

**Galatians**  
**Blowing up the lies that blow apart your life: Lie #3**  
**“The forgiveness of sin always removes the consequence of sin.”**  
**Galatians 6:7-8**

The aim of the pain of the temporary consequence of sin is not to settle accounts demanded by God’s holy justice.

God’s eternal accounting is done on the cross for those who are in Christ and it is done in hell for those who have chosen to reject his offer of love.

- On the cross Christ paid the eternal penalty of our sin with His own blood.  
Colossians 2:13-14
- Jesus paid the eternal consequence for our sin, yet in many ways we still suffer the temporary consequences of our sin.  
Ephesians 1:7; Romans 8:22

It’s important to understand that, when the believer in Christ experiences temporary consequences for sin, it is *not* because he is under God’s...

- Condemnation  
Romans 8:1
- Wrath  
1 Thessalonians 5:9
- Retribution  
2 Thessalonians 1:8

Why then do we sometimes experience the consequence of our sin and other’s sins?

- For our good.
- For our warning.
- For our sanctification.

1) *Universal consequences.* As sinners living in a broken, sinful world, there’s no avoiding these consequences of original sin.  
Romans 5:12

2) *Natural consequences.* We live in a world of cause and effect, where the law of planting and harvesting is in full effect.  
Galatians 6:7-8

- You harvest what you plant.
- You harvest after you plant.
- You harvest more than you plant.

3) *Disciplinary consequences.*  
Hebrews 12:5–11

- God as Father disciplines all his children.
- He disciplines us because He loves us.
- He disciplines us for our own good.
- He disciplines us for eternal purposes.

4) *Instructional consequences.*