# **UNDER GOD?**

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**Daniel 1:3-5 (NLT)** 

But Daniel was determined not to defile himself by eating the food and wine given to them by the king.

Daniel 1:8b (NLT)

#### To Live Under God

<sup>15</sup> Do not love this world nor the things it offers you, for when you love the world, you do not have the love of the Father in you. <sup>16</sup> For the world offers only a craving for physical pleasure, a craving for everything we see, and pride in our achievements and possessions. These are not from the Father, but are from this world. <sup>17</sup> And this world is fading away, along with everything that people crave. But anyone who does what pleases God will live forever.

1 John 2:15-17 (NLT)

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- 2.
- 3.

Humble yourselves, therefore, under God's mighty hand, that he may lift you up in due time. 1 Peter 5:6 (NIV2011)

Don't copy the behavior and customs of this world, but let God transform you into a new person by changing the way you think. Then you will learn to know God's will for you, which is good and pleasing and perfect.

Romans 12:2 (NLT)

# My Next Step Today Is To...

- Memorize and/or mediate on 1 Peter 5:6
- Commit to share my three predetermined resolutions for life with another.
- Be open to hearing from the Holy Spirit about any area of my life where I am shaped more by culture than God.
- Give my whole self to God by receive Jesus Christ as my Savior and Lord so that I may be transformed.

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