



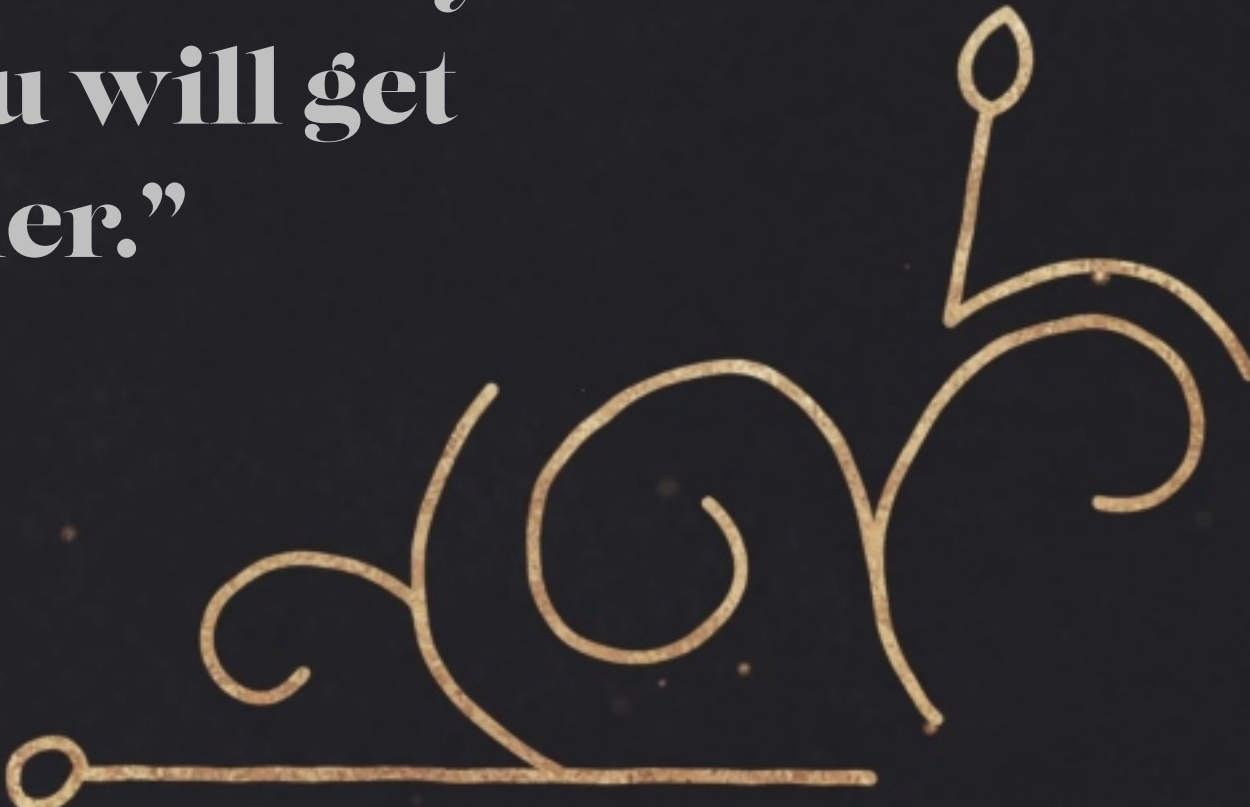

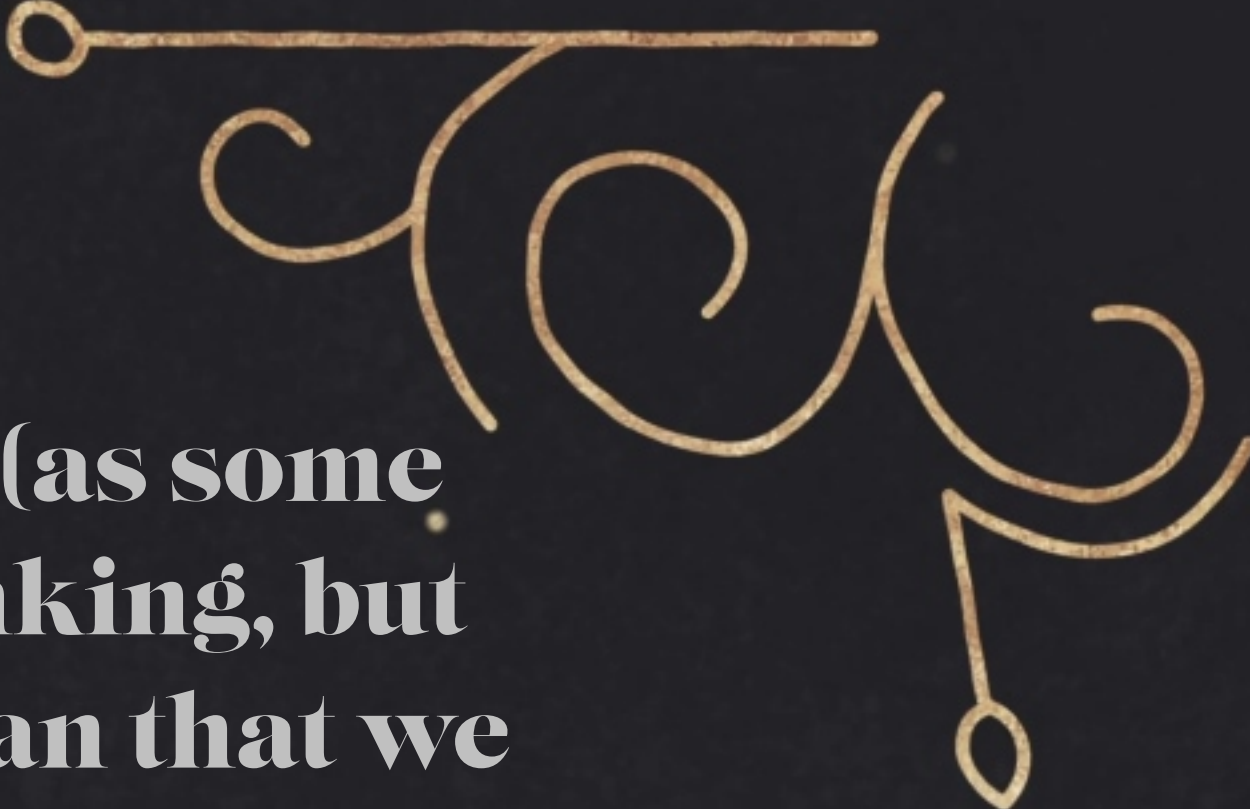
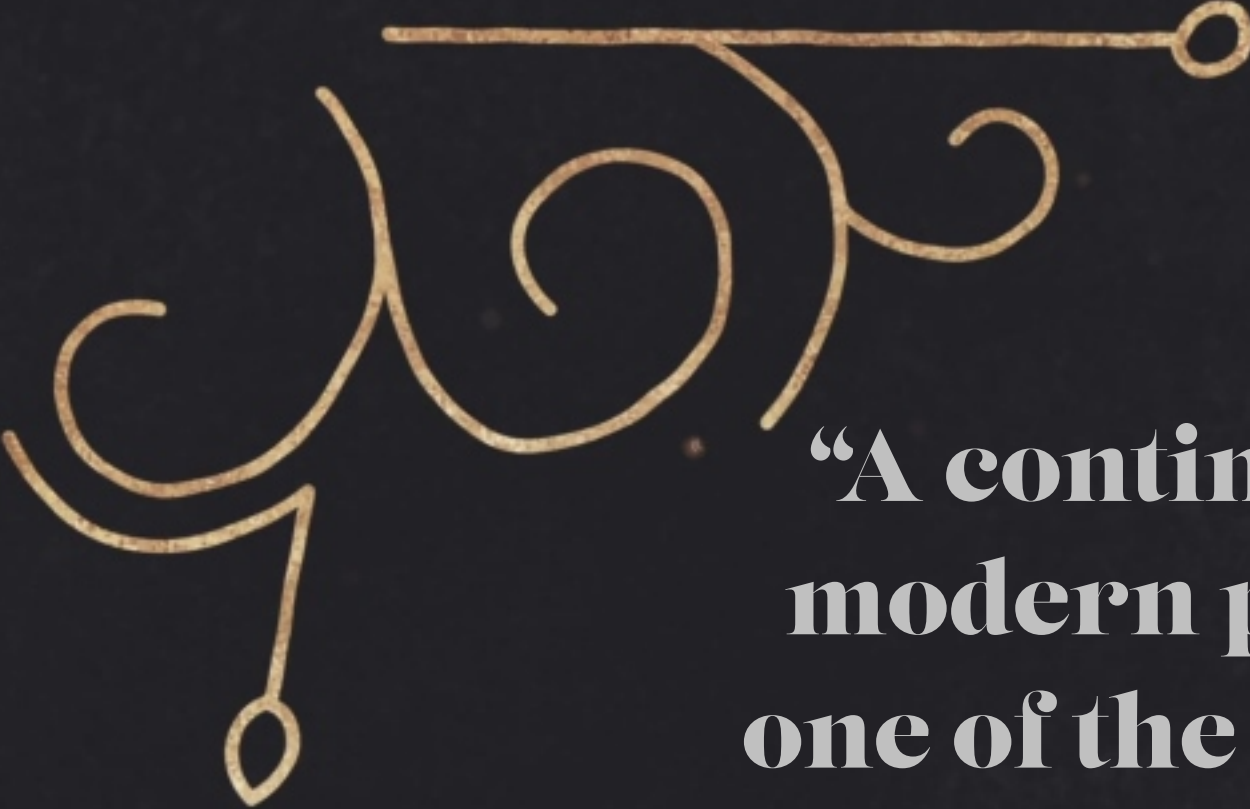
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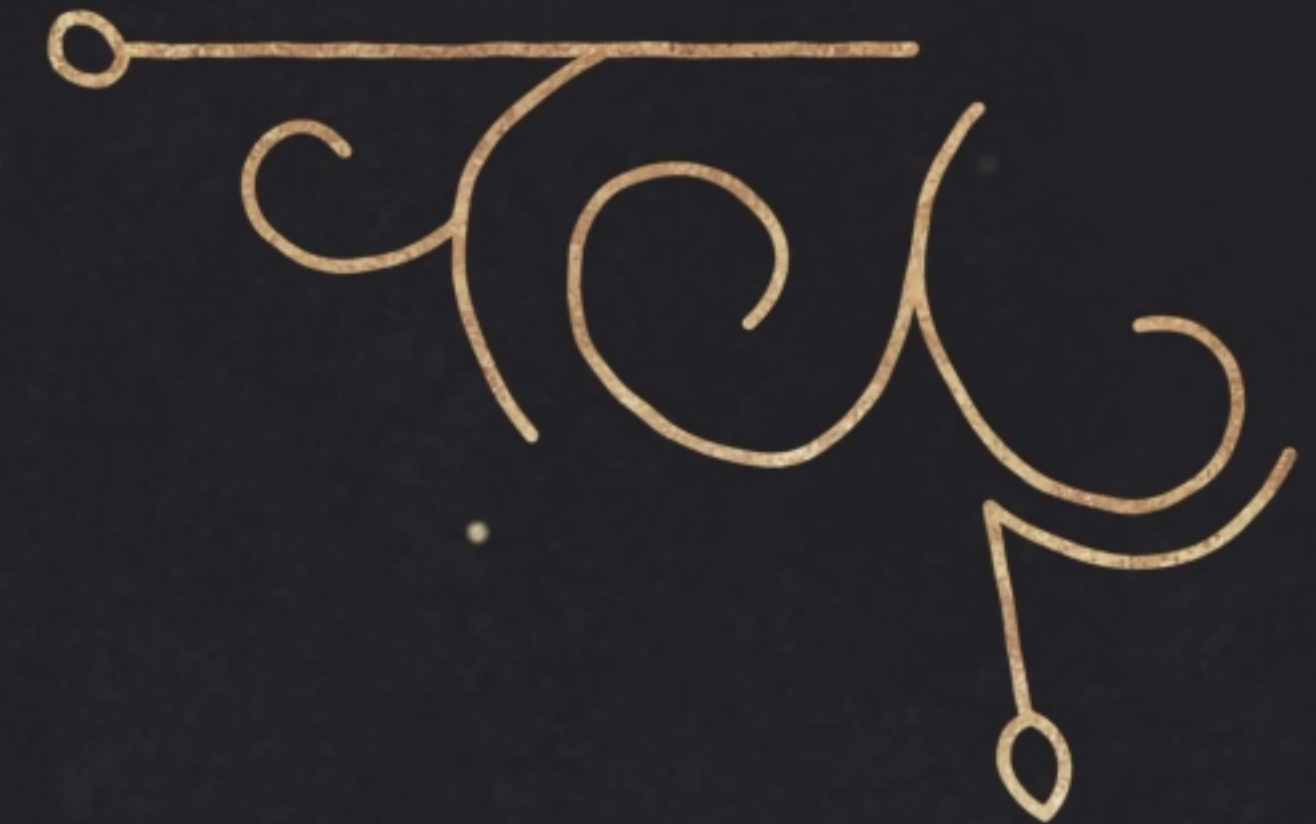
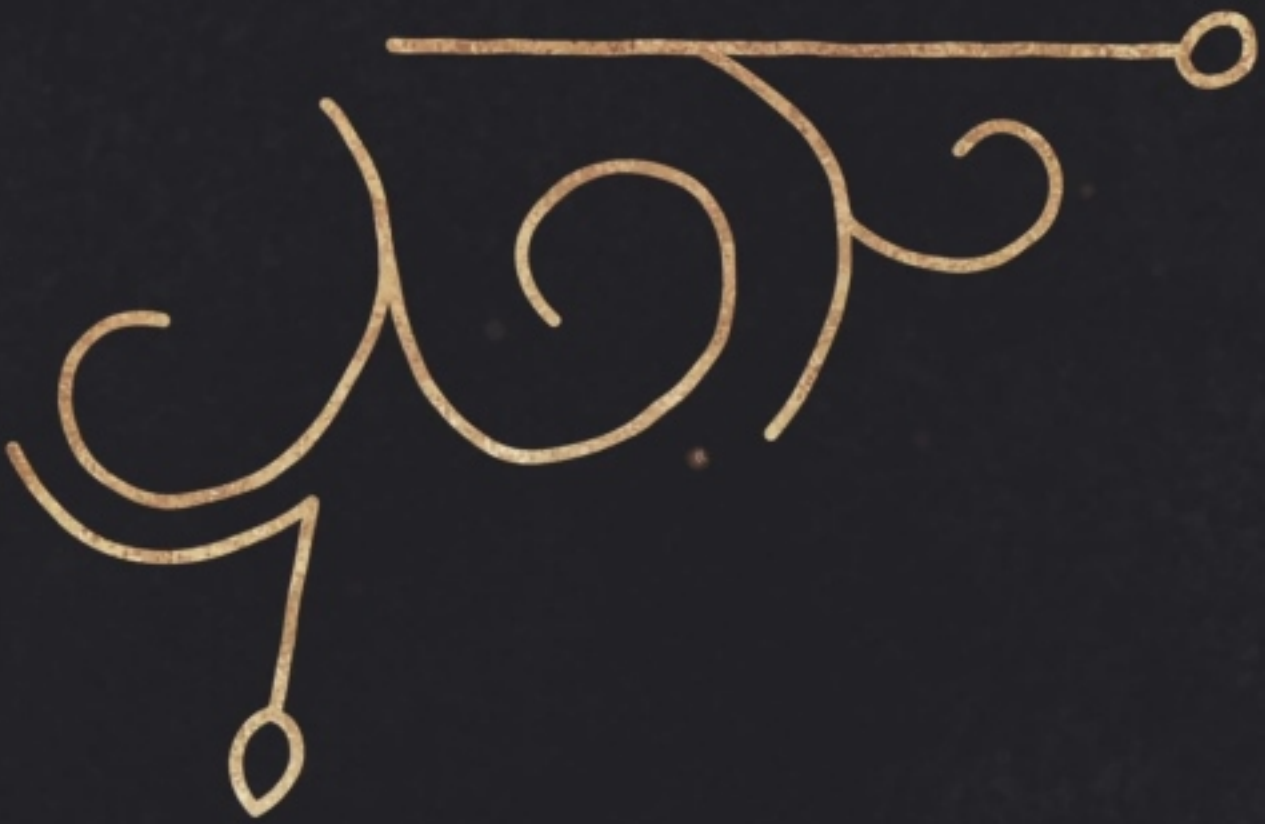
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The Great Fulfillment





“A continual looking forward to the eternal world is not (as some modern people think) a form of escapism or wishful thinking, but one of the things a Christian is meant to do. It does not mean that we are to leave the present world as it is. If you read history you will find that the Christians who did most for the present world were just those who thought most of the next. The Apostles themselves, who set on foot the conversion of the Roman Empire, the great men who built up the Middle Ages, the English Evangelicals who abolished the Slave Trade, all left their mark on Earth, precisely because their minds were occupied with Heaven. It is since Christians have largely ceased to think of the other world that they have become so ineffective in this. Aim at Heaven and you will get earth thrown in; aim at earth and you will get neither.”

— C.S. Lewis

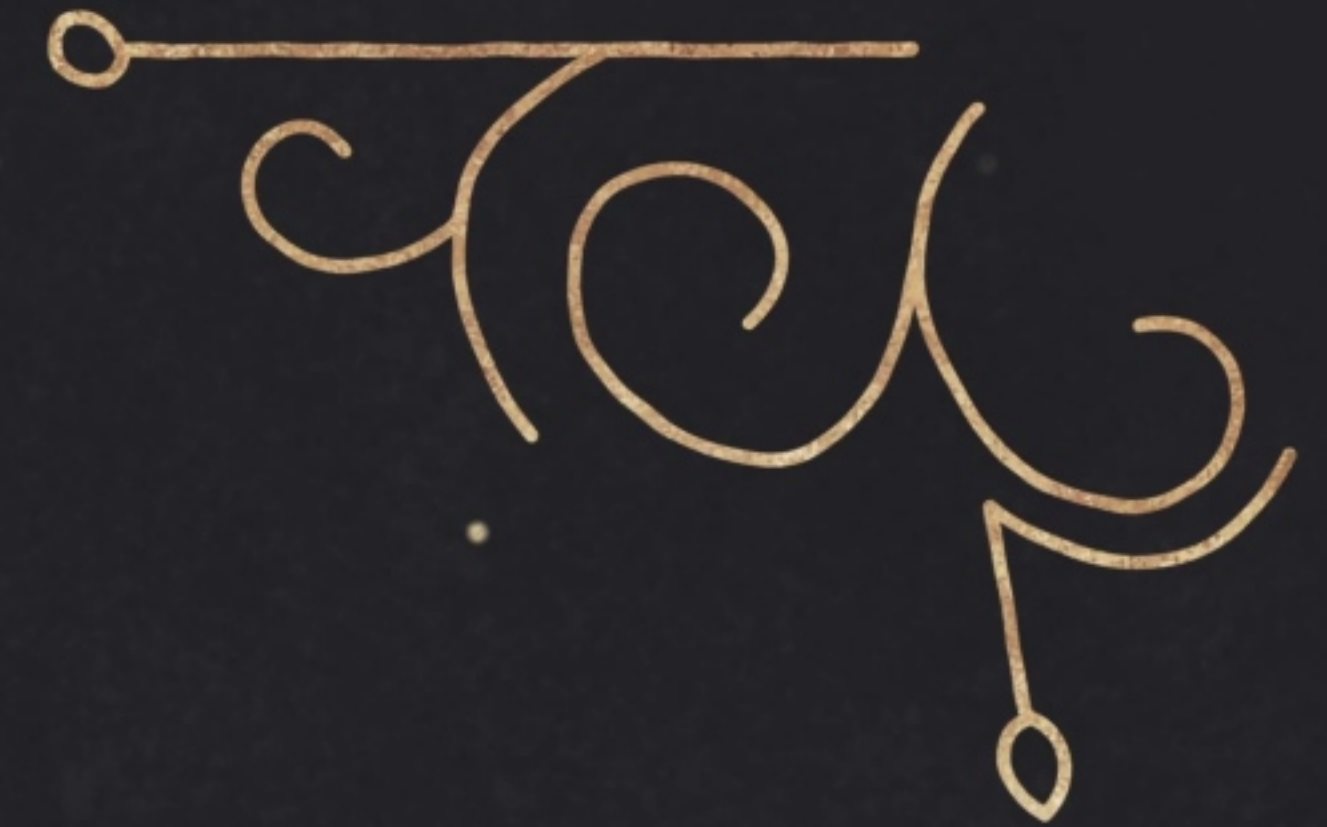
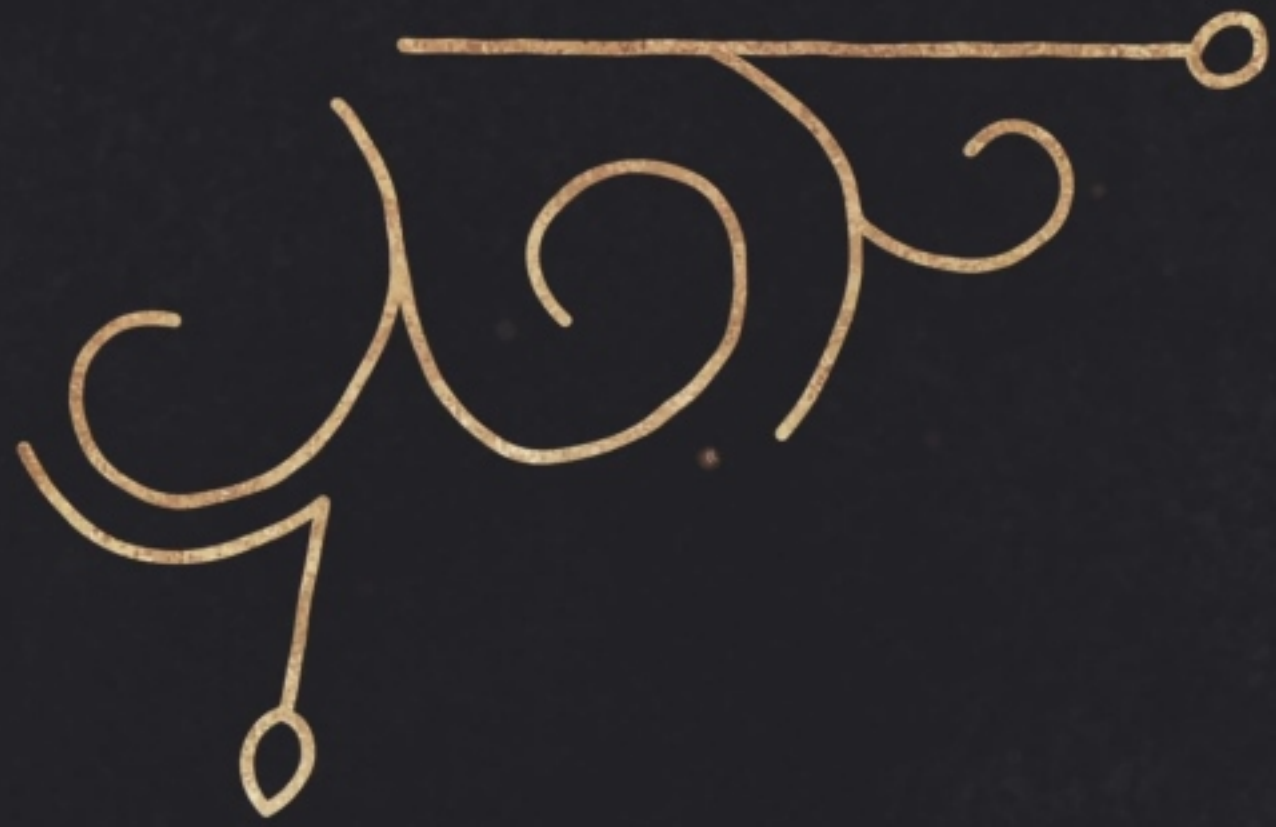


“Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more.”



– Revelation 21:1

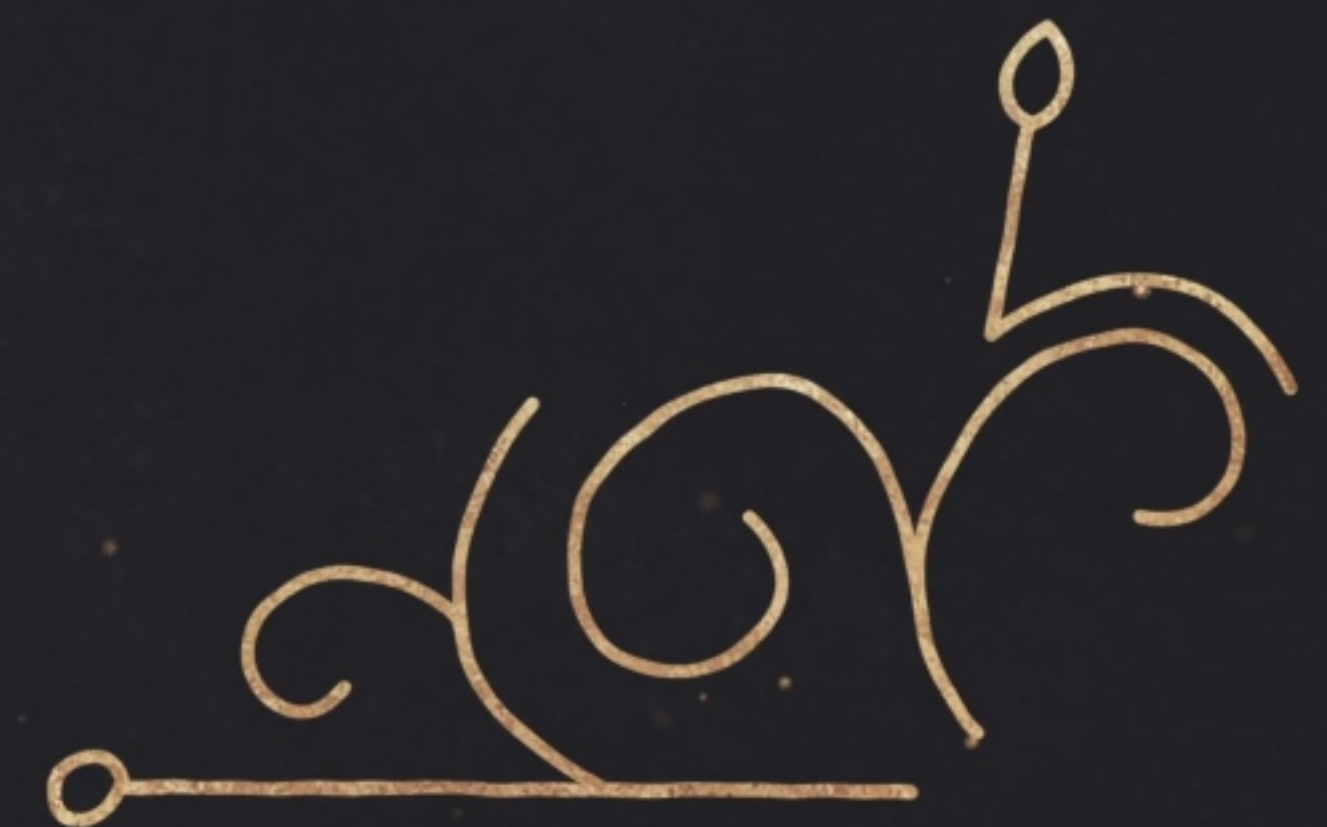


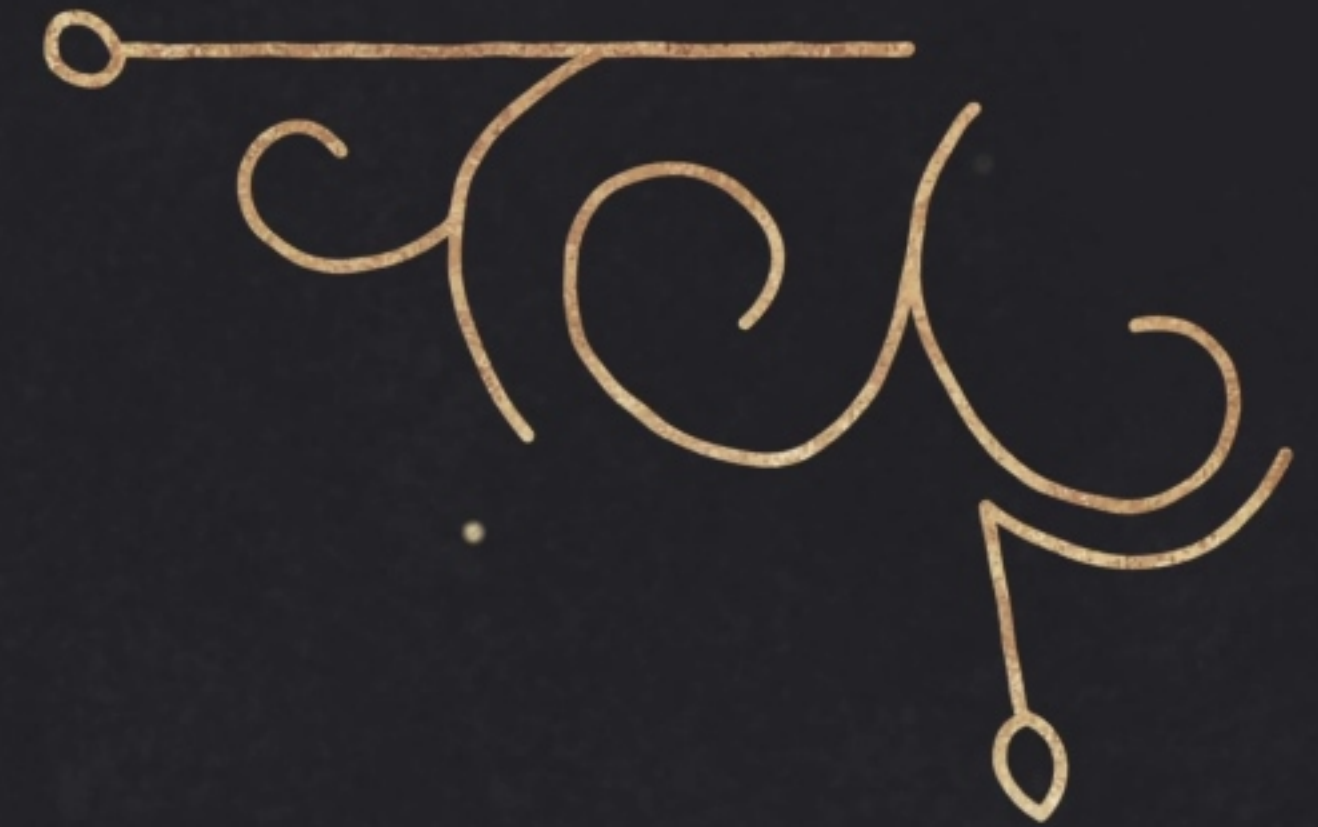
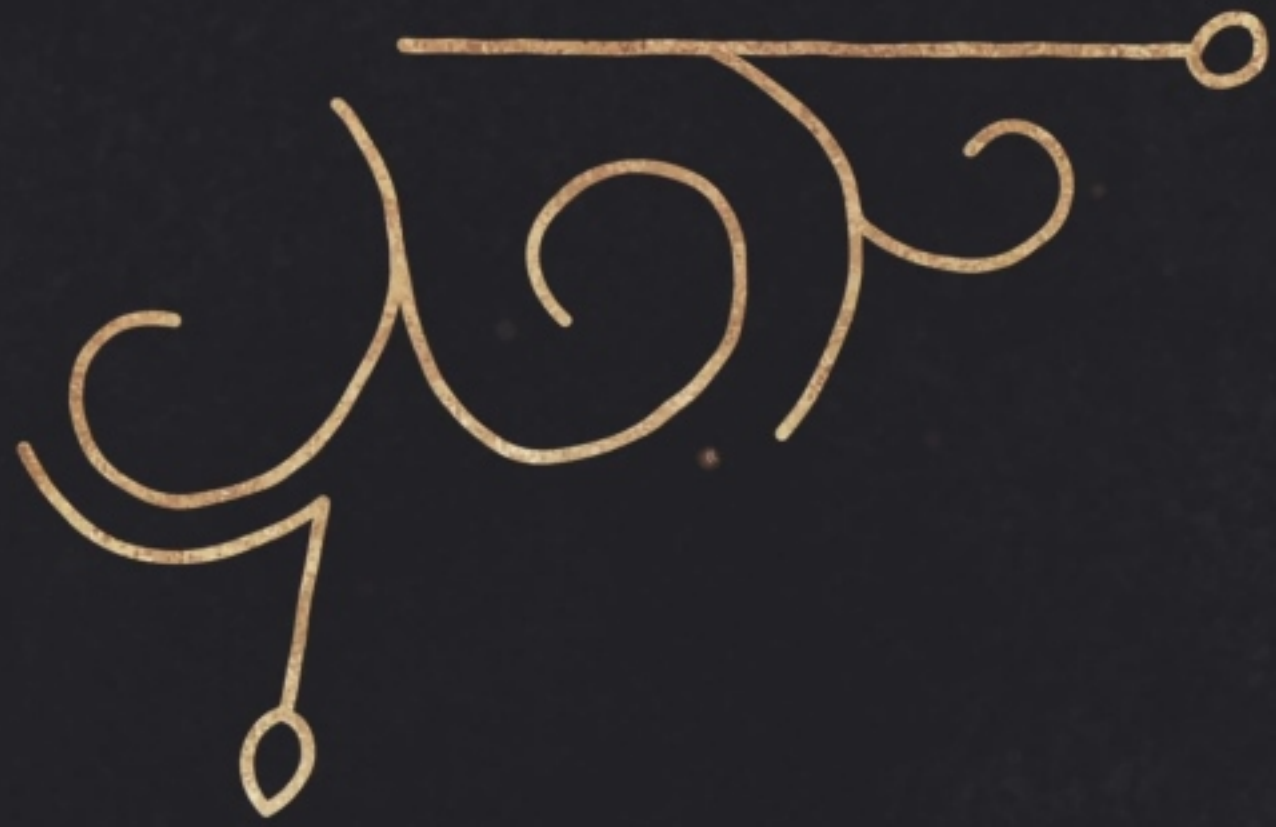


“Let the waters under the heavens be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear.’ And it was so. God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together He called Seas. And God saw that it was good.”



– Genesis 1:8-10



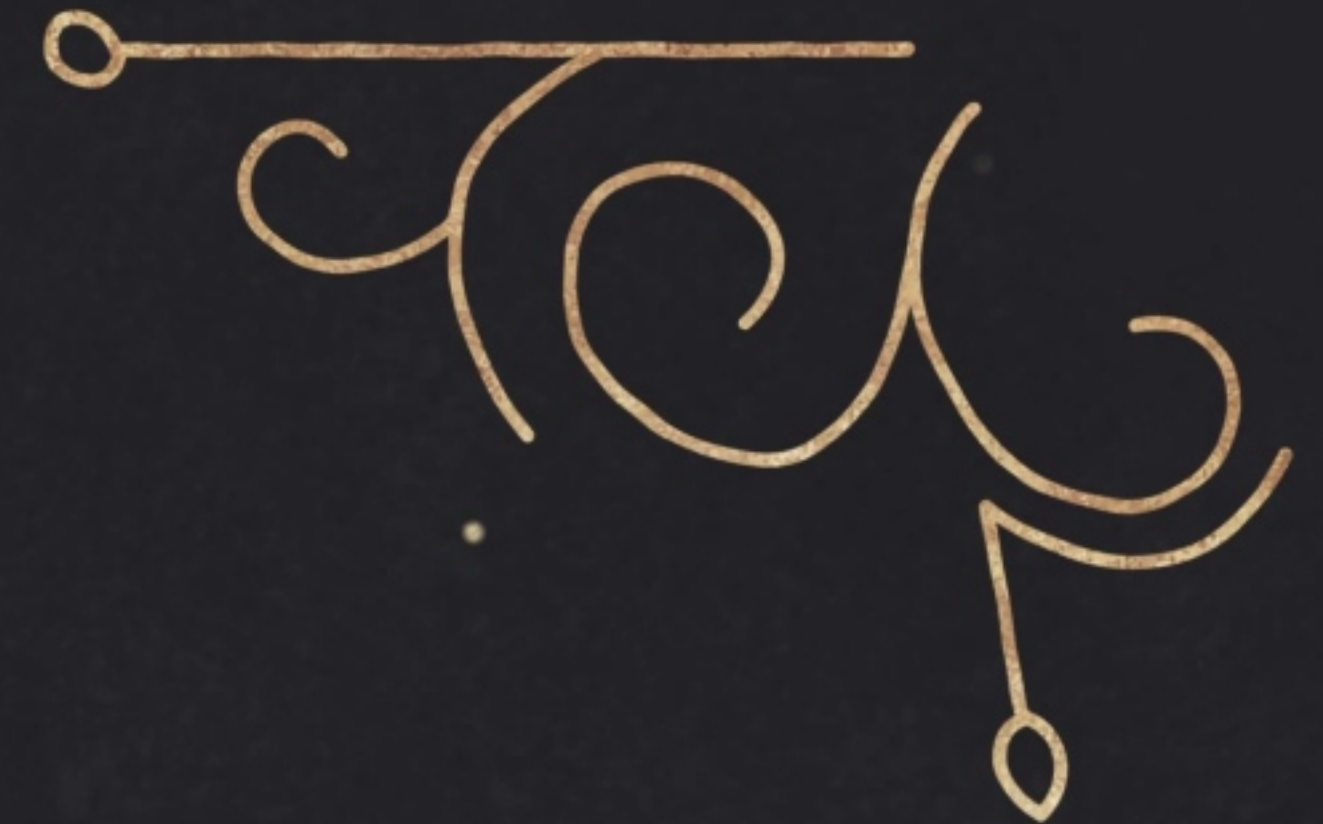
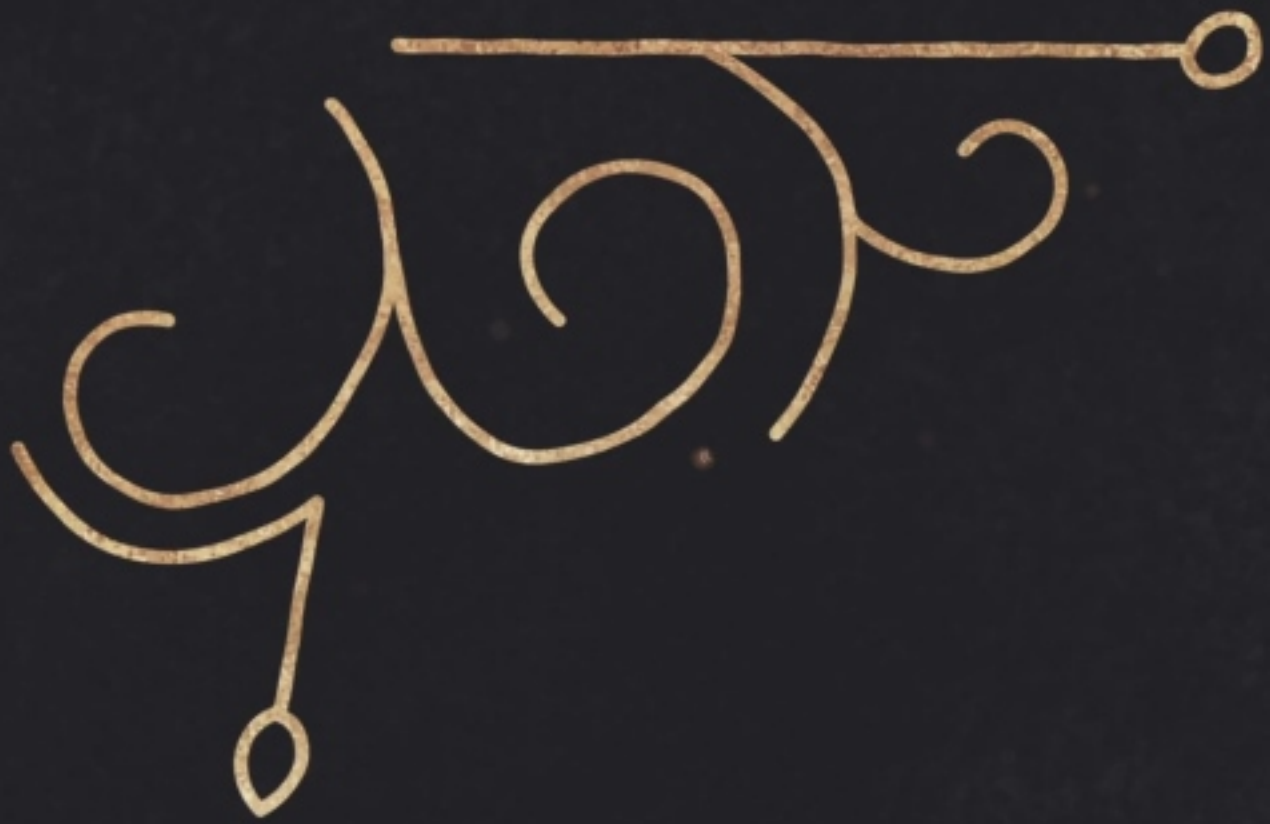


