

# RUNNING THE BASES



**Afraid of Failure**



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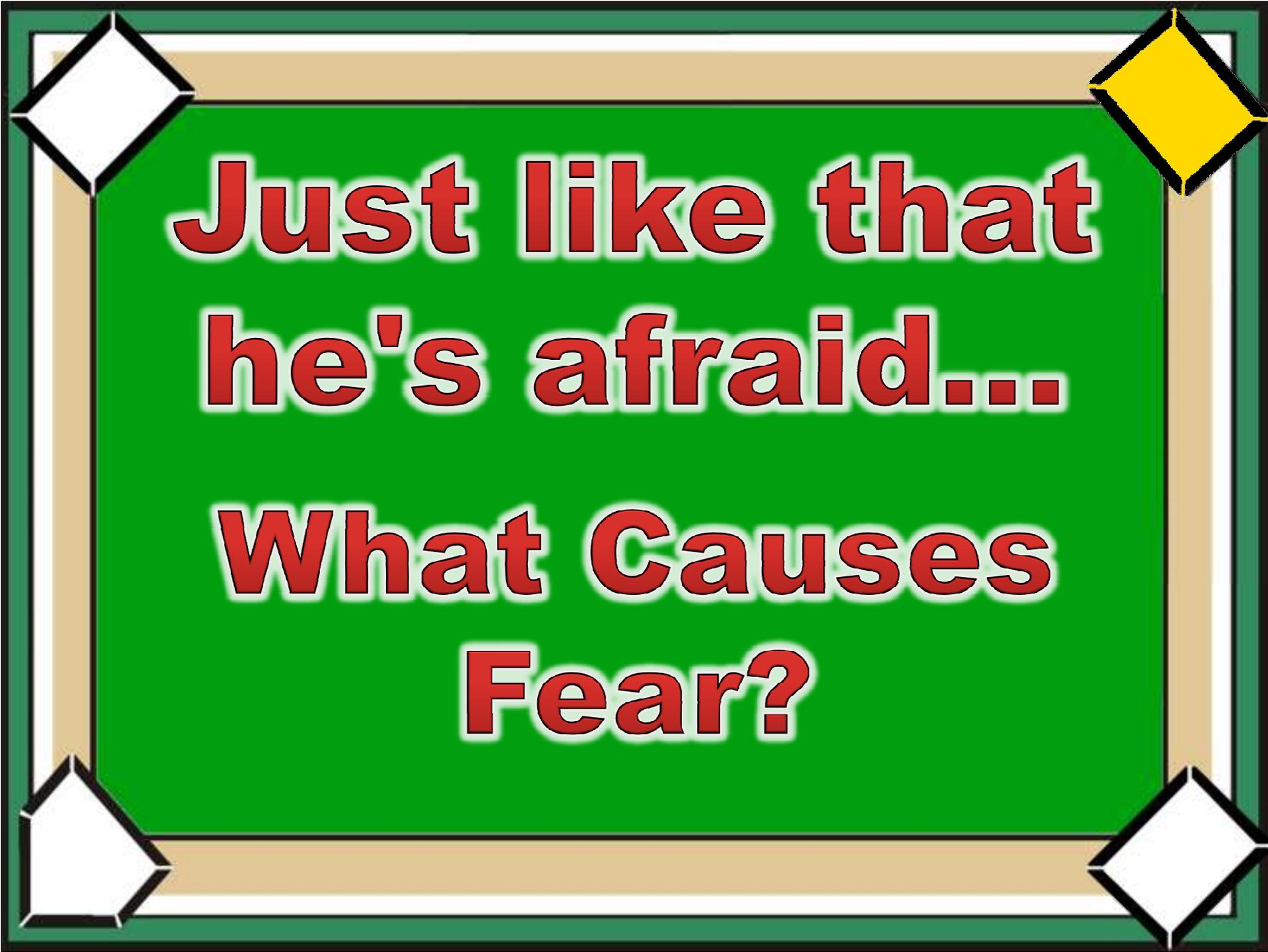
