

God Knows Me—

Psalm 139

One of the best ways to teach a Bible truth is to let students read and admire the scriptures as they speak for themselves. But how do you help someone learn a passage that is not a story narrative in an interesting way? One suggestion is to illustrate the concepts of a chapter through drawings.

The following pages illustrate the truth that God knows everything about me as told by the beautiful Psalm 139.

Teaching Suggestions

The drawings are meant to help students remember the bible verses. Read Psalm 139 first, then show the pictures as you review one verse at a time. As a review, shuffle the pictures and ask the students to put them back into order using their open Bible as a guide.

This is a good way to start a conversation about God's knowledge of us. Some questions to consider include:

- Why does God care about us in such detail?
- How is God able to see thoughts and motives even when we can't see them ourselves?

- Can we ever surprise God?
- What other Bible verses tell us about God's knowledge of us?
- Are sins only committed through actions or can thoughts become sinful as well?
- Where does God record the memory of all of our deeds? Is there a judgment day?
- Does God keep a record of Christian's deeds? Does he reward deeds or our motives?

Create your own story line for other chapters

Use this technique to illustrate other chapters of the Bible. If you aren't inclined to be so creative, ask each of your students to create a picture representing a verse from the chapter.

For example, the following chapters contain beautiful, graphical language...

Romans 3 is a graphic description of sin ("The poison of asps is under their lips")

Matthew 5—The Beatitudes—could be well represented by drawings ("Blessed are they who hunger and thirst for righteousness for they shall be filled")

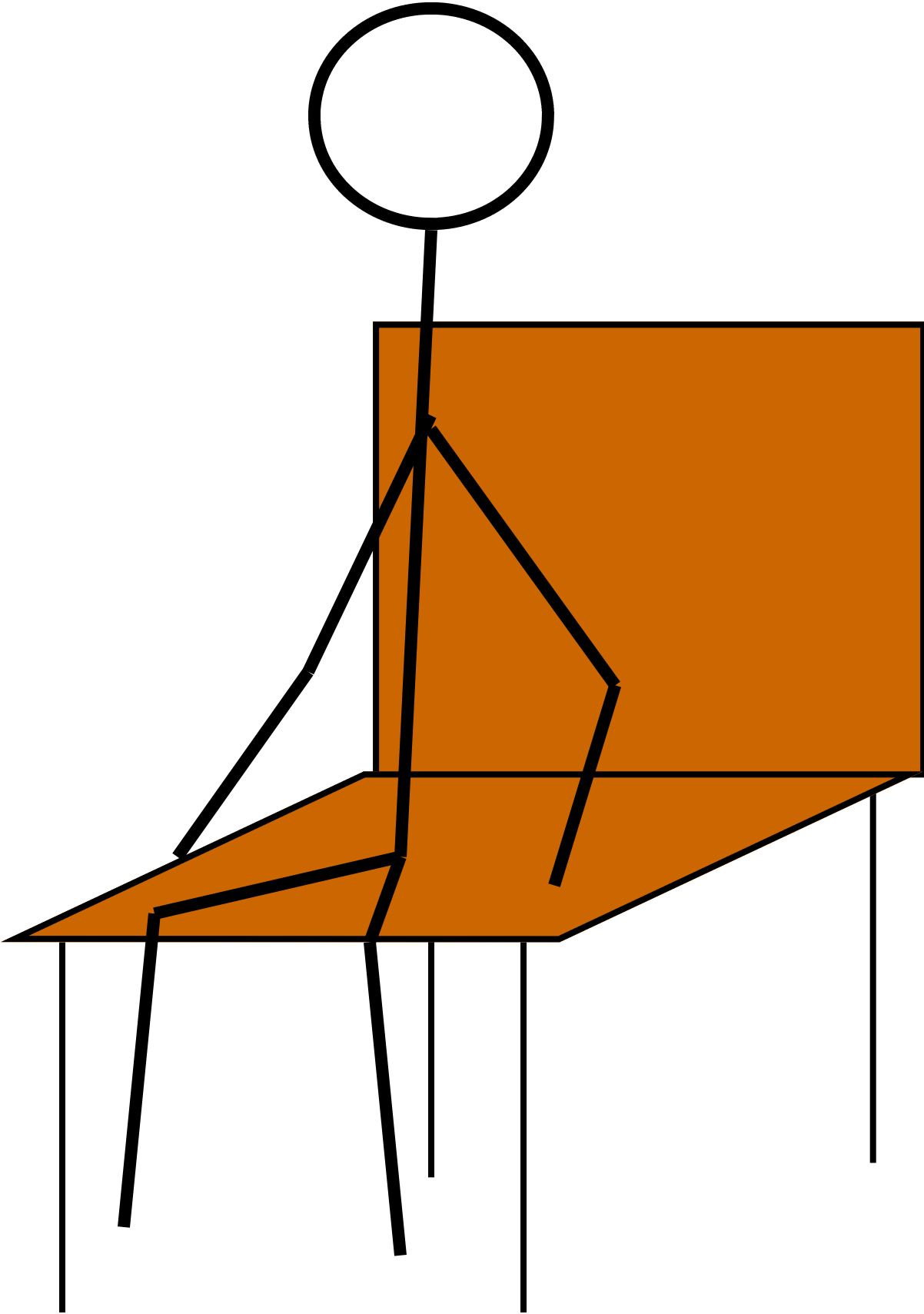
Psalm 23 is the famous steps of the Good Shepherd. "He leads

