

My god

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my god is not the same
as their god

my god holds pressure on the soldier's gunshot wound
my god is the teacher who gives the hungry kid an extra snack
my god is fighting for clean water in flint
my god is holding a syrian refugee's hand
my god just talked someone out of taking their own life

my god is the only person i can look in the eyes some days

their god watches from the altar
their god picks up the tithes
their god makes sure their clothes are ironed on sunday
their god hands them a list of excuses to spit hatred and rage
in the faces of innocents
their god instills morals through fear of burning

their god says that i am a sinner for loving

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my god loves
their god scares