

SUMMER 2018

TIDINGS

CHRIST'S SANCTIFIED HOLY CHURCH



Christ has finished the work.

"When Jesus therefore had received the vinegar, he said, It is finished: and he bowed his head, and gave up the ghost." St. John 19:30

"For he will finish the work, and cut it short in righteousness: because a short work will the Lord make upon the earth." Romans 9:28

"I know that, whatsoever God doeth, it shall be for ever: nothing can be put to it, nor any thing taken from it.." Ecclesiastes 3:14

Having just come through the celebration of Easter, marking our Lord Jesus's death and resurrection, the Lord has been turning my thoughts to what His true purpose was for His life here on earth among humankind. These three verses of Scripture speak powerfully and concisely concerning the works of God generally, most powerfully fulfilled by His Son's time as an incarnated man walking amongst people just like you and me.

In human terms, it was definitely a short work. He only lived on the earth for 33 years; and only three years of that was in public ministry. One fateful and busy week prior to his death of preparations for his self-sacrifice. One day of crucifixion; three days later the resurrection. In the long history of humankind, it is but a small span of time. A short work indeed, but one that wrought what mankind had been unable to achieve in its thousands of years of history, whether through philosophy, reflection, religion, etc. - unable to achieve even through the Old Covenant God made with the nation of Israel - true righteousness. But Christ in His short work did.

I think people often miss this most important of points; they are dissatisfied with Christ finishing the work and stopping it at "righteousness". They long for God to "finish" and put an end to all battles and conflicts, destroy the "enemies" of God, and such other "apocalyptic" desires. But as Christ said, "It is finished".

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"But now being made free from sin, and become servants to God, ye have your fruit unto holiness, and the end everlasting life.

For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord"

ROMANS 6:22-23

UPCOMING

- 7/14 - 7/21: Annual Camp Meeting Services

- 7/16 - 7/20: Campmeeting Bible School - learn more and register at www.cshc.org

- 9/1 - 9/2: Jemison, AL Feastmeeting Services

- 9/8 - 9/9: Omar, DE Feastmeeting Services

- 9/15 - 9/16 Leesburg, GA Feastmeeting Services

"Stand fast therefore in the liberty wherewith Christ hath made us free, and be not entangled again with the yoke of bondage"

- GALATIANS 5:1

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Christ's work was to bring about righteousness, so surely the fact that He didn't do any of these other works is telling us something about how God views as His most important work to accomplish on the earth.

I wholeheartedly believe that what He is saying is that mankind's most desperate and pressing need is for entire righteousness. After all, if entire righteousness were truly brought to the hearts and minds of men, they would stop the atrocities of war, the oppression of their fellow humans, and would worship the true King of the Universe.

How do we partake of this finished work of full righteousness?

Prior to Christ, one of the Old Testament prophets said, "And I will cleanse them from all their iniquity, whereby they have sinned against me, and I will pardon all their iniquities, whereby they have sinned, and whereby they have transgressed against me" (Jeremiah 33:8). Christ fulfilled both parts of this prayer from Jeremiah; note how his Old Testament prayer correlates almost exactly to a New Testament fulfillment in I John 1:9: "If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, AND to cleanse us from all unrighteousness" (emphasis added). First, His death pays the price for our actual sins we have committed, which is usually referred to as forgiveness. Secondly, we are cleansed from the power of iniquity, the sinful human nature, so that the power of sin over our lives is vanquished and we can live righteously, which is usually referred to in the Scriptures as sanctification.

Christ's finished work of entire righteousness is absolutely perfect and freely available to all humankind. As we move through Easter 2018 and beyond, it just makes me feel like saying, "Thanks be unto God for his unspeakable gift". And I want to tell as many others as I can about it. May you have a blessed 2018.

- Bro. Riah Collier

CAMPMEETING CLOTHES

Do you remember when Campmeeting came in August, and we would go to the sales in July and buy clothes to wear for that? Well, the sales come earlier now and so does Campmeeting. I have been taking advantage of some really good sales in May.

While shopping in Belk recently, I was headed to the dressing room with an armload of clothes humming and singing, "I'll tell you the best thing I ever did do, I took off the old robe and put on the new." Suddenly it hit me, wouldn't it be foolish of me to bring these clothes back and proceed to put them on over the clothes I was presently wearing? Nothing would fit, and it would be grossly uncomfortable. What do you know, a sermon was born. Ephesians 4:21-31 tells us if you are taught of the truth in Jesus, "That ye put off concerning the former conversation the old man, which is corrupt according to the deceitful lusts; And be renewed in the spirit of your mind; And that ye put on the new man which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness."

