1. Record Nr. UNINA9910822035703321 Autore Karfikova Lenka Titolo Grace and the will according to Augustine / / by Lenka Karfikova Pubbl/distr/stampa Leiden;; Boston,: Brill, 2012 **ISBN** 1-280-49589-8 9786613591128 90-04-22921-3 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (442 p.) Supplements to Vigiliae Christianae, . 0920-623X ; ; v. 115 Collana Disciplina 234/.1 Soggetti Grace (Theology) - Biblical teaching Grace (Theology) - History of doctrines - Early church, ca. 30-600 Free will and determinism - Religious aspects - Christianity - History of doctrines - Early church, ca. 30-600 Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Note generali Part Three: Introduction. Includes bibliographical references and indexes. Nota di bibliografia Nota di contenuto Front Matter -- Introduction -- Part One: Introduction -- The Universe of Will (Works before Augustine's Ordination as Presbyter: 387–390) --Pauline Themes (the Period of the Presbyterate: 391–395) -- Part Two: Introduction -- Answer to Simplicianus -- Confessions -- Other Works from the Beginning of the Episcopate -- Anti-Donatist Works -- Part Three: Introduction -- Polemic against Pelagius and Caelestius (411-418) -- Other Works from the Period 411–430 -- Polemic against Julian of Eclanum (419-430) -- Conclusion -- Augustine as a Philosopher of the Will -- Bibliography -- Indices. Sommario/riassunto The doctrine on grace, one of the most discussed themes in his later years, was regarded by Augustine as the very core of Christianity. This book traces the gradual crystallisation of this teaching, including its unacceptable consequences (such as double predestination, inherited guilt which deserves eternal punishment, and its transmission through libidinous procreation). How did the reader of Cicero and "the books of the Platonists" reach the ideas that appear in his polemic against Julian (and which remind one of Freud rather than the Stoics or Plotinus)?

That is the point of departure of this book. It surely cannot be expected that there is a definite answer to the question; rather, the aim is to

follow and understand the development.		