

# December 16

## TODAY'S BIBLE STUDY & MEDITATION

**KEY IDEAS:** What evidence is there that I diligently seek the Holy Spirit's power in my life and service? Do I see myself as God sees me, as one whom He desires to empower in order to face all situations? Do I ignore the idea that I need the Spirit's help in understanding Scripture? Do I seek the Spirit's power in my efforts to witness to others?

**1** **God's Spirit is the means by which men speak on His behalf** — *Micah 3:8 But truly I am full of power by the spirit of the LORD, and of judgment, and of might, to declare unto Jacob his transgression, and to Israel his sin.*

What am I doing to seek the Spirit's power in my life and service?

How should I praise God for the fellowship and joy I have in the Holy Spirit?

**2** **I am anointed and sealed by God's Spirit** — *2 Corinthians 1:21 Now he which stablisheth us with you in Christ, and hath anointed us, [is] God; 22 Who hath also sealed us, and given the earnest of the Spirit in our hearts.*

What indication is there of the Holy Spirit's work in my life?

Why does the devil want me to ignore the Holy Spirit's work and ministry?

**3** **I am to speak on God's behalf with great reverence and care** — *1 Peter 4:11 If any man speak, let him speak as the oracles of God; if any man minister, let him do it as of the ability which God giveth: that God in all things may be glorified through Jesus Christ, to whom be praise and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.*

What will be the result of declaring God's message without the Spirit's help?

How can I incorporate the Spirit's ministry in Bible study, prayer and service?

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

## OPTIONAL BIBLE READINGS

Morning: Revelation 7

Evening: Amos 4, 5, 6