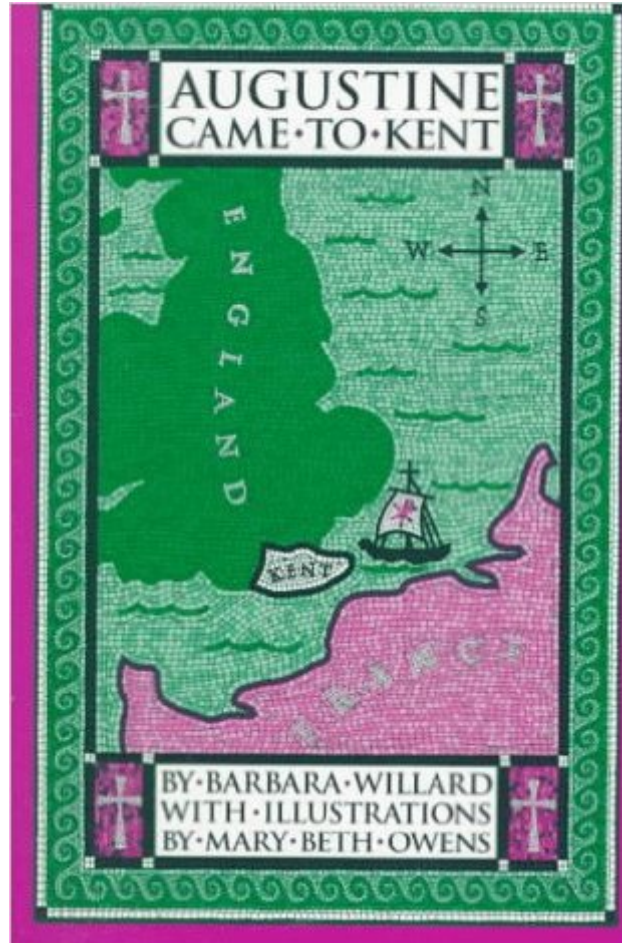


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I am so mixed about this book. It was recommended by my 8th grade child's lesson plans for history and it ends beautifully and is very uplifting in the end but I just couldn't wrap my brain around some of the comments by the author throughout. It was a weird, underhanded negativity that was not necessary to the book and I still am flabbergasted at it. Over and over in the book the religious are shown to be very uncharitable and hard; stern. In fact, even the supposedly "saintly" Augustine the author is constantly describing as being prideful, just constantly. It is hard to describe, so I will simply quote parts of the book: The main character praises the monk he is helping in the kitchen, telling him that "The meat smells wonderfully succulent." Brother Adrian frowned and looked gloomy. "Then I had better burn it a shade or there'll be gluttony among us." AND "That the king should give them the Queen's own chapel, was so comforting to some of the brethren after their ordeals that they became quite puffed up." AND "Brother Severus was in charge of rebuilding the church because he was a disciplinarian. The church was being mended with love, however, and so

he was seldom able to find fault. Therefore he bullied the masons and others whom the King had sent, so that they grumbled and threatened to go home." AND "Brother Hugo had turned out badly after all. His apparent merriment was nothing better than a kind of sarcasm. His fatness lent strength to blows he was free in dealing."I know it's minor; but the book was LITTERED with this.

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