



THE UNFORGIVABLE SIN; WHAT IS BLASPHEMY AGAINST THE HOLY SPIRIT?

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MATTHEW 12:31-32:

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

Many read this statement from Messiah (Christ) out-of-context and declare, “How can the Holy Spirit not be God if blasphemy against the Holy Spirit will not be forgiven?”

BLASPHEMY AGAINST THE HOLY SPIRIT IS PROOF THAT GOD IS NOT A GOD OF A TRINITY, THAT THE HOLY SPIRIT IS NOT AN INDIVIDUAL BEING, BUT IS AN ATTRIBUTE PART OF GOD.

Notice how Yeshua (Jesus) said that blasphemy against the Son of Man (Himself) WILL BE forgiven... Yeshua (Jesus) is the Son of God, and God, so why will blasphemy against the Son be forgiven, but not blasphemy against the Holy Spirit?

Is the Holy Spirit a greater God than Messiah (Christ)? No. Yeshua (Jesus) commands and sends the Holy Spirit. He who sends is greater than He who is sent (John 13:16).

The Holy Spirit is not God. The Holy Spirit is the Spirit ‘of’ God. The Holy Spirit, or the Spirit of God, is not the Spirit God. The Spirit ‘of’ God is the Holy Power that comes from God that also makes Him omnipresent.

Matthew 12:31-32 MUST be read in the FULL CONTEXT in which it was spoken.

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. And all the multitudes were amazed and said, “Could this be the Son of David?” Now when the Pharisees heard it they said, “This fellow does not cast out demons except by Beelzebub, the ruler of the demons.”

But Yeshua (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. If Satan casts out Satan, he is divided against himself. How then will his kingdom stand? And if I cast out demons by Beelzebub, by whom do your sons cast them out? Therefore they shall be your judges. But if I cast out demons BY THE SPIRIT OF GOD, surely the kingdom of God has come upon you. 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. He who is not with Me is against Me, and he who does not gather with Me scatters abroad. “Therefore I say to you, every sin and blasphemy will be forgiven men, but the blasphemy against the Spirit will not be forgiven men. 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.”

The Pharisees accused Yeshua (Jesus) of casting out demons by the power of Satan (Beelzebub). Yeshua (Jesus) asked, “Why would Satan cast out Satan?” (Matthew 12:26). Then in Matthew 12:28 Yeshua (Jesus) says, “But if I cast out demons by the Spirit of God...”

Here we have a definitive statement. Yeshua (Jesus) said ‘I’ cast out demons. How did Yeshua (Jesus) cast them out? Yeshua (Jesus) cast out demons and healed people by the Spirit of God, by His OWN Spirit power. Yeshua (Jesus) is God and the Holy Spirit is ‘of’ God (Himself). We then come to the statement in which Yeshua (Jesus) says that blasphemy against Him will be forgiven, but blasphemy against the Holy Spirit WILL NOT be forgiven.

Why? What did Messiah (Christ) mean by this?

Yeshua (Jesus) said this to and about the Pharisees, AFTER THE PHARISEES JUST BLASPHEMED THE HOLY SPIRIT!

How did the Pharisees blaspheme the Holy Spirit?

The Pharisees just witnessed a miracle of God. They just witnessed Yeshua (Jesus) cast demons out from a blind-mute man, and healed him so the blind-mute man could now see and speak. Rather than getting on their knees and praising Yeshua (Jesus) as the Son of God, what did they do? They blasphemed Yeshua’s (Jesus’) Holy Spirit power that He used to heal the demon-possessed blind-mute man and said this POWER that Yeshua (Jesus) used came from Satan. That, in a nutshell, is blasphemy against the Holy Spirit.

Why will blasphemy against the Holy Spirit not be forgiven?

God can never trust a person who calls His holy power evil. If one witnesses a miracle performed by Yeshua (Jesus) using His Holy Spirit power, as the Pharisees just did, just how can God prove who He is to you? If God performs a miracle and you witness and acknowledge the miracle, then blaspheme it - saying it comes from Satan, God can never trust you.

We believe in God through faith. The angels believed and knew God through proof. They were with God in heaven and witnessed the creation and the power of His Holy Spirit. Satan convinced 1/3rd of the angels to rebel. Since Satan and the fallen angels knew God through proof, they can never be forgiven. Fallen angels or demons can never be forgiven because they rebelled against God, blaspheming His Holy Spirit, as they were eyewitnesses to the creation and many other wonders of God’s spiritual power.

In order to blaspheme the Holy Spirit, you would have to witness Yeshua (Jesus) use His Holy Spirit power, then call that miracle evil or witness some other miraculous manifestation of the Holy Spirit and call it evil. We won't see Yeshua (Jesus) again until He returns at His coming at the final trumpet, but His Holy Spirit is with us.