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Matthew 2:13 KJV

And when they were departed, behold, the angel of the Lord appeareth to Joseph in a dream, saying, Arise, and take the young child and his mother, and flee into Egypt, and be thou there until I bring thee word: for Herod will **seek** the young child to destroy him.

Matthew 2:20 YLT

saying, 'Having risen, take the child and his mother, and be going to the land of Israel, for they have died -- those **seeking** the life of the child.'

Matthew 3:2 AMP

"Repent [change your inner self—your old way of thinking, regret past sins, live your life in a way that proves repentance; **seek** God's purpose for your life], for the kingdom of heaven is at hand."

Matthew 4:17 AMP

From that time Jesus began to preach and say, "Repent [change your inner self—your old way of thinking, regret past sins, live your life in a way that proves repentance; **seek** God's purpose for your life], for the kingdom of heaven is at hand."

Matthew 5:6 AMP

"Blessed [joyful, nourished by God's goodness] are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness [those who actively **seek** right standing with God], for they will be [completely] satisfied.

Matthew 5:44 AMP

But I say to you, love [that is, unselfishly **seek** the best or higher good for] your enemies and pray for those who persecute you,

Matthew 6:32 AMP

For the [pagan] Gentiles eagerly **seek** all these things; [but do not worry,] for your heavenly Father knows that you need them.

Matthew 6:33 AMP

But first and most importantly **seek** (aim at, strive after) His kingdom and His righteousness [His way of doing and being right—the attitude and character of God], and all these things will be given to you also.

Matthew 7:7 AMP

“Ask and keep on asking and it will be given to you; **seek** and keep on **seeking** and you will find; knock and keep on knocking and the door will be opened to you.

Matthew 7:8 AMP

For everyone who keeps on asking receives, and he who keeps on **seeking** finds, and to him who keeps on knocking, it will be opened.

Matthew 9:13 AMP

Go and learn what this [Scripture] means: ‘I DESIRE COMPASSION [for those in distress], AND NOT [animal] SACRIFICE,’ for I did not come to call [to repentance] the [self-proclaimed] righteous [who see no need to change], but sinners [those who recognize their sin and actively **seek** forgiveness].”

Matthew 11:25 AMP

At that time Jesus said, “I praise You, Father, Lord of heaven and earth [I openly and joyfully acknowledge Your great wisdom], that You have hidden these things [these spiritual truths] from the wise and intelligent and revealed them to infants [to new believers, to those **seeking** God’s will and purpose].

Matthew 12:39 KJVS

But he answered and said unto them, An evil and adulterous generation **seeketh** after a sign; and there shall no sign be given to it, but the sign of the prophet Jonas:

Matthew 12:43 KJVS

When the unclean spirit is gone out of a man, he walketh through dry places, **seeking** rest, and findeth none.

Matthew 12:46 LSB

While He was still speaking to the crowds, behold, His mother and brothers were standing outside, **seeking** to speak to Him.

Matthew 12:47 LSB

Now someone said to Him, “Behold, Your mother and Your brothers are standing outside **seeking** to speak to You.”

Matthew 13:43 AMP

Then THE RIGHTEOUS [those who **seek** the will of God] WILL SHINE FORTH [radiating the new life] LIKE THE SUN in the kingdom of their Father. He who has ears [to hear], let him hear and heed My words.

Matthew 13:45 KJVS

Again, the kingdom of heaven is like unto a merchant man, **seeking** goodly pearls:

Matthew 16:4 KJVS

A wicked and adulterous generation **seeketh** after a sign; and there shall no sign be given unto it, but the sign of the prophet Jonas. And he left them, and departed.

Matthew 18:12 KJVS

How think ye? if a man have an hundred sheep, and one of them be gone astray, doth he not leave the ninety and nine, and goeth into the mountains, and **seeketh** that which is gone astray?

Matthew 19:19 AMP

HONOR YOUR FATHER AND MOTHER; and LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR AS YOURSELF" [that is, unselfishly **seek** the best or higher good for others].

Matthew 21:46 LSB

And although they were **seeking** to seize Him, they feared the crowds, because they were regarding Him to be a prophet.

Matthew 22:16 AMP

They sent their disciples to Him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that You are sincere and that You teach the way of God truthfully, without concerning Yourself about [what] anyone [thinks or says of Your teachings]; for You are impartial and do not **seek** anyone's favor [and You treat all people alike, regardless of status].

Matthew 22:39 AMP

The second is like it, 'YOU SHALL LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR AS YOURSELF [that is, unselfishly **seek** the best or higher good for others].'

