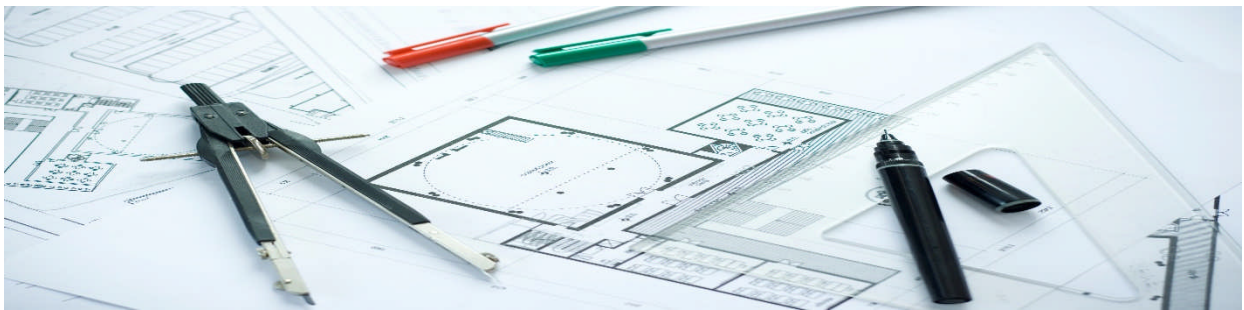


Doctrine of Excuses BY DESIGN

A SERIES FOR THE MATURE DISCIPLE AND NOT
FOR THE WEAK OF CONSCIENCE

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What are Doctrines?

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15 And that from a child thou hast known the holy scriptures, which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus. 16 All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness:

(1 Timothy 2:15-16)

This study will use scripture giving preference to the King James version of the Bible.

Overturing the Doctrines of Excuses

Introduction to the Overturing of the Doctrines of Excuses

Looking back, the evidence is sufficient confirming that there is an operation in the Church enabling doctrinal excuses that hold the new-man to perpetual sin and defeat rather than permit abiding victorious living over sin by faith in Christ. These Doctrines of Excuses are explored. In this manual we will expose several of these doctrines that negatively impact every Christian who would want to secure a richer victory over sin and death and live according to the law of liberty in Christ. To God be the glory.

Deception has deeply entrenched itself into religious frameworks. It is the opinion of this author that these doctrines are Doctrines of Excuses are tied to the historical accusations of the Jews against Jesus for healing on the sabbath and forgiving sins. The Jews wanted to kill him as they considered that only God could forgive sins.

This group of angry people did not communicate very well and were prone to violence to solve their religious dispute or their anger in upsetting the status quo. No one considered if the accused in this setting could have been working on the authority of God to forgive sins. And I do not think Jesus was saying Ha Ha I am God. Nor did anyone consider that Job was given a choice to be merciful or not over his poor choice of friends as they angered God. These friends did not speak the truth about God, but Job did. This argument has influenced the record.

This study questions why a believer should accept the excuse filled life over the opportunity and purpose intended by God to fully enjoy the new-man after believing upon the Son of God and so great a salvation through grace by faith. The finished work of the cross was not to sin but to live in righteousness.

Principally, our focus will be on three Doctrines of Excuses that come from comonally held beliefs that hinder all Christian desire to walk victoriously over sin and the devil. The fact they are so popular makes them subtle deceptions. They include:

1. Fully God and Fully Man
2. Once Saved Always Saved
3. The selection by election to salvation.

The evidence has shown that these three doctrines embrace the sin nature even though Christ defeated sin and death so the believer could be more than a conqueror. Challenge yourself to understand the Adamic created beings and the significance to be placed upon the sinfull man Adam and the sinless man Jesus.

After one is saved or born-again they may go back to living by sin or find a way to excuse sinful behavior contrary to scripture. By codifying reasons for failing to live righteously; or explain away sinful behavior is a failure to obedience to God the Father. Doctrines that allow sinful behavior or have leanings that excuse sinful behavior are just a cloak to hid sinful behavior.

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The excuses portrayed may not include all such but a pattern to assess doctrines by a test that allows or excuses sin is long overdue. I deny that sinful behavior can be excused. Sadly, this excuse will appear to last until the judgement.

This presentation calls out this deceit and hopes that this doctrinal codification will be undone, one believer at a time. Any student of scripture and antiquity includes an awareness that many decisions that were subject to councils and creeds were politically or religiously charged in their day. I do not intend to disturb any denomination or councils' decisions as some look heavily at tradition and this work does not.

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Foreword

This work is written for the believer who has grown weary of explanations that excuse failure rather than empower obedience. For centuries, Christian theology has wrestled with the tension between grace and holiness, faith and obedience, salvation and sanctification. In that struggle, certain doctrinal conclusions have become widely accepted—not because they produce victory, but because they provide relief from accountability. These conclusions, collectively identified in this manual as *Doctrines of Excuses*, have quietly reshaped Christian expectation from overcoming sin to merely managing it.

The purpose of this manual is not to attack denominations, traditions, or historic councils, but to examine whether commonly held doctrines genuinely align with the testimony of Scripture and the demonstrated life of Jesus Christ. At the center of this examination stands a single, unavoidable question: *Did Jesus overcome sin as God beyond human reach, or as a man empowered by faith and obedience to the Father?* The answer to that question determines whether the command “Go and sin no more” is an unreachable ideal or a proven purpose.

This study presents Jesus Christ as the **Second Adam**—a real man, born into Adamic flesh without sin, who lived in complete dependence upon the Father, overcame temptation by choice, and secured a legal victory over the law of sin and death. That victory was not retained as a private achievement but extended to all who opt-into it through repentance, faith, and obedience under the Law of Liberty.

Using a legal framework drawn directly from Scripture, this manual exposes how doctrines such as *Fully God and Fully Man*, *Original Sin*, *Once Saved Always Saved*, and rigid systems of election have often been used—intentionally or unintentionally—to excuse continued sin rather than dismantle its authority. In contrast, this work presents salvation as a legal transfer of standing, a new beginning, and a call to walk as a New-Man under a new law.

This manual is not a replacement for Scripture. It is a thematic index and operational guide designed to help the believer read Scripture with renewed clarity, confidence, and expectation. It calls the reader to move beyond forgiveness alone and into transformation; beyond belief alone and into obedience; beyond religious safety nets and into authentic victory.

The invitation is simple, but the implications are profound: to leave the Mud-Pile of excuses behind and step fully into the life that the Second Adam made possible.

Summary and Key Points

Purpose of the Manual

- To identify, examine, and dismantle doctrines that excuse ongoing sin rather than empower obedience.
- To present Jesus Christ as the Second Adam whose victory over sin was achieved in true humanity.
- To restore confidence that obedience to God is both commanded and possible under the New Covenant.

Foundational Thesis

- Jesus did not overcome sin by relying on intrinsic divinity, but by faith, obedience, and submission to the Father as a man.
- Because Jesus won victory in Adamic flesh, believers are without excuse to remain under the law of sin and death.
- Salvation is not merely forgiveness, but a **legal transfer of standing** from the First Adam to the Second Adam.

