



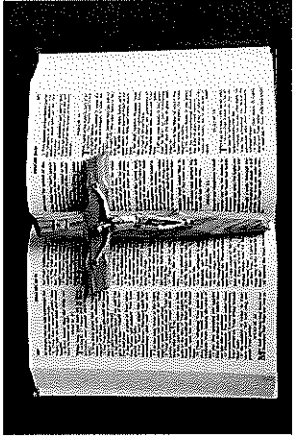
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"For today, we must translate the words of Scripture into deeds, and instead of speaking saintly words, we must act them."

St. Jerome translated the Old and New Testament books into Latin. His work helped identify the canon (inspired books) of the Bible.

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St. Jerome was born in Dalmatia around 347. He was a very smart man, so he studied in Rome. He was baptized there by Pope Liberius when he was about 19 years old. Jerome used his intelligence to read the popular books and study the popular teachers of the time. God appeared to him in a dream and challenged him to spend his time and energy learning about God instead! He worked hard in his studies and learned Hebrew in addition to Latin and Greek. Pope Damasus asked Jerome to translate all the books of the Bible into Latin so that the people could read them. Jerome worked hard and faced many challenges. Jerome's Latin translation of the Bible is called the "Vulgate" and his work helped establish which books should be in the Bible. Jerome went to live in a cave outside of Bethlehem as an old man. That is where he died in the year 420. He is named a Doctor of the Church for his great teachings and work on the Bible. St. Jerome teaches us that "ignorance of Scripture is ignorance of Christ." St. Jerome is the patron saint of librarians, translators, scholars and teachers.

St. Jerome, Doctor of the Church (347-420)

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