taking the form of a bondservant, and coming in the likeness of men."

(Matthew 26:39) "He went a little farther and fell on His face, and prayed, saying, "O My Father, if it is possible, let this cup pass from Me; nevertheless, not as I will, but as You will."'

(Luke 12:50) ""But I have a baptism to be baptized with, and how distressed I am till it is accomplished!"

(Acts 12:2) "Then he killed James the brother of John with the sword."

(Revelation 1:9) "I, John, both your brother and companion in the tribulation and kingdom and patience of Jesus Christ, was on the island that is called Patmos for the word of God and for the testimony of Jesus Christ."

(James 4:1) "Where do wars and fights come from among you? Do they not come from your desires for pleasure that war in your members?"



(James 4:1) "What causes fights and quarrels among you? Don't they come from your desires *that battle within you?" [paraphrase]* (3.John 1:9-10) "I wrote to the church, but Diotrephes, who loves to have the preeminence among them, does not receive us. {10} Therefore, if I come, I will call to mind his deeds which he does, prating against us with malicious words. And not content with that, he himself does not receive the brethren, ..."

2. Desire to

, Mark 10:42-45

(Matthew 13:45-46) ""Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant seeking beautiful pearls, {46} "who, when he had found one pearl of great price, went and sold all that he had and bought it."

Improving Your Serve

The Servant

In Mark 10:32-45 there are described two contrasting desires:

1. Desire for

(John 11:47-53) "Then the chief priests and the Pharisees gathered a council and said, "What shall we do? For this Man works many signs. {48} "If we let Him alone like this, everyone will believe in Him, and the Romans will come and take away both our place and nation." {49} And one of them, Caiaphas, being high priest that year, said to them, "You know nothing at all, {50} "nor do you consider that it is expedient for us that one man should *die for the people, and not that the* whole nation should perish." {51} Now

, Mark 10:32-41

this he did not say on his own authority; but being high priest that year he prophesied that Jesus would die for the nation, [52] and not for that nation only, but also that He would gather together in one the children of God who were scattered abroad. [53] Then, from that day on, they plotted to put Him to death."

(Luke 9:51) "Now it came to pass, when the time had come for Him to be received up, that He steadfastly set His face to go to Jerusalem,"

(Luke 18:31-34) "Then He took the twelve aside and said to them, "Behold, we are going up to Jerusalem, and all things that are written by the prophets concerning the Son of Man will be accomplished. [32] "For He will be delivered to the Gentiles and will be mocked and insulted and spit upon. {33} "They will scourge Him and kill Him. And the third day He will rise again." {34} But they understood none of these things; this saying was hidden from them, and they did not know the things which were spoken."

(1 Timothy 3:1) "This is a faithful saying: If a man desires the position of a bishop, he desires a good work."

(Philippians 2:3-7) "Let nothing be done through selfish ambition or conceit, but in lowliness of mind let each esteem others better than himself. [4] Let each of you look out not only for his own interests, but also for the interests of others. {5} Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus, {6} who, being in the form of God, did not consider it robbery to be equal with God, {7} but made Himself of no reputation,