

# Ten Tough Riddles

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Do you like riddles? *Who doesn't!*  
But you have to be really, really *good* at riddles to tackle these *toughies*.  
So *wind up* and give it your best try... (answers follow below).

*Riddle 1: How can you be poor yet rich?*

*Riddle 2: Is it possible to be in a dark room yet have lots of light?*

*Riddle 3: Can a person be lost yet found?*

*Riddle 4: Can someone be dead yet alive?*

*Riddle 5: Can you be weak yet strong?*

*Riddle 6: Who is blind yet can see?*

*Riddle 7: How can a person be old yet young?*

*Riddle 8: Can someone be alone yet surrounded by friends?*

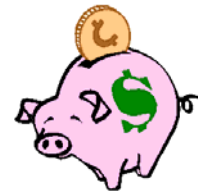
*Riddle 9: Who is single yet married?*

*Riddle 10: How can you be hungry yet full?*

## Answers:

*Riddle 1: How can you be poor yet rich?*

A believer in Christ might not have much money, but he or she can be *rich* in spiritual blessings – like joy, peace, love, patience, kindness, self-control, goodness, gentleness, and faithfulness.



*Riddle 2: Is it possible to be in a dark room yet have lots of light?*

Jesus shines His own light wherever His children are, so even in a *dark* room, we are surrounded by His special *brightness*. God shines His light for us so we can see our way to avoid evil.



*Riddle 3: Can a person be lost yet found?*

Without the Lord Jesus as our King, we are *lost*. But the moment we choose to put our faith in Him, we are no longer lost because He *finds* us and leads us in the right path.



*Riddle 4: Can someone be dead yet alive?*

When a believer in Christ dies, only their earthly *body dies* – their *spirit lives* forever with Jesus in heaven.



**Riddle 5: Can you be weak yet strong?**

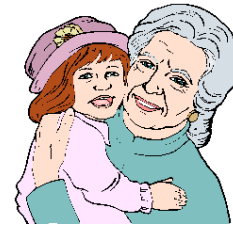
A person is **weak** when he depends only on himself. But a weak person who becomes a child of God now has all of **God's strength** to carry him through everything. God's strength is unlimited!

**Riddle 6: Who is blind yet can see?**

Without Christ as our shepherd, we are all **blind** and cannot see the lies Satan tells us. But in Christ, we have **His vision** and are able to know what is true and what is a lie.

**Riddle 7: How can a person be old yet young?**

Even a very **old** person can become a **child** of God.



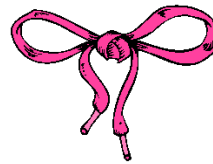
**Riddle 8: Can someone be alone yet surrounded by friends?**

If you are a child of God, you can be **"alone"** in the sense that there are no other people with you – but God is always with you, and His angels also keep you **company**. Only those people who don't know God are ever really alone.



**Riddle 9: Who is single yet married?**

When we choose to believe in Jesus Christ as our Saviour, we are united with Him. All believers in Christ make up His church, and God says the church is the beautiful spiritual **bride** of Jesus. Being **single** or married on earth doesn't prevent us from being spiritually joined with our Lord in a special holy way.



**Riddle 10: How can you be hungry yet full?**

We may not have food on our plate, but God feeds us a special kind of food for our spirit. When Jesus was on earth, He often **fasted** – that means He didn't eat food for a while – so that God, His Father, could **fill** him with the good spiritual Food of knowledge, wisdom, and guidance. In this same way, we should be "hungry" for God's kind of food – because it will help us to grow strong.



"Let the wise listen and add to their learning,  
and let the discerning get guidance - for  
understanding proverbs and parables,  
the sayings and **riddles** of the wise."

- Proverbs 1: 5-6