

## *Matthew 7:12 • Implications Of The Golden Rule*

Matthew 7:12 “So **whatever you wish that others would do to you, do also to them**, for this is the Law and the Prophets.

Matthew 5:3 “Blessed are the poor in spirit, for **theirs is the kingdom of heaven**.

Matthew 5:10 “Blessed are those who are **persecuted for righteousness’ sake**, for **theirs is the kingdom of heaven**.

Matthew 5:20 For I tell you, **unless your righteousness exceeds** that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will **never enter the kingdom of heaven**.

Matthew 6:31 Therefore do not be anxious, saying, ‘**What shall we eat?**’ or ‘**What shall we drink?**’ or ‘**What shall we wear?**’

Matthew 6:32 For the **Gentiles seek after all these things**, and **your heavenly Father knows that you need them all**.

Matthew 6:33 But **seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness**, and all **these things will be added to you**.

Matthew 7:1 “**Judge not**, that you be not judged.

Matthew 7:2 For with the judgment you pronounce you will be judged, and with the measure you use it will be measured to you.

Matthew 7:3 Why do you see the speck that is in your brother’s eye, but do not notice the log that is in your own eye?

Matthew 7:4 Or how can you say to your brother, ‘Let me take the speck out of your eye,’ when there is the log in your own eye?

Matthew 7:5 You hypocrite, **first take the log out of your own eye**, and then you will see clearly to take the speck out of your brother’s eye.

Matthew 7:6 “**Do not give dogs what is holy**, and do not throw your pearls before pigs, lest they trample them underfoot and turn to attack you.

Matthew 7:7 **“Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you.**

Matthew 7:8 **For everyone who asks receives, and the one who seeks finds, and to the one who knocks it will be opened.**

Matthew 7:9 **Or which one of you, if his son asks him for bread, will give him a stone?**

Matthew 7:10 **Or if he asks for a fish, will give him a serpent?**

Matthew 7:11 **If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father who is in heaven give good things to those who ask him!**

Luke 11:13 **If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!”**

Romans 8:26 **Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness. For we do not know what to pray for as we ought,** but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with groanings too deep for words.

Romans 8:27 **And he who searches hearts knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.**

Romans 8:28 **And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good,** for those who are called according to his purpose.

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***Because He loves us, God is committed to separating us from anything that separates us from Him.***

*“God gives good things to his children who ask. Maybe not the very thing we ask for in the time and the way we ask, but always good things. Always. They may include some of the hardest experiences of our lives, just like God led Joseph down into slavery in Egypt. But it was for a thousand good reasons that would be seen later. Our Father in heaven is never against those who are in Jesus Christ. He has only mercy in his heart for us. Not*

*ease. But always mercy. All his wrath was removed by the ransom Jesus paid and the blood he shed.”*

*“If I treat others the way I would like to be treated, then I will get treated that way too.” But Jesus never makes that promise. He never promises, “If you treat others the way you would like to be treated, you too will get treated that way by others.” In fact, he promises that the opposite will often happen. For example, “Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account.” In other words, when you trust me and persist in love the way I call you to, it will cost you dearly. “How can you keep on returning good for evil? Jesus answers: because you have a Father in heaven who gives every good thing you need when you ask him. He doesn’t spare the trial. In fact, he promises it. But he does give you everything you need to endure it and become more Christ-like through it.”* **John Piper**

Matthew 22:15 Then the **Pharisees** went and plotted **how to entangle him in his words.**

Matthew 22:34 But when the **Pharisees** heard that he had silenced the **Sadducees**, they gathered together.

Matthew 22:35 And one of them, a lawyer, **asked him a question to test him.**

Matthew 22:36 “Teacher, **which is the great commandment in the Law?**”

Matthew 22:37 And he said to him, “**You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.**

Matthew 22:38 **This is the great and first commandment.**

Matthew 22:39 And a second is like it: **You shall love your neighbor as yourself.**

Matthew 22:40 On these two commandments **depend all the Law and the Prophets.”**

Romans 13:8 Owe no one anything, **except to love each other**, for the **one who loves another has fulfilled the law.**

Galatians 5:14 For **the whole law is fulfilled in one word: “You shall love your neighbor as yourself.”**

Deuteronomy 6:5 **You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might.**

Love is patient, love is kind...describe what love looks like. The real question is HOW do I love others like this?

Step 1. We love **because he first loved us.**

Step 2. Love God with all your heart, soul, mind & might.

Step 3. Love your neighbor the way you love yourself.

John 1:12 But to all who did receive him, who believed in his name, he gave the right to become **children of God,**

Psalms 16:11 You make known to me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy; at your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

John 4:10 Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water."

John 4:28 So the woman left her water jar and went away into town and said to the people,

John 4:29 "Come, see a man who told me all that I ever did. Can this be the Christ?"