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7 SINS AGAINST THE SPIRIT

(Mark 3:22 – 30)

INTRODUCTION

You and I were given the “gift of the Holy Spirit” when we were baptized: (Acts 2:38-39)
It’s confirmed in Scripture: (Romans 8:9, v11; 1 Corinthians 6:19-20; 1 John 3:24 and 4:13)

1. (Matthew 12:31-32; Mark 3:28-30) “WHO BLASPHEMES AGAINST THE HOLY SPIRIT”

Defined in the text: (Mark 3:30) “because they said, He has an unclean spirit”

(Matthew 12:32) “speaks against the Holy Spirit”

“**Blaspheme**” - to rail against; revile; to speak contemptuously of the Divine.

For us “**in the age to come,**” meaning the NT era, it’s to speak against the inspired message.

It is not a one time action; rather, a way of life that rejects God’s delivered way of salvation in Christ and will be “**subject to eternal condemnation**” (Mark 3:29).

Reference: (Hebrews 1:1-2; John 12:48-50, 14:25-26, 16:5-15; 2 Timothy 3:14-17)

2. (Acts 5:3) “TO LIE TO THE HOLY SPIRIT” (v4) “**NOT LIED TO MEN BUT TO GOD**” (v11) “**TO TEST THE SPIRIT OF THE LORD**”

It’s a lesson on hypocrisy, pretense, professing what you are not, being two-faced.

It will not go undetected.

3. (Acts 7:51) “YOU ALWAYS RESIST THE HOLY SPIRIT”

“**Resist**” - (v53) “received the law ... and not kept it;” to fight against the truth; rebel.

4. (Galatians 5:16-17) “FOR THE FLESH LUSTS AGAINST THE SPIRIT ... CONTRARY”

Since “flesh” and “Spirit” are “**contrary to one another,**” we are admonished in

(v16) “**walk in the Spirit, and you shall not fulfill the lust of the flesh.**”

(Romans 13:14) “... make no provision for the flesh, to fulfill its lusts.”

5. (Ephesians 4:30) “DO NOT GRIEVE THE HOLY SPIRIT OF GOD”

(v25-32) reveals attitudes and actions that “grieve” the indwelling Holy Spirit “by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption.” (see Ephesians 1:13-14)

6. (1 Thessalonians 5:19) “DO NOT QUENCH THE SPIRIT”

(Luke 8:11) “the seed is the word of God” (v14) “... are those who, **when they have heard,** go out and **are choked** with cares, riches, and pleasures of life, and bring no fruit to maturity.” Don’t smother the Spirit within you.

7. (Hebrews 10:26-31) (v29) “... AND INSULTED THE SPIRIT OF GRACE”

It includes those who (v26) “**sin willfully,**” and perhaps think there’s another plan.

(John 14:6) There’s only one way, and be afraid to miss it.