

But a quotation from this English translation of Barth appeared. That way we could put Barth's idea exactly so that anybody who said that isn't what Barth said would have to argue with the modernist translator, not with me, on that point. Anybody that really knew German well would know that it was what he said. So you see in Latin the smaller group of theologians working in Latin would have been familiar with the precise meanings of the Latin and consequently to make it possible to have theological discussions over a wider area and to quote it more readily. So that is one great advantage of having a technical language instead of common language. Then there is a second great advantage. When I was in college we had a professor of Botany who thought it was great sport to assure us that a strawberry is not a berry. Well it has been called a berry in the English world for many years in the sense in which English speaking people use the word berry, a strawberry is a berry. But in the sense in which a Botanist takes the word berry and gives the specific technical sense to the word, it is not a berry. The same way with the whale. The whale is not a fish, it is a mammal. Well in the sense in which the average English speaking person uses the word fish as a being that lives in the sea, it means fish to him. But in the sense that the Zoologist uses it, it is a mammal. $7\frac{1}{2}$ You take electricity the sense in which we use the word positive in common use positive means something there but in electricity negative means it is there and the sense in which they use positive means it isn't there. In electricity the positive and negative are just reversed. When they say positive they mean what we mean by negative Well those are three illustrations of the problems you get into and the confusion you get into when common words are used in a technical sense. But if you have a language which is not used for common expression, then what the words mean stay that way because they are not affected by change. So there is a tremendous advance in any time in having a technical language that doesn't get confused by time changes. In apologetics - the average person says what kind of Christian is this that thinks he has to apologize for his faith. Unless a man is chained in theology, he naturally thinks the word apologetics means what apologize means in English.