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Five things must be done:

First. The prefects of Italy must be instructed that religious liberty for all, regardless of what they call themselves in name, is a part of the Italian Constitution and cannot be violated.

Second. That all groups who do not accept the authority of the Vatican and use the Bible as their guide for living and thinking can be considered Evangelicals, and on this there should be a general disposition on the part of the Minister of the Interior.

Dear Brother Goriotti:

Third. That the Italian Government will adopt a benevolent attitude in recognizing that these people are attempting to do good and that they are simple disciples of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, the redeemer of the world, and that together we make common cause to combat sin in all of its forms.

Fourth. That those who attempt to destroy the principle of freedom and justice and Christian Democracy as a part of the liberty loving principles of a great free people shall be punished and rebuked.

Fifth. That there must be no confusion between Evangelicals and Communists for we are bitterly and completely opposed to Communism in all of its forms. (We have but one God and the word of God which is contained in the scriptures of the old and new testament is the only infallible rule which we accept for our way of life). If it becomes necessary for our people to go to jail, to be martyred or persecuted for these things then we will accept it without flinching or without hesitation.

In the last year we have had more than sixty cases of persecution from Sicily to the Alps. I have them catalogued and can supply the record of these whenever and wherever necessary. Many of these persecutions have been led by priests in their robes. It has not been a case of Communism and when an accusation is made that it is communism who join forces with us that is a damnable lie. It is true that some Communists have been converted to Evangelical Christianity for which we thank God. If the Bible and the grace of God through the guidance of the Holy Spirit is able to take these people and to turn them to the truth and give them the peace that passeth all understanding, then my brother, I am sure there is rejoicing in heaven because these people are walking in the way of righteousness.

At this moment I have nothing further to say other than that I leave to you and to your colleagues in the Italian Chamber of Deputies the question of righting this wrong that has no right to exist.

With regards and prayers to you and yours, I remain the blood

Your friend,
Yours in Christ,
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