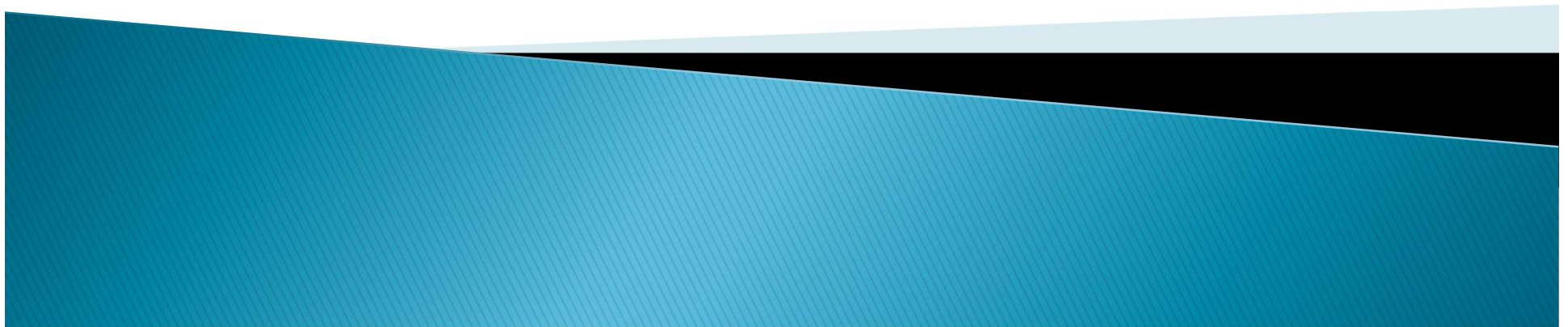
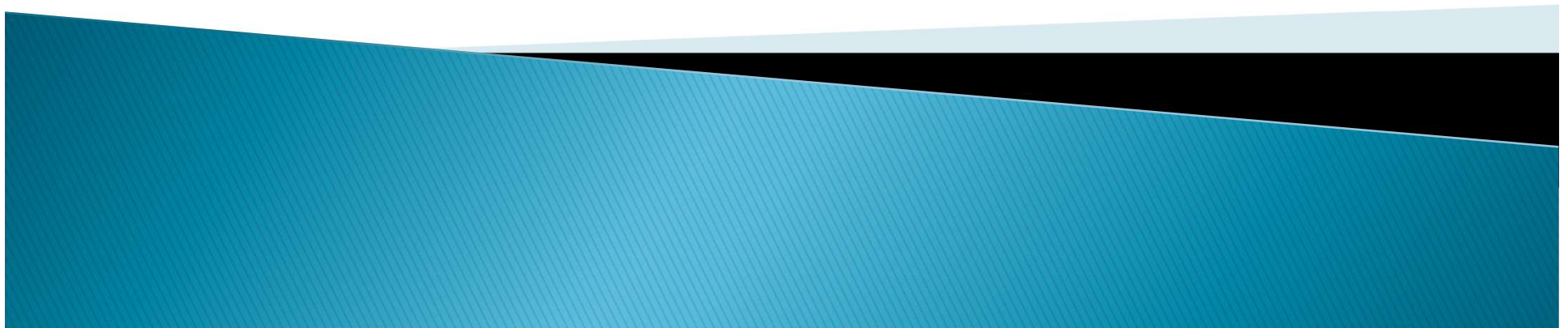


