

I think God has a heaven, and He will have a heaven on earth in the millennium. We will have right on earth, I believe, the most marvellous situation you can imagine when our Lord Jesus Christ comes back.

The ecumenists are anxious to get all our groups together in order that they can control it all and direct it in the direction in which they think will produce a great social improvement on earth. Now when you find what the ecumenists are actually pushing for, it is amazing how similar most of their objectives are to the objectives of the communists! Very similar. Because communism of course sounds very beautiful. "From every one according to his ability, to everyone according to his need." It sounds very beautiful.

In Russia the farming is done in great collective farms in which they have the finest new machinery and everyone in the rural district is required to put in so many hours in the farms working with these machines growing wheat and producing for Russia. But for some reason, I don't know just why they've done it,--I was reading an article just yesterday in the National Geographic of some Americans who went on an exchange program and worked on some of the farms in Russia. The statement was made there that the Russian government allows each of these men who has to perform so many hours of work on the farm, to have a small area that he can cultivate for himself. The largest would be 1½ acres; most of them probably smaller than this. On that they are permitted to grow material for their own use or which they can sell in the Farmer's Market if they choose.

It said that only 3% of the land in Russia was in these little tracts that the individuals who work on the State farms were permitted to use for their own production. But although it was only 3% (the article said) 30% of the food produced in Russia was produced on this 3% of the land! by these individuals who in addition to that work had had to work a full day on the State farms. It sounds very beautiful. Let everyone work according to his ability; let everyone receive according to his need. It sounds very beautiful. Maybe our Lord will introduce a principle like that when everyone is Christian and we're all very anxious to do all we can for the general good

But even among Christians we are not sanctified to that extent--at least most of us are not. And the Russian people would starve if it were not that in addition to what they grow on those great areas of wonderful land with the finest of new machinery to use, and with millions of people to work, they would starve if it were not for the tremendous amounts of wheat that they purchase from the U.S.A.

Sometimes you'll hear people say that 6% of the people of the world consume 30% of what is produced? Isn't it terrible! But of course the fact is the opposite. The fact is that 6% of the people of the world are producing maybe 40% of what is produced in a Christian society in which the individual is regarded as important and is permitted to do the best he can and to reap the results of his labor, you have an incentive which produces results. Now everybody is blaming the big oil companies for the fact that we at present are having perhaps not enough oil. I don't know why it isn't the OPEC nations that get the blame! Just the big oil companies!