

Dear Comrades,

We write to you out of a sentiment of admiration for the heroic fight which you lead against so many real injustices which exist in the world and should not be. There should be no poor wages. Workers should not be over-worked. A worker has the right to all the joys of life, just as any other man who had the good fortune to be born in the upper classes. You are right to fight against war. People should live in peace with people. Men of all races should be respected. The Christian civilization bears the name of an Asian, Jesus. We Christians wish to express our sympathy with you in everything which is done in righteousness and in a spirit of self-sacrifice.

Christians have suffered in Communist prisons. But suffering under the Communists could not close our eyes to much that is beautiful in the character of the Communist and specially in the young Communist, anarchist, or radical. He possesses a beautiful commitment to an ideal, which makes us feel akin to him. We would like to speak to you about so many bonds of love and common interest which could unite us.

## BEAUTIES WITHIN COMMUNISM

We are united in respect for the founders of your movement. What Christian can forget Karl Marx's beautiful words about religion? In the first volume of his monumental book, *Das Capital*, (chapter, "The Mystery of the Fetishistic Character of Commodities") he writes, "... Christianity, with its cult of the abstract human being is the most suitable religion. . ." So he declares religion to be something very suitable, and he also says which religion is indicated: Christianity. This is because it has the cult of the Son of Man, the highest Being who has ever lived on earth.

How beautifully he describes religion with his words: "Religion is the sign of the groaning creature, the soul of a soul-less society, the Spirit of an unspiritual society." And how deep are his words that "religion is an opium for the people." There are so many sufferings in the world. It is important to have an alleviation for them. It is terrible to undergo an operation without being anesthetized. Opium, an anesthetic, is a great help for sick men. A revolution is an operation performed upon the body of society. Fields, cattle, and crops are taken away from farmers, and made the property of the collective. In all Communist countries enemies of the Revolution are jailed

in masses. Many are executed. Even Communists are killed. You know that Stalin killed nearly all the comrades who made the Revolution. You know that the Romanian Communists are now rehabilitating their leaders shot innocently by themselves. You know the fights of one Communist faction against the other in China. You know that Tito kept his comrades, Djilas and Rankovicz, in prison. Revolutions are accompanied by civil wars in which mothers are left without their children, and wives without their husbands. One Communist country occupies another Communist country, as has been the case in Hungary and Czechoslovakia, tanks passing over living bodies. Men suffering as a result of the Communist Revolution need an alleviation of their sorrows. This alleviation is given by the hope of a compensation in eternal life, the hope in a paradise in which all tears will be wiped away. In this sense we entirely agree with these words of Marx about religion. It helps even as opium helps anyone in great pain.

## URGING CONSISTENT MARXISM

We advise you to be consistent in your Marxism. Marx has spoken about Christianity as the most suitable religion. Then why should you not draw your own conclusions from his words? Why

should you not be real Marxists and join a Christian church at once? The church is a mother and waits for you.

## MARX STUDIED THE BIBLE

Marx was extremely fond of the Bible and frequently referred to it in *Das Capital*. He saw the main evil which has to be uprooted from capitalism. Although his book is one of political economy, at a certain moment he leaves his domain and becomes a theologian. He says that money is the beast described in the last book of the Bible, "The Revelation of St. John", and that money is the mark of the beast, as the Bible writes: ". . . No man might buy or sell save that he had the mark. . ." In this his thought is closely akin to the Bible from which he learned. In it are the great words: "The love of money is the root of all evil." Love of money is the very essence of Capitalism.

We appeal to you, if you are Marxists, do what Marx did: learn from the Bible, study it, meditate upon it.

Marx was a Jew. "Danny the Red", much publicized leader of German student rebels, is also Jewish. Danny the Red's last name is Cohn, which means "priest" in Hebrew, the language of

his people. Marx lavishly praises the Jewish people. In the chapter entitled, "The Capitalistic Character of Manufacture", (*Das Capital*) he writes of them as the chosen people, when he says, "on the brow of the chosen people, it is written that they were the property of Jehovah (the Jewish name for God).

