

CHURCH HISTORY LITERACY

St. Augustine – Part 2


Lesson 26

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A close-up photograph of a dense patch of green grass, likely a lawn or field. The grass blades are vibrant green and appear to be cut or mowed. A solid blue rectangular box is overlaid on the top portion of the image, containing white text.

My failures in class ...



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Answering questions!



“Why is my grass called St.
Augustine?”

“St. Augustine, Florida



“St. Augustine, Florida
(named after the feast day of
St. Augustine)





St. Augustine
of Hippo



“Augustinianism”



Augustine wrote
over 40 years



Augustine covers
many topics

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many topics

Faith and
Reason





Augustine covers
many topics

Philosophy



Augustine covers
many topics

The Trinity



Augustine covers
many topics

The Trinity

If you deny it, you will
lose your salvation,
but if you try to
understand it you will
lose your mind



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Christology



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Out of love for the masses God Most High bent down and subjected the authority of the divine intellect even to the human body to redeem mankind



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Interpretation of
scripture



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How we come
to knowledge

We will focus on
three topics



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Good / Evil





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Church and
Sacraments



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God?

Satan?

Remember his cult? “Manichaeism”



Good noble god

Evil counterpart

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Augustine
destroys the cult!

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None of the above

God Creates all “Good”

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Evil is a “corruption” of good

God
Creates all
“Good”

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Good / Evil



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Sacraments

Grace and
Free Will

Those Donatists and their
blasted church purity!

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Some recanted
rather than die

Those Donatists and their
blasted church purity!

These fell away
and polluted the
church

Those Donatists and their blasted church purity!



These fell away
and polluted the
church

Augustine:
the church is one



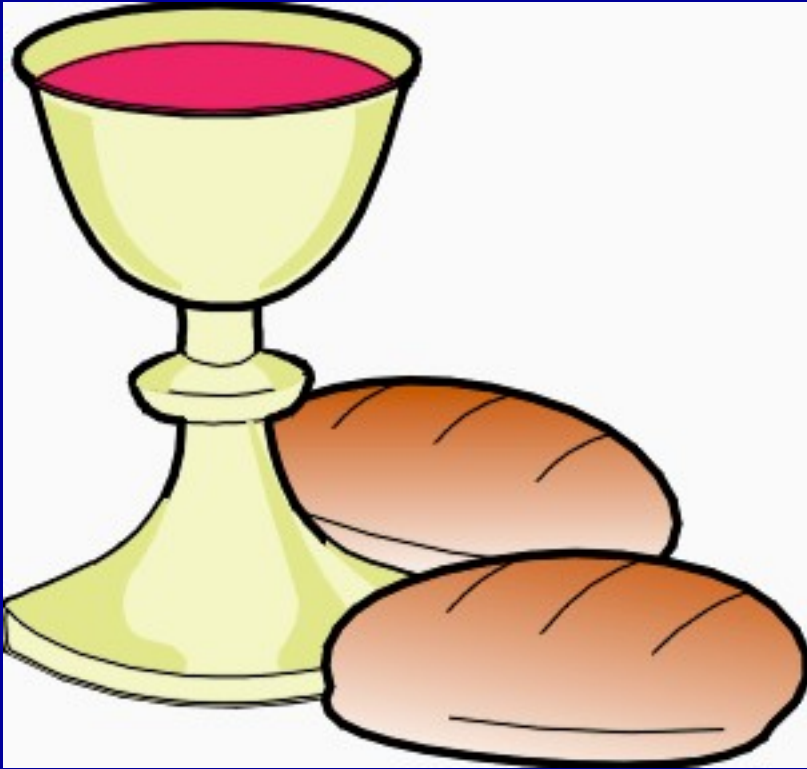


Augustine:
the church is one

The church has
good and bad ...

