

Thursday, May 21, 2026 | It Is Finished

SCRIPTURE

I glorified you on earth, having accomplished the work that you gave me to do. — John 17:4

DEVOTION

Before the nails, Jesus was already speaking of His work as accomplished. In a few short hours, He would say from the cross what He had already prayed in the garden: “It is finished.” The mission was done. The debt was paid. The sin problem that lies at the root of every anxiety was fully resolved.

Much of our worry feeds on what feels unfinished — relationships, plans, regrets, the future. But the one thing that matters most is not unfinished. Your reconciliation with God is complete. Not partial. Not pending. Not waiting for one more good week from you. Finished.

The empty tomb is God’s loud confirmation. The grave could not hold Him. Death has been swallowed up in victory. Because Jesus lives, your anxiety about death itself no longer has the final word.

Whatever still feels unsettled in your life, anchor yourself to what is fully and finally done. Your peace with God is sealed in the blood of Jesus. From that ground you can face the rest.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What is the difference between a religion of “do more” and the Gospel’s message of “it is finished”?
2. Where in your life do you find yourself trying to add to what Christ has already completed?
3. How does the resurrection give us confidence that Jesus’ work truly held?

CLOSING PRAYER

Gracious God, when Jesus cried “It is finished,” He meant it. Our sins are forgiven, death is defeated, and our peace with You is sealed. When we are tempted to think it is not enough, point us back to the empty tomb. Let us rest in the finished work of our Savior. Amen.

FAMILY ACTION ITEM

On a sheet of paper, write the words “IT IS FINISHED” in large letters across the top. Underneath, as a family, list things you have been worried about this week. Pray over the list, then post it somewhere visible as a reminder of what is true.