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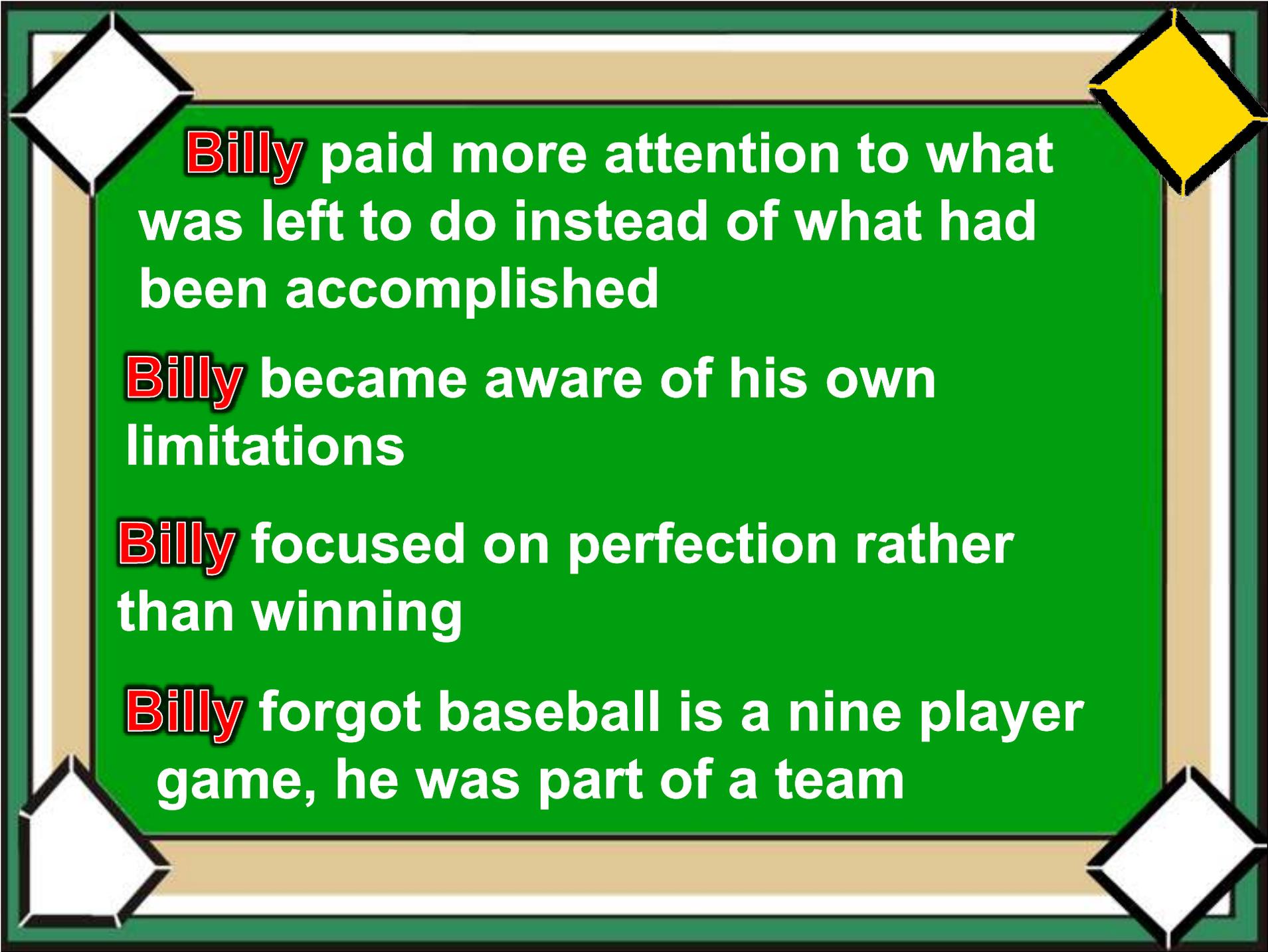
FOR LOVE OF THE GAME

