



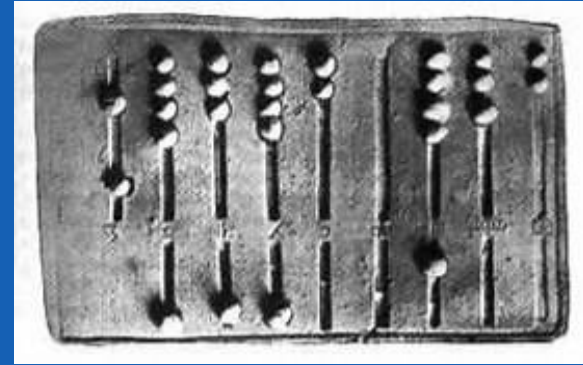
LAUNCHING YOUR FAITH **FAITH ALIVE IN THE 21ST CENTURY**

LESSON 4 **RECKONING**

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***WHAT YOU PUT INSIDE,
WHAT YOU HAVE INSIDE,
LEADS TO WHO YOU ARE***



BOOK KEEPING



Proverbs 23:6-7 NKJV

⁶ Do not eat the bread of a miser, nor desire his delicacies; ⁷ For as he thinks in his heart, so *is* he. "Eat and drink!" he says to you, but his heart is not with you

**HEBREW: Shaar—
to act as gate-keeper, to estimate**

**There is an accounting for
what is INSIDE**

**That makes up WHO YOU
ARE and HOW you live.**

**I. WHAT YOU BELIEVE
DETERMINES HOW YOU LIVE**

Luke 6:45 (NKJV)

45 A good man out of the good treasure of his heart brings forth good; and an evil man out of the evil treasure of his heart brings forth evil. For out of the abundance of the heart his mouth speaks.

Luke 6:45 (NASB)

for his mouth speaks from that which fills his heart.

PROVERBS 4:23 (NKJV)

23 Keep your heart with all diligence, for out of it spring the issues of life.

(NIV): 23 Above all else, guard your heart, for it is the wellspring of life.

(NLT): 23 ... for it determines the course of your life.

PSALM 119:11 (NKJV)

**11 Your word I have hidden in
my heart, That I might not sin
against You!**

II. RECKONING

**CALCULATING, RECONCILING
of accounts so you know
exactly what is inside**

**...WHEN you know *that*
amount, you LIVE WITH
CONFIDENCE**

Romans 6:11 (NKJV)

11 Likewise you also, **reckon yourselves** to be dead indeed to sin, but alive to God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

(NIV): **11** ... **count yourselves** dead to sin but alive to God in Christ Jesus.

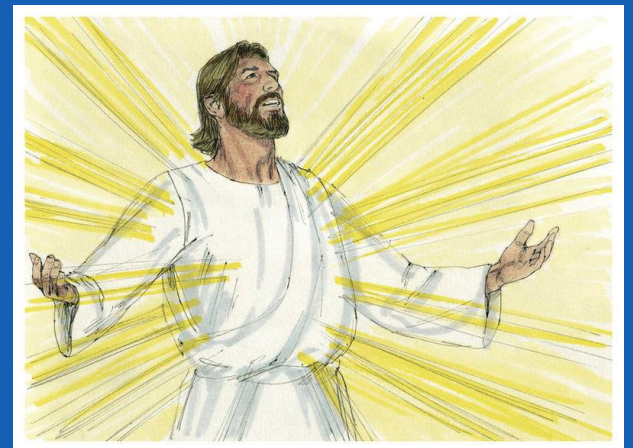
(NLT): **11** ... **consider yourselves** to be dead to the power of sin and alive to God through Christ Jesus.

RECKONING *empowers and
helps activate you
to walk in the truths
you've experienced and
learned.*

***YOU'RE SPIRITUALLY RICH
AND ALIVE IN CHRIST!***



**...a system of Divine Book keeping
where the *debit of your sin* is placed
in *CHRIST's account*; and *HIS own
righteousness, purity, and holiness* is
CREDITED to *your account***



2 Cor 5:21 (NKJV)

**21 For He made Him
who knew no sin
to be sin for us,
that we might become
the righteousness of God
*in Him.***

Romans 6:11-14 NKJV

¹¹ Likewise you also, reckon yourselves to be dead indeed to sin, but alive to God in Christ Jesus our Lord. ¹² Therefore do not let sin reign in your mortal body, that you should obey it in its lusts. ¹³ And *do not present your members as instruments of unrighteousness to sin,*

but *present yourselves to God as being alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness to God.* ¹⁴ ***For sin shall not have dominion over you, for you are not under law but under grace.***

WHEN YOU RECKON...

