

the edict which he had excommunicated others ~~from~~ for endorsing . He too endorsed the edict 548 which he later withdrew from a protest from the more vigilance western bishops . So you see the western bishops were much more vigilant than the pope and in deference to them he withdrew what he agreed to in deference to the eastern bishops he first excommunicated the eastern bishops for agreeing, issued a new edict 551, signed by a number of gree bishops renewing the condemnation of the three chapters, at this point Vigilus in fear of his live fled to Clacedon and taking refuge in a church excommunicated the bihsop who sided with Justinian and published a letter against the ill treatment which he and received from the empirical bishops , Immediately after the opening of the council 553 the Vigilus published a constutum, modifying his previous endorsement of the empirical dedict and forbidding fruther diseussion of the three chapters seven months later at the end of a period of imprisonment he endeavored to conciliate the emproor by publishing a lttter inwhich he condemned the three chpaters in the sense of a council ~~modified~~ ^{nullified} whatever had been done by him or others to defend him. A few moonths later he publisjed a second constutum repeating the condemnation of the hthree chapters . Now what are you going to with a pope who authoritatively says one thing and then the opposite and then the one ~~than~~ the opposite. Back and forth back and forth, as he gets up courage to oppose theemperor and decides after all he had better wahtch out for his , after all a man has to live and he better do what theemperor says. ~~But~~ What are you going to do with the infallibility of a man like that, well Mc Sordy continues, the whole episode throws a shadow not upon the doctrinal soundness of Vigilus but upon his . Whether the question is not the catholic doctrine of the person of Christ but the expediency of publishing a ~~of~~ condemnation fo the three hapters , moreover Vigilus repeatedly affirmed his adhesion to the chalcedon which had condemned the monophysites , nevertheless his surrender to the emperor caused a storm of protest in the west and gave rise to several by that he means in the west the chruch of