

of this department, we would like you to be dean, we would ~~like~~ like you to come and be president of this small college that is trying to get going, and you are a great authority on Shakespeare, you could probably put us on our feet. And the man goes and devotes all his time to solving administrative problems and trying to raise money and doing other things which are quite remote from the special gifts he has to make advance in some field of learning or of teaching, ~~and~~ but it is the only way that he can get an advance in salary and an advance in prestige and in standing. And so a great many of our leading educational administrators are men who, some are very good administrators, some are very poor, but who are a loss to scholarship and to teaching. And who would ~~rather~~ rather be in scholarship or in teaching, but the money and the prestige is in the administration.

Well, that is true in the world today. Govt. gets the prestige and the standing. But you ~~notice~~ notice in this verse it is not put first. You notice how it is along toward the end. These various gifts ~~are~~ are given. But it is one of the gifts, the gift ~~of~~ of govt. Now this word govt. is different from memshellif, it is not the rulership, the ~~the~~ dominion, the princeliness, the lordliness, it is kubernasis, and the word kubernasis ~~occurs~~ occurs only once in the N.T., but there is a related word, kubernates, which occurs in Acts, twice. A word which ~~means~~ means shipmaster. And I looked up in the Lidell and Scott and found that that the root, kubernato, is used considerable amount in Greek, and it means to ~~steer~~ steer a ship. And so you see that this word very ~~definitely~~ definitely refers to govt. in the third aspect which we have discussed.

Kubernasis, govt., here, is not meant to watch for the criminals and protect him from them, or to expel the false brothers from the church or something like that, this word, kubernasis, the emphasis is the steering of the ship. It is the direction, it is the supervision, and it is given, not the first place, but ~~is~~ a vital place in the list of God's gifts to the church. Some men have this gift of steering and of direction. And it is very different from these other words for govt. And it is a very vital aspect of govt.