

Anomoeanism

In 4th-century Christianity, the **Anomoeans**^[1] / $\underline{\alpha}$ and known also as **Heterousians** / $\underline{\beta}$ Atianism, that $\underline{\beta}$ Arianism, that $\underline{\beta}$ Arianism, that $\underline{\beta}$ Arianism, as maintained by the semi-Arians. (2)

Overview

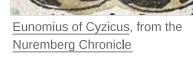
The word *anomoean* comes from <u>Greek</u> $\dot{\Omega}(v)$ - (*an*-) 'not' and $\bullet\mu$ olog (*omoios*) 'similar', thus 'different; dissimilar'. In the 4th century, during the reign of <u>Constantius II</u>, this was the name by which the followers of <u>Aëtius</u> and <u>Eunomius</u> were described. The term *heterousian* derives from <u>Greek</u> $\dot{\epsilon}$ τεροούσιος, *heterooúsios* 'differing in substance' from $\dot{\epsilon}$ τερος, *héteros* 'another' and οὐσία, *ousía* 'substance, being'.

The semi-Arians condemned the Anomoeans in the <u>Council of Seleucia</u>, and the Anomoeans condemned the semi-Arians in their turn in the Councils of <u>Constantinople</u> and <u>Antioch</u>; erasing the word ὅμοιος (*omoios*) from the formula of <u>Rimini</u> and that of Constantinople and protesting that the Word had not only a different substance but also a will different from that of the Father. From that, they were to be called ἀνόμοιοι (*anomoioi*).

In the 5th century, the Anomoean presbyter Philostorgius wrote an Anomoean church history. [3]

Notable Anomoeans

- <u>Aëtius</u>, who founded the Anomoean tradition, later bishop (361–?).^{[4][5]}
- Theodulus, bishop of Chaeretapa (?-c. 363) and Palestine (c. 363-c. 379). [6][7]
- <u>Eunomius</u>, bishop of <u>Cyzicus</u> (360–361) and exiled bishop (361–c. 393). [5][8]
- <u>Paemenius</u>, bishop of <u>Constantinople</u>, (c. 363, at the same time as Eudoxius of Antioch). [9]
- Candidus (Bishop of Lydia), (c. 363–?). [9]
- Arrianus, bishop of Ionia, (c. 363–?).[9]
- Florentius, bishop of Constantinople, (c. 363–?, at the same time as Eudoxius of Antioch). [9]
- <u>Thallus</u>, bishop of <u>Lesbos</u>, (c. 363–?, at the same time as Eudoxius of Antioch). [9]



- Euphronius, bishop of Galatia, the Black Sea and Cappadocia, (c. 363–?).[9]
- <u>Julian</u>, bishop of <u>Cilicia</u>, (c. 363–?). [9]

- Serras, Stephen, and Heliodorus, bishops of Egypt, (c. 363–?).
- Philostorgius, historian.

Notable opponents of Anomoeanism

- Basil of Caesarea, bishop of Caesarea, and author of Against Eunomius.
- Gregory of Nazianzus, archbishop of Constantinople, prolific writer and orator. <u>The First Theological Oration</u>. A Preliminary Discourse Against the Eunomians. (http://www.ccel.org/ccel/schaff/npnf207.iii.xiii.html)
- Gregory of Nyssa, bishop of the Cappadocian town of Nyssa and brother to Basil of Caesaria. Against Eunomius (http://www.ccel.org/ccel/schaff/npnf205.viii.i.iii.i.html) (12 books) and Answer to Eunomius' Second Book (http://www.ccel.org/ccel/schaff/npnf205.viii.i i.ii.html).

See also

- Archbishop Nectarius of Constantinople
- Homoeans, in contrast to the Anomoeans
- Arianism
- Arian controversy

Notes

- 1. also spelled "Anomeans"
- 2. Encyclopædia Britannica: "Anomoean" (http://www.britannica.com/EBchecked/topic/26596/Anomoean)
- 3. Philostorgius, *Church History*.
- 4. Philostorgius, in Photius, *Epitome of the Ecclesiastical History of Philostorgius*, book 7, chapter 6.
- 5. Socrates Scholasticus, Church History, book 2, chapter 35.
- 6. Philostorgius, in Photius, *Epitome of the Ecclesiastical History of Philostorgius*, book 8, chapter 2 and book 9, chapter 18.
- 7. Socrates Scholasticus, Church History, book 2, chapter 40.
- 8. Philostorgius, in Photius, *Epitome of the Ecclesiastical History of Philostorgius*, book 5, chapter 3 and book 6, chapters 1–3.
- 9. Philostorgius, in Photius, *Epitome of the Ecclesiastical History of Philostorgius*, book 8, chapter 2.

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