

DISCORSO DI SUA SANTITÀ PIO PP. XII AL PRIMO MINISTRO DELL'INDIA JAWAHARLAL NEHRU*

Venerdì, 8 luglio 1955

We are happy to welcome heartily the great statesman and eminent Prime Minister whom We have now had the pleasure of meeting for the first time, and to greet also the prominent personages of India accompanying His Excellency.

We feel sure that you are all fully mindful of the lofty responsibility that, in striving to establish a true peace based on love and justice among the peoples of the world, devolves upon those in authority and also upon those who have the obligation to report to millions of their fellow-countrymen current events in all fairness and objectivity. We extend Our cordial good wishes for every success in your work and in the effective realization of your high ideals.

As We recall that one of the distinguished sons of India has been elevated by Us to the honour of the Cardinalate and of membership in the Sacred College, We would avail of this opportunity to address, through you, a message of affectionate regard not only to your dear ones, but to the President and the Government and to all the noble people of India, whose welfare and happiness are ever in Our remembrance in prayer to Almighty God.

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