

The Priceless Gain of Knowing Christ - Philippians 3:1-11

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Adult Questions for LESSONMAKER.

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BIBLE STUDY

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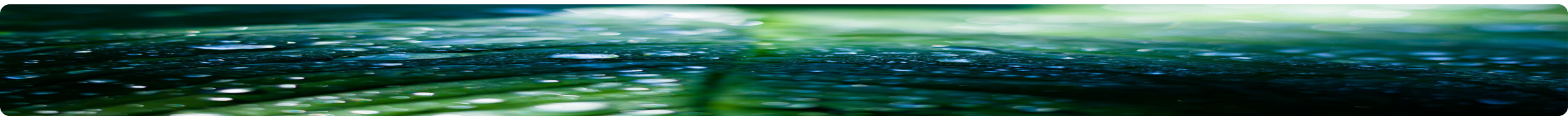
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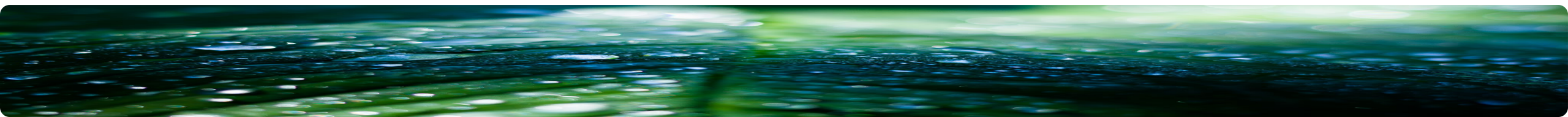


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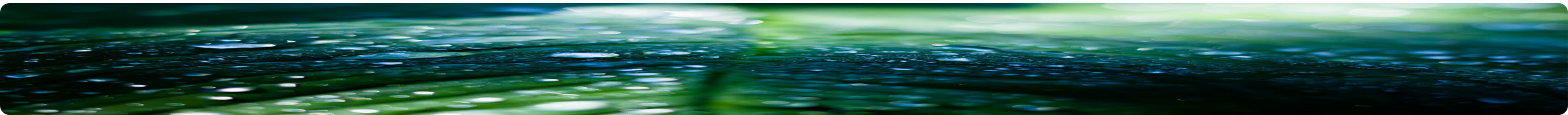
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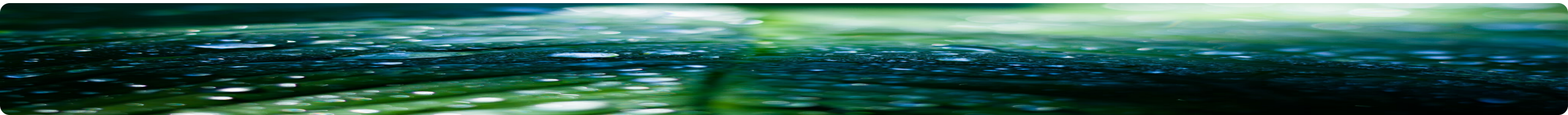


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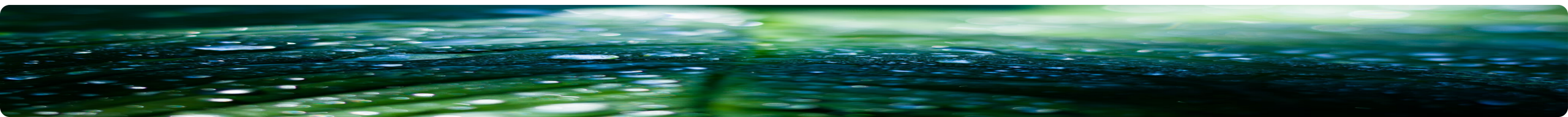


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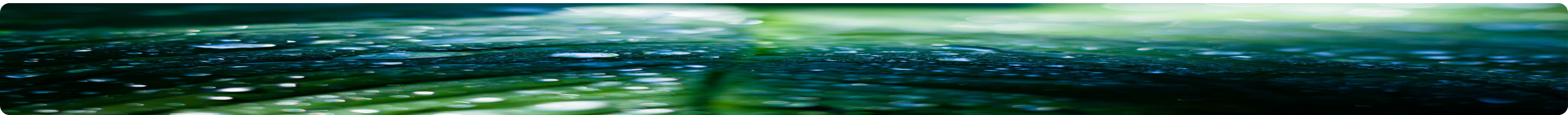


