



**Welcome**



Father  
Word  
Holy Spirit

Three or One?

**What is the relationship between  
God and Jesus?**

# What have we seen?

- 1.The Bible says Jesus is God**
- 2.Jesus claims to be God**
- 3.Jesus has the same power and qualities of God**
- 4.Jesus is the Creator and is not created.**
- 5.Jesus “*emptied himself*” when on earth.**
- 6.Jesus, like the Father and the Holy Spirit, has a role to play in the Godhead.**

# The Claims

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***In the beginning was the Word, and the  
Word was with God, and the Word was God.***

***John 1:1***

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**“In the beginning the Word was, and the Word was with God, and the Word was a god.”**

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**John 1:6**

παρὰ θεοῦ

**John 1:12**

τέκνα θεοῦ

**John 1:13**

ἐκ θεοῦ

**John 1:18**

μονογενὴς θεὸς

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**In the New Testament there are 282 occurrences of the anarthrous θεός. At sixteen places NWT has either a god, god, gods, or godly. Sixteen out of 282 means that the translators were faithful to their translation principle only 6 percent of the time**

# God or a god?

## **God**

- American Standard
- Contemporary English Version
- Christian Standard Bible
- Douay – Rheims (Catholic)
- English Standard
- King James
- New King James
- New American Standard
- New International Version
- Holman Christian Standard
- Revised Standard

## **god**

- New World Translation

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*Jesus said to them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, before Abraham was, I am.”*

**John 8:58**

*Before Abraham came into existence, I have been.*

**John 8:58 NWT**

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***Before Abraham came into existence, I have been.***

**John 8:58 NWT**

***I have been the light of the world...***

**John 8:12 (if NWT were consistent)**

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**Colossians 1:16, 17**

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# *New World Translation*

- Produced solely by the publishing arm of the Jehovah's Witnesses – The Watchtower Society
- A secret translation committee
- No education in languages

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**The Deity of Jesus Christ is not New**

**Fully Accepted by Christians**

**One Place of Common Ground**

**Catholics & Protestants**

**Evangelicals & Fundamentalists**

**Baptists & churches of Christ**

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# **The Deity of Jesus Christ is Biblical**

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