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Today's passage, Matthew 12:22-37, raises a key question: **How do I get the power of the good treasure in my heart so that I will speak good words?**

Another obvious question is raised. Jesus also says there is a sin which cannot be forgiven. Is it unforgivable when a follower of Jesus relapses into sin? Is the unforgiveable sin some unintentional thought or word that suddenly seals one's fate, unbeknownst to us? Is it a failure to respond to the manipulative invitation of a sweating evangelist? What is the unforgiveable sin? And, if there is one, have I committed it? This is an important question.

But, the key question is: How do I get the power of the good treasure in my heart so that I will speak good words?

If you want the power of the good treasure in your heart,

- Allow Jesus to form your way of seeing
- · Do not remain committed to the absurd
- Be careful to NOT stand against Jesus
- Be careful to NOT stand against the Spirit of God
- Surrender yourself to heart change

Reflection Questions:

- Is your way of seeing life formed more by Jesus or by your culture?
- Are you in any way positioning yourself against the work of the Spirit of God in your life?
- What could you do to allow the Spirit of God to change your heart?

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