

12-2018

## Paradoxes Mentioned in the Bible

Harold Willmington

*Liberty University*, [hwillmington@liberty.edu](mailto:hwillmington@liberty.edu)

Follow this and additional works at: [https://digitalcommons.liberty.edu/selected\\_bible\\_topics](https://digitalcommons.liberty.edu/selected_bible_topics)



Part of the [Biblical Studies Commons](#), [Christianity Commons](#), and the [Religious Thought, Theology and Philosophy of Religion Commons](#)

---

### Recommended Citation

Willmington, Harold, "Paradoxes Mentioned in the Bible" (2018). *Selected Topics of the Bible*. 6. [https://digitalcommons.liberty.edu/selected\\_bible\\_topics/6](https://digitalcommons.liberty.edu/selected_bible_topics/6)

This Article is brought to you for free and open access by the Topics of the Bible at Scholars Crossing. It has been accepted for inclusion in Selected Topics of the Bible by an authorized administrator of Scholars Crossing. For more information, please contact [scholarlycommunications@liberty.edu](mailto:scholarlycommunications@liberty.edu).

## Biblical Topics—Paradoxes

Of finding one's life, yet eventually losing it (Matt. 10:39; John 12:25)
Of losing one's life, yet eventually finding it (Matt. 10:39)
Of being unknown, yet being well known (2 Cor. 6:9)
Of dying, yet possessing life (2 Cor. 6:9)
Of dying, yet being able to give life (John 12:24)
Of being sorrowful, yet always rejoicing (2 Cor. 6:10)
Of being poor, yet making many rich (2 Cor. 6:10)
Of having nothing, yet possessing all things (2 Cor. 6:10)
Of hearing words that cannot be expressed (2 Cor. 12:4)
Of being strong when one is weak (2 Cor. 12:10)
Of knowing the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge (Eph. 3:19)
Of seeing the unseen (2 Cor. 4:18)
<b>CONCERNING CHRIST: The very life and ministry of Jesus Christ was itself a divine paradox:</b>
He hungered, yet fed multitudes (Matt. 4:2; John 6)
He thirsted, yet is the Water of life (John 19:28; 4:14)
He grew weary, yet is our rest (John 4:6; Matt. 11:29-30)
He paid tribute, yet is the King of kings (Matt. 17:27; Rev. 19:16)
He prayed, yet hears our prayers (Mark 14:32-42; John 14:13-14)
He wept, yet dries our tears (John 11:35; Rev. 21:4)
He was sold for 30 pieces of silver, yet redeems the world (Matt. 26:15; 1 Peter 1:18-19)
He was led as a sheep to the slaughter, and yet is the Good Shepherd (Isa. 53:7; John 10:11)
He was put to death, yet raises the dead (John 5:25; 19:33)