

Letter 427a: [After 23 September 1530, Augsburg?] N to Capito

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[*Summary*]: John and George of Saxony planned on leaving Augsburg on 19 September, but were persuaded by the emperor to remain until 23 September. On 22 September they had an interview with the emperor in which he demanded that they support the punishment of Karlstadt and Zwingli, but they declined. Martin Bucer left on 19 September for Nürnberg and Coburg to meet Luther. If they had come to an agreement about the Sacramentarian question at Marburg or in Schmalkald [1529], matters would be easier now. The writer has not written to Capito for some time, but is with him in spirit. He wishes he were in Strasbourg or Nürnberg. Papists and reformers are far from agreement. The situation is tense. In a Latin postscript, Capito adds in his own hand that the messenger will leave for Basel. Philip of Hesse wishes to deposit money with the Strasbourg merchants for future use against his enemies.