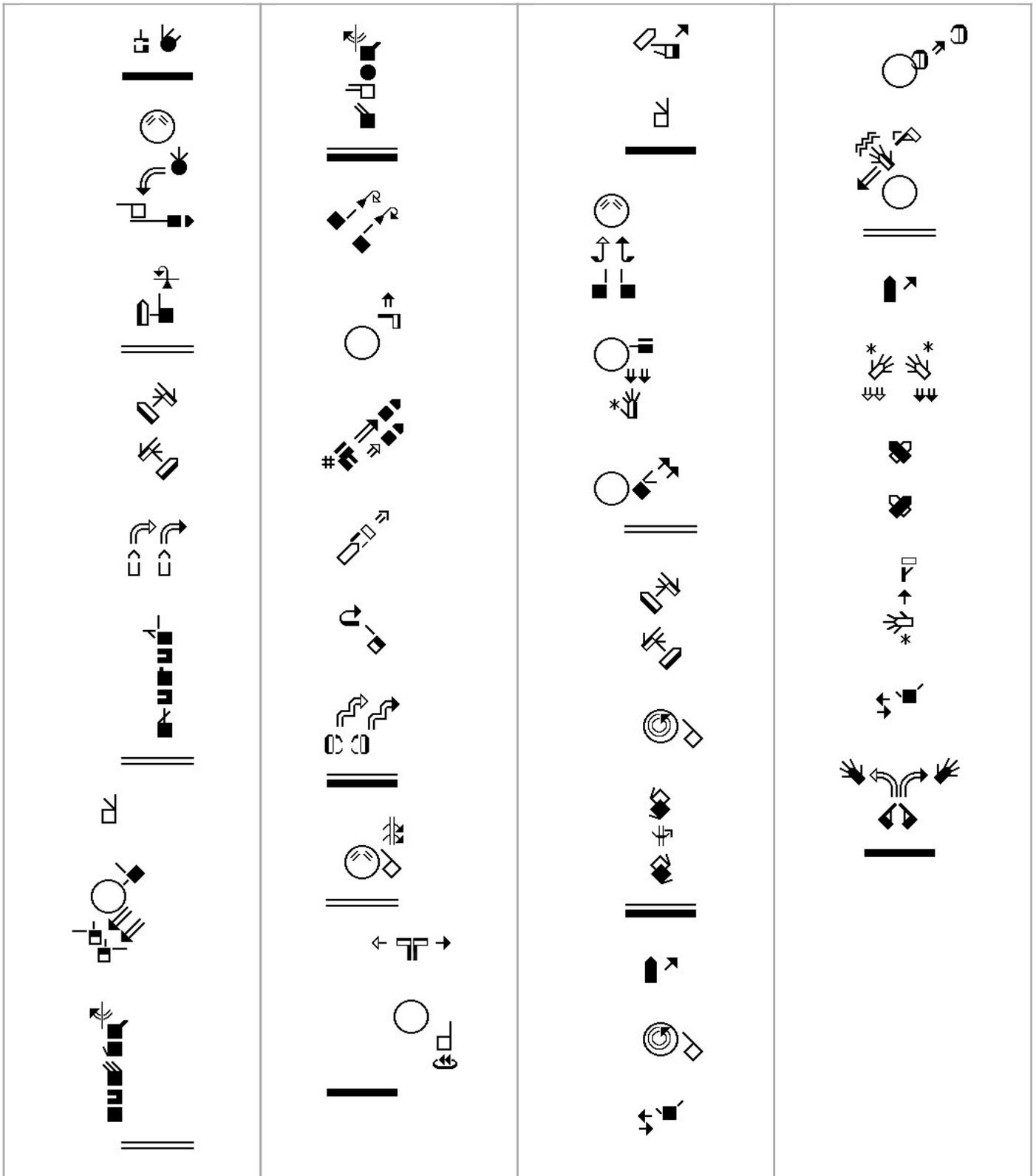
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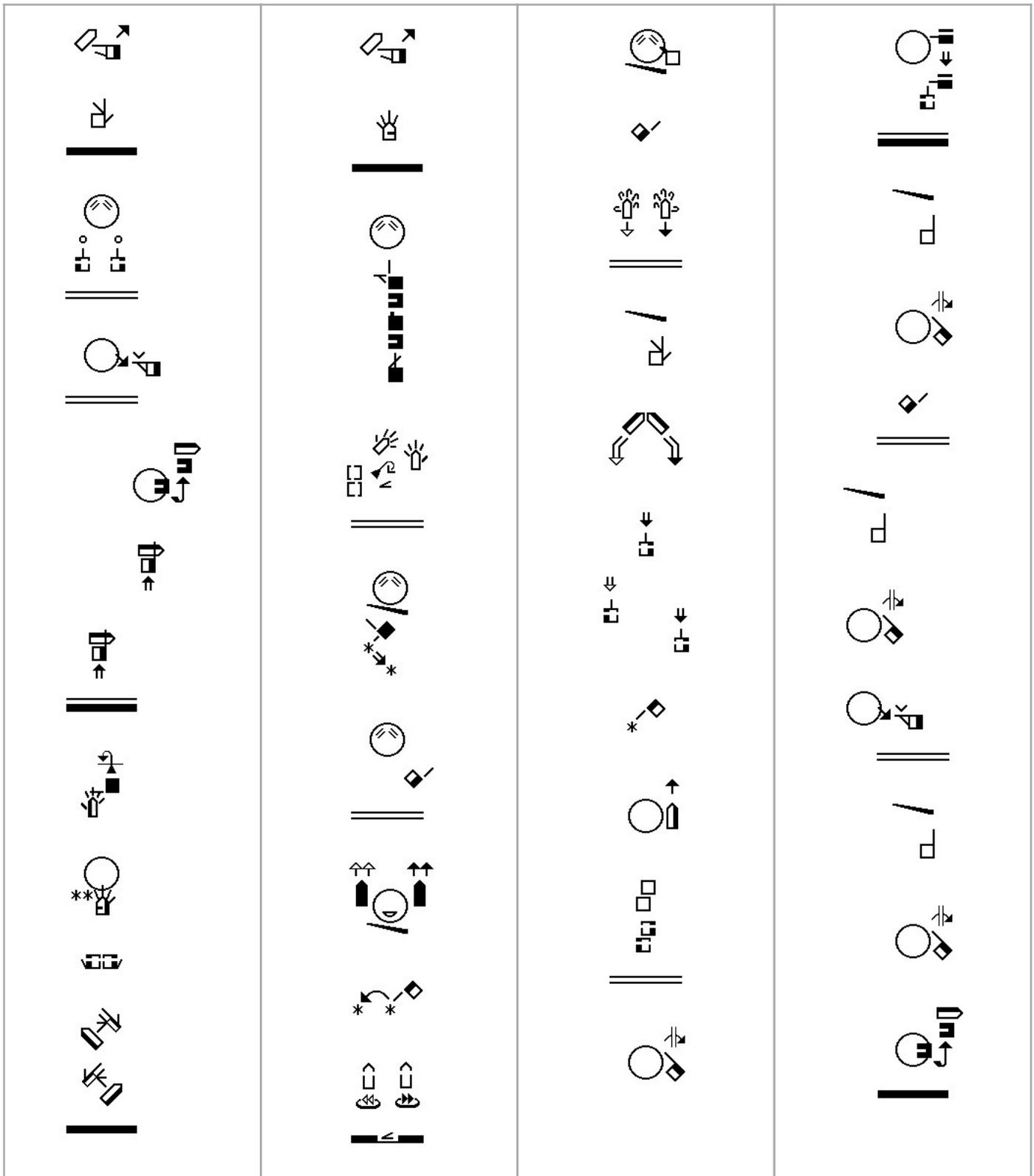


will lose it. But if you give up your life for my sake, you will save it. 26 And what do you benefit if you gain the whole world but lose your own soul? Is anything worth more than your soul? NLT

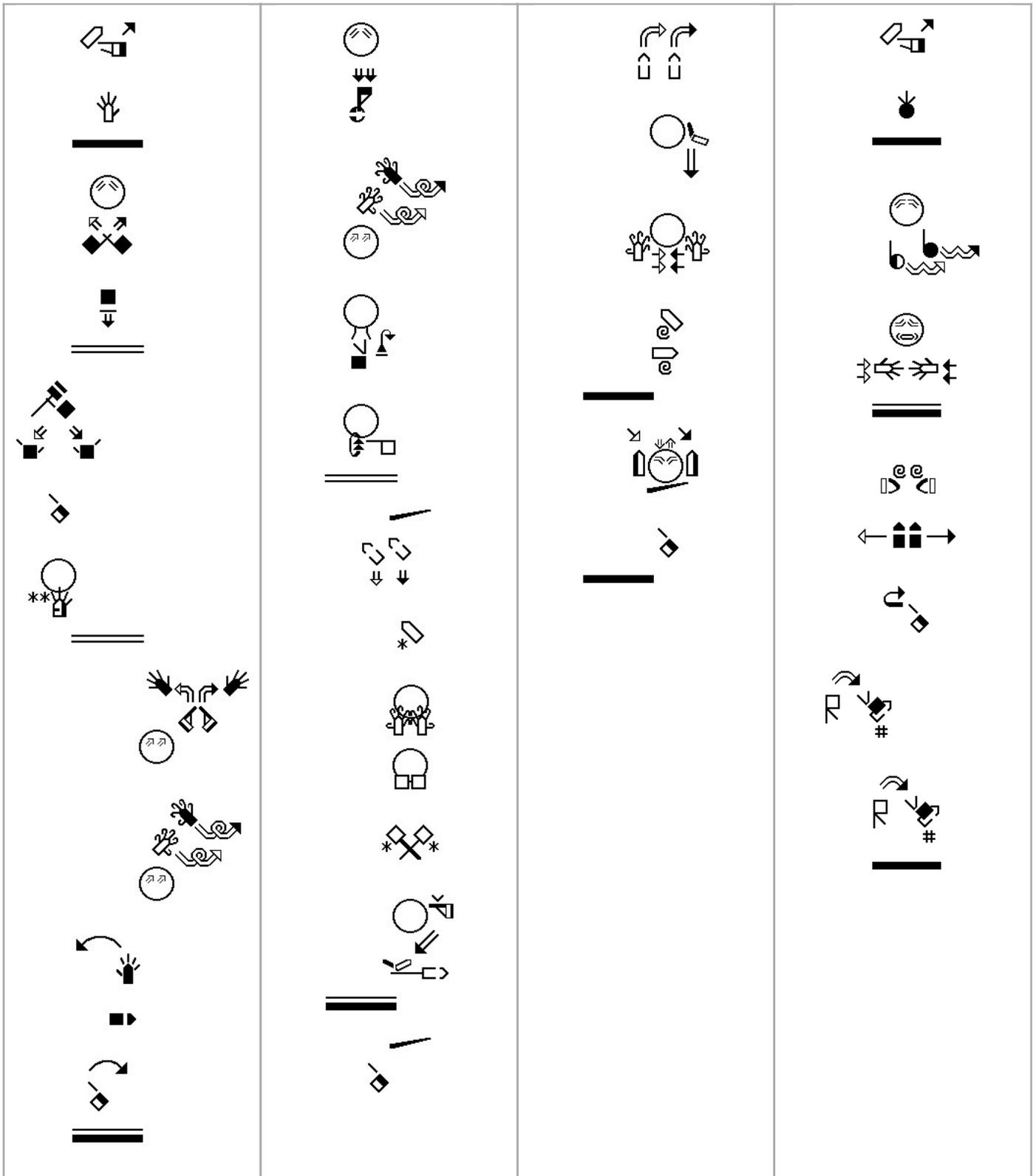


17 Six days later Jesus took Peter and the two brothers, James and John, and led them up a high mountain to be alone. 2 As the men watched, Jesus' appearance was transformed so that his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became as white as light. NLT

Matthew 17:3-4

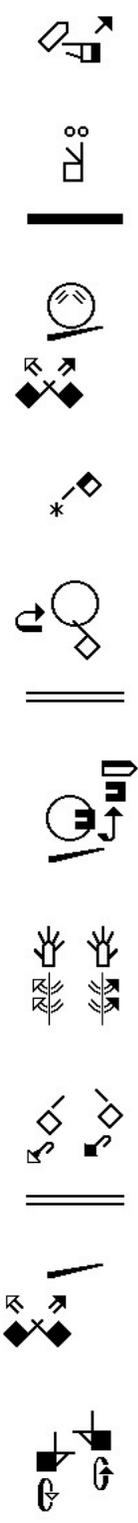
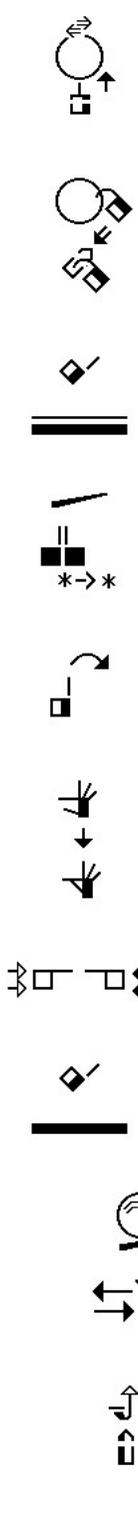
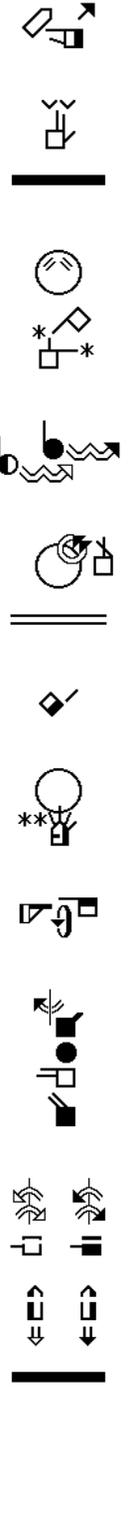


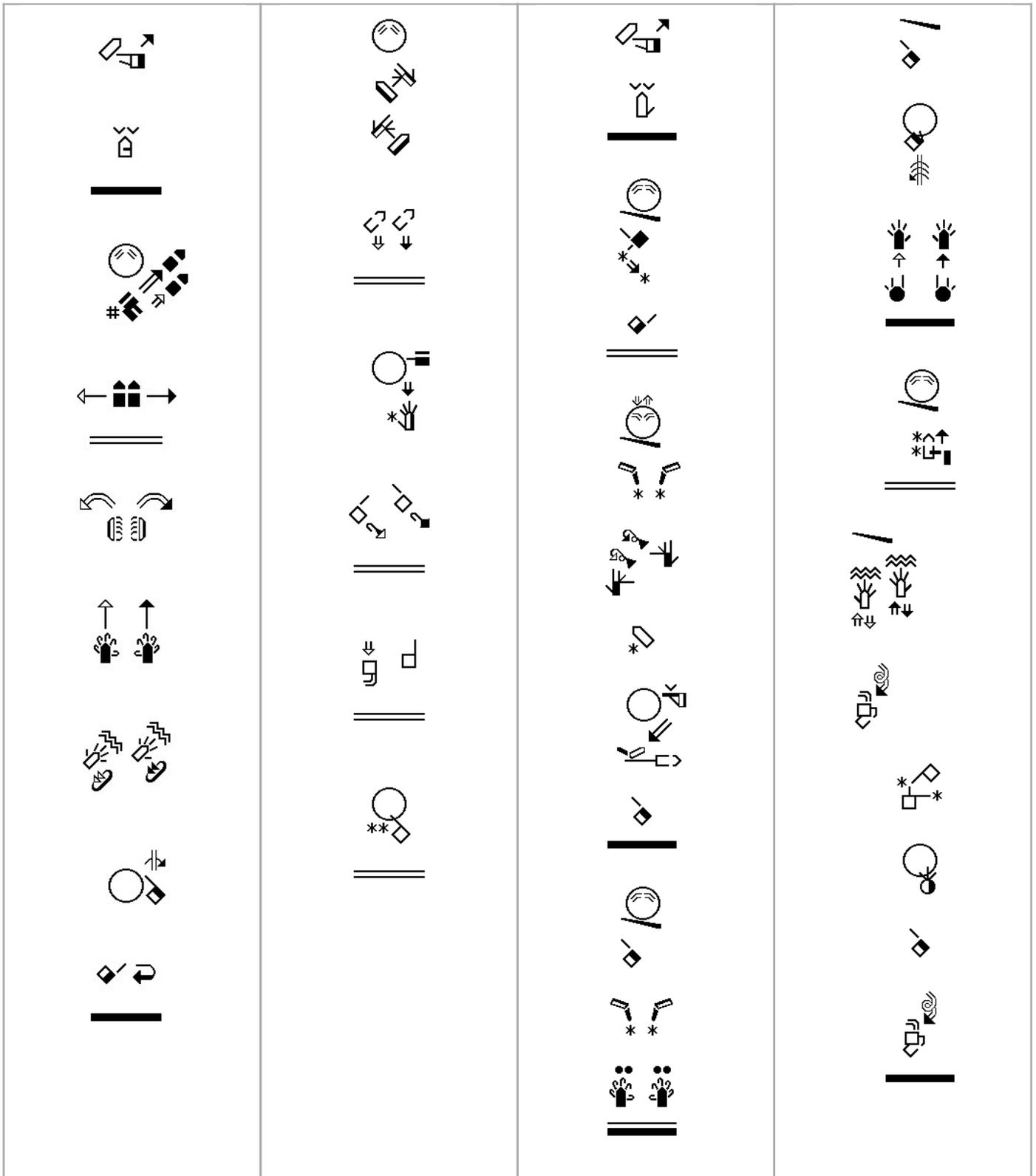
3 Suddenly, Moses and Elijah appeared and began talking with Jesus. 4 Peter blurted out, "Lord, it's wonderful for us to be here! If you want, I'll make three shelters as memorials -- one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." NLT



5 But even as he spoke, a bright cloud came over them, and a voice from the cloud said, "This is my dearly loved Son, who brings me great joy. Listen to him." 6 The disciples were terrified and fell face down on the ground. NLT

Matthew 17:12-13

			
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14 At the foot of the mountain, a large crowd was waiting for them. A man came and knelt before Jesus and said, 15 "Lord, have mercy on my son. He has seizures and suffers terribly. He often falls into the fire or into the water.

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Matthew 17:16-17

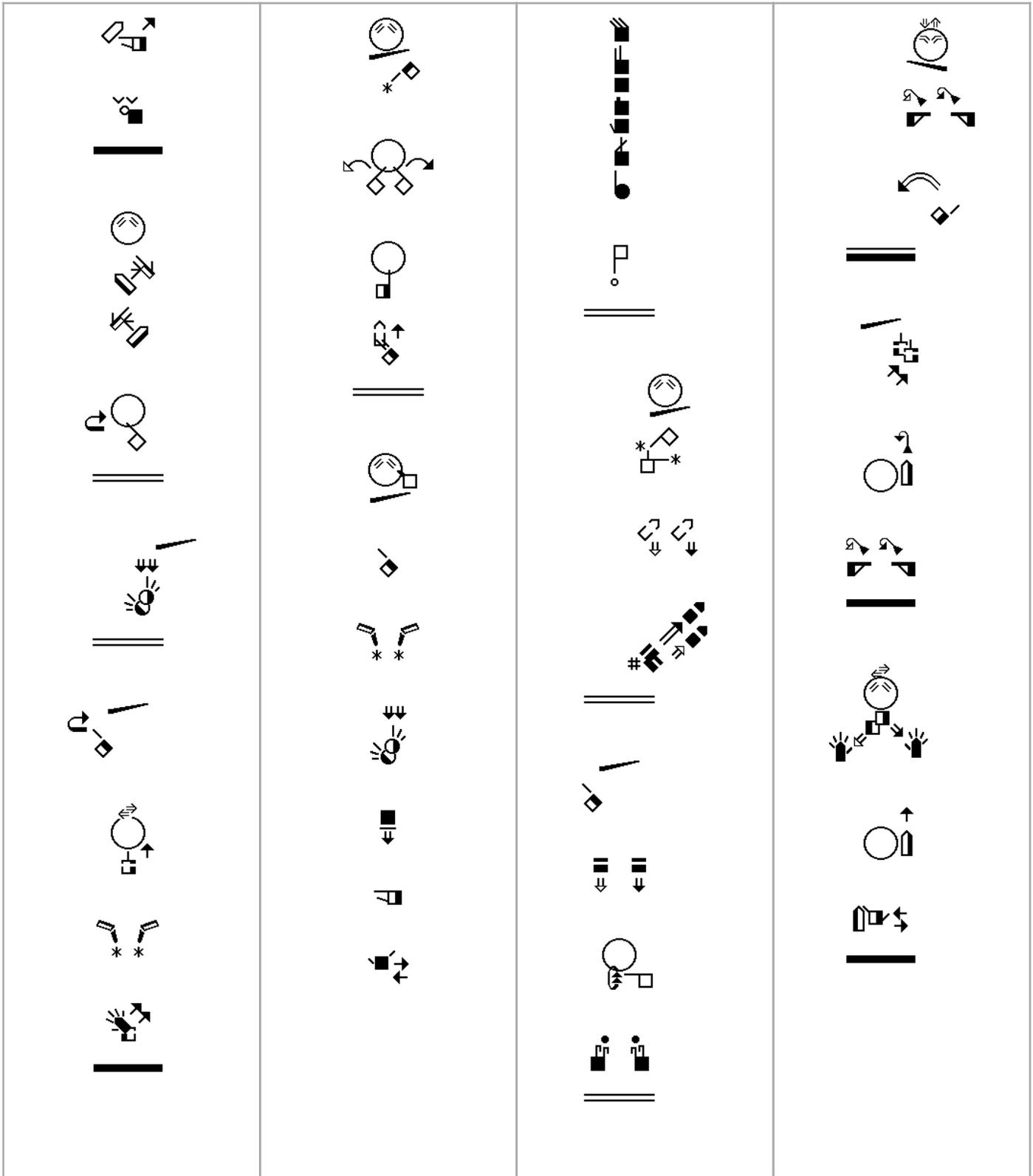
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16 So I brought him to your disciples, but they couldn't heal him." 17 Jesus replied, "You faithless and corrupt people! How long must I be with you? How long must I put up with you? Bring the boy to me." NLT

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18 Then Jesus rebuked the demon in the boy, and it left him. From that moment, the boy was well. 19. Afterwards the disciples asked Jesus privately, "Why couldn't we cast out that demon?" NLT

Matthew 17:20



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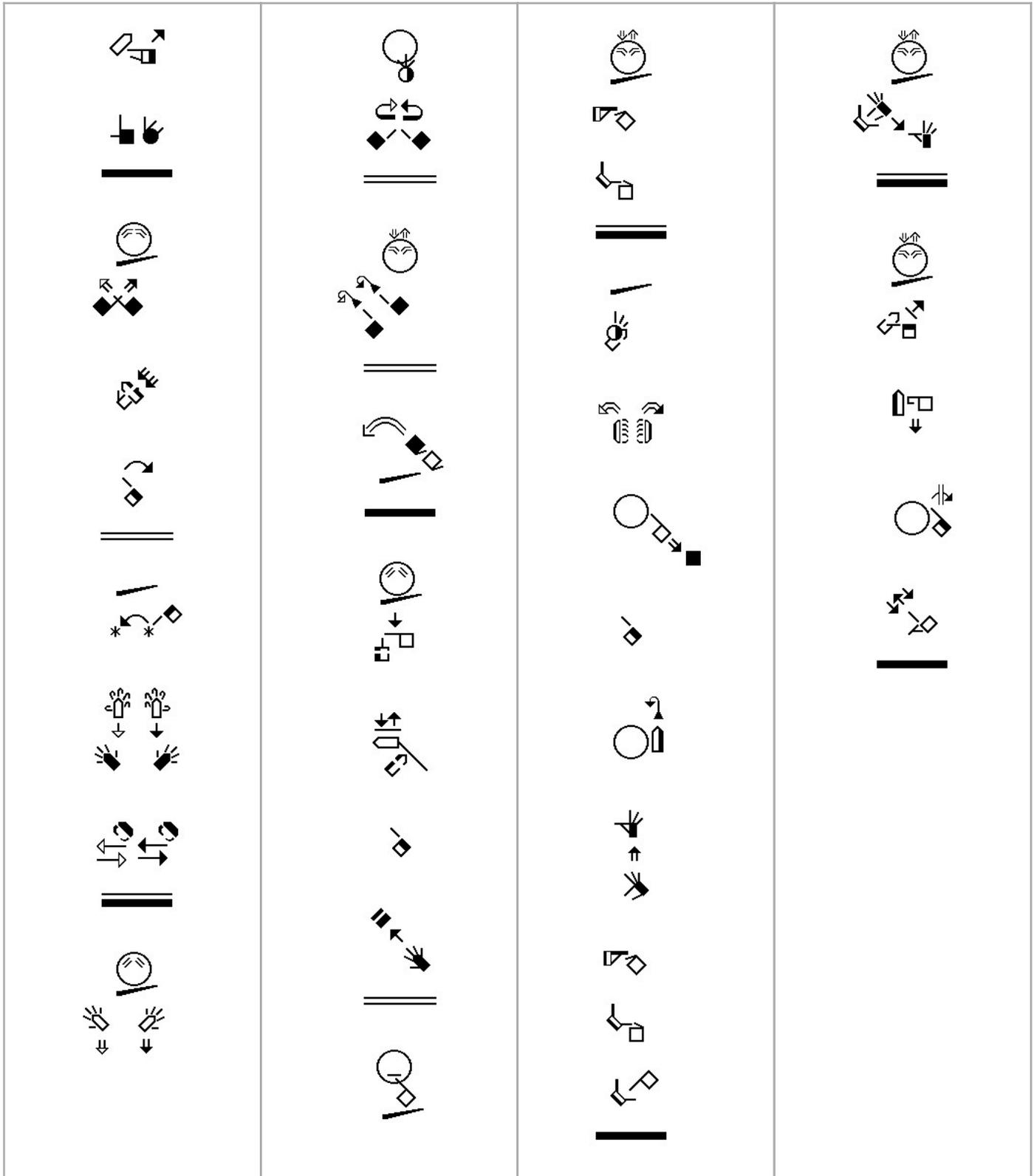
22 After they gathered again in Galilee, Jesus told them, "The Son of Man is going to be betrayed into the hands of his enemies. 23 He will be killed, but on the third day he will be raised from the dead." And the disciples were filled with grief. NLT

Matthew 17:24-25

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312 24 On their arrival in Capernaum, the collectors of the Temple tax came to Peter and asked him, "Doesn't your teacher pay the Temple tax?" 25 "Yes, he does," Peter replied. Then he went into the house. But before he had a chance to speak, Jesus asked him, "What

Matthew 17:27



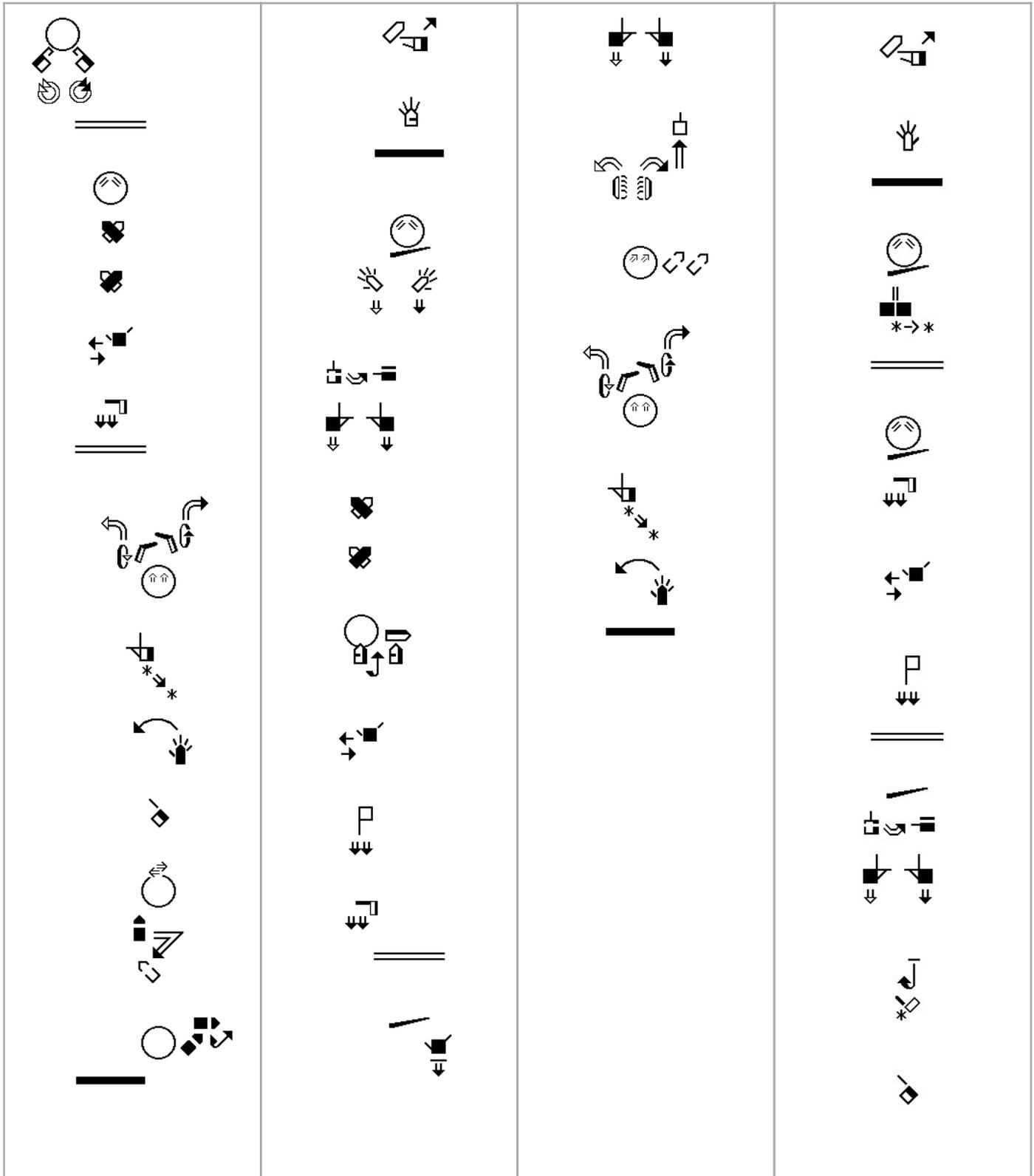
314 27 However, we don't want to offend them, so go down to the lake and throw in a line. Open the mouth of the first fish you catch, and you will find a large silver coin. Take it and pay the tax for both of us." NLT

<p>Sign language sequence for Matthew 18:1-3, column 1. It includes signs for 'disciples', 'asked', 'greatest', 'Kingdom of Heaven', 'Jesus', 'called', 'child', 'put', 'among', 'them', 'said', 'truth', 'turn from', and 'NLT'.</p>	<p>Sign language sequence for Matthew 18:1-3, column 2. It includes signs for 'disciples', 'asked', 'greatest', 'Kingdom of Heaven', 'Jesus', 'called', 'child', 'put', 'among', 'them', 'said', 'truth', 'turn from', and 'NLT'.</p>	<p>Sign language sequence for Matthew 18:1-3, column 3. It includes signs for 'disciples', 'asked', 'greatest', 'Kingdom of Heaven', 'Jesus', 'called', 'child', 'put', 'among', 'them', 'said', 'truth', 'turn from', and 'NLT'.</p>	<p>Sign language sequence for Matthew 18:1-3, column 4. It includes signs for 'disciples', 'asked', 'greatest', 'Kingdom of Heaven', 'Jesus', 'called', 'child', 'put', 'among', 'them', 'said', 'truth', 'turn from', and 'NLT'.</p>
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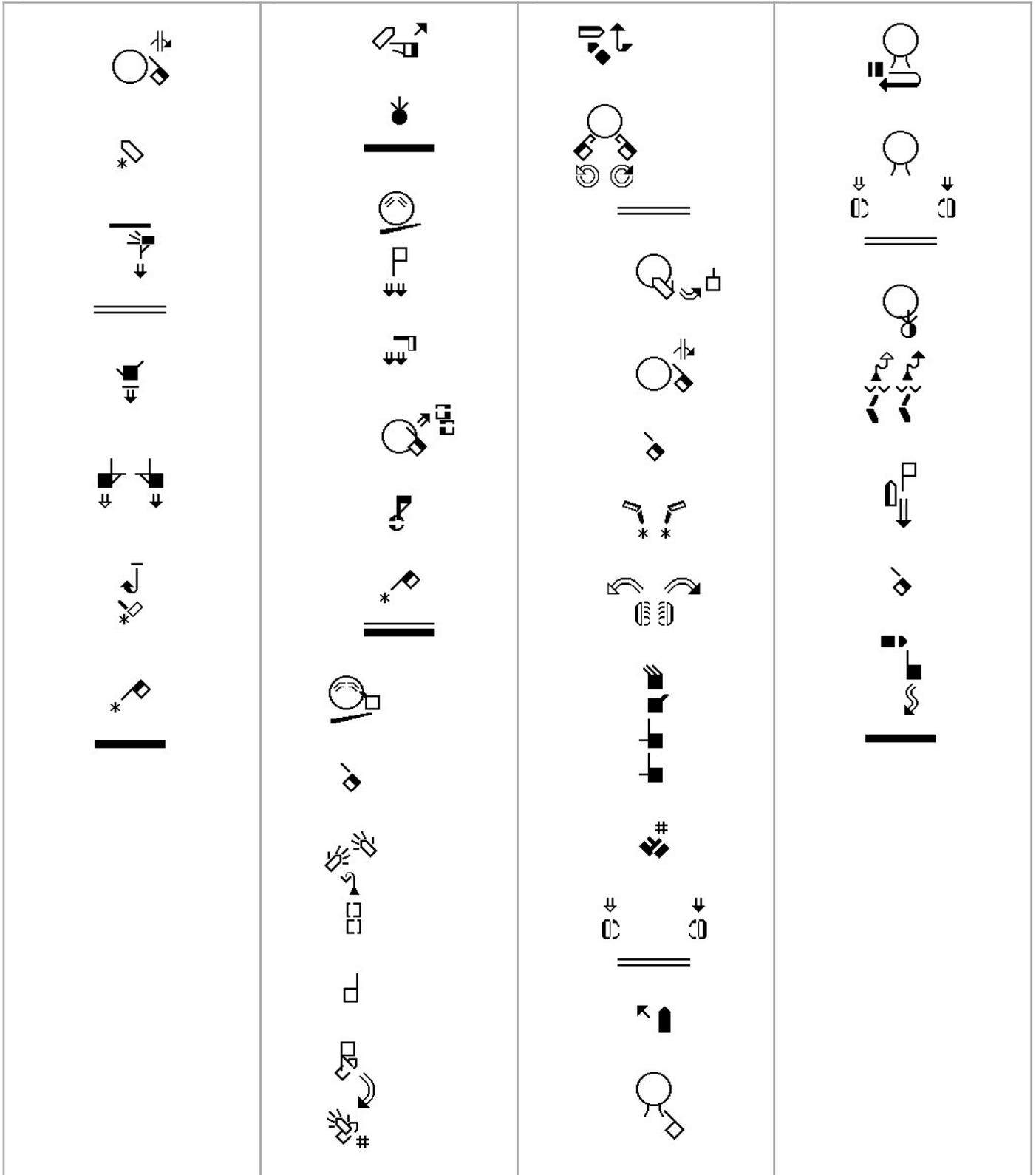
18 About that time the disciples came to Jesus and asked, "Who is greatest in the Kingdom of Heaven?" 2 Jesus called a little child to him and put the child among them. 3 Then he said, "I tell you the truth, unless you turn from

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Matthew 18:3-5



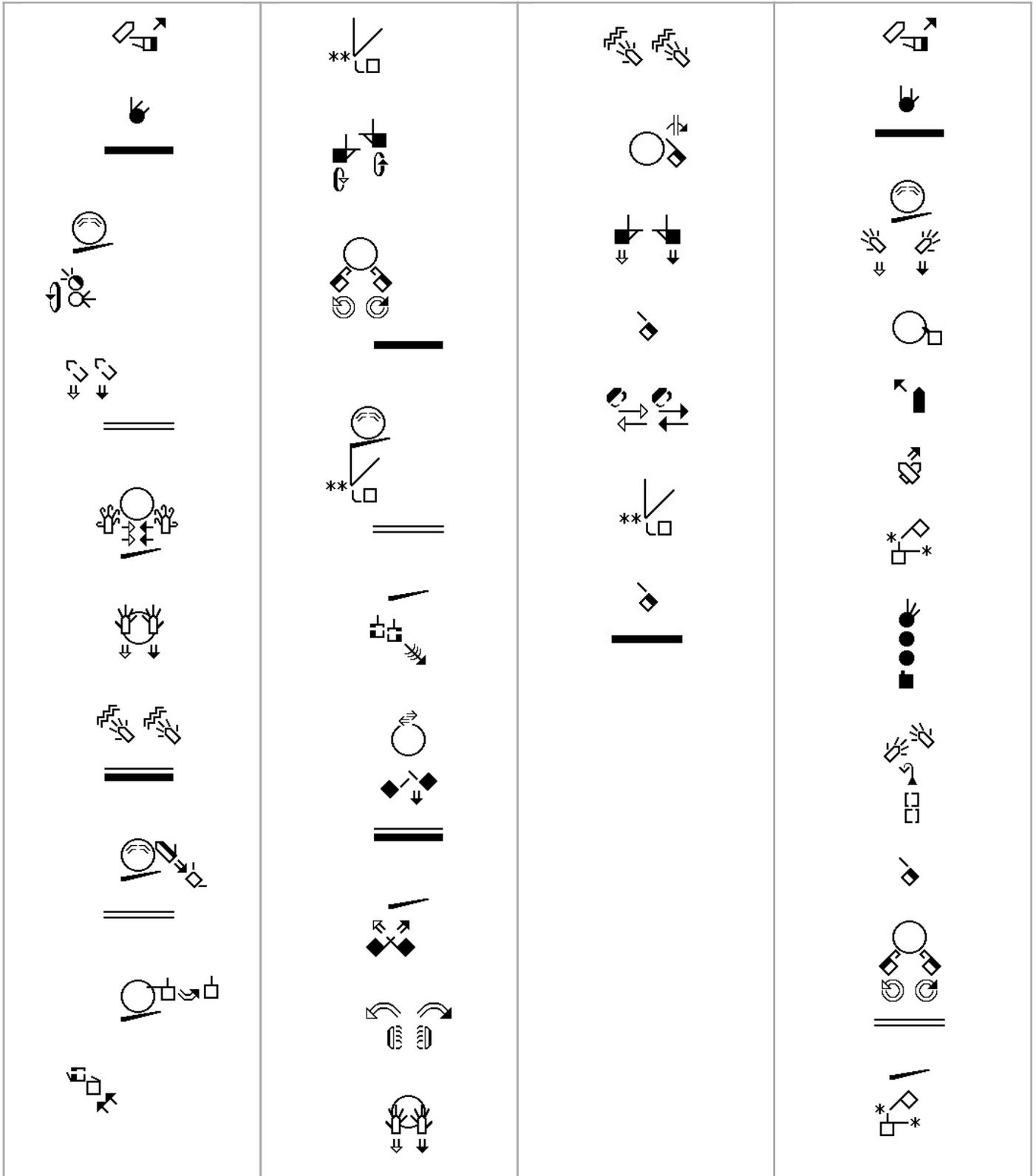
316 your sins and become like little children, you will never get into the Kingdom of Heaven. 4 So anyone who becomes as humble as this little child is the greatest in the Kingdom of Heaven. 5 "And anyone who welcomes a little child like this NLT



on my behalf is welcoming me. 6 But if you cause one of these little ones who trusts in me to fall into sin, it would be better for you to have a large millstone tied around your neck and be drowned in the depths of the sea.

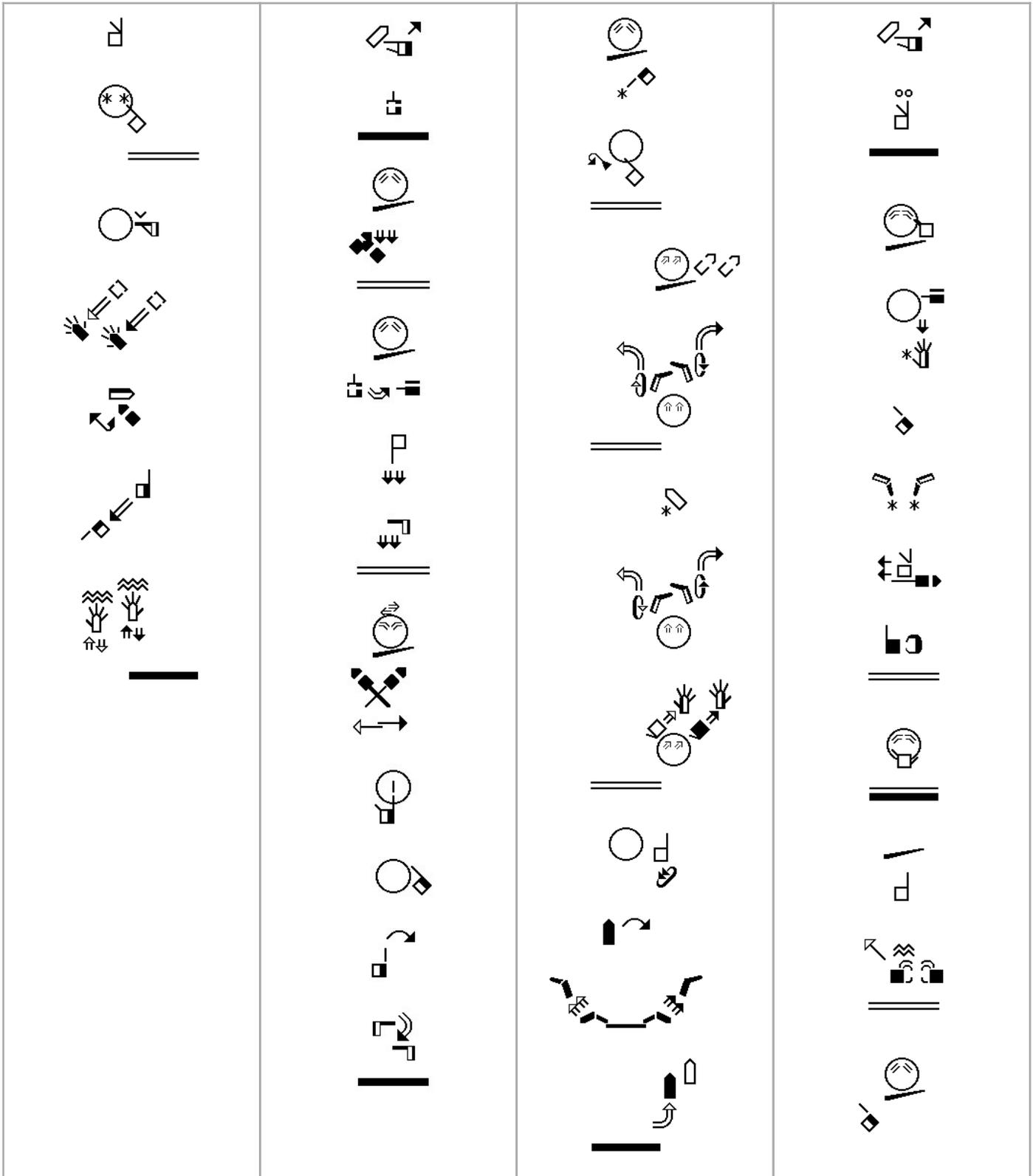
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Matthew 18:7-8



7 "What sorrow awaits the world, because it tempts people to sin. Temptations are inevitable, but what sorrow awaits the person who does the tempting. 8 So if your hand or foot causes you to sin, NLT

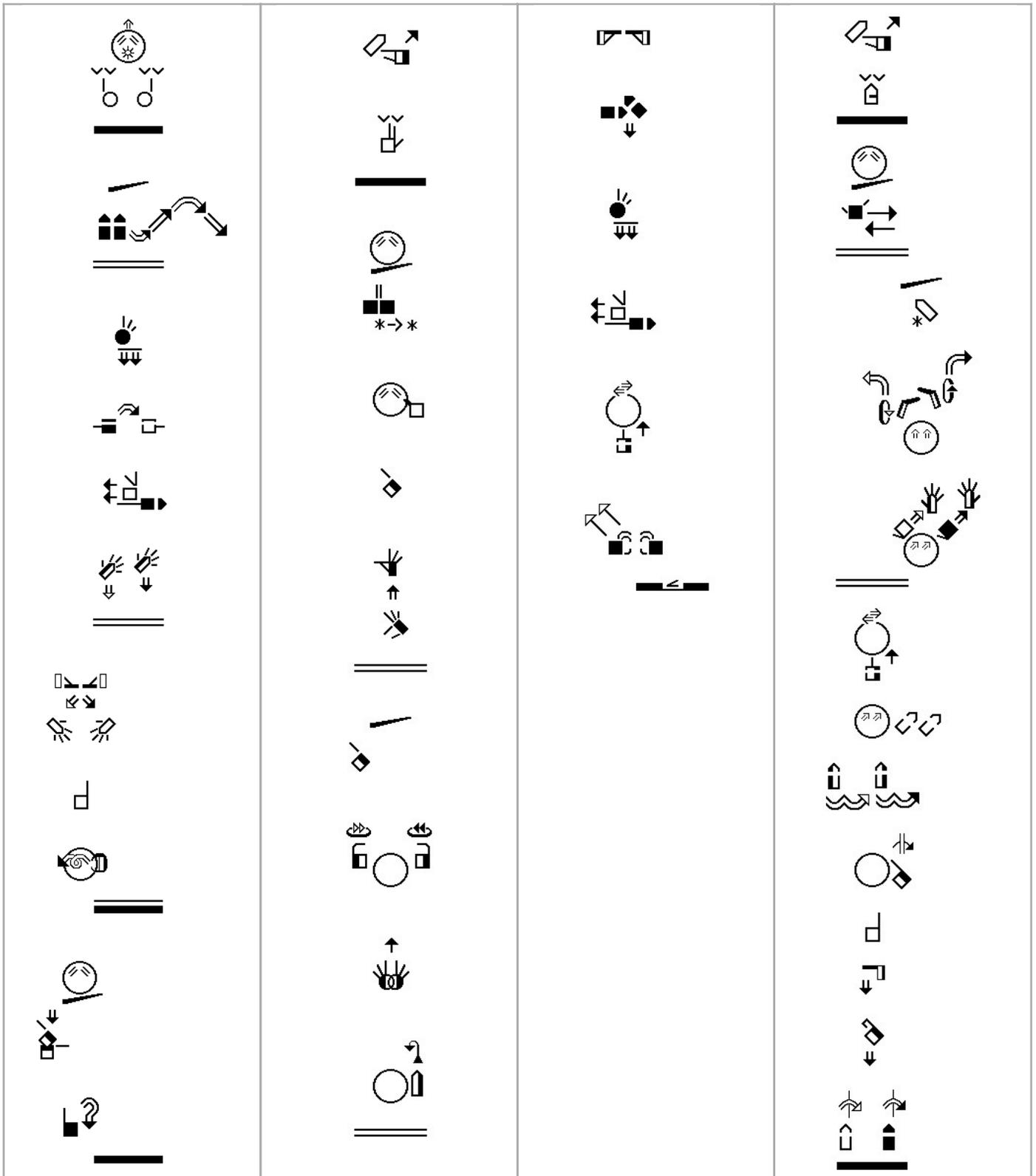
Matthew 18:9-12



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two eyes and be thrown into the fire of hell. 10 "Beware that you don't look down on any of these little ones. For I tell you that in heaven their angels are always in the presence of my heavenly Father. (*no verse 11 in NLT) 12 "If a man has a hundred sheep and one of them wanders away,

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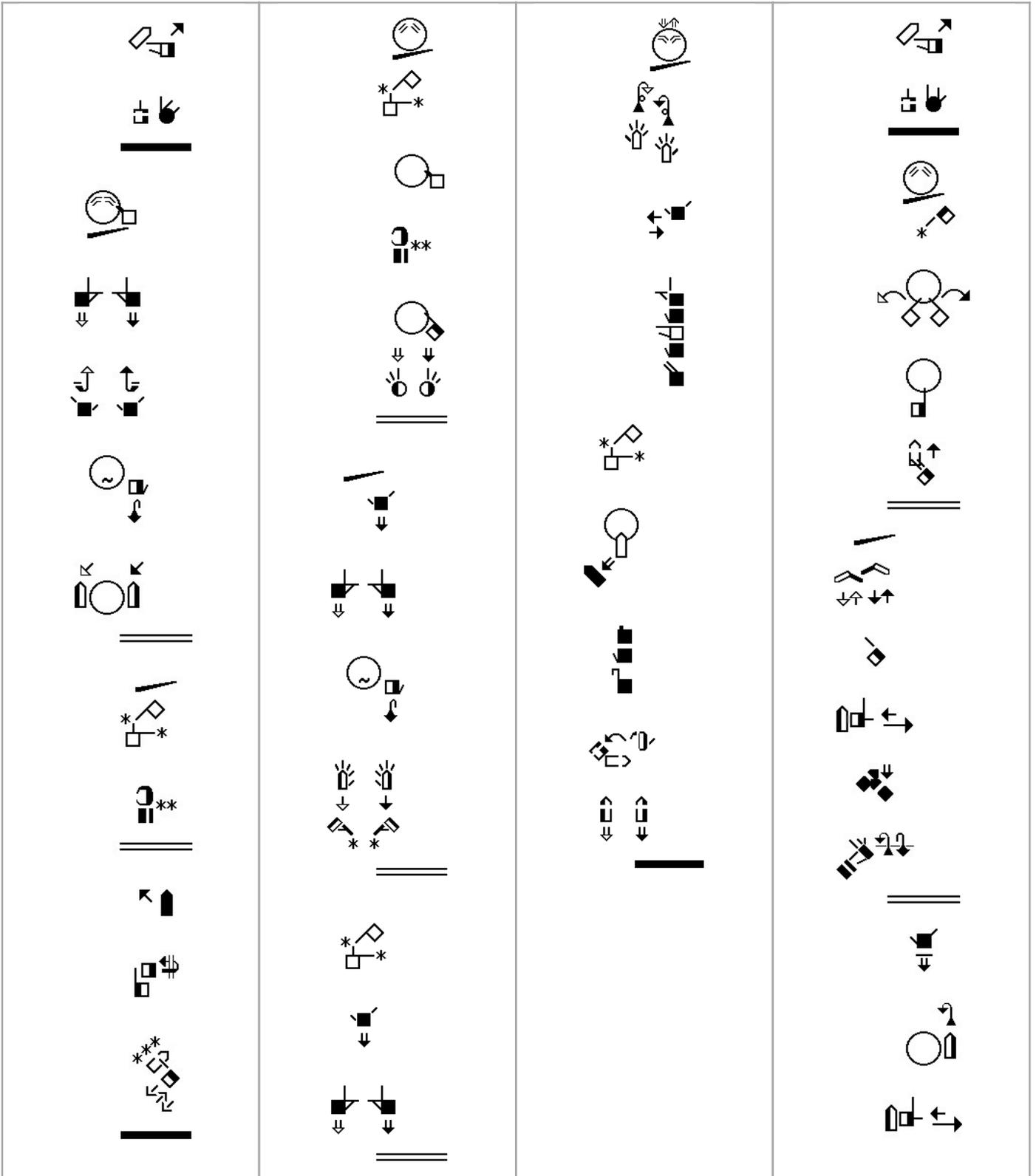


what will he do? Won't he leave the ninety-nine others on the hills and go out to search for the one that is lost? 13 And if he finds it, I tell you the truth, he will rejoice over it more than over the ninety-nine that didn't wander away! 14 In the same way, it is not my heavenly Father's will that even one of these little ones should perish. NLT

Matthew 18:15-16

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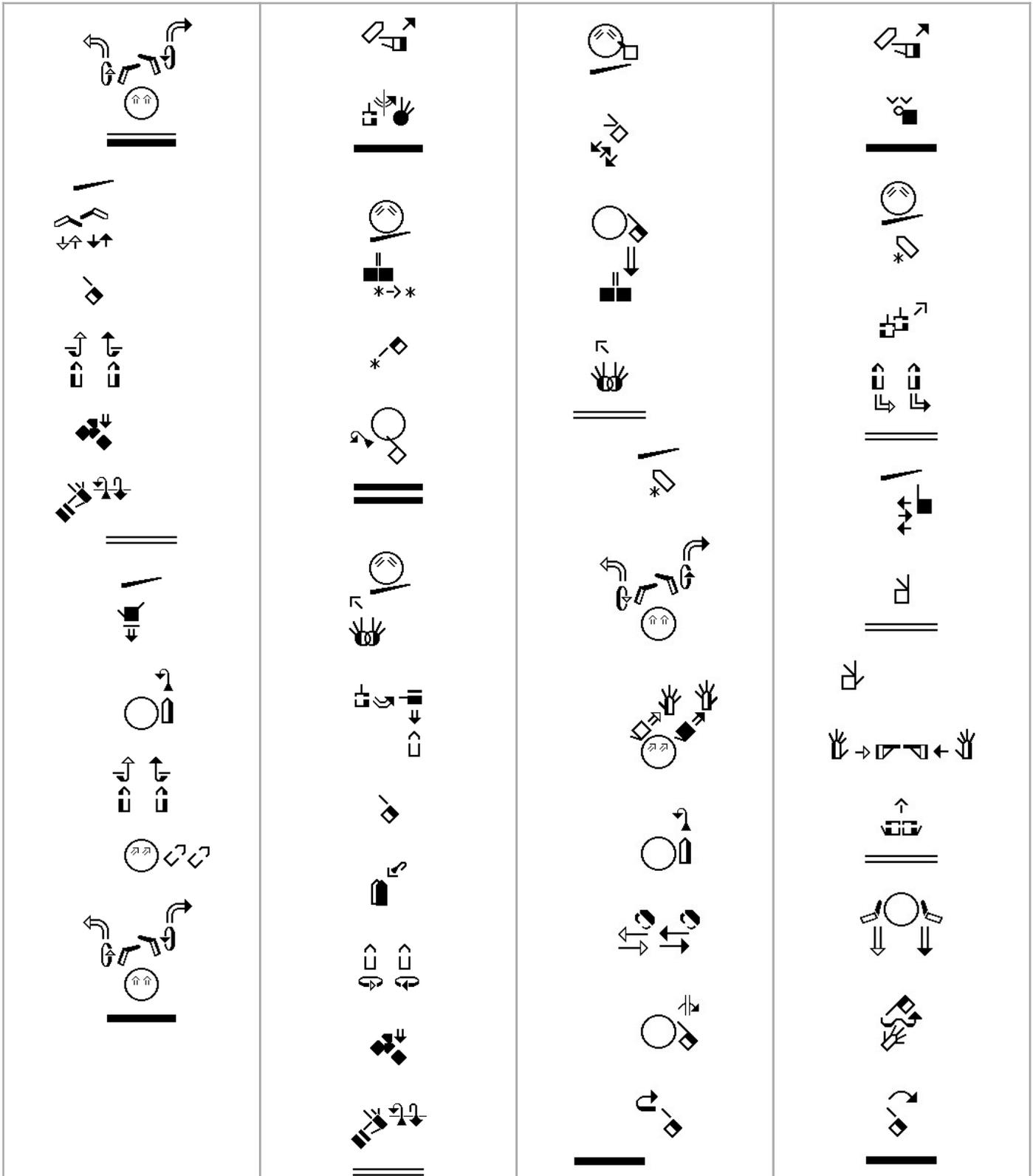
15 "If another believer sins against you, go privately and point out the offense. If the other person listens and confesses it, you have won that person back. 16 But if you are unsuccessful, take one or two others with you and go back again, so that everything you say may be confirmed by two or three witnesses.



