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in their true relationship
or relative importance.**



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**Good's
&
Bad's**



**Victories
&
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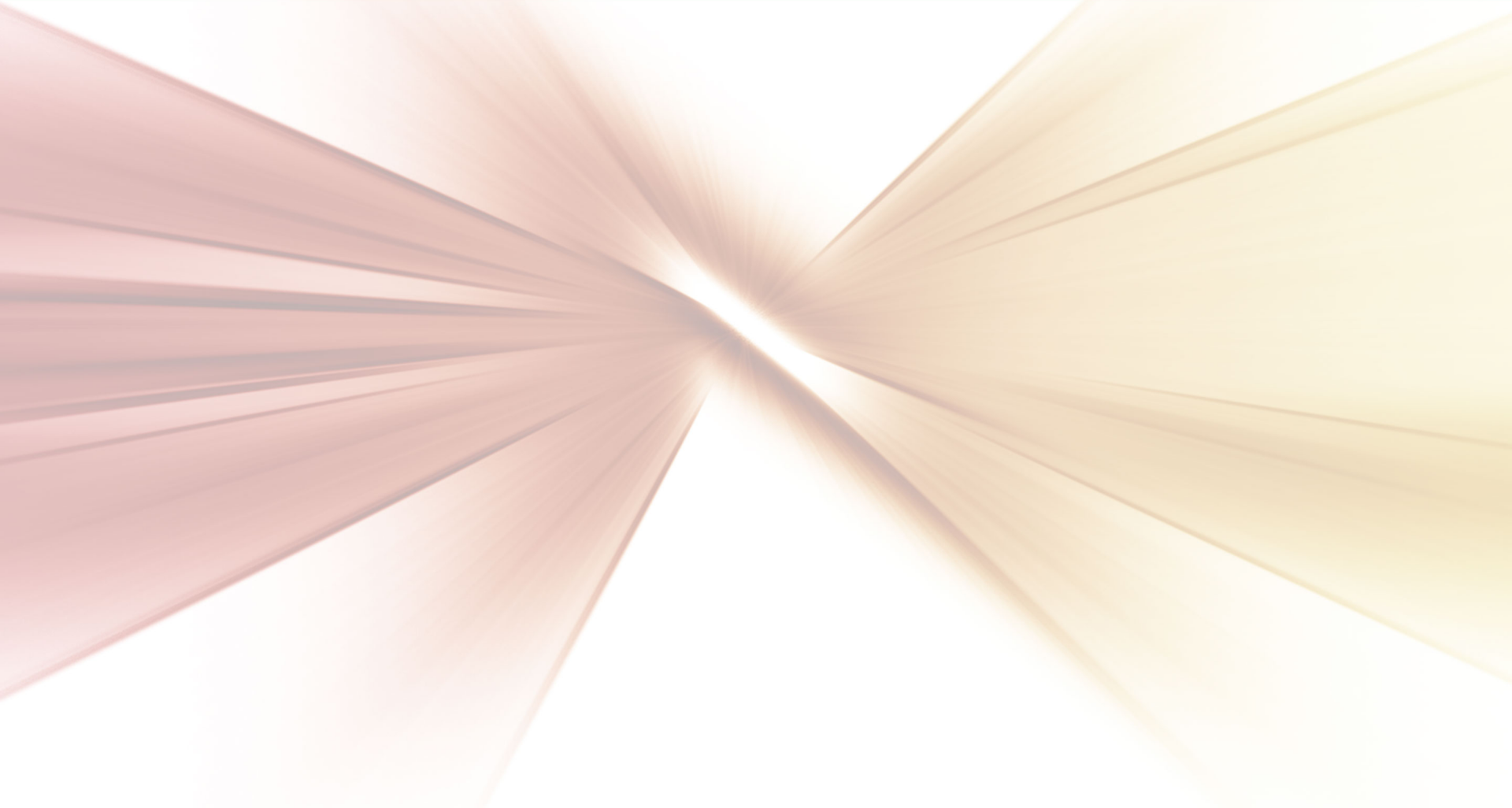
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...insights that help us begin to see
how things might, should, could, will and do
fit together in our lives in light of
the sovereign and redemptive purposes of Christ...

both in eternity
as well as His daily work in our lives
through the truths of His Word
and the presence of the Holy Spirit.

