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Faith and the Spirit of God

Context, context, context!

Original Author's point/meaning

Original Audience (What would they have heard/understood?)

The Literal, Plain Sense Genre Grammatical Word meanings Historical Cultural

Theology – Let Scripture Interpret Scripture

Let the clear interpret the unclear

Relationship of the Old Testament and the New Testament

Centrality of Jesus

Implications