

2 Things Jesus Accomplished on the Cross
(John 19:16-18)

Introduction:

1. After Jesus went through 5 trials, Pilate delivered Him to the Jews.
2. Jesus was taken to Golgotha where He was crucified between 2 thieves.
3. After being on the cross about 6 hours Jesus died.
4. As John continued He wrote about the Lord's death in vs.28-30.
5. Please note in vs.28 that Jesus knew that "*all things*" had been accomplished.
6. In our lesson we are concentrating on "2 things Jesus accomplished on the cross."

Discussion:

- I. FIRST, JESUS ACCOMPLISHED FULFILLING THE LAW ON THE CROSS
 - A. In Matthew 5:17-18 Jesus said that He came to fulfill the law and the prophets.
 - B. When Jesus died He fulfilled the Law of Moses and the writings of the prophets, and He took them away.
 1. See Galatians 3:23-29
 - a. (vs.23-24) The law was designed to bring us unto Christ [the law is compared to a schoolmaster].
 - b. (vs.25) Now that Christ has established His faith we are no longer under the law.
 - c. We learn from vs.26-29 how we become God's children today.
 2. See Ephesians 2:13-16
 - a. These verses also teach that Christ abolished the law when He died.
 - b. By doing so, He made it possible for Jews and Gentiles to be reconciled to God and to each other in the one body, the church.
 3. See Colossians 2:14
 - a. Jesus blotted out the law and took it out of the way.
 - b. When He died He nailed the law to His cross.
 4. See Hebrews 8:6-7; 9:15-17
 - a. The Lord's covenant is much better than the old covenant.
 - b. When Jesus died, His New Testament went into effect.
 - C. One thing that Jesus accomplished on the cross was fulfilling the law and the prophets and taking them away.
 - D. Seeking justification from the law is a serious mistake (Galatians 5:4).
- II. SECOND, JESUS ACCOMPLISHED THE REMOVAL OF SINS ON THE CROSS
 - A. According to 1 Peter 2:24-25, Jesus bore our sins on the cross and made it possible for us to be righteous in God's sight.
 - B. The law did not provide the complete removal of sins (Hebrews 10:1-4).
 - C. The removal of sins is one of the great features of the new covenant that Jesus established (Hebrews 8:8-13; 10:9-10, 14-17).
 - D. Another thing that Jesus accomplished on the cross was the removal of sins.

Conclusion:

1. When Jesus died on the cross He knew that all things had been accomplished.
2. Let us especially appreciate the fact that Jesus accomplished:
 - a. fulfilling the law and establishing His new covenant
 - b. the removal of sins.