

about her having a very disalute background but may have been orginated by her enimies, we do not know. We do not know of any such thing after she became emperor. She did come it would seem from a humble background and it was not a rbyal biith but a woman of grat ability and beauty and she tried to be the power behind the seenes and to quite and extent she succeeded and often on matters her husband's views would have been different from the view from which she presented and so Justinian tried to stand for the forthodox faith but he tried to conciliate the monophysites and it seemed that Theodora would actually go over to the monppysites but he did not want to do that but he wanted to conciliate them . (question) His wife was Theodora. Justinian then had contrll now in Italy and in the Italy there was no problem over the peroson of Chist and the statements of Chalcedon was accepted in the wesst and that was that, the West was never divided bythe feud over the nature of the trinity or the nzture of Christ. They simply accepted the statement and stood upon it, at least ever since the time of Constantine but in the east there was great division and as the large part of the eastern church stood strong for the monophysite views and one thing that they insisted on they were introducing of the statement but the second person of the trinity was crucified that God was crucified they were using the word God in connection with the crucifixion and it is true that God was born in the perosn of Chirst then God was crucifeid in the person of Chirst. It is not God the father who was crucified but God the son the God-man was crucified and yet the crucifixion ~~implies~~ applys directly to his physical body although he as God has tasted the suffering and the anquish of it all the phrase rightly understoond is alright but the phrase ~~the~~ can be understood as meaning that there was a new nature which is one affused nature and he is not fully God and not fully man and he is a combination and that of course is the monpphysite hersey. And so that phrase they put forward a great deal and it is one on which you can not condemn it and you have to reservations in using it and before this I believe there was a period of thirty years that the church of Constantinope and the church of Rome had