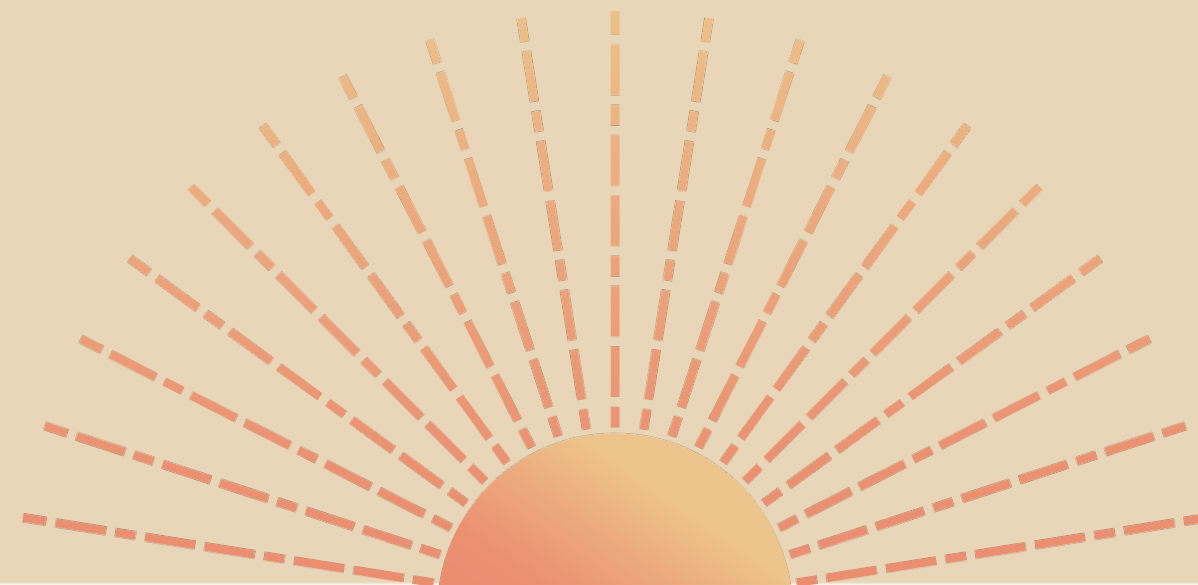
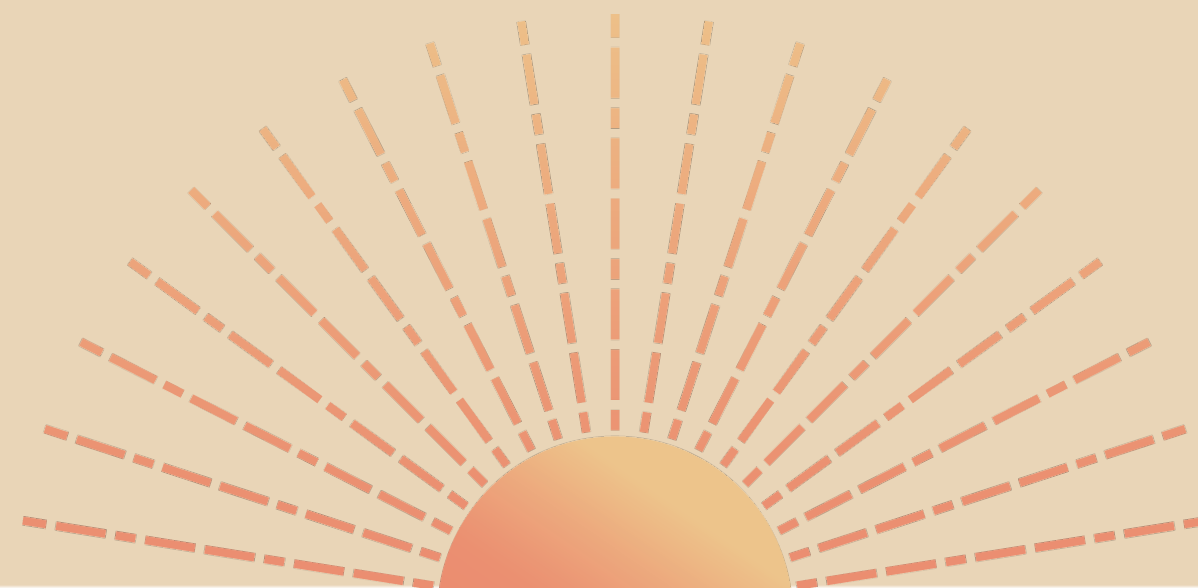




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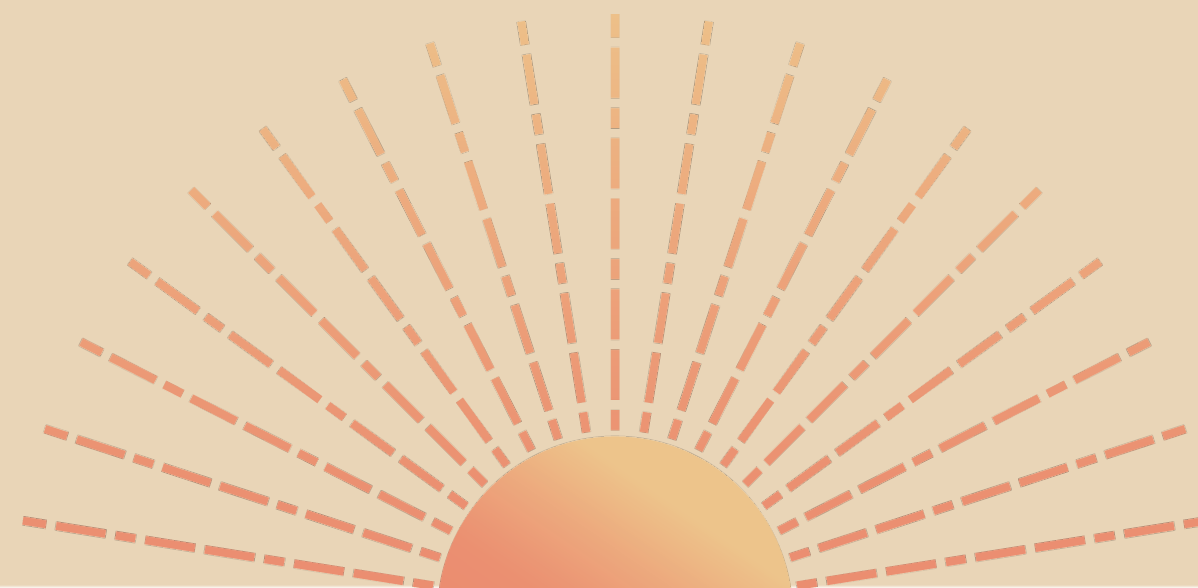


