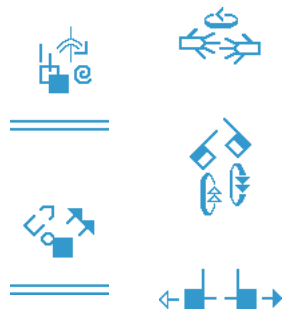




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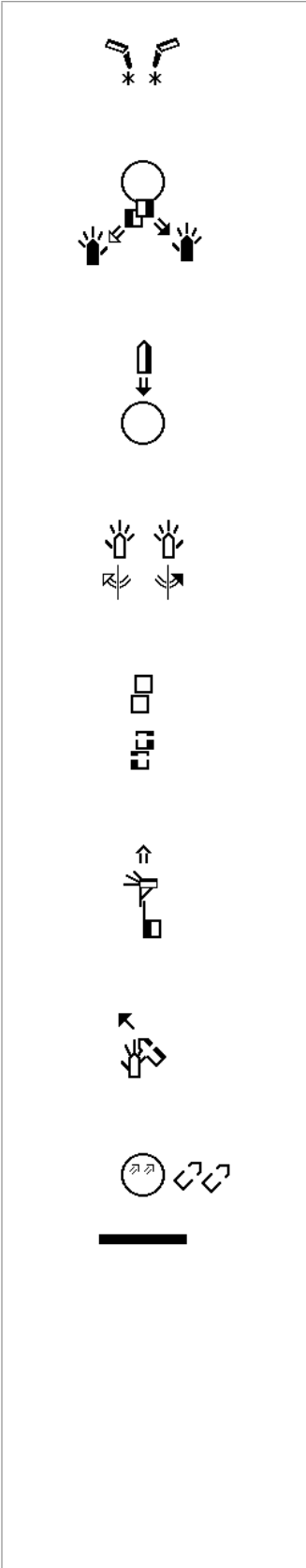
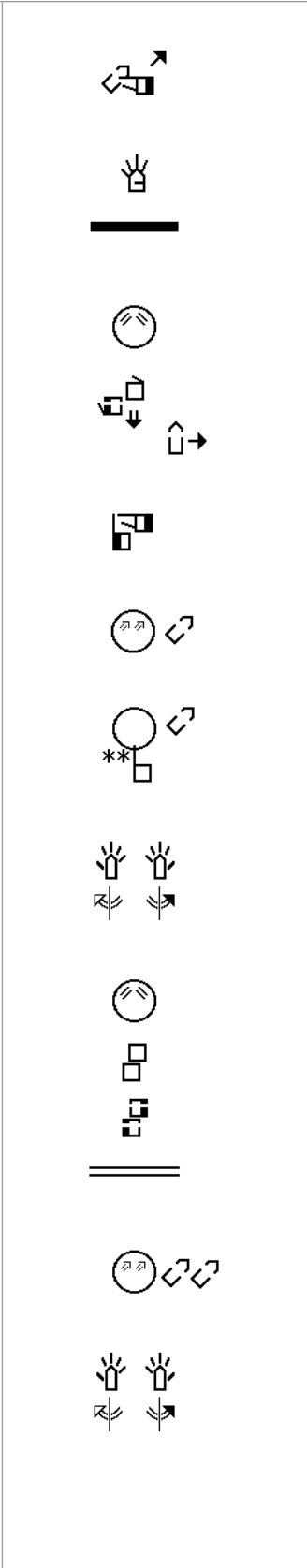
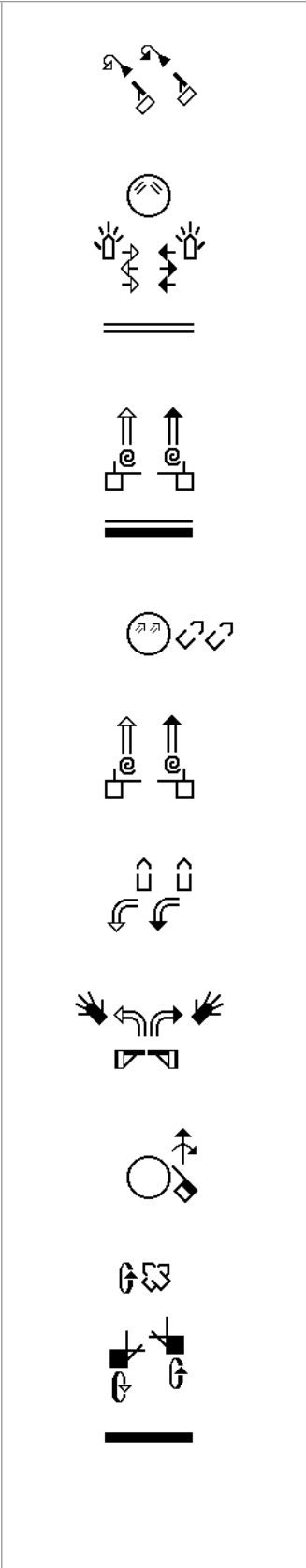
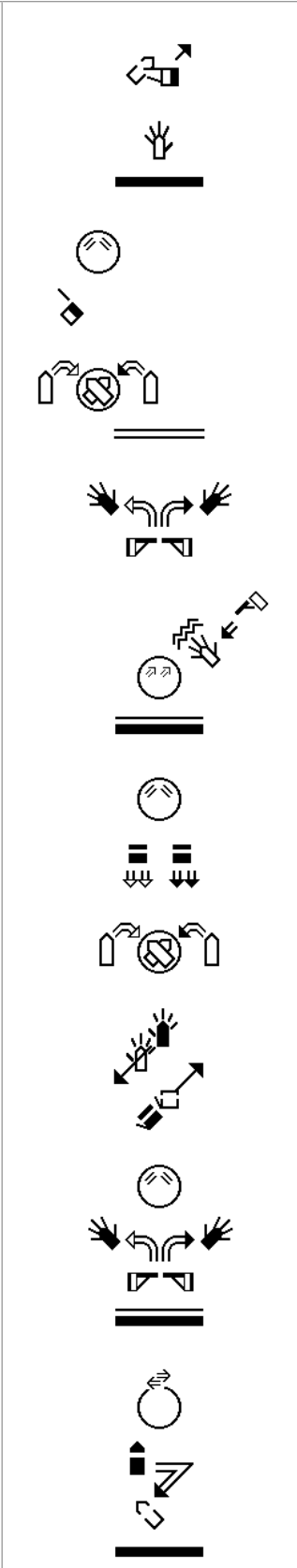
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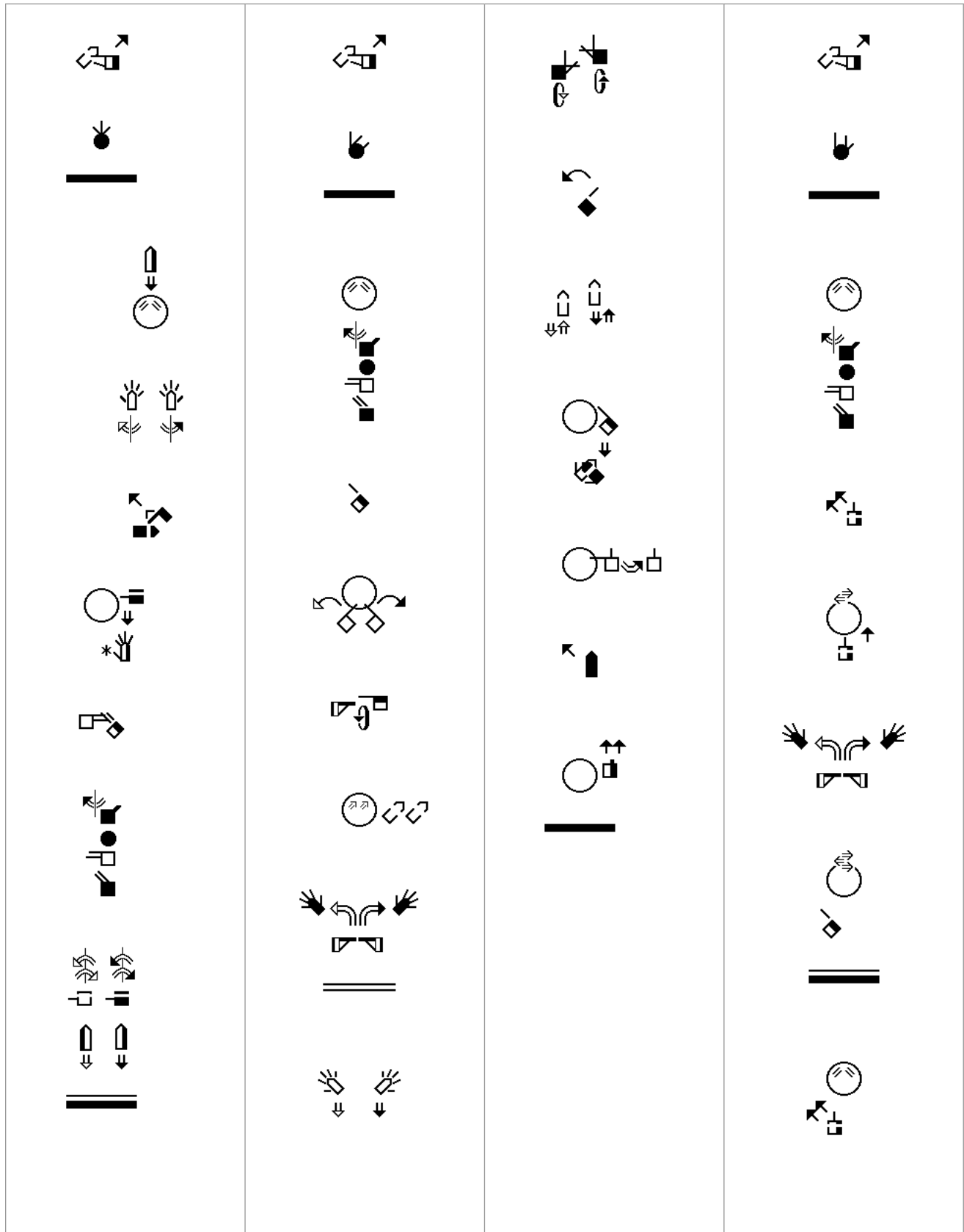
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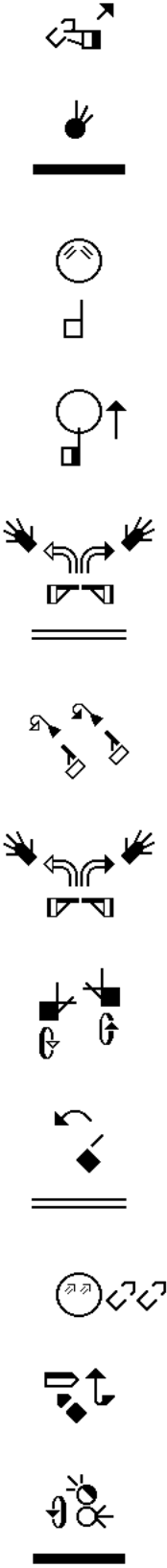
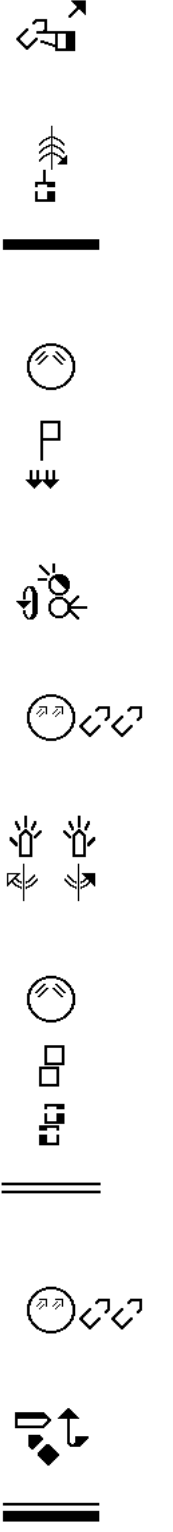
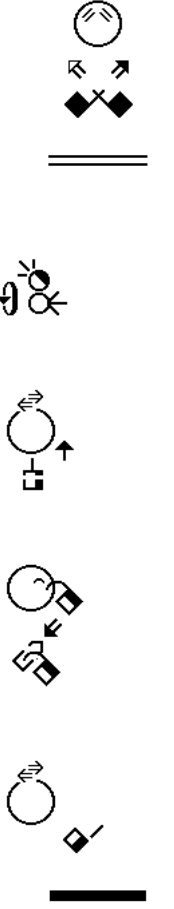
1 In the beginning the Word already existed. The Word was with God, and the Word was God. 2 He existed in the beginning with God. 3 God created everything through him, and nothing was created except through him. NLT

