

ahead for us.<sup>2</sup> We cannot yet say for sure whether that is what is pictured in these parts of the great book of the Apostle John or not. This we can say, that Revelation, like the rest of the Bible, plainly teaches that God is on the throne. Satan could not move an inch unless God permitted. Communism cannot destroy one soul or wreck the life of one man, except as God permits. God is controlling all things. Though it may be hard to understand them now, we know that His purposes are best. We know that He makes ". . . all things to work together for good to them that love Him."<sup>3</sup> Turmoil and torture, pain and possible death, may lie ahead of us, if the free nations allow the communist menace to grow to the point where it can unleash irresistible terror upon us. It is only in Christ that we can have confidence and hope for the eternal future.

The Christian knows that God has a plan, and that His plan is going to work. He knows that after God has permitted man to have done his worst, God will then step in and put things to right. He knows that our Lord Jesus Christ will ". . . descend from heaven with a shout . . .",<sup>4</sup> at a time which has not been revealed to us.

The Historic Christian Faith, which has been such a great blessing in the past because it represents God's wisdom, offers the best promise of alleviating those conditions which promote communism. It offers the hope of eternal life to those enslaved by communism, if only the force that holds them in bondage might be destroyed, so that it would again be possible for us to send missionaries who would be permitted freely to preach the Gospel in the lands behind the Iron Curtain. If the political leaders of the free world, through fear or treachery, fail at their task, and communism gains such strength that its armies become able to sweep everything before them, we can