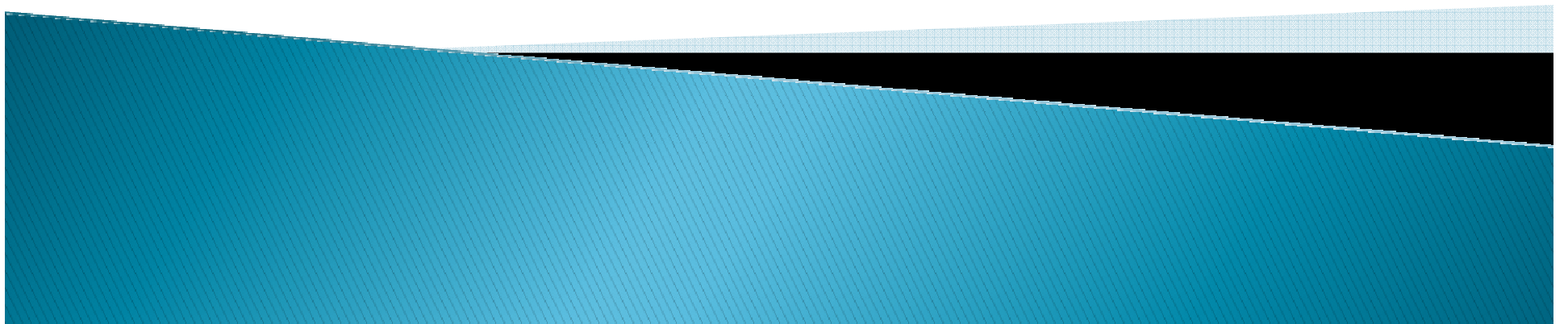


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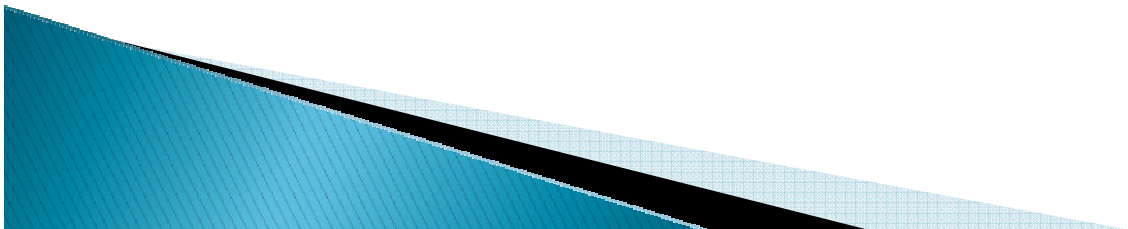
John 8:2-11



Accusers' Question/Motives v.2-6a

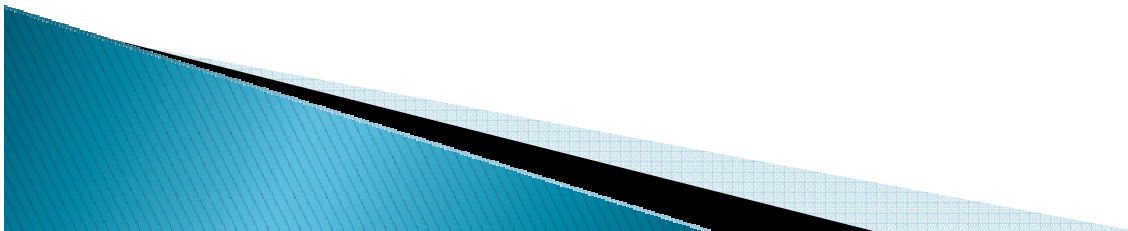
- ▶ **Primary Motive - to trap Jesus 7:32, 45-46**
- ▶ **What are my motives?**
 - revenge
 - cause shame, pain, hurt to someone else
 - make self look better/bring them down to us

Galatians 6:1 – “Brethren, if a man is overtaken in any trespass, you who are spiritual *restore* such a one ...”



Savior's Response v.6b-11

- ▶ **No response v.6b**
- ▶ **Let God handle it v.7**
- ▶ **Conviction v.9**
- ▶ **Exemplified kindness, gentleness, and forgiveness v.10-11**
- ▶ **Commended her to a changed life v.11b**



Applications

When I am wronged ...

- ▶ **Respond with the fruits of the Spirit**
- ▶ **Respond with prayer not retribution**
- ▶ **Allow God to change my/their heart**
- ▶ **Drop the accusatory attitude**
- ▶ **Focus on restoration not condemnation**
- ▶ **Forgive as God forgave me**