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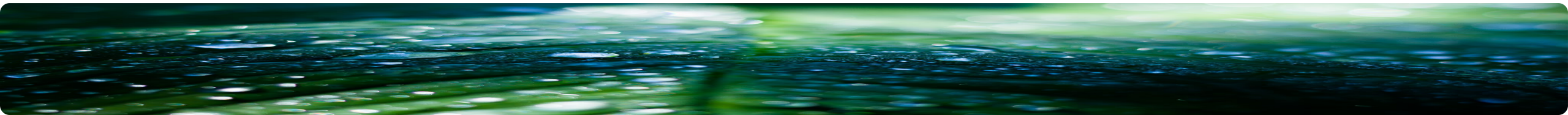
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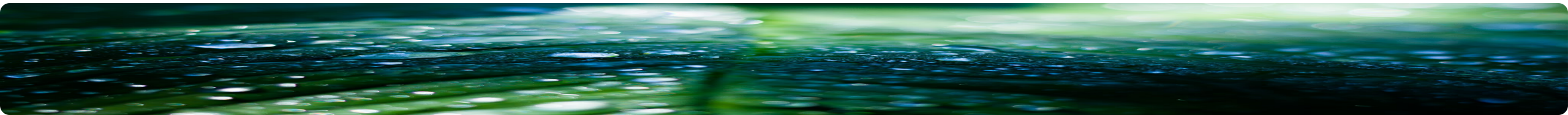


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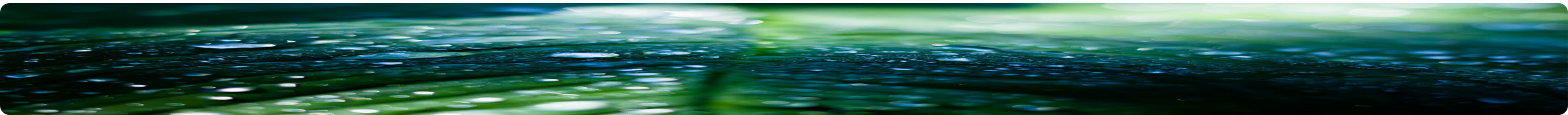
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Paul warned the Philippian believers to stay clear of the false teachers who taught that what people did (like being circumcised), rather than the free gift of grace provided through Christ, made them believers. Are you depending on Christian parents or church affiliation, or are you just being good to make you right with God?



