



CHRIST'S CHURCH
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Mid-Week Devotion
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"I am the light of the world..."



Old Point Loma lighthouse

The original Point Loma Lighthouse is a historic lighthouse located on the Point Loma peninsula at the mouth of San Diego Bay in San Diego, California. It is situated in the Cabrillo National Monument. It was built in 1855. If you've never been to the lighthouse, I would encourage you to make the drive. It's well worth the trip. I've stood next to the old lighthouse and watched the fog roll in, moving up the San Diego Harbor. In fact, the fog rolls in so densely that it looks like a giant cloud enveloping the whole of San Diego. In 1891 the lighthouse was moved to a lower level and automated. As a lighthouse its sole purpose is to stand as a beacon to guide ships into San Diego Harbor. The coast of California and more specifically the coast of southern California is a graveyard for sunken ships. In 1917 the Coast Guard cutter McCulloch collided with a passenger ship in the fog and sank to the ocean floor off the coast of Santa Barbara.

Jesus asserts to the Pharisees in John 8:12, ***"I am the light of the world; he who follows Me will not walk in darkness but will have the Light of life."*** Jesus is talking less about being a beacon of light for people's personal issues but more about His role as the beacon of eternal life. In John's Gospel darkness equals sinfulness and ignorance. A synonym for ignorance is unknowledgeable. I don't have to understand or have knowledge of Jesus' ways to have the Light in my life. I just need to follow Him. The Captain of any ship doesn't have to understand and have a degree in "shipology" with a minor in shipwrecks in order to understand the importance of following the lighthouse light to maneuver past the rugged coastline to safely arrive at the harbor. It's a "no-brainer." There's safety in the Light!

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