

means father . But in the Modern sense the term pope is meant for some one who claims to be the head of the church and ~~actually~~ and in that sense it is altogether probably to call him pope., not the first man who thought he had this position but the first man who had the character and the intellect and the ability and the good to make a great number others think he was. And in his good fortune perhaps it could be considered the fact that he came at a time when other were not outstanding , that is something to be noticed , it so happened ~~to~~ I remember at Princeton Seminary , in the class just a head of the one in which i was a member, one fellow wrote a paper for a prize in Greek and he spent one afternoon writing it and he turned it in and they said well it is not too good but he is the only one who did anything on it and he was a fairly bright fellow and so they gave him the prize and there was no body else there was hardly anybody that was outstanding in scholarship at least and very little in regard to that particular class. In the next class , the one which I happened to be a member had 10 or 12 fellows in it anyone who in an afternoon could have written a much better paper than that particular fellow did. It just so happened that the class that I was in had at least 8 fellows in it who are professors in theological seminaries today it was a class in which a large number of men of unusual intellectual ability just happened to come together in that same class, well now any one of these 8 or 10 if they had been in the class before or in a good many of the classes they would have been the outstanding figures in the class. But in that class there was no one who was outstanding towering figure, there were quite a number who were all unusual . But now we have christian church ~~with~~ when a great number of the figures like this , but when Leo was prominent there was ~~no~~ no one else who was outstanding . Augustine died in 430 , 10 years before Leo became pope , Athanasius was a century before , Jerome had died 30 years before Leo became pope, the great leaders of the christian church were dead , had gone either 10 years or 100 years before , Leo is the only outstanding figure of the time, there is not an outstanding emperor , there was many men of mediocre ability, some of them very active, but an