

The Radical Cross – Part 7 “It Is Finished”

As for me, God forbid that I should boast about anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ. Because of that cross, my interest in all the attractive things of the world was killed long ago, and the world's interest in me is also long dead.

Galatians 6:14 (TLB)

- **The Cross is the declaration of Jesus' victory, our Champion is finished!**

They offered him wine drugged with myrrh, but he refused it.

Mark 15:23 (NLT)

*Later, knowing that everything had now been finished, and so that Scripture would be fulfilled, Jesus said, **I am thirsty.**” A jar of wine vinegar was there, so they soaked a sponge in it, **put the sponge on a stalk of the hyssop plant, and lifted it to Jesus' lips. When he had received the drink, Jesus said, It is finished.**” With that, he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.*

John 19:28-30 (NIV)

*I offered my back to those who beat me and my cheeks to those who pulled out my beard. I did not hide my face from mockery and spitting. Because the Sovereign Lord helps me, I will not be disgraced. **Therefore, I have set my face like a stone, determined to do his will.** And I know that I will not be put to shame.*

Isaiah 50:6-7 (NLT)

Jesus Drinks For Two Reasons:

First:

- **He drinks because what follows completely fulfills Scripture.**

*It is not right for you to be proud! You know the saying, “A little bit of yeast makes the whole batch of dough rise.” **You must remove the old yeast of sin so that you will be entirely pure. Then you will be like a new batch of dough without any yeast, as indeed I know you actually are. For our Passover Festival is ready, now that Christ, our Passover lamb, has been sacrificed. Let us celebrate our Passover, then, not with bread having the old yeast of sin and wickedness, but with the bread that has no yeast, the bread of purity and truth.***

1 Corinthians 5:6-8 (GNT)

- **Jesus shows that He has taken the sin of the world upon Himself.**

*The animal you select must be a one-year-old male, either a sheep or a goat, **with no defects.***

Exodus 12:5 (NLT)

*That same night they must roast the meat over a fire and eat it along with bitter salad greens and **bread made without yeast.***

Exodus 12:8 (NLT)

*Take a **bunch of hyssop and dip it in the blood** that is in the basin, and **touch the lintel and the two doorposts with the blood** that is in the basin. **None of you shall go out of the door of his house until the morning.***

Exodus 12:22 (ESV)

Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

Psalms 51:7 (ESV)

Secondly:

- **Jesus drinks to make a proclamation that everyone could hear.**

*And I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your seed and her **Seed; He shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise His heel.**”*

Genesis 3:15 (NKJV)

- **The law could not save us but the Seed of Abraham will save us.**

*The promises were spoken to Abraham and to **his seed.** Scripture does not say “and to seeds,” meaning many people, but “**and to your seed,**” meaning one person, who is Christ.*

Galatians 3:16 (NIV)

*Why, then, was the law given at all? **It was added because of transgressions until the Seed to whom the promise referred had come.***

Galatians 3:19a (NIV)

- **Everything that I could not do no matter how hard I tried He nails it to the cross.**

*He canceled the record of the charges against us and took it away by **nailing it to the cross.** In this way, he disarmed the spiritual rulers and authorities. He shamed them publicly by his victory over them on the cross.*

Colossians 2:14-15 (NLT)

*Posterity will serve Him; They will tell of the Lord to the next generation. **They will come and declare His righteousness to a people yet to be born—that He has done it [and that it is finished].***

Psalms 22:30-31 (AMP)