I. Jesus Shared the Gospel Freely to All (Mt. 12:14-21)

- A. Jesus Ministered to Those in Close Contact to Him (12:14-15)
- B. Jesus Ministered to Those Outside His Circle (12:16-21)

II. Jesus Demonstrated God's Power in Ministry (12:22-30)

- A. People Respond to Jesus (12:22-23)
- B. People Reject Jesus (12:24-30)

III. Jesus Shares What Sin Cannot Be Forgiven (12:31-32)

Conclusion

- 1. Keep looking to share the Gospel message with others, even if they seem hardened. Don't give up! Keep praying for the unsaved people in your lives.
- 2. God is continuously seeking the lost and trying to reach them. You may be an instrument to plant, water or reap the harvest. Praise God.
- 3. God is patient towards the unsaved. You don't have to agree with their views and how they live, but you can still demonstrate God's love to them.
- 4. Have a humble heart in life. All we have and accomplished is because of God's grace to us each day.

Discussion Questions

- 1. Are you actively praying for and looking for opportunities to represent and testify about Christ and the Gospel?
- 2. What kinds of people are easiest for you to talk to and form a relationship with? How can you be open to other groups of people that you may not be very comfortable with?
- 3. Do you know family members, friends, neighbors or coworkers who are vehemently against the Gospel message and Christians? Who are they? God may still be working to open their hearts. Keep praying and trying to testify of Christ to them.
- 4. Have you seen God open the hearts of someone really hardened to the Gospel message? How did God open his/her heart?