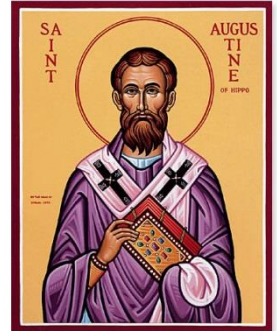


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SESSION 3: AUGUSTINE: WHO ARE WE?

1 Augustine's despair at sin

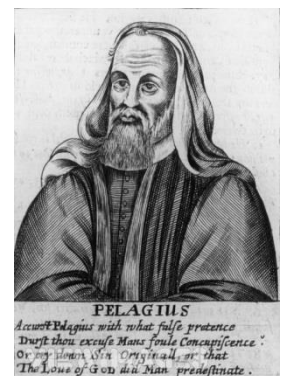
1.1 A restless early life



1.2 Finding rest in Jesus

“Not in riots and drunken parties, not in eroticism and indecencies, not in strife and rivalry, but put on the Lord Jesus Christ and make no provision for the flesh in its lusts.” **Romans 13:13-14**

2 Pelagius's despair at sin



3 Augustine's answer

3.1 The bondage of the will

At one time we too were foolish, disobedient, deceived and enslaved by all kinds of passions and pleasures. We lived in malice and envy, being hated and hating one another. **Titus 3:3**

When you were slaves to sin, you were free from the control of righteousness. **Romans 6:20**

"I tell you the truth, everyone who sins is a slave to sin." **John 8:34**

3.2 Original sin

3.2.1 The Biblical argument

Surely I was sinful at birth, sinful from the time my mother conceived me. **Ps 51:5**

For since death came through a man, the resurrection of the dead comes also through a man. For as in Adam all die, so in Christ all will be made alive. **1 Cor 15:21-22**

3.2.2 The not-so-Biblical argument

3.3 The glory of Jesus

"You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit." **John 15:16**

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4 Implications