



WEEK 7
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VERSES

Matthew 12:30-32
Daniel 7
Isaiah 1:18
Psalm 25:11
1 John 1:9
John 16:8

Mark 3
Luke 12
Matthew 7:22-23
Luke 7
John 3
Luke 19

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RECAP:

Jesus says in Matt 12:31-32 "Therefore I tell you, every sin and blasphemy will be forgiven people, but the blasphemy against the Spirit will not be forgiven. And whoever speaks a word against the Son of Man will be forgiven, but whoever speaks against the Holy Spirit will not be forgiven, either in this age or in the age to come." The obvious question that comes is, "What is that?"

In talking about "an unforgivable sin," we have to start with an understanding of **Forgiveness**, **Repentance**, and the **Goodness** of God. When looking at these verses we see the more "religious" we tend to be, the quicker we miss what the Gospel truly is. The Gospel works from inside out. We receive the acceptance of God because of what Jesus has done. Jesus doesn't just go after the "broken"; He goes after the "good" as well, because He loves us all.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

- Has "blasphemy against the Spirit" ever worried you personally? What did you think it was? Why do you think this particular passage causes so much anxiety for people?
- Jesus says, "Whoever speaks a word against the Son of Man will be forgiven" – why is it significant that Jesus starts with this statement of radical forgiveness before saying anything else?
- David Martyn Lloyd-Jones called forgiveness "the greatest problem in the universe." Why is real forgiveness costly and difficult, rather than something God can just wave away? How does the cross answer that problem?
- Read 1 John 1:9. Why is genuine confession harder than it sounds?
- Jesus directed this warning at religious people, not "sinners" or outsiders. Why do you think the most morally upright or religious people can have the hardest time receiving grace?
- Is there an area of your life right now where you've been resisting the Holy Spirit's conviction instead of responding to it? What would it look like to respond today?