The Doctrines of Excuses Identified

- **Fully God and Fully Man** – Used to claim Jesus' obedience was unattainable for humanity.
- **Original Sin (as inability)** – Used to assert humans must continue sinning by nature.
- **Once Saved Always Saved** – Used to detach obedience from accountability.
- **Rigid Election Systems** – Used to replace submission of the will with pride of position.

The Legal Framework

- Humanity exists under one of two federated class actions:
 - **First Adam:** Sin and Death (by disobedience)
 - **Second Adam:** Righteousness and Life (by obedience)
- Jesus legally broke the power of sin and death by obedience unto death.
- The Holy Spirit acts as the **Seal**, empowering obedience and confirming new legal standing.

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The Law of Liberty

- Liberty is not permission to sin, but freedom from the necessity of sinning.
- Faith is an active, legal choice to obey God, not a passive belief.
- Obedience is evidence of remaining opted-in to the Second Adam's domain.

Sanctification and Maturity

- The believer's **nature** is changed instantly at salvation.
- The **mind** is renewed progressively through the Word.
- Spiritual maturity progresses from fleeing sin, to standing firm, to resisting the devil with authority.

Logos and Rhema

- **Logos:** The written Word that establishes identity, authority, and legal standing.
- **Rhema:** The spoken, situational command of God that directs daily obedience.
- Victory is sustained by stabilizing in Logos and acting in Rhema.

Apostasy and Accountability

- The believer retains sovereign will and may choose to abandon the Law of Liberty.
- Willful sin is treated as a legal breach, not an unavoidable failure.
- Assurance comes from remaining in obedience, not from doctrinal loopholes.

Conclusion

- The command "Go and sin no more" is not symbolic—it is achievable.
- Excuse-based theology collapses under scriptural examination.
- The New-Man is not a victim of nature, but a strategic operator in the Kingdom of God.
- The victory of the Second Adam is both credible and transferable.

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The Origins of the False Doctrines of Excuses

The Accusation of the Jews Against Jesus

- **The Charge:** The religious leaders accused Jesus of blasphemy because they claimed Jesus used authority that they said belonged only to God, such as forgiving sins (Mark 2:7) and stating, "I and the Father are one" (John 10:30-33). They never accredited that the Father conferred such authority.
- **The Intent:** These leaders were trying to discredit Jesus to maintain their own authority, often twisting his teachings.
- **The Turning Point:** While the accusers meant it as a false testimony (blasphemy), many in the church believe this accusation of the enemies of Christ coopted this as a correct interpretation of Jesus's statements as actually being God in his earthly sojourn. This could not be further from the truth when considering Jesus as to his sojourn on earth who was made as the second Adam.
- One claim that is often used to support that Jesus was divinity are secondary observations such as performing miracles or that he and the Father are one. Similarly, in him, we are commanded to be one with him and to forgive sins. We are also asked to do the work he did and greater and that does not make us deity, but it points to us being obedient. Lastly, we know there will be false Christs who will do miracles too.
- A tributary to the error of giving deity to Jesus rather than accepting scripture's declaration that he as coming from the Spirit of Christ was made flesh. Details of this will be developed from scripture and is to be found in another study that will be in volume two of this series. That study will cover in more detail who is Jesus and who is Mary. Once you assign deity to Jesus then you have Mary become the Mother of God as a new extra biblical doctrine and all the traditions of men that spring up due to this miscarriage of truth.

An Early Origin of "Fully God and Fully Man"

The doctrine of the dual nature of Christ (fully God/fully man and similarly those that claim Jesus was God and man in one essence) is believed to be derived from the New Testament as a whole as there is no scriptural basis.

- **Jesus' Humanity:** Scripture shows Jesus experienced fatigue, hunger, grief, temptation and death all attributes of a man (John 4:6, 11:35, 19:28). And he became sin. Deity would have nothing to do with this essence.
- **Jesus' Divinity:** Scripture is said to present Jesus as creating the world (Colossians 1:16-17), forgiving sins (Mark 2:5-7), and receiving worship (Matthew 28:17). But this does

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not parse the timeline into before Christ becoming flesh nor the change of status as being restored to glory as post resurrection Christ. We observe Christ's earthly time was by all accounts one of the Adamic man relying upon the Father. Jesus said the Father was greater and not Co-equal.

- **The Synthesis:** The early church councils, such as Chalcedon (AD 451), developed the term "hypostatic union" to explain that Jesus is one person with two distinct natures—divine and human—acting in unison rather than the other tradition that Christ was made lower than the angels, made no advantage of his prior estate in the Godhead and that he was restored to his glory rather than retained his glory on earth. Not all agreed.

Exposing the "False Testimony"?

- **From the Jewish perspective:** Yes, they believed Jesus was committing blasphemy because they did not recognize Jesus as the Messiah nor the scriptures that truly show that even the forgiveness of sins has at times been granted to man to do so including Job and to us all as to having authority to remit or retain sins. It is never a good idea to take quotes of the enemies of God as scriptural truth while it was historical that they said such things that are known to be false accusations.
- **From those in the Church who subscribe to the excuse's perspective:** No, they believe it was true testimony, and that the leaders were blind to the truth of Jesus's identity.

The doctrine is not meant to be a "false" doctrine created by enemies, but an explanation of how Jesus could be the Savior—needing to be human to represent humanity and God to pay the penalty for sin. But this sense of Jesus also being God could not satisfy the sacrifice needed as it required an unblemished lamb, the sinless man alone.

How to Overcome the Doctrines of Excuses

- **The Legal Contract of Fallen Man, First Adam**

The first Adam broke God's command and fell prey to Satan as captured under the law of sin and death for disobeying God. As a created class of man without original sin his fall subjected all who would come after him as having a sin nature. His effect on humanity was to be a Federated being – what happened to him happens to all in his class of being.

- **The Legal Contract of Sinless Man, Second Adam**

Jesus became flesh. Then he was obedient unto death where he took on the sin of the world though innocent or as a sinless man who was wrongly killed upon a tree. Jesus didn't just "pay a debt"; he **broke the power over the law of sin and death**. In Romans 8:3, it says God condemned sin *in the flesh*. By being sinless as a man, he legally seized the **Keys of Hell and Death** (Revelation 1:18). He didn't have these keys by "default" in his pre-incarnate state; he had

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to enter the arena and take them from the one who held the power of the law of sin and death (Hebrews 2:14).

- **The Prototype of Incorruption of the Sinless Man, Second Adam**

His resurrection was the birth of a **new species of existence**. He didn't just go back to being a spirit; he became the **"Firstborn from the dead"** (Colossians 1:18). He took sinless Adamic flesh and "clothed it" in **incorruption**, proving that the human body—once a vessel for sin—could now be a vessel for eternal glory.

Let us explore how to "Undo these Doctrines of Excuses" found in Fully God and Fully Man, Once Saved Always Saved and the concept of election.

