

The Plumbline

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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 many times have you been beaten down? How many times have you been mocked for living for Jesus? How many times have you been made to feel that you need to understand the world's way of thinking? How many times have you been isolated? Have you faltered? Have you sinned? There is a song that responds to this: "Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus."

Yes, we are to walk with the Lord Jesus Christ daily, moment by moment in our thoughts, our actions, and our words. It is a way of life in Jesus.

If we say that we have fellowship with him, and walk in darkness, we lie, and do not the truth:

But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin (1 Jn 1.6, 7).

Plumbline: Isaiah 2.5

O house of Jacob, come ye, and let us walk in the light of the LORD.

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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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.

Some would question why my colleague and I are in the ministry that we are. Of course, the answer is because the Lord Jesus Christ called us to this ministry of edifying the body of Christ, to build up the body of Christ.

Building up the body of Christ is encouraging those who know Jesus Christ as LORD and Savior that they continue walking steadfastly in His ways. One of the ways is to remain faithful to the reading of the Holy Bible. When we ask people if there has been a time when they have asked Jesus Christ to come into their hearts to be their LORD and Savior and have repented of their sins, most say, Yes – though some are hesitant; and when some of the comments come, you know they may know about Jesus, but do **not** know Him intimately.

When we ask if they are reading the Bible daily, some will say they are, and you know they know the Word. They come alive. Others will say – well, maybe – uh – once a week. They are being truthful, but it is our place then to remind them they cannot discern the voice of the Lord Jesus without knowing Him through His Word.

I have to admit that there are times when I wonder whose voice I am hearing though I am in the Word of the Lord Jesus daily. I often say that Satan is a ventriloquist, and it is challenging – uh – no, downright hard to discern the voice of the Lord Jesus (John 10). But, I must remain in the Word of the Lord Jesus and grow in Him and His ways. The more that I read His Word, the more I come to know Him more intimately and know His ways and His will.

Satan is the father of deceit and will take you down a road that looks and feels similar to that which Jesus is calling you.

How many times have I heard Mrs. Lowery say, For every truth of the Lord Jesus, Satan has a counterfeit. Every time the Lord reveals more of His Word, Satan will give a counterfeit for it. How do bankers decipher the real from the counterfeit? By studying the real document.

People of God, read the Word of the Lord and hide His Word in your heart that you may not sin against Him.

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