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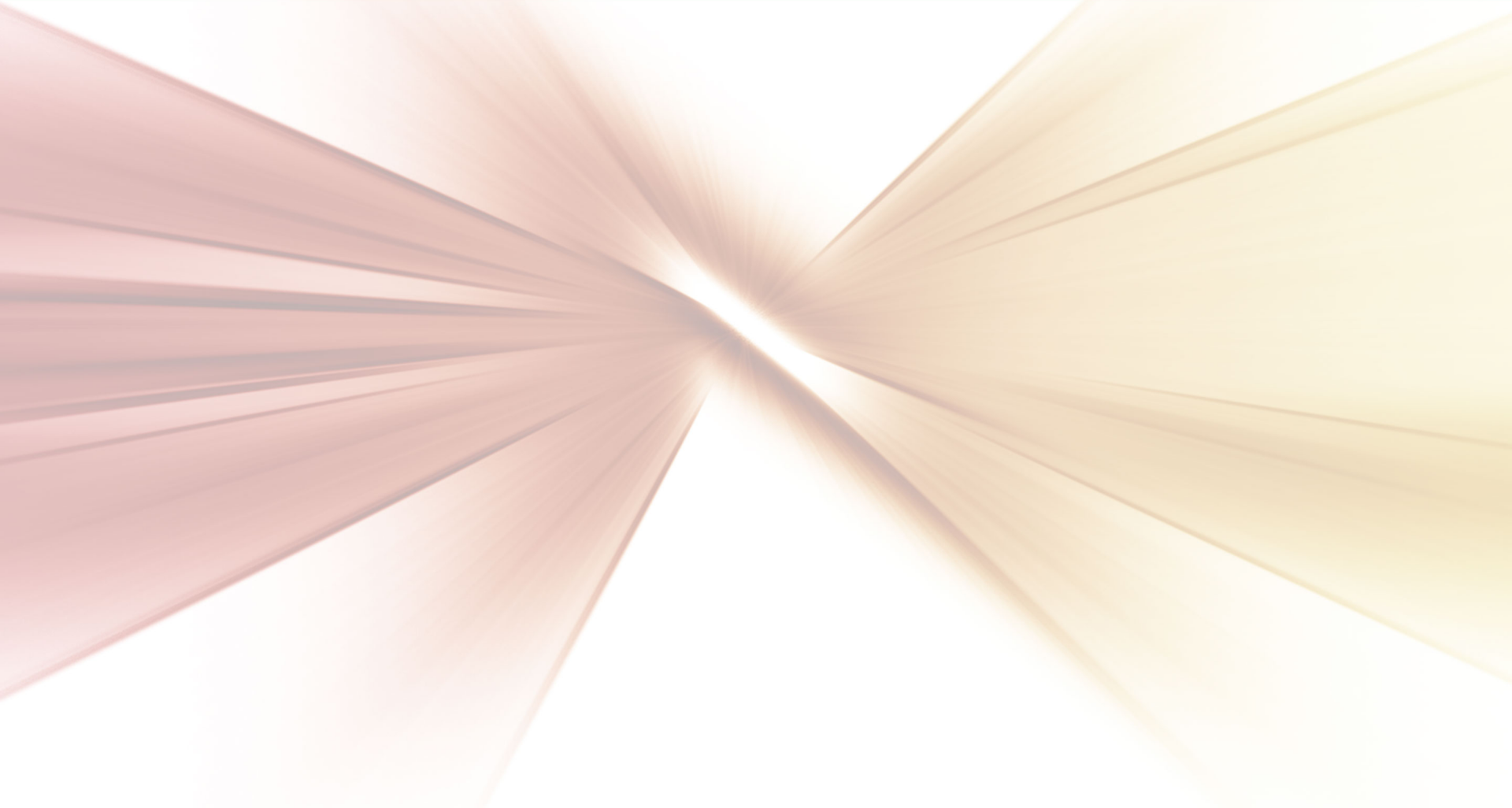
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***Paul and others
...(but not everyone)...
have modeled a life of maturity for us,
and he commends us to do the same.***

