Sinning Against the Holy Spirit,
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Ephesians 4:29-32

INTRODUCTION:

We are living in the age of the Holy Spirit. It is therefore important that we not only understand his work in bringing us to salvation, but also in our daily lives as Christians. We cannot function as a Christian without knowing how to yield to him. There are many ways we can displease and sin against the Holy Spirit.

I. By Lying to the Holy Spirit
   A. Ananias and Sapphira – Acts 5:1-11
      1. Why did God kill them?

II. By Grieving the Holy Spirit
   A. With corrupt Communication (verse 29)
   B. By the attitude of our heart (verse 31)
   C. Attitude toward the church (verse 32)
   D. Defiling our body (I Corinthians 3:16)

III. By Quenching the Holy Spirit
   A. Two ways to quench a fire
      1. Smother it out (I Thessalonians 5:19)
      2. Withholding the fuel

IV. By Blaspheming against the Holy Spirit (Matthew 12:31, 32)

V. By resisting the Holy Spirit
   A. God’s spirit will not always strive with man (Genesis 6:3)

CONCLUSION:

Close with personal illustrations showing the dangers in sinning against the Holy Spirit.

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