**“Try imagining a place that’s always safe and warm.
Come in, she said, I’ll give ya shelter from the storm.”**



– Bob Dylan

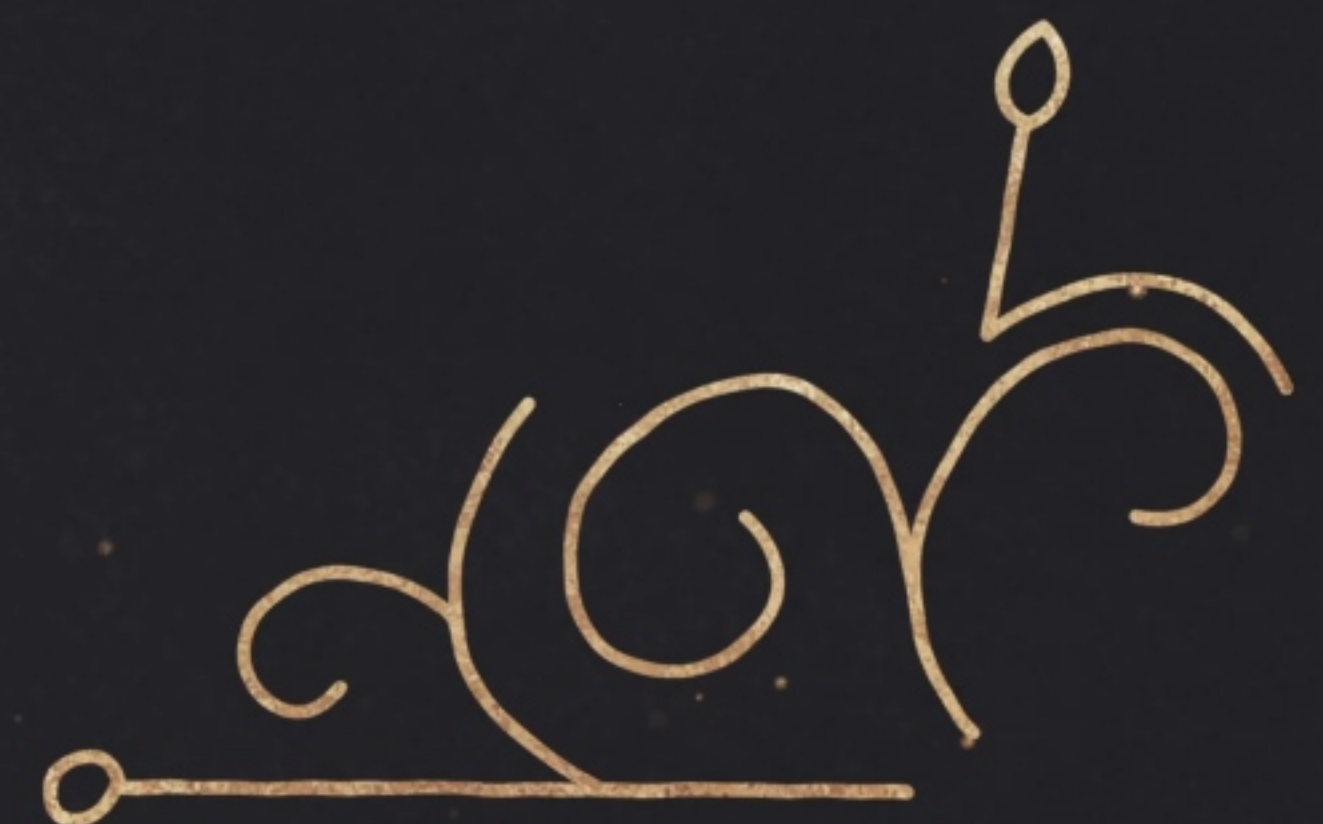


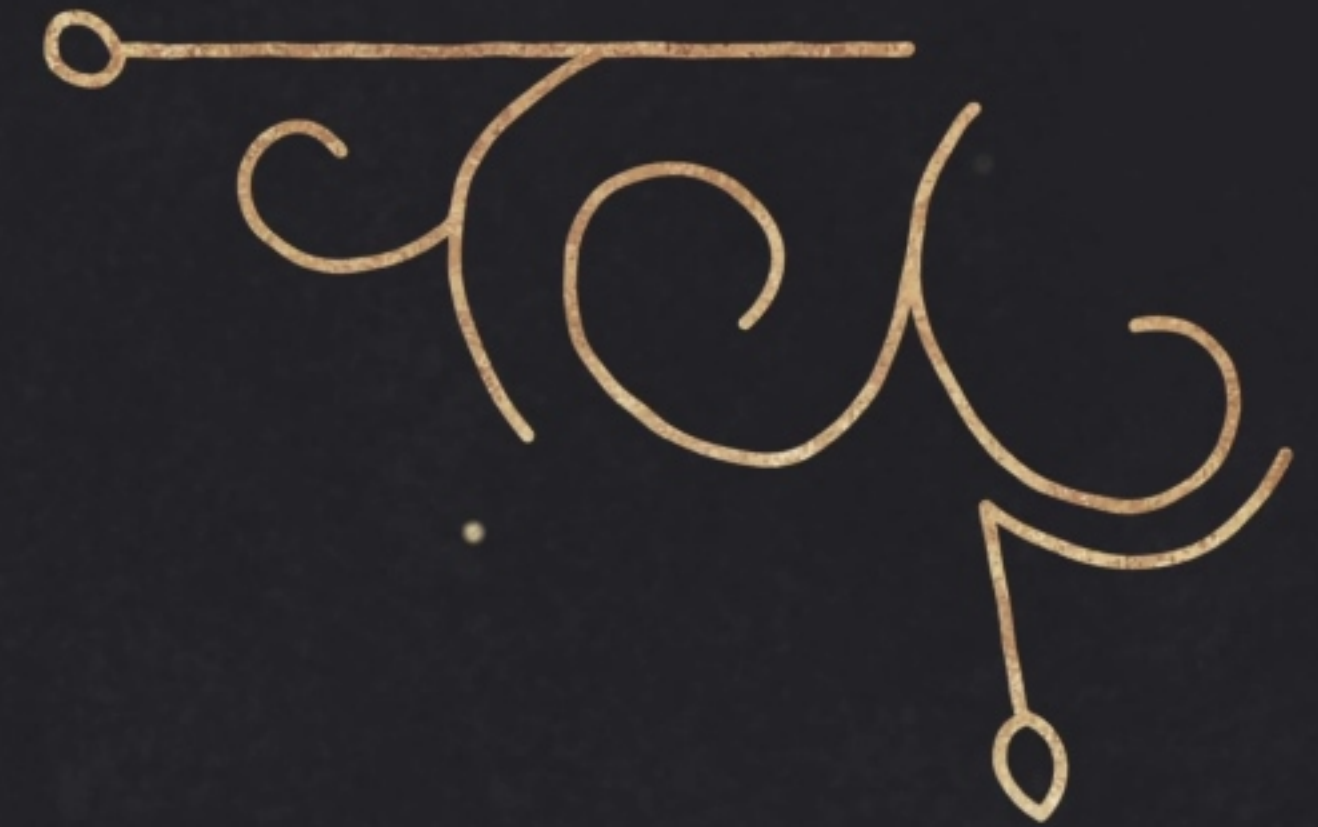
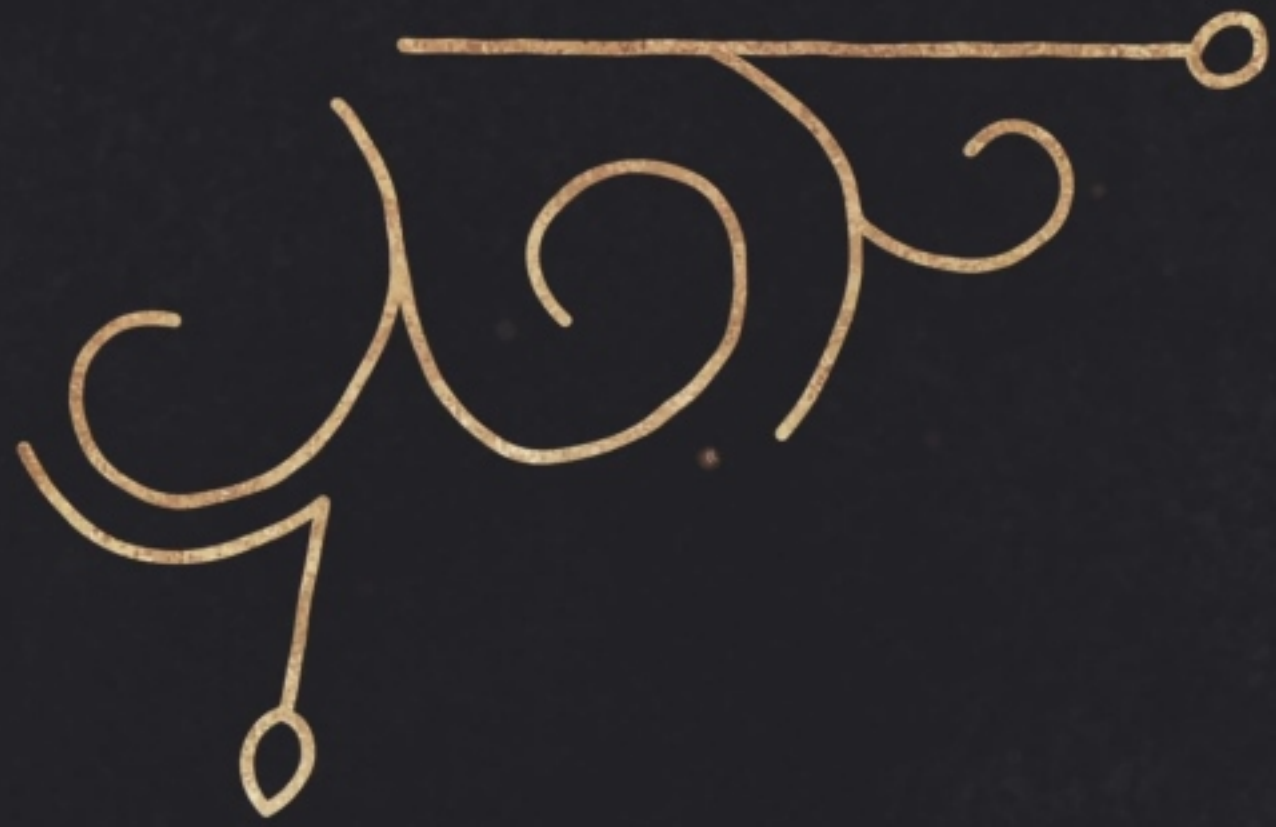


“And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.”



– Revelation 21:2



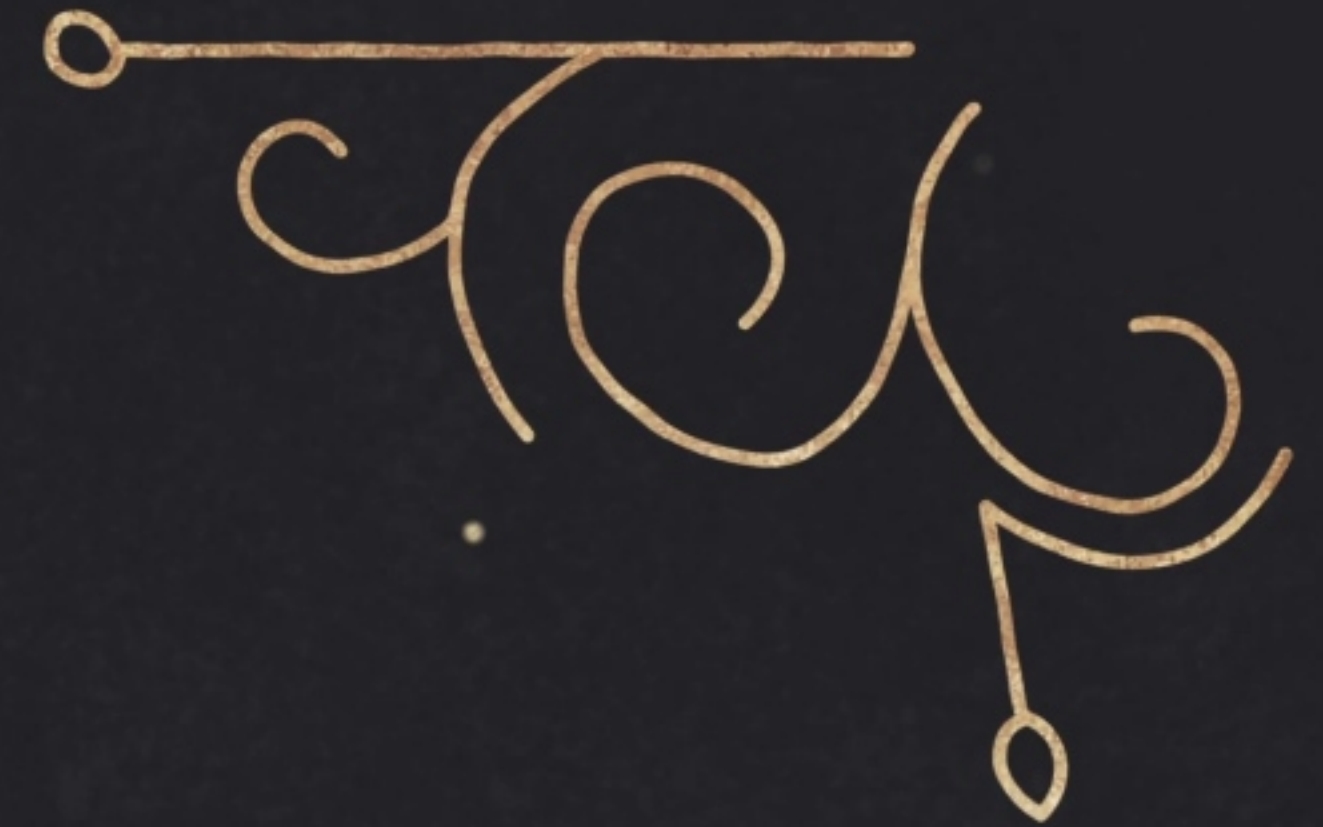
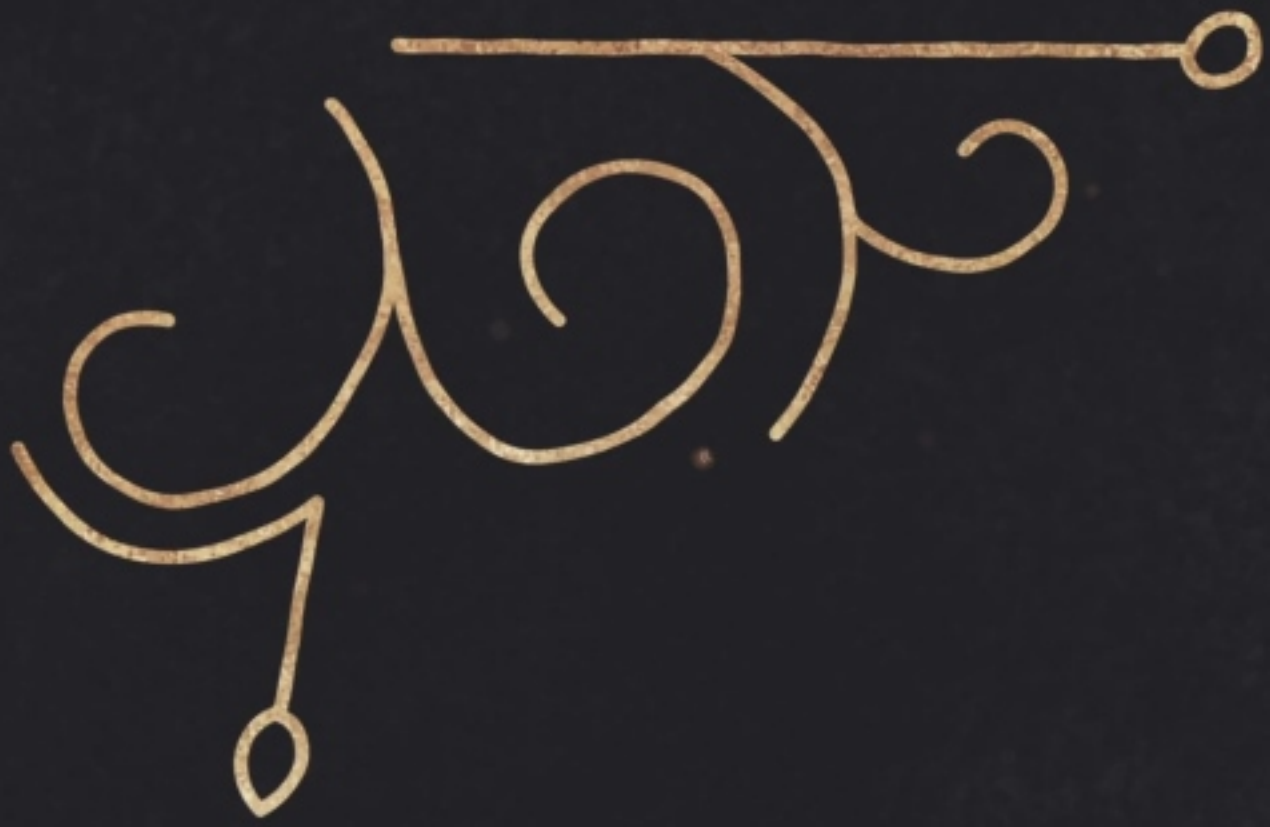


