

- ii. The Jehovah's Witnesses make themselves guilty of inconsistency.

The Jehovah's Witnesses make themselves guilty of inconsistency because they say the Greek word $\Theta\epsilon\acute{o}\varsigma$ in the latter part of John 1:1 must be translated "a god" because it is not preceded by the definite article. Yet, in John 1:6, 12,13, and 18 where the Greek word $\Theta\epsilon\acute{o}\varsigma$ appears and is not preceded by the definite article, they translate it "God". That is the height of inconsistency!

Note: By translating the Greek word $\Theta\epsilon\acute{o}\varsigma$ "God" in John 1:6, 12,13 and 18, the Jehovah's Witnesses are admitting that the Greek word $\Theta\epsilon\acute{o}\varsigma$ in the latter part of John 1:1 may also be translated "God", but they refuse to translate it that way because they do not believe Jesus is God.

- (c) Refutation of the New World Translation of John 1:1

The Jehovah's Witnesses say that the Greek word $\Theta\epsilon\acute{o}\varsigma$ in the latter part of John 1:1 must be translated "a god" because it is not preceded by the definite article. However, this is not true, for according to Greek Grammarians, the Greek word $\Theta\epsilon\acute{o}\varsigma$ in the latter part of this verse may be translated "God" even though it is not preceded by the definite article. Observe what two of these grammarians have to say:

- i. Julius Robert Mantey

In an article entitled A GROSSLY MISLEADING TRANSLATION, Manley says that whenever a definite article does not precede a noun in Greek, that noun may be considered as emphasizing the character, nature, essence or quality of a person or thing. Mantey then lists some