As for the sacraments

As for the sacraments



As for the sacraments



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God is the key, not the Priest



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Changes in church

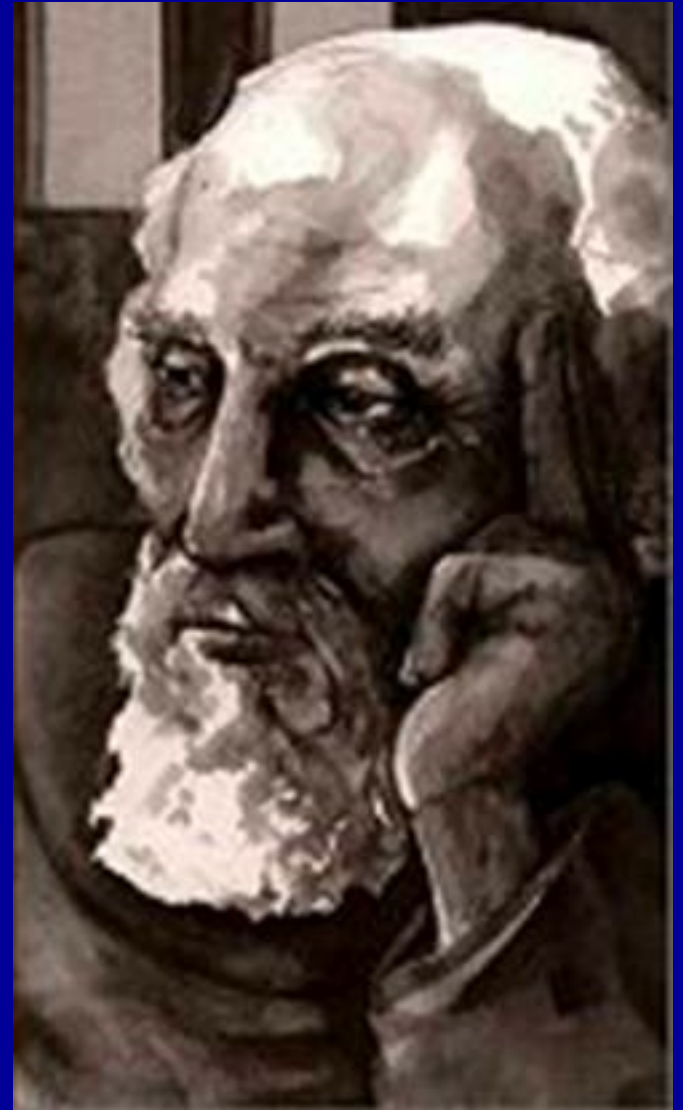
Changes in church



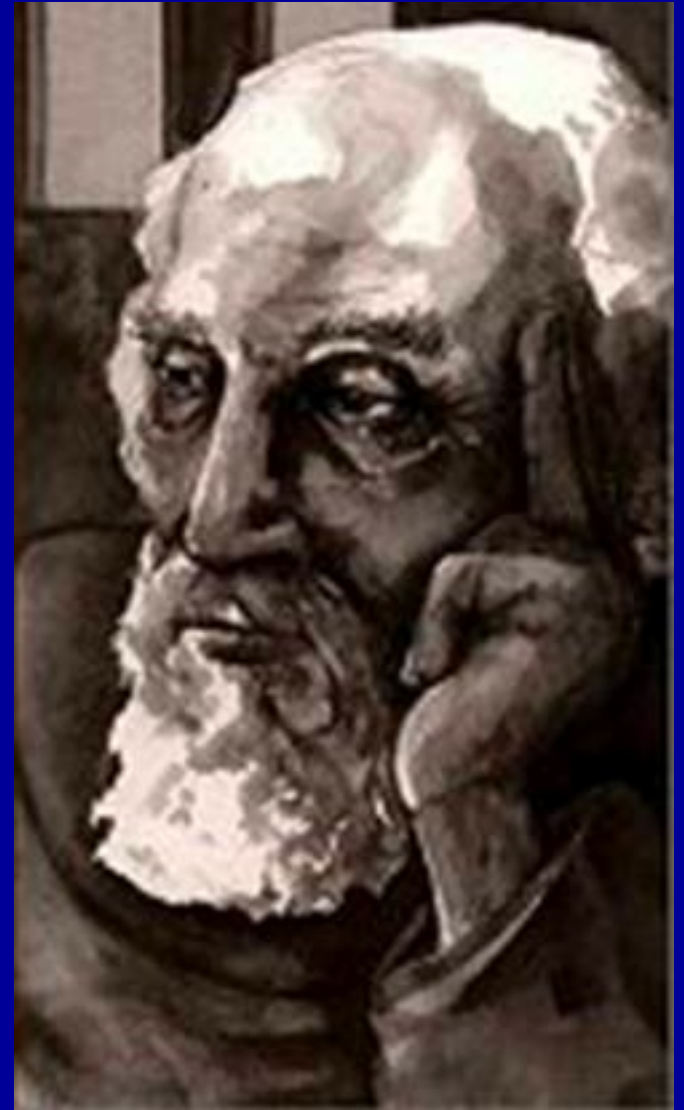
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In comes Monk Pelagius