**“As the bridegroom rejoices over the bride,
so shall your God rejoice over you.”**



– Isaiah 62:5

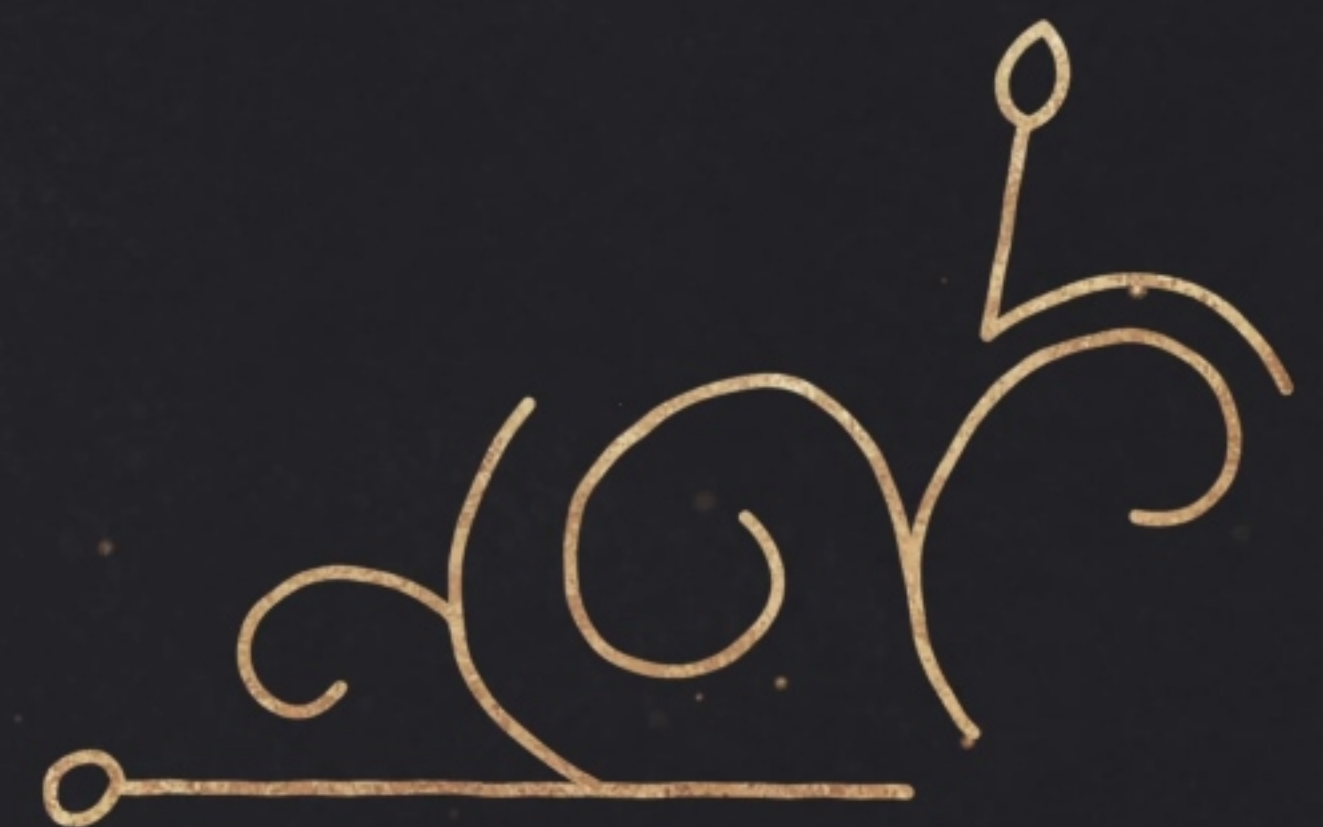


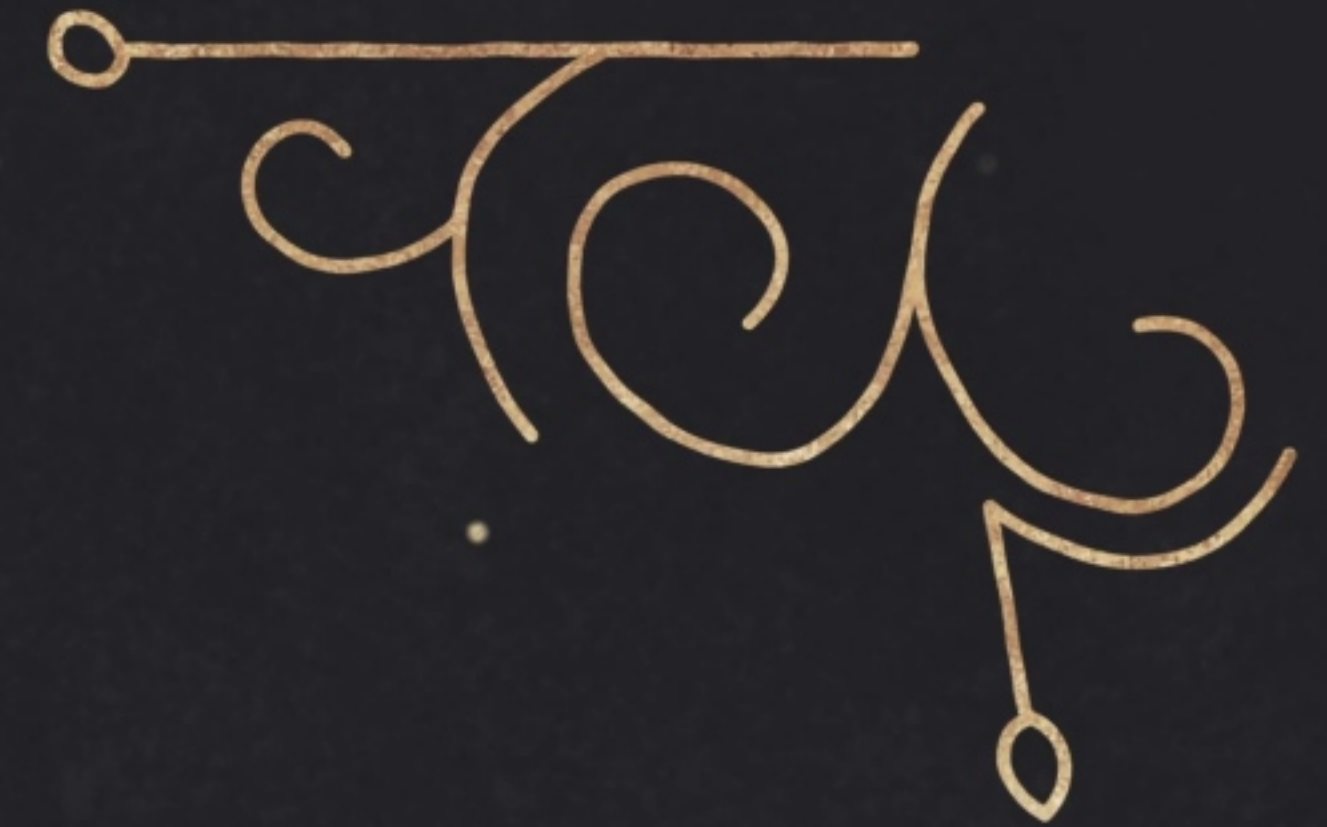
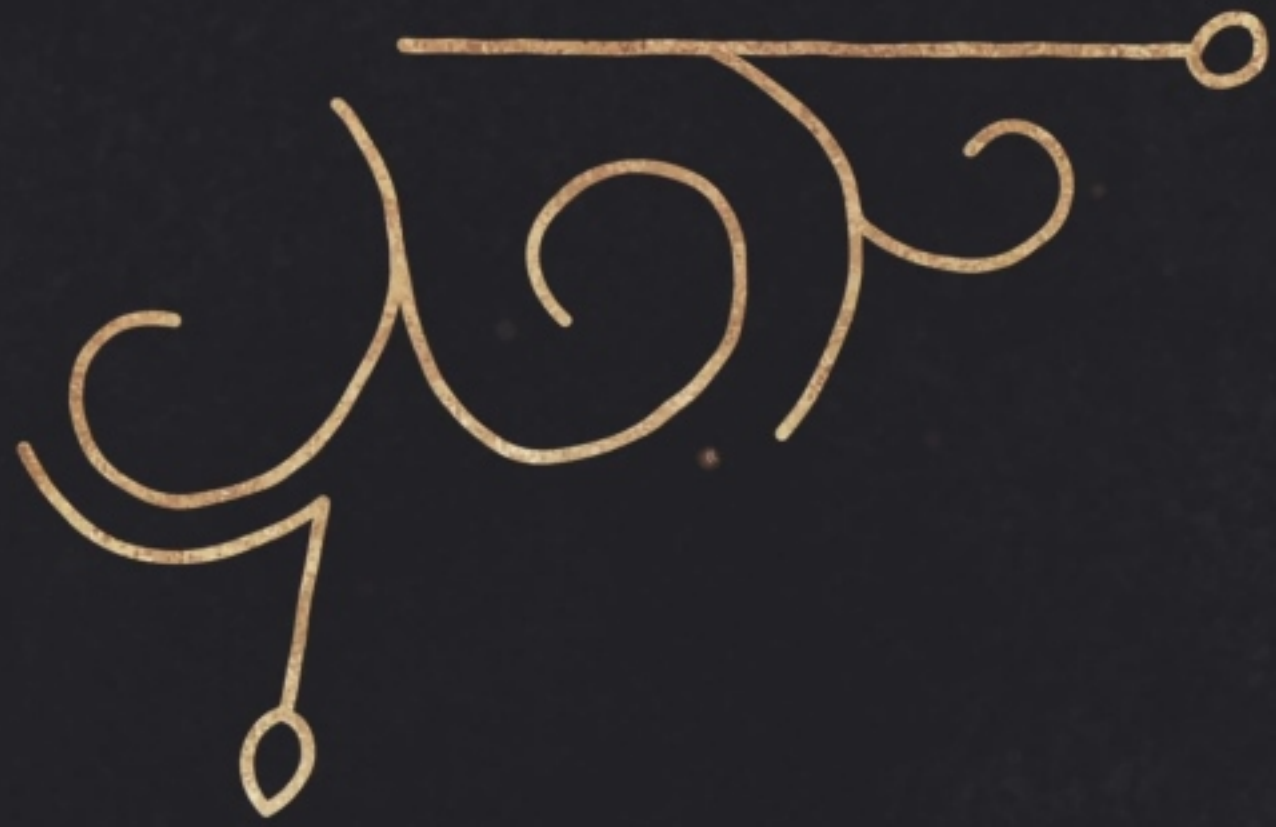


“Mans chief end is to glorify God and enjoy him forever.”



– Westminster Shorter Catechism

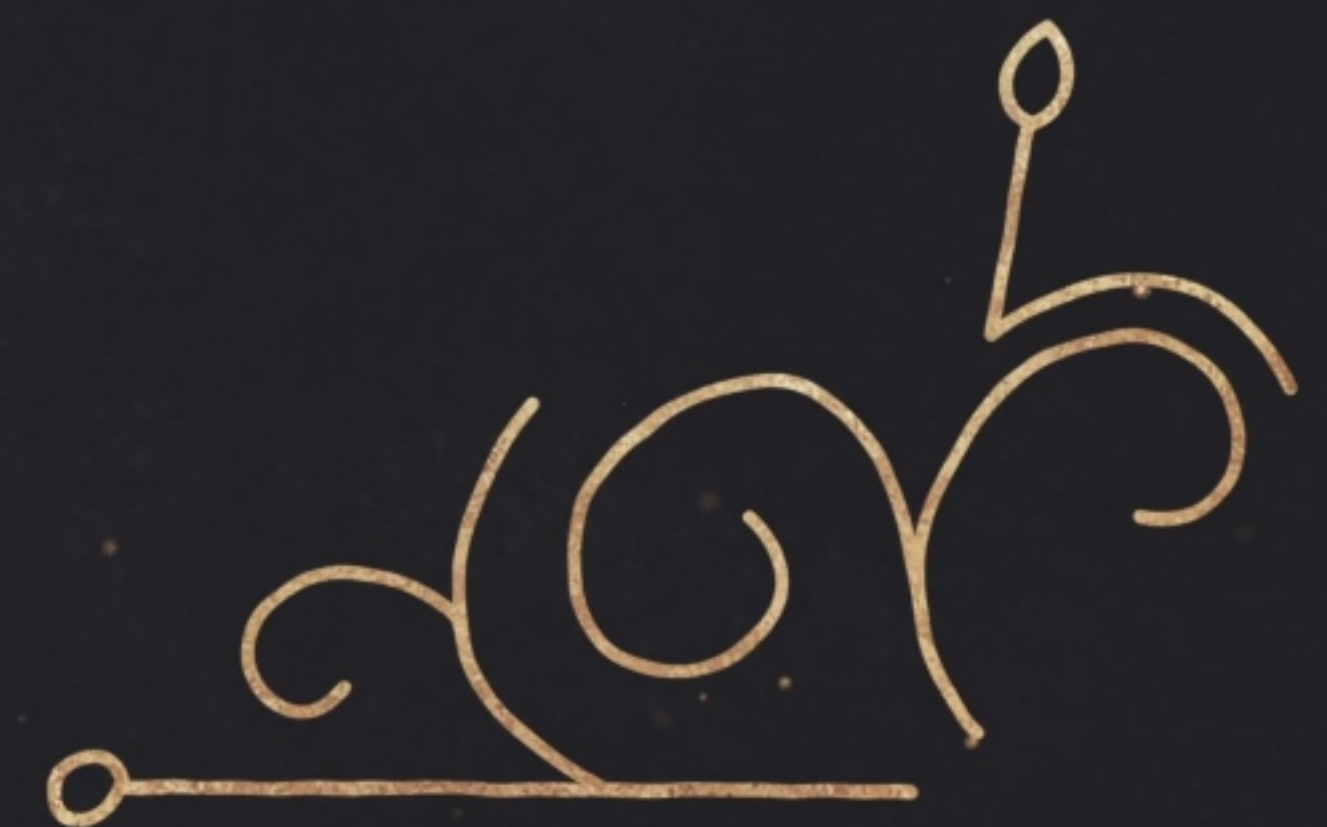




“And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, “Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God.”



– Revelation 21:3





“...everlasting covenant, to be God to you and your offspring after you.”

– Genesis 17:7



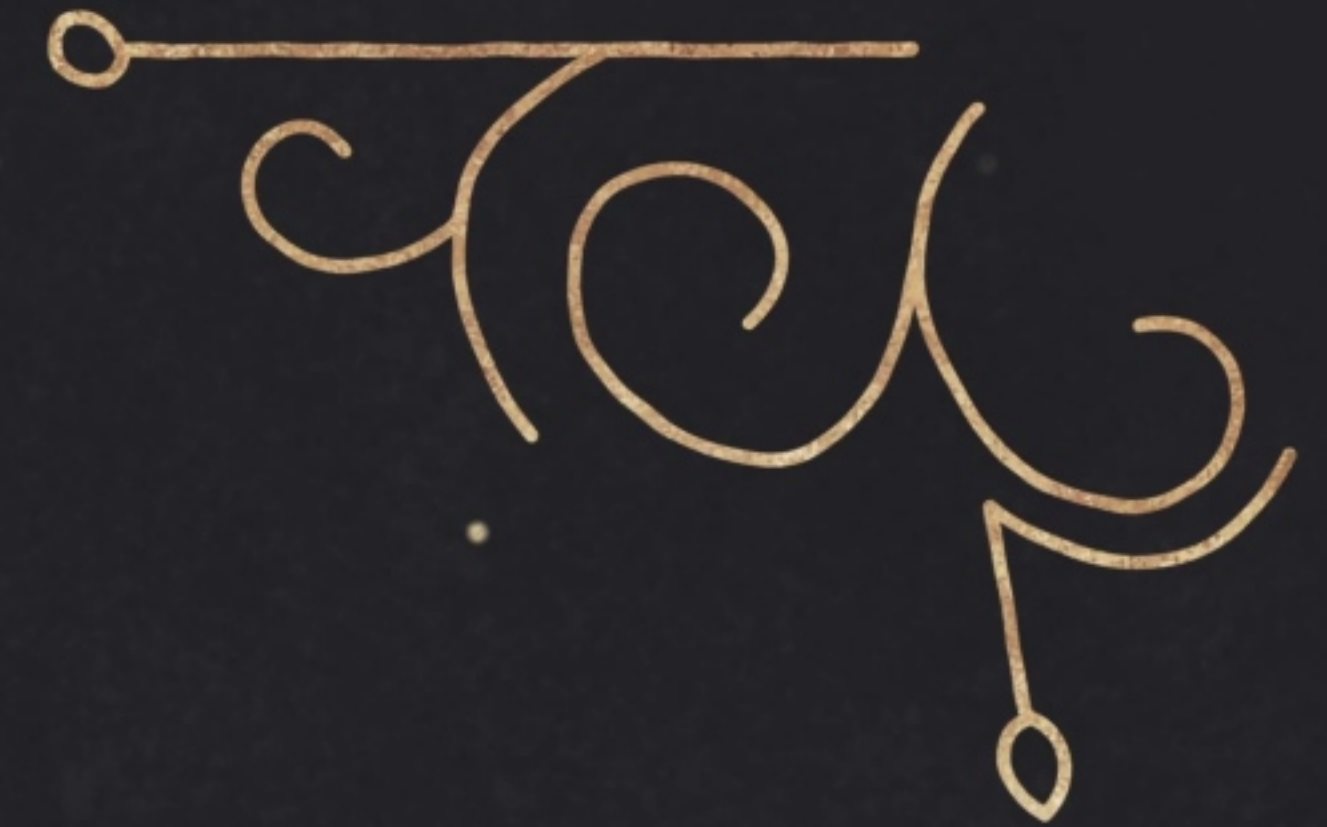
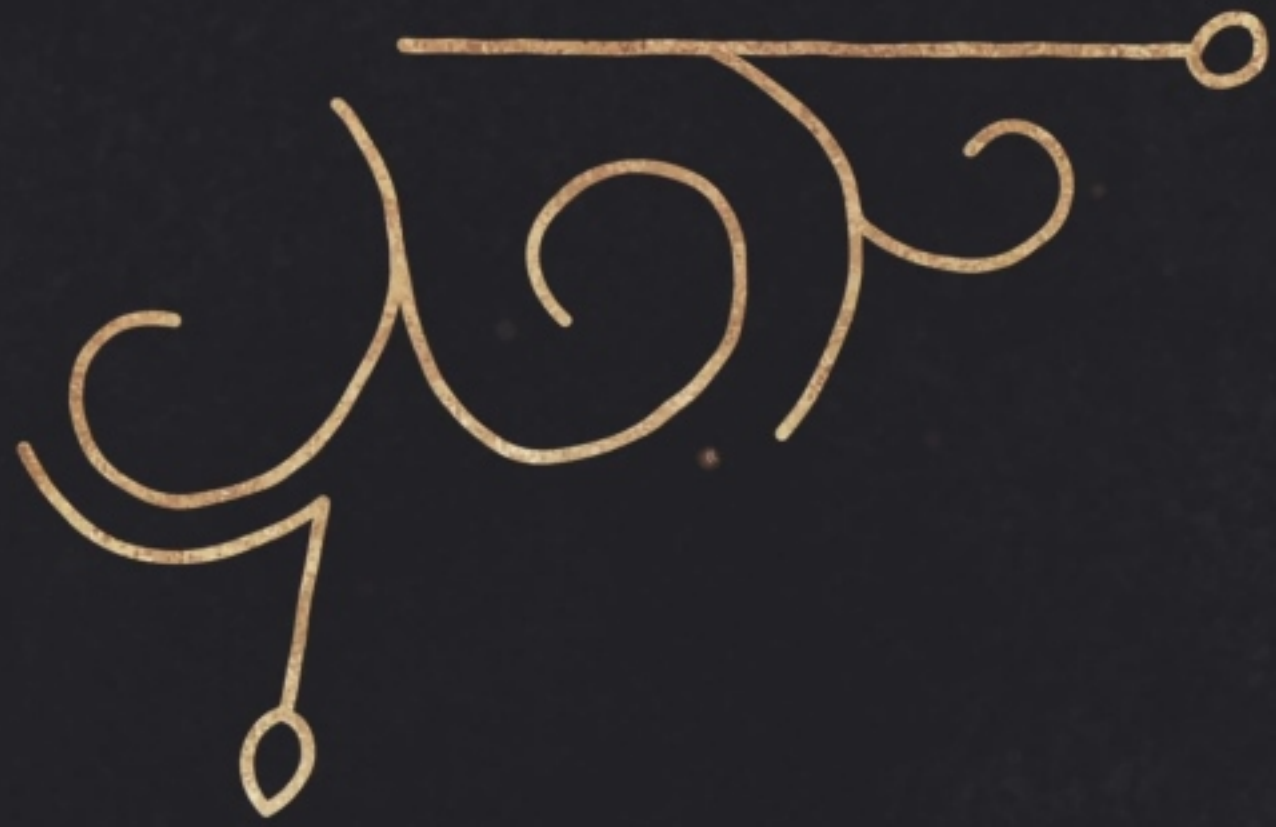
“I will make my dwelling among you...and I will walk among you and will be your God, and you shall be my people.”

– Leviticus 26:11-12



“And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory.”

