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## Luke 9

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**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

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## **2. Be Quick To Aim For The Good Of Others** **(v35-45)**

James and John confidently (and naively) affirmed that they could endure all the trouble and suffering that Jesus would have to endure, because they did not understand what He had predicted about His passion. In their desire for prominence they were willing to promise Jesus anything.

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## **2. Be Quick To Aim For The Good Of Others** **(v35-45)**

Notice that Jesus did not rebuke the disciples for wanting to be great in the earthly kingdom. This ambition is good. He corrected them for focusing on self-centered goals rather than on unselfish goals, and He clarified the method for obtaining greatness.

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## Mark 1

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**37** When they found Him, they said to Him, “Everyone is looking for You.”

**38** But He said to them, “Let us go into the next towns, that I may preach there also, because for this purpose I have come forth.”

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## **3. Be Quick To Trust God And Pray Persistently** **(v46-52)**

Even though Bartimaeus lacked physical sight, he saw more clearly who Jesus was than the multitudes who could see. His cry for mercy from Jesus expressed the attitude of trust, humility, and dependence that Jesus had been teaching His disciples to maintain.

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## **3. Be Quick To Trust God And Pray Persistently** **(v46-52)**

Charles Spurgeon, Sermon on Mark 10

Cold prayers never win God's ear.  
Draw thy bow with thy full strength, if  
thou wouldst send thy arrow up so  
high as heaven.

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## John 16

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**23** “And in that day you will ask Me nothing. Most assuredly, I say to you, whatever you ask the Father in My name He will give you.

**24** Until now you have asked nothing in My name. Ask, and you will receive, that your joy may be full.

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## Luke 18

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**1** Then He spoke a parable to them,  
that men always ought to pray and  
not lose heart,

**2** saying: “There was in a certain  
city a judge who did not fear God  
nor regard man.

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## 1 John 5

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**14** Now this is the confidence that we have in Him, that if we ask anything according to His will, He hears us.

**15** And if we know that He hears us, whatever we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we have asked of Him.

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