

## Spiritual Accounting

**Colossians 2:14 “Having canceled out the certificate of debt consisting of decrees against us, which was hostile to us; and He has taken it out of the way, having nailed it to the cross.”**

My Mom was doing books for my dad, and could not account for two cents. Finally after two days of this I looked at my mom and reached in my pocket and said, “Here! Take this, put it in the account and forget about it, and move on!”

“Son, it’s not that easy. I have to be able to give account of what comes in and goes out. That two cents is still unaccounted for.”

Many people can balance a checkbook, but not live in balance with God because they don’t adopt the way God does spiritual bookwork. God literally took every sinful transaction of our life, nailed it to the cross, and all we have to do is take hold of it by faith like in Colossians 2:12, “having been buried with Him in baptism, in which you were also raised up with Him through faith in the working of God, who raised Him from the dead.”

Now let’s talk about those loose pennies.

I know that many people know that Jesus forgave their sin, but they still have these sins that were “doozies” that keep creeping up on their spiritual account asking to exact the payment of guilt on their soul. They think to themselves, “How could God really forgive and forget this transaction(s)?”

Once a transaction has been made, it shows up on the account register. But if the debt is cancelled, it doesn’t matter how many people scream wanting to exact more payment...you’re free. Also, according to God’s Word, that old man died. Have you ever tried getting money from a dead person?

When God cancels the debt, no more payment is necessary. So why let guilt or shame even try to be a debt-collector?