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## It Is Finished

By Terry Kountz on October 7, 2022

### TODAY'S READING: John 19

*Jesus is flogged and crucified. He dies on a cross and is buried in a nearby tomb.*

Right before Jesus took His last breath, Jesus spoke the words, *"It is finished"* (John 19:30).

In His three years of ministry, Jesus completed the task set before Him. He voluntarily chose to sacrifice Himself, knowing His death would pay the penalty for our sin and create a way for us to become right with God and have a relationship with God. We were born sinful and separated from God. Accepting that Jesus is our Savior is the only way we are able to restore that relationship. Jesus finished what we could not.

Jesus died so we could believe. John tells us that this testimony of Jesus was given, "so that you also may believe" (John 19:35). The events of Jesus' death on the cross were recorded based on an eyewitness testimony. You and I were not there to see this with our own eyes, but someone did see these things and recorded them. God gave us someone tangible to believe in by sending His son, Jesus, here to earth. Jesus gave His life to make a way for us to have life (John 10:10).

**Prayer:** Lord, thank You for willingly dying on a cross to pay for my sin. You made a way for us to have a relationship with You. We do not deserve it, but You loved us enough to make a way if we believe in You. Praise You and thank You for the gift of salvation!

**TOMORROW'S READING:** Weekend is for catch-up and review.

**MONDAY'S READING:** John 20

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