

## Sermon: Is your god 'God'?

**Bible Verses: Exodus 20:7 and Various**

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Exodus 20:7

Amos 2:6-8

“We break this commandment if the lives we live are \_\_\_\_\_ from the non-Christians all around us.”

Ezekiel 36: 16-21

“We violate this commandment if \_\_\_\_\_ appear to be small, weak and unable to deliver us”

Malachi 1: 6-8

“We break this commandment if we refuse to give God the \_\_\_\_\_ of who we are and \_\_\_\_\_.”

“Rather than gritting your teeth, \_\_\_\_\_ your heart, soul and mind to God’s \_\_\_\_\_.”

### Books for further reading:

**Campolo, Tony. *Following Jesus Without Embarrassing God*. Waco, TX: Word, 1997.**

**Yoder, John Howard. *Radical Christian Discipleship*. Scottdale, PA: Herald Press, 2012.**

### Discussion Questions:

1. With which of these three general aspects of the Christian life do you struggle with the most: obeying God in daily life, overcoming specific sins and/or addictions, or giving generously of your resources (time, money and skills)? Why?
2. If God was on trial, and his divinity was in question, would the evidence of your life be enough to convict him?
3. When it comes to challenging areas in your life, are you more likely to grit your teeth and try harder or rely on God to bring about change? Relatedly, how can we cooperate with God as he seeks to make us more like Jesus? How might we stand in the way?