

# August 2

## TODAY'S BIBLE STUDY & MEDITATION

**KEY IDEAS:** Do I recognize that all the good things I have been able to achieve have been with the Lord's help? Do I see myself as God sees me, as a part of the body of Christ and connected to Christ's bride the Church? Am I expecting to grow in the Lord even when I ignore my mission to build bridges with those who are different?

**1** **God produces peace and every spiritual work in us** — *Isaiah 26:12 LORD, thou wilt ordain peace for us: for thou also hast wrought all our works in us.*

When has the Lord brought peace into my life?

What good things has the Lord helped me achieve for which I can praise Him?

**2** **I am now a part of the body of Christ** — *Romans 12:5 So we, [being] many, are one body in Christ, and every one members one of another.*

What characteristics should be a part of my relationship to others in the body?

Why does Satan want me to neglect my connection to other believers?

**3** **I am to seek to promote peace** — *Matthew 5:9 Blessed [are] the peacemakers: for they shall be called the children of God.*

How have I sought to build bridges with those who were difficult?

When has the Lord worked through me to help others overcome hostilities?

Spirit of Truth, how do you want to apply these verses in my life today?

## OPTIONAL BIBLE READINGS

Morning: Romans 5

Evening: Psalms 60, 61, 62