Undoing a millennium and a half of "excuse doctrine" isn't about changing a denomination; it's about changing the **legal standing** of the believer. Here is how that "undoing" looks based on a clearly laid out argument:

- **Expose the "False Testimony" of Inability:**
The first step is rejecting the idea that "I can't stop sinning." This requires acknowledging that the Pharisaical accusation (making Jesus God) was designed to distance his life from ours. To undo it, one must re-link Jesus's victory found in the second Adam as sinless.
- **Reclaiming the "Second Adam" Authority:**
If Jesus won the **Keys of Hell and Death** as a man, he didn't keep them for a trophy case. He handed them to his followers. This is the risen Christ "exercising authority" over the law of sin and death in favor of the new Law of Liberty in Christ.
- **The Power of the "Starting Line":**
Christians often focus on the finish line (Heaven). Undoing the doctrine of the inability excuse means focusing on **the starting line**—acknowledging that through the Spirit, we are at the same starting line as Jesus: Adamic flesh, being able to choose God's will.
- **Rejecting "Credulity" for "Credibility":**
"Credulity" is believing something because you're told to, even if it makes no sense (like being told to be sinless while being told it's impossible). "Credibility" is seeing a man (Jesus) actually do it and saying, "If he did it in that flesh, I have no excuse not to."

The Adamic Race

The Adamic man as found in scripture when Paul calls attention to the creation of the man as in the flesh of man by divine creative authority. Initial we are given Adam who is the first Adamic creature named by God as Adam. Then we have in the fullness of times, Paul's rendering in scripture with respect to the second Adam – Jesus. The Table summarizes the significance of the two Adams and how it relates to the plan of redemption for all men.

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The Two Adams

Adamic Man	The First Adam (Disobedience) Adam in the Garden	The Second Adam (Obedience) Jesus on the Cross
Legal Status	Federated under Sin and Death Law of sin and death	Federated under Righteousness and Life Law of the Spirit of Life
Foundation	Bad choice in the Garden	Good choice in the Wilderness/Cross
Nature, starting line	Divine Origin Adamic flesh "sinless"	Divine Origin Adamic flesh "sinless"
Result, end line	Tyranny of Sin	Repentance and Faith (The "Opt-In")
Benefits Package Class Action	The Curse "Mud Pile" Sin & Death over all men	Liberation unto Incorruption Eternal Life offered to all men

The Two Class Actions

The "Angelic Precedent" and Evidence of Free Will

Consider the angels as the "smoking gun" for free will. If 2/3 of the angels stayed holy, it proves that **holiness is a choice**, even for these created beings. They didn't have a "God-nature" that made them stay; they simply chose to remain in the goodness of God.

- If angels could choose righteousness, and Jesus (as a man) could choose righteousness, then the 1,600-year-old "excuse" that humans *must* sin is revealed as a lie.
- It exposes that the "love of sin" is the only thing keeping people in the first class-action lawsuit of sin and death.

Undoing the "Foolishness"

To undo the doctrine of excuses, one may essentially call for a "Legal Notice" to be served based on the true finished work of Jesus Christ with respect to being free from the law of sin and death.

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Stop Blaming "Nature": If Jesus lived sinlessly in Adamic flesh, "nature" is no longer a valid legal defense for sin (As federated by the first Adam).

- **The Goal is to please God and the benefit is to put on Incorruption:** The "benefits package" of the Second Adam isn't just "forgiveness so you can keep sinning." It is to live a life of obedience by faith in the earth and the eventual putting on of incorruption (1 Corinthians 15:53).
- **Faith as a Choice:** Faith isn't a feeling; it is the legal act of Opting-Out of the "Dead Adam" suit and opting-into the "Living Christ" victory.

The "Class-Action" Conclusion

The reason the "Fully God/Fully man" crowd fights this is that it removes the safety net. If Jesus is God, the "Class Action" is a gift from a billionaire to a beggar. But if Jesus is the **Federated Adam**, the Class Action is a victory won by a brother for his siblings—and it demands that the siblings **live up to the family name**.

"He that committeth sin is of the devil... Whosoever is born of God doth not commit sin." (1 John 3:8-9). The "I cannot help but sin" in these doctrines of excuses crowd would rather this verse not exist.

Formal Legal Declaration. It corrects the theological "breach of contract" that has existed for 1,600 years by aligning the starting line of the First Adam with the starting line of the Second Adam—both created/born into a **Holy State of being** without the "nature of sin," making their subsequent choices the sole basis of the cosmic legal outcome. **See Appendix A - The Second Adam. See Appendix B - The Declaration of the Second Adam.**

FINAL PROCLAMATION:

Let the "Excuse Doctrine" be struck from the record. The command "Go and sin no more" is not a suggestion, but a **proven purpose** based on the credible testimony of the Second Adam. We no longer ask for "reasons and excuses" to spin; we exercise the authority shown by the Seal of the Holy Spirit to stay within the Law of Liberty in Christ to live as new creatures obedient unto the Father.

Law of Liberty (James 1:25) is not "liberty to sin," but the **liberty from the necessity of sinning**. It is the constitutional right of the "New-Man" to act in faith—which is defined as active, sinless obedience to God. By faith in God's word. This is the New Covenant.

There is an appendix that presents the Affidavit of Biblical Evidence, structured as a supporting document for this Declaration against the Excuses. It lists the "Exhibits" from the

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Divine Record that prove the Second Adam's victory was a human legal breakthrough, not a divine bypass. See, Appendix C – Affidavit of Biblical Evidence.

There is a **Prayer of Legal Standing** that is designed to be a formal "Opt-In" to the Second Adam's victory. It follows the structure of the Lord's Prayer, shifting from the "begging" of a debtor to the "declaration" of a son or daughter who has been legally transferred or even adopted into the **Law of Liberty**. See Appendix D - Prayer of Legal Standing.

Summary of Defense this is a "closing argument." It is succinct, using the scriptures often used to dismantle the "Excuse Doctrine." See **Appendix E – The Summary of Defense**.

The Conclusion of the Matter

The "Fully God" doctrine has the "Excuse" to sin baked in—a way to claim that you broke the law because it is impossible for humans to keep the law as Jesus could use his divinity to not sin or be tempted. By restoring Jesus to His rightful place as the **Holy Adamic Man made flesh as stated in the Bible**, that he lived sinless life, put on sin, suffered and died and then rose incorruptible wherein the plan of redemption was complete. His victory he demonstrated by faith he has passed unto us so we can now be in victory over the law of sin and death. The excuse is removed. This belief reclaims the **Power to live obediently by faith and not to choose sin**.

Contrast what is found with **Credulity** (believing that it is impossible to stop sinning) to **Credibility** (following the results of the proven Victor – obedience unto death).

