

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?

Saint Paul, the Apostle, knew and understood his weakness, that his strength was in the Lord and not himself. He gloried in the Lord and His strength and love for him. The Apostle Paul states that he takes pleasure in his infirmities . . .

Therefore I take pleasure in infirmities, in reproaches, in necessities, in persecutions, in distresses for Christ's sake: for when I am weak, then am I strong (II Cor 12.10).

Are you listening to what the Apostle wrote? How many of us acknowledge our weakness as the Apostle did? How many of us glory in the presence of the Lord in our lives, giving us strength to go on in Him, to serve Him, to be His servant?

Plumbline: Deuteronomy 31.6-8

Be strong and of a good courage, fear not, nor be afraid of them: for the LORD thy God, he [it is] that doth go with thee; he will not fail thee, nor forsake thee.

And Moses called unto Joshua, and said unto him in the sight of all Israel, **Be strong and of a good courage**: for thou must go with this people unto the land which the LORD hath sworn unto their fathers to give them; and thou shalt cause them to inherit it.

And the LORD, he [it is] that doth go before thee; he will be with thee, he will not fail thee, neither forsake thee: fear not, neither be dismayed.

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.

Many give thought to Jesus, perhaps, as Orpah did to Naomi, but do not love Him, do not desire to walk on with Him all the way (John 6); they turn away from Him to go back to their gods of this world whether in the "churches" or elsewhere – as Orpah turned back to her gods while Ruth chose to go all the way with Naomi, as Naomi returned to her people who knew the God of Israel (Book of Ruth). Many love this world, the things of this world rather than Jesus. Ruth chose the better part. Notice the power of resolution once again. Beloved, when you are resolved towards God with your whole heart, it silences temptation.

You cannot know His voice, His way, HIM – unless you are reading and studying His Word as He directs you by His Holy Spirit daily and walking with Him. People say, but I pray! Oh, how children have their want lists, children of all ages. They are not interested in knowing the person(s) from whom they are seeking or giving their "want lists." They just want an answer to their petition to be the answer they want, when they want it, how they want it . . .

What will you do with Jesus Christ this day? Whom will you serve from this day forward? Oh, Joshua was strong in his love for the Lord God Almighty!

And if it seem evil unto you to serve the LORD, choose you this day whom ye will serve; whether the gods which your fathers served that [were] on the other side of the flood, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land ye dwell: **but as for me and my house, we will serve the LORD** (Jos 24.15).

How I want to be strong in the Lord Jesus Christ and live for Him Who died for me!

Beloved, **be strong in the Lord Jesus Christ**. Read John 6.22-71. Scripture says many turned away from following Jesus as it was too hard. What will you do with the Master, with Jesus Christ, the only Begotten Son of God – today?

Then said Jesus unto the twelve,

Will ye also go away? (Jn 6.67)

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