

DOCTRINE

Financial Projections

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Pricing Structure

Pay-Per-Use Tiers

Tier	Chapters	Price	Default Model	COGS (API)	Gross Margin
Starter	5 chapters	\$5	Sonnet	~\$3.00	40%
Standard	15 chapters	\$15	Sonnet	~\$8.00	47%
Professional	25 chapters	\$29	Sonnet/Opus	~\$12.50	57%
Enterprise	50 chapters	\$49	Opus	~\$23.00	53%

Note: Sonnet costs ~\$3/run for 24 chapters vs. Opus at ~\$23/run. Defaulting lower tiers to Sonnet dramatically improves unit economics. Users can upgrade to Opus for +\$10/run.

Subscription Tiers

Tier	Monthly Price	Annual Price	Features	Expected Usage
Free	\$0	\$0	1 project/mo, Sonnet only, 10-chapter max	Lead generation
Pro	\$49	\$470 (20% off)	Unlimited projects, Opus access, all 3 engines, export formats	Power users
Enterprise	\$199	\$1,910 (20% off)	Multi-LLM (GPT-4, Gemini, Opus), team seats (5), API access, priority queue, custom Bible templates	Organizations

Upsells & Add-Ons

Add-On	Price	Margin
Opus upgrade (per run)	+\$10	45%
Rush queue (priority processing)	+\$5/run	90%
Custom Bible template creation	\$99 one-time	85%
Additional Enterprise seats	\$29/seat/mo	80%
API access (standalone)	\$0.50/API call	60%

Unit Economics Deep Dive

Cost Per Run (Current)

Component	Opus (24ch)	Sonnet (24ch)
Input tokens (~500K)	\$7.50	\$1.50
Output tokens (~200K)	\$15.00	\$1.50
Bible generation	Included	Included
Consistency check	~\$0.50	~\$0.10
Total API cost	~\$23.00	~\$3.10
Infrastructure (compute, storage)	\$0.15	\$0.15
Total COGS	~\$23.15	~\$3.25

Projected Cost Reduction (LLM Price Deflation)

Timeline	Opus-Class Cost	Sonnet-Class Cost	Notes
Today	\$23/run	\$3.10/run	Current Anthropic pricing
Month 6	\$15/run	\$2.00/run	Expected API price cuts + caching
Month 12	\$8/run	\$1.20/run	Competition-driven price drops + prompt optimization
Month 18	\$5/run	\$0.80/run	Next-gen models, batching, fine-tuning

Blended Unit Economics (Month 12 Projection)

Metric	Value
Average revenue per run (blended)	\$18.50
Average COGS per run (blended)	\$5.40
Gross margin per run	\$13.10 (71%)
Average runs per paying user/mo	3.2
Monthly gross profit per user	\$41.92

Subscription Unit Economics

Metric	Pro (\$49/mo)	Enterprise (\$199/mo)
Expected runs/month	6	25
API cost/month	\$18.60	\$62.50
Infrastructure cost	\$2.00	\$8.00
Gross margin	\$28.40 (58%)	\$128.50 (65%)
With LLM deflation (Mo 12)	\$37.80 (77%)	\$161.50 (81%)

Year 1 Month-by-Month Projections

Conservative Scenario

Month	New Users	Total Paying	MRR	Cumulative Revenue	Notes
1	30	30	\$1,200	\$1,200	Soft launch, early adopters
2	45	68	\$3,060	\$4,260	Product Hunt launch
3	60	115	\$5,520	\$9,780	Content marketing kicks in
4	75	170	\$8,330	\$18,110	First enterprise trial
5	90	234	\$11,700	\$29,810	Reddit/Twitter traction
6	110	310	\$15,810	\$45,620	Referral program launch
7	130	398	\$20,500	\$66,120	First paid acquisition
8	155	500	\$26,000	\$92,120	Partnership pipeline
9	180	617	\$32,500	\$124,620	Enterprise conversions
10	210	750	\$40,000	\$164,620	Organic growth accelerates
11	245	905	\$49,000	\$213,620	Series A prep
12	285	1,080	\$59,400	\$273,020	

