

believe that anything is condition and you can't help yourself than it is believe that man is absolutely free and that he can go this way or that way just as he takes a notion to. The poet may sing, Out from the dark that covers light that covers me, dark is the pit from pole to pole, I think whatever Gods may be for my unconquerable soul. He may think that he can stand up against all the forces of the world but that is the superficial thing. It is not the person who thinks into the thing and realizes the situation. He can if he thinks with his own natural human mind and thinks (93/4) apart from the revelation of God. He tends to go to an extreme in this direction. And pretty soon you will find him taking the position that so many unbelieving philosophers today have. But everything we do is a result of the chemistry of our blood. It is the result of the forces that beat upon us and we can't help ourselves and when we think we are manifesting a lot of will power to go here we are just the result of the affect of things that have happened before and that pushes us in that direction and we have nothing, really to do with it. We are just going along and we can't help ourself. That is the attitude which is actually held by the great folk of unbelieving philosophies today. It is a very easy attitude of mind to get into. It frees you of all responsibility. Here is somebody who feels like doing something. Well, it is just the ~~insight~~ impulses in me I can't help myself. I am going to do it. There is someone who doesn't amount to anything. Well, he doesn't have the ability. Somebody else has it. He can't help it. It's not his fault. Now Arminianism takes this doctrine of fatalism and carries it to the greatest extreme. You get in a car in Palestine with an Arab driver and he will go down those hills lickety-split and around the curves and up the next street and away you dash aound you wonder if you are ever going to get there. And you say, "Go a little slower , go a little slower you say, We may get thrown over here". Well, he says, don't you believe in God?" and you say, "Well, certainly, what has that got to do with it?" Well, he says, God has ordained everything that happens, If you are going to fall over the side, you are going to fall over. You can't help yourself." And so he drives the thing the way he feels like driving. And of