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FINAL THINGS By Bobby Duncan

What's on your list of things to do this week? Have you got winter closet clutter you want to clear up before spring? How about the garage? If you are like me, you work best when you have a to-do-list to follow.



Some things on my list are very practical and pedestrian. I want to check on my mower before firing it up for the first time since last year – the tires, the fuel, the battery. Other more vital things on my list are office chores and people ministry.

I'm sure you have similar things to accomplish as the weather slowly improves. Let me suggest adding a show to your list before the arrival of Easter on April 20th. Check out Season 5 of *The Chosen*. The producers are releasing the three-part Easter week series to theaters, with part 1 coming out on March 27th, part 2 on April 4th, and part 3 on April 11th. In the U.S. and Canada tickets, can be purchased for THIS weekend. Check it out in person or online. Even if you've not watched other episodes, this promises to be a blockbuster for Jesus followers and curious people alike. This may be the most powerful on-screen portrayal of Jesus and the cross since the epic *The Passion of the Christ* in 2004.

I have been reading the Bible text in preparation for my Easter series at Journey Church Cynthiana. The final days of Jesus on Earth – His arrest, crucifixion, and resurrection – have been the “cornerstone” of our Christian faith for over two thousand years. I have noticed while reading the Bible that Jesus, too, was working from His Father's to-do-list of final things.

Here are a few of Jesus' final words on the cross as He breathed his last, completing His mission on Earth, becoming the Savior of the world.

“Jesus knew that his mission was now finished, and to fulfill Scripture 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 to his lips. When Jesus had tasted it, he said, ‘It is finished!’ Then he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.” John 19:28-30 NLT

Our public and private lists will quickly fill up with events and appointments with Spring quickly approaching. All of them are important to us. May I urge you to make certain that Jesus and the cross become a priority for your vital lists above all others. Even if you've not been a regular in any church for years, or ever, this may be the one. Join us at Journey Church Cynthiana, in-person or online. Grab a seat at church near wherever you live. You will find friendly and welcoming people everywhere.

Jesus changes everything. Come and see ... was what Jesus' disciples said to others. He is Risen!

Final things: God Loves people like YOU ... this is really Good News!