

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 many today are carelessly saying, "Oh, God's got my back covered. I am okay." They are mocking the Lord God as to say the Lord God is following them, and they do not have to give their lives to the Lord God as He is watching their backs and will do as they say. How many times have you recently heard that God loves you where you are, God understands if you live in sin as that is how life is today. If you want to make it in this life, you have to walk the broad road that leads to destruction – but God will take care of you as you walk on that road that leads to destruction.

Oh, People of God in Christ Jesus, No! It is His way or no way. We must take seriously the call to lay our lives before Him, to live a life of holiness and offer our lives to Him – today!

(For he saith, I have heard thee in a time accepted, and in the day of salvation have I succoured thee: behold, now [is] the accepted time; behold, now [is] the day of salvation.) II Cor 6.2

Plumbline: Romans 12.1

I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, [which is] your reasonable service.

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.

We are called to walk with the Lord one step at a time, not knowing where our walk will take us. Oh, what would it have been like to have seen the star of Bethlehem that the Shepherds saw? It is believed by some that the Wisemen saw the same star at the same time the Shepherds did; however, they were in the East, approximately two years travel time from where the Shepherds were and where the Christ child was born.

Oh, how quick we are to engage in a "quick" trip or experience, but – but a two year journey in response to a star? Oh, we live in a day of take it or leave it attitude if it cannot be accomplished within a brief time.

Oh, the danger of going across perhaps the Arabian desert for two years with a faith that cannot be shaken, a strong confidence in the One Who has called you to make this journey. My heart cries out to be with those who have a faith that is strong in the Lord, who believe with all their heart they can cross the desert in safety because – because their eyes are upon the Lord Jesus Christ – and not themselves. These are people who care not for their lives, who are not turned inward. They are those few who have seen the hand of the Lord in their lives and respond to the call, "Take up thy cross and follow Me."

These are a people so full of the joy of the Lord, who experienced the joy of the Lord as their strength (Neh 810). We stand in need of the power of God in our lives to go forth as did the Wisemen knowing they had heard from the Lord God Almighty in Christ Jesus. They had the power of God in their lives, ready to make the journey to see the King of kings. I believe their minds and hearts were stayed on the Lord – not chit-chat that distracts us from the power of the Lord God Who wants to fill us with His love, to give to us new life in Him that we might know His love, that we might know His voice when He calls us to "Come and worship," to lay our lives before Him, that we might present ourselves "a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God . . ." (Rom 12.1).

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