

Things that are “Finished” because of the Cross.

- Finished are the sacrifices for sin that could only cover sin and that imperfectly, but could never take sin away or clean our conscience. (Hebrews 9:14, 28)
- Finished are the religious observances to try and gain the favour of God and finished are the rules that could never make one perfect before Him. (Galatians 3:10-14).
- Finished is the just wrath of God against sin for all those who did, do and will believe in Jesus. (Romans 3:25, 5:9, 1 John 4:10 See especially the New American Standard Bible)
- Finished is the hereditary slavery to sin for those sons and daughters of Adam who were by their very nature objects of wrath, but who are now children of God (Romans 5:12-21, 8:15).
- Finished is the hopeless futility of creation and finished is the curse that was Adam’s reward for rebellion (Romans 8:18-25).
- Finished is the prideful boasting of Satan who in the Cross of Jesus was put to shame as he was humbled, defeated and deposed (Colossians 2:13-15).
- Finished is sin’s reign in the Children of God (Romans 6:8-19)
- Finished is every religious system that tries, every boast that elevates and shames, and every power that thinks it to be God’s equal both in the spiritual and physical realms (1 Corinthians 1:18-31, Romans 3:27 and there are so many more passages.).

Personal things that we should “Finish” because of the Cross.

- Finished is our rebellion toward God because we have lived our life with Jesus only as Lord of what we want Him to be.
- Finished is our dabbling in the shallows of God’s salvation for us.
- Finished is our winking at sin and finished are our petty disputes with one another
- Finished is our holier than thou attitudes that see other people as less than ourselves.
- Finished is our pretence before God and finished is our hiding in shame before Him.
- Finished is our fear of Him and what He might be asking of us in following Jesus.
- Finished is our hypocrisy as we accept grace for ourselves and condemn others by a law we could never uphold
- Finished are our efforts to earn what Jesus has paid to give us and
- Finished is our pride in our own self-righteousness and refusal of His grace