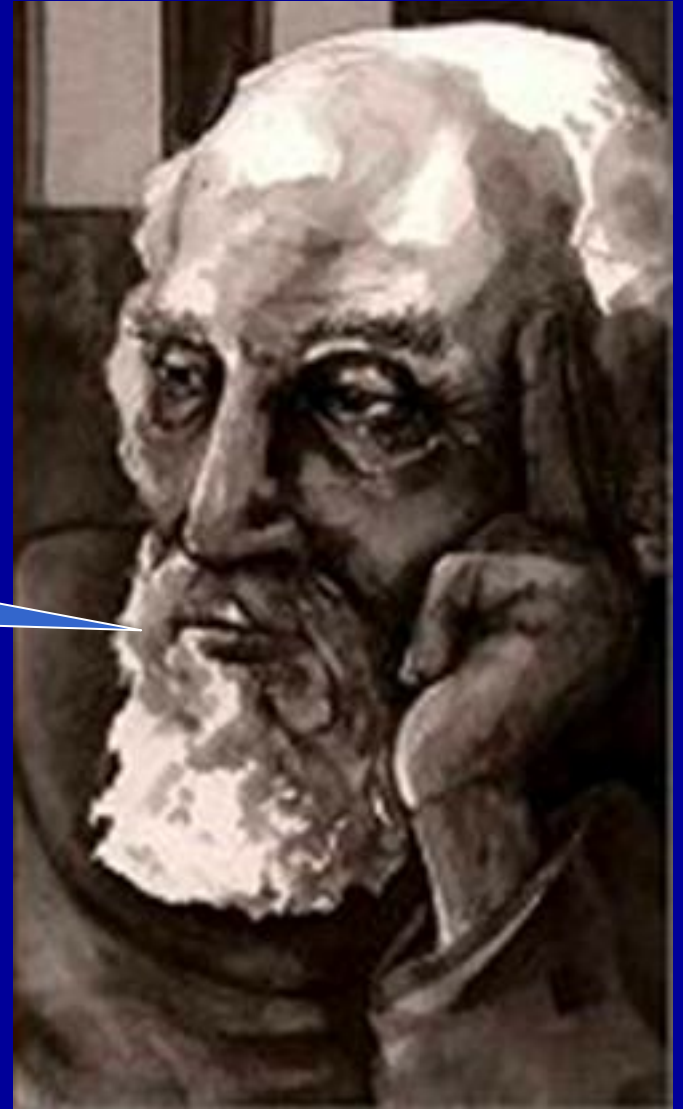
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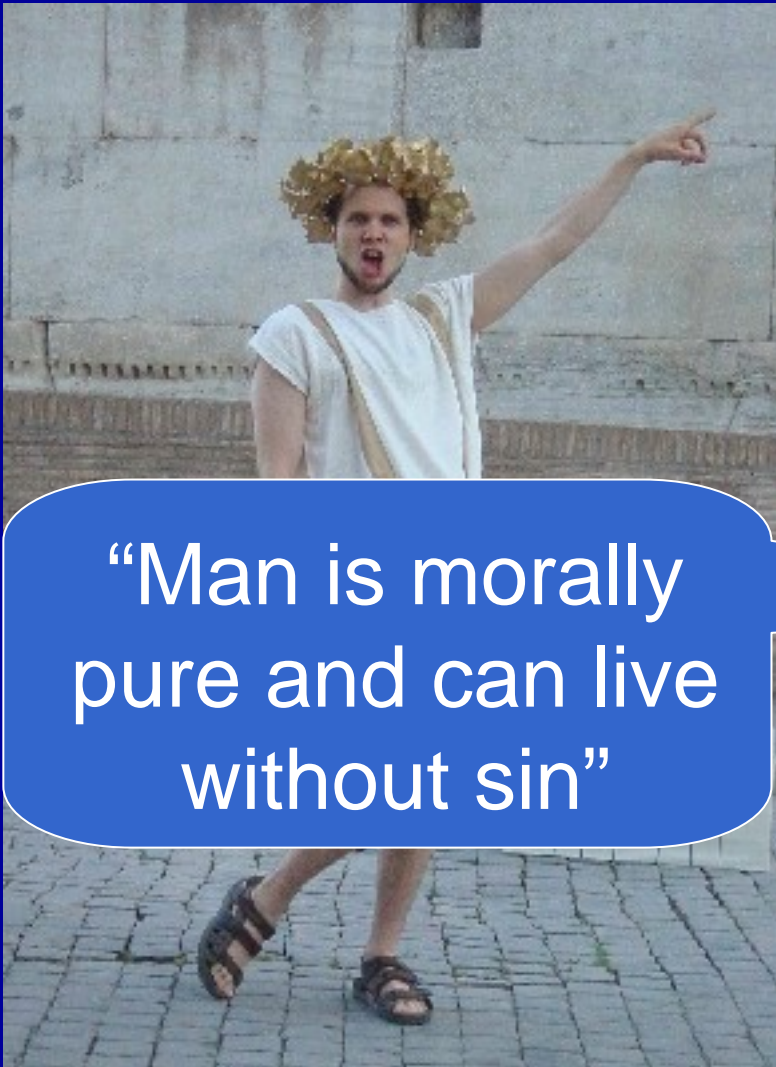