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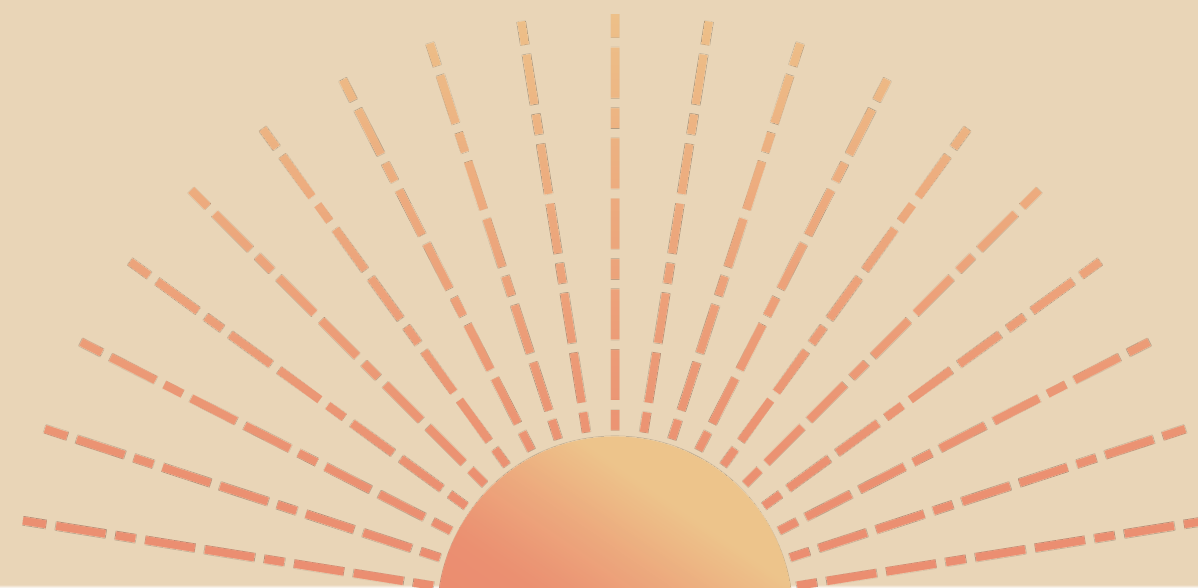
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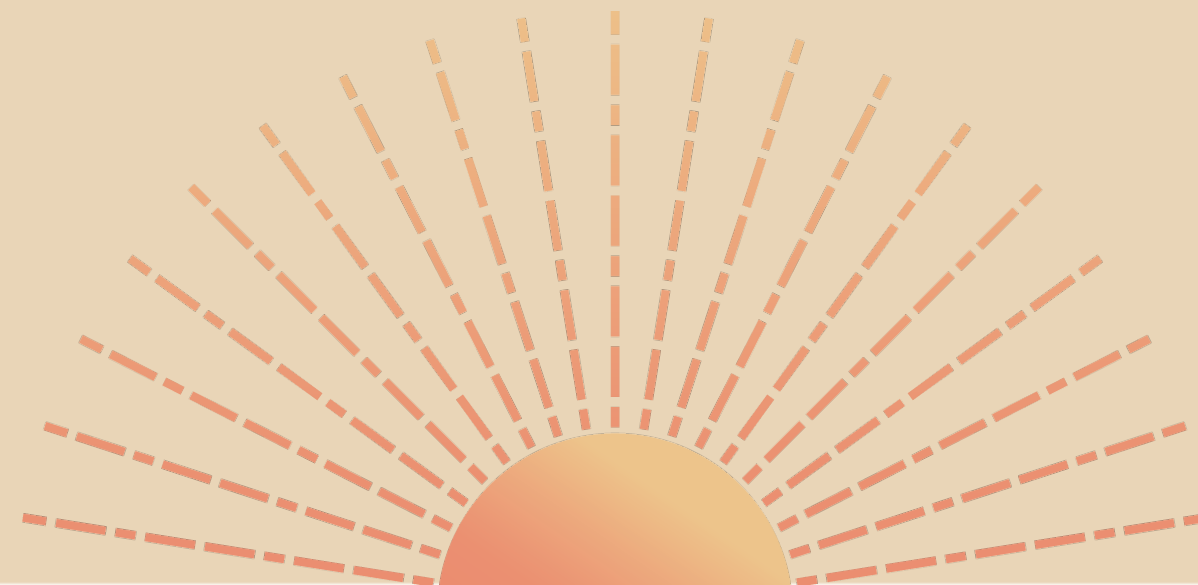
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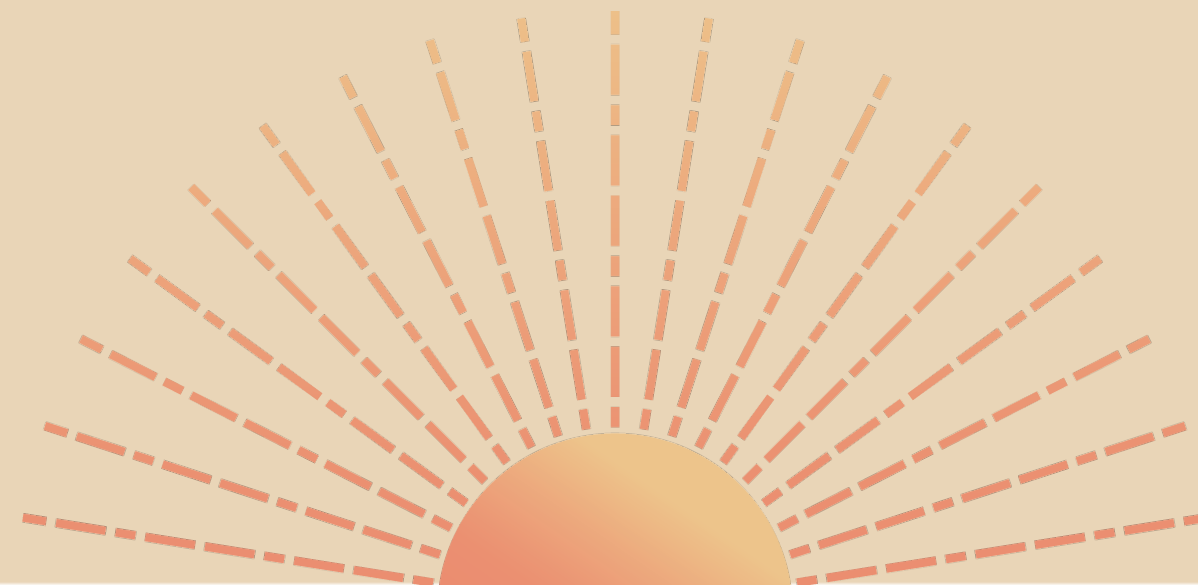
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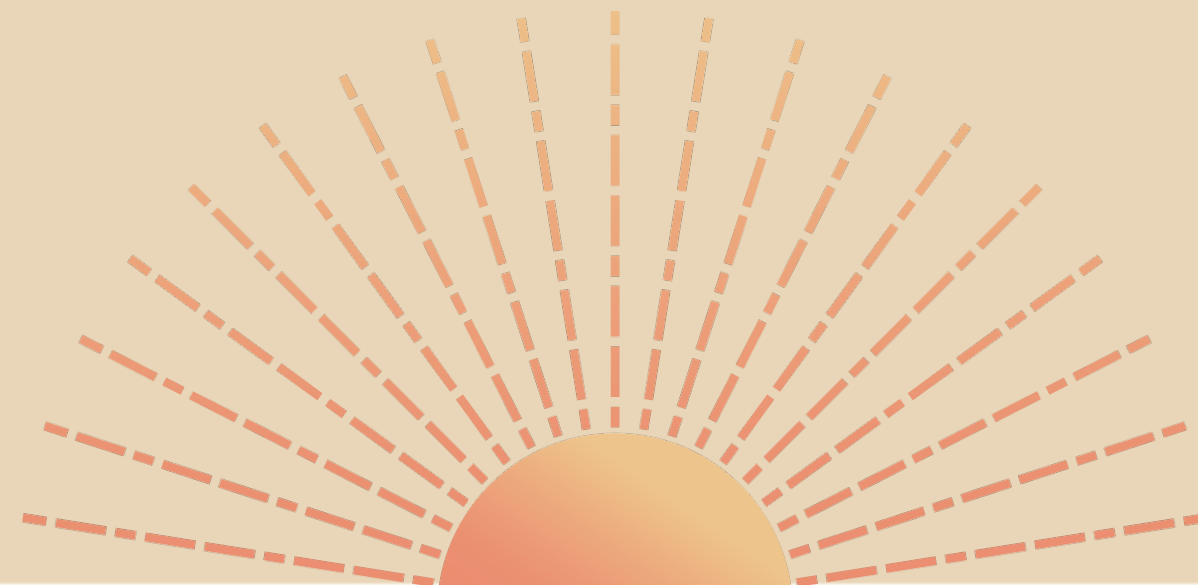
