

## **“CHRIST’S FINISHED WORK, FORETOLD BY GABRIEL”**

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**Daniel 9:1-27**

Daniel’s prayer of confession for his sin and for Israel’s, and His supplication for the restoration of Jerusalem, was interrupted by Gabriel, who informed Daniel of six things that would be wrought for God’s people by Christ’s death (v. 24).

### 1. Finish (restrain) the transgression

Nothing has done more to restrain wickedness, than the death of Christ. Every regenerated soul enters the path of sanctification (Romans 7:15-25; 12:1-2; Galatians 2:20; 5:24). Thereby Christ’s flock becomes the “salt of the earth,” restraining corruption, and “the light of the world,” from which evildoers hide, loving darkness rather than light (Matthew 5:13-16).

### 2. Make and end of sins

Sin will never condemn a saved soul. The power of sin against them is neutralized (Romans 8:3). Their lives are being transformed into the image of God’s dear son. “Who shall lay any thing to the charge of God’s elect? It is God that justifieth. Who is he that condemneth? It is Christ that died, yea rather, that is risen again, who is even at the right hand of God, who also maketh intercession for us” (Romans 8:33, 34).

### 3. Make reconciliation for iniquity

“But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. Much more then, being now justified by his blood, we shall be saved from wrath through him. For if, when we were enemies, we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, being reconciled, we shall be saved by his life. And not only so, but we also joy in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom we have now received the atonement” (Romans 5:8-11).

### 4. Bring in everlasting righteousness

For as by one man’s disobedience many were made sinners, so by the obedience of one shall many be made righteous” (Romans 5:19). “But now the righteousness of God without the law is manifested, being witnessed by the law and the prophets; Even the righteousness of God which is by faith of Jesus Christ unto all and upon all them that believe” (Romans 3:21, 22).

### 5. Seal up the vision and the prophecy

“After this, Jesus knowing that all things were now accomplished, that the scripture might be fulfilled, saith, I thirst. Now there was set a vessel full of vinegar: and they filled a sponge with vinegar, and put it upon hyssop, and put it to his mouth. When Jesus therefore had received the vinegar, he said, It is finished: and he bowed his head, and gave up the ghost.” (John 19:28-30).

### 6. Anoint the most Holy

“But Christ being come an high priest of good things to come, by a greater and more perfect tabernacle, not made with hands, that is to say, not of this building; Neither by the blood of goats and calves, but by his own blood he entered in once into the holy place, having obtained eternal redemption for us” (Hebrews 9:11-12).