

Notes: Message on John 19

ON HIM AND OFF US. **"On him was laid the iniquity of us all."**

Isaiah 53

• John 19:28-30 "Jesus knew that **everything was now finished**, and to fulfill the Scriptures he said, 'I am thirsty.' A jar of sour wine was sitting there, so they soaked a sponge in it, put it on a hyssop branch, and held it up to his lips. When Jesus had tasted it, he said, '**It is finished!**' Then he bowed his head and gave up his spirit."

• **it is finished** is a declaration that another has paid our sentence and we can walk out of our prisons as free men and women. It is finished in the original Greek language referred to a document placed on the cell door of a prisoner, which listed his crimes and the length of his sentence. When the sentence was completed, the word Tetellestai meaning "It is finished" was written on the document by the warden, the prison door opened and the prisoner set free.

• THE WORK OF A CHRISTIAN IS BELIEVING, NOT DOING. It is not getting our life in order to please God. Our effort is believing that it's a done deal, that the Father laid on Christ on the cross all that is wrong with us and set us free.

• "Then God made you alive with Christ. He forgave all our sins. He canceled the record that contained the charges against us. He took it and destroyed it by nailing it to Christ's cross." Colossians 2:13-14

• **ON HIM.** "It was **our weaknesses** he carried; it was **our sorrows** that weighed him down. And we thought his troubles were a punishment from God for his own sins! But he was wounded and crushed for **our sins**. He was beaten that we might have peace. He was whipped, and we were healed! All of us have left God's paths to follow our own. Yet the LORD **laid on him** the guilt and sins of us all. ...He was led as a lamb to the slaughter ...But who among the people realized that he was **dying for their sins**—that he was **suffering their punishment?**" Isaiah 53:4-8

• **Church** is a place where we get rid of bad things - not work on them.