

Good Friday
Friday, March 25, 2016
“Famous Last Words: The Word of Victory”
1 Corinthians 1:18-25

The world is filled with unfinished projects and unfinished dreams, and we need to accept the fact that we’re all going to die with _____ business.

“My nourishment comes from doing the will of God, who sent me, and from finishing his work.” (John 4:34)

“Knowing that all was now completed, and so that the Scripture would be fulfilled, Jesus said, “I am thirsty.’ 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. When he had received the drink, Jesus said, ‘It is finished.’ With that, he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.” (John 19:28-30)

He didn’t want to say these words _____—He wanted to shout them out as a cry of _____.

“The message of the Cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved, it is the power of God.” (1 Corinthians 1:18)

Although the cross was a symbol of _____ and _____, Paul says that for those who believe, the message of the cross is loud and clear—God’s ability to reveal _____, _____, and _____; through powerlessness, hatred, and defeat.

The Cross, is _____ to our faith. In fact, without it, there would be no faith!

It’s ironic that when Jesus said this, nobody would have _____ it.

“It is finished,” wasn’t a cry of _____, loss, or _____—as those who witnessed Jesus’ death must have thought—but a shout of _____.

TETELESTAI & JESUS’ FINISHED WORK
ON THE CROSS

#1. Tetelestai was a term used in _____, meaning _____.
Throughout the Old Testament we only get a glimpse of what God’s going to do—a _____—the pieces are there, but the puzzle’s _____.

On the Mount of Crucifixion that first Good Friday, Jesus not only _____ the picture; He explains the _____ of it, by finishing His Father’s plan of _____—God’s masterpiece.

“Did you not know that everything must be fulfilled that is written about in the Law of Moses, the Prophets, and the Psalms.” (Luke 24:25)

“Then Jesus told them, ‘This is what is written: The Christ will suffer and rise from the dead on the third day, and repentance and forgiveness of sins will be preached in his name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem.’” (Luke 24:45-47)

#2. Tetelestai was a _____ term meaning _____.
On the cross, Jesus satisfied the Law and _____ the price for us.

“The law of Moses was unable to save us because of the weakness of our sinful nature.” (Romans 8:3)

“So God did what the law could not do. He sent his own Son in a body like the bodies we sinners have. And in that body God declared an end to sin’s control over us by giving his Son as a sacrifice for our sins. He did this so that the just requirement of the law would be fully satisfied for us, who no longer follow our sinful nature but instead follow the Spirit.” (Romans 8:3-4)

The Law was never meant to _____—it can’t—it was meant to _____ us—to show us how much we don’t measure up and where we fall short.

“God cancelled the record that contained the charges against us. He took it and destroyed it by nailing it to Christ’s cross.” (Colossians 2:14)

“Should we keep on sinning so that God can show us more and more of his wonderful grace? Of course not! Since we have died to sin, how can we

continue to live in it?" (Romans 6:1)

Dietrich Bonhoeffer called this _____ grace.

3 KINDS OF LAWS IN THE OLD TESTAMENT

Jesus didn't put an end to _____ law—Biblical morality still stands for us today—we can't do whatever we want; be _____; and expect Jesus to cover it—despite what some people think there is such thing as right and wrong!

"...a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction for the sins of the whole world." (Book of Common Prayer, pg 82)

#3. Tetelestai is an ancient Greek _____, meaning

_____.
Jesus' cry of 'tetelestai' is the battle cry of the ages, because on the cross, He _____ sin and death forever—and the battle between good and evil was won, once and for all!

"The sin of one man, Adam, caused death to rule over us, but all who receive God's wonderful, gracious gift of righteousness will live in triumph over sin and death through this one man, Jesus Christ." (Romans 5:17)

Because of Jesus' finished work on the cross—we, through faith—can live our lives in _____.

SALVATION = 3 GIFTS

- _____ for our _____.
- _____ from _____ problems.
- _____ in _____.

TWO PROBLEMS JESUS DEALT WITH ON THE CROSS

- The _____ problem

"When Jesus died, he took sin down with him, but alive he brings God down to us." (Roman's 6:10)

Jesus not only paid the _____ for sin, He also defeated the _____ of sin—it no longer had a hold on Him and it no longer has a hold on us.

When we come to Jesus, He gives us a new _____ to deal with the sin in our lives, so that by _____ we can find _____.

"My grace is all you need. My power works best in your weakness." (2 Corinthians 12:9)

"For I can do everything through Christ, who gives me strength." (Philippians 4:13)

The power of God's _____ working within us—the power of His _____—is greater than the power of _____.

"God's law was given so that all people could see how sinful they were. But as people sinned more and more, God's wonderful grace became more abundant." (Romans 5:20)

• The _____ problem

"When it's sin versus grace, grace wins hands down." (Romans 5:20 Msg)

"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish, but have eternal life." (John 3:16)

Eternal life is God's _____ to those who believe—a promise we can count on!

We need to think of death not as an ending, but as a new _____.

In the midst of the reality of death, the cross comes with the message that Jesus' victory is our _____; that nothing can separate us from God's _____ for us—not even death.

"Saving is all his idea, and all his work. All we do is trust him enough to let him do it. It's God's gift from start to finish!" (Ephesians 2:8)