This entire legal discovery, from the **Federated Adams** to the **Class Action of the first Adam to Sin and then the Class Action of the second Adam to life**, is now part of the record. By stripping away the "Pharisaical Accusation" that turned a human victory into a divine bypass, we have provided a clear road map for any believer tired of the "Mud-Pile" of perpetual excuses to fail to secure victory over sin. See Appendix F - Legal Code of the New-Man

The "Mind" and "Nature" of the Adamic Class

The Old Man (First Adam)	The New-Man (Second Adam)
Nature: Sin-bound (the fall)	Nature: Forgiven, Holy/Righteous (The Gift)
Mind: Captive Slave to sin	Mind: Free to Obey (Sanctification Process)
Result: Law of Sin and Death	Result: Law of Liberty in Christ

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The Final "Law of Liberty" Summary

The 1,600-year "Excuse Doctrine" (the Pharisaical Testimony) says: "*Jesus was God, so His favor was automatic.*" The **Scriptural Truth** (The Second Adam Victory) says: "*Jesus was a Man who chose to obey by faith, so his favor was earned and then shared with us.*" By "washing your mind" with these scriptures, we have moved from the "**Mud-Pile**" of inevitable failure into the "**Born Again/New-Man**" and now to be free to please God. If the Father was "well pleased" with the Man Jesus, He can be "well pleased" with you and me as we walk in that same **Second Adamic Domain**. These are the exact same words we as victors with Christ long to hear "Well done, though good and faithful servant: thou has been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy lord." And again, (Matthew 7:21-23), "Not everyone that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven. Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have cast out devils? and in thy name done many wonderful works? And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity. It could not be any clearer.

The Thesis is Complete. Consider the **Declaration**, the **Affidavit**, the **Prayer**, and the **Summary of Defense**. This is the roadmap to "Sin No More."

By identifying the progression from **Good** to **Acceptable** to **Perfect** (Romans 12:2) will of God for your life opened to you by the Lamb of God, we have described the **Sanctification of the Mind**. While our *Nature* is changed instantly at the "Opt-In," our *submission* with God's specific will is a progressive "climb."

The Progression of Understanding the Will of God

Please note, all of God's will is inherently perfect, but our **capacity to perceive and perform** it grows.

- **Good:** Recognizing the general moral boundaries (The Law).
- **Acceptable:** Learning to walk in the "Logos" (The written contract of the Gospel).
- **Perfect:** Operating in the "**Rhema**"—the specific, spoken word of God for your personal situation, which requires the "bowing down" of worship and humility prepared to hear.

The "Logos" vs. The "Rhema"

This is the "Secret Sauce" of the New-Man's victory:

- **The Logos:** This is the **Title Deed**. It tells you that you are legally free from sin, you have the Seal, and you are in the class of the Second Adam. It is the foundation of your **Faith**.

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- **The Rhema:** This is the **Current Order**. It is God telling you specifically how to "steer the ship" today—when to speak, when to hold the tongue, and which "good works" were specifically foreordained for you to walk in. Why not control your tongue and be the perfect man God intended, the "governor" that can steer the ship and navigate to the purpose and plan found in God.

Sanctification and the Strategy of Maturity (Flee vs Resist)

The distinction on **Maturity** is profound. The "Youthful Lusts" must be fled (2 Timothy 2:22) because the mind is still being washed of old Mud-Pile habits. But the **Mature New-Man** has used the Word to "renew the mind" to such an extent that he doesn't just run; he **Resists** (James 4:7). Because he is "submitted to God" (bowed down), he carries the authority of the Lead Plaintiff, and the devil is the one who must legally flee.

Faith-Works as Personal Assignment

This destroys the "Social Gospel" knee-jerk reaction. Faith-works aren't just "doing nice things"; they are the **execution of the Rhema**. Like the governor of a ship (James 3:4), the New-Man uses his tongue to speak the **Will of God** into his specific atmosphere. He isn't reacting to every "need"; he is responding to the **Father's Command**, just as Jesus only did what he saw the Father doing (John 5:19).

The Conclusion of the "Thesis"

The 1,600-year "Excuse Doctrine" (Pharisaical Testimony) says: *"You can't know God's will perfectly, so just try your best and if sin befalls you ask for a free pass as you think it is not possible to stop sinning because you keep the mind of the old nature and think Jesus lived sinless by special powers dragging deity to the fight from being fully God. A perfect excuse rather than the perfect will of God being done in your life. The **Second Adam** reality says: "You have the New Nature, the Seal, and the Mind-Renewal process to progressively know and perform the Perfect Will of God by Faith."*

Now one can see the value of realizing legally you have been freed to obey and it all fits because it is a **Legal System of Life** rather than a religious list of rules. You are no longer "sinning with a reason"; you are **obeying with a Purpose**.

This thematic assembly, which we will term the **Operational Manual of the New-Man**, serves as a bridge between the legal standing established and the daily reliance by faith on the **Law of Liberty**.

This communication is on the truth behind the work the Second Adam where we can enjoy his victory. It works much like a class action lawsuit as it is a legal victory that we can only enter by opting-in to the class by belief and confession that God so loved the world he sent his only son to

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die for you. This is the Gospel and reason this author has developed the study series called the “By Design” series that is not a replacement for the Bible, but it is a **Thematic Index** to help the disciple study the great truths found in His preserved word that is the Holy Bible the "Real Manual.” These studies direct the disciple, having the mind of Christ as intended by God’s design for the new-man’s operations. See Appendix G – Operational Manual of the New-Man.

Conclusion of the Design

The "Excuse Doctrine" is officially dismantled. The New-Man is not a victim of "inherent inability," but a **Strategic Operator** in the Kingdom of God. By renewing the mind, bowing the heart and the posture in true worship, listening for the Rhema, the believer proves that the "Perfect Will of God" is a walkable reality on this earth.

The Pattern of "Exemption"

Doctrine	The "Devil's Logic" (The Doctrine)	Impact
Fully God/Man	"Jesus was God, so He could be sinless; I am only human, so I cannot."	Excuses
Original Sin	"I was born with a 'nature' that <i>must</i> sin, so it's not my fault."	Excuses
OSAS	"My future sins are already pre-forgiven, so my current actions don't affect me."	Excuses

The "Inversion" of Heresy

One may observe the irony that the OSAS camp that often labels the "Second Adam" view as heresy. This is a classic defensive maneuver: **by calling the truth "heresy," while they protect the "Mud-Pile."**

- **The OSAS Argument:** They claim that if you can "lose" salvation, you are "working" for it, which they call a "denial of grace" meaning you may never have been saved in the first place.
- **The Second Adam Rebuttal:** Grace is not a "get out of jail free" card; it is the **Empowerment to Obey**. If a person chooses to "opt-out" of the Second Adam and return to the First Adam's lifestyle (Apostasy), they are legally choosing the First Adam's paycheck: Death (Romans 6:23).

The "Apostasy" Clause

As mentioned in the manual, the New-Man retains his **Sovereign Will**.

- **Hebrews 10:26-27:** "For if we sin willfully after that we have received the knowledge of the truth, there remaineth no more sacrifice for sins."

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- **The Legal Reality:** If you are on a ship (The Law of Liberty) and you choose to jump overboard back into the Mud-Pile, the captain doesn't force you to stay. You have the "liberty" to walk away, but you lose the "protection" of the Domain.

