



## Lighthouses don't move?

1. Lighthouses are effective, literally, because they don't \_\_\_\_\_. You can count on them to give you \_\_\_\_\_ information about land, sea routes, and dangerous waters.
2. God, and God's Word are both \_\_\_\_\_ a lighthouse. They don't move. You can count on them to give your \_\_\_\_\_ information about life, living life effectively, and avoiding the many dangers lurking near you, that if not avoided, can cause serious damage.
3. God's \_\_\_\_\_, can be found in the \_\_\_\_\_ creation, before sin corrupted and broke the world we now live in. Therefore, original creation is our **lighthouse** to discover our place in this world (our \_\_\_\_\_ identity).

In the original creation:

- a. Men and Women coexisted \_\_\_\_\_ conflict.
- b. There was no \_\_\_\_\_ between God and Mankind.
- c. There was no \_\_\_\_\_ between Mankind and nature.
- d. This was all \_\_\_\_\_ to everyone.

In this broken creation:

- a. We must be \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ in the things that were once obvious, because sin distorts and Satan lies.
  - b. The further we get from creation, the more distortion \_\_\_\_\_, and the more lies \_\_\_\_\_.
4. When it comes to understanding who God made mankind to be (Men, Women, Fathers, Mothers, Children, Male, and Female) – we \_\_\_\_\_ to glean anything we can from the original creation, and from the enlightenment and instruction of God's Word.
  5. When we are enlightened and instructed – we \_\_\_\_\_ on our discoveries like a sea captain focusses on a lighthouse, gaining safety and guidance.

**Numbers 23:19** God is not human, that he should lie, not a human being, that **he should change his mind.**

**Psalms 55:19** God, who is enthroned from of old, who **does not change ...**

1. If we allow Satan to distort our God given identity, we move towards \_\_\_\_\_ and destruction.
  - a. The church: Churches that water down the gospel, look away from obvious teachings about sin, and focuses solely on God's love, create empty churches, and disillusioned people, who \_\_\_\_\_ they have found God – but have not.
  - b. The family: Families that compromise in the God given responsibilities and roles of its members experience \_\_\_\_\_ families, broken children, and diminishing morals.
  - c. Individuals: Individuals who have been subject to Worldly indoctrination, low moral expectations, and a lack of boundaries are more and more \_\_\_\_\_ of saying and doing things that were unacceptable and unthinkable in generations past.
  
2. If we embrace and live according to the identity that God has assigned to us, we can only move towards \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ both physically and spiritually.
  - a. The church: Churches that hold up scripture as their only authority create communities of people who live righteous lives, love one another, are a blessing to all those they meet, and have true \_\_\_\_\_ with God.
  - b. The family: Families that hold fast to God's instructions create \_\_\_\_\_ for everyone within them to thrive and develop into the men and women God desires.
  - c. Individuals: Individuals who study, listen to, and live out God's word are more and more \_\_\_\_\_ of being used by God as an effective ambassador, and may even be used for great things in His Kingdom.
  
3. If we want to live successfully in a broken world, honoring God in all we do:
  - a. We must realize that this world is broken, and it \_\_\_\_\_ be fixed any time soon
  - b. **God's will** does not interact with our past, only our \_\_\_\_\_.
  - c. Our future must involve **discovering and becoming** the man or woman God created us to be.

**John 10:10** The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.

**Last week:** God's assigned positions and roles are \_\_\_\_\_ a reflection of value or importance, they are simply HIS way of establishing His sovereign will.

**Today:** We must seek after God's \_\_\_\_\_ plans and design to understand who God requires us to be in today world.

**Next Week:** We will start that process of observation, instruction, and clarification.