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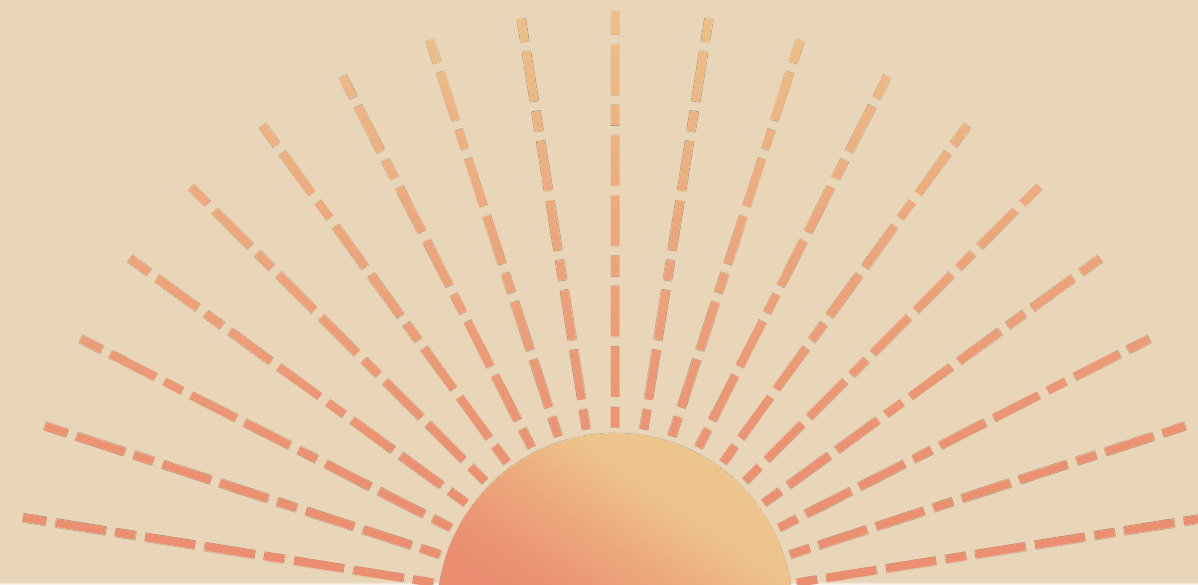
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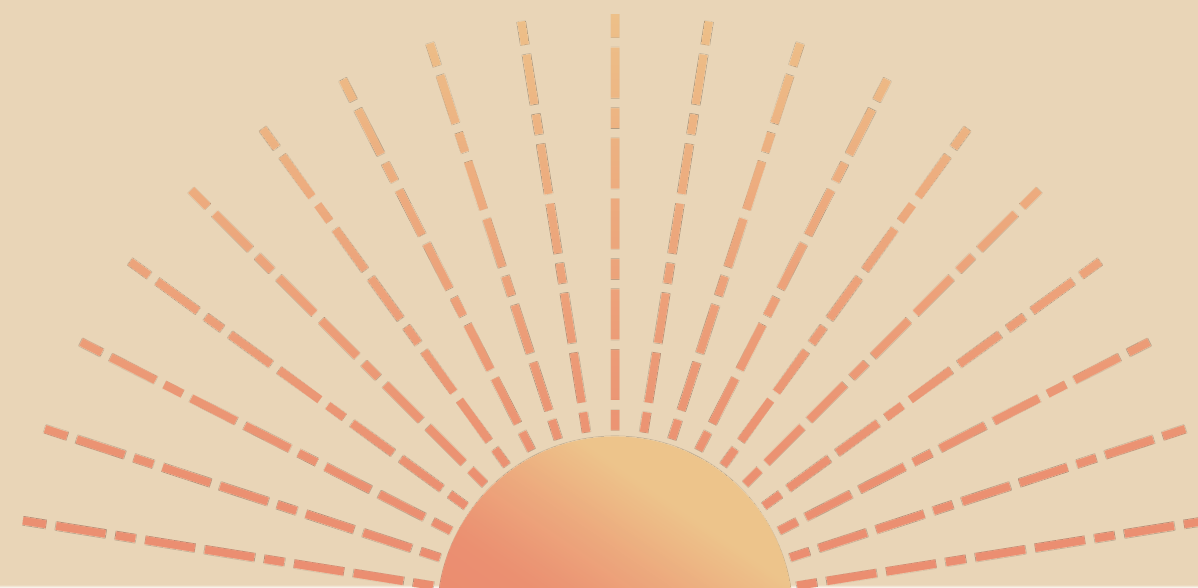
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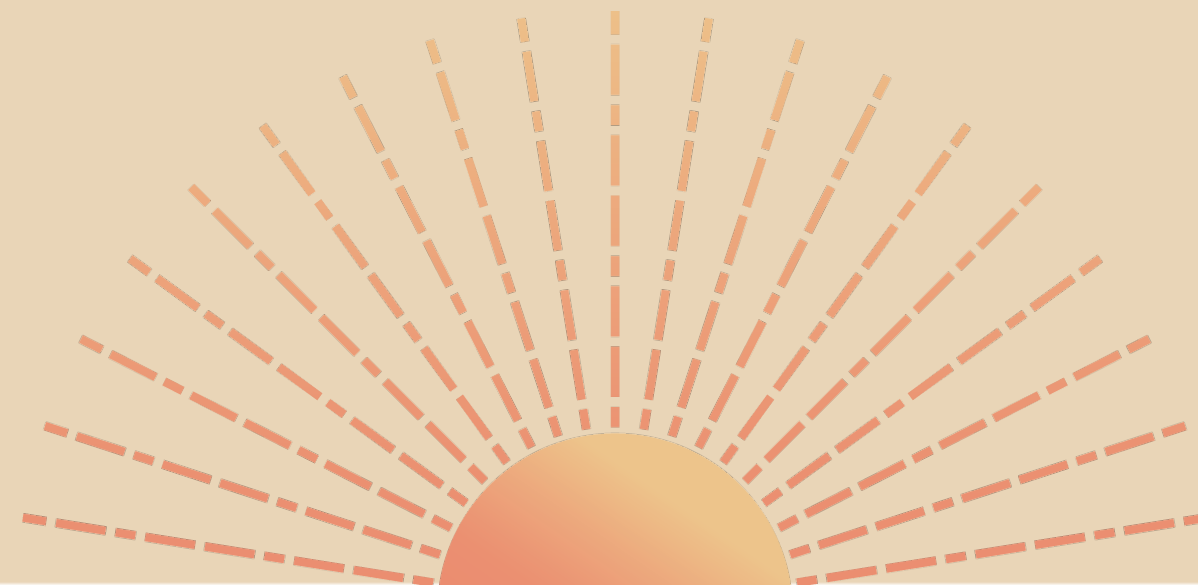


