

# Transformed To Witness

Luke 12:8-12

**Introduction:** A transformed witness knows and lives the truth of Christ.

## I. A Witness Acknowledges Christ As The Son Of Man (8-9)

### Son Of Man

1. A Reference To Christ's Deity (Mk 14:60-64)
2. A Reference To Being The Representative Of Humankind (Ezek 2; Mt 11:19; Mk 8:31)
3. A Reference To Being The Messiah (Dan 7:13-14)
4. A Reference To Having Divine Authority
  - To Forgive Sin (Mt 9:6; Mk 2:10; Lk 5:24)
  - As Lord of the Sabbath (Mt 12:8; Mk 2:28; Lk 6:5)
5. A Reference To The Ascended & Glorified Christ (Mt 24:30; Mk 14:62; Lk 17:22; 18:8; 22:69; Acts 7:55-56; Heb 2:7; Rev 1:13; 14:14)

## II. A Witness Affirms The Holy Spirit In Christ's Ministry (10)

### A. What Is Christ's Relationship With The Holy Spirit?

1. Christ Was Prophetically Anointed By The Holy Spirit (Isa 11:1-2; 42:1; 61:1; Lk 4:18; Acts 10:38)
2. Christ Was Divinely Empowered By The Holy Spirit (Isa 42:1; Phil 2:7; Jn 3:34)
3. Christ Was Divinely Led By The Holy Spirit (Mk 1:12; Lk 4:1)
4. Christ Shared Intimate Joy With The Holy Spirit (Lk 10:21)

### B. Why Is Blaspheming The Holy Spirit Worse Than Blaspheming Christ?

1. Q: Why is the "blasphemy of the Holy Spirit" so blasphemous?  
A: The "blasphemy" is intensified because it is a triple attack on the three Persons in the Trinity:
2. Q: Why is the "blaspheme of the Holy Spirit" so egregious?  
A: Blaspheming the Holy Spirit is a progressive, knowledgeable, a deliberate defiance against God.
3. Q: Can the "blasphemy of the Holy Spirit" be done today?  
A: 4 views
  - unrepeatable today
  - possible today
  - unbelief that continues until death
  - loss of salvation for believers turned apostate

## III. A Witness Accesses The Strength And Teaching Of The Holy Spirit (11-12)

**Conclusion:** A transformed witness knows and lives the truth of Christ.

- Acknowledge Christ as God who became a Man to die on the cross defeating sin and rose again defeating death.
- You can't believe in Christ's sacrifice and deny His deity or humanity.
- You can't deny the Trinity.
- God will strengthen His witnesses emotionally and factually.