

tuesday night

BIBLE STUDY

Matthew Curriculum Notes MATTHEW 12:22-37

WEEK 31
SEPTEMBER 27, 2011

Observation

What personal observations and insights did you encounter as you studied this week's passage?

When Jesus healed the demon-oppressed man, how did the people react? How did the Pharisees react?

In verse 25 we're told Jesus knew what the Pharisees were thinking. What does this tell us about Jesus? Why is it significant?

How did Jesus respond to the Pharisees accusations that it was through the prince of demons that He healed the demon-possessed man?

According to the ESV study Bible (pg. 1845) blasphemy is attributing to Satan what is accomplished by the power of God. Also doing this through the flagrant, willful, and persistent rejection of God and His Commands.

Taking the above definition into account, how did the Pharisees commit blasphemy against the Spirit?

How did the Pharisees show what was in their hearts?

Illustration

Jesus said "For out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaks." What do your words reveal about your heart? Would people identify your fruit as good or bad and why?

Application

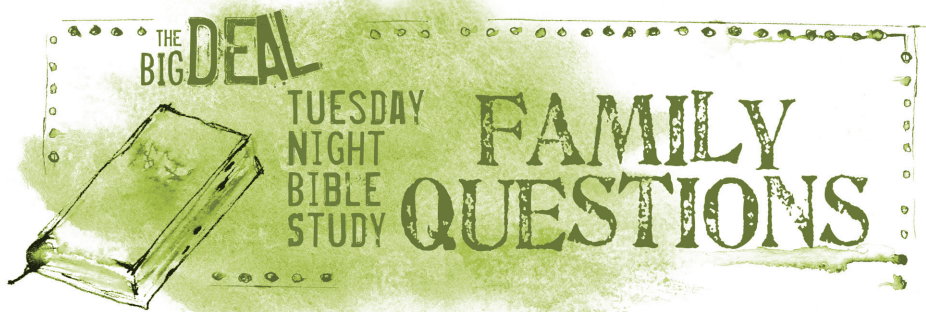
Identify your biggest struggle with sin. Find a verse to memorize to help you overcome your struggle.

Structured Prayer

Lord, we acknowledge that You are all powerful and have defeated the evil one. Give us strength to resist him and to rely on Your Holy Spirit to guide and direct us.

Memory Verses

Little children, you are from God and have overcome them, for He who is in you is greater than he who is the world. *1 John 4:4*



Discuss

What miracles did Jesus do?

How does Jesus show He is greater than the devil?

Pray

Dear God, Thank-you for sending Jesus to defeat Satan. Help us to become more like you.