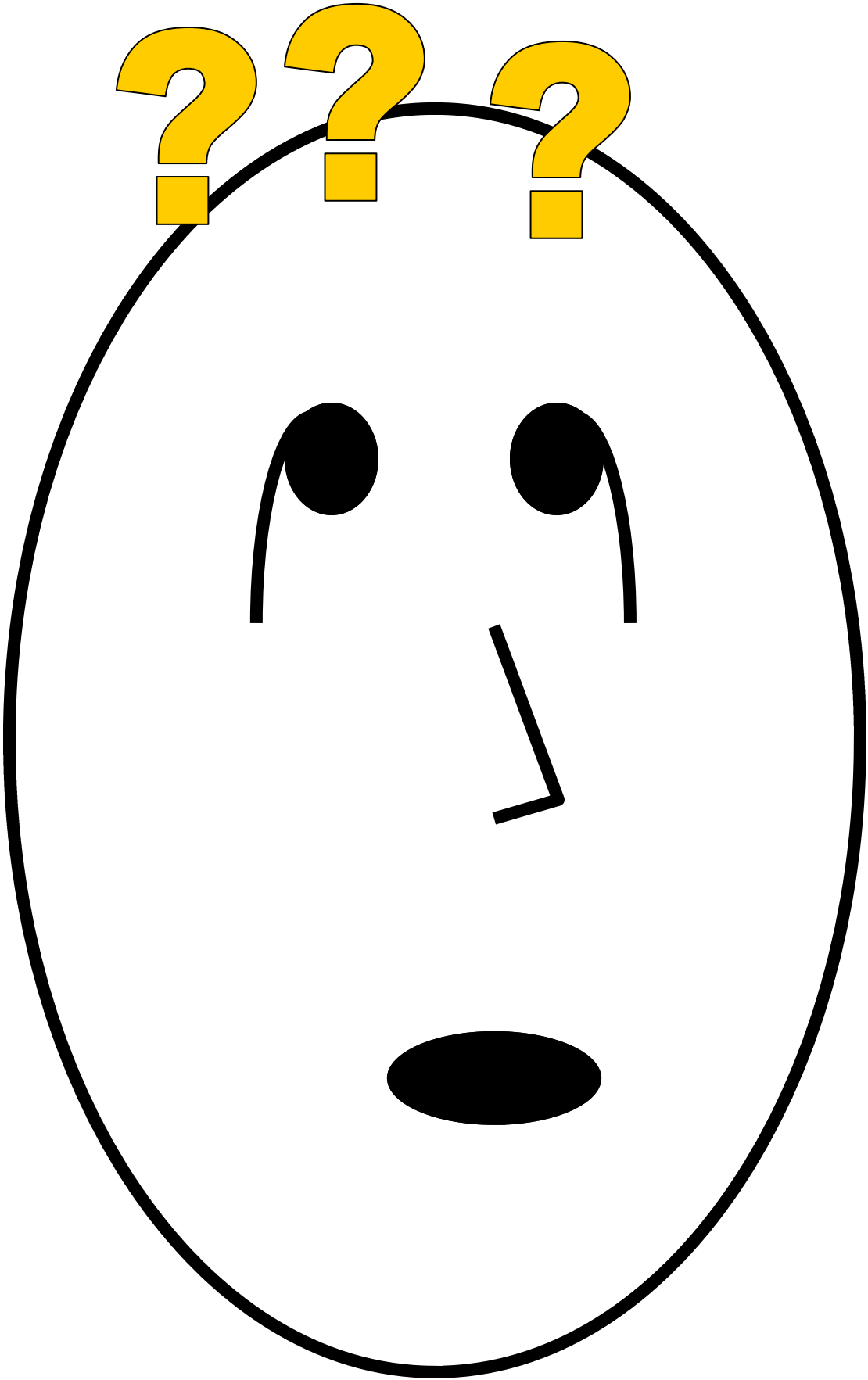
me beside still waters..."