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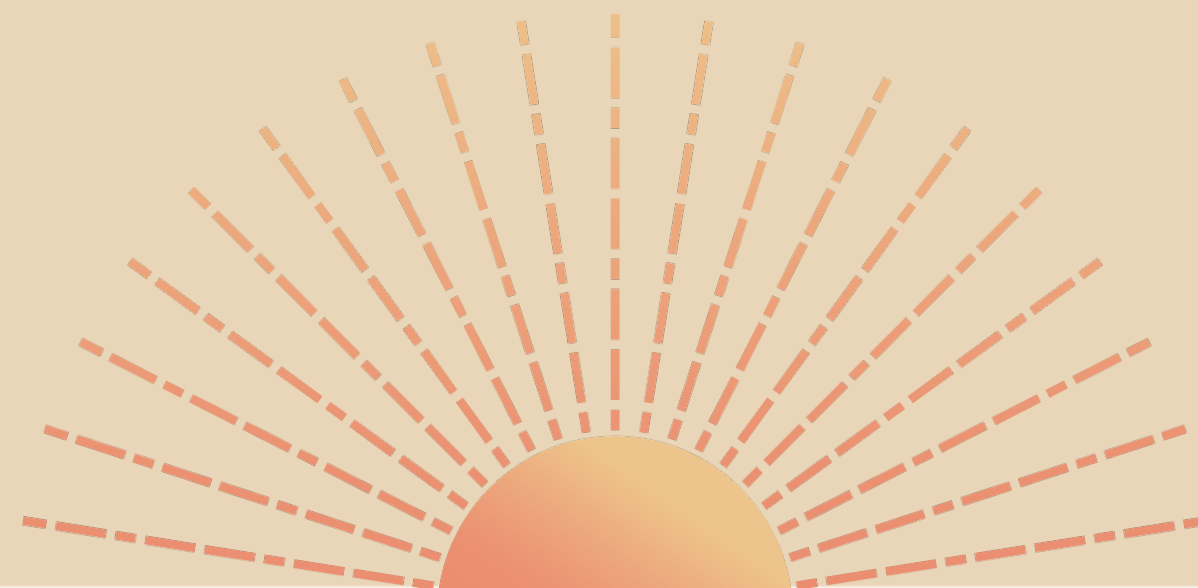