			
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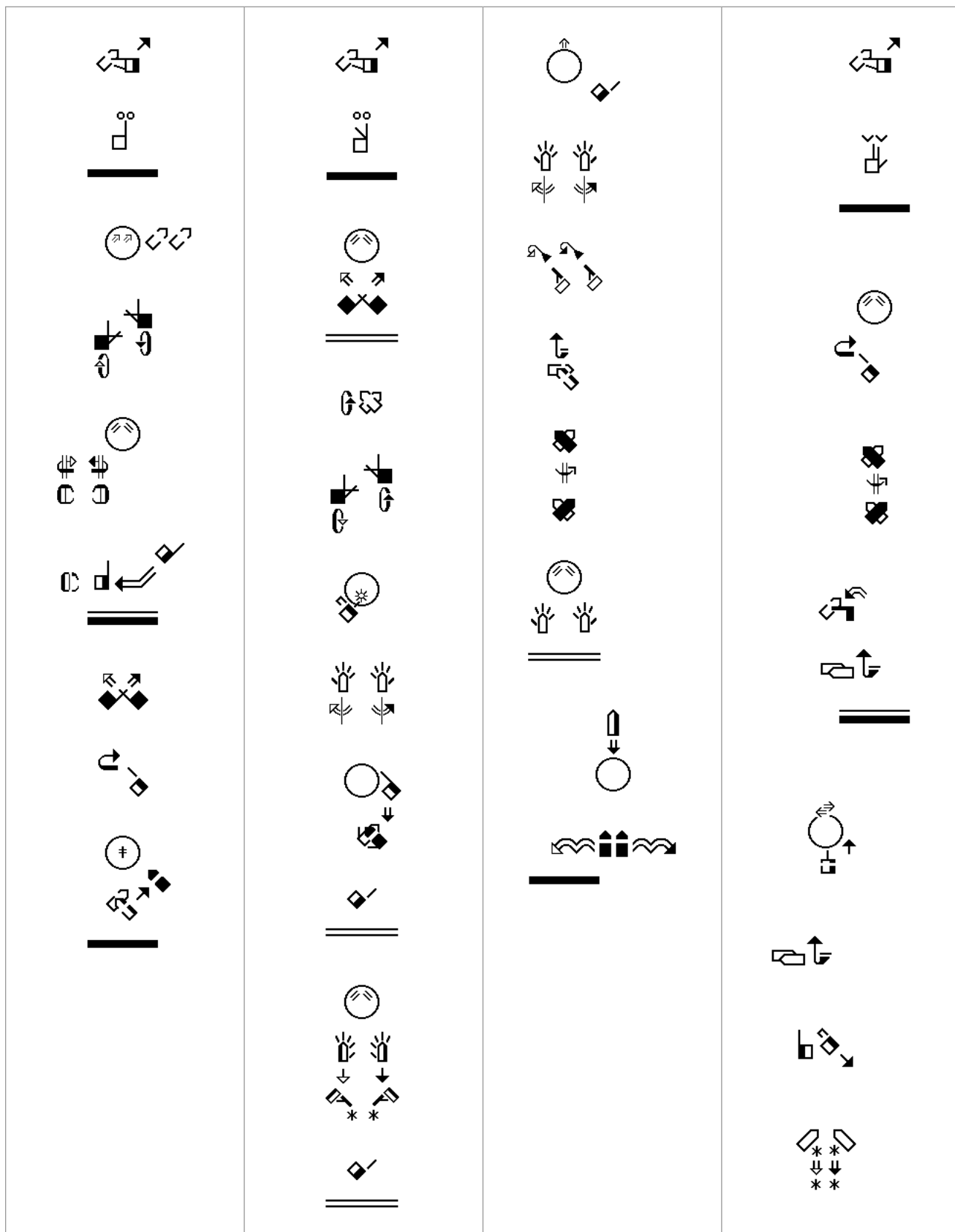
4 The Word gave life to everything that was created, and his life brought light to everyone. 5 The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness can never extinguish it. NLT



