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**...the capacity to view things
in their true relations
or relative importance.**

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Reminder of our need for God to be present and to move in our midst.



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**Good's
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**Victories
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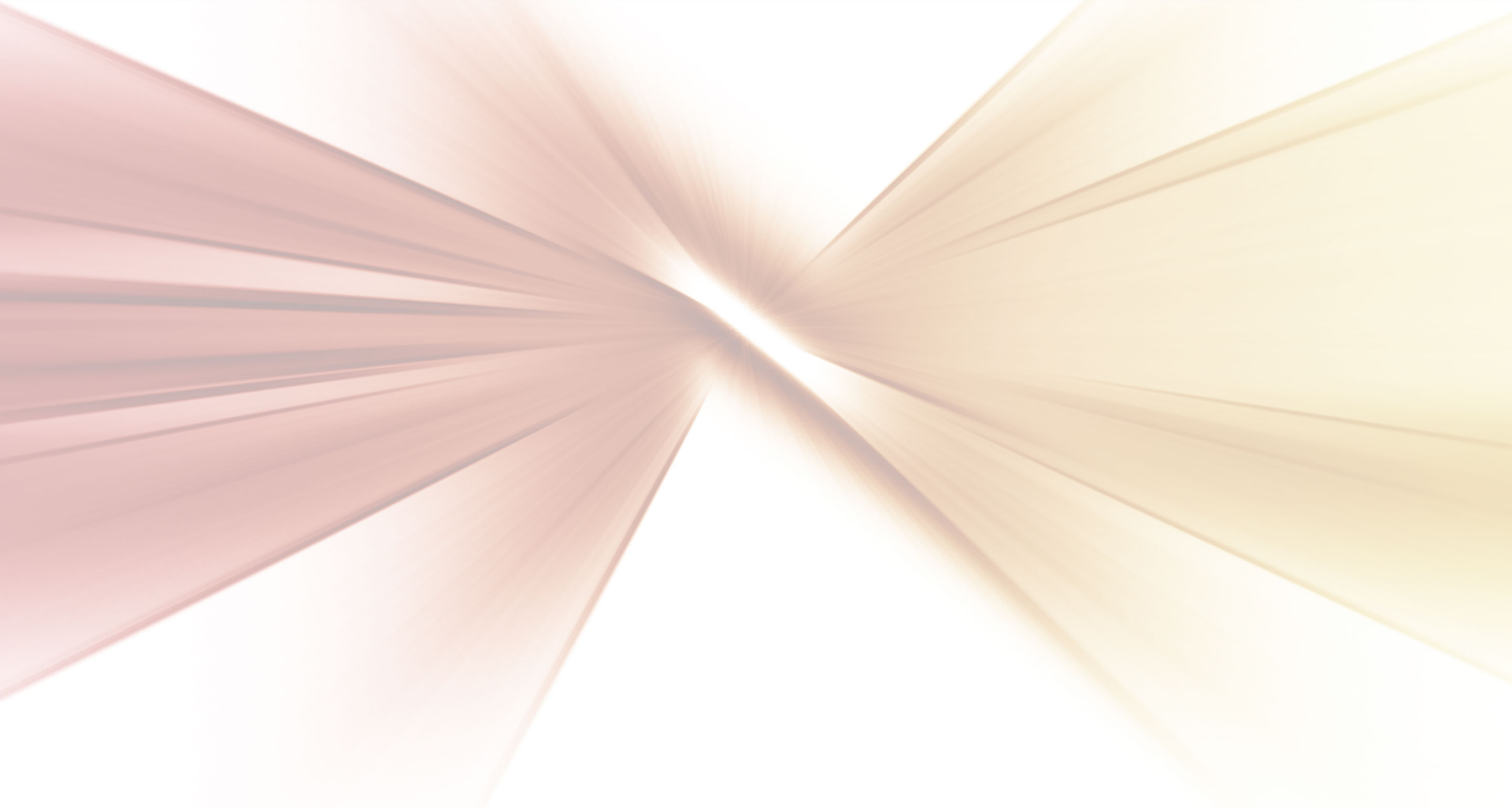
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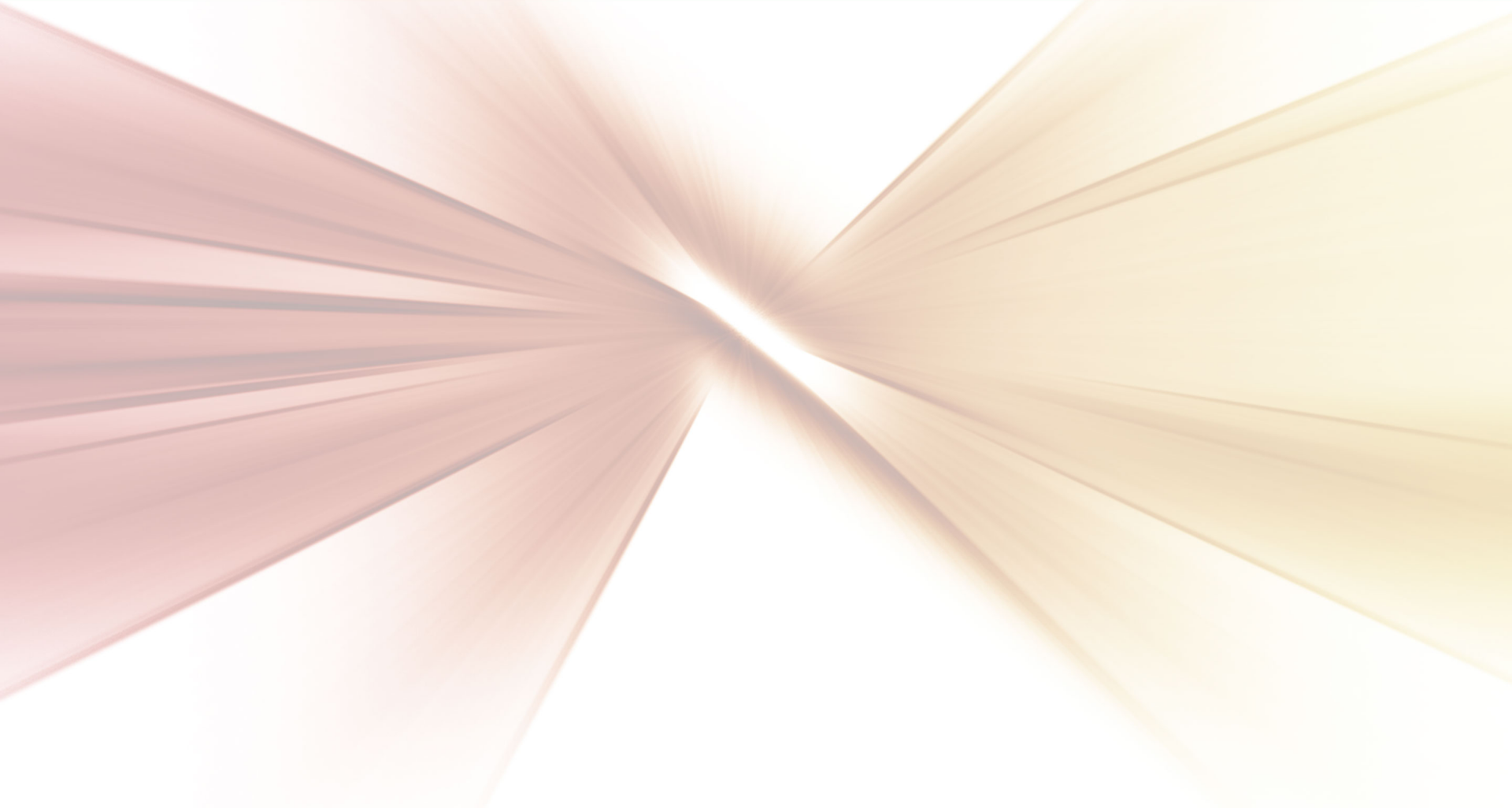
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