

STUDIES FROM THE DESIRE OF AGES

Chapter LX *“The Law of the New Kingdom”*

- A. Why did the disciples have such a hard time understanding the prophecies of Scripture and the words of Christ concerning His death?
- B. Read [Matthew 20:20-28](#). How is position in the kingdom of heaven determined? How should this affect your decisions in relation to family, church, work, and society? How do the kingdoms of the world differ from the kingdom of God?

1. What complex problem plagued the disciples?
2. Was the request of James, John, and their mother all that wrong?
3. Did they really understand what they were agreeing to when they answered, “We are able?”
4. Can we earn a better position in heaven by improving our character?
5. Jesus said, “To him who overcometh...” Overcometh what?
6. How did Jesus talk to the 10 others after the request of James, John, and their mother?
7. Instead of authority, what does Jesus call His followers to...?
8. What spirit pervaded the early church?
9. Personal views: List a favorite section or some new thought from this reading.