

3.24.2024

Palm Sunday

Finished!

"Jesus knew that His mission was now finished, and to fulfill Scripture He said, 'I am thirsty.'...

When Jesus had tasted it, He said,

'It is finished!'

Then He bowed His head and gave up His spirit."

John 19:28-30 (NLT)

"Tetelestai" – It is finished

*Servant – The task is completed.

*Judge – Justice has been served.

*Accountant – The debt is paid in full.

*Artist – The picture is completed.

*Priest – The sacrifice has been made.

It's Done...It's Completed...It is Finished...
Everything that needed to happen has been taken care of!

Relax...Enjoy...Celebrate...Give thanks!

Don't worry about this task/bill/requirement any more.

I. What did Jesus Finish on the Cross?

1. Jesus finished God's <u>RESCUE MISSION</u> for humans on the cross.

"For all of God's promises have been fulfilled in Christ with a resounding 'Yes!' And through Christ, our 'Amen' (which means 'Yes') ascends to God for His glory." 2 Corinthians 1:20 (NLT)

2. Jesus satisfied the <u>REQUIREMENT OF GOD'S JUSTICE</u> on the cross.

"The law of Moses was unable to save us because of the weakness of our sinful nature. So God did what the law could not do. He sent His own Son in a body like the bodies we sinners have. And in that body God declared an end to sin's control over us by giving His Son as a sacrifice for our sins." Romans 8:3 (NLT)

"After He had finished His work, He became the source of eternal salvation for everyone who obeys Him." Hebrews 5:9 (GW)

3. Jesus paid in full the **<u>DEBT WE OWED TO GOD</u>** on the cross.

"We owed a debt because we broke God's laws. That debt listed all the rules we failed to follow. But God forgave us that debt. He took away that debt and nailed it to the cross." Colossians 2:14 (ICB)

"His Son paid the price to free us, which means that our sins are forgiven." Colossians 1:14 (GW)

4. Jesus defeated the **POWER OF DEATH** on the cross.

"Because God's children are human beings—made of flesh and blood—the Son also became flesh and blood. For only as a human being could He die, and only by dying could He break the power of the devil, who had the power of death." Hebrews 2:14 (NLT)

"Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting?
...But thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ." 1 Corinthians 15:55-57 (NIV)

II. How can The Cross of Jesus apply to Me?

A-Admit

"For everyone has sinned; we all fall short of God's glorious standard." Romans 3:23 (NLT)

B-Believe

"For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life." John 3:16 (NIV)

C-Commit

"Then Jesus said to His disciples, 'If any of you wants to be My follower, you must give up your own way, take up your cross, and follow Me.'" Matthew 16:24 (NLT)