



REJECTION
of the king



Matthew 12:31,32

Therefore I tell you, every sin and blasphemy will be forgiven people, but the blasphemy against the Spirit will not be forgiven.



REJECTION
of the King

Matthew 12:31,32

Therefore I tell you, every sin and blasphemy will be forgiven people, but the blasphemy against the Spirit will not be forgiven.

And whoever speaks a word against the Son of Man will be forgiven, but whoever speaks against the Holy Spirit will not be forgiven, either in this age or in the age to come.



REJECTION
of the King

Mark 3:29

whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit
never has forgiveness,
but is guilty of an eternal sin



REJECTION
of the King

The Unforgivable Sin



REJECTION
of the King

About eight years ago
a young woman came into my office at Bethel,
extremely distressed over this issue
of the unforgivable sin.

John Piper



REJECTION
of the King

She told me how one day
when she was a young teenager,
she got so angry at her mother who was a Christian
that she locked herself in her room and used every
swear word and oath and all the foul language
against the Holy Spirit that she could think of.

John Piper



REJECTION
of the King

That day was seared into her conscience
and came back to haunt her again and again.

John Piper



REJECTION
of the King

Matthew 12:22

Then a demon-possessed man who was blind and mute was brought to him, and he healed him, so that the man spoke and saw.



REJECTION
of the King

Matthew 12:23

And all the people were amazed, and said,
“Can this be the Son of David?”



REJECTION
of the king

Matthew 12:24

But when the Pharisees heard it, they said,
“It is only by Beelzebul, the prince of demons,
that this man casts out demons.”



REJECTION
of the King

Matthew 9:34

“He casts out demons by the prince of demons.”



REJECTION
of the king

Matthew 10:25

If they have called the master of the house
Beelzebul, how much more will they
malign those of his household.



REJECTION
of the king

Matthew 12:24

But when the Pharisees heard it, they said,
“It is only by Beelzebul, the prince of demons,
that this man casts out demons.”



REJECTION
of the King

Matthew 12:25

Knowing their thoughts, he said to them, "Every kingdom divided against itself is laid waste, and no city or house divided against itself will stand.



REJECTION
of the king

Matthew 12:26

And if Satan casts out Satan, he is divided against himself. How then will his kingdom stand?



REJECTION
of the king

Matthew 12:27

And if I cast out demons by Beelzebul,
by whom do your sons cast them out?
Therefore they will be your judges.



REJECTION
of the King

Matthew 12:28

But if it is by the Spirit of God
that I cast out demons,
then the kingdom of God has come upon you.



REJECTION
of the king

Matthew 12:29

Or how can someone enter a strong man's
house and plunder his goods,
unless he first binds the strong man?
Then indeed he may plunder his house.



REJECTION
of the king

Matthew 12:30

Whoever is not with me is against me,
and whoever does not gather with me scatters.



REJECTION
of the king

Matthew 12:31,32

Therefore I tell you, every sin and blasphemy will be forgiven people, but the blasphemy against the Spirit will not be forgiven.



REJECTION
of the King

Matthew 12:31,32

Therefore I tell you, every sin and blasphemy will be forgiven people, but the blasphemy against the Spirit will not be forgiven.

And whoever speaks a word against the Son of Man will be forgiven, but whoever speaks against the Holy Spirit will not be forgiven, either in this age or in the age to come.



REJECTION
of the King

The Unforgivable Sin



REJECTION
of the King

The Unforgivable Sin

careless slip



REJECTION
of the King

The Unforgivable Sin

~~careless slip~~



REJECTION
of the King

The Unforgivable Sin

~~careless slip~~ vs calloused heart



REJECTION
of the King

Matthew 12:34

You brood of vipers!
How can you speak good, when you are evil?
For out of the **abundance of the heart**
the mouth speaks.



REJECTION
of the king

The Unforgivable Sin

~~careless slip~~ vs calloused heart



REJECTION
of the King

"a defiant, irreverence for the
Holy Spirit's work manifest in speech"

Ligon Duncan



REJECTION
of the King

"an act of resistance which belittles the Holy Spirit
so grievously that he withdraws for ever
with his convicting power so that we are never able
to repent and be forgiven"

John Piper



REJECTION
of the King

"The sin consists in the conscious, malicious, and willful rejection and slandering, against evidence and conviction, of the testimony of the Holy Spirit respecting the grace of God in Christ, attributing it out of hatred and enmity to the prince of darkness"

Louis Berkhof



REJECTION
of the King

“specific, active, and final choice
to declare the person and work of Jesus
as being demonic in origin”

Jonathan Pennington



REJECTION
of the king

Q1: Are all blasphemers never to be forgiven?



REJECTION
of the king

Q1: Are all blasphemers never to be forgiven?

1 Timothy 1:13

though formerly I was a blasphemer,
persecutor, and insolent opponent.
But I received mercy because I had
acted ignorantly in unbelief



REJECTION
of the King

Q2: Can a Christian commit this specific sin?



REJECTION
of the king

Q2: Can a Christian commit this specific sin?

1 Corinthians 12:3

Therefore I want you to understand
that no one speaking in the Spirit of God
ever says "Jesus is accursed!" and
no one can say "Jesus is Lord"
except in the Holy Spirit.



REJECTION
of the King

Q3: Is it the same as grieving the Holy Spirit?

REJECTION
of the king

Q3: Is it the same as grieving the Holy Spirit?

Ephesians 4:30–31

And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God,
by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption.

Let all bitterness and wrath and anger and
clamor and slander be put away from you,
along with all malice.



REJECTION
of the King

The Unforgivable Sin

~~careless slip~~ vs calloused heart



REJECTION
of the King

Matthew 12:31

Therefore I tell you, every sin and blasphemy
will be forgiven people, but **the blasphemy
against the Spirit will not be forgiven.**



REJECTION
of the King

Matthew 12:31

Therefore I tell you, **every sin and blasphemy will be forgiven people**, but the blasphemy against the Spirit will not be forgiven.



REJECTION
of the King

1 Corinthians 6:9-11

neither the sexually immoral, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor men who practice homosexuality, nor thieves, nor the greedy, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor swindlers will inherit the kingdom of God.



REJECTION
of the King

1 Corinthians 6:9-11

neither the sexually immoral, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor men who practice homosexuality, nor thieves, nor the greedy, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor swindlers will inherit the kingdom of God.

And such were some of you.



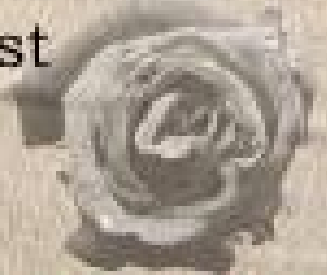
REJECTION
of the King

1 Corinthians 6:9-11

neither the sexually immoral, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor men who practice homosexuality, nor thieves, nor the greedy, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor swindlers will inherit the kingdom of God.

And such were some of you.

But you were washed, you were sanctified, you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and by the Spirit of our God.



REJECTION
of the King

1 Timothy 1:13

though formerly I was a blasphemer,
persecutor, and insolent opponent.
But I **received mercy** because I had
acted ignorantly in unbelief



REJECTION
of the king

John 3:18

Whoever believes in him is not condemned,
but whoever does not believe is condemned already,
because he has not believed in the name
of the only Son of God.



REJECTION
of the King