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Heap Burning Coals (Proverbs 25)

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Ron: Throwing burning coals on someone's head? That doesn't sound very nice.

Announcer: For FamilyLife Blended®, here's Ron Deal.

Ron: Why would Proverbs 25 in the Bible tell us to toss burning coals on our enemy? Well, it's an expression. If your enemy is hungry or thirsty, it says, give him something to eat or drink, for in so doing you "heap burning coals on his head." You see, just as hard metals are melted by putting hot coals on them, a hard heart can be softened by kindness.

Try to serve a person who annoys you; show compassion on someone who has hurt you, be respectful toward someone who is difficult to be around. No, you don't have to be a doormat, but who knows, a little kindness just might soften their heart. For FamilyLife Blended I'm Ron Deal.

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