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**Just like that  
he's afraid...**

**What Causes  
Fear?**



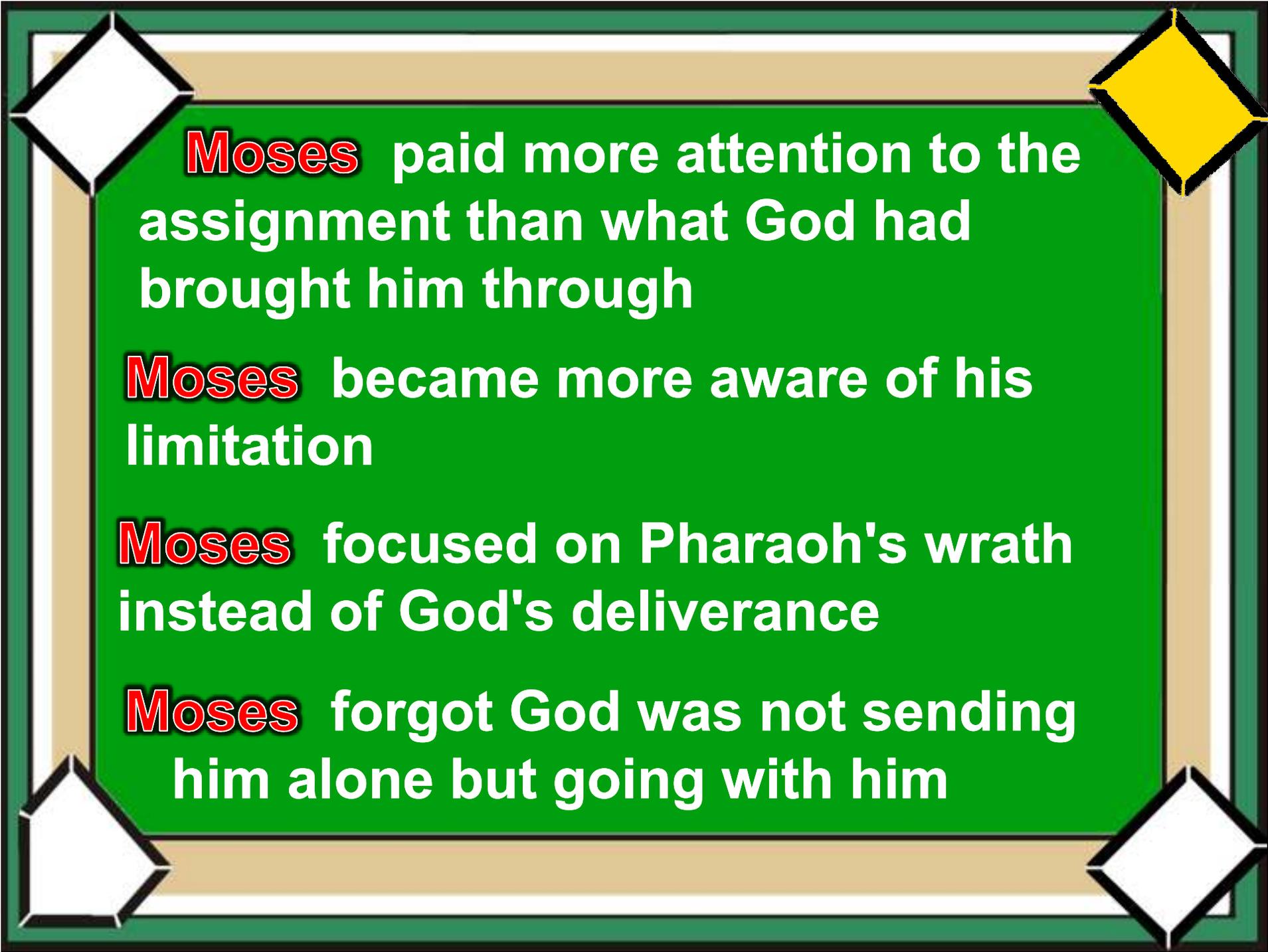
**Billy** paid more attention to what was left to do instead of what had been accomplished

