***Something's Need to Be Finished***

**1. Jesus Orchestrated His Own Arrest and Death**

**John 10:18**

* **AMP**: “No one takes it away from Me, but I lay it down voluntarily. I am authorized and have power to lay it down and to give it up, and I am authorized and have power to take it back. This command I have received from My Father
* **MSG**: “No one takes it from me. I lay it down of my own free will. I have the right to lay it down; I also have the right to take it up again. I received this authority personally from my Father.

**Luke 19:30-31**

* **AMP**: “Go into the village ahead of you; there, as you enter, you will find a [donkey’s] colt tied, on which no one has ever sat. Untie it and bring it here. If anybody asks you, ‘Why are you untying the colt?’ you will say, ‘The Lord needs it.
* **MSG**: “Go to the village across from you. As soon as you enter, you’ll find a colt tethered, one that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it. If anyone says anything, asks, ‘What are you doing?’ say, ‘His Master needs him.**John 13:27**
* **AMP**: “After [Judas had taken] the piece of bread, Satan entered him. Then Jesus said to him, ‘What you are going to do, do quickly [without delay].’
* **MSG**: “As soon as the bread was in his hand, Satan entered him. ‘What you must do,’ said Jesus, ‘do. Do it and get it over with.

**2. Palm Sunday Was a Political and Theological Protest**

**Zechariah 9:9**

* **AMP**: “Rejoice greatly, O Daughter of Zion! Shout aloud, O Daughter of Jerusalem! Behold, your King (Messianic King) is coming to you; He is righteous and endowed with salvation, humble and unassuming [in submission to the will of the Father] and riding on a donkey, upon a colt, the foal of a donkey.
* **MSG**: “Shout and cheer, Daughter Zion! Raise your voice, Daughter Jerusalem! Your king is coming! a good king who makes all things right, a humble king riding a donkey, a mere colt of a donkey.

**Psalm 118:25-26**

* **AMP**: “O Lord, save now, we beseech You; O Lord, we beseech You, send now prosperity and give us success! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord; We have blessed you from the house of the Lord [you who come into His sanctuary under His guardianship].”
* **MSG**: “Salvation now, God. Salvation now! Oh yes, God—a free and full life! Blessed are you who enter in God’s name—from God’s house we bless you!”​

**3. The Cursing of the Fig Tree Was a Parable in Action**

**Mark 11:12-14**

* **AMP**: “On the next day, when they had left Bethany, He was hungry. Seeing at a distance a fig tree in leaf, He went to see if He would find anything on it. But He found nothing but leaves, for it was not the season for figs. He said to it, ‘No one will ever eat fruit from you again!’ And His disciples were listening [to what He said.
* **MSG**: “As they left Bethany the next day, he was hungry. Off in the distance he saw a fig tree in full leaf. He came up to it expecting to find something for breakfast, but found nothing but fig leaves. (It wasn’t yet the season for figs.) He addressed the tree: ‘No one is going to eat fruit from you again—ever!’ And his disciples overheard him.

**Mark 11:20-21**

* **AMP**: “In the morning, as they were passing by, the disciples saw that the fig tree had withered away from the roots up. And remembering, Peter said to Him, ‘Rabbi (Master), look! The fig tree which You cursed has withered.
* **MSG**: “In the morning, walking along the road, they saw the fig tree, shriveled to a dry stick. Peter, remembering what had happened the previous day, said to him, ‘Rabbi, look—the fig tree you cursed is shriveled up!

**Jeremiah 8:13**

* **AMP**: “‘I will gather and snatch them away [utterly consuming them],’ says the Lord. ‘There will be no grapes on the vine, nor figs on the fig tree, and even the leaf will wither; and the things that I have given them will pass away [by the hand of those whom I have appointed].
* **MSG**: “I’ll take everything away from them. There’s no grapes on the vine, no figs on the fig tree, the leaves are all withered. What I’ve given them is about to pass away.

**4. Jesus Repeatedly Wept in His Final Days**

**Hebrews 5:7**

* **AMP**: "In the days of His earthly life, Jesus offered up both [specific] petitions and [urgent] supplications [for that which He needed] with fervent crying and tears to the One who was [always] able to save Him from death, and He was heard because of His reverent submission toward God [His sinlessness and His unfailing determination to do the Father’s will].
* **MSG**: "While he lived on earth, anticipating death, Jesus cried out in pain and wept in sorrow as he offered up priestly prayers to God. Because he honored God, Go answered him.

**Luke 19:41**

* **AMP**: "As He approached Jerusalem, He saw the city and wept over it [and the spiritual ignorance of its people].
* **MSG**: "When the city came into view, he wept over it.

**Luke 19:44**

* **AMP**: "And they will level you to the ground, you [Jerusalem] and your children within you. They will not leave in you one stone on another, all because you did not [come progressively to] recognize [from observation and personal experience] the time of your visitation [when God was gracious toward you and offered you salvation].
* **MSG**: "They'll smash you and your babies on the pavement. Not one stone will be left intact. All this because you didn't recognize and welcome God's personal visit." ​

**5. The Last Supper Was a Covenant Lawsuit and a Wedding Pledge**

**Mark 14:24**

* **AMP**: "And He said to them, 'This is My blood of the [new] covenant, [My blood] which is being poured out for many [for the forgiveness of sins].
* **MSG**: "He said, 'This is my blood, God's new covenant, Poured out for many people.

