

INTRODUCTION

Someone said, "Brian, you could preach on 'Nothing' and make sense out of it."

"Nothing" - no thing; none; emptiness; void; not any; naught.

THERE IS SOMETHING IN "NOTHING" IN THE BIBLE

1. (Heb. 11:3) "the things which are seen were not made of things which do appear"

(Gen. 1:1) "In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth"

Man cannot "create" like that; we take existing material to re-create, modify, build, re-arrange.
(Psalm 33:6, 9; Col. 1:16)

2. (Matthew 5:13) "... it is thenceforth good for nothing ..."

Appreciate this, "ye are the salt of the earth;" avoid this, "if the salt has lost its savor," and
abhor this, "it is thenceforth good for nothing, but to be cast out, trodden under foot of men"

3. (John 15:5) "... for without me (apart from me) ye can do nothing"

Moral goodness is necessary and beneficial in society; however, without Jesus in our life,
this morality does nothing in achieving salvation (all spiritual blessings).

4. (1 Cor. 1:18-19) "and will bring to nothing the understanding of the prudent"

The world's wisdom cannot formulate a plan of salvation that is acceptable to God.
(v20) "... it pleased God by the foolishness of preaching to save them that believe."
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5. (1 Cor. 13:2-3) "and have not charity, I am nothing ... it profits me nothing"

Without a heart right with God, all of our kind deeds reduce us to "nothing."
The great commandment begins with "love." (Matt. 22:36-40)

6. (2 Cor. 6:10) "... as having nothing, and yet possessing all things"

It's the world's treasure vs. precious faith.
(2 Cor. 8:9; Phil. 3:7-8; Matt. 16:26)

7. (1 Tim. 6:7) "we brought nothing into this world, and it is certain we can carry nothing out"

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