

A TALE OF TWO TALES Mark 3:20-35

#1- The first story is one of the great theological sections of the Bible.

Jesus takes on the issue of “_____”

#2- It's not God refusing to forgive them- it's them _____

#3 In the second story _____

#4- In both of these stories Jesus was being told that _____

#5- The theme is that Jesus won't be _____.

That teaches us that Jesus is _____

#6- We often talk about our need to be faithful to God, but you also have

to understand that we are following a leader _____

vs. 22- 30- You've heard of this idea of “the unforgivable sin.” What were your thoughts in the past on what this was, what it meant, and how it affected you, and your view of God.

The sermon argued that “the unforgivable sin” is not God refusing to forgive you, but you refusing to accept His forgiveness. What are your thoughts on that interpretation? Does it change anything for you? Does it change your view of God?

vs. 31-35- This is another story where your interpretation may be changed? Did you ever wonder why Jesus seemed to be disrespecting His family? How do you feel about this story now?

In both stories, Jesus was being told He was doing something the wrong way. Why would anyone try to correct Jesus? What does that tell us about human nature, and about criticism? How do you handle criticism?

vs. 35- Why did Jesus say this? What impact would these words have on His followers? What impact does it have on you?

What do you think Jesus thinks of you? Are you maybe underestimating what Jesus really thinks of you? Why do you think we may tend to do that?