

**IT IS FINISHED!**  
**The Finished Work of the Cross of Christ**  
Good Friday  
April 10, 2009

**INTRODUCTION**

John 19:30

Jesus said, **“It is finished.”** With that, he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.

John 4:34 (NASV)

My food is to **do the will of Him** who sent Me and to **accomplish His work.**

John 17:4 (NASV)

I glorified You on the earth, having **accomplished** the work which You have given Me to do.

Hebrews 10:4-7 (NLT)

For it is not possible for the blood of bulls and goats to take away sins. 5 That is why Christ, when he came into the world, said, “You did not want animal sacrifices and grain offerings. But You have given me a body so that I may obey You. 6 No, You were not pleased with animals burned on the altar or with other offerings for sin. 7 Then I said, ‘Look, **I have come to do your will, O God** — just as it is written about me in the Scriptures.’”

## I. AT THE CROSS, JESUS CHIRST “FINISHED” THE

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John 19:28-30

Later, knowing that all was now completed, and **so that the Scripture would be fulfilled**, Jesus said, "I am thirsty." 29 A jar of wine vinegar was there, so they soaked a sponge in it, put the sponge on a stalk of the hyssop plant, and lifted it to Jesus' lips. 30 When he had received the drink, Jesus said, "It is finished." With that, he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.

## II. AT THE CROSS, JESUS CHRIST “FINISHED” ALL

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Matthew 5:17

Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but **to fulfill them**.

Matthew 3:15

Jesus replied, “Let it be so now; it is proper for us to **do this to fulfill all righteousness.**”

Hebrews 4:14-16

For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are — **yet was without sin**. 16 Let us then approach the throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.

Romans 3:21-22

But now **a righteousness from God**, apart from law, has been made known, to which the Law and the Prophets testify. 22 This **righteousness from God** comes through faith in Jesus Christ to all who believe.

## III. AT THE CROSS, JESUS CHRIST “FINISHED” THE

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1 Peter 3:18

For Christ died for sins once for all, **the righteous for the unrighteous**, to bring you to God.

2 Corinthians 5:15,21

And he died for all, that those who live should no longer live for themselves but for him who died for them and was raised again...**God made him who had no sin to be sin for us**, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

2 Corinthians 5:21 (The Message)

God **put the wrong on him** who never did anything wrong, so we could be **put right with God**.

*Upon a Death I did not die  
Upon a Life I did not live  
Another's death—Another's life  
I cast my whole eternity.*

## IV. AT THE CROSS, JESUS CHRIST “FINISHED” OUR

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Revelation 12:10-11 (RSV)

And I heard a loud voice in heaven, saying, “Now the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ have come, for the accuser of our brethren has been thrown down, who accuses them day and night before our God. 11 And they have conquered him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony...”

Hebrews 2:14-15

Since the children have flesh and blood, he too shared in their humanity so that **by his death he might destroy him who holds the power of death — that is, the devil**— 15 and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by their fear of death.

## IN CLOSING