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**Matthew 9:32-34**

**The Pharisees Blaspheme the Spirit**

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**The Pharisees Are “Blind”**

**Matthew 9:32–34**

As they were going out, a mute, demon-possessed man was brought to Him. **33** After the demon was cast out, the mute man spoke; and the crowds were amazed, *and were* saying, “**Nothing like this has ever been seen in Israel.**” **34** But the Pharisees were saying, “**He casts out the demons by the ruler of the demons.**”

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**The Chosen “See” the Son of David**

Matt. 9:27 Blind men - “**Son of David**”  
Matt. 15:22 Canaanite - “**Son of David**”  
Matt. 20:30 Blind men - “**Son of David**”  
Matt. 21:15 Children - “**Son of David**”  
**Matt. 22 - Test: “Whose son is He?”**

**Matthew 12:23–24**

All the crowds were amazed, and were saying, “This man cannot be **the Son of David**, can he?” **24** But when the Pharisees heard *this*, they said, “**This man casts out demons only by Beelzebul the ruler of the demons.**”

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**Applications**

1. We must understand that while Jesus had the power to perform miracles, the Holy Spirit used the miracles to testify of Jesus’ true identity.
2. We must understand that no human being can believe in Christ without the supernatural regeneration by the Holy Spirit.
3. We must know that the unpardonable sin is the rejection of the Holy Spirit’s testimony about Jesus’ true identity.

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**The Power of Christ and the Spirit**

**Romans 8:11**

But if **the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead** dwells in you, He who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through His Spirit who dwells in you.

**John 10:18**

No one has taken it away from Me, but I lay it down on My own initiative. I have authority to lay it down, and **I have authority to take it up again.** This commandment I received from My Father.”

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**The Spirit Testifies of Jesus**

**John 14:26**

But the Helper, **the Holy Spirit**, whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all that I said to you.

**John 15:26**

When the Helper comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, *that is* **the Spirit of truth** who proceeds from the Father, **He will testify about Me...**

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## The Inability of Man

### Romans 3:10–11

as it is written: “None is righteous, no, not one; 11 no one understands; **no one seeks for God.**”

### John 6:44

**No one can come to Me** unless the Father who sent Me draws him. And I will raise him up on the last day.

can = “dunamai” – ability or power

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## The Inability of Man

### Matthew 13:11

And he answered them, “**To you it has been given to know** the secrets of the kingdom of heaven, **but to them it has not been given.**”

### 2 Timothy 2:25

...with gentleness correcting those who are in opposition, if perhaps **God may grant them repentance** leading to the knowledge of the truth...

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## The Holy Spirit Regenerates

### 1 Corinthians 12:3

Therefore I make known to you that no one speaking by the Spirit of God says, “Jesus is accursed”; and **no one can say, “Jesus is Lord,” except by the Holy Spirit.**

### John 3:5

Jesus answered, “Truly, truly, I say to you, **unless one is born of water and the Spirit** he cannot enter into the kingdom of God.

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## What Is Blasphemy of The Holy Spirit?

### Matthew 12:30–32

He who is not with Me is against Me; and he who does not gather with Me scatters. 31 Therefore I say to you, any sin and blasphemy shall be forgiven people, **but blasphemy against the Spirit shall not be forgiven.** 32 Whoever speaks a word against the Son of Man, it shall be forgiven him; but whoever speaks against the Holy Spirit, it shall not be forgiven him, either in this age or in the age to come.

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## Don't Harden Your Heart

### Hebrews 3:8–11

...**do not harden your hearts as in the rebellion**, on the day of testing in the wilderness, 9 where your fathers put me to the test and saw my works for forty years. 10 Therefore I was provoked with that generation, and said, “They always go astray in their heart; they have not known my ways.” 11 As I swore in my wrath, “They shall not enter my rest.”

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