

Getting Started

Have you ever *really* wanted something? A promotion at work? A new position? An award or recognition? What were you prepared to do to get it? Did you get it? If not, how did that feel?

Into the Bible

Look up Philippians 2:3 and 1 Thessalonians 4:11. Under what circumstances is ambition a good thing?

When does ambition become sinful?

Read Genesis 13:1-18. What do you make of the fact that Abram, the uncle, let Lot, the nephew make the choice?

Where in this story do you see Lot’s ambition becoming sinful?

How did the Lord honor Abram for his generosity with Lot?

What does Luke 17:7-10 tell you about the nature of servanthood?

Read Mark 10:42-45. What should a follower of Jesus’ attitude be toward power?

How is Jesus both an example of servanthood and much, much more than an example?

Read Ephesians 5:22-33. How does a spirit of servanthood manifest itself in a godly husband’s behavior?

In a godly wife’s behavior?

Digging Deeper

How does an attitude of servanthood make things better at home? At work? At church?

How might a spirit of servanthood make government better?

Can ambition and servanthood coexist in the same heart?