

## “ALL OR NOTHING”

### 1 CORINTHIANS 13:1-3

*It's an incredible moment when the fogginess clears, the deafness dissipates, and the dots are connected. That's what happens when we understand the control center of man.*

From the heart flow (Matthew 15:19):

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_

### THE IMPACT OF THE HEART

#### ① \_\_\_\_\_ (13:1)

Brass was the earliest metal man learned to use, so it was quite \_\_\_\_\_, quite \_\_\_\_\_.

*Sounding/noisy* → “\_\_\_\_\_” (Luke 21:25)

*Clanging* → “\_\_\_\_\_” (Mark 5:38)

James warns about the \_\_\_\_\_ being a fire (3:6). So too, David warned us the \_\_\_\_\_ is a sharp razor (Psalm 52:2).

#### ② \_\_\_\_\_/Knowing (13:2)

To have such innate understanding, to have such a thorough mental grasp of the subject, to have such a deep perception, is \_\_\_\_\_. But without love it amounts to a \_\_\_\_\_ nothing!

In absolute terms, it's an absolute zero.

#### ③ \_\_\_\_\_ (13:3)

Nothing could be seemingly more sacrificial.

Some translations render this “and give my body to hardship that I may \_\_\_\_\_.” That may more appropriately get to the heart of the matter.

### CONCLUSION

One day, every believer will stand before the bema seat of Christ and face judgment. It is not a judgment concerning our salvation, but a judgment of our words, thoughts and actions. And only those things which flow from the right heart \_\_\_\_\_ will endure and receive a reward.

The only right heart motive, the only right heart attitude, is to please \_\_\_\_\_. Anything else is ultimately a pleasing of \_\_\_\_\_ – to which there is no reward.

The extreme importance of love is why the chapter actually begins in 12:31 with these words: “And yet I show you a more excellent way.”