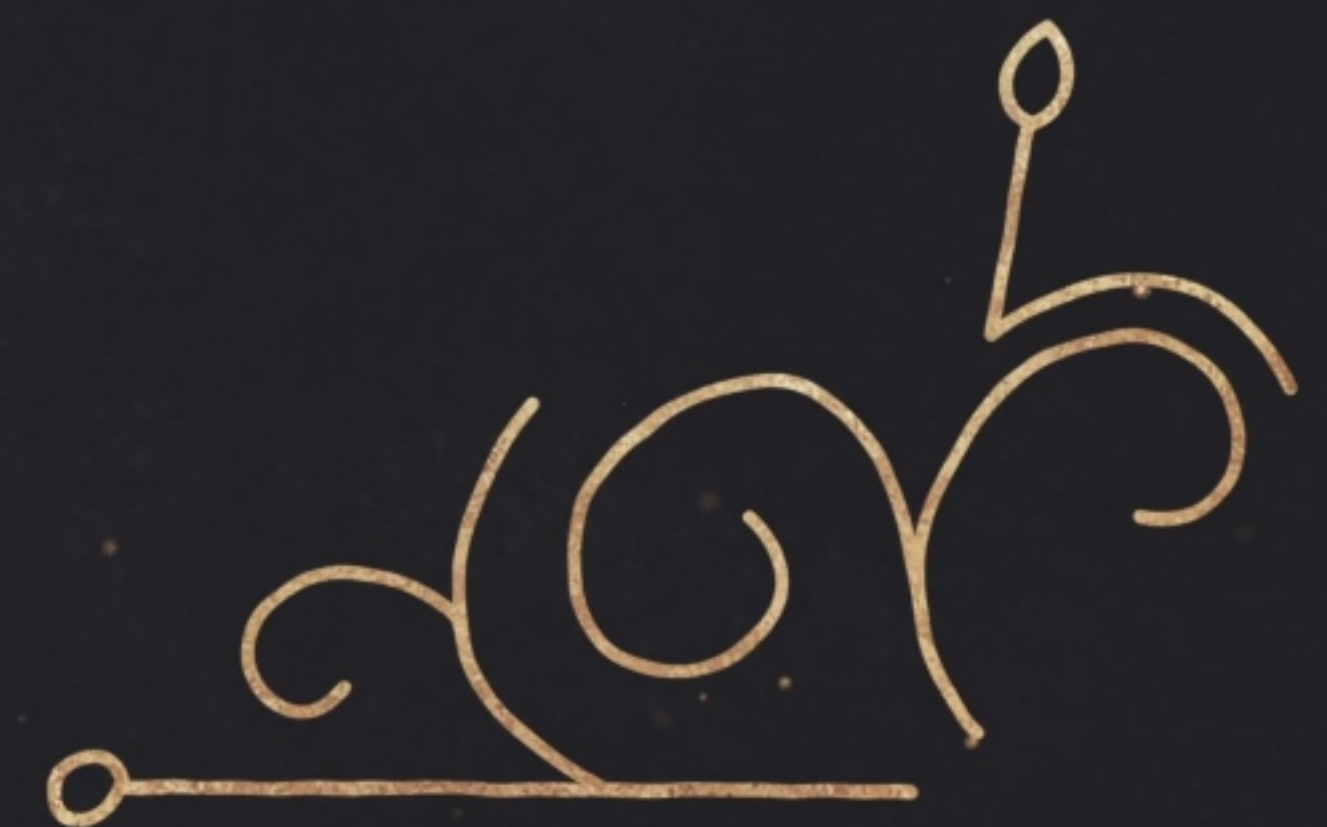
– John 1:14

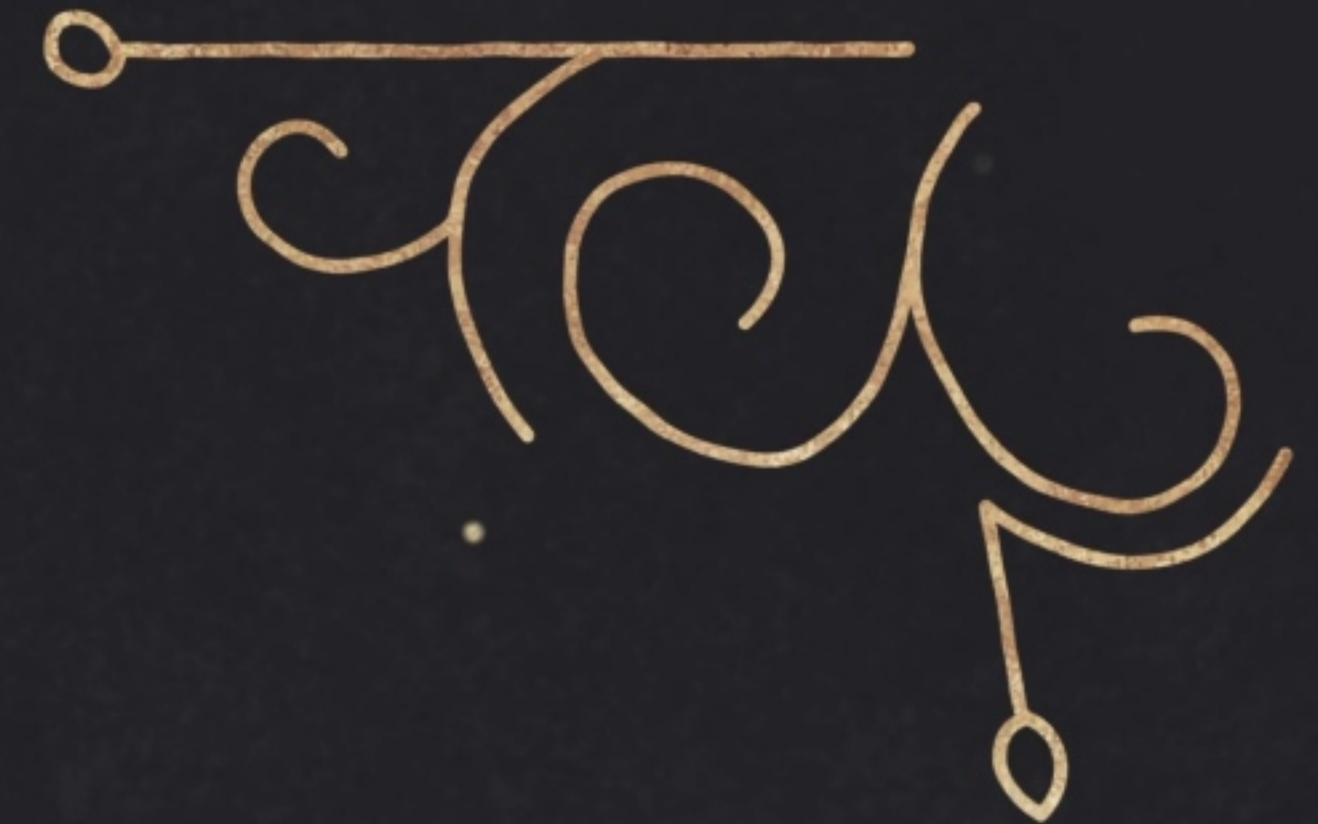
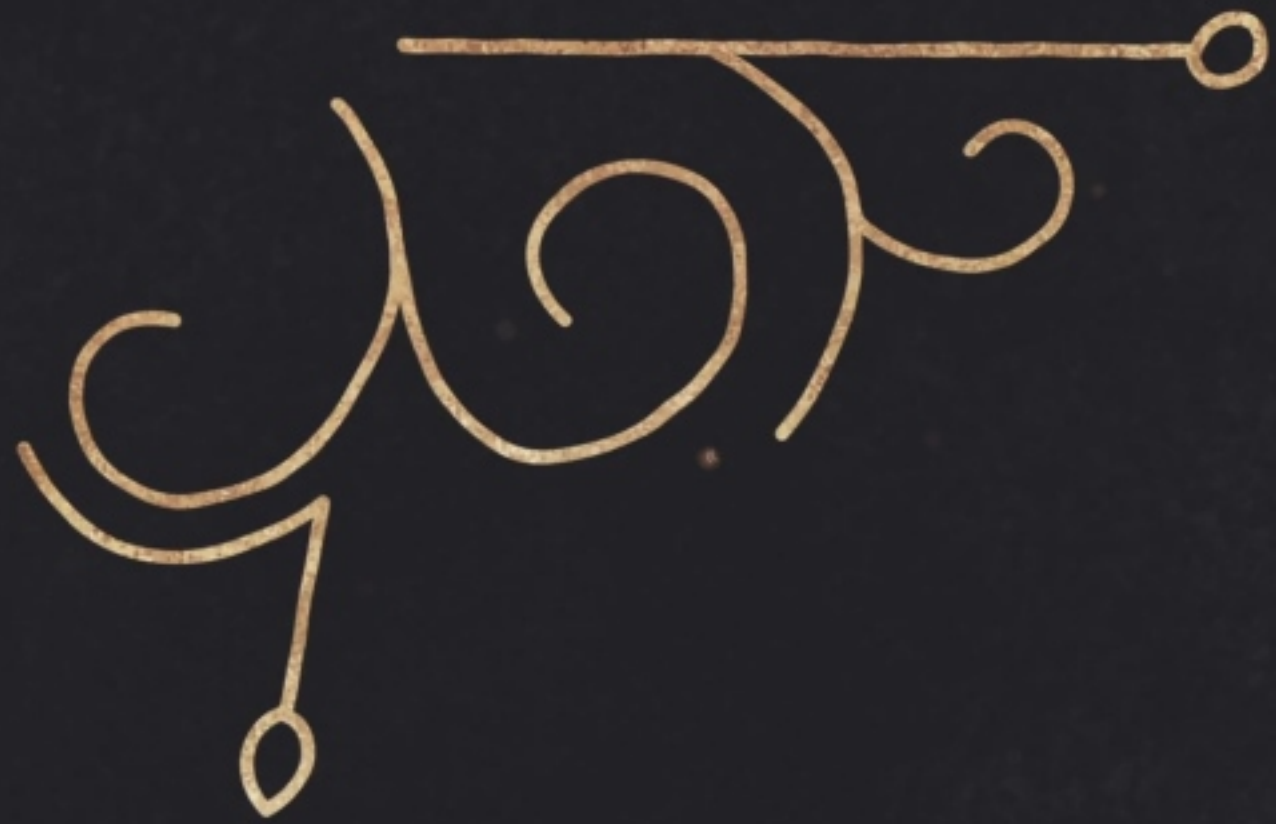


“He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away.”



– Revelation 21:4

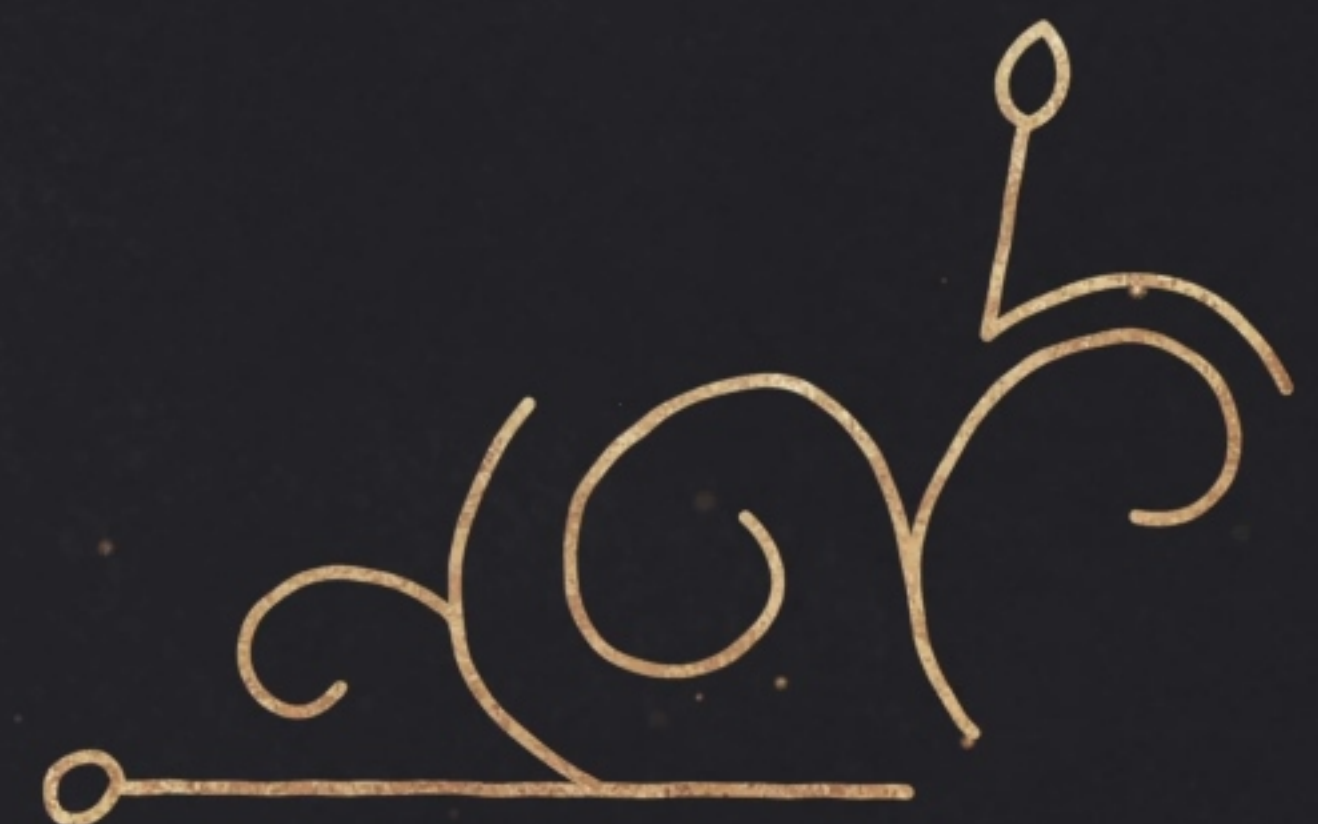


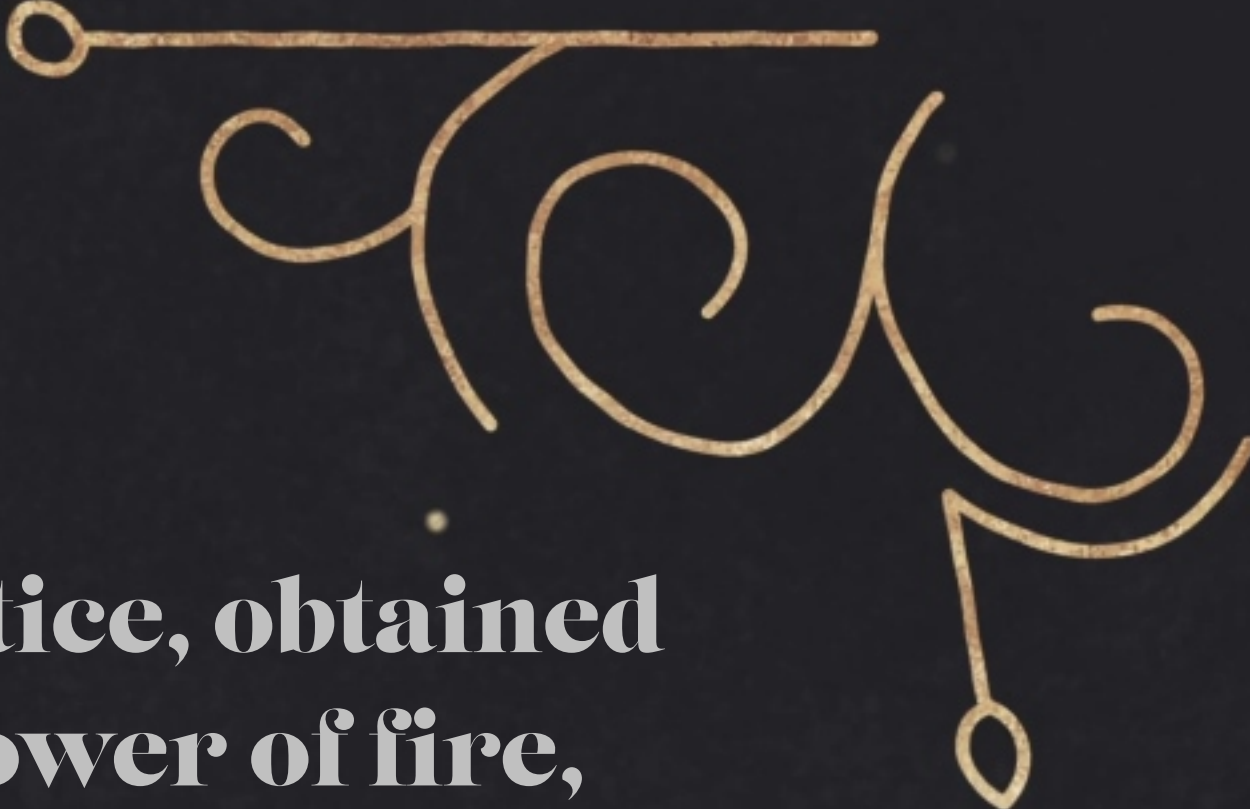
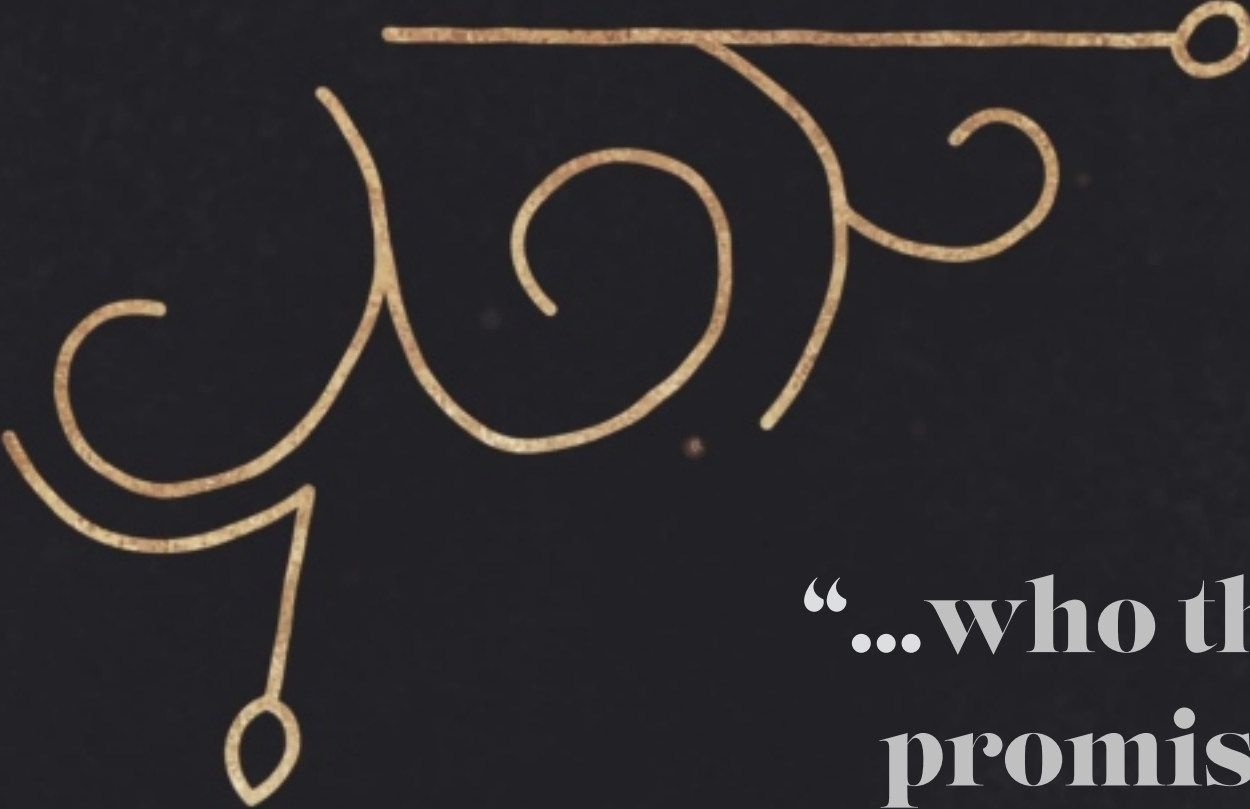


**“I know a place
Ain’t nobody cryin’
Ain’t nobody worried..
I’ll take you there”**

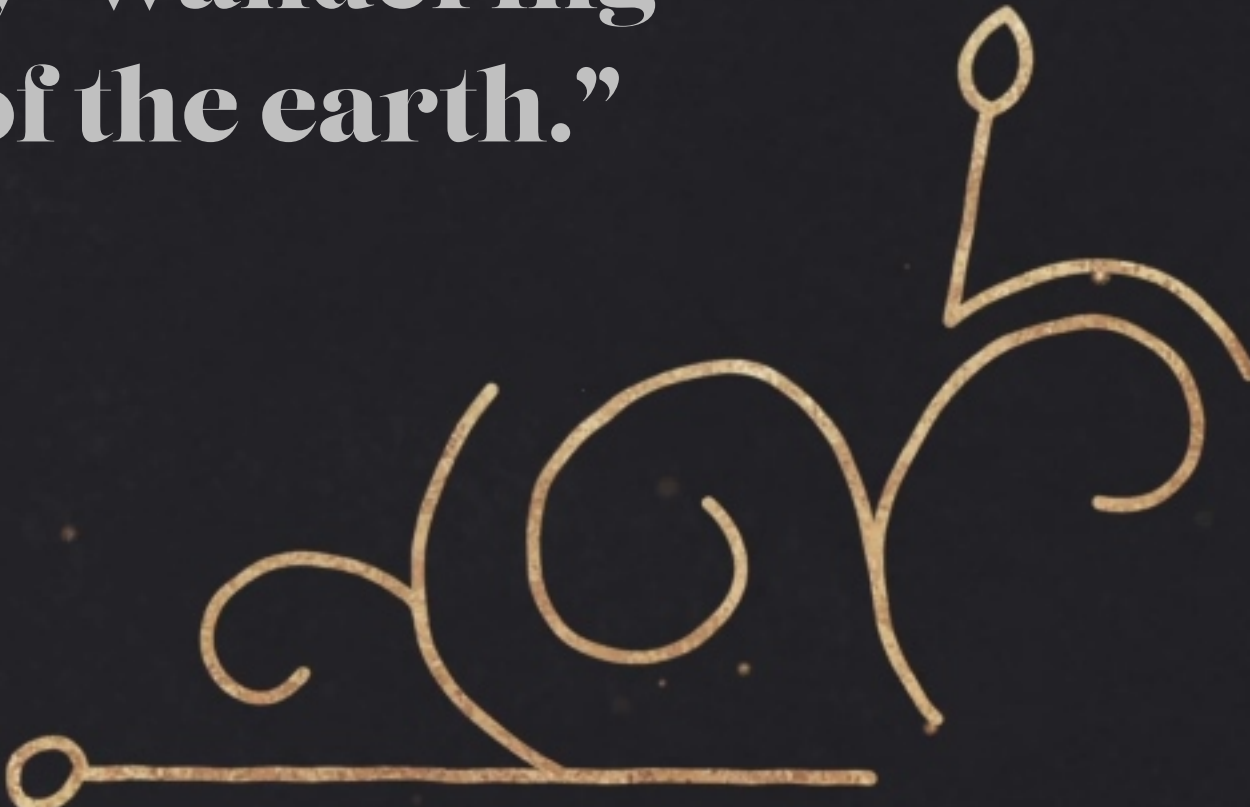
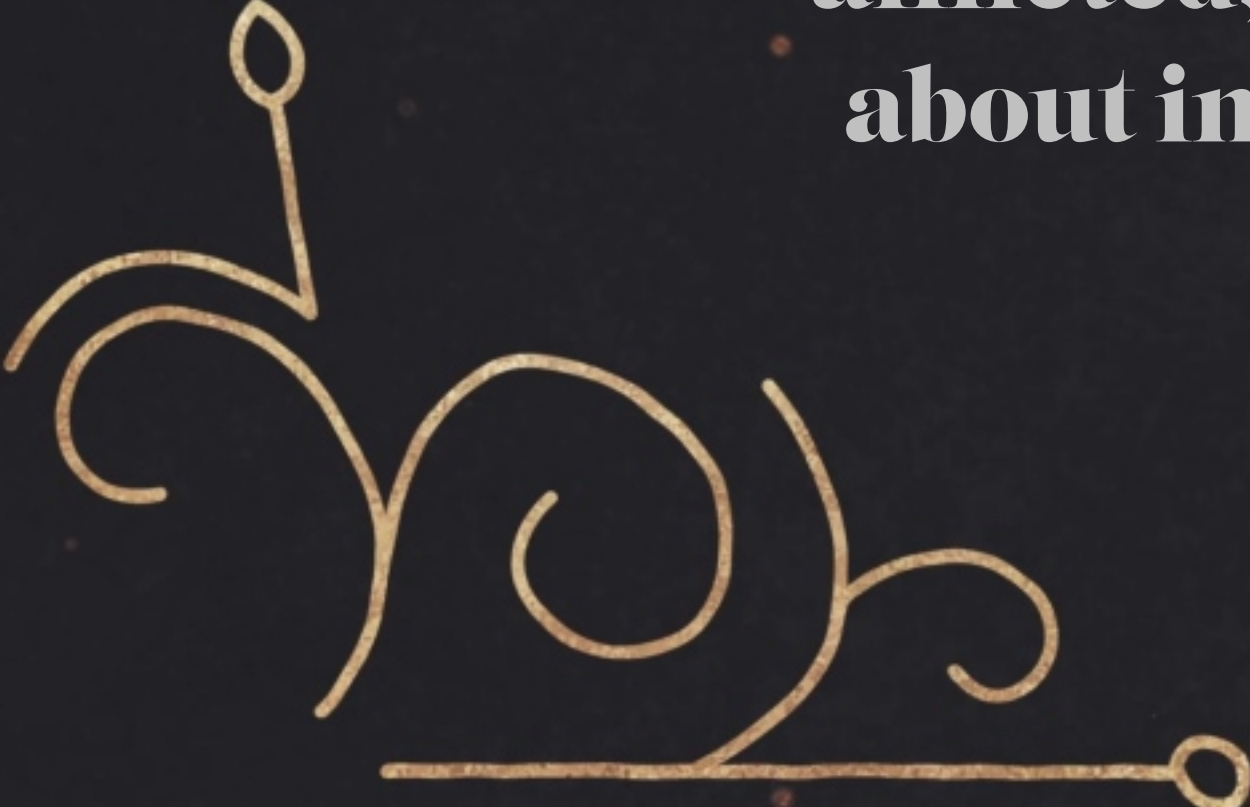


