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IS COMMUNIST VICTORY INEVITABLE?

Recently a colleague, who has fought by my side for many years and who remains convinced of the malignancy of communism, gave me some advice. He told me he had reluctantly reached the conclusion that the fight against communism was hopeless; that the communists were winning and that their final and complete victory was merely a matter of time. He said bitter experience had taught him that it was impossible to rouse the American people to the reality, magnitude, and malignancy of the communist danger so that effective counteraction could be taken. He assured me that I had fought a good fight and had done all that one man could possibly do but that the time had come for me to consider myself. He urged me to return to Australia to enjoy the companionship of my wife and family for the short time that remained.

I cannot deny that I was tempted. At times I long to be relieved of the burdens associated with the work of the Crusade--particularly the financial burdens. Death is taking some of our finest supporters, and there is a never-ending necessity to recruit new supporters.

Financial Needs

This year we must compensate for two major financial blows. A colleague overseas incurred a debt of \$60,000 for printing 2 million copies of the "Heart, Mind and Soul of Communism" for use in a critical battle with the communists for control over the lives of 55 million people. The battle was successful and the communists were defeated, but the debt will destroy the victory, the ministry of the colleague, and the well-being of his fine family if it remains unpaid. After thorough investigation and prayerful consideration, the Crusade has assumed responsibility for the debt.

As if this were not enough, the Crusade has lost \$50,000 a year through the death of one of our longtime, faithful supporters. For many years we had received \$50,000 each year from foundations which he and others in his family had established. A few years ago he died, "full of years," as the Bible would say. Recently, the administration of the foundations he had established changed, and this year we were informed that we would receive nothing.

Thus, we must raise an additional \$110,000 this year to meet the debt of \$60,000 and the loss of \$50,000. In addition we have the death and retirement of other friends and contributors, the ravages of inflation and the expenses associated with the new projects such as help for Vietnamese refugees and the provision of literature, films, tapes and workers in areas of great need such as Turkey, Nigeria and Nicaragua.

I am telling you these things so that you may understand the needs and share the burdens. I have not the slightest intention of giving up the struggle. As long as God gives me physical strength and mental clarity, I intend to continue to expose and oppose the communists and promote freedom. I am constantly encouraged by the many friends who bear more than their fair share of the

financial burden with cheerfulness. Because of their sacrifice, the work can continue. I think of a family whose house has just been flooded for the second time in a few years. The yard, carpets, and furniture were covered with a layer of mud. For days their phone was out of action. In the light of their trouble, I did not expect any contribution from them last month. I was overwhelmed when the largest contribution they have ever given arrived. What a privilege it is to have such friends and colleagues. Together we will fight this battle to victory.

History is Against Communism

Communist triumph is not inevitable. To accept such inevitability is to fall into a communist trap. Communist successes to date have been due to superior organization and dedication coupled with the ignorance and apathy of the non-communists. Their advances can be halted if we abolish ignorance and apathy and match them in dedication and organization. To do this is difficult, but not impossible. The obvious place to start is with ourselves.

History is not working for the communists; it is working against them. Men and women are born with a ravenous appetite for freedom. This appetite is not obvious when it is satisfied, but it becomes all-consuming when it is denied. It is like the appetite for oxygen. Most of us are unaware of this appetite while our breathing is free and unobstructed, but let our air passages become blocked and the demand for air dominates all else.

Communism abolishes individual freedom. For this reason it is never accepted by the mass of the people; it must be imposed and maintained by force. Communist tyranny is so efficient and onerous that, often, the only relief available comes from flight. The massive flight of the Vietnamese from their communist prison is the latest testimony to the horror of communist rule.

Lessons from the Flight from Vietnam

A Vietnamese recently described the situation thus: "The Chinese ruled us for a thousand years; we did not flee. The French ruled us for 100 years; we did not flee. The Americans showered us with napalm, bombs and bullets; we did not flee. The communists rule; now we flee."

In their literature, the communists attempt to explain and justify the refugee exodus. Their attempts are pathetic. They reply to charges that the communist rulers are forcing the refugees to leave with the claim that the people are leaving of their own accord. Whether voluntary or involuntary, the flight of the "Boat People" reveals the unbearable nature of the regime from which they flee.

Voluntary Exodus

If the flight is voluntary, words cannot describe the horror of the conditions that would cause such flight. Vietnamese parents are devoted to their children. What mother would submit her baby and young children to the dangers and suffering of an ocean voyage in a leaky boat of which the probable outcome would be agonizing death from drowning, starvation, thirst, exposure or pirates, and with no assured destination.

One of our office workers is a beautiful Vietnamese young woman we call Rose. She was 9-months pregnant when she, her husband and their 2-year-old child left Vietnam in a boat built to hold 100 but which was crowded with 400 refugees. For 24 days no one could lie down. Their food was pre-cooked rice and noodles which they had brought with them. Hot water was provided so that they could warm it. They reached Singapore and were turned away. They arrived at the Philippines

where their request to land was rejected. Finally, they arrived in Guam where they were granted asylum and her baby boy was born.

