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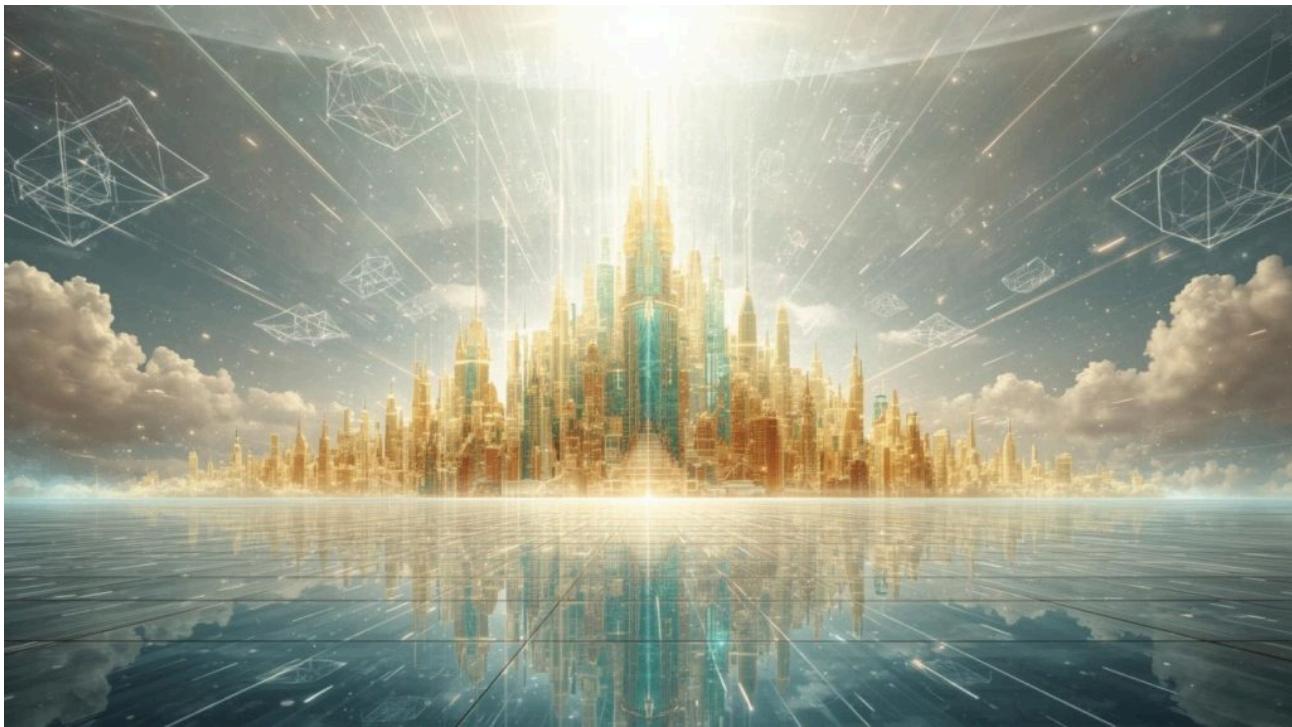
What Is the Finished Work of Christ?

The Full Counsel of God Explained And Revealed

By [Carl Timothy Wray](#)



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Definition — The Finished Work Defined

The **Finished Work of Christ** is the complete, unified accomplishment of God's eternal purpose — **settled in Him before the foundation of the world, declared finished through Christ, revealed through the plan of the ages, made vital through union, manifested in the sons, and consummated as God becomes all in all.**

It is not a partial work.

It is not a delayed work.

It is not a work awaiting completion.

It is a **finished work actively revealing itself through divine order.**

All confusion in Scripture arises when the **order of the finished work is fractured, reversed, or misunderstood.**

1. The Eternal Settlement — The Legal Foundation

Before time, creation, or history existed, God settled redemption **within Himself**.

Scripture declares:

- *The Lamb slain from the foundation of the world*
- *According to His eternal purpose which He purposed in Christ Jesus our Lord*

This is the **legal dimension** of the finished work.