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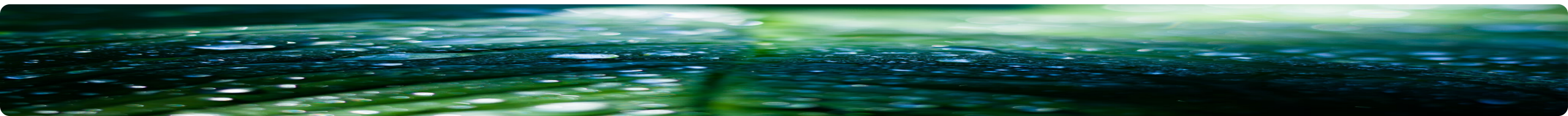
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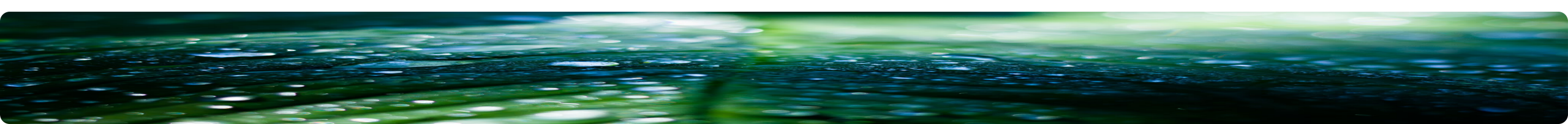
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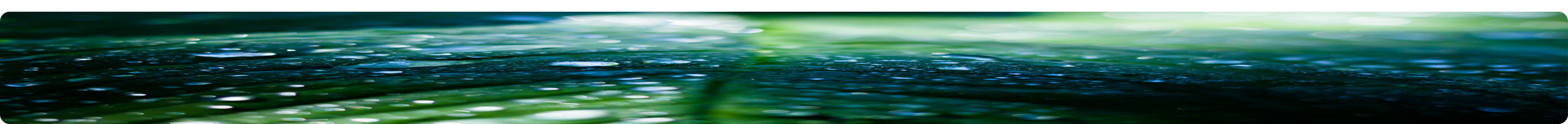
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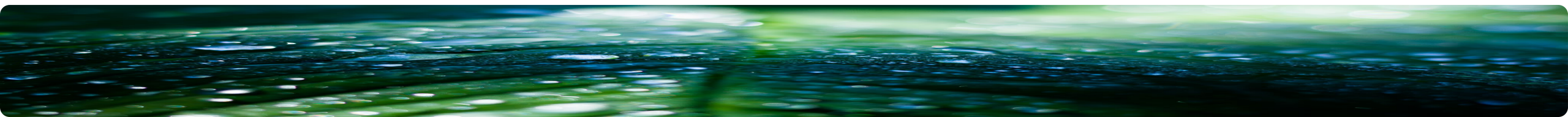
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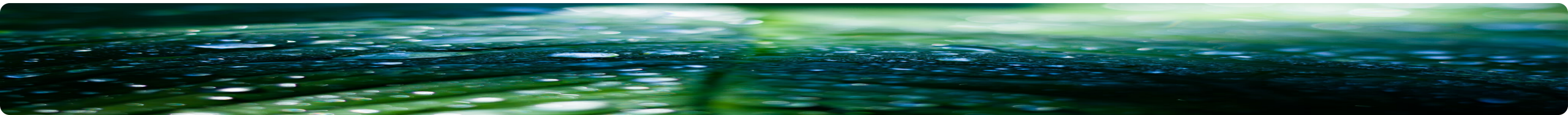
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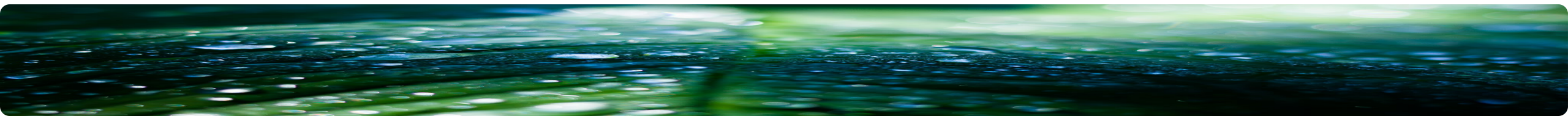


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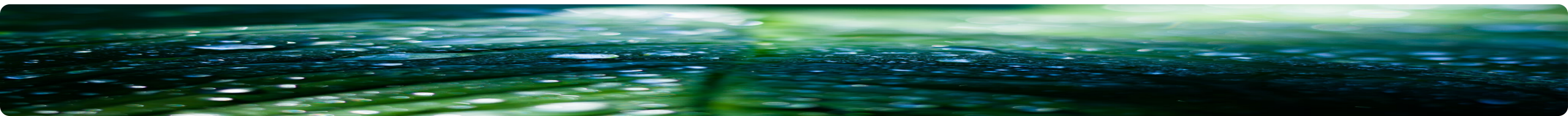


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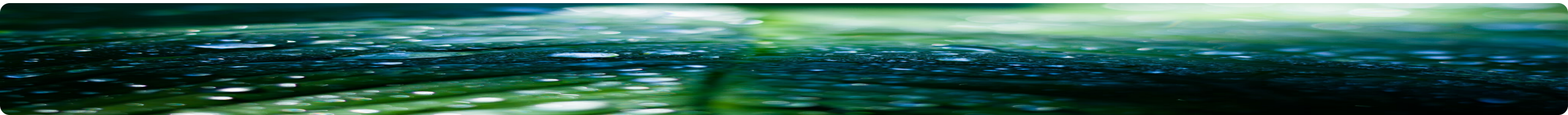


