

that he was going to shake the dust of Babylon off of his feet and go to Jerusalem. And so he left and went to the east and never returned. And he lived for the next nearly thirty-five years of his life in Palestine. He went to Palestine, and soon after ~~Paula~~ Paula and Eustochian and some other women followed him, that is they joined him before ~~he~~ he got to Palestine, on the way he came to a great (3½) and he very humbly became a student there for a time. And that is one thing about Jerome. Jerome is a man, who in his dealings with people, who he thought knew less than he did, was often very arbitrary and very severe in his language. And especially toward people who didn'the was always ~~be~~ very humble in studying at the feet of men who he thought knew something along any particular line.

You remember, just a few years ~~before~~ before this, he had gone to hear Gregory of Nazianzen lectures on the incarnation in Constantinople. And he was very humble all through his life in learning, and constantly learning. He was a very very great scholar. He did great services to the Christian church. But I fear he did a disservice to the Christian church.....of his on monasticism, which gave it a tremendous forward push. Back in the year 386, Jerome and Paula and Eustochian established themselves at Bethlehem. Soon after they got there Jerome went ~~to~~ all over ~~the~~ Palestine looking at the important places and trying to decide what ~~of~~ O.T. events had happened there. And it is of great interest to us today to try to reconstruct events in Palestine to have Jerome's writings on the geography of Palestine. It is very useful to us. And he ~~is~~ describes this ~~place~~ when he first came to Jerusalem with Paula, as they passed a certain hill, he said, that is where Saul had his palace and he discussed with her lessons to be learned from the life of Saul. And in 1921 the hill was excavated. to try to find out whether ~~it~~ it was Saul's palace, though the evidence is not complete, it is ~~fairly~~ fairly certain that it was indeed Saul's palace. King Saul's palace was just a few miles north of Jerusalem.

Well, he settled himself therein Bethlehem, and Paula gave money with which a monastery was built, over which Jerome presided, and there was another one