Matthew 26:16 YLT

and from that time he was **seeking** a convenient season to deliver him up.

Matthew 26:59 YLT

And the chief priests, and the elders, and all the council, were **seeking** false witness against Jesus, that they might put him to death,

Matthew 28:5 KJVS

And the angel answered and said unto the women, Fear not ye: for I know that ye **seek** Jesus, which was crucified.

Mark 1:4 AMP

John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness preaching a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins [that is, requiring a change of one's old way of thinking, turning away from sin and **seeking** God and His righteousness].

Mark 1:15 AMP

and saying, "The [appointed period of] time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent [change your inner self—your old way of thinking, regret past sins, live your life in a way that proves repentance; **seek** God's purpose for your life] and believe [with a deep, abiding trust] in the good news [regarding salvation]."

Mark 1:37 KJVS

And when they had found him, they said unto him, All men **seek** for thee.

Mark 2:17 AMP

When Jesus heard this, He said to them, "Those who are healthy have no need of a physician, but [only] those who are sick; I did not come to call the righteous, but sinners [who recognize their sin and humbly **seek** forgiveness]."

Mark 3:32 KJVS

And the multitude sat about him, and they said unto him, Behold, thy mother and thy brethren without **seek** for thee.

Mark 8:11 KJVS

And the Pharisees came forth, and began to question with him, **seeking** of him a sign from heaven, tempting him.

Mark 8:12 KJVS

And he sighed deeply in his spirit, and saith, Why doth this generation **seek** after a sign? verily I say unto you, There shall no sign be given unto this generation.

Mark 11:18 LSB

And the chief priests and the scribes heard this, and began **seeking** how to destroy Him; for they were afraid of Him, for the whole crowd was astonished at His teaching.

Mark 12:12 LSB

And they were **seeking** to seize Him, and yet they feared the crowd, for they understood that He spoke the parable against them. And so they left Him and went away.

Mark 14:1 LSB

Now the Passover and Unleavened Bread were two days away; and the chief priests

and the scribes were **seeking** how, after seizing Him in secret, they might kill Him;

Mark 14:11 LSB

And when they heard this, they were glad and promised to give him money. And he began **seeking** how to betray Him at an opportune time.

Mark 14:55 LSB

Now the chief priests and the whole Sanhedrin were **seeking** to obtain testimony against Jesus to put Him to death, and they were not finding any.

Mark 16:6 KJVS

And he saith unto them, Be not affrighted: Ye **seek** Jesus of Nazareth, which was crucified: he is risen; he is not here: behold the place where they laid him.

Luke 1:17 AMP

It is he who will go as a forerunner before Him in the spirit and power of Elijah, TO TURN THE HEARTS OF THE FATHERS BACK TO THE CHILDREN, and the disobedient to the attitude of the righteous [which is to **seek** and submit to the will of God]—in order to make ready a people [perfectly] prepared [spiritually and morally] for the Lord."

Luke 2:44 YLT

and, having supposed him to be in the company, they went a day's journey, and were **seeking** him among the kindred and among the acquaintances,

Luke 2:45 KJVS

And when they found him not, they turned back again to Jerusalem, **seeking** him.

Luke 2:48 YLT

And, having seen him, they were amazed, and his mother said unto him, 'Child, why didst thou thus to us? lo, thy father and I, sorrowing, were **seeking** thee.'

Luke 2:49 NKJV

And He said to them, "Why did you **seek** Me? Did you not know that I must be about My Father's business?"

Luke 3:8 AMP

Therefore produce fruit that is worthy of [and consistent with your] repentance [that is, live changed lives, turn from sin and **seek** God and His righteousness]. And do not even begin to say to yourselves [as a defense], 'We have Abraham for our father [and so our heritage assures us of salvation]'; for I say to you that from these stones God is

able to raise up children (descendants) for Abraham [for God can replace the unrepentant, regardless of their heritage, with those who are obedient].

Luke 4:42 LSB

When day came, Jesus left and went to a secluded place; and the crowds were eagerly **seeking** for Him, and came to Him and tried to keep Him from going away from them.

Luke 5:18 YLT

And lo, men bearing upon a couch a man, who hath been struck with palsy, and they were **seeking** to bring him in, and to place before him,

Luke 5:32 AMP

I did not come to call the [self-proclaimed] righteous [who see no need to repent], but sinners to repentance [to change their old way of thinking, to turn from sin and to **seek** God and His righteousness]."

Luke 6:19 YLT

and all the multitude were **seeking** to touch him, because power from him was going forth, and he was healing all.

