

# December 22

## TODAY'S BIBLE STUDY & MEDITATION

**KEY IDEAS:** Do I believe that peace is more a matter of the heart ore that it is the result of external influences? Do I see myself as God sees me, as one who is at peace with Him and one He desires to be free from turmoil? Do I recognize that it is possible to be at peace even when things are in a state of turmoil?

**1** **God is the source of peace in our lives** — *Proverbs 16:7* *When a man's ways please the LORD, he maketh even his enemies to be at peace with him.*

Why does God want to make my life to be free from conflict?

What examples of God pouring out peace in my life can I praise Him for?

**2** **I am protected by the One who controls the forces of nature** — *Psalms 29:10* *The LORD sitteth upon the flood; yea, the LORD sitteth King for ever. 11 The LORD will give strength unto his people; the LORD will bless his people with peace.*

Which of my attitudes and behaviors interfere with God's influence upon my life?

Why does the devil want me to ignore God's influence over my life?

**3** **I am to pursue a lifestyle that produces peace between myself and others** — *Romans 12:18* *If it be possible, as much as lieth in you, live peaceably with all men.*

With whom do I have any unresolved disputes?

What evidence is there that I have done all I can to make peace with others?

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

## OPTIONAL BIBLE READINGS

Morning: Revelation 13

Evening: Micah 6, 7