The Pattern Identified

These doctrines (Fully God, Original Sin, OSAS) work together like a **three-fold cord** to bind the believer to the earthly fleshly governance under the first Adam's consequence. There is a sense of impotence to obedience and a tarnished witness. They create a "Christianity" that requires no change of mind, no exercise of faith, and no actual victory over the flesh.

It is a "**Doctrine of Devils**" because it presents a "Form of Godliness" while explicitly **denying the power thereof** (2 Timothy 3:5).

The Logical Collapse: Calvinism vs. Arminianism

- **The Calvinist Claim:** "You are chosen by God before time (Irresistible Grace), and therefore you will persevere (Perseverance of the Saints)."
- **The OSAS "Check":** "But... if you fall away, it proves you were **never actually saved** to begin with."
- **The Result:** The Calvinist ends up in the exact same position as the Arminian—constantly examining their works to see if their "opt-in" was genuine. This line of thought means you walk in some fear of not being genuine. As they "never know." It turns the **Assurance of Faith** into a **Guessing Game of Works**.

The Logical Collapse of Once Saved Always Saved

The "Opt-In" Legal Reality

The "Class Action" model provides a stable legal ground to understand the framework because it focuses on the **Status of the Contract**, not the "feeling" of the convert:

1. **The Genuine Opt-In:** You believe God sent His Son (The Second Adam), you repent, and you are legally transferred. You receive the **Seal** (Holy Spirit) and the **New Nature**. The "Word is written on your heart" (Jeremiah 31:33).
2. **The "Once Saved" Excuse:** OSAS claims that once the ink is dry, the "New-Man" can go back to the Mud-Pile and the Father will still see "Jesus." This makes God a **Legal Fraud** who ignores a breach of contract.
3. **The "Willful Breach" (Apostasy):** If the New-Man—who has the Seal and the New Nature—uses his **Sovereign Will** to return to the First Adam's lifestyle, he is committing a "Willful Breach." (James 4:17), "Therefore to him that knoweth to do good, and doeth it not, to him it is sin."

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The Pattern of the "Accuser"

By claiming you "never know" if you were saved (Calvinism/OSAS), the devil keeps the believer in a state of **Legal Limbo**.

- If you don't know you are a New-Man, you won't act like one.
- If you won't act like one, you'll stay in the "Mud-Pile."
- If you stay in the "Mud-Pile," you'll keep needing the "Excuse Doctrine."
- Sadly, this cycle of forgiveness to excuses does not comport with overcoming to the end.

The Apostolic Correction

The Bible doesn't say "wonder if you are saved"; it says "**Examine yourselves, whether ye be in the faith**" (2 Corinthians 13:5). This isn't about wondering if God chose you; it's about checking if you are still **Opted-In** to the Second Adam's Domain or if you've started acting like a "First Adam" squatter.

The "New-Man" has **Confidence** (1 John 5:14) because he knows the Captain, he knows the Orders, and he knows he has the Seal. He doesn't need a "Doctrine of Devils" to protect his sin; he has the **Law of Liberty** to protect his victory.

The Final Realization Victory over Sin by Walking in the Spirit by Faith:

- **The Error:** Believing that "Pride of Position" (being "The Elect") replaces the "Submission of the Will."
- **The Truth:** The "New-Man" has no pride of selection; he has the **Humility of the Bowed-Down**. He doesn't see himself as "special" by birth or decree, but as **Victorious by Choice and Seal**.
- **The Result:** Those who cling to the "Predilection of Pride" stay trapped in the argument, while those who cling to the **Command to Obey** walk out of the courtroom and into the Kingdom.

Appendix A - THE SECOND ADAM

A Legal Notice to the Federated Body of Christ

I. Concerning the Nature of the Lead Plaintiff

- Whereas the Pharisees falsely testified that Jesus "made himself God" (John 10:33) to justify his murder, the Church has adopted this same testimony to justify its sin.
- If Jesus were "Fully God" by nature, his victory over temptation was a legal fraud; for God cannot be tempted (James 1:13).
- Jesus Christ entered the world in **Adamic flesh**, born of a woman but not of the seed of the First Adam, creating a second "starting line" for humanity.

II. Concerning the Cosmic Class Action

- Humanity was born into a "Class Action of Death" under the First Adam, a default federation of sin.
- Jesus Christ, acting as the second **Federated Adam**, won a countersuit through perfect obedience in the same flesh as his brethren (Hebrews 2:17).
6. His victory was not a "divine miracle" of nature, but a **triumph of choice**, proving that righteousness is possible for the created being.

III. Concerning the "Excuse Doctrine"

- To claim Jesus was "Fully God" while on earth is to provide a "speeding ticket excuse" for every sinner, claiming the Law is too high for the flesh.
- This doctrine suggests the Father gave a command ("Go and sin no more") that he knew his children could not keep, making the Father a mean rather than a good father.
- Like the 2/3 of angels who chose to stay, and the 1/3 who chose to fall, righteousness is a **choice of the will**, not a byproduct of biology.

IV. Concerning the Opt-In and the Seal

- Salvation is the legal act of **Opting Out** of the First Adam's failure and **Opting-in** to the Second Adam's victory.
- Repentance is the formal withdrawal from the "Love of Sin" class action.
- The **Holy Spirit** is the **Legal Seal** (Ephesians 1:13) on the opt-in form, providing the power to execute the new contract of sinlessness.

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V. Concerning the Spoils of War

- Upon his resurrection, the Man Jesus was restored to the Godhead with two things he never previously possessed: **The Keys of Death** and a **Body of Incorruption**.
- He did not have these by "pre-incarnate right," but by **conquest in the flesh**.
- Therefore, the "Mud Pile" of recurring sin is officially closed to those who claim the victory of the second Adam, now raised to glory as the Lamb of God.

VI. Concerning the Agency of the Will

- **Whereas:** Jesus Christ explicitly stated, "I seek not mine own will, but the will of the Father which hath sent me" (John 5:30), proving that he possessed a distinct human will that he had to actively subject to God;
- **Therefore:** The "Fully God" doctrine, which suggests his will was automatically divine, robs him of the merit of his choice and robs us of the legal quality for our own victory.

VII. Concerning the Power of the "Starting Line"

- **Whereas:** The First Adam was created sinless flesh but chose sin, and the Second Adam was born sinless flesh (Luke 1:35) but chose righteousness.
- **Therefore:** The "New-Man" purpose is not a gradual improvement of the old Mud-Pile, but a legal transfer to a new starting line where the Holy Spirit provides the same "engine" of obedience that Jesus used. The free will under the law of liberty.

VIII. Concerning the Lord's Prayer as a Legal Mandate

- **Whereas:** The command to pray "Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven" establishes a standard of **total obedience** without the provision of a "sinning-with-reason" loophole;
- **Therefore:** Any theology that claims "on-earth" obedience is impossible is a direct contradiction of the Lord's own prayer and a denial of the power of the Second Adam's victory.

