

**COAL - Don't Be Mean**  
Weekend Discussion Questions  
November 27-28, 2010

**Community:**

1. What is the best Christmas gift you remember getting as a kid?
2. What do you look forward to most at Christmastime?

**Core:**

1. In John 10:10, Jesus says He has come to give us "life to the full" or "abundant" life. What does that kind of life look like? How would your life change if it became "life to the full"?
2. Have you or your family ever found yourselves looking back on December 26 and feeling as if something was missing, that there should have been something more? Talk about why you think that happens.
3. In Luke 4:18-22, when Jesus quotes the prophet Isaiah, what things does he say the Messiah (Jesus) will come to do?
4. How does understanding what Jesus came to this earth to do impact your understanding of Christmas?
5. Why is it important that we study and understand what Jesus did while he was on earth? What does it mean for our lives?
6. In the past, what are ways you have measured a successful Christmas? What are some of the ways the world measures success in life?
7. According to Jesus, how must we measure success? (John 13:35)
8. If you could have one wish for your family this year to have a successful Christmas, what would that be?
9. Based on Jesus' measure of success and a successful life, what would be his greatest wish for your family this Christmas?

**Challenge:**

1. Check out what other flatirons people are doing to take Christmas to another level. ([flatironschurch.com/coal](http://flatironschurch.com/coal))
2. Spend this week paying special attention to people and situations around you. Look for places where you can make a difference in someone else's life this Christmas. Ask God to point you and your family to a place where you can "be Jesus" for someone this year.

