

Period 3

Constantine to Charlemagne (312 – 800)

Lesson 8

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Period 3.b. Augustinianism

1. Reference: Rom.8:29-30, Eph.1:4-5, 11.
2. Essential Theory, Belief, or Practice: Predestination, Original sin, bondage of the will, and Efficacious grace are attributed to Augustine, and promoted by modern Reformed Theologians today. He pioneered the idea of the church being both visible and invisible, and that war is just to defend innocents and preserve peace.

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3. Principle Character:

- Augustine Aurelius A.D. 354, converted to Christianity in 387, and became a well known preacher.
- Became Bishop of Hippo, and lived mainly a monastic life until his death in 430 at 76.
- Major works include *Confessions*, and *City of God*.
- He was premillennial, and dispensational in holding to a traditional seven-age model of Biblical History. He recognized the Church age and the Millennial Kingdom.



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4. Scriptural Refutation:

- a. Predestination – Some or all? Jn.3:16, Rom.3:23, 5:18
- b. Free will – Mk.8:34, Rom.7:18, 1 Cor. 7:37, Rev. 22:17
- c. Perpetual Virginity of Mary – Jesus had brothers and at least one sister -Matt. 13:55, Mk. 6:3 Gal. 1:19
- d. The Lord's Supper: A memorial – 1 Cor. 11:23 - 26