**Billy** became aware of his own limitations

**Billy** focused on perfection rather than winning

**Billy** forgot baseball is a nine player game, he was part of a team





**Moses** paid more attention to the assignment than what God had brought him through

**Moses** became more aware of his limitation

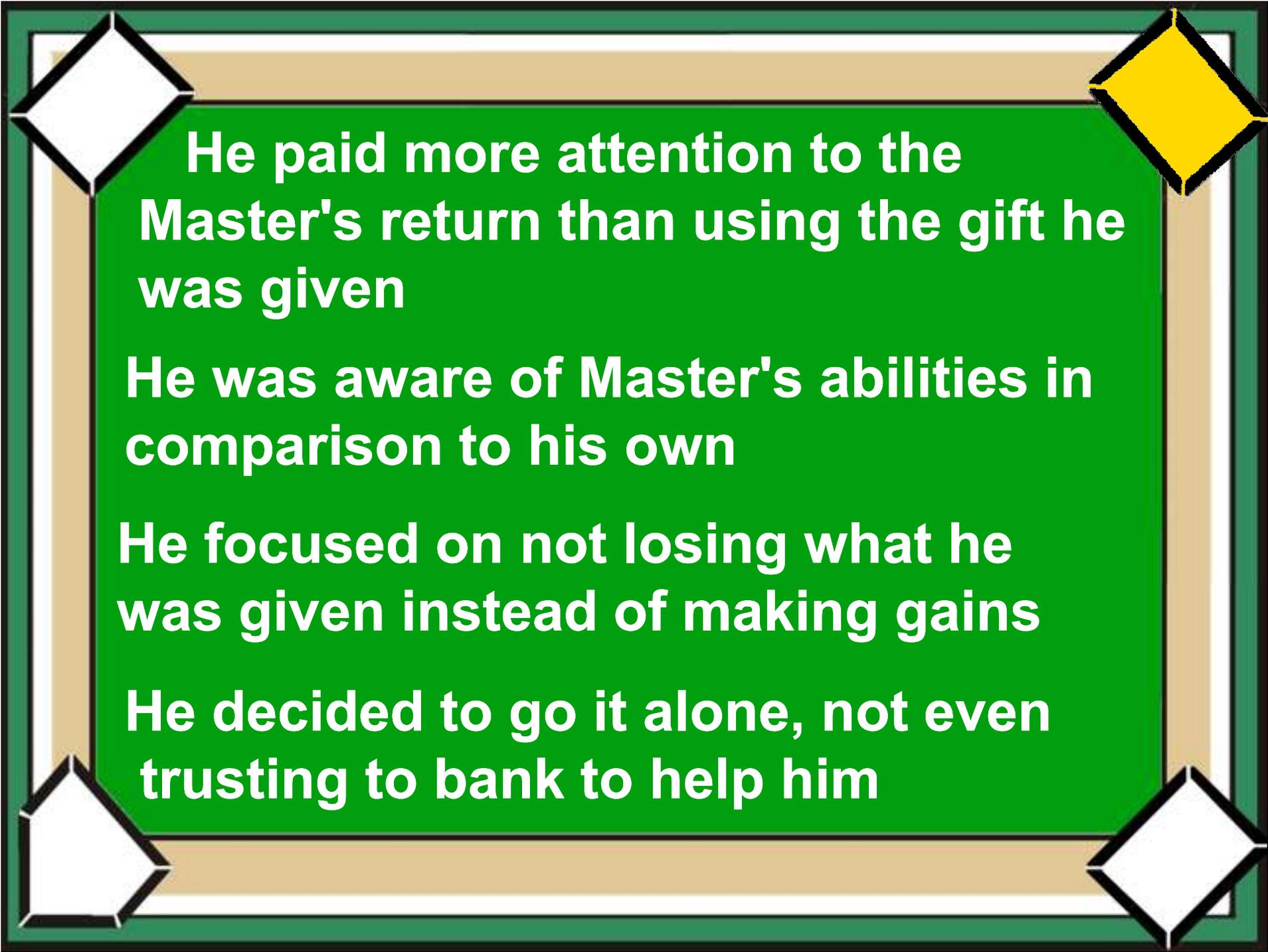
**Moses** focused on Pharaoh's wrath instead of God's deliverance

