

## **Toward A Christian Public Theology of Grace-Based Justice:**

**A Theological exposition and  
Multiple Interdisciplinary application of  
The 6<sup>th</sup> sola of the Unfinished Reformation**

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## **Five compelling reasons for reading and studying this unique work**

**FIRSTLY** - To our knowledge **this extensive work is the World's FIRST Christian Systematic and Interdisciplinary Theology of Grace-Based Justice**, specifically as a good and necessary corollary of Grace-Based Justification. Thus I – James Charles Waller – rightfully claim to be the architect of the world's first systematic exposition of a distinctive Grace-Based ONLY, Universal New Covenant Christian Justice.

This is nothing less than a Gospel and Kingdom and New Covenant coherent Theological system, Church and Public praxis, inclusive of the theological discussion and application of the 6<sup>th</sup> Sola of the Unfinished Reformation, viz: **Justice by Grace Alone WITHOUT the ongoing Retributive**, (or partially Retributive, Purgatorial, Expiational,

or non-Redemptive Church and State atoning)

**Punishments of the Law**, whether of God or man. This breaks **MAJOR new ground** for the advancement of the Kingdom of God on earth in the here and now!

**Thus one key focus of this extensive theological and practical Governance work, is to ILLUMINATE the** comprehensive Cosmic scope, to EXPOUND the Unique Universal Log of Claims, and to EXPLAIN the already proven sustainable Gold Standard Private AND Public EFFICACY, of the One and ONLY and Unrepeatable Universal AT-ONE-MENT of Jesus Christ:

**As (1) a new ‘Covenantal’ and critical ground-breaking Justification for the harmonious Public conjunction,** happy confluence, and Peacemaking congruence of God, Governance and Grace; of Christ, Society and the State; of the Sacred cum Secular and Secular cum Sacred State; of Grace-Based Justice and the State - using **all ‘law’** properly and lawfully, thus in a loving Christlike way, agreeable with, and NOT contrary to the “sound doctrine of the glorious Gospel” (1 Tim. 1:8-11). This Manifestly Rebukes a strictly legal or Personal performance based works-righteousness, [inclusive of any demanded personal, expiational and retribitional based Statist atoning punishments] - but proclaims and **insists on a Radically different Transformative and Restorative Justice**, or a Grace-Based ONLY, and Gospel Truthed Agape Love [and loving Public Justice] - “out of a pure heart and of a good conscience and of faith unfeigned” (1 Tim. 1:5).

Any Rebuking and ‘Restoring’ - whether personal, ecclesiastical **or legal (Statist)** - must be done only in “the Spirit of Meekness” (Gal. 6:1) - **NOT from a sin,**

**judgment and condemnation or death, or DOUBLE-MINDED mixed Old And New Covenant consciousness that turns Law into a false Gospel** (2 Cor. 3:6-11; Col. 2:13-15; Heb. 10:2,12,22; Jn. 16:8-10; 2 Cor. 5:21; Rom. 7:6-9; Gal. 1:6-10; 3:1-5; 6:1-3, 12-18; et al). Thus Public Justice that honours God in Christ (which it must) - MUST make ample provision for a Christian or Christlike Magisterial and Magistral Mercifilled New JUSTICE Relational Identity consciousness and Grace-Based ONLY conscience: - proffering and acknowledging the FREE PARDON evidence based Justification AND Justice of the New Creation of sainthood - as a **Private AND Public Christlike Righteousness cum Justice** - or a FULLY GRACED or FREELY GIFTED New Covenant identity – which should also bind the State.