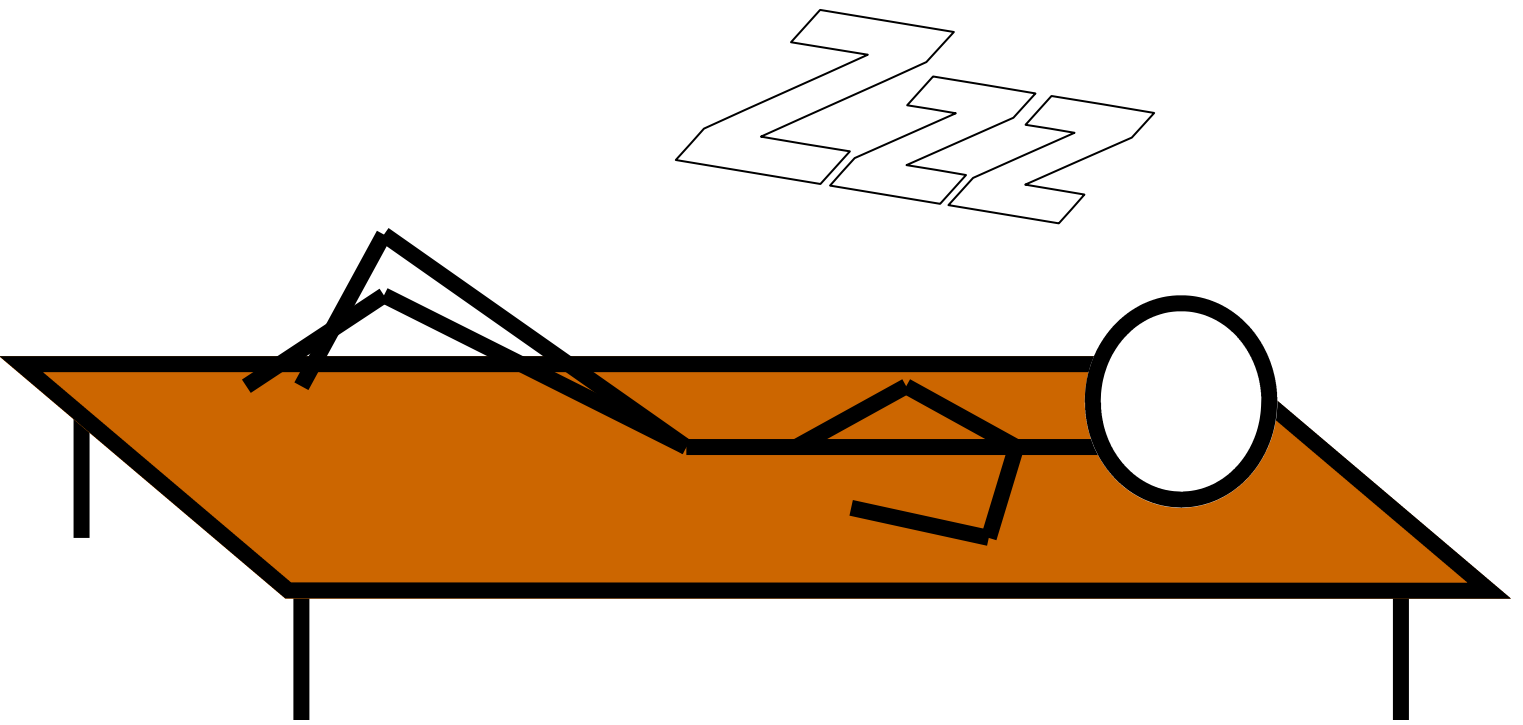
1 Corinthians 13 personifies love in action. "Love does not rejoice in iniquity" etc.