**Moses** forgot God was not sending him alone but going with him



**Jesus Understood  
Our Fear of Failure  
When it's Time  
to Commit**

**Matthew 25:24-25**



**He paid more attention to the Master's return than using the gift he was given**

**He was aware of Master's abilities in comparison to his own**

**He focused on not losing what he was given instead of making gains**

**He decided to go it alone, not even trusting to bank to help him**



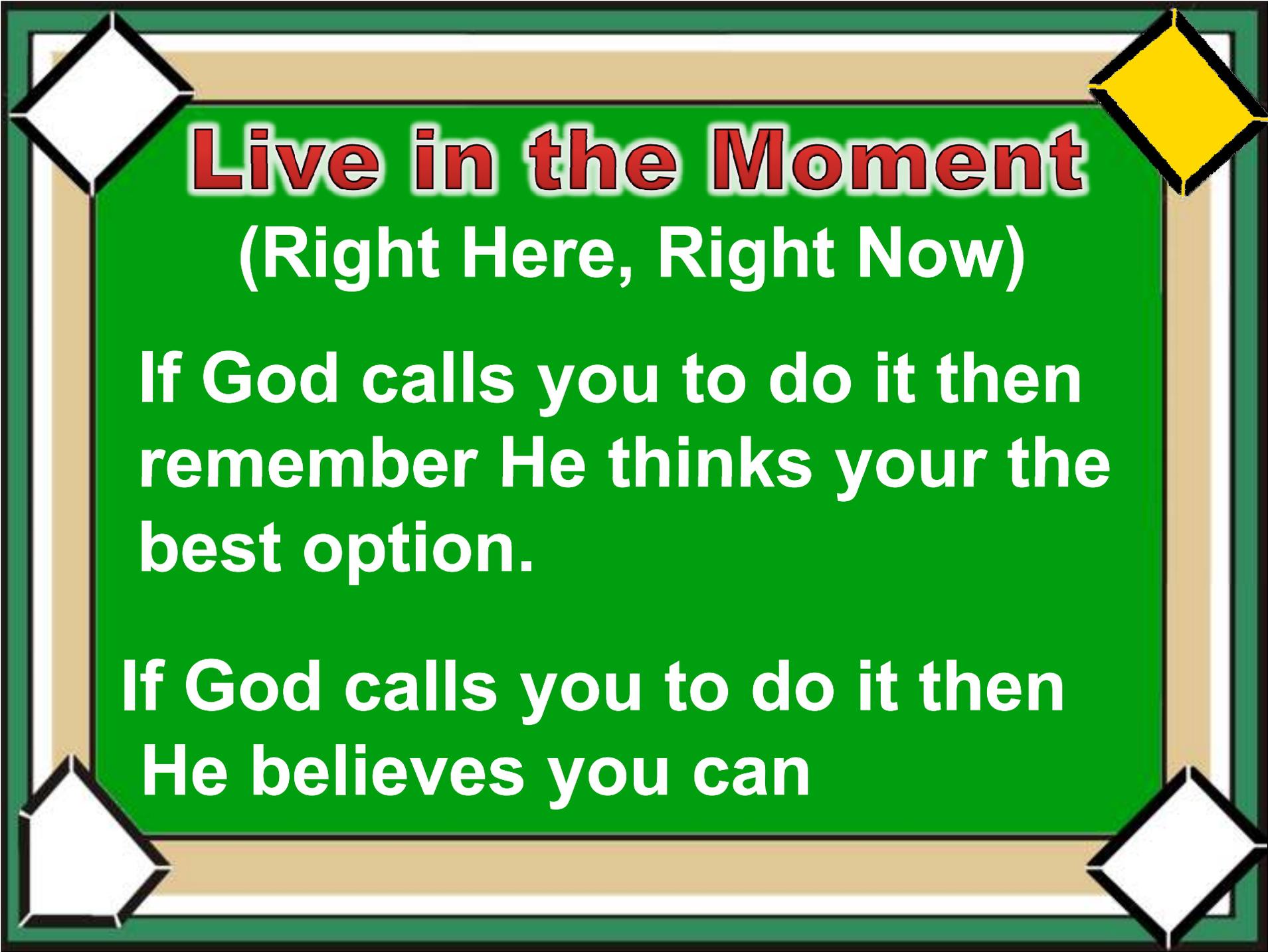
**Do you see the  
pattern of how  
fear puts up  
a barrier?**