We argue from Scriptures, and from the New Covenant in particular, that this NEW Personal AND Public identity must NOT be mixed with works righteousness – [anything that makes the removal of a curse or the basis of a Divine cum human blessing contingent on anything we do is law-based or works-righteousness based, and as such, is anathema to the truth of the Gospel, and so to the proper administration of a Christlike Public Justice]. This must be so if it is to reverence Christ as the only Saviour and Sovereign LORD of all things; giving Him and the presence of the Triune Family God in our midst through His Holy Spirit, the rightful place of JUST pre-eminence in ALL things (Mt. 28: 18-20; Eph. 1:10; Phil. 2:5-11; Col. 1:15-20; 2: 10; 20-22; 1 Cor. 15: 20-28; 1 Pet. 3:14-15; cf. 1 Tim. 1:8-11 and Rom. 13:1-4):

**As (2) the proper expression of the Governmental Pleasure of God in Personal obedience AND in the**

## **Righteous administration of a God and Grace honouring Christlike Grace-Based Public Justice:**

**As (3) the quintessential crucial** catalyst for a Peacemaking and Prudent 'voluntaristic' Transformational Personal and Global Governance: being a 'Hair-Trigger', a Love Initiated, Mercy Driven and Grace-Based, Peacemaking, Gospel Truthed and Kingdom Transformative Righteousness cum Justice, in, and spontaneously proceeding from Christ's **already- but-not-yet- FULLY-** arrived Present New Creation.

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**SECONDLY**, it is, we are led to believe, the **FIRST** major Epic work on the subject of an utterly Realistic but **STILL** irrepressibly hope-filled Radically optimistic and **NOW** reigning eschatological ethic of Christ's **PRESENT TRUTH** of **Grace-Based JUSTICE and its correlatives**, by a lay or non-professional person and Theologian.

Make no mistake, as an enthusiastic reader and **as a survivor and overcomer of 23 major life traumas**, I am only too well aware, not only of Church History, but also of the seen and unseen, dark and dangerous, spiritual and fleshly, carnal and cruel realities of this fallen world of unredeemed spirits.

Coupled with this has been my prolonged experience of cold hearted persons, religious and non-religious, and manipulative Governances, along with intense suffering

from those professing believers in Christ: those **who have fallen from FREE Grace**, and so back onto a Law based performance, self-righteousness, and a punitive mindset – with its Accusatorial, Judgmental and Adversarial spirit; with its ongoing **Merciless Reproach** withholding the **Right of Appeal** to Jesus Christ for the **FREE GIFT of NO CONDEMNATION** and so **FREE Justification AND a FULL PARDON** Grace-Based Justice to crucially needy and well ‘deserving,’ even *mea maxima religio culpa* persons!

Among the ‘adversaries’ the author has experienced are the Institutional and other actors who may be denominated avid ‘injustice collectors’, bent on **Manipulation, Retaliation** and punitive but Un-redemptive Justice that is **Christless, Graceless and Merciless, Unempathic**, Imprudent and Uncontextualized.

They have been found to be evidently *devoid* of Christlike Maturity, *bereft* of legitimate Spiritual authority and Real existential Personal Power, *gravely lacking* in Right loving Intention, thus too easily *compromising* with and justifying the Impersonal and Procedural, Bureaucratic and ‘Instrumentalist Rationality’, Irrelational Morality, False Methodology and Pseudo ‘Legality’ of serious but avoidable Social, Familial and Political violence and harms.

The author demonstrates in this and the following volumes the grave dangers of the self-righteous vice of “we are the good guys” Christ and Gospel Denying Moralism, conveying the simplistic folly of Political Correctness, enticing and coercing others to wear the (Mandatory Reporting) **Mantle of Respectability** that an ‘even half-way decent democratic’ ‘Good Samaritan citizen’ should

and must do – but also that can and will often BLIND its citizens and leaders *to the evils it commits in the name of good* – even in the name of child and community protection, Justice and the ‘necessary’ community welfare!

The author insists and argues strongly that Christ’s Grace-Based ONLY COSTLY **At-one-ment of Redemption** is the best Prevention and Pre-emption against crime and criminality, with ‘runs on the board’ to prove it as the ‘Lord’s’ most Truthful and Transformative, Equitable and Ennobling, Celebratory and Sustainable, Salvific Righting and Remedial, Reparative and Restorative and thus Realigning, Reconciling and Reconstructive Future oriented and fully Satisfying Justice!!

