

8. **What Actually Happened?** Adam Clarke – “Here the matter is made clear beyond the smallest doubt--- the unpardonable sin, as some term it, is neither less nor more than ascribing the miracles Christ wrought, by the power of God, to the spirit of the devil.” This subject comes up so rarely, why bother with it? “Many sincere people have been grievously troubled with apprehensions that they had committed the unpardonable sin; but let it be observed that no man who believes the Divine mission of Jesus Christ ever can commit this sin: therefore let no man’s heart fail because of it, from henceforth and forever, Amen.” These comments should be readily understandable. We concur. Do you? _____
9. **The Penalty?** All the recorded words of Jesus were spoken during the Jewish dispensation. Some scholars think “*neither in this world*” means the Jewish Age and that “*neither in the world to come*” means the Christian Age. (a) Irregardless, a grievous, presumptuous sin occurred. (b) Capital penalty demanded under Moses is not available in Christianity. (c) Jesus said: (Mk 3:29) “*He that shall _____ against the Holy Ghost _____ never _____ but is in _____ of _____ damnation.*” (d) Civil authorities can and do execute guilty parties that repent. (e) Such punishment was not always administered equitably under Judaism.
10. **Review Of The Facts** (a) Jesus lived and died under the Jewish Law which was both civil and spiritual. (b) The sin was that of *speaking evilly against* the miracle Jesus performed by the Holy Spirit. (c) The miraculous age (See: Q7) ended once the Word of God (Heb 2:1-4) was confirmed. This period ended in the decades subsequent the Pentecost of (Acts 2). (d) It is impossible to witness or blaspheme any such direct operation of the Holy Spirit today.
11. **What About The Sin Of Unbelief?** One may choose to believe, or not believe. Jesus said (Mt 7:14) with regard to how many will *believe* and be saved: “_____ *there be that _____ it.*” Question: Is it news to you that the majority of all humans are guilty of *the sin of unbelief*? _____ (Mk 7:9) “*Full well ye _____ the commandment of God, that ye may _____ your _____ tradition.*” It has been said that human disbelief is the “unpardonable sin.” Nothing is more untrue. Why? There are many unpardoned sins, but no unpardonable sin that you or I may commit.
12. **The Bible IS NOT The Holy Spirit** It is God’s infallible, Holy Spirit inspired word (2 Tim 3:16-17) but is only a product, a medium (ie: a means), by which the Spirit disseminates coherently and in perfect completeness the Father’s will through Jesus Christ. Reject or blaspheme it but to do so is no more blaspheming the Holy Spirit than it is the Father or Son. Bible believers will be _____ in their obedience. All disbelievers (ie: ones guilty of unbelief) will be _____.
13. **The Sin Unto Death** (1 Jn 5:16) “*There is a _____ unto _____.*” If we reject Jesus to follow the secularism of society, which Paul calls (Rom 6:16) a way “*of _____ unto death,*” we can’t expect our choice to be other than eternal damnation. Such is not the “unpardonable” sin!
14. **If It Existed Today** According to theories we hear once a person commits the “unpardonable” sin – all hope of salvation is lost. Wouldn’t you want to be able to explain exactly what it is and how you commit it, for your benefit and that of others, if you absolutely believe in such a sin? _____ Would it be worse to go to Hell for committing this sin than any other “un-repent-ed-of” sins?
15. **Cry The Warning** (Ez 33:6) “*If the _____ see the sword come, and _____ the trumpet, and the people be not _____ ---his blood will I _____ at the watchman’s hand.*” Paul: (Acts 20:31) “*I ceased not to _____ every one _____ and _____ with tears.*” It would be unconscionable to believe in a “once committed soul-damning sin” and not warn others about it.
16. **Immunity? Exceptions?** (Acts 17:30) “*God---commandeth _____ every where to _____.*” If we won’t accept the “*one Lord*” (Eph 4:5) and the “*one faith*” then (Heb 10:26) “*there remaineth no more _____ for _____.*”
17. **God’s Law Of Pardon Is Sufficient – Obey It!** Don’t question it, don’t doubt it. (Ps 19:7) “*The law of the Lord is _____, converting the _____.*”