forgive: *“to let go, release, or set
free”*



"Forgiveness is setting a prisoner free, only to
find out that the prisoner was me."

Corrie Ten Boom



In our relationships, **forgiveness doesn't mean...**

- **Forgetting**
- **Condoning or excusing**
- **Blindly trusting**
- **Waiting for an apology**
- **Minimizing the Hurt**



"² Praise the Lord, my soul, and forget not all his benefits— ³ who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases... ⁸ The Lord is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, abounding in love. ⁹ He will not always accuse, nor will he harbor his anger forever; ¹⁰ he does not treat us as our sins deserve or repay us according to our iniquities.

PSALM 103:2-3, 8-12 NIV



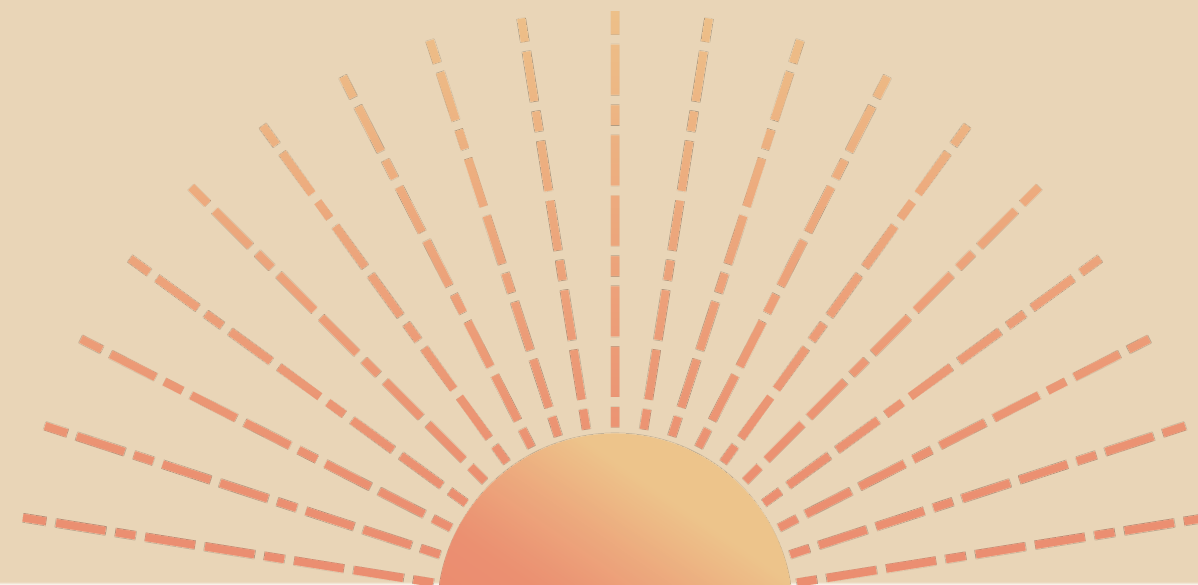
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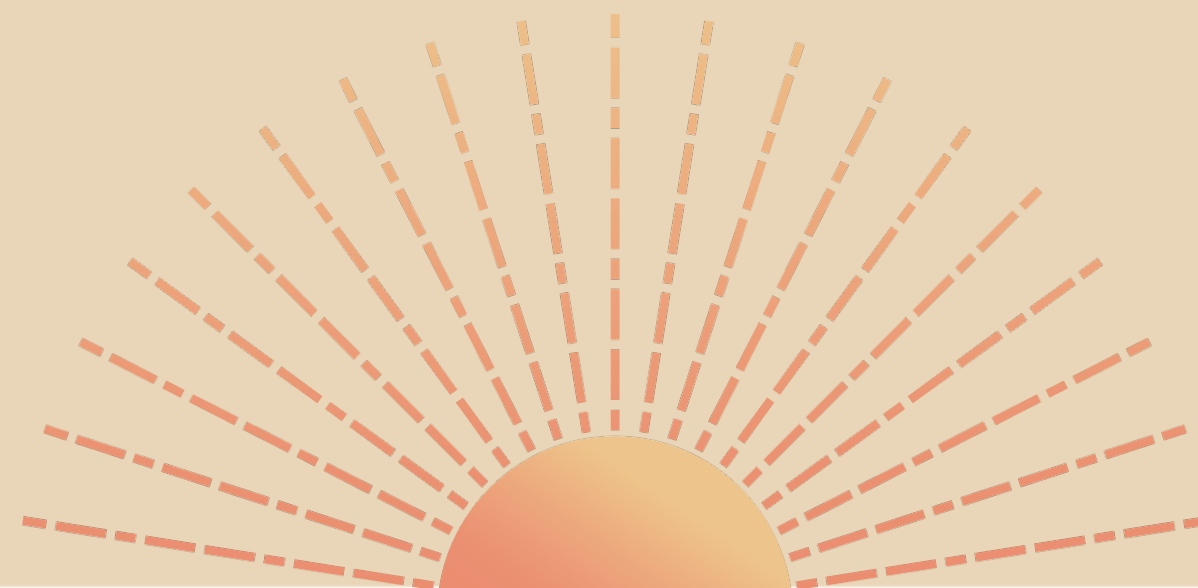
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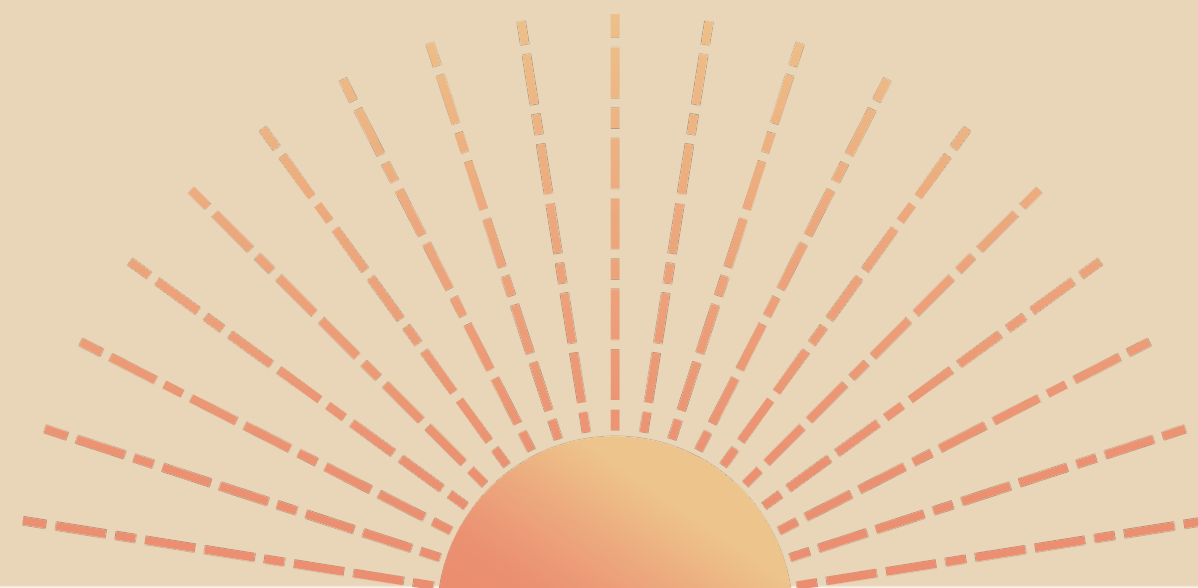
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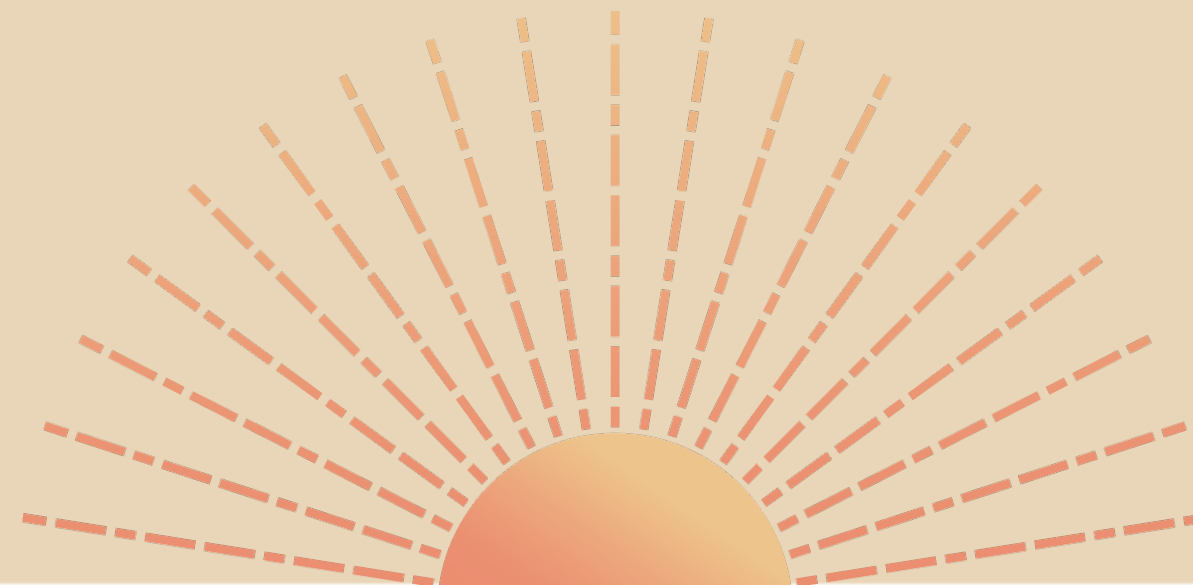
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“10,000 talents”

