

**Abstract.** Dionysius the Areopagite has been accused of contradicting Aristotle's logic in his apophatic theology. After considering this charge from the viewpoint of "classical logic", I shall offer several reflections on Dionysius's "mystical dialectic". I begin with an account of "changes of mind" in the context of Dietrich Bonhoeffer's caution that a god who "exists" does not exist. Then, in the medieval discussion of analogy, I suggest how the religious epistemology of John Duns Scotus and Thomas Aquinas can be displayed in this dialectic. Finally I shall relate this material to the "ascent" of John of the Cross.

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