

It is a terrifying reality that there is sin a person can never be forgiven. The Gospel according to Mark explains what it is:

Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin, for they had said, “He has an unclean spirit.”

(Mark 3:28-31)

These words need no explanation! The unpardonable sin is blasphemy against the Holy Spirit, and consists of knowingly and deliberately attributing His works and manifestations to the work of the devil! Concerning such, the Apostle John warns the Church not to even pray for anyone who does that. In His First Epistle, he wrote:

If you see your brother or sister committing what is not a mortal sin, you will ask, and God will give life to such a one – to those whose sin is not mortal. There is sin that is mortal; I do not say that you should pray about that.

(1 John 5:17-18)

Before we continue, some interpret the “*sin that is mortal*” to be an open denial of Jesus as the Son of God. But nowhere in Scripture are we told not to pray for anyone who does that, and Jesus Himself prayed from the Cross for His cruel executioners.

John instructs the believer not to pray for a person who has blasphemed the Holy Spirit because it would be a clear act of unbelief and rebellion on his part, since the Word of God explicitly says there is no forgiveness for them, either in this Age or in the Age to come!