Luke 6:21 AMP

Blessed [joyful, nourished by God's goodness] are you who hunger now [for righteousness, actively **seeking** right standing with God], for you will be [completely] satisfied. Blessed [forgiven, refreshed by God's grace] are you who weep now [over your sins and repent], for you will laugh [when the burden of sin is lifted].

Luke 6:27 AMP

"But I say to you who hear [Me and pay attention to My words]: Love [that is, unselfishly **seek** the best or higher good for] your enemies, [make it a practice to] do good to those who hate you,

Luke 6:35 AMP

But love [that is, unselfishly **seek** the best or higher good for] your enemies, and do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return; for your reward will be great (rich, abundant), and you will be sons of the Most High; because He Himself is kind and gracious and good to the ungrateful and the wicked.

Luke 9:9 YLT

and Herod said, 'John I did behead, but who is this concerning whom I hear such things?' and he was **seeking** to see him.

Luke 11:9 AMP

"So I say to you, ask and keep on asking, and it will be given to you; **seek** and keep on **seeking**, and you will find; knock and keep on knocking, and the door will be opened to you.

Luke 11:10 AMP

For everyone who keeps on asking [persistently], receives; and he who keeps on **seeking** [persistently], finds; and to him who keeps on knocking [persistently], the door will be opened.

Luke 11:16 LSB

And others, testing Him, were **seeking** from Him a sign from heaven.

Luke 11:24 KJVS

When the unclean spirit is gone out of a man, he walketh through dry places, **seeking** rest; and finding none, he saith, I will return unto my house whence I came out.

Luke 11:29 AMP

Now as the crowds were increasing [in number], He began to say, "This [present] generation is a wicked generation; it **seeks** a sign (attesting miracle), but no sign will be given to it except the sign of Jonah [the prophet].

Luke 11:54 KJVS

Laying wait for him, and **seeking** to catch something out of his mouth, that they might accuse him.

Luke 12:29 AMP

So as for you, do not **seek** what you will eat and what you will drink; nor have an anxious and unsettled mind.

Luke 12:30 AMP

For all the [pagan] nations of the world greedily **seek** these things; and your [heavenly] Father [already] knows that you need them.

Luke 12:31 AMP

But [strive for and actively] **seek** His kingdom, and these things will be given to you as well.

Luke 13:6 LSB

And He was telling this parable: "A man had a fig tree which had been planted in his vineyard; and he came **seeking** fruit on it and did not find any.

Luke 13:7 KJVS

Then said he unto the dresser of his vineyard, Behold, these three years I come **seeking** fruit on this fig tree, and find none: cut it down; why cumbereth it the ground?

Luke 13:24 KJVS

Strive to enter in at the strait gate: for many, I say unto you, will **seek** to enter in, and shall not be able.

Luke 15:8 KJVS

Either what woman having ten pieces of silver, if she lose one piece, doth not light a candle, and sweep the house, and **seek** diligently till she find it?

Luke 15:10 AMP

In the same way, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents [that is, changes his inner self—his old way of thinking, regrets past sins, lives his life in a way that proves repentance; and **seeks** God's purpose for his life].

Luke 16:30 AMP

He replied, 'No, father Abraham, but if someone from the dead goes to them, they will repent [they will change their old way of thinking and **seek** God and His righteousness].'

Luke 17:33 AMP

Whoever **seeks** to save his life will [eventually] lose it [through death], and whoever loses his life [in this world] will keep it [from the consequences of sin and separation from God].

Luke 19:3 YLT

and he was **seeking** to see Jesus, who he is, and was not able for the multitude, because in stature he was small,

Luke 19:10 AMP

for the Son of Man has come to **seek** and to save that which was lost."

Luke 19:47 AMP

He was teaching day after day in the temple [porches and courts]; but the chief priests and scribes and the leading men among the people were **seeking** [a way] to put Him to death,

Luke 22:2 LSB

And the chief priests and the scribes were **seeking** how they might put Him to death; for they were afraid of the people.

Luke 22:6 LSB

So he consented, and began **seeking** a good opportunity to betray Him to them apart from the crowd.

Luke 24:5 KJVS

And as they were afraid, and bowed down their faces to the earth, they said unto them, Why **seek** ye the living among the dead?

John 1:38 KJVS

Then Jesus turned, and saw them following, and saith unto them, What **seek** ye? They said unto him, Rabbi, (which is to say, being interpreted, Master,) where dwellest thou?

John 4:23 AMP

But a time is coming and is already here when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit [from the heart, the inner self] and in truth; for the Father **seeks** such people to be His worshipers.

John 4:27 KJVS

And upon this came his disciples, and marvelled that he talked with the woman: yet no man said, What **seekest** thou? or, Why talkest thou with her?

