

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?

We live in a time in which people expect to be told how wonderful they are, how the Lord God Almighty in Christ Jesus is so pleased with them, that all is well. Take time to be in the Word of the Lord, the Holy Bible, that you might be strengthened in the Lord. Let us be reminded of what the Psalmist wrote and lived:

Psa 118:6 The LORD [is] on my side; I will not fear: what can man do unto me?

Let us also be reminded what the writer of the Book of Hebrews wrote.

Heb 13:5 [Let your] conversation [be] without covetousness; [and be] content with such things as ye have: for he hath said, I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee.

Heb 13:6 So that we may boldly say, The Lord [is] my helper, and I will not fear what man shall do unto me.

Let us be ever mindful of the Lord as our Savior, the One Who gave His life for us on the Cross of Calvary all because of His great love for us. He suffered much, that we might have life abundantly in Him. Let us serve Him with all our hearts, trusting Him with our lives.

Plumbline: Micah 6.8

He hath shewed thee, O man, what [is] good; and what doth the LORD require of thee, but to do justly, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God?

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.

What does it mean to tell the Lord that you are willing to walk in obedience to Him? And, what does it mean not to speak the Truth of the Lord when directed to do so?

There are times the Lord gives a word to be spoken, knowing it will not be received such as to Ezekiel.

Eze 3:7 But the house of Israel will not hearken unto thee; for they will not hearken unto me: for all the house of Israel [are] impudent and hardhearted.

Eze 3:8 Behold, I have made thy face strong against their faces, and thy forehead strong against their foreheads.

Eze 3:9 As an adamant harder than flint have I made thy forehead: fear them not, neither be dismayed at their looks, though they [be] a rebellious house.

Eze 3:10 Moreover he said unto me, Son of man, all my words that I shall speak unto thee receive in thine heart, and hear with thine ears.

Eze 3:11 And go, get thee to them of the captivity, unto the children of thy people, and speak unto them, and tell them, Thus saith the Lord GOD; whether they will hear, or whether they will forbear.

The Lord knew the hearts of those to whom Ezekiel was sent; but He also knew they needed to hear the Word - though they would reject it. There are times we are called to do a hard thing, but we must trust the Lord as did Ezekiel in Chapters Three and 33. The Lord made it clear this word to be given to the people - was not based on their willingness to respond with their hearts unto the Lord.

I am reminded of when the people wanted a king, and what they said to Samuel.

1Sa 8:5 And said unto him, Behold, thou art old, and thy sons walk not in thy ways: now make us a king to judge us like all the nations.

1Sa 8:6 But the thing displeased Samuel, when they said, Give us a king to judge us. And Samuel prayed unto the LORD.

Samuel was discouraged believing the people were going against him, as we do so often when we have been obedient to the Lord. But the Lord made it clear the people were going against Him, the Lord.

1Sa 8:7 And the LORD said unto Samuel, Harken unto the voice of the people in all that they say unto thee: for they have not rejected thee, but they have rejected me, that I should not reign over them.

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