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Barclay Letter to the Watchtower

A letter written by William Barclay who was quoted out of context in the Watchtower of May 15 1977 p. 319,320.

<http://caic.org.au/jws/theology/barclay.htm>

Dear Professor XXXXXXXXXXXXXXX,

Thank you for your letter of August 11th. The Watchtower article has, by judicious cutting, made me say the opposite of what I meant to say. What I was meaning to say, as you well know, is that Jesus is not the same as God, to put it more crudely, that he is of the same stuff as God, that is of the same being as God, but the way the Watchtower has printed my stuff has simply left the conclusion that Jesus is not God in a way that suits themselves.

If they missed from their answer the translation of Kenneth West and the N.E.B., they missed the whole point.

It was good of you to write and I don't think I need say anything more to make my position clear.

With every good wish.

Yours Sincerely

William Barclay.

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