

# 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?

How often we read a scripture with selective hearing! We often choose to receive that portion with which we already align and can say, Yes, I believe that – only to neglect the part that calls us to grow in the Lord.

Isaiah stood before the mercy-seat (Isa 6.1-8). He was still before the Lord. It was as he was still before the Lord that He saw the glory of the Lord, that the Lord is exalted above all. He heard the heavenly choir which also revealed the glory of the Lord and exalted Him.

As Isaiah stood before the mercy-seat, he came to know the Lord profoundly as the glory of the Lord revealed his own sinfulness, his need of the Lord.

Psalms 46.10 says, “Be still.” But, it also says, “**know** that I AM God.” We only can **know** (יָדָא yâda') that He is God when we are still before Him. We only can know who we are in Him as we are still before Him

### Plumbline: Psalm 46.10

Be still, and know that I [am] God: I will be exalted among the heathen,  
I will be exalted in the earth

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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# Walking in the Light

Come apart and rest (Mark 6.31)

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

Impatience may be the downfall of many who desire fervently to follow the Lord Jesus Christ. Impatience may be the misleading of some to miss the calling of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Patience is that for which I do not pray as the tests are most difficult and trying in learning this. However, there is something in me that cries out that I might wait upon the Lord, His timing in all things, to trust that He is working things out, that His call upon our lives will be brought to full fruition to accomplish His Holy will for His glory – in me and through me.

The Lord says to the prophets (Jer 23.21-22):

I have not sent these prophets, yet they ran: I have not spoken to them, yet they prophesied.

But if they had stood in my counsel, and had caused my people to hear my words, then they should have turned them from their evil way, and from the evil of their doings.

Are we running ahead of the Lord or are we lagging behind the Lord? Either one will cause us to fail to accomplish the will of the Lord in our lives, in us and through us for His glory. Our focus must be upon Jesus Christ, being willing to stand still, to “Be still” before Him that we might “know that [He is] God.” We must not be like those whom the Lord has called to speak to the people but who run ahead of the Lord and do not speak His Holy Word.

The Lord goes on to say (Jer 23.25):

I have heard what the prophets said, that prophesy lies in my name, saying, I have dreamed, I have dreamed.

We cannot know the will of the Lord if we fail to “Be still and know that I AM God.” Beloved, this is a command from the Lord God Almighty in Jesus Christ. If we do not know His will, we cannot walk in obedience to His call in our lives. Hear the Lord: “Be still and know that I AM God...” (Ps 46.10). His grace shall bring you through it all.

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