

From Bede's 8th century *Ecclesiastical History of the English People*.

The southern Picts ... had ... long before forsaken the errors of idolatry, and received the true faith by the preaching of Bishop Ninias. This most revered and holy man of the British nation ... had been regularly instructed at Rome, in the faith and mysteries of the truth. His episcopal see ... famous for a church dedicated to him (wherein Ninias himself ... rests in the body), is now in the possession of the English nation. The place ... is commonly called the White House, because he there built a church of stone, which was not usual among the Britons.

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