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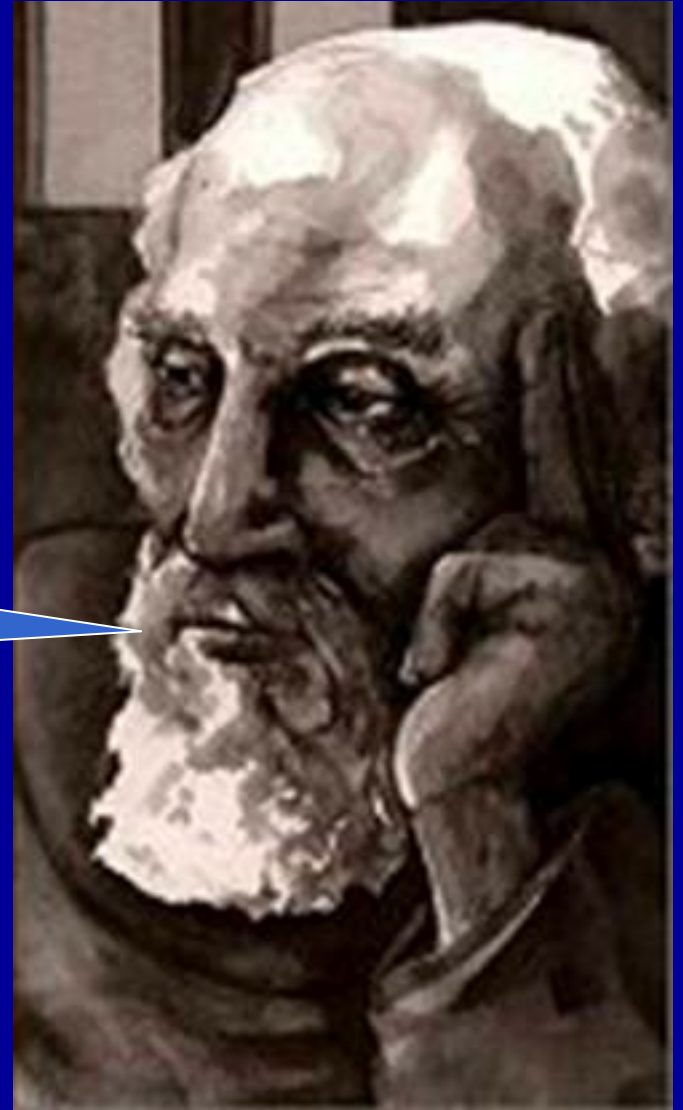
“This is
Augustine’s fault”