We show in these works that for ‘God chasers’ and ‘Future chasers’ Justice Practitioners there are no other credible and/or reliable, and proven sustainable peacemaking and productive and so **Mature Justice cum Righteousness** options. For those less idealistically motivated and driven by a ‘Demand now’ more pragmatic Justice bent, *there are no other demonstrably viable options that actually work* in the present that maximise NOW mercy and integrity, NOW compassion and faithfulness, NOW fecundity and felicity, and so NOW glorify God and Grace as first and foremost in all manner of relationships, Justices and empathic Christlike righteousness!

**This necessarily lengthy systemic work** of multiple volumes embraces and expounds some of the major Blueprints of a Radically optimistic Christian World-and-Life View: **against** all other serious contenders, and **across** more than a dozen academic disciplines and **over**

**all** the seven well recognized 'Mountains' of the Kingdoms of this world.

These are inclusive of (1) Religion/Church /Faith, (2) Family, (3) Education, (4) Government and Law, (5) Media, (6) Arts, Entertainment and Sports (cricket!), (7) Economics, Commerce, Science and Technology - all of which we contend NOW belong personally and legally, covenantally and culturally to the one and ONLY Sovereign LORD Jesus Christ, and especially to all who believe in Him.

**These works have a special focus on the Mountain of Polity and Government and Law cum Justice**, starting from self- government under God in Christ, the Just Saviour of all who trust in Him alone, without the so called righteousness of Christ-LESS or Christ-PLUS Law, whether of God or man!

These works show how the Blessed and ONLY Potentate – the only Sovereign Lord Jesus Christ – the King of Kings and LORD of Lords - **has already given truly Mature Redeemed and Spirit Filled Believers the Magisterial and Ministerial Authority**, and Real Life Power to NOW Reign in Life and Love and Liberty as His vice-regents, being Competent and Caring Compassionate Judges and so Peace-Making Ambassadors of Reconciliation, over all the aforementioned Kingdoms of this world.

**These works earnestly contend that Jesus is waiting for US, to work in and through us as His willing chosen servants**, as His elect called out ones; as His empowered Body through the enlightenment of the Holy Spirit; to prepare for, to earnestly pray and intercede for; to receive and to nurture a world-wide

Public and internationally sustained Pentecostal Revival, to heal and restore the sick and broken systems and structures of the seven Mountains of global and local culture.

This the author argues, via an exposition of a Systematic Christian Public Philosophy and Public Theology of a Christlike but Pluralistic, Bounded but Free, Principled and Peacemaking Society - **is or should be** done via the example and excellent followship cum leadership of the true and faithful and evidently Mature Church of Christ:

Much more than the example of the as yet practically unredeemed State – though both Church, Society and State should be working together, though it be with a separation of function exercised with **Mutual earned Respect** for the other - **though conditioned by** the ‘relative unrighteousness’ and righteousness of its unbelieving and believing participants.

This is to equip us to confront and overcome Political oppression, structural violence, societal division, familial dysfunction; to deal decisively but graciously and TRUTHFULLY with all Institutional and other oppression, and so to **effectually Mediate** between the as yet **practically** unredeemed earthly realm of sin, crime and disharmony, and the Heavenly Realm of the Absolute and freely Imputed Righteousness of Christ - **and so Translate and Historically Incarnate the Heavenly cum Earthly Grace-Based Justice of the one LORD Jesus Christ.**

These volumes argue specifically, reason articulately and demonstrate concretely in many and varied, and highly nuanced ways, that Christ desires and commands US through Him:



To (1) **Restore lost people** to fellowship with God;

To (2) **Restore wounded Fathers and Daughters and Mothers** as all one nuclear and extended Family in Christ;