17 If the person still refuses to listen, take your case to the church. Then if he or she won't accept the church's decision, treat that person as a pagan or a corrupt tax collector. 18 "I tell you the truth, whatever you forbid on earth will be forbidden

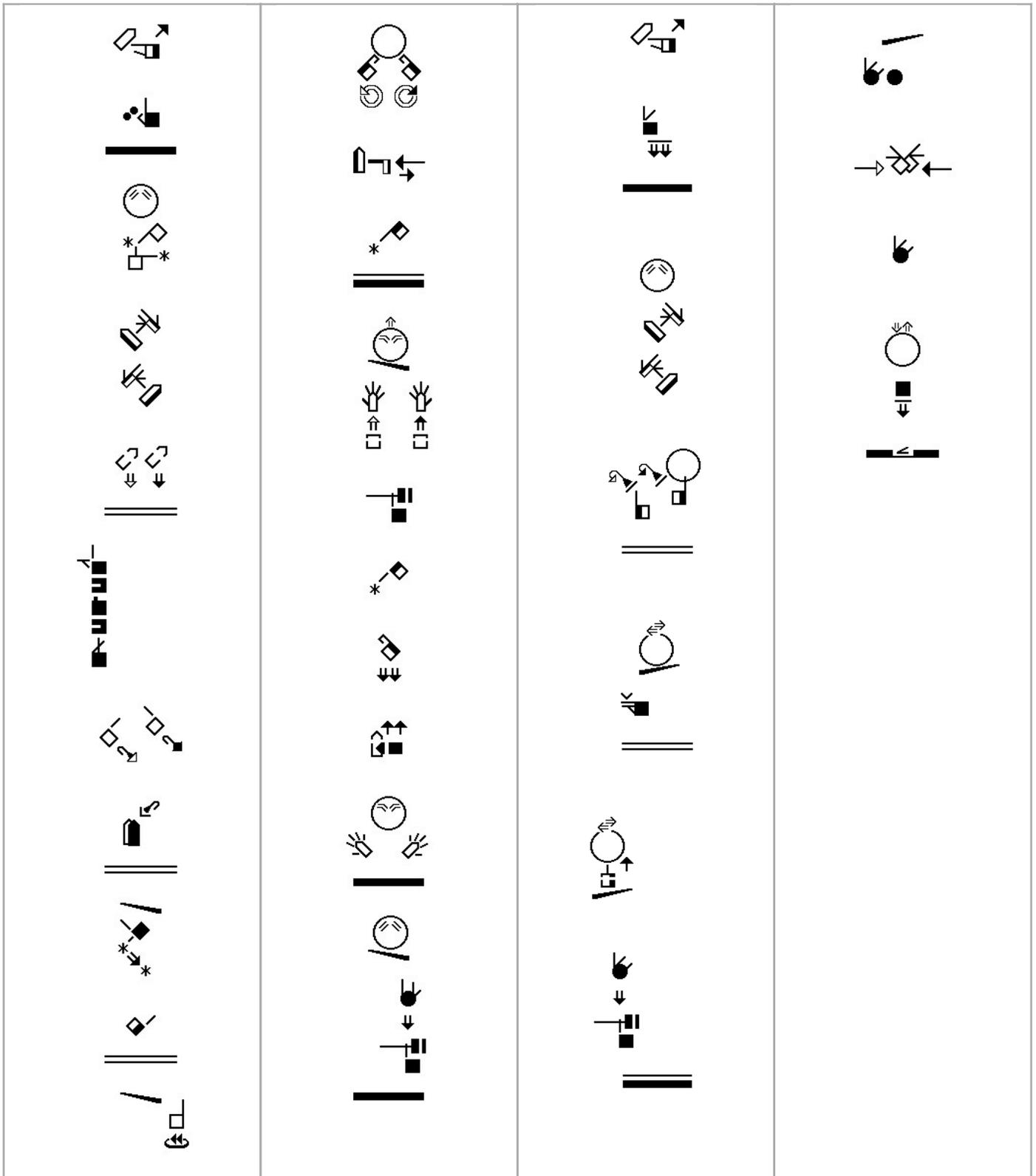
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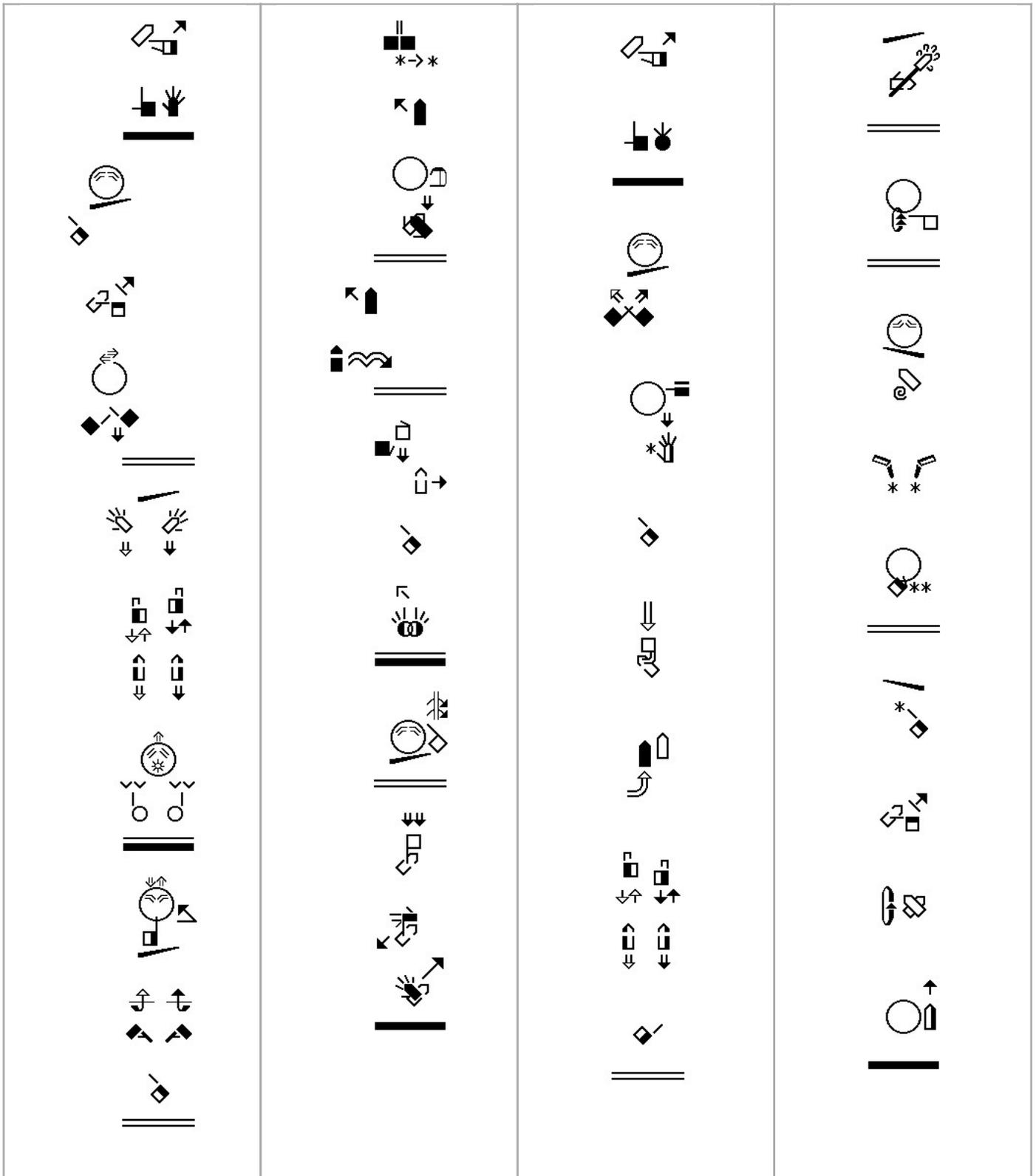


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in heaven, and whatever you permit on earth will be permitted in heaven. 19 "I also tell you this: If two of you agree here on earth concerning anything you ask, my Father in heaven will do it for you. 20 For where two or three gather together as my followers, I am there among them." NLT



21 Then Peter came to him and asked, "Lord, how often should I forgive someone who sins against me? Seven times?" 22 "No, not seven times," Jesus replied, "but seventy times seven!" NLT



25 He couldn't pay, so his master ordered that he be sold -- along with his wife, his children, and everything he owned -- to pay the debt. 26 "But the man fell down before his master and begged him, 'Please, be patient with me, and I will pay it all.'

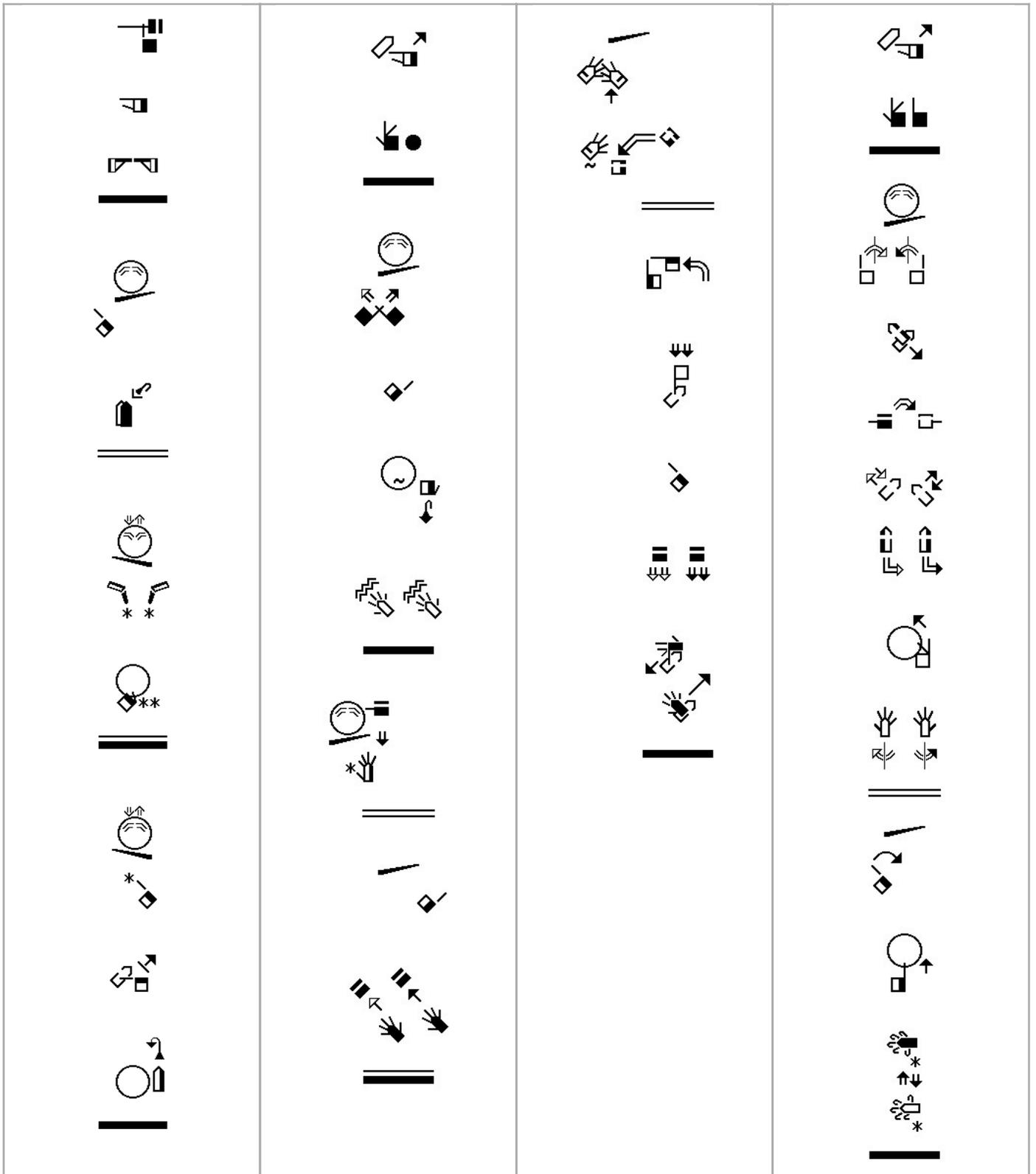
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Matthew 18:27-29

<p>A vertical sequence of 15 sign language icons. From top to bottom: a hand holding a small object; a hand with a thumb up; a face with a neutral expression; a hand holding a small object with asterisks; a hand with a thumb up; two hands holding small objects; two hands with thumbs up; a hand with a thumb up.</p>	<p>A vertical sequence of 15 sign language icons. From top to bottom: a hand holding a small object; a hand with a thumb up; a face with a neutral expression; a hand holding a small object with asterisks; two hands holding small objects; a hand holding a small object; a hand holding a small object.</p>	<p>A vertical sequence of 15 sign language icons. From top to bottom: a hand holding a small object; a hand holding a small object; two hands holding small objects; a hand holding a small object; a hand holding a small object.</p>	<p>A vertical sequence of 15 sign language icons. From top to bottom: a hand holding a small object; a hand with a thumb up; a face with a neutral expression; a hand holding a small object; a hand holding a small object.</p>
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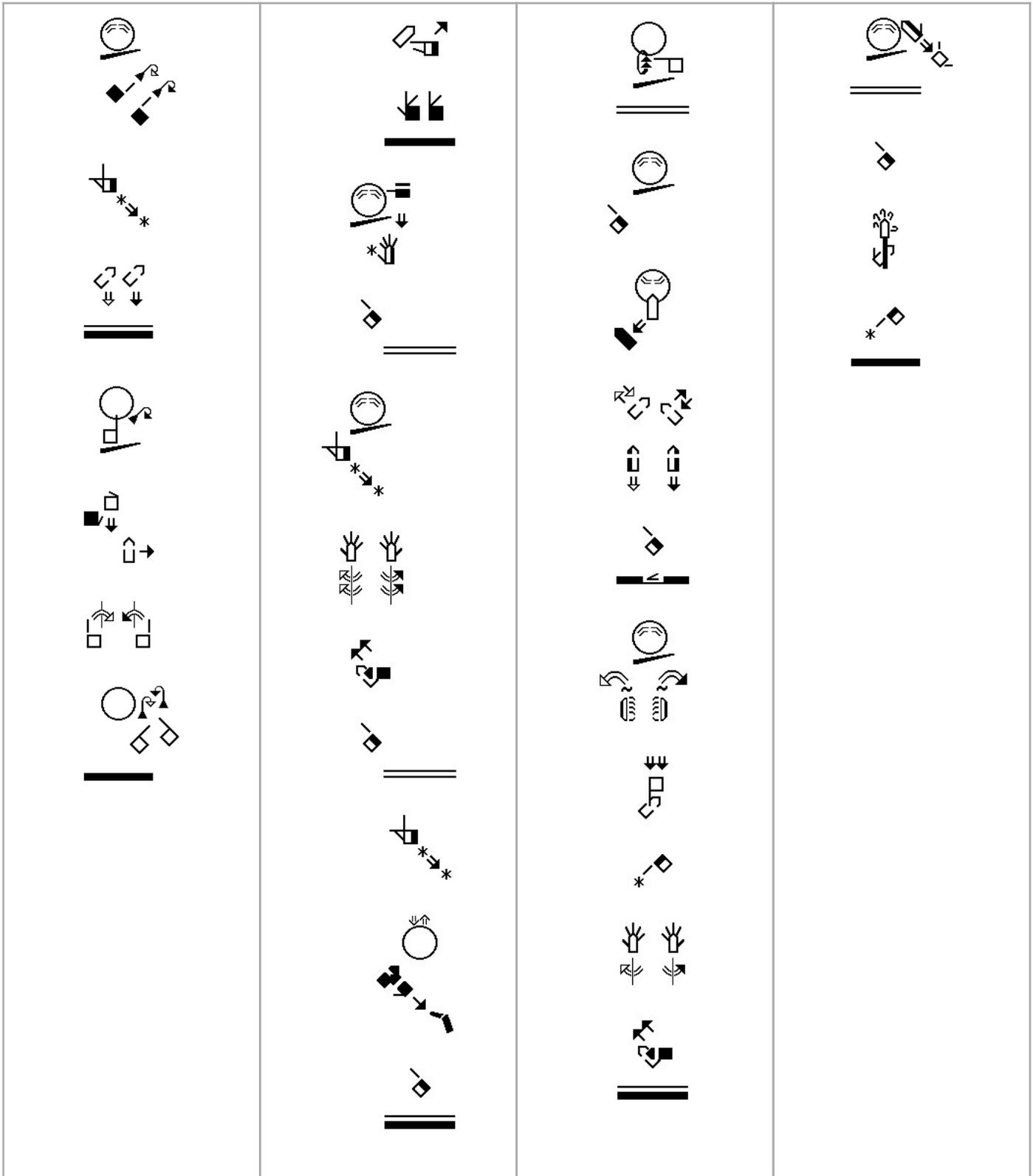
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27 Then his master was filled with pity for him, and he released him and forgave his debt. 28 "But when the man left the king, he went to a fellow servant who owed him a few thousand dollars. He grabbed him by the throat and demanded instant payment. 29 "His fellow servant fell down before him and begged for NLT



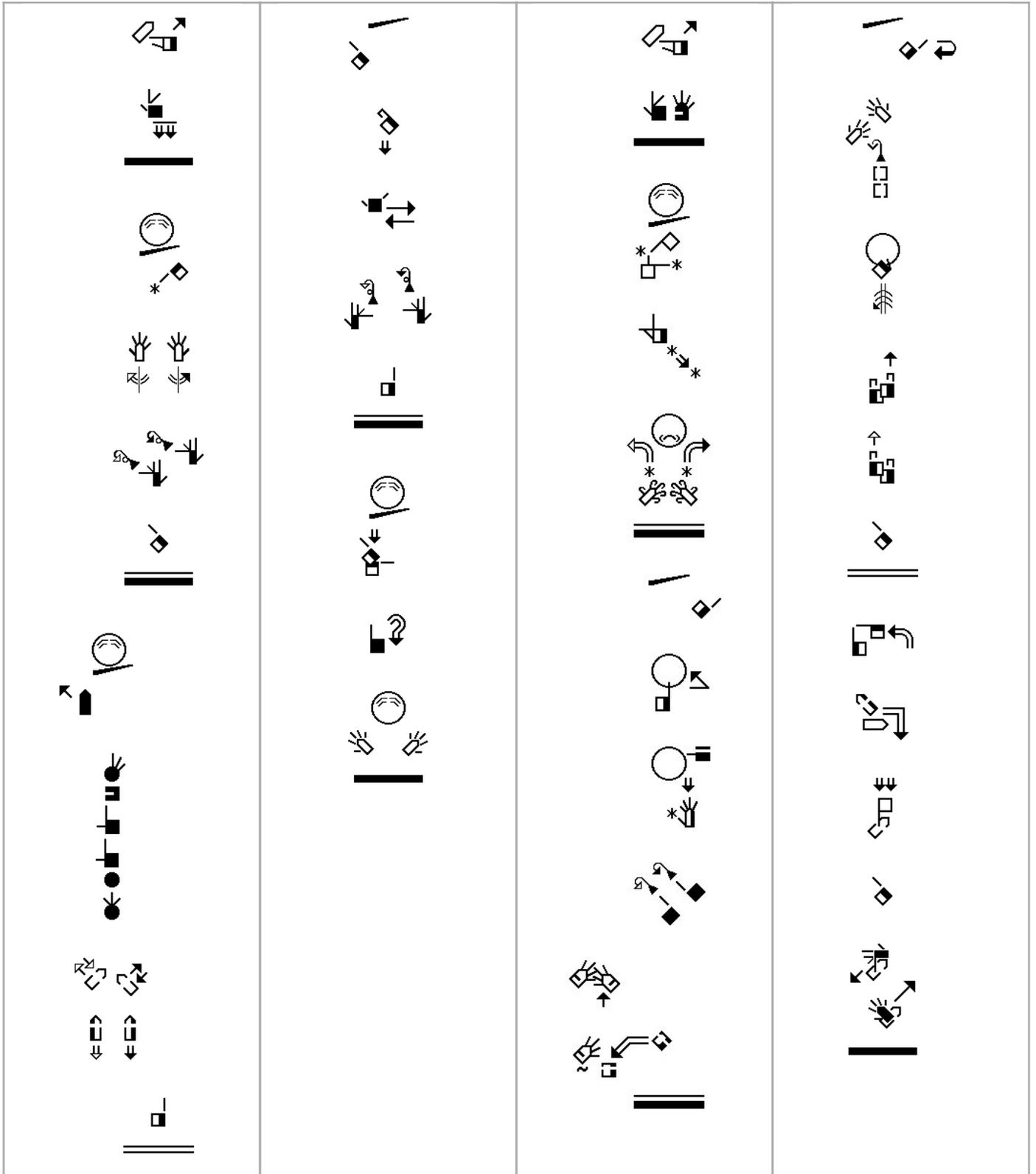
a little more time. 'Be patient with me, and I will pay it,' he pleaded. 30 But his creditor wouldn't wait. He had the man arrested and put in prison until the debt could be paid in full. 31 "When some of the other servants saw this, they were very upset. NLT

Matthew 18:31-32

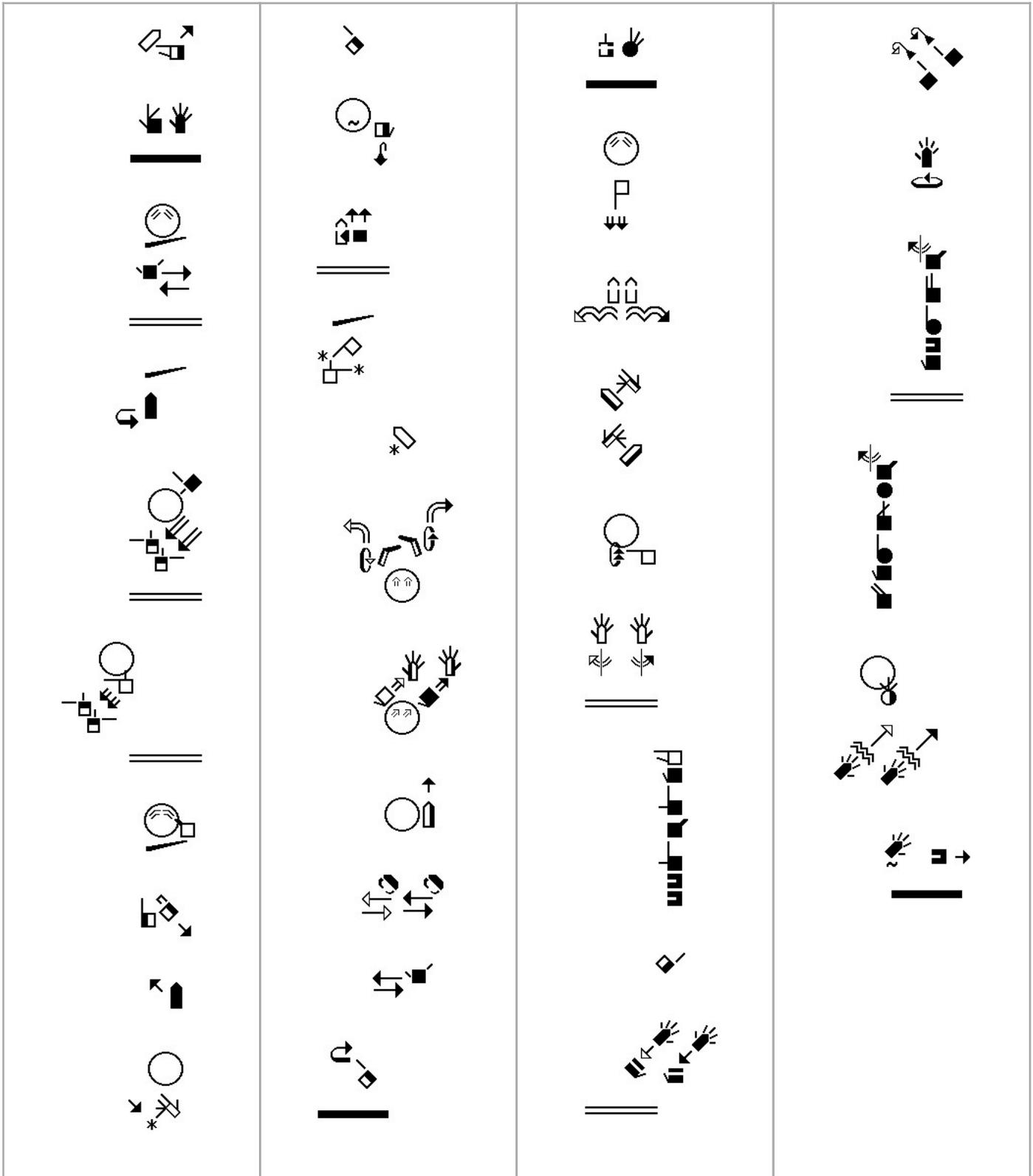


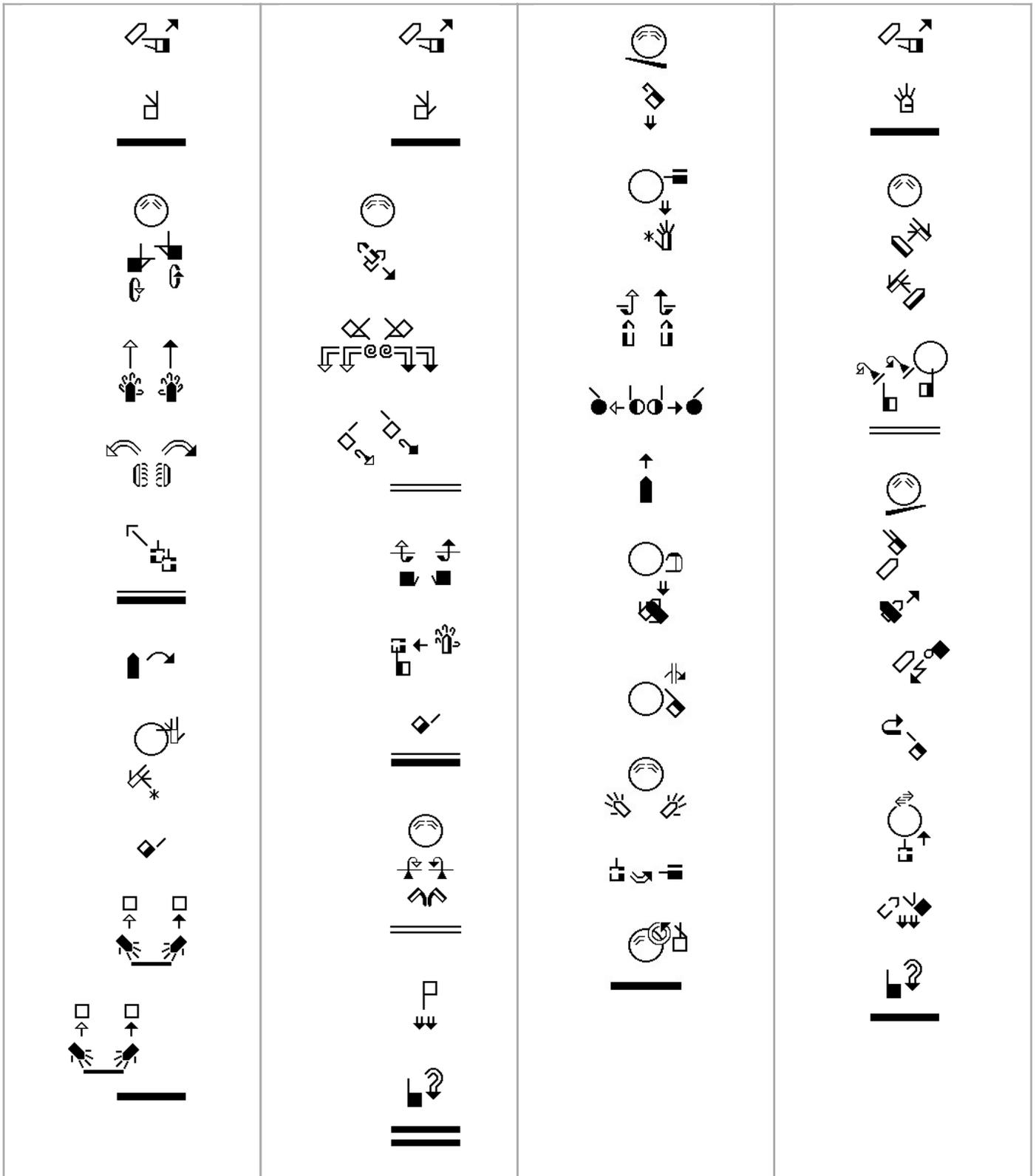
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They went to the king and told him everything that had happened. 32 Then the king called in the man he had forgiven and said, 'You evil servant! I forgave you that tremendous debt because you pleaded with me. NLT



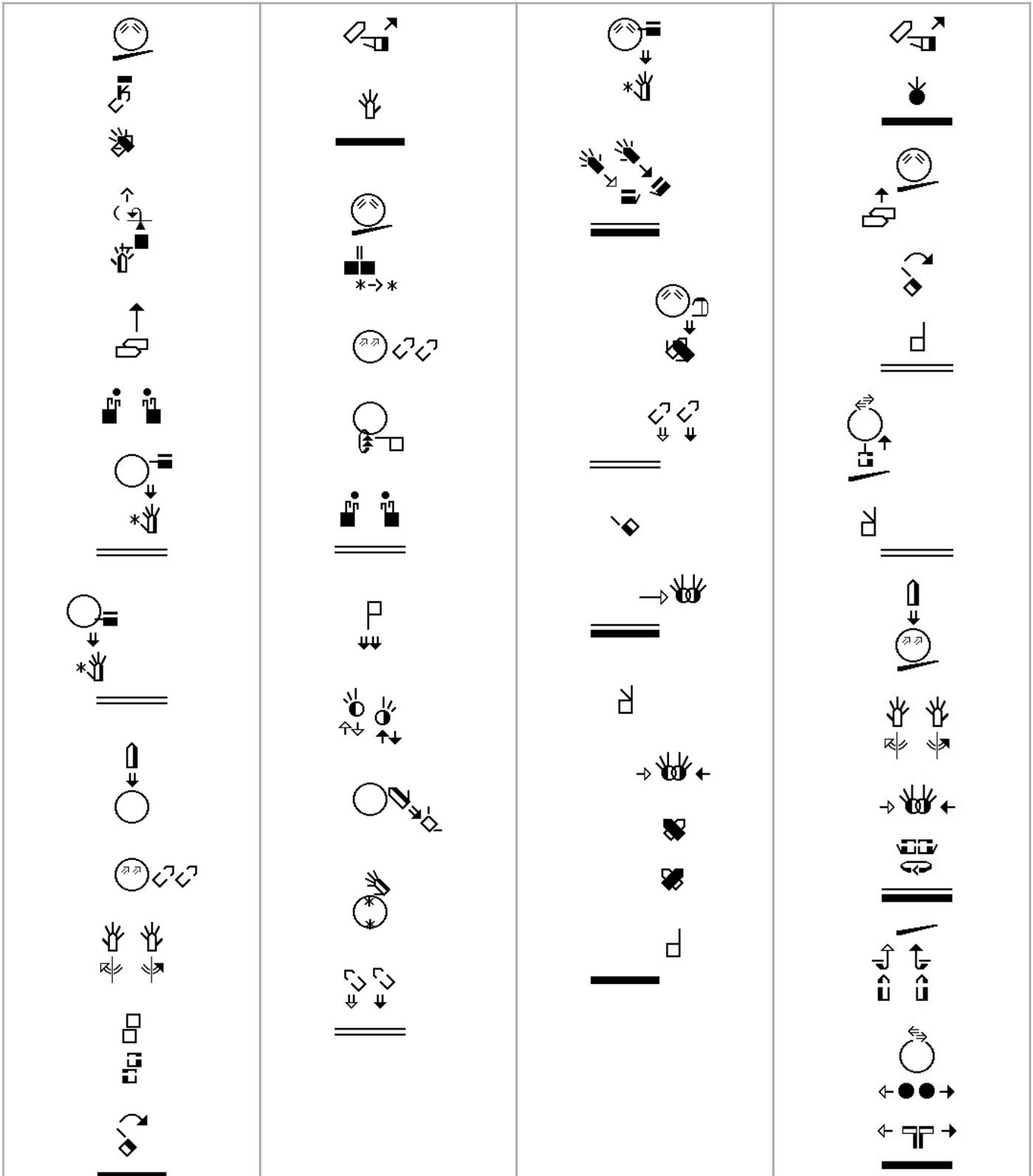
33 'Shouldn't you have mercy on your fellow servant, just as I had mercy on you?' 34 Then the angry king sent the man to prison to be tortured until he had paid his entire debt. NLT





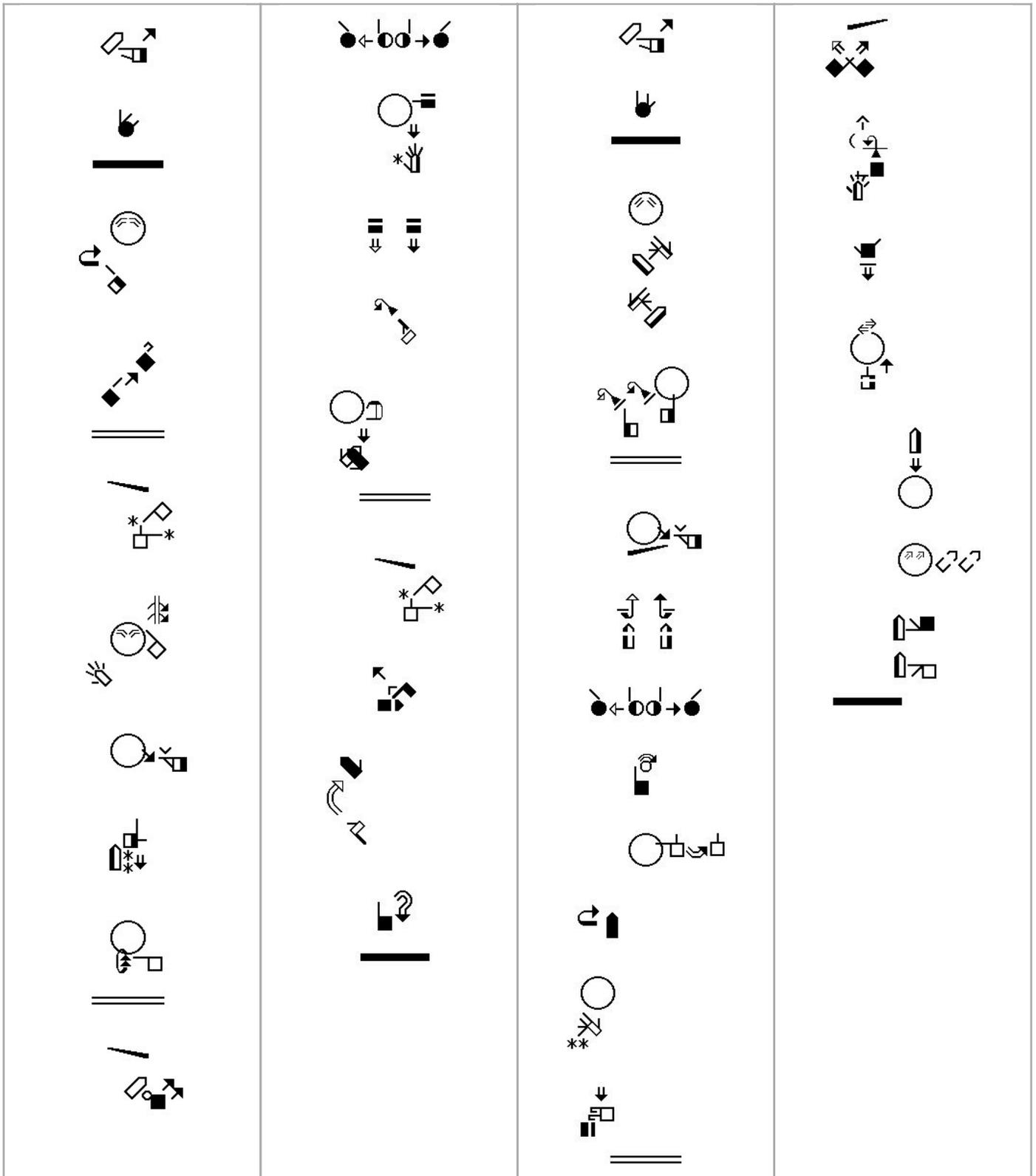
2 Large crowds followed him there, and he healed their sick. 3 Some Pharisees came and tried to trap him with this question: "Should a man be allowed to divorce his wife for just any reason?" 4 "Haven't you read the Scriptures?" Jesus replied. NLT

Matthew 19:4-6



334 "They record that from the beginning 'God made them male and female.' 5 And he said, 'This explains why a man leaves his father and mother and is joined to his wife, and the two are united into one.' 6 Since they are no longer two but one, let no one split apart what God has joined together."

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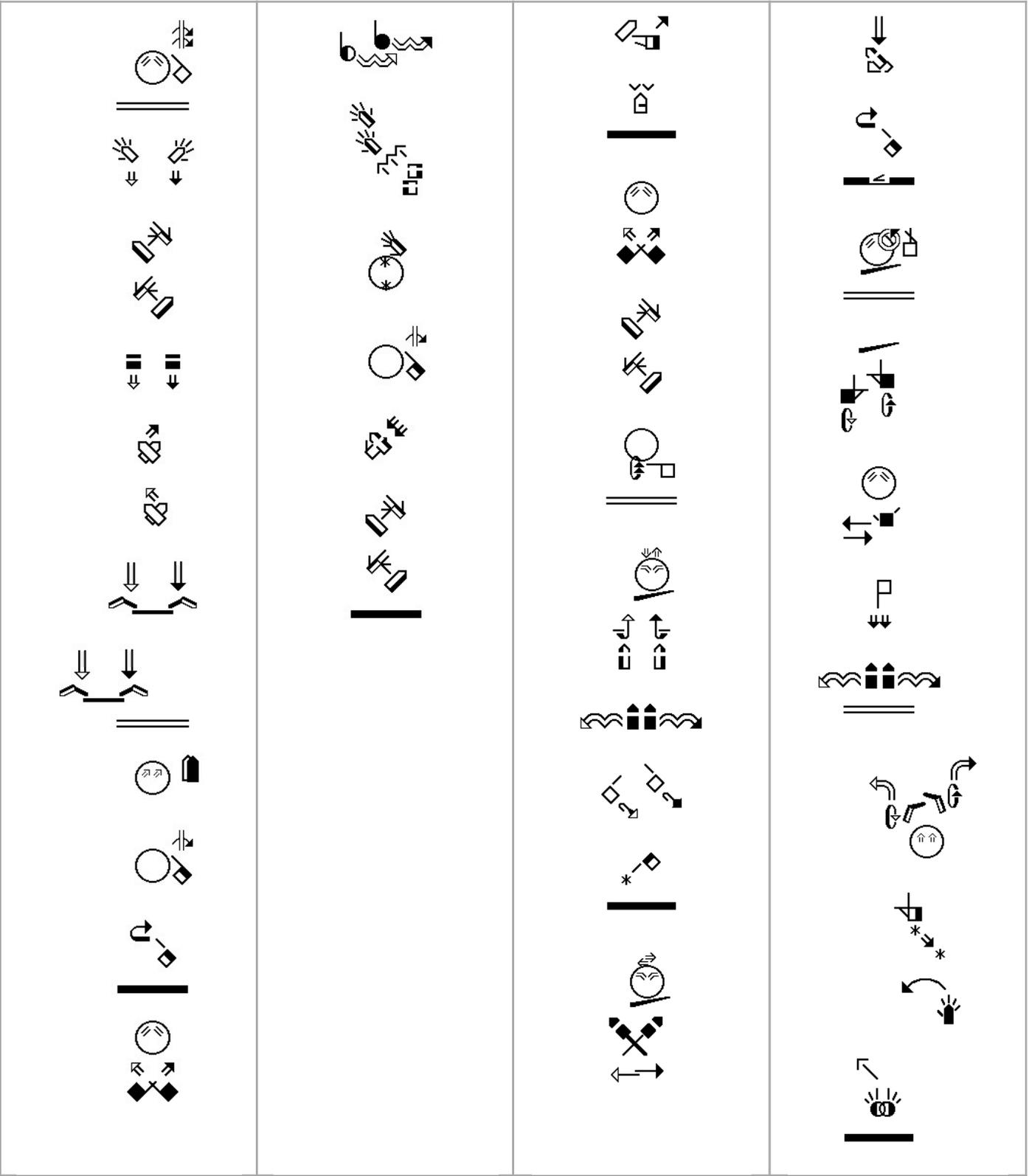
7 "Then why did Moses say in the law that a man could give his wife a written notice of divorce and send her away?" they asked. 8 Jesus replied, "Moses permitted divorce only as a concession to your hard hearts, but it was not what God had originally intended. NLT

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12 Some are born as eunuchs, some have been made eunuchs by others, and some choose not to marry for the sake of the Kingdom of Heaven. Let anyone accept this who can." 13 One day some parents brought their children to Jesus

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Matthew 19:13-14



so he could lay his hands on them and pray for them. But the disciples scolded the parents for bothering him. 14 But Jesus said, "Let the children come to me. Don't stop them! For the Kingdom of Heaven belongs to those who are like these children." NLT

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15 And he placed his hands on their heads and blessed them before he left. 16. Someone came to Jesus with this question: "Teacher, what good deed must I do to have eternal life?" NLT

Matthew 19:17-18

<p>Sign language sequence for Matthew 19:17-18, column 1. It includes signs for 'ask', 'me', 'good', 'replied', 'one', 'good', 'eternal', 'life', 'keep', 'commandments', 'asked', 'replied', and 'which'.</p>	<p>Sign language sequence for Matthew 19:17-18, column 2. It includes signs for 'ask', 'me', 'good', 'replied', 'one', 'good', 'eternal', 'life', 'keep', 'commandments', 'asked', 'replied', and 'which'.</p>	<p>Sign language sequence for Matthew 19:17-18, column 3. It includes signs for 'ask', 'me', 'good', 'replied', 'one', 'good', 'eternal', 'life', 'keep', 'commandments', 'asked', 'replied', and 'which'.</p>	<p>Sign language sequence for Matthew 19:17-18, column 4. It includes signs for 'ask', 'me', 'good', 'replied', 'one', 'good', 'eternal', 'life', 'keep', 'commandments', 'asked', 'replied', and 'which'.</p>
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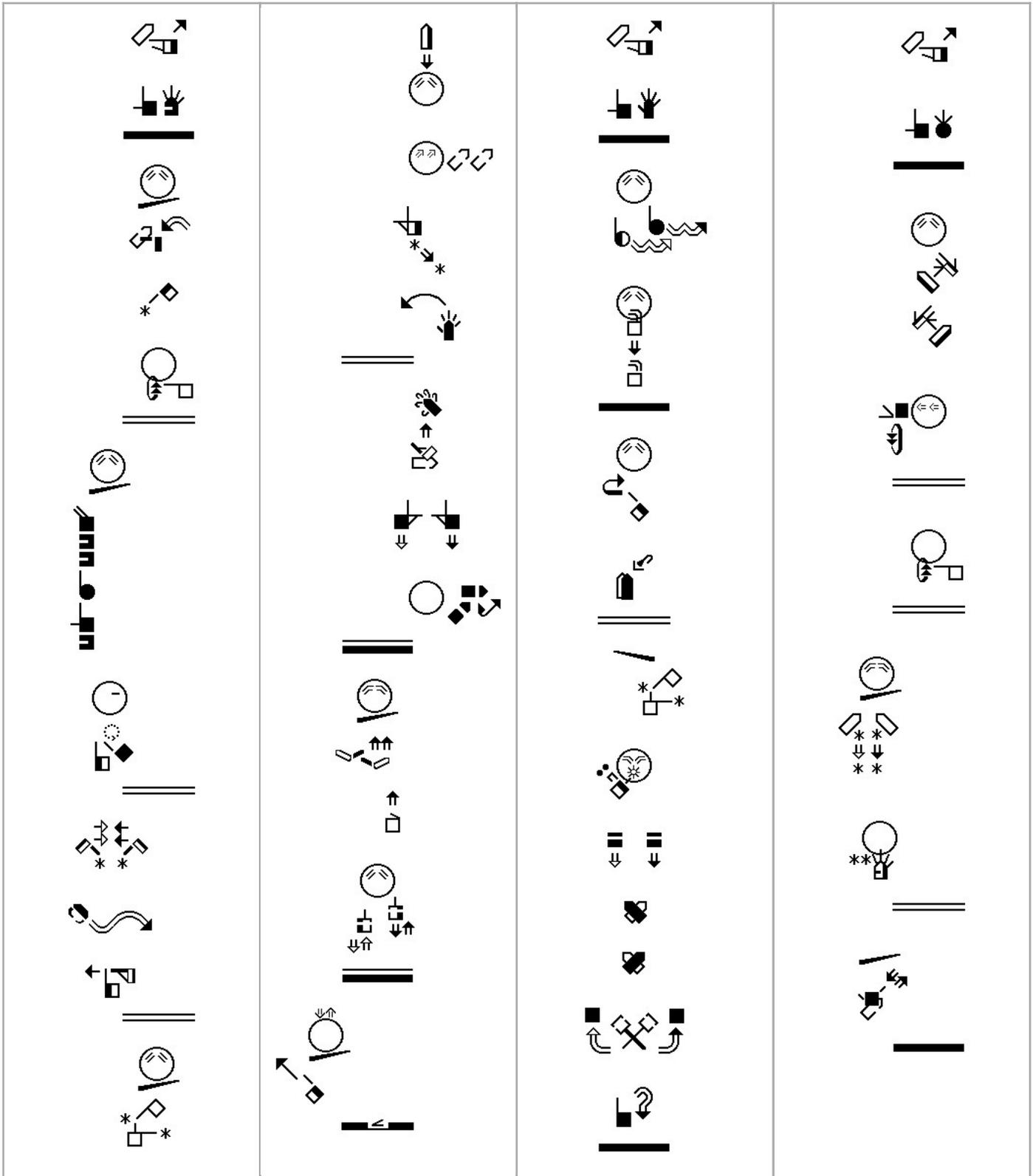
342 "What else must I do?" 21 Jesus told him, "If you want to be perfect, go and sell all your possessions and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me." NLT

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22 But when the young man heard this, he went away sad, for he had many possessions.
 23 Then Jesus said to his disciples, "I tell you the truth, it is very hard for a rich person to enter the Kingdom of Heaven.

