



## I. Prayer: Face of Love – An Imaginative Encounter

*Guided imagery moving into prayer*

## II. What is the Bible?

- Riddle: How is the Bible like a balloon?
- Original and Fuller Meaning of the Text



## III. The Bible Is a Library

- Kinds of Books
- “Librarians”: guides for readers
- Helpful Reference Works
- Authors

## IV. For Consideration and Discussion

### WORD AND SACRAMENT

*True food and true drink is the word of God which we derive from the Scriptures.”*

*-St. Jerome*

<sup>117</sup> St. Jerome, *Comen. in Eccles.*, 3, 13: PL 25, 1039: “... hoc solum habemus in presentis mundi bonum, et necesse est carere eius, et carere potius, non solum in mysterio (Eucharistia), sed etiam in Scripturarum lectione. Verus enim cibus et potus, qui ex verbo Dei sumitur, scientia Scripturarum est.”

St. Jerome wrote, *“This is the true good that is reserved for us in this present life: to nourish ourselves with [Jesus’] flesh and drink his blood, not only in the Eucharist but also in reading sacred Scripture. Indeed, true food and true drink is the word of God which we derive from the Scriptures.”*

How do you imagine that we “nourish ourselves with Jesus’ flesh and drink his blood... in reading sacred Scripture? Where and how does that happen for you? Where and how would you desire that it happen for you?

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