

July 24

TODAY'S BIBLE STUDY & MEDITATION

KEY IDEAS: Do I recognize that God is the Ruler of my life? Do I see myself as God sees me, as one over whom He has a practical influence and rule? Do I recognize that if the Lord is Ruler over my life than I will demonstrate that with a respect for governmental officials?

1 **God is Sovereign over the whole earth** — *Zechariah 14:9 And the LORD shall be king over all the earth: in that day shall there be one LORD, and his name one.*

Since He is Ruler of the earth, what should be God's relationship to my life?

What examples of God's direction in my life can I praise Him for?

2 **I am one of the subjects of the King of Kings** — *Psalms 74:12 For God is my King of old, working salvation in the midst of the earth.*

What evidence is there in my life that the Lord rules over me?

Why does Satan want me to be repulsed by the idea of God ruling me?

3 **I am to seek to be subject to earthly powers as a result of my submission to the Lord** — *Titus 3:1 Put them in mind to be subject to principalities and powers, to obey magistrates, to be ready to every good work....*

If the Lord is the Ruler of my life how should I behave toward officials?

In what way does my life demonstrate that I respect governmental officials?

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

OPTIONAL BIBLE READINGS

Morning: Acts 25

Evening: Psalms 35, 36