To (3) **Educate ourselves and our children in the fear and love, wisdom and knowledge of God** in Christ, through the Holy Spirit, to fit them for success and prosperity in God's and life's diverse callings;

To (4) **Confront, Regenerate and Restore the broken systems of Christ and Grace Denying Justice** and so overturn destructive laws and **legislation and the corruption and greed that** plagues this earth, and to work diligently and hopefully to replace them with Christlike, compassionate Grace-Based Relational, Loving Judicial systems in both Church and State;

To (5) **Convert and Disciple the Media** to speak the truth instead of propagating defiled images and promoting destructive messages and demonic sounds that twist and pervert what is good and true and beautiful and Christlike;

To (6) **Remediate Arts and Entertainment** with the beliefs and values, inspiration and imagination of an ennobled artistic and creative Spirit inspired humanity, as exemplified in the perfect life of Christ and in the rainbow bejewelled City of God;

To (7) **Convert, Disciple and Rejuvenate Economies** of all kinds into the Relational, Social, and Political; into the Salvific, Remedial and Egalitarian Paradisiacal 'Golden Age' Economy of the BLESSED Triune God:- so as to heal

persons, potentiate Families and prosper Nations, and thus to prevent the curses that come from lawlessness, legalism, punitivism, greed, poverty and inequality!

And further - to **Expose all 'natural only' Sciences falsely so called** with their unintelligent and ineffectual, broken and grossly deficient superficial reductionist remedies for society, and to replace them with the Creator's and Saviour's vastly superior Intelligent Design of Science, and with much more Creative and Imaginative Humanity, with a healthful ethical and environmental Technology.

We show that the purpose of this is - in obedient answer to the LORD'S Prayer and in faithful fulfilment of the Great Commission – to be and to become a Holy Nation Living Out the Kingdom of God in this **the Grace and Holy Spirit Modality** of that **NOW** Kingdom; to **Make Real and Relevant** in our personal and Public, in our Family and Church, in our corporate and collective lives, the SALVIFIC and SATISFYING Supernatural Divine-Human Economy, Society and Polity of Grace and so Grace-Based Justification AND congruent Justice:

**To publish, embody and portray the NOW KINGDOM of GOD**, in this its HOLY SPIRIT EMPOWERED GRACE ONLY Modality; to show and tell of the Exceeding Empathy; the Costly Compassion; the True Gospel New Covenant Truth; the Supernatural Intelligence; the Ineffable Wisdom; the Manifold Ways; the Incomparable Love; and the Mighty Power of the ONLY Saviour and Sovereign LORD Jesus Christ **in, through and over all things, persons, institutions and Governments!!**

This and the following works thus expose and CORRECT many false interpretations and many wrong or imprudential or uncontextual misapplications of Scripture in a **Sociocritical Hermeneutics of Political and Governmental Suspicion** - including the alleged necessity of an 'Institutional Translational Proviso', in which the truth of theological perspectives must be filtered and dumbed down, through a secular only worldview and, often, be mis-translated into a 'politically correct' and pragmatic, and non-offensive, powerless and truthless interpretive grid and praxis.

Thus we believe that these volumes qualify as a front line, cutting-edge and frontier-type Theological and Theocentric work. They are a radical ('root'), dissenting, supernaturally graced and 'calced' work that is richly experiential, intensely spiritual and thoroughly practical.

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**THIRDLY**, we believe this and the following volumes are a **MAJOR LITERARY** tour de force and constitute a real magnum opus, as a unique theological production: being a unique Christocentric logos *poema*, or a working blend of 'living' poetic and prophetic and didactic prose, with a purposive plethora and judicious employment of manifold metaphors and other figures of speech to **excite** and to **engage**, to **educate** and to **empower** the studious reader who is hungering after God's kind of Justice and Righteousness!