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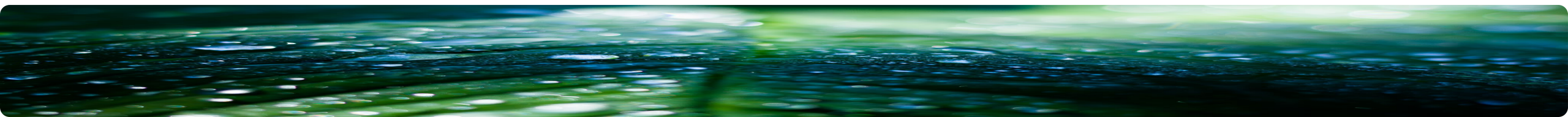
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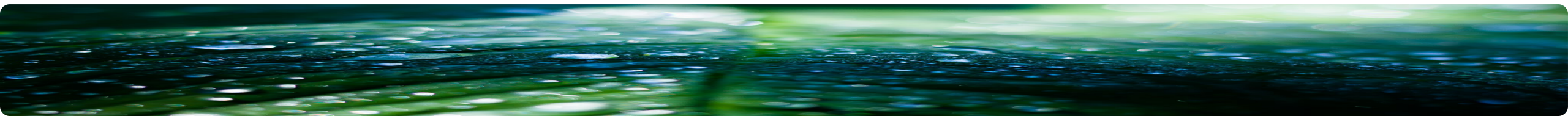
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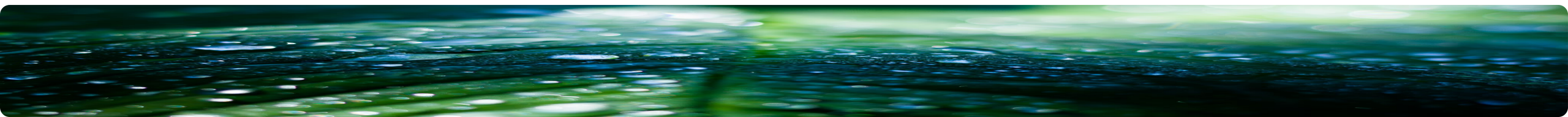
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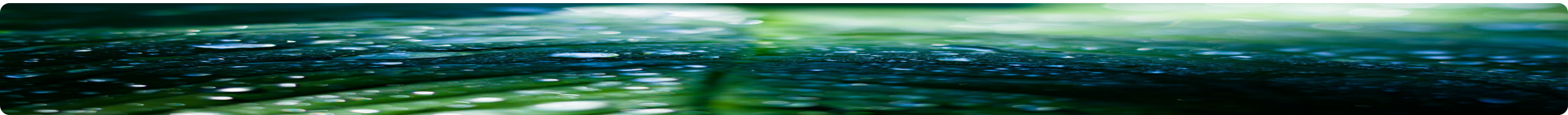


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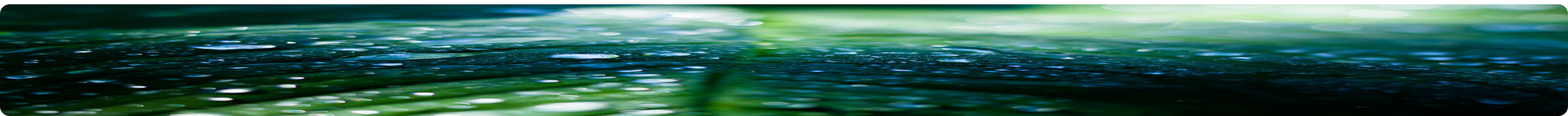


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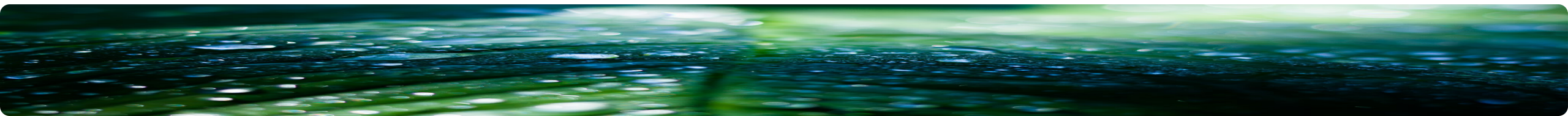
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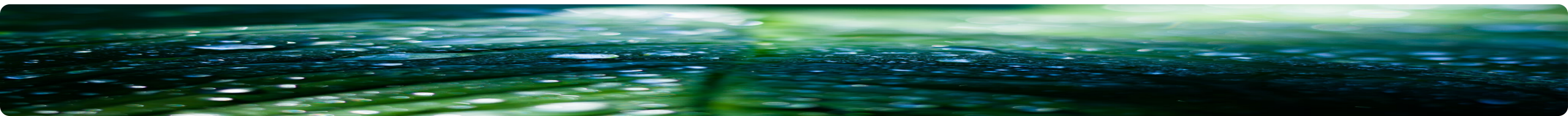


