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....in the apostolic writings. This combination of permanence in the revealed truth and continuous exploration of its meaning is what is meant by Christian tradition. Some of the results of this reflection, which bear upon essential matters of faith, have come to be recognised as the authentic expression of Christian doctrine, ~~They have~~ ^{and} therefore become part of the depositum fidei.

Tradition has been viewed in two different ways. The first approach is primarily concerned never to go beyond the bounds of Scripture. Under the guidance of the Spirit undiscovered riches and truths are sought in the Scriptures in order to illuminate the faith according to the needs of each generation. This ~~does not mean~~ ^{is} a slavery to the text of Scripture, but ~~a~~ ^{It is an} liberating unfolding of the ~~uniqueness~~ ^{riches} of the original revelation. ~~The~~ ^{which can only be} liberating. The second approach is very different, without necessarily contradicting the former. In the conviction that the Holy Spirit ^{is} seeking to guide the Church into the fulness of truth, it draws upon every ~~facet~~ ^{thing in} of human experience and thought which ~~may help to elucidate~~ ^{will serve to} the content of the revelation. ~~It~~ ^{is the} fullest expression & widest application conceives the seed of God's word growing from age to age until the final consummation of the Kingdom of God. This implies no denial of the uniqueness of the revelation. Because these two attitudes ^{to tradition have different emphases} ~~emphasize different approaches~~ to tradition, ~~they are liable to clash.~~ ^{there is a possibility of conflict} In both cases the Church is seeking to discover the fulness of revelation, ~~even if sometimes it may contradict or go beyond it.~~ ^{success in the search} The ~~final~~ seal upon the ~~truthfulness~~ of these propositions will be the reception by the whole Church.