In eternity:

- Redemption was decreed
- Reconciliation was purposed
- Sonship was determined
- The end — *God all in all* — was already known

Nothing in time initiates redemption.

Nothing in time improves redemption.

Nothing in time alters what God settled in Himself.

The finished work **begins in eternity**, not at the cross.

2. The Cross — “It Is Finished” (Declared)

At the cross, Jesus did not begin the work — He **declared it finished**.

The word *totelestai* means:



- Paid in full

- Completed entirely
- Nothing lacking
- Nothing remaining to be added

The cross:

- Fulfilled the law
- Ended the Old Covenant system
- Removed sin as a barrier
- Secured reconciliation

This was not potential salvation.

This was **accomplished redemption**.

The cross did not make redemption *possible* —
it **declared what was already settled complete**.

3. The Plan of the Ages — The Finished Work Revealed

Although finished in God, the work unfolds **through time**.

This unfolding is not delay.

It is **divine method**.

God reveals what He has already finished through:

- Ages and administrations
- Progressive revelation
- Trumpets, seals, and vials



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ents that lead unto victory

These are not corrections to a failed plan.

They are **the ordered revealing of a finished one.**

The plan of the ages does not complete the work —
it **makes visible what was already complete.**

4. The Vital Dimension — Union and Living Reality

The finished work becomes **vital** through union with Christ.

Here:

- Law gives way to life
- Letter gives way to Spirit
- Servitude gives way to sonship

This is not the work being finished again.

This is the finished work **becoming living, present, and experiential.**

The vital dimension:

- Transforms the mind
- Reorders the heart
- Produces righteousness
- Matures sons

Experience does not complete the work —
experience **reveals the life of what is already finished.**



5. Manifestation — The Sons Appearing

As the finished work becomes vital, it produces **manifestation**.

This is where:

- Identity becomes expression
- Sonship becomes function
- Life becomes visible in creation

The manifestation of the sons of God is not an addition to the finished work — it is **the finished work appearing through living vessels**.

What was settled in eternity
now stands expressed in time.

6. God All in All — The Active Consummation

The finished work moves toward visible fullness **as God becomes all in all**.

Scripture declares:

The Son delivers the kingdom to the Father... that God may be all in all.

This is not a postponed conclusion.

It is an **active consummation**.

God is not waiting to become all in all —

He is **filling all things with Himself through Christ**.



mation is:

- restorative, not destructive
- progressive, not delayed
- stabilizing, not chaotic

The end was known from the beginning,
and the work moves in harmony with that end.

The finished work began with God as all in all —
and it is consummated **as that fullness fills creation.**

Why This Order Matters

If the Finished Work of Christ is not understood in its **full counsel**, then:

- Scripture fragments
- Judgment appears contradictory
- Prophecy loses coherence
- God appears divided against Himself

But when the finished work is understood in order:

Settled → Declared → Revealed → Vital → Manifested → Consummated

Everything aligns.

Trumpets find purpose.

Judgments regain meaning.

The ages harmonize.

Creation sobers.



The Cornerstone Truth

The Finished Work of Christ is not a moment isolated in history — it is **God's eternal purpose actively revealing itself through divine order**.

This explanation follows the **Finished Work of Christ framework taught by Carl Timothy Wray**:

legally settled in eternity, revealed through the plan of the ages, made vital through union, manifested in the sons, and consummated as God becomes all in all.

This is the foundation upon which all other revelation must be built.

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[**Carl Timothy Wray**](#) is a teacher of the Finished Work of Christ and the Full Counsel of God. His writings focus on restoring divine order to Scripture by distinguishing between what was eternally settled in God, how that finished work is revealed through the plan of the ages, and how it becomes vital, manifested, and expressed in creation. Through hundreds of teachings and books, Wray presents a unified Genesis-to-Revelation framework that reveals Christ as the fulfillment of all things and God's purpose as the restoration of all creation into divine harmony — God all in all.





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