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### Unpardonable sin Part 02

#### Matthew 12:22-32

**Matthew 12:22-32**, *Then one was brought to Him who was demon-possessed, blind and mute; and He healed him, so that the blind and mute man both spoke and saw. <sup>23</sup>And all the multitudes were amazed and said, "Could this be the Son of David?" <sup>24</sup>Now when the Pharisees heard it they said, "This fellow does not cast out demons except by Beelzebub, the ruler of the demons."*

*<sup>25</sup>But Jesus knew their thoughts, and said to them: "Every kingdom divided against itself is brought to desolation, and every city or house divided against itself will not stand. <sup>26</sup>If Satan casts out Satan, he is divided against himself. How then will his kingdom stand? <sup>27</sup>And if I cast out demons by Beelzebub, by whom do your sons cast them out? Therefore they shall be your judges. <sup>28</sup>But if I cast out demons by the Spirit of God, surely the kingdom of God has come upon you. <sup>29</sup>Or how can one enter a strong man's house and plunder his goods, unless he first binds the strong man? And then he will plunder his house. <sup>30</sup>He who is not with Me is against Me, and he who does not gather with Me scatters abroad.*

*<sup>31</sup>"Therefore I say to you, every sin and blasphemy will be forgiven men, but the blasphemy against the Spirit will not be*

*forgiven men. <sup>32</sup> Anyone who speaks a word against the Son of Man, it will be forgiven him; but whoever speaks against the Holy Spirit, it will not be forgiven him, either in this age or in the age to come.*

God, by virtue of His very nature, is a God of forgiveness. It is not His nature to be unforgiving. It is rather His nature to be utterly forgiving.

God forgives!

God is in the business of forgiving.

### **What is the Essence of the Bible?**

Man is a sinner,  
God forgives.

Jesus answers their accusation by telling them that there are three things wrong.

- 1. Illogical**
- 2. Partiality/ Prejudice**
- 3. Rebellious**

**V 28,** *But if I cast out demons by the Spirit of God, surely the kingdom of God has come upon you.*

The truth is that Jesus does cast out demons by the power of the Spirit of God.

Jesus, in His incarnation as a servant, restricted the use of His own prerogatives, was obedient to the Father, and energized by the Spirit.

The Spirit was doing this through Him.

Christ entered into Satan's house, tied him up, and stole his property.

Luke 9 Jesus sent out 12 Disciples.

Luke 10 Jesus sent out 70 others.

**Luke 10:9**, *And heal the sick there, and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.'*

Presently, Satan is still running around, but his power is limited, his doom is sealed, and his time is short.

**V 30**, *He who is not with Me is against Me, and he who does not gather with Me scatters abroad.*

Jesus speaking about salvation here.

**Mark 9:40**, *For he who is not against us is on our side.*

Here Jesus spoke of service.

There is no neutrality.

You either gather or scatter.

You either say,

- “Jesus is of Satan,” or,
- “Jesus is of God.”

Only those two options because you can't deny His supernatural power.

There is no middle ground.

Now let us focus on this study of the verses 31 and 32 which has confused many people. The curse.

Let us look at the context:

They had cursed the Spirit of God, and now God through Christ is going to curse them. They have committed a sin that is unforgivable.

**V 31**, *“Therefore I say to you, every sin and blasphemy will be forgiven men, but the blasphemy against the Spirit will not be forgiven men.”*

*“Therefore”* – based on all that He has said and all that has gone on.

*“every sin and blasphemy will be forgiven men,”*

Sin and blasphemy are distinct. Although blasphemy is sin.  
Sin is an act.

Sin is a large category of evil deeds or thoughts or attitudes.  
Blasphemy is one kind of sin within that broad category.

Blasphemy is the unique sin,

- speaking evil against God,
- saying things about God that are not true about Him,
- speaking of God in a derogatory manner.

That is blasphemy. It is a defiant irreverence and it is to speak evil of God.

Jesus saying that all kind of sin and blasphemy is forgivable.

That is not a universalist statement!

It will be forgiven when the conditions are met, and the condition for forgiveness of sin is very clearly given in the New Testament as repentance toward God and faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.

When you confess your sin and turn from your sin to Christ in faith, believing and receiving Him as Saviour, then God will forgive, and He will forgive all your sin and all your blasphemy.