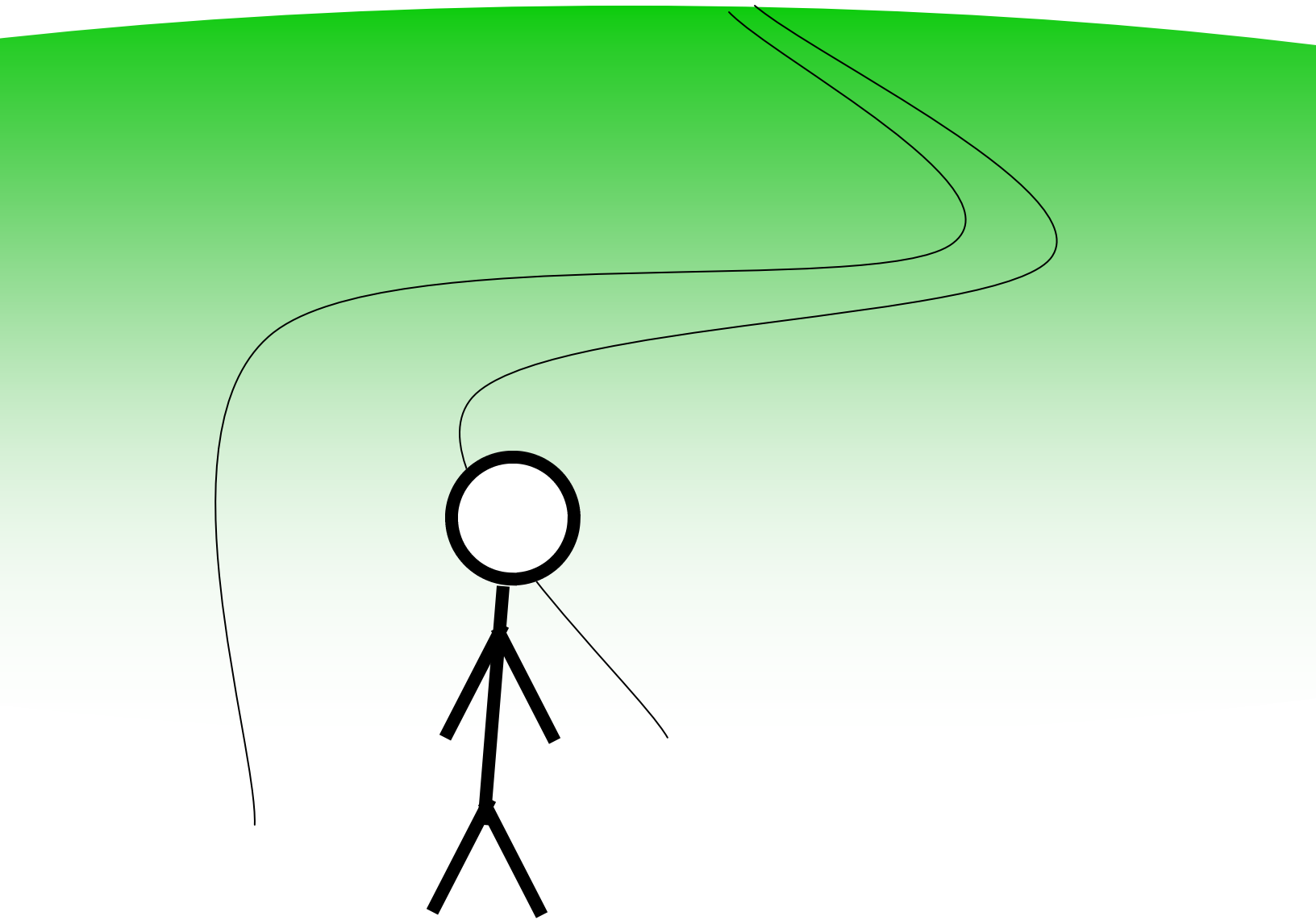
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