

# Do unto others



Treat others how you want to be treated. It's the Golden Rule.

This sign of respect can be traced throughout time, throughout the world. Here are a few examples:

**Confucius:** What you do not want done to yourself, do not do unto others.

**Aristotle:** We should behave to others as we wish others to behave to us.

**Judaism:** What you dislike for yourself, do not do to anyone.

**Hinduism:** Do nothing to thy neighbor which thou wouldst not have him do to thee thereafter.

**Islam:** No one of you is a believer unless he loves for his brother what he loves for himself.

**Buddhism:** Hurt not others with that which pains thyself.

**Christianity:** Do unto others as you would have them do unto you.

Notice that the Golden Rule is about “doing unto others as you would have them do unto you” instead of “do unto others **so** they will do unto you”. Good character requires us to show respect to others because of their value as another human being, not a strategy for getting what we want.

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