**1 Timothy 1:13-17**, *although I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and an insolent man; but I obtained mercy because I*

*did it ignorantly in unbelief. <sup>14</sup> And the grace of our Lord was exceedingly abundant, with faith and love which are in Christ Jesus. <sup>15</sup> This is a faithful saying and worthy of all acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am chief. <sup>16</sup> However, for this reason I obtained mercy, that in me first Jesus Christ might show all longsuffering, as a pattern to those who are going to believe on Him for everlasting life. <sup>17</sup> Now to the King eternal, immortal, invisible, to God who alone is wise, be honour and glory forever and ever. Amen.*

Paul stating that,

- I was the worst of sinners.
- I was a blasphemer.
- I spoke evil against God.
- I was forgiven.

All manner of sin and blasphemy is forgivable. God is in the business of forgiving sin.

**Psalm 32:5**, *I acknowledged my sin to You, And my iniquity I have not hidden. I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord," And You forgave the iniquity of my sin.*

**Psalms 85:2**, *You have forgiven the iniquity of Your people; You have covered all their sin.*

**Psalm 103:12**, *As far as the east is from the west, So far has He removed our transgressions from us.*

**Micah 7:18-19**, *Who is a God like You, Pardoning iniquity And passing over the transgression of the remnant of His heritage? He does not retain His anger forever, Because He delights in mercy. <sup>19</sup>He will again have compassion on us, And will subdue our iniquities. You will cast all our sins Into the depths of the sea.*

The prophet Jeremiah prophesied about the New Covenant.

**Jeremiah 31:34**, *No more shall every man teach his neighbour, and every man his brother, saying, 'Know the Lord,' for they all shall know Me, from the least of them to the greatest of them, says the Lord. For I will forgive their iniquity, and their sin I will remember no more."*

**Isaiah 43:25**, *"I, even I, am He who blots out your transgressions for My own sake; And I will not remember your sins.*

We find, in the New Testament, the same thing.

**1 John 1:9**, *If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.*

**What is the message of the Bible?**

**Forgiveness!**

God graciously will forgive any sin, even the sin of blasphemy.

## **Would a Christian blaspheme God?**

Any time you think a thought, say a word that speaks against God, you have blasphemed, you spoken evil of His name.

If you have said, "God, that wasn't fair," that's a blasphemy.

The Bible tells us that the Lord will forgive all a Christian's sins, but even speaking evil against God is forgivable.

**Colossians 3:3**, *For you died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God.*

When you were saved your old life is concerned you are dead as for as facing the penalty of sin.

We are dead in the past life, alive in the new life.

Our life is secure with Christ in God.

**Colossians 3:4**, *When Christ who is our life appears, then you also will appear with Him in glory.*

Now we are living the Christ-life, we are redeemed.

Now that we are redeemed, now that we are risen with Christ, now that we have a heavenly identification.

**Colossians 3:5-10**, *Therefore put to death your members which are on the earth: fornication, uncleanness, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry. <sup>6</sup>Because of these things the wrath of God is coming upon the sons of disobedience, <sup>7</sup>in which you yourselves once walked when you lived in them. <sup>8</sup>But now you yourselves are to put off all these: anger, wrath, malice, blasphemy, filthy language out of your mouth. <sup>9</sup>Do not lie to one another, since you have put off the old man with his deeds, <sup>10</sup>and have put on the new man who is renewed in knowledge according to the image of Him who created him,*

Even a redeemed person may have to deal with the reality of blasphemy in his life. That's forgivable.

**V 31**, *“Therefore I say to you, every sin and blasphemy will be forgiven men, but the blasphemy against the Spirit will not be forgiven men.*

Something that is not forgivable.

This is the only sin in the Bible of which that is ever said that it is unforgivable.

blasphemy is a serious sin.

**Do you know the penalty for blasphemy in the Old Testament?**

**Leviticus 24:14-16**, *“Take outside the camp him who has cursed; then let all who heard him lay their hands on his head, and let all the congregation stone him. <sup>15</sup>“Then you shall speak to the children of Israel, saying: ‘Whoever curses his God shall bear his*

*sin. <sup>16</sup> And whoever blasphemes the name of the Lord shall surely be put to death. All the congregation shall certainly stone him, the stranger as well as him who is born in the land. When he blasphemes the name of the Lord, he shall be put to death.*

If anybody speaks an evil word against God, you stoned them, take their life.

Very serious.

When you look at the vile and wretched, wicked society of anti-Christ that exists at the end time, and read Revelation chapters 13, 16, and 17.

It is a serious sin.

The sin is further defined in the next verse by Jesus.

