

## The Accomplishments of the Cross

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"For Christ did not send me to baptize, but to preach the gospel, not with wisdom of words, lest the **cross of Christ should be made of no effect**. For 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. For it is written:

*"I will destroy the wisdom of the wise,  
And bring to nothing the understanding of the prudent."*

Where is the wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the disputer of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of this world?

† **The cross demonstrates the love of God for us...for me.**

**John 3:16**—For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son

**Ephesians 5:2**—And walk in love, as Christ also has loved us and given Himself for us an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweet-smelling aroma.

**Romans 5:8**—But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

**Galatians 2:20**—I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, **who loved me and gave Himself for me.**

**1 John 4:10**—In this is love, not that we loved God, but that **He loved us and sent His Son to be the propitiation for our sins.**

**Ephesians 5:25**—Husbands love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself for her,

† **Through the cross we are crucified to the world, and the world is crucified to us.**

**Galatians 6:14**—But God forbid that I should boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world.

† **His cross removed the wall of separation between Jews and Gentiles and man and God.**

**Ephesians 2: 14-18** For He Himself is our peace, who has made both (*Jew and Gentile*) one, and has broken down the middle wall of separation, 15 having abolished in His flesh the enmity, that is, the law of commandments contained in ordinances, so as to create in Himself one new man from the two, thus making peace, 16 and that He might reconcile them both to God in one body through the cross, thereby putting to death the enmity. 17 And He came and preached peace to you who were afar off and to those who were near. 18 **For through Him we both have access by one Spirit to the Father.**

† **Because Jesus submitted to the cross, He has been given a name above every name.**

**Phil. 2:8-11**—And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient to the point of death, even the death of the cross. 9 Therefore God also has highly exalted Him and given Him the name which is above every name, 10 that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of those in heaven, and of those on earth, and of those under the earth, 11 and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

† **Through the cross of Christ we who were once separated from God and were His enemies are reconciled to God, brought near to God, we have peace with God, and boldness to enter the presence of God (the Holiest)**

**Colossians 1:19-22**—For it pleased the Father that in Him all the fullness should dwell, 20 and by Him to reconcile all things to Himself, by Him, whether things on earth or things in heaven, having made peace through the blood of His cross. 21 And you, who once were alienated and enemies in your mind by wicked works, yet now He has reconciled 22 in the body of His flesh through death, to present you holy, and blameless, and above reproach in His sight—

**Ephesians 2:13**—But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off **have been brought near** by the blood of Christ,

**Hebrews 10:19**—Therefore brethren, **having boldness to enter the Holiest** by the blood of Jesus . . .

**1 Peter 3:18**—For Christ also suffered once for sins, the just for the unjust, that **He might bring us to God**, being put to death in the flesh but made alive by the Spirit,

**Romans 5:10**—For if when we were enemies we were **reconciled to God through the death of His Son**, much more, having been reconciled, we shall be saved by His life.

**Colossians 1:21-22**—And you, who once were alienated and enemies in your mind by wicked works, **yet now He has reconciled in the body of His flesh through death**, to present you holy, and blameless, and above reproach in His sight.

**1 Peter 3:18**—For Christ also suffered once for sins, the just for the unjust, that **He might bring us to God**, being put to death in the flesh but made alive by the Spirit.

† **Gentile believers never were under the law, but He has set all believers free from the requirements of the law and the curse of not obeying the law. The Old Covenant is no longer in effect, and the New Covenant has been established.**

**Colossians 1:13-14**—And you, being dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, He has **made alive together with Him, having forgiven you all trespasses**, 14 having **wiped out the handwriting of requirements that was against us**, which was contrary to us. And He has taken it out of the way, having **nailed it to the cross**.

**Galatians 3:13**—Christ has **redeemed us from the curse of the law**, having become a curse for us (for it is written, "Cursed is everyone who hangs on a tree")

**Matthew 26:28**—For this is **My blood of the new covenant**, which is shed for many for the remission of sins.

**Hebrews 13:20**—Now may the God of peace who brought up our Lord Jesus from the dead, that great Shepherd of the sheep, through **the blood of the everlasting covenant**,

† **Through His cross we have been set free from sin and forgiven of all trespasses. We now have a clear conscience, are continually cleansed from sin because He bore our sins on the cross.**

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**Colossians 1:13**—And you, being dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, He has made alive together with Him, **having forgiven you all trespasses**,

**Colossians 1:14**—in whom we have redemption through His blood, **the forgiveness of sins**

**Ephesians 1:7**—In Him we have redemption through His blood, **the forgiveness of sins**, according to the riches of His grace.

**1 John 1:7**—But if we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and **the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin**.

**Revelation 1:5**—and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn from the dead, and the ruler over the kings of the earth. To Him who loved us and **washed us from our sins in His own blood**,

**Hebrews 7:27**—who does not need daily, as those high priests, to offer up sacrifices, first for His own sins and then for the people's, for this He did **once for all when He offered up Himself**.

**Hebrews 9:26**—He then would have had to suffer often since the foundation of the world, but now, once at the end of the ages, **He has appeared to put away sin by the sacrifice of Himself**.

