Pre Reformation Church History 11/20/62 No. 15 2 But he said there was when only God the Father was and then the very first thing that happened was that God created Jesus Christ and he made Jesus a God and gave him the power to create the universe and Jesus created the universe. Jesus had control of things ever since his original coming into existence. So, Jesus is very very great but he is a sort of second God. He is not the great absolute God that is inmoved and unaffected by anything we do. " Now that was Arius's expression. Arius had been pondering over these matters for years. Arius had studied with Lucien the matyr but Lucien had studied with Paulus - 11he had been a student of Paulus ----- and in Lucian's writing we find evidence that his views were very similar to Paulus -----. But Lucian died as a martyr ----- 10¹/₂ heresy on his part. But Arius was a pupil of Lucius and Arius -----lo $\frac{1}{2}$ what he said was Sabellianism, denied the real deity of Christ though he made Jesus very very great and said he would call him God. a very God. That means from the very God came this one who is really a God but of course he is not the great and original God. There is only one. How can you have a Father unless there is a Son and how could he be a Father until he has a son. Arius felt an urge to make this views known so he began preaching and Alexander deserted him as a heretic, excommunicated him, ordered him to leave Egypt. He left Egypt and went up to a place in Asia Minor where he found the Bishop of Media ?? who had been Diocletian's capital andthere this Etshop who was a close friend of Arius, took him under his wing and Arius set to work to make it easier for the heathen to come into the church because they wouldn't have to believe something that was illogical and impossible if there was only one God and yet in three persons as Arius described it; but there would be only one God and He begat a Son who was Jesus Christ. So Arius set to work now very vigorously. He took the popular songs of the day and to the music of these songs he set words which would declare there was a time when Jesus was not, and Jesus was begotten of the Father and then He created all the world. He took all his distinctive views and put them into little ditties so the sailors could sing them at the sea, so the weavers could sing them as they worked on their weaving, so the people could sing them as they walked along the street and everywhere you