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The Lord blessing to all and as you know, the year 2021 is almost gone. Let me put it another way, we are closer to Our Savior returning than we were last year. Every day, every minute we are closer to His return. Are you ready? Are your love ones ready? Do you have doubts about your salvation because you think you committed the “**Unpardonable Sin”**? That my brothers and sisters is what this month **Bible Scripture Letter** is about, “**What is the Unpardonable Sin”**.

 Prior to being saved, I had never heard these words before. I was raised in the Catholic Church and I don’t recall the “**Unpardonable Sin”** ever spoken but I do remember the words venial sin and mortal sin but all I had to do was just go to the priest and confess those sins and they were forgiven. Not sure if it’s taught the same today as it was then but we as Christians must bring Gods word to our love ones and to the world that “Jesus is the ONLY way to the Father”.

Hopefully you will have a better understanding what the “**Unpardonable Sin**” is after reading this letter.

So, let’s get started.

Your Brother in Christ, Tony Gonzalez

**1 Peter 3:15**

but in your hearts honor Christ the Lord as holy, **always being prepared to make a defense** to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and respect,

**What is the Unpardonable Sin**

Bible Scripture Letter #19

According to Jesus, the unpardonable or unforgivable sin is unique. It is the one iniquity that will never be forgiven.

**Matthew 12:32**

* **32** 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.

The unforgivable sin is blasphemy (“defiant irreverence”) of the Holy Spirit in the context of the Spirit’s work in the world through Christ. In other words, the particular case of blasphemy seen in[**Matthew 12**](https://biblia.com/bible/esv/Matt%2012) and [**Mark 3**](https://biblia.com/bible/esv/Mark%203) is unique. The guilty party, a group of Pharisees, had witnessed irrefutable evidence that Jesus was working miracles in the power of the Holy Spirit, yet they claimed that He was possessed by the prince of demons, Beelzebul.

[**Matthew 12:24**](https://biblia.com/bible/esv/Matt%2012.24)

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

[**Mark 3:30**](https://biblia.com/bible/esv/Mark%203.30)

* **30** for they were saying, “He has an unclean spirit.”

 The Jewish leaders of Jesus’ day committed the unpardonable sin by accusing Jesus Christ (in person, on earth) of being demon-possessed. They had no excuse for such an action. They were not speaking out of ignorance or misunderstanding. The Pharisees knew that Jesus was the Messiah sent by God to save Israel. They knew the prophecies were being fulfilled. They saw Jesus’ wonderful works, and they heard His clear presentation of truth. Yet they deliberately chose to deny the truth and slander the Holy Spirit. Standing before the [**Light of the World**](https://www.gotquestions.org/light-of-the-world.html)**,** bathed in His glory, they defiantly closed their eyes and became willfully blind. Jesus pronounced that sin to be unforgivable.

 The blasphemy against the Holy Spirit, specific as it was to the Pharisees’ situation, cannot be duplicated today. Jesus Christ is not on earth, and no one can personally see Jesus perform a miracle and then attribute that power to Satan instead of the Spirit. The only unpardonable sin today is that of continued unbelief. There is no pardon for a person who dies in his rejection of Christ. The Holy Spirit is at work in the world, convicting the unsaved of sin, righteousness, and judgment.

**John 16:8**

* **8** And when he comes, he will convict the world concerning sin and righteousness and judgment:

If a person resists that conviction and remains unrepentant, then he is choosing hell over heaven.

**Hebrews 11:6**

* **16** And without faith it is impossible to please him, for whoever would draw near to God must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who seek him.

and the object of faith is Jesus.

**Acts 16:31**

* **31** And they said, “Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household.

There is no forgiveness for someone who dies without faith in Christ.

God has provided for our salvation in His Son.

[**John 3:16**](https://biblia.com/bible/esv/John%203.16)

* **16** “For God so loved the world,[[a](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=John+3%3A16&version=ESV#fen-ESV-26126a)] that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.

Forgiveness is found exclusively in Jesus.

[**John 14:6**](https://biblia.com/bible/esv/John%2014.6)

* **6** Jesus said to him, “I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.

To reject the only Savior is to be left with no means of salvation; to reject the only pardon is, obviously, unpardonable. Many people fear they have committed some sin that God cannot or will not forgive, and they feel there is no hope for them, no matter what they do. Satan would like nothing more than to keep people laboring under that misconception. God gives encouragement to the sinner who is convicted of his sin:

[**James 4:8**](https://biblia.com/bible/esv/James%204.8)

* **8**  Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded.

[**Romans 5:20**](https://biblia.com/bible/esv/Rom%205.20)

* **20**  Now the law came in to increase the trespass, but where sin increased, grace abounded all the more,

And the testimony of Paul is proof positive that God can and will save anyone who comes to Him in faith.

[**1 Timothy 1:12–17**](https://biblia.com/bible/esv/1%20Tim%201.12%E2%80%9317)

* **12** I thank him who has given me strength, Christ Jesus our Lord, because he judged me faithful, appointing me to his service,
* **13** though formerly I was a blasphemer, persecutor, and insolent opponent. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief,
* **14** and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus.
* **15** The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am the foremost.
* **16** But I received mercy for this reason, that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display his perfect patience as an example to those who were to believe in him for eternal life.
* **17** To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

 If you are suffering under a load of guilt today, rest assured that you have not committed the unpardonable sin. God is waiting with open arms. Jesus’ promise is that:

[**Hebrews 7:25**](https://biblia.com/bible/esv/Heb%207.25)

* Consequently, he is able to save to the uttermost those who draw near to God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them.

Our Lord will never fail:

[**Isaiah 12:2**](https://biblia.com/bible/esv/Isa%2012.2)

* “Behold, God is my salvation;
    I will trust, and will not be afraid;
for the Lord God

is my strength and my song,
    and he has become my salvation.”

In simple terms, the “**Unpardonable Sin”** is rejecting **Jesus Christ** as **Lord and Savior**. In so doing, you reject **God** and by doing so, the “Lake of Fire” awaits.

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