**For Us**



# **Overcoming the Fear of Failure**

**(Listen to the Catcher)**



# **Live in the Moment**

**(Right Here, Right Now)**

**If God calls you to do it then  
remember He thinks your the  
best option.**

**If God calls you to do it then  
He believes you can**

# **Give It What You've Got**

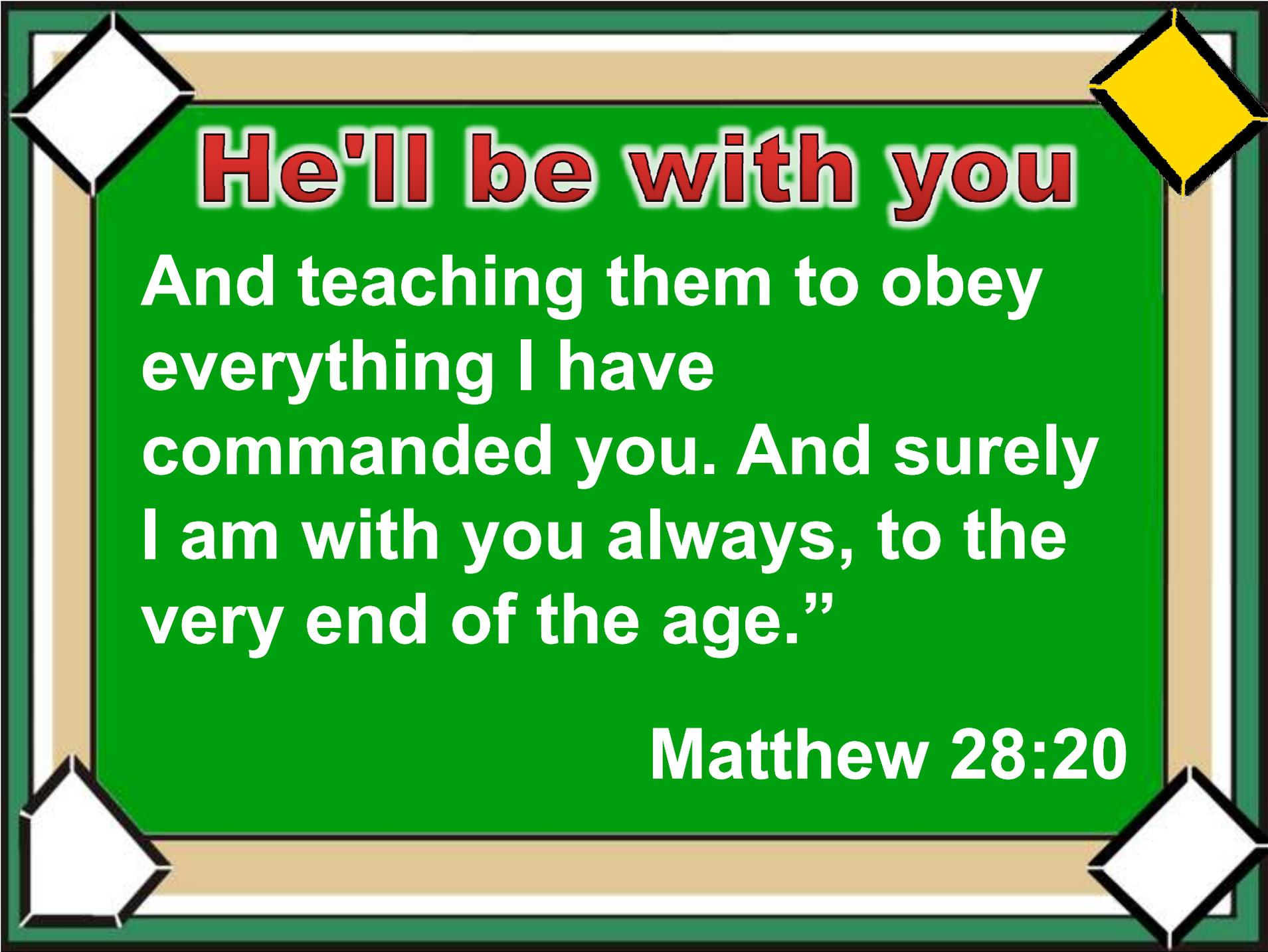
**God does not need you ability  
he needs your availability**

**If God's unconcerned with the  
possibility of you failing why  
should you**



**Your not  
in this alone**

**God did not call you to an  
island he called you to a  
commitment**



**He'll be with you**

And teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.”

