

Augustine, *City of God*, Book 1
OUTLINE
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Preface: The eternal City of God is superior to the temporal city of this world.

Chapters 1-7 | Response to pagan critics

Chapter 1 | God's protection during the sack of Rome

Chapters 2-3 | The pagan gods during the sack of Troy

Chapters 4-7 | More examples and arguments

Chapters 8-29 | Response to troubled Christians

Chapters 8-9 | Symmetry between the fortunes of the godly and godless

Chapter 10 | Torture and starvation of Christians

Chapter 11 | Death of Christians

Chapters 12-13 | Lack of proper burial of Christians

Chapters 14-15 | Captivity of Christians

Chapters 16-29 | Rape and suicide of Christian women

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Chapters 20-24 | Argument against committing suicide in general

Chapters 25-27 | Argument against committing suicide to avoid sin

Chapter 28 | Understanding the suffering of sexual violence

Chapters 29-34 | Further response to pagan critics

Chapter 29 | Christians' suffering has a purpose

Chapters 30-34 | God has moderated the destruction which Roman vices deserve

Chapter 35 | The two cities still permeate each other, as the City of God remains a mixed polity of unbelievers in the church and true believers outside it.

Chapter 36 | Preview of the structure of the rest of this work