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Seven Last Words - Part 6
Victory
John 19:28-30

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.

5 Uses of "Tetelestai"

- **Servant: The task is completed!**
- **Judge: Justice has been served!**
- **Accountant: The debt has been paid in full!**
- **Artist: The picture is finished!**
- **Priest: The perfect offering has been given!**

What did Jesus "finish" on the cross?

1. **He fulfilled what God had _____ us!**
Luke 24:44-47 (NIV) He said to them, 'This is what I told you while I was still with you: everything must be fulfilled that is written about me in the Law of Moses, the Prophets and the Psalms.' Then he opened their minds so they could understand the Scriptures. He told them, 'This is what is written: the Messiah will suffer and rise from the dead on the third day, and repentance for the forgiveness of sins will be preached in his name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem.
2 Corinthians 1:20 (NLT) For all of God's promises have been fulfilled in Christ with a resounding "Yes!" And through Christ, our "Amen" (which means "Yes") ascends to God for his glory.

2. **He satisfied what God's _____ required!**
Romans 8:3-4 (NLT) The law of Moses was unable to save us because of the weakness of our sinful nature. So God did what the law could not do. He sent his own Son in a body like the bodies we sinners have. And in that body God declared an end to sin's control over us by giving his Son as a sacrifice for our sins. He did this so that the just requirement of the law would be fully satisfied for us, who no longer follow our sinful nature but instead follow the Spirit.
Hebrews 5:9 (GW) After he had finished his work, he became the source of eternal salvation for everyone who obeys him.

3. **He paid off the _____ I owed God.**
Colossians 2:14 (ICB) We owed a debt because we broke God's laws. That debt listed all the rules we failed to follow. But God forgave us that debt. He took away that debt and nailed it to the cross.
Colossians 1:14 (GW) His Son paid the price to free us, which means that our sins are forgiven.

4. **He defeated the _____ of death.**
Romans 5:17 (NLT) For the sin of this one man, Adam, caused death to rule over many. But even greater is God's wonderful grace and his gift of righteousness, for all who receive it will live in triumph over sin and death through this one man, Jesus Christ.
Hebrews 2:14-15 (NLT) Because God's children are human beings—made of flesh and blood—the Son also became flesh and blood. For only as a human being could he die, and only by dying could he break the power of the devil, who had the power of death. Only in this way could he set free all who have lived their lives as slaves to the fear of dying.

5. **He destroyed Satan's power to _____ me.**
1 John 4:4 (NIV) ...the one who is in you...

Through temptation

Colossians 1:13 (NCV) God has freed us from the power of darkness, and he brought us into the kingdom of his dear Son.

Through condemnation

Philippians 1:6 (NLT) And I am certain that God, who began the good work within you, will continue his work until it is finally finished on the day when Christ Jesus returns.