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Metaphysics of natural love and supernatural love

Opening: 2 Pet 1:2-9; Heb 4:12-16; Psalm 73:23-26

- A. Spiritual life—the twin virtues of faith and love—knowing God and loving God.** Matt 22:37-40; 1 John 4:10, 16; 1 Cor. 2:9; Col 3:12-15; 1 Thess 5:8; John 17:17-26; 1 Cor 13:13; Eph. 3:14-19, Matt. 5:43-48. 6 Principles on naturally acquired knowledge and love vs. supernaturally acquired knowledge and love.
- B. Growing in the Word of God: Eph. 5:1-14.**
1. Through the Bible: Eph 5:1-14.
 2. Hermeneutics-42 – Language and reality: the 5 views
- C. Advancing in Bible Doctrine: Apprehending our Incomprehensible God-4.**
1. The Bible teaches that the LORD and His ways are incomprehensible (Exod. 3:13-14; Psa 139:6; 145:3; Job 5:9; 9:10; 11:7; 36:26; Isa. 40:28; Rom. 11:33-12:2).
 2. 6 Principles on God-talk.

<http://www.fbcweb.org/sermons.html>

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We do not “see” substances. All we see are accidents. Yet substances are undeniable and self-evident. Without the metaphysics of form/matter, there is no account of natures, essences, substances, no humans—as per nominalism.



VIEW #1: BUILDING REALITY ON WORD STUDIES— E.g., Many conservative Bible churches.

Figure 1: Cratylean Triangle of Reference

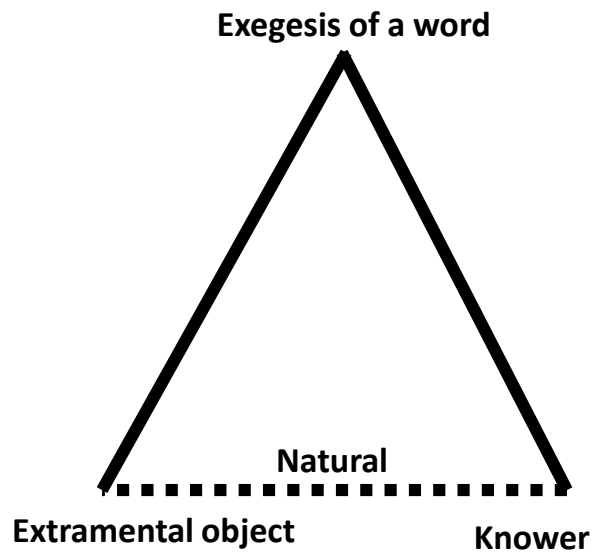
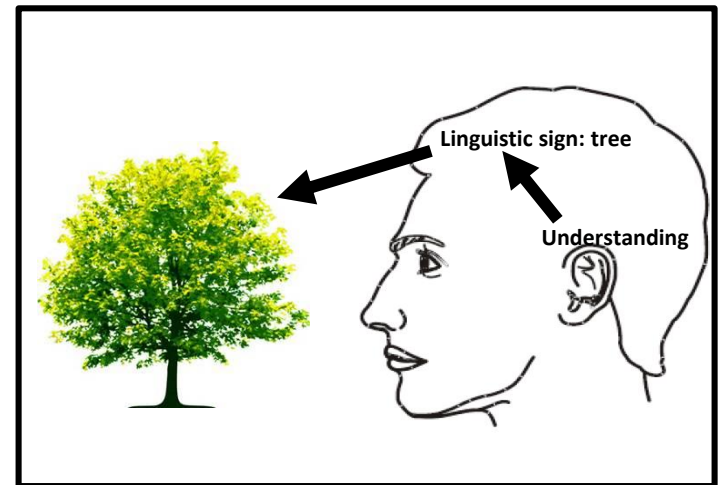


