Let's Talk Strategy!



John 10:10 (NASB) The thief comes only to steal and kill, and destroy. I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly.

Thief comes - I (Jesus) came -

"thief" comes from the Greek word <u>kleptes</u>. The word <u>kleptes</u> describes a person with a persistent, neurotic impulse to steal.

"Comes" is <u>erchomai</u>, which means "to start," "to set out," "to come," "to go," and any kind of motion. It means both "to go" on a journey and "to arrive" at a place.

"To steal" is <u>klepto</u>, which means "to steal," "to cheat," "to spirit away," "to conceal," "to keep secret," "to do secretly," "to seize or occupy secretly," "to bring about secretly," and "to do secretly or treacherously."

kleptomania (based from the Greek word *klepto*), which is the condition of not being able to resist the urge to steal or rob from someone.

John 8:43-44

Matthew 6:19-20

"To kill" is <u>thyro</u>, which means to "offer by burning,"
 "slay," "slaughter," "the flesh of the sacrifice."
 a return shot in any of various games (such as badminton, handball, or table tennis) that is <u>too</u> hard for an opponent to handle

"To destroy" is <u>apollymi</u>, which means "to demolish,"
"to lay waste," "to lose" things, "to perish," "to die,"
"to cease to exist," and "to be undone." Its literal
meaning from its root is "destroy from" or "ruin from."

Our enemy is a thief, and he perpetually is coming at us to

- * Steal our joy, peace, and happiness.
- * Kill our confidence and potential to live a life that glorifies God and bears fruit.
- * Destroy our ability to bear witness to others of God's faithfulness, grace, and mercy.

"To give" is *echosin*, which describes what is said of opportunities, benefits, advantages, conveniences, which one enjoys or can make use of; to have, hold on to.

Jesus is our Good Shepherd, and He comes to us to give us

joy, confidence, peace, happiness, freedom, strength, right standing, purpose, safety, membership in His family, and the potential to live a life that glorifies God and bear that fruit.