

The Wednesday Word, April 7, 2021: It Is Finished: Part 2

Here's some good news about Christ's Finished Work ... all that Christ did in that work, He did as our substitute. If we believe this, we will be transformed.

He was born for us.

*"For **unto us** a child is born, **unto us** a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counselor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace. Isaiah 9:6*

The eternal God entered into time and history in the person of the Lord Jesus. **Unto us** a child is born. Wonder of wonders, the Creator became a creature. What immense humility!

He humbled Himself, yet the world scorned Him.

He humbled Himself, but they called Him Beelzebub,

He humbled Himself, but they called Him a bastard----an illegitimate child.

He humbled Himself, but they said He was just "the carpenter's son."

At His trial one man could only refer to Him as "this fellow." (Matthew 26:61). What an insult!

He was born for us, but more than that,

He Lived For Us!

Paul says----"*For ye know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that, though he was rich, yet for your sakes He became poor, that ye through His poverty might be rich.*" 2 Corinthians 8:9.

He came into this world as an infant, and there was no place in the inn for Him to lay.

He walked the earth, and at times here was no place for Him to sleep.

He died, and they had to borrow a place to lay His body.

When He took our place, He had nothing.

But, while He lived here on earth, He was wholly set apart for us (John 17:19).

He was made a curse for us.

"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" (Galatians 3:13).

Not only was He cursed for us, but He was also bruised for us.

He died for us and was buried and rose again for us.

"But He was wounded for our transgressions. He was bruised for our iniquities. The chastisement of our peace was upon Him, And by His stripes we are healed." Isaiah 53:5. It is Finished!

Some of us have become immune to hearing about Him, and how He came here and went to the cross. We tire of hearing that He was wounded for us. WARNING! If you become immune to the gospel you will be a useless in the service of our Lord and King.

Well did the Hymnwriter say,

“Lest I forget Gethsemane,
Lest I forget thine agony,
Lest I forget thy love for me,
Lead me to Calvary.”

He was born for us, He lived for us, He died for us and He arose and ascended to heaven for us (Romans 4:25; John 14:2). And right this moment He is living for us and making intercession for us (Hebrews 7:25). And when He finally comes again, He'll come back for us (John 14:3).

His redemptive work is all finished! His ongoing intercession for us at this very moment is based on His finished accomplished work. His returning is to consummate and crown with glory all that He accomplished in His doing and dying and rising again! It is Finished!

Everything Jesus intended to do He accomplished! It is Finished!

If we want to build strong Christian lives, we must lay the foundations broad and deep. The deepest and strongest foundation for us is the Person and Finished Work of the Lord Christ (1 Corinthians 15:11)! If we want to be effective in the gospel, then we should learn the gospel! Learn that it is finished. Learn that all that is necessary for our salvation has been completed and accomplished! Learn that His work was a complete and total success.

And that's the Gospel Truth!