Year 1 Conservative: \$273K revenue | \$59K MRR | 1,080 paying customers

Assumptions: 8% monthly churn, 70% pay-per-use / 25% Pro / 5% Enterprise mix, ARPU grows from \$40→\$55 as users upgrade

Moderate Scenario

Month	New Users	Total Paying	MRR	Cumulative Revenue	Notes
1	50	50	\$2,000	\$2,000	
2	80	118	\$5,310	\$7,310	Viral content hit
3	120	215	\$10,320	\$17,630	
4	160	335	\$16,750	\$34,380	
5	200	480	\$25,200	\$59,580	
6	260	665	\$36,575	\$96,155	
7	330	885	\$50,745	\$146,900	
8	400	1,140	\$68,400	\$215,300	
9	480	1,430	\$90,090	\$305,390	
10	560	1,750	\$115,500	\$420,890	
11	650	2,105	\$145,245	\$566,135	
12	750	2,500	\$180,000	\$746,135	

Year 1 Moderate: \$746K revenue | \$180K MRR | 2,500 paying customers

Aggressive Scenario

Month	New Users	Total Paying	MRR	Cumulative Revenue	Notes
1	100	100	\$4,000	\$4,000	Strong launch
2	200	280	\$12,600	\$16,600	Viral moment
3	350	575	\$27,600	\$44,200	
4	500	980	\$50,960	\$95,160	
5	650	1,470	\$80,850	\$176,010	
6	800	2,050	\$118,900	\$294,910	
7	950	2,700	\$164,700	\$459,610	
8	1,100	3,400	\$217,600	\$677,210	
9	1,250	4,150	\$278,050	\$955,260	
10	1,400	4,950	\$346,500	\$1,301,760	
11	1,550	5,800	\$423,400	\$1,725,160	
12	1,700	6,700	\$509,500	\$2,234,660	

Year 1 Aggressive: \$2.23M revenue | \$510K MRR | 6,700 paying customers

Year 1-3 Revenue Projections

Metric	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3
Conservative			
Revenue	\$273K	\$1.1M	\$3.2M
Paying Customers (EOY)	1,080	4,200	12,000
MRR (December)	\$59K	\$150K	\$380K
Moderate			
Revenue	\$746K	\$3.6M	\$11.5M
Paying Customers (EOY)	2,500	10,000	32,000
MRR (December)	\$180K	\$480K	\$1.4M
Aggressive			
Revenue	\$2.23M	\$9.8M	\$28M
Paying Customers (EOY)	6,700	25,000	72,000
MRR (December)	\$510K	\$1.2M	\$3.5M

Customer Acquisition Cost (CAC) Assumptions

Organic Channels (Months 1-6 Focus)

Channel	CAC	Volume/Month	Notes
Viral content (Twitter/Reddit)	\$0	50-200	Free first run drives sharing
Product Hunt	\$0	200-500 (launch week)	One-time spike
SEO/Content marketing	\$5	30-100	Blog, comparisons, tutorials
Build in public	\$0	20-50	Founder content
Referral program	\$3	30-80	"Give a run, get a run"
Blended organic CAC	\$2-4		

Paid Channels (Months 6+ Phase 2)

Channel	CAC	Volume/Month	Notes
LinkedIn Ads (B2B)	\$45	50-150	Targeting consultants, analysts
Google Ads (intent)	\$35	100-300	"AI book writing," "AI policy analysis"
Twitter/X promoted	\$15	100-200	Amplify viral content
Retargeting	\$8	50-100	Free→paid conversion
Blended paid CAC	\$25-35		

Blended CAC Over Time

Period	Blended CAC	LTV:CAC Ratio
Months 1-6	\$5	48:1
Months 7-12	\$18	13:1
Year 2	\$25	10:1
Year 3	\$30	9:1

Target: Maintain LTV:CAC > 5:1

Break-Even Analysis

Monthly Fixed Costs

Category	Month 1-6	Month 7-12	Year 2
Founder salary	\$8,000	\$10,000	\$12,000
Engineering hires (2)	\$0	\$25,000	\$30,000
Infrastructure (non-API)	\$500	\$2,000	\$5,000
Marketing spend	\$1,000	\$8,000	\$15,000
Operations/Legal	\$1,500	\$3,000	\$5,000
Total fixed	\$11,000	\$48,000	\$67,000