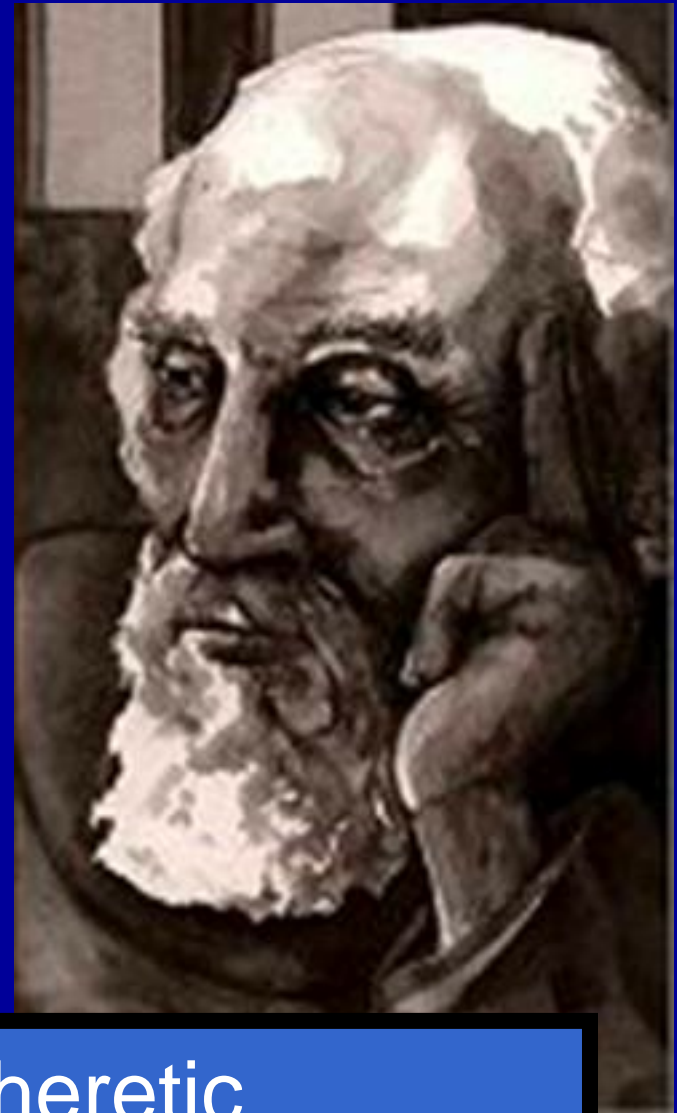
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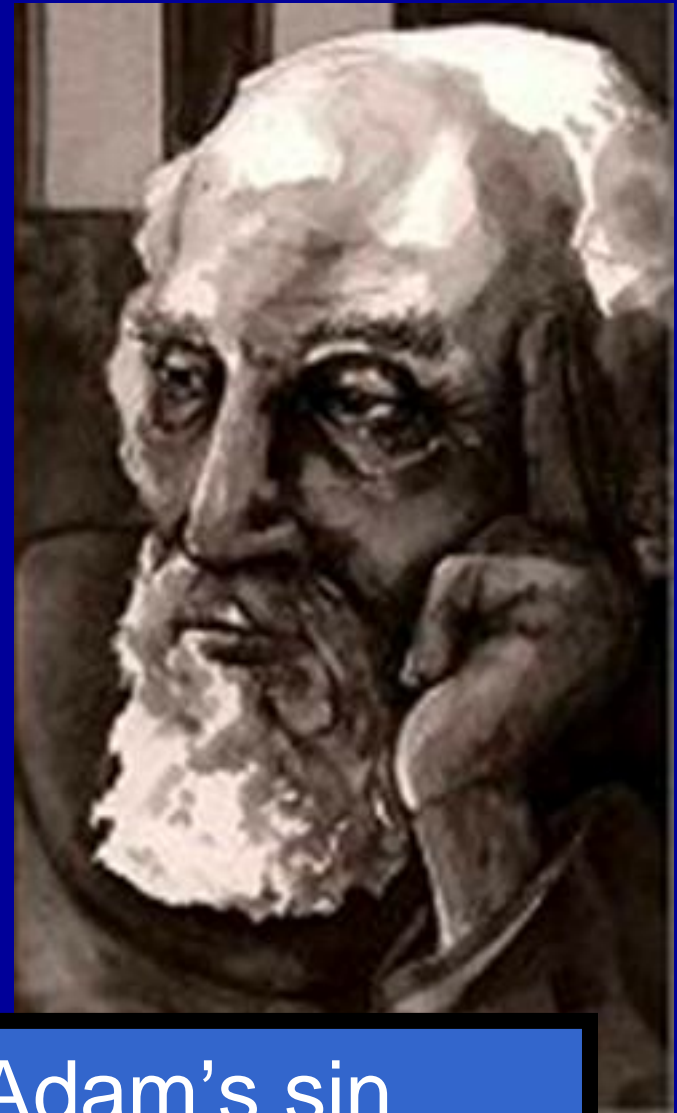
“Man is morally pure and can live without sin”



