

Exegesis and Preaching

I. Luther on the nature and place of preaching in worship

II. Calvin on the best practices of exegesis

- the writer's intention
- effective communication
- learn from the past
- exegesis *and* theology

III. Special considerations

- sola scriptura *vs.* tradition
- literal exegesis *vs.* allegory
- lectionaries *vs.* difficult texts

the 4 senses	what they find in the Bible	what they teach us
LITERAL	the "historical" meaning	<i>gesta</i> • things that were done
ALLEGORICAL	figurative lessons re: Christ & the church, etc.	<i>credenda</i> • things that should be believed
TROPOLOGICAL	figurative lessons about morality	<i>agenda</i> • things that should be done
ANAGOGICAL	figurative lessons re: the blessed life to come	<i>speranda</i> • things that should be hoped for