John 5:16 YLT

and because of this were the Jews persecuting Jesus, and **seeking** to kill him, because these things he was doing on a sabbath.

John 5:18 LSB

For this reason therefore the Jews were **seeking** all the more to kill Him, because He not only was breaking the Sabbath, but also was calling God His own Father, making Himself equal with God.

John 5:30 AMP

"I can do nothing on my own initiative or authority. Just as I hear, I judge; and My judgment is just (fair, righteous, unbiased), because I do not **seek** My own will, but only the will of Him who sent Me.

John 5:44 AMP

How can you believe [in Me], when you [**seek** and] receive glory and approval from

one another, and yet you do not **seek** the glory and approval which comes from the one and only God?

John 6:24 KJVS

When the people therefore saw that Jesus was not there, neither his disciples, they also took shipping, and came to Capernaum, **seeking** for Jesus.

John 6:26 KJVS

Jesus answered them and said, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Ye **seek** me, not because ye saw the miracles, but because ye did eat of the loaves, and were filled.

John 6:27 TLB

But you shouldn't be so concerned about perishable things like food. No, spend your energy **seeking** the eternal life that I, the Messiah, can give you. For God the Father has sent me for this very purpose."

John 7:1 AMP

After this, Jesus walked [from place to place] in Galilee, for He would not walk in Judea because the Jews were **seeking** to kill Him.

John 7:4 HCSB

For no one does anything in secret while he's **seeking** public recognition. If You do these things, show Yourself to the world."

John 7:11 LSB

So the Jews were **seeking** Him at the feast and saying, "Where is He?"

John 7:18 AMP

He who speaks on his own accord **seeks** glory and honor for himself. But He who **seeks** the glory and the honor of the One who sent Him, He is true, and there is no unrighteousness or deception in Him.

John 7:19 LSB

"Did not Moses give you the Law? And yet none of you does the Law. Why do you **seek** to kill Me?"

John 7:20 LSB

The crowd answered, "You have a demon! Who **seeks** to kill You?"

John 7:25 KJVS

Then said some of them of Jerusalem, Is not this he, whom they **seek** to kill?

John 7:30 LSB

So they were **seeking** to seize Him; yet no man laid his hand on Him, because His hour had not yet come.

John 7:34 KJVS

Ye shall **seek** me, and shall not find me: and where I am, thither ye cannot come.

John 7:36 KJVS

What manner of saying is this that he said, Ye shall **seek** me, and shall not find me: and where I am, thither ye cannot come?

John 8:21 KJVS

Then said Jesus again unto them, I go my way, and ye shall **seek** me, and shall die in your sins: whither I go, ye cannot come.

John 8:37 KJVS

I know that ye are Abraham's seed; but ye **seek** to kill me, because my word hath no place in you.

John 8:40 KJVS

But now ye **seek** to kill me, a man that hath told you the truth, which I have heard of God: this did not Abraham.

John 8:50 AMP

However, I am not **seeking** glory for Myself. There is One who **seeks** [glory for Me] and judges [those who dishonor Me].

John 10:39 LSB

Therefore they were **seeking** again to seize Him, and He eluded their grasp.

John 11:8 LSB

The disciples said to Him, "Rabbi, the Jews were just now **seeking** to stone You, and are You going there again?"

John 11:56 LSB

So they were **seeking** Jesus, and were saying to one another as they stood in the temple, "What do you think? That He will not come to the feast at all?"

John 13:33 KJVS

Little children, yet a little while I am with you. Ye shall **seek** me: and as I said unto the Jews, Whither I go, ye cannot come; so now I say to you.

John 15:12 AMP

"This is My commandment, that you love and unselfishly **seek** the best for one another, just as I have loved you.

John 15:17 AMP

This [is what] I command you: that you love and unselfishly **seek** the best for one another.

John 16:19 YLT

Jesus, therefore, knew that they were wishing to ask him, and he said to them, 'Concerning this do ye **seek** one with another, because I said, A little while, and you do not behold me, and again a little while, and ye shall see me?

John 18:4 KJVS

Jesus therefore, knowing all things that should come upon him, went forth, and said unto them, Whom **seek** ye?

John 18:7 KJVS

Then asked he them again, Whom **seek** ye? And they said, Jesus of Nazareth.

John 18:8 KJVS

Jesus answered, I have told you that I am he: if therefore ye **seek** me, let these go their way:

John 19:12 LSB

As a result of this Pilate kept **seeking** to release Him, but the Jews cried out saying, "If you release this man, you are no friend of Caesar; everyone who makes himself to be a king opposes Caesar."

