John 16:33

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made slaves. But now we heard recently that our people were afraid of their lives that the Russians would not send athletes to Los Angeles. They said, Unless you let us w send them there, we will have our spies there and that we will have sufficient protection so that none of our athletes when they see what liberty is around them will be able to defect! We are ready to make all sorts of concessions now to try to get them to be sure they will come. What a change four years makes!

1 Afganistan is big news four nears ago. Soday it is hardly mentioned. The people there are suffering and dying and are putting up a tremendous struggle. Of course it was hopeless. How can you fight with your bare fists against tanks, against helicopters, against this great force. I feel great sympathy for the Afgan people. I feel equal sympathy for the Russian soldiers. Think of the young men in Russia, perhaps many of them earnest Christians, anxious to get hold of the Word of God, passing around a few sheets of it from personto person. Longing to have freedom to worship God as they wish, ordered by the government to get into the army, ordered to go off they know not where.

Landing in Afganistan, having to torture the people there, or yourself be killed. Think of those Russian Christians and what they are going through in this situation with Afganistan! Will such a thing come to our country? If as one of our leading candidates for the presidency says, The great issue now is to stop this insane arms race. Well it is insane. And the & Russian people must feel this way as they have to get along on half of the food that the average American has because everything that can be taken is scrounged out of them in order to build armaments, in order to increase their force, in order to prepare their atomic bombs in in order to carry out their desire of conquering the world.

It is insane. Tell someone who controls those fine Russian people and fordes them to do what they desire, if you can find someone who will make them stop this insnane arms race, fine! But let me assure you there is not going to be any big atomic war. That is something they are trying to scare us with, and the danger of it is practically nil. As long as the Russian leaders know that there is enough force in this country to mean great loss for them if they would make an atomic attack, there will be none. But let us simply stay as we are, and let them keep on as they have for the last 10 years building, increasing, improving, sending their spies to get American technological secrets to advance their methods of methods of precise shooting of missels, let them go on and it will soon become as apparent as if we were to leave all our doors open and unlocked. It would be that many of us wikx would be pillaged, and have great problems in our homes.

In America 30 or 40 years ago, most of us leftour doors unlocked. We never thought much of danger for from outside. Our morality has deteriorated in these 40 years to where would be foolish to leave our doors unlocked. But if we go on this way, if the situation becomes such that they have no question that they