

THE FINISHED WORK OF CHRIST

At around 3 P.M. on the Cross, Jesus said "it is finished." What did Jesus finish while on the Cross?

John 19:30 Romans 8:3

Jesus finished a sinless life and a sinless death which condemned sin to the fullest and usurped the authority from Satan which Satan had over dominion lost to him by Adam. The finished work of Christ on the Cross gave Him authority to remove all sin, death, and wickedness from creation.

There is other work of Christ today which is still ongoing. Through His resurrection power, Christ is now saving people from their sins and will ultimately judge all Heaven and Earth.

1 Corinthians 15:17 **"And if Christ be not raised, your faith is vain; you are still in your sins."**

The resurrected Christ is still saving people today. The shed blood of Christ gave Him the authority to save you. **His resurrection life is what saves you.** The shed blood without the resurrection saves no one.

Romans 5:10b **"Having been reconciled we shall be saved by His life."**

The blood of Christ made possible salvation for anyone who will believe Jesus and receive salvation.

Romans 4:24b-25 **"God will credit righteousness for us who believe in Him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead. He was delivered over to death for our sins and was raised to life for our justification."**

It required both the blood (the physical death) and the resurrection to save us. What Jesus finished at the cross by itself was not the "end all" for our salvation. Christ arose and is alive today and His resurrection life saves those who believe that Jesus is God and Savior.

Romans 3:26 God orchestrated the shed blood of Jesus and **"demonstrated His justice, so as to be just and the justifier of those who have faith in Jesus."**

Remember, the shed blood of sinless Jesus and His resurrection demonstrated His power and authority over sin and death.

Matthew 28:18 Then Jesus came to them and said, **"All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to Me."**

The work of Christ is not finished until He delivers the Kingdom back to the Father.

1 Corinthians 15:24 **"Then the end will come, when He hands over the kingdom to God the Father after He has destroyed all dominion, authority and power."**