**Hebrews 10:11-12**—And every priest stands ministering daily and offering repeatedly the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins. But this Man, after He had **offered one sacrifice for**

sins forever, sat down at the right hand of God,

**1 Peter 2:24**—Who Himself bore our sins in His own body on the tree, that we, having died to sins, might live for righteousness—

**1 Peter 3:18**—For Christ also suffered once for sins, the just for the unjust, that He might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh but made alive by the Spirit,

**Romans 6:1, 6**—Or do you not know that as many of us as were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death? 6 knowing this, that our old man was crucified with Him, that the body of sin might be done away with, that we should no longer be slaves of sin.

✠ **We have been given eternal life and an eternal inheritance.**

**John 6:54**—Whoever eats My flesh and drinks My blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up at the last day.

**Hebrews 9:15**—And for this reason He is the Mediator of the new covenant, by means of death, for the redemption of the transgressions under the first covenant, that those who are called may receive the promise of the eternal inheritance.

✠ **With His blood, we have been purchased/redeemed by God.**

**Acts 20:28**—Therefore take heed to yourselves and to all the flock, among which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to shepherd the church of God which He purchased with His own blood.

**Ephesians 1:7**—In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of His grace.

**Colossians 1:14**—in whom we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins

**Hebrews 9:12**—Not with the blood of goats and calves, but with His own blood He entered the Most Holy Place once for all, having obtained eternal redemption.

**1 Peter 1:18-19**—Knowing that you were not redeemed with corruptible things, like silver or gold, from your aimless conduct received by tradition from your fathers, 19 but with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot.

**Revelation 5:9**—And they sang a new song, saying: "You are worth to take the scroll, And to open its seals, For You were slain, And have redeemed us to God by Your blood out of every tribe and tongue and people and nation,

**1 Corinthians 1:30**—But of Him you are in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God—and righteousness and sanctification and redemption—

**Titus 2:14**—Who gave Himself for us, that He might redeem us from every lawless deed and purify for Himself His own special people, zealous for good works.

✠ **By His Cross, we have been made, holy, blameless, are beyond reproach, justified, sanctified, made righteous, have a clean conscience, and have newness of life.**

**Galatians 2:21**—I do not set aside the grace of God; for if righteousness comes through the law, then Christ died in vain.

**Colossians 1:21**—And you, who once were alienated and enemies in your mind by wicked works, yet now He has reconciled 22 in the body of His flesh through death, to present you holy, and blameless, and above reproach in His sight—

**Romans 3:24**—being justified freely by His grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus,

**Romans 5:9**—Much more then, having now been justified by His blood, we shall be saved from wrath through Him.

**2 Corinthians 5:21**—He made Him who knew no sin to be sin for us, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him.

**Hebrews 13:12**—Therefore Jesus also, that He might sanctify the people with His own blood, suffered outside the gate.

**Hebrews 9:14**—How much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered

Himself without spot to God, **cleanse your conscience from dead works to serve the living God?**  
**1 Corinthians 1:30**—But of Him you are in Christ Jesus, who became for us **wisdom from God**—  
and **righteousness and sanctification and redemption**—

**Titus 2:14**—Who gave Himself for us, that He might redeem us from every lawless deed and  
**purify** for Himself His own **special people, zealous for good works.**

**2 Corinthians 5:17**—Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a **new creation**; old things have passed  
away; behold, **all things have become new.**

✠ **Satan was destroyed, the power of death in our lives was destroyed, fear was destroyed, bondage due to the fear of death was destroyed, we overcome, and we are delivered from this present age by the work of the cross.**

**Romans 5:17**—For if by the one man's (*Adam's*) offense death reigned through the one, much more those who receive abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness **will reign in life** through the One, Jesus Christ.

**Hebrews 2:14-15**—Inasmuch then as the children have partaken of flesh and blood, He Himself likewise shared in the same, that through death He might **destroy him who had the power of death**, that is, the devil, and release those who through fear of death were all their lifetime subject to bondage.

**Revelation 12:11**—And **they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb** and by the word of their testimony, and they did not love their lives to the death.

**Galatians 1:4**—Who gave Himself for our sins, that He might **deliver us from this present evil age**, according to the will of our God and Father,

**Colossians 1:15**—Having **disarmed principalities and powers**, He made a public spectacle of them, **triumphing over them** in it (*the cross*).

✠ **By Jesus' suffering and his wounds we are healed. He purchased it for us. It is ours.**

**1 Peter 2:24**—Who Himself bore our sins in His own body on the tree, that we, having died to sins, might live for righteousness—**by whose stripes you were healed.**

✠ **JESUS' HORRIBLE SACRIFICE MERITS OUR MOST SINCERE RESPONSE. WHATEVER HE PURCHASED, WE SHOULD POSSESS. HE IS WORTHY OF THIS. WE MUST NEVER DOWNPLAY WHAT HE HAS ACCOMPLISHED FOR US BY LIVING BELOW WHAT HE HAS PROVIDED FOR US.** If He says we are holy, sanctified, righteous or new creations then we are. If He says we are forgiven for all sin, then we are forgiven. If He says we are redeemed from the curse of the law, then we are redeemed from the curse of the law. If He says that by His wounds we are healed, then by His wounds we are healed. If He says we have access to the Holiest place, let us enter. We need to treasure and receive all that for which He has paid such a dear price.

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