



**RISE ON FIRE MINISTRIES
TEACHING NOTES**

Blasphemy of the Holy Spirit – The Unforgivable Sin (REMASTERED)

Please note: The following notes is provided as a **behind-the-scenes perk** to Rise on Fire Partners/Members. They are not always neat, but rough notes used to prepare for the corresponding video teaching available on [www.riseonfire.com]. Because almost all Rise on Fire videos are unscripted, these notes are simply a guide and should be followed alongside the video. You may archive and share these notes as you wish, if you give credit to Rise on Fire where appropriate.

Blasphemy of the Holy Spirit – The Unforgivable Sin (REMASTERED)
by PD Vander Westhuizen

What is blasphemy of the Holy Spirit? Many have said it is simply the act of denying Jesus as Messiah, denying the law of God, or that we cannot commit this unforgivable sin anymore because Jesus no longer walks the Earth. But is that it? Since this sin is described as being amongst the most serious in all of scripture, surely it deserves a second, yet balanced look.

Understanding the context of Jesus' teaching regarding this (His encounter with the Pharisees) gives clarity, where the Pharisees call the works of the Holy Spirit, that of a demon. But later, the disciples have a similar encounter and call Jesus walking on water, a "ghost". What is the difference then? There are only two kingdoms, you either gather or scatter abroad and those whom He has gathered, will not commit this sin.

This is a redone video to better explain this topic. While my position regarding the Blasphemy of the Holy Spirit hasn't changed, in this video I will not only explain what it is; but also answer some questions that were asked on the previous video. Many came to the previous video hoping to understand whether they have themselves blasphemed the Holy Spirit. I do not wish anyone to mistakenly diagnose themselves as having blasphemed the Holy Spirit, when in reality they have not and thereby feel separated from God. And so I attempted to help those with this burning question come to an answer that is biblical and balanced.

[Mat 12:22](#) Then was brought unto him one possessed with a devil, blind, and dumb: and he healed him, insomuch that the blind and dumb both spake and saw.

[Mat 12:23](#) And all the people were amazed, and said, Is not this the son of David?

[Mat 12:24](#) But when the Pharisees heard *it*, they said, This *fellow* doth not cast out devils, but by Beelzebub the prince of the devils.

- Pharisees knew it was CLEAN WORKS, yet called it UNCLEAN

[Mat 12:25](#) And Jesus knew their thoughts, and said unto them, **Every kingdom divided against itself is brought to desolation; and every city or house divided against itself shall not stand:**

[Mat 12:26](#) And if Satan cast out Satan, he is divided against himself; how shall then his kingdom stand?

[Mat 12:27](#) And if I by Beelzebub cast out devils, by whom do your children cast *them* out? therefore they shall be your judges.

[Mat 12:28](#) But if I cast out devils by the Spirit of God, then the kingdom of God is come unto you.

[Mat 12:29](#) Or else how can one enter into a strong man's house, and spoil his goods, except he first bind the strong man? and then he will spoil his house.

[Mat 12:30](#) He that is not with me is against me; and he that gathereth not with me scattereth abroad.

[Mat 12:31](#) Wherefore I say unto you, All manner of sin and blasphemy shall be forgiven unto men: but the blasphemy *against* the *Holy* Ghost shall not be forgiven unto men.

[Mat 12:32](#) And whosoever speaketh a word against the Son of man, it shall be forgiven him: but whosoever speaketh against the Holy Ghost, it shall not be forgiven him, neither in this world, neither in the *world* to come.

- Not talking about not accepting Christ/ Blaspheming Christ
- But rather talking about the works of the Holy Spirit

Only if:

- Having witnessed someone get delivered from demons
- Seeing the miracle
- Seeing the freedom
- Seeing and being in the presence of the goodness of God

Yet still speaking against the Holy Spirit and calling it the work of a demon.

What if I called someone who spoke in tongues a demon?

- It is different when we do something with a lack of full picture

The disciples call Yeshua a ghost

[Mat 14:26](#) And when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were troubled, saying, It is a spirit; and they cried out for fear.

- What is the difference between the disciples and the Pharisees?
 - The disciples had a lack of knowledge of who it was that was on the water, and how it was done
 - The Pharisees saw the beautiful freedom works of Yeshua, yet still was in opposition

If you're worried that you have blasphemed the Holy Spirit, then you haven't. The Pharisees were not phased by Yeshua's words, because they were without Him and already condemned. If you are phased by Yeshua's authority and words, then the Holy Spirit is convicting you and you are filled with the Holy Spirit.

- If you desire to not let anything come into separating you from God, it is Holy Spirit that inspires that, therefore He is with you, haven't left, and you haven't blasphemed the Holy Spirit.
- We must fit the profile of the Pharisees

But what if I have blaspheming thoughts?

Words and actions are what counts, not just thoughts:

[Mat 12:36](#) I tell you, on the day of judgment people will give account for every careless word they speak,

[Mat 12:37](#) for by your words you will be justified, and by your words you will be condemned."

When they are of another denomination/ church we don't agree with

[Mar 9:38](#) And John answered him, saying, Master, we saw one casting out devils in thy name, and he followeth not us: and we forbid him, because he followeth not us.

[Mar 9:39](#) But Jesus said, Forbid him not: for there is no man which shall do a miracle in my name, that can lightly speak evil of me.

[Mar 9:40](#) For he that is not against us is on our part.

- They did not accuse him of doing so by a demon, but were only unsure of his character and theology.