

Recap

Mt 5-9: Focus on Jesus' authority

- Right to explain the Kingdom of God
- Power over Satan, sickness, and death

Mt 11-12: negative responses to Jesus

- Misunderstanding – 11.1-19
- Rejection – 11.20-24
- Hostility – 12-1.14

MATTHEW RECAP



The unforgiveable sin

- **Blasphemy of the Holy Spirit** – attributing the work of the Holy Spirit to Satan
- **The one who does not gather with Me scatters** – actively opposing the work of God
- **Persistent, stubborn refusal to acknowledge the work of the Holy Spirit** –

**MATTHEW
12:22-37**



Sins of the tongue

- **Obscenity** – either bad language or talking about shameful things
- **Foolish talk** – talk of a drunk person; words without sense or profit
- **Coarse joking** - buffoonery; mocking; getting a laugh at expense of others
- **Slander** – to speak critically of another w/the intention of hurting them
- **Gossip** – revealing/passing on the personal issues of one person to another person

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- **Hypocrisy** – insincerity; pretense towards God or others; inconsistency btwn words and action
- **Deceit/lying** – speaking w/ulterior motives; not speaking full truth from the heart
- **Strife** – engagement in a rivalry; contentious temper
- **Boastfulness** – to speak of oneself or one's deeds in a prideful manner
- **Fits of rage** - passionate outburst of anger or hostile feeling

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Sins of the tongue

James 3.9-12: With the tongue we praise our Lord and Father, and with it we curse human beings, who have been made in God's likeness. Out of the same mouth come praise and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this should not be. Can both fresh water and salt water flow from the same spring? My brothers and sisters, can a fig tree bear olives, or a grapevine bear figs? Neither can a salt spring produce fresh water.

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