

“Fahrenheit 452:”
Augustine as a Companion on the Journey

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Abstract

In this essay, I will attempt to show why so many luminaries and discerning minds throughout the ages, both within the Catholic Church and outside of it, have held St. Augustine in the highest esteem. I will show that a great part of his enduring reputation rests on the *CONFESSIONS*, the immortal narrative of his difficult ascent to the Throne of God. For it is there above all that the saint offers instruction in the choices we all must make, as we journey through a fallen world. The incomparable journey of his soul’s journey has endeared Augustine to countless readers and pilgrim souls, as a guide to sanctity and the fullness of grace.