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It is historic for us to come here as black people, as British and as Boers from South Africa. We have not always been friends. For the most part we have been at each others throats. There was an Anglo-Boer war, but before then we fought the white people. It was never the usual thing for us to stand side by side as we have done on this stage tonight. Moral Re-Armament made us realise that ^{we can live} together in peace instead of liquidating one another.

And so although I stood for bloodshed as the answer to our problems in South Africa, I have found a superior way which has enabled me to come out of South Africa with white people of British and Dutch decent. I believe that in this way we are able to bring an impact on Britain at this time in history such as we have never been able to make before, and we have come in simple way because we are a simple people who cannot give anything much except simple gifts. But sometimes simple people get close to God and hear His voice quicker than the people who are involved in the business of the world and as we get less and less involved in the business of the world we will hear God's voice and we will be able to solve the problems of this world. The world is definitely at its extremity at this time. This is God's opportunity.

South Africa is a hated part of the world and also a misunderstood part of the world. It is used to divide the whole world. It is used by ideological forces, forces that would divide the world even if they didn't use South Africa for that purpose. There will always be that work of dividing, no matter what instrument. Today that instrument is South Africa. Tomorrow it will be something else.

But we are here so that we can together show that the problems of South Africa are the problems of one world family and that together under God we can decide to help South Africa out of her problems and solve the problems of the ~~world~~ world.

The British have given a great deal to the continent of Africa, and to South Africa. In some parts of South Africa some of the British are wanting to leave, especially the business people because they feel they do not want to associate themselves with South Africa. People in Liverpool and other parts don't want to load ships and cargoes that are meant for South Africa and even sporting people don't want to be involved in South Africa, ~~but~~ but we can only change people when you get into close touch with them and that is what we have come to do here, to show you that we too are just as human as you are. The colour of our skin is not yours, but as a lady used to say, "The colour of our sin is the same", and that is what brings us together. But the main thing is we do not expect you to bring a blue print to South Africa. Only God can bring us together to solve our problems.

It is the greatest thing that I have known, and as the Prisoner says, "It is the greatest revolution", and it will be the greatest revolution when every man and women begins with himself, without pointing a finger at somebody else, because when I point a finger at someone else three more are pointing back at me. When I look at my sin and change I begin to go places. That is where we would like to go with all of you tonight.