

wrong; it is a heresy, and Semipelagianism is considered to be wrong, and anything that anyone wishes to follow Augustin on is right, because Augustin is one of the great ~~the~~ saints, but the actual views do not go anywhere near as far as A's views. They place a great deal of stress on other aspects which negate his views; it often goes almost as far as Pelagianism, but hardly anyone would call himself a Pelagain, or even a Semi-Pelagian. They might say they were Sem-Augustinian. But the teaching of Augustin, all through the history of the church, has had its followers, has had those who have read it and been tremendously moved by it, and have attempted to follow him all the way. This was done by Luther and by Calvin, and even after their time, even in the Roman Catholic Church there were those who tried to follow A's teaching all the way, until they got into trouble with the hierarchy and were themselves condemned, and their movements were destroyed. But that comes in modern church ~~his~~ history, and we will look at that later. But-Aug- Augustinianism was a vital force within the church from this time. All would give lip service to A, although would many would fail to give full agreement to the teaching which he gave. I think that is ~~it~~ enough for the present on the Pelagian controversy. The subject is a very vital one for the present day, because before the rise of so-called Neo-orthodoxy, Pelagianism was actually was the religion of the greater part of the professing Protestant Church. Live a ~~good~~ good ~~life~~ life so that you can deserve to go to heaven. That was the essence of the preaching in recent years, before Neo-orthodoxy, in the great bulk of our churches. It is not Christianity. Everything it says is good, but everything it ^{denies} ~~denies~~ is wrong, and it ~~it~~ leaves out the whole power a lot of which is utterly impossible to do.

We move on to our next point.

VII. (Still under Augustin, because he was so prominent at the African Church at this time.) The Relation of the African Church to the Bishop of Rome. Now the relation of the African ~~Church~~ Church to the bishop of Rome is not a thing which it would be necessary for us to make a subhead, if it were not for later developments. There are very interesting things