## The Hearts God Used

## Power Hungry & Self Centered

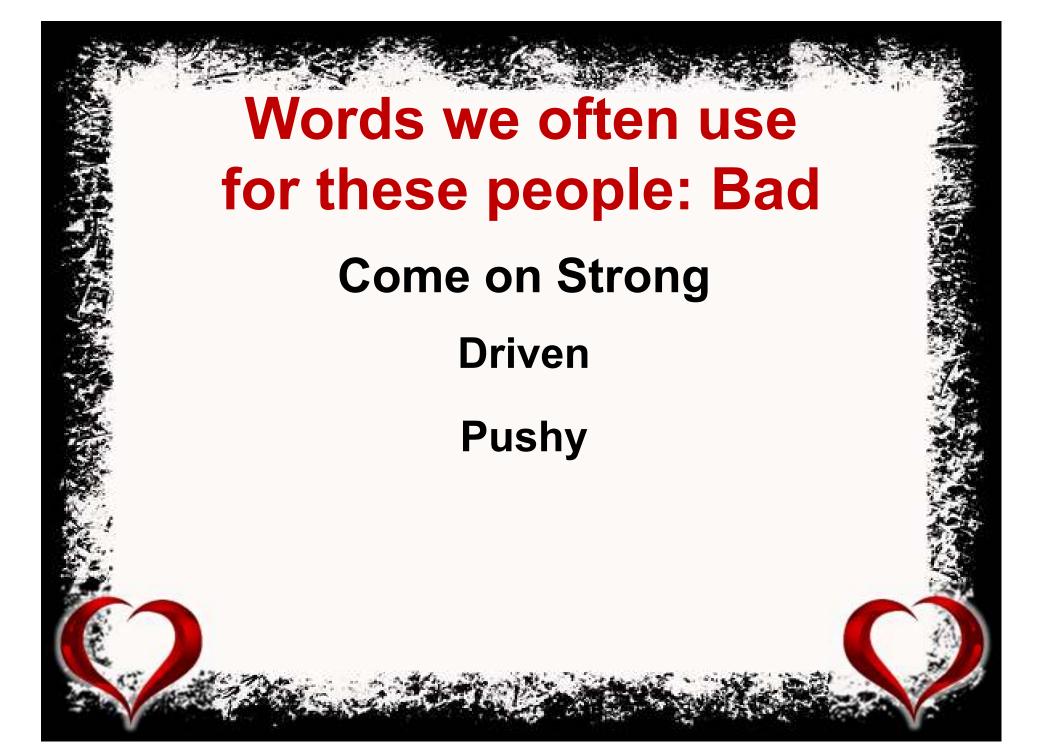
Words we often use for these people: Good Determined Energetic Resourceful

Enterprising

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**Go Getter** 

**Zealous** 



**Four Signs** This could be You You Frequently Say I/Me/My You Don't Hear Bad News You're Angry When You're Not In Charge **You Distrust Your People** 

## God Says I Can Use That

# James and John

#### The Brothers: James & John **They were Peter's business** partners They were probably somehow related to Jesus They complete what is usually considered the inner circle of the disciples **Powerful Family**

## Showing Their True Motives

#### **True Motives** Matthew 20:20-22

#### True Motives Mark 10:35-44

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James and John were not satisfied with being disciples of Jesus they wanted a place of prominence

They wanted people to OOOOh and AAAAh over them

#### Be careful what you ask for

But the one who does not know and does things deserving punishment will be beaten with few blows. From everyone who has been given much, much will be demanded; and from the one who has been entrusted with much, much more will be asked.

Luke 12:48

## Showing Their True Colors

## **The Nickname**

James son of Zebedee and his brother John (to them he gave the name Boanerges, which means "sons of thunder")

Mark 3:17

### The Request for Power Luke 9:51-56

**The Request for Power** They were asking for the power of Elijah Their answer to opposition was destroy it **No Compassion** Judge, Jury and Executioner They asked Jesus for this power Rebuked

# **Their Ministry**

## James to the Left

# John to the Right

### Power Hungry to Powerful

## Burning Bright for Jesus