



"The Del-Haven Vision"

"Without vision, the people perish" (Proverbs 29:18)

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"Jesus cried and said, 'He that believes on me, believes not on me, but on Him that sent me. (45) And he that sees me, sees Him that sent me. (46) I am come a light into the world, that whosoever believes on me should not abide in darkness. (47) And if any man hear my words and believe not, I judge him not: for I came not to judge the world, but to save the world. (48) He that rejects me, and receives not my words, has one that judges him -- the word that I have spoken -- the same will judge him in the last day. (49) For I have not spoken of myself, but the Father which has sent me, He gave me a commandment, what I should say and what I should speak. (50) And I know that His commandment is life everlasting -- whatsoever I speak therefore, even as the Father said unto me, so I speak.' (1) Now before the feast of the Passover, when Jesus knew that His hour was come that he should depart out of this world unto the Father, having loved His own which were in the world, He loved them unto the end." Jn.12:44-13:1

This great section of scripture has Jesus, the Man, declaring that He is, indeed, the light of illumination of the truth that He is the eternal Son of God -- the second person of the great triumvirate of God, equal with God the Father. He also declares Himself to be the faith-light, not of the Jews alone, but of the world. Whoever of whatever nationality that believes in Him will not stay, or abide, in darkness.

It is the hearing ear that determines whether or not condemning judgment is a certain judgment of the future -- for, as He says, *"if any man hear my words and believe not, I judge him not: for I came not to judge the world, but to save the world"*.

It is the word of God that is elevated to the heights of glory for He relates that the one who rejects Him is, indeed, the same one who does not receive His words... which means that, in the last day, it will be His word -- that He has spoken -- that will condemn him in the last day!

The reason that this is true is because Jesus has not spoken of Himself, but of God the Father who has sent Him to do this very thing. The Father has commanded the Son to speak the particular way that He has spoken! And, Jesus says, that His doing what the Father has commanded Him to do is what constitutes life everlasting unto us. *"And I know that His commandment is life everlasting: whatsoever I speak, therefore, even as the Father said unto me -- so I speak"*.

The greatest aspect of this whole scenario, however, is that which is conveyed next when it says that Jesus -- and God the Father -- has loved His own who were in the world and has *"loved them unto the end"*. This statement refers to the eternity of sinner's security of the salvation. Here is where the whole issue is solidified!

The whole purpose of Christ coming into the world was to save those whom He and God the Father has loved from the beginning...i.e. the beginning of eternity.

*For Christ's glory only!
A. Carpenter*

A Petition for Prayer and Support

Well, dear ones, the world continues to change right before our very eyes. We are in one of the most uncertain political and economical periods in our very history. The times of our present reality dictate to us a most urgent need for us to depend -- not on our own understanding -- but on the Lord's.

To do this very thing means that we must -- if you will -- walk on water to our Lord the Christ! And, according to the law of faith by the Spirit of grace -- we can do just that!

Amidst all the opposition of the immediate moment, we are facing the financial obstacle of having to meet the bill of -- not only repair -- but of continuation with this ministry of evangelization. We need help -- all the help we can get!

Perhaps, never before has the situation of our obligation been more pronounced than now. We are faced with a financial need of, at the least, \$48,000.00 -- along with the prospects of \$27,000.00 being added to that very quickly! Now, my dear friends, this amount is insignificant where our God is concerned...it is only oppressive when it is perceived as having to come from the source of human flesh. Please, please pray with us that this need be met! Our Lord can do anything but fail.

It is a fact that Del-Haven has from 1952-2008 -- a total of 56 years -- been endeavoring, by God's grace, to be instrumental in turning the course of action of youths away from their sin to our Lord Jesus Christ (Acts 20:21). And -- it is also a fact that God has continually manifested and demonstrated that He is in control of the very life and health of this ministry. Of this you all who have been faithful to support us along the way are true witnesses.

Come Join Us for Annual Fall Banquet

And, guess what -- we have a banquet coming up on Friday, October 24th. Please plan to attend! It will begin on that evening at 6:30 PM and will present the unprecedented nature, character, purpose and needs of this ministry. The theme will be:

A Vision Of A Day At Camp. It will take place at Pleasant Grove Bible Church which is located at 4916 Lee's Summit Rd. in Kansas City, MO. We hope to demonstrate to you how the glory of the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ is, indeed, presented to the children from dawn to dusk throughout the camp schedule.

This program will prove to be the perfect time to invite someone new who maybe has not known that a work like this exists...much less one which has been furthering the Kingdom of Christ now for over 56 years. This will be the time and place to perhaps introduce someone to Del-Haven that will be used of the Lord to help sustain the thrust of this ministry throughout the rest of its earthly existence. Who knows?

Please pray for us! We love you all!