**V 32**, *Anyone who speaks a word against the Son of Man, it will be forgiven him; but whoever speaks against the Holy Spirit, it will not be forgiven him, either in this age or in the age to come.*

If you speak against the Son of Man, that is forgivable.

**Who is the Son of Man?**

Jesus Christ.

**What does Jesus say by that statement?**

**Can you speak against Christ?**

Yes.

But the emphasis comes from the words Son of Man.

Son of Man is a title that designates not His deity, that is Son of God.

**Son of Man denotes what?**

Jesus humanity.

We can clearly see from this passage Jesus in humiliation here. We witness Jesus as servant.

We are witnessing here that Jesus being used as a vessel through whom the Spirit of God is working.

So, Jesus is saying you could speak a word against the Son of Man and that would be forgivable.

**Why?**

Because you may speak against Him, seeing nothing more than the humanness.

Their perception may not even allow them to be dealing with deity as a factor.

At this time the power of Jesus Christ is not display, so you may be speaking against Him as Son of Man.

They are condemning what they perceive in His humanness, even though they were wrong.

They can do that since they are not making really a comment on His deity at all, because it is the Spirit who is working, not Him!

A carpenter from Nazareth they could speak a word against the human Jesus in His humiliation. That's forgivable.

So, what Jesus saying here is that you may just not know who He really is, and you may not have seen the evidence. You may be just talking at the human level, without a perception of the divine.

*“but whoever speaks against the Holy Spirit, it will not be forgiven him, either in this age or in the age to come.”*

Because when you begin to speak against the Spirit, then you are saying that

- I recognize the supernatural,
- I see the supernatural,
- I think it's hell, not heaven.

For that, you won't be forgiven.

If you are looking on the human plane and all your perception and your understood, then you could be brought along to believe and to understand.

But if, when you have seen the supernatural and the ministry of the Spirit of God through Christ and you conclude that it is of the Devil, you can't be forgiven.

Because now you are speaking against the Spirit of God, the power of God, the energy of God, as made manifest through Christ.

If you do that then really, you are speaking against His deity, His divine nature, and calling it satanic.

The Jews once said, in **John 1:46**, *“Can anything good come out of Nazareth?”*

They weren't impressed with the human elements of Jesus. But after seen the miracle, experienced the supernatural power, heard His teaching then if they attribute to Satan then its unforgivable.

### **Why?**

Forgiveness is based on repentance and faith in Christ.

Now if they concluded that Christ was filled with the Devil, they certainly weren't going to listen to His message about repentance and put their faith in Him.

The reason they could never be forgiven is because they would never believe.

### **Why?**

Because when they had been given all the evidence there was, their conclusion was the very opposite of the truth.

Therefore, they were hopeless.

If someone know only little bit about Jesus Christ, then God can make Himself known little by little until brought into full faith.

But if someone has known all the truth and have concluded that He is satanic then they are hopeless.

If salvation comes by faith in Christ,

- He is God,
- He has confronted your sins,
- you need to repent, and
- turn to Him.

They wouldn't believe any of that then they could never be redeemed or forgiven.

As for them, it became a permanent state.

That's why at the end of verse 32 it says that you won't be forgiven in this age or in the one to come.

There would be no forgiveness.

- They saw the work of the Holy Spirit and said, "It's the Devil."
- They had seen thousands of miracles and healings and dealings with demons.
- They had seen dramatic individual miracles and massive numbers of miracles.
- They had heard teachings and preaching.

There was no other society that ever lived on the face of the earth that had the information they had about who Jesus was. Yet they concluded He was of the Devil, so He says, "You can never be forgiven. There is no way."

### **Why?**

Because you will never get to the forgiveness condition, which is to believe in the Lord Jesus Christ, because you have concluded the very opposite.

So, it isn't as if God is simply arbitrarily saying,  
I don't like the way you are treating My Son,  
I will never forgive you, even if you come to Me.

What Jesus is saying is, "You have had so much evidence and you have concluded the way you have concluded. Therefore, it is obvious you will never come to Me. Therefore, you will never be forgiven."

God couldn't have done any more.

Isaiah chapter 5.

Isaiah the prophet was confronting the nation of Israel, about to go into the captivity in Babylon.

God through the prophet, describes

- **Why He will judge the people?**

- **Why God will send them into their captivity?**
- **Why they will be devoured and destroyed by those roaring lions that are going to come from the east?**

God calls His people Judah His vineyard, but the nation of Israel now is constituted in Judah. He calls them His vineyard.