TEMPTATIONS: THE BIG THREE

Luke 4:1-14

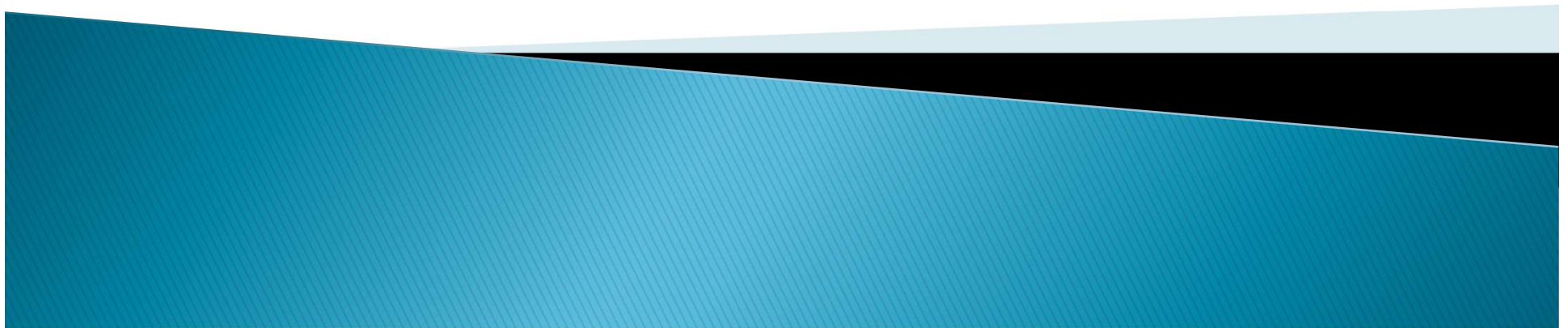


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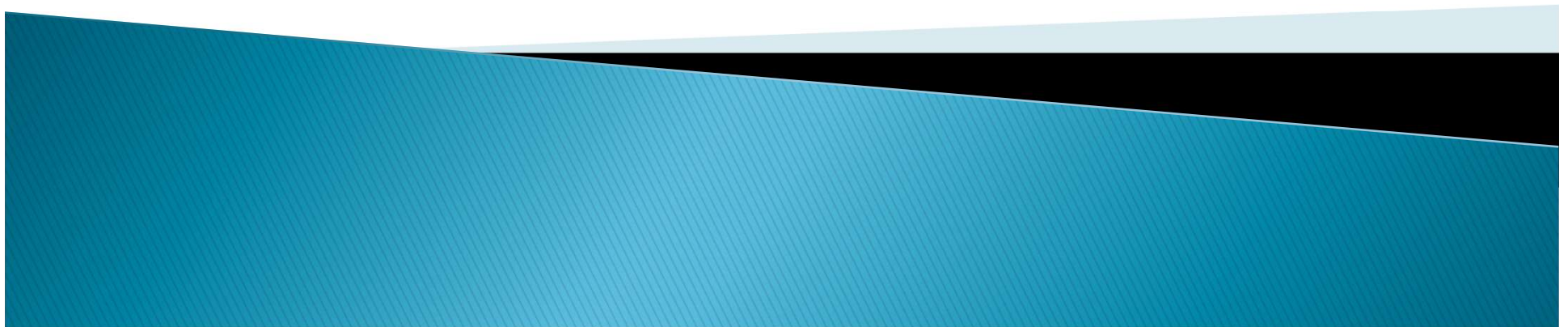
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