

**Inquirer's Class: Week 2 – Scriptures, History**

- A. Book Discussion
- B. The Bible
  - a. How we understand Holy Scriptures – pp.853-854
  - b. How the Bible is used in the Episcopal Church:
    - i. Worship: Holy Eucharist, Daily Office – 70% of BCP comes from Holy Scriptures
    - ii. Study: literary, historical, theological, etc.
    - iii. Discernment
    - iv. Devotion and Meditation
  - c. Authorized Bibles for Episcopal Church (hand out)
  - d. Questions about Scriptures and their use in the Episcopal Church?
- C. Patristics: Early Church
  - a. Expansion and persecutions 30s-312
  - b. Roman religion 312-600
  - c. Bishop of Rome and western expansion 550-1000
  - d. Christianity in England 200s; 597, 664
- D. Medieval Church 1000-1500
  - a. Characteristics
- E. Protestant Reformation
  - a. Luther (10/31/1517)
  - b. Zwingli (1484-1531)
  - c. Calvin (1509-1564)
- F. Catholic Counterreformation – Council of Trent (1545-63)
- G. English Reformation
  - a. Henry VIII (1533,1535,1537)
  - b. Prayer books (1549, 1552)
  - c. Queen Mary(1553-1558)
  - d. Elizabeth & Act of Uniformity (1559)
  - e. Rise of Puritanism
  - f. King James and Defense of Anglicanism (1604)
  - g. Puritanism – BCP abolished (1648)
  - h. Restoration (1660) Prayer Book of 1662
- H. American Church: Episcopal
  - a. Colonial Experience
  - b. Consecration of Samuel Seabury (1784)
  - c. First General Convention (1785)
  - d. First American Prayer Book (1789)
  - e. Oxford Movement of 1820s
  - f. Civil War 1860s
  - g. Diocese of Easton - 1868