

# December 12

## TODAY'S BIBLE STUDY & MEDITATION

**KEY IDEAS:** While the penalty for my sins has been satisfied, why is it important for me to be careful about how I behave? Do I see myself as God sees me, as one whose sins have been removed? What things will I be motivated to do if I have a proper respect for God's ownership?

**1** **God is a jealous (protective) of His concerns** — *Deuteronomy 4:24 For the LORD thy God is a consuming fire, even a jealous God.*

Why should I be concerned about abusing my body (God's property)?

For what do I praise God and by means of that praise submit to His authority?

**2** **I am protected by Christ's death that appeased God's wrath** — *1 John 2:2 And he is the propitiation for our sins: and not for ours only, but also for [the sins of] the whole world.*

Why could Jesus only appease God's anger? Why can't I satisfy God's wrath?

What chaos will result if I think that God still holds my sins against me?

**3** **I am to seek a reverence for God that will cause me to be zealous as a witness** — *2 Corinthians 5:11 Knowing therefore the terror of the Lord, we persuade men; but we are made manifest unto God; and I trust also are made manifest in your consciences.*

Why is it urgent for me to live a pure life and tell others the gospel?

How does my life demonstrate a healthy respect for the things of God?

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

## OPTIONAL BIBLE READINGS

Morning: Revelation 3

Evening: Hosea 9, 10, 11