"Listen, O foolish, senseless people—you with eyes that do not see and ears that do not listen, then you know no respect at all for me!" The Lord asks. (Jeremiah 5:1)

How can a people be unhappy in a land of plenty? Why should America be a land where its people are madly searching for pleasure, forgetting standards of righteousness and seeking every means imaginable to assure its conscience through drugs, alcohol and every other kind of strange philosophical system? It would seem that the more we obtain in the way of comfort and worldly goods the more unhappy we become. This seems to be a paradox. Why shouldn't comfort and ease make us happy?

In Solzhenitsin's play, "Candle in the Wind," he has one of his characters quote from God's Word. One of the Scriptures used is Luke 12:16-20, "A rich man had a fertile farm that produced fine crops. In fact, his barns were full to overflowing—he couldn't get everything in. He thought about his problem, and finally exclaimed, 'I know—I'll tear down my barns and build bigger ones! Then I'll have enough. And I'll sit back and say to myself, 'Friend, you have enough stored away for years to come. Now take it easy! Wine, women and song for you! But God said to him, 'Fool, tonight you die. Then who will get it all?'"

In Russia, what is America? Will it profit either system if it wins; and finally all men are brought under the yoke of either materialistic Marxism or godless capitalism? Both are part of the Kosmos and ultimately both systems will be destroyed. As Alexis Carrell stated, "What will it profit us if we continue to propagate a way of life that destroys the highest spiritual sensibilities of all the great races of the world?" "The triumph of the ideologies certifies the defeat of civilization." Today we see in America the rapidly approaching defeat of Christian democracy. Christianity is our only hope and it has been relegated to the church building and ruled out of government, business, hospital and school and ignored in the home. Collectivistic capitalism is no better than collectivistic communism. Both systems aim for building bigger barns, bigger tanks, faster planes and more destructive warheads. Both systems are interested in wine, women and song. In Poland and Czechoslovakia last year I saw that the only avenue of escape for the average working man who has not found Christ is Vodka. In Poland many men were imbriated in the streets. In America it is our lovely young women, our youth, our intelligensia.

The end result is the same. In the end our souls will be required of us. But until then as we idly watch without a word of protest all of our cherished liberties taken from us, we cannot but ask in our sober moments if perhaps taking a stand on the part of one man might not somehow change it all. Ezekiel cried, "I sought for a man among them, one who should build up the wall of righteousness that guards the land, who would stand in the gap before me that I should not destroy it; but I found none." (Ezek. 22:30) The erosion of personal liberty can be stopped but it will not be stopped by a people who are content to say, "Soul, take thy ease." The independent doctor, priest, teacher, lawyer, or working man must again begin to forget his comfort and stand up before it is too late. "We must choose Christ and conflict—against the devil and his system. Otherwise, we shall inherit more and more the penalty of the nirvana of alcohol, sensuality, comfort, and carnal-minded death.

'I call heaven and earth to witness against you that today I have set before you life or death, blessing or curse. Oh, that you would choose life, that you and your children might live. Choose to love the Lord your God and to obey Him and to cling to Him, for He is your life and the length of your days." (Deuteronomy 30:19)
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SATURDAY - Sept. 18 - 7:30 PM: "Tampa CFM Station Meeting at CFM House, 4821 Memorial Highway, Tampa, Fl. Dr. Reed speaking.

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