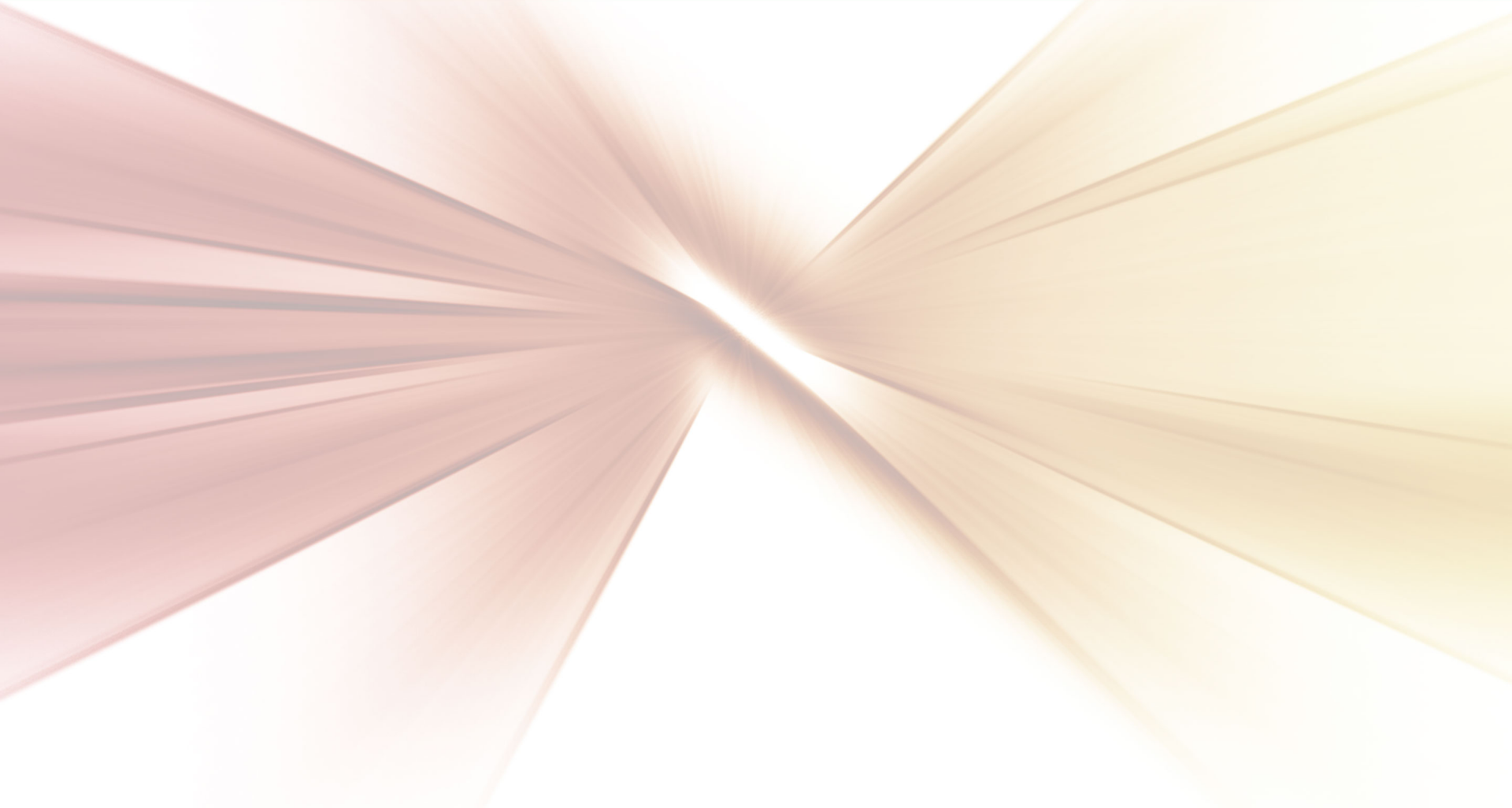
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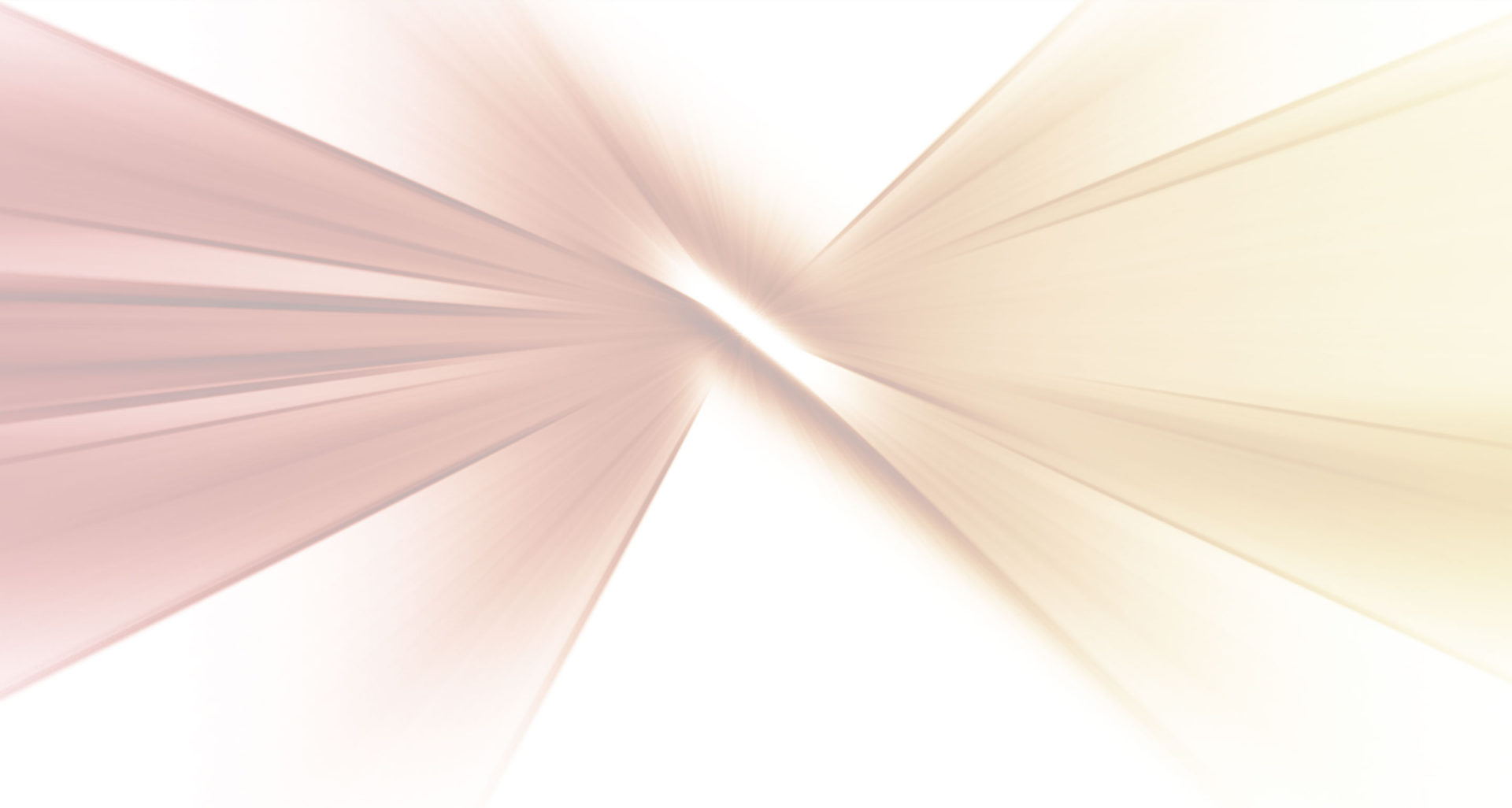
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