

that I wonder if it was 4 instead of 9 is that Gratian was emperor from 375 to 383, and ~~xx~~ and I believe that he was connected with him for more than four years. But Gratian was only 16 years of age, when he became emperor, he reigned for eight years, and then he ~~xx~~ was murdered/ But during this time, Gratian had his headquarters in Milan. And he was much interested in this great bishop in Milan. The word bishop we use there in a historic sense. The word episcopus is a word which was used in the political ~~x~~ world for an overseer, a leader, one who took an interest in the welfare of his area. And ~~M~~ Ambrose had been trained, as you know, as a Roman official, he was used to very careful deciding what was right in the matter, and then having decided what was right he was used to insisting on it, and standing by it no matter what obstacles might be in the way// of carrying it out. And these characteristics of the good Roman ~~xxxxx~~ civil official he carried over into his church life.

We may not always agree with him as to what was the right thing to do in a certain situation, but I believe ~~xxxx~~ that all historians will agree on two matters. First that Ambrose was thoroughly sincere in his conclusions, that everything that he did was done because he thought it was ~~xxx~~ the right thing and he thought it was that which was for the best. I thought ~~x~~ of taking the roll of each one this morning, but I looked about and got the impression that most of you were here, and I did~~x~~ not do it. What I had thought of doing was giving a ~~xxxxx~~ brief quiz, just a simple one, I was going to say what city was in it which Ambrose was bishop. And everyone could have answered with one word, and I would have collected it and I would have known who ~~x~~ was here on time and also who knew what we were talking about at present. Looking at how the class has incre~~x~~ased now since the beginning of the hour, I wish that I had taken the roll. But we won't do that this hour, but we will some other time. I won't ask you that particular question, however. (laughter)

They agree that Ambrose was sincere in his ~~xxxxxxxx~~ decisions in every point whether he was always right or not. That is to say that there are decisions which he made which historians sometimes think were not the best decisions. The reason why they feel that way is because they look at it from our present viewpoint. the tolerance in the matter of religion. We in America ~~xx~~ feel quite