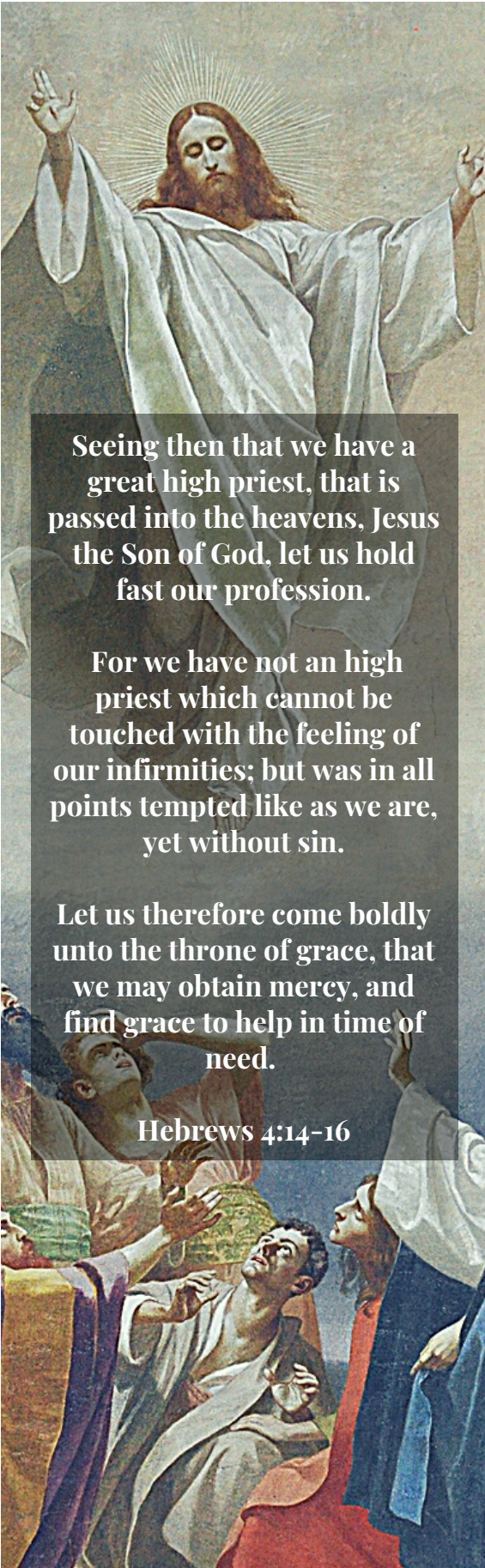
We sing, "Lay aside those garments that are stained with sin, and be washed in the blood of the Lamb," but many people refuse to take off the old garment and insist on trying to put the new garment on over the old one, and it just won't work.

Isaiah 61:10 "I will greatly rejoice in the Lord, my soul shall be joyful in my God; for he hath clothed me with the garments of salvation, he hath covered me with the robe of righteousness."

I'm going to Campmeeting all decked out in my robe of righteousness and with the garments of salvation, and I'll be dressed just fine.

- Sis. Peggy Hagan





FROM THE ARCHIVES:

- The following is taken from "The Origin and Doctrine of Christ's Sanctified Holy Church", by George Miller

Without Sanctification no person can be saved. Without the sanctifying power we will, by nature, start back to sinning, so it is absolutely necessary to have these works of grace in order that we may be placed back into the Grace of God.

We would like to say that John the Baptist stands for remission of the sins that we commit, which is the first work of grace. The baptism of the Holy Ghost was the long awaited promise of the Father, the Comforter which was to abide with us forever, and this is the second work of grace - the redeeming power and everlasting life or SANCTIFICATION.

In Acts 2:14-18 we read, "But Peter, standing up with the eleven, lifted up his voice, and said unto them, Ye men of Judaea, and all ye that dwell at Jerusalem, be this known unto you, and hearken to my words: For these are not drunken, as ye suppose, seeing it is but the third hour of the day. But this is that which was spoken by the prophet Joel; And it shall come to pass in the last days, saith God, I will pour out of my Spirit upon all flesh: and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams: And on my servants and on my handmaidens I will pour out in those days of my Spirit; and they shall prophesy."

Then the 38th verse of that same chapter says, "Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost."

Here is another clear indication of the two works of grace. When we repent and believe in the name of Jesus Christ, we will receive forgiveness of our sins and then - and only then - can we receive the gift of the Holy Ghost which is Sanctification.

And so it is my friends, if you will give your heart to Christ He will come in and take up His abode in your life and live for you the sweetest life you have ever known. We know of nothing that gives such a thrill as serving Jesus. We recommend to those in bondage who want to be free...Seek Christ for the sanctifying power. It will break the bonds of sin and set you free.

- Bro. George Miller

PARTING THOUGHT:

We don't serve God cafeteria style - I'll take a little of this, a little of that... No, we serve God family style; whatever He puts on the table, take it!

If you want strength, take it family style. Eat all of it!

- Bro. Don Robuck, from Bible Study 6/1/18 in Wilmington, NC

Seeing then that we have a great high priest, that is passed into the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our profession.

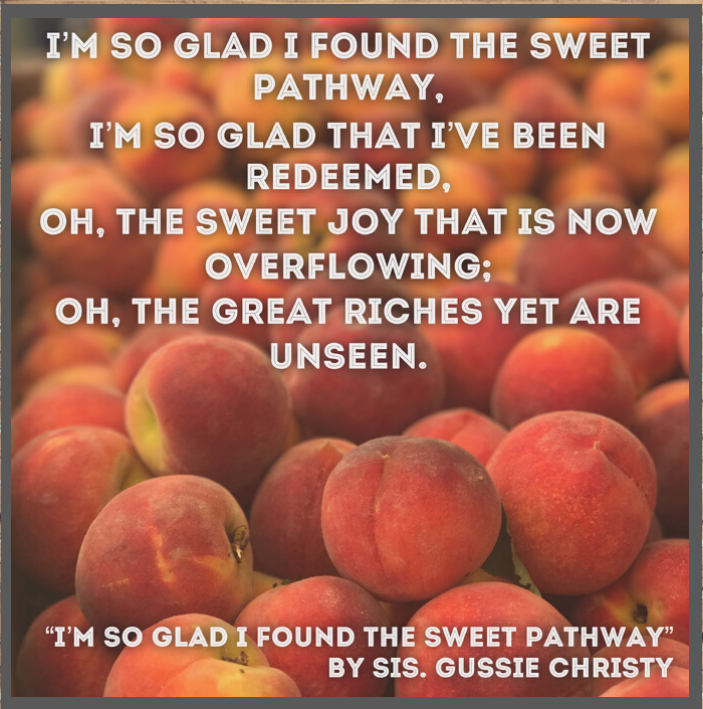
For we have not an high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin.

Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need.

Hebrews 4:14-16

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PSALM 107; 1-3