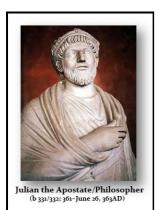
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This end of the Christian Era as some call it, is however, not without its own dangers and precedence. The pagan religions were already dying at this point and some people went along with it just for the profit. He tried to re-invent paganism along Christian lines, which was doomed to failure paganism after all is concerned with the perpetuation of strength, not helping the weak and needy, which Julian's fellow pagans were quick to point out to him.

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In this book, we get a strong sense of the history of the fourth century, which is the age of the decline of the Roman empire made famous by English historian Edward Gibbon, who Murdoch asserts, made Julian the hero of his work.

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Julian began his study of in Asia Minor in 351, at first under, the philosopher, and then Aedesius' student.

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Beyond this fact, you have an unwilling general, who turned out to be quite good at it, and an okay emperor, who might have been good or bad, you just have no way to judge. Constantius, after his experience with Gallus, intended his representative to be more a figurehead than an active participant in events, so he packed Julian off to Gaul with a small retinue, assuming his prefects in Gaul would keep Julian in check. Every sentence contains enough information for a chapter okay not really, but you see my point.

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