**Matthew 28:20**

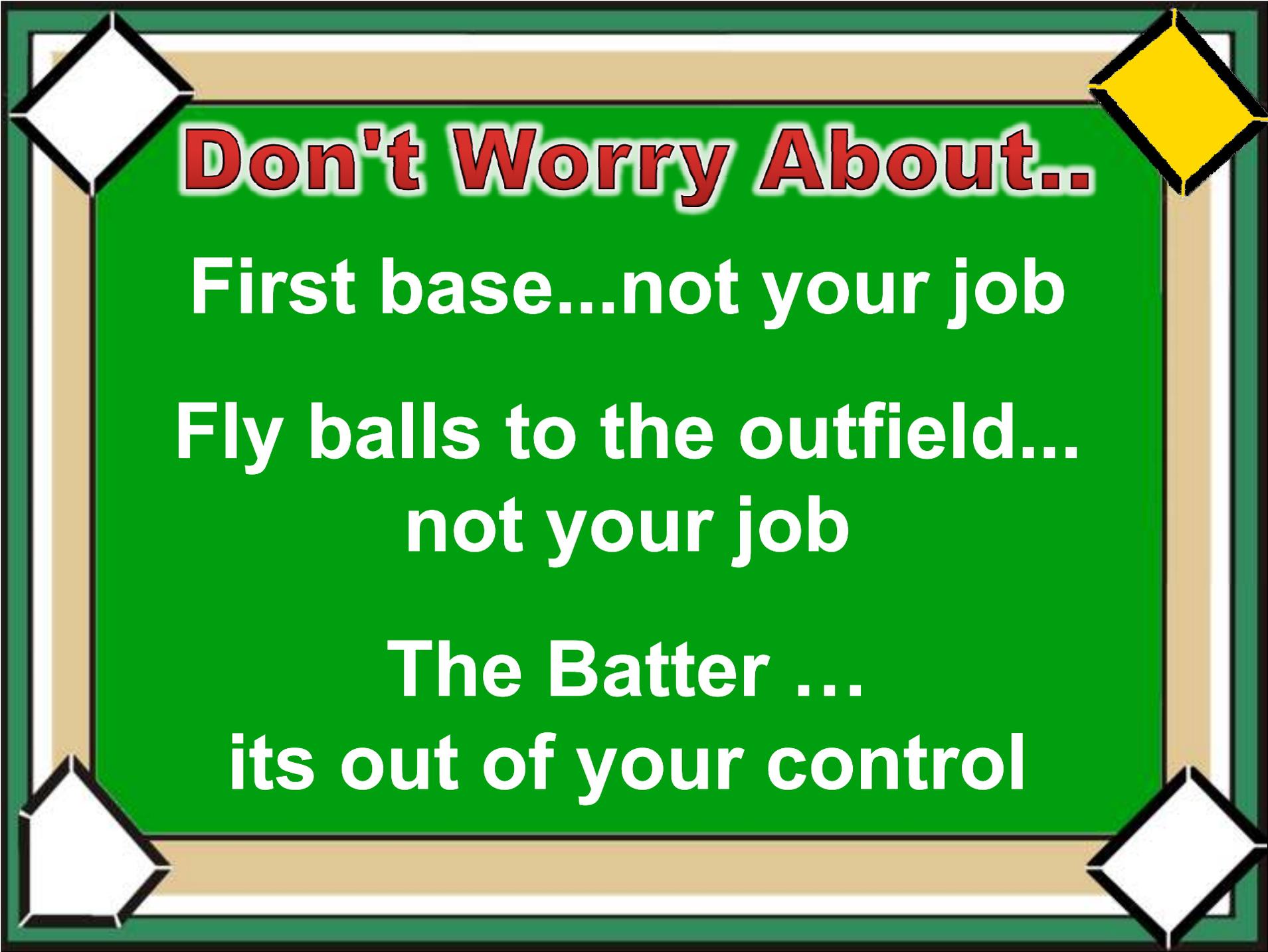
## Others Too

But in fact God has placed the **parts** in the body, every one of them, just as he wanted them to be. If they were all one part, where would the body be? As it is, there are many **parts**, but one body.

