

art combine his poison with the genuine faith. He opposes virginity, hates chastity, cries against the fastings of the ~~the~~ saints. And would only omit jovial feasting to amuse himself with the ~~songs~~ songs of David. It is terrible to hear that even bishops are companions of his wantonness, if those who deserve this name, who ~~do~~ ordain only married persons for deacons, and trust not the chastity of the single, and so Jerome went to great abuse in his criticism of these men.

But Jerome's view went out in the greater part of the church. When Jovinian died, Jerome said of him, this man, after having been condemned by the authority of the Roman Church, amidst his feasts of ~~pheasants~~ pheasants and of swine's flesh, I will not say he gave up a belch for his life. (laughter) People do not like ~~to~~ to think that there is bitterness shown by controversialists in our day, I would like to say that if we read the writings of the ~~reformers~~ reformers of the 16th century, against those with whom they disagreed, or if you read the writings of the Christian leaders of the third and fourth centuries, you will say that there is no Christian in our day who uses ~~anything~~ anything ~~but~~ but the finest language in his ~~talk~~ talking of other Christians. But Jerome was extreme~~ly~~, and even some of the Roman Church have felt that his language was too extreme. Even though they agree with him in general, though not completely in his viewpoint.

Well, now, there is this great controversy that ~~Jerome~~ Jerome had, about monasticism, in which he wrote ~~against~~ against these men who were urging a Christian life, a sober Christian life, with proper attention to all phases of life. Not advocating worldliness or enjoyment of worldly things for themselves, but opposing the extremes which the monastic tendency was leading to. Jerome attacked them very very strongly, and his viewpoint won the day in large sections of the church. Now, if Jerome had been a great student of the work of Origen, and most of the ~~the~~ great scholars of this period had been tremendously influenced by Origen's ~~writings~~ writings. But you remember that in ~~Origen's~~ Origen's writings there are many places where he allows his imagination to wander. He takes what he stands very strongly for, what is