

The great threat to the country is to be found in the Government's philosophy of Apartheid. While all the trends of the world are towards the building of oneness of society, only in South Africa one finds the reverse of it. It is a great human experiment, and because it lacks all human considerations and has no scientific basis it is bound to fail.

There is an ever-growing opposition to this philosophy. The Non-European peoples are solidly united as never before. More and more people from among the whites are daily realising the disservice that is being done to the country by the laws that flow from the Apartheid policies of the Government. Apartheid is a challenge to the people which has to be accepted. One must decide between the narrow, bigoted and selfish policy of the Nationalist Government and that of the Congresses which are waging the struggle for freedom for all peoples. Yes, the freedom sought by us is not for any one group but for all, regardless of race and colour. Only when this has been achieved will the country be really a happier place.

In our struggle we have no place for nationalism, no matter what form this takes. We have made up our minds to fight nationalism at all times and to build a truly South Africa of all its inhabitants. This is our country as much as it is of all others. We, Indians, constitute a minority group and our duty is clear. That is, we have to ally ourselves on the side that is right. We have no doubt that the people are right and come what may, we will continue to support and espouse the right cause.

Yes, this country is ours as much as it is that of the whites. It is interesting to recall what Prime Minister Strydom said at the South Africa Club, London, on the occasion of his recent visit to the U.K. He said

"South Africa is our one and only Fatherland. We cannot return to Holland or Britain. We and our descendants must remain in South Africa, either to live and survive or lose our identity. We are determined - ~~what~~ come what may - to remain and survive. A little later he said

"We would urge our fellow white men in other parts of the world, to allow us to deal with our problems, insofar as the native population is concerned, in the light of our extensive experience and in accordance with our Christian conscience and beliefs."

We agree with Strydom that this is the country of those whites settled. We claim the same right for ourselves and no more.

It is Christian to follow the Commandments - come what may - It is not Christian to follow racial segregation & white domination - come what may. This is hypocrisy. What contradiction of two virtues in one statement.

We must eventually triumph as we are on the side of truth & justice fighting for unchangeable & imperishable human values which for which mankind has always fought - and always won. The law which flows from the Apartheid

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