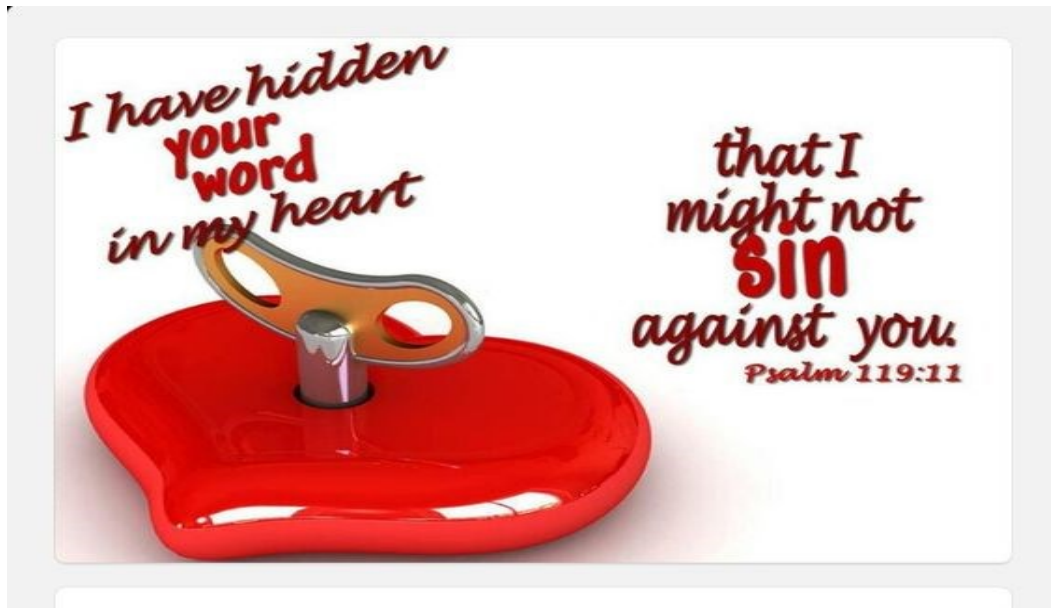


From The Pastor's Pen



Be strong and of good courage, and do it; do not fear nor be dismayed, for the LORD God—my God—will be with you. He will not leave you nor forsake you, until you have finished all the work for the service of the house of the LORD.

1 Chronicles 28:20

After a lifetime of faithful service, Cliff Barrows recently passed away at age 93, having served alongside Billy Graham as the music and program director since 1949. Cliff was known for his encouraging words, his constant smile, and the uplifting lilt of his voice. He was an avid memorizer of Bible verses, and one of them was especially precious to him—1 Chronicles 28:20. He often ended conversations by saying, “Let me leave you with a verse of Scripture,” and then he would quote his own version of 1 Chronicles 28:20, which he had adapted from the New Living Translation: “Be strong and courageous, do the work. Don’t be fearful or discouraged by the size of the task, for Yahweh God, my God, is with you; ... He will see to it that all the work is finished correctly.”

If you're discouraged today—especially in matters relating to the work God has given you to do—take this verse to heart. Learn it. Claim it as your own. Our God will not leave or forsake you until all the work is finished for His glory.

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Peace and blessings,

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