Words From the Cross pt 7

John 19:30 When Jesus had received the sour wine, he said, "It is finished," and he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.

Saying, "I thirst" and being given vinegar wine to drink was the final action required to deliver God's message of Psalm 69 and His vengeance to come. Saying "Into Thy hands, I commit My Spirit" were the final words to deliver God's message in Psalm 31 and HIs deliverance of the afflicted. Jesus is then recorded as saying one last word: <u>Tetelestai</u>: "It is finished"

Mar 15:37 And Jesus uttered a loud cry, and breathed His last. Mark says that Jesus shouted this word loudly.

In Greek, this was the word written on accounts that meant "Paid in Full"

It means no further actions are necessary. All that was needed is completed and finished. Compare the idea to this:

<u>Gen 2:2</u> By the seventh day God completed His work which He had done, and He rested on the seventh day from all His work which He had done.

Six days and Scripture says "It is finished" and God may rest and see that the perfect man & bride (one body) are in paradise. Six hours and Scripture says: "it is finished" and God may rest and see the perfect Man & Bride (one Body) are in paradise Six sayings upon the cross reveal the things which are finished that RETURNS the Perfect Man & Bride to paradise.

- 1. FORGIVENESS Luke 23:34 Sin is finished with God's payment in full that allows perfect forgiveness.
 <u>Romans 8:1</u> Therefore there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. 2 For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and of death. (from the garden=you sin, you die!)
- 2. PARADISE Luke 23:43. God's curse upon man and earth is finished and the way back into paradise is open to all Luke 23:43 And he said to him, "Truly, I say to you today you will be with me in paradise". (the curse that drove man from the garden was based on the law of sin and death; no law = NO CURSE)
- 3. A NEW MOTHER John 19:23. Death is finished with a new Bride, a new Eve, Mother of all living never to die.

 Revelation 2:7...To him who overcomes, I will grant to eat of the tree of life which is in the Paradise of God.' (Those born of the new Bride have access to the Tree of Life in paradise which allows them to live forever.)
- 4. GOD'S PROPHECY- Matthew 27:46 Mark 15:34 Prophecy is finished perfectly, proving God is God above all.

 Isaiah 46:10 Declaring the end from the beginning, And from ancient times things which have not been done, Saying, 'My purpose will be established, And I will accomplish all My good pleasure' (Trust what God promises this time)
- 5. GOD'S VENGEANCE John 19:28 God's Cup of Wrath is full and finished no more chances, vengeance is coming.

 Luke 21:20 "But when you see Jerusalem surrounded by armies, then recognize that her desolation is near. 21 "Then those who are in Judea must flee to the mountains, and those who are in the midst of the city must leave, and those who are in the country must not enter the city; 22 because these are days of vengeance, so that all things which are written will be fulfilled. (The LAW and Jerusalem are cast out of this New Paradise into death and destruction)
- 6. GODS SALVATION Luke 23:46 God's New Creation (New Adam, New Bride, New Heaven, New Earth) is finished.

<u>1 Cor. 15:5</u> So also it is written, "The first MAN, Adam, BECAME A LIVING SOUL." The <u>last Adam</u> became a lifegiving spirit. The Covenant between this last Adam and His New Eve enables us to be born again of water and Spirit.

7. ALL IS FINISHED! All things are made new in CHrist.

ALL EFFORT to reach God by works of the Law IS FINISHED! righteousness through Law = Christ died needlessly.

ALL SACRIFICE trying to atone for sin is FINISHED! Your living Body given to God's Word & Will alone is worship

ALL PLACES THOUGHT OF AS HOLY AND SACRED ARE FINISHED! Your body is the new temple of God.

ALL RACES, TRIBES, bloodlines, genders thought of as better & chosen are FINISHED! All are one in Christ.

All our FEAR, all our DOUBT, all our EFFORTS, everything in the LAW & TRADITION that defeated us is FINISHED!

All power that the devil had over us is FINISHED. Resist him and he will flee.

All possibility of being cast out of paradise is FINISHED! We have to turn and walk out voluntarily.

After He said it is finished, He bowed His head and surrendered His Spirit. And He was finished with the cross and suffering.

In the same way, when we bow our head and surrender and: Learn to forgive completely - Refuse to judge others - Hold to God's every Word - Trust in God's every promise - and Love our neighbor as Christ loves us; our suffering is finished.

If we continue to refuse to forgive anyone, to accuse and condemn others, to set aside God's instructions to follow my own will, to trust in our own understanding and do it my way, and to love ourselves to please "me" above the feelings of others; our suffering will not be over. We have not bowed our head in humility. We have not surrendered ourselves.

Which will you choose?