

THE BIBLE and the CHURCH FATHERS

Lesson 4: Inspiration and Authority

Profiles of the Early Church: St. Monica

Themes Covered

- Scripture and the Liturgy
- The canon of Scripture
- Interpreting Scripture
- The different senses of Scripture

Scripture in this lesson

- 2 Peter 1:20-21
- 2 Peter 3:15-16

Review Questions

1. What is the canon of Scripture? When was it confirmed?
2. How are Catholic Bibles different for Protestant Bibles?
3. Name and define the different sense of Scripture?

Table Discussion Questions

1. Is there anything in this lesson that you have just heard for the first time?
2. Identify different forms of Gnosticism in our world today?
3. How can we incorporate Scripture into our daily lives?

Memory Verse for this lesson: Ephesians 1:9-10

- Know this first of all, that there is no prophecy of scripture that is a matter of personal interpretation, for no prophecy ever came through human will; but rather human beings moved by the holy Spirit spoke under the influence of God.

Prep for Lesson 5

- Exodus 24:4-11
- Jeremiah 31:31-33
- 1 Corinthians 11:23-27