

A Pandemic Survival Kit Sermon Series

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Scripture: Luke 6:31 RNJB

³¹Treat others as you would like people to treat you.

BIBLE STUDY QUESTIONS – How To Grow Your Soul

1. What jumps out at you about this verse?
2. Why do you think the golden rule is considered to be the best summation of the teachings of both Judaism and Christianity (and many argue the core truths of the other world religions as well)?
3. There are many polarities of life, opposites that always need to be held together:
Rational *AND* Emotional
Planning *AND* Action
Rights *AND* Responsibilities
Doing *AND* Being
Work *AND* Play
Accepting *AND* Asserting
Me *AND* We p

Leonard Sweet says that the most important of these polarities to get right in life is The Me and The We. Do you agree?

4. How will we treat others if we hate ourselves?
5. Who are the "others" Jesus talks about? Family, friends, foes, strangers, foreigners, all the above?
6. Jesus connects the Golden Rule to loving our enemies. How do we love our enemies?
7. The Rabbis say that the person who is forgiving is forgiven and they are a friend of God. Why is forgiveness such a crucial part of our faith?
8. What would the world look like if all Christians followed the Golden Rule? If all world religions followed the Golden Rule?