6 God sent a man, John the Baptist, 7 to tell about the light so that everyone might believe because of his testimony. 8 John himself was not the light; he was simply a witness to tell about the light. NLT

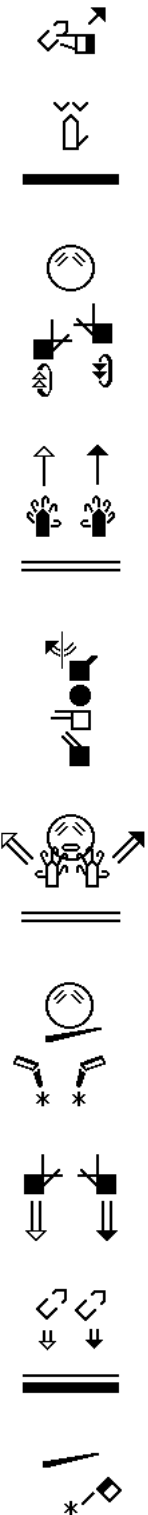
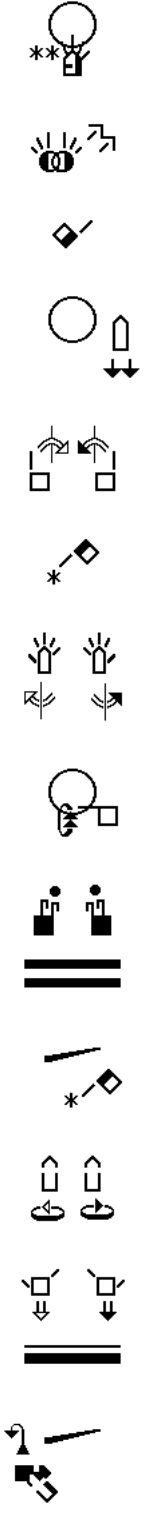
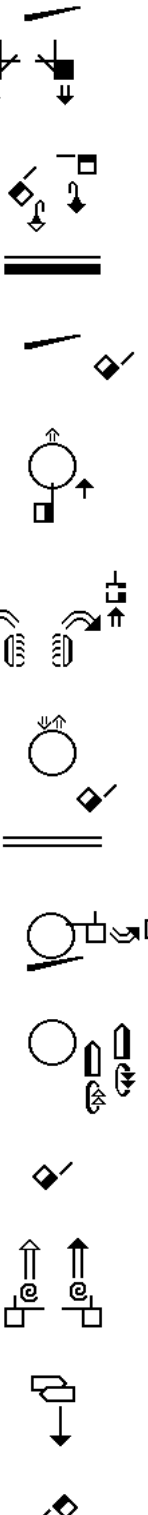

			
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11 He came to his own people, and even they rejected him. 12 But to all who believed him and accepted him, he gave the right to become children of God. 13 They are reborn--not with a physical birth resulting from human passion or plan, but a birth that comes from God. NLT



			
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15 John testified about him when he shouted to the crowds, “This is the one I was talking about when I said, ‘Someone is coming after me who is far greater than I am, for he existed long before me.’” 16 From his abundance we have all received one gracious blessing after another.NLT

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17 For the law was given through Moses, but God's unfailing love and faithfulness came through Jesus Christ. 18 No one has ever seen God. But the one and only Son is himself God and is near to the Father's heart. He has revealed God to us. NL



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19 This was John's testimony when the Jewish leaders sent priests and Temple assistants from Jerusalem to ask John, "Who are you?" NLT