What terror is adequate to compel a million people to do this "voluntarily?" If the flight is voluntary, it bears unimpeachable evidence of the unbearable suffering communist rule causes.

Compulsory Exodus

If the refugees are compelled to leave by the communist rulers, the regime is revealed as brutal, barbaric, and genocidal. Why build gas chambers when the ocean is available for death and disposal!

Communist Cruelty is Structural

The question arises whether such cruel conduct is an essential element of communism or an unfortunate aberration. I am reminded of the question that arose after the fatal crash of the DC 10, when an engine fell off as it was leaving Chicago, resulting in the death of 275 aboard. All DC 10's were grounded while a thorough investigation was conducted to determine whether the weakness that had led to the loss of the engine was inherent in the structure of the airplane or merely an unfortunate isolated occurrence. The question was vitally important because, if the weakness was structural, similar accidents could be expected to recur. After thorough investigation, the judgment was made that there was no structural weakness in the attachment of the engine to the wing so similar accidents in the future were improbable and the plane could fly safely.

The cruelty and carnage that accompanies communist control is structural, not incidental. It is a product of the evil communist doctrine that society is divided into irreconcilably hostile classes and that one class, the bourgeoisie, has been rejected by history and must be destroyed. Communist doctrine teaches that the liquidation of the bourgeoisie is necessary and benign.

What we have seen and are seeing in Cambodia and Vietnam is due to structural defects in communism. It will recur in identical or similar mode wherever communism exercises unrestrained power.

The triumph of communism is not the will of history. It is the result of the activity of deluded and consequently cruel men and women. Communism can and must be defeated.

The Death of Herbert Marcuse

Herbert Marcuse, the most prominent academic leader of the New Left, died in West Germany on July 29 at the age of 81. He provided the Yippies with the intellectual justification for their conviction that capitalist society could be destroyed if young people could be persuaded to cease work and indulge all their physical appetites. Although it is fashionable to praise him as a brilliant thinker in academic circles, his published works reveal both insight and stupidity. My personal experience with him revealed arrogance and hypocrisy.

I remember my debate at Texas University with Greg Calvert, one of the disciples of Marcuse. Calvert asked me, "Do you believe in the resurrection of the body?" His interpretation of that glorious Christian hope was perverted indeed. His concept, derived, at least in part, from Marcuse was that the resurrection of the body resulted from the feeding of all bodily appetites. It was a synonym for sexual license and drug indulgence.

My belief in the resurrection of the body comes from faith in the sacrifice of Christ and the promise, "If we die with Christ, we shall also live with Him." Like all communists and consistent Marxists, Marcuse died without hope of a radiant future.

A fitting epitaph can be found in the words of Mark Antony, in his oration over the body of the slain Julius Caesar, as written by Shakespeare: "The evil that men do lives after them."

Crisis of Confidence

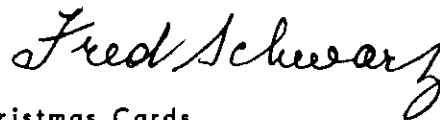
President Carter lamented a "crisis of confidence," but Americans should be worried about the future. Colossal dangers threaten. To be serene and confident when the situation demands concern and action is indicative of mental imbalance. Many a politician has been defeated because of over-confidence when he could have won if he had "run scared."

The oil crisis is serious but manageable. The great danger comes from growing communist power and their fixed purpose of world conquest. The President did not mention this danger in his speech to the nation. He should be reminded that it would have been impossible to promote the safety of the passengers on the Titanic by improving relations among them and ignoring icebergs.

A realization of the magnitude and malignancy of the communist danger can produce the paralysis of despair or promote a passionate determination to preserve freedom. I join with you in pledging our last full measure of devotion to a future for our children in personal, political, and spiritual freedom.

In conclusion, I again draw your attention to our pressing financial needs. One hundred and ten thousand dollars is a big hurdle to surmount. I thank you for sending your best gift.

With Christian love,



1979 Christmas Cards

We are now accepting orders for our 1979 Christmas cards. These cards are not sold. They are provided, with envelopes, at no charge and in the quantity requested to those who ask for them.

Those who ask for the cards are requested to make an offering for the work of the Crusade. The size of the gift is left to the discretion of the giver.

The front of the card contains this verse set in a Christmas design:

I live for those who love me,	For the cause that lacks assistance
For those who know me true,	For the wrong that needs resistance,
For the Heaven that smiles above me,	For the future in the distance,
And awaits my spirit too;	And the good that I can do.

(Author) George Linnaeus Banks

Inside the card, the message is:

"Unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given, and the government shall be upon his shoulder; and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counselor, The Mighty God, The Everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace." Isaiah 9:6

Christmas speaks of love, happiness and peace. The headlong flight of men, women and children from Vietnam, Cambodia and Laos announces to all the world that communism causes infinite suffering. With the hope and prayer that others, including our children and grandchildren, may not fall victim to communism, a gift has been given to support the work of the Christian Anti-Communism Crusade.

The cards may be personalized with your name and a short message if requested. A sample card will soon be available.