

Letter 156: 5 April [1523], Basel, Johannes Oecolampadius to Capito

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[*Summary*]: Oecolampadius is pleased to hear that Capito is now in Strasbourg [he arrived there 14 March], but disappointed that he will remain there only for a short while because of plans to travel to Rome. Bernhard Adelman has advised Oecolampadius to procure a papal dispensation for a release from his monastic vows. If Capito does travel to Rome, he hopes that he might assist him in obtaining such a dispensation. It was not safe for Oecolampadius to return to his father in Württemberg. The theologians in Basel are plotting to prevent him from lecturing on Isaiah. They are intent on driving him out of the city. Oecolampadius asks Capito to mention a time and place for them to meet in order to discuss these and other matters.