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Matthew 19:24-26



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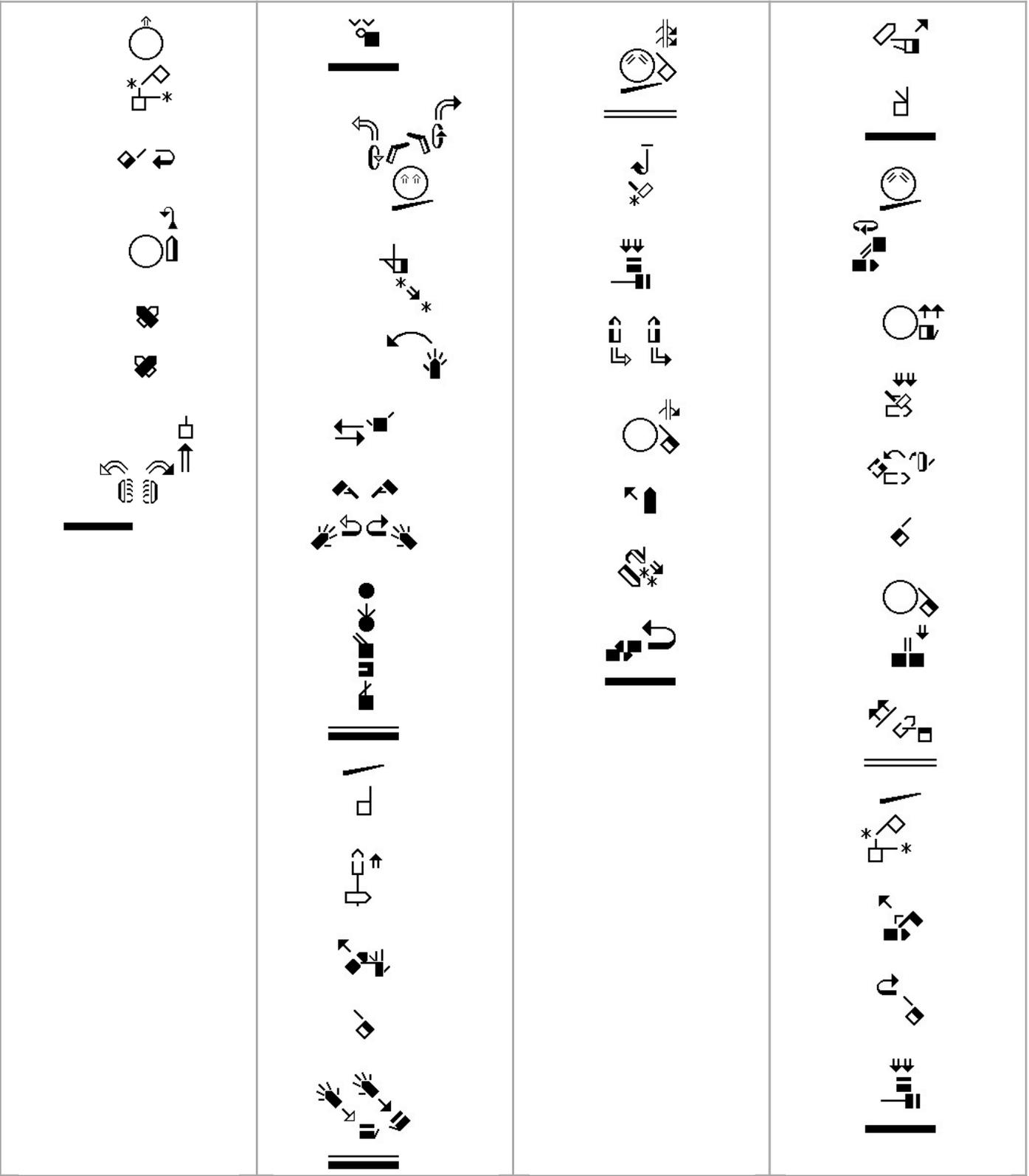
24 I'll say it again -- it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich person to enter the Kingdom of God!" 25 The disciples were astounded. "Then who in the world can be saved?" they asked. 26 Jesus looked at them intently and said, "Humanly speaking, it is impossible. NLT

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But with God everything is possible." 27 Then Peter said to him, "We've given up everything to follow you. What will we get?" 28 "Yes," Jesus replied, "and I assure you,

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Matthew 19:30, 20:1-2

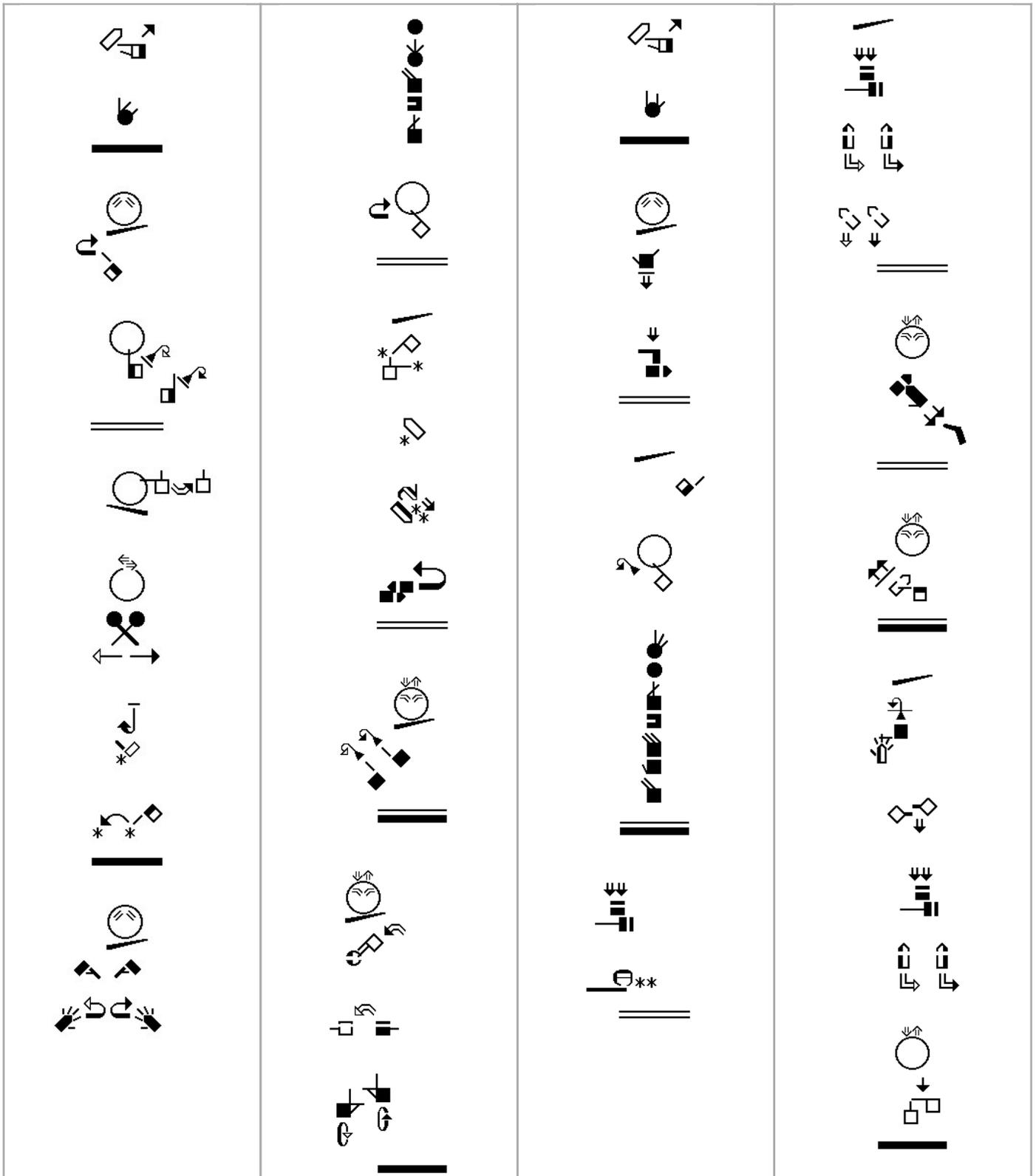


348 will be the greatest then. 20 "For the Kingdom of Heaven is like the landowner who went out early one morning to hire workers for his vineyard. 2 He agreed to pay the normal daily wage and sent them out to work. NLT

Matthew 20:5-6

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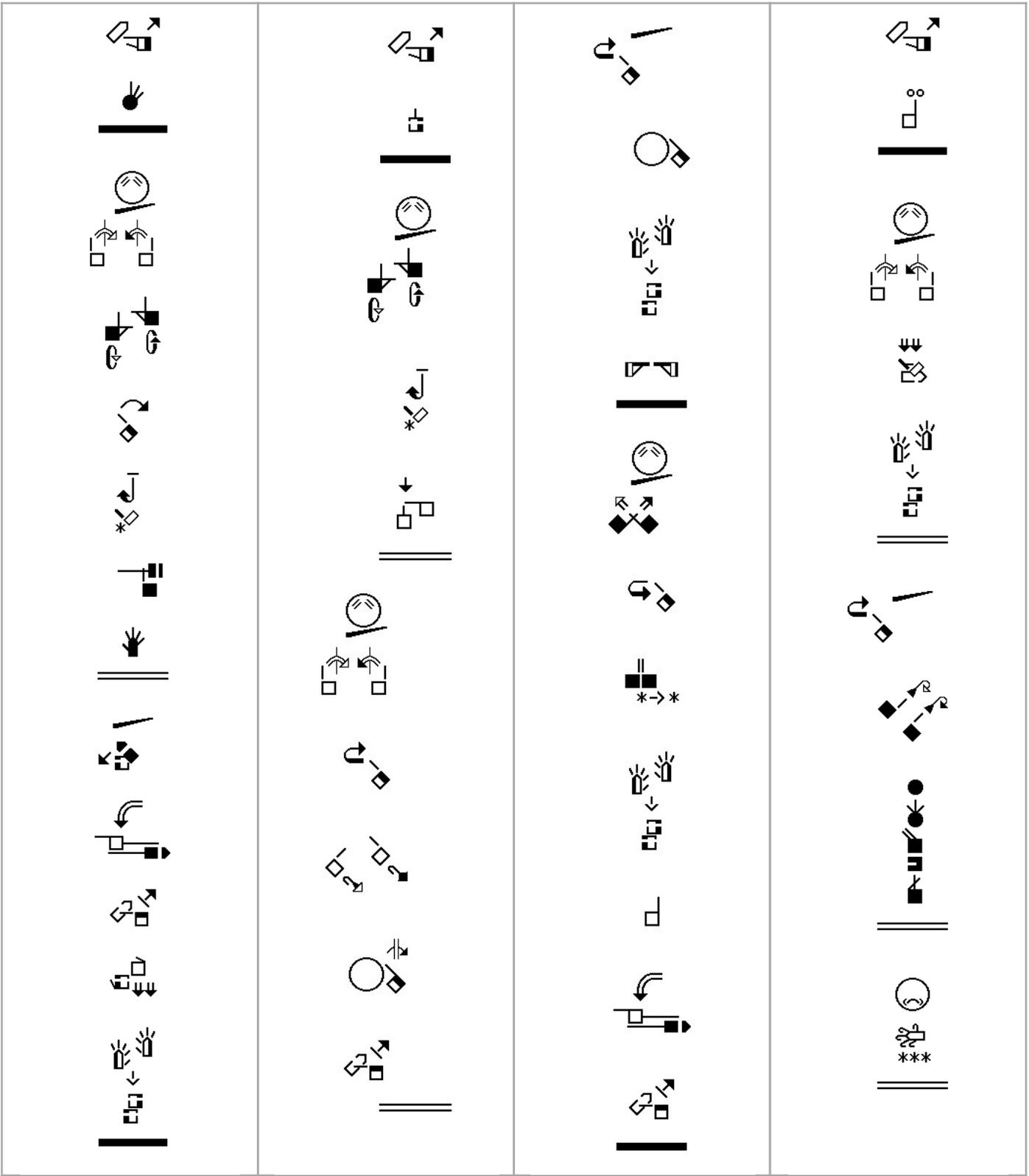
5 So they went to work in the vineyard. At noon and again at three o'clock he did the same thing. 6 "At five o'clock that afternoon he was in town again and saw some more people standing around. He asked them, 'Why haven't you been working today?' NLT



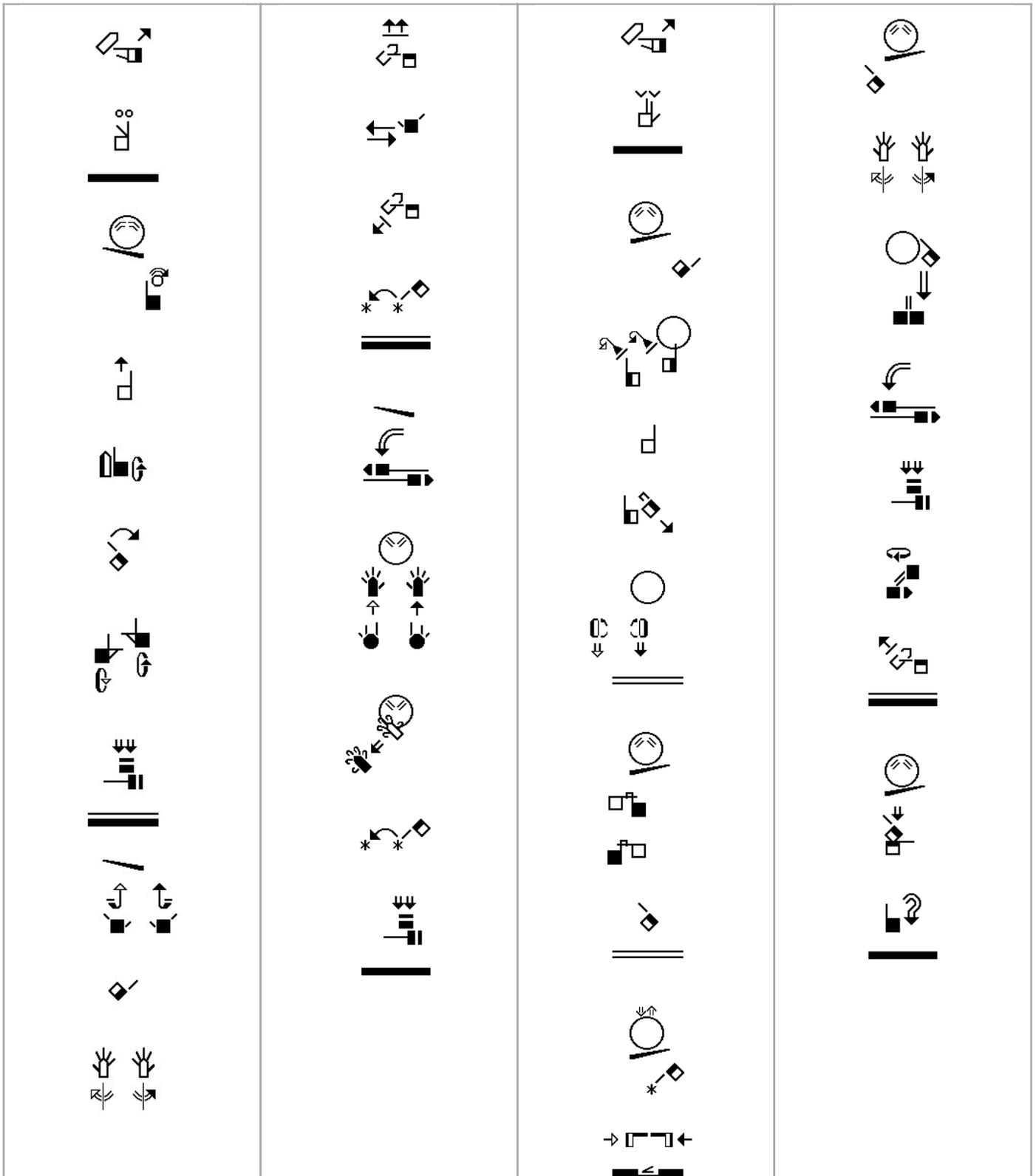
7 "They replied, 'Because no one hired us.' "The landowner told them, 'Then go out and join the others in my vineyard.' 8 "That evening he told the foreman to call the workers in and pay them, beginning with the last workers first.

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Matthew 20:9-11

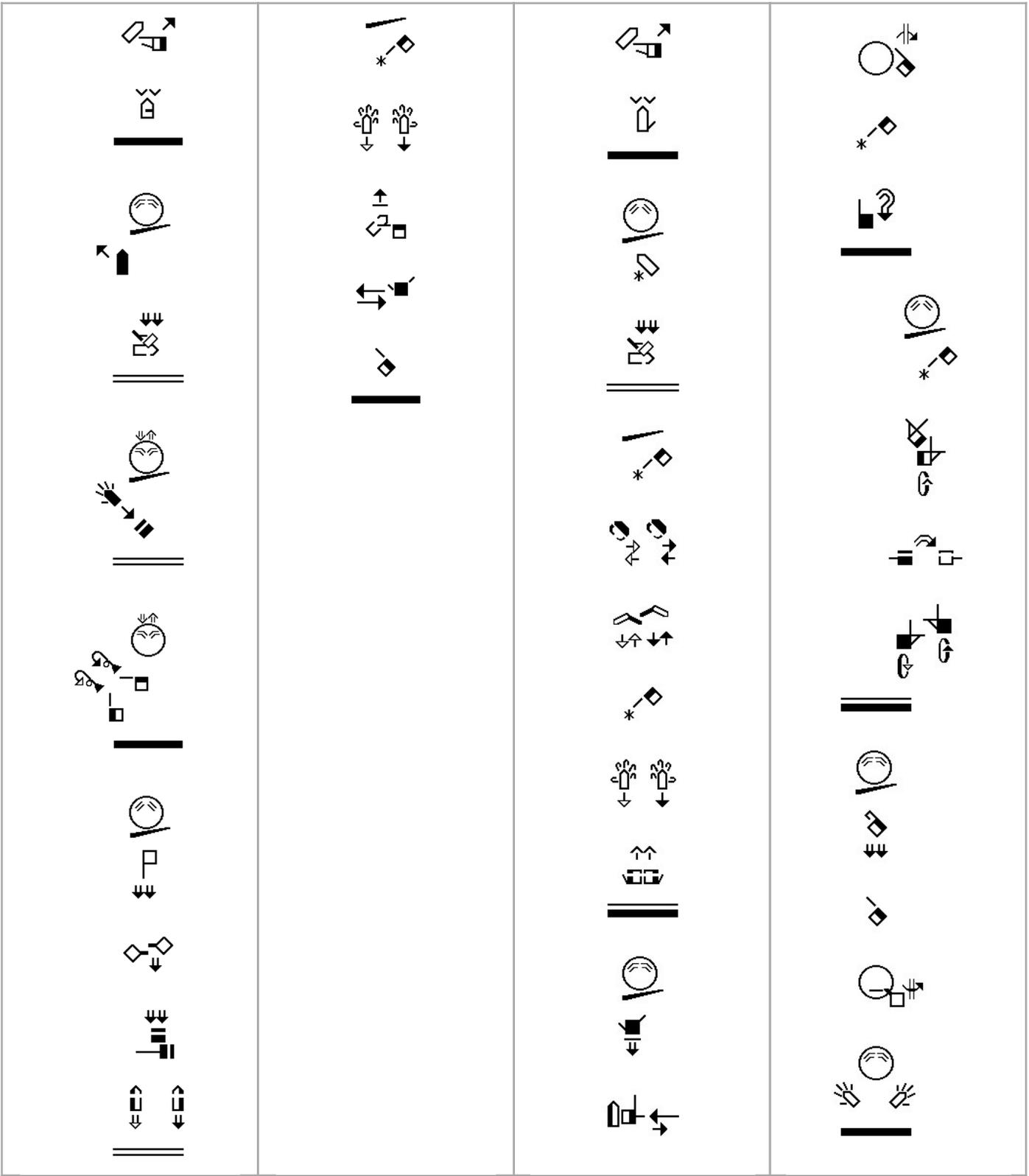


9 When those hired at five o'clock were paid, each received a full day's wage. 10 When those hired first came to get their pay, they assumed they would receive more. But they, too, were paid a day's wage. 11 When they received their pay, they protested to the owner,
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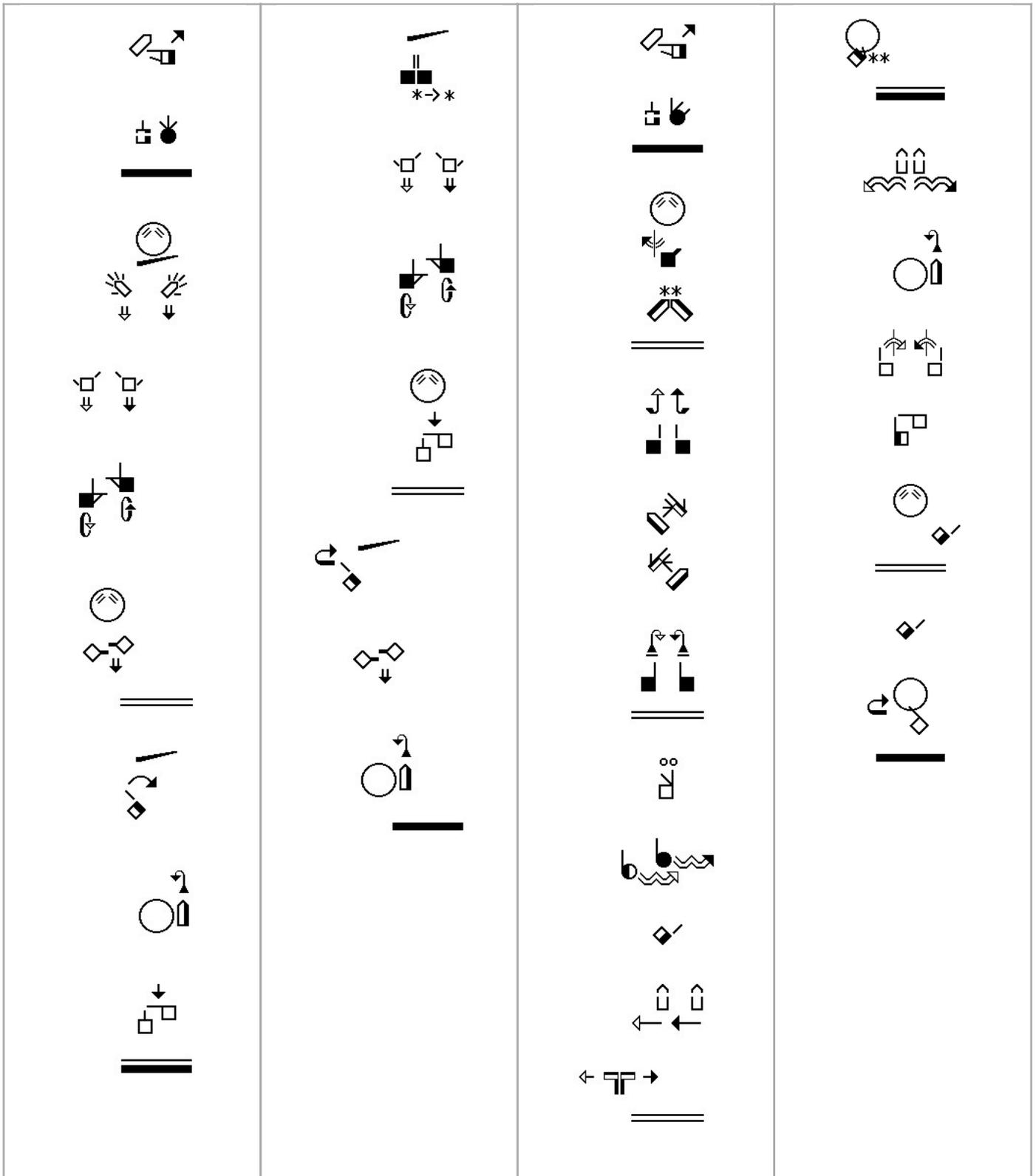
12 'Those people worked only one hour, and yet you've paid them just as much as you paid us who worked all day in the scorching heat.' 13 "He answered one of them, 'Friend, I haven't been unfair! Didn't you agree to work all day for the usual wage?' NLT

Matthew 20:14-15



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14 Take your money and go. I wanted to pay this last worker the same as you. 15 Is it against the law for me to do what I want with my money? Should you be jealous because I am kind to others?' NLT



16 "So those who are last now will be first then, and those who are first will be last." 17 As Jesus was going up to Jerusalem, he took the twelve disciples aside privately and told them what was going to happen to him.

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Matthew 20:18-19

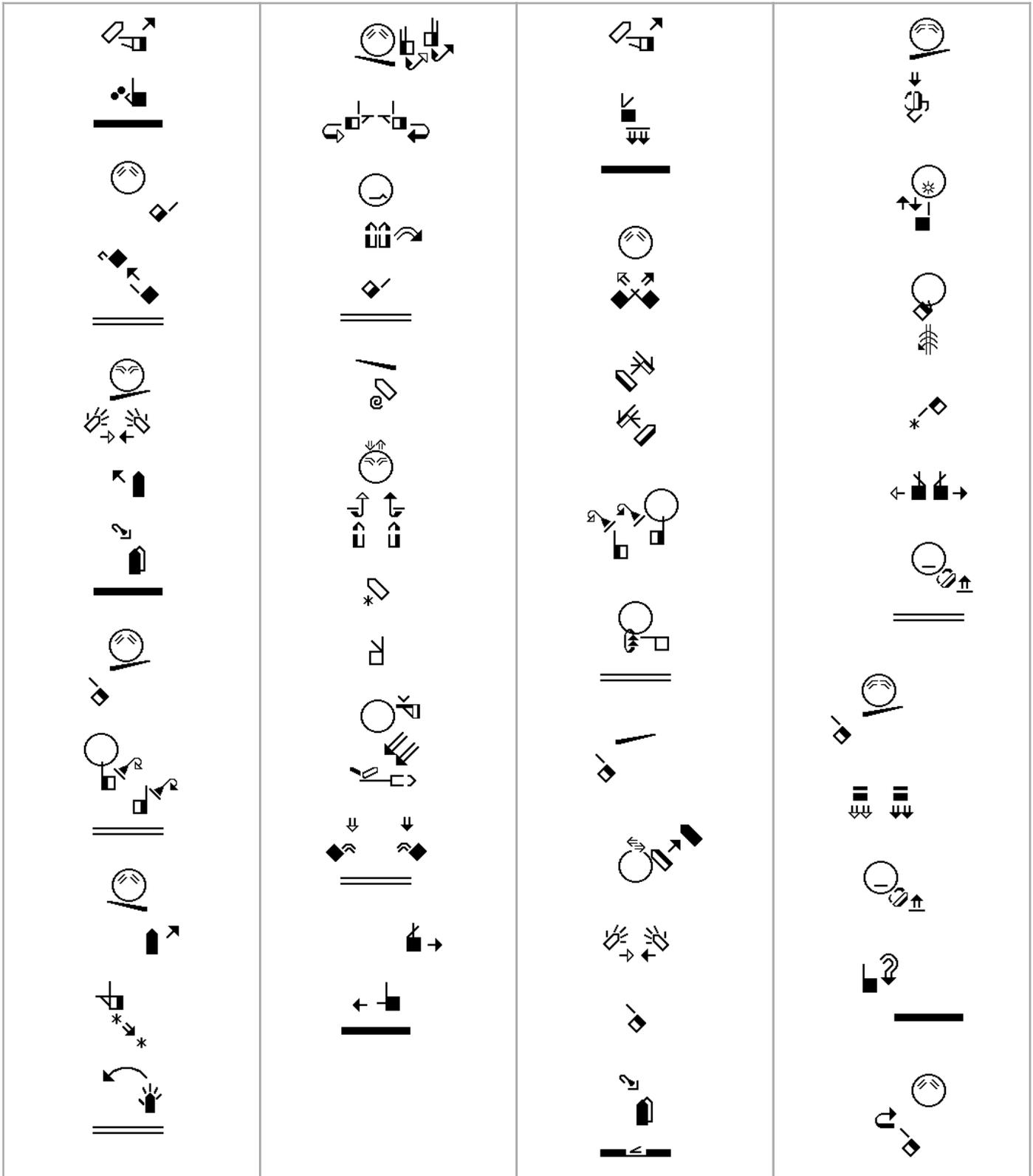
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18 "Listen," he said, "we're going up to Jerusalem, where the Son of Man will be betrayed to the leading priests and the teachers of religious law. They will sentence him to die. 19 Then they will hand him over to the Romans NLT

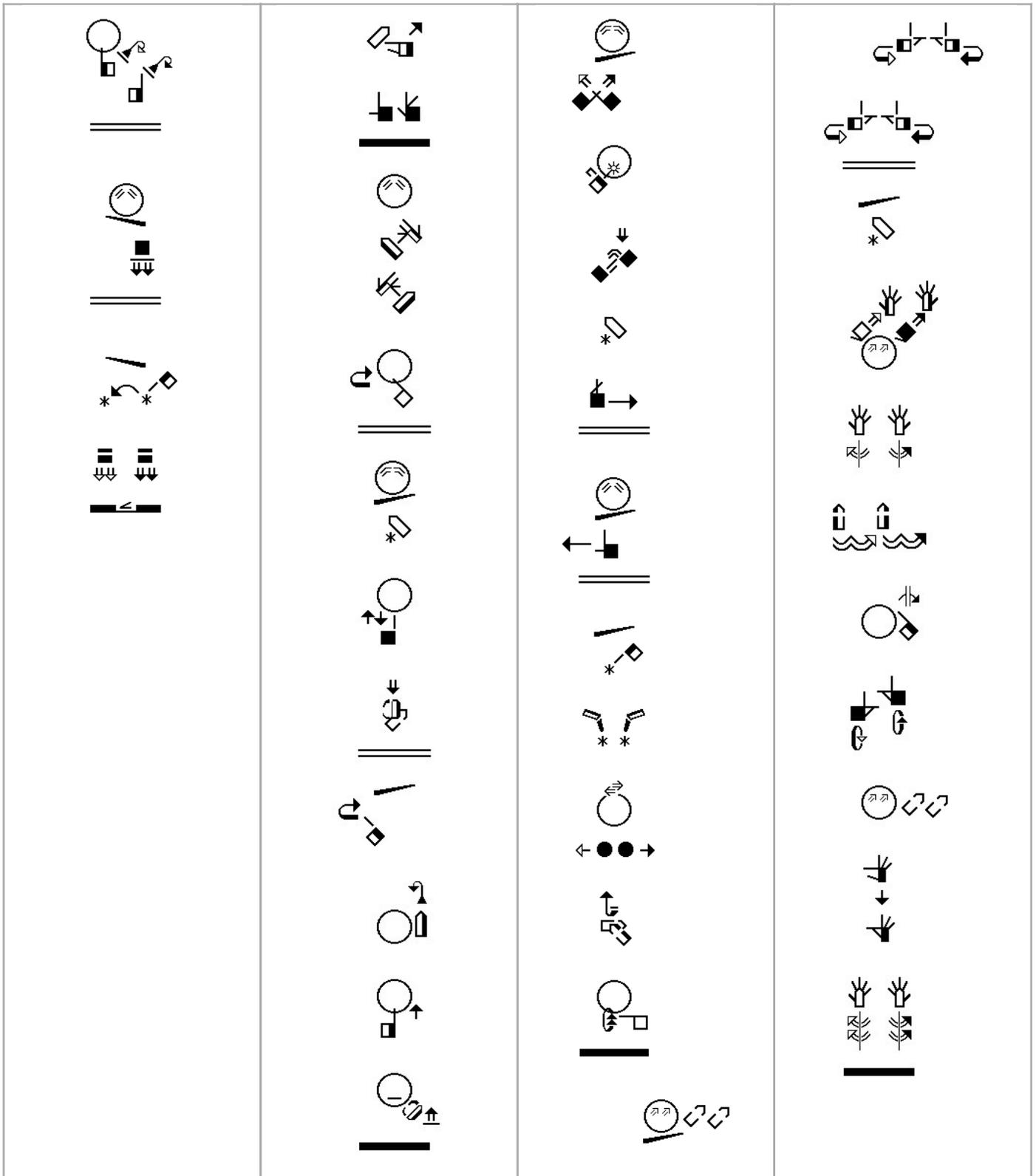
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to be mocked, flogged with a whip, and crucified. But on the third day he will be raised from the dead." 20 Then the mother of James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came to Jesus with her sons. She knelt respectfully to ask a favor.

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21 "What is your request?" he asked. She replied, "In your Kingdom, please let my two sons sit in places of honor next to you, one on your right and the other on your left." 22 But Jesus answered by saying to them, "You don't know what you are asking! Are you able to drink from the bitter cup of suffering I am about to drink?" NLT



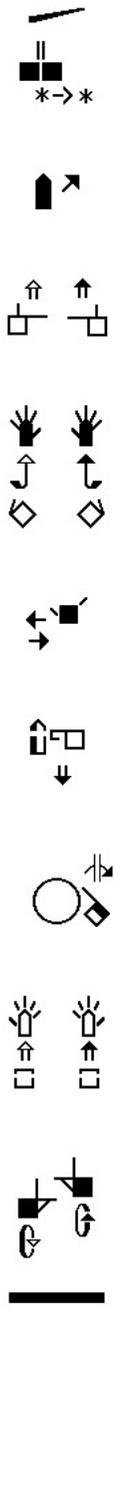
"Oh yes," they replied, "we are able!" 23 Jesus told them, "You will indeed drink from my bitter cup. But I have no right to say who will sit on my right or my left. My Father has prepared those places for the ones he has chosen."

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Matthew 20:24-25

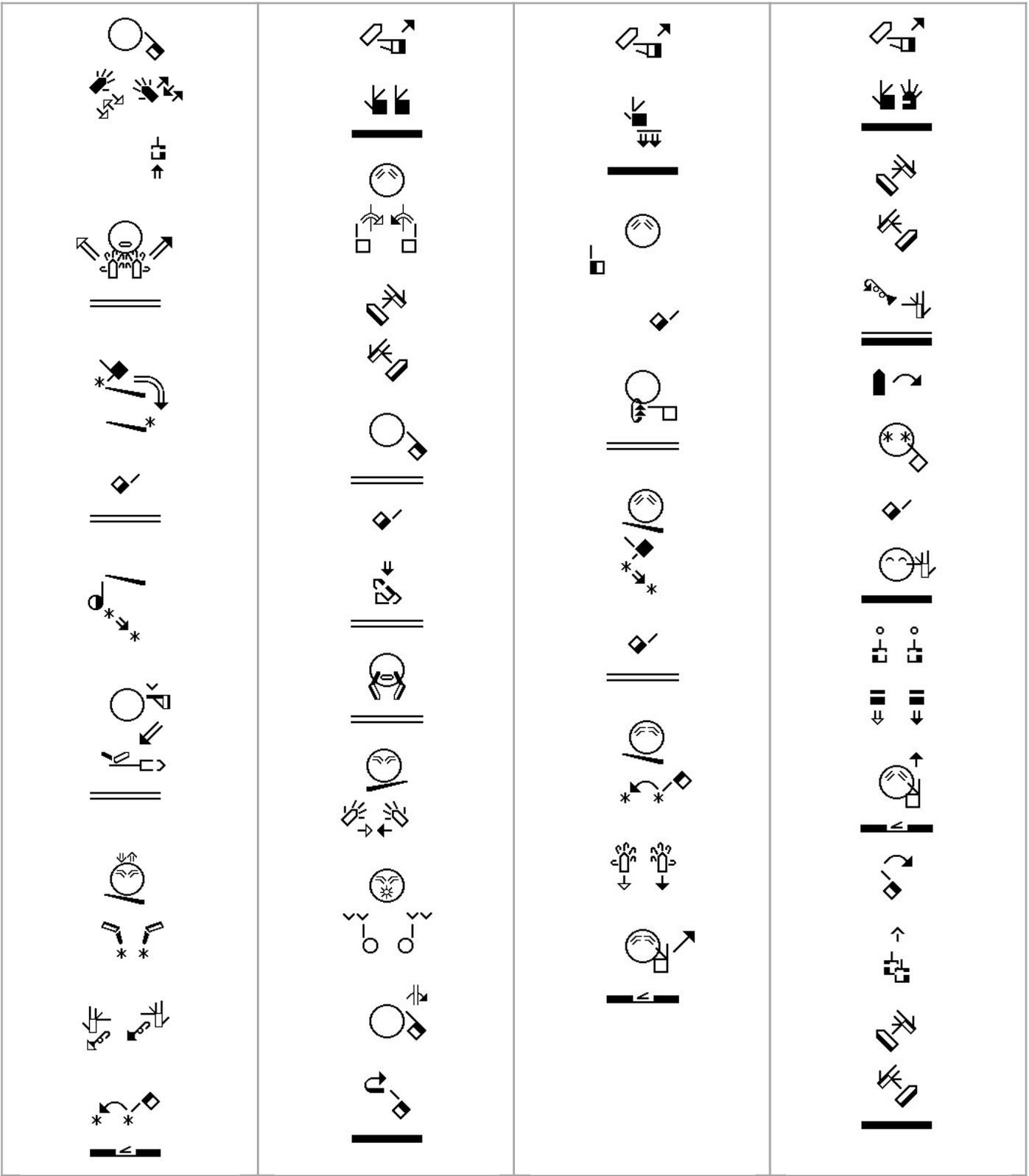
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Matthew 20:28-29

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28 For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve others, and to give his life as a ransom for many." 29 As Jesus and the disciples left the town of Jericho, NLT

Matthew 20:31-34



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only shouted louder, "Lord, Son of David, have mercy on us!" 32 When Jesus heard them, he stopped and called, "What do you want me to do for you?" 33 "Lord," they said, "we want to see!" 34 Jesus felt sorry for them and touched their eyes. Instantly they could see! Then they followed him.

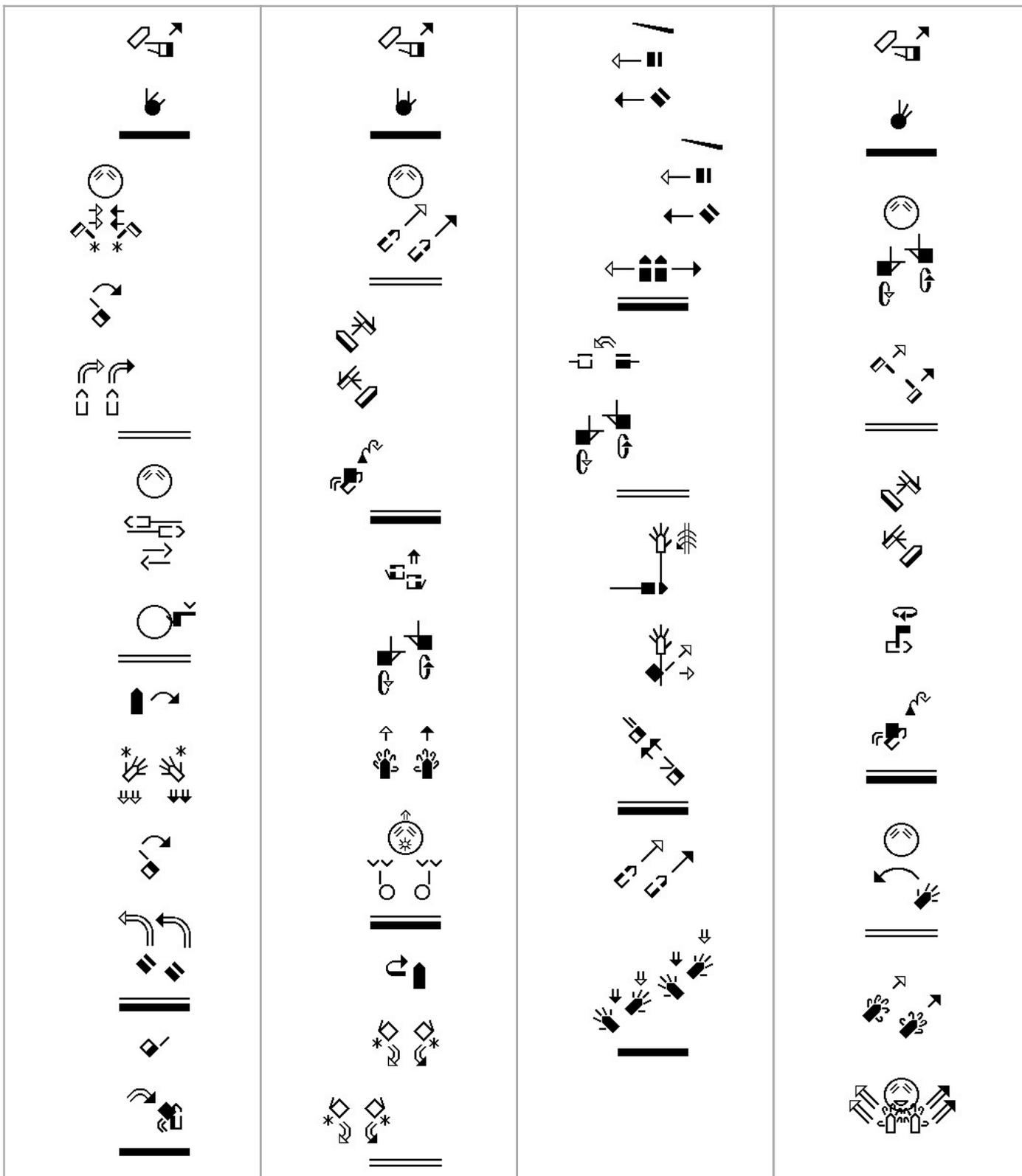
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Matthew 21:2-3

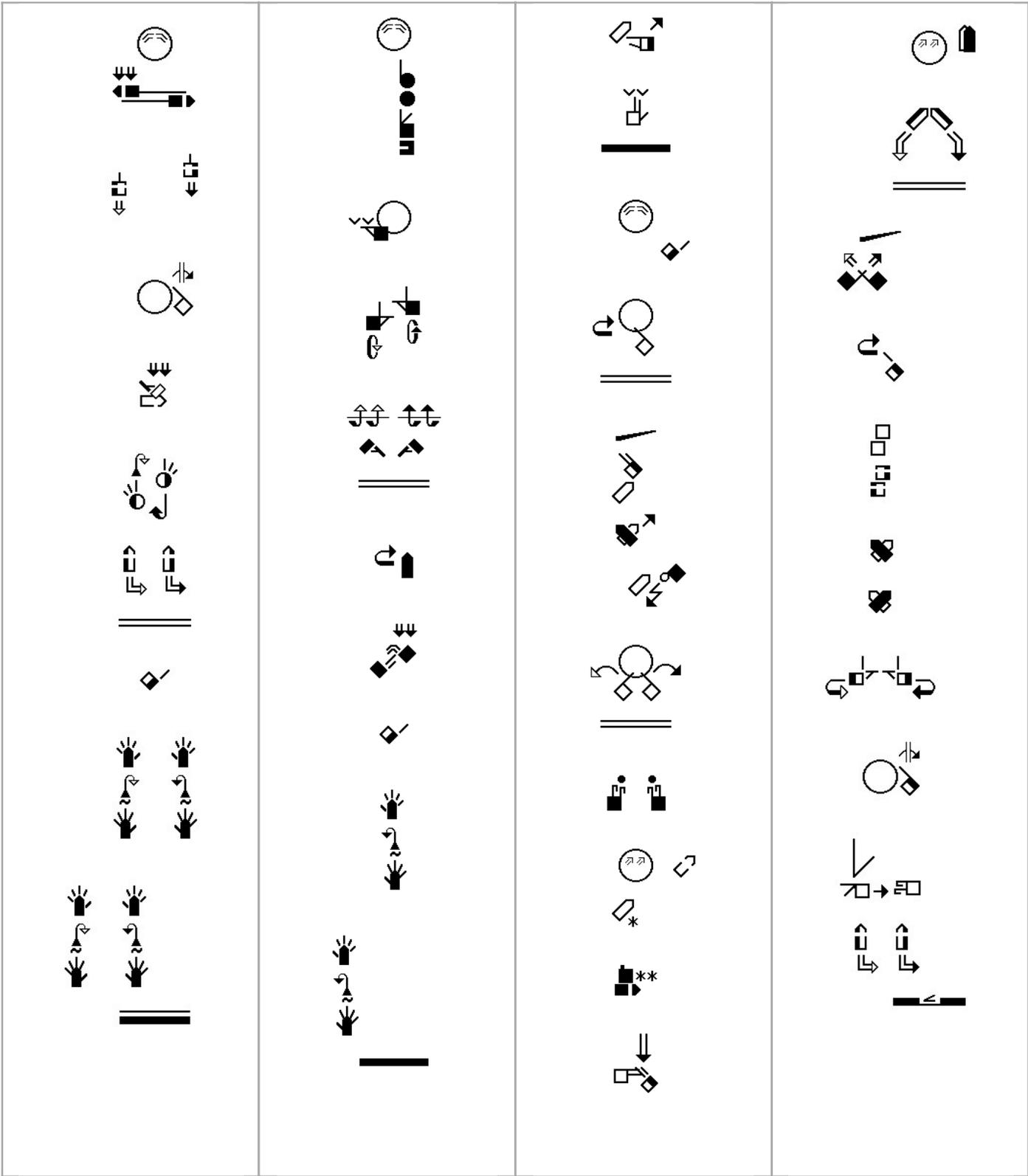
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366 tied there, with its colt beside it. Untie them, and bring them here. 3 If anyone asks what you are doing, just say, 'The Lord needs them,' and he will immediately send them."
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Matthew 21:7-9



7 They brought the animals to him and threw their garments over the colt, and he sat on it. 8 Most of the crowd spread their coats on the road ahead of Jesus, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. 9 He was in the center of the procession, and the crowds all around him were shouting, NLT



He knocked over the tables of the money changers and the chairs of those selling doves. 13 He said to them, "The Scriptures declare, 'My Temple will be called a house of prayer,' but you have turned it into a den of thieves!" NLT

Matthew 21:14-15

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14 The blind and the lame came to him in the Temple, and he healed them. 15 The leading priests and the teachers of religious law saw these wonderful miracles and heard even the children in the Temple shouting, "Praise God for the Son of David." But the leaders were indignant. NLT

Matthew 21:18-19

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18 In the morning, as Jesus was returning to Jerusalem, he was hungry, 19 and he noticed a fig tree beside the road. He went over to see if there were any figs, but there were only leaves. Then he said to it, "May you never bear fruit again!" And immediately the fig tree withered up. NLT

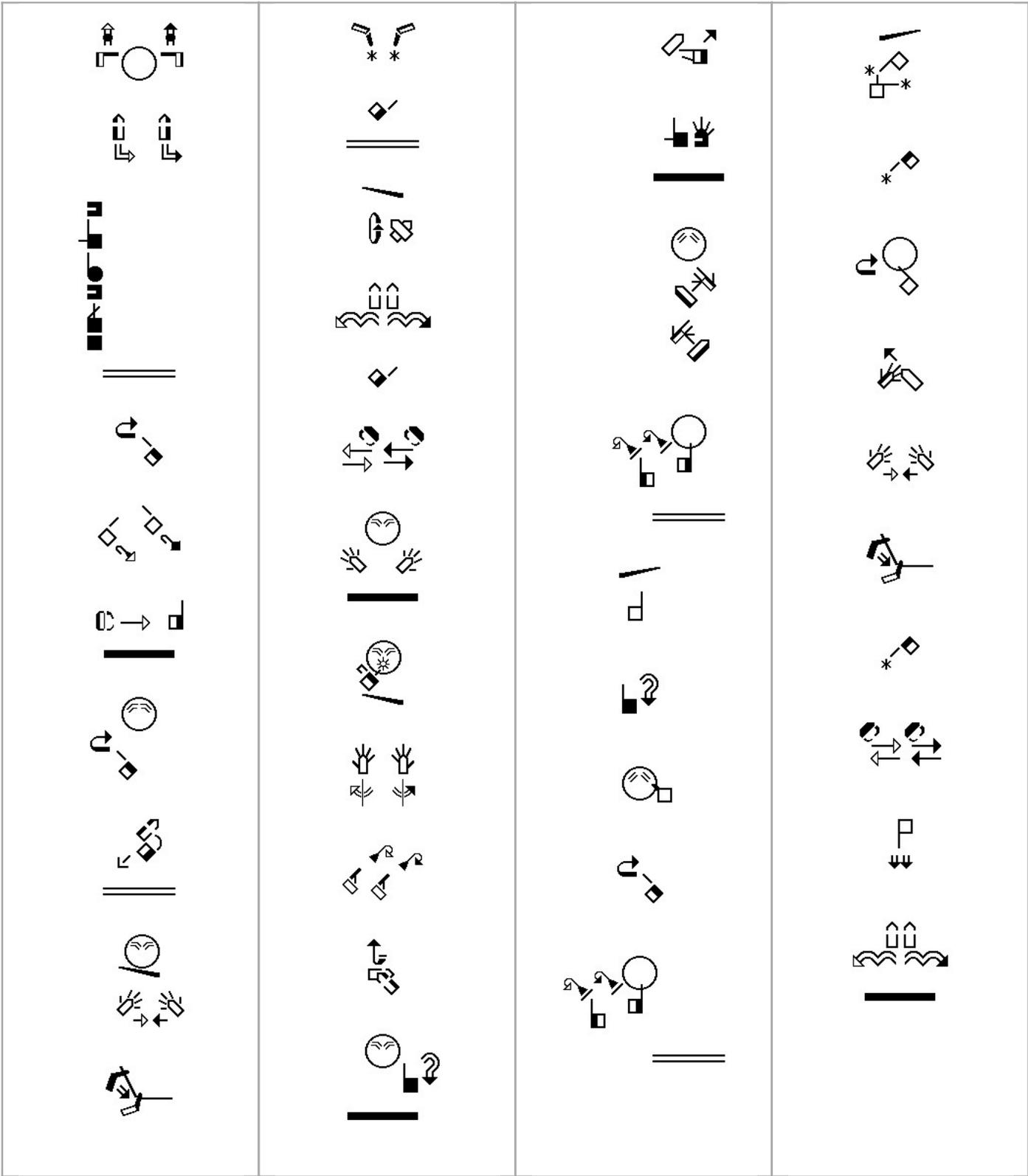
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20 The disciples were amazed when they saw this and asked, "How did the fig tree wither so quickly?" 21 Then Jesus told them, "I tell you the truth, if you have faith and don't doubt, you can do things like this

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Matthew 21:21-23

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and elders came up to him. They demanded, "By what authority are you doing all these things? Who gave you the right?" 24 "I'll tell you by what authority I do these things if you answer one question," Jesus replied.

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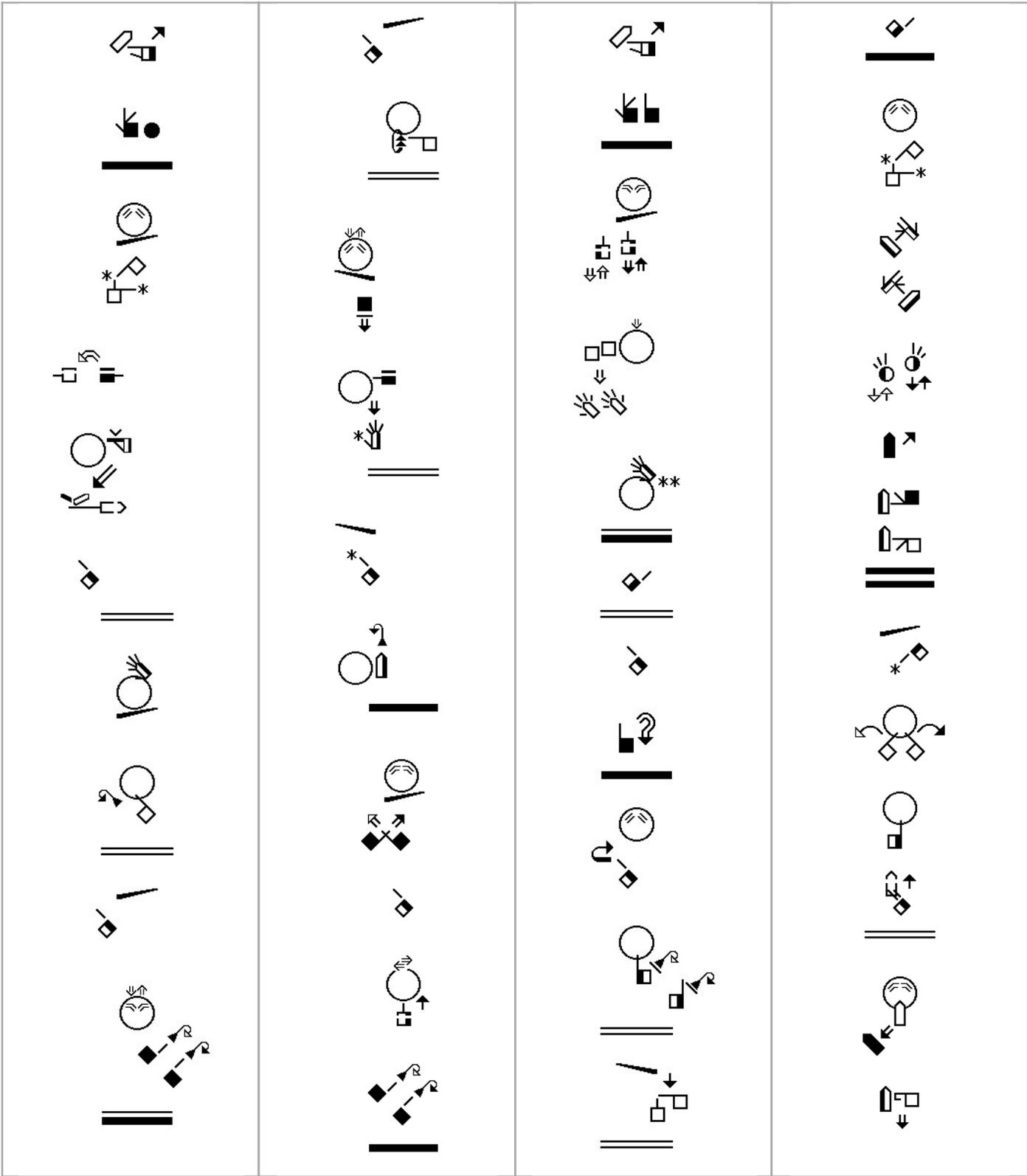
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because the people believe John was a prophet." 27 So they finally replied, "We don't know." And Jesus responded, "Then I won't tell you by what authority I do these things. 28 "But what do you think about this? A man with two

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Matthew 21:28-29

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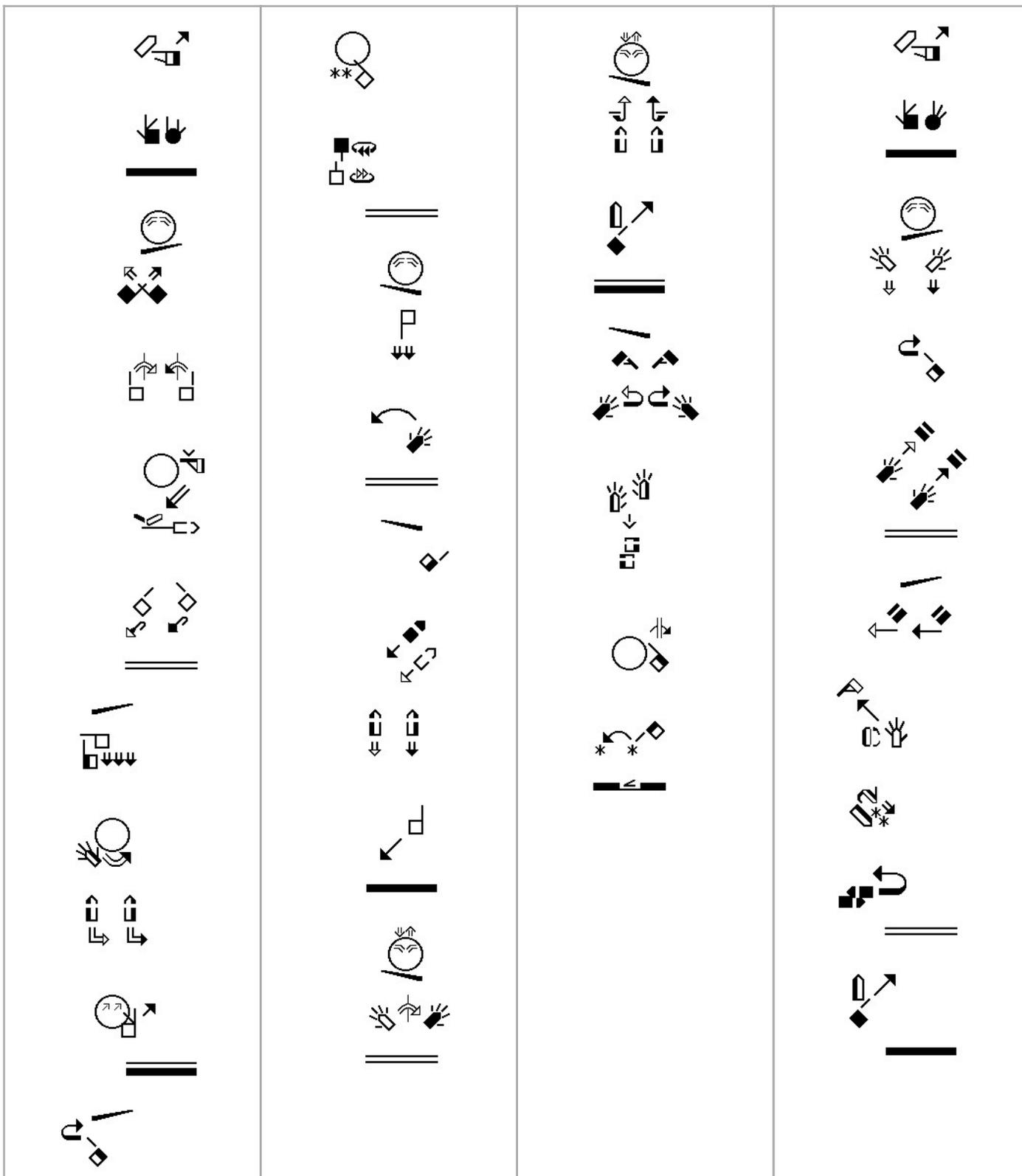
30 Then the father told the other son, 'You go,' and he said, 'Yes, sir, I will.' But he didn't go. 31 "Which of the two obeyed his father?" They replied, "The first." Then Jesus explained his meaning: "I tell you the truth, corrupt tax

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Matthew 21:34-35

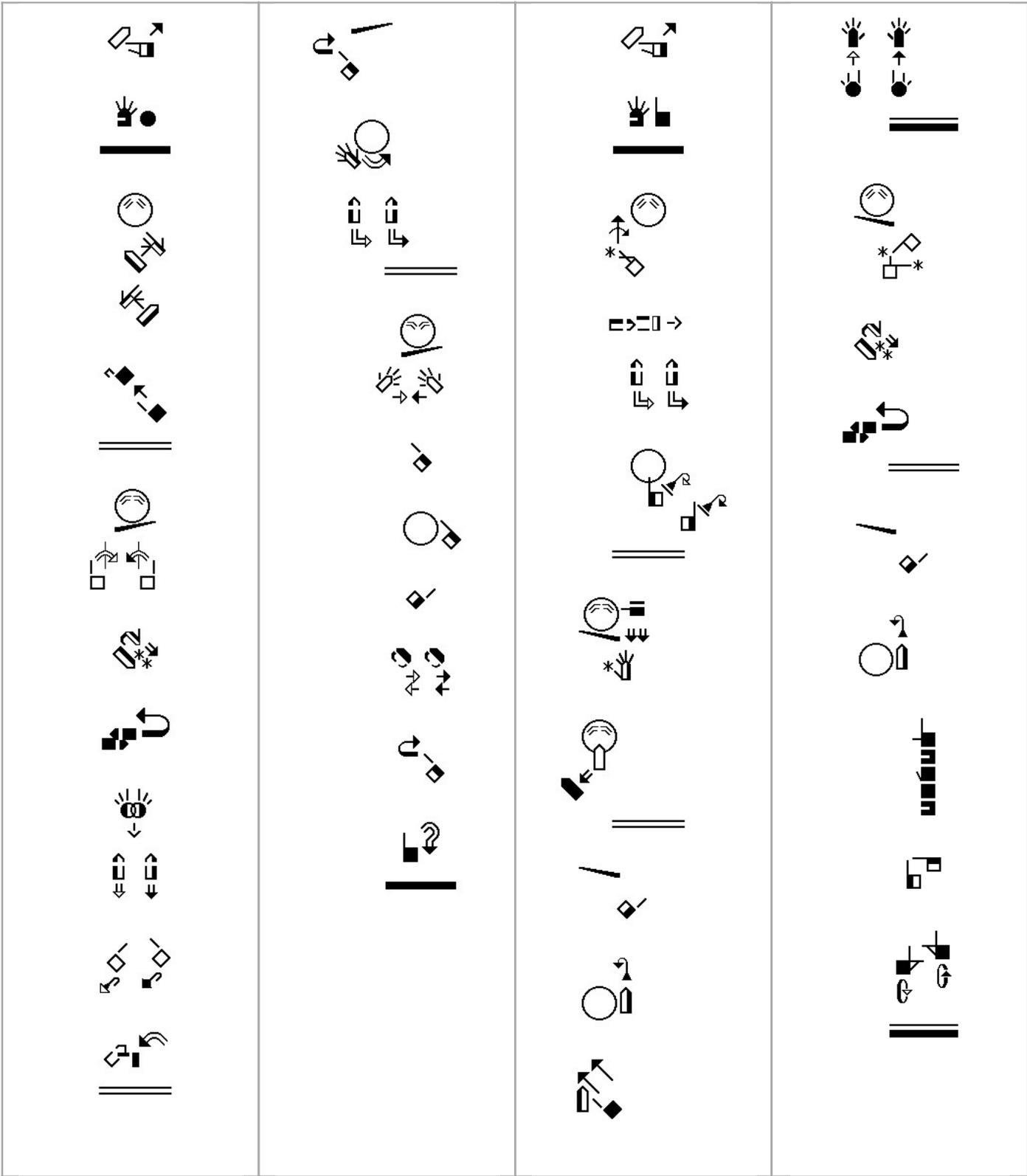
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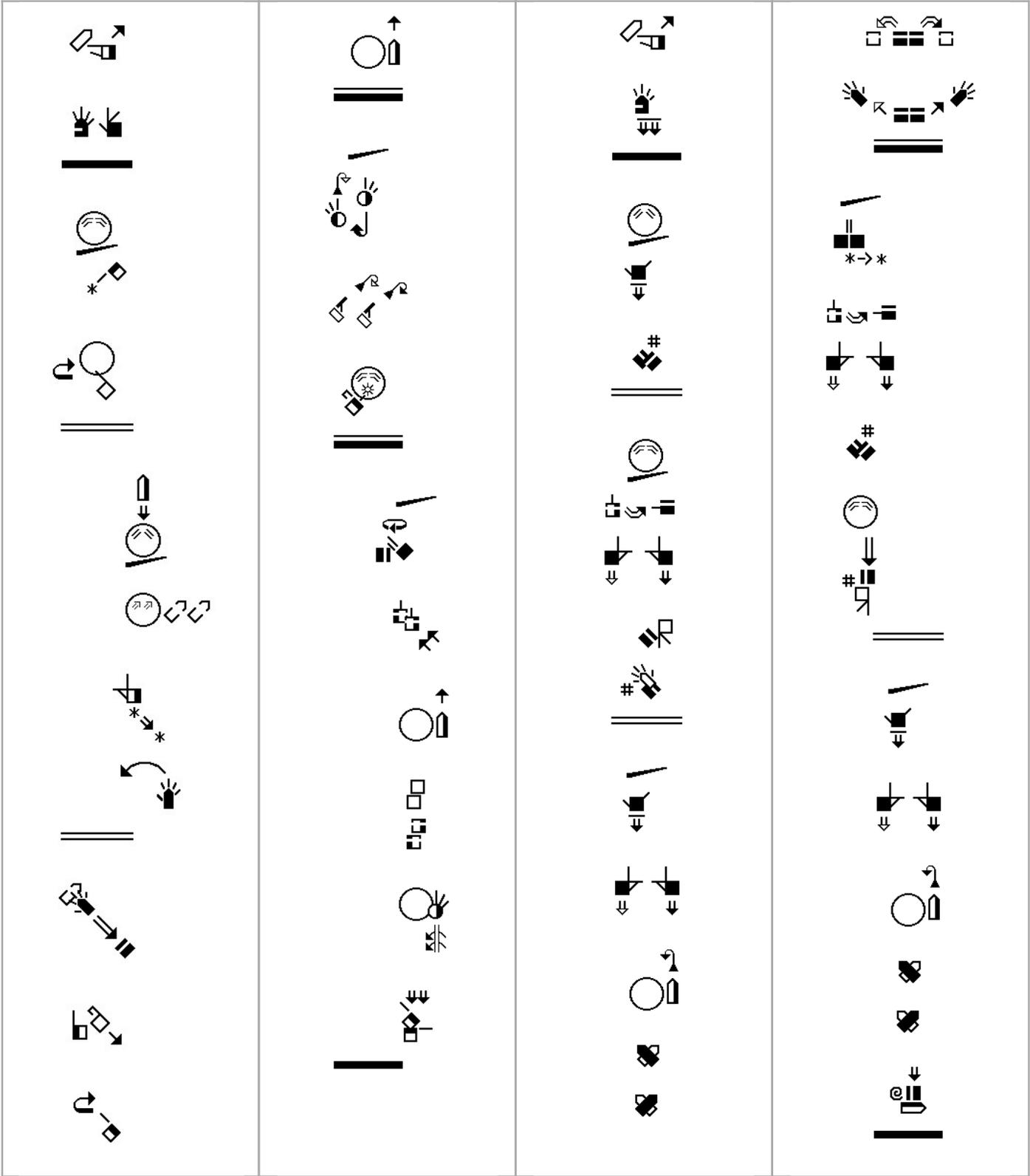
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38 "But when the tenant farmers saw his son coming, they said to one another, 'Here comes the heir to this estate. Come on, let's kill him and get the estate for ourselves!'
 39 So they grabbed him, dragged him out of the vineyard, and murdered him. NLT



