

NOT MY GOD

WEEK TWO - GOOSEBUMPS GOD

Exodus 20:3 (NIV) You shall have no other gods before me.

On Demand god: “A good god does what I want, when I want.”

Killjoy god: “A good god does not have tons of rules.”

Heartless god: “A good god does not allow pain.”

Goosebumps god: “A good god always makes me feel something.”

Psalms 23:4 (NIV) Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I will fear no evil, for You are with me.

If God is always with me, why doesn't it always feel like it?

Psalms 88:13-14 (NIV) But I cry to you for help, Lord; in the morning my prayer comes before you. Why, Lord, do you reject me and hide your face from me?

Feelings are not facts.

Proverbs 14:12 (NLT) There is a path before each person that seems right, but it ends in death.

Feelings are not facts, but they can be symptoms.

Refusing to refuse our own way makes it difficult to feel His presence.

Titus 1:15-16 (NIV) Everything is pure to those whose hearts are pure. But nothing is pure to those who are corrupt and unbelieving, because their minds and consciences are corrupted. Such people claim they know God, but they deny him by the way they live. They are detestable and disobedient, worthless for doing anything good.

Isaiah 64:7 (NIV) No one calls on your name or strives to lay hold of you; for you have hidden your face from us and have given us over to our sins.

Refusing to trust God's way makes it difficult to feel His presence.

Hebrews 11:1 (NIV) Now faith is confidence in what we hope for and assurance about what we do not see.

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Faith is a conviction that God's way is best.

Mark 10:21-22 (NLT) Looking at the man, Jesus felt genuine love for him. “There is still one thing you haven't done,” he told him. “Go and sell all your possessions and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me.” At this the man's face fell, and he went away sad, for he had many possessions.

Lack of conviction creates unapplied faith.

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Your next moment with God may require faith first.

Jeremiah 29:13-14 (NIV) You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart. I will be found by you,” declares the Lord, “and will bring you back from captivity.