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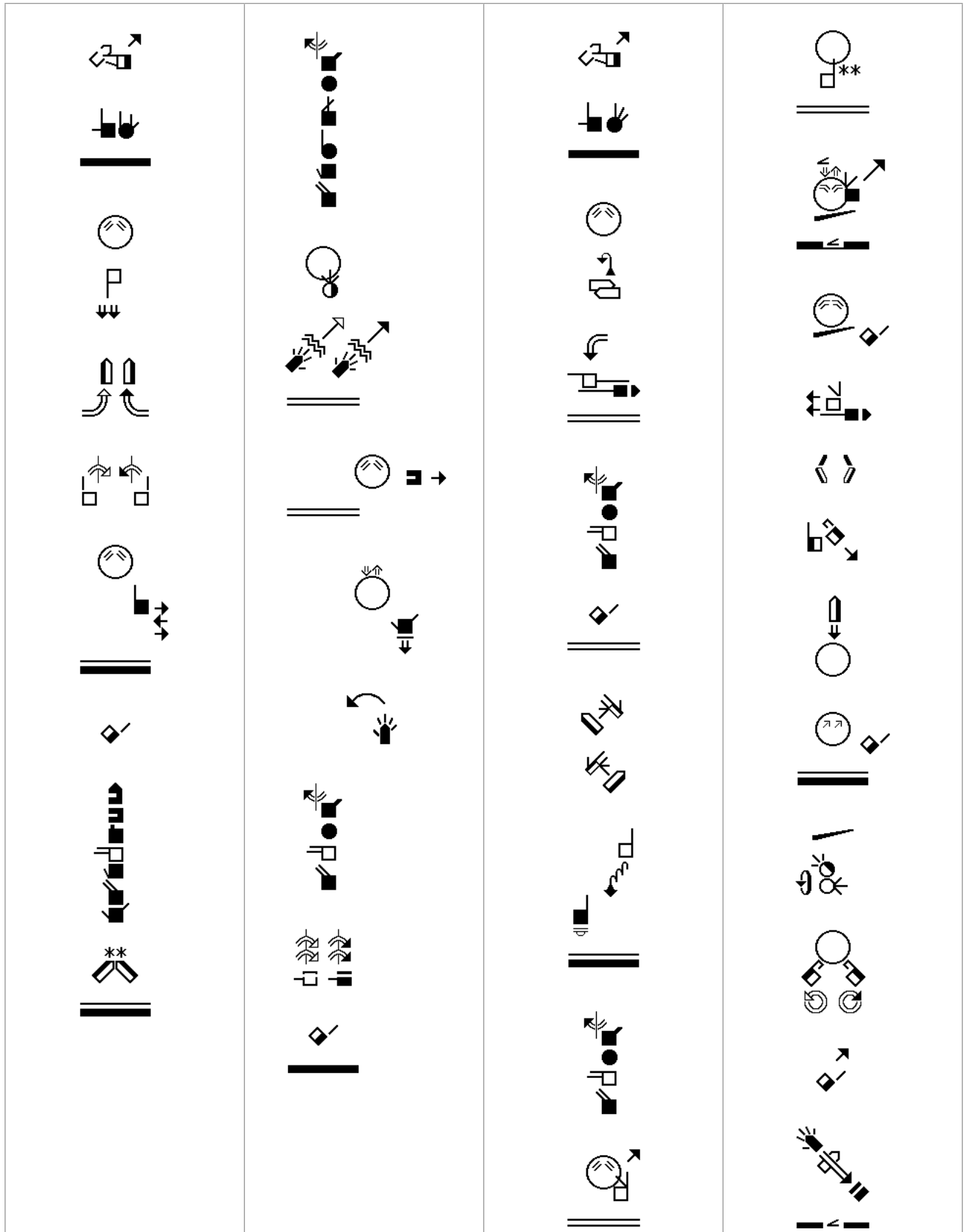
20 He came right out and said, "I am not the Messiah." 21 "Well then, who are you?" they asked. "Are you Elijah?" "No," he replied. "Are you the Prophet we are expecting?" "No." 22 "Then who are you? We need an answer for those who sent us. What do you have to say about yourself?" NLT

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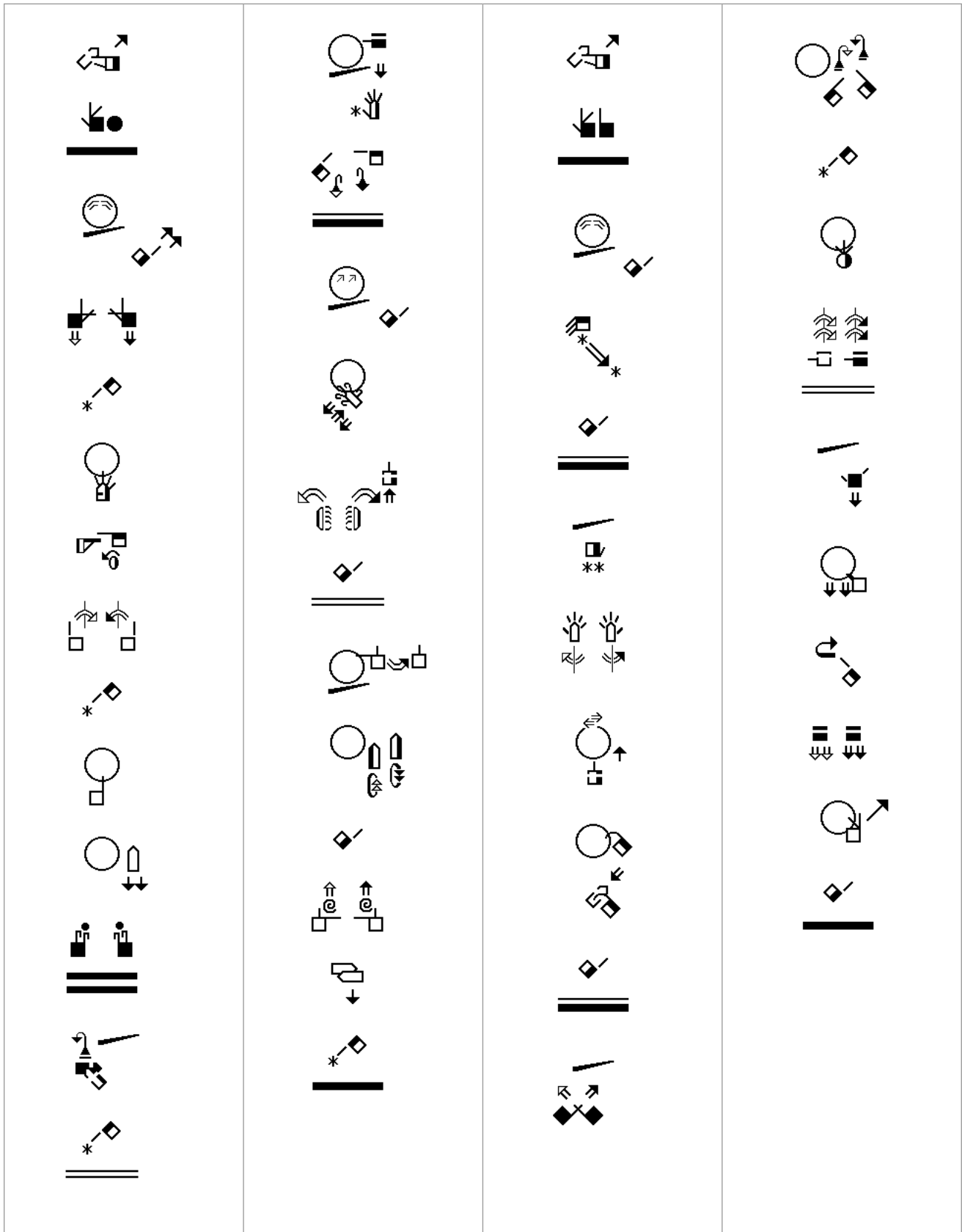
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24 Then the Pharisees who had been sent 25 asked him, “If you aren’t the Messiah or Elijah or the Prophet, what right do you have to baptize?” 26 John told them, “I baptize with water, but right here in the crowd is someone you do not recognize.” NLT