40 "When the owner of the vineyard returns," Jesus asked, "what do you think he will do to those farmers?" 41 The religious leaders replied, "He will put the wicked men to a horrible death and lease the vineyard to others

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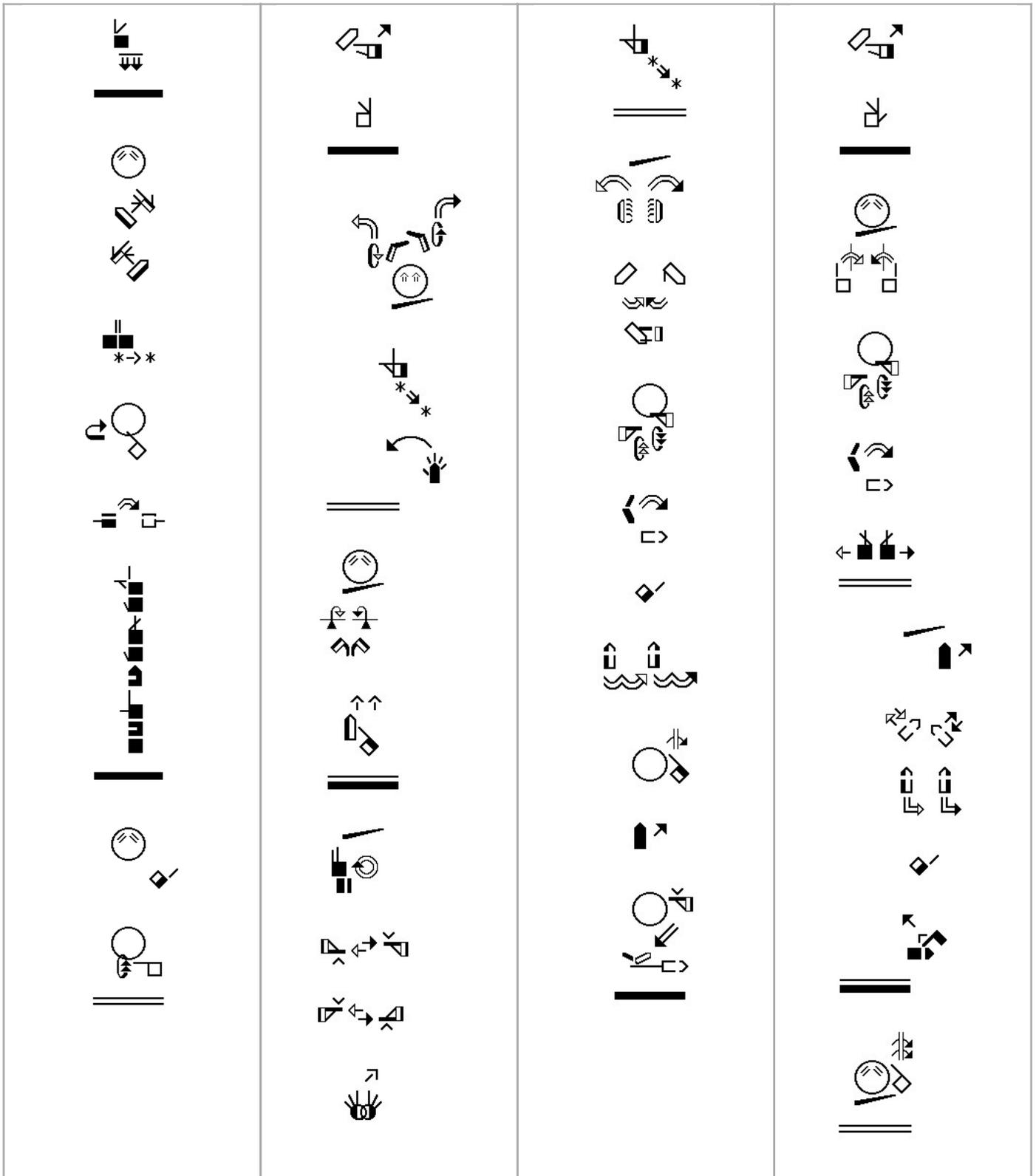


43 I tell you, the Kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a nation that will produce the proper fruit. 44 Anyone who stumbles over that stone will be broken to pieces, and it will crush anyone it falls on." NLT

Matthew 21:45-46

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45 When the leading priests and Pharisees heard this parable, they realized he was telling the story against them -- they were the wicked farmers. 46 They wanted to arrest him, but they were afraid of the crowds, who considered Jesus to be a prophet. NLT

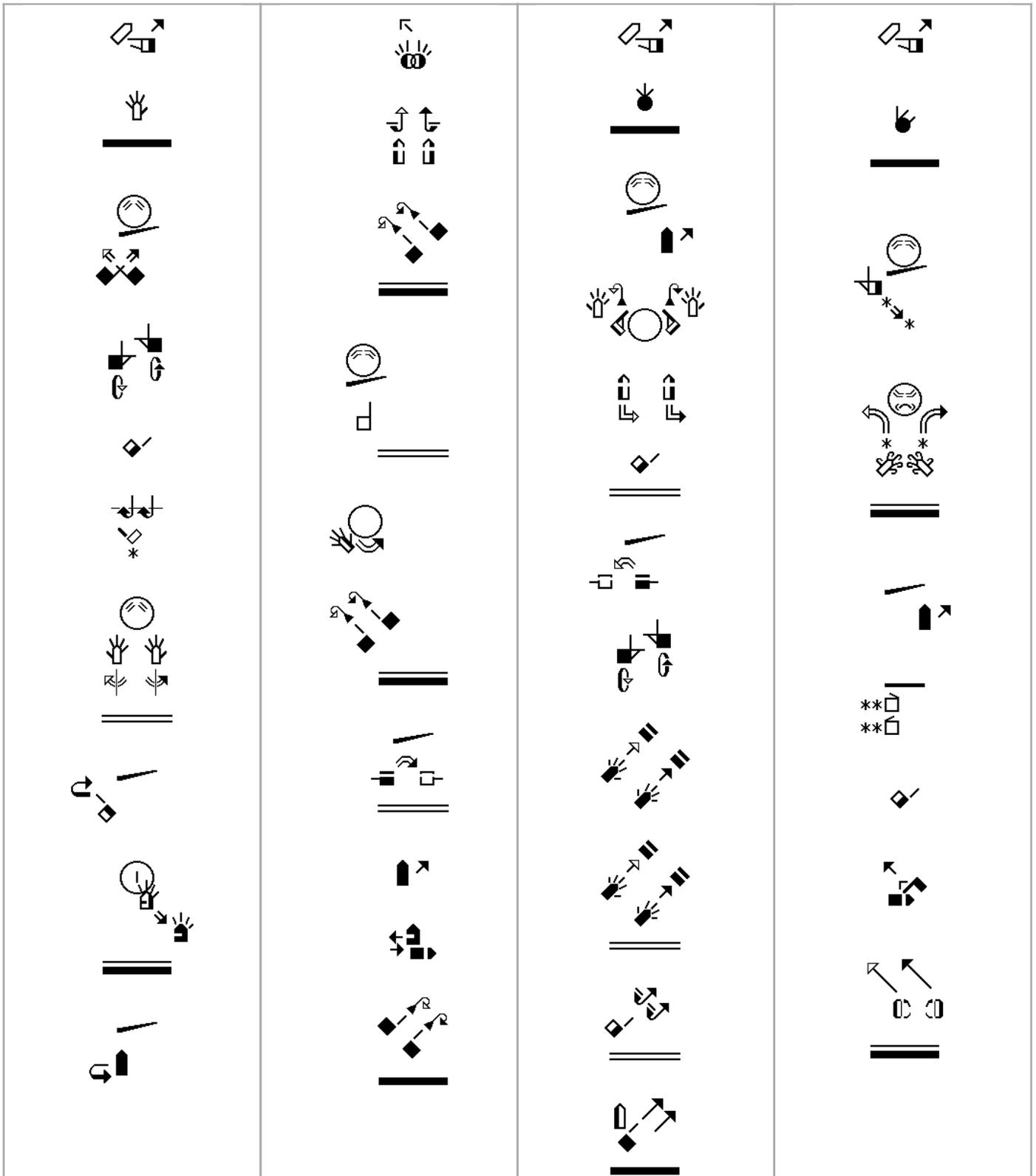


22 Jesus also told them other parables. He said, 2 "The Kingdom of Heaven can be illustrated by the story of a king who prepared a great wedding feast for his son. 3 When the banquet was ready, he sent his servants NLT

Matthew 22:3-4

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to notify those who were invited. But they all refused to come! 4 "So he sent other servants to tell them, 'The feast has been prepared. The bulls and fattened cattle have been killed, and everything is ready. Come to the banquet!'" NLT

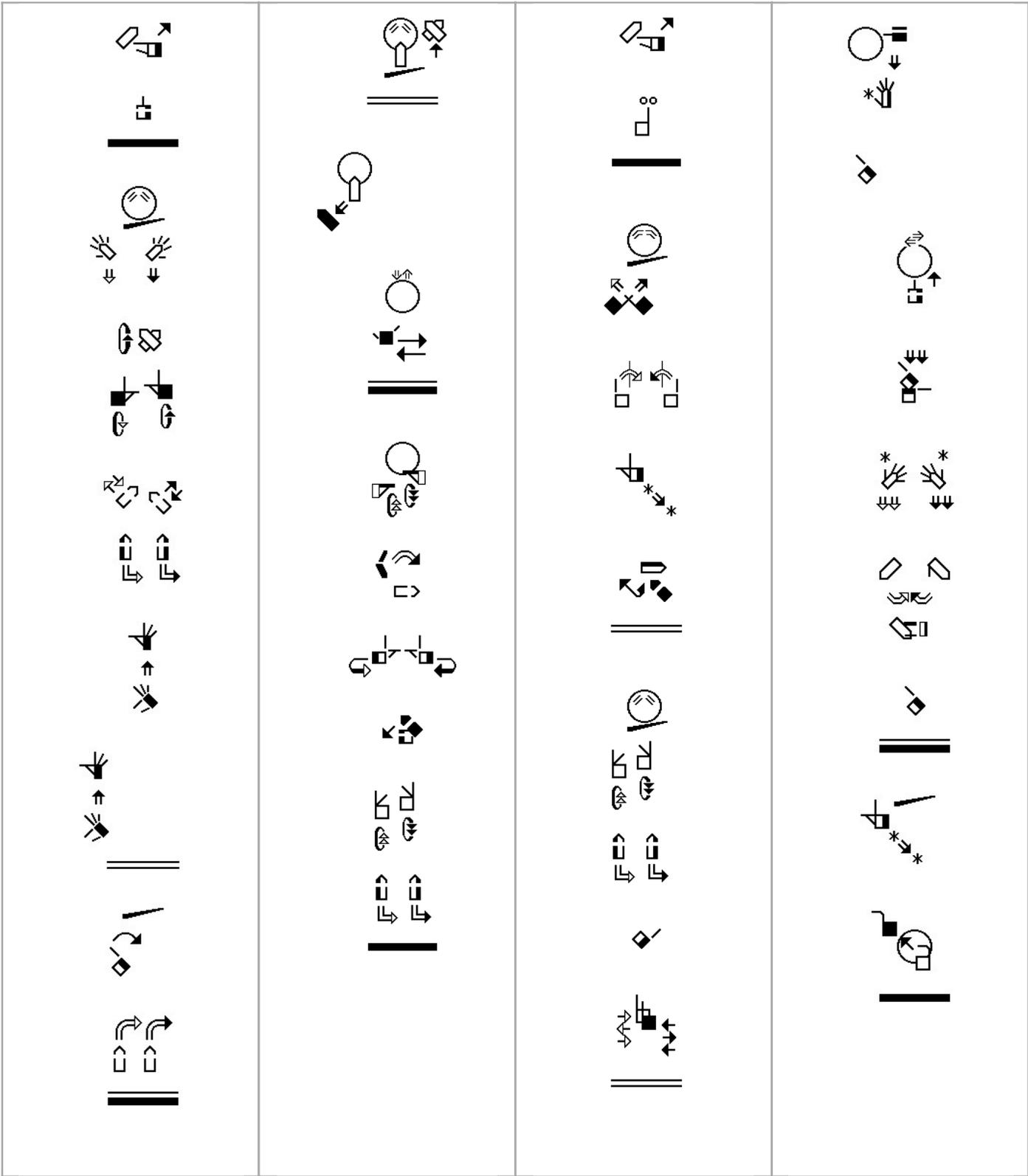


5 But the guests he had invited ignored them and went their own way, one to his farm, another to his business. 6 Others seized his messengers and insulted them and killed them. 7 "The king was furious, and he sent out his army

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Matthew 22:7-9

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10 So the servants brought in everyone they could find, good and bad alike, and the banquet hall was filled with guests. 11 "But when the king came in to meet the guests, he noticed a man who wasn't wearing the proper clothes for a wedding. NLT

Matthew 22:12-13

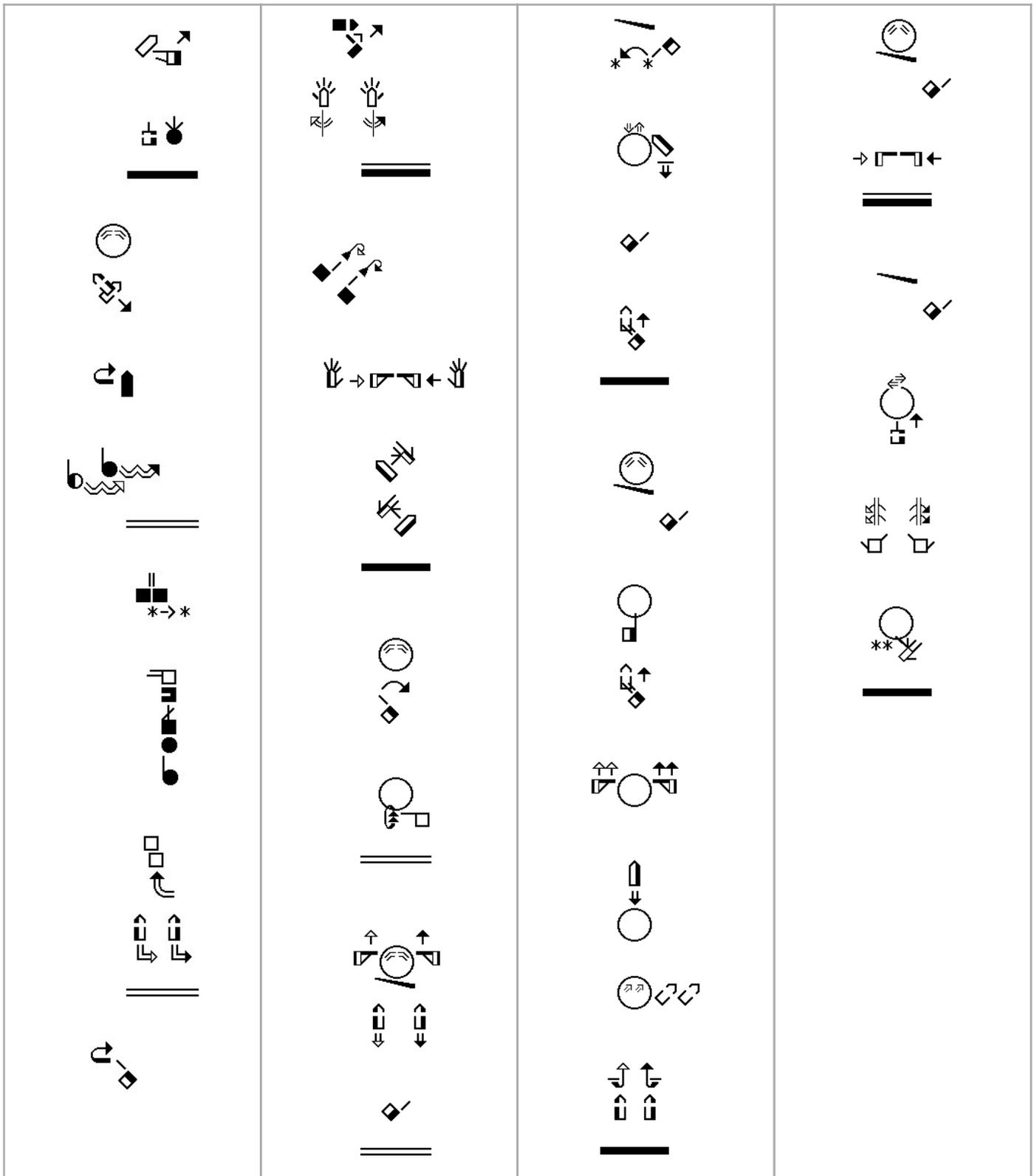
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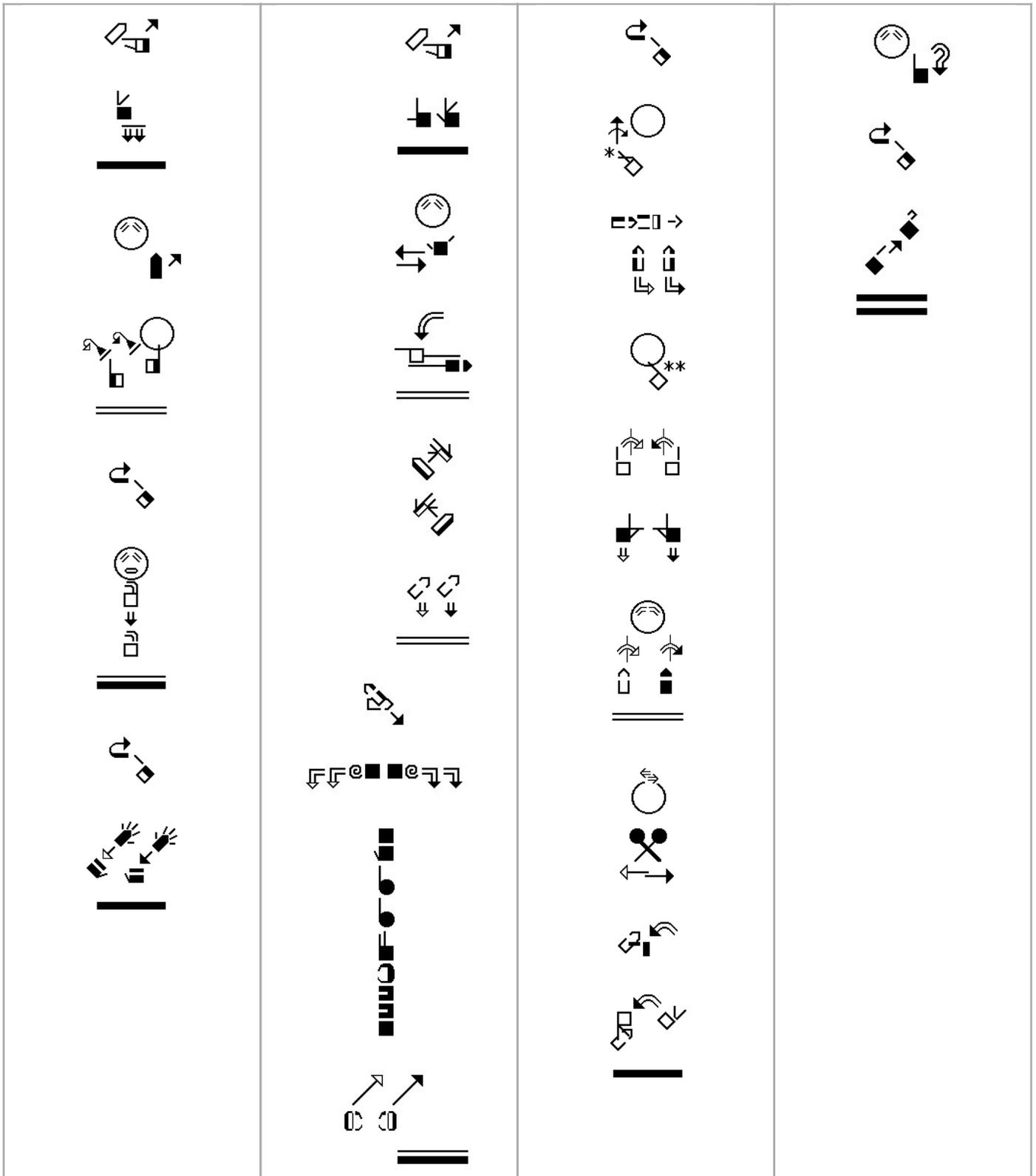
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where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' 14 "For many are called, but few are chosen." 15 Then the Pharisees met together to plot how to trap Jesus into saying something for which he could be arrested.

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Matthew 22:16





22 His reply amazed them, and they went away. 23 That same day Jesus was approached by some Sadducees -- religious leaders who say there is no resurrection from the dead. They posed this question: NLT

Matthew 22:24-25

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402 24 "Teacher, Moses said, 'If a man dies without children, his brother should marry the widow and have a child who will carry on the brother's name.' 25 Well, suppose there were seven brothers. The oldest one married and then died without children, so his brother married the widow. NLT

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26 But the second brother also died, and the third brother married her. This continued with all seven of them. 27 Last of all, the woman also died. 28 So tell us, whose wife will she be in the resurrection? For all seven were married to her." NLT

Matthew 22:29-30

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29 Jesus replied, "Your mistake is that you don't know the Scriptures, and you don't know the power of God. 30 For when the dead rise, they will neither marry nor be given in marriage. In this respect they will be like the angels in heaven. NLT

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31 "But now, as to whether there will be a resurrection of the dead -- haven't you ever read about this in the Scriptures? Long after Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob had died, God said, 32 'I am the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of

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Matthew 22:32-34

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Matthew 22:38-40

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408 38 This is the first and greatest commandment. 39 A second is equally important: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.' 40 The entire law and all the demands of the prophets are based on these two commandments." NLT

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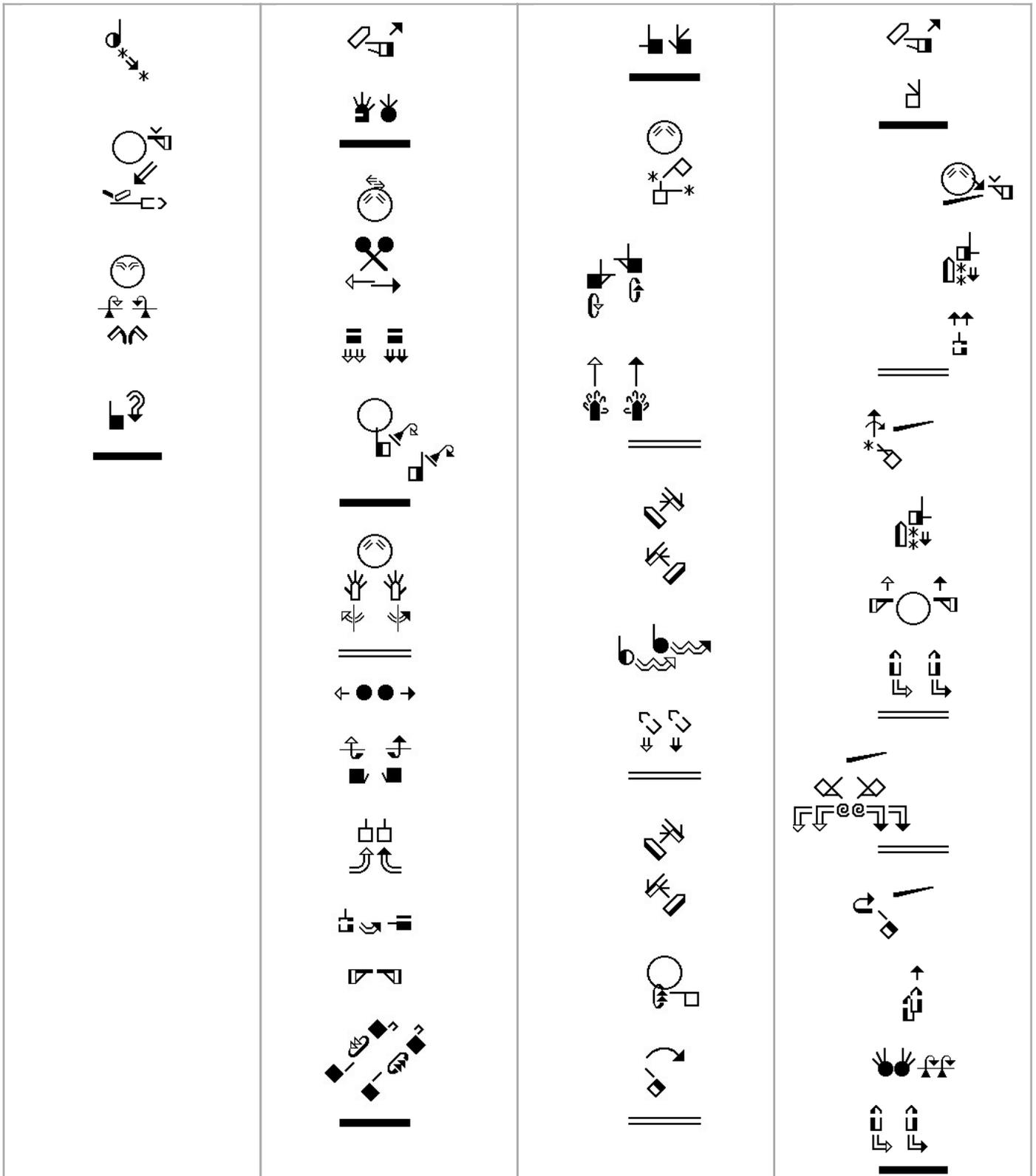
41 Then, surrounded by the Pharisees, Jesus asked them a question: 42 "What do you think about the Messiah? Whose son is he?" They replied, "He is the son of David." 43 Jesus responded, "Then why does David, speaking under the inspiration of the Spirit,

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Matthew 22:43-45

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410 call the Messiah 'my Lord"? For David said, 44 'The LORD said to my Lord, Sit in the place of honor at my right hand until I humble your enemies beneath your feet.' 45 Since David called the Messiah 'my Lord,' how can the Messiah NLT

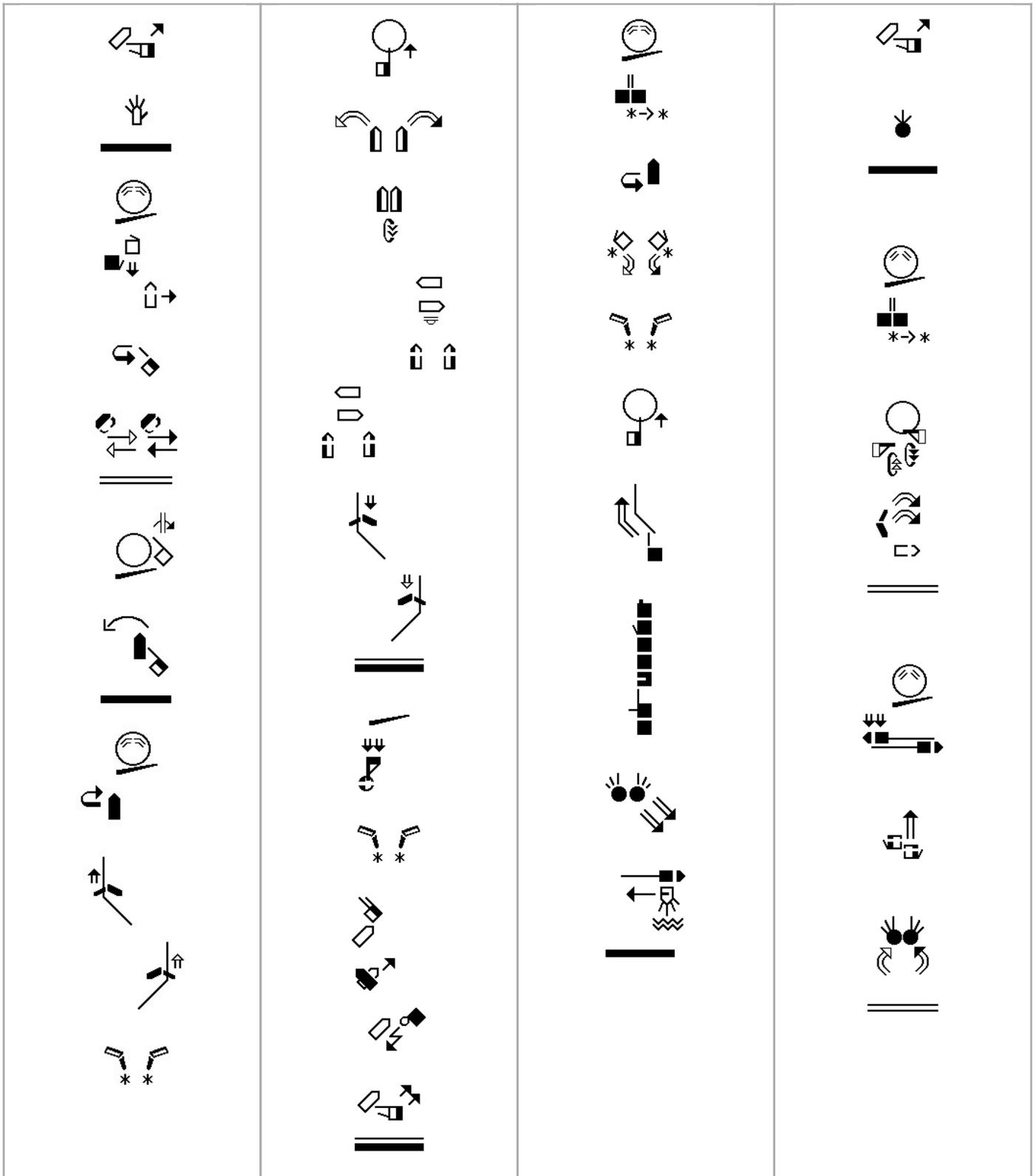


be his son?" 46 No one could answer him. And after that, no one dared to ask him any more questions. 23 Then Jesus said to the crowds and to his disciples, 2 "The teachers of religious law and the Pharisees are the official interpreters of the law of Moses.

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Matthew 23:3-4

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5 "Everything they do is for show. On their arms they wear extra wide prayer boxes with Scripture verses inside, and they wear robes with extra long tassels. 6 And they love to sit at the head table at banquets
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only one teacher, and all of you are equal as brothers and sisters. 9 And don't address anyone here on earth as 'Father,' for only God in heaven is your spiritual Father. 10 And don't let anyone call you 'Teacher,'

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Matthew 23:10-12

<p>Sign language sequence for Matthew 23:10-12, column 1. It includes signs for 'one' (one hand), 'teacher' (hand to forehead), 'Messiah' (hand to forehead with a star), 'greatest' (hand to forehead with a star), 'servant' (hand to forehead), 'humble' (hand to forehead), 'exalt' (hand to forehead), 'will be' (hand to forehead), 'humbled' (hand to forehead), and 'exalted' (hand to forehead).</p>	<p>Sign language sequence for Matthew 23:10-12, column 2. It includes signs for 'one' (one hand), 'teacher' (hand to forehead), 'Messiah' (hand to forehead with a star), 'greatest' (hand to forehead with a star), 'servant' (hand to forehead), 'humble' (hand to forehead), 'exalt' (hand to forehead), 'will be' (hand to forehead), 'humbled' (hand to forehead), and 'exalted' (hand to forehead).</p>	<p>Sign language sequence for Matthew 23:10-12, column 3. It includes signs for 'one' (one hand), 'teacher' (hand to forehead), 'Messiah' (hand to forehead with a star), 'greatest' (hand to forehead with a star), 'servant' (hand to forehead), 'humble' (hand to forehead), 'exalt' (hand to forehead), 'will be' (hand to forehead), 'humbled' (hand to forehead), and 'exalted' (hand to forehead).</p>	<p>Sign language sequence for Matthew 23:10-12, column 4. It includes signs for 'one' (one hand), 'teacher' (hand to forehead), 'Messiah' (hand to forehead with a star), 'greatest' (hand to forehead with a star), 'servant' (hand to forehead), 'humble' (hand to forehead), 'exalt' (hand to forehead), 'will be' (hand to forehead), 'humbled' (hand to forehead), and 'exalted' (hand to forehead).</p>
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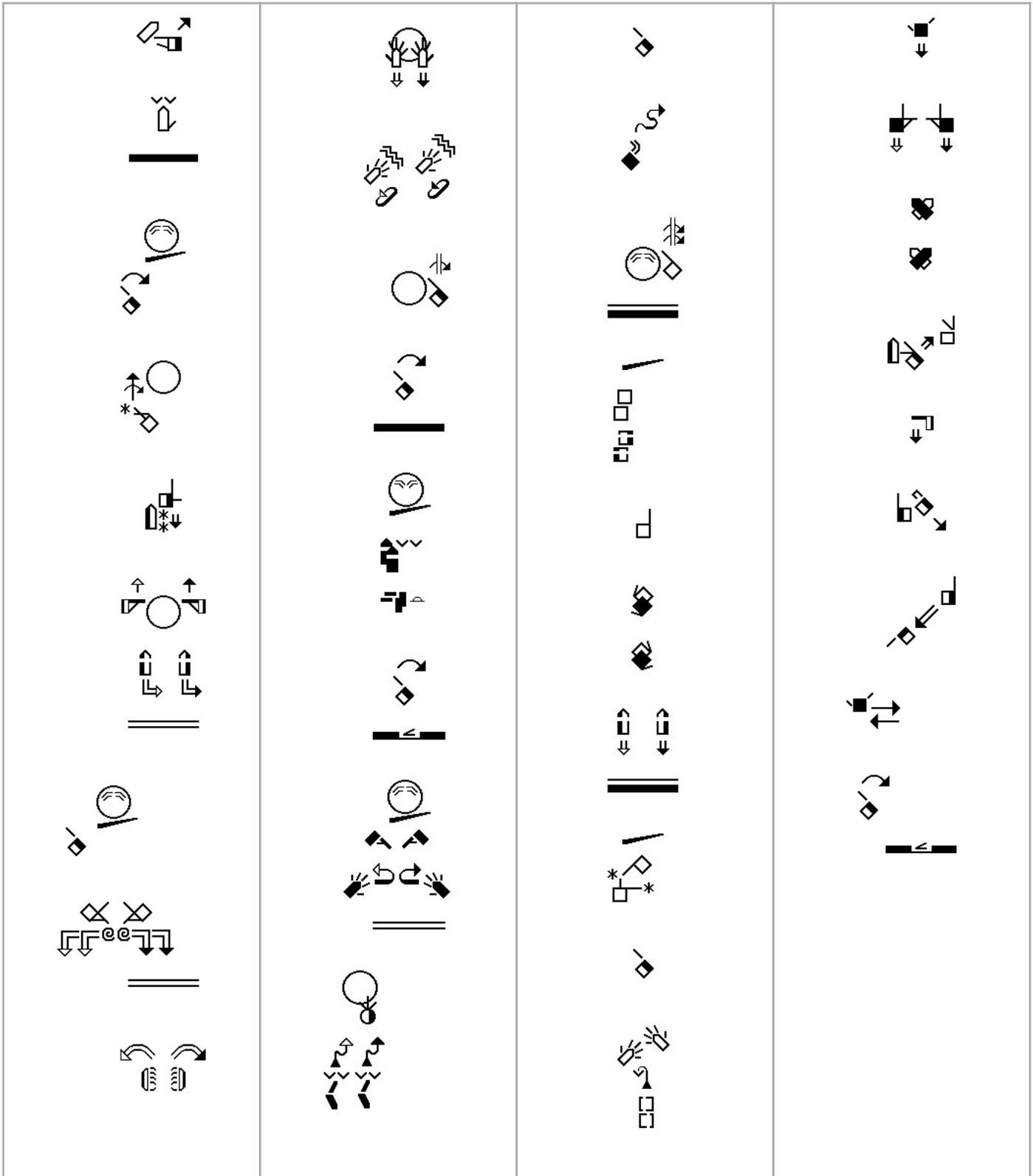
416 for you have only one teacher, the Messiah. 11 The greatest among you must be a servant. 12 But those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted. NLT

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13 "What sorrow awaits you teachers of religious law and you Pharisees. Hypocrites! For you shut the door of the Kingdom of Heaven in people's faces. You won't go in yourselves, and you don't let others enter either. (*note: no verse 14 in NLT)

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Matthew 23:15



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15 "What sorrow awaits you teachers of religious law and you Pharisees. Hypocrites! For you cross land and sea to make one convert, and then you turn that person into twice the child of hell you yourselves are!

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16 "Blind guides! What sorrow awaits you! For you say that it means nothing to swear 'by God's Temple,' but that it is binding to swear 'by the gold in the Temple.' 17 Blind fools! Which is more important -- the gold NLT

Matthew 23:17-19

<p>A vertical sequence of 12 sign language icons. From top to bottom: 1. A hand holding a small object with an asterisk. 2. A hand holding a small object with three asterisks. 3. A horizontal line. 4. A hand holding a small object with an asterisk. 5. A hand holding a small object with an asterisk. 6. A hand holding a small object with an asterisk. 7. A hand holding a small object with an asterisk. 8. A hand holding a small object with an asterisk. 9. A hand holding a small object with an asterisk. 10. A hand holding a small object with an asterisk. 11. A hand holding a small object with an asterisk. 12. A hand holding a small object with an asterisk.</p>	<p>A vertical sequence of 12 sign language icons. From top to bottom: 1. A hand holding a small object with an asterisk. 2. A hand holding a small object with an asterisk. 3. A horizontal line. 4. A hand holding a small object with an asterisk. 5. A hand holding a small object with an asterisk. 6. A hand holding a small object with an asterisk. 7. A hand holding a small object with an asterisk. 8. A hand holding a small object with an asterisk. 9. A hand holding a small object with an asterisk. 10. A hand holding a small object with an asterisk. 11. A hand holding a small object with an asterisk. 12. A hand holding a small object with an asterisk.</p>	<p>A vertical sequence of 12 sign language icons. From top to bottom: 1. A hand holding a small object with an asterisk. 2. A hand holding a small object with an asterisk. 3. A horizontal line. 4. A hand holding a small object with an asterisk. 5. A hand holding a small object with an asterisk. 6. A hand holding a small object with an asterisk. 7. A hand holding a small object with an asterisk. 8. A hand holding a small object with an asterisk. 9. A hand holding a small object with an asterisk. 10. A hand holding a small object with an asterisk. 11. A hand holding a small object with an asterisk. 12. A hand holding a small object with an asterisk.</p>	<p>A vertical sequence of 12 sign language icons. From top to bottom: 1. A hand holding a small object with an asterisk. 2. A hand holding a small object with an asterisk. 3. A horizontal line. 4. A hand holding a small object with an asterisk. 5. A hand holding a small object with an asterisk. 6. A hand holding a small object with an asterisk. 7. A hand holding a small object with an asterisk. 8. A hand holding a small object with an asterisk. 9. A hand holding a small object with an asterisk. 10. A hand holding a small object with an asterisk. 11. A hand holding a small object with an asterisk. 12. A hand holding a small object with an asterisk.</p>
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420 or the Temple that makes the gold sacred? 18 And you say that to swear 'by the altar' is not binding, but to swear 'by the gifts on the altar' is binding. 19 How blind! For which is more important -- the gift on the altar or the altar that makes NLT

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the gift sacred? 20 When you swear 'by the altar,' you are swearing by it and by everything on it. 21 And when you swear 'by the Temple,' you are swearing by it and by God, who lives in it. NLT

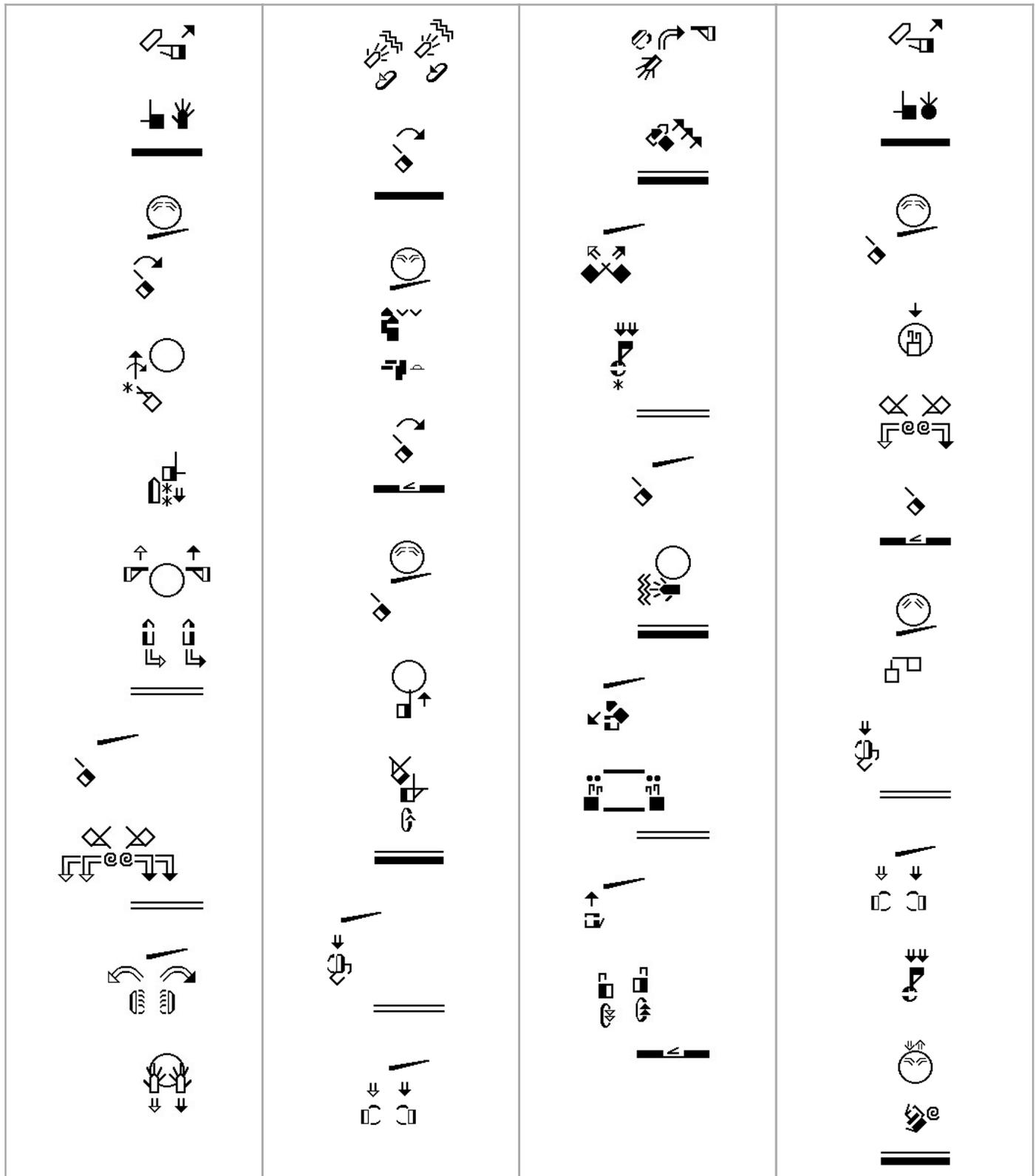
Matthew 23:22-23

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22 And when you swear 'by heaven,' you are swearing by the throne of God and by God, who sits on the throne. 23 "What sorrow awaits you teachers of religious law and you Pharisees. Hypocrites! For you are careful to tithe even the tiniest income from your herb gardens, NLT

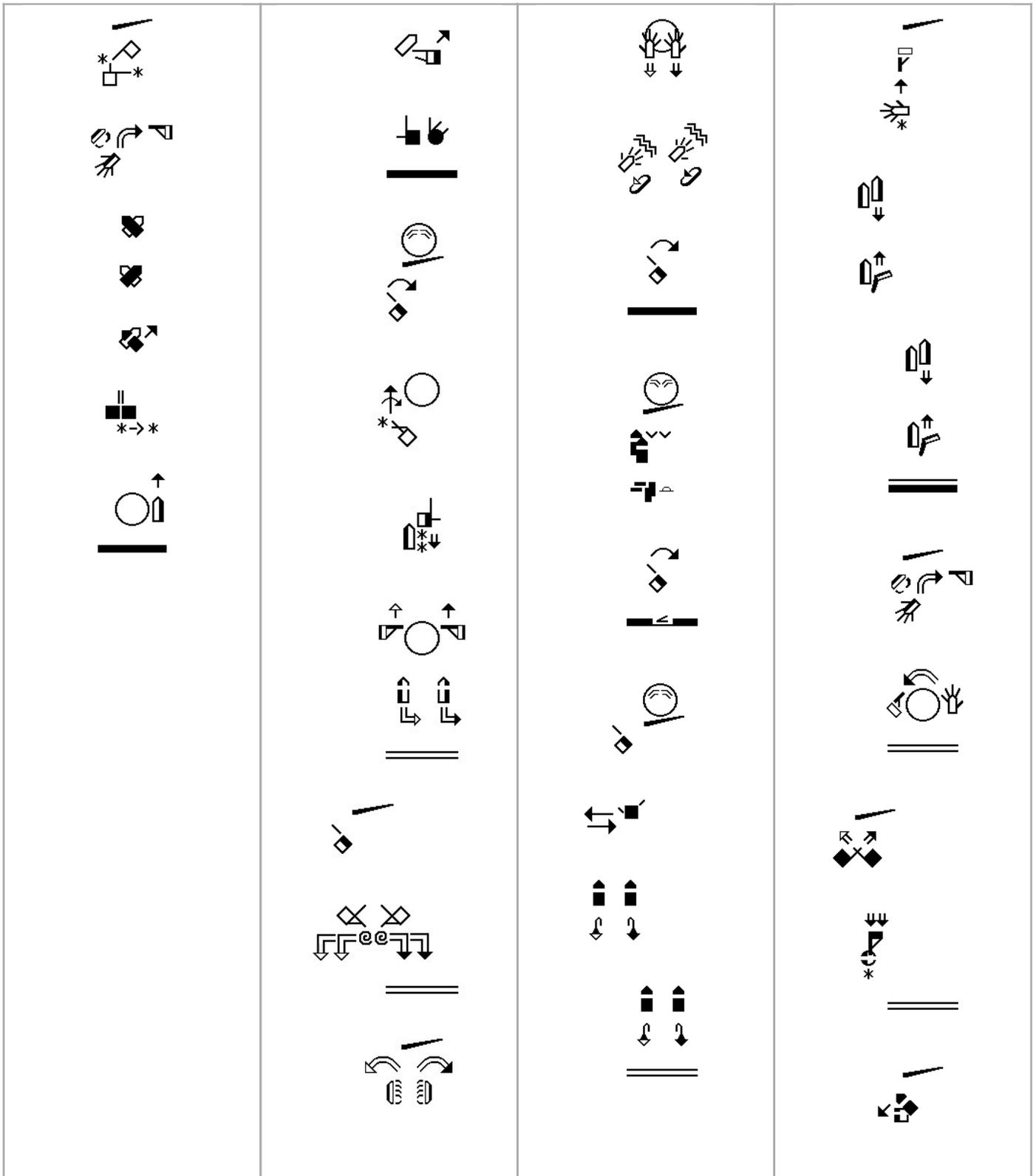
Matthew 23:25-26



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25 "What sorrow awaits you teachers of religious law and you Pharisees. Hypocrites! For you are so careful to clean the outside of the cup and the dish, but inside you are filthy -- full of greed and self-indulgence! 26 You blind Pharisee! First wash the inside of the cup and the dish,

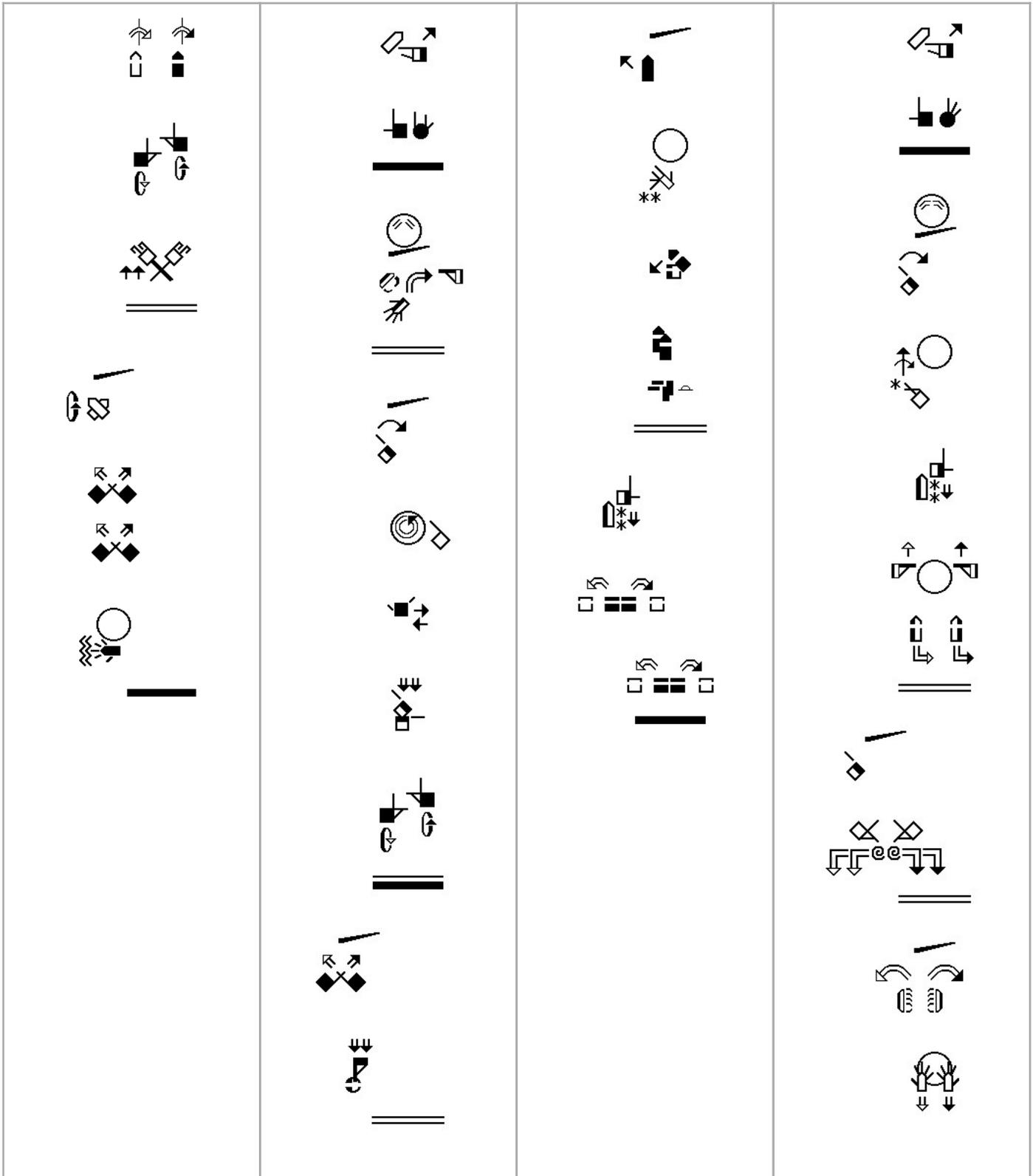
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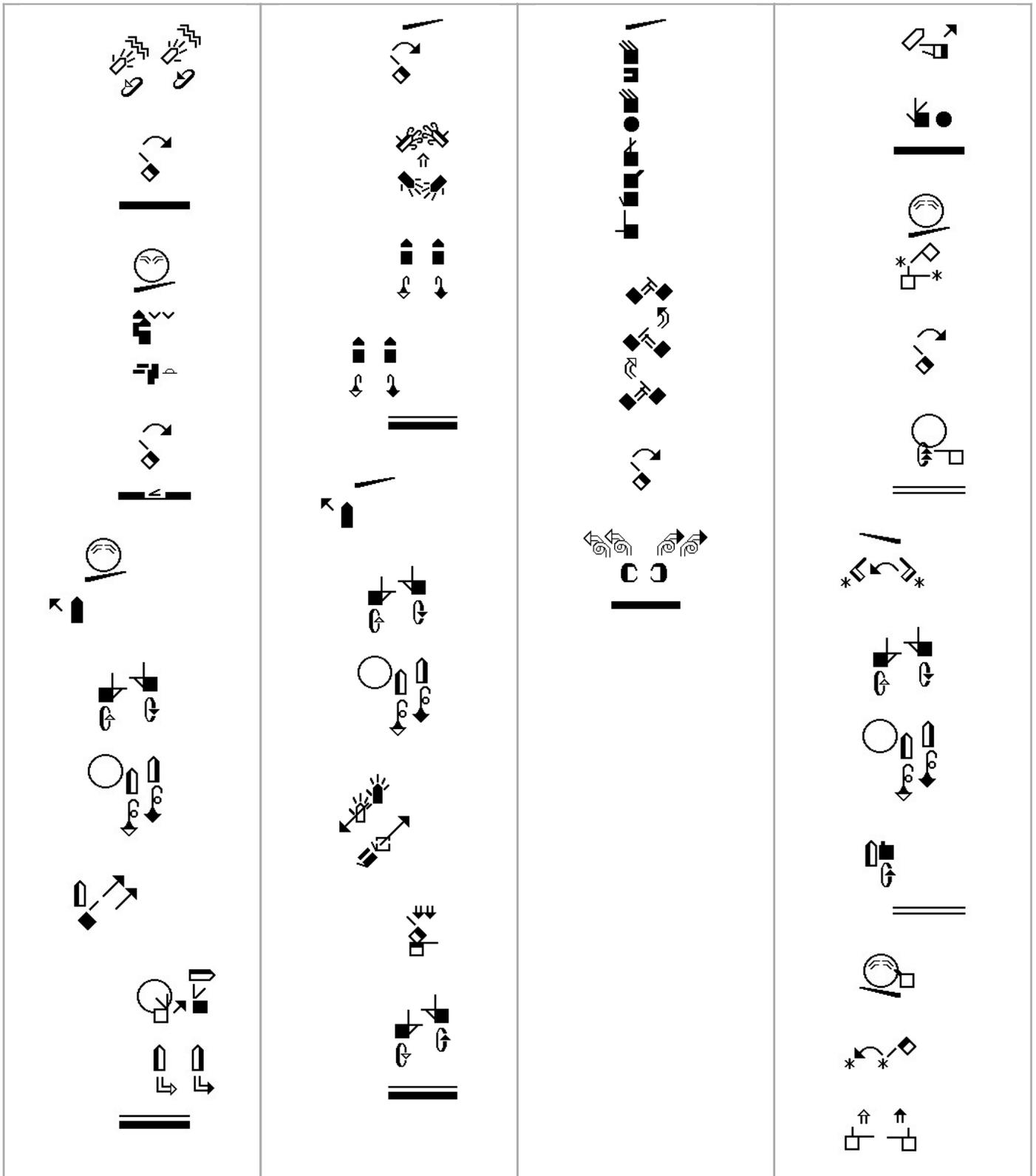
and then the outside will become clean, too. 27 "What sorrow awaits you teachers of religious law and you Pharisees. Hypocrites! For you are like whitewashed tombs -- beautiful on the outside but filled on the inside

