

Conquering

How to walk in total victory

Total Victory

John 19:28-30

²⁸ Later, knowing that everything had now been finished, and so that 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.

Jesus said it is finished

Hebrew word for it is finished

Tetelestai

“It is finished!” In the Greek text, it is tetelestai; and it means, “It is finished, it stands finished, and it always will be finished!”

While it is true that our Lord’s sufferings were now finished, there is much more included in this dramatic word. Many of the Old Testament types and prophecies were now fulfilled, and the once-for-all sacrifice for sin had now been completed.

The word tetelestai is unfamiliar to us, but it was used by various people in everyday life in those days.

1. A servant would use it when reporting to his or her master, “I have completed the work assigned to me” (see John 17:4).
2. When a priest examined an animal sacrifice and found it faultless, this word would apply. Jesus, of course, is the perfect Lamb of God, without spot or blemish.
3. When an artist completed a picture, or a writer a manuscript, he or she might say, “It is finished!” The death of Jesus on the cross “completes the picture” that God had been painting, the story that He had been writing, for centuries.
4. Because of the cross, we understand the ceremonies and prophecies in the Old Testament.
5. It was used by the merchants of the day. “The debt is paid in full!”
When He gave Himself on the cross, Jesus fully met the righteous demands of a holy law; He paid our debt in full.

None of the Old Testament sacrifices could take away sins; their blood only covered sin.

But the Lamb of God shed His blood, and that blood can take away the sins of the world

I. Jesus cut the red tape

He made a way for me to enter in

Matthew 27:51

– The veil was torn

Hebrews 10:19-20

¹⁹ ...we have confidence to enter the Most Holy Place by the blood of Jesus, ²⁰ by a new and living way opened for us through the curtain, that is, his body,

1 Corinthians 6:19 – You are the temple of the Holy Spirit

A. I can have intimacy

1. I am no longer in the outer courts
2. I am inside of the Holy of Holies
3. In the OT the HS was inside the temple
4. Now the HS is inside the “temple”

B. He is God with US.

1. His blood was applied to mercy seat
2. Power of his blood

Romans 5:6-11

⁶When we were utterly helpless, Christ came at just the right time and died for us sinners. ⁷Now, most people would not be willing to die for an upright person, though someone might perhaps be willing to die for a person who is especially good. ⁸But God showed his great love for us by sending Christ to die for us while we were still sinners. ⁹And since we have been made right in God’s sight by the blood of Christ, he will certainly save us from God’s

condemnation. ¹⁰For since our friendship with God was restored by the death of his Son while we were still his enemies, we will certainly be saved through the life of his Son. ¹¹So now we can rejoice in our wonderful new relationship with God because our Lord Jesus Christ has made us friends of God.

Ephesians 2:13

But now you have been united with Christ Jesus. Once you were far away from God, but now you have been brought near to him through the blood of Christ.

- The same blood placed on the mercy seat now speaks over your life!!

C. You don't have to worry.

1. He is with you.
2. He is within you.
3. He goes with you.
4. He stays with you.

D. You are not by yourself

1. Life your head up.
2. Put your shoulders back Sons and Daughters of God.

E. You carry his presence

F. Baptism today.

1. Death to life
2. Washed clean
3. No longer the same

Illustration

- FBI Special Agent Joe Ronsisvalle
- Alabama home game
- He's with me

Application

I. Jesus cut the red tape

He made a way for me to enter in

II. Jesus gives me a direct line.

He made a way for me to receive God's direction

A. The Holy Spirit now resides in me

1. Because of intimacy and residency, I can receive direction directly from God.
2. The Holy Spirit lives inside of me.

John 16:12-13

¹²“I have much more to tell you, but now it would be too much for you to bear. ¹³When, however, the Spirit comes, who reveals the truth about God, he will lead you into all the truth. He will not speak on his own authority, but he will speak of what he hears and will tell you of things to come. (GNT)

B. He will give me direction for my life.

1. I don't have to wander or wonder anymore.
2. I can have clear purpose

C. That mean I am now on assignment.

1. I have a divine purpose.
2. My life is a supernatural adventure.
3. He gives me a mission
4. I am on assignment from God
5. The Holy Spirit directs my life

Illustration

- GPS vs. old paper maps:
- Paper Maps
 - Guessing
 - Getting lost
 - Turning around
- GPS
 - “Turn here... rerouting... you've arrived”
 - The Holy Spirit is your **divine GPS**

Time I got lost in a Deuce and a Half

- The "Deuce and a Half" (primarily the M35 series) is a rugged, 2.5-ton, 6x6 US military cargo truck produced from the 1950s–2000s, known for its extreme versatility, multifuel engine, and off-road capability. These trucks, weighing over 13,000 lbs

Application

1. Start asking: "Holy Spirit, what do You want me to do today?"
2. Expect God to speak—in Scripture, impressions, peace, conviction
3. Pray daily: "Holy Spirit, lead me"
4. Write down what you sense God speaking
5. Take one step of obedience this week

I. Jesus cut the red tape
He made a way for me to enter in

II. Jesus gives me a direct line.
He made a way for me to receive God's direction

III. Jesus connects me to THE power source.
He made a way for me to have power

A. I am no longer weak.

1. I have HIS POWER at work in me.

2 Timothy 1:7

For the Spirit that God has given us does not make us timid; instead, his Spirit fills us with power, love, and self-control. (GNT)

2. Unpack Text

Galatians 5:16

But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh. (ESV)

So I say, let the Holy Spirit guide your lives. Then you won't be doing what your sinful nature craves. (NLT)

B. You don't fight sin alone
 You don't live life empty
His power works IN you

C. Where ever the Holy Spirit goes he brings his POWER.
 1. I have access.
 2. Do you realize the incredible potential here?

Ephesians 3:20

Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us

Acts 1:8

⁸But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

This is not symbolic power—**this is supernatural empowerment**

D. Unpack
 E. Ramifications