

# Dynamic Hedged Equity: Christian Values

Tactical Growth Strategy – Individual Stocks

### Strategy Overview

Dynamic Hedged Equity: Christian Values is a long-term tactical growth strategy focused on capital appreciation with a mandate to restrict specific holdings based on the religious considerations of Christian values and beliefs. The strategy invests in leading growth stocks during favorable equity environments and scales to cash to preserve gains when bear market risk is high. The strategy adheres to a flexible investment mandate that allows for allocation shifts that range between 0%-100% exposure to equities. Positions are managed (purchased and liquidated) through a proprietary stock scoring system with faith-based considerations designed to build a comprehensive growth portfolio. As of 3/31/24

Primary Objective Growth & Income

Secondary Objective Downside Risk Protection

# Active Management for a Changing Market

- People are living longer, and the road to financial security is only getting more complex. Investors require thoughtful solutions that properly balance the **financial tradeoff between portfolio growth and peace of mind**.
- A **thoroughly researched and systematic investment process** rooted in common sense will outperform over time. Our research shows that markets and securities reward certain factors and punish others.
- To capitalize on these factors, we employ a **market exposure model and a security selection model based on fundamental rationales**. These rationales are confirmed by thorough quantitative analysis, are systematically implemented and complemented with extensive risk controls.

### **Investment Process**

### NorthCoast seeks long-term growth with downside risk protection through the implementation of a systematic 3-step process

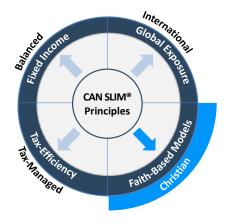
Determine Equity Exposure Goal to reduce volatility and mitigate significant losses by shifting to cash during market declines

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Select Stocks Participate in market growth by investing in top-scoring risk-adjusted growth stocks 3 Manage Risk

Monitor daily risk controls such as volatility, industry exposures and sell stops

# Adjusting the Portfolio to an Investor's Changing Lifestyle



NorthCoast has evolved as a result of investor demand and expanded its separate account offerings

- Utilizing investment principles built from CAN SLIM<sup>®</sup> Investment program
- Customized mandate to fulfill faith-based considerations by eliminating positions from the following industries:

Casino & Gambling / Tobacco / Biotechnology / Aerospace & Defense. Other restrictions include: Abortifacients / Adult Entertainment / Land Mines / Military / Payday Loans / Pawnshops / Social Injury / Stem Cell / Video Violence

### **Performance and Strategy**

#### **Total Performance (% Net)**

	2013*	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024 YTD	Total Return	1-yr	3-yr	5-yr	Since Inception 5/1/13
Christian Values	15.3	4.3	-0.4	7.4	20.6	-7.2	19.5	2.2	24.1	-8.4	3.9	5.9	120.3	10.2	5.3	6.9	7.6
Tactical Competitor Avg.	2.7	2.7	-5.9	6.2	12.3	-7.7	14.5	9.0	13.2	-15.6	10.6	6.0	52.9	13.8	2.5	5.4	4.0
Aggressive Competitor Avg.	11.3	5.6	-2.7	7.8	16.2	-7.8	21.1	11.0	16.3	-15.2	15.1	6.8	115.1	17.8	4.9	8.1	7.3

#### **Strategy Benefits**

Complementary	Low correlation to standard equity benchmarks
Defensive	Able to shift to conservative assets such as fixed income and cash to preserve capital
Disciplined	Quantitatively researched and rules-based management
Transparent	Separately managed account (SMA) structure provides real-time account access

#### About NorthCoast

NorthCoast Asset Management is an established financial advisor in the field of tactical investment management, specializing in quantitative research and constructing risk-managed equity portfolios. We continually innovate solutions designed to mitigate capital loss during unfavorable market cycles. Our experienced management team, long-term portfolio performance and premier partnerships make NorthCoast a strong option for astute growth-oriented investors seeking downside risk protection.

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CAN SLIM® Christian is a long-term growth strategy focused on capital appreciation with a mandate to restrict specific holdings based on the religious considerations of Christianity. Faith-based strategies invest in line with certain principles, usually using negative screening to avoid investing in companies whose products and services are deemed morally objectionable by the investor or certain religions, international declarations, conventions or voluntary agreements. The screening process can be subjective and should not be considered exhaustive. CAN SLIM® Christian is a sub-strategy of the CAN SLIM® investment program.

Benchmarks - Aggressive Competitor Avg = Morningstar Aggressive Allocation Category Average. Aggressive allocation portfolios seek to provide both capital appreciation and income by investing in three major areas: stocks, bonds, and cash. These portfolios tend to hold larger positions in stocks than moderateallocation portfolios. These portfolios typically have 70% to 90% of assets in equities and the remainder in fixed income and cash. Tactical Competitor Avg = Morningstar Tactical Alloction Category Average. Tactical Allocation portfolios seek to provide capital appreciation and income by actively shifting allocations between asset classes. These portfolios have material shifts across equity regions and bond sectors on a frequent basis. To qualify for the Tactical Allocation category, the fund must first meet the requirements to be considered in an allocation category. Next, the fund must historically demonstrate material shifts within the primary asset classes either through a gradual shift over three years or through a series of material shifts on a quarterly basis. The cumulative asset class exposure changes must exceed 10% over the measurement period. The Christian Benchmark is the S&P 500 Catholic Values Index. The S&P 500° Catholic Values Index excludes from the S&P 500 certain activities that are not aligned with the Responsible Investment Guidelines of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB). The index is designed for investors who do not want to breach religious norms in their passive investing strategies.

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Annualized Returns (% Net)