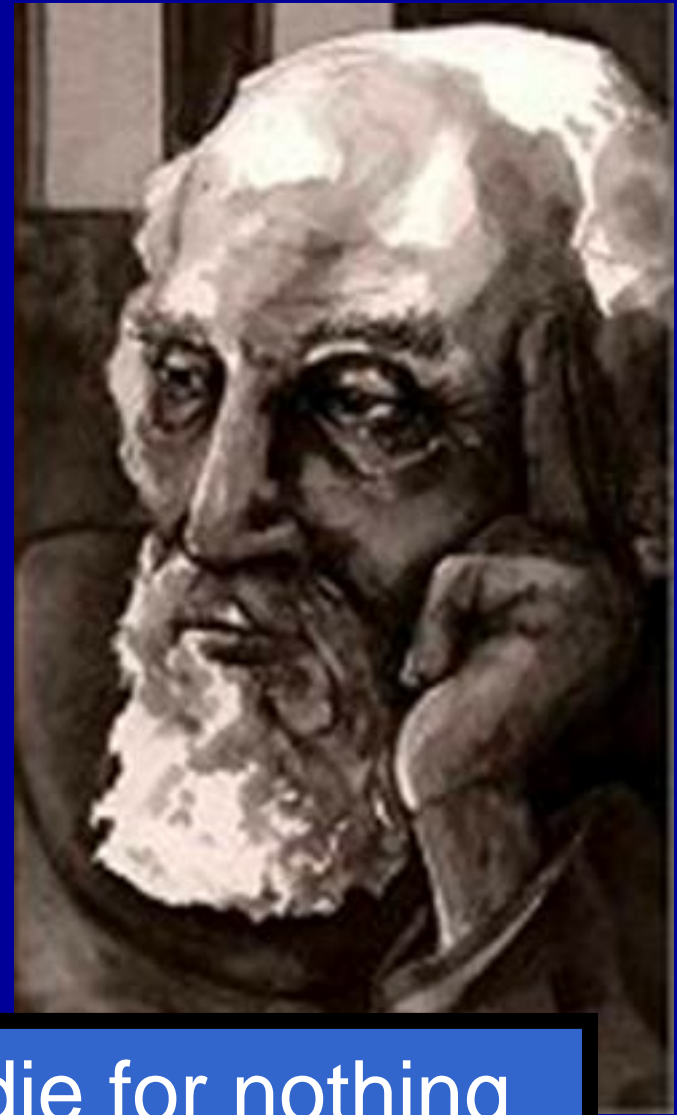




Pelagius is a heretic



Man is born with Adam's sin



Pelagius has Christ die for nothing



The human race lies ill, not with diseases of the body, but with sin. To heal this huge patient, the omnipotent physician descended from heaven. He lowered himself to mortal flesh as if to the bedside of ailing humanity

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3. God saves the lost who cannot save themselves.