

bishops and leaders, in order to utilize this opportunity of speaking for communism. To give these men the pulpit of the World Council for this propaganda is inconceivable, unless some of the leaders of the World Council are themselves in sympathy with the purposes of the Kremlin.

6. In the situation which may lie ahead of us, the Historic Christian Faith offers the only hope.

The more we look at communism the more we thank God for the Historic Christian Faith. Contrast the heartlessness of communism with the kindness of Christianity. Contrast the interest of communism only in the state and in the masses with the love of Christ for the individual. Contrast the attitude of communism, ready to savagely plunge millions of people into bloodshed and misery for the sake of its ideological purposes, with the kindly shepherding care of true Biblical Christianity. Surely the contrast is really between two very different religions, one of them Satan-inspired, the other taught by the Creator of the universe.

We have observed the rise of communism and its great increase of power. We have noted its hostility to the preaching of the Gospel in the lands under its sway. We have seen its terrible threat of unprecedented misery for the entire world of what it atheistically regards as human animals. If it were not for the Christian faith we might well despair.

But we look at the Bible, and almost immediately we find reason for hope. Some of the statements in the Book of Revelation, such as of a third of the inhabitants of the world being destroyed in one hour,¹ seemed fantastic and unbelievable a few years ago. Today, with nuclear weapons, they are no longer impossible. The expressions of some of the parts of the Book of Revelation may well be a picture of communist attack and communist aggression