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How many of us have unfinished work  
or projects?

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Sagrada Familia, Barcelona Spain has been  
under construction for 144 years.

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Vernon Bryant | Dallas Morning News



Wade Park in Frisco was begun in 2014.

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Redesigned and reimaged project—The Mix, Wade Crossing

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*finishing*  
**ROOTED**  
TO GROW

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A title slide for a presentation. The background is a solid, dark green color. In the center, there is a white outline of a speech bubble with a red heart inside it. Radiating lines emanate from the speech bubble, creating a sunburst effect. Below the graphic, the text "THE LAST WORDS OF" is written in a small, white, sans-serif font, and "JESUS" is written in a larger, bold, gold-colored serif font. In the top left corner, there are small icons for a warning sign and a document. In the bottom left corner, the number "10" is displayed in white. In the bottom right corner, the text "Start Theme Slide" is written in white.

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<sup>28</sup>Later, knowing that everything had now been finished, and so that Scripture would be fulfilled, Jesus said, "I am thirsty."

<sup>29</sup>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.

John 19:28-30 (NIV)

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John 19:28-30 (NIV) 1 of 2

<sup>30</sup>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)

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John 19:28-30 (NIV) Last of 2

What did Jesus mean? "It is finished."

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"It is finished," was not a cry of defeat.  
It was a cry of completion!

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We often think of Good Friday as defeat and Easter Sunday as victory. But the gospels present Friday as victory and Sunday as vindication!

Joshua Butler

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Jesus: “I came to FINISH THE WORK my Father sent me to do.”

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<sup>34</sup>“My food,” said Jesus, “is to do the will of him who sent me and to finish his work.”

John 4:34 (NIV)

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John 4:34 (NIV)

The statement, “It is finished” is a single word in Greek.

Τετέλεσται

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What is completed? What is the "it?"

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THREE THINGS THAT JESUS FINISHED ON  
THE CROSS:

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1. His suffering was over.
2. Scripture was fulfilled.
3. The work that Jesus came to do was done.

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Three things that Jesus finished on the  
cross:

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1. His suffering was over.

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<sup>21</sup>From that time on Jesus began to explain to his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things at the hands of the elders, the chief priests and the teachers of the law, and that he must be killed and on the third day be raised to life.

Matthew 16:21-23 (NIV)

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Matthew 16:21-23 (NIV) 1 of 2

<sup>18</sup>For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, to bring you to God. He was put to death in the body but made alive in the Spirit.

1 Peter 3:18 (NIV)

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Three things that Jesus finished on the cross:

2. Scripture was fulfilled.

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<sup>28</sup>Later, knowing that everything had now been finished, and so that Scripture would be fulfilled, Jesus said, "I am thirsty."

John 19:28 (NIV)

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John 19:28 (NIV)

<sup>22</sup>And he said, “The Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests and the teachers of the law, and he must be killed and on the third day be raised to life.”

Luke 9:22 (NIV)

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Luke 9:22 (NIV)

<sup>20</sup>For all of God’s promises have been fulfilled in Christ with a resounding “Yes!”

2 Corinthians 1:20a (NLT)

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2 Corinthians 1:20 (NLT)



Three things that Jesus finished on the cross:

3. The work that Jesus came to do was done.

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<sup>34</sup>“My food,” said Jesus, “is to do the will of him who sent me and to finish his work.”

John 4:34 (NIV)

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<sup>4</sup>I have brought you glory on earth by finishing the work you gave me to do.

John 17:4 (NIV)

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John 17:4 (NIV)

What does “the finished work of Jesus” mean for me?

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THREE THINGS THAT JESUS FINISHED  
on the cross for me:

1. Jesus BORE MY SIN AND SHAME  
ON THE CROSS.

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<sup>24</sup>“He himself bore our sins” in his body on the cross, so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness; “by his wounds you have been healed.”

1 Peter 2:24 (NIV)

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1 Peter 2:24 (NIV)

<sup>1</sup>My dear children, I write this to you so that you will not sin. But if anybody does sin, we have an advocate with the Father—Jesus Christ, the Righteous One.

<sup>2</sup>He is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not only for ours but also for the sins of the whole world.

1 John 2:1-2 (NIV)

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1 John 2:1-2 (NIV)

<sup>9</sup>If you declare with your mouth, “Jesus is Lord,” and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.

<sup>10</sup>For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you profess your faith and are saved.

Romans 10:9-11 (NIV)

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Romans 10:9-11 (NIV) 1 of 2

<sup>11</sup>As Scripture says, “Anyone who believes in him will never be put to shame.”

Romans 10:9-11 (NIV)

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Romans 10:9-11 (NIV) Last of 2

THREE THINGS THAT JESUS FINISHED  
on the cross for me:

2. Jesus PAID MY PENALTY &  
CANCELED MY DEBT.

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<sup>15</sup>Christ died to set them free from the penalty of the sins they had committed under that first covenant.

Hebrews 9:15b (NLT)

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Hebrews 9:15 (NLT)



<sup>3</sup>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.

Romans 8:3-4 (NLT)

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Romans 8:3-4 (NLT) 1 of 2

<sup>4</sup>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.

Romans 8:3-4 (NLT)

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Romans 8:3-4 (NLT) Last of 2

<sup>14</sup>He canceled the record of the charges against us and took it away by nailing it to the cross.

Colossians 2:14 (NLT)

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Colossians 2:14 (NLT)

<sup>11</sup>Day after day every priest stands and performs his religious duties; again and again he offers the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins.

<sup>12</sup>But when this priest had offered for all time one sacrifice for sins, he sat down at the right hand of God,

Hebrews 10:11-14 (NIV)

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Hebrews 10:11-14 (NIV) 1 of 2

<sup>13</sup>And since that time he waits for his enemies to be made his footstool.

<sup>14</sup>For by one sacrifice he has made perfect forever those who are being made holy.

Hebrews 10:11-14 (NIV)

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Hebrews 10:11-14 (NIV) Last of 2

THREE THINGS THAT JESUS FINISHED  
on the cross for me:

3. Jesus OFFERS ME LIFE BOTH  
NOW AND FOR ETERNITY.

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<sup>16</sup>For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

John 3:16 (NIV)

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John 3:16 (NIV)

<sup>23</sup>For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life through Christ Jesus our Lord.

Romans 6:23 (NLT)

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Romans 6:23 (NLT)



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THE LAST WORDS OF  
JESUS

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