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Matthew 23:27-29



with dead people's bones and all sorts of impurity. 28 Outwardly you look like righteous people, but inwardly your hearts are filled with hypocrisy and lawlessness. 29 "What sorrow awaits you teachers of religious law and you Pharisees. NLT

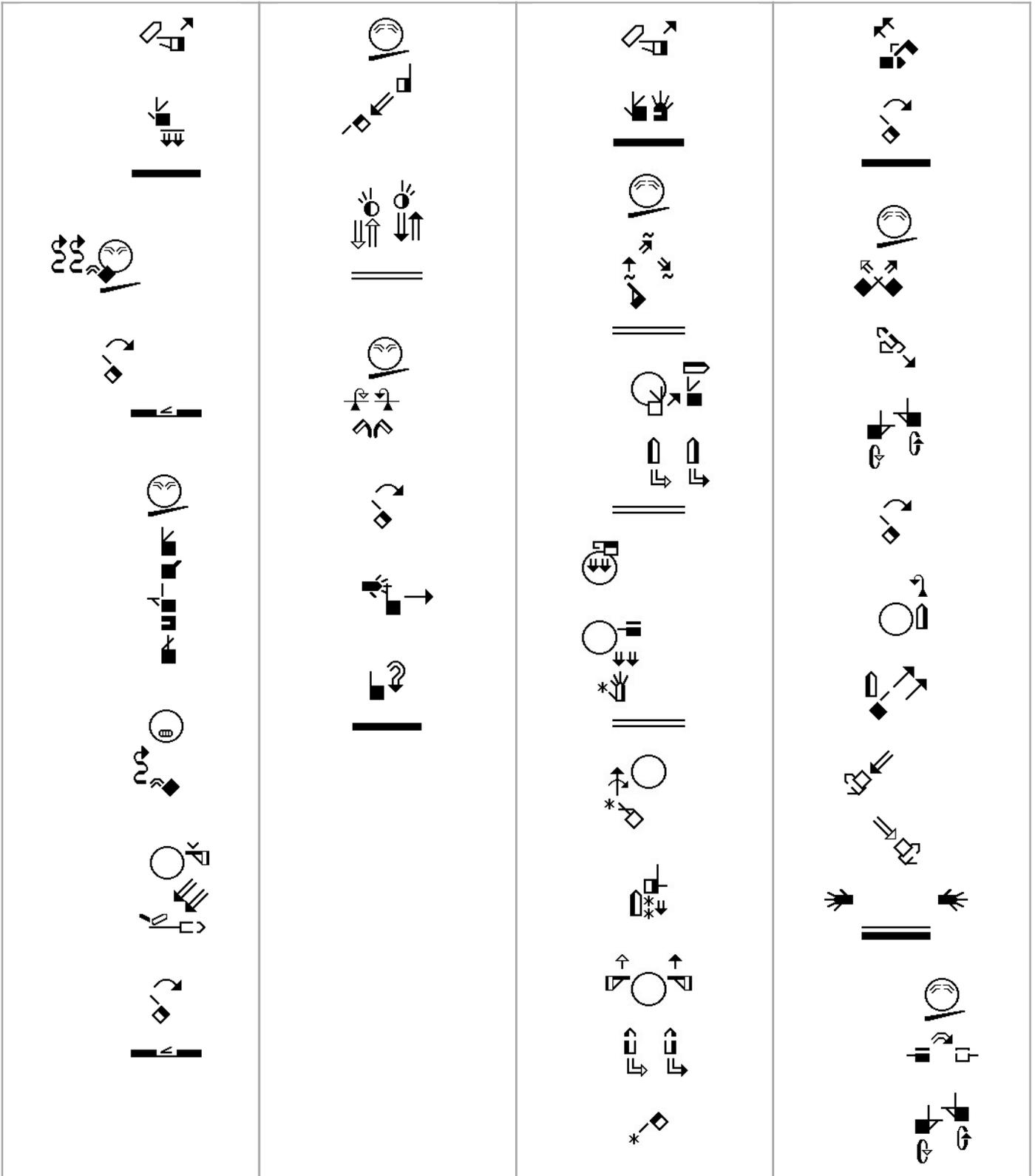


Hypocrites! For you build tombs for the prophets your ancestors killed, and you decorate the monuments of the godly people your ancestors destroyed. 30 Then you say, 'If we had lived in the days of our ancestors,

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Matthew 23:30-32

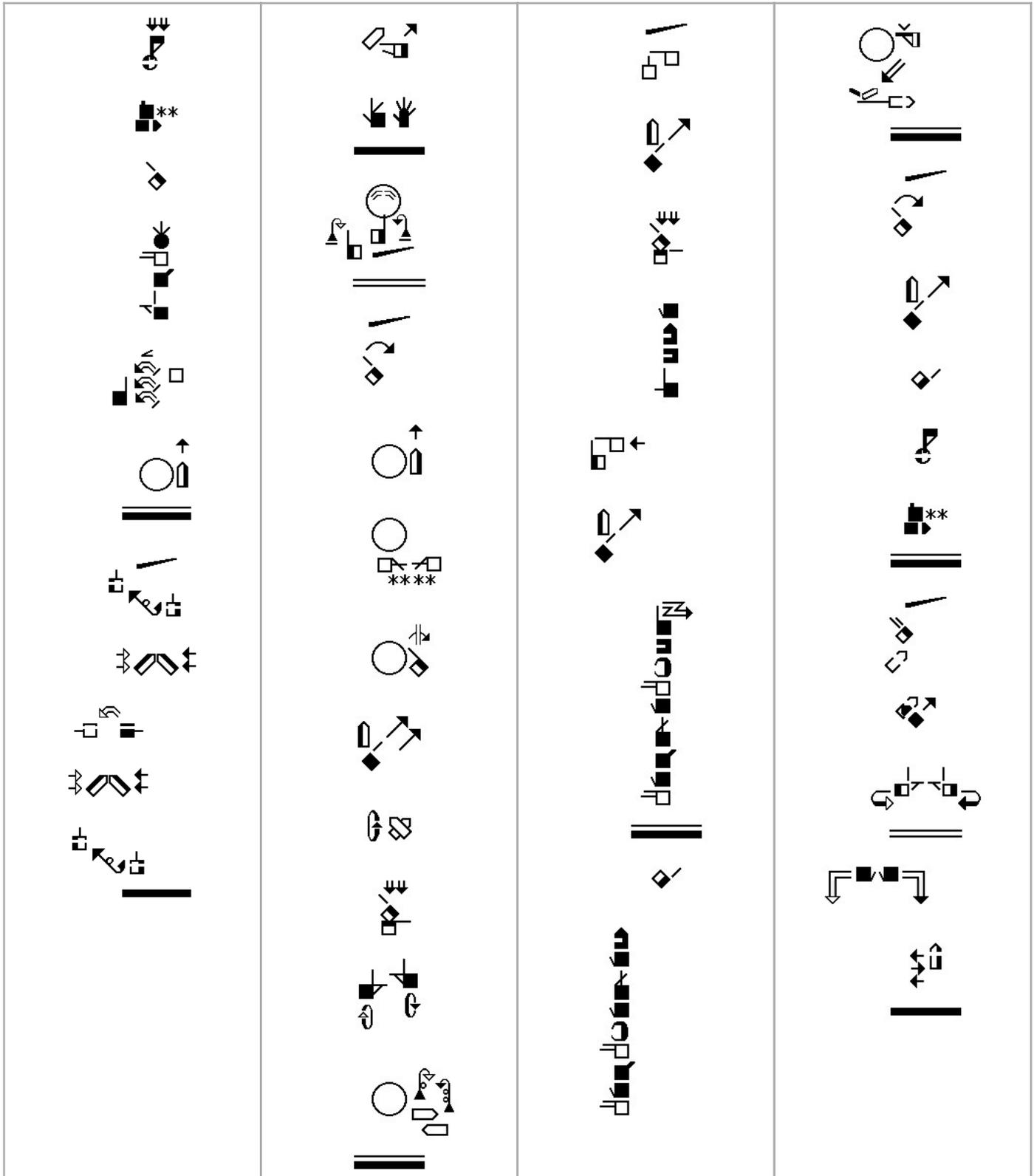
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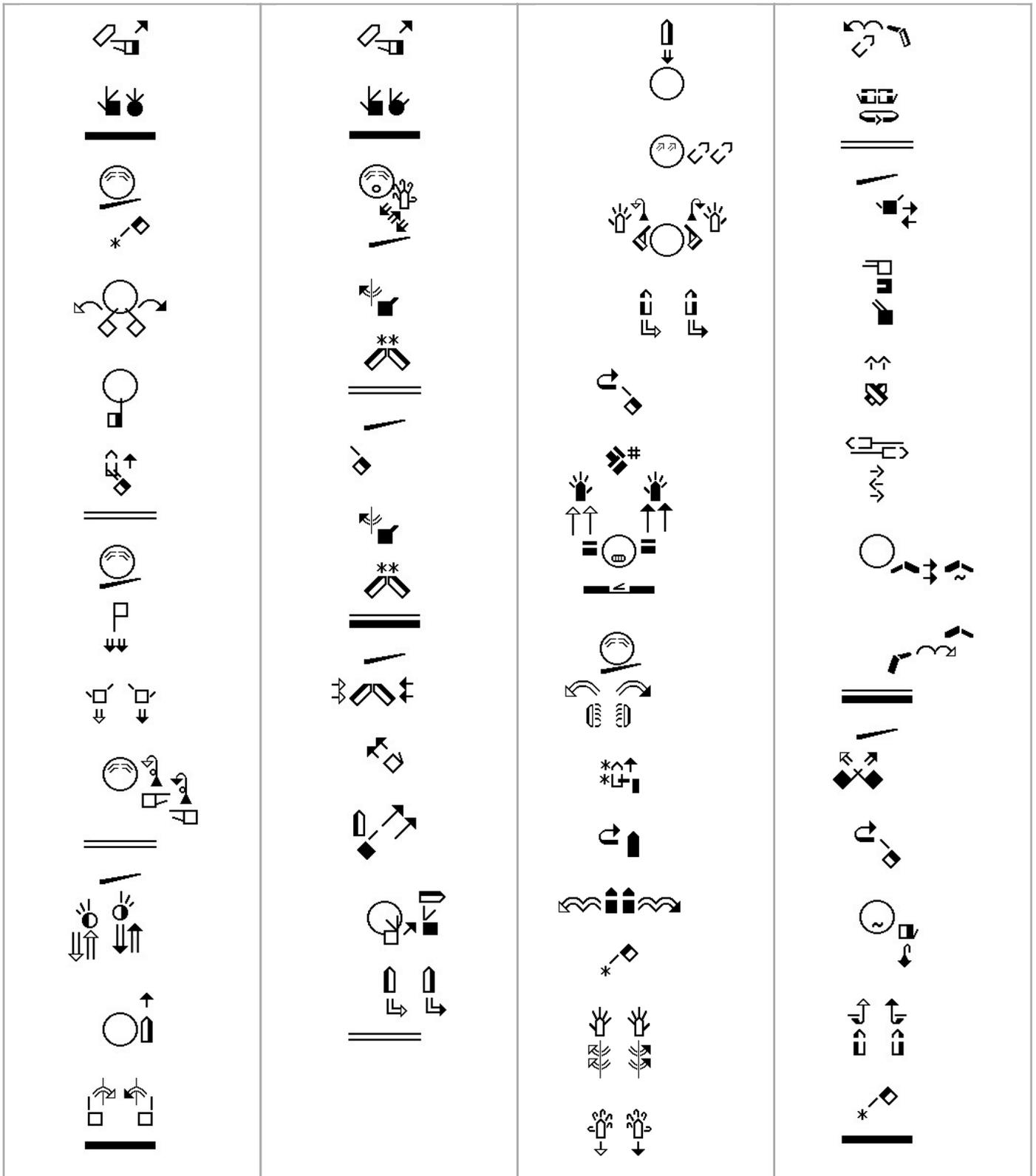
33 Snakes! Sons of vipers! How will you escape the judgment of hell? 34 "Therefore, I am sending you prophets and wise men and teachers of religious law. But you will kill some by crucifixion, and

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Matthew 23:34-35

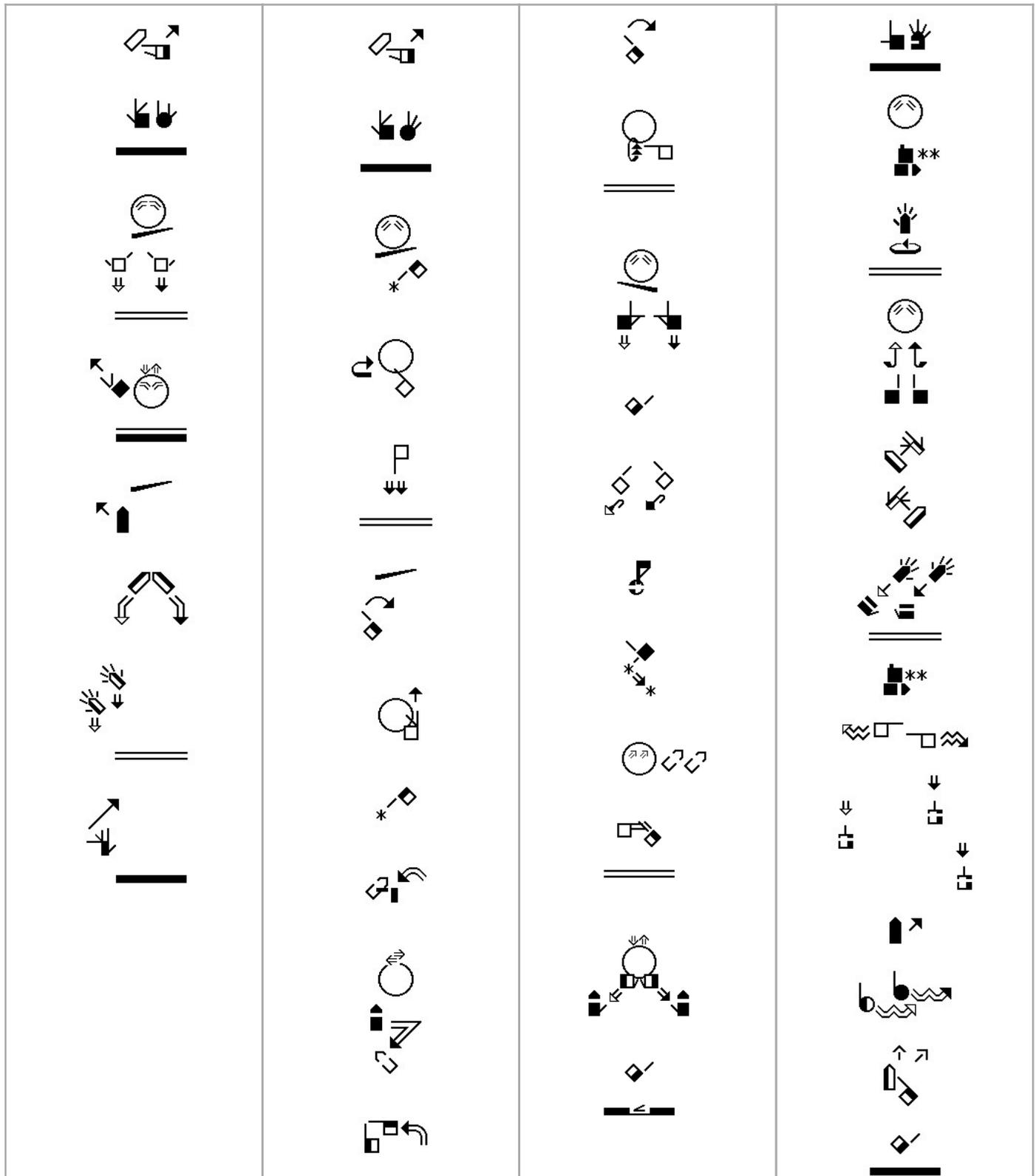


430 you will flog others with whips in your synagogues, chasing them from city to city. 35 As a result, you will be held responsible for the murder of all godly people of all time -- from the murder of righteous Abel to the murder of Zechariah son of Barachiah, whom you killed in the Temple between the sanctuary and the altar. NLT

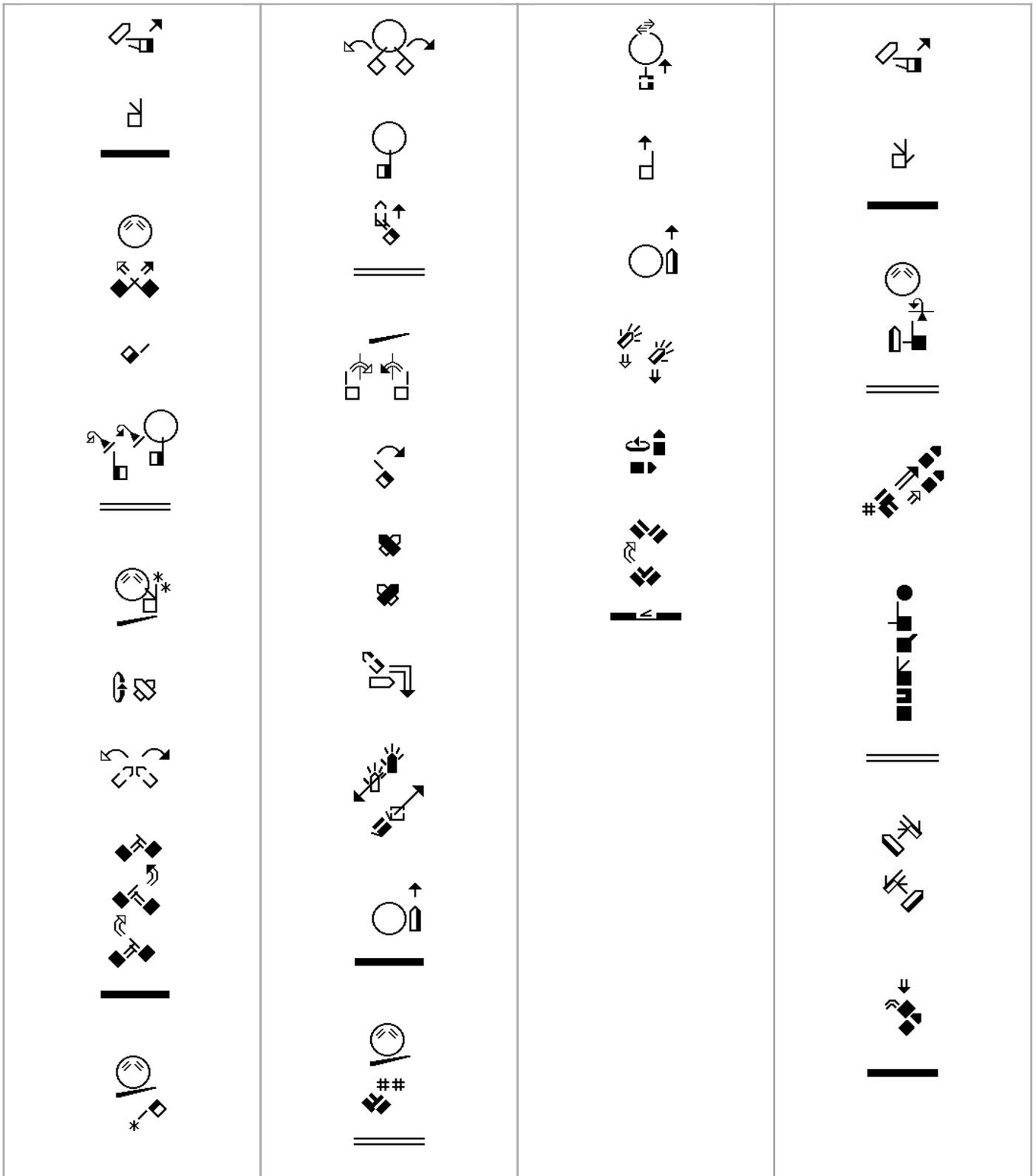


36 I tell you the truth, this judgment will fall on this very generation. 37 "O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones God's messengers! How often I have wanted to gather your children together as a hen protects her chicks beneath her wings, but you wouldn't let me.

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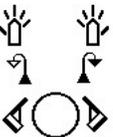
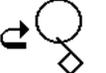
38 And now, look, your house is abandoned and desolate. 39 For I tell you this, you will never see me again until you say, 'Blessings on the one who comes in the name of the LORD!'" 24 As Jesus was leaving the Temple grounds, his disciples pointed out to him the various Temple buildings.



2 But he responded, "Do you see all these buildings? I tell you the truth, they will be completely demolished. Not one stone will be left on top of another!" 3 Later, Jesus sat on the Mount of Olives.

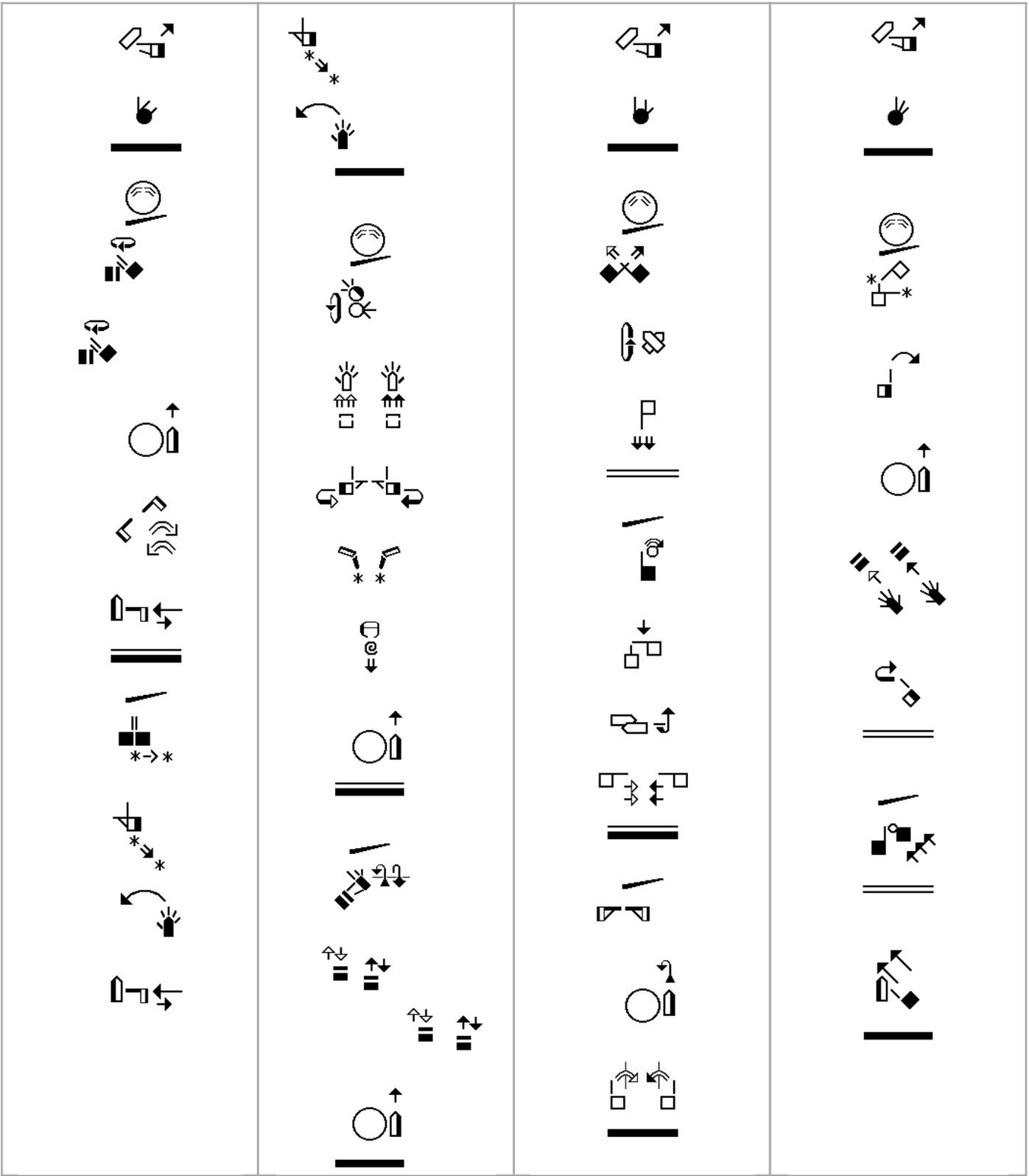
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Matthew 24:3-4

             	          	      	               
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434 His disciples came to him privately and said, "Tell us, when will all this happen? What sign will signal your return and the end of the world?" 4 Jesus told them, "Don't let anyone mislead you, NLT

Matthew 24:7-9



436 7 Nation will go to war against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be famines and earthquakes in many parts of the world. 8 But all this is only the first of the birth pains, with more to come. 9 "Then you will be arrested, persecuted, and killed. NLT

<p>Sign language sequence for Matthew 24:9-11, Column 1. It includes signs for 'you', 'be', 'hated', 'all', 'over', 'the', 'world', 'because', 'you', 'are', 'my', 'followers', 'and', 'many', 'will', 'turn', 'away', 'from', 'me', 'and', 'betray', 'and', 'hate', 'each', 'other', 'and', 'many', 'false', 'prophets', 'will', 'appear', 'and', 'will', 'deceive', 'many', 'people'.</p>	<p>Sign language sequence for Matthew 24:9-11, Column 2. It includes signs for 'you', 'be', 'hated', 'all', 'over', 'the', 'world', 'because', 'you', 'are', 'my', 'followers', 'and', 'many', 'will', 'turn', 'away', 'from', 'me', 'and', 'betray', 'and', 'hate', 'each', 'other', 'and', 'many', 'false', 'prophets', 'will', 'appear', 'and', 'will', 'deceive', 'many', 'people'.</p>	<p>Sign language sequence for Matthew 24:9-11, Column 3. It includes signs for 'you', 'be', 'hated', 'all', 'over', 'the', 'world', 'because', 'you', 'are', 'my', 'followers', 'and', 'many', 'will', 'turn', 'away', 'from', 'me', 'and', 'betray', 'and', 'hate', 'each', 'other', 'and', 'many', 'false', 'prophets', 'will', 'appear', 'and', 'will', 'deceive', 'many', 'people'.</p>	<p>Sign language sequence for Matthew 24:9-11, Column 4. It includes signs for 'you', 'be', 'hated', 'all', 'over', 'the', 'world', 'because', 'you', 'are', 'my', 'followers', 'and', 'many', 'will', 'turn', 'away', 'from', 'me', 'and', 'betray', 'and', 'hate', 'each', 'other', 'and', 'many', 'false', 'prophets', 'will', 'appear', 'and', 'will', 'deceive', 'many', 'people'.</p>
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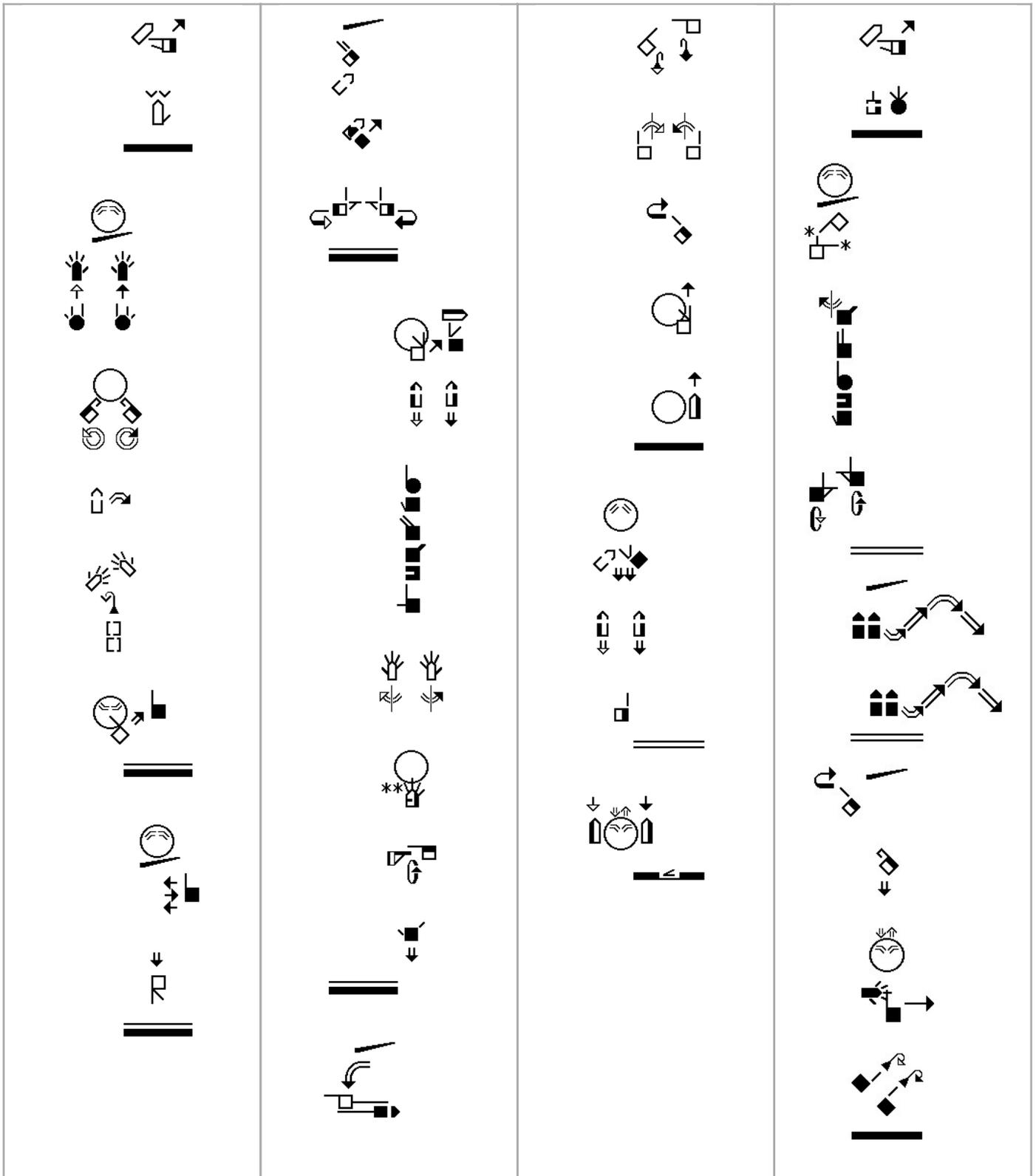
You will be hated all over the world because you are my followers. 10 And many will turn away from me and betray and hate each other. 11 And many false prophets will appear and will deceive many people.

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Matthew 24:12-14

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12 Sin will be rampant everywhere and the love of many will grow cold. 13 But the one who endures to the end will be saved. 14 And the Good News about the Kingdom will be preached throughout the whole world, so that all nations will hear it; and then the end will come. NLT



15 "The day is coming when you will see what Daniel the prophet spoke about -- the sacrilegious object that causes desecration standing in the Holy Place." (Reader, pay attention!) 16 "Then those in Judea must flee to the hills. NLT

Matthew 24:17-18

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440 17 A person out on the deck of a roof must not go down into the house to pack. 18 A person out in the field must not return even to get a coat. NLT

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19 How terrible it will be for pregnant women and for nursing mothers in those days. 20 And pray that your flight will not be in winter or on the Sabbath. 21 For there will be greater anguish than

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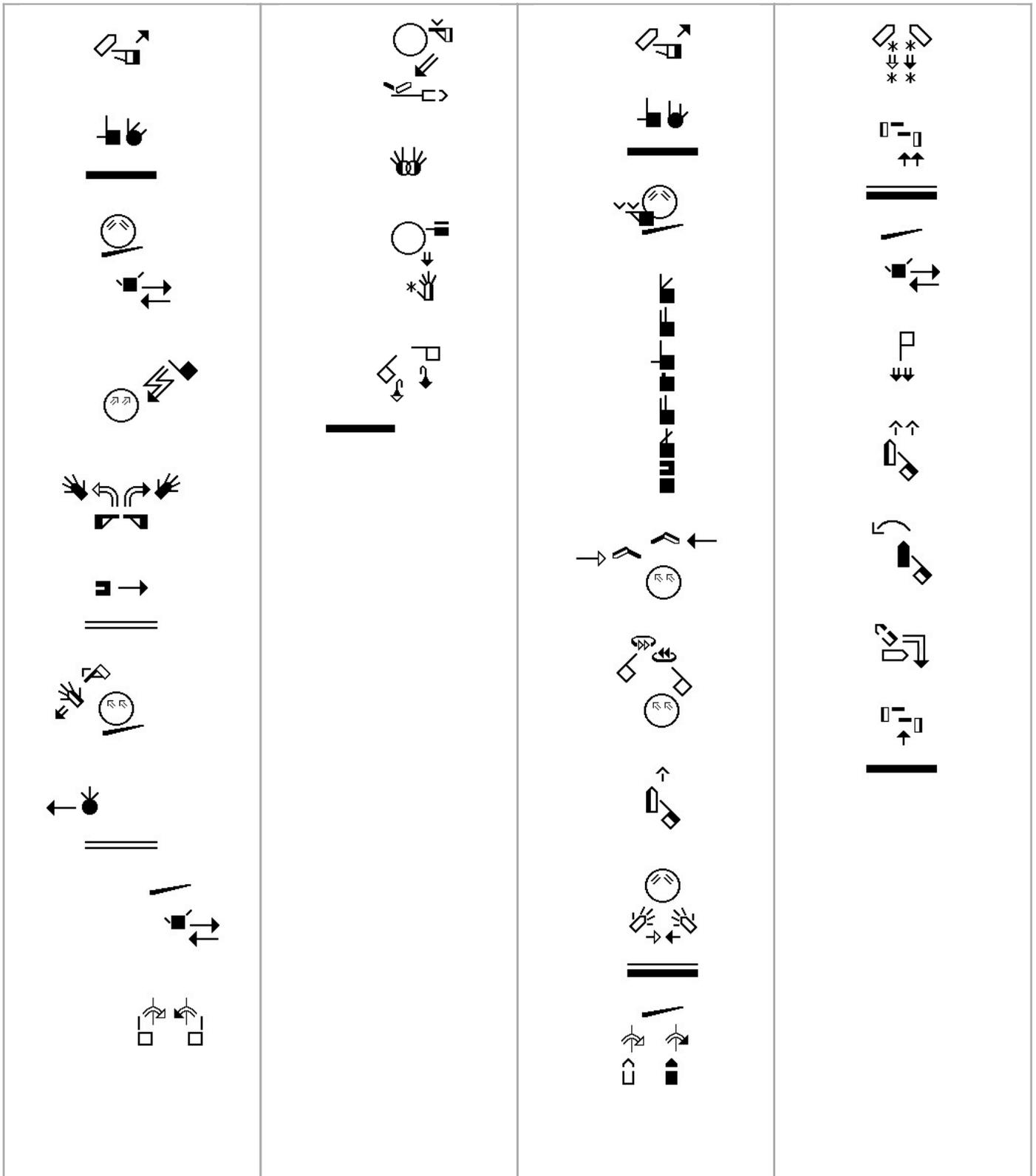
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442 at any time since the world began. And it will never be so great again. 22 In fact, unless that time of calamity is shortened, not a single person will survive. But it will be shortened for the sake of God's chosen ones. NLT

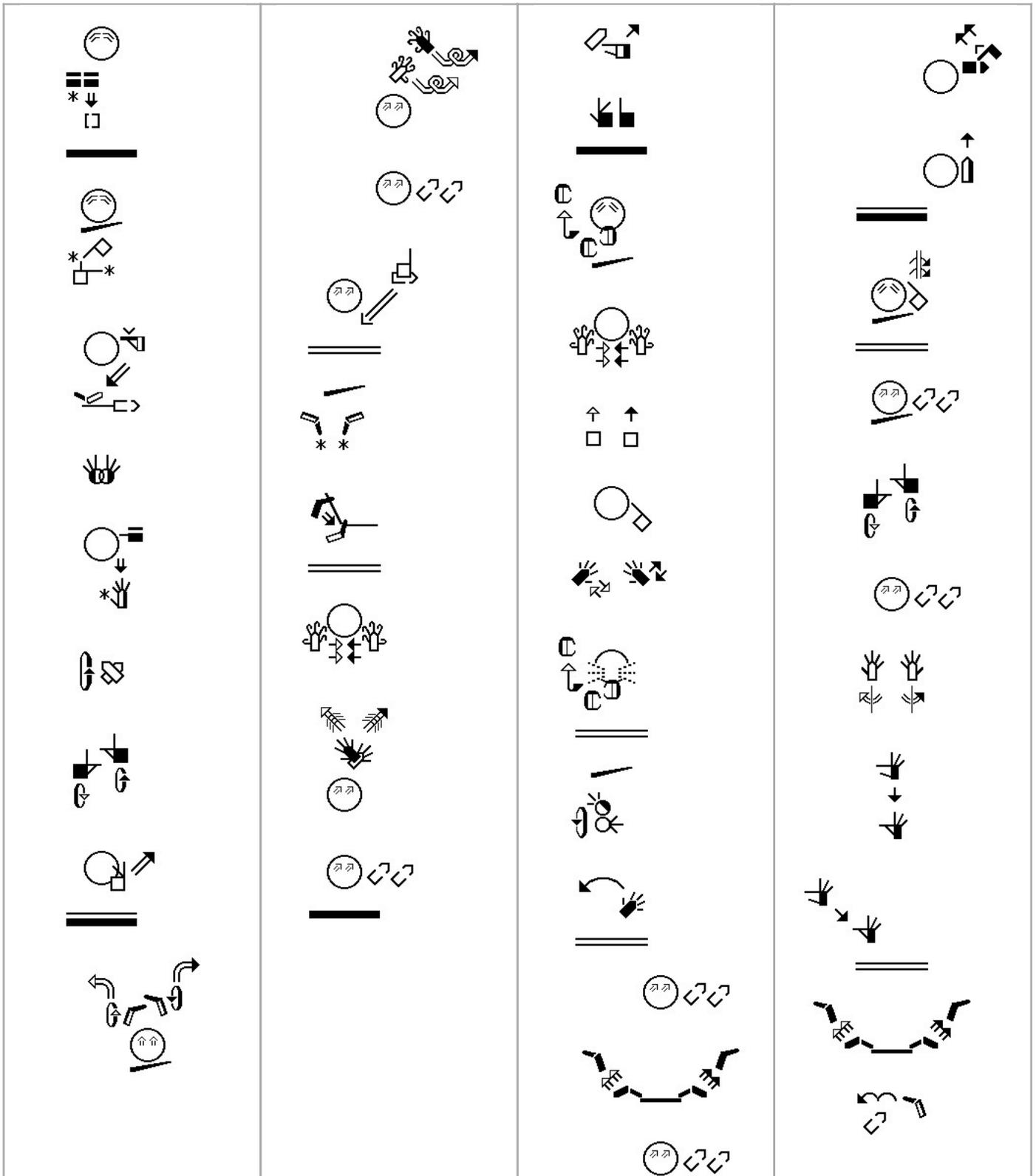
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27 For as the lightning flashes in the east and shines to the west, so it will be when the Son of Man comes. 28 Just as the gathering of vultures shows there is a carcass nearby, so these signs indicate that the end is near.

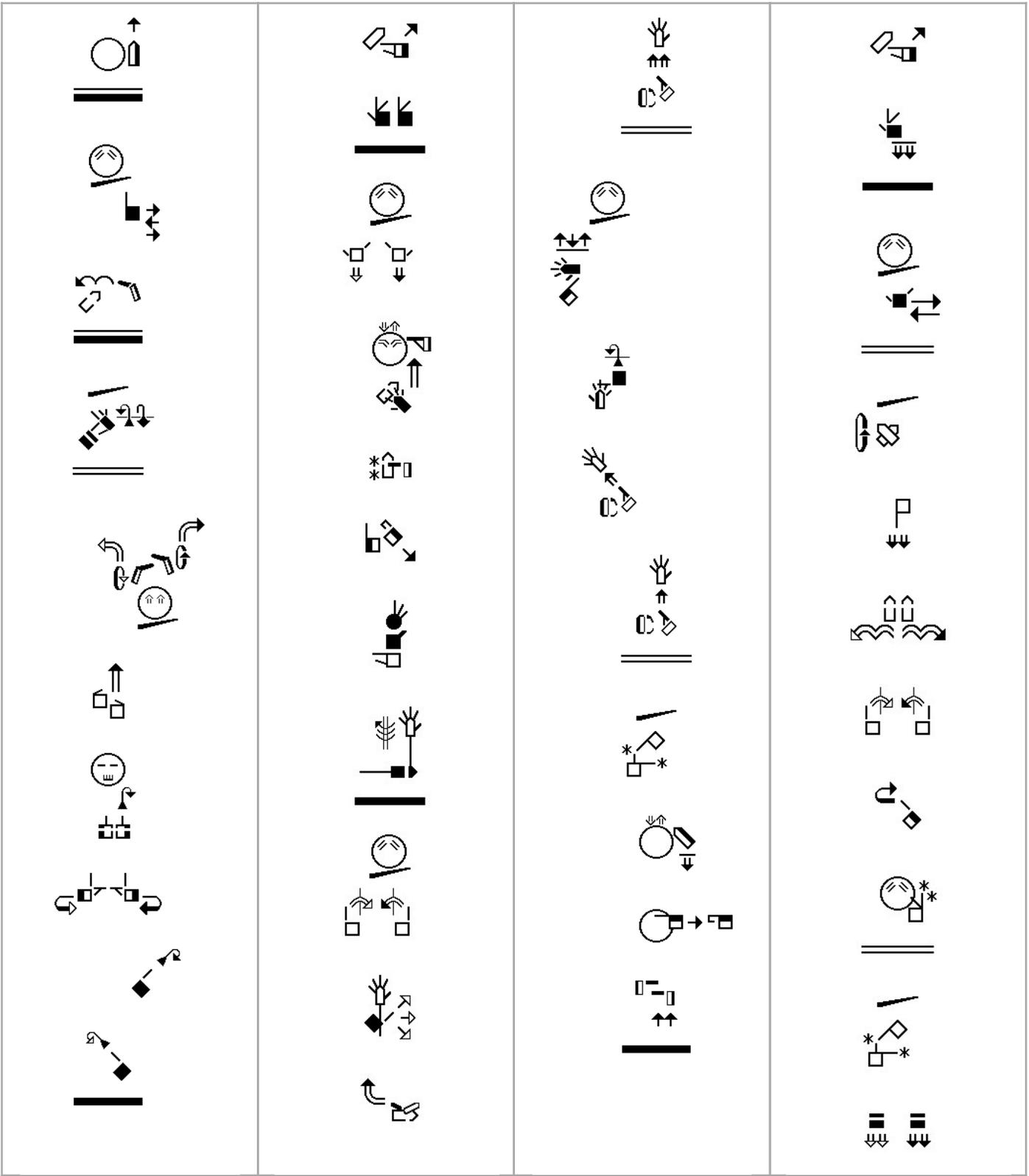
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And they will see the Son of Man coming on the clouds of heaven with power and great glory. 31 And he will send out his angels with the mighty blast of a trumpet, and they will gather his chosen ones from all over the world --

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Matthew 24:31-33



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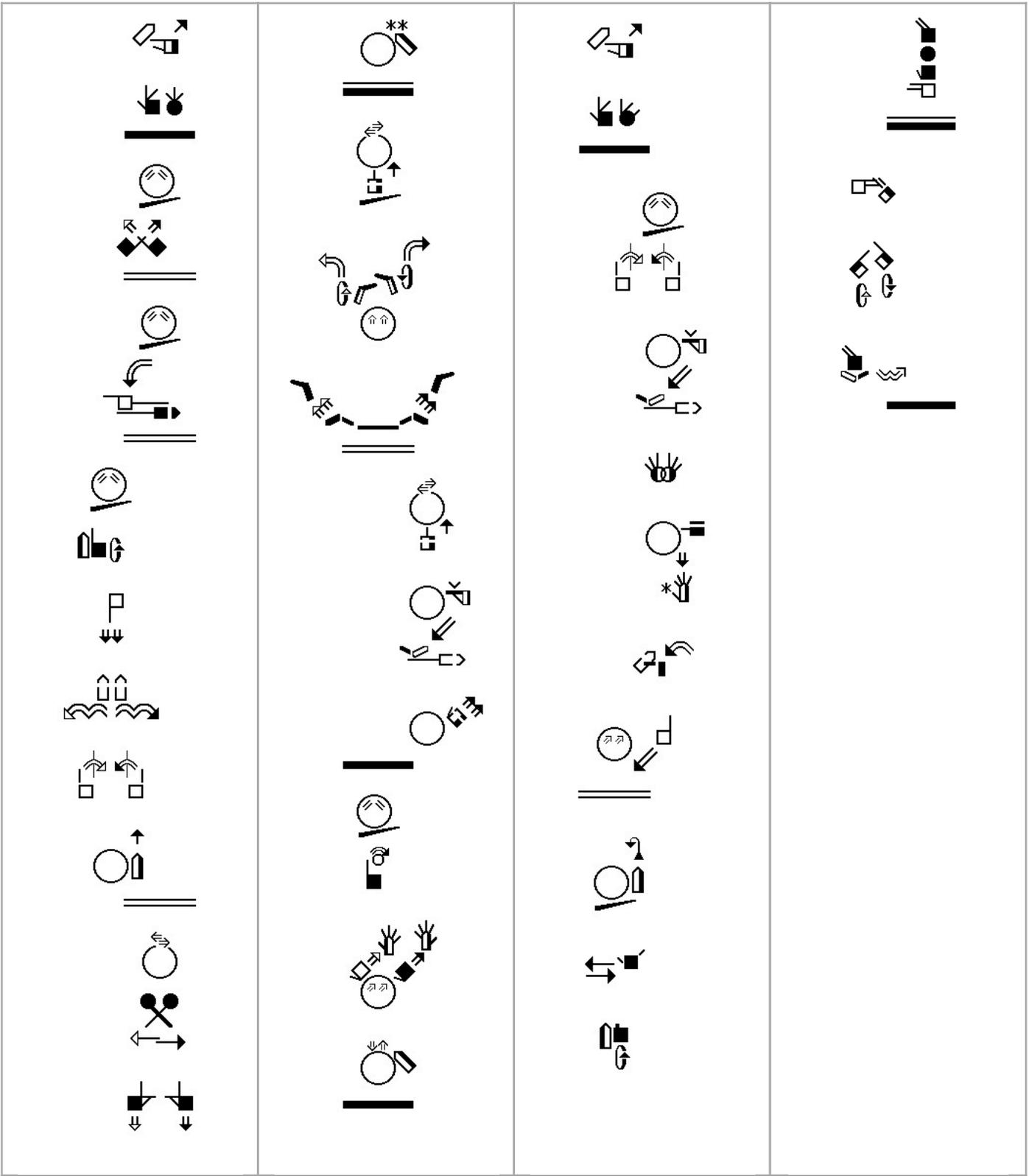
from the farthest ends of the earth and heaven. 32 "Now learn a lesson from the fig tree. When its branches bud and its leaves begin to sprout, you know that summer is near. 33 In the same way, when you see all these things, you can NLT

<p>Sign language for Matthew 24:33-35, Column 1. It includes signs for 'know', 'return', 'near', 'right at the door', 'I tell you the truth', 'this generation will not pass from the scene until all these things take place', and 'Heaven and earth will disappear, but my words will never disappear'.</p>	<p>Sign language for Matthew 24:33-35, Column 2. It includes signs for 'know', 'return', 'near', 'right at the door', 'I tell you the truth', 'this generation will not pass from the scene until all these things take place', and 'Heaven and earth will disappear, but my words will never disappear'.</p>	<p>Sign language for Matthew 24:33-35, Column 3. It includes signs for 'know', 'return', 'near', 'right at the door', 'I tell you the truth', 'this generation will not pass from the scene until all these things take place', and 'Heaven and earth will disappear, but my words will never disappear'.</p>	<p>Sign language for Matthew 24:33-35, Column 4. It includes signs for 'know', 'return', 'near', 'right at the door', 'I tell you the truth', 'this generation will not pass from the scene until all these things take place', and 'Heaven and earth will disappear, but my words will never disappear'.</p>
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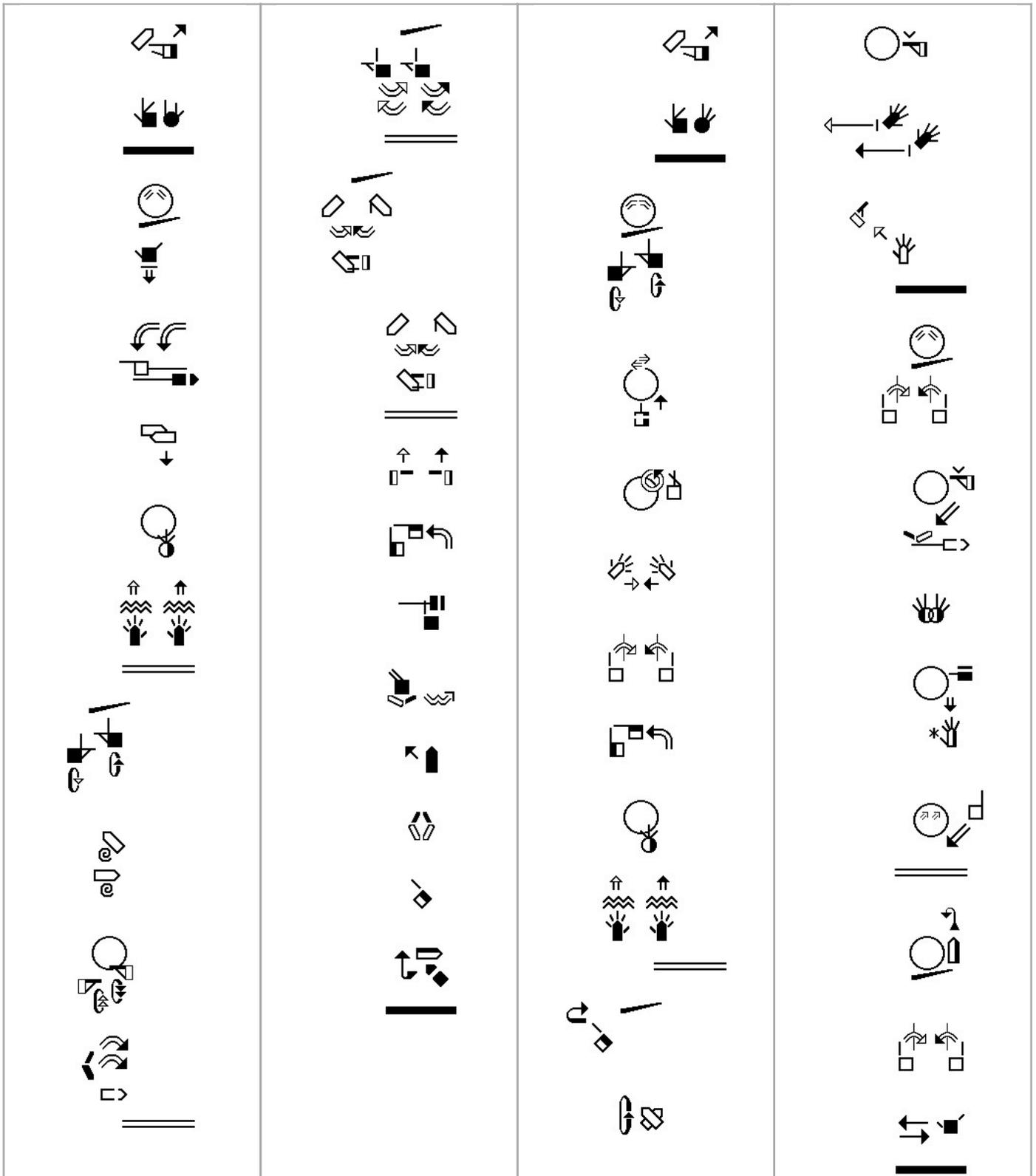
know his return is very near, right at the door. 34 I tell you the truth, this generation will not pass from the scene until all these things take place. 35 Heaven and earth will disappear, but my words will never disappear.

