

January 6

TODAY'S BIBLE STUDY & MEDITATION

KEY IDEAS: Do I recognize that I am related to the God of all things? Do I see myself as God sees me, as His property? Does my treatment of others reflect my relationship to God?

1 **God determined to establish a relationship with people** — *Jeremiah 32:38* *And they shall be my people, and I will be their God.*

Why is it better to be God's child rather than just to be a follower of a religion?

What are examples of God's fellowship for which I can praise Him?

2 **I have a relationship to God and belong to Christ** — *Mark 9:41* *For whosoever shall give you a cup of water to drink in my name, because ye belong to Christ, verily I say unto you, he shall not lose his reward.*

How should I behave if I think of myself as belonging to Christ?

Why does the devil want me to think of myself as free from any obligation?

3 **I am to seek to glorify God in my relationship with believers** — *Romans 15:5* *Now the God of patience and consolation grant you to be likeminded one toward another according to Christ Jesus: 6 That ye may with one mind and one mouth glorify God, even the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.*

How does my relationship to others reflect the fact that I belong to Christ?

What things should I do to shed a positive light on my testimony for Christ?

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

OPTIONAL BIBLE READINGS

Morning: Matthew 5:27-48

Evening: Genesis 16, 17