

February 26

TODAY'S BIBLE STUDY & MEDITATION

KEY IDEAS: Do I recognize that God bends over backwards to show mercy to those who have wronged Him? Do I see myself as God sees me, as one upon whom He has bestowed the gift of eternal life and toward whom He has feelings of peace? With whom do I have any unresolved conflicts? What steps remain to be taken in order to build a bridge with these individuals?

1 **God is ready to forgive and slow to anger** — *Nehemiah 9:17 And refused to obey, neither were mindful of thy wonders that thou didst among them; but hardened their necks, and in their rebellion appointed a captain to return to their bondage: but thou art a God ready to pardon, gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and of great kindness, and forsookest them not.*

When betrayed how does God react? How do I react when I'm betrayed?

What examples of God's patience and mercy can I praise Him for?

2 **I am born from on high and have been spared God's wrath** — *John 3:36 He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life: and he that believeth not the Son shall not see life; but the wrath of God abideth on him.*

What contrasts exist between myself and someone who does not believe?

How could I act carelessly since God is patient and slow to anger?

3 **I am to seek to resolve things over which I became angry before the end of each day** — *Ephesians 4:26 Be ye angry, and sin not: let not the sun go down upon your wrath.*

Who do I need to forgive before this day comes to an end?

Who has wronged me? Upon whom do I need to pray God's blessing?

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

OPTIONAL BIBLE READINGS

Morning: Mark 5:21-43

Evening: Numbers 12, 13, 14