

THE UNPARDONABLE SIN

John 12:37-43

INTRODUCTION

In spite of many miracles performed by Jesus, many did not believe in Him.

John says that they could not believe because God had hardened their hearts.

Does God really do this?

I. NOTICE WHO CAN COMMIT THE UNPARDONABLE SIN

- A. A TRUE BELIEVER CANNOT COMMIT THIS SIN
- B. AN UNREPENTANT UNBELIEVER CAN COMMIT THIS SIN

II. NOTICE WHAT IS THE UNPARDONABLE SIN

- A. JESUS CALLED IT BLASPHEMY AGAINST THE HOLY SPIRIT
 - Matthew 12:31-32:** *“Therefore I say to you, any sin and blasphemy shall be forgiven men, but blasphemy against the Spirit shall not be forgiven. And whoever shall speak a word against the Son of Man, it shall be forgiven him; but whoever shall speak against the Holy Spirit, it shall not be forgiven him, either in this age, or in the age to come.”* (NASB)
- B. IT IS WHEN GOD HARDENS THE HEART
 - 1. This does not mean that God arbitrarily prevents some from believing
 - 2. Man has a choice and God honors that choice
 - 3. However, there comes a time when God seals man’s choice

CONCLUSION

HERE IS THE MESSAGE! THERE DOES COME A TIME WHEN THE HOLY SPIRIT DOES NOT STRIVE WITH A PERSON ANY LONGER.