John 20:15 KJVS

Jesus saith unto her, Woman, why weepest thou? whom **seekest** thou? She, supposing him to be the gardener, saith unto him, Sir, if thou have borne him hence, tell me where thou hast laid him, and I will take him away.

Acts 3:19 AMP

So repent [change your inner self—your old way of thinking, regret past sins] and return [to God—**seek** His purpose for your life], so that your sins may be wiped away [blotted out, completely erased], so that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord [restoring you like a cool wind on a hot day];

Acts 6:3 NKJV

Therefore, brethren, **seek** out from among you seven men of good reputation, full of

the Holy Spirit and wisdom, whom we may appoint over this business;

Acts 9:11 YLT

and the Lord [saith] unto him, 'Having risen, go on unto the street that is called Straight, and **seek** in the house of Judas, [one] by name Saul of Tarsus, for, lo, he doth pray,

Acts 10:19 KJVS

While Peter thought on the vision, the Spirit said unto him, Behold, three men **seek** thee.

Acts 10:21 KJVS

Then Peter went down to the men which were sent unto him from Cornelius; and said, Behold, I am he whom ye **seek**: what is the cause wherefore ye are come?

Acts 10:35 AMP

but in every nation the person who fears God and does what is right [by **seeking** Him] is acceptable and welcomed by Him.

Acts 11:25 KJVS

Then departed Barnabas to Tarsus, for to **seek** Saul:

Acts 13:8 KJVS

But Elymas the sorcerer (for so is his name by interpretation) withheld them, **seeking** to turn away the deputy from the faith.

Acts 13:11 AMP

Now, watch! The hand of the Lord is on you, and you will be blind, [so blind that you will be] unable to see the sun for a time." Immediately a mist and darkness fell upon him, and he groped around, **seeking** people to lead him by the hand.

Acts 15:17 AMP

SO THAT THE REST OF MANKIND MAY **SEEK** THE LORD, AND ALL THE GENTILES UPON WHOM MY NAME HAS BEEN INVOKED,'

Acts 17:5 LSB

But the Jews, becoming jealous, taking along some wicked men from the marketplace, and forming a mob, set the city in an uproar. And attacking the house of Jason, they were **seeking** to bring them out to the assembly.

Acts 17:27 AMP

This was so that they would **seek** God, if perhaps they might grasp for Him and find

Him, though He is not far from each one of us.

Acts 17:30 AMP

Therefore God overlooked and disregarded the former ages of ignorance; but now He commands all people everywhere to repent [that is, to change their old way of thinking, to regret their past sins, and to **seek** God's purpose for their lives],

Acts 19:39 YLT

'And if ye **seek** after anything concerning other matters, in the legal assembly it shall be determined;

Acts 21:31 LSB

While they were **seeking** to kill him, a report came up to the commander of the Roman cohort that all Jerusalem was in confusion.

Acts 27:30 NKJV

And as the sailors were **seeking** to escape from the ship, when they had let down the skiff into the sea, under pretense of putting out anchors from the prow,

Romans 2:4 AMP

Or do you have no regard for the wealth of His kindness and tolerance and patience [in withholding His wrath]? Are you [actually] unaware or ignorant [of the fact] that God's kindness leads you to repentance [that is, to change your inner self, your old way of thinking—**seek** His purpose for your life]?

Romans 2:7 AMP

to those who by persistence in doing good **seek** [unseen but certain heavenly] glory, honor, and immortality, [He will give the gift of] eternal life.

Romans 2:8 AMP

But for those who are selfishly ambitious and self-**seeking** and disobedient to the truth but responsive to wickedness, [there will be] wrath and indignation.

Romans 3:11 AMP

THERE IS NONE WHO UNDERSTANDS, THERE IS NONE WHO **SEEKS** FOR GOD.

Romans 9:30 AMP

What shall we say then? That Gentiles, who did not pursue righteousness [who did not **seek** salvation and a right relationship with God, nevertheless] obtained righteousness, that is, the righteousness which is produced by faith;

Romans 9:32 NKJV

Why? Because they did not **seek** it by faith, but as it were, by the works of the law. For they stumbled at that stumbling stone.

Romans 10:3 AMP

For not knowing about God's righteousness [which is based on faith], and **seeking** to establish their own [righteousness based on works], they did not submit to God's righteousness.

Romans 10:20 AMP

Then Isaiah is very bold and says, "I HAVE BEEN FOUND BY THOSE WHO DID NOT **SEEK** ME; I HAVE SHOWN MYSELF TO THOSE WHO DID NOT [consciously] ASK FOR ME."