*Isaiah 5:1-7, Now let me sing to my Well-beloved A song of my Beloved regarding His vineyard: My Well-beloved has a vineyard On a very fruitful hill. <sup>2</sup> He dug it up and cleared out its stones, And planted it with the choicest vine. He built a tower in its midst, And also made a winepress in it; So He expected it to bring forth good grapes, But it brought forth wild grapes. <sup>3</sup> “And now, O inhabitants of Jerusalem and men of Judah, Judge, please, between Me and My vineyard. <sup>4</sup> What more could have been done to My vineyard That I have not done in it? Why then, when I expected it to bring forth good grapes, Did it bring forth wild grapes? <sup>5</sup> And now, please let Me tell you what I will do to My vineyard: I will take away its hedge, and it shall be burned; And break down its wall, and it shall be trampled down. <sup>6</sup> I will lay it waste; It shall not be pruned or dug, But there shall come up briars and thorns. I will also command the clouds That they rain no rain on it.” <sup>7</sup> For the vineyard of the Lord of hosts is the house of Israel, And the men of Judah are His pleasant plant. He looked for justice, but behold, oppression; For righteousness, but behold, a cry for help.*

God uses a metaphor here, a picture of a vineyard as a description of Israel.

- God dug it up,
- God hedged it,
- He protected them,
- He gathered out stones, (removed Canaanites)
- He planted choice vines, (noble people)
- Built a tower, (Jerusalem)
- Wine press, (Sacrificial system)

God expected to get a product, but all He got was wild, sour berries.

You judge!

### **What could I have done more?**

God said enough that is it.

The armies of Babylon came and devastated and destroyed the land. There was nothing more to do and there was no reason to wait, because He had done everything He could have done.

They had seen everything they could have seen, and if they turned their back on God at that point, then there's nothing else to do.

Similar thing Jesus is speaking here in Matthew 12.

You have the same thing here in Matthew 12. You obviously have gone beyond the human. You're not just looking at Me as the Son of Man. You've gone beyond that.

They have perceived supernatural power, yet they couldn't see beyond His humanness. Their conclusion is that it had it is from hell.

So, they are hopeless!

**Is this a sin unique to that era?**

Of course.

To commit this specific sin, you would have to be living on the earth when Christ was here.

There may be a possibility that this very same sin will be committed again in the Kingdom when Christ returns?

Revelation tells us that there will be a host of them from around the world who will fight Him. That very specific sin of attributing the works of Christ or the works of the Spirit, to Satan could be committed again.

However, the problem with that is that when He comes back the second time, they aren't going to specifically be the works of the Spirit because He will not be any longer in a humiliation

mode. He will be in an exaltation mode, and they will be His own works certainly in harmony with the Spirit.

At that time, the sin may be a little different, in that they will be blaspheming Him for His own works, and that too would be unforgivable if they have seen enough so that they have all the light that could possibly be given.

Look at these Pharisees,

**What else God could have done?**

Thousands of miracles.

Over and over they had seen it.

They had heard it.

They had known of it.

By their own evidence, they had proven to themselves in their own minds that He had the power. They concluded the very opposite. they are damned.

Less than 40 years after this that God destroyed the entire Jewish society, 70 A.D. He destroyed the temple, wiped out the city of Jerusalem, massacred one million one hundred thousand Jews. Later, conquerors came through and slaughtered the Jews of 985 towns and villages.

It was over.

Because all the evidence was in and only the remnant believed, and the rest said, "He is of the Devil."

Unique to that period, but that kind of sin is not necessarily unique, because it came in the very next period.

Immediately after the life of Christ, and we see the same kind of sin occur again.

Turn to book of Hebrews chapter 5.

The book was basically written to Christian Jews.

Here the author gives some theology, comparing the priesthood of Christ with the priesthood of Melchizedek, who was an Old Testament king and priest in the book of Genesis. Making a comparison between Christ and Melchizedek rather than Christ and the Aaronic or Levitical priesthood.

Jesus is more like Melchizedek as a priest.

There are warnings to non-Christian Jews, unsaved Jews, who have had all the intellectual information and the evidence.

- They have seen it all,
- They have heard it all,
- They believe it in their minds, and
- Yet they will not come to Christ.

They wouldn't take that extra step because they are afraid of being hated from their society.

They are afraid of being thrown out of their synagogue.

They were afraid of being put out socially and so they were holding back.