1 talents = 20 yrs of wages

10,000 talents = \$12,672,000,000



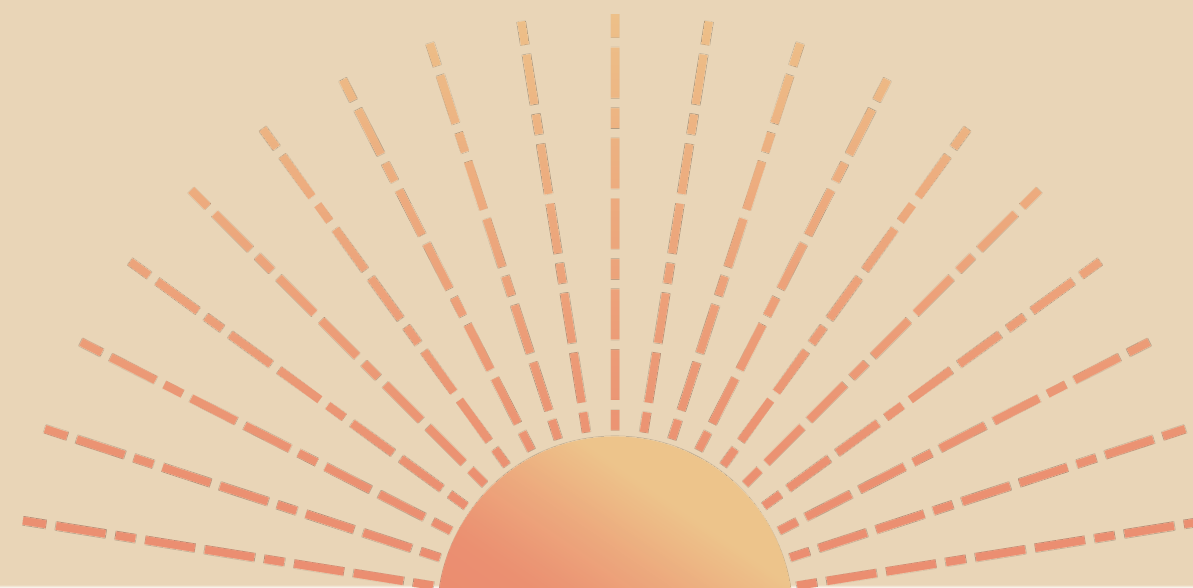
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“100 denarii”

1 denarius = a daily wage

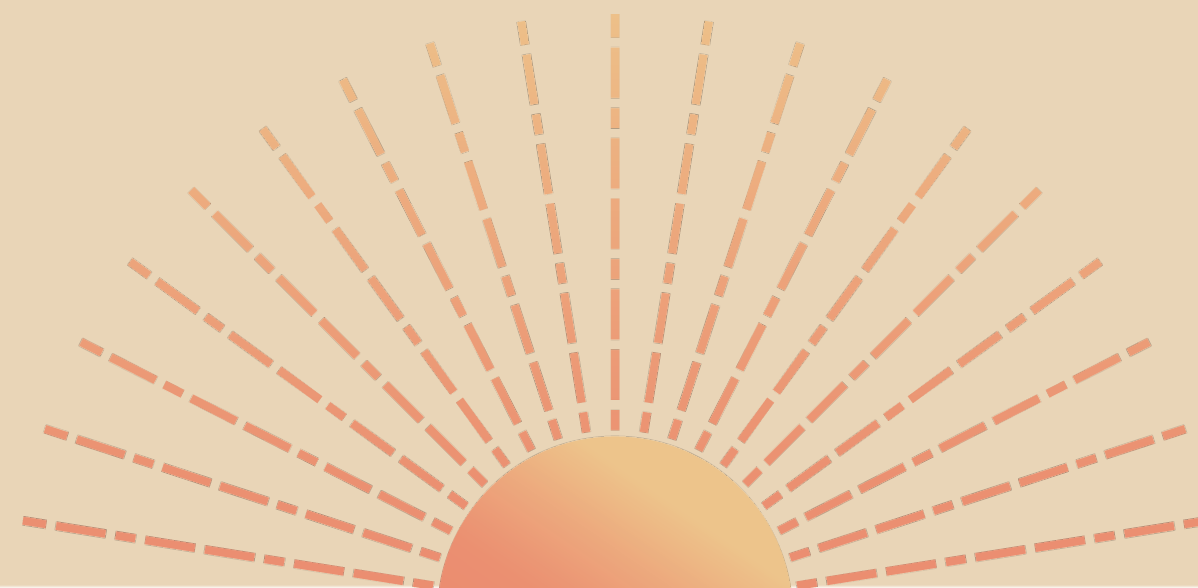
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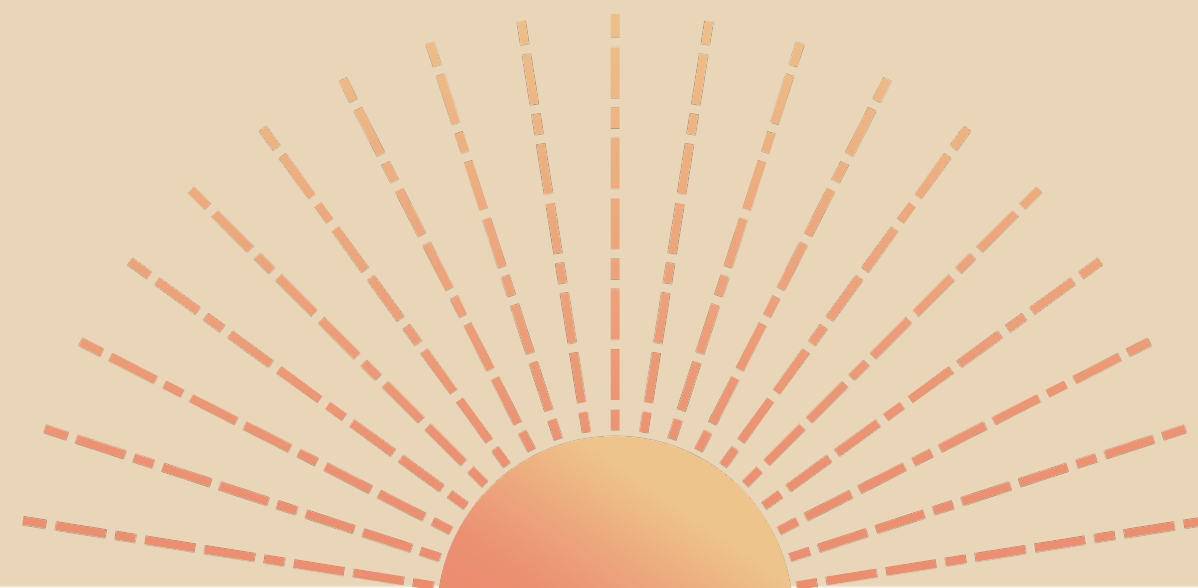
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Jesus doesn't minimize the offenses
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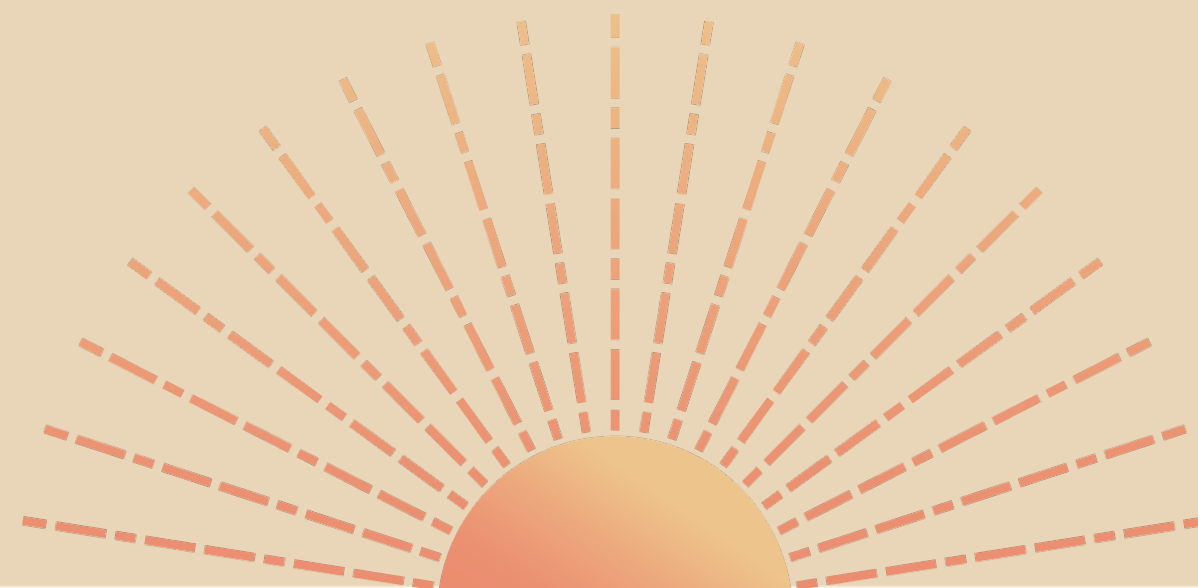


