**Burning Augustinian Questions**

**1.9.14**

1. Are his “sins” something we all are guilty of?
2. Why does the potential/ability to sin exist at all?
3. Why did sin return even after Jesus “slew it”?
4. Why did it take Augustine so long to realize his error/
5. What are the levels of sin? Is sin singular?
6. How do the ideas of Augustine connect to Plato/Aristotle?
7. What good does a confession do if one continues to sin?
8. Is God’s mercy and forgiveness dependent on our confession?
9. How do we learn to forgive ourselves, even after confession for our sins?
10. Is Augustine’s confession cowardly in view of his awareness of God’s grace?
11. Does Augustine blame God or God’s silence for his sin?
12. Does repentance end the suffering that sin may cause?
13. Why would God create evil?
14. What wisdom is required in order to confess?
15. Where does evil come from? Is it *ex nihilo*? Did Satan create it?