

# Extraordinary

Part 28: The Golden Rule

Matthew 7:12

## Launch

What is your Love Language? (Acts of service, gift-giving, physical touch, quality time, or words of affirmation.)

## Explore

**Read the verse in multiple translations (For example, the NIV, ESV, NASB, NLT, and MSG which can be found at [biblegateway.com](http://biblegateway.com) or any Bible app)**

How does this command of Jesus fulfill (or sum up) the Law and Prophets?

Why is the Golden Rule easy to agree with but hard to practice?

### **Read John 15:12**

This command is sometimes referred to as the Platinum Rule. What is Jesus really asking of us in this verse? Why is this more loving (and more difficult) than the Golden Rule?

## Apply

What is the role of empathy in living out the Golden Rule? What about self-sacrifice? Prayer?

Why is it important to know a person's love language? How does this relate to the Golden Rule?

While treating people the way **you** want to be treated is a great principle to live by, not everyone has the same desires, preferences, personalities, or goals. When is it important to treat people the way **they** want to be treated?

## Pray

Pray that we would rely on the Holy Spirit's power and insight to treat people in our oikos the way that Jesus commands.