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Not any being or existence -
~~not at all~~

Nothing

1. Out of nothing God created the world
   Gen 1:1 In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth.
   (A) This is the only way to account for creation. We have to begin with a self-existent being who created something out of nothing. The evolutionist has to start with something. Ask him where that something came from.
   (B) Man can rearrange, re-design, but he can not create.

2. I Tim 6:7 For we brought nothing into this world, and it is certain we can carry nothing out.
   which brings us to →
   (A) I Tim 6:6 But godliness with contentment is great gain.
   (B) Since man can carry nothing out of this world, then the purpose of his stay here is not a quest for the material. The purpose of our stay is spiritual.
   Eccl 12:13 Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God, and keep his commandments: for this is the whole duty of man.
   a preparation for another life
   Amos 4:12 Therefore thus will I do unto thee, O Israel: and because I will do this unto thee, prepare to meet thy God, O Israel.
   (C) If you lose sight of this, you will come up with nothing when you die, because the material cannot be taken with you.
   Matt 6:19-21 Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt and where thieves break through and steal: But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal: For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

Jesus said

3. ~~John 15:5~~ I am the vine, ye are the branches: he that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without me ye can do nothing.

(A) Morality minus Christ equals nothing

John 15:4 Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, except it abide in the vine; no more can ye, except ye abide in me.

M - C = 0

(B) Christ is the Saviour

Matt 1:21 And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name Jesus: for he ~~shall~~ shall save his people from their sins.

Christ is the way

also John 14:6 Jesus saith unto ~~him~~ them, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

(C) Christ's gospel is the power to save

Rom 1:16 For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek.

(D) Christ will save his church

Eph 5:23-27 (pg 245, 246) Turn to

4. Belief plus baptism equals salvation

Mk 16:16 He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be ~~damned~~ condemned.

B + B = S

Just like 1 + 1 = 2

But 1 - 1 = 0

Therefore, Belief - baptism = 0 (B - B = 0)

5. Repentance plus baptism equals remission of sins

Acts 2:38 Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of

Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost.

R + B = R of S

like 1+1 = 2

But 1-1 = 0

therefore R - B = 0

6. Religious acts minus love equals nothing

<u>I Cor 13:1-3</u> pg 220 Turn to

(A.) Faith minus love equals nothing

(B) Benevolence minus love equals nothing.

(C) First and great commandment deals with love

<u>Matt 22:36-38</u> pg 33 turn to.

(D) Love would solve many problems in the church

<u>John 14:23</u> Jesus answered and said unto him, If a man love me, he will keep my words: and my father will love him, and we will come unto him, and make our abode with him.

7. <u>Matt 5:13</u> pg 7 Turn to

(A) Salt seasons, saves, and preserves.

(B) If a child of God has lost the qualities which made him salt, he is good for nothing. So Christians may become good for nothing - good-for-nothing church members.

8. <u>I Cor 1:19</u> For it is written, I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and will bring to nothing the understanding of the prudent.

(A) Mans wisdom minus God equals nothing. Learning must be mixed with God to be something.

<u>I Cor 1:18</u> For the preaching of the cross is to them that perish foolishness; but unto us which are saved it is the power of God.

(B) I Cor 1:25-27 of 209 turn to.
we need this lesson in the church today. We should not emphasize secular training to the neglect of spiritual training. A preacher can have two or three college degrees and not know enough about the Bible to defend it.

9. II Cor 6:10 as sorrowful, yet alway rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing all things.
(A) "Having nothing". Destitute. No physical possessions.
(B) "Having all things". Think! How much the Christian possesses!

10. Mark 8:36-37 For what shall it profit a man if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? Or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?

If we lose our souls, we have gained nothing in this life.