

September 12

TODAY'S BIBLE STUDY & MEDITATION

KEY IDEAS: Do I recognize that the Lord is in control of power and authority and can impose peace? Do I see myself as God sees me, as one who is at peace with Him? Do I understand that I have a responsibility to promote peace in my relationships?

1 **God can cause enemies to be at peace with those who please Him — 2 Chronicles 17:10** *And the fear of the LORD fell upon all the kingdoms of the lands that were round about Judah, so that they made no war against Jehoshaphat. (Compare Proverbs 16:7)*

Am I in the midst of a time of turmoil or peace? Do I see God's hand on my life?

What hope does God's trustworthiness provide that I can praise Him for?

2 **I am in Christ Jesus and the recipient of peace — 1 Peter 5:14** *Greet ye one another with a kiss of charity. Peace [be] with you all that are in Christ Jesus. Amen.*

What obstacles to peace are in my life?

Why does Satan want me to think that I can't praise God until I have peace?

3 **I am to pursue a lifestyle that is characterized by peace since I am right with God — James 3:18** *And the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace of them that make peace.*

What bad choices do I make that create additional turmoil in my life?

What do I need to do in order to reduce the turmoil in my life?

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

OPTIONAL BIBLE READINGS

Morning: 2 Corinthians 5

Evening: Proverbs 13, 14, 15