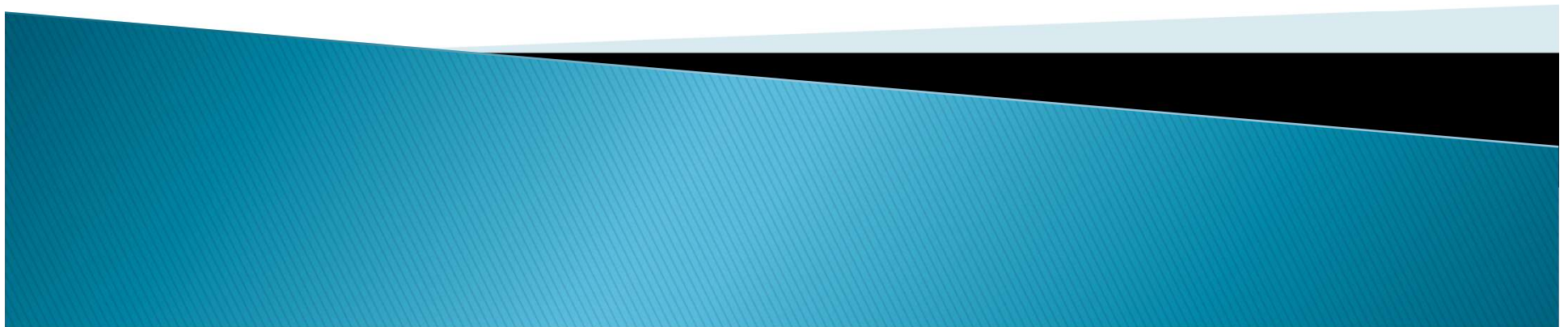
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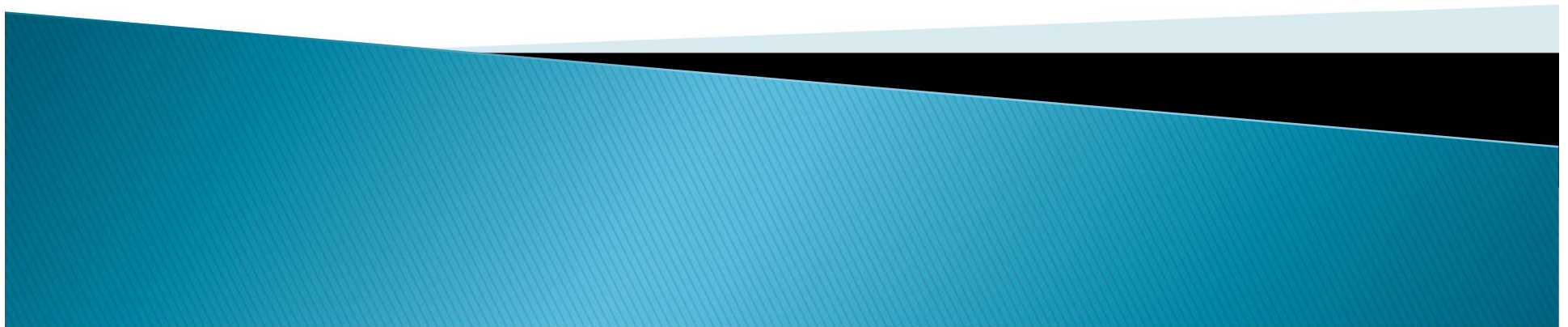
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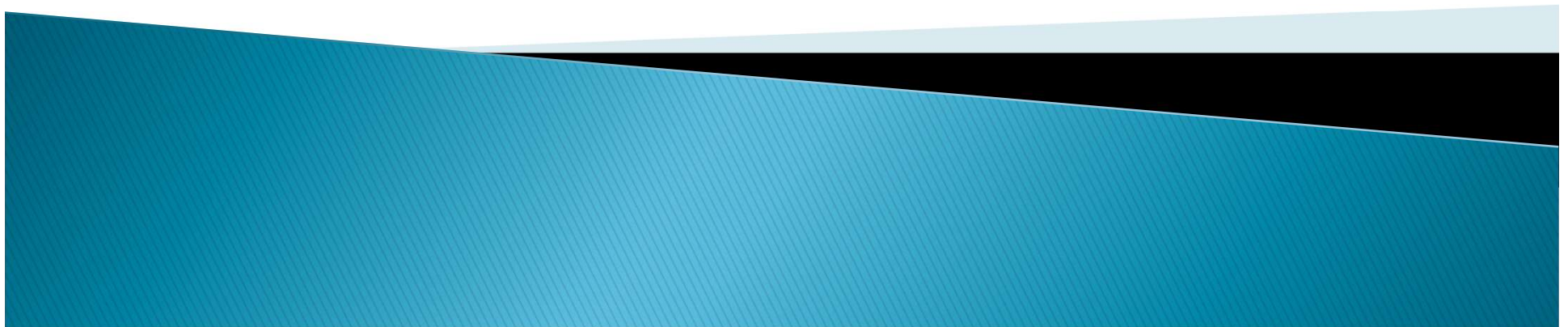


