

He is one of the reasons I have been stressing that you understand through these centuries the importance of the effect of events in N. Africa, as they are all entered into his background. I believe most Protestants would agree that St. Augustine is the most important figure in the ancient church. I think most R.C. scholars would certainly put him in the top three, some would probably put him as the most important. Certainly all would put him as one of the three or four most important figures in the ancient church. He was one of the very greatest Christian writers and certain features of what he wrote are very valuable.