



TERTULLIAN

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d. 225?

Theologian

- ✦ Wrote in Carthage
- ✦ First theologian to write in Latin
- ✦ May have been trained as a lawyer
- ✦ Combative literary style
- ✦ Sympathetic to Montanist cause
- ✦ Eventually separated from catholic church ~ 210
- ✦ Gave theological sense to terms such as *trinitas*, *regula fidei*, *personæ*, *substantia*

“The blood of the martyrs is the seed of the church”

“What has Athens to do with Jerusalem, the Academy with the Church?”

“If he only seemed to be human, we only seem to be saved.”

“[Praxeas] throws out prophecy and brings in heresy; he put the Paraclete to flight and crucified the Father.”