Romans 11:3 AMP

"Lord, THEY HAVE KILLED YOUR PROPHETS, THEY HAVE TORN DOWN YOUR ALTARS, AND I ALONE AM LEFT [of the prophets], AND THEY ARE **SEEKING** MY LIFE."

Romans 11:7 AMP

What then? Israel failed to obtain what it was **seeking** [that is, God's favor by obedience to the Law], but the elect [those chosen few] obtained it, while the rest of them became hardened and callously indifferent;

Romans 11:14 AMP

in the hope of somehow making my fellow countrymen jealous [by stirring them up so that they will **seek** the truth] and perhaps save some of them.

Romans 12:12 AMP

constantly rejoicing in hope [because of our confidence in Christ], steadfast and patient in distress, devoted to prayer [continually **seeking** wisdom, guidance, and strength],

Romans 13:8 AMP

Owe nothing to anyone except to love and **seek** the best for one another; for he who [unselfishly] loves his neighbor has fulfilled the [essence of the] law [relating to one's fellowman].

Romans 14:22 AMP

The faith which you have [that gives you freedom of choice], have as your own conviction before God [just keep it between yourself and God, **seeking** His will]. Happy is he who has no reason to condemn himself for what he approves.

1 Corinthians 1:22 HCSB

For the Jews ask for signs and the Greeks **seek** wisdom,

1 Corinthians 7:27 AMP

Are you bound to a wife? Do not **seek** to be released. Are you unmarried? Do not **seek** a wife.

1 Corinthians 8:1 AMP

Now about food sacrificed to idols, we know that we all have knowledge [concerning this]. Knowledge [alone] makes [people self-righteously] arrogant, but love [that unselfishly **seeks** the best for others] builds up and encourages others to grow [in wisdom].

1 Corinthians 10:24 AMP

Let no one **seek** [only] his own good, but [also] that of the other person.

1 Corinthians 10:33 AMP

just as I please everyone in all things [as much as possible adapting myself to the interests of others], not **seeking** my own benefit but that of the many, so that they [will be open to the message of salvation and] may be saved.

1 Corinthians 13:5 AMP

It is not rude; it is not self-**seeking**, it is not provoked [nor overly sensitive and easily angered]; it does not take into account a wrong endured.

1 Corinthians 14:1 YLT

Pursue the love, and **seek** earnestly the spiritual things, and rather that ye may prophecy,

1 Corinthians 14:12 HCSB

So also you—since you are zealous for spiritual gifts, **seek** to excel in building up the church.

2 Corinthians 5:11 HCSB

Therefore, because we know the fear of the Lord, we **seek** to persuade people. We are completely open before God, and I hope we are completely open to your consciences as well.

2 Corinthians 7:10 TLB

For God sometimes uses sorrow in our lives to help us turn away from sin and **seek** eternal life. We should never regret his sending it. But the sorrow of the man who is

not a Christian is not the sorrow of true repentance and does not prevent eternal death.

2 Corinthians 12:14 HCSB

Now I am ready to come to you this third time. I will not burden you, for I am not **seeking** what is yours, but you. For children are not obligated to save up for their parents, but parents for their children.

2 Corinthians 13:3 AMP

since you **seek** [forensic] proof that Christ is speaking in and through me. He is not weak or ineffective in dealing with you, but powerful within you.

Galatians 1:10 AMP

Am I now trying to win the favor and approval of men, or of God? Or am I **seeking** to please someone? If I were still trying to be popular with men, I would not be a bond-servant of Christ.

Galatians 2:17 AMP

But if, while we **seek** to be justified in Christ [by faith], we ourselves are found to be sinners, does that make Christ an advocate or promoter of our sin? Certainly not!

Galatians 3:10 AMP

For all who depend on the Law [**seeking** justification and salvation by obedience to the Law and the observance of rituals] are under a curse; for it is written, "CURSED (condemned to destruction) IS EVERYONE WHO DOES NOT ABIDE BY ALL THINGS WRITTEN IN THE BOOK OF THE LAW, SO AS TO PRACTICE THEM."

Galatians 4:17 AMP

These men [the Judaizers] eagerly **seek** you [to entrap you with honeyed words and attention, to win you over to their philosophy], not honorably [for their purpose is not honorable or worthy of consideration]. They want to isolate you [from us who oppose them] so that you will **seek** them.

Galatians 4:18 AMP

Now it is always pleasant to be eagerly sought after [provided that it is] for a good purpose, and not just when I am with you [**seeking** you myself—but beware of the others doing it].