1 Corinthians 12:18-19



**Just  
Throw**

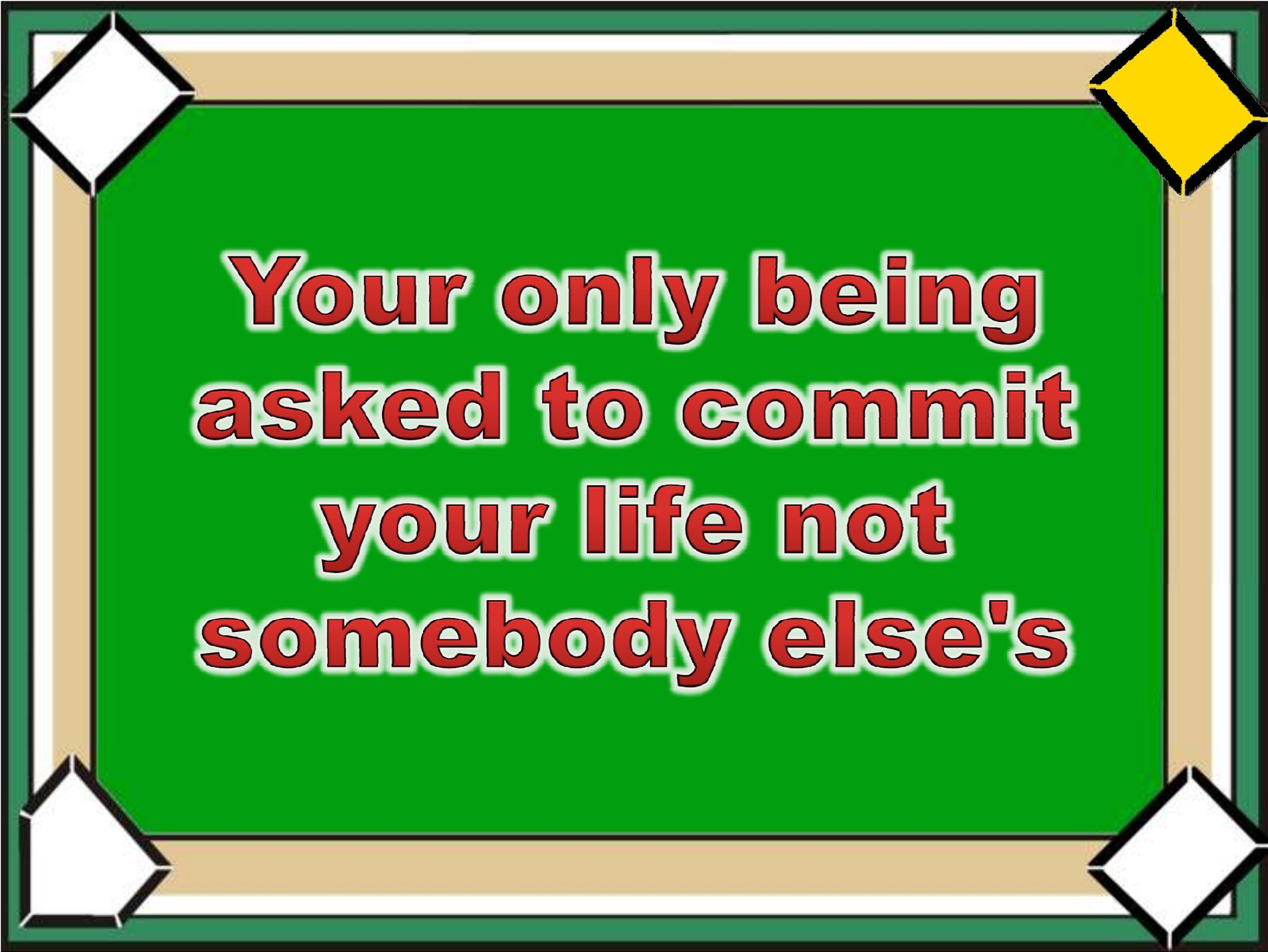


**Don't Worry About..**

**First base...not your job**

**Fly balls to the outfield...  
not your job**

**The Batter ...  
its out of your control**



**Your only being  
asked to commit  
your life not  
somebody else's**



# **God's Plan Never Fails**

**For no word from God  
will ever fail.**

***Luke 1:37***