

approach teachers, they make no secret of them. Here is a list of the principles of the modern approach which we must expose:-

- (1) The sole task of the expositor is to understand the literal sense consciously intended by the original human author to be fully understood by his contemporary hearers. There is no other meaning to a text.
- (2) Every passage of Scripture has but a single sense or meaning, and no other.
- (3) The interpreter must not bring to a passage any religious opinions, expectations or presuppositions.
- (4) No biblical doctrine or other text may be allowed to throw light on a passage unless it was known to the original human author. (So the New Testament must not be used to throw light on the Old.)
- (5) The interpreter must never allegorise or spiritualise a passage for this is utterly reprehensible. (Poor Matthew Henry, not to mention a host of Puritans!)
- (6) An application for today must be derived strictly from the human author's intended meaning.