

particularly important during this time. We call them the three Capadocians. Capadocia is a section of Asia Minor. It is interesting that there was a man from Capadocia who Constantius made bishop of Alexandria in place of Athanasius, who is usually regarded as the man of very low character, and there were various Capadocians who were active ~~during~~ on the Arian side, who are thought very poorly of by historians. But the three men who were particularly active against Arianism happened to come from Capadocia and they are called historically the Capadocian Fathers. These three men, and these three men are men who were in a minority, standing with a minority group against difficulty, but standing strongly for the cause of the full deity of ~~Christ~~ Christ. Their lives, their history is very interesting but we won't have time to go into details of it much, but I want to give you their names right at the moment. The name of one of them is called Basil/ I believe there is a church, I don't know whether it is a cathedral or a monument over here in Philadelphia, a little northeast of here, called the church or the monastery, I forget which, of Basil the Great. And that is named after him. He is considered one of the great saints of the Greek Orthodox Church today. St. Basil. He was a great administrator. And he had been a companion in school of the emperor Julian. Before Julian had any official position, when he simply was the nephew of the emperor, he and Basil ~~had~~ had been good friends, when they were in school together in Athens. And Julian had invited him to his court, but he did not go, he ~~had~~ had no sympathy for what Julian was doing. Basil was a very excellent administrator. He was a good writer and a man of wide interest, ~~but~~ but he was particularly an administrator, ~~and~~

Now Basil had a brother ~~called~~ called Gregory of Nyssa. And Basil's brother, Gregory, was a theologian, ~~and~~ a very excellent ~~theologian~~ theologian. His writings don't have quite the ~~dash~~ dash and the force and the vividness of Basil's writings, but they have a keen discernment and understanding. And his writings were very effective. He was ~~another~~ another one of the three Capadocian Fathers. I think they would probably call him the third,