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Matthew 24:36-37

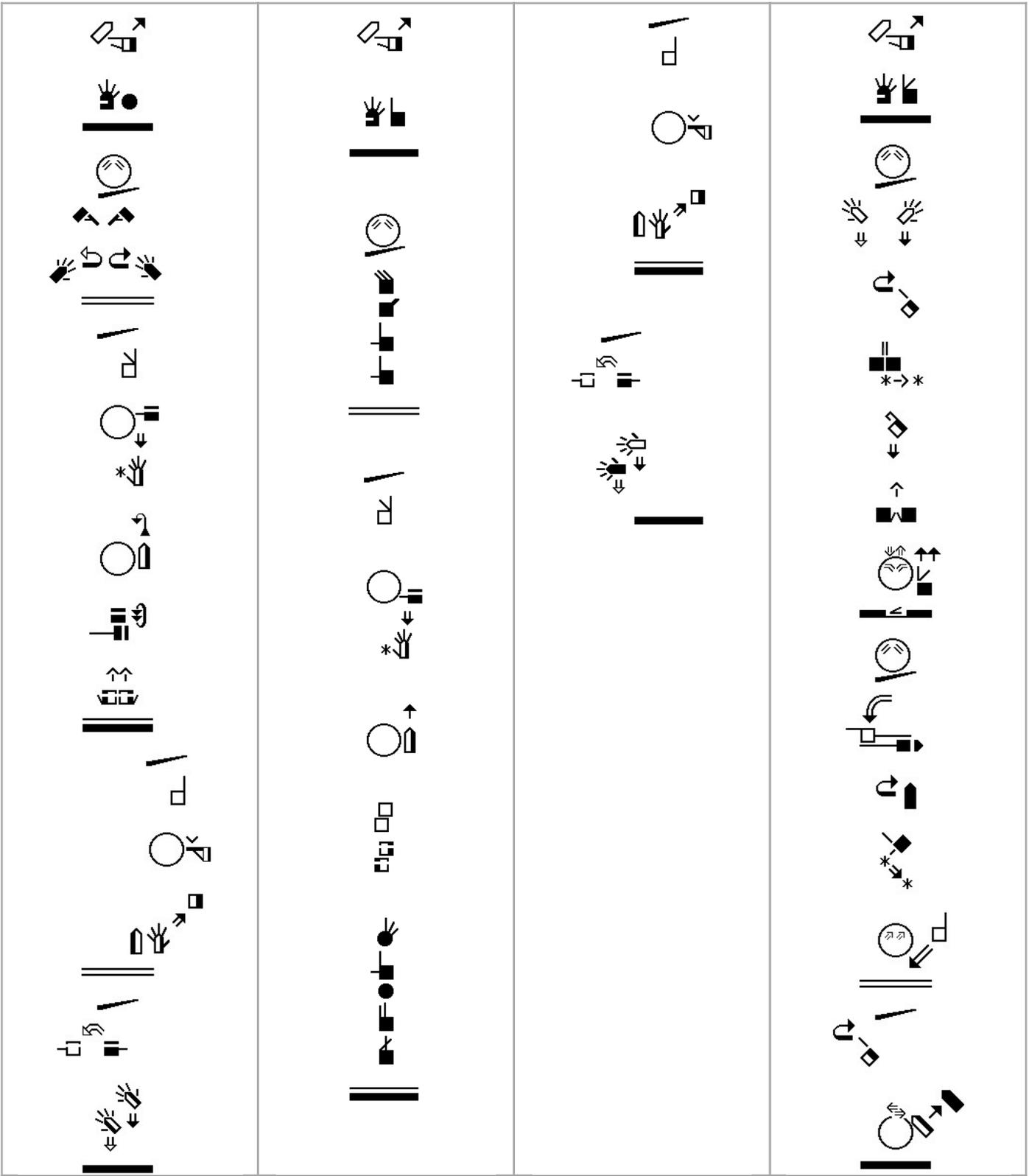


36 "However, no one knows the day or hour when these things will happen, not even the angels in heaven or the Son himself. Only the Father knows." 37 "When the Son of Man returns, it will be like it was in Noah's day. NLT

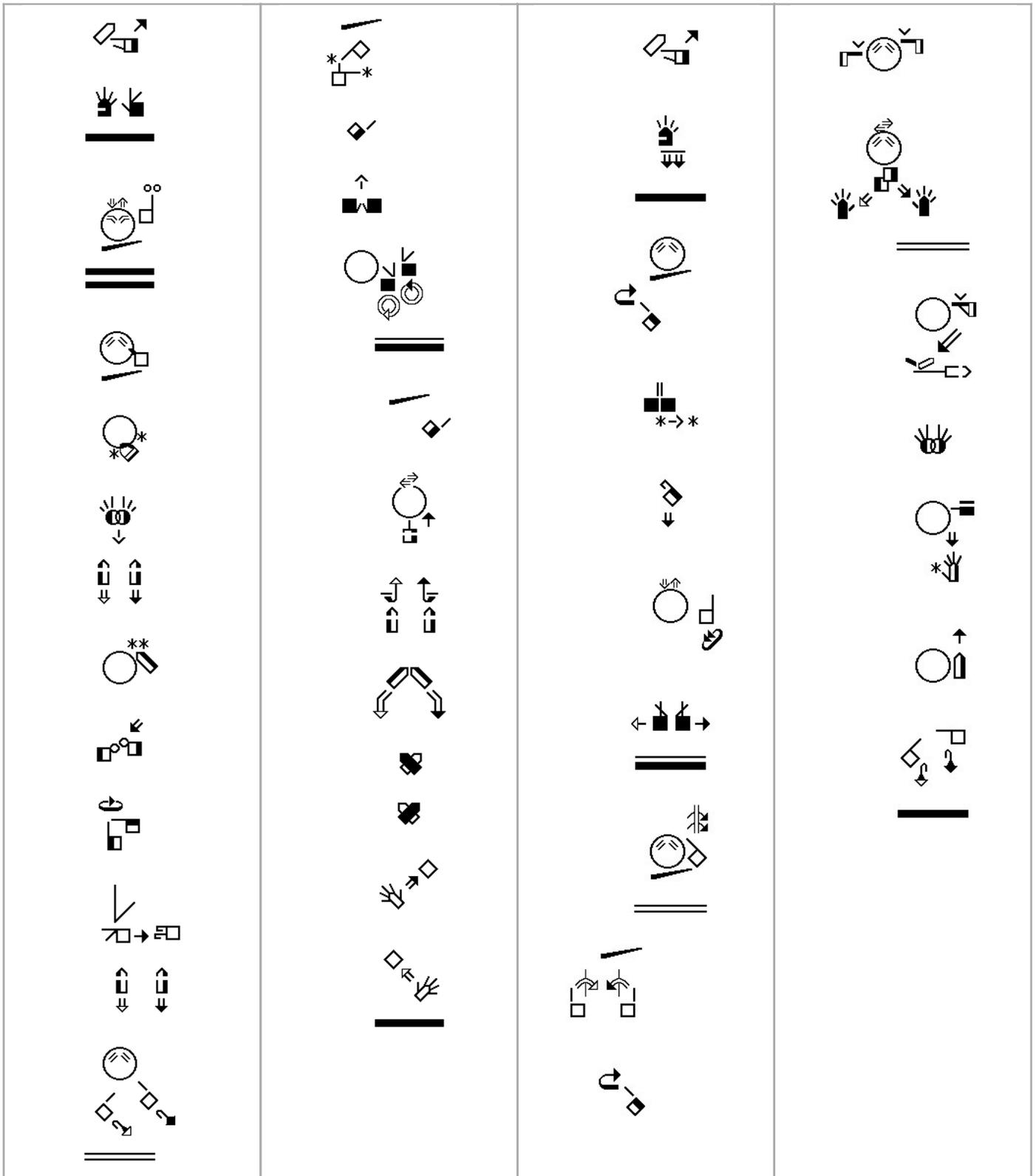


38 In those days before the flood, the people were enjoying banquets and parties and weddings right up to the time Noah entered his boat. 39 People didn't realize what was going to happen until the flood came and swept them all away. That is the way it will be when the Son of Man comes.
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Matthew 24:40-42



452 40 "Two men will be working together in the field; one will be taken, the other left. 41 Two women will be grinding flour at the mill; one will be taken, the other left. 42 "So you, too, must keep watch!For you don't know what day your Lord is coming. NLT

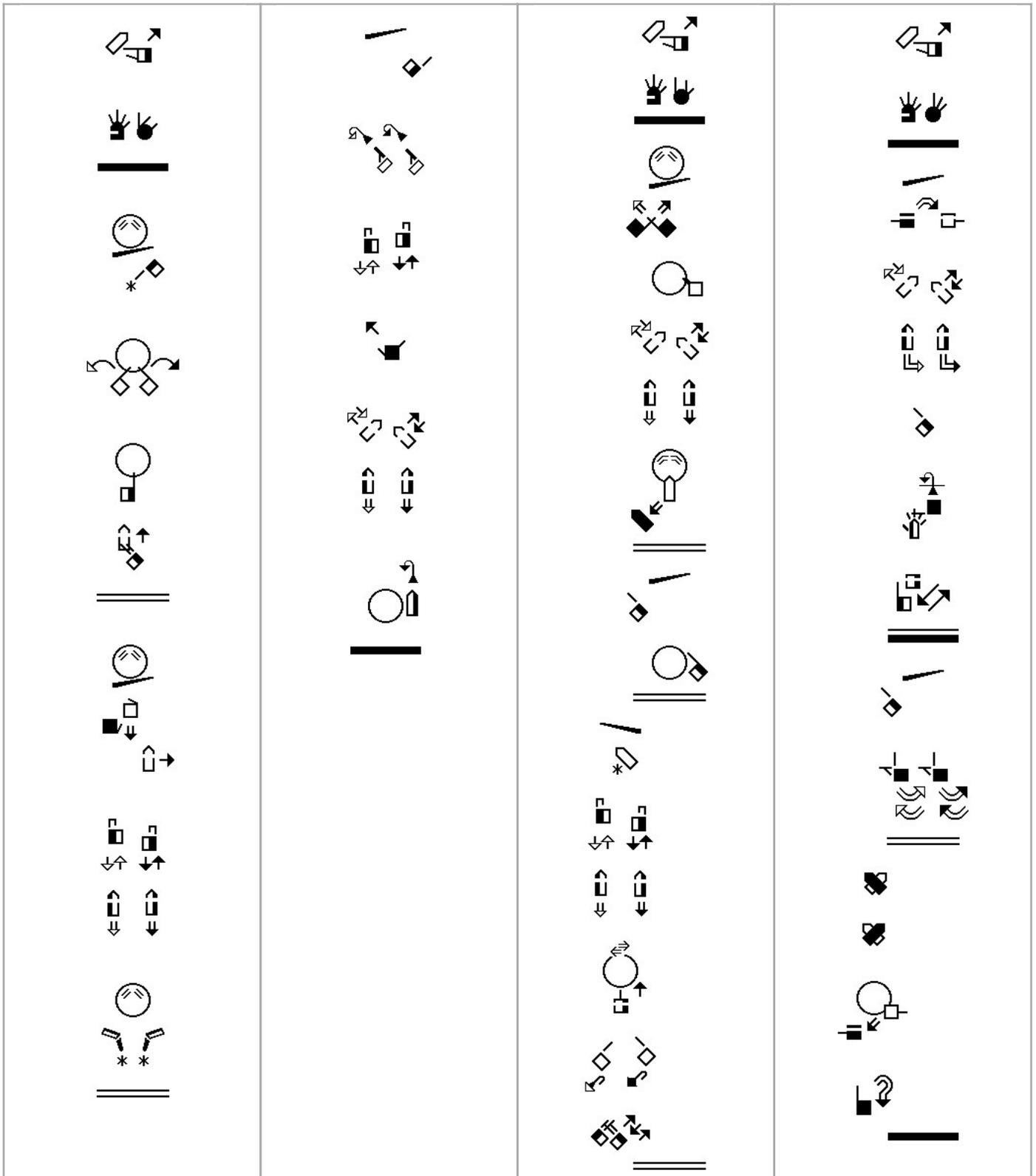


43 Understand this: If a homeowner knew exactly when a burglar was coming, he would keep watch and not permit his house to be broken into. 44 You also must be ready all the time, for the Son of Man will come when least expected. NLT

Matthew 24:45-46

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454 45 "A faithful, sensible servant is one to whom the master can give the responsibility of managing his other household servants and feeding them. 46 If the master returns and finds that the servant has done a good job, there will be a reward. NLT



47 I tell you the truth, the master will put that servant in charge of all he owns. 48 But what if the servant is evil and thinks, 'My master won't be back for a while,' 49 and he begins beating the other servants, partying, and getting drunk?

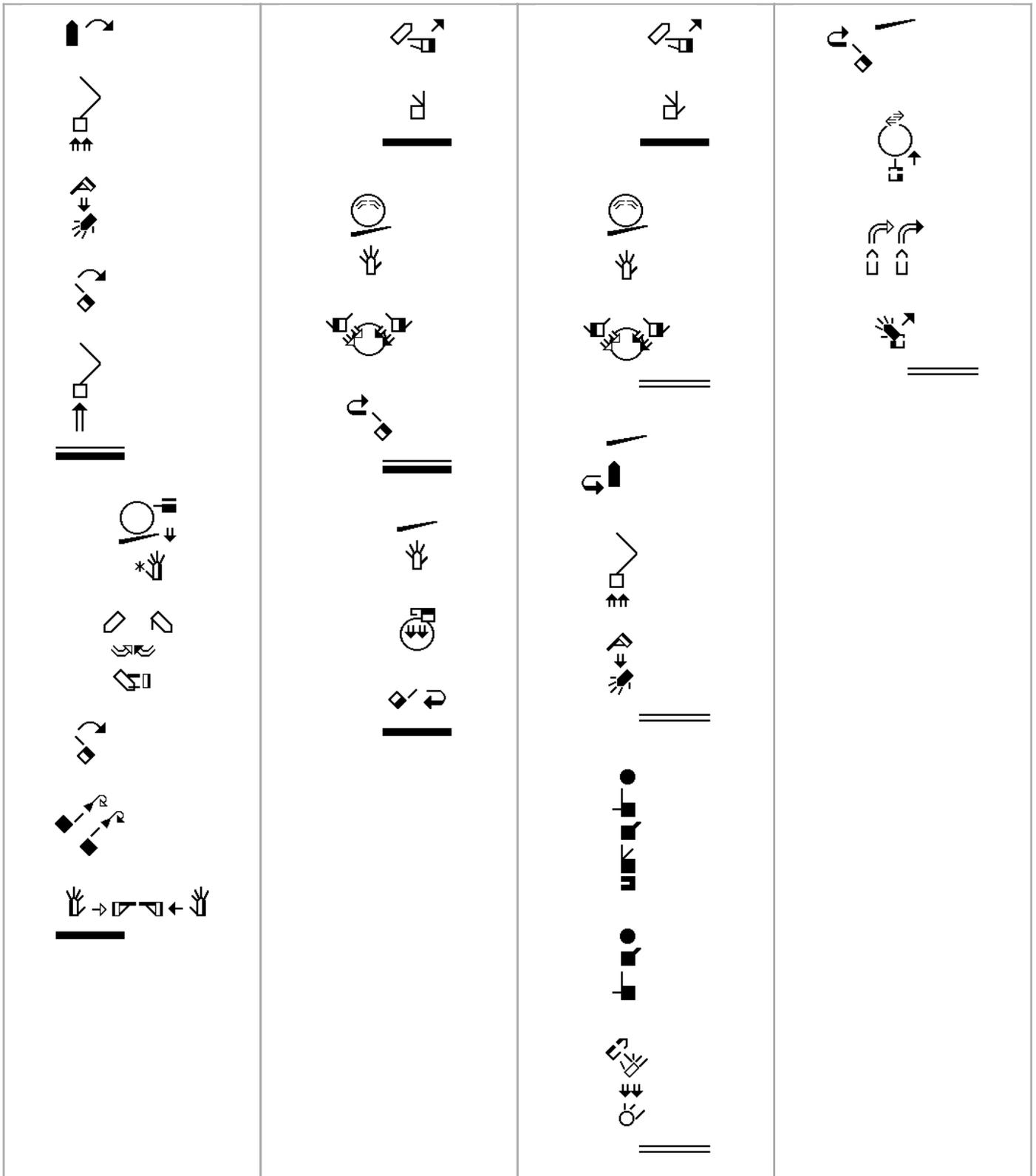
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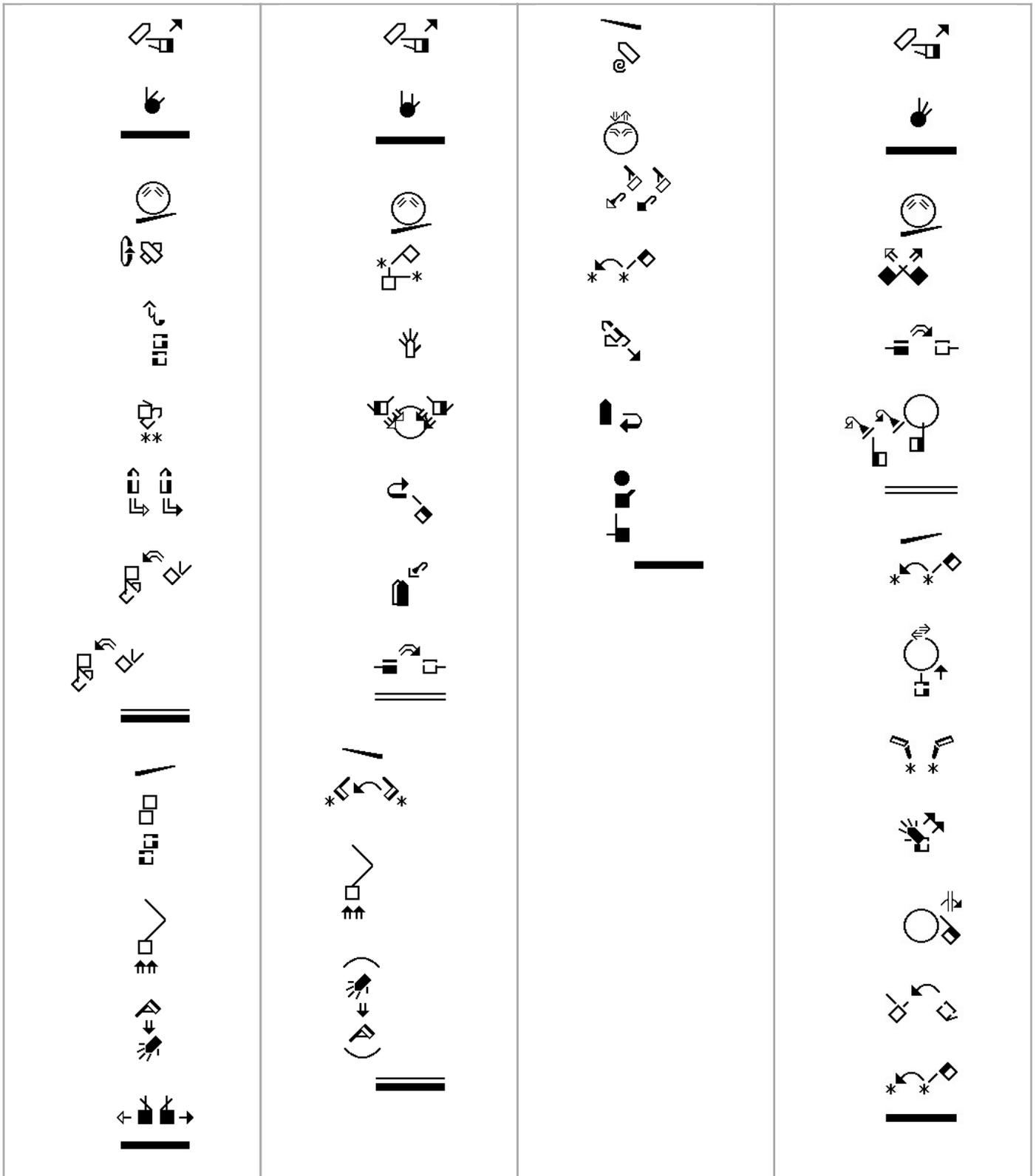
50 The master will return unannounced and unexpected, 51 and he will cut the servant to pieces and assign him a place with the hypocrites. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. 25. "The Kingdom of Heaven will be like ten bridesmaids NLT



who took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. 2 Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. 3 The five who were foolish didn't take enough olive oil for their lamps, NLT

Matthew 25:4-6

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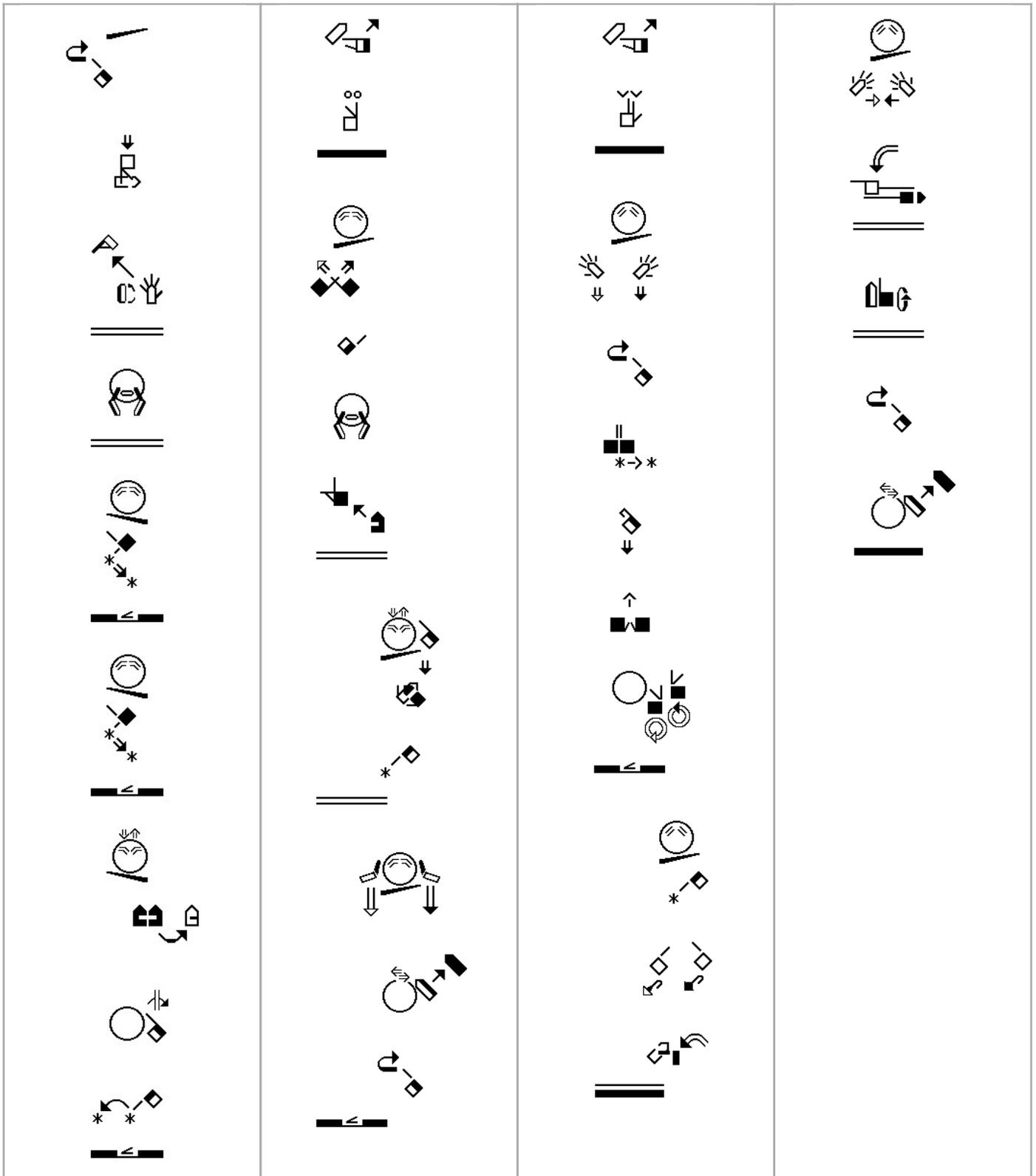
7 "All the bridesmaids got up and prepared their lamps. 8 Then the five foolish ones asked the others, 'Please give us some of your oil because our lamps are going out.' 9 "But the others replied, 'We don't have enough for all of us.'

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Matthew 25:9-11

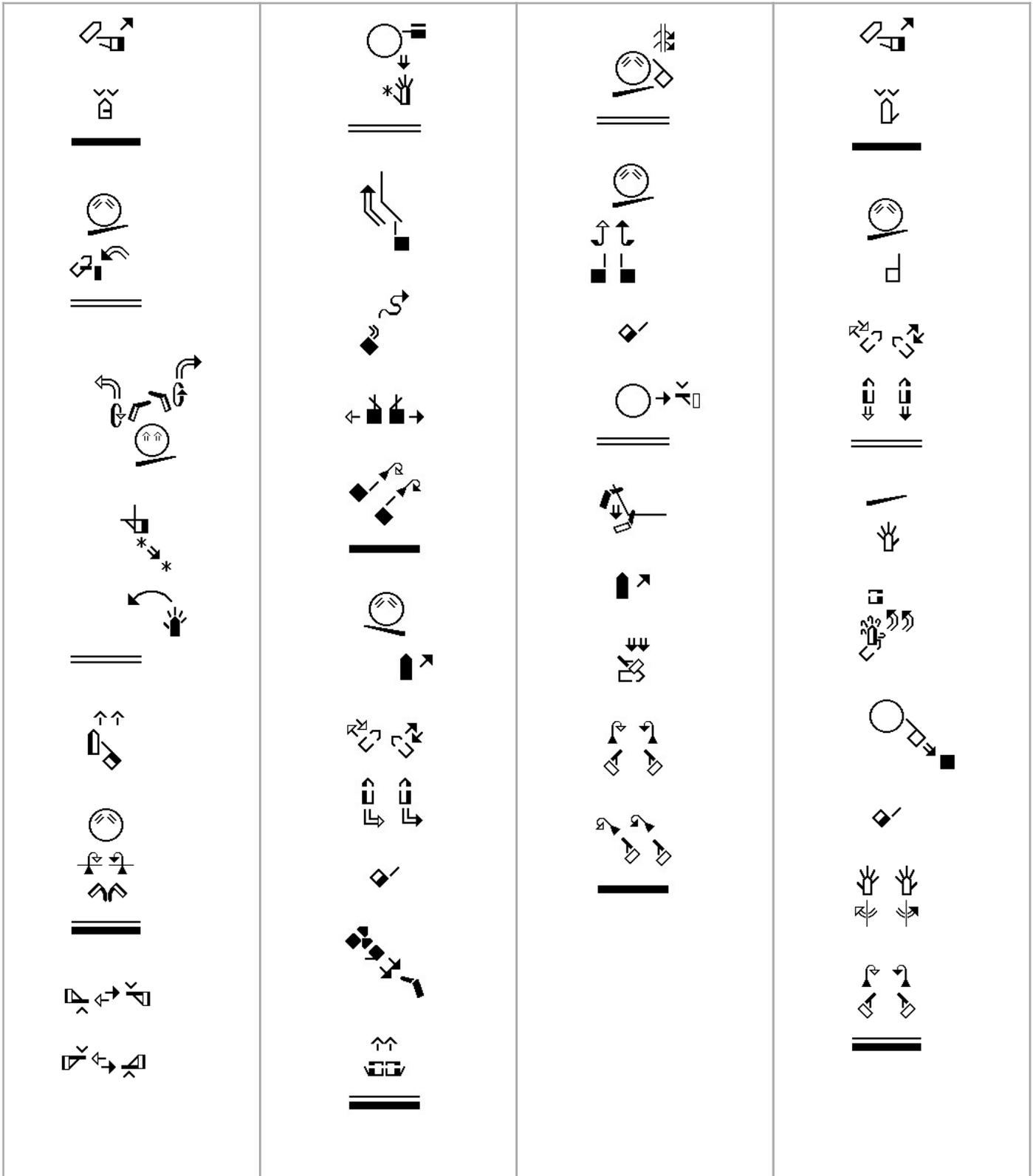
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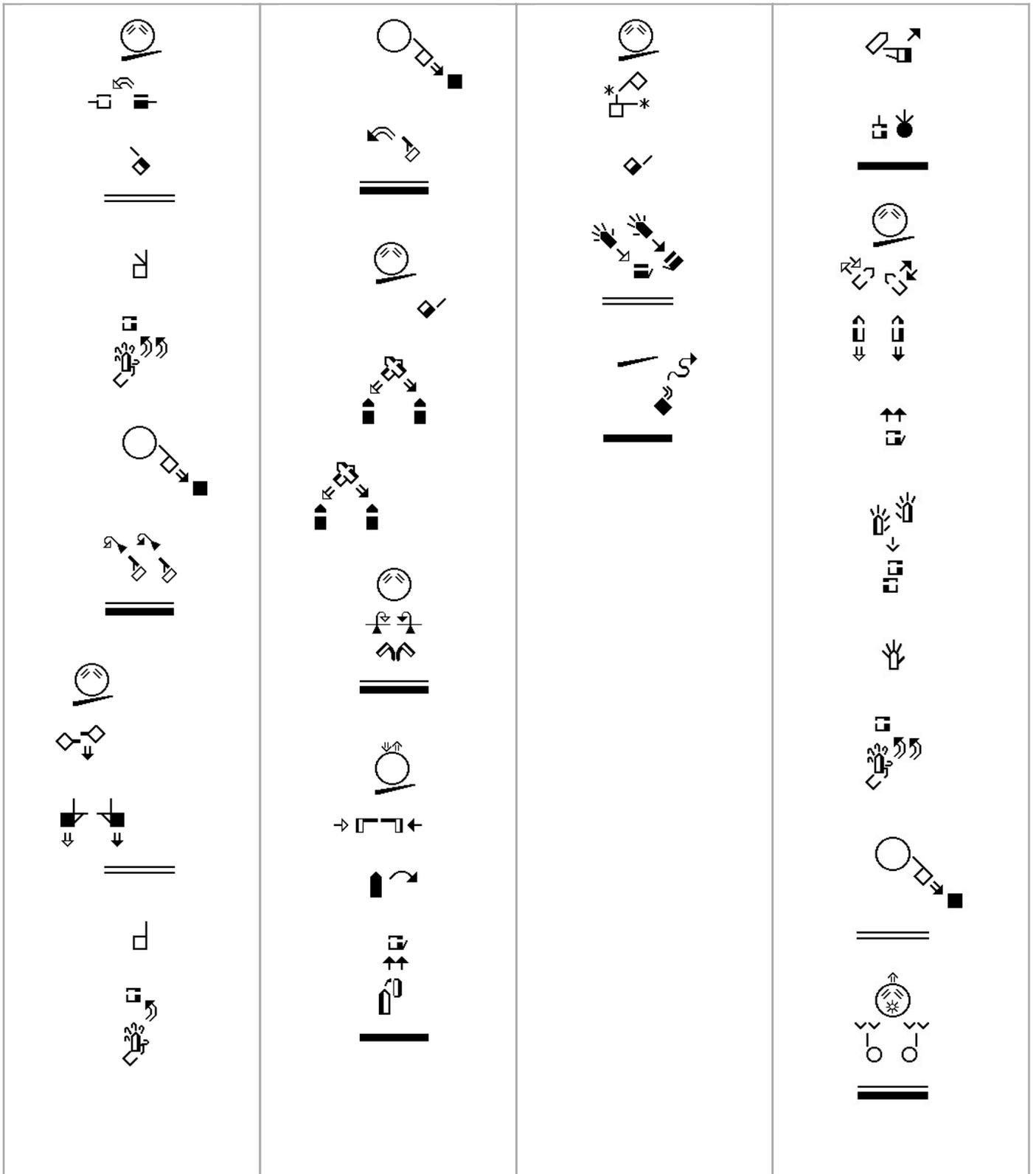
Go to a shop and buy some for yourselves.' 10 "But while they were gone to buy oil, the bridegroom came. Then those who were ready went in with him to the marriage feast, and the door was locked. 11 Later, when the other five bridesmaids returned,



they stood outside, calling, 'Lord! Lord! Open the door for us!' 12 "But he called back, 'Believe me, I don't know you!' 13 "So you, too, must keep watch! For you do not know the day or hour of my return.

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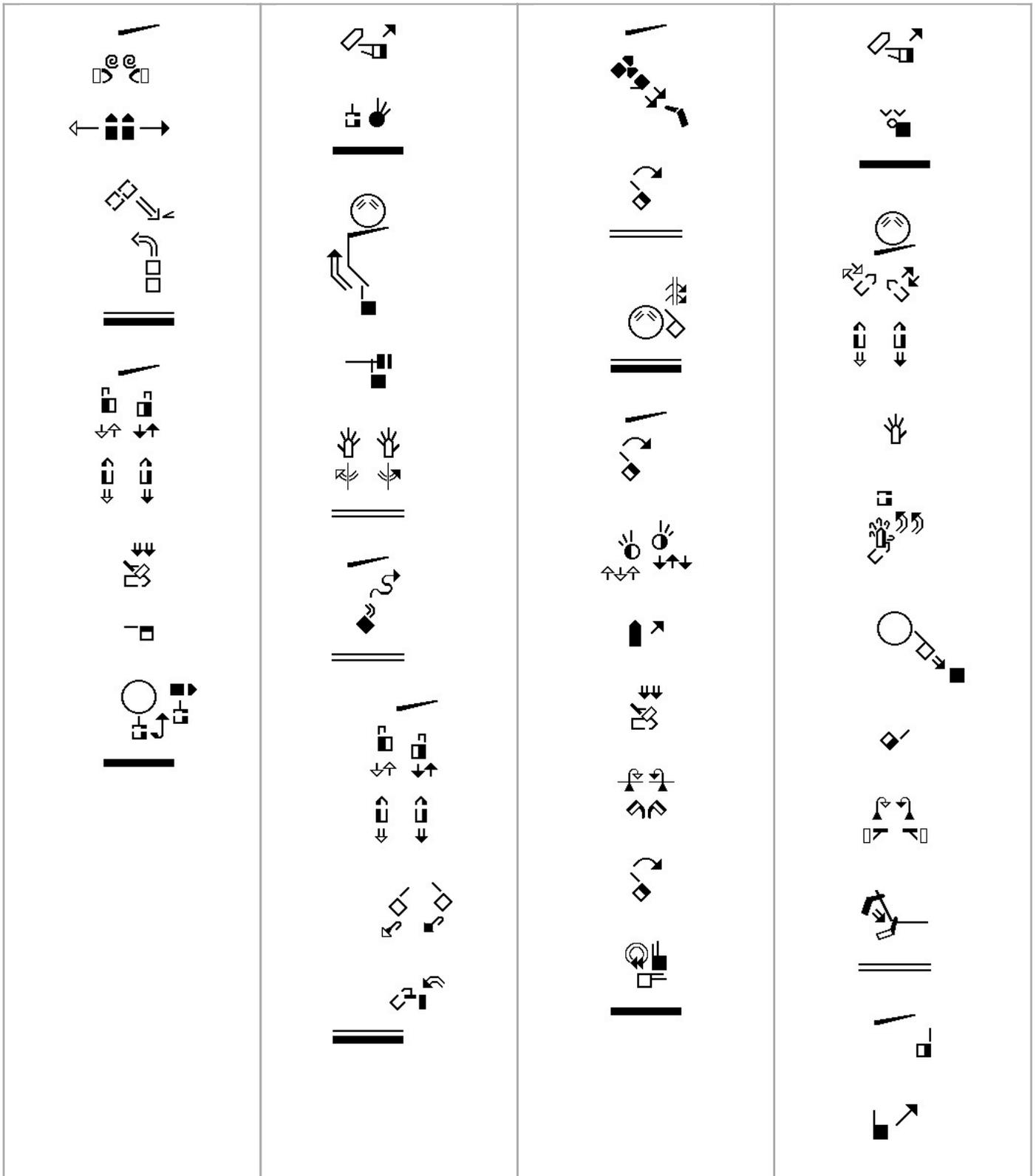


two bags of silver to another, and one bag of silver to the last -- dividing it in proportion to their abilities. He then left on his trip. 16 "The servant who received the five bags of silver NLT

Matthew 25:16-18

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464 began to invest the money and earned five more. 17 The servant with two bags of silver also went to work and earned two more. 18 But the servant who received the one bag of silver NLT



dug a hole in the ground and hid the master's money. 19 "After a long time their master returned from his trip and called them to give an account of how they had used his money. 20 The servant to whom he had entrusted the five bags of silver came forward NLT

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I will give you many more responsibilities. Let's celebrate together!' 22 "The servant who had received the two bags of silver came forward and said, 'Master, you gave me two bags of silver to invest, and I have earned two more.'

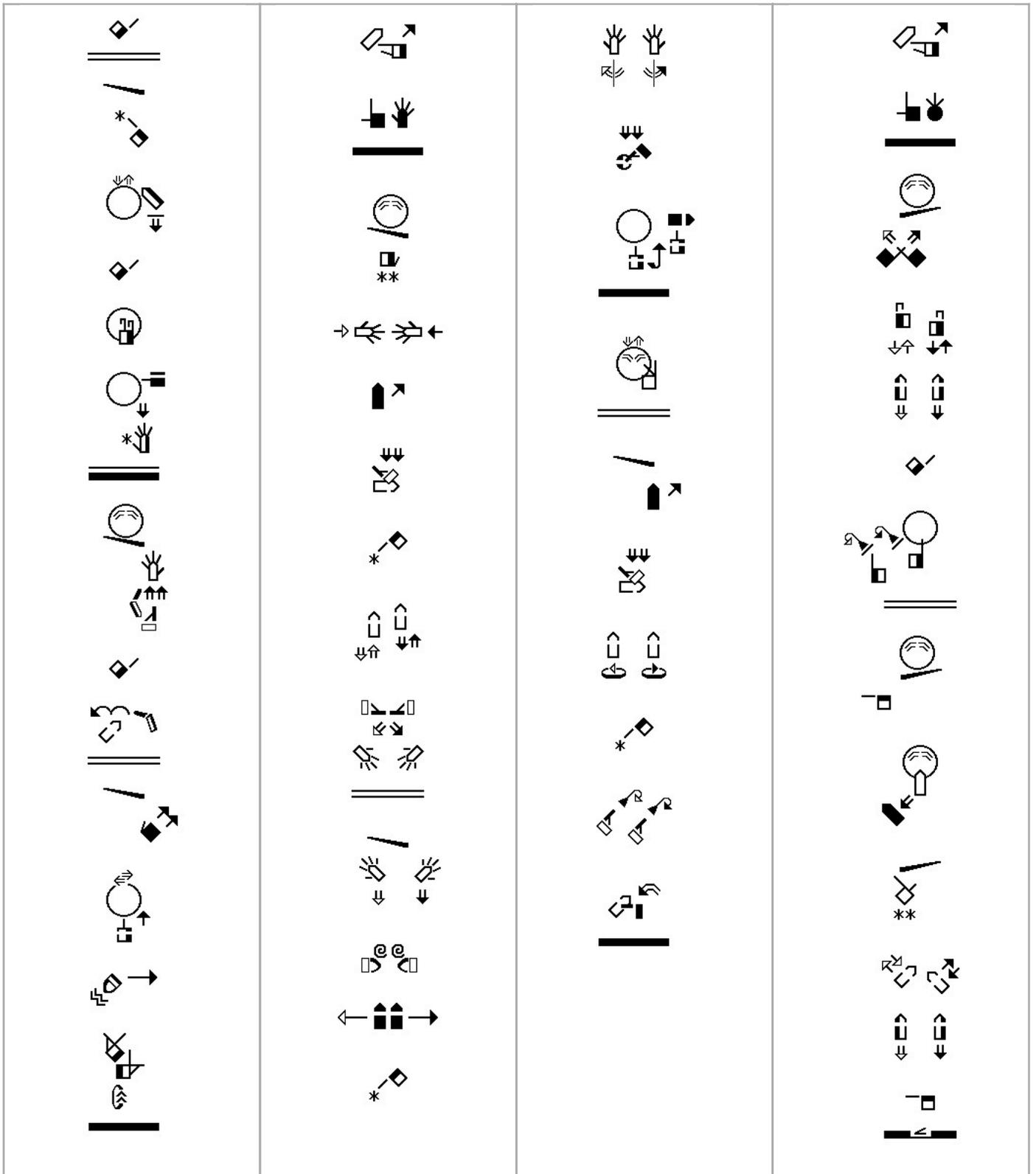
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Matthew 25:23-24

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468 23 "The master said, 'Well done, my good and faithful servant. You have been faithful in handling this small amount, so now I will give you many more responsibilities. Let's celebrate together!' 24 "Then the servant with the one bag of silver came and said, 'Master,

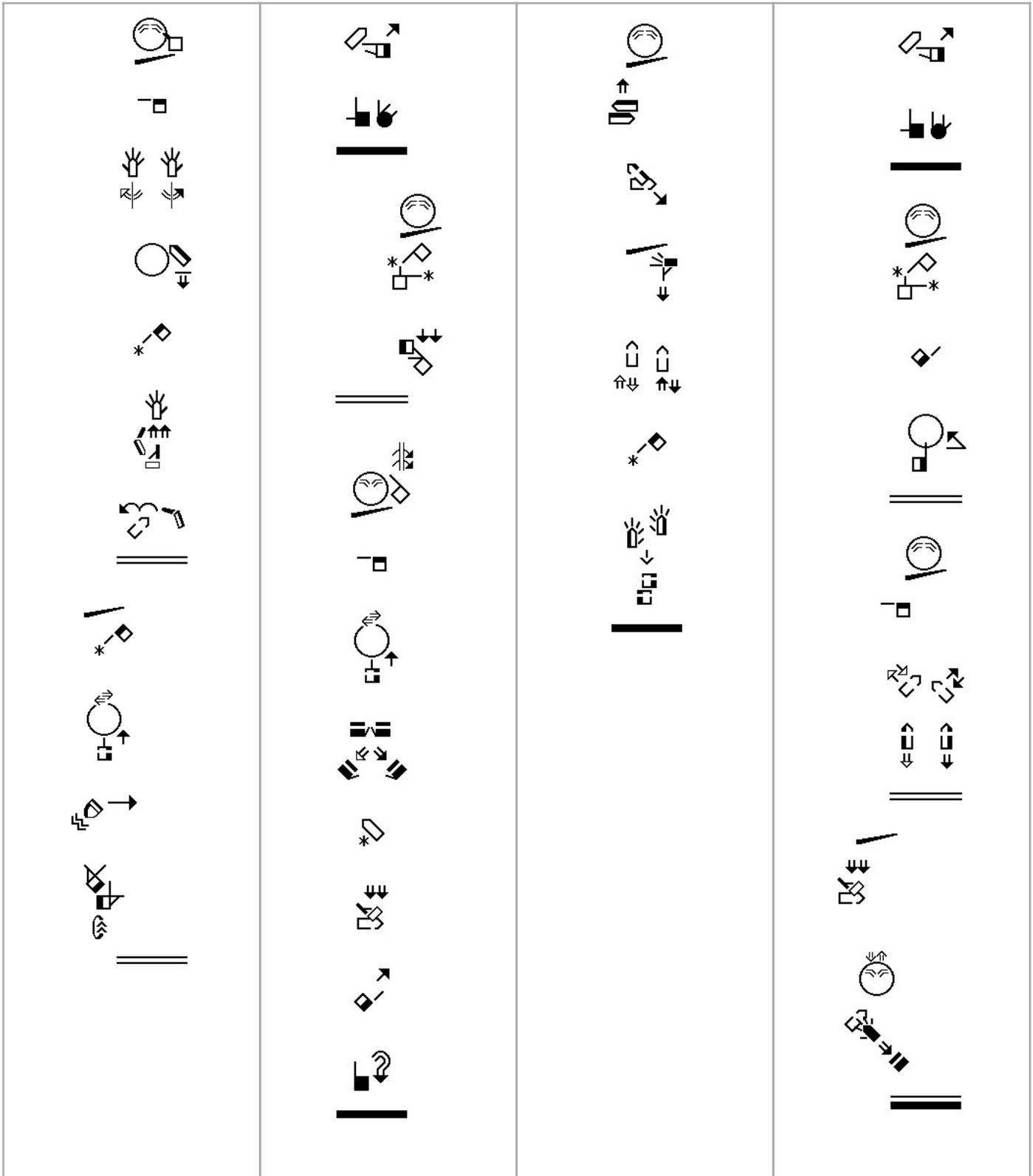
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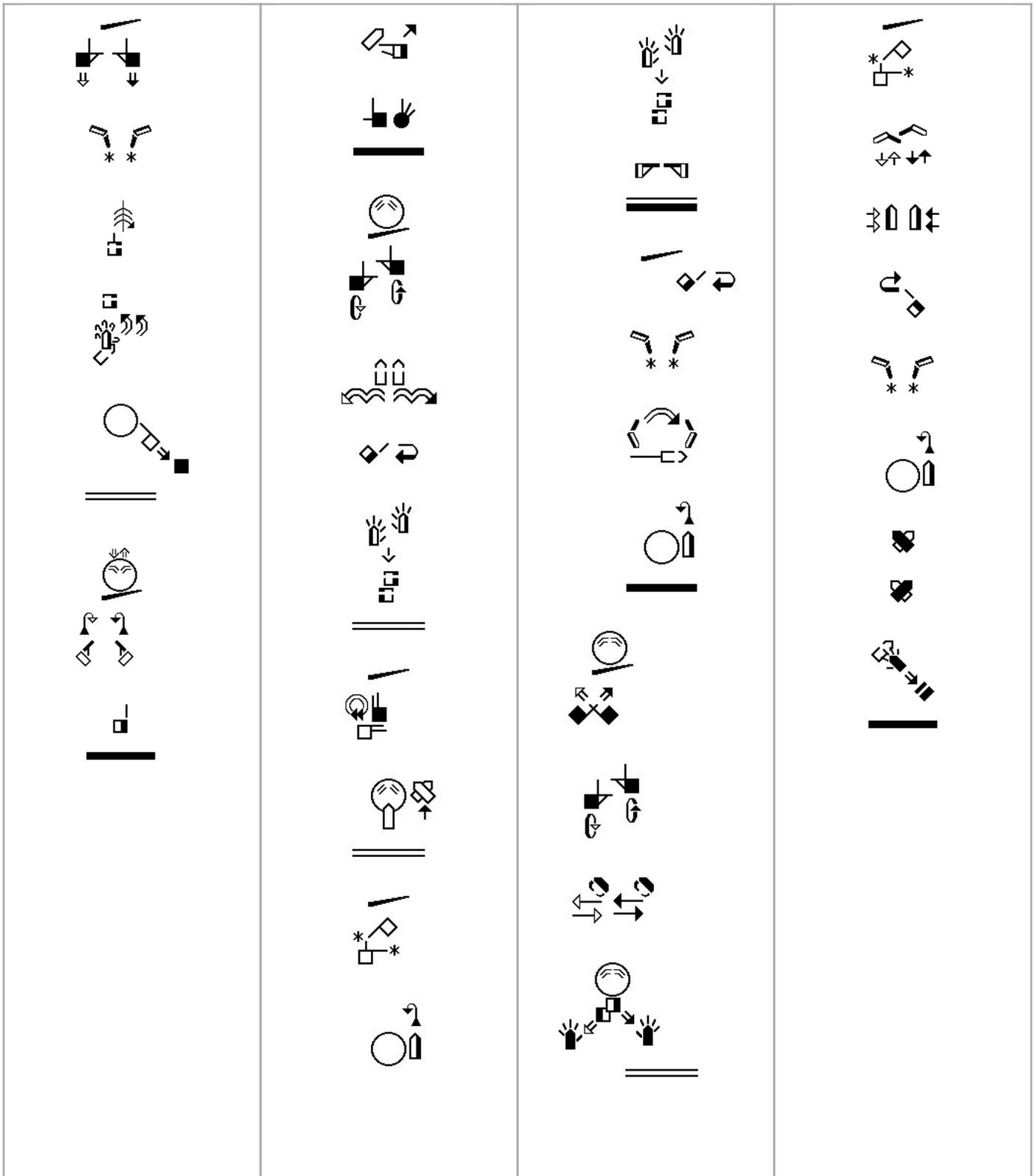
I knew you were a harsh man, harvesting crops you didn't plant and gathering crops you didn't cultivate. 25 I was afraid I would lose your money, so I hid it in the earth. Look, here is your money back.' 26 "But the master replied, 'You wicked and lazy servant!

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Matthew 25:26-28

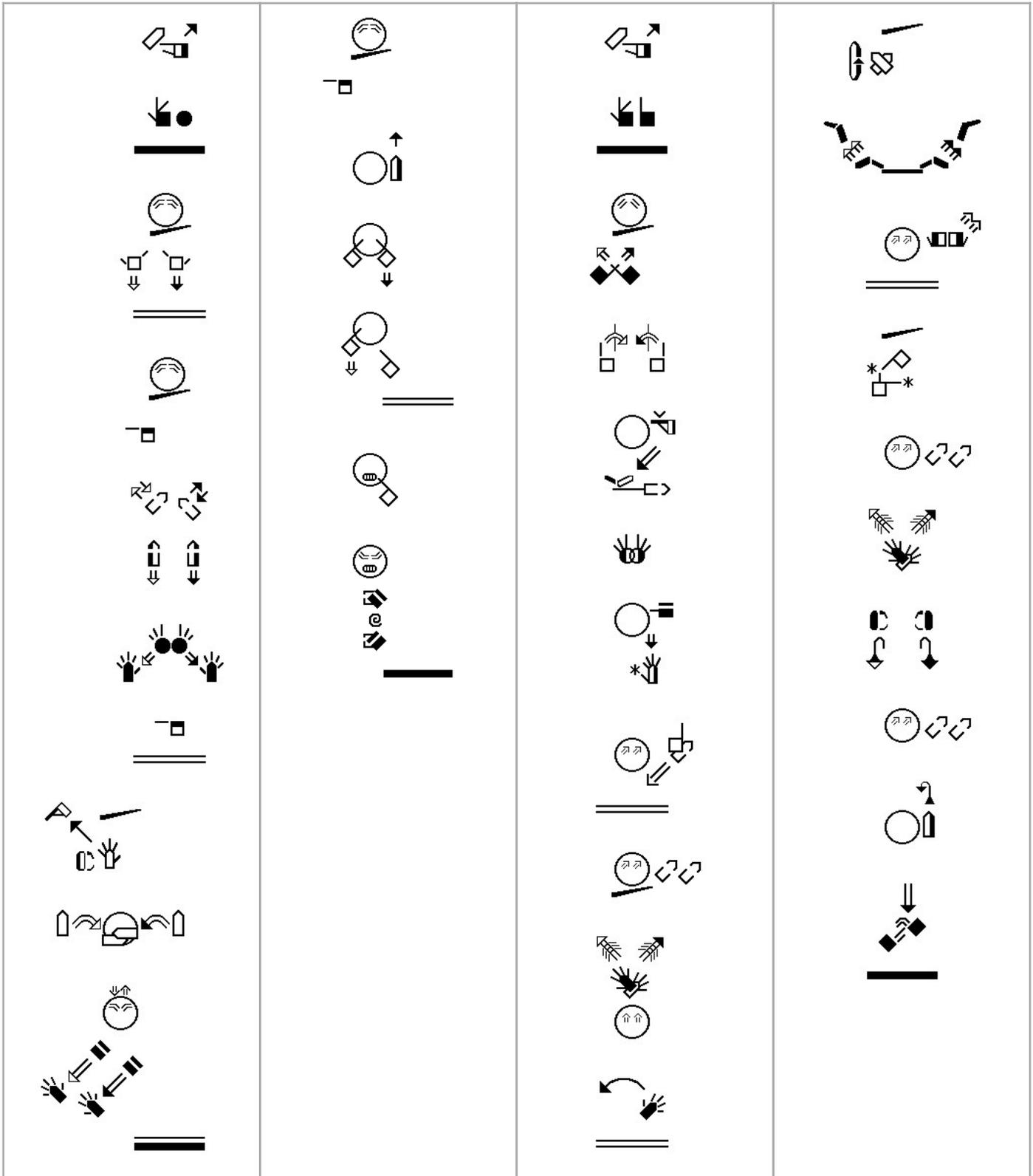


470 If you knew I harvested crops I didn't plant and gathered crops I didn't cultivate, 27 why didn't you deposit my money in the bank? At least I could have gotten some interest on it.' 28 "Then he ordered, 'Take the money from this servant, NLT

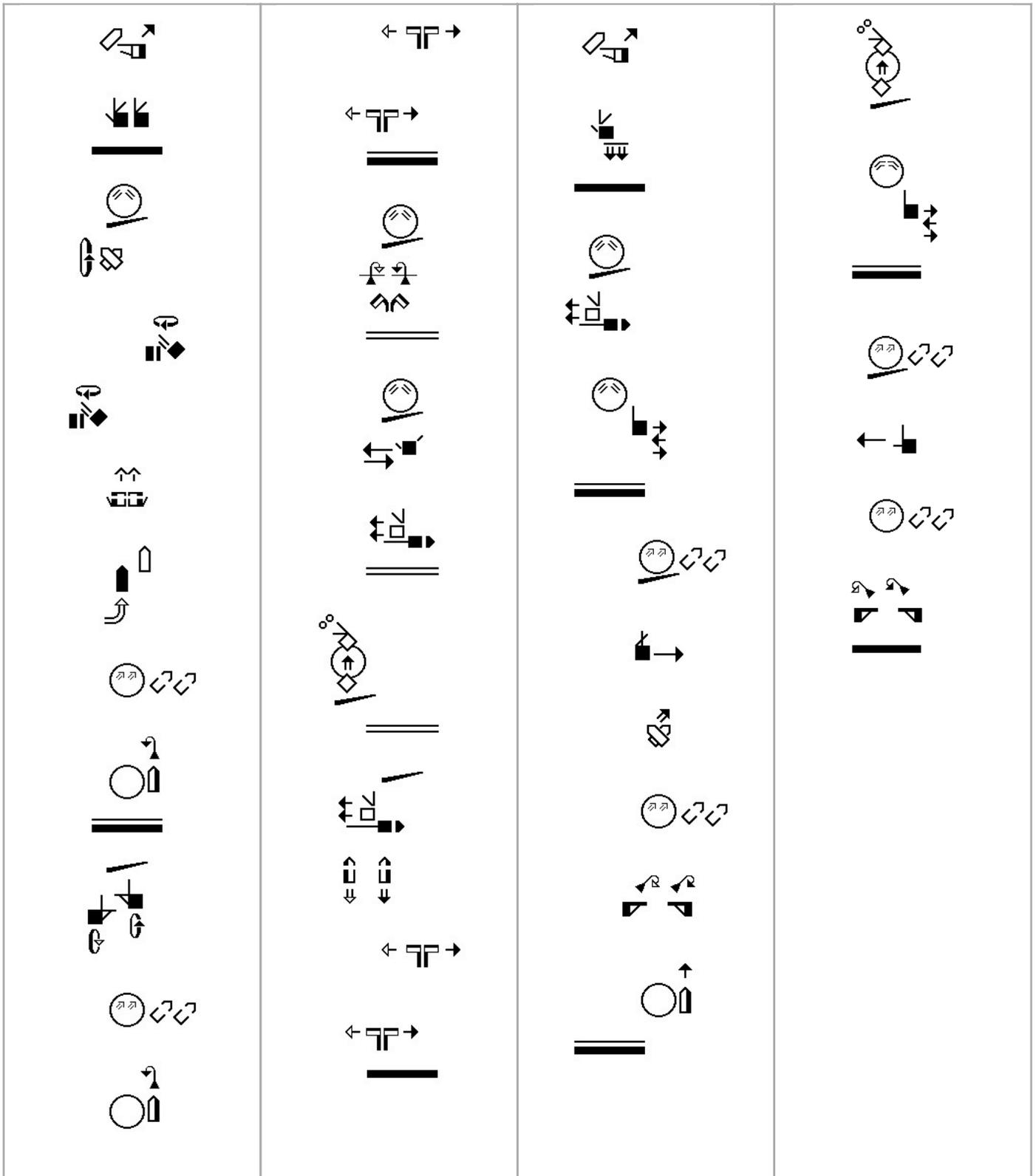


and give it to the one with the ten bags of silver. 29 To those who use well what they are given, even more will be given, and they will have an abundance. But from those who do nothing, even what little they have will be taken away. NLT

Matthew 25:30-31



472 30 Now throw this useless servant into outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' 31 "But when the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit upon his glorious throne. NLT



32 All the nations will be gathered in his presence, and he will separate the people as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. 33 He will place the sheep at his right hand and the goats at his left.