<p>A vertical sequence of ASL signs: a circle with a horizontal line through it (representing 'I'), two hands with fingers spread (representing 'am'), a horizontal line (representing 'the'), a hand with fingers spread (representing 'light'), a hand with fingers spread (representing 'of'), a hand with fingers spread (representing 'the'), a hand with fingers spread (representing 'world'), a hand with fingers spread (representing 'I'), a hand with fingers spread (representing 'am'), a hand with fingers spread (representing 'the'), a hand with fingers spread (representing 'light'), a hand with fingers spread (representing 'of'), a hand with fingers spread (representing 'the'), a hand with fingers spread (representing 'world').</p>	<p>A vertical sequence of ASL signs: a hand with fingers spread (representing 'who'), a hand with fingers spread (representing 'follows'), a hand with fingers spread (representing 'me'), a hand with fingers spread (representing 'I'), a hand with fingers spread (representing 'am'), a hand with fingers spread (representing 'the'), a hand with fingers spread (representing 'light'), a hand with fingers spread (representing 'of'), a hand with fingers spread (representing 'the'), a hand with fingers spread (representing 'world'), a hand with fingers spread (representing 'I'), a hand with fingers spread (representing 'am'), a hand with fingers spread (representing 'the'), a hand with fingers spread (representing 'light'), a hand with fingers spread (representing 'of'), a hand with fingers spread (representing 'the'), a hand with fingers spread (representing 'world').</p>	<p>A vertical sequence of ASL signs: a hand with fingers spread (representing 'who'), a hand with fingers spread (representing 'follows'), a hand with fingers spread (representing 'me'), a hand with fingers spread (representing 'I'), a hand with fingers spread (representing 'am'), a hand with fingers spread (representing 'the'), a hand with fingers spread (representing 'light'), a hand with fingers spread (representing 'of'), a hand with fingers spread (representing 'the'), a hand with fingers spread (representing 'world'), a hand with fingers spread (representing 'I'), a hand with fingers spread (representing 'am'), a hand with fingers spread (representing 'the'), a hand with fingers spread (representing 'light'), a hand with fingers spread (representing 'of'), a hand with fingers spread (representing 'the'), a hand with fingers spread (representing 'world').</p>	<p>A vertical sequence of ASL signs: a hand with fingers spread (representing 'who'), a hand with fingers spread (representing 'follows'), a hand with fingers spread (representing 'me'), a hand with fingers spread (representing 'I'), a hand with fingers spread (representing 'am'), a hand with fingers spread (representing 'the'), a hand with fingers spread (representing 'light'), a hand with fingers spread (representing 'of'), a hand with fingers spread (representing 'the'), a hand with fingers spread (representing 'world'), a hand with fingers spread (representing 'I'), a hand with fingers spread (representing 'am'), a hand with fingers spread (representing 'the'), a hand with fingers spread (representing 'light'), a hand with fingers spread (representing 'of'), a hand with fingers spread (representing 'the'), a hand with fingers spread (representing 'world').</p>
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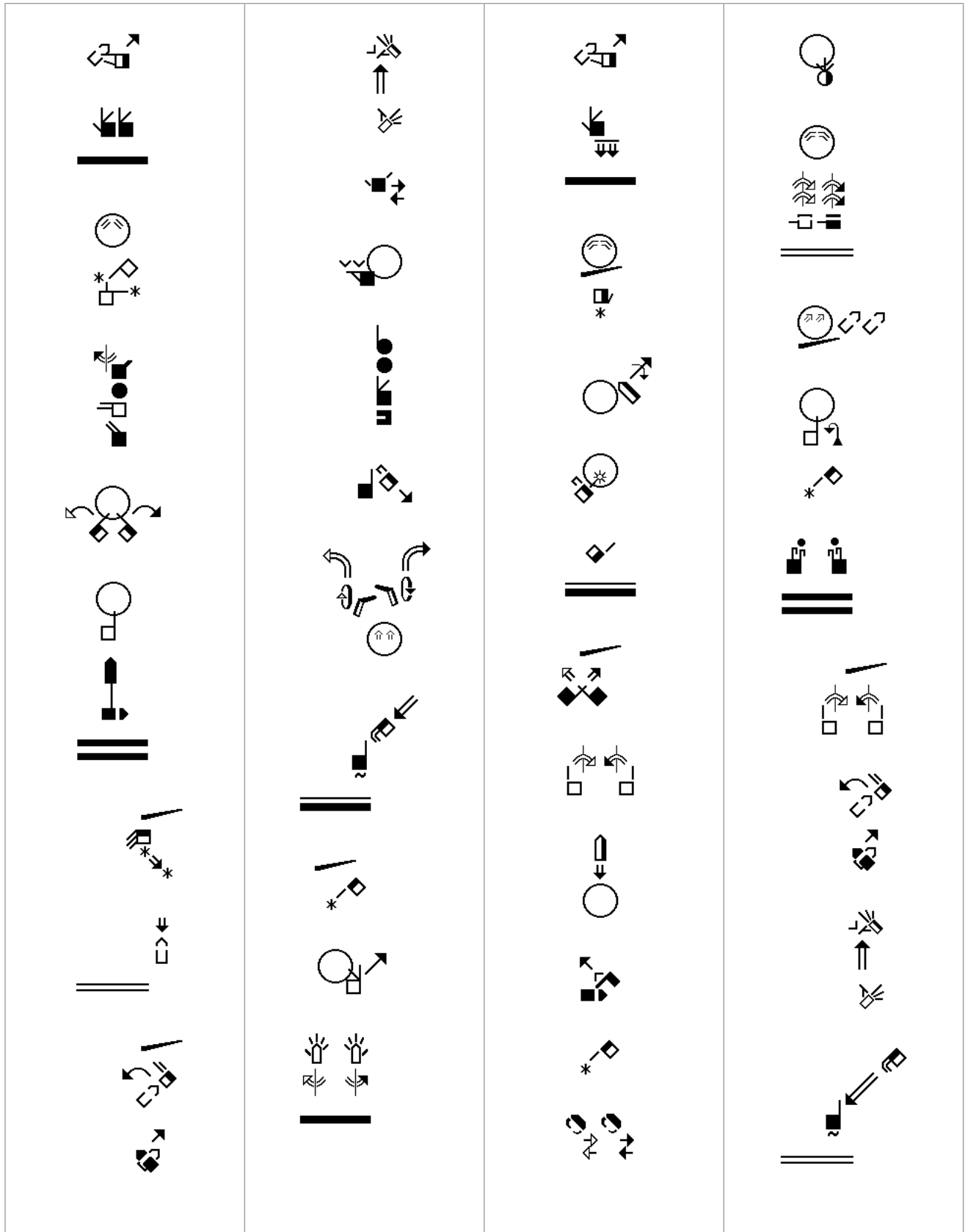