Galatians 5:4 AMP

You have been severed from Christ, if you **seek** to be justified [that is, declared free of the guilt of sin and its penalty, and placed in right standing with God] through the

Law; you have fallen from grace [for you have lost your grasp on God's unmerited favor and blessing].

Galatians 5:13 AMP

For you, my brothers, were called to freedom; only do not let your freedom become an opportunity for the sinful nature (worldliness, selfishness), but through love serve and **seek** the best for one another.

Galatians 5:16 AMP

But I say, walk habitually in the [Holy] Spirit [**seek** Him and be responsive to His guidance], and then you will certainly not carry out the desire of the sinful nature [which responds impulsively without regard for God and His precepts].

Ephesians 4:30 AMP

And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God [but **seek** to please Him], by whom you were sealed and marked [branded as God's own] for the day of redemption [the final deliverance from the consequences of sin].

Ephesians 5:2 AMP

and walk continually in love [that is, value one another—practice empathy and compassion, unselfishly **seeking** the best for others], just as Christ also loved you and gave Himself up for us, an offering and sacrifice to God [slain for you, so that it became] a sweet fragrance.

Ephesians 5:25 AMP

Husbands, love your wives [**seek** the highest good for her and surround her with a caring, unselfish love], just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself up for her,

Ephesians 5:33 AMP

However, each man among you [without exception] is to love his wife as his very own self [with behavior worthy of respect and esteem, always **seeking** the best for her with an attitude of lovingkindness], and the wife [must see to it] that she respects and delights in her husband [that she notices him and prefers him and treats him with loving concern, treasuring him, honoring him, and holding him dear].

Ephesians 6:5 AMP

Slaves, be obedient to those who are your earthly masters, with respect for authority, and with a sincere heart [**seeking** to please them], as [service] to Christ—

Philippians 1:17 HCSB

the others proclaim Christ out of rivalry, not sincerely, **seeking** to cause me anxiety in

my imprisonment.

Philippians 2:21 AMP

For the others [who deserted me after my arrest] all **seek** [to advance] their own interests, not those of Jesus Christ.

Philippians 4:17 AMP

Not that I **seek** the gift itself, but I do **seek** the profit which increases to your [heavenly] account [the blessing which is accumulating for you].

Colossians 3:1 AMP

Therefore if you have been raised with Christ [to a new life, sharing in His resurrection from the dead], keep **seeking** the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God.

Colossians 3:14 AMP

Beyond all these things put on and wrap yourselves in [unselfish] love, which is the perfect bond of unity [for everything is bound together in agreement when each one **seeks** the best for others].

Colossians 3:19 AMP

Husbands, love your wives [with an affectionate, sympathetic, selfless love that always **seeks** the best for them] and do not be embittered or resentful toward them [because of the responsibilities of marriage].

1 Thessalonians 2:6 AMP

nor did we **seek** glory and honor from people, neither from you nor from anyone else, though as apostles of Christ we had the power to assert our authority.

1 Thessalonians 4:11 HCSB

to **seek** to lead a quiet life, to mind your own business, and to work with your own hands, as we commanded you,

1 Thessalonians 5:15 AMP

See that no one repays another with evil for evil, but always **seek** that which is good for one another and for all people.

2 Thessalonians 1:8 AMP

dealing out [full and complete] vengeance to those who do not [**seek** to] know God and to those who ignore and refuse to obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus [by choosing not to respond to Him].

1 Timothy 3:1 AMP

This is a faithful and trustworthy saying: if any man [eagerly] **seeks** the office of overseer (bishop, superintendent), he desires an excellent task.

1 Timothy 5:6 TLB

but not if they are spending their time running around gossiping, **seeking** only pleasure and thus ruining their souls.

2 Timothy 2:4 HCSB

No one serving as a soldier gets entangled in the concerns of civilian life; he **seeks** to please the recruiter.

Hebrews 11:6 AMP

But without faith it is impossible to [walk with God and] please Him, for whoever comes [near] to God must [necessarily] believe that God exists and that He rewards those who [earnestly and diligently] **seek** Him.

Hebrews 11:14 HCSB

Now those who say such things make it clear that they are **seeking** a homeland.

Hebrews 12:11 AMP

For the time being no discipline brings joy, but seems sad and painful; yet to those who have been trained by it, afterwards it yields the peaceful fruit of righteousness [right standing with God and a lifestyle and attitude that **seeks** conformity to God's will and purpose].

Hebrews 12:14 TLB

Try to stay out of all quarrels, and **seek** to live a clean and holy life, for one who is not holy will not see the Lord.

