

Questions for Consideration—With the Master on the Mount—Lesson 19—
Matthew 7:12—Living Out the Golden Rule

1. (a) Why do you think Matthew 7:12 comes after Jesus' admonition on prayer in verses 7-11? (b) Why does Jesus say doing to others as we would like done to us is the Law and Prophets?
2. Memorize Matthew 7:12
3. (a) Read the following passages from the law and write down the ways in which they instruct us to treat others like we would like to be treated. Exodus 20:12-17; Leviticus 19:18 and Deuteronomy 22:1-4. (b) How does this help you to better understand what Jesus means in Matthew 7:12?
- 4.(a) Read the following passages from the prophets and write down the ways in which they instruct us to treat others like we would like to be treated? Isaiah 1:16, 17; Jeremiah 7:5, 6; Ezekiel 18:7, 8; Amos 5:14, 15; Micah 6:8; Zechariah 8:16, 17. (b) How does this help you to understand more thoroughly what Jesus means in Matthew 7:12?
5. (a) Who is commanded or admonished to treat others like they would like to be treated in the following passages? 1 Samuel 30:21-25; Job 16:1-5; Galatians 5:14, 15; Ephesians 6:5-9; 1 Peter 5:1-4. (b) If it is mentioned in the text, why should the individual treat others in the manner they would like to be treated?
6. (a) What are some ways in which we can live out Matthew 7:12? (b) In what ways can we teach our children the principle in Matthew 7:12?
7. Do you think that you treat others the way you would like to be treated? Your husband? Your children? Your friends? People in your church? Your neighbors? Your enemies? Write a prayer request where you know you are in need of help.