## COMMUNIST ANTI-SEMITIC POLICY

Now, the daughter of Stalin writes about the senseless murders and persecutions of Jews in Communist Russia. Stalin imprisoned his own son-in-law and daughter-in-law, solely for the crime of being Jews. At this moment, Jewish culture is destroyed in Russia. In Poland, men are driven out of jobs solely because they are Jews, as in Nazi times. The Communist countries are on the side of the Arabs against Israel, the land in which the victims of Nazism found a shelter. In his book, the Yugoslav Communist leader, Djilas, describes the great anti-semitism reigning in the Kremlin. If "Danny the Red" were in Poland today, he would have no job because he is a Jew. If you are a Leftist, fight together with us against anti-semitism, which is now practiced as state-policy nowhere else but in the Communist countries.

## MARX PRAISES CLERGYMEN

Marx had a very great respect for clergy and Christian laymen who really follow in the footsteps of Christ.

He greatly praises Luther, the great reformer, who in his book, *"Instruction to Pastors to Preach Against Usury"*, first unmasked the avidity of capital. Marx acknowledges (in the chapter "English Industrial Branches in which there Exist no Legal Limits to Exploitation") that it was a Christian pastor by the name of Montagu Valpy who described the work of children as unmitigated slavery, socially, morally, and spiritually. He acknowledges that a Christian lord, Shaftsbury, was the one who took the initiative in limiting children's work. He also praises the pastor, Nathaniel Foster, for having taken the defense of workers.

## SURRENDER UN-MARXIST PREJUDICE

Then why don't you give up your un-Marxist prejudice against clergy and Christians and go and talk over the problems of your soul with a faithful Christian or Pastor? Yes, Marx knew of the soul. He writes in the same book, "At the end of every day, everyone of us is twenty-four hours nearer to death." He reminds us of death exactly as the

Bible does. You are encumbered with so many cares and fight for so many things. A day has passed. You are nearer death. This may be your last. You will be buried. Passing over at least 50,000 years of history, during which time mankind has always had some kind of religious ritual at burial, you will be buried without the performance of any religious rite. Comrades will sing, "The International unites the human race." There is very little chance that it will be so. You know this very well. Chinese Communists fight against Russian Communists. The Russians are angry with Yugoslavian Communists. Romanian Communists do not wish to hear about their Russian Comrades. Czech Communists are opposed by the Communists of the Warsaw pact, to which they also belong. That is what the International looks like today: not to speak about the Jewish Comrades who are not liked by anyone. There is not much chance that the International will be the tomorrow of humanity. It seems rather that Jesus' observation and prophecy will continue to be true, because He foretold that at the end, kingdom will rise against kingdom, nation against nation, no matter whether the nations are under Communist, capitalist or feudal rule. But, supposing that tomorrow the International should be triumphant, what would it profit you if you were dead? What would you know about it if everything finished with

death? You would not enjoy the others' joy, also destined to finish shortly after death.

Everything is vanity if death finishes life.

Things would be different if there was an eternal God who could give eternal life.

## LENIN STATES GOD EXISTS

Lenin says that God exists. We would ask Leninites to listen to him. Lenin was a fierce atheist his entire life, as long as he did not pass through a deep crisis. He has written volumes against religion. But in 1918, things went badly for the Soviets. Foreign troops had invaded the country; counter-revolutionary armies were everywhere. The monarchists, led by General Kornilov, were at the very gates of Leningrad. Then Lenin delivered a renowned speech at the Congress of the Soviets in which he repeated this prayer innumerable times: "May God grant that we escape." Do you think that he was only uttering an expression common among the Russians? Then how is it that it never appears in any other book or speech of Lenin, but only then? It is because in moments of crisis the depths of the heart are stirred. In the last resort the heart knows that it comes from God. In this desperate condition, Lenin prayed to God who exists. Communists who sat in Fascist prisons also prayed.

## ENGELS ACKNOWLEDGES GOD

Engels, another founder of your movement, in his writing, "Thoughts About Literature", says, "We live in God. . . You observe it best when you are on the sea." Overwhelmed by the beauty of nature, he also had a moment of illumination and acknowledged God.

At Yalta, Stalin had a discussion with Churchill. Stalin was then the President of the World Union of Atheists. Churchill asked him (Memoires, Volume 5): "Have you forgotten all my opposition to you?" Stalin answered: "These things are of the past. And the past belongs to God." Did he think about his blood-stained past? Did he shudder at the thought that he will answer before God for it, or did he hope that the good God will forget? We don't know. But when the President of the Atheists let the depths of his heart speak, he referred to God.

## MAO NOTES GOD, ANGELS, IMMORTALITY

Mao-Tse-Tung also says there is a God!

Pro-Chinese Communists, impolitely call everyone that does not believe Mao a "dirty revisionist." However, all good Communists realize that Mao-Tse-Tung is the highest genius humanity has

ever produced, and therefore have read his article, "Yu Gung Removes Mountains."

For those unacquainted, I will repeat it here for its real beauty.

There is an old Chinese parable called "Yu Gung Removes Mountains". In it, it is recounted that in olden times there lived in the north of China, an aged man from the northern mountains named Yu Gung (foolish old man). The path which led from the door of his house towards the south was barred by two mountains: Taihang and Wangu. Yu Gung and his sons decided to remove the mountains, using axes. Another aged man, named Dschi Sou (wise old man) laughed when he saw them and expressed his opinion: "You do a stupid thing. You few men cannot remove these two mountains." Yu Gung answered him: "If I die, my children remain. If my children die, my grandchildren remain and so the generations will follow in a row without end. It is true that these mountains are high, but they cannot become higher. They become lower by what we remove from them. Why would we not be able to remove them?" After Yu Gung had opposed the wrong opinion of Dschi Sou, he worked, without wavering in the least, day after day, to remove the mountains. This moved God and He sent two of His messengers to earth to take away the mountains on their backs.

Did you know that Mao-Tse-Tung wrote of a God who does a miracle and helps the laborious? What kind of a follower of Mao-Tse-Tung are you, if in your fight for justice, you do not rely on a God who could send you His messengers, or as we call them, angels, to help you?

Is this only a parable with Mao-Tse-Tung or does he really believe in beings beyond the visible world and perhaps even in eternal life?

Read his poem, "The Immortals", in his book, *Nineteen Poems* (Peking, Foreign Languages Press, 1958, page 60). The title is interesting. According to the doctrine of Marxism, there is no immortal soul. Men are composed of salt and mineral. When they die, everything dies, no conscious soul remains. They go to no God. Only their name survives, if it is not later erased from history by those who have adulated them during their life-time, as it has happened with Trotsky and Stalin.

The poem is written in commemoration of his wife, Wang K'ai-Hui, executed by the Kumintang, and his friend, Liu who was killed in battle. He writes to Liu's wife: "I lost my proud poplar and you your willow." (In Chinese his wife's name meant "poplar" and that of his friend "willow".)

*"Poplar and willow soar lightly to the heaven of heavens. . . . .*

*The lonely goddess in the moon spreads her ample sleeves*

*To dance for those faithful souls in the endless sky.*

*Suddenly there comes word of the tiger's defeat on earth*

*and they break into tears of torrential rain."*

So the friend and wife of Mao-Tse-Tung live. They don't decay after death, but soar to heaven which exists! They continue to share our joys there. This is exactly the Christian doctrine about eternal life.

You cannot be a true Maoist Communist if you do not believe in God, angels, and eternal life.

## HONOR MARXIST WRITINGS

We do not come to you with verses of the Holy Scriptures. We know they would carry no weight with you. We come with quotes from those whom you honor. If you are a Marxist, you must be a Christian. You must fight not only for what you consider just on earth, but also prepare yourself to meet God. You cannot do this as a sinner who has broken all the commandments of God, bowing before the image of mass murderers like Lenin,

Mao and Stalin. Who can count how many millions they have killed? Would it not have been more righteous to bow before God about whom nobody knows how many flowers and ears of corn He has made to grow?

Capitalists have killed and kill, too. But you will never see Christians in processions on streets with the picture of Carnegie, Rockefeller, Ford or some other millionaire. We do not bow before them. Jesus denounces them with the words, "Woe unto you that are rich. . ." And, "It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God." And, "Do not rich men oppress you, and draw you before the judgment seats?"

The churches are persecuted in Communist countries. In the U. S. A., in France, and in England the terrible Capitalists give you full liberty to propagate your doctrine, to teach it in their schools and to organize strikes. In Red China and in Albania all the churches have been closed. In Russia, over half of the few remaining churches have been closed in the last ten years. Christians fill the prisons. They are put into asylums for the insane. Children are taken away from their parents, if their parents teach them Christianity, whereas you are free to teach your children Communism while living in Capitalist states.

## SOVIET PRESS NOTES PERSECUTION

For those who doubt the facts, I give below some excerpts from the Soviet Press, in which they acknowledge to have done so! Everyone can check in a public library if these excerpts are true. You can get the photocopies of the articles by writing to us and asking someone who knows Russian to translate them for you.

"Bakinskii Rabotshii", February 20, 1967, describes the sentencing of the Christian Vasilii Romanov for the only crime of having taught children about Christ. "Pravda Vostoka", October 22, 1966, describes the sentencing for the same offence of Hrapov, Bohn and Hartfeld. "Pravda Ukraini", July 12, 1966, reports the sentencing of the Christians, Zaitchenko and others. The articles of the Russian newspapers themselves acknowledge that nothing other than teaching Christianity has been charged against them.

"Znamia Iunosti," March 29, 1967, says that Mrs. Sitsh has had her child, Vsetcheslav, taken away because she taught him Christianity.

"Pravda", February 21, 1968, reports the sentencing of the Christian, Stasiuk, for the crime of having printed Bible verses on girdles and ribbons worn by Russian ladies.

"Sovietskaia Rossia", January 13, 1968, reports that in the Russian town Habarovsk, Mrs. Zabavina, has had her granddaughter, Tania, taken away because she had taught her the Christian religion.

What would you say if Capitalist countries would pass a law to take children away from Communist parents? Would you agree with this?

By praising and associating with leaders of Communist countries you become partakers in their crimes. Surely you do not agree with such atrocities. Christian workers are your comrades in factories and universities. Marx has taught the proletarians of the whole world to unite. Now, how can Christian workers unite with you if you jail their brethren whenever you are in power? (Those who wish to know more unchallengeable facts about these persecutions, may find them in the books: *Tortured for Christ*; *Christ in the Communist Prisons*; and *The Underground Saints* by Reverend Richard Wurmbrand, as well as in *Religious Ferment In Russia* by Michael Bourdeaux. All may be obtained at the address listed at the end of this letter.)

As all other men you also have your sins. Many of you have made the weekly rest ordered by the Lord the day for revelries, drunkenness, gam-

bling, cursing, and other gross offenses. We have transgressed all the commandments of the Lord.

## COMMUNISTS KILL COMRADES

It is written: "Do not kill." Recently, the Communist Czechoslovakian and Rumanian Governments have published long lists of Communist leaders killed by their own comrades! They are rehabilitated after death! If, as according to your belief, they have no immortal soul, they will never know that they have been rehabilitated, so they get no satisfaction out of it.

It is written: "Do not steal." It is not only the Capitalists in Communist countries who have had their possessions expropriated. In Communist countries Communists take a barber shop away from the barber, and a tailor shop away from the tailor. Small farmers, who were very poor to start with, lost their little bit of field and their few sheep to the collective. Is this not stealing?

In sexual problems you have the doctrine of free love without the restraint of Christianity.

Lenin teaches lying in his book, *Radicalism, The Infantile Sickness of Communism*.

Instead of enjoying the little you have, you

covet what belongs to others. You radicals are sinners exactly as we are. You have your malice, you have unrighteous attitudes even against your own comrades. You are out of the true way and evil, just like all other men, and like other men you need the Savior to save you from your sins.

There is falsity in your ideals as in all other human ideals. The whole history of mankind is a vast cemetery of ideals which have been considered true and have proven, in the end, not to have been so. You need an absolute truth, which only the Revelation of God, the creator of the world, can give.

You have your perversities, as we have ours and we all need a pattern of absolutely pure life, such as that which Jesus lived.

## GOD LIVES

There is a God. Mao-Tse-Tung and Engles say so. There exists an eternal life. Mao-Tse-Tung also declares this. God is righteous and we are all sinners. We cannot inherit eternal life.

Social fights may be justified and important, but they belong to a transitory life. Very soon Nixon, Wilson and de Gaulle and your capitalist bosses, and the priests and comrades of another Com-

munist faction against whom you fight (because they believe in Kосygin instead of Mao) will die. Kосygin and Mao will also die and they will be remembered as much as Stalin and Trotsky are remembered in Russia, which means not at all. Very soon you will also die. You will surely not be remembered by anybody. Pick up any Russian or Chinese newspaper and try to find any honor paid to those like you who were ready to sacrifice themselves for the cause which has triumphed. The triumphants enjoy life. The martyrs of the Communist cause have been forgotten. Stalin suffered prison and deportation from the Communist cause under the Czar. Khrushchev rewarded him by taking his corpse out of the tomb. Trotsky was sent to Siberia under the Czar. Stalin rewarded him by getting an agent of his to kill him with a hammer, and so on. You will die and all your actual fights will appear as having been vanities, as have been so many fights in the past.

## THE SOUL LIVES AFTER DEATH

Your soul will reman to live, even as Mao says that the soul of his wife and friend survive after death. We do not believe that personal friends and relatives of Mao have a privilege after death. If they survive, your soul will survive too. And it will survive as a soul which has sinned, unpre-

pared for the new kind of spiritual life, without knowledge of God, with remorse for all the wrong which you have done and the good which you have left undone.

We do not wish to fool you. Perhaps some Communist leaders wish to fool you. That is why it is important for you to think independently for yourself, and analyze these quotations from the Communist leaders in which they approve of basic Christian doctrines. We know that they were great opponents of religion. Lenin wrote, "Our revolution will never succeed until the myth of God is removed from the mind of man." But the religion they fought against is also loathed by the true disciples of Christ.

These Communist leaders have known only a religion of bigotry, superstition, opposition to science and a clergy full of servility to the potentates of former times.

## CHRIST, NOT RELIGION

We do not call you to such a religion, but to Christ. He is the One who can save you from sin. As long as you remain in the world of sin, Communism will be as ugly as capitalism or feudalism has been.

The past of Communism is not defensible. Czar Nikolaie II loved his family; in direct contrast, Stalin put his family in jail. Czar Nikolaie shot workers in 1905. If Communists believe any writing, it would be the writing of their own press. Their own press says that Stalin, Mao, and Ceausescu have killed and continue to kill their own Comrades, which is even more monstrous than the killing of enemies. It is essential to realize that change of social regime does not help, unless the character of man is changed. Unless the power of sin and selfishness is broken, all the legislation by all the governments in the world will bring no guaranteed result. Nixon and Humphrey are sinners. Gus Hall, Aptheker, Rubin, Carmichael and Rap Brown are sinners too. What guarantee do you have that exchanging a Capitalist leader for a Communist leader will profit you? Regardless of what type of government man has, because his character does not change, he will discover that although the society has a new name, its sinful character remains.

It is difficult to choose between Communism and Capitalism. The development of character is a much bigger problem. To have a holy character, a character which grows to become more and more Christlike, a personality which will last an eternity in the heaven of heavens, about which Mao writes in his poem, is a much more important thing. Put

first things first. The religious problem has priority.

## JESUS, NOT MARX, IS A TRUE PROLETARIAN

Jesus belongs to you. Never believe the stupid accusation that Christianity belongs to the Capitalists. Have you searched to see if this is true?

If you would read only the first chapter of the Gospel according to St. Luke in which the Virgin Mary describes the meaning of her Son's coming into the world, you would find that her song, known generally as the "Magnificat", is a hymn of an international social revolution, a hymn older and also more dignified than "The International." She says that the purpose of the birth of Christ is to put down the mighty from their thrones and exalt those of low degree. He came to fill the hungry with good things and send the rich away empty.

## MARX WAS A LAWYER'S SON

Jesus is a proletarian, a carpenter. He belongs to your social class. He has a much better class origin than Marx, son of a lawyer, who never worked with his hands; Engels, son of a rich cap-

italist; Lenin, who belonged to the nobility; Stalin, who was the illegitimate son of a Czarist police officer, or Mao, who also has no affinity with the industrial proletariat.

## JESUS HELPS THE OPPRESSED

Jesus' whole aim is to help the hungry, those of low degree, those who are poor; poor materially, but also poor in spiritual riches because they do not know God; poor in the possibility of living eternally in the heavens which Mao mentions as the abode of his dead wife, because they do not know the way to heaven.

## COMMUNISTS ESTABLISH SLAVERY, CHRISTIANS ABOLISH IT

Jesus has taught us to fight to help the oppressed here. A Christian, Wilberforce, started the fight against slavery in Britain during the last century. Lincoln, who was also a Christian, abolished slavery in the U. S. A. Khrushchev denounced Stalin as having established slavery in Russia, and for having killed millions of innocent men. "The Communist", the theoretical organ of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union, says that Mao has established slavery in Red China. Christians have abolished it. Communists admit

that they have created it anew. So many Christians have been in Communist slave labor camps.

We fight to help the oppressed and hungry here and in the name of Christ ask you to help us also to free the oppressed Christians and Jews in the Communist camps. We ask you to help the hungry. The average real income of a Russian farmworker is about \$500.00 a year, that of a factory worker about \$700.00 and that of an intellectual about \$1000.00 a year. Let us help the hungry in the Soviet camp and in all underdeveloped countries.

But Jesus has also called us to a higher fight. It is not enough to feed the belly. Man does not live by bread alone. We have a soul which will live eternally. Mao says so. It must also be fed by God. It must also be cleansed.

## JESUS' BLOOD CLEANSSES FROM ALL UNRIGHTEOUSNESS

The blood of Jesus Christ, shed on Golgotha, cleanses from sins. In a manner which surpasses our human understanding, He has appropriated to Himself the sins of all mankind. In compassion He has made them His own. He felt as if He had committed all the crimes of men of all times and He took their punishment upon Himself. But He

was resurrected on the third day and lives eternally. He is the Savior. By faith in Him, you are fed with food for your soul, with a food which keeps you for eternal life. He offers you His life of love, truth and a divine nature. Only then will you really be able to fulfill the dream of your lives: a righteous kingdom. Such a kingdom will become a reality. It will be the Kingdom of God. The living Savior will make it possible to prepare and hasten it.

In "The International" you sing: "We'll change forthwith the old conditions, and spurn the dust to win the prize." You cannot win the prize through Communism. Under Communism as under capitalism you will die and nothing will remain of your body, for which you care so much and which you believe to be everything. Through Christ you unite with the Godhead which is present everywhere, which is eternal, which is all in all, and you gain the prize of everlasting life.

## DID JESUS EXIST?

Do not believe every lie that is told to you. In the Communist countries the official thesis of the Party is that Jesus has never existed. Let us try an experiment. Please look at any respective atheistic book or magazine. You will notice that this publication has a date, such as 1969. Ask yourself,

"What does this figure mean?" Does it mean that 1969 years have passed since the creation of the world? Of course not. The world is much older. Does it mean that 1969 years have passed since the Communist Revolution? No, the Communist Revolution is much younger. From which event do the Communists in Russia and other countries count their time? It is from the birth of Jesus. How can they count the time from the birth of the non-existent One? It is plain that history as told by the Communists is unreliable. It is common knowledge that Russian historians have now erased the names of Trotsky and Stalin from their books. Yet, only a few years ago, these men had been regarded as the biggest leaders. The Communists can take away the names of insignificant people, such as Trotsky and Stalin, but it is impossible for them to erase Jesus Christ from history.

## JESUS WAS THE FIRST COMMUNIST

In the West, Communists say that Jesus was the first Communist. All right then, why do you listen to the second Communist, Marx, or to the fifth, Mao, and refuse to listen to the first Communist, Jesus?

His Communism begins by teaching us not to go on the assumption that we ourselves are always

right and that the trouble lies in the social system. He asks us to look at ourselves and see that we, proletarians, farmers, landlords, capitalists, priests and pastors, Christians and Jews, black and white, red and yellow, are all sinners; that we all sin against our Creator by disobeying His laws; sin against our fellow men, being involved in so many hatreds against each other; sin against ourselves, by not caring for our eternal soul. If you believe Jesus to be the first Communist, listen to Him and repent of your sins. Listen to the first Communist and worship the Heavenly Father in spirit and truth. Listen to the first Communist who taught that we should love God with all our heart and our neighbors as ourselves. The one you call the first Communist, Jesus, teaches love towards your enemy. Wouldn't you like this? Wouldn't you like the policeman to love you and not stand in your way? Well, do this. Love the policeman. Do you feel exploited? Answer with love. Be like the flowers that reward those who bruise them with perfume.

Jesus taught such a self-sacrificing love, based on the conviction that there is a reward in heaven. The second, third, and fourth Communist teachers taught hatred. They have fallen victim to the hatred taught by them. Lenin taught hatred and was poisoned by Stalin. Trotsky taught hatred and was killed by Stalin. Stalin taught hatred and

even his corpse was removed from the tomb! Patrashcanu in Romania, Rajk in Hungary, and Kostov in Bulgaria taught hatred and were hanged by their comrades. Love remains, love conquers.

## ACCEPT JESUS' TEACHING

You believe in Jesus as the first of the Communists. Show yourselves as true Communists by accepting His teaching that He gives His life as ransom for us, that He takes away the sins of the world, that by His blood shed on the cross we are forgiven and made new creatures. He, the only One without sin, prayed for His murderers even while He hung on the cross.

All the constitutions of the Communist countries have as a basic principle: "Whosoever does not work, should not eat." They do not say that these words are an exact quotation from the Bible. So if your leaders copied their main principle from the Bible, why don't you take your inspiration from the Bible?

Remember the words of Marx: "At the end of every day everyone is twenty-four hours nearer to death." You might die today and with your death all value of Communist ideals for you would also die. Care for your eternal soul.

## CHRISTIANS DIED VIOLENTLY BECAUSE THEY WERE "ATHEISTS"

We love you, our atheist brethren. "Atheist" is a name for we who are Christians. Under the accusation of being "atheists" because they did not believe in the gods of marble and wood, the first Christians, our forefathers in faith, were thrown before wild beasts under the Roman emperors.

## SACRED HAMMER AND SICKLE

Your emblem is the hammer and sickle. The Christians recognized the hammer and sickle as a holy emblem long before the Communists took this as their symbol. The Bible describes the Word of God as "a hammer which breaks the rocks in pieces." (Jeremiah 23:29). We read about Jesus swinging a sharp sickle in His hands in Revelation 14:14-20. He is reaping His harvest. Those who have believed in Him and have loved Him, as you Communists should love the first Communist, will be gathered forever in His paradise. An angel follows Jesus. This angel also has a sharp sickle, which harvests the wicked ones who have filled the world with blood and tears. They are thrown into the great winepress of the wrath of God. This is the true interpretation of your emblem. The hammer of God, whom

your leaders mocked, has already broken the once monolithic block of Communism into pieces. You are no longer united. Your leaders bite into each other worse than dogs, in a vicious struggle for power. By direct contrast, Jesus gathers Communists around Himself. In recent books by Richard Wurmbrand you will find documents from the Soviet press about Communist youth in Russia tearing off their red neck-scarfs and publicly confessing Christ.

Under the slogan of "peace" your leaders prepare the world revolution indissolubly linked to a nuclear world war which will destroy Communists and anti-Communists. This world will come to an end. Your ideals will be buried as those of your opponents. Only the souls cleansed by the blood of Christ, who are living in God's love and truth, will remain eternally happy in the spiritual life.

## COMRADES, COME TO CHRIST

We call, you, Communist comrades, come to Christ.

We look with deep emotion to your red flag. It reminds us of much blood of proletarians and peasants killed because they had fought for a better life. It reminds us of the blood of those killed by Nazism. It reminds us of tens of mil-

lions of Christians. Jews and Communists killed by the Communists. It reminds us of all your leaders who have been tortured, hanged and shot by their comrades. Gomulka, the Communist leader of Poland, has sat in Communist prison, tortured by the Communist Feighin, whom he tortures now. Kadar, the Communist leader of Hungary, had his finger nails torn out and was castrated in prison by his comrade Rakosi, whom he made to starve afterwards in deportation, and his comrade Imre Nagy, whom he afterwards shot. Where there is no God, man becomes a brute.

Enough innocent blood! Away with the blood-stained flag, stained with the blood not only of Christians, but of your own comrades killed by those of the Communist Party! Let us unite under the flag of love towards God and men, under the flag of the love of Christ.

We share your main belief that a political, economic, social, moral, sexual and—we would add—religious revolution must happen. Jesus was a revolutionist. He repeats again and again, "You have heard those of old saying this and that, but I say otherwise." He denounced the unrighteous leaders of His nation in much more vehement words than those used by Lenin against his adversaries. And He actually took a whip in hand and drove the merchants out of the Temple.

Clergy who have served and serve reactionary governments, as happens under the shameful regimes of Portugal, or Latin American dictators, are unfaithful to Christ.

## GENUINE REVOLUTION

Yes, the world stands before an all-embracing revolution. But if the revolutionary is as selfish, as bitter and cruel as the one whom he wishes to overthrow, the regime which he will establish after a successful revolution might be even worse than the former one.

The revolutionary must first revolutionize himself and become a new creature. He must be born again as a being not belonging to the old, polluted society. This miracle is accomplished by Jesus, the constructive revolutionist. He takes your sins away and makes you a new man.

You complain of poverty. He has been poorer than you. He was born in a manger, brought up in misery. He earned a poor living as a carpenter. He belonged to an oppressed people. He was an Asian. He was scourged, mocked, and crucified. In Him you have someone who sympathizes with all your sufferings.

But He was raised from the dead, and now He reigns in heaven and His strength can give

might to any righteous fight. Join His army, the Christian Army. Then your life here will be a life of victory. And you will be among the victorious ones in eternity.

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