

ENGL 3190: “Rise of the Mystics”

Greetings students;

This week, we will develop the conversation we started last week and addressed in the quiz: what unites medieval literature? What are the common themes?

I will be exploring these themes and this week’s material in the Forum. I will also address quiz questions in the forum (there will be no quiz help other than the forum this week).

Materials for this week:

- A video explanation of the powerpoint, focussing on the difference between cataphatic and apophatic language;
- A copy of the powerpoint;
- Videos on the Voynich Manuscript and the music of Hildegard of Bingen;
- A book review of David Williams’ “Deformed Discourse”

There will be words in the book review that you may need to look up, such as “teratology”. I will also be addressing some of these terms in the forum throughout the week.

Speak soon;

Steve