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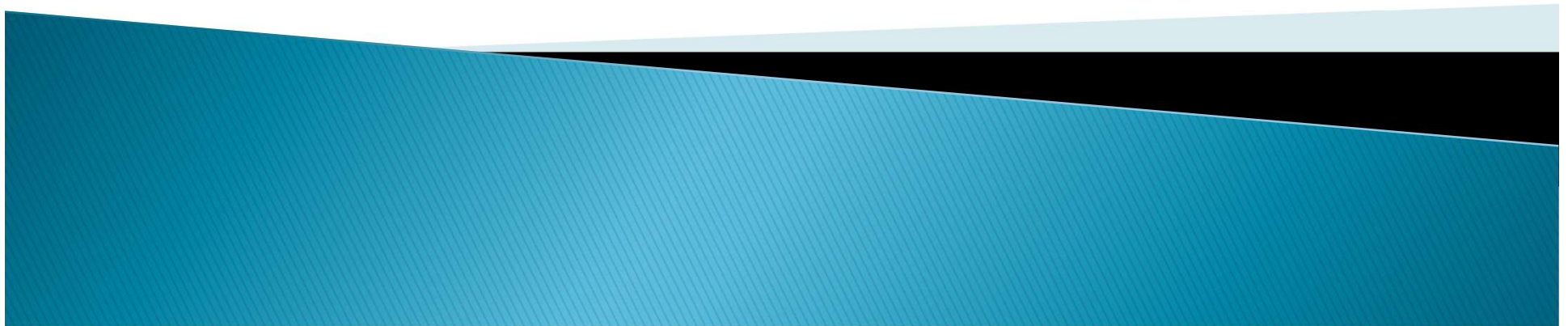
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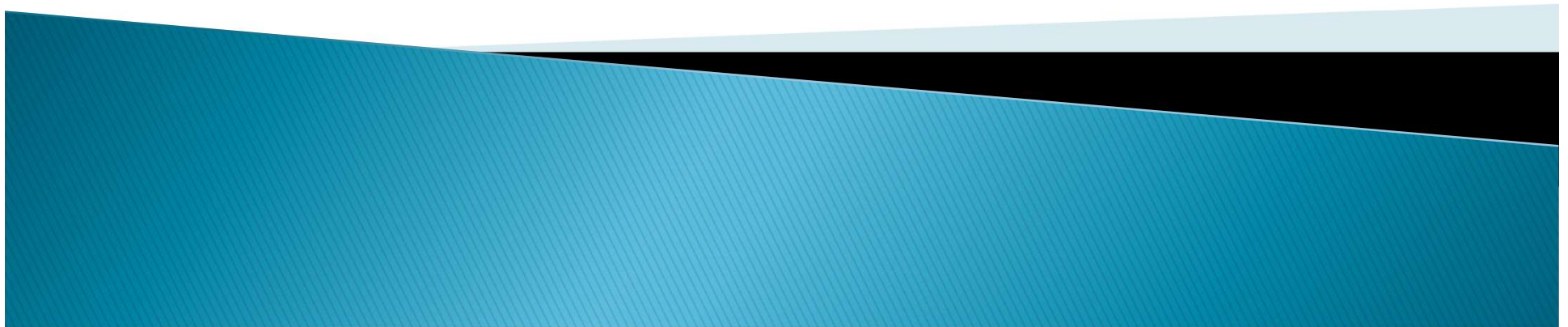
John Piper says that sin ...

"gets its power by persuading me to believe that I will be more happy if I follow it. The power of all temptation is the prospect that it will make me happier."

