St. Thomas Aquinas [Summa totius logicae Aristotelis (Opusculum 48)] divides the operations of the Understanding in reference to the logical character of their products into

- **Simple Apprehension,**
- **Judgment,** and
- **Ratiocination, or Reasoning.**

Ratiocination or reasoning produces *inferences* or *reasonings*, which are expressed by *argumentations*, as, ”I think, therefore I must exist,” “Enoch, being a man, must have died; and since the Bible says he did not die, not everything in the Bible can be true.”