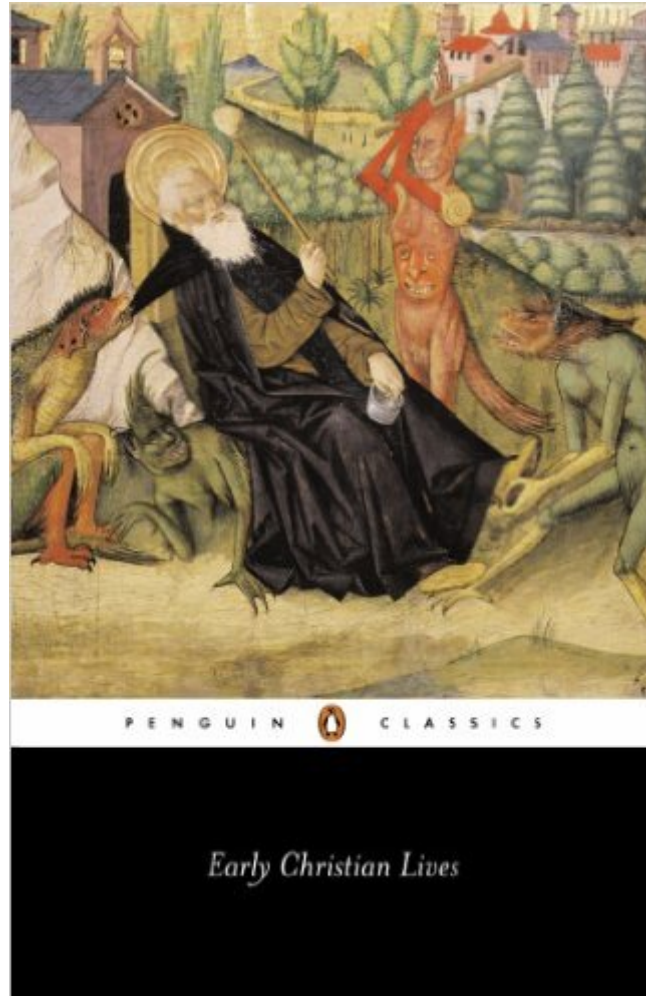


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Great introductions by the translator, these early church writings should be on any of the faithful's required reading lists to gain an understanding of the difficulties early Christians faced, what the time was like, and how dedicated these men were to a monastic life.

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