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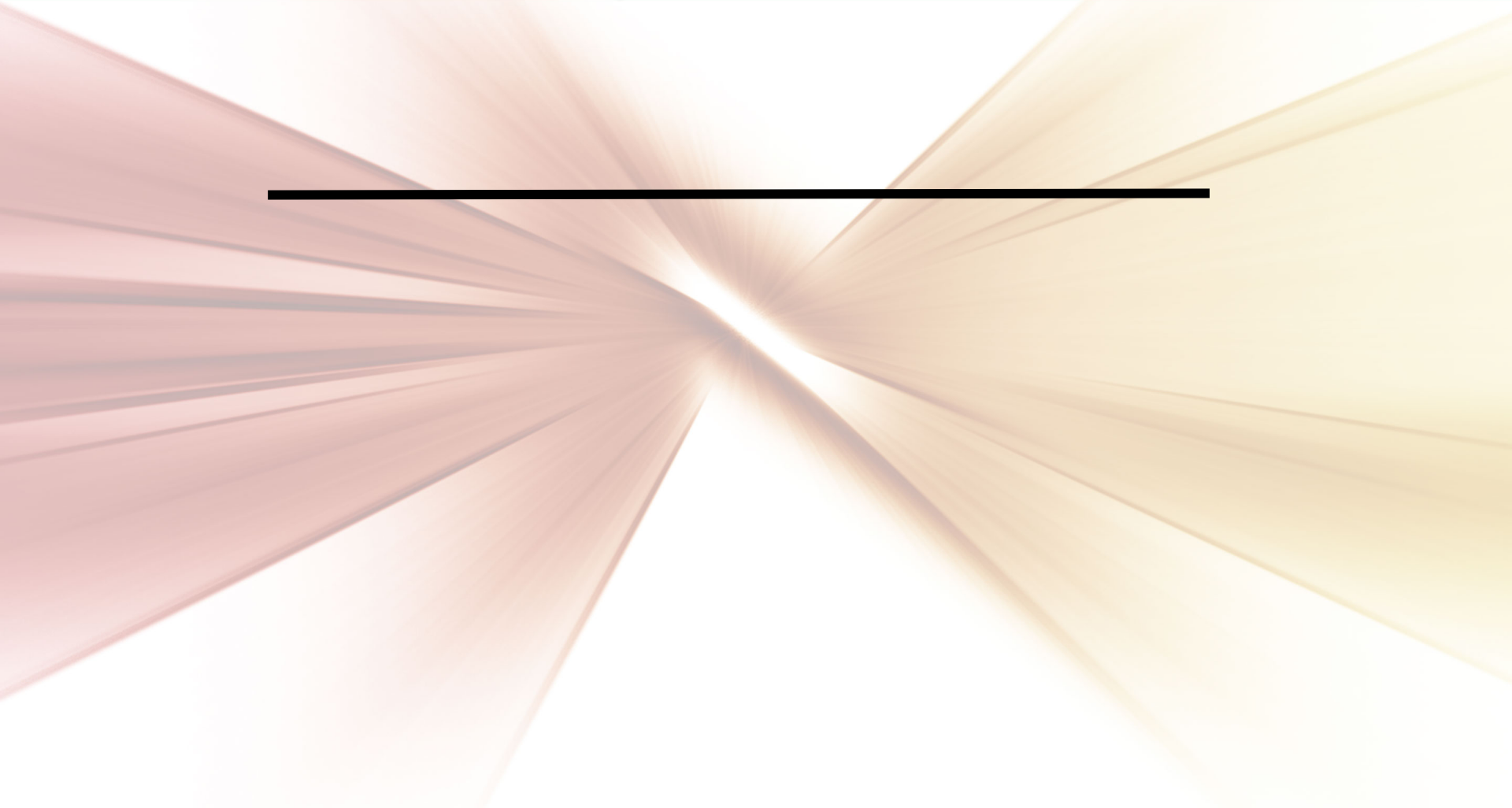
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- **Stand firm.**
- **Help others stop fighting.**
- **Rejoice in the Lord at every point of life.**
- **Be reasonable...in what you say and how you say it.**
- **Don't be anxious to the point of being torn apart.**
- **Let your requests be made known to God.**
- **Be mindful of the rich qualities of life in Christ.**
- **Put into practice what you know is right.**

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