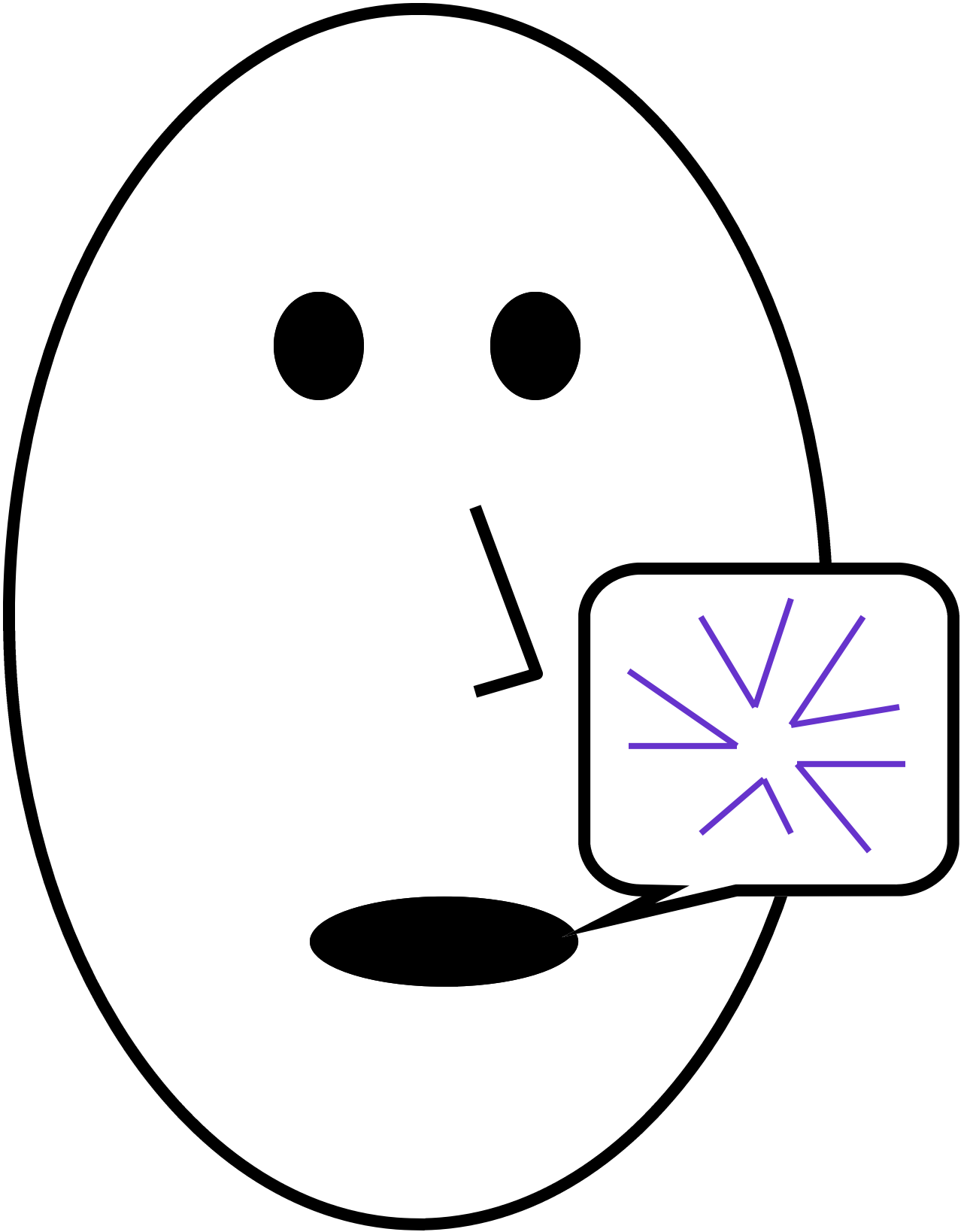
