“Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, for you were called to this in the one body, and be thankful.”

One of the most important things which everyone in today’s world craves for is peace; real peace; the kind of peace which can permeate every area of our lives; the kind of peace which does not rely on where we are living, whether it is a completely peaceful neighbourhood or in the middle of a war zone; a peace which is experienced when we are completely at peace within ourselves.

So very many of us seem to suffer from various internal conflicts and we try all kinds of remedies in an effort to counter them. We try alcohol, drugs, sex etc; we chase after financial success in its many forms; but so few of us ever come to know by experience the amazing answer to the questions posed in the word of God in **Isaiah 50:10** ***“Who among you fears the Lord and obeys the voice of his servant? Who among you walks in darkness and has no light yet trusts in the name of the Lord, and relies upon his God?***

Today’s worldly wisdom promotes the idea that it is necessary for us to understand and know all the details of any and every situation which crosses our path in order for us to make informed decisions. Sadly, many who profess belief in our God follow this same idea, despite the fact that in his word our God makes it very clear that for us to follow such a line of thinking is nothing less than foolishness in his eyes. Remember the often quoted scripture in **Pro 3:5-5**, ***“Trust in the Lord with all of your heart, and do not rely on your own understanding, in all your ways acknowledge him***
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and he will direct your paths."

After all, he is the only one who knows the end of a thing right from the beginning, in every situation!

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Isaiah 46:9-10

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So why do we turn elsewhere for answers?

The Spirit of the Lord speaks clearly of the consequences of this kind of foolishness in **Isaiah 50:11** .

But are we listening to what he is saying?

"Listen all of you who kindle your fires and light your torches; walk by the light of your fires and your torches, but this is what you will have from me, you will lie down in torment."