

Letter 61: 11 November 1520, [Heidelberg], Martin Bucer to Capito

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[*Summary*]: Bucer praises Capito's role in singlehandedly defending humanist culture in Germany. Jacob of Hoogstraten has taken offence at a remark Bucer made about him and denounced him as a partisan of Luther. He is threatening to prosecute him. Bucer is imploring the help of Hutten and Capito. He is ready to accept any situation whatever, provided that he can leave the company of those opposed to literature and true piety [i.e. the Dominican monastery at Heidelberg]. Thomas Murner has just published an anonymous pamphlet in German against Luther. At Maternus Hatten's house Bucer read Georg von Schwalbach's copy of the dialogue, *Hochstratus ovans*. He already suspects who was the author and who advised the author.