

TUESDAY**“ ‘It Is Finished’ ”**

ABSG As John 19:17–22 shows, Pilate wrote an inscription in Latin, Greek, and Hebrew that said, “ ‘Jesus of Nazareth, the King of the Jews’ ” (*John 19:19, ESV*). The religious leaders wanted it changed. Pilate would have none of it, and the inscription remained, a mute witness to the truth about Jesus and one of the markers that Jesus is enthroned on the cross as the King. Here was Jesus, truly their King, the King of the Jews, hanging on a cross like a common criminal.

Among those standing at the foot of the cross that day were John, the beloved disciple, along with Mary, the mother of Jesus, and others. Many years before, Simeon had predicted this very experience when Joseph and Mary brought Jesus to the temple to dedicate Him (*compare with Luke 2:34, 35*). Now in His dying moments, Jesus speaks to His mother:

John 19:25–27 ²⁵Now there stood by the cross of Jesus His mother, and His mother’s sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene.

²⁶When Jesus therefore saw His mother, and the disciple whom He loved standing by, He said to His mother, “Woman, behold your son!”

²⁷Then He said to the disciple, “Behold your mother!” And from that hour that disciple took her to his own home.

John 19:28–30 ²⁸After this, Jesus, knowing that **all things were now accomplished**, that the Scripture might be **fulfilled**, said, “I thirst!”

²⁹Now a vessel full of sour wine was sitting there; and they filled a sponge with sour wine, put it on hyssop, and put it to His mouth.

³⁰So when Jesus had received the sour wine, He said, “**It is finished!**” And bowing His head, He gave up His spirit.

- “It is finished” = single word in Greek = **completed / carried out**
- Translated vs 28 “accomplished” / vs 30 “it is finished”

- **Phil 2:5-8** Second Person of Godhead / humiliated Himself to take on human flesh = that He could become our Substitute= pay our penalty for sin on cross = born to die = pay price for our redemption
- Single word = translated as “it is finished” = found on tax receipts meaning “paid in full”

John 12:27 “Now My soul is troubled, and what shall I say? ‘Father, save Me from this hour’? But for this purpose I came to this hour.

- When Jesus says, “It is finished!” = completed/ fulfilled
 - work = Father gave Him to do on Earth

Revelation 13:8 = Lamb slain from foundation of the world

- Innocence / purity of spotless Lamb of God = violated at Cross
 - when He was weighed down with all sins of world

2 Corinthians 5:21 For He made Him who knew no sin to be sin for us, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him.

- Born as human to die = Shed blood of everlasting covenant

Hebrews 13:20–21 ²⁰Now may the God of peace who brought up our Lord Jesus from the dead, that great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, ²¹make you complete in every good work to do His will, working in you what is well pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen.

WHAT HE CAME TO EARTH TO ACCOMPLISH = PAYMENT IN FULL FOR THE REDEMPTION OF HUMANITY = WAS FINISHED

Hebrews 9:12 Not with the blood of goats and calves, but with His own blood He entered the Most Holy Place once for all, having obtained eternal redemption.

Hebrews 10:12 But this Man, after He had offered one sacrifice for sins forever, sat down at the right hand of God,

- ONCE FOR ALL EVENT = NO MORE SACRIFICE FOR SIN (HEB 10:26)
- Mission of Person of Jesus Christ = covenant Son of God
 - die substitutionary death for us All = to atone for our sin
 - offer R-B-F = eternal life thru union w/ Him as we enter into God's covenant of grace thru our trust/faith in Him

Romans 3:23–24 ²³for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, ²⁴being justified freely by His grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus,

1 Peter 1:18–21 ¹⁸knowing that you were not redeemed with corruptible things, like silver or gold, from your aimless conduct received by tradition from your fathers, ¹⁹but with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot. ²⁰He indeed was foreordained before the foundation of the world, but was manifest in these last times for you ²¹who through Him believe in God, who raised Him from the dead and gave Him glory, so that your faith and hope are in God.

- HIS EARTHLY MISSION FULFILLED = HE ASCENDED TO HEAVEN
- As last Adam (1 Cor 15:45) = ministering as new Representative of mankind = now seated on heavenly throne

Hebrews 4:15–16 HIS MINISTRY IN HEAVEN as HIGH PRIEST

¹⁵For we do not have a High Priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but was in all points tempted as we are, yet without sin.

¹⁶Let us therefore come boldly to the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

Hebrews 7:25 As our High priest. He intercedes for us in Heaven

He is able to save to uttermost