

3. In Matthew 12:29, Jesus used another example. Explain it in your own words. \_\_\_\_\_

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4. Fill in the blanks from Matthew 12:30:

*He that is \_\_\_\_\_ is \_\_\_\_\_ Me;  
and he that \_\_\_\_\_ not with Me  
\_\_\_\_\_.*

Do some studying on this verse, and be ready to discuss it in class.

5. From Matthew 12:31,32:

(a) What shall be forgiven? \_\_\_\_\_

(b) What shall not be forgiven? \_\_\_\_\_

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#### BLASPHEMY AGAINST THE HOLY GHOST:

(1) Speak evil of (Jude 8; Ephesians 4:31)

(2) Rail (to use bitter, reproachful, scornful language; scoff: with, at or against; 1 Timothy 6:4; II Peter 2:11)

(3) Revile (To cheapen or use abusive or shameful language against; Matthew 27:39)

(4) Defame (To speak maliciously; to accuse falsely; to publish a report to injure or destroy the good reputation of; to disgrace; 1 Corinthians 4:13)

(5) Slander (Romans 3:8)

(6) Insult by blasphemy (Matthew 12:31)

#### EXPLAINING WHAT BLASPHEMY IS

Blasphemy is any insulting remark or curse, even attributing to Satan the works of the Holy Spirit. It is unforgivable if it is done maliciously and knowingly as in Hebrews 6:4-9; 10:26-31; 1 Timothy 1:13.

#### MISUSE OF THE TONGUE TO BE PUNISHED

(Matthew 12:33-37; James 3; 1 Peter 3:10)

In Matthew 12:34, the last portion of that verse reads this way... *for out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh...* and in Matthew 12:35 ...*A good man out of the good treasure of the heart bringeth forth good things: and an evil man out of the evil treasure bringeth forth evil things.* Jesus denounced these Pharisees as vipers (Matthew 12:34) , and told them that every idle word is recorded in heaven, and they shall give an account thereof in the day of judgment (Matthew 12:36).

1. Fill in the blanks from Matthew 12:37:

*For by thy words thou shalt be \_\_\_\_\_,*

*and by thy words thou shalt be \_\_\_\_\_.*