

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?

I do not believe that the baptism of the Holy Ghost was for a brief time. The Bible makes it clear that those called of the Lord to serve Him, is by the power of the Holy Ghost (I Th 1.5; II P 1.21). We read of those called of the Lord God who went forth in His power having received the Word in the midst of much affliction; however going forth in the joy of the Lord. I Thessalonians 1 reveals that from these sounded out the Word of the Lord "in every place your faith to God-ward is spread abroad; so that we need not to speak any thing." These were people who turned from idols, who gave their lives to serve the only living, the only true God (I Th 1.5-10).

Know it is the Holy Ghost Who touches the lives of those who have turned to the only living God, to serve Him, with great power that the Word of the Lord shall go forth in power.

Plumbline: Acts 2.38, 39

Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost.

For the promise is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, [even] as many as the Lord our God shall call

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.

That word, [I say], ye know, which was published throughout all Judaea, and began from Galilee, after the baptism which John preached; How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost and with power: who went about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed of the devil; for God was with him (Acts 10.37, 38).

We need to be strengthened that we might serve the Lord Jesus Christ as he leads us in the ministry to which He has called each of us. The Word tells us that the Lord Jesus Christ was anointed with the Holy Ghost and with power. The Lord sent the disciples to go forth, saying:

And as ye go, preach, saying, The kingdom of heaven is at hand. Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out devils: freely ye have received, freely give (Mt 10.7, 8).

It was in the power of the Holy Ghost that the disciples went forth to serve the Lord Jesus Christ in the ministry to which they were called. This was true of the seventy that was also sent (Lk 10). And, it is true for each one of us serving the Lord Jesus Christ.

By stretching forth thine hand to heal; and that signs and wonders may be done by the name of thy holy child Jesus.

And when they had prayed, the place was shaken where they were assembled together; and they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and they spake the word of God with boldness (Acts 4.30,31).

And as I began to speak, the Holy Ghost fell on them, as on us at the beginning (Acts 11.15).

And God, which knoweth the hearts, bare them witness, giving them the Holy Ghost, even as [he did] unto us; (Acts 15.8)

How will you respond to the calling of the Lord to "be filled with the Holy Ghost" that you may go forth in His power, in His might? (Acts 9.17)

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