



# “The Del-Haven Vision”

*“Without vision, the people perish” (Proverbs 29:18)*

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*“Wherefore when He comes into the world, He says, ‘Sacrifice and offering you will not have, but a body you have prepared me. (6) In burnt offerings and sacrifices for sin you have had no pleasure.’ (7) Then said I, ‘Lo, I come (in the volume of the book it is written of me) to do your will, O God.’ (8) Above when He said, ‘Sacrifice and offering and burnt offerings and offering for sin you did not will, neither had you pleasure therein’ -- which are offered by the law. (9) Then He said, ‘Lo, I come to do your will, O God.’ He takes away the first, that He may establish the second.*  
He.10:5-9

This text tells us of the coming into this world of the eternal Son of God. It also discloses to us the purpose and intention of the Almighty in His doing so. All of the Old Covenant is exposed here as being but a type and shadow of what we now realize as being the eternally established New Covenant. The eternal Son, being equal with God, the Father and God, the Holy Spirit, knew exactly what the Great Triumvirate intended for Him and, along with them, willed exactly what was supposed to happen.

The sacrifices and offerings that were mandated under the Old Covenant were, ultimately, not supposed to be adequate in atoning for the sins of all the saved ones.

What was needed was a willing and perfectly holy substitute. A substitute in whom it was impossible to sin. A substitute that was motivated by a divine and everlasting love to be and do exactly what was necessary in order to perform an eternally effective atonement. And, this is exactly where the eternal Son of God (not the law) comes into play. This is exactly what the Lord Jesus Christ personally fulfilled.

When the Old Covenant was instituted, it was immediately obvious that another covenant would become necessary in order to eternally secure it's constituents. This, again, is where the Lord Jesus comes into play. For He, as the eternal Son, is the one that the total sum of the volume of the book specifically refers to. He is the one that comes onto the stage of the history of human fallen-ness and performs exactly what the will of God -- from the Word of God -- demands.

Therefore does Jn.1:14 plainly assert: *“And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten from the Father, full of grace and truth.”*

And finally, Jesus, Himself, identifies precisely what the will of God is when He declares from Jn.6:38-40> *“For I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will, but the will of Him who sent me. (39) This is the will of the Father who sent me, that of all He has given me I should lose nothing, but should raise it up at the last day. (40) And this is the will of Him who sent me, that everyone who sees the Son and believes in Him may have everlasting life, and I will raise him up at the last day.”*

For Christ's glory only!  
J. Carpenter

*All of us here at Camp Del-Haven want to wish all of you a wonderful Christmas time of year. Although, as true believers we celebrate the coming of Jesus Christ into this world virtually every day of our lives.*



We always enjoy the extra special communication of remembrance and affection that this time of year affords. Thank-you to all of you who have sent us cards and letters to that effect. We love you, too...and we continually give special praise to the Lord for you.

## **The Work Continues on the Lake and with Special Projects**

The work on renovating the lake has wrought over a hundred dump truck loads of muddy silt being extracted out of the lake area! We are now ready to begin rebuilding the dam. Praise the Lord -- it looks like we will end up with an even larger lake than we had before with a much more beautiful landscape surrounding it. It will also be much more conducive for fishing and other lake activities of fun. Please continue to pray with us as this project continues to progress toward its ultimate completion. We want Christ, our Lord, to be glorified in everything that pertains to this ministry.

Our special thanks to the Lord goes out for the work crew from Red Bridge Baptist that came out and worked so hard repairing and replacing the roof on our number three cabin. They did a terrific job! Once again, we witness an obvious testimony of how the Lord persists in providing for the ongoing physical needs of the camp. What a wonderful encouragement it truly is to behold these things as they continue to come to pass!

## **Winter Report**

The adverse weather of December has prevented us from being able to do too much. Once again, we have had ice covered roads and grounds to contend with. Slipping and sliding has been the main course of activity around here.

## **Prayer Requests**

Dear ones, as we close out this December newsletter, we want to especially appeal to you to remember to pray for all the children that we minister to. This time of year can be for so many of them a bitter/sweet experience. To many of them, this time of year only serves to heighten the sad situation that they face everyday anyway. They need that special Holy Spirit quickened understanding of the coming and ongoing presence of the Savior. So very much of our society serves to subvert the real focus and meaning of Christmas. The commercialization that our culture so readily promotes at this time only serves to enhance the sham and vanity that this world has successfully made out of Christmas. This does not edify any of us, but it can be even more devastating to a small child. Let us be faithful and vigilant to lift these little ones up in our prayers that our God -- with whom nothing is too hard -- may capture their thoughts and focus their attention on the greatness of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Thank you all for siding with us in this battle for souls for the glory of Christ.

*“Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners”* 1Tim.1:15