

St. Paul—that God at no time and amongst no people has left Himself without a witness. They believe also that each new people as it accepts the Christian faith will add something to the fullness of its comprehension, and that the older Churches will gain a new life and a richer apprehension of the truth through the upspringing of younger Churches in all parts of the world and amongst people of many different gifts and capacities. The difficult problem is how to guide the young Churches, how to keep them in living touch with the past whilst giving them freedom to develop on their own lines. Increasingly it is acknowledged that if the great peoples of the East are to be won for Christianity, it can only in the end be through men of their own races. They do not want a Western Christ; and though the Christ that the missionaries of the West would preach to them belongs neither to east nor west but to mankind, it is impossible for men of western blood and western traditions to present even the Christ who, born in the East, is the real link between East and West, except in the forms of Western thought.