

The Use of Scripture in the Doctrine of the Church

1. Write the name of your document here, in Latin and English if both are given.
2. Who wrote or issued this document?
3. At what level of Church teaching was this document issued? (Refer to levels 1 through 5 from the PowerPoint presentation.)
4. What year was this document written? What do you know about world events at that time that may help you to better understand the themes and emphases of this document?
5. Summarize the Church doctrine this document presents.
6. List at least three biblical references found in your document. These may be direct quotes, paraphrases, or allusions. For each reference, explain how it is being used. For example, is it being used to support a doctrine of the Church? as evidence for the importance of the doctrine? as a potential defense against those who might dismiss the doctrine or not take it seriously?



7. Does this document draw on the Old Testament, the New Testament, or both? Why do you think this is? If the document draws on both, what differences do you observe in how the document uses each testament?

8. Do you think reading this document would encourage someone to read Scripture? Why or why not?

9. How might the time period in which your document was written have affected the way it uses (or does not use) Scripture?

10. How does this document help you to better understand the complex relationship between Scripture and the doctrine of the Church?

