

So at the Council of Alexandria, under the leadership of Athanasias, they made a clear agreement on this, that a tually the Holy Spirit is God just exactly as Jesus Christ is God. So they came to the conclusion that the word Homousia does apply to the Holy Spirit. They didn't know much about the Holy Spirit but what they said was that he was God and that there are three, not two in one but three in one.

question - No that person gave up the idea ~~and these ceased to be a group called Macedonians~~. From this time on, for a century or two there were people who called themselves Macedonians because they believed in the deity of Christ and God the Father but not the Holy Spirit. Macedonians came to be used to represent those people.

Macedonians continued the view the arians had held regarding the Holy Spirit. Macedonians were against the arians on most points but on this point agreed with them. So the Council of Alexandria was important because under Athanasias leadership a view was set forth so that the Nicene creed that said "we believe in the Holy Ghost" ~~was revised~~. But in the next council we haven't come to

yet, the 2nd Ecumenical Council, when that council was held, they revised the creed and ~~said~~ "we believe in the Holy Spirit" and in the Holy Ghost who

instead of saying they said
is Lord and giver of Life, who with the father is worshipped and glorified, who spake by the phophets"

So they enlarged the part about the Holy Spirit so that everybody understood that the Holy Spirit was God just as much as God the Father and Jesus Christ.

There is a certain sense in which Jesus ^{is} ~~was~~ subordinate to the Father and the Holy Spirit to Jesus and yet there is a sense in which all are equal, in power and glory. There is one God but there are three persons in the Godhead.

question - The groundwork for that was laid here in Alexandria but we will discuss that later. Now that is the 2nd important thing done at the Council of Alexandria.

Downfall of Arrianism - 2. Background. .. Emperors from 363 -395