**You accept and consider
as true to your own life ALL
that God has done for you!**

AS BELIEVERS

***Jesus releases us from sin
and FREES and EMPOWERS us
to be transformed
into His image.***

LOGIZOMAI

**GREEK word for “Reckon”
—to take an inventory, i.e.
estimate (literal or figurative) :-**

**conclude, to settle accounts,
to calculate, to compute, to
consider, to SUPPOSE IT TO
BE TRUE, *to ACCEPT
SOMETHING AS CERTAIN.***

III. RECKON ON WHAT?

1) THE ATONEMENT OF JESUS

a. God required justice

Hebrews 9:22 (NKJV) ²² ... without shedding of blood there is no remission

b. ONLY JESUS met God's demand for Justice.

Exodus 12:13 (NKJV) ¹³ ... when I see the blood, I will pass over you and the plague shall not be on you to destroy *you* when I strike the land...

b. ONLY JESUS met God's demand for Justice.

Romans 5:9 (NKJV) ⁹ Much more then, having now been justified by His blood, we shall be saved from wrath through Him.

Hebrews 9:12 (NKJV) ¹² Not with the blood of goats and calves, but with His own blood He entered the Most Holy Place once for all, having obtained eternal redemption.

c. Because of Jesus' atonement, YOU CAN RECKON TO YOUR ACCOUNT ALL OF JESUS' BENEFITS AND TO CHRIST ALL OF YOUR SIN.

Romans 4:5 (NKJV)

5 But to him who does not work but believes on Him who justifies the ungodly, his faith is accounted for righteousness

**2) WATER BAPTISM, the
BAPTISM IN THE HOLY SPIRIT,
and their benefits**

a. You identify with His death, burial, and resurrection

Romans 6:3-4, 11 (NKJV)

³ Or do you not know that as many of us as were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death? ⁴

Therefore we were buried with Him through baptism into death, that just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.

11 Likewise you also, reckon yourselves to be dead indeed to sin, but alive to God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

It's just as important to emphasize and reckon on your resurrection with Christ as it is to reckon on your death and burial with Him. NOW YOU'RE A NEW CREATION IN CHRIST!

2 Corinthians 5:17 NKJV, NLT, MSG

17 Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new.

17 This means that anyone who belongs to Christ has become a new person. The old life is gone; a new life has begun!

**2 Corinthians 5:17 NKJV, NLT,
MSG**

17 Now we look inside, and what we see is that anyone united with the Messiah gets a fresh start, is created new. The old life is gone; a new life burgeons! Look at it!

**b. YOUR CIRCUMCISION OF
HEART IN WATER BAPTISM and
the BAPTISM IN
THE HOLY SPIRIT**

Colossians 2:11-12 AMP

In Him you were circumcised with a circumcision not made with hands, but in a (spiritual) circumcision (performed by) Christ by stripping off the body of the flesh (the whole corrupt, carnal nature with its passions and lusts.

Colossians 2:11-12 AMP

(Thus you were circumcised
when) you were buried with
Him in your baptism...

Luke 12:32 (NKJV)

32 Do not fear, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom.

Luke 11:13 (NKJV)

13 If you then, being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask Him!"

IV. What about this TEMPTATION I FACE?

**There is NO SHAME in
temptation!**

HEBREWS 4:16 NKJV

¹⁶ Let us therefore come boldly to the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

MSG

¹⁶ So let's walk right up to him and get what He is so ready to give. Take the mercy, accept the help.

1 Corinthians 10:13 NKJV

13 No temptation has overtaken you except such as is common to man; but God is faithful, who will not allow you to be tempted beyond what you are able, but with the temptation will also make the way of escape, that you may be able to bear it.

JAMES 4:7 (NKJV)

7 Therefore submit to God. Resist the devil and he will flee from you.

Revelation 12:11 (NKJV)

11 And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony...

**Temptation or temptation after
baptism doesn't mean your faith
or your baptism didn't "work."
Understand what Jesus has done
*and RECKON!***

***Jesus only allows a test to
prove to you that
you can pass!***

Colossians 2:9-10 (NKJV)

⁹ For in Him dwells all the fullness of the Godhead bodily; ¹⁰ you are **complete in Him, who is the head of all principality and power.**

COMPLETE: GK: replete, crammed full, level up (a hollow), or (figurative) to furnish (or imbue, diffuse, influence),

Romans 10:8 (NKJV)

8 But what does it say? "The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart" (that is, the word of faith which we preach):

Romans 10:8 (MSG)

8 So what exactly was Moses saying? The word that saves is right here, as near as the tongue in your mouth, as close as the heart in your chest. It's the word of faith that welcomes God to go to work and set things right for us. This is the core of our preaching.



**We receive Jesus by faith, we
continue to change by Faith.
He's given us a new heart, and a
new mind, transformed into
the mind of Christ.**

Now, because of that, what do we do?



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