

Wesleyan Quadrilateral: The Wesleyan quadrilateral affirms the primacy of scriptural authority along with the genuine – albeit secondary – religious authority of tradition, reason, and experience.

Scripture: Verbally inspired by God through people under the direction of the Holy Spirit; The Bible reveals a glimpse of the character, nature, demands and desires of a non-comprehensible God. It is the rule and authority in the life of a Christ follower, and while it is the primary source of truth, it is not the sole source of truth.

Reason: The work of redemption involves the transformation of the heart and mind. The command of God to think and seek wisdom is consistent through scripture. We worship God with our minds among other things. Reason allows us to distinguish between what is true and what is not; you will know the truth and the truth will make you free.

Tradition: Christ's Body the church becomes a center of authority; consensus of the Body throughout history supports positions and beliefs. While there may be a diversity of opinion and interpretation, the basic core tenets of the person and work of Jesus Christ becomes the cornerstone of Christian tradition.

Experience: The Holy Spirit is active in the life of the believer. He convicts of sin, righteousness and judgment; He is the teacher, guide, comforter and helper. He reveals and glorifies Christ. Under His control, empowerment and prompting, the individual believer experiences God.