

September 15

TODAY'S BIBLE STUDY & MEDITATION

KEY IDEAS: Do I erroneously believe that God ignores the faithful service of His children? Do I see myself as God sees me, the beneficiary of eternal rewards? Do I recognize the rewards that come as a result of hard work and careful use of my resources?

1 **God rewards those who serve Him faithfully** — *Psalm 31:23 O love the LORD, all ye his saints: for the LORD preserveth the faithful, and plentifully rewardeth the proud doer.*

When have I felt sorry for myself and thought that God was unaware of my efforts?

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

2 **I am to receive an enduring reward in heaven** — *Hebrews 10:34 For ye had compassion of me in my bonds, and took joyfully the spoiling of your goods, knowing in yourselves that ye have in heaven a better and an enduring substance. (Compare Revelation 2:10.)*

What present benefits do I praise God for? What future rewards do I praise Him for?

How does the devil want me to feel about God's watch care and rewards?

3 **I am to be diligent** — *Ephesians 4:28 Let him that stole steal no more: but rather let him labour, working with [his] hands the thing which is good, that he may have to give to him that needeth.*

What benefits can I expect for being a hard worker? What will it allow me to do?

What results can I expect from being idle and failing to get started?

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

OPTIONAL BIBLE READINGS

Morning: 2 Corinthians 8

Evening: Proverbs 22, 23, 24