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Matthew 25:34-35

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474 34 "Then the King will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father, inherit the Kingdom prepared for you from the creation of the world. 35 For I was hungry, and you fed me. I was thirsty, NLT

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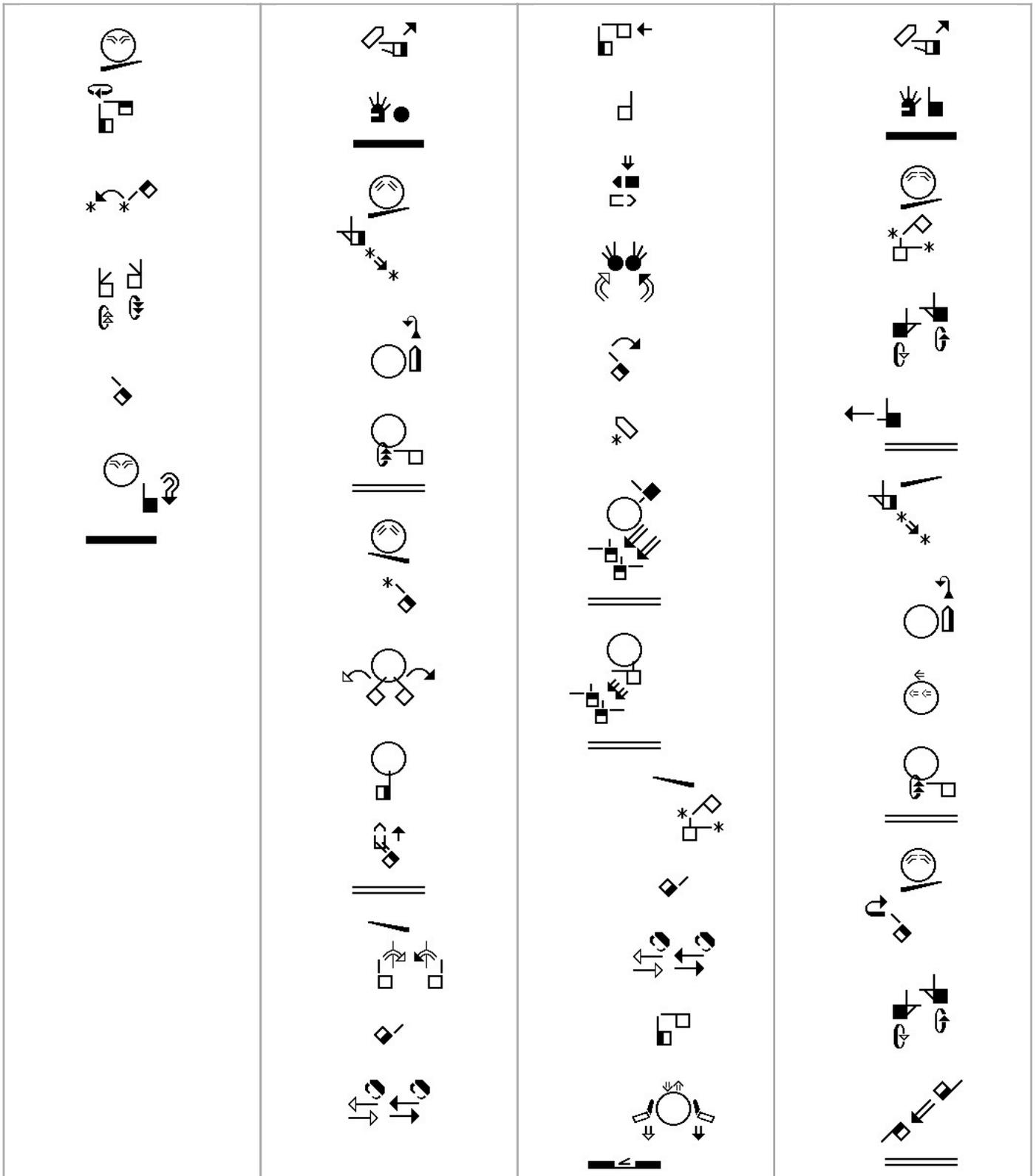
and you gave me a drink. I was a stranger, and you invited me into your home. 36 I was naked, and you gave me clothing. I was sick, and you cared for me. I was in prison, and you visited me.' "Then these righteous ones will reply, 'Lord, when did we ever see you hungry

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Matthew 25:37-39

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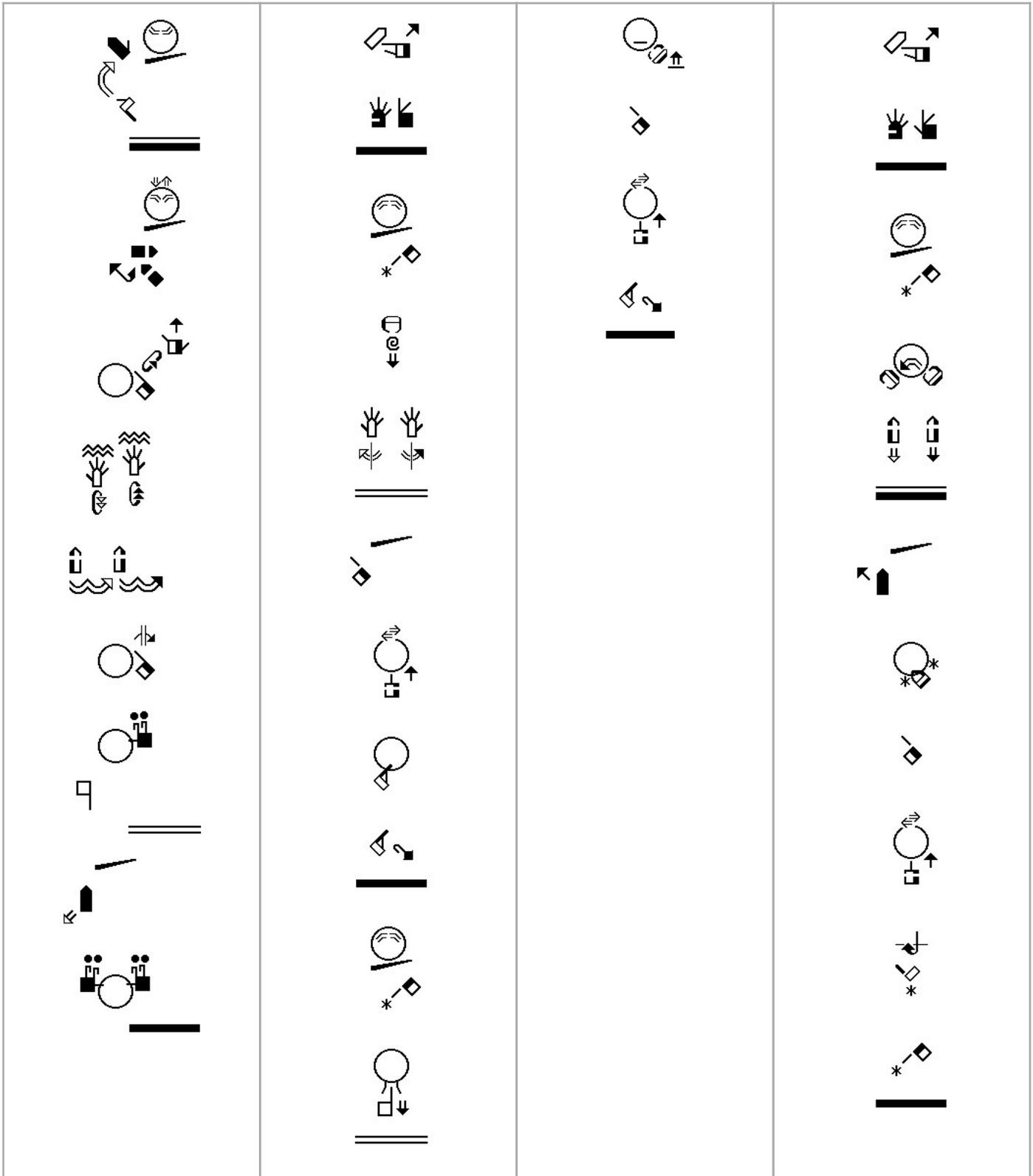
476 and feed you? Or thirsty and give you something to drink? 38 Or a stranger and show you hospitality? Or naked and give you clothing? 39 When did we ever see you sick or in prison NLT



and visit you?' 40 "And the King will say, 'I tell you the truth, when you did it to one of the least of these my brothers and sisters, you were doing it to me!' 41 "Then the King will turn to those on the left and say, 'Away with you, you cursed ones,

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Matthew 25:41-43

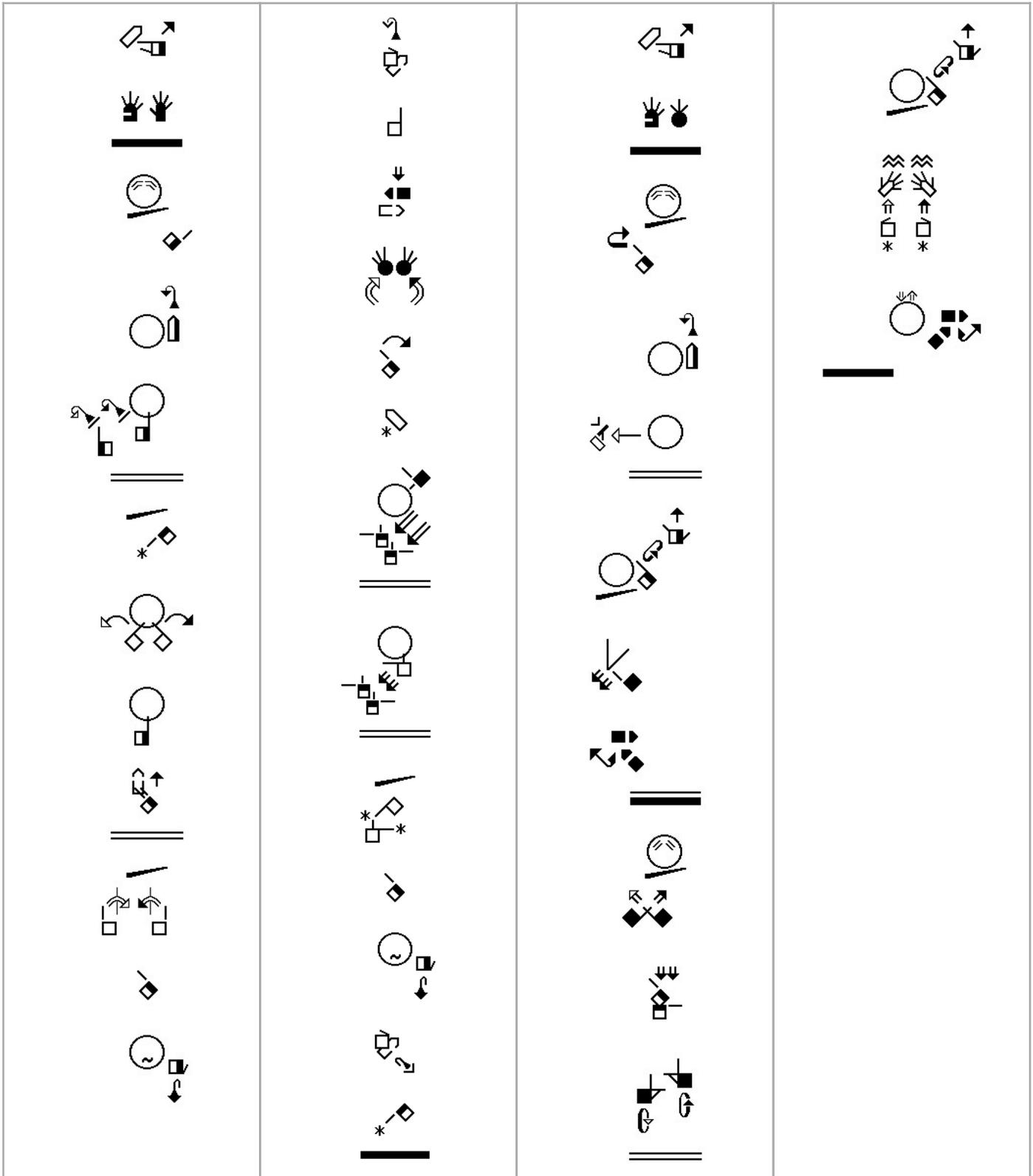


478 into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his demons. 42 For I was hungry, and you didn't feed me. I was thirsty, and you didn't give me a drink. 43 I was a stranger, and you didn't invite me into your home. NLT

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I was naked, and you didn't give me clothing. I was sick and in prison, and you didn't visit me.' 44 "Then they will reply, 'Lord, when did we ever see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and not help you?' NLT

Matthew 25:45-46



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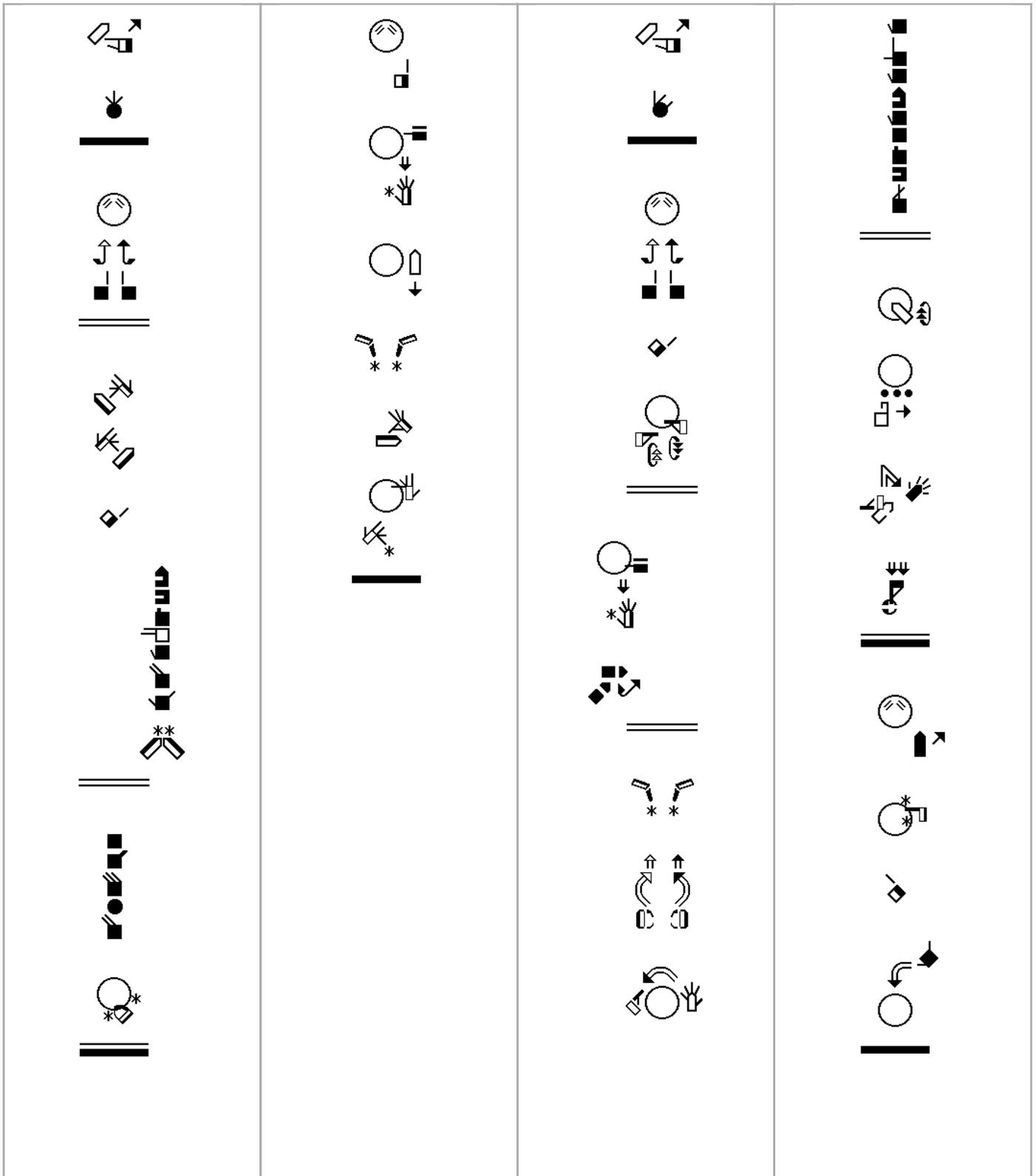
26 When Jesus had finished saying all these things, he said to his disciples, 2 "As you know, Passover begins in two days, and the Son of Man will be handed over to be crucified." 3 At that same time the leading priests and elders were meeting

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Matthew 26:3-5

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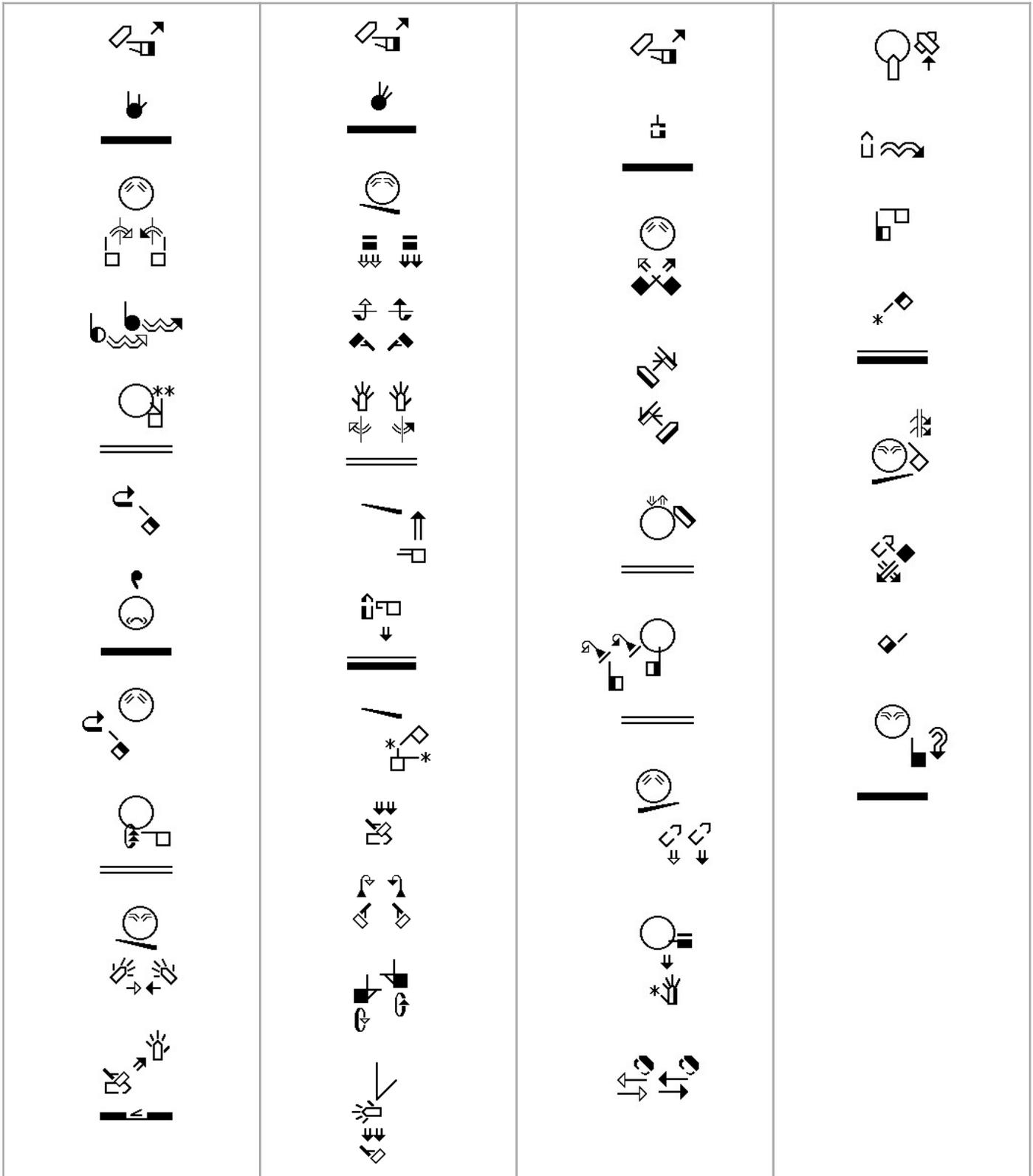
482 at the residence of Caiaphas, the high priest, 4 plotting how to capture Jesus secretly and kill him. 5 "But not during the Passover celebration," they agreed, "or the people may riot." NLT



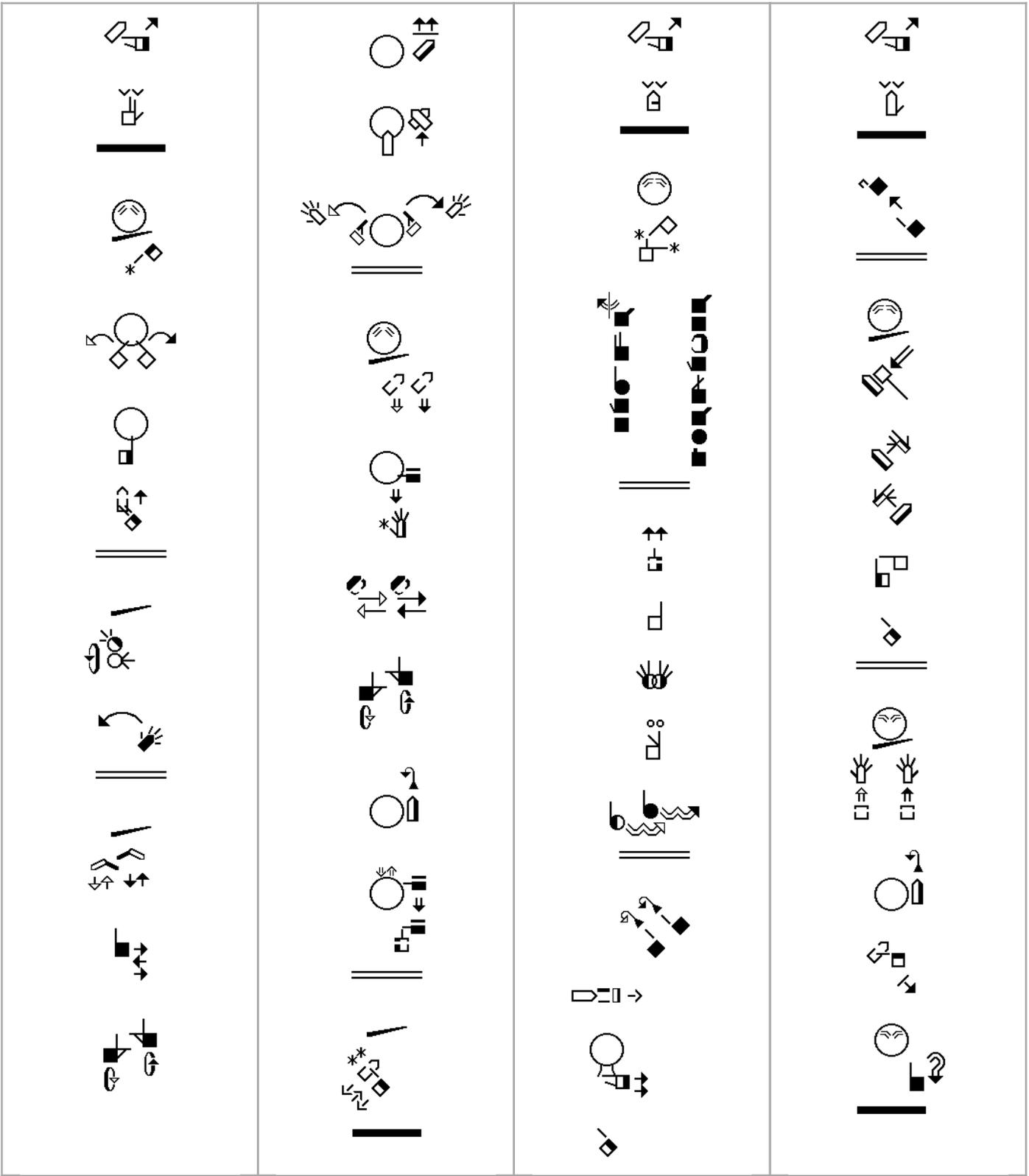
6 Meanwhile, Jesus was in Bethany at the home of Simon, a man who had previously had leprosy. 7 While he was eating, a woman came in with a beautiful alabaster jar of expensive perfume and poured it over his head.

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Matthew 26:8-10

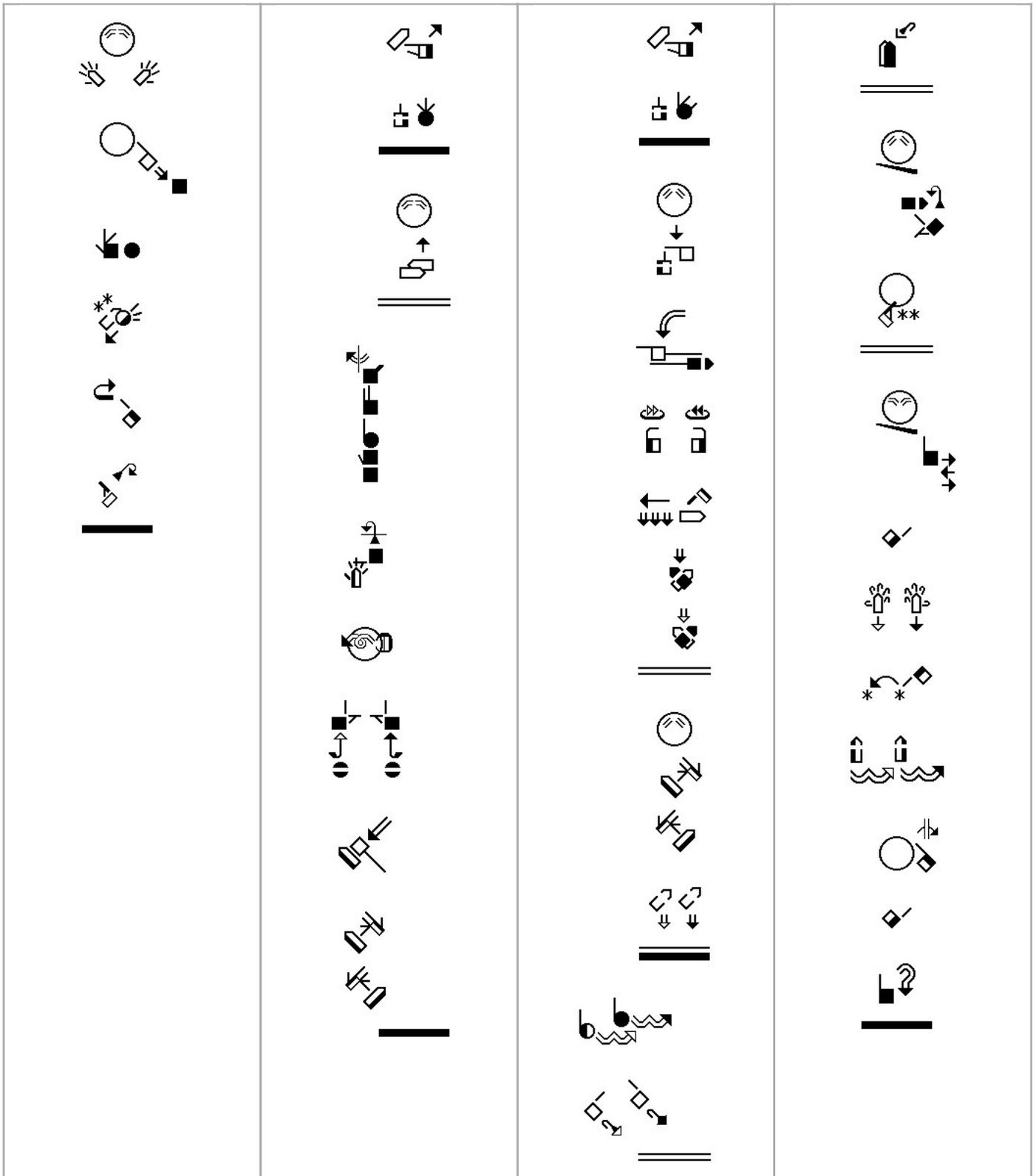


Matthew 26:13-15



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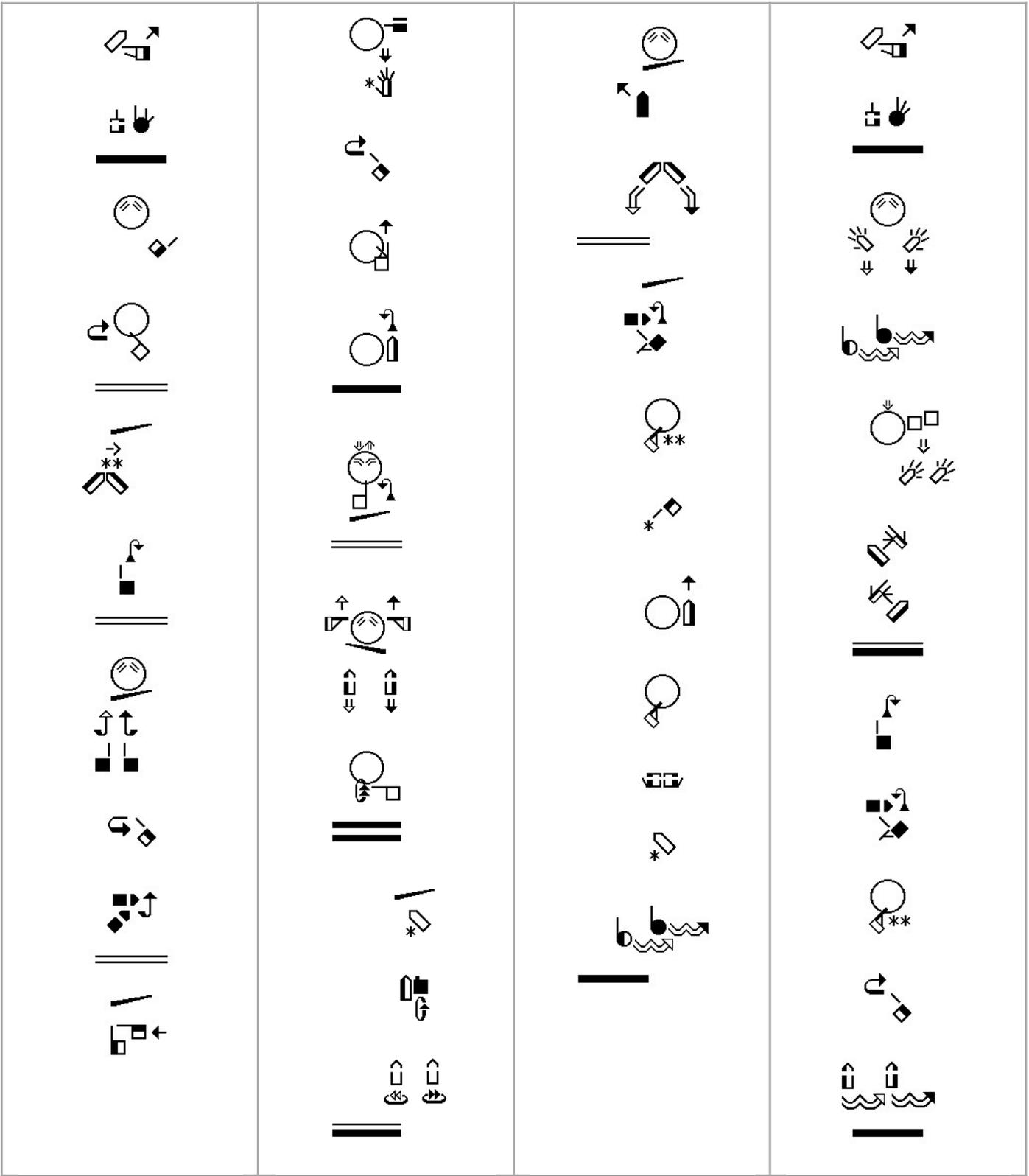
13 I tell you the truth, wherever the Good News is preached throughout the world, this woman's deed will be remembered and discussed." 14 Then Judas Iscariot, one of the twelve disciples, went to the leading priests 15 and asked, "How much will you pay me to betray Jesus to you?" NLT



And they gave him thirty pieces of silver. 16 From that time on, Judas began looking for an opportunity to betray Jesus. 17 On the first day of the Festival of Unleavened Bread, the disciples came to Jesus and asked, "Where do you want us to prepare the Passover meal for you?"

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Matthew 26:18-19



18 "As you go into the city," he told them, "you will see a certain man. Tell him, 'The Teacher says: My time has come, and I will eat the Passover meal with my disciples at your house.'" 19 So the disciples did as Jesus told them and prepared the Passover meal there.

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20 When it was evening, Jesus sat down at the table with the twelve disciples. 21 While they were eating, he said, "I tell you the truth, one of you will betray me." 22 Greatly distressed, each one asked in turn, "Am I the one, Lord?"

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Matthew 26:23-24

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23 He replied, "One of you who has just eaten from this bowl with me will betray me.
 24 For the Son of Man must die, as the Scriptures declared long ago. But how terrible
 it will be for the one who betrays him. It would be far
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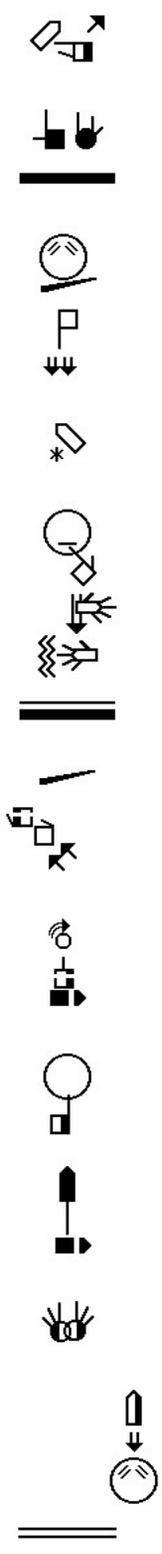
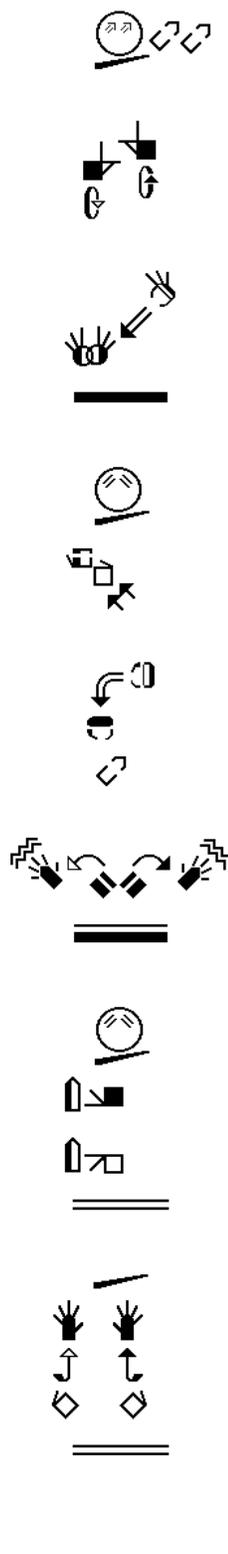
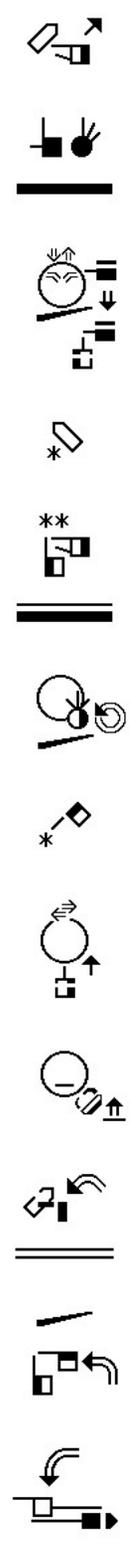
better for that man if had had never been born!" 25 Judas, the one who would betray him, also asked, "Rabbi, am I the one?" And Jesus told him, "You have said it." 26 As they were eating, Jesus took some bread and blessed it.

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Matthew 26:26-27

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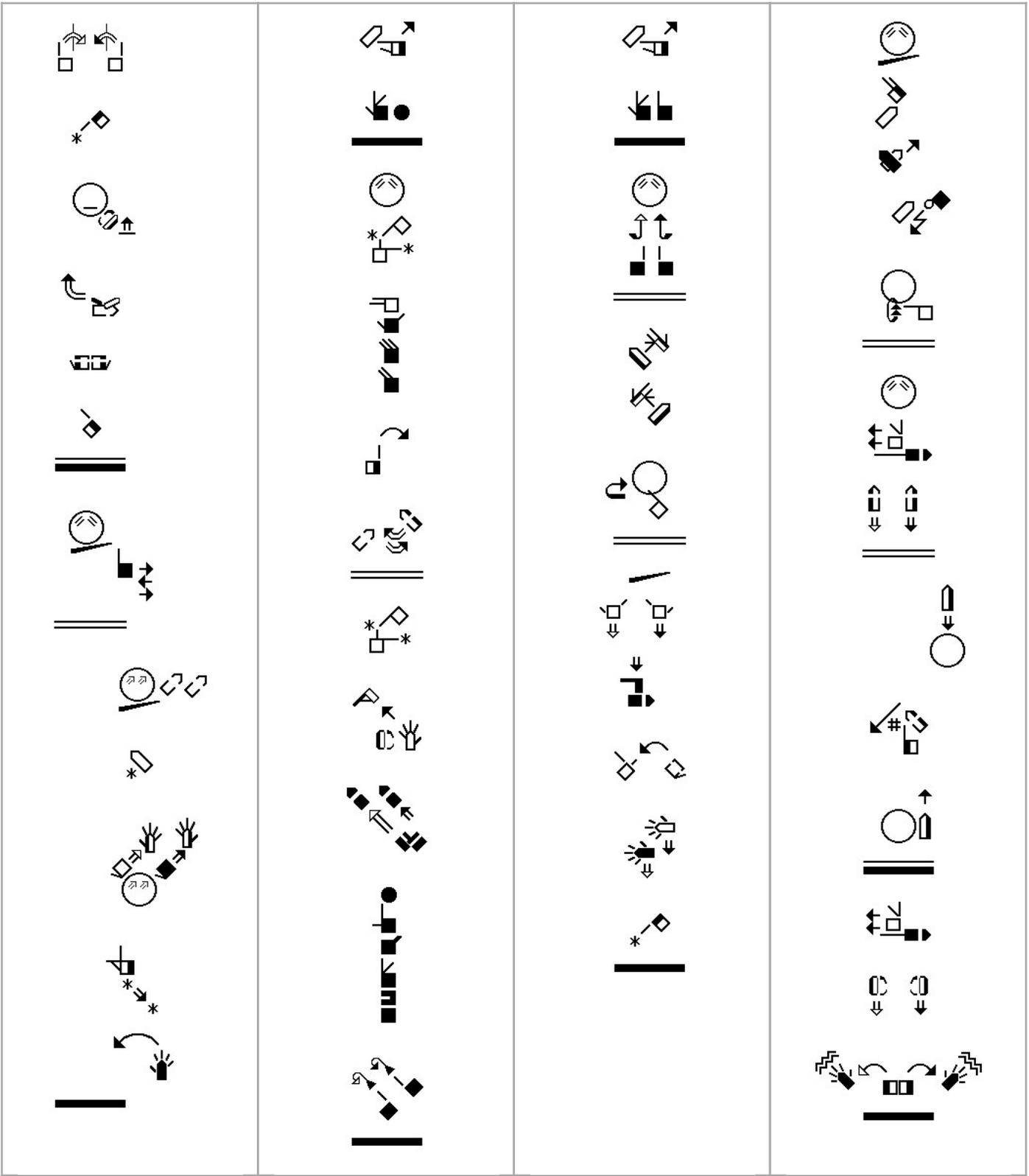
Then he broke it in pieces and gave it to the disciples, saying, "Take this and eat it, for this is my body." 27 And he took a cup of wine and gave thanks to God for it. He gave it to them and said, "Each of you drink from it, NLT

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28 for this is my blood, which confirms the covenant between God and his people. It is poured out as a sacrifice to forgive the sins of many. 29 Mark my words -- I will not drink wine again until the day

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Matthew 26:29-31



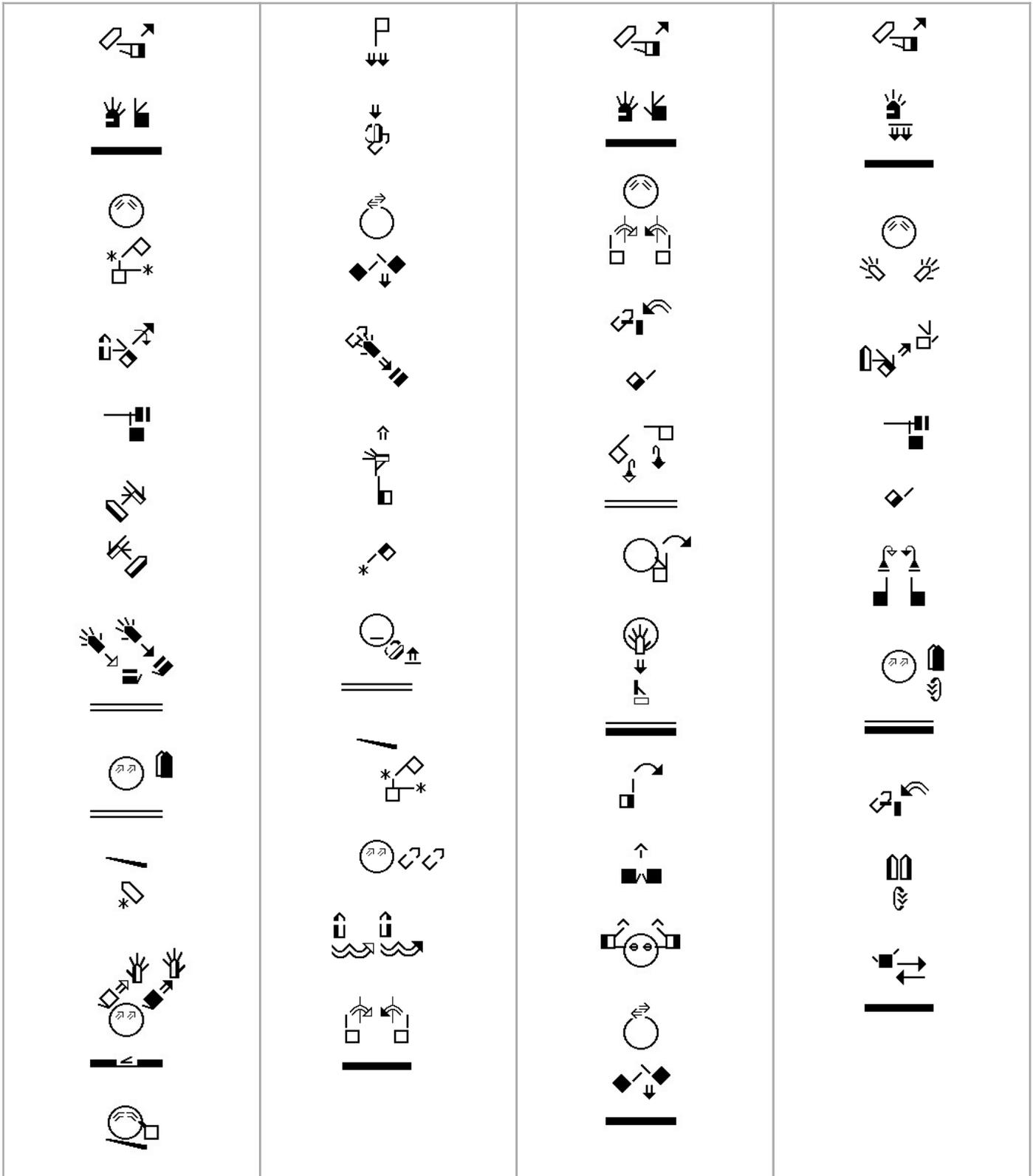
I drink it new with you in my Father's Kingdom." 30 Then they sang a hymn and went out to the Mount of Olives. 31 On the way, Jesus told them, "Tonight all of you will desert me. For the Scriptures say, 'God will strike the Shepherd, and the sheep of the flock will be scattered.'" NLT

Matthew 26:34-36

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this very night, before the rooster crows, you will deny three times that you even know me." 35 "No!" Peter insisted. "Even if I have to die with you, I will never deny you!" And all the other disciples vowed the same. 36 Then Jesus went with them to the olive grove called Gethsemane,

Matthew 26:42-44



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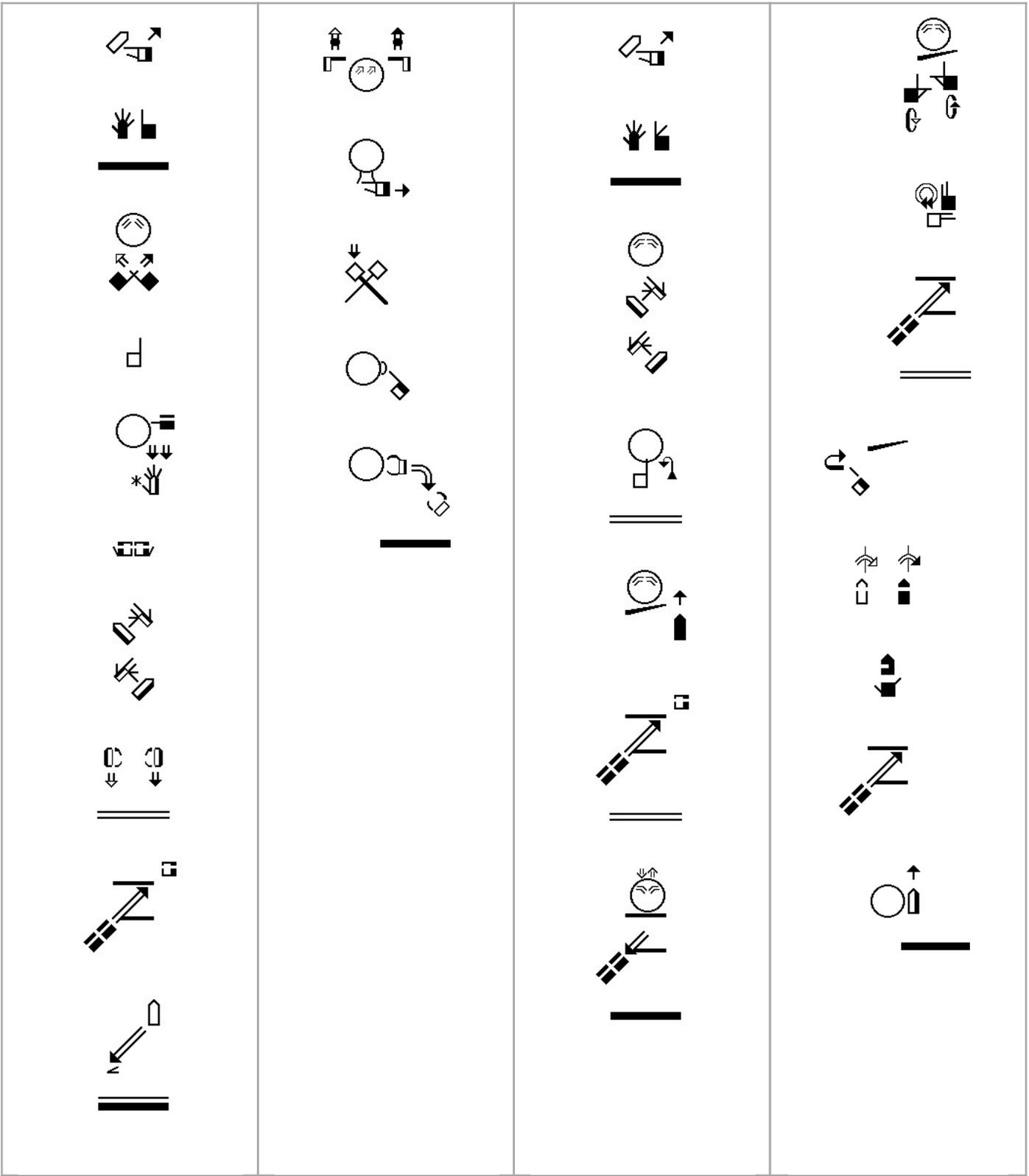
42 Then Jesus left them a second time and prayed, "My Father! If this cup cannot be taken away unless I drink it, your will be done." 43 When he returned to them again, he found them sleeping, for they couldn't keep their eyes open. 44 So he went to pray a third time, saying the same things again. NLT

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49 So Judas came straight to Jesus. "Greetings, Rabbi!" he exclaimed and gave him the kiss. 50 Jesus said, "My friend, go ahead and do what you have come for." Then the others grabbed Jesus and arrested him.

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Matthew 26:51-52



51 But one of the men with Jesus pulled out his sword and struck the high priest's slave, slashing off his ear. 52 "Put away your sword," Jesus told him. "Those who use the sword will die by the sword."
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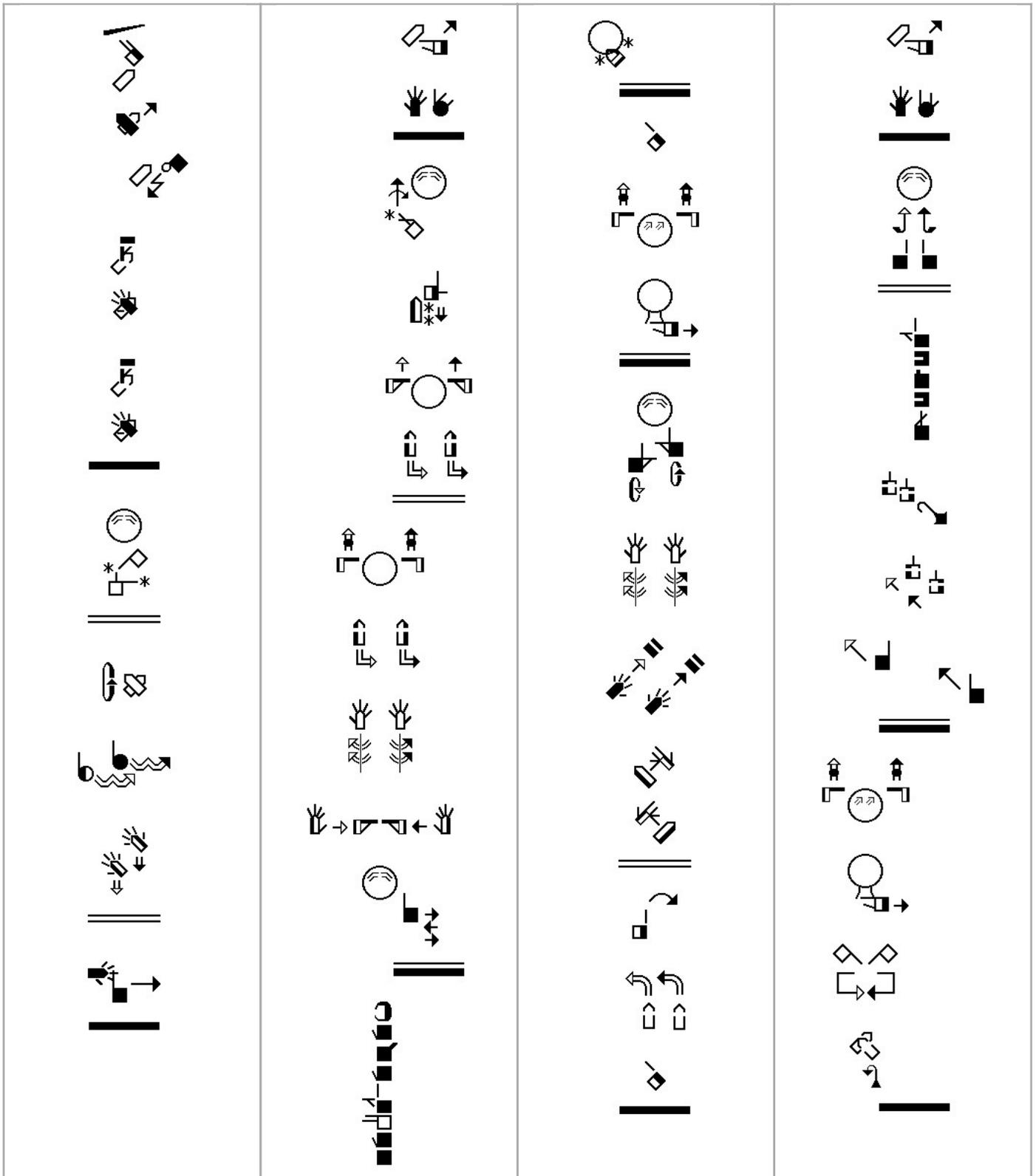
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53 Don't you realize that I could ask my Father for thousands of angels to protect us, and he would send them instantly? 54 But if I did, how would the Scriptures be fulfilled that describe what must happen now?"