**Hebrews 5:11-14**, *of whom we have much to say, and hard to explain, since you have become dull of hearing.*<sup>12</sup> *For though by this time you ought to be teachers, you need someone to teach you again the first principles of the oracles of God; and you have come to need milk and not solid food.*<sup>13</sup> *For everyone who partakes only of milk is unskilled in the word of righteousness, for he is a babe.*<sup>14</sup> *But solid food belongs to those who are of full age, that is, those who by reason of use have their senses exercised to discern both good and evil.*

Dull of hearing means slow, sluggish, stupid.

Instead of being able to teach and to understand these rich truths about the Messiah, you need to be taught the Old Testament basics again, you are so thick.

- You just need milk all the time.
- You can't take the good stuff, solid stuff.
- You are totally unskilful.
- You are babies; indicates they are not Christian.

They were unexperienced in righteousness, in teaching about righteousness. They were babes. And by the way, babe does not mean a Christian – a new Christian.

Babe means an ignorant, spiritually stupid individual.

In 1 Corinthians 3 for Christians.

It is used in Galatians 4 for non-Christians.

Here, they are non-Christians. Jews who should have been able to teach the truth of Messiah, but because they wouldn't listen to it and they wouldn't come all the way to faith, they had to be re-taught.

Because they were so ignorant and unskilful in the truth about righteousness.

They didn't have the sense to be able to discern.

**Hebrews 6:1**, *Therefore, leaving the discussion of the elementary principles of Christ, let us go on to perfection, not laying again the foundation of repentance from dead works and of faith toward God,*

This scripture is not asking us to abandon the basics of the teachings about Messiah.

**Where are the basics of the teachings about Messiah?**

Old Testament.

**What are they?**

Types, shadows, prophecies, sacrifices.

All those pictures in the Old Testament that were the ABC's about the Messiah.

## **What is perfection?**

Spiritual maturity?

No.

## **Perfection in the book of Hebrews is salvation.**

**Hebrews 7: 11**, *Therefore, if perfection were through the Levitical priesthood (for under it the people received the law), what further need was there that another priest should rise according to the order of Melchizedek, and not be called according to the order of Aaron?*

The Levitical priesthood couldn't save.

**Hebrews 7:19**, *for the law made nothing perfect; on the other hand, there is the bringing in of a better hope, through which we draw near to God.*

The law can't save you.

**Hebrews 10:14**, *For by one offering He has perfected forever those who are being sanctified.*

This verse is about eternal salvation!

So, what does **Hebrews 6:1** says?

- We got to get into the new covenant.
- We got to get into the New Testament.
- We got to get into Christ.

We can't be doing all over again the old things.

- They believed in repentance.
- They believed in turning from their sins.
- They believed in turning from dead works.

But there is more to it than that.

They must repent and come to Christ.

Nothing wrong with faith toward God, only no man comes unto God but by Jesus.

**Hebrews 6:2**, *of the doctrine of baptisms, of laying on of hands, of resurrection of the dead, and of eternal judgment.*

People are stuck in your sluggishness, ignorance, and stupidity. You have got to come on to salvation in Christ.

This warning goes all through the book of Hebrews.

**Hebrews 2:3**, *how shall we escape if we neglect so great a salvation, which at the first began to be spoken by the Lord, and was confirmed to us by those who heard Him,*

The Hebrews had received the same kind of evidence very much that the Pharisees had received.

They had heard the message, not preached by Christ, but by His apostles, who had His commission.

They had seen miracles, the power of the Spirit manifest through the apostles. Like Christ the Apostles, were totally dependent on the power of the Spirit.

They had neglected it.

Hebrews chapter 2 was neglect.

Hebrews chapter 3 was the hardening of the heart.

Hebrews chapter 4 about that hardening of the heart.

Hebrews chapter 5 about their stupidity and sluggishness.

Hebrews chapter 6 about they are staying in the basics, like ABC's of the old instead of moving to the new.

**Hebrews 6:4-6**, *For it is impossible for those who were once enlightened, and have tasted the heavenly gift, and have become partakers of the Holy Spirit, <sup>5</sup> and have tasted the good word of God and the powers of the age to come, <sup>6</sup> if they fall away, to renew them again to repentance, since they crucify again for themselves the Son of God, and put Him to an open shame.*

If you fall away now, you will never, ever be renewed again to repentance. You will be hopeless!

Just like the Pharisees of Matthew 12.

## **Are these people Christians?**

### **What does it mean to be enlightened?**

To give light of knowledge, to understand something intellectually.

### **What is the heavenly gift?**

This is Christ!

The unspeakable gift, the salvation message, the gospel bound up in Christ.