It is, we believe, a very distinctive and picturesque example of the ‘Spirited’ flow of a personally experienced and powerfully gripping Storytelling non-fiction Master Narrative Righteousness consciousness; borrowing a Hebraic like literary and poetical parallelism style, but not confined or limited by it. It is characterised with a cast of John Bunyan and Charles Dickensian like, godly and godless, light and shady, good and bad and mixed characters, revealing the ‘unravelling’ of the Divine-Human plot of a Loving Incarnate God who passionately LOVES us all, Died FOR us all and is manifestly with us – and ALL IN ALL TO ALL who truly believe In Him **alone** for Justification and Righteousness, for Justice and Salvation!

It is variously expressed, like the Bible, in a winsome ‘Old and New’ comparative and contrasting, revelational or Scriptural manner, with a coherent Biblical AND Systemic structure, holding all together around Jesus and the Triune God. Like the Bible itself, it employs the genius of a Christlike hidden and revealed, natural and miraculous, dramatic and comedic, romantic and yet realistic, parabolic and didactic, tragic yet profoundly optimistic, multi-logical and inter-relational manifold love language story genre: **it is we believe, a rara avis**, possibly nonpareil in modern English literature, on many different levels, and possibly the FIRST of its kind.

The reader is referred to the section ‘**A Literary Litmus Test**’ in Volume 1 Book 2 for a more detailed justification and explanation of my literary, expository, prophetic, didactic, exhortatory and logical style.

I BELIEVE that the **truly** HUNGRY soul, the HONEST reader and the PASSIONATE Treasure Hunter of TRUTH and Christlike Justice **will NOT** BE offended or be unduly put off by this ‘Heavy’ and ‘Deep’ and necessarily lengthy POETIC PROSE WORK. He will be challenged over and again to **fight** the urge to give up prematurely, and will, by God’s grace, resist the temptation of fallen and prejudiced humanity to “light their own fires,” to

“provide themselves with their own flaming torches,” and to **unreasonably Demand easy answers** served up on a plate, without having to think long and hard for themselves: **rather imploring the help of the Holy Spirit** as His best teacher, and thus he will be careful NOT to “walk in the light of their own judgment” but to take ‘the Road less travelled’ of Christ’s LIGHT – the LIGHT of the WORLD – alone - lest the envious and prideful ‘type 3 reader- listener’ (Mt. 13), lose his good ground, and also grieve the Spirit of God, and find himself wandering in the torment of darkness (Isa. 50:10,11).

Thus I urge the reader to also look beyond the imperfections and the broken shards and pots of clay, having spotted every flaw, crack and warp in my works (as some are bent on doing) – and YET look past my sin and former wickedness as Jesus did with Zacchaeus and Peter - **to see a ‘Miracle Man’ Mercifully transformed by Gospel Truth, even “a Heart full of Grace and a Soul generated by Love”** - with God’s fingerprints all over these works: and then discern those pieces of the Holy Spirit deposited in my life, and so humbly BOW LOW to enter the Door of Mysteries, to search for; to work hard with the enlightenment and energy of the Holy Spirit, to dig out, **and discover for himself THE SAME FINE GOLD, PRECIOUS STONES,** and other **‘TREASURES of DARKNESS’** - inclusive of God’s FREE OF CHARGE Justification AND Justice that God has deposited in me, His ALSO special treasure! (Lam. 4:2).

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**FOURTHLY,** it is the FIRST and ONLY work - to my knowledge in the world - that provides a much needed extensive **rigorous** Christian critique of the overt and covert repressive Statist agendas of

**Mandatory Reporting** (with its ‘**necessary**’ legal and other devastating Life-and-Family destroying **entrails, entertainments and entanglements**) of child sexual and other offences to the State:

