

The Plumbline

Scriptures to use for Searching your Soul

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Amo 7:7 Thus he shewed me: and, behold, the Lord stood upon a wall [made] by a plumbline, with a plumbline in his hand.

How is it with your soul?

Worship, love desires more and more of the one you love, Jesus Christ, and the one you worship, the Lord Jesus Christ. When we love Jesus with our whole life, surrendered totally to Him, melding with Him as one, we worship more. When we worship Him, we love Him more.

I want more and more of Jesus.

I want more of His great power.

I want more of His sweet presence.

I want more and more of Him.

Plumbline: Deuteronomy 6:4-6; Mark 12:29, 30

Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God [is] one LORD:

And thou shalt love the LORD thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy might.

And these words, which I command thee this day, shall be in thine heart:

And Jesus answered him, The first of all the commandments [is], Hear, O Israel; The Lord our God is one Lord:

And thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength: this [is] the first commandment.

“More than ever before, Lord, I love you.

More than ever before, Lord, I need you.

More than ever before, I want to tell you,

I love you now, more than ever before.”

Perhaps there needs to be some soul searching as King David prayed:

Psa 139:23 Search me, O God, and know my heart: try me, and know my thoughts:

Psa 139:24 And see if [there be any] wicked way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting.

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Rom 10:17 So then faith [cometh] by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.

I received some e-mails from a niece that lives in another state encouraging the ministry to which we are called. This was powerful coming from her knowing that she cared about the Body of Christ. Then just today a call from another niece in a different state reminding me of someone we had met on an earlier occasion in a restaurant that did not know Jesus nor did they seem to understand, at that point, the Name of Jesus. She told me she saw this person again recently, and they said to her, “Jesus” then wrapped their arms around themselves to indicate they now know Jesus Christ.

This is the Body of Christ ministering together, loving one another, encouraging one another. Some are called to plant and others to water. The bottom line is that the person came to know Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior – not who did what.

We received a call that we needed to pick up something that someone was holding for us at a store that is open 24/7 – as most are today. When we arrived 5:30 AM, we met with a wonderful young Christian man who is a manager He is kind and patient. Many forgot that this is part of the Body of Christ functioning together – helping each other in the mundane things of life. We went to another part of the store and was greeted by another manager who came and hugged us and then another Christian employee came. There was such sharing in this store of just a joy of knowing that each of us were related. Yes, we are relatives as we are blood related, related by the Blood of the Lamb.

One of these employees turned and said, it seems I have known you a long time, but this is only the second time I have seen you. These people – all of them are hungry for the Lord, for His Body who are willing to be real Christians on an everyday basis: at work, at home, at worship, at all times.

We are called to be consistent in our living for Jesus so we can encourage one another in the Lord. This is not an hour set aside on Sunday to do this. It is when we lie down, when we rise, when we are at home, when we are away from home – consistent in how we live for Jesus at all times to include our words, our works, our faith in Jesus, and our being in the Word.

Psa 119:11 Thy word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee.