kind of an organization of any nature. It is impossible. We must stand our ground for freedom and lift our voices in behalf of the truth of God. This blatant attack of Khrushchev so stirred my soul.

Keep praying. Keep listening. And then rejoice with me as we see God bringing the responses to this letter.

Yours sincerely,

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WHAT WILL YOU TELL YOUR CHILDREN?

How will you explain when your youngsters ask you about the America that was?

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Oftentimes, for the sake of argument, one must stipulate to certain points as facts. Let's hope that our friends who see no danger in the Communist program will agree, for the time being, that there is such a danger and that the danger may suddenly overcome America, just as it did Czechoslovakia. What will you tell your children?

Let's say, for the sake of argument, that the Reds assume control: they are in control of communications, they are in control of public utilities, they have slaughtered or imprisoned the police, they have clobbered resistance, and America lies prone, awaiting the blood purges that must certainly follow, enduring the terrifying period of vacuum before the calked heel of godless Communist tyranny comes smashing down.

What will you tell those youngsters clustered at your knee? How will you tell them that their nation, strong, dynamic, compassionate a few years ago, is now gone? How will you tell them that you cannot go to the store and buy food for them because the store is locked against its owners and that your money is no longer any good? How will you tell them that the policeman on the corner is no longer a friend — he has been replaced by a tyrant from the steppes of Asia or from the jungles of Africa? How will you tell them that the America your fathers gave to you, has been lost?

What will you say when your little son, who feels you are a Marshal Dillon or a Hop-along Cassidy, asks you why you don't take a gun and go out to set things straight? What will you say when your teen-ager asks you what you have done to prevent this takeover? Will you tell him you played golf or went fishing or learned to water ski or worked in the garden or learned to make ceramics or hiked in the hills or a million other things, while your nation went down the drain?

What will you say when these children, whose lives have already been blueprinted for them, ask what they should do? How will you advise them when they ask if they should resist? What will you say if they ask you if they should continue to adore God, despite the ultimatum of the New Order? What will you do when the order comes to gather your children and ship them into State camps where they can become robots of the State?

Communist writings openly predict that they will seize control centers, and that the great mass of population will lie prostrate. Records show that the lawless of a nation will take this opportunity to swoop down on the helpless, motivated in part by the same drive that causes looting after floods have driven people from their homes. Can you be sure that this will not happen — especially after you read of the riots on Memorial Day in Griffith Park? There certainly was no motivation to justify attacks upon citizens and police, and the destruction of private property. How would these same people react if all law were suddenly eliminated?

Or, suppose you lived through the blood baths, and 15 years from now your youngsters ask about the America that was. Will you tell them of the freedoms you had, the freedom to go where you wished, to do what you wished, to say what you wished? Will you tell them of the fun you had and the happiness you had? What will you say when they ask how these things happened to slip away?

Will you admit that you dismissed all efforts to halt the drift toward Communism as "McCarthyism," that you helped smear everyone who tried to point out the danger?

It may seem a flight of fancy to ponder what could happen to America, but remember — the Pentagon, charged with protecting you and yours from all dangers, foreign and domestic, has already made a study as to the best time to surrender! Ponder that!

If you are a father or mother, look as your children. If they are asleep, walk in and look at them — peaceful, contented, trusting. Are you doing anything to prevent just such a terrifying picture as we have painted? Do you bother to inform yourself on the drift towards tyranny? Or do you plan to collaborate with the enemy, to "make friends" with the new order?

If America is to be spared this terror, it must be because her people have forbidden it. If the people will not stem the tide, then each American must face the terror that has already been visited upon Czechoslovakia, Poland, Yugoslavia, East Germany, Latvia, Lithuania, Estonia, Manchuria, and many, many other lands.

And, Mister, what will you tell your children?

Open Letter to American Businessmen

August, 1961

Gentlemen:

It is an amazing spectacle to watch American businessmen pay for their own destruction. Private enterprise is being undermined, sold out for socialism in some American church circles today, and many an American businessman is paying the bill.

I believe that the most effective and powerful attack made upon capitalism and free enterprise is today coming through a disguised and perverted form of Christianity. The businessman should recognize it and, I believe, join with the Christian forces in the land who are seeking to preserve our individual freedom.

Here are four current examples:

1. When the Fifth World Order Study Conference of the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the U.S.A. assembled in Cleveland, Ohio, and called for the recognition of Red China and her admission to the United Nations, the keynote address concluded with a powerful appeal by Bishop G. Bromley Oxnam of Washington, D.C., for all to "so change the planet that when our first visitors from Mars arrive they will find a society fit to be called The Kingdom of God." But, according to Jesus Christ, the Kingdom of God is not a social system or an economic order; it is a spiritual Kingdom. On every hand today the "Kingdom of God" is a cover, a socialist society, and even a one-world government program. So many do not recognize the deception.