Hebrews 13:10 TLB

We have an altar-the cross where Christ was sacrificed-where those who continue to **seek** salvation by obeying Jewish laws can never be helped.

Hebrews 13:14 AMP

For here we have no lasting city, but we are **seeking** the city which is to come.

Hebrews 13:18 AMP

Keep praying for us, for we are convinced that we have a good conscience, **seeking** to conduct ourselves honorably [that is, with moral courage and personal integrity] in all things.

James 3:14 NKJV

But if you have bitter envy and self-**seeking** in your hearts, do not boast and lie against the truth.

James 3:16 NKJV

For where envy and self-**seeking** exist, confusion and every evil thing are there.

1 Peter 1:10 YLT

concerning which salvation **seek** out and search out did prophets who concerning the grace toward you did prophecy,

1 Peter 1:11 AMP

seeking to find out what person or what time the Spirit of Christ within them was indicating as He foretold the sufferings of Christ and the glories [destined] to follow.

1 Peter 1:22 AMP

Since by your obedience to the truth you have purified yourselves for a sincere love of the believers, [see that you] love one another from the heart [always unselfishly **seeking** the best for one another],

1 Peter 3:11 HCSB

and he must turn away from evil and do what is good. He must **seek** peace and pursue it,

1 Peter 4:8 AMP

Above all, have fervent and unfailing love for one another, because love covers a multitude of sins [it overlooks unkindness and unselfishly **seeks** the best for others].

1 Peter 5:5 AMP

Likewise, you younger men [of lesser rank and experience], be subject to your elders [**seek** their counsel]; and all of you, clothe yourselves with humility toward one another [tie on the servant's apron], for GOD IS OPPOSED TO THE PROUD [the disdainful, the presumptuous, and He defeats them], BUT HE GIVES GRACE TO THE HUMBLE.

1 Peter 5:8 AMP

Be sober [well balanced and self-disciplined], be alert and cautious at all times. That enemy of yours, the devil, prowls around like a roaring lion [fiercely hungry], **seeking** someone to devour.

2 Peter 1:7 AMP

and in your godliness, brotherly affection, and in your brotherly affection, [develop

Christian] love [that is, learn to unselfishly **seek** the best for others and to do things for their benefit].

1 John 2:10 AMP

The one who loves and unselfishly **seeks** the best for his [believing] brother lives in the Light, and in him there is no occasion for stumbling or offense [he does not hurt the cause of Christ or lead others to sin].

1 John 3:10 AMP

By this the children of God and the children of the devil are clearly identified: anyone who does not practice righteousness [who does not **seek** God's will in thought, action, and purpose] is not of God, nor is the one who does not [unselfishly] love his [believing] brother.

1 John 3:11 AMP

For this is the message which you [believers] have heard from the beginning [of your relationship with Christ], that we should [unselfishly] love and **seek** the best for one another;

1 John 3:22 AMP

and we receive from Him whatever we ask because we [carefully and consistently] keep His commandments and do the things that are pleasing in His sight [habitually **seeking** to follow His plan for us].

1 John 3:23 AMP

This is His commandment, that we believe [with personal faith and confident trust] in the name of His Son Jesus Christ, and [that we unselfishly] love and **seek** the best for one another, just as He commanded us.

1 John 4:7 AMP

Beloved, let us [unselfishly] love and **seek** the best for one another, for love is from God; and everyone who loves [others] is born of God and knows God [through personal experience].

1 John 4:21 AMP

And this commandment we have from Him, that the one who loves God should also [unselfishly] love his brother and **seek** the best for him.

2 John 1:5 AMP

Now I ask you, lady, not as if I were writing to you a new commandment, but [simply reminding you of] the one which we have had from the beginning, that we love and unselfishly **seek** the best for one another.

Revelation 2:5 AMP

So remember the heights from which you have fallen, and repent [change your inner self—your old way of thinking, your sinful behavior—**seek** God's will] and do the works you did at first [when you first knew Me]; otherwise, I will visit you and remove your lampstand (the church, its impact) from its place—unless you repent.

Revelation 2:16 AMP

Therefore repent [change your inner self—your old way of thinking, your sinful behavior—**seek** God's will]; or else I am coming to you quickly, and I will make war and fight against them with the sword of My mouth [in judgment].

Revelation 3:19 AMP

Those whom I [dearly and tenderly] love, I rebuke and discipline [showing them their faults and instructing them]; so be enthusiastic and repent [change your inner self—your old way of thinking, your sinful behavior—**seek** God's will].

Revelation 9:6 AMP

And in those days people will **seek** death and will not find it; and they will long to die [to escape the pain], but [will discover that] death evades them.