– Al Bell

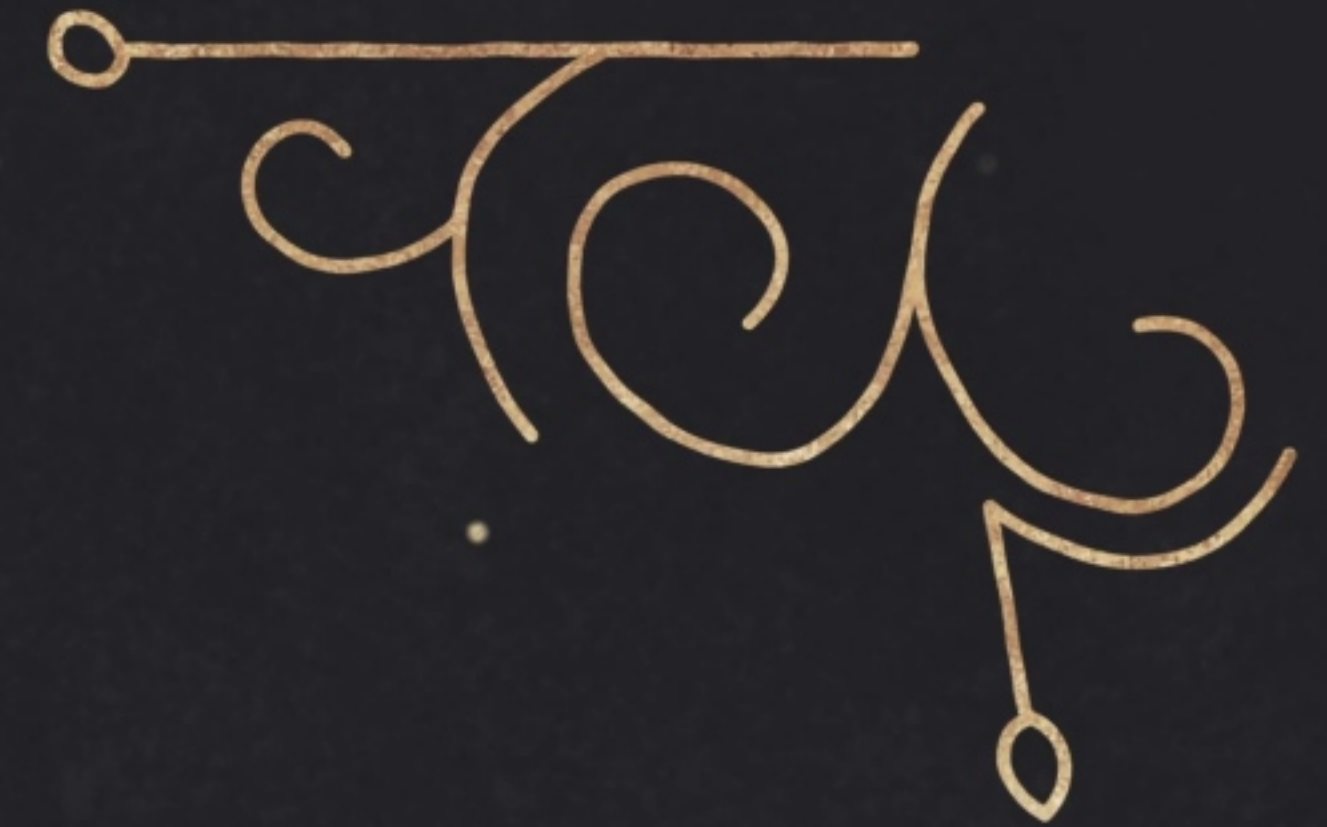
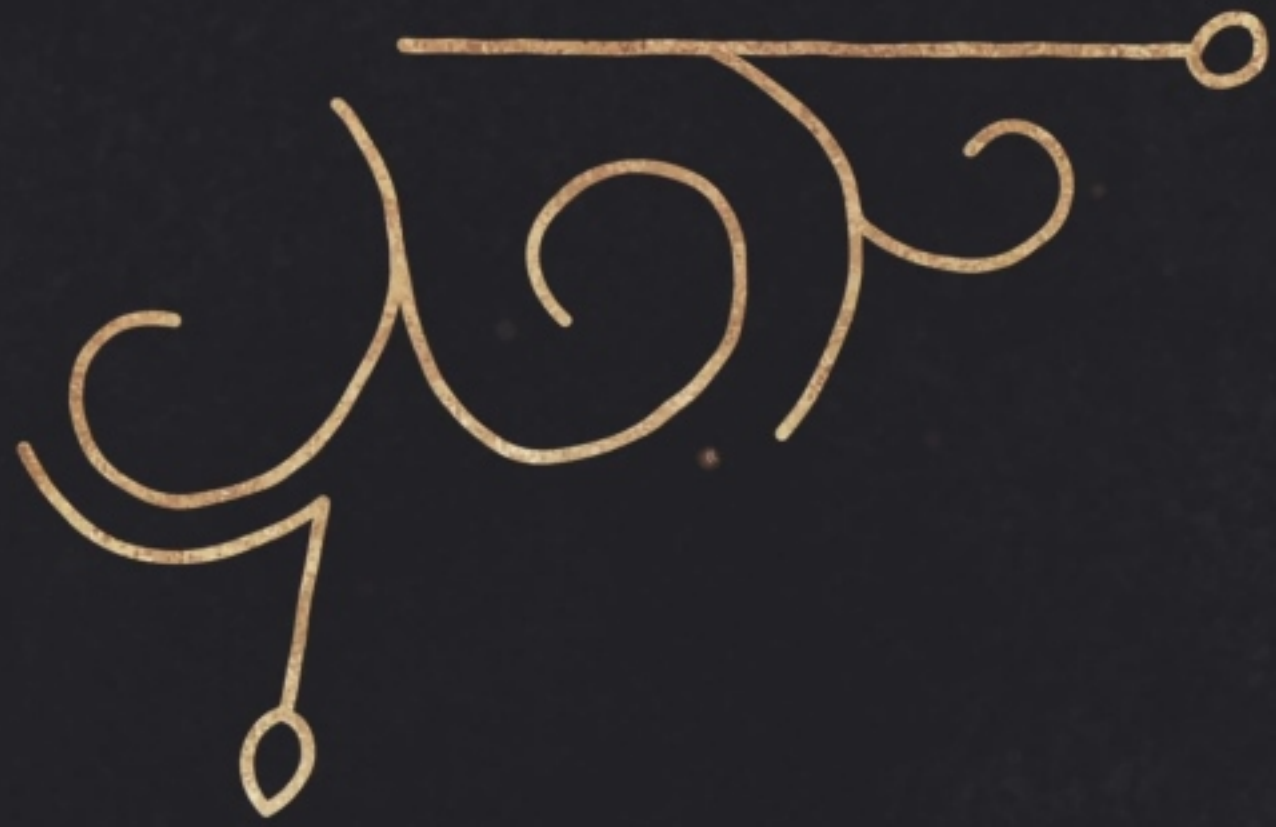




“...who through faith conquered kingdoms, enforced justice, obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions, quenched the power of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, were made strong out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. Women received back their dead by resurrection. Some were tortured, refusing to accept release, so that they might rise again to a better life. Others suffered mocking and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. They were stoned, they were sawn in two, they were killed with the sword. They went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, afflicted, mistreated—of whom the world was not worthy—wandering about in deserts and mountains, and in dens and caves of the earth.”



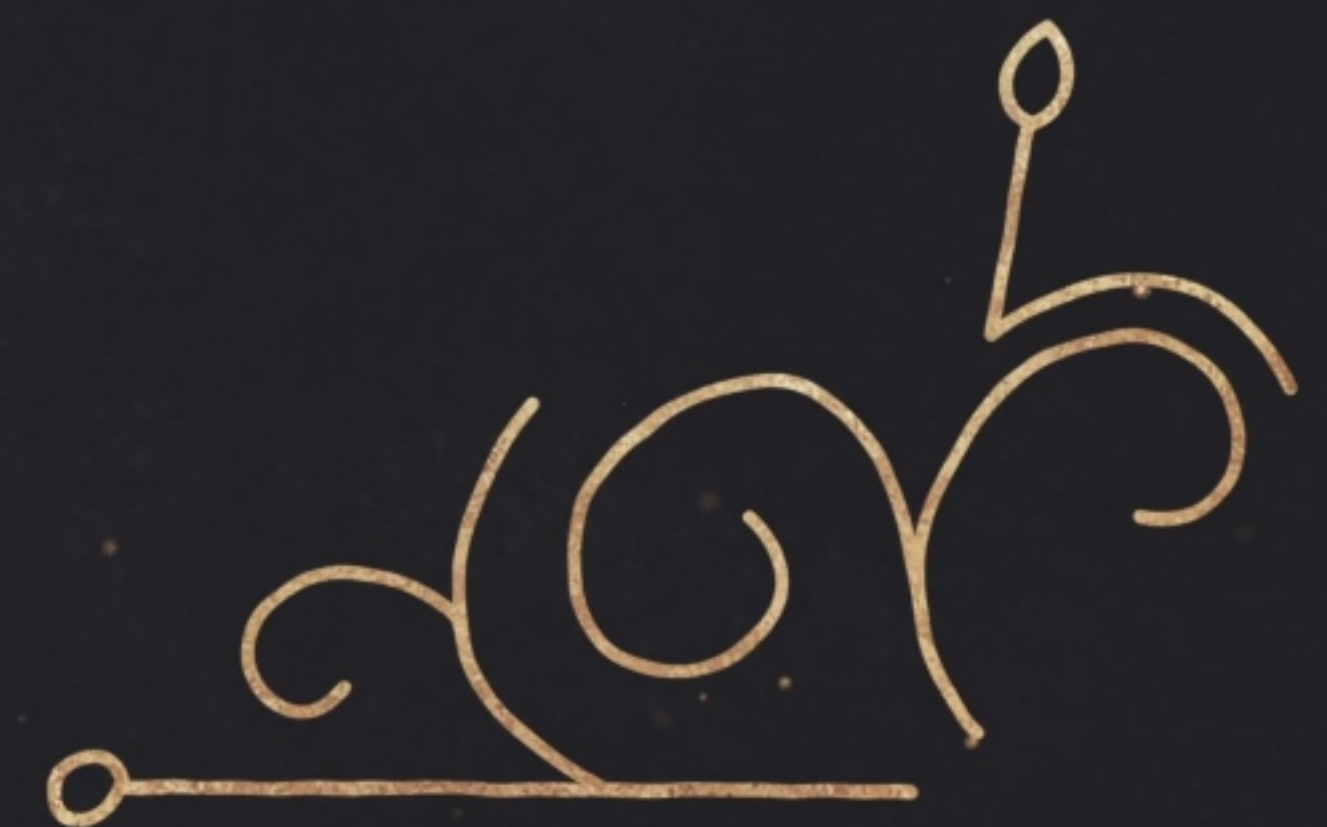
— Hebrews 11:33–38

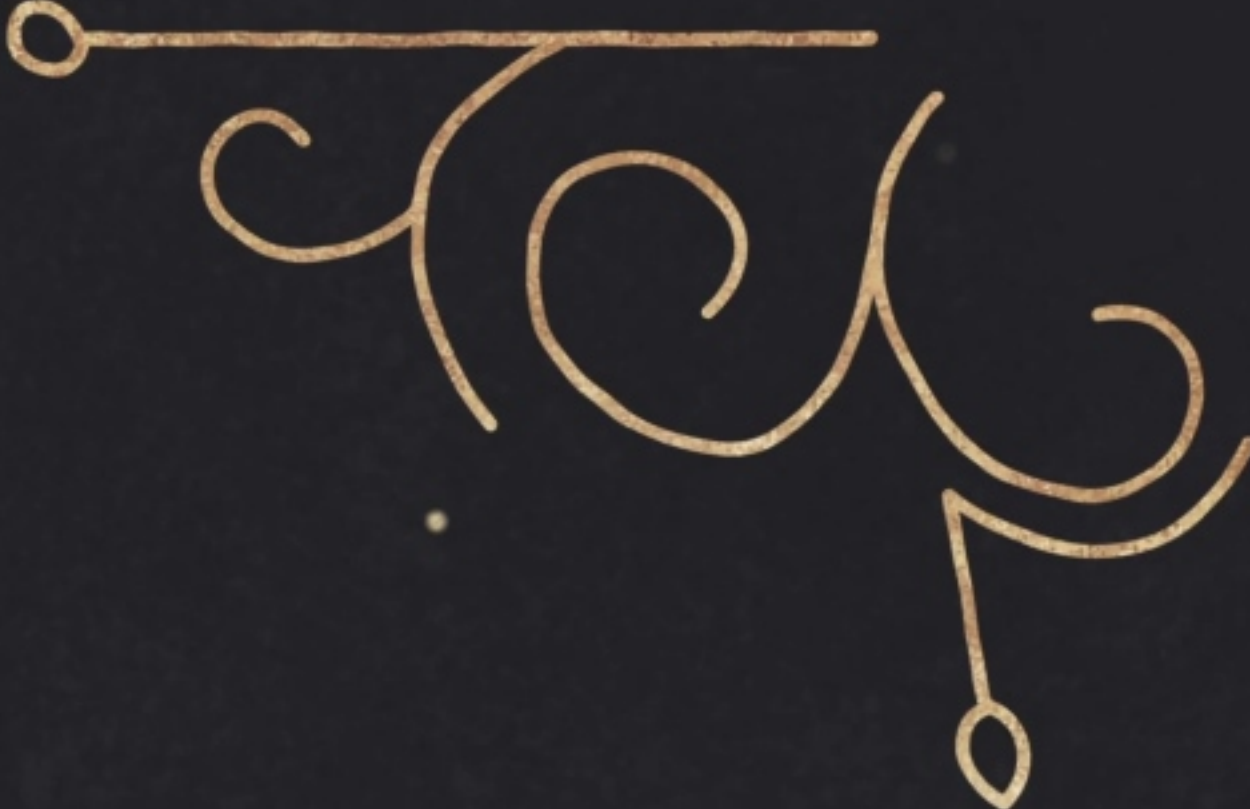
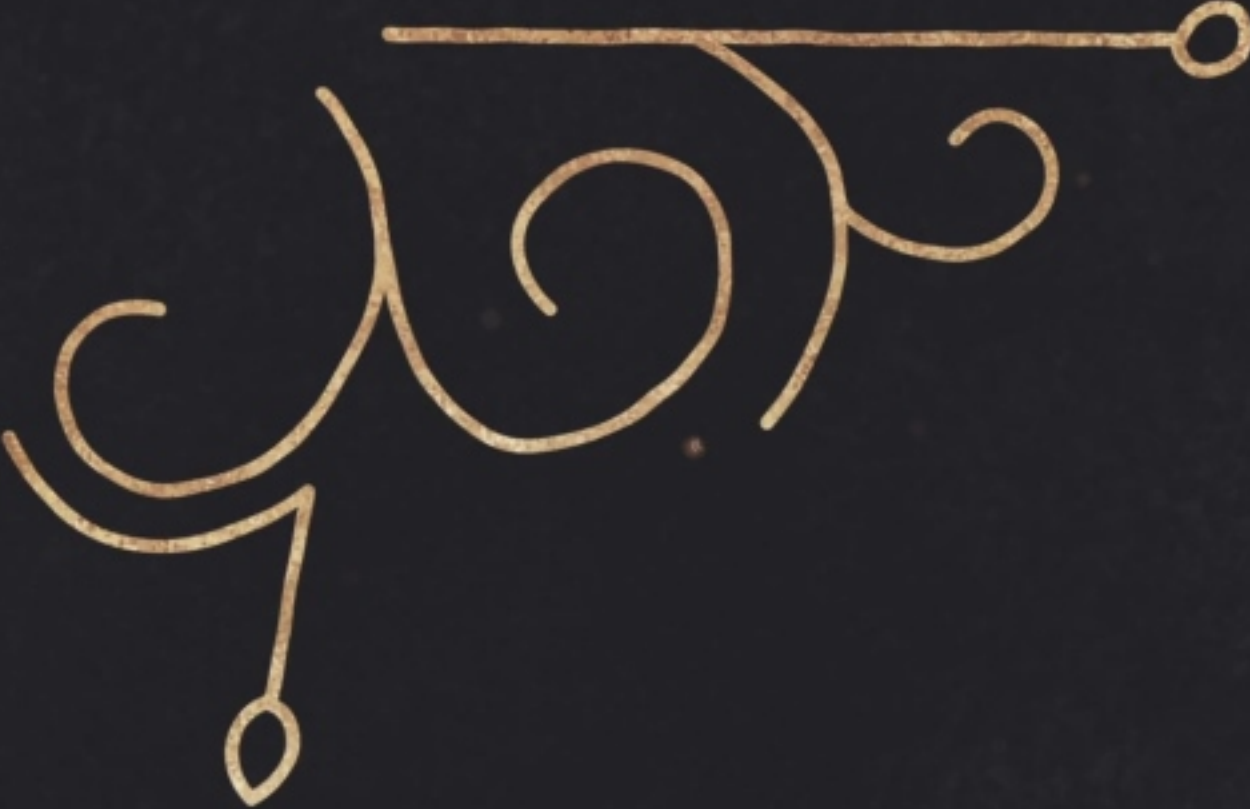


“...light momentary affliction [that] is preparing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison, as we look not to the things that are seen but to the things that are unseen. For the things that are seen are transient, but the things that are unseen are eternal.”