28 This encounter took place in Bethany, an area east of the Jordan River, where John was baptizing. 29 The next day, John saw Jesus coming toward him and said, "Look! The Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!" NLT



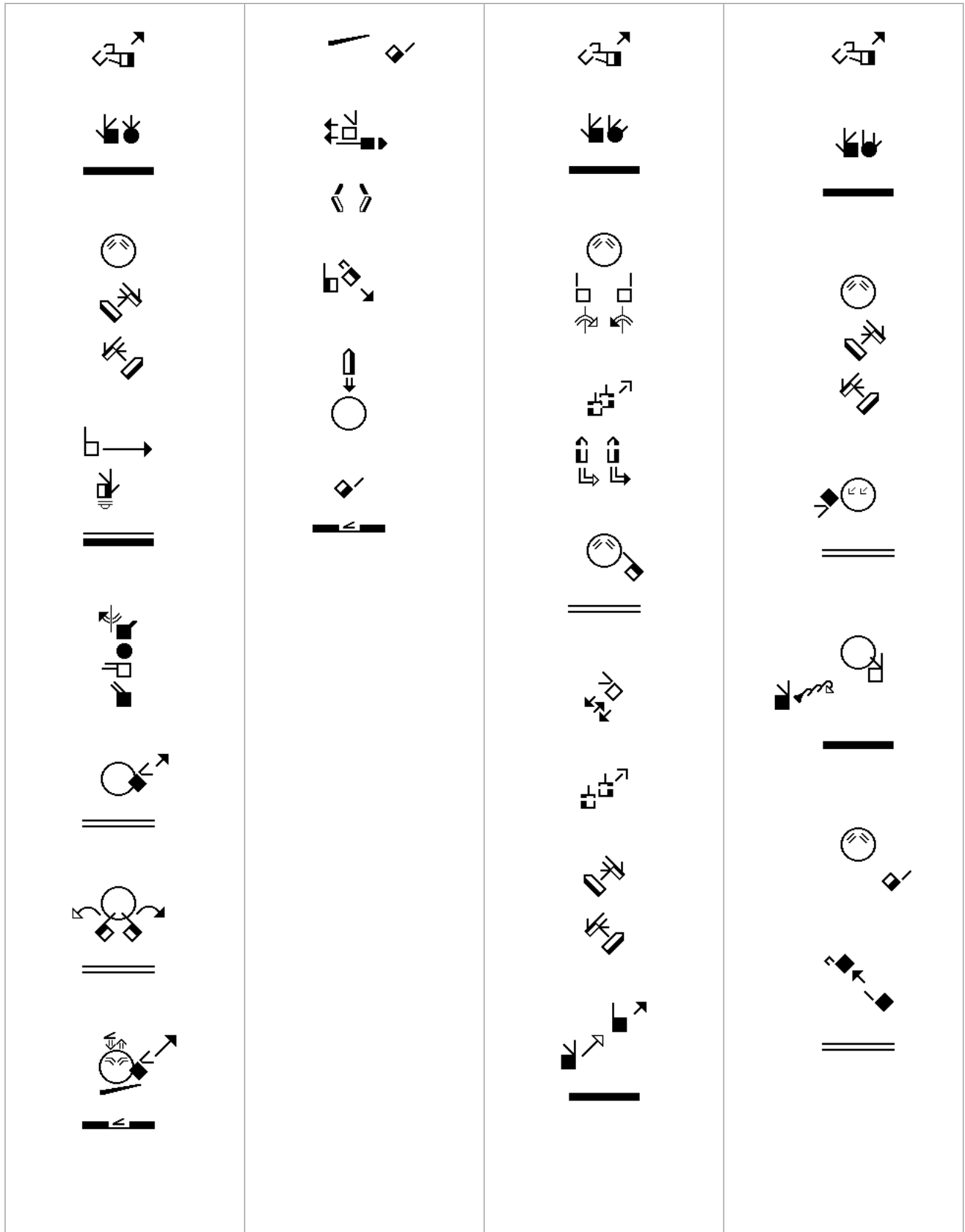
30 “He is the one I was talking about when I said, ‘A man is coming after me who is far greater than I am, for he existed long before me.’” 31 “I did not recognize him as the Messiah, but I have been baptizing with water so that he might be revealed to Israel.” NLT





