

way that our messages carry, thousands wish to hear us. Then we have an influence beyond that of all speakers yet who have ever spoken. Then we are representatives of Christ in this country or abroad who speak out and have a tremendous hearing. Paul says, "Though I speak with the tongues of men and of angels, and have not love, I am like sounding brass, I'm like a tinkling cymbal." I'm worthless, you might as well beat on a drum. There's nothing there that amounts to anything. It's just words, just a tone. How is that? You will find some great preachers and some very effective men. Some who who have a tremendous influence, I've known of cases where ~~xxxxxx~~ men have been most used of the Lord, it seems, and then somebody ~~xxxxxx~~ would say, I've got to find out what he really was. And after that I wouldn't listen' to him. Now maybe they were wrong, maybe he wasn't what they thought they were. Maybe they caught him when he was tired and got a false impression of his true attitude. Nevertheless, it is a fact that there are many of whom it is just words and it has a certain effectiveness. It may seem in the eyes of the world to be very good. But God says, "It's nothing but a sounding brass or a tinkling cymbal, that's all it is". A beautiful voice. No love. That's it. And more important than the man who is saying it, we would say, is ~~the~~ what you say and Paul goes on to that. (2) And though I have the gift of prophecy, and understand all mysteries, and all knowledge;" and though I know all the Hebrew and all the Greek and I can interpret every phrase of the Scriptures, I know just what it means, I know God's teaching on all these doctrines, I can present the most absolutely orthodox and true method. I give something which gives you just exactly what you want to know. He says, though I have that, and don't have love -"I am nothing", in God's sight. "And though I have all faith" he says, "so that I could remove mountains" and surely there's nothing you want more than that; surely he's one of the heroes of faith who can move mountains, whose prayer to God is heard, who has had faith that it's hard to think of anything more important than such faith. Paul says, even though we have the faith such as few