³² “Then the master called the servant in. ‘You wicked servant,’ he said, ‘I canceled all that debt of yours because you begged me to. ³³ Shouldn’t you have had mercy on your fellow servant just as I had on you?’ ³⁴ In anger his master handed him over to the jailers to be tortured, until he should pay back all he owed.



MATTHEW 18:32-35 NIV

35 “This is how my heavenly Father will treat each of you unless you forgive your brother or sister from your heart.”



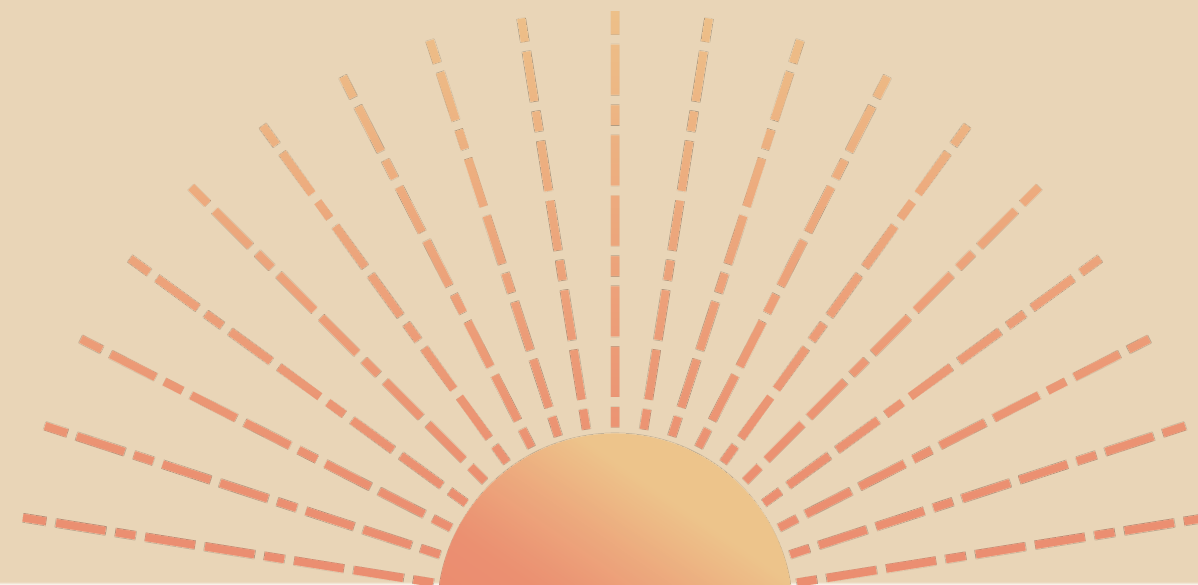