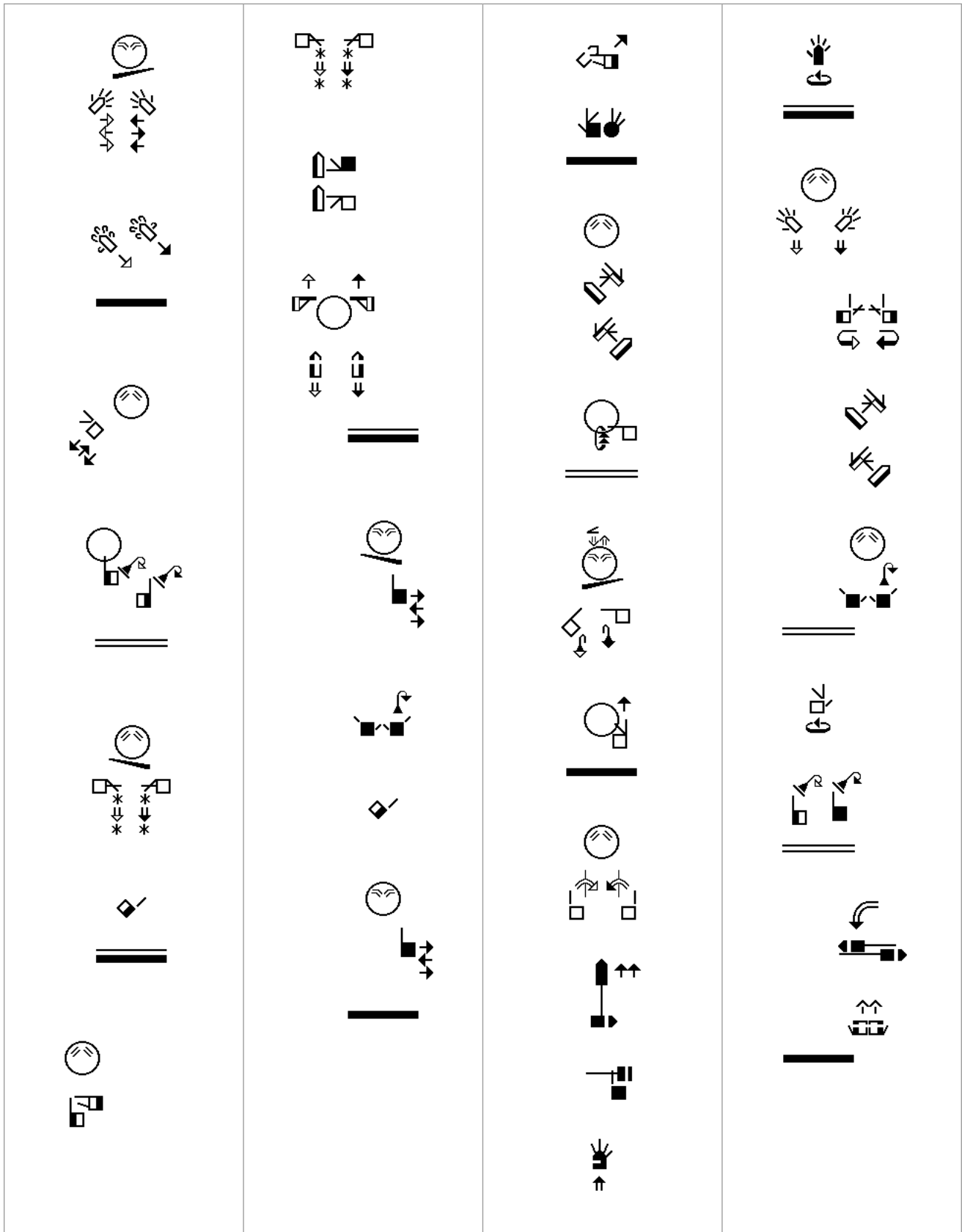
32 Then John testified, "I saw the Holy Spirit descending like a dove from heaven and resting upon him." 33 "I didn't know he was the one, but when God sent me to baptize with water, he told me, 'The one on whom you see the Holy Spirit descend and rest is the one who will baptize with the Holy Spirit.'" NLT





36 As Jesus walked by, John looked at him and declared, "Look! There is the Lamb of God!" 37 When John's two disciples heard this, they followed Jesus. 38 Jesus looked around and saw them following. "What do you want?" he asked them. They replied, "Rabbi" (which means "Teacher"), "where are you staying?" NLT





39 "Come and see," he said. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon when they went with him to the place where he was staying, and they remained with him the rest of the day. NLT





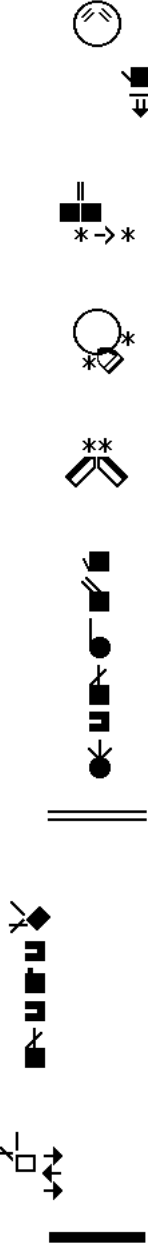
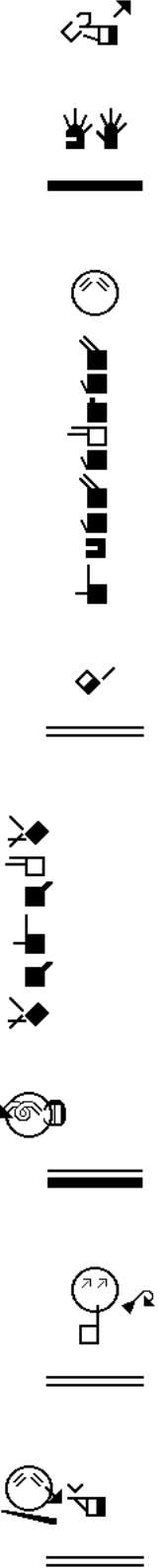
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40 Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother, was one of these men who heard what John said and then followed Jesus. 41 Andrew went to find his brother, Simon, and told him, “We have found the Messiah” (which means “Christ”). NLT



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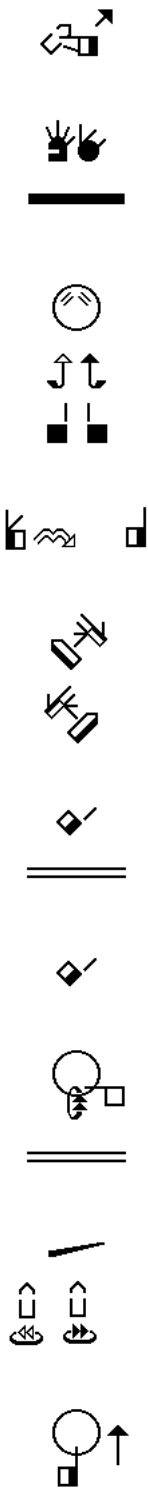
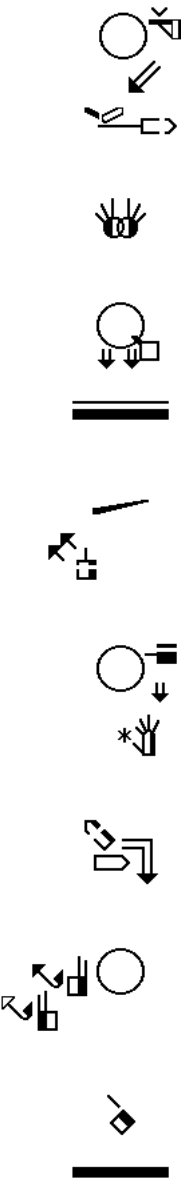

