

EVERYONE EXPERIENCES BOTH HIGHS AND LOWS in life, though some of us seem to experience more lows than others. But even in times of pain and discouragement, believers in Christ can know beyond a shadow of a doubt that “all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose” (Romans 8:28). It doesn’t say everything we experience is good, but that God works all the highs and lows together to accomplish His purpose for each of us. And suffering with a purpose somehow makes it more bearable.

One Christ-follower who has experienced very few lows in her young life is Sydney McLaughlin, who won Olympic gold medals in both 400-meter hurdles and a 4x400-meter relay in 2020. After receiving her medals she pointed out how God had “worked all things together for good” for her in Tokyo:

“Let me start off by saying what an honor it is to be able to represent not only my country but also the kingdom of God. What I have in Christ is far greater than what I have or don’t have in life. I pray my journey may be a clear depiction of submission and obedience to God. Even when it doesn’t make sense, even when it doesn’t seem possible. He will make a way out of no way. Not for my own gratification, but for His glory. I have never seen God fail in my life. In anyone’s life, for that matter. Just because I may not win every race, or receive every one of my heart’s desires, does not mean God has failed. His will is perfect. And he has prepared me for a moment such as this. That I may use the gifts He has given me to point all the attention back to Him.”

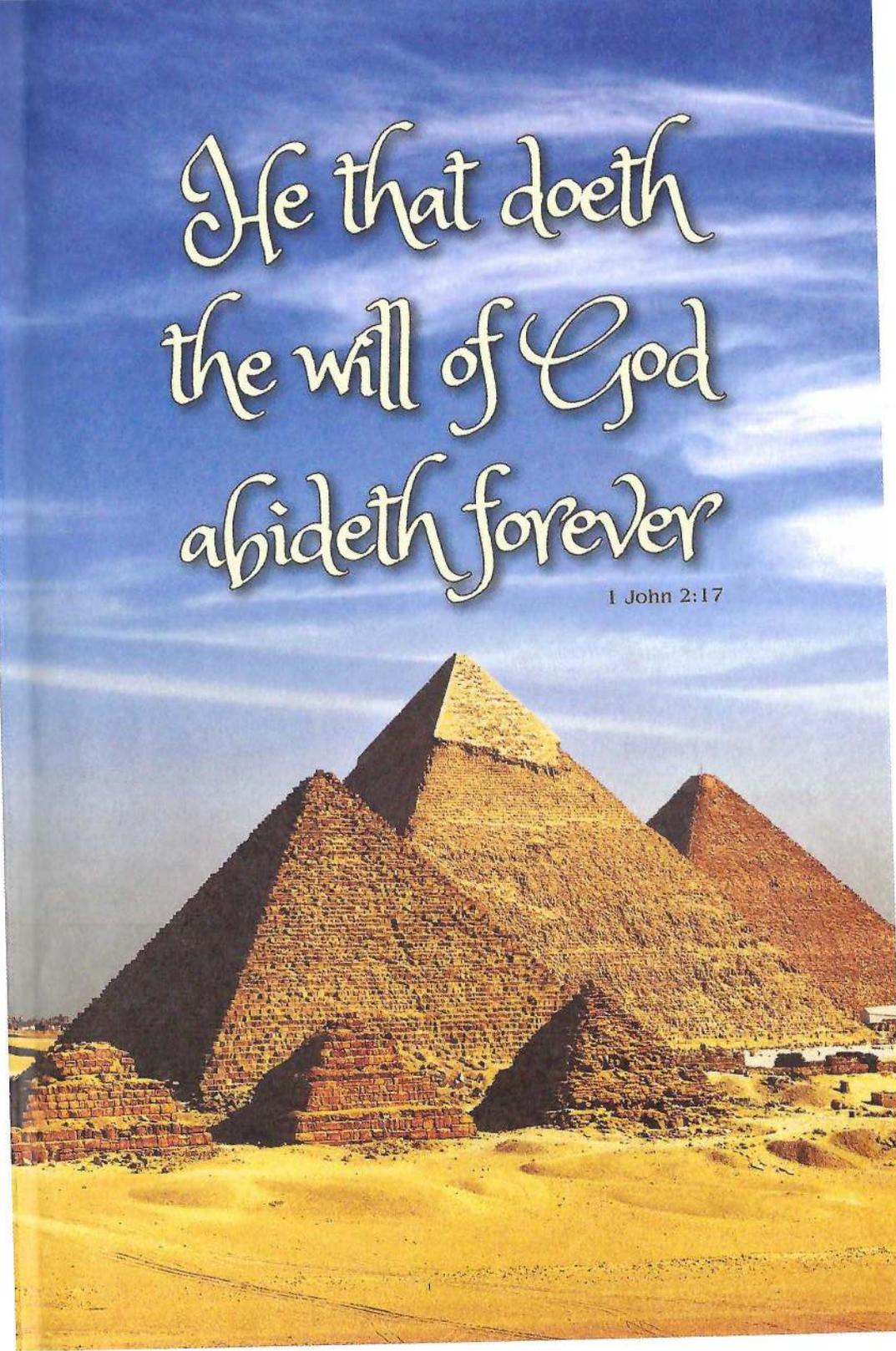
We might say it’s easy for Sydney to give glory to God when she has just won Olympic gold, but it would also be easy for her to take at least some of the credit for herself. She worked and trained long, hard years to attain it. Yet her heart’s desire is “to point all the attention back to Him.” May we do likewise in both the highs and the lows of our lives.

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He that doeth
the will of God
abideth forever

1 John 2:17



Covenant Church

3115 N.W. 16th Avenue Gainesville FL 32605

October 9, 2022

Call to Worship

Sounds of Hope

Invocation

Pastor Don Mauldin

Sing Unto the Lord

Hymn # 122 Glorious is Thy Name

Welcome and Announcements

Ron Marks

Recognition of Guests

Mission Moment

Birthdays and Anniversaries

Worship in Song

Hymn # 793 For the Beauty of the Earth

Offertory Prayer

Craig Alexander

Offertory

Rose Morgan

Special Music

Sounds of Hope

Sermon: "Another Man's Sermon"

Pastor Don Mauldin

Scripture: Acts 10

Hymn of Benediction

Hymn #87 Fairest Lord Jesus

Pastor Don Mauldin

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Covenant News

Our ministry for October is Hurricane Relief.

October has 5 Sundays so we will once again be collecting for Pine Grove.



Save the Dates

Peanut Boil cancelled for October 2nd

Rescheduled for....

Thanksgiving Dinner November 20th

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