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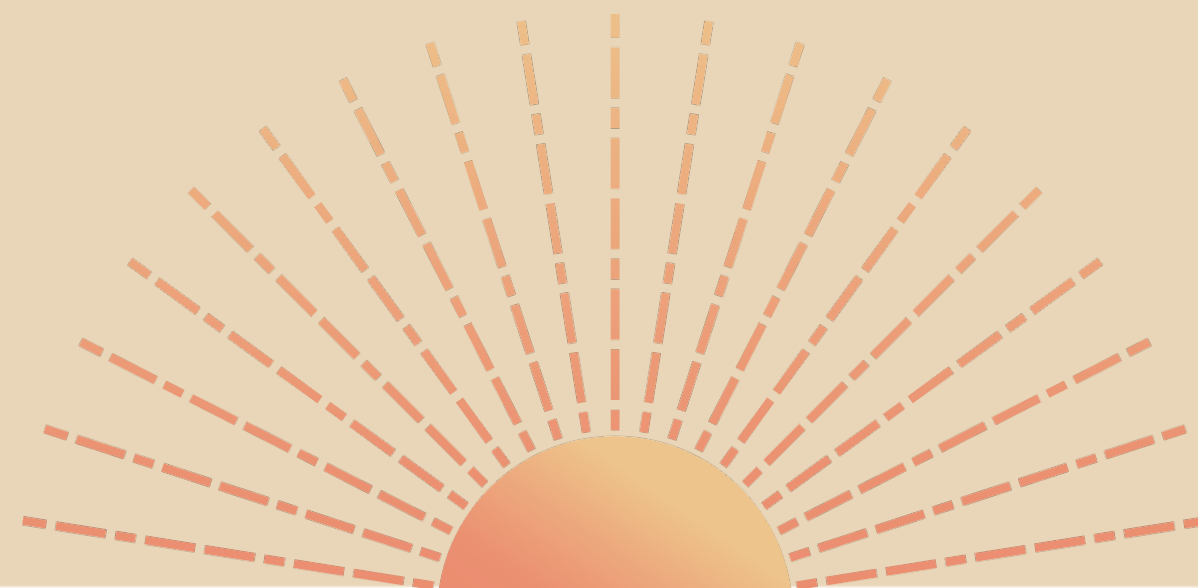
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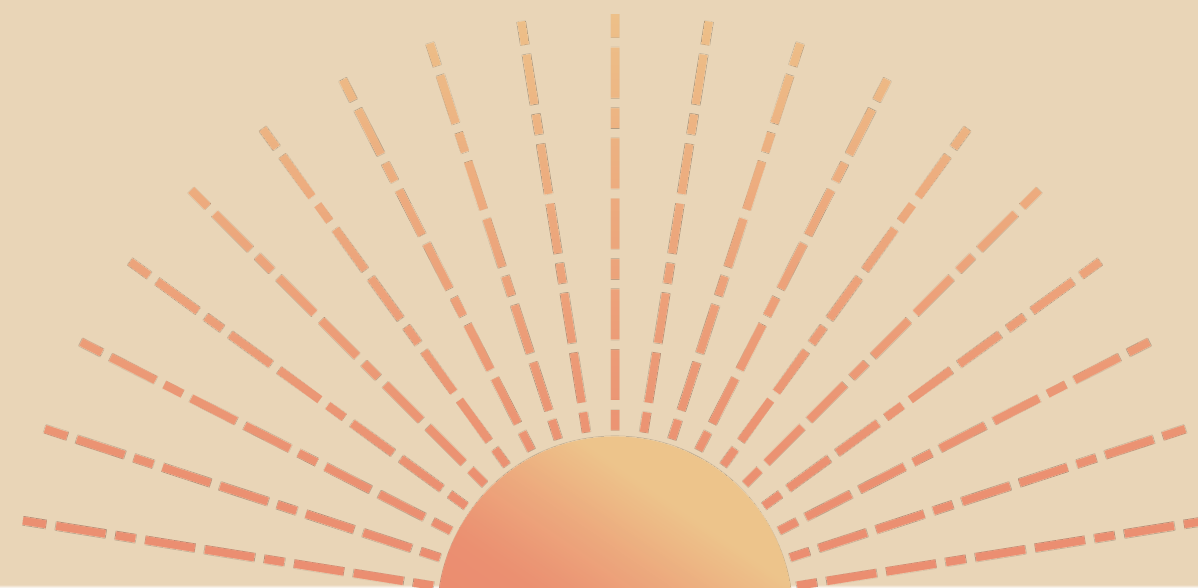
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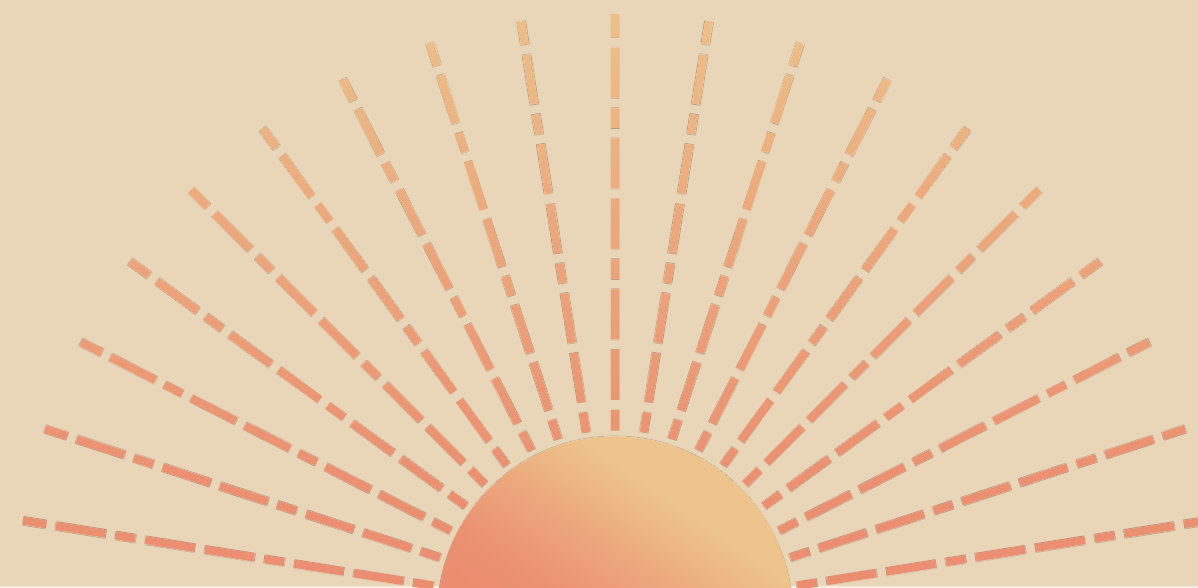
“Forgiveness is an act of the will, and the will
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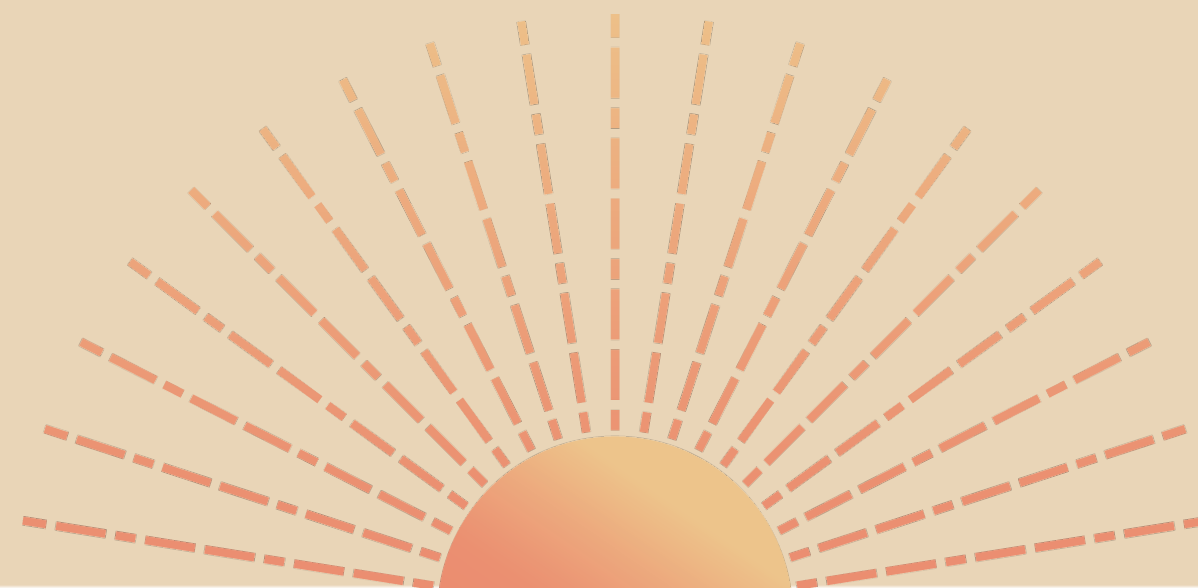


How can we practice forgiveness?

- The ABC's of forgiveness:
 - ACKNOWLEDGE the hurt.
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