Figure 1: Cratylean View of Language and Reality



VIEW #2: BUILDING REALITY ON SELF—believing what you want

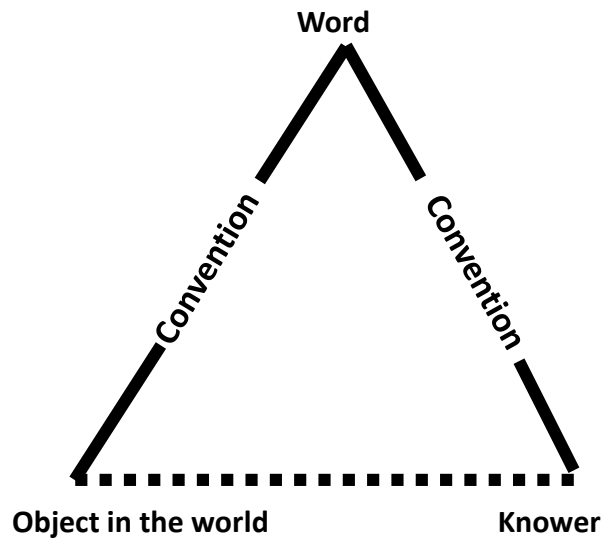
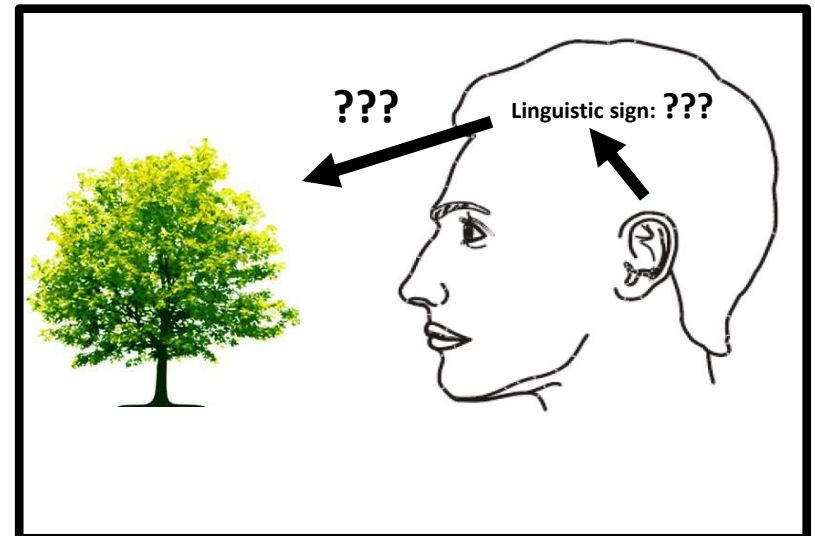
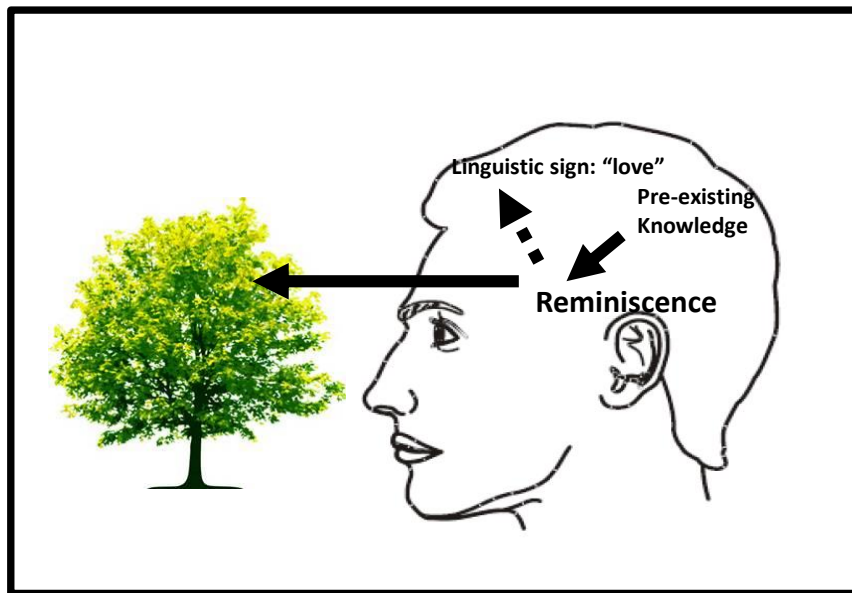


