



“The Del-Haven Vision”

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

Newsletter of Camp Del-Haven

Turning Kids from Crime to Christ

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“Sanctify them through Thy truth: Thy word is truth...and for their sakes I sanctify myself, that they also might be sanctified through the truth.” Jn.17:17,19

The prayer of our blessed Savior on the eve of His eternally atoning death at Calvary contains many wonderful fundamentals that serve well to fuel a right understanding of the saving grace of faith. Of these fundamentals there is included even our sanctification. And, as the above references point out, our Lord Jesus Christ is also our eternal Surety and Substitute where this vital aspect of our salvation is concerned. He represented us when He sanctified Himself!

It is through this word of the truth concerning Him being our Savior that we know we are sanctified. In fact, the truth is that the Lord Jesus sanctified Himself so that we also would be sanctified in Him. It is this truth that is contained in that great declaration that He has become sin for us that we might be made the righteousness -- i.e. the sanctifying righteousness -- of God in Him. What great grace this truly is!

He -- our Lord Jesus Christ -- His very person, and the work of redemption for our souls that He has finished -- is the very source of our sanctification. For it to be precisely put: In its entirety, our sanctification is built on, and resides in, and is derived from the person and work of the Lord Jesus Christ. The Holy Spirit leads us into, and teaches us, this great truth of God's sovereign grace! Praise His Name!

The evidence that this work of grace has truly been born from above in you -- and is being

wrought by the Holy Spirit throughout your entire being -- is experienced and seen in those genuine desires for Godliness that persist in filling your heart. Those driving desires you have to want to know Christ more fully and follow Him more closely. Those prayers and supplications that you are continually crying up to Christ for His glory to be accomplished and reflected from your life...and the lives of all your loved ones. These are just some of the Godly things that He has set us apart in this world to do for the furtherance of His will and eternal Kingdom!

He.10:14-15 tells us: “For by one offering He has perfected forever them that are sanctified. Whereof the Holy Spirit also is a witness to us...” We see from this text that even our sanctification is based upon the perfection of the atonement that Christ has made for us. The Spirit bears witness to us that it is completed in the work of Christ alone. The blood of Christ cleanses us from all sin and makes us to be without spot and blameless before God and all of holy heaven! This comprises the eternal standing and position of all who are in Christ! This is what sets us apart from the world and keeps us separated from living the life of all the children of disobedience and wrath in whom Satan, the devil, now works. This is that which causes us to even turn out of ourselves; and completely unto the merits of Christ.

For Christ's glory only!
A. Carpenter

My dear friends and family in Christ it is Glory of Christ Bible Conference time once again! June 3-5 is when it will take place. Once more, it will be hosted by Sovereign Grace Baptist Church which is located at 6820 E. Truman Rd in Kansas City, MO. We have added a couple of extra sessions to this year's agenda.

This year we will be blessed to have Don Fortner, Michael Pickett, Steve Carpenter and Bob Ganote (who is the pastor of SGBC) as speakers. The general thrust of the message of this year's conference will be the Glory of Christ in the sanctification of the believer. You will not want to miss out on the opportunity to be spiritually uplifted and edified by attending and experiencing this event. For complete schedule information and directions to the church you can just go to www.campdelhaven.org and click on the Glory of Christ Bible Conference tab...or call: (816) 690-3497. There is no charge to attend. Bring your friends and family for great preaching and singing and fellowship and food!



Prayer Requests

Folks, May 15, 2010, the deadline for our credit line at the bank is right upon us. Please be in earnest prayer with us concerning the outstanding debt of right at \$61,000.00 that we still have yet to pay. Nothing is too hard for our Lord and we praise Him for hearing our prayers and providing for us in this regard as He has done. Our original debt was \$80,000! By the grace of faith we will see this thing to its end for the glory of God. Ps.50 is where it says that He owns the cattle on a thousand hills and that in a day of trouble we will call upon Him, and He will deliver us, and we will glorify Him. Let us lift up our prayers to Him for this, His purpose.

We have mailed out over 900 camper applications for this year's camp season. Please be in prayer with us for all the responses that we will receive from this mailing. We have already gotten some applications sent in. Some of our most loyal staff have showed up on work days to help us get prepared for the coming of the campers. Please remember our staff as well in your prayers. May our Lord richly bless the sowing of His gospel seed in the hearts of the boys and girls that He sends.

Saturday Work Days

Every Saturday is slated as a work day in preparing the camp buildings and grounds for the summer. Any and all help is more than welcome. The 8:00 AM hour is set aside for breakfast and a devotional to kick off the day's activities. If you can make it at that time -- wonderful -- but if it must be later, or even another day, just let us know. We can work things out around your particular schedule; no problem.

Our faithful supporters from Heritage Baptist Church of Lee's Summit have inquired about food and cleaning supplies that we always have need of for camp. This is such an encouragement to us...and we cannot help but praise our Lord when this happens. The sovereignty of God in the supply of our needs is so wonderful!

"And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly..."