As a criminal violation of the New Covenant of Grace, unlawfully enforcing an illicit coerced obedience and foolish compromise of core Christian convictions; denying and defying the NOW universally obligatory and so Mandatory **Grace-Based Justice prerogatives of the Gospel and NOW Kingdom of God on earth**; as a harmful and Reprehensible breach of NOW Magisterial Merciful Human Justice and Redemption Rights; wickedly dehumanising, cowardly Politicising and **Manifestly Reducing** life to idolatrous and impersonal, Christless and powerless, lifeless and legalistic and Institutionally loveless ‘Good Samaritan’ Morality, **with seriously harmful litigious and dreadful life consequences**; as a gross violation of Church-State boundaries making Ministers of Christ obliged [double-minded] **servants/slaves** of the Sovereign State; as a gravely errant Erastian overreach and unjust usurpation and serial abuse of Statist Monopolistic power, overburdening the people and destroying Families; besides being a **Treasonable** crime against Christ Himself and the Grace-Based Justice of the ONCE shed AT-ONE-MENT Blood of God!

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**FIFTHLY**, this and the following volumes are also unique in that I have written them, in part, from the perspective of a Redeemed, Pardoned and Transformed former victim AND sexual offender.

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In the set of eight volumes, or sixteen books, already completed, I have defended in a highly nuanced way, and have sought to explain and selectively apply **the aforementioned five distinctives** across a dozen or so academic disciplines in some measure at least. These include:

**Public and Political Theology**; Christology; Pneumatology; Ethics and Eschatology (Collective and Teleological); Christian Education; Salvation History, Law and Justice (Familial, Criminal, Civil, Retributive, Distributive, Social, et al); Control Beliefs and Crucial Convictions; **Gloria Patri**; Transformative Therapeutic Jurisprudence; Sociology; Psychology; Pastoral Psychology; New Covenant Theology, Gospel and Now Kingdom concordant Theopraxis:

**An explanation of the New Covenant of Grace as the now Binding International Rule of all Governance AND Justice** – (including Divine-Human, Personal and Relational, Public and Transformative, Redemptive and Christ-Centred Life and Loves and ‘Law’ of Grace-Based ONLY Remedial Justice) - with several other attendant branches of Christian Theology including:

**The Theology and Theopraxis of Grace ONLY** without the addition of Christless Law, for Everyday Life and for All of Life; the Spiritual Embodiment and fulsome Integration of the Sacred AND the Secular IN Christ alone; the Human and Environmental; of Christ’s New

Transformative Being, Belonging, Belief, Beholding, Becoming, and Behavioural.

Other subjects dealt with in some considerable detail are: **Mandatory Reporting; the Child Abuse Industry; Christian Child Abuse Treatment and Protection** Models for BOTH victims and their offenders; Sociology of Shalom; Social Psychology; Christian Leadership; Transformation and Cultural Dominion; The Gospel of Christ's Lordship, Land, Love and Liberty, or Christian Blueprints for Godly Cultural Dominion:

**Apologetical Demonstration of the Reasonableness of and Faith in the unapologetic Public exercise** of the Present Sovereign Crown Rights of the Lord Jesus Christ over the entire Heavens AND Earth, and so NOW Reclaiming and Renewing the whole Cosmos for Christ, including Christlike Grace-Based ONLY Justice for Family, Church, Society and the State: Economics and Entrepreneurship:

God Glorifying and Human Satisfying Sustainable, Financial and all other Futures for all in Christ:- promised and secured through the Finished Atoning Work of Jesus Christ on the Cross – or the Jubilee Unilateral New Covenant of Magisterial Grace and Generosity - viz: the Mercifilled Transformative ATONING Justice of the Saviour cum Sovereign LORD Jesus Christ - as THE Earthly, Historic and Definitive catalyst for Personal, Governmental and World Transformation - with an emphasis on the Holy Spirit of God, as the gracious Executor of Global Redemption, revealing the Father Heart of God with His Eternal and Unfailing Unconditional and COSTLY bleeding Agape Love for all as the highest agathology (good).



See also pages c. 260ff for a more detailed subject coverage.

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## **God's Unfolding Dream**

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