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Title: Blasphemy!

Text: Matthew 12:22-50

Introduction

Marvel at forgiveness, rejoice in the gift, shudder at the power arrayed against us.

I. Blaspheming Jesus (vv. 22-30)

Forgiven by the king of kings

II. Blaspheming the Spirit (vv. 31-37)

Unforgiven by rejecting the king's sacrifice

III. So what's the big deal? (vv. 38-50)

Forces larger than you

“And when He has come, he will convict the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment...”
(John 16:8)

Conclusion

- How is Jesus different, in allowing blasphemy, than other kings?
- What exactly is ‘blasphemy of the Spirit,’ and who does it?
- Where are you left if you reject the sign, push off the gift, don’t receive?
- Are you a part of Jesus’ family? What does that mean? What if you’re not?