

a new doctrine or give new truth. They claim to build everything upon Christ and the apostles. They say that the Bible is the foundation, as we do, ~~by~~ but they claim that they have a ~~tradition~~ ^{tradition} ~~tradition~~, in addition to the Bible, which they have passed along from mouth to mouth. ~~tradition~~ We refuse to admit the presence of any infallible ~~tradition~~, not contained in the Bible. And we claim that there is no evidence of any such thing as infallible traditions. But they maintain that whatever they stand upon ~~is~~ is the result of this tradition or of the Bible. They do not say that they have the right to propound new truth, they have a right to explain it, the Pope is an infallible teacher they say, and explains the truth that the church has always held. That is their view. So we are interested in examining this thing, to see what it is.'

Now I would like to say a little more on the traditions, as far as the church history is concerned, we make a rough position along these lines, ancient medieval and modern church ~~hist.~~ hist., but in general, I would like to say this, that the period of the great, the height of Roman culture, is a period of which we know practically nothing about the church ~~beside~~, beside what we learn in the Book of Acts. Up until ~~the~~ 170 A.D. we know very very little of the Christian Church. Our evidences during this time are extremely scanty. The Christian Church was an organization that was comparatively small, and its people were busy maintaining themselves, and spreading it, and they weren't interested in sitting down and writing history, and we do not have any history of the Christian Church ~~before~~ before that time that have come down. And when they find a Christian writer during that period, he tells a good deal about the things that he wasn't doing as to give us the hist. of the church, but he gives it in order to bring evidence on some vital point in the church.

For instance, along in the latter part of the second cent. you ~~find~~ find people who are saved ~~and~~ and here we have certain doctrines, that are the three doctrines, you don't find evidence in the Bible of them, but we have other things that we learn about them. Then you find early Christian leaders say, how are we going to know about these claims that are so widespread, they say look at Rome and look at Antioch, and look at certain places like that,