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Appendix B - DECLARATION OF THE SECOND ADAM

A Formal Notice of Rescission against the "Excuse Doctrine" of Sin

PREAMBLE:

Whereas the historical record of the Church has long maintained a doctrine of "Inherent Inability," claiming that man in the flesh must necessarily sin; and whereas this doctrine relies upon the false testimony of the Pharisees who accused Jesus of "making himself God" (John 10:33) to distance his victory from our purpose in Christ; let it be known that the following truths are hereby established as the legal basis for the Believer's victory.

ARTICLE I: CONCERNING THE EQUAL STARTING LINE

- **WHEREAS:** The First Adam was created by the hand of God in a **Holy State – without sin**, possessing Adamic flesh without a nature of sin, and was given the power of choice;
- **WHEREAS:** The Second Adam, Jesus Christ, was conceived of the Holy Spirit without a human father, thereby entering the world in the **same Holy State – without sin** as the first Adam—possessing Adamic flesh wherein the second Adam was also exempt from the "class action" of inheritance of sin from the first Adam.
- **THEREFORE:** The conflict between both Adams and Satan was a legitimate "Trial of Wills" being tempted between two holy men, proving that sin is not a biological necessity of the flesh, but a choice of the heart and wherein we are sealed unto salvation by joining the victory successfully until the end.

ARTICLE II: CONCERNING THE SOLE CHALLENGE OF TEMPTATION

- **WHEREAS:** If Jesus were "Fully God" while on earth, he could not be tempted by evil (James 1:13), rendering his forty days in the wilderness a legal fiction.
- **WHEREAS:** Jesus explicitly stated, "I can of mine own self do nothing" (John 5:30), confirming his total dependence on the Father's Spirit rather than an "inner divinity;"
- **THEREFORE:** His victory over sin was a federated **Victory** won by a man (the second Adam Jesus Christ) who chose to fulfill the mandate "Not my will, but thine be done," thereby breaking the curse from the law of sin and death that had the rule over us by the actions of the first Adam. Thereby leaving no "Excuse to sin" for all humanity.

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ARTICLE III: CONCERNING THE ANGELIC PRECEDENT

- **WHEREAS:** Two-thirds of the angelic host chose to remain holy while one-third chose to rebel, proving that created beings possess the agency to remain sinless in the presence of God;
- **WHEREAS:** The Lord's Prayer commands "Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven," establishing the Angelic Standard of obedience as the requirement for the Adamic race;
- **THEREFORE:** Any doctrine claiming that "all things are possible except for man accepting he cannot stop sinning" is a Doctrines of Excuses designed to maintain the "Mud-Pile" of recurring transgression.

ARTICLE IV: CONCERNING THE LEGAL OPT-IN (SALVATION)

- **WHEREAS:** Every human is born into the "Class Action Suit of Death" under the First Adam by default;
- **WHEREAS:** Jesus Christ, as the **Federated second Adam and the only son of the Father**, won the countersuit through perfect obedience, an innocent death and at the same time becoming sin for us, provided the redemptive legal standing seizing the **Keys of Hell and Death** as spoils of war;
- **THEREFORE:** Salvation is the formal act of **Opting Out** of the First Adam's failure and **Opting Into** the Second Adam's victory. This is a legal transfer of standing, not a license to continue in the "Class Action of Sin."

ARTICLE V: CONCERNING THE SEAL AND INCORRUPTION

- **WHEREAS:** The Holy Spirit is the **Legal Seal** (Ephesians 1:13) placed upon the believer, providing the "Engine of Obedience" that empowers us to be like the man Jesus;
- **WHEREAS:** Seeing the display of his victory over sin and death, Jesus Christ was restored to the Godhead with a "New Thing"—a resurrected body of **Incruption**, becoming the "Firstborn of many brethren and the keys of hell and death;"
- **THEREFORE:** The believer is no longer a "Sinner Saved by Grace" who must keep sinning, but a former sin natured being that joined opting-into the "New Creation" legally authorized to walk in the same sinless path as the Lead Plaintiff as the federated second Adam where we are no longer to be obedient to sin but alive unto God awaiting the resurrection to put on incruption.

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Appendix C - AFFIDAVIT OF BIBLICAL EVIDENCE

In Support of the Declaration of the Second Adam (partial listing)

I, the Undersigned Believer, submit the following Exhibits as proof of the Law of Liberty:

EXHIBIT A: The Evidence of Human Limitation (The "Can Do Nothing" Clause)

- **John 5:19 & 5:30:** "The Son can do nothing of himself... I seek not mine own will, but the will of the Father."
 - *Legal Significance:* Proves Jesus operated within the constraints of Adamic dependency, not independent divine power.
- **Hebrews 4:15:** "But was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin."
 - *Legal Significance:* Establishes that the temptation was legitimate and required a human choice to overcome.

EXHIBIT B: The Evidence of the "Starting Line" (The Holy State)

- **Luke 1:35:** "Therefore also that holy thing which shall be born of thee shall be called the Son of God."
 - *Legal Significance:* Confirms Jesus was born into the same **Holy State** as the first Adam, without the inherited "Class Action" of sin from a human father.
- **1 Corinthians 15:45-47:** "The first man Adam was made a living soul; the last Adam was made a quickening spirit... The second man is the Lord from heaven."
 - *Legal Significance:* Identifies Jesus as the legal "Second Man," restarting the human race from a position of purity.

EXHIBIT C: The Evidence of the "Opt-In" (The Law of Liberty)

- **Romans 8:2:** "For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law of sin and death."
 - *Legal Significance:* Defines the "Opt-In" process where the believer is legally transferred from the First Adam's contract to the Second Adam's victory.
- **James 1:25:** "But whoso looketh into the perfect law of liberty... he being not a forgetful hearer, but a doer of the work."
 - *Legal Significance:* Rebuts the "Excuse Doctrine" by linking liberty to the **doing** of the work (obedience), not the ignoring of it.

EXHIBIT D: The Evidence of the "Seal" (The Power of the New-Man)

- **Ephesians 1:13-14:** "In whom also after that ye believed, ye were sealed with that holy Spirit of promise."
 - *Legal Significance:* The Holy Spirit acts as the **Notary Seal** that validates the believer's new legal standing.
- **1 John 3:9:** "Whosoever is born of God doth not commit sin; for his seed remaineth in him: and he cannot sin, because he is born of God."
 - *Legal Significance:* The "Smoking Gun" evidence that the New-Man, under the Second Adam, is designed for sinlessness.

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Appendix D - Prayer: *The Christian's Legal Standing*

I. The Recognition of Authority (Our Father)

"Heavenly Father, Hallowed be Thy Name. I acknowledge Thee as the Rightful Judge and the Source of all Law. I stand before Thee not in the failed contract of the First Adam, but in the victorious Federation of the Second Adam, Jesus Christ, your only Son who regained the Holy State for humanity through perfect obedience. As the Word that became flesh."

