

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?

It seems people have time to get together for activities in the community, but the body of Christ has little time for the Lord. I wonder what would happen if we would come together asking the question, "How goes it with your soul?" Would we be able to search ourselves deeply, our hearts, and know our hearts before the Lord? Or would we use that time to talk about others and how they have injured us and . . . or would we look at our lives, our hearts in light of what the Word of God says to us and what the Lord God demands of us?

Would we be able to take our troubles and sorrows to the Lord without always calling someone to discuss our pain with them? Would we be able to truly pray for our enemies, those which despitefully use us and persecute us? Would we be able to take our burdens to the Lord and – **leave them there?** Hear the word preceding the following verse:

[The words] of his mouth were smoother than butter, but war [was] in his heart: his words were softer than oil, yet [were] they drawn swords (Ps 55.21).

Plumbline: Psalm 55.22

Cast thy burden upon the LORD, and he shall sustain thee: he shall never suffer the righteous to be moved.

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.

The body of Christ is called to ministry. Whatever you do for a living, God has called you to tell others of His great love and that He died on the Cross of Calvary for their sins. We are called to lead people to Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior.

My colleague and I were called to travel coast to coast for ten years to edify the body of Christ wherever we went. Yes, we were also called to lead people to Jesus Christ; however, our emphasis was to edify the body of Christ. People would say to us, I do not go to church as the church just is not the church anymore.

People are hungry for the Lord, they are seeking others with whom they can be in the Word of God and grow in Him as they did in Acts 2.36-47.

And with many other words did he testify and exhort, saying, Save yourselves from this untoward generation.

Then they that gladly received his word were baptized: and the same day there were added [unto them] about three thousand souls.

And they continued stedfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread, and in prayers.

And fear came upon every soul: and many wonders and signs were done by the apostles.

And all that believed were together, and had all things common; And sold their possessions and goods, and parted them to all [men], as every man had need.

And they, continuing daily with one accord in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, did eat their meat with gladness and singleness of heart,

Praising God, and having favour with all the people. And the Lord added to the church daily such as should be saved.

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