versions and manuscripts and made what he thought was the correct  $\mathbf{t}$  text of the Vulgate. And then he looked it over and made a few changes and made  $\mathbf{t}$  an introduction saying, this is the correct text of the Vulgate, the authobitative text, and it was printed and ready to be distributed and then the pope died. And **max** his successor thought that he had done a very p poor  $\mathbf{k}$  job on it, **andx** and he ordered that  $\mathbf{t}$  all the copies be recalled as **afr** far as possible, because it was not the correct text of the Vulgate. And so there is no authoritative correct text of the Vulgate. As yet, even though this pope tried to give one. It is a matter that the copies have simply had differences among them come in.'

So we can't be absoulutely sure what Jerome's original text was. We can be sure what the Hebrew was actually than what Jerome's was/ But of course to us protestants that doesn't matter. We don't need an exact text of the Vulgate, we don't consider it inspired, but our text is near enough exact to be an excellent translation and very valuable for study. But in many places it is corrupted.

(question) Now there is a good question. I think we all should know. The attitude of the Roman AC tholic church. Mr. Curtis, who was teaching public speaking and music with t us in Wilmington, ten years ago, ecame very interested at one time in the matter of the Roman Catholic Bible, he went to Roman Catholic book stores in Wilmington and asked for a Roman Catholic New Testament. And the man seemd quite surprised when he asked for it, and he hunted all around the place, and finally found a copy and said this is the first **int** time in four years that I have been asked for a copy of the Bible. They had their xoptawx copies of the prayer book, and they sold many. They had lives of the saints, hey thad books praising various speeches of Roman Catholicism, and they had all kinds of literature which they were constantly selling, but they were not selling Bibles. They were avilable for sale, supposedly, but there just was np demand for them. And about that time a statement happened to be made in the Wiomington paper, which water referred to the King James Bible as the Bible of the English-speaking world. And the a letter appeared in the Wilmington marx paper two days later, from thex a Roman Catholic, which said that they wished

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