## LESSON 07: THE TWO NATURES OF THE CHRIST Related Issues The struggles over the doctrine of the Trinity \_\_\_\_\_ The Two Natures We distinguish 1. How do you feel about the doctrine of the Two Natures being a salvation issue? 2. How strong do you find the Scripture proof for the doctrine of the Two Natures? 3. How important is it for our salvation that the Christ was and is both true man and true God? 4. What would you say to a Jehovah's Witness who tells Jesus: Jesus has been begotten, therefore He has a beginning? The Humanity Denied The denial of Christ's humanity \_\_\_\_\_ deal with this denial. Thus these two Bible books: The Humanity Denied: Docetism Docetism will argue that the Son of God passed through the virgin Mary without taking on human properties from her. It's much like water passing through a garden hose without becoming rubber. Docetism was taught by some early Anabaptist leaders, like Menno Simons. Mennonites originally come from the Low Lands. Hence the Belgic Confession specifically mentions this. Today's Mennonites, however, hold a similar conviction to our own. (cf. Mennonite Confession art. 2) The Divinity Denied The denial of the divinity of Christ

Arius

Arius' argument was:	
The counter-argument is: (we're doing apologetics here!)	
a	
b	
The Two Natures Together	
The teachings of Arius	
Many heresies were responded to by	
It concluded concerning the natures:	
Note that Chalcedon	
Human attempts to make the co-existence of the two natures in one person rationally acceptable l However, the two natures in the one person is, like the Tri	
The 21st Century	-
Arianism is taught by	
Arianism is also taught by	
Myaphysitism is held by some	
; it is also held by some	
Thus, a very relevant issue!	
Space for extra notes	