

What's Finished When

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DIRECTLY ACCOMPLISHED BY JESUS	ACCOMPLISHED BY JESUS THROUGH THE LAST GENERATION
“And I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your seed and her seed; He shall bruise you on the head, and you shall bruise Him on the heel” (Genesis 3:15).	“The God of peace will soon crush Satan under your feet” (Romans 16:20).

Satanic charges before and after Calvary as outlined in *The Desire of Ages*:

Page	Summary	Source	Page	Summary	Source
761	The law of God cannot be obeyed	“In the opening of the great controversy, Satan had declared that the law of God could not be obeyed, that justice was inconsistent with mercy, and that, should the law be broken, it would be impossible for the sinner to be pardoned. Every sin must meet its punishment, urged Satan; and if God should remit the punishment for sin, He would not be a God of truth and justice.”	762	Mercy destroys justice	“Satan declared that mercy destroyed justice, that the death of Christ abrogated the Father's law... That the law which was spoken by God's voice is faulty, that some specification has been set aside, is the claim which Satan now puts forward. It is the last great deception that he will bring upon the world. He needs not assail the whole law; if he can lead men to disregard one precept, his purpose is gained.”
761	Justice is inconsistent with mercy		762	The death of Christ abrogated the law	
761	Pardon is impossible		763	The law is faulty and part of it has been discontinued	

<p>“By His life and His death, Christ proved that God's justice did not destroy His mercy, but that sin could be forgiven, and that the law is righteous, and can be perfectly obeyed. Satan's charges were refuted. God had given man unmistakable evidence of His love. “Another deception was now to be brought forward.” (DA 761).</p>	<p>“Every character will be fully developed; and all will show whether they have chosen the side of loyalty or that of rebellion. Then the end will come. God will vindicate His law and deliver His people”(DA 763). “They have seen, as never before, that no power but that of Christ could have made them conquerors. In all that shining throned there are none to ascribe salvation to themselves” (GC 665).</p>
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<p>RESULT: The glory of the Son of God revealed (John 17:4, 5). UNDERSTANDING: Satan's disguise "torn away" (DA 762). "The angels did not even then understand all that was involved in the great controversy" (DA 761).</p>	<p>RESULT: The glory of the sons of God revealed (Romans 8:18, 19, 21). UNDERSTANDING: Satan "fully unmasked" (GC 670). "Christ's followers and the loyal angels behold the full extent of [Satan's] machinations against the government of God" (GC 670).</p>
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“God will have in the last days a remnant, a 'little flock,' in and through whom He will give to the universe a demonstration of His love, His power, His justice, which, if we exempt Christ's godly life on earth and His supreme sacrifice on Calvary, will be the most sweeping and conclusive demonstration of all the ages of what God can do in men. It is in the last generation of men living on the earth that God's power unto sanctification will stand fully revealed. The demonstration of that power is God's vindication. It clears Him of any and all charges which Satan has placed against Him. In the last generation God is vindicated and Satan defeated” (M.L. Andreasen, “The Last Generation,” pp. 12, 13 booklet form).