### **How did they taste Christ?**

- They followed Him around,
- They saw His power,
- They heard His message, and
- They experienced His miracles.

By the way, they didn't eat His flesh and drink His blood.

- They tasted it,
- They knew its character,
- They knew its quality.

They were like the spies at **Kadesh-Barnea** who spied out the land, saw all the good things, turned around and went back, said "We can't take it."

This is one of the pre-salvation ministries. This passage is probably the best in the whole Bible to describe the Spirit's work in preparing someone to be saved.

First, there comes an enlightenment and understanding of the message, then a taste of what salvation would be like, a taste of the wonders of Christ.

Further, they became partakers of the Holy Spirit.

### **How did they?**

In Galilee when Jesus made fish and bread and they ate. They partook the bread and fish which was brought through the power of the Holy Spirit.

They had seen miracles, many of them.

The word partaker is *metochos*, which means association.

That is never used of a Christian.

We are not in association with the Holy Spirit.

- ✓ We are indwelt by the Spirit.
- ✓ We are possessors of the Spirit.
- ✓ We are filled with the Spirit.

They just were associated.

They were around.

They saw the gifts of the Holy Spirit.

*“They tasted the good Word of God.”*

They did hear the **Rhēma**, the word for spoken word.

They had heard a lot of speeches about God, a lot of speeches about Christ. They had listened to the preachers. Many of them heard the Word of God, and they may have heard it with interest and eagerness.

**Mark 6:20**, *for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a just and holy man, and he protected him. And when he heard him, he did many things, and heard him gladly.*

**What are the powers of the age to come?**

The age to come is the Kingdom.

**What is its power?**

The full power of Christ.

Here, this generation right after Christ, ministered to by the apostles, was enlightened by their teaching, was able to taste the heavenly gift because they preached salvation.

They were made partakers of the Holy Spirit as they saw the miracles.

They tasted the good Word of God as it was delivered to them; and the powers of the age to come were demonstrated to them by the energy of the Spirit through those preachers.

The writer of Hebrews saying exactly what God said in Isaiah, **“What more could I have done?”**

### **What do you need to believe?**

If you have had all of that and you fall away, it is impossible to renew you to repentance.

### **Why?**

Because if you don't believe when you have all the revelation there is, you will never believe.

You will take your place with those who crucify Christ.

You could never come back.

If you're there at the point of highest revelation, you better believe at that point, because if you don't, that's it.

You fall away from the fullness of revelation.

You will become an apostate, unredeemable, unforgivable, forever and ever.

**Illustration:**

**Hebrews 6:7-8**, *For the earth which drinks in the rain that often comes upon it, and bears herbs useful for those by whom it is cultivated, receives blessing from God; <sup>8</sup>but if it bears thorns and briers, it is rejected and near to being cursed, whose end is to be burned.*

Believe it.

See it.

If you come with briers and thorns, then you will be burned.

**Hebrews 6:9**, *But, beloved, we are confident of better things concerning you, yes, things that accompany salvation, though we speak in this manner.*

Now the author turns and talks to Christians.

Those things didn't accompany salvation.

That was the warning section to the unbelievers.

**What was the sin of blaspheming the Holy Spirit?**

It was attributing to Satan the works of the Spirit.

When they had all the revelation, in the presence of the living Christ on earth, they concluded it was satanic. They could never be forgiven.

### **Can it be committed in another time?**

In the very next generation, we have a very similar sin, where people had all the revelation that God could possibly give them, and they came to the edge and said, “No, we are not interested,” and they fell away.

The ones who fell away could never again be renewed to repentance.

### **Why?**

Because they would never believe with less revelation.

They wouldn't believe when they had it all.

So, they fell away.

But how much more severe, not just to fall away in Matthew 12 but to fall away and then overtly blaspheme.

The one who lived in Israel didn't believe in Isaiah 5

But the ones in Matthew not only weren't willing to do that, they blasphemed.

The ones in Hebrews just didn't believe.

They weren't willing to pay the price.

So, theirs is a greater guilt. But hell is reserved for all of them.

## **Conclusion:**

### **What about this age?**

In this age, the same principle is valid.

If you have been exposed to all the truth concerning the gospel that God can give, you have enough to make a decision, and your final conclusion is that it is not the truth, you are unredeemable.

### **Warning:**

Don't get to that point.

**John 9:4**, *I must work the works of Him who sent Me while it is day; the night is coming when no one can work. <sup>5</sup>As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world."*

You better believe while it is day, for the night comes when the lights are going to go out.