

THE FINISHED WORK OF THE CROSS OF JESUS

At the cross, Jesus finished the most crucial prerequisite task of defeating sin and Satan by His one act of sinless death. The Bible outlines more work that Jesus will finish in the future. Today Jesus is saving cooperating believers from bondage to sin. Jesus is making “new creation believers” holy and blameless through sanctification and glorification. Jesus will judge the nations, will judge all things in heaven and earth, and will make a new heaven and new earth where He will dwell with man eternally.

In Jesus, the result of one act of righteousness (sinless death) was justification that brings life for all men who will cooperate with Holy Spirit conviction. Romans 5:18b

God is justified in giving eternal life to the believer, first, because Jesus became the sin offering and the mercy seat whereby sin and Satan are condemned and defeated for humanity. God justifies those who have faith in the resurrection life of Jesus infused into their very being. Second, God is justified in giving eternal life to the believer because He makes the believer a “new creation” transforming him through sanctification and bringing the believer into total sinlessness and total righteousness through glorification. This righteousness from God comes through faith in Jesus Christ to all who believe.

Believers are justified freely by His grace through the redemption that came by Christ Jesus.

Romans 3:26

Having disarmed the principalities and powers, Jesus was triumphant over them by the cross.

Colossians 2:15

God sent Jesus to be a sin offering, and so God condemned sin to extinction. Romans 8:3b

Behold, the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. John 1:29

Having received reconciliation by faith in Jesus, we are saved by His resurrection life in us. Rom. 5:10b

Therefore, as through one man’s offense judgment came to all men, resulting in condemnation, even so through one Man’s righteous act the free gift came to all men, resulting in justification of life.

Romans 5:18

Through obedience of the one Man, Jesus, the many who receive Him will be made righteous.

Romans 5:19b