

Two Kingdoms

Luke 11:14—26

- v. 14 Jesus cast out a demon of muteness and blindness
(see Matthew 12)

Three responses to Christ's work:

1. Multitudes marveled --v. 14 Cf. Matthew 12:23

Note v. 23, 27—28

2. Some said, “He casts out demons by Beelzebub, the ruler of the demons.” --v.15

Note vv. 17—23

3. Others, testing Him, sought from Him a sign from heaven --v. 16

Note vv. 29--32

Luke 11:17ff

“But He, knowing their thoughts, said to them, “Every kingdom divided against itself is brought to desolation, and a house divided against a house falls.” v. 17

1. If Satan also is divided against himself, how will his kingdom stand? v. 18

Because you say I cast out demons by Beelzebub.

2. If I cast out demons by Beelzebub, by whom do your sons cast them out? v. 19

Therefore, they will be your judges.

3. If I cast out demons with the finger of God, surely the kingdom of God has come upon you. v. 20

Two illustrations . . .

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:24- - 26

ANGELS--spirits without bodies

ANIMALS—bodies without spirits

MAN--spirits with bodies, bodies with spirits

Man is the apex of God's creation.

Concerning Demons--general

--fallen angels

--followers of Satan, the ruler of the demons

--desire to inhabit a body

--highly organized hierarchy under Satan's leadership

--afflict people with negative physical ailments:

-mute, deaf, blind

-cutting one's body

-throw victim down to the ground

-foam at the mouth

-driven into the wilderness

--Know/recognize God, and tremble!

--Under God's authority

-rebellious submission

--Headed for torment; the Abyss; the Lake of Fire
for all eternity

The “Unpardonable” Sin

Matthew 12:31-32, Mark 3:28-30, Luke 12:10

Since God is able to pardon any sin which He chooses to, perhaps a better title would be the “unpardoned” sin, or the “unforgiven” sin.

Biblical circumstances surrounding this sin:

1. The personal, bodily presence of Jesus, working miracles in the power of the Holy Spirit
2. The personal, decisive, final rejection of Him as the Son of God, and the declaration that His works were actually the works of Satan.

Can this sin be committed today? NO

Can any sin committed today be
unpardoned or unforgiven? YES