

The Unforgivable Sin

Mark 3:20-30

“Blasphemy against the Holy Spirit” =

The greater the _____,
the greater the _____.

Luke 12:47-48; John 15:24; 1 Timothy 1:13; 2 Peter 2:21

GOD'S WORD TO THE TENDER-HEARTED:

“Truly I tell you, people can be forgiven all their sins....”
—Mark 3:28

Praise the Lord, my soul, and forget not all his benefits—
who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases....
—Psalm 103:2-3

...You will tread our sins underfoot and hurl all our iniquities into the depths
of the sea.
—Micah 7:19

He forgave us all our sins....
—Colossians 2:13

...If we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one
another, and the blood of Jesus, his Son, purifies us from all sin.
—1 John 1:7

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins
and purify us from all unrighteousness.
—1 John 1:9

Transformed by the Truth

Questions for reflection and discussion

1. Who have you known that believed they had committed an unforgivable sin? What are the obstacles to helping someone like this believe the truth of God's forgiveness? How can these obstacles be overcome?
2. Read Mark 3:29. Prior to this weekend's message, how would you have defined blasphemy against the Holy Spirit? How would you define it now?
3. Read Luke 12:47-48; John 15:24; and 1 Timothy 1:13. How does the principle taught in these passages apply to non-Christians? How does it apply to you?
4. Read 1 John 1:7-9. Do you think you are more or less appreciative of this truth than the average person? Why?
5. What one person do you believe would benefit most from having you share with them what you learned from this message? What can you do this week to initiate contact with that person?