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Mr. Charles Hodge
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Dear Charlie:

Will God Run? is a good book. I am thankful for the ministry it has had to so many, many people. I can assure you that Sweet Company will give serious consideration to re-publishing the book. I don't know all the problems involved and have not talked with Ralph about it. Ralph mentioned you very highly to me just the other day. He respects you deeply. We will try to get some decision about it in the next few weeks.

Thanks for your response to my decision. I, too, am sad about "leaving the pulpit." I am, however, completely open to what the future is going to hold and will be just as sensitive to returning to the pulpit as I was in leaving it. Pray to that end with me.

Your brother,

John Allen Chalk

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always have "mixed emotions" about men leaving a local pulpit. But admire your challenge. Power to you.

When I write you know I want something. My book, Will God Run? went out 7 print with the demise of Ch Pub Co. I want it re-issued. I get calls, letters, all the time for copies. It offers "grace" to our people. I am not concerned about my other books. I think the greatest contribution I will give the brotherhood is this book. I have asked Bro Sweet to consider this. I hope you agree with me. We need mercy taught. Any help in this way will be appreciated.

Come to see me.

Hodge