

June 22

TODAY'S BIBLE STUDY & MEDITATION

KEY IDEAS: Do I recognize that God's control over life and death is absolute? Do I see myself as God sees me, as dead to the power of sin? Do I recognize that putting on the new man refers to adopting the new lifestyle that goes with being a follower of Christ?

1 **God is in control of life and death** — *1 Samuel 2:6 The LORD killeth, and maketh alive: he bringeth down to the grave, and bringeth up.*

What hope does it give me to know that God is in control of life and death?

For which of God's promises governing death do I need to praise Him?

2 **I am dead to sin** — *Romans 6:2 God forbid. How shall we, that are dead to sin, live any longer therein?*

What benefit is it for me to recognize that sin no longer has me in its clutches?

Why does the devil want me to think that I am helpless in resisting sin?

3 **I am to seek to be renewed in my knowledge of Christ and God** — *Colossians 3:10 And have put on the new man, which is renewed in knowledge after the image of him that created him...*

How has my understanding of Christ and salvation changed my life?

What practical illustrations exist of my adopting a new lifestyle in Christ?

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

OPTIONAL BIBLE READINGS

Morning: Acts 6

Evening: Esther 6, 7, 8