II. The Demand for the Kingdom (Thy Will Be Done)

"I declare Thy Kingdom come and Thy will be done in my Adamic flesh, here on earth, exactly as it is performed by the holy host in Heaven. I renounce the 'Excuse Doctrine' of sin. I speak Thy Word: 'He that committeth sin is of the devil,' but 'whosoever is born of God doth not commit sin.' I decree that through the Seal of the Holy Spirit; obedience is not only my requirement but my proven purpose."

III. The Provision of the New-Man (Daily Bread)

"Give me this day the bread of Life—the same Spirit-sustenance that empowered Jesus who became flesh to say, 'I do always those things that please Him.' I receive the daily strength to walk in the Law of Liberty, where the pull of the Mud-Pile has no legal claim on my members."

IV. The Legal Rescission (Forgive Us/Lead Us Not)

"I op- out of the debt of the First Adam. I forgive those who have trespassed against me, for I am no longer part of that dying class action. I declare: 'The law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law of sin and death.' Lead me not into the testing of the wilderness without the shield of Thy Word, but deliver me from the Evil One, whose power of death was stripped by the Man Jesus who now holds the Keys restored to glory as the only Son of God."

V. The Petition for Mercy (The Intercession)

"Father, I ask Thee to give ear to this testimony. I petition for mercy upon those who have gone before—those who lived and died under the 1,600-year veil of ignorance, and even those who willfully maintained the 'Excuse Doctrine' because they loved sin. I ask that the light of the Second Adam's victory would break through the religious darkness, calling the living back to the truth found in Scripture: that we are called to be holy as Thou art holy."

VI. The Final Seal (The Glory)

"For Thine is the Kingdom, and the Power, and the Glory. It is the Glory of the Father manifested through the Second Adam, where now I can say 'Yes.' In the name of the Federated Adam, the Incorruptible Vicor, Jesus Christ the only name under heaven by which we are saved."

Amen.

Appendix E - THE SUMMARY OF DEFENSE:

The Second Adam vs. The Pharisaical Accusation

When presented with the "Fully God" argument (The Excuse Doctrine), use this three-point legal rebuttal to proclaim your standing in the **Law of Liberty in Christ Jesus**:

1. The Jurisdiction of Temptation

- **The Argument:** "Jesus could only be sinless because He was God."
- **The Rebuttal:** If Jesus operated as God, He was outside the jurisdiction of human temptation. James 1:13 states God **cannot** be tempted. For the wilderness victory (Matthew 4) to be legally binding for humanity, the Plaintiff (Jesus) had to be capable of failing. His victory was a **triumph of choice**, not a necessity of nature.

2. The Delegation of Power

- **The Argument:** "Jesus performed miracles by His own divine power."
- **The Rebuttal:** Jesus testified, "The Son can do **nothing of himself**" (John 5:19). He operated as a Man dependent on the **Holy Spirit** (Acts 10:38). This is the "Engine of Obedience" He bequeathed to us. If He did it as God, we are spectators; if He did it as a Man, we are **successors**.

3. The Rejection of the Pharisaical Testimony

- **The Argument:** "The Jews tried to stone Him because they wanted to cast him as one who violated their law as if Jesus made himself out to be God (John 10:33)."
- **The Rebuttal:** To use the Pharisees' accusation as the basis for doctrine is to validate a **false testimony** meant to murder the Messiah. Jesus corrected them by pointing to the Law (John 10:34-36), identifying himself as the one **sanctified and sent** by the Father—the authorized Representative, the Second Adam, not a usurper of the Father's Throne.

Appendix F – LEGAL CODE OF THE NEW-MAN

This final list of attributes clarifies that the "New Nature" isn't a magical trance, but a **functional relationship** based on the "Word of Faith" (Romans 10:8).

The Attributes of the New-Man (The Second Adamic Class)

- **The New Identity:** He is given a **New Name** (Revelation 2:17), signifying a total break from the First Adam's genealogy.
- **The Reckoning:** He is commanded to "reckon himself **dead indeed unto sin**" (Romans 6:11). This isn't a feeling; it is legal standing.
- **The Deliverer:** He has a "Deliverer" from the *act* of sinning (Romans 7:24-25), whereas the world only has "forgiveness" while remaining in the "Mud-Pile."
- **The Weaponry:** He wields the **Word of Faith** as a legal instrument against the enemy (Ephesians 6:16-17), just as Jesus did in the wilderness.
- **The Agency:** He can **walk, please, and obey God by faith** (Hebrews 11:5-6). This proves his obedience is a choice, not an automated process.
- **The Power:** He participates in the **Gifts of the Spirit** (1 Corinthians 12:4-11), which are the "tools of the trade" for the Second Adamic Domain.
- **The Accountability:** If he sins, it is a **voluntary breach of contract** (choice), requiring an appeal for mercy from the Advocate (1 John 2:1).
- **The Security & Sovereignty:** While no outside threat can separate him from God (Romans 8:38-39), he retains his **sovereign will** and can choose to depart or become **apostate** (Hebrews 6:4-6).

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Appendix G - OPERATIONAL MANUAL OF THE NEW-MAN

Subject: The Strategic Execution of the Law of Liberty

I. The Mechanism of Renewal (The Mind vs. The Nature)

- **The Design:** While the Nature is executed and reborn instantly at the "Opt-In," the Mind is a carry-over vessel that must be systematically overhauled.
- **The Operation:** Transformation occurs solely through the **Washing of the Water of the Word** (Ephesians 5:26). This is the process of removing "Mud-Pile" logic and installing the **Mind of Christ**.
- **The Mandate:** "Let this mind be in you..." (Philippians 2:5). This is a volitional command to adopt the Lead Plaintiff's perspective on obedience.

II. The Progression of the Will (The Three Levels of Knowing)

- **Level 1: The Good Will.** Recognizing the moral boundaries of the Logos.
- **Level 2: The Acceptable Will.** Walking in the functional identity of the New-Man.
- **Level 3: The Perfect Will.** The "rest" in the relationship where the believer operates in the specific, personal assignments of the Father.
- **The Operation:** We do not settle for "Good" or "Acceptable" as a final destination; we climb the progression to **Know the Father** as the Man Jesus did (Romans 12:2).

III. The Distinction of the Word (Logos vs. Rhema)

- **Logos (The Constitutional Truth):** The written evidence of our victory, our nature, and our Seal. This provides our **Faith to Live** in this New Covenant.
- **Rhema (The Operational Command):** The specific "Word for the Moment" that directs the "Ship" through personal situations. This provides our **Faith to Act**.
- **The Operation:** We use the Logos to stabilize our standing, and the Rhema to steer our path.

IV. The Strategy of Maturity (Flee vs. Resist)

- **Youthful Phase (Fleeing):** When the mind is still being washed, we "flee youthful lusts" (2 Timothy 2:22) because the habit-memory of the old nature is still potent.
- **Mid Phase (Standing):** After applying the whole armor of God, ..., and having done all, to stand (Ephesians 6:13).
- **Mature Phase (Resisting):** As the mind is renewed, we no longer run; we **Submit and Resist** (James 4:7). The devil flees because he recognizes the legal authority of the New-Man's "Bowed-Down" position.

