

## IT IS FINISHED

*John 19:30*

### INTRODUCTION:

- A. IT IS ONLY A FEW DAYS FROM PALM SUNDAY TO THE CRUCIFIXION
  - 1. How fickle the world's praise!
  - 2. One day you are crowned, the next, crucified.
  - 3. The sound of hosannas had hardly died when they were crying "Away with Him! Crucify Him!"
- B. THE SEVEN STATEMENTS OF CHRIST FROM THE CROSS
  - 1. Father, forgive them...
  - 2. Today, thou shalt be with me...
  - 3. Woman, behold thy son...
  - 4. My God, My God...
  - 5. I thirst...
  - 6. It is finished...
  - 7. Into Thy hands...

### I. THE WORD OF COMPLETION

- A. Many leave this world with their tasks uncompleted
  - 1. The pen drops from the writer's hand
  - 2. The painter's brush falls before the painting is done
  - 3. The chisel tumbles from the grip of the sculptor.
- B. But Christ is the great finisher.
  - 1. Creation finished

#### *Gen. 2:1*

*Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all the host of them.*

- 2. The new heaven and the new earth

#### *Rev. 21:6*

*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

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- C. What Christ completed on the Cross
  - 1. Completed all the requirements of the law

#### *Col. 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; And having spoiled principalities and powers, he made a shew of them openly, triumphing over them in it. 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: 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*

*And every priest standeth daily ministering and offering oftentimes the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins: But this man, after he had offered one sacrifice for sins for ever, sat down on the right hand of God; From henceforth expecting till his enemies be made his footstool. For by one offering he hath perfected for ever them that are sanctified. Whereof the Holy Ghost also is a witness to us: for after that he had said before, 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; And their sins and iniquities will I remember no more. 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**

*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.*

- D. Jesus paid it all

**II. THE WORD OF CONQUEST**

- A. With a loud cry

**Matt. 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

**Gen. 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

**Col. 2:15**

*And having spoiled principalities and powers, he made a shew 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. Enough of this defeated Christianity. WE ARE EQUIPPED TO WIN! WE HAVE A VICTORIOUS CHRIST!

**III. THE WORD OF COMFORT**

- A. The debt of sin is really paid.

- B. This is only one word in the Greek language: "Tetelestai"

- C. The word for tax receipts (paid in full)

- D. How good it feels to have a bill paid.

- E. This is the word that assures peace

- F. What this must have meant to the dying thief.

- G. What peace this must have brought to his heart.

**CONCLUSION:**

- A. Christ paid your debt too.
- B. Trust in Christ and be saved.
- C. Rest in His finished work on the cross for you.