

# January 5

## TODAY'S BIBLE STUDY & MEDITATION

**KEY IDEAS:** What excites me the most: boasting about things that make me look good, or telling others about my Lord? Do I see myself as God sees me, as one who has God's full acceptance? Does my life reflect the kind of grace that God extended to me in how I accept others?

**1** **God knows me and is to be the focus of my attention and delight** — *Jeremiah 9:24* *But let him that glorieth glory in this, that he understandeth and knoweth me, that I am the LORD which exercise lovingkindness, judgment, and righteousness, in the earth: for in these things I delight, saith the LORD.*

What do I tell others about my Lord? What am I excited to tell others about?

What things do I love most about God for which I can thank and praise Him?

**2** **I am destined to glorify, draw attention, to God** — *Ephesians 1:11* *In whom also we have obtained an inheritance, being predestinated according to the purpose of him who worketh all things after the counsel of his own will: 12 That we should be to the praise of his glory, who first trusted in Christ.*

In what ways does my life reflect my relationship to God through Christ?

Why does Satan want me to focus on my failures rather than my destiny?

**3** **I am to accept others to demonstrate how God draws people to Himself** — *Romans 15:7* *Wherefore receive ye one another, as Christ also received us to the glory of God.*

How does my acceptance of others reflect upon my relationship to Christ?

What people or what kinds of people, do I need God's help to accept?

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

## OPTIONAL BIBLE READINGS

Morning: Matthew 5:1-26

Evening: Genesis 13,14, 15