

March 20

TODAY'S BIBLE STUDY & MEDITATION

KEY IDEAS: Do I understand that God may strengthen me directly or he may strengthen me through other believers? Do I see myself as God sees me, as one who needs the influence of his brothers and sisters in Christ? Is there a valid reason for neglecting the fellowship of other believers? Am I more pious than God?

1 **The Lord is worthy to be exalted** — *2 Samuel 22:47 The LORD liveth; and blessed be my rock; and exalted be the God of the rock of my salvation.*

In what ways has the Lord provided strength to my life?

What examples of God's strengthening work can I praise Him for?

2 **I am exalted as a part of the brotherhood of Christ** — *James 1:9 Let the brother of low degree rejoice in that he is exalted: 10 But the rich, in that he is made low: because as the flower of the grass he shall pass away.*

Which of my fellow believers have the greatest influence on me?

Why does Satan want non-believers to have more influence over my life?

3 **I am to seek God and exalt Him in worship** — *John 4:23 But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him.*

What keeps me from enjoying worship together with fellow believers?

From whom does God accept worship that I reject or I would not associate with?

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

OPTIONAL BIBLE READINGS

Morning: Luke 1:1-20

Evening: Joshua 4, 5, 6