

to Jerome.

Jerome, however, in letters to others, told what he thought of the fine devotion of these women. ~~HexxSxxx~~ They began spreading rumors about Jerome and criticizing him, and claiming that he really wasn't as holy as he claimed to be, and criticizing his ~~xxxxxxxKxxxx~~ relation to Paula, and he in answer to the letter said with indignant rhetoric, was there then no other matron in ~~Rxx~~ Rome who could have conquered my heart but that one who was always mourning and fasting, who abounded in dirt, who had become almost blind with weeping, who spent whole nights in prayer, whose song was the Psalm, whose conversation was the Gospel, whose joy was ~~abstention~~ absteniousness, whose life was fasting, could no other have pleased ~~me~~ me but that one? Whom I have never seen eat, nay verily after I had begun to revere her as her chastity deserved, should all virtues have ~~xxx~~ at once forsaken me.

Well, <sup>about</sup> ~~xxxx~~ this tome ?Damasus died. He was succeeded by a pope who hadn't much use for Jerome. And then people began to bring these attacks on Jerome's moral life and these criticisms, and he answered them with tremendous vehemence. And he summoned one of his leading accusers to the courts, and ~~xxxx~~ proved there that there was nothing to his accusations against Jerome's life, to the claims that he was making against him. He proved that he was innocent of the attacks that they were making on him, and then he said, I am going to leave Babylon forever and I am going to ~~N~~ Jerusalem. I am going to have nothing more to do with Babylon, so he shook the dust of Rome off his feet, and he went off to Palestine. And Paula followed him shortly after, Paula and Eustochian, and one of these other women, and they went to Palestine, and he established a monastery for which Paula paid, and she also built a convent nearby which she was the head. And for the next twenty years or more they lived there in ~~Rxxx~~ Palestine.

Well, I see our time is up, and we will continue tomorrow morning at  
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In the review yesterday. As you know, we are not interested in this course simply in having you learn a few names and dates and facts. We are (laughter)