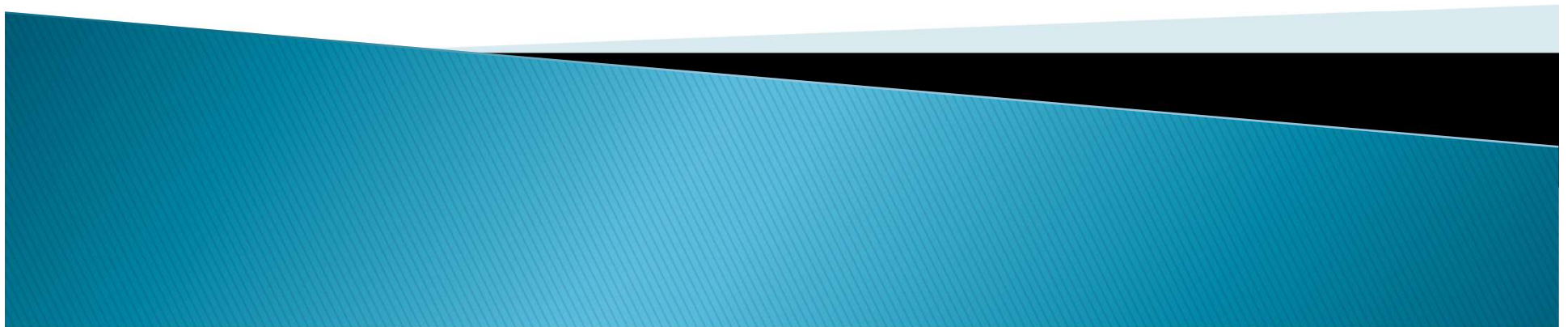
[E. Lutzer, Putting Your Past Behind You, Here's Life, 1990, p.54.]



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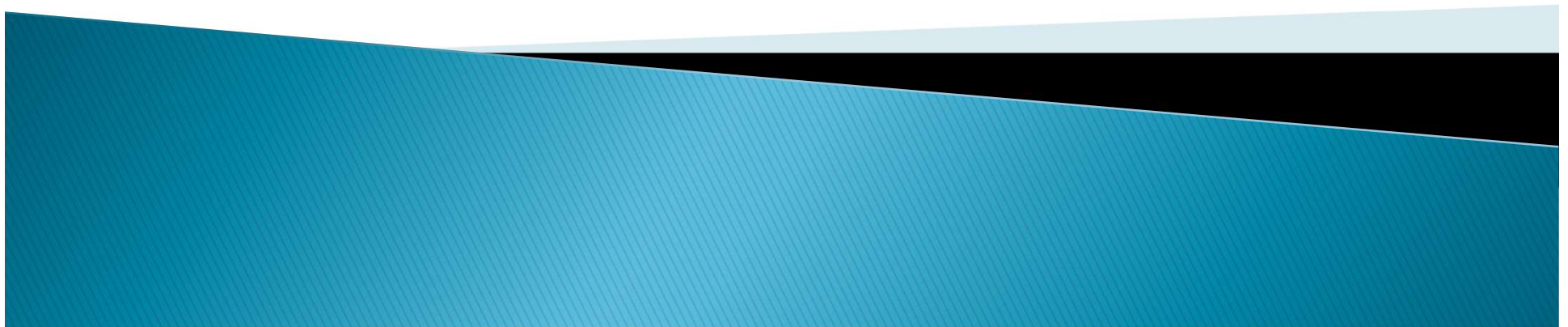
**3. THE TEMPTATION TO NOT
BELIEVE IT UNTIL YOU SEE IT
(vv. 9–13)**



When you are weak
– expect a major assault

When you resist
– be ready for a different approach

When he leaves
– count on another attack.



There are Two Lies Satan Wants Us to Believe

1. Just once won't hurt.

2. Now that you have ruined your life, you are beyond God's use, and might as well enjoy sinning.

