

The Four Senses of Scripture

UNDERSTANDING HOLY SCRIPTURE SESSION 6

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Review:
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- Content and unity of the whole Scripture
- Living Tradition of the whole Church
- Coherence of the whole of the faith among themselves and within the whole plan of Revelation

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deuouez en un moment deuant le roy. lors
dist li roys. Tuit cil qui habitent en terre
criement le dieu de daniel. car il est deli
ureur faisant signes et merueilles en ciel
et en terre. et a deliure daniel de la fosse as
lyons. *Ci fine le liure daniel le pphete.*



Literal Sense

- Meaning author intended to convey
- All other senses depend on the literal sense
- Hosea 2:4-22

Spiritual Senses

Allegorical
(Typological)
Sense

- Understanding all Scripture in light of Christ
- 1 Corinthians 10:1-4
- Allegorical reading of Hosea 2:4-22

Moral Sense

- Instruction for right living
- 1 Corinthians 10:6-11
- Moral reading of Hosea 2:4-22

Eschatological (Anagogical) Sense

- “Anagogical” from Greek for “leading” or “ascent”
- Understanding Scripture and our lived experience in light of our final end
- Also in light of the Church, the new Jerusalem
- Eschatological reading of Hosea 2:4-22



Nehemiah 8:1-12



Tobit 8:1-18

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Itauit.



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dei.

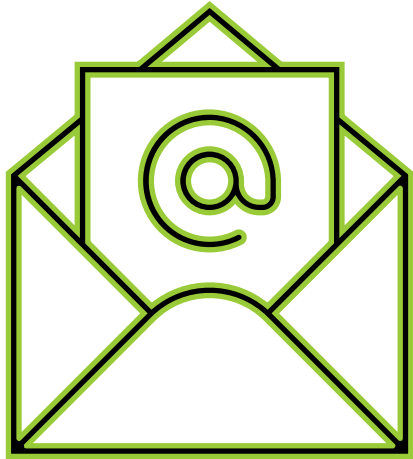
Querunt michi la-
cime mee panes die ac
nocte: dum dicitur mi-
chi cotidie ubi est deus
tuus.

Nec recordatus sum
et effudi in me anima
meam: quoniam tra-
sibo in locum taberna-
culi admirabilis usq;
ad domum dei.

In uoce exultationi^s

Psalm 42





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