12/3/62 Pre Reformation Church History No. 19 - 1 that are not specificly taught in scripture. When we say unscriptural there are too senses. One meaning against scripture and the other meaning not in the scripture, and our theological terms trinity and most of these other terms are not # in the scripture. They are unscriptural in that sense but they are an attempt to state that the meaning of the scripture in language that will give us a definite summation of it and in understandable language. I know take any verse of scr. people who will say "oh, that is wonderful" but if you ask that they really believe and its utterly different. But they can twist the meaning of scripture You can take the scripture and put them into the language of your own day and it often will enable you to see what they really believe. Well, the creed was all but about five people there signed the creed. Practically everyone else signed the creed and Constantine said, "oh, this is wonderful". The Christian church has studied these matters that are autside of my realm of understanding but the leaders have studied them, they have written this creed. They have given us understanding of the truths and all but five of the people here have signed the creed and now the church will go forward. These five are not to make trouble any more They are to be exiled. They must go to some other part of the empire, remove from where they had been so their influence will be cut form and they are not recognized as leaders of the church in any sense. Constantine exiled Arius and the other leaders of arianism. Josephus of Nicomedia at first wouldn't sign but decided that he could twist his conscience enough to sign it. So he signed it but was exiled anyway. However he was able to convince the empire that actually he had been misunderstood. He had been with them all along so within a few months he was not only allowed to come back but given his position of leadership again. So the Constantine thought the whole thing was settled and the Christians and most of the Bishops thought it was settled. Actually it was only begun and the controversy took over 50 years before the matter was settled but w en it was settled, it was settled by accepting as final that which the council of Nicea had done. So the Council did a great work in that it thought the thing through carefully and reached a conclusion good enough to have all the arguments - after 50 years decided that after all, it was a solution to the matter.