



Sermon Discussion Questions - August 7 & 9, 2026
Matthew Part 3: Week 14
Matthew 12:15-32

Ice Breaker: *This week's passage ends with Jesus talking about the "unforgivable sin."*

- **Q1: When you've heard about the "unforgivable sin," what questions, fears, or misconceptions have come to mind? How did this week's message help clarify it?**

Read Matthew 12:15-32 together. Jesus teaches that the "unforgivable sin" is a heart that becomes so hardened it calls good "evil" and evil "good."

- **Q2: Where do you see our culture calling good "evil" or evil "good" today?**

Jesus says there's no neutral ground when it comes to following Him.

- **Q3: Are there any areas of your life where you're tempted to stay "neutral" with your faith or hold on to control instead of fully following Jesus?**

Matthew begins this passage with Isaiah's prophecy to help us understand why so many people rejected Jesus. They wanted a Messiah who would advance their kingdom rather than a King who called them to surrender to His.

- **Q4: Where is it hardest for you to trust God's mission or methods? Do you ever find yourself wanting Him to fit into your plans instead of surrendering to His?**

The Pharisees rejected Jesus because they refused to believe they needed to be rescued from the kingdom of darkness.

- **Q5: How aware are you of your own need for Jesus? In what areas are you tempted to rely on yourself instead of recognizing your need for His rescue?**

Jesus gives a serious warning about the unforgivable sin, but He also promises that every kind of sin can be forgiven through Him. His sacrifice is enough.

- **Q6: Is there any part of your story where you struggle to believe God's grace is enough? What makes it difficult to fully receive His forgiveness?**

Ultimately, the unforgivable sin is a settled rejection of the gospel—a heart that refuses the forgiveness God offers through Christ.

- **Q7: Are there any areas where you sense the Holy Spirit convicting you, but you've been resisting or hardening your heart against Him?**
- **Q8: What would it look like for you to respond to the gospel in a fresh way this week? How can you receive and live in the forgiveness Jesus freely offers?**

Take a few minutes to encourage each other, and spend some time in prayer together!