2. In Cuba, last November, the Cuban Council of Churches adopted what it called a "social creed," representing the entire Protestant movement. It completely repudiated capitalism, and accepted "the elements of truth" which they said "we find in this philosophical-social doctrine" of Marxism. Here Castro had his ideological endorsement from the Presbyterian, Methodist, and Baptist missionary movement in Cuba. They declared, "It is evident that Marxist communism has certain affinities with Christianity, — for example, in its criticism of the capitalist system, in its passion for social justice and its aspiration for a better world." The Communist world will be a slave world. There is no social justice in the slavery of godless Communism. Communism destroys the capitalistic system. It does not just criticize some irresponsible individuals in it.

But mission money collected from Southern Baptists, Methodists, and Presbyterians produced in Cuba a movement which has supported Castro's Communism.

3. The outstanding promoter of Castro in these circles is Cecilio Arrastia of Cuba. For three years he carried on extensive evangelistic campaigns throughout all of Latin America, raising collections for Castro, and he has been financed and supported by the Committee on Cooperation in Latin America, which is a part of the Division of Foreign Missions of the National Council of Churches here in the United States of America. Capitalistic dollars from American businessmen have been financing this Castro agent, "the preacher of the revolution," as he has sought to use the Protestant circles of Latin America for Communism.

4. Some of these church leaders are becoming exceedingly bold and brazen, and they are working on our young people. Just a year ago, at a world conference, the general secretary of the World Council of Churches, Dr. W. A. Visser 't Hooft, said to the young people, including those who had come from our country, "At this point — let us say it openly — we have learned quite a bit from Marxism." This speech is in the World Student Christian Federation's quarterly review, *The Student World,* for the first two quarters of 1961. The major Protestant bodies in this country, affiliated with the National Council of Churches, are a part of this World Council of Churches, and it is their general secretary who made this speech.

But he makes it even stronger when he says: "It is really a strange thing that the great saying, 'From each according to his ability, to each according to his need,' is now considered, even by many Christians, as a Communist principle. It is a fact that you find that principle stated in Marx, and later, on the basis of Marx, in Lenin, and that they talk about it as if it were a Communist principle. I don't think that Marx and Lenin were aware, however, that three hundred years earlier Calvin had used almost exactly the same words on the basis of the passage in II Corinthians 8." Of course, John Calvin never said anything of the kind.

In the Communist world the state takes from you according to your ability and gives to you according to your need. You are the property of godless power and have no soul. This general secretary continues to identify Bible teaching with this Marxian thesis. "It is high time," he says, "that through our acts of solidarity with the needy we prove that the church has in its bones to bring abundance and want together in order that there may be equality. St. Paul says that. It is good biblical doctrine, it is good Christian doctrine, though not exactly capitalist orthodoxy. . . ."

Here is the ideological thrust for the mind of our youth throughout all of these churches. The Communist thesis, called the Communist thesis, is identified as having previously been taught by the Apostle Paul. Just what it is going to take to stir the American business community to a realization that they are being betrayed and that the very principles undergirding our free enterprise system are being denied, I do not know.

On the other hand, we are confronted with a vicious and terrific assault upon those who would oppose Communism and socialism — an assault upon their character; their good name is invariably assailed. They are accused even of being worse than Communists and are lined up as evil men and hatemongers. This, of course, is a part of the Communist strategy to discredit those who would expose the program of the Communists and the ideology of socialism.

May I speak frankly to you. I find that there are too many businessmen who hesitate to join in the great struggle against Communism as it involves religion. Instead, they support the religious interests whose philosophy is destroying the very freedom which enables them to make their living. They ought to support vigorously and fully the religious forces which are not only exposing socialism, but which are seeking to undergird our free society on the basis of the Almighty God's being the Author of liberty. It is of the very genius of freedom and capitalism that the money we make be not an end or a pleasure in itself but that it be used to defend freedom and to promote understanding of the true God and loyalty to Him and His Word.

If the businessmen of our community would alert themselves to these conditions in the realm of religion, would understand what is involved, and would support the agencies, institutions, and leaders that believe that our problems are basically spiritual and that liberty is not going to be preserved without spiritual foundations, we would see the instruments of freedom and the avenues of propaganda in this nation turned and used to expose the Communist and socialist delusions and deceptions, and we could hand down to our children and grandchildren not a socialist society but a free society, cherished and understood in the hearts of our people.

As the director of a broadcast now being heard on 180 stations in this country, I am writing this letter to you businessmen. We are trying to get to your customers, fellow citizens, and friends with this information. We earnestly request your support and encouragement in this battle. Unless we can turn the tide and wake up the American people, we are all going down in terrible confusion and disaster, to the delight of Castro and Khrushchev.

I shall be pleased to furnish you as many copies of this letter as you yourself may be able to use.

Yours sincerely,

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