

Letter 320: 22 January 1527, Strasbourg, Capito to Ulrich Zwingli

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[*Summary*]: Capito sends his best wishes to Jodocus [Brennwald] on his marriage and hopes that the couple will be united in love and piety. He sends his greetings to Jodocus' father, [Heinrich Brennwald]. He asks Zwingli to tell [Conradus] Pellicanus to keep the *Commentaria bibliorum*. Capito has a copy of his own now and cannot afford to buy another. Zwingli's response to [Jakob] Strauss [i.e. *Antwort über Dr. Strussen Büchlein*] is about to appear. A copy will be delivered to [Philip von Baden]. Capito advises Zwingli to respond cautiously to Luther's [*Sermon von dem Sacrament des leybs und bluts Christi*]. He wishes the theological disputes between the reformers could be settled. God has called them to this battle and will settle it again. There has been a rumour that Felix Manz has been executed [he died 5 January 1527], to the detriment of the cause of godliness and truth. Capito asks Zwingli to confirm the rumour. He hopes that the present Strasbourg city council will be inclined to reform the churches. He regards as vain reports that Luther has stopped preaching in order to write against Zwingli and Oecolampadius. Capito sends his greetings to Zwingli's wife [Anna] and their children.