

The Golden Rule

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Baha'i: "And if thine eyes be turned towards justice, choose thou for thy neighbor that which thou chooseth for thyself."
Lawh'i 'lbn'i Dhib, "Epistle to the Son of the Wolf" 30

Buddhism: "Hurt not others in ways you yourself would find hurtful." Udana-Varga, 5:18

Christianity: "In everything do to others as you would have them do to you; for this is the law and the prophets."
Matthew 7:12

Confucianism: "Do not unto others what you do not want them to do to you." Analects 15:13

Hinduism: "This is the sum of duty: do naught unto others which would cause you pain if done to you."
The Mahabharata, 5:1517

Islam: "Not one of you is a believer until he loves for his brother what he loves for himself."
Fortieth Hadith of an-Nawawi, 13

Jainism: "A man should wander about treating all creatures as he himself would be treated." Surtrakritanga, 1:11:33

Judaism: "What is hateful to you, do not do to your neighbor: that is the whole of the Torah; all the rest of it is commentary."
Talmud, Shabbat, 31a

Native American: "Respect for all life is the foundation."
The Great Law of Peace

Sikhism: "Don't create enmity with anyone as God is within everyone." Guru Granth Sahib, page 259

Taoism: "Regard your neighbor's gain as your own gain and your neighbor's loss as your own loss."
T'ai Shang Kan Ying P'ien

Zoroastrianism: "That nature alone is good which refrains from doing unto another whatsoever is not good for itself."
Dadistan-I-Dinik, 94:5



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