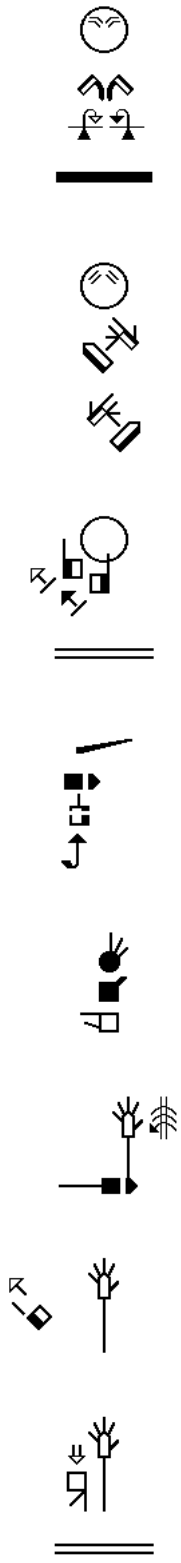
42 Then Andrew brought Simon to meet Jesus. Looking intently at Simon, Jesus said, “Your name is Simon, son of John--but you will be called Cephas” (which means “Peter”). 43 The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, “Come, follow me.” NLT

 <p>ASL sign sequence for John 1:43-45. It includes signs for 'Bethsaida', 'Andrew', 'Peter', 'Philip', 'Nathanael', 'Moses', 'prophets', 'Jesus', and 'Nazareth'.</p>	 <p>ASL sign sequence for John 1:46-48. It includes signs for 'Philip', 'Nathanael', 'Moses', 'prophets', 'Jesus', and 'Nazareth'.</p>	 <p>ASL sign sequence for John 1:49-51. It includes signs for 'Bethsaida', 'Andrew', 'Peter', 'Philip', 'Nathanael', 'Moses', 'prophets', 'Jesus', and 'Nazareth'.</p>	 <p>ASL sign sequence for John 1:52-54. It includes signs for 'Bethsaida', 'Andrew', 'Peter', 'Philip', 'Nathanael', 'Moses', 'prophets', 'Jesus', and 'Nazareth'.</p>
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44 Philip was from Bethsaida, Andrew and Peter’s hometown. 45 Philip went to look for Nathanael and told him, “We have found the very person Moses and the prophets wrote about! His name is Jesus, the son of Joseph from Nazareth.” NLT



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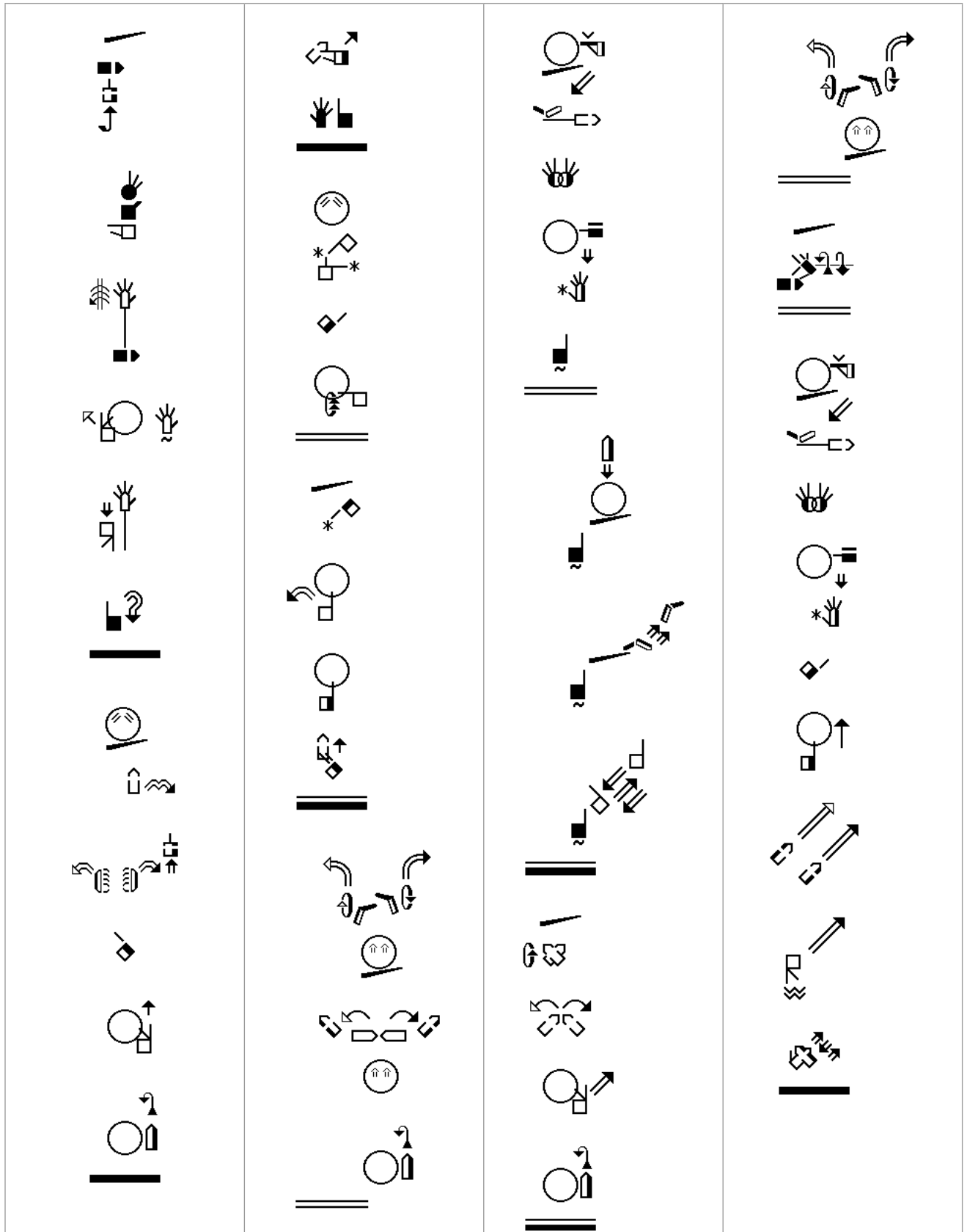
47 As they approached, Jesus said, “Now here is a genuine son of Israel--a man of complete integrity.” 48 “How do you know about me?” Nathanael asked. Jesus replied, “I could see you under the fig tree before Philip found you.” NLT



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49 Then Nathanael exclaimed, “Rabbi, you are the Son of God--the King of Israel!” 50 Jesus asked him, “Do you believe this just because I told you I had seen you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than this.” NLT





51 Then he said, "I tell you the truth, you will all see heaven open and the angels of God going up and down on the Son of Man, the one who is the stairway between heaven and earth." NLT



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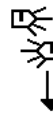
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