– 2 Corinthians 4:17-18

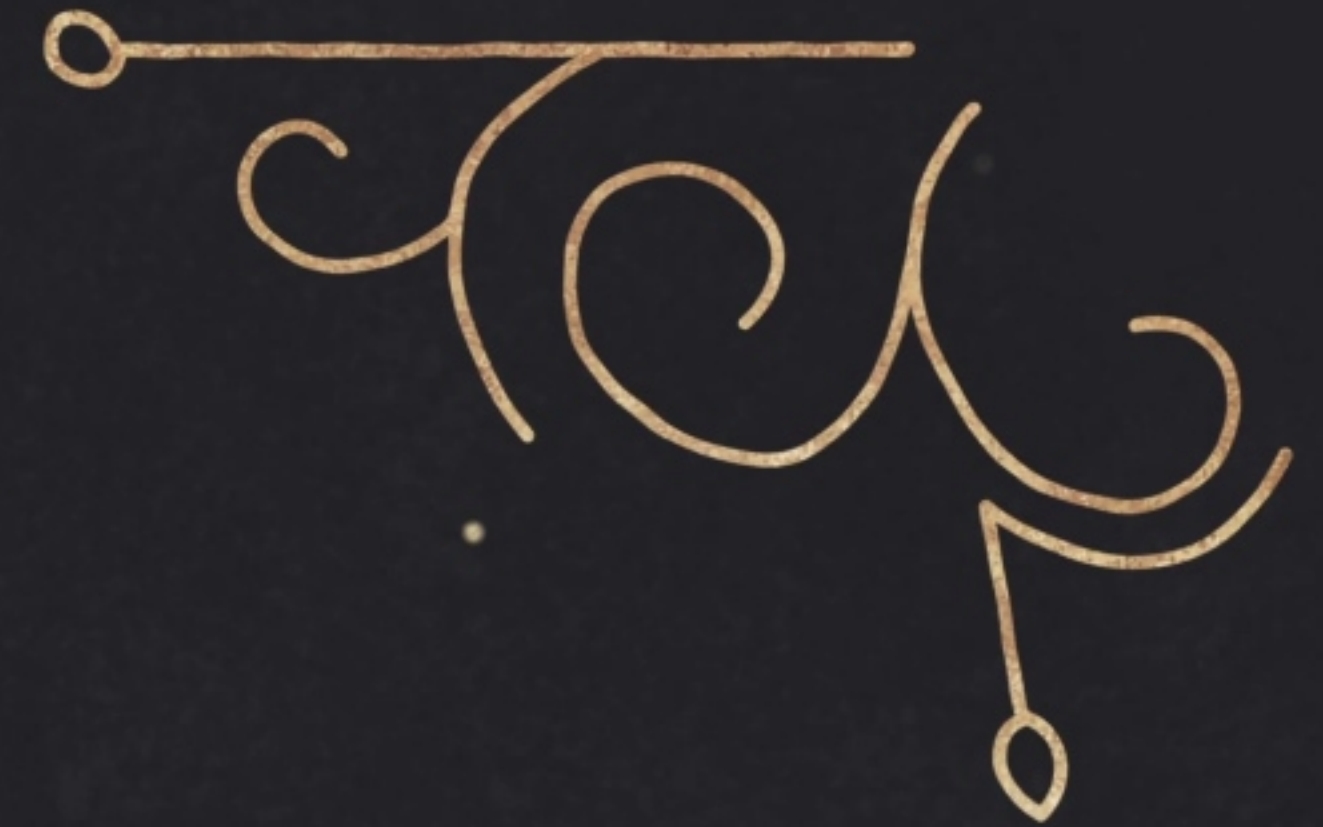
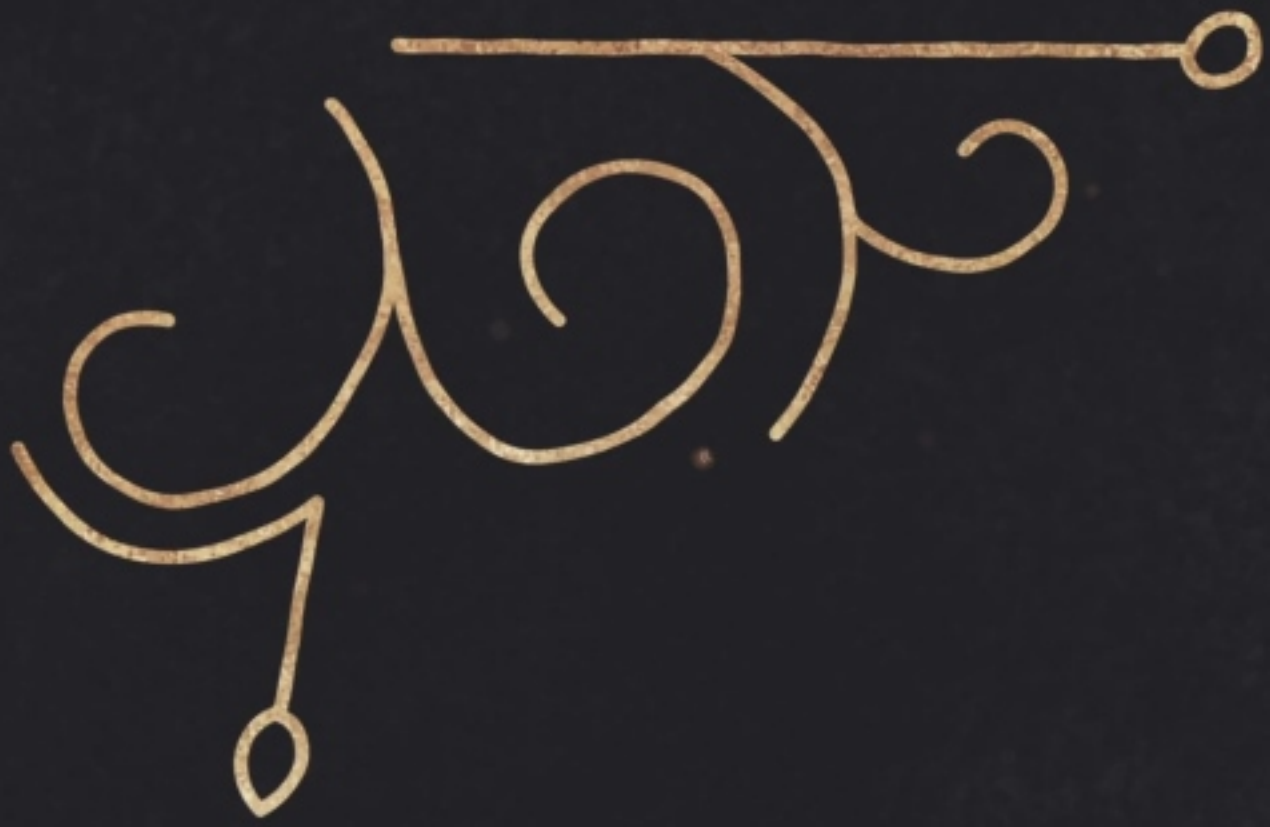




“And he who was seated on the throne said, “Behold, I am making all things new.” Also he said, “Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true.” And he said to me, “It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give from the spring of the water of life without payment.”



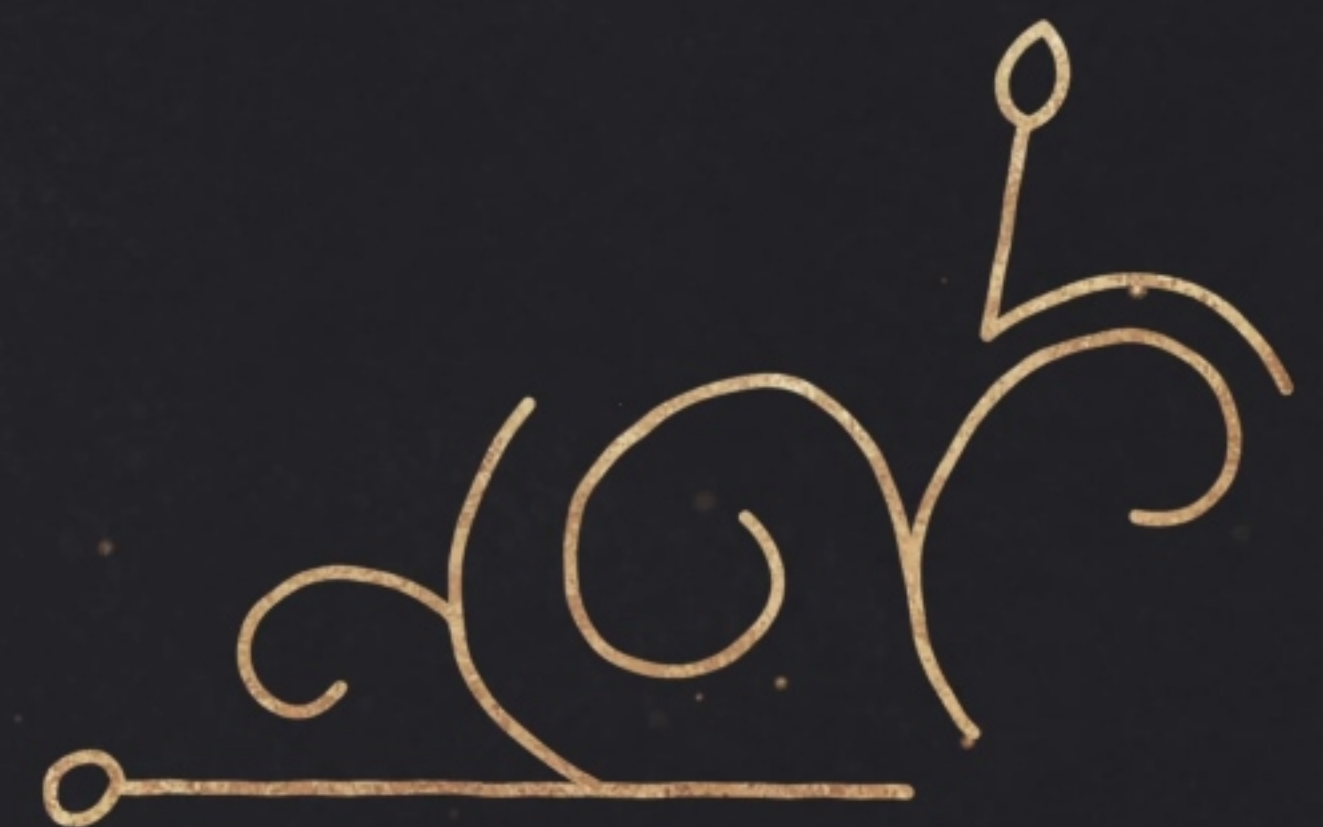
– Revelation 21:5-6



“The one who conquers will have this heritage, and I will be his God and he will be my son.”



– Revelation 21:7





**“Thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through
our Lord Jesus Christ.”**

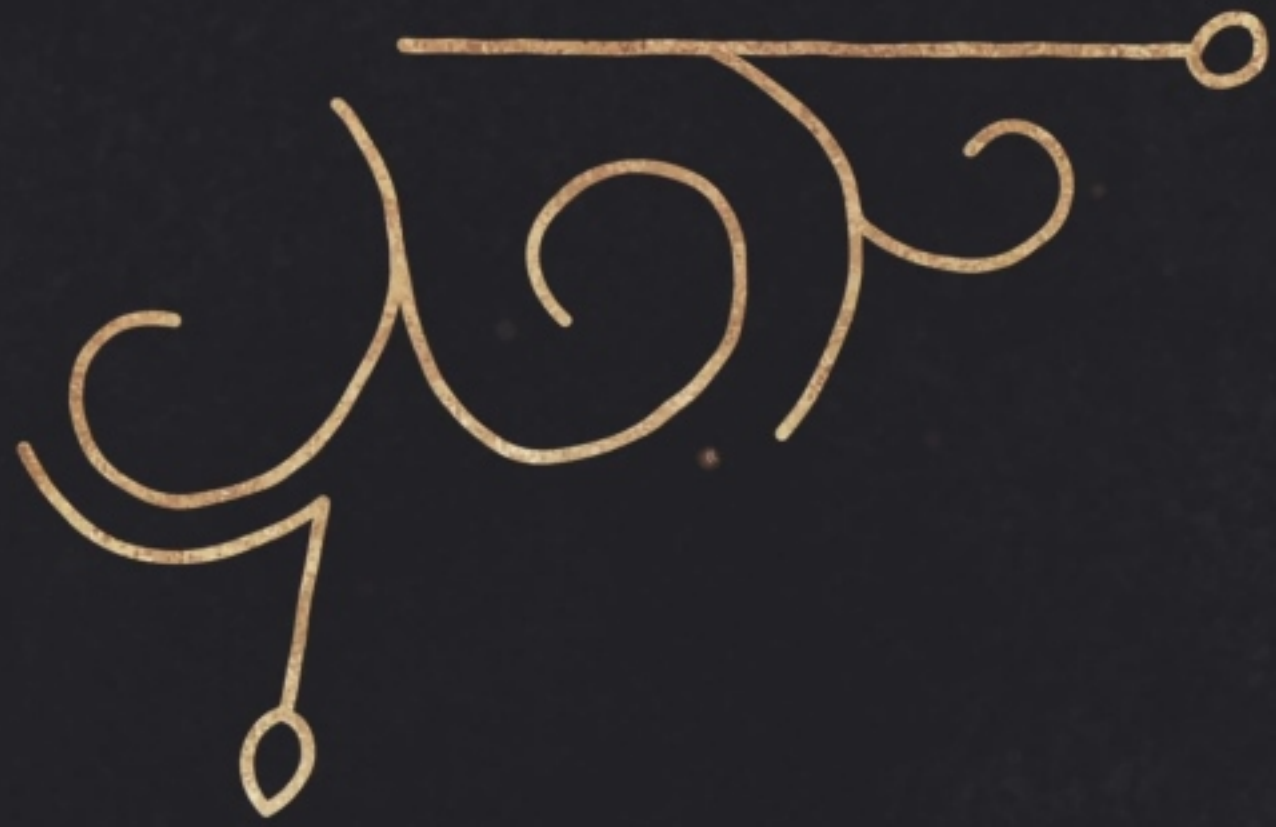
– 1 Corinthians 15:57



**“He who began a good work in you will bring it to
completion at the day of Christ Jesus.”**

– Philippians 1:6



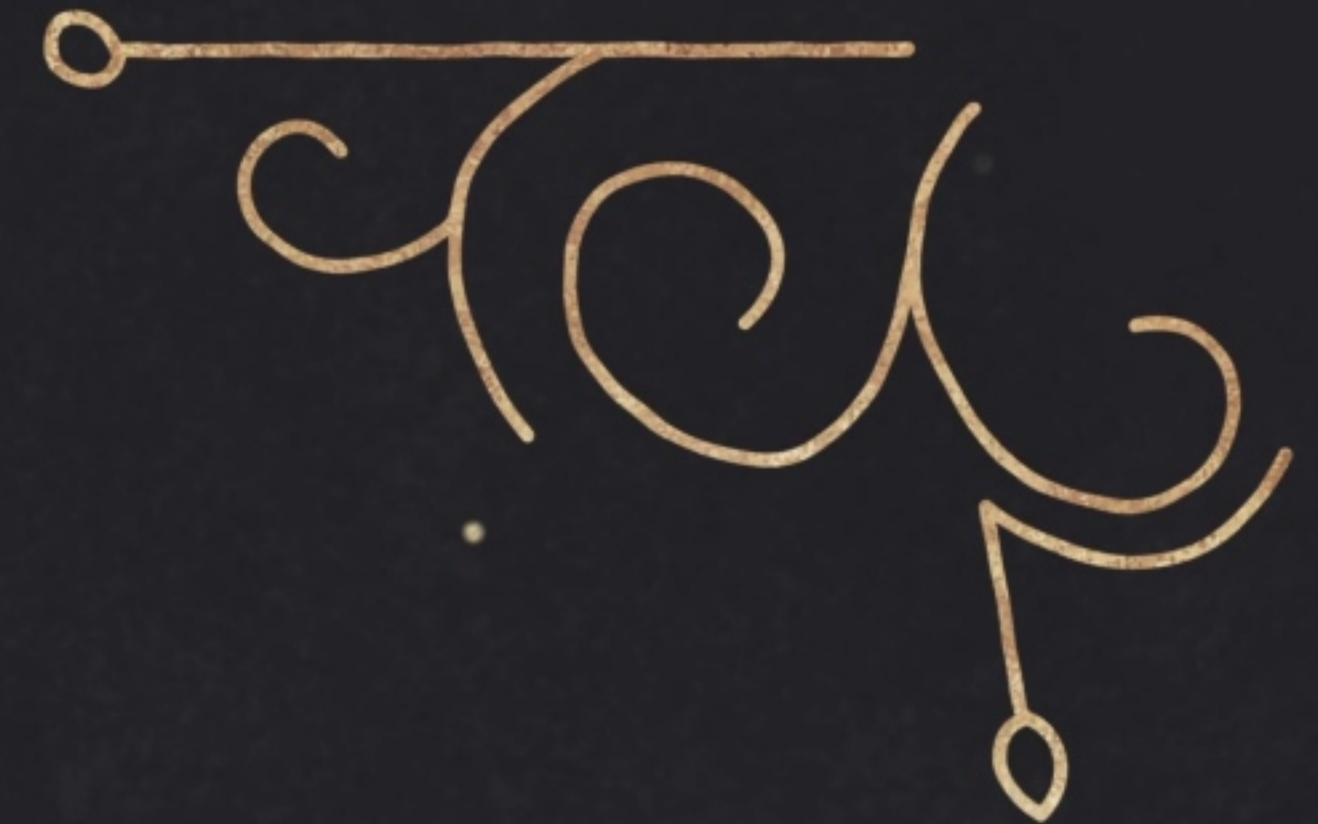
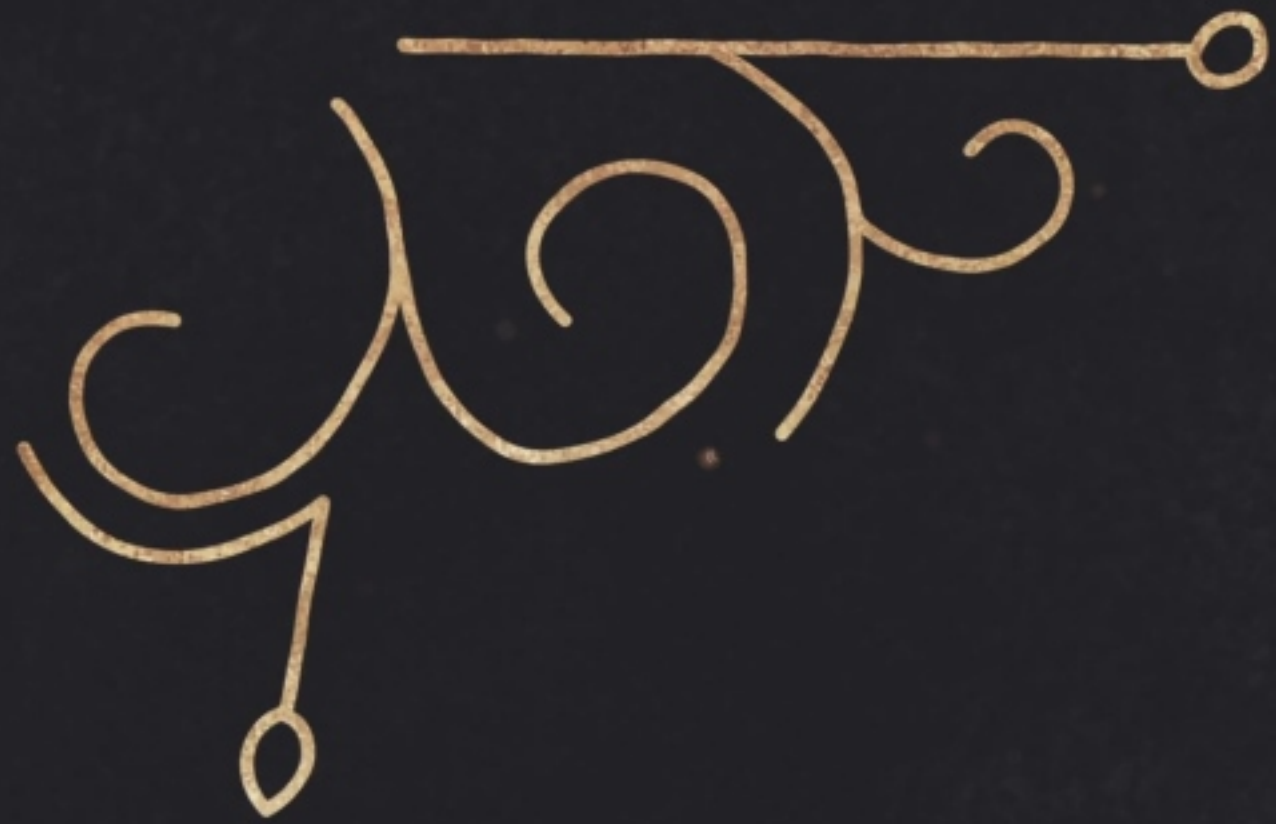


“But as for the cowardly, the faithless, the detestable, as for murderers, the sexually immoral, sorcerers, idolaters, and all liars, their portion will be in the lake that burns with fire and sulfur, which is the second death.”



