

As a believer, God has made you a new creation in Christ, but He doesn't take away every negative desire where you are never tempted to be impatient, critical, rude, angry, jealous, or to compromise again. Some people let the same personal enemies: the sour attitude, the addiction, the unforgiveness etc., hold them back for years. Everybody struggles with some wrong desires, but don't excuse them and allow them to stay. That is why the apostle Paul said: "I die daily." He was saying: "When that temptation rises up inside again, I put it straight back in the grave."

This is where the abounding grace of God shows up. You have the grace to overcome. The temptation may not ever totally go away, the desire may be there, but God's grace, His enabling power, will always be greater than what is trying to stop you. If you deal with the things that are holding you back, God will release the big things that belong to you.

Romans 5:20 "But where sin abounded, grace abounded much more..."