

IT IS FINISHED

JOHN 19

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Introduction:

While on the cross the Lord Jesus Christ made seven statements on the cross.

1. Father forgive them
2. Today, thou shalt be with me in paradise
3. Woman behold thy son
4. My God My God
5. I thirst
6. It is finished
7. Into Thy hands

It is the sixth saying that we will look at this morning.
“It is finished”

Notice:

1. THE WORD OF COMPLETION

A. Many leave this world with task uncompleted

1. The pen drops from the writers hand
2. The painter's brush falls before the painting is done.
3. The chisel tumbles from the grip of the sculptor

B. Christ is the great finisher

1. Completed creation (Gen 2:1)

(Genesis 2:1) "Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all the host of them."

a. No such thing as evolution.

2. The New Heaven and New Earth (Rev 21:6)

(Revelation 21:1-6) "And I saw a new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away; and there was no more sea. {2} And I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. {3} And I heard a great voice out of

heaven saying, Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them, and be their God. {4} And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away. {5} And he that sat upon the throne said, Behold, I make all things new. And he said unto me, Write: for these words are true and faithful. {6} And he said unto me, It is done. I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end. I will give unto him that is athirst of the fountain of the water of life freely."

3. Redemption finished (John 19:30)

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C. What did Christ complete on the cross?

1. Completed all the requirements of the law. (Matt 5:17-18; Col 2:14-17)

(Matthew 5:17-18) "Think not that I am come to destroy the law, or the prophets: I am not come to destroy, but to fulfil. {18} For verily I say unto you, Till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law, till all be fulfilled."

(Colossians 2:14-17) "Blotting out the handwriting of ordinances that was against us, which was contrary to us, and took it out of the way, nailing it to his cross; {15} And having spoiled principalities and powers, he made a show of them openly, triumphing over them in it. {16} Let no man therefore judge you in meat, or in drink, or in respect of an holyday, or of the new moon, or of the sabbath days: {17} Which are a shadow of things to come; but the body is of Christ."

2. Completed all the Old Testament sacrifices. (Heb 10:11-18)

(Hebrews 10:11-18) "And every priest standeth daily ministering and offering oftentimes the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins: {12} But this man, after he had offered one sacrifice for sins for ever, sat down on the right hand of God; {13} From henceforth expecting till his enemies be made his footstool. {14} For by one offering he hath perfected for ever them that are sanctified. {15} Whereof the Holy Ghost also is a witness to us: for after that he had said before, {16} This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, saith the Lord, I will put my laws into their hearts, and in their minds will I write them; {17} And their sins and iniquities will I remember no more. {18} Now where remission of these is, there is no more offering for sin."

3. Completed all the suffering required to pay for our sins. (1 John 1:7)

(Acts 17:2-3) "And Paul, as his manner was, went in unto them, and three sabbath days reasoned with them out of the scriptures, {3} Opening and alleging, that Christ must needs have suffered, and risen again from the dead; and that this Jesus, whom I preach unto you, is Christ."

(1 Peter 2:21-24) "For even hereunto were ye called: because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that ye should follow his steps: {22} Who did no sin, neither was guile found in his mouth: {23} Who, when he was reviled, reviled not again; when he suffered, he threatened not; but committed himself to him that judgeth righteously: {24} Who his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness: by whose stripes ye were healed."

(1 Peter 3:18) "For Christ also hath once suffered for sins, the just for the unjust, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh, but quickened by the Spirit:"

(1 John 1:7) "But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin."

4. Jesus paid it all

Illustration:

Jesus paid it all all to Him I owe
Sin hath left a crimson stain
He washed it white as snow

2. THE WORD OF CONQUEST

A. A Loud cry

(Matthew 27:50) "Jesus, when he had cried again with a loud voice, yielded up the ghost."

(Mark 15:37) "And Jesus cried with a loud voice, and gave up the ghost."

(Luke 23:46) "And when Jesus had cried with a loud voice, he said, Father, into thy hands I commend my spirit: and having said thus, he gave up the ghost."

B. Not a sigh of defeat, but a cry of victory.

C. Let it be loud enough for the Devil to hear!

1. The promise in the Garden of Eden

(Genesis 3:15) "And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel."

2. Satan and all demons were defeated at Calvary

(Colossians 2:15) "And having spoiled principalities and powers, he made a show of them openly, triumphing over them in it."

D. The call of the crowd :Come down from the cross"

E. Ten thousand angels stand ready for His call

F. But Jesus stayed on the cross defeating Satan.

G. So why do so many Christians live such defeated lives.

Illustration: Yes I know I'm on the winning side.

3. THE WORD OF COMFORT

A. The debt of sin is really paid in full

B. How good it feels to have a bill paid.

C. What this must of meant to this dying thief

1. What peace this must have brought to his heart.

Close

Christ paid your debt, trust Christ and be saved. If you are saved then live a victorious Christian Life.