

John 19 (30) – It is finished, So get with it

No one likes to hear someone tell us that they didn't get the message we sent, especially if it was important. None of us like to waste our time, or spend needless effort, energy, money and materials because of miscommunication. If something is finished, why work anymore on it?

On the cross, at the end, Jesus cried out "it is finished". What was finished? Sure, we know it was the crucifixion of Jesus that was finished. However, not everything was completely finished; Jesus was going to rise from the dead, ascend to heaven and will be coming again. So let's unpack this; what did the crucifixion of Christ finish? And now that it is finished, what is God calling you to do? What are the things we don't want to miss? We can rest in these things as we receive them. It is finished, so get with it.

It is finished – The sinless life that fulfilled all of the Law (Matthew 5:17, 48 / Hebrews 4:15)
So get with it – Romans 10:4 – you can go to God in the name of Christ (Hebrews 4:16)

It is finished – The words of the prophets that had to be fulfilled (Acts 2:23-24, 3:17-18)
So get with it – Romans 8:28-30 – God's plan for you will be fulfilled (Philippians 1:6)

It is finished – The conflict with the leaders and the people (Acts 4:27-28 / 1 Corinthians 2:8)
So get with it – Romans 8:31-39 – God is on your side (Romans 5:1-11)

It is finished – The plan that was foreshadowed in the Garden of Eden (Genesis 3:15)
So get with it – Ephesians 1:3-9 – you are in the paradise parade (2 Corinthians 2:14)

It is finished – The plan that was pictured in the sacrificial system (Hebrews 10:1-14)
So get with it – Galatians 5:1 – you can please God (Romans 12:1 / Hebrews 13:15-16)

It is finished – The atoning work for sin (Isaiah 53:5-7 / Acts 8:32)
So get with it – 1 Peter 3:18 – you can have forgiveness and fellowship (1 John 1:8-10)

It is finished – The wrath of God has been satisfied (Isaiah 53:10-12 / Luke 22:37)
So get with it – 2 Corinthians 5:21 – you don't have to fear (Hebrews 2:14-15, 13:5-6)

It is finished – The triumph over the evil powers (Colossians 2:13-15)
So get with it – Romans 8:1 – you can tell the devil to "talk to the hand" (Isaiah 49:16)

It is finished – The vindication of God's justice (Romans 3:23-26)
So get with it – 1 Peter 4:12-19 – you can trust God will sort everything out (1 Peter 2:21-25)

It is finished – The validation of God's love (John 3:16 / 1 John 4:10)
So get with it – 1 John 4:11 – you can love (Matthew 22:37-40 / Romans 13:8 / Galatians 5:14)

On the cross, God treated Jesus as if He lived your life so He could treat you as if you lived His life. That's the Gospel, but now it is your turn to finish (Romans 10:9-13), so get with it (Matthew 10:32), before it is too late (Hebrews 9:27-28).