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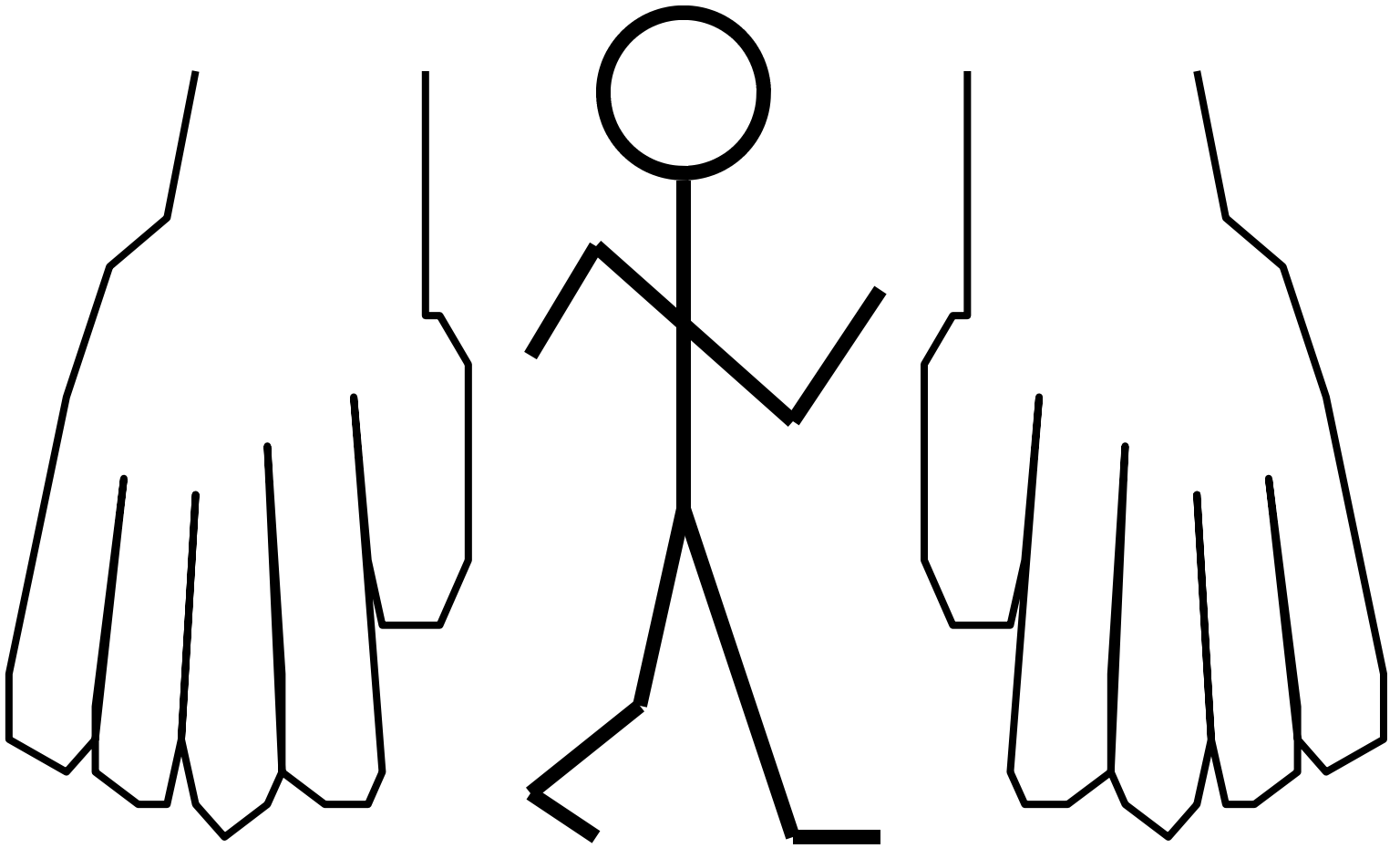


