



## THE DECLARATION – GUARANTEED WITH BLOOD

**"IT IS  
FINISHED"**

Everything we do or say is a declaration. A statement says, "This I believe!" "This is important to me!" Whether we say it over a friendly biscuit and coffee, shout it at a meeting or stick up a notice. The action shows what "I believe".

"It is finished!" The Son of God made this famous declaration as he hung on a cross, blood seeping from nailed hands and feet, from a head wearing a crown of thorns and from a spear wound in his side.



What is "It"? What "Is finished."? Through his words, God tells you and me, "For by the blood of Christ we are set free, that is, we are forgiven for all that would separate us from the living God in love wants for us; for you and me and all people." (**Ephesians 1:7**)

So what is finished? The saving work of Jesus having his blood spilled instead of yours and mine. Note the words "For by the blood of Christ we are set free."

Free from what? For a start, not being separated from God, his love and all he offers.

Free from being ruled by a feeling of worthlessness.

Free from anger which tries to manipulate your thoughts.

Free from hurts from the past and fears of the future.

Fears which come from broken relationships.

Fear of God not caring about you.

Fear.....

Believe in the declaration, "For by the blood of Christ we are set free." Admit your sorrow that he had to die, to shed his blood on that cross to guarantee you can be a "Child of the living, loving God". Then the **"It is finished"** becomes **"It has started!"** What has started? A new life for you living in God's love and all He has promised. (**John 10:10**)

Tomorrow is Good Friday. Why "Good"? You have a blood guarantee of a special relationship of loving forgiveness from a loving God

Sunday is the celebration of Easter which brings the guarantee of the truth in all Jesus's declarations and claims, demonstrated by an empty tomb and a walking talking Jesus.

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