V. The Governor of the Vessel (The Tongue)

- **The Design:** The tongue is the "rudder" of the human ship (James 3:4).
- **The Operation:** The New-Man does not speak "reactionary" words based on needy situations, but "declaratory" words based on the **Perfect Will of God**.
- **The Faith-Work:** Faith-works are not random acts of kindness, but the calculated execution of the Father's specific Rhema for your life.

Prayer: Willful Obedience

(Modeled after the Lord's Prayer – KJV tone, first-person singular)

My Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name.

I bow my heart and my will before Thee, acknowledging Thee as the righteous Father, the giver of life, and the source of all truth. Thy name is above all else in my thoughts, my words, and my actions.

Thy kingdom come Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

I renounce every doctrine, thought, and excuse that resists Thy will. I yield my Adamic flesh to the authority of the Second Adam's victory, in Jesus Christ, that my obedience may be established by faith and please the Father.

Give me this day my daily bread.

Sustain me with the bread of life and the strength of Thy Spirit. Feed me daily with Thy Word, that I may walk in the Law of Liberty, rightly dividing the word of truth, and standing firm in the victory secured by the Second Adam, Jesus Christ. Let my mind be renewed, and my steps ordered by Thy counsel.

And forgive me my trespasses, as I forgive those who trespass against me.
I release every debt owed to me, even as I acknowledge thy mercy Thou hast shown unto me. Cleanse me from all unrighteousness, and keep my conscience tender before Thee, that I may walk uprightly and without guile.

And lead me not into temptation, but deliver me from evil.

Guard my heart from deception and keep me from returning to the Mud-Pile of former ways. Deliver me from the accuser and from every lie that claims I cannot obey Thee. Establish me in truth, that sin shall not have dominion over me.

For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever.

I acknowledge that all authority, victory, and glory belong unto Thee. I stand in the victory of Jesus Christ, the Second Adam, choosing obedience by faith, that Thy pleasure may be fulfilled in me.

Amen.

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WORKBOOK STUDY GUIDE

SECTION 1 — FOUNDATIONAL UNDERSTANDING

A. True / False

Circle **True (T)** or **False (F)**

1. The primary purpose of doctrine is to excuse human weakness.
2. Scripture teaches that obedience is optional under grace.
3. The finished work of Christ was intended to empower righteous living.
4. The Law of Liberty permits sin without consequence.
5. Deception can become embedded within religious tradition.

B. Multiple Choice

Choose the **best answer**.

1. According to the manual, doctrines become dangerous when they:
 - a) Are difficult to understand
 - b) Excuse sinful behavior
 - c) Are debated historically
 - d) Require study
2. The “Mud-Pile” metaphor refers to:
 - a) Human suffering
 - b) Religious persecution
 - c) Excuse-based Christianity
 - d) The Old Testament Law
3. The study gives preference to which Bible translation?
 - a) NIV
 - b) ESV
 - c) NASB
 - d) KJV

C. Open-Ended Questions

1. In your own words, explain what the author means by “Doctrines of Excuses.”
2. Why is it important that doctrine produces **victory** and not merely **comfort**?

D. Group Discussion

- Why do you think excuse-based theology becomes popular within the Church?
- How can tradition unintentionally override Scripture?

SECTION 2 — THE SECOND ADAM FRAMEWORK

A. True / False

1. Jesus overcame sin by relying on intrinsic divinity while on earth.
2. The Second Adam model presents Jesus as a real man empowered by faith and obedience.
3. Adam and Jesus share the same starting line regarding temptation.
4. If Jesus was tempted, He must have been capable of failing.
5. The Second Adam kept His victory private.

B. Multiple Choice

1. The Second Adam is described as:
 - a) A symbolic metaphor
 - b) God acting beyond human reach
 - c) A sinless man who chose obedience
 - d) An angelic being
2. The victory of Christ is transferable because:
 - a) It was automatic
 - b) It was achieved in Adamic flesh
 - c) It was granted by councils
 - d) It bypassed temptation
3. “Go and sin no more” is presented as:
 - a) An unreachable ideal
 - b) A metaphor
 - c) A proven purpose
 - d) A future command

C. Open-Ended Questions

1. Why does the author argue that Jesus **must** have been capable of temptation?
2. How does the Second Adam framework remove excuses for continued sin?

D. Group Discussion

- How does viewing Jesus as the Second Adam affect personal responsibility?
- What changes when obedience is seen as **possible** rather than **theoretical**?

SECTION 3 — THE LAW OF LIBERTY

A. True / False

1. Liberty in Christ means freedom from accountability.
2. The Law of Liberty frees the believer from the necessity of sinning.
3. Faith is defined as passive belief alone.
4. Obedience is evidence of remaining in Christ.
5. Willful sin is treated as unavoidable failure.

B. Multiple Choice

1. The Law of Liberty is best defined as:
 - a) Freedom to sin
 - b) Moral neutrality
 - c) Empowered obedience
 - d) Religious independence
2. Faith, according to the manual, is:
 - a) A feeling
 - b) A legal choice
 - c) Intellectual agreement
 - d) Cultural identity
3. The Holy Spirit functions as:
 - a) A moral influence only
 - b) A notary seal of legal standing
 - c) A symbolic presence
 - d) A replacement for obedience

C. Open-Ended Questions

1. Explain how liberty and obedience work together rather than against each other.
2. Why is obedience evidence rather than a cause of salvation?

D. Group Discussion

- How does modern Christianity often redefine liberty?
- What dangers arise when liberty is detached from obedience?

SECTION 4 — APOSTASY, ACCOUNTABILITY, AND MATURITY

A. True / False

1. The believer retains sovereign will after salvation.
2. Apostasy is impossible under grace.
3. Willful sin is described as a legal breach.
4. Maturity progresses from fleeing sin to resisting the devil.
5. Assurance comes from doctrinal loopholes.

B. Multiple Choice

1. Spiritual maturity is demonstrated by:
 - a) Increased knowledge only
 - b) Perfect feelings
 - c) Renewed mind and obedience
 - d) Church attendance
2. The “seal” of the Holy Spirit confirms:
 - a) Emotional experience
 - b) Legal transfer of standing
 - c) Sinless perfection
 - d) Guaranteed outcome regardless of choice

C. Open-Ended Questions

1. How does the manual distinguish between weakness and willful sin?
2. Why is mind renewal critical to sustained victory?

D. Group Discussion

- Why do doctrines of excuses weaken Christian witness?
- How does accountability protect rather than threaten faith?

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ANSWER KEY

True / False

Section 1:

1. False
2. False
3. True
4. False
5. True

Section 2:

1. False
2. True
3. True
4. True
5. False

Section 3:

1. False
2. True
3. False
4. True
5. False

Section 4:

1. True
2. False
3. True
4. True
5. False

Multiple Choice

Section 1:

1. **b**
2. **c**
3. **d**

Section 2:

1. **c**
2. **b**
3. **c**

Section 3:

1. **c**
2. **b**
3. **b**

Section 4:

1. **c**
2. **b**