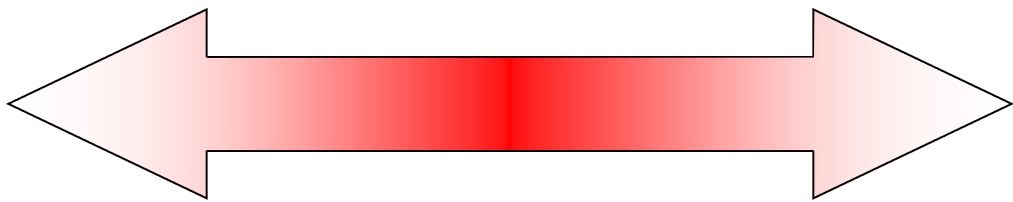
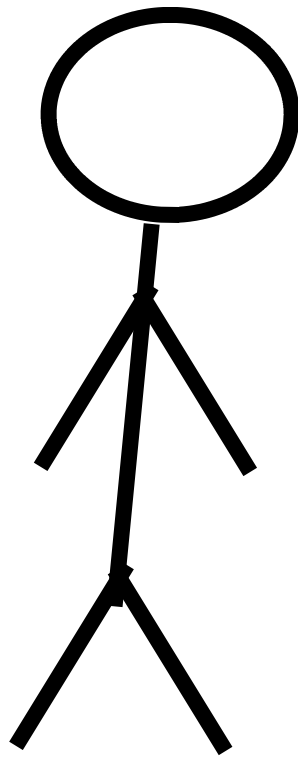




