

“To Me to Live is Christ”

Philippians 1:21

A picture of a teacup with the heading “Anxietea” caught my eye on Facebook. Below the picture was a “conversation” the tea was having with itself:

What if nobody likes me?

What if I taste weird?

What if I’m too cold?

What if I’m too hot?

What if I’m just right and I can never live up to it again?

It reminded me of conversations we sometimes have with ourselves, especially if we’re outside our “comfort zone,” perhaps at a job interview, a new school or a social gathering with people we don’t know well. These little talks we have with ourselves often lead to comparing ourselves to others when the only person we ought to compare ourselves to is Jesus and the teachings of His Word. Consider these verses:

“I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me” (Galatians 2:20).

“Set your affections on things above, not on things on the earth” (Colossians 3:2).

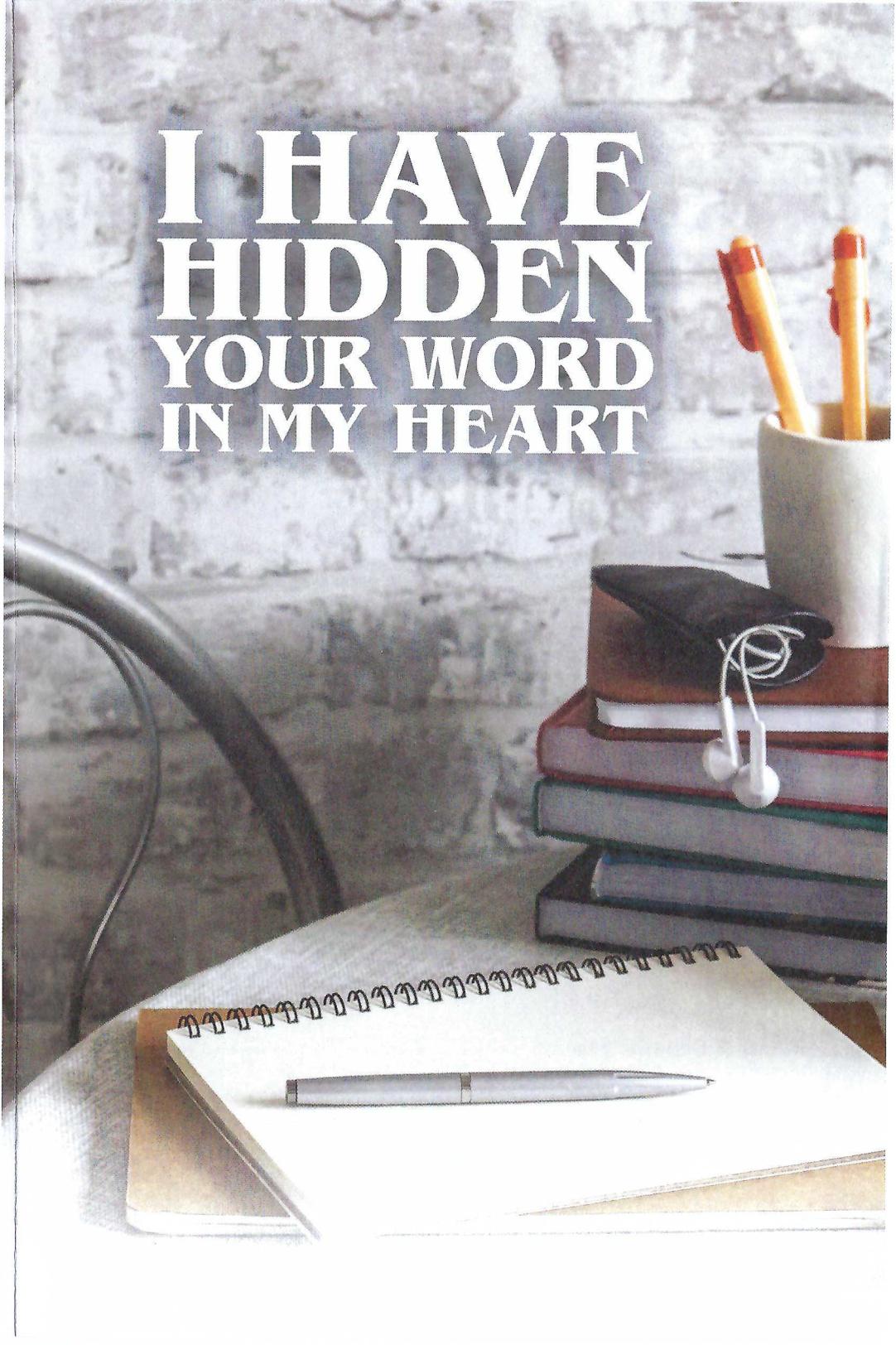
“If God be for us, who can be against us?” (Romans 8:31b).

“If any man suffer as a Christian, let him not be ashamed; but let him glorify God on this behalf . . . Wherefore let them that suffer according to the will of God commit the keeping of their souls to him in well doing, as unto a faithful Creator” (1 Peter 4:16, 19).

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I HAVE HIDDEN YOUR WORD IN MY HEART

A photograph of a desk setup. In the foreground, a spiral-bound notebook is open with a silver pen resting on it. Behind the notebook is a stack of several books. To the right, a white pen holder contains two orange pens. The background is a light-colored, textured wall.

Covenant Church

3115 N.W. 16th Avenue Gainesville FL 32605

September 3, 2023

Call to Worship

Sounds of Hope

Invocation

Pastor Don Mauldin

Sing Unto the Lord

Hymn # 746 He Keeps Me Singing

Welcome and Announcements

Recognition of Guests

Mission Moment

Birthdays and Anniversaries

Worship in Song

Hymn # 431 Shine, Jesus, Shine

Offertory Prayer

Craig Alexander

Offertory

Rose Morgan

Special Music

Sermon:

Pastor Don Mauldin

Scripture:

Hymn of Benediction

Pastor Don Mauldin

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Covenant News

Our ministry for this month is Hurricane Relief.

Mark Your Calendar

FCA D&S Classic Car Show

Saturday, September 30th, 2023 | 8:30am-1:30pm

The O'Steen's Barn, 16811 County Road 241 Alachua, FL 32615

Join us for an awesome day of classic cars, trucks, and motorcycles!! You'll also enjoy the food tents, raffle/drawings, and awards!

Free general admission to see the car show (street parking for spectators). This event is outdoors. *Food tent, *50/50 drawing and raffle, opportunity to visit the O'Steen's private auto collection.

Open to all cars, motorcycles, and trucks - \$25 registration fee* at the gate per vehicle; registration is from 8:30am-10:30am with awards at 1:30pm (Chevrolet, Ford, Mopar, Imports, best of show). For vehicle registration questions, contact Sarajo O'Steen at 352-318-4810.

All proceeds will go to the ministry of FCA in North Central Florida. Visit northcentralflfca.org to learn more about the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. Thank you for your support.