Figure 2: Hermogenian View of Language and Reality



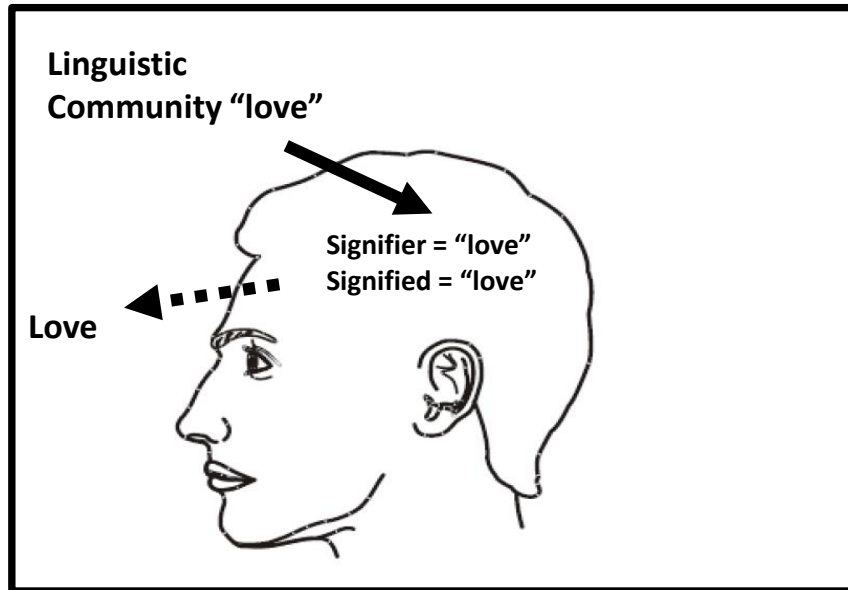
VIEW #3: BUILDING REALITY ON INNATE KNOWLEDGE—Presuppositionalists.

Socratic View of Language and Reality



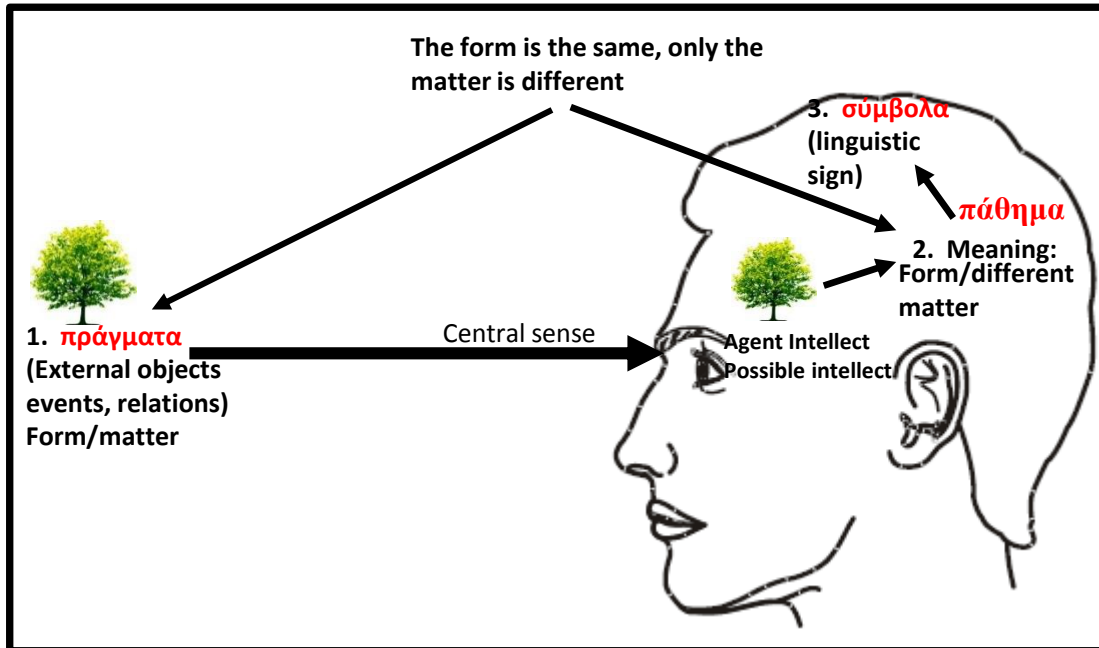
VIEW #4: BUILDING REALITY ON LINGUISTIC COMMUNITY— “Progressives.”

Saussure's View of Language and Reality



VIEW #5: BUILDING WORDS ON REALITY. REALITY PRECEDES LANGUAGE—AT-POL, Realists.

Note that knowledge of reality is pre-linguistic. Knowledge precedes language



In all systems outside of AT-POL, signs (words, culture, representations, emotional makeup, preferences = Dasein) precede and determine reality

