My Teaching In Service

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Διδαχή
The Teaching

• There are several references in the New Testament alluding to a form of teaching which was passed down by the holy Apostles:

  And they continued steadfastly in the apostles’ teaching [Διδαχὴ] and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in prayers

  (Acts 2:42)
Development of Teaching

Articulation of this *Teaching* depends on the external milieu in which it thrives
Globalization

It has been said that arguing against globalization is like arguing against the laws of gravity

Kofi Annan
(2001 Nobel Peace Prize)
No More Secrets

We neglect the fact that SEO has enabled anyone to search anything anytime!
Language of Society

• We don’t speak the language of the society:
  • Artificial Intelligence
  • Science
  • Technology
  • Evolution
  • Darwin
  • Medicine
We must not then dishonour education, because some men are pleased to do so, but rather suppose such men to be boorish and uneducated, desiring all men to be as they themselves are, in order to hide themselves in the general, and escape the detection of their want of culture.

Oration 43
Academia

• “Why academia?”
• “Theology” probably relates more to “spirituality” and not “Academia.”
• Academia = the environment or community concerned with the pursuit of research, education, and scholarship.
• Credible scholarship in any particular field posits studying the subject tackled by others in the field.

• If we want to understand the theological depth of a specific liturgical prayer, we must study the liturgical development of that prayer to make a correct interpretation of its meaning.
Tracing the Origins

• Tracing the Origins is Crucial!
• We must inquire of the past to comprehend our present and correctly predict our future
Original thought of Alexandria

• "Read all things that come into your hands as you are able to discern and test all things; this, in essence, is the foundation and base of the faith."

• Dionysius of Alexandria, Letter to Philemon the Presbyter
The Evolution of Ignorance in the Coptic Church and the Influence of Western Missions

School of Alexandria

Council of Chalcedon

Arab Conquest

Burning of Patristic Heritage
The Evolution of Ignorance and the Influence of Western Missions

Arabic Patristic Heritage

French Conquest in Egypt

British Conquest in Egypt

Habib Jirjis
Scripture-Tradition

Sola Scriptura  Prima Scriptura
Universal Language of God (θεόπνευστος)
Scripture
Sources of Biblical Exegesis in 20th Century?

Frederick Brotherton Meyer
Baptist pastor and evangelist in England

Matthew Henry
Nonconformist minister

John Wesley
English cleric, Church of England
But, beyond these sayings, let us look at the very tradition, teaching, and faith of the Catholic Church from the beginning, which the Lord gave, the Apostles preached, and the Fathers kept. Upon this the Church is founded, and he who should fall away from it would not be a Christian, and should no longer be so called.

https://www.youtube.com/TheologyAcademy