

Paradoxes of Christian Ministry

2 Corinthians 7:8-15



Cornel Rasor, Pastor

- bound together
- ἑτεροζυγέω
- heterozugeō
- 1) to come under an unequal or different yoke, to be unequally yoked
- 1a) to have fellowship with one who is not an equal: 2Co 6:14, where the apostle is forbidding Christians to have intercourse with idolaters
- heterozugeó: to be yoked up differently, i.e. to be unequally yoked
- Original Word: ἑτεροζυγέω
Part of Speech: Verb
Transliteration: heterozugeó
Phonetic Spelling: (het-er-od-zoog-eh'-o)

Definition: to be yoked up differently, to be unequally yoked

Usage: I am yoked with one different from myself, unequally yoked.

- 2086 *heterozygéō* (from 2087 */héteros*, "another of a *different* kind" and 2218 */zygós*, "a yoke, joining two to a single plow") – properly, *different kinds* of people *joined* together *but unevenly matched*; hence "unequally yoked" (not aptly joined).
- 2086 */heterozygéō* ("mis-matched") is used figuratively of Christians *wrongly committed* to a partner holding *very different values (priorities)*, i.e. that run contrary to faith (the *kingdom of God*).

- harmony
- συμφώνησις
- sumphonēsis
- 1) concord, agreement
- sumphónēsis: agreement
- Original Word: συμφώνησις, εως, ἡ
Part of Speech: Noun, Feminine
Transliteration: sumphónēsis
Phonetic Spelling: (soom-fo'-nay-sis)
Definition: agreement
Usage: harmony, agreement, concord.

- Rom 8:31-39 What then shall we say to these things? If God *is* for us, who *is* against us? 32 He who did not spare His own Son, but delivered Him over for us all, how will He not also with Him freely give us all things? 33 Who will bring a charge against God's elect? God is the one who justifies; 34 who is the one who condemns? Christ Jesus is He who died, yes, rather who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who also intercedes for us. 35 Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? 36 Just as it is written, "FOR YOUR SAKE WE ARE BEING PUT TO DEATH ALL DAY LONG; WE WERE CONSIDERED AS SHEEP TO BE SLAUGHTERED." 37 But in all these things we overwhelmingly conquer through Him who loved us. 38 For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, 39 nor height, nor depth, nor any other created thing, will be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.