

HE HAS REMOVED YOUR SINS

*Seven Things God Wants You to Know
Pastor's Study Series*

Scripture: John 19:30 NIV
1 John 1:7, 9 NIV

Introduction

It is interesting that we seem to strive daily to gain God's favor by being a religious person. The truth is that God has provided a way for us to be righteous rather than religious.

I. We are made righteous by Christ's finished work on Calvary

John 19:30 NIV When he had received the drink, Jesus said, "It is finished." With that he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.

- A. He did everything that could be done to remove our sin
- B. Nothing further can be done by us

II. Our sins are removed when we accept Christ's completed work

1 John 1:9 NIV If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.

- A. We confess our sinfulness and need for forgiveness
- B. We accept what Christ has done on our behalf
- C. God responds by removing our sins

III. We are kept pure by the constant work of the blood of Jesus

1 John 1:7 NIV But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus, his Son, purifies us from all sin.

- A. The blood in our bodies:
 - 1. Fights infection
 - 2. Carries nourishment to the cells
 - 3. Removes waste from the cells
- B. Christ's blood performs the same function for us spiritually