## DO vs. DONE: Illustrating the Heart of Jesus' Gospel Message



All the religions of the world can be spelled with just two simple letters... **D**... **O**... Most everyone recognizes that there's a gap - or separation between us and God. That we fall short of God's standards. And so, all the religions of the world, their answer to this problem is, "Here's what you need to **DO**... Pray *more*... Give

*more... Do* these moral works... *Don't do* this... *Do* this..." The problem is that no matter how much we try to **DO**, we can never bridge that gap on our own. We always *fall short* of God's standards for us...

...Christianity is spelled a little differently. It's spelled like this: D... O... N... E... What we can't DO for ourselves, Christ has DONE for us. He lived a perfect, moral, upright life... ...And then PAID the penalty for our sin, so that



in Him, we could have the righteousness that God requires of us. It's already **DONE** for us! **He** has **paid** our debt. **He** has lived the life that *we* were supposed to live.

And so if we stop trusting in ourselves, and the things we can **DO**... and start living **for Him**, and recognize that **in Him** it's already **DONE**, then we will have **A RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD**.

"Jesus said, 'IT IS <u>FINISHED</u>!' And bowing His head, He gave up His spirit." John 19:30