The Two SENSES of Scripture: Reading and Interpreting the Bible

## 1. LITERAL Sense

What is the "**plain meaning**" conveyed by its grammatical construction and historical context. The literal meaning is held to correspond to the intention of the authors. All other *Senses* of Sacred Scripture are based on the *Literal*.

## 2. SPIRITUAL Sense

Three categories: Allegorical, Moral and Anagogical

ALLEGORICAL Sense How does this relate to Christ *MORAL* Sense How does this relate to me

**ANAGOGICAL** Sense How does this relate to me

The LITERAL Sense speaks of Deeds; the ALLEGORICAL to Faith; the MORAL - How we should live/act; the ANAGOGICAL – To our destiny.

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