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by dr alan.

I suppose there is no chance of your being in England in the autumn? If there were a possibility of this, Christian Action and the Dean and Chapter of St. Paul's together, would very much like you to give a Lecture in the Cathedral Crypt as one of a series of six Lectures to be known as the Stafford Cripps Memorial Lectures. Their purpose will be to give a sound theological basis to Christian action, and I hope they will be published and serve as a serious work on the significance of the Christian religion in the present-day world.

If you are to be in this country, I should be immensely grateful if you would be prepared to give one of these Lectures. A small Committee has been set up and has suggested the titles. I should be delighted if you could give the sixth Lecture under some such title as "The Christian Approach to Racial Problems in the Modern World", this Lecture to be given on 20 November.

If you would be prepared to take part in this series, but 20 November is not a convenient date for you, I am quite sure that we can arrange a swap with somebody else. The Lectures have been arranged to start on 16 November, and then on the subsequent five Fridays.

Dear John,

Love for us all.

Thanks for your unedited letter re the Stafford Cripps Lectures. Unfortunately it is quite impossible to say if I would be in London on November 20. I don't know all depends on the television play. I had better say, "I regret." That's a pity, because I would have been able to visit you.

Alan Paton Esq.,
23 Lynton Road,
Kloof,
Natal.

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23rd March, 1959.

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