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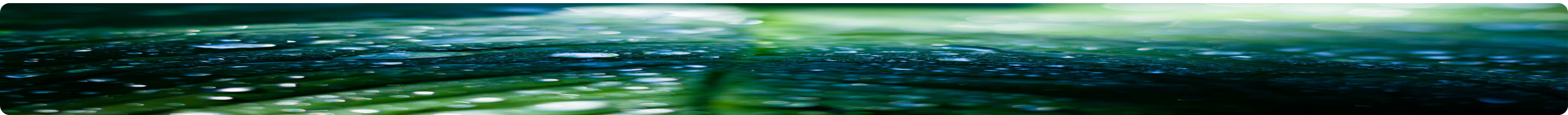
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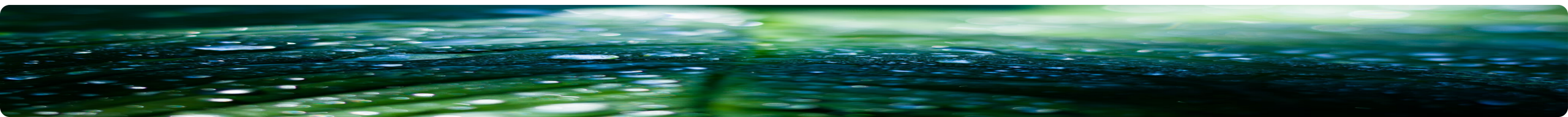


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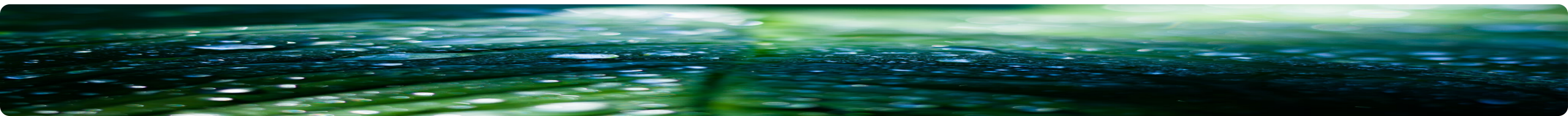


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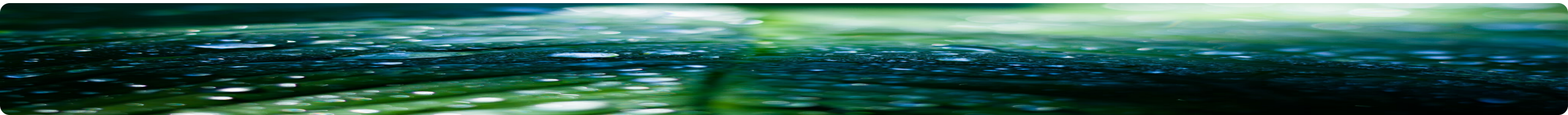


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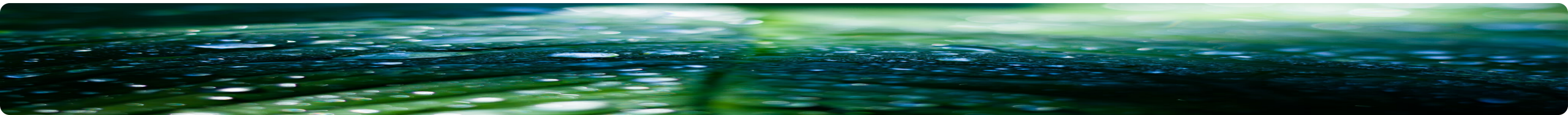
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