– Revelation 21:8

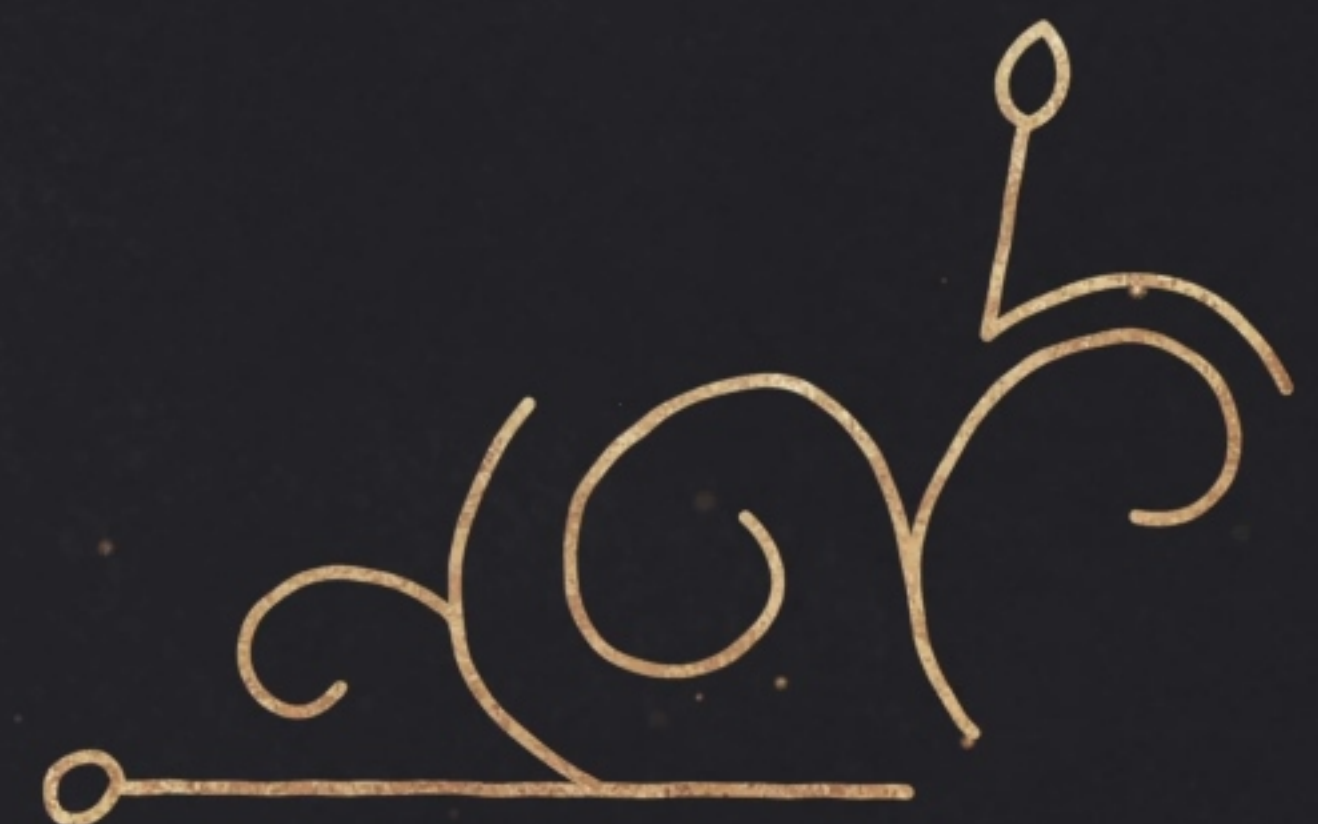


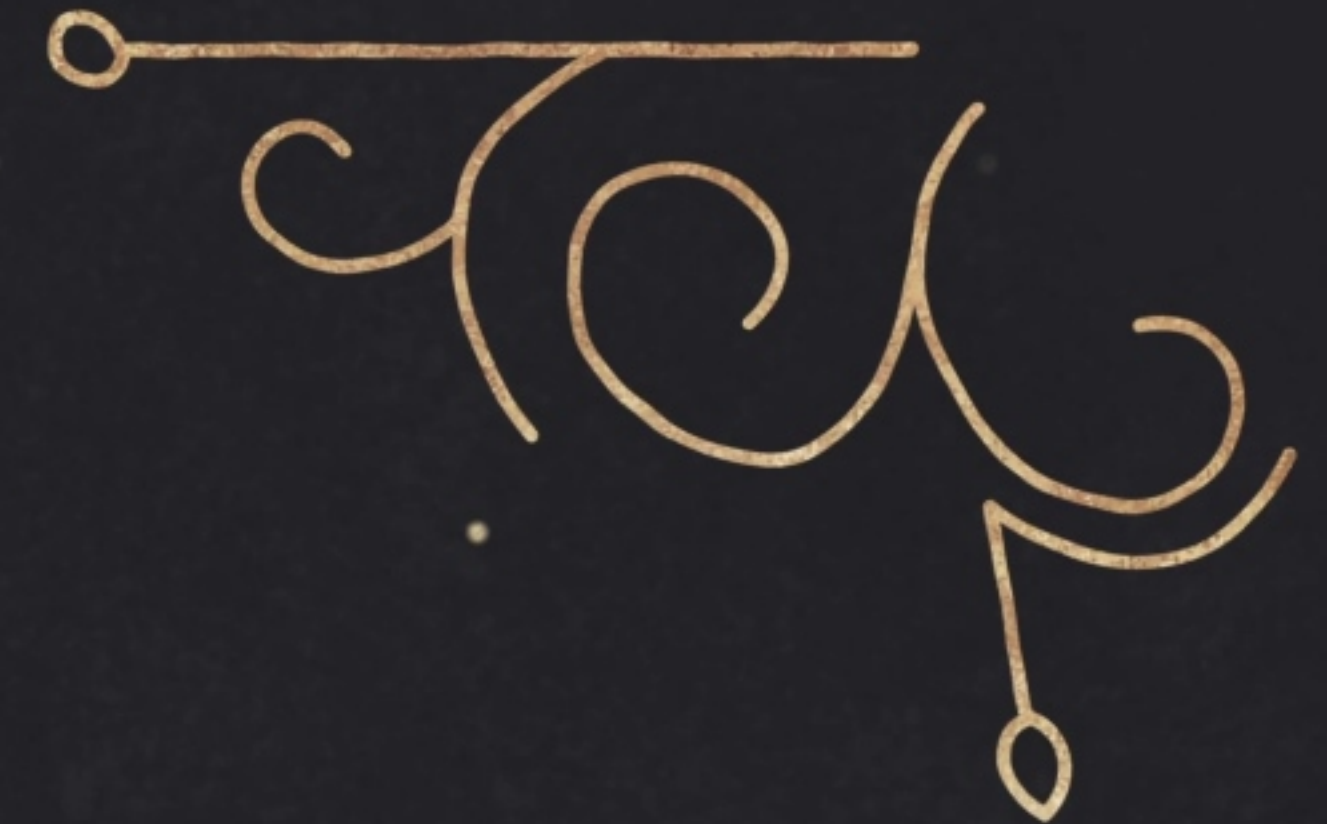
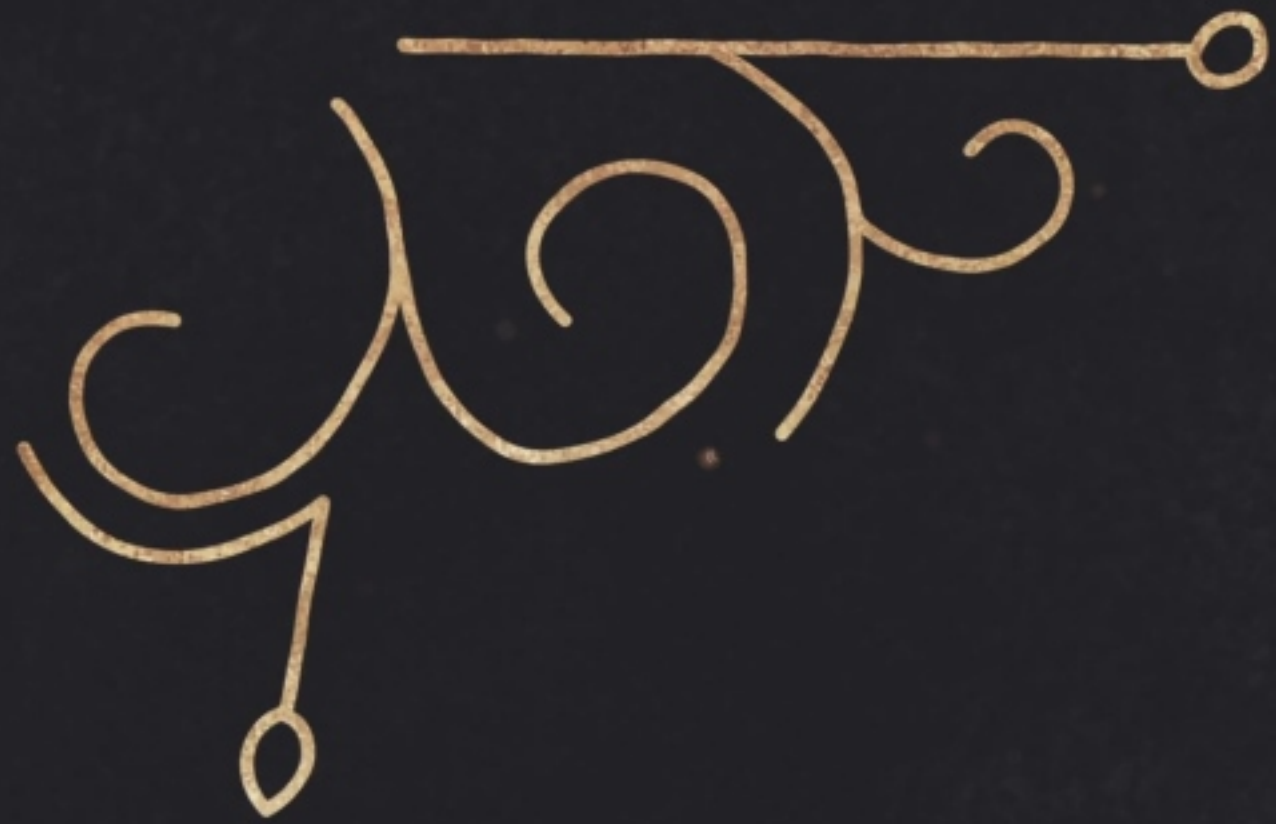


**“For everyone who asks receives; the one who seeks finds;
and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened.”**



– Luke 11:10

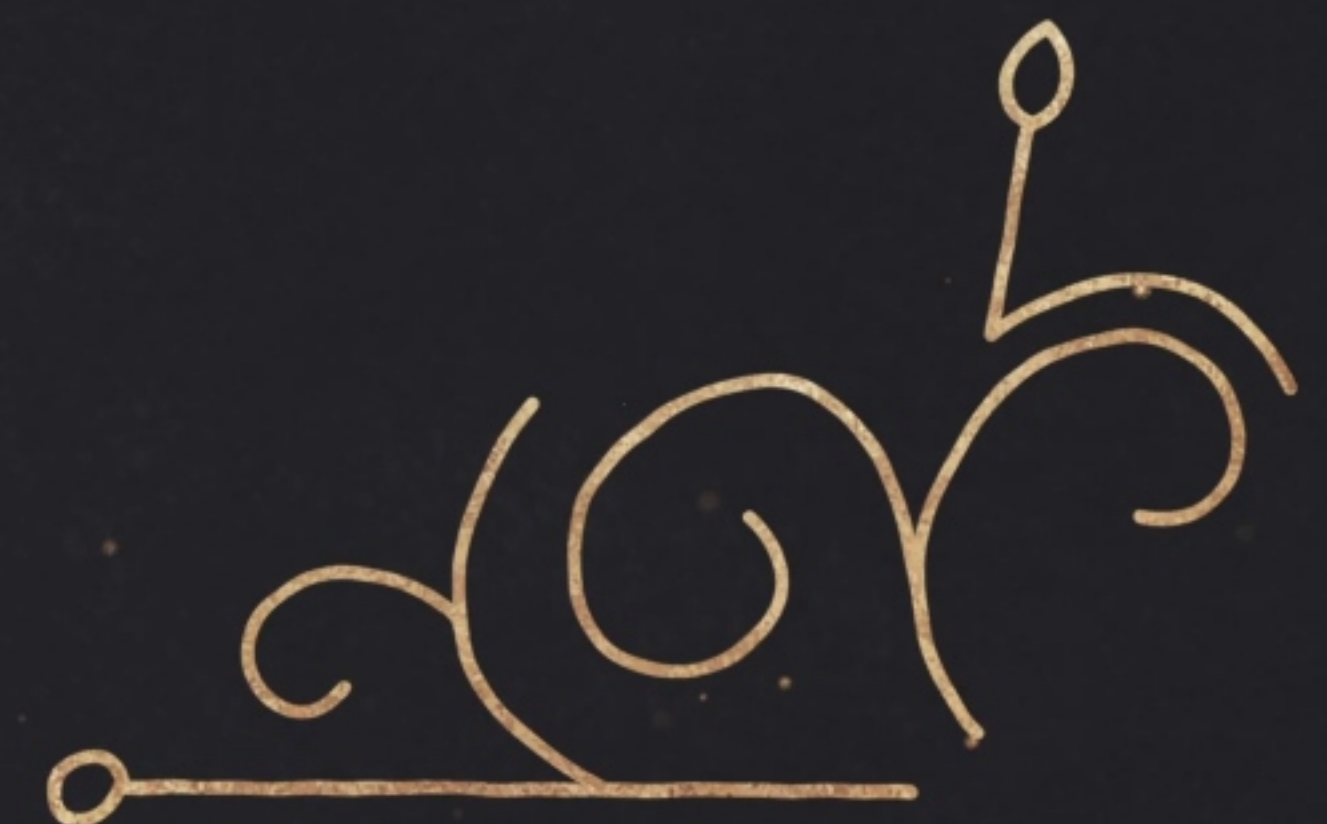


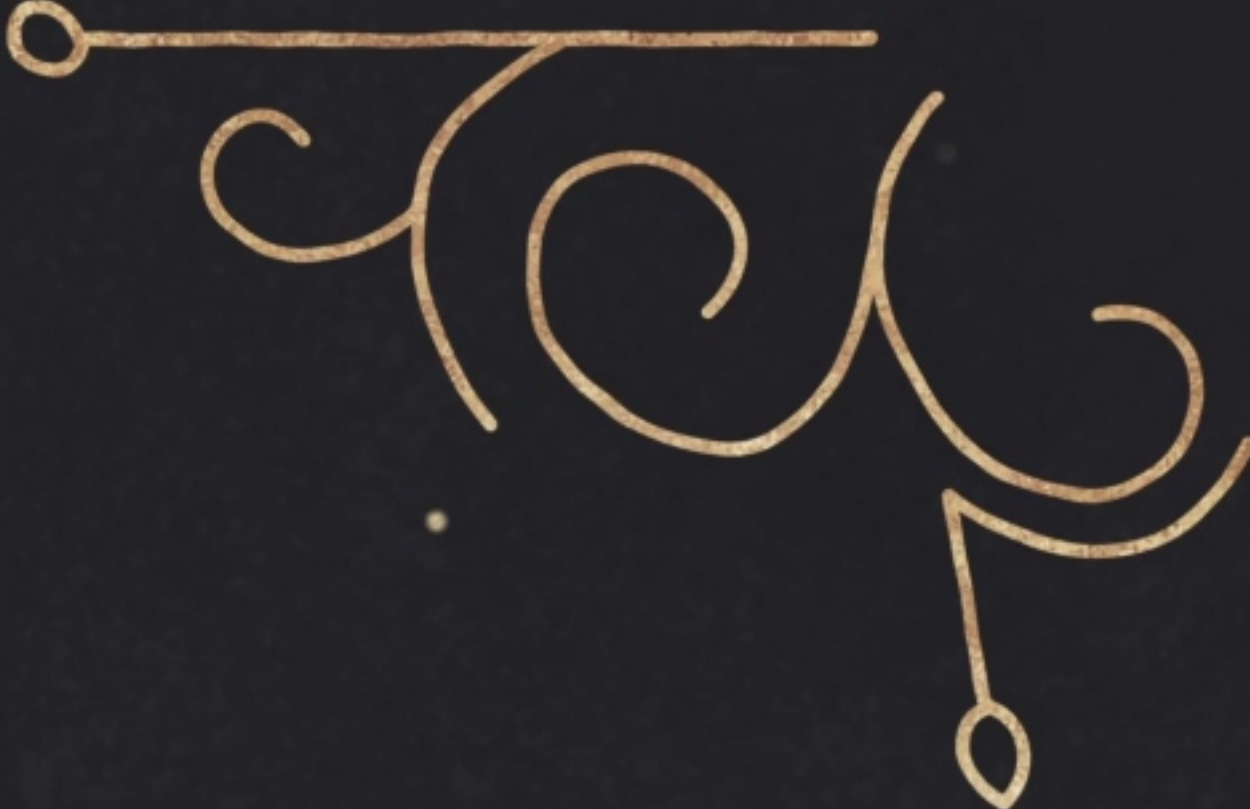
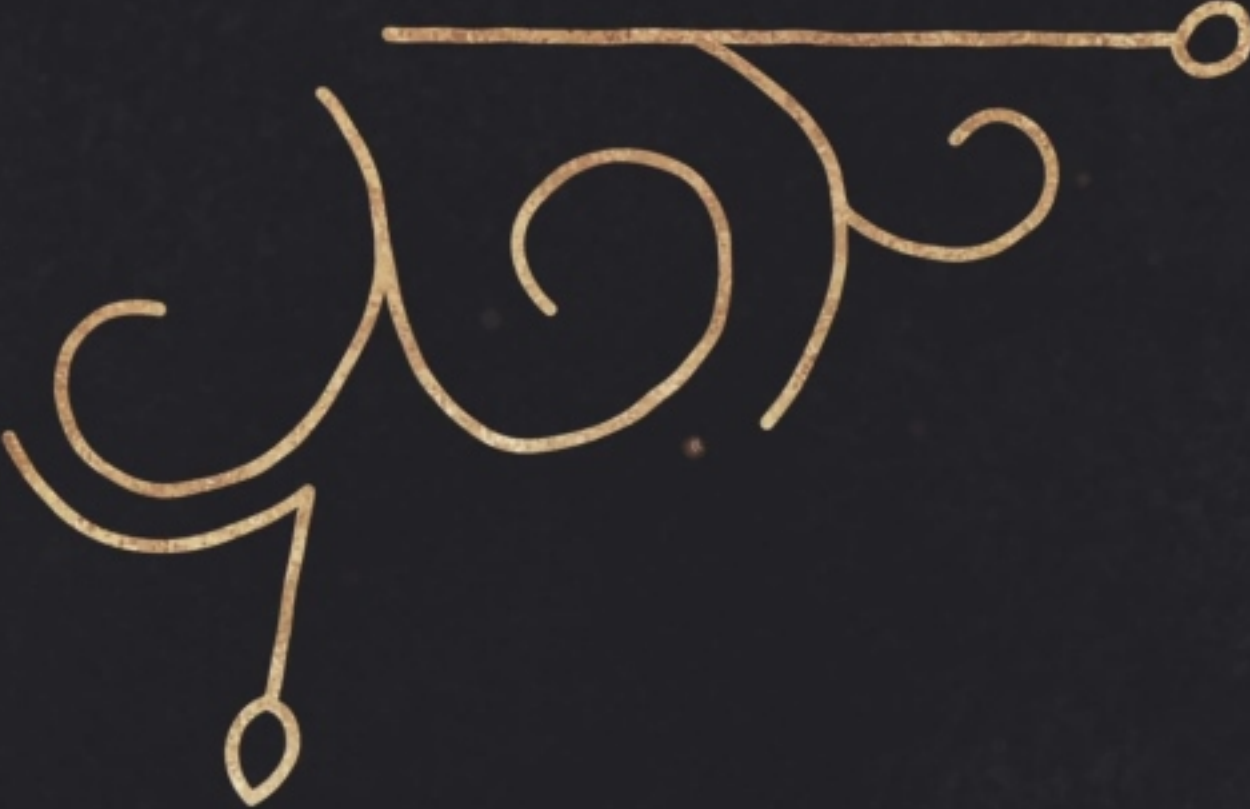


**“He has helped his servant Israel,
in remembrance of his mercy,
as he spoke to our fathers,
to Abraham and to his offspring forever.”**



– Luke 1:54–55





“What God did when he sent his son into the world is an absolute guarantee that he will do everything he has ever promised to do. God has given the final proof that all his promises are sure, that he is faithful to everything he has ever said. He does not always do it immediately in the way we think. But he does it! And he will never fail to do it!”

– Martin Lloyd-Jones





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