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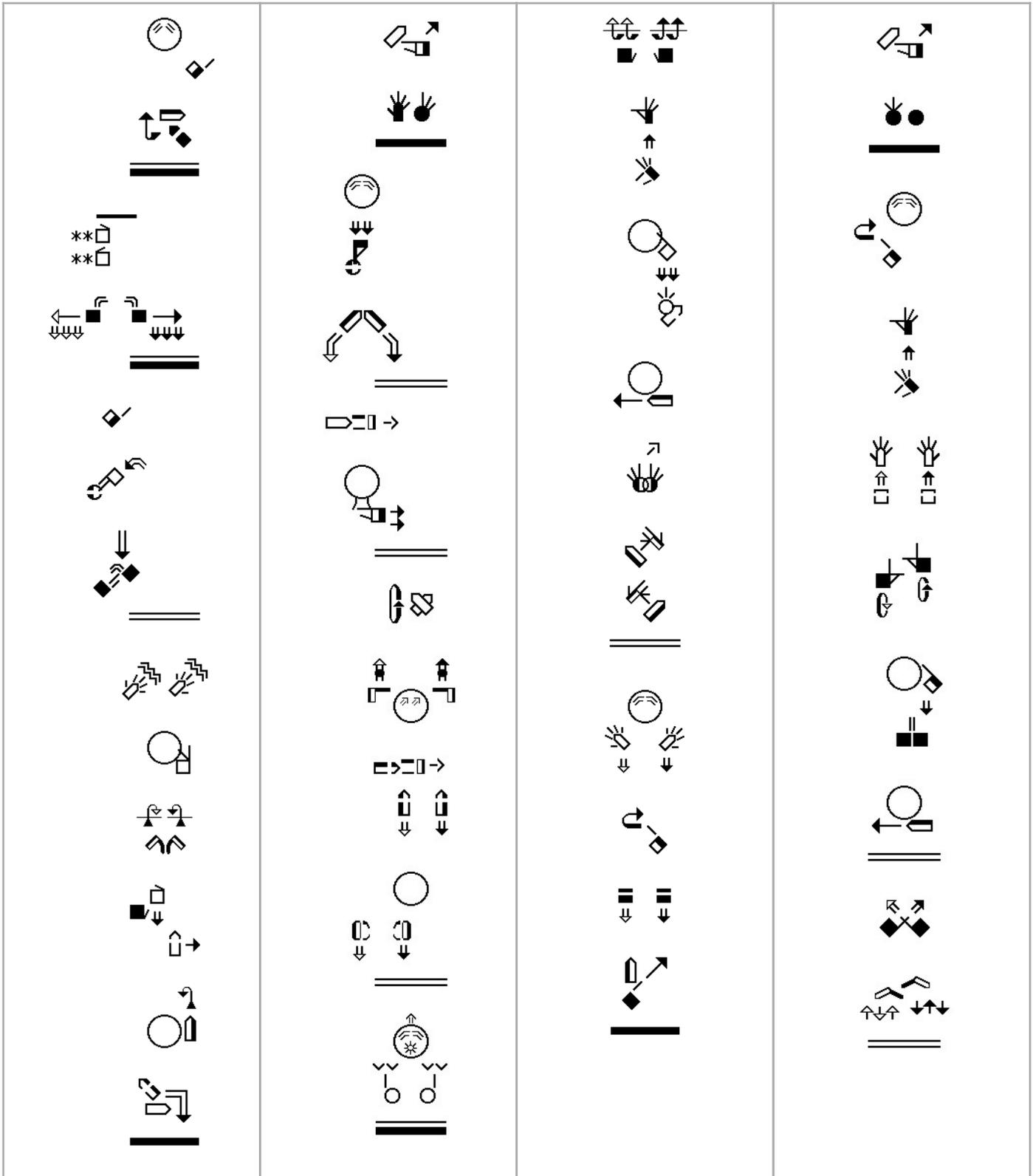
Matthew 26:55-56

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as recorded in the Scriptures." At that point, all the disciples deserted him and fled. 57 Then the people who had arrested Jesus led him to the home of Caiaphas, the high priest, where the teachers of religious law and the elders had gathered. 58 Meanwhile, Peter followed him at a distance and came to the high priest's courtyard. NLT

Matthew 26:58-60



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He went in and sat with the guards and waited to see how it would all end. 59 Inside, the leading priests and the entire high council were trying to find witnesses who would lie about Jesus, so they could put him to death. 60 But even though they found many who agreed to give false witness,

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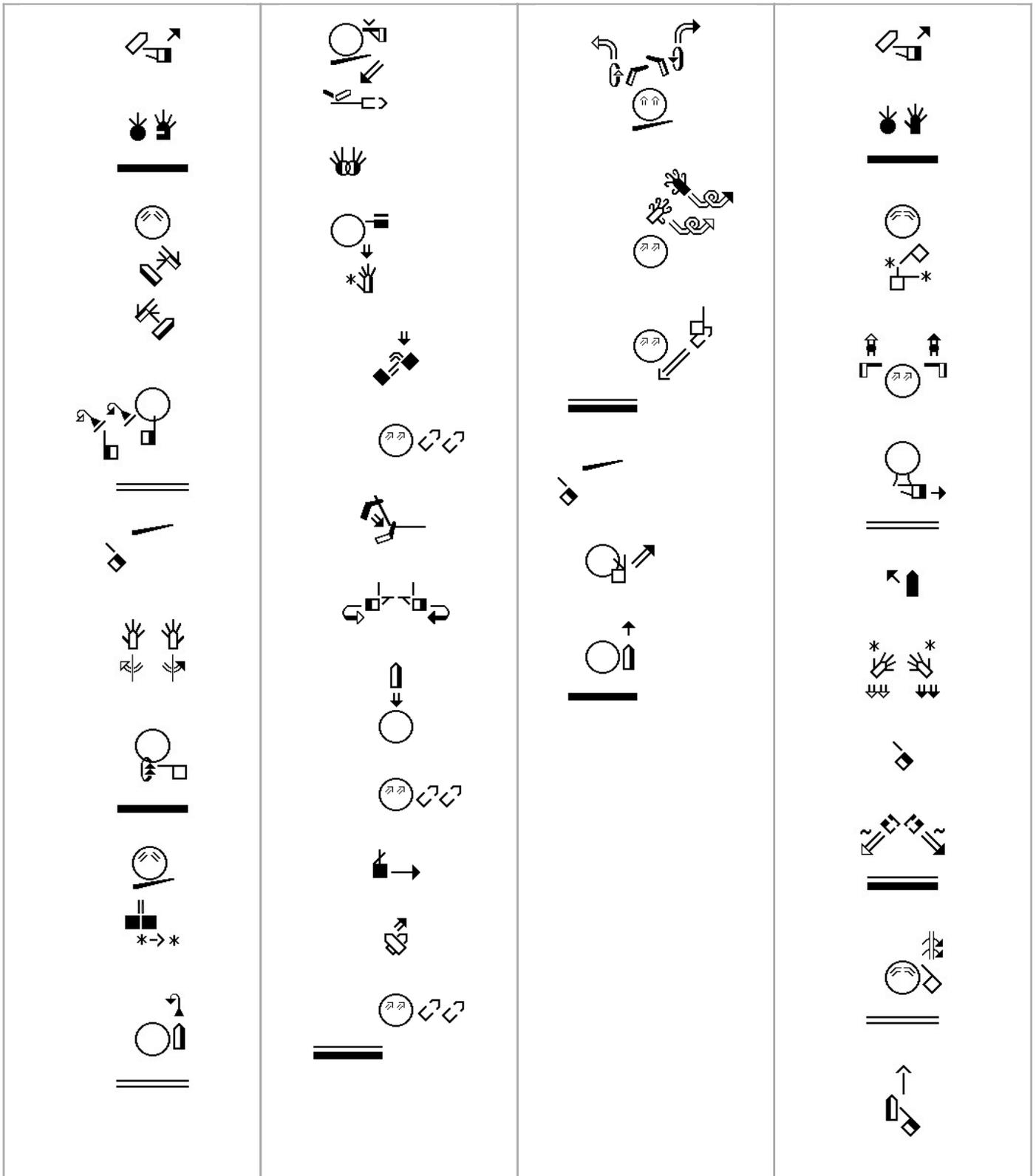
they could not use anyone's testimony. Finally, two men came forward 61 who declared, "This man said, 'I am able to destroy the Temple of God and rebuild it in three days.'" 62 Then the high priest stood up and said to Jesus,

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Matthew 26:62-63

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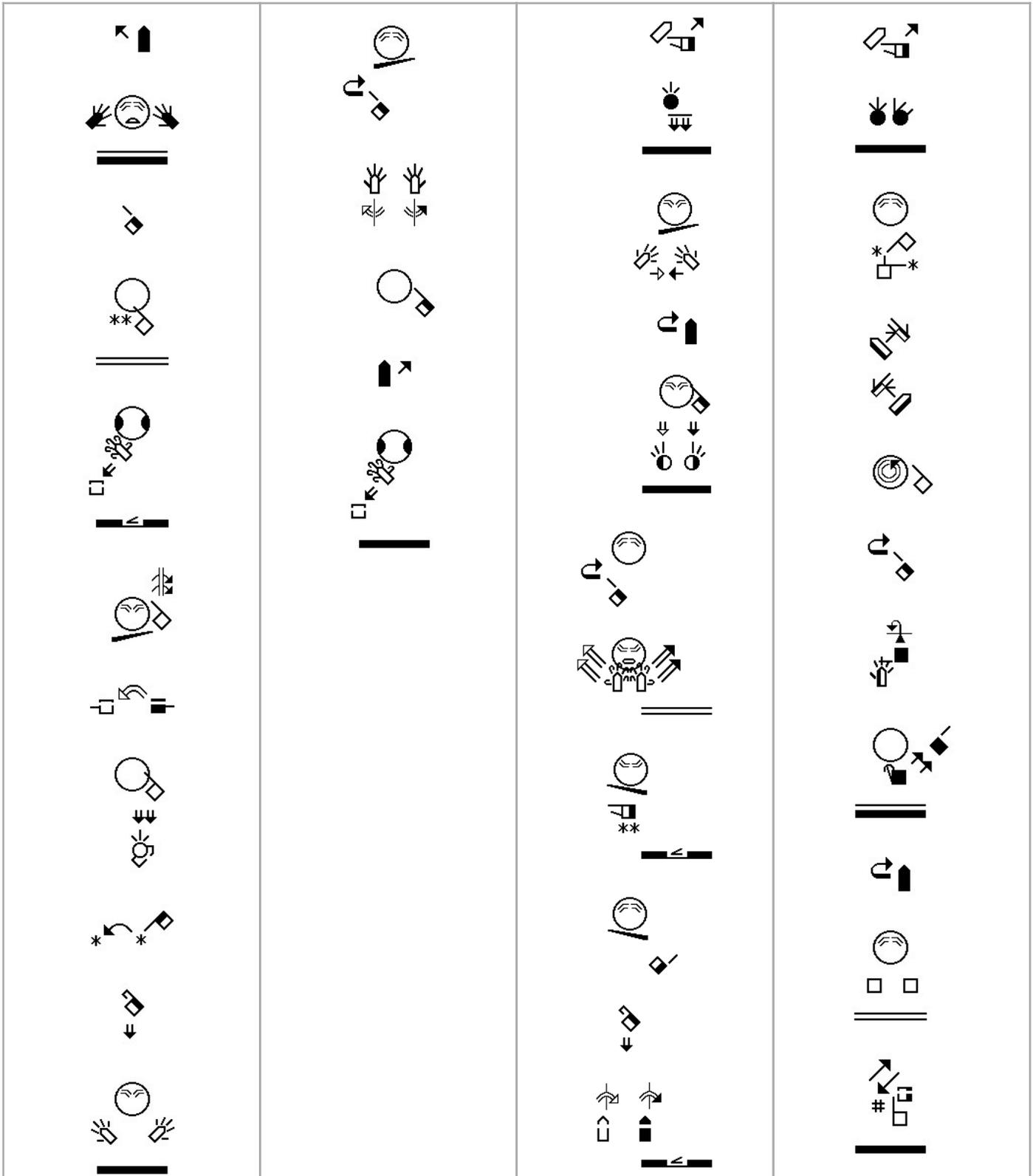
"Well, aren't you going to answer these charges? What do you have to say for yourself?" 63 But Jesus remained silent. Then the high priest said to him, "I demand in the name of the living God --tell us if you are the Messiah, the Son of God." NLT



64 Jesus replied, "You have said it. And in the future you will see the Son of Man seated in the place of power at God's right hand and coming on the clouds of heaven."
 65 Then the high priest tore his clothing to show

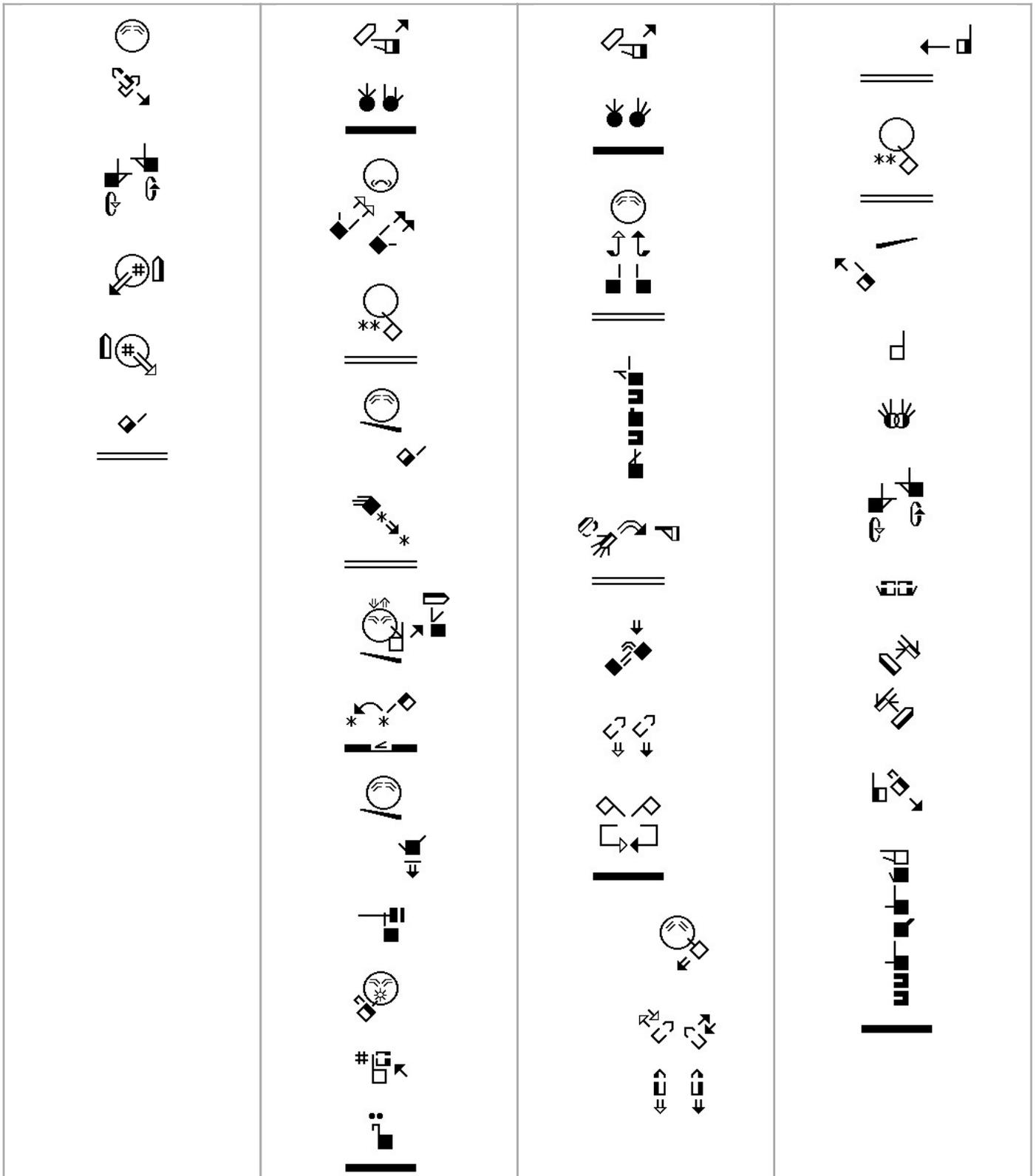
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Matthew 26:65-67



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his horror and said, "Blasphemy! Why do we need other witnesses? You have all heard his blasphemy. 66 What is your verdict?" "Guilty!" they shouted. "He deserves to die!" 67 Then they began to spit in Jesus' face and beat him with their fists. NLT

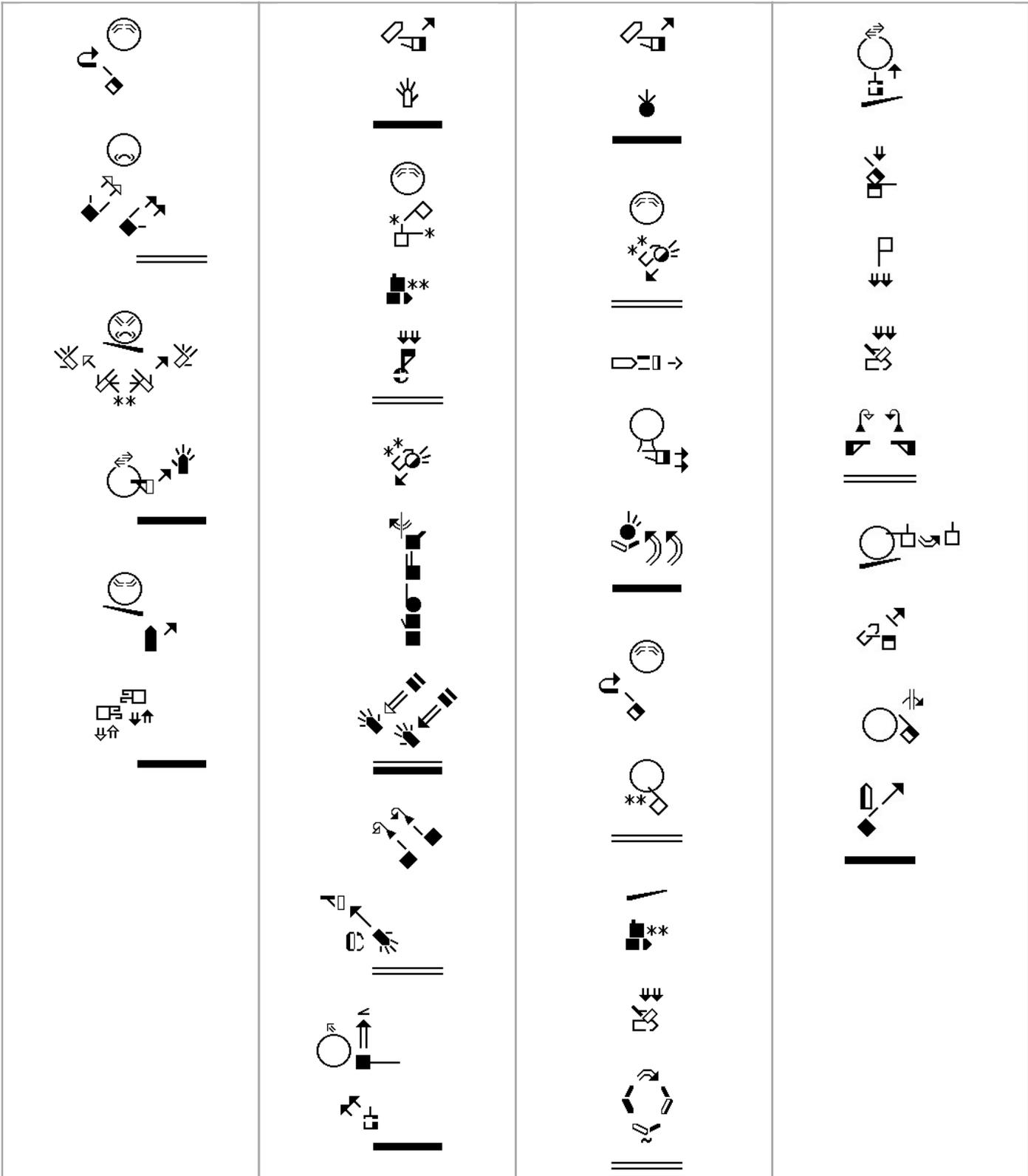


And some slapped him, 68 jeering, "Prophecy to us, you Messiah! Who hit you that time?" 69 Meanwhile, Peter was sitting outside in the courtyard. A servant girl came over and said to him, "You were one of those with Jesus the Galilean." NLT

Matthew 27:3-4

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518 3 When Judas, who had betrayed him, realized that Jesus had been condemned to die, he was filled with remorse. So he took the thirty pieces of silver back to the leading priests and the elders. 4 "I have sinned," he declared, "for I have betrayed an innocent man."
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"What do we care?" they retorted. "That's your problem." 5 Then Judas threw the silver coins down in the Temple and went out and hanged himself. 6 The leading priests picked up the coins. "It wouldn't be right to put this money in the Temple treasury," they said, "since it was payment for murder."

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Matthew 27:7-9

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that says, "They took the thirty pieces of silver -- the price at which he was valued by the people of Israel, ten and purchased the potter's field, as the LORD directed." 11 Now Jesus was standing before Pilate, the Roman governor. "Are you the king of the Jews?" the governor asked him.

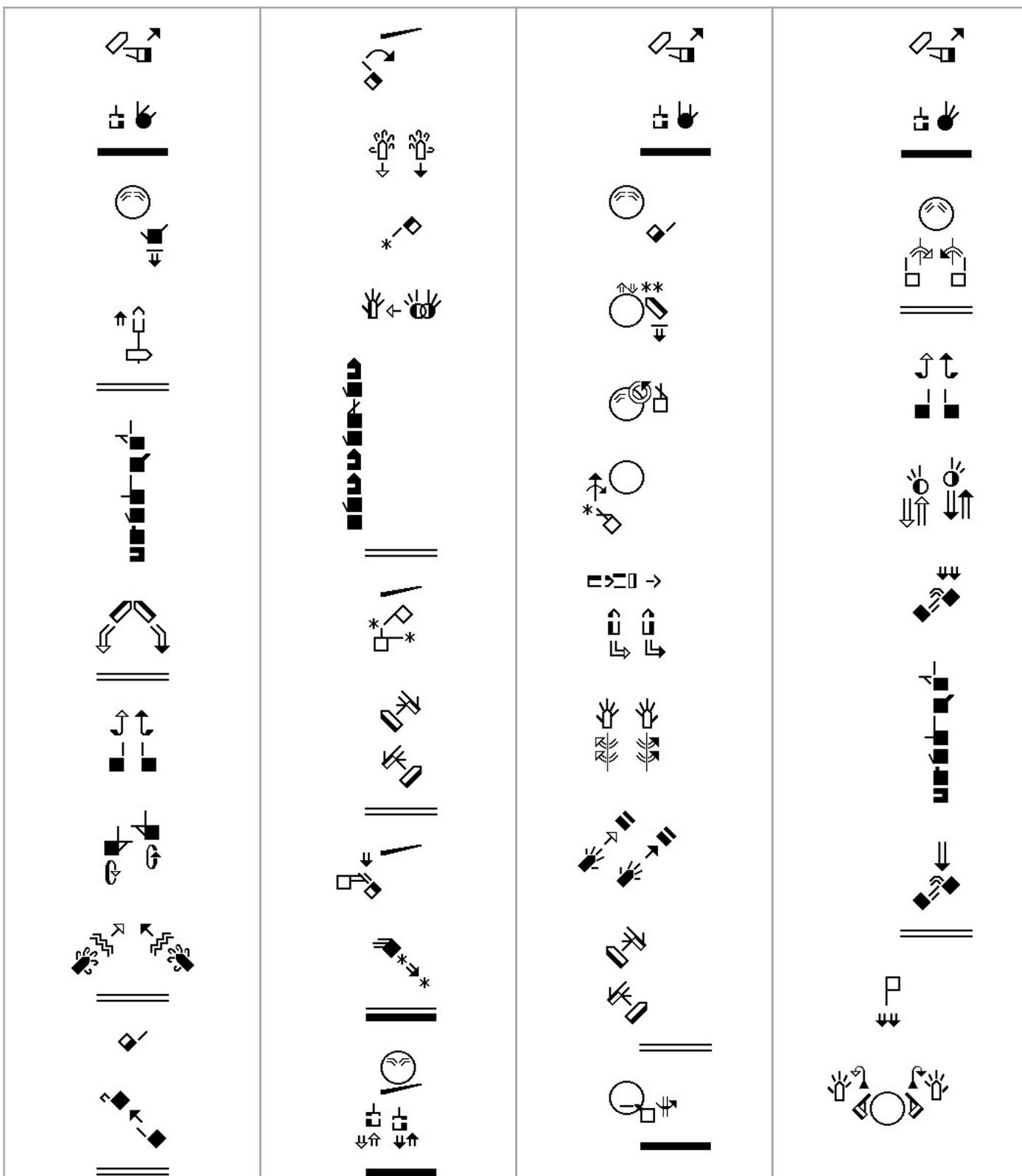
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14 But Jesus made no response to any of the charges, much to the governor's surprise.
 15 Now it was the governor's custom each year during the Passover celebration to release one prisoner to the crowd -- anyone they wanted. 16 This year there was a notorious prisoner, a man named Barabbas.

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Matthew 27:17-19



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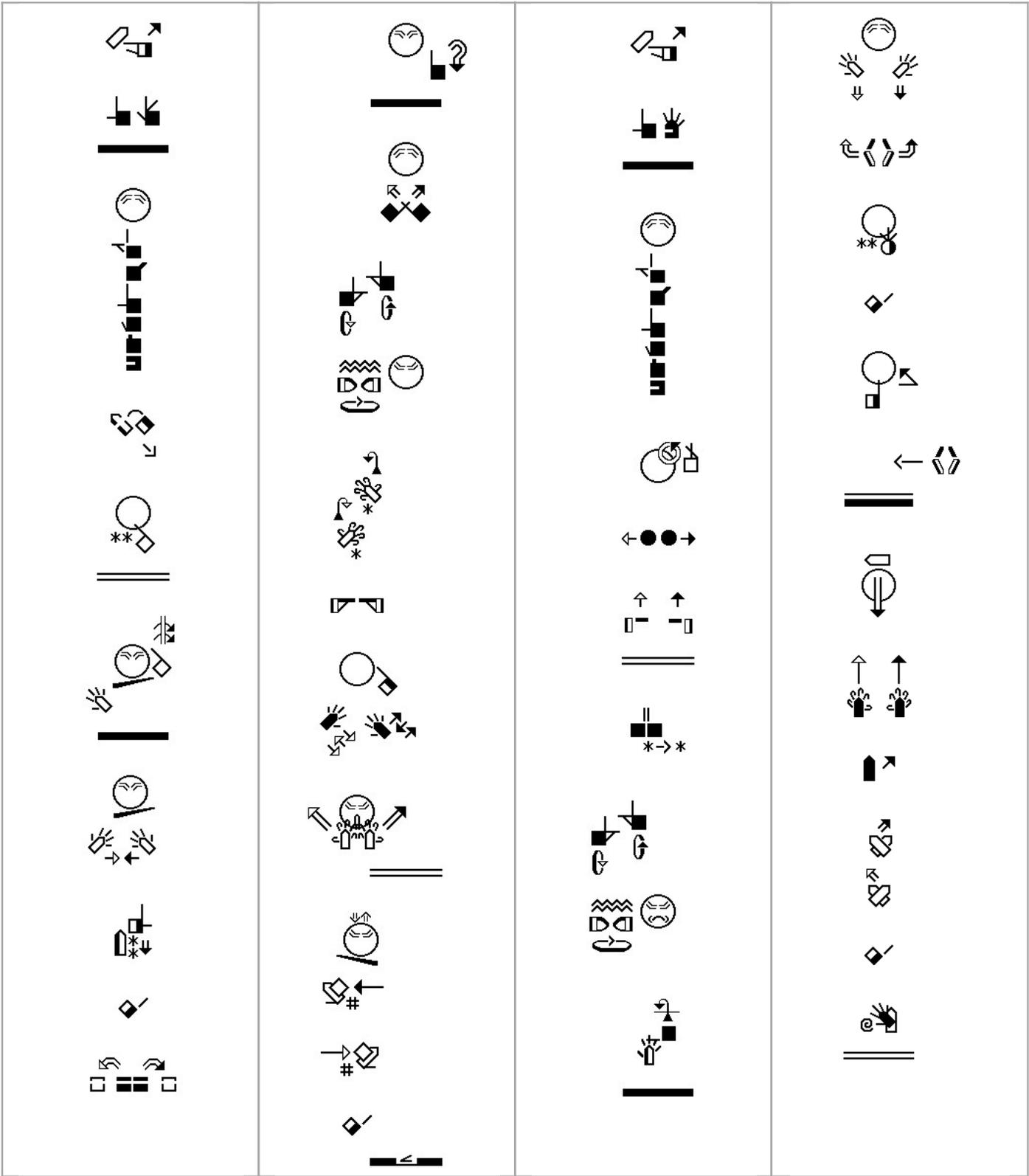
17 As the crowds gathered before Pilate's house that morning, he asked them, "Which one do you want me to release to you -- Barabbas, or Jesus who is called the Messiah?" 18 (He knew very well that the religious leaders had arrested Jesus out of envy.) 19 Just then, as Pilate was sitting on the judgment seat,

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Matthew 27:21-22

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21 So the governor asked again, "Which of these two do you want me to release to you?" The crowd shouted back, "Barabbas!" 22 Pilate responded, "Then what should I do with Jesus who is called the Messiah?" They shouted back, "Crucify him!" NLT

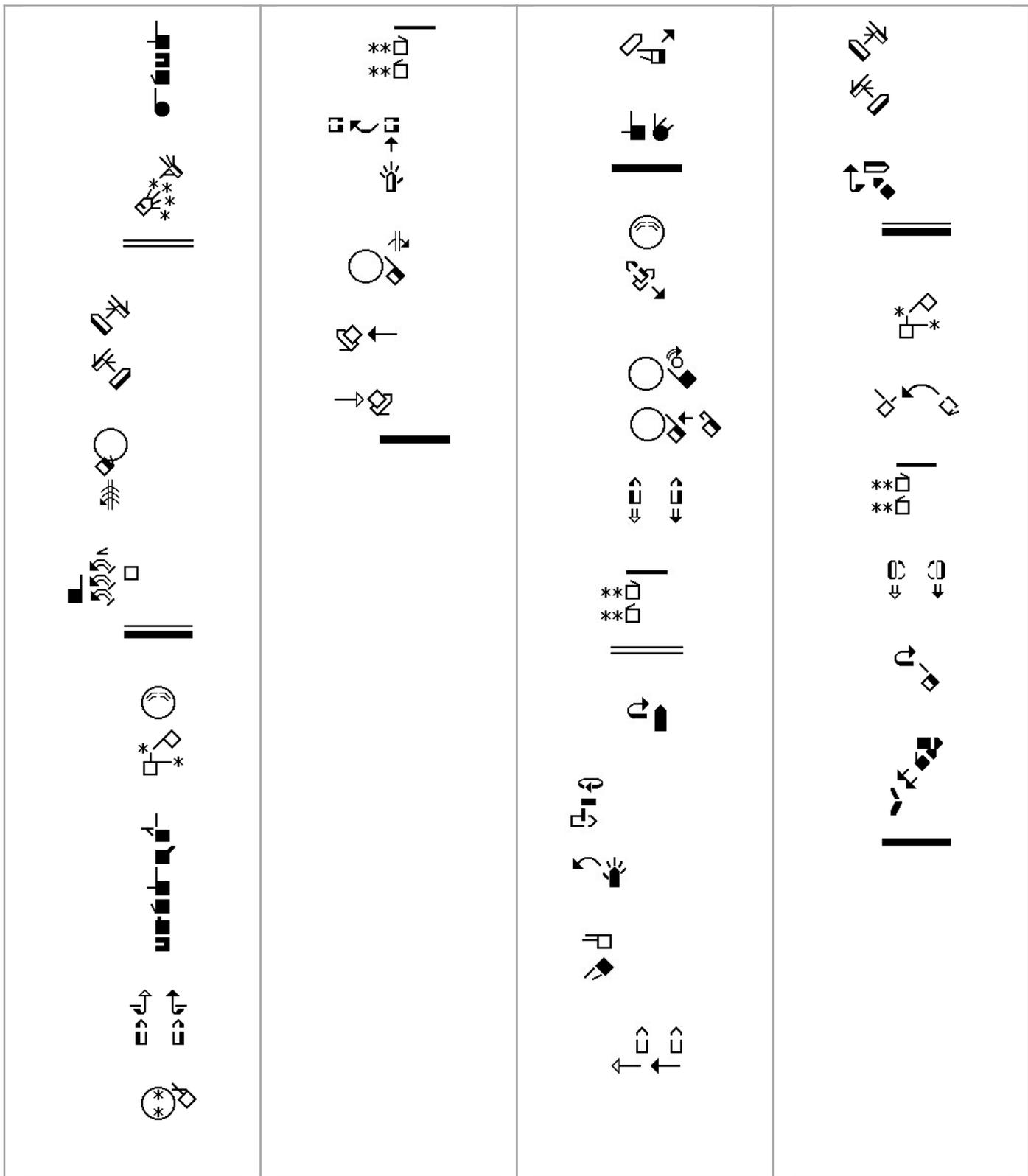


23 "Why?" Pilate demanded. "What crime has he committed?" But the mob roared even louder, "Crucify him!" 24 Pilate saw that he wasn't getting anywhere and that a riot was developing. So he sent for a bowl of water and washed his hands before the crowd, NLT

Matthew 27:24-26

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saying, "I am innocent of this man's blood. The responsibility is yours!" 25 And all the people yelled back, "We will take responsibility for his death -- we and our children!" 26 So Pilate released Barabbas to them. He ordered



Jesus flogged with a lead-tipped whip, then turned him over to the Roman soldiers to be crucified. 27 Some of the governor's soldiers took Jesus into their headquarters and called out the entire regiment.

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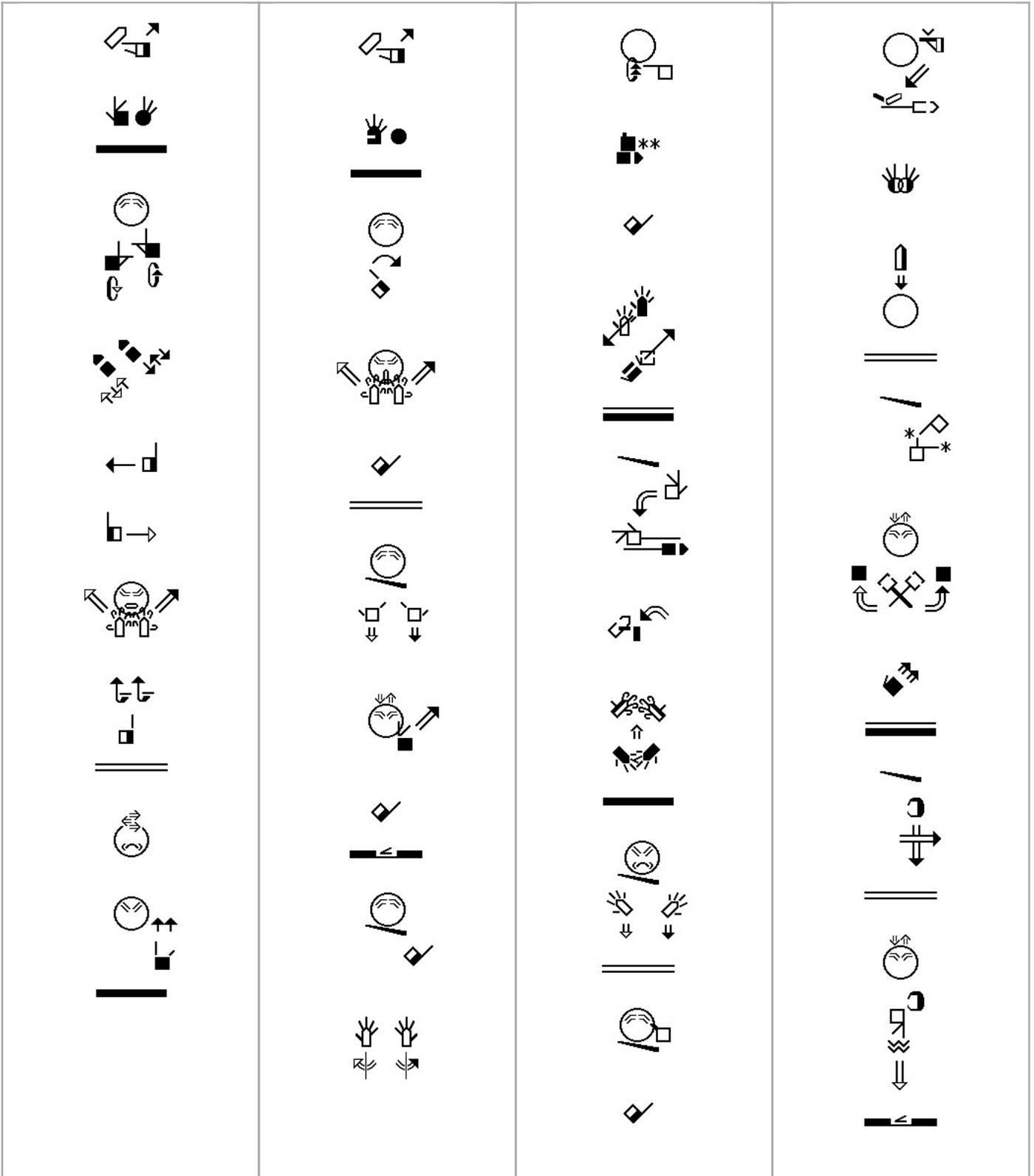
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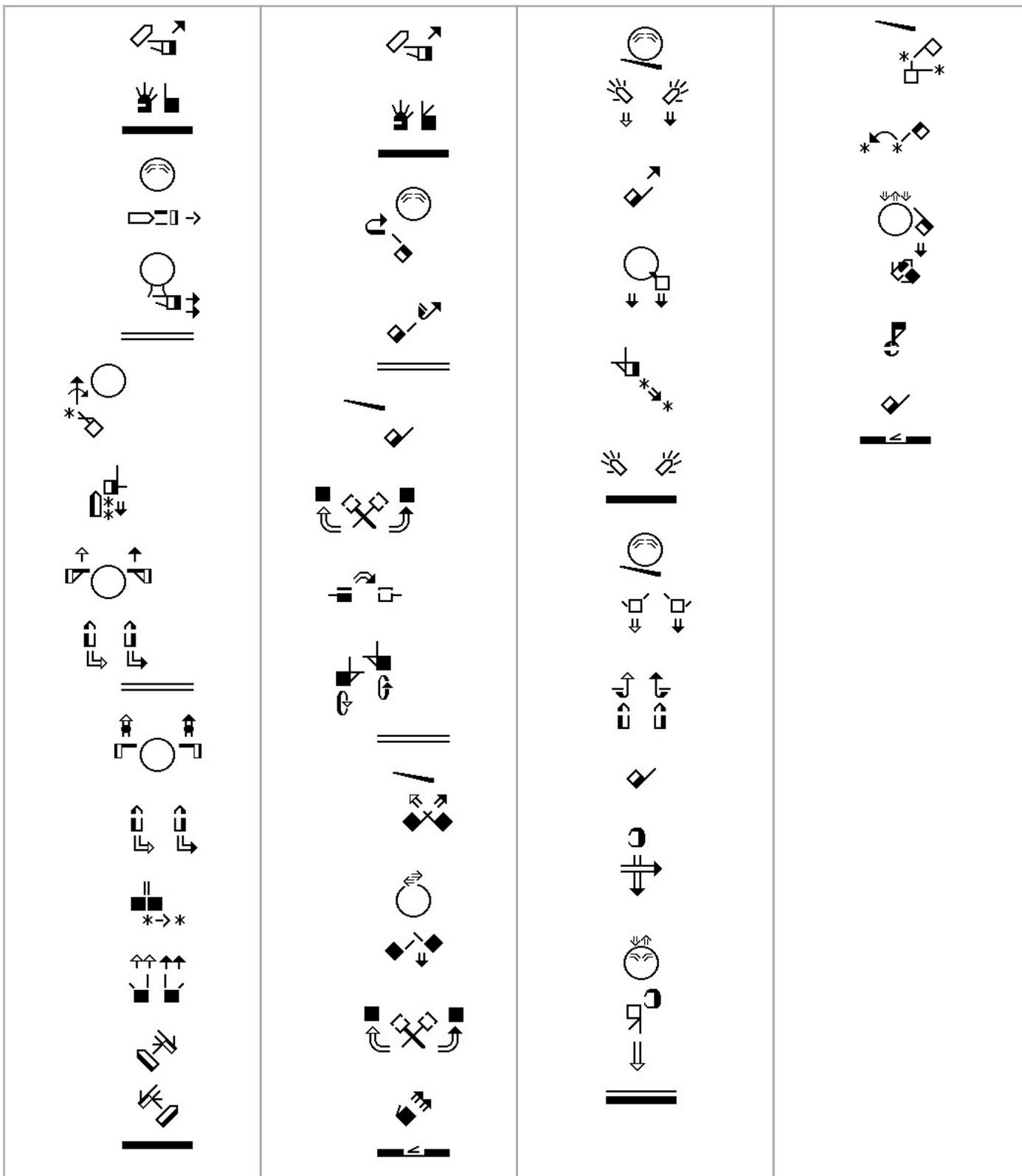
put his own clothes on him again. Then they led him away to be crucified. 32 Along the way, they came across a man named Simon, who was from Cyrene, and the soldiers forced him to carry Jesus' cross. 33 And they went out to a place called Golgotha (which means "Place of the Skull").

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39 The people passing by shouted abuse, shaking their heads in mockery. 40 "Look at you now!" they yelled at him. "You said you were going to destroy the Temple and rebuild it in three days. Well then, if you are the Son of God, save yourself and come down from the cross!"
 NLT

Matthew 27:41-42



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41 The leading priests, the teachers of religious law, and the elders also mocked Jesus. 42 "He saved others," they scoffed, "but he can't save himself! So he is the King of Israel, is he? Let him come down from the cross right now, and we will believe in him!"
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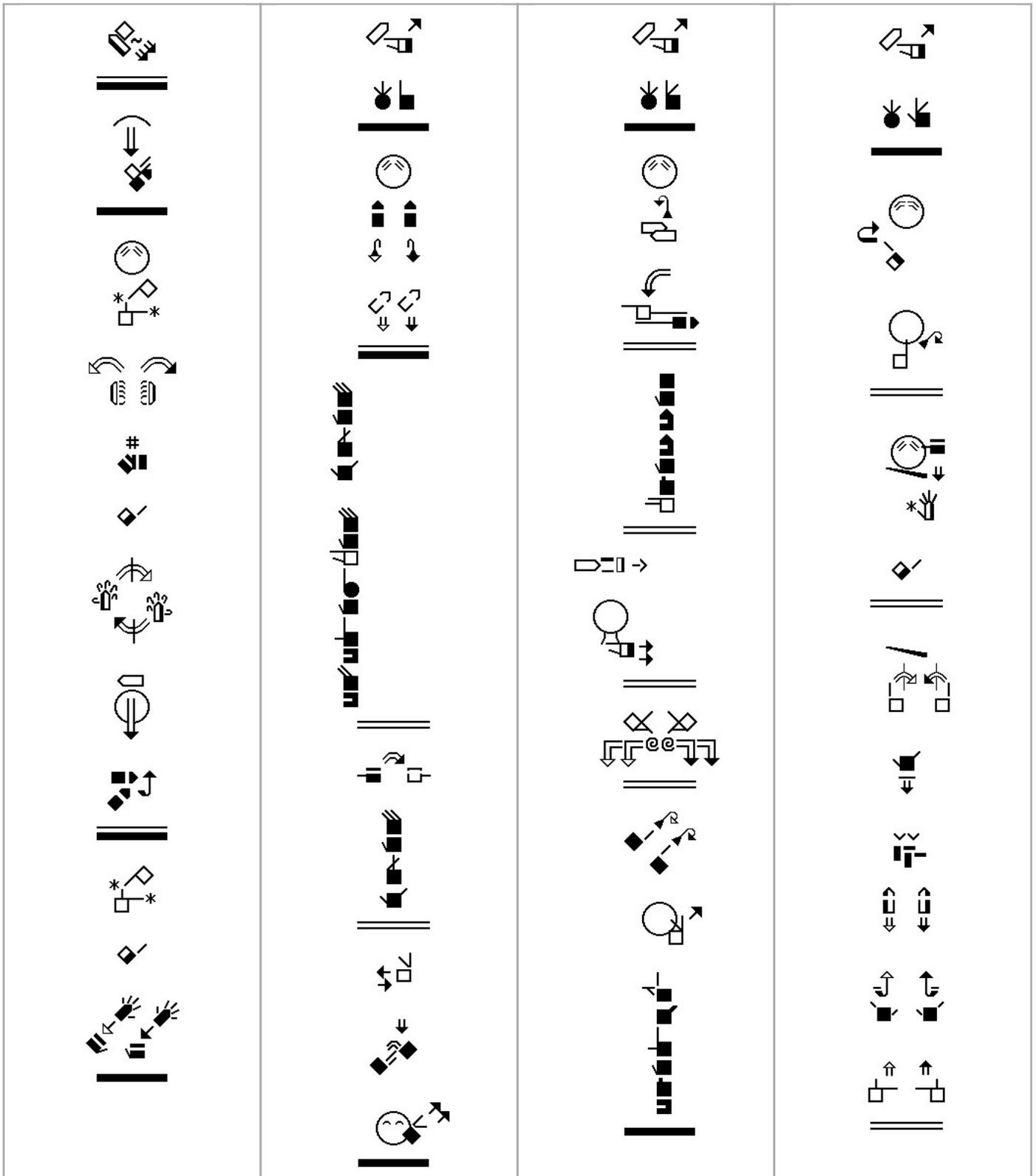
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<p>A vertical sequence of 11 sign language icons. From top to bottom: a face with eyes closed and a hand with fingers spread; a hand with fingers spread; a face with eyes closed and a hand with fingers spread; a hand with fingers spread.</p>	<p>A vertical sequence of 11 sign language icons. From top to bottom: a hand with fingers spread; a hand with fingers spread.</p>	<p>A vertical sequence of 11 sign language icons. From top to bottom: a hand with fingers spread; a hand with fingers spread.</p>	<p>A vertical sequence of 11 sign language icons. From top to bottom: a hand with fingers spread; a hand with fingers spread.</p>
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Matthew 27:58-60

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58 went to Pilate and asked for Jesus' body. And Pilate issued an order to release it to him. 59 Joseph took the body and wrapped it in a long sheet of clean linen cloth. 60 He placed it in his own new tomb, which had been carved out of the rock. NLT



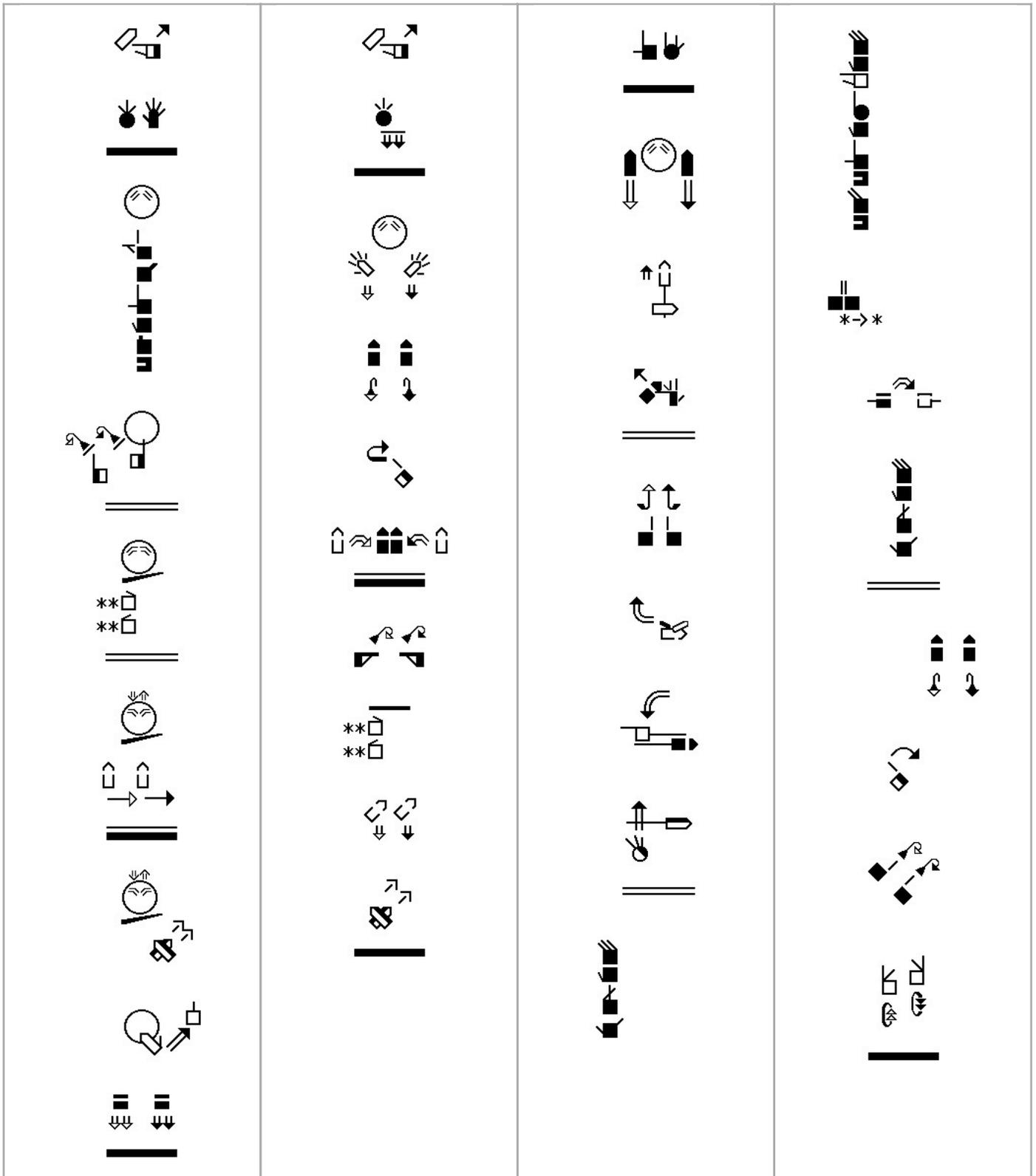
Then he rolled a great stone across the entrance and left. 61 Both Mary Magdalene and the other Mary were sitting across from the tomb and watching. 62 The next day, on the Sabbath, the leading priests and Pharisees went to see Pilate. 63 They told him, "Sir, we remember what that deceiver once said while he was still alive: NLT

Matthew 27:63-64

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'After three days I will rise from the dead.' 64 So we request that you seal the tomb until the third day. This will prevent his disciples from coming and stealing his body and then telling everyone he was raised from the dead! If that happens, we'll be worse off than we were at first." NLT



65 Pilate replied, "Take guards and secure it the best you can." 66 So they sealed the tomb and posted guards to protect it. 28. Early on Sunday morning, as the new day was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went out to visit the tomb.

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Matthew 28:2-4

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2 Suddenly there was a great earthquake! For an angel of the Lord came down from heaven, rolled aside the stone, and sat on it. 3 His face shone like lightning, and his clothing was as white as snow. 4 The guards shook with fear when they saw him, and they fell into a dead faint. NLT

Matthew 28:7-8

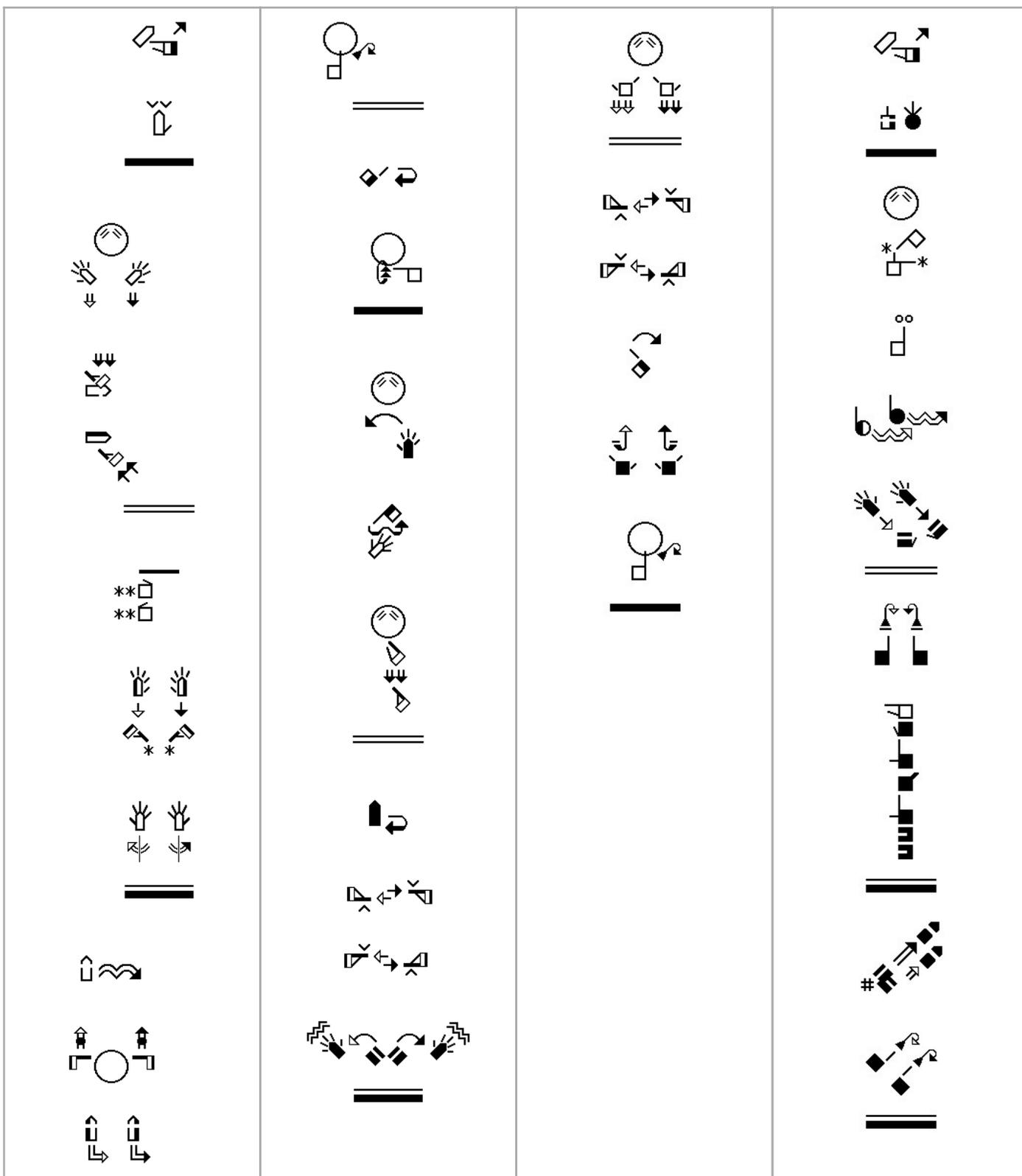
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7 And now, go quickly and tell his disciples that he has risen from the dead, and he is going ahead of you to Galilee. You will see him there. Remember what I have told you." 8 The women ran quickly from the tomb. They were very frightened but also NLT

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brothers to leave for Galilee, and they will see me there." 11 As the women were on their way, some of the guards went into the city and told the leading priests what had happened. 12 A meeting with the elders was called, and they decided NLT

Matthew 28:15-16



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15 So the guards accepted the bribe and said what they were told to say. Their story spread widely among the Jews, and they still tell it today. 16 Then the eleven disciples left for Galilee, going to the mountain
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Matthew 28:19-20

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19 Therefore, go and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. 20 Teach these new disciples to obey all the commands I have given you. And be sure of this: I am with you always, even to the end of the age." NLT

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