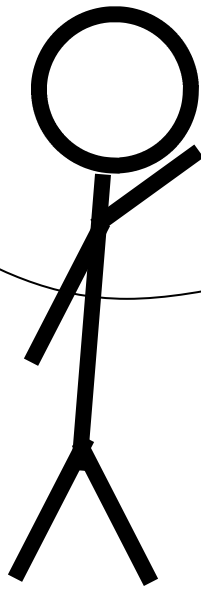
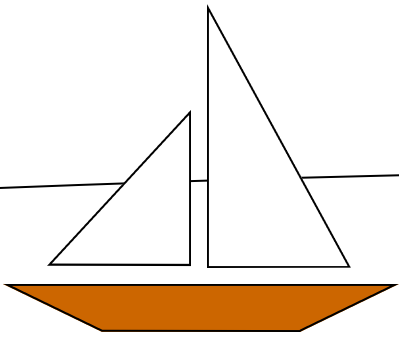


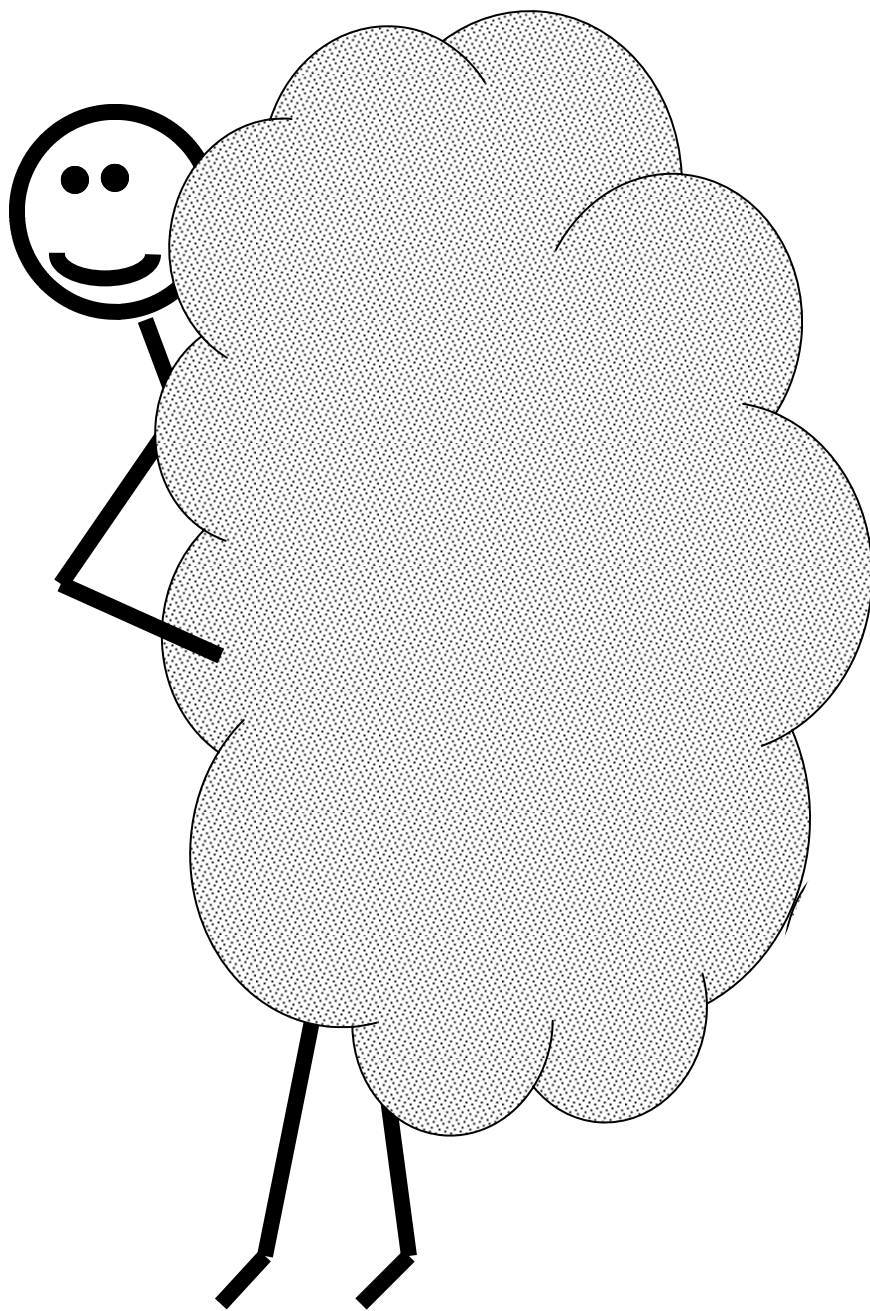












Psalm 139

**1 O Lord, you
have searched
me and known
me!**

**2 You know
when I sit down
and when I rise
up;**

you
discern
my
thoughts
from afar.

**3 You search
out my path
and my lying
down
and are
acquainted with
all my ways.**

**4 Even before
a word is on
my tongue,
behold, O
Lord, you
know it
altogether.**

**5 You hem
me in,
behind and
before,
and lay your
hand upon
me.**

**7 Where shall
I go from your
Spirit?**

**Or where shall
I flee from
your
presence?**

**8 If I ascend
to heaven,
you are there!
If I make my
bed in Sheol,
you are there!**

**9 If I take the
wings of the
morning
and dwell in the
uttermost parts of
the sea, even there
your hand shall
lead me, and your
right hand shall
hold me.**

**11 If I say, “Surely the
darkness shall cover
me,
and the light about me
be night,”
12 even the darkness
is not dark to you;
the night is bright as
the day,
for darkness is as light
with you.**