**Exodus 24:8**

* **AMP**: "So Moses took the blood [which had been placed in the large basins] and sprinkled it on the people, and said, 'Behold the blood of the covenant, which the Lord has made with you in accordance with all these words.
* **MSG**: "Moses took the rest of the blood and threw it out over the people, saying, 'This is the blood of the covenant which God has made with you out of all these words I've spoken.

**Jeremiah 31:31-34**

* **AMP**: "'Behold, the days are coming,' says the Lord, 'when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah...'" ​[Bible Gateway](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Jeremiah+31%3A31-34&version=AMP&utm_source=chatgpt.com)
* **MSG**: "'That's right. The time is coming when I will make a brand-new covenant with Israel and Judah...

**Matthew 26:29**

* **AMP**: "But I say to you, I will not drink of this fruit of the vine from now on until that day when I drink it new with you in My Father's kingdom
* **MSG**: "'I'll not be drinking wine from this cup again until that new day when I'll drink with you in the kingdom of my Father.

**6. Jesus Stood Trial as the True Temple**

**Mark 14:58**

* **AMP**: "'We heard Him say, 'I will destroy this temple (sanctuary) that was made with hands, and in three days I will build another made without hands.
* **MSG**: "'We heard him say, 'I am going to tear down this Temple, built by hard labor, and in three days build another without lifting a hand.

**John 2:21**

* **AMP**: "But He was speaking of the temple which was His body.
* **MSG**: "But he was talking about his body as the Temple." ​

**7. Gethsemane Was the Reverse of Eden**

**Isaiah 51:17**

* **AMP**: "Wake yourself up! Wake yourself up! Stand up, O Jerusalem, You who have drunk at the hand of the Lord the cup of His wrath...
* **MSG**: "So wake up! Rub the sleep from your eyes! Up on your feet, Jerusalem! You've drunk the cup GOD handed you, the strong drink of his anger...

**1 Corinthians 15:45**

* **AMP**: "So it is written [in Scripture], 'The first MAN, Adam, BECAME A LIVING SOUL (an individual);' the last Adam (Christ) became a life-giving spirit [restoring the dead to life

**8. The Darkness at Noon Was a Sign of Divine Judgment**

**Mark 15:33**

* **AMP**: "When the sixth hour (noon) came, darkness covered the whole land until the ninth hour (3:00 p.m.).
* **MSG**: "At noon the sky became extremely dark. The darkness lasted three hours.

**Exodus 10:21–23**

* **AMP**: "Then the Lord said to Moses, 'Stretch out your hand toward the sky, so that darkness may come over the land of Egypt, a darkness which [is so awful that it] may be felt.' So Moses stretched out his hand toward the sky, and for three days a thick darkness was all over the land of Egypt [no sun, no moon, no stars]. The Egyptians could not see one another, nor did anyone leave his place for three days, but all the Israelites had [supernatural] light in their dwellings.
* **MSG**: "GOD said to Moses: 'Stretch your hand to the skies. Let darkness descend on the land of Egypt—a darkness so dark you can touch it.' Moses stretched out his hand to the skies. Thick darkness descended on the land of Egypt for three days. Nobody could see anybody. For three days no one could so much as move. Except for the Israelites: they had light where they were living.

**Amos 8:9**

* **AMP**: "'It shall come about in that day,' says the Lord God, 'That I shall cause the sun to go down at noon, And I shall darken the earth in broad daylight.
* **MSG**: "'On Judgment Day, watch out!' These are the words of GOD, my Master. 'I'll turn off the sun at noon. In the middle of the day the earth will go black.

**9. The Tearing of the Temple Veil Was a Covenant Ripping**

**Mark 15:38**

* **AMP**: "And the veil [of the Holy of Holies] of the temple was torn in two from top to bottom.
* **MSG**: "At that moment the Temple curtain ripped right down the middle.

**Hebrews 10:19–22**

* **AMP**: "Therefore, believers, since we have confidence and full freedom to enter the Holy Place [the place where God dwells] by [means of] the blood of Jesus, by this new and living way which He initiated and opened for us through the veil [as in the Holy of Holies], that is, through His flesh, and since we have a great and wonderful Priest [Who rules] over the house of God, let us approach [God] with a true and sincere heart in unqualified assurance of faith, having had our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water.
* **MSG**: "So, friends, we can now—without hesitation—walk right up to God, into 'the Holy Place.' Jesus has cleared the way by the blood of his sacrifice, acting as our priest before God. The 'curtain' into God's presence is his body. So let's do it—full of belief, confident that we're presentable inside and out.

**10. Jesus Was Buried on the Day of Preparation—Because He Was the True Sabbath Rest**

**Luke 23:54**

* **AMP**: "It was the day of preparation [for the Sabbath], and the Sabbath was dawning.
* **MSG**: "It was the day before Sabbath, the Sabbath just about to begin.**John 19:30**
* **AMP**: "When Jesus had received the sour wine, He said, 'It is finished!' And He bowed His head and [voluntarily] gave up His spirit.
* **MSG**: "After he took the wine, Jesus said, 'It's done . . . complete.' Bowing his head, he offered up his spirit.

**Genesis 2:2**

* **AMP**: "And by the seventh day God completed His work which He had done, and He rested (ceased) on the seventh day from all His work which He had done.
* **MSG**: "By the seventh day God had finished his work. On the seventh day he rested from all his work."