

It Is Finished

Jesus Finished...

- His work, Jn. 17:4
- His life, Jn. 19:30
- Fulfilled Scripture (28)
- Paid debt for our sins
- Nailed law of Moses to cross (Col. 2:14)

“You mean God changed?”

- God always showed grace. Gn.6:8
- God always demanded obedience. Gn.6:22
- God’s new law differs from old. Hb.8:13

God never required Noah’s grandchildren to build an ark...nor us

Vanderpool: 'One plan through all ages'

- Mt.13:...17; Ep.3:5; 1 Pt.1:10-12
- Noah, David...were not baptized
 - Neither did they believe in a resurrected Christ
 - Three dispensations –
P. _____ ^ Mo. _____ +...Gospel _____
Ac.7:8-9 Ex.20-24; Co.2:14 Ac.2:16-17

Mt.5:17-19, Lord's plans

- Opposing Pharisees, He would be accused of destroying their law
- **He came to fulfill, not destroy**
- The law was NOT in a constant state of change in His life
 - Nothing would pass *till all fulfilled*
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- Ga.4:4

Hebrews 9:17

Can't make old law contradict new:

- a. **Animal sacrifices** (Hb.10:1-4)
- b. **Sabbath**, Ex.20:8; ct. Ac.20:7;
1 Co.16:1-2. Contradiction?
- c. **Salvation**: some mix blood of Christ with
animals (to reject baptism)

I. Examples That “Explain Away” Baptism

Mark 2:1-5, forgiven “by faith, not baptism”

Why not: “by faith, not repentance”??

Must we do exactly what this man did to be saved? How would we?

This was said to **one** person, **before** the cross

– How could it explain away baptism for all men now (Mk.16)?

When was the man blessed?

Not until his faith acted

- “For the proper response to the gospel is faith, indeed faith alone. Yet a true and living faith in Jesus Christ both includes within itself an element of submission . . . especially because its object is ‘Jesus Christ our Lord’ . . . and leads inevitably into a lifetime of obedience” –John R. Stott

Luke 7:50, “faith, not baptism”

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On what side of the cross did this occur?

This was not “faith alone,” but a living, active faith

Luke 23:39-43, “no baptism mentioned”

Why not, “thief was saved; no repentance was mentioned??

Is this our plan today?

Hb.9:17, on what side of the cross?

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II. Examples That Are Not Used

Mt.19:16-21

- **Requirement:** sell all, give it to the poor, and follow Jesus
- **Reward:** eternal life
- **Reaction:** no can do
- **Rejection:** How many preach this as our standard today?

As binding as other examples before the cross

Lk.19:1-10

- **Repentance:** he would give half his good to the poor, and repay fourfold...
- **Reward:** saved (v.9)
- **Rejection:** How many adopt this plan?

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II. Examples That Are Not Used

III. Baptism Is A
New Covenant Command

Mk.16:15-16

- After the cross
- After His resurrection
- For all men
- For salvation

Lk.24:44-47

Beginning at Jerusalem

Ac.11:...15, the beginning

Ac.1:4-5...

Right time

Right place

Hb.7:11

Do not expect new covenant requirements to match old covenant

New covenant – Ac.2:37-38

Nothing that happened before this time, in another place, can change these facts

Income tax – 1913

- In Acts 2: no example of someone saying...
 1. I want to be saved like the thief...
 2. You must be saved like the thief...

Hb.7:11

Jn.17:4, Jesus finished His work

Ac.20:24, finish my race with joy

2 Tim.4:7, I have finished the race