

March 13

TODAY'S BIBLE STUDY & MEDITATION

KEY IDEAS: Do I recognize that I have a need to worship God? Does my life reflect the fact that I believe worship is important? Do I see myself as God sees me, as one who has been given the privilege of a believer priest that can offer up sacrifices of worship? Does my life exhibit acts of sacrifice through deeds of charity and mercy?

1 **God is worthy of our worship** — *Psalm 147:5 Great is our Lord, and of great power: his understanding is infinite. 6 The LORD lifteth up the meek: he casteth the wicked down to the ground. 7 Sing unto the LORD with thanksgiving; sing praise upon the harp unto our God: 8 Who covereth the heaven with clouds, who prepareth rain for the earth, who maketh grass to grow upon the mountains.*

What things interfere with my worshiping and praising the Lord regularly?

What examples of God's power and care can I praise Him for?

2 **I am now a part of a chosen generation and as priest can offer worship** — *1 Peter 2:9 But ye [are] a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light.*

What can New Testament saints do that only Old Testament priests could do?

Why does the devil want me to neglect worship? What are its benefits?

3 **I am to make offerings to the Lord by living God's way (by living right)** — *Deuteronomy 33:19 They shall call the people unto the mountain; there they shall offer sacrifices of righteousness: for they shall suck of the abundance of the seas, and of treasures hid in the sand.*

What righteous deeds (acts of charity and mercy) are a part of my life?

How can these actions be considered as being sacrificial?

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

OPTIONAL BIBLE READINGS

Morning: Mark 13:21-37

Evening: Dueteronomy 20, 21, 22