

use of his hands and feet, and he was more robust and vigorous than those who were accustomed to change of food and clothing and of washing. His fame spread from his remote dwelling on the lone mountain over the whole Roman empire, but even his renown was not learning the worldly wisdom, nor human art, but alone his piety toward God.

There is one thing that is very appealing about Anthony. That is that when he died he gave directions that he should be secretly buried by his friends. And the place where he was buried was to be kept secret, lest the people should come and should worship at the place where he went. There was one other in history who did the same thing, and that was John Calvin. He had himself buried secretly in the middle of the night. And it wasn't until 200 years later that someone made a guess where they thought that Calvin was buried, and they put up a monument there, and it has now become a great shrine. But Calvin did not risk any honor to himself, only to Christ. And there was such great honor paid to him in life, that he wished to destroy the danger that might be after death.

Well Anthony felt the same way. And so Anthony got his friends to bury him secretly in the night, and thus his last will was a protest against the worship of saints and relics. Although the story of his life actually did much to promote that worship of saints and relics. 200 years later, it was claimed by a monk, that the bones of Anthony had been miraculously discovered. And they were taken then to Alexandria and then to Constantiople, and then to France. And they were worshipped all over. But it was not Anthony's desire that this should be done. He was evidently a man of very unusual characteristics. And Athanasius burdened and worn down with the cares of administering his oversight over the Christians of Alexandria and his trying to stand for the truth, could not but in his heart envy this man who could live alone in the cave, praying to God, and worshipping, and not being bothered by these cares. And Athanasius wrote him up in such a style that doubtless won many people to an interest in the things of the Lord, but it also won many to an attraction to certain