

Confessing with St Augustine

Book Notes: Confessions Book X.24-43

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Book X.24-43: Happiness, Memory, and the Mediator

- In Memory He Knows God (10.24.35-26.37)
- Concupiscence of the Flesh (10.30-34)
 - Touch (10.30.41-42)
 - Taste (10.31.43-47)
 - Smell (10.32.48)
 - Hearing (10.33.49-50)
 - Sight (10.34.51-53)
- Concupiscence of the Eyes (10.35.54-57)
- Pride of Life (10.36.58-39.64)
- Summary (10.40.65-41.66)
- The Mediator (10.42.67-43.70)



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Continence, the Body, and the Knowledge of God

- The problem of “locating” knowledge of God. It exists in memory without “place” and “far above me” (26.37).
- The body is both a medium of understanding, but also an obstruction to it:
 - “Late have I loved you, Beauty so ancient and so new, late have I loved you.”
- Remembering is a *moral* act.



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