I wish to present some Scriptures (2013 NWT) and ask how the Jehovah Witnesses are able to reconcile them, when, to the unbiased observer, they contradict each other.

**Question 2**: How can Jesus be a created being when Scripture teaches He created *all things*?

"All things came into existence through him, ± and apart from him not even one thing came into existence" (2013 NW translation).

I wish to preface my remarks by acknowledging the NWT of John 1:1 declares 'and the Word was a god.' This statement teaches Jesus is a god separate from THE GOD (of the second clause). According to official JW teachings, Jesus is not THE GOD, Jehovah, but *a god* created by Jehovah:

"Jesus is Jehovah's most precious Son—and for good reason. He is called "the firstborn of all creation," for he was God's first creation" (Source: <a href="https://www.jw.org/en/library/books/bible-teach/who-is-jesus-christ/">https://www.jw.org/en/library/books/bible-teach/who-is-jesus-christ/</a>).

We know from reading Genesis 1 nothing existed before God brought forth creation by the power of His Word (*And God said...*).

Thus, according to JW teaching, the Word did not exist until Jehovah God created Him.

Why was the creation of the Word omitted in the Genesis 1 account of creation? Should it not have read, "In the beginning God created the Word, the heavens and the earth"?

Why would such a vital truth be omitted from the account of creation?

Why would the Apostle John place the Word already **with** God in the beginning when nothing had been created, since JWs teach Jesus was a created being?

How do you reconcile verse 3 of John 1 with JW teaching Jesus as a created being?:

"All things came into existence through him, and apart from him not even one thing came into existence."

Here's the dilemma: Jesus is without doubt the Word of God:

"He [Jesus] has a name written that no one knows but he himself, <sup>13</sup> and he is clothed with an outer garment stained\* with blood, and he [Jesus] is called by the name The Word\* of God" (Revelation 19:12b-13; NWT).

The NWT has a hyperlink next to 'The Word.' It states a cross-reference to John 1:1. Jesus is the Word.

Therefore, since *all things* came into existence through the Word, Jesus, how could this be since, according to JW teaching, Jesus was Himself a created being. Moreover, the second clause eliminates any possible confusion as to what John was teaching, "apart from him **not even one thing** came into existence."

Apart from the vital creative role of the Word of God, Jesus, not one thing came into existence; i.e. not one thing was created.

**Conclusion**: Therefore, according to biblical teaching, it is impossible that Jesus was a created being. That which does not yet exist has not the power to create.