Basic Training – No More Ambushes

Weekend Discussion Questions January 31 - February 1, 2015

Community:

- We have been going through our value series "Basic Training" for about a month now. Which of our six values do you think is the strongest in your life? (Biblical Authority, Relational Intimacy, Authentic Community, Gifted Service, Excellent Environments, Relational Evangelism)
- 2. What do you think it means to create an excellent environment?

Core:

- 1. How do you think you create an excellent environment in your daily life? Work, family, etc.
- 2. Besides our 6 values, what values are most important in your life?
- 3. Paul was a guy that thought he was honoring God, when really he wasn't giving Him any glory. What are some times in your life when you thought you were honoring God but He had to redirect you?
- 4. Jim said most things that churches do probably started out with good intentions. What things have you seen in modern churches that get in the way of people bumping into Jesus?
- 5. For us to create an excellent environment, our focus is to remove any roadblocks that keep people from bumping into Jesus. We have all done it at some point; what roadblocks have you put up in someone's life, instead of getting rid of the roadblock?
- 6. Read Colossians 3:17. Our 5th value is excellent environments; we aren't in the business of changing people. Rather, we embrace our role as creating a space where people can work out their stuff with Jesus. Is this a goal you can get behind?
- 7. We believe that we don't save anyone, Jesus does. With this in mind, in what ways can you create an excellent environment in your everyday life so people around you might see who Jesus is?

Challenge:

- 1. Think of interactions you've had with people throughout the past month. Some interactions might have been great, some might have been awful, but how could you have leveraged your gifts or influence, to point those interactions toward Jesus?
- 2. Jim challenged the flatirons community to be an excellent environment outside of the walls of our building in the community of Lafayette. What can you do in Lafayette specifically to be Jesus to our neighbors?

