

July 30

TODAY'S BIBLE STUDY & MEDITATION

KEY IDEAS: Do I recognize that the Holy Spirit dwells in me so that He is in a better position empower me to serve God? Do I see myself as God sees me, as one that has the Spirit dwelling in him to provide the power to serve the Lord? Is the Spirit's presence in my life demonstrated by love for my fellow believers?

1 **God purposed to cause His Spirit to dwell in men — Ezekiel 37:14** *And shall put my spirit in you, and ye shall live, and I shall place you in your own land: then shall ye know that I the LORD have spoken it, and performed it, saith the LORD.*

What advantage is it to me that the Spirit dwells in me rather than in a building?

What instances of the Holy Spirit's presence in my life can I praise God for?

2 **I am under the control of the Holy Spirit rather than the flesh — Romans 8:4** *That the righteousness of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.*

How is the Spirit in position to influence me more than a list of rules?

Why does Satan want me to walk in the power of the flesh?

3 **I am to seek to love fellow believers as a result of the Spirit's work in my life — 1 Peter 1:22** *Seeing ye have purified your souls in obeying the truth through the Spirit unto unfeigned love of the brethren, [see that ye] love one another with a pure heart fervently....*

What evidence is there in my life that I have a love for my brothers in Christ?

In what different ways can I express a proper and appropriate love for others?

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

OPTIONAL BIBLE READINGS

Morning: Romans 2

Evening: Psalms 51, 52, 53