

## Grace Fellowship Group Questions

Matthew 1:1-17

1. When so much of our culture's expression of Christmas is gear toward behavior (naughty or nice) how do we engage with the redemptive message of Jesus?

*We can show grace to our kids and to others, giving them gifts and kindness when least expected.*

2. Why is it that we can think we are too bad to be saved or used by God?

*Our sin and inability leaves us convinced that we are less than desirable. Even when we have salvation in Christ we can wrestle with our flesh and the accusation of the enemy.*

3. How can you show Christ's love to specific outsiders this Christmas?

*I can speak and act toward reconciliation with those I need to. I can serve in the community (Salvation Army, etc).*

4. What are some of the promises of God you are most clinging to?

*That he will finally return and bring us home!*

5. How can we keep our anticipation when promises seem so far off?

*In community, we can remind each other of them and recount the ways in which God has already kept his promises and stoke our anticipation.*