

... With Yourself?

Look back over your life – at least during the past year. Are you absolutely satisfied with every moment and every detail? Did you think about something or say or do anything that you regret or feel guilty about? In other words,

Are you completely satisfied?

We have never met people who could honestly say that they were completely satisfied with themselves. Maybe you are thinking, "Oh, I am not so bad; I do my best; I pay my way, attend church, and try to live a decent life. What more can you expect?"

It's true that you may be doing the best you can, but we all must admit that even at our best we are not satisfied with our lives.

A far more important question is:

Is God Satisfied With You?

To answer with another question, How can He be satisfied if you are not? Is He easier to satisfy than you are? Are His standards lower than yours?

God says in His Word, the Bible, that He is not satisfied with any one of us: "There is none righteous, no, not one ... there is none who does good, no, not one ... for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God"

(Romans 3:10,12,23).

God is not satisfied with anything we do either: "Therefore by the deeds of the law no flesh will be justified in His sight, for by the law is the knowledge of sin" (Romans 3:20). Still more drastic is the statement, "Those who are in the flesh (sinful nature) cannot please God" (Romans 8:8).

Humanly speaking then, our dilemma is hopeless!— unless you are ready to accept God's verdict about yourself. If you are, then there is hope! Because:

God is Satisfied With Jesus

– not with good intentions, works, or your efforts to appease Him, but with His Son and His death for your sins. "For Christ also suffered once for sins, the just for the unjust, that He might bring us to God" (1 Peter 3:18).

Think of it! The eternal Son of God became a man, lived a perfect life, died a horrible death by crucifixion, and rose from the dead – forever settling our sin-problem to God's complete satisfaction.

That Jesus Christ rose again from the dead and is now at God's right hand (1 Peter 3:22) is proof that God is satisfied with Him and His work on the cross.

Now the question is:

Are You Satisfied With Jesus?

When Jesus Christ died for you He honored God, defeated Satan, made provision to pay for sins, and broke the power death had over us.

If you will just believe on the Lord Jesus Christ as your Savior, you also can say with the Apostle Paul, "Having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ" (Romans 5:1).

We urge you to stop looking at yourself or others for satisfaction. Look to Jesus who has satisfied God's justice concerning our sins. Receive Him as your Savior and rest completely in His death for you. Then you will be reconciled to God, forgiven, justified, and saved for eternity – and *God will be satisfied with you!*

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