Break-Even Points

Scenario	Monthly Break-Even Revenue	Paying Customers Needed	Timeline
Pre-hire (Mo 1-6)	\$11,000	~200	Month 4-5
Post-hire (Mo 7-12)	\$48,000	~870	Month 8-10
Year 2 (scaled)	\$67,000	~1,200	Sustained

Cash Flow Waterfall (Moderate Scenario)

Month	Revenue	COGS	Fixed	Net Cash Flow	Cumulative
1	\$2,000	\$800	\$11,000	-\$9,800	\$1,490,200
2	\$5,310	\$2,124	\$11,000	-\$7,814	\$1,482,386
3	\$10,320	\$4,128	\$11,000	-\$4,808	\$1,477,578
4	\$16,750	\$6,700	\$11,000	-\$950	\$1,476,628
5	\$25,200	\$10,080	\$11,000	\$4,120	\$1,480,748
6	\$36,575	\$14,630	\$11,000	\$10,945	\$1,491,693
7	\$50,745	\$17,761	\$48,000	-\$15,016	\$1,476,677
8	\$68,400	\$23,940	\$48,000	-\$3,540	\$1,473,137
9	\$90,090	\$27,027	\$48,000	\$15,063	\$1,488,200
10	\$115,500	\$34,650	\$48,000	\$32,850	\$1,521,050
11	\$145,245	\$43,574	\$48,000	\$53,671	\$1,574,721
12	\$180,000	\$54,000	\$48,000	\$78,000	\$1,652,721

Starting cash: \$1.5M (seed round). Ends Year 1 with ~\$1.65M cash remaining in moderate scenario.

Key Metrics Dashboard

North Star Metrics

Metric	Month 6 Target	Month 12 Target	Year 2 Target
MRR	\$36K	\$180K	\$480K
Paying Customers	665	2,500	10,000
Monthly Churn	<8%	<6%	<5%
Net Revenue Retention	105%	115%	125%

Unit Metrics

Metric	Current	Month 12	Year 2
ARPU (monthly)	\$40	\$72	\$85
LTV (12-mo)	\$240	\$540	\$720
CAC	\$3	\$18	\$25
LTV:CAC	80:1	30:1	29:1
Payback Period	<1 month	1.5 months	2 months
Gross Margin	45%	70%	78%

Engagement Metrics

Metric	Target
Free → Paid conversion	8-12%
Pay-per-use → Subscription	15-20%
Pro → Enterprise upgrade	5-8%
Runs per paying user/month	3.2
Documents exported/month	2.8

Sensitivity Analysis

Key Variables & Impact on Year 1 Revenue (Moderate)

Variable	-20% Change	Base	+20% Change
Conversion rate	\$597K	\$746K	\$895K
ARPU	\$597K	\$746K	\$895K
Churn rate	\$850K	\$746K	\$642K
LLM cost reduction speed	\$680K	\$746K	\$812K
Viral coefficient	\$520K	\$746K	\$1.05M

Scenario: LLM Costs Don't Decrease

If API pricing stays flat through Year 1: - Gross margins remain at 45-55% (vs. projected 70%)
- Break-even delayed ~2 months - Still profitable at scale due to subscription model -
Mitigation: Shift default to Sonnet for all tiers, Opus as premium upgrade

Scenario: Major Competitor Enters (OpenAI/Google)

- Bible methodology is defensible — requires deep pipeline engineering, not just a model wrapper
 - Self-improving prompt library is proprietary data asset
 - First mover advantage in enterprise contracts
 - Mitigation: Accelerate enterprise partnerships, deepen moat through data flywheel
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Funding Efficiency Metrics

Metric	Value
Pre-seed spend to MVP	\$0 (bootstrapped)
Seed round	\$1.5M
Projected ARR at Series A	\$2.2M - \$5.8M
Capital efficiency (ARR/\$ raised)	1.5x - 3.9x
Projected Series A timing	Month 15-18
Projected Series A raise	\$5-8M at \$25-40M valuation

All projections based on moderate scenario unless noted. Conservative scenario represents downside case; aggressive represents viral/breakout scenario. Actual results will depend on market conditions, LLM pricing evolution, and execution speed.