Theme: The Golden Rule and the Global Family... a path to peace

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The Golden Rule as found in the sacred writings of 13 faith traditions.

**BUDDHISM**
Treat not others in ways that you yourself would find hurtful
The Buddha, Udana-Varga 5.18

**CONFUCIANISM**
One word which sums up the basis of all good conduct...loving-kindness. Do not do to others what you do not want done to yourself
Confucius, Analects 15.23

**TAOISM**
Regard your neighbour’s gain as your own gain, and your neighbour’s loss as your own loss
Lao Tzu, T’ai Shang Kan Ying P’ien, 213-218

**SIKHISM**
I am a stranger to no one; and no one is a stranger to me. Indeed, I am a friend to all
Guru Granth Sahib, p. 1299

**CHRISTIANITY**
In everything, do to others as you would have them do to you; for this is the law and the prophets
Jesus, Matthew 7:12

**UNITARIANISM**
We affirm and promote respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part
Unitarian principle

**JAINISM**
One should treat all creatures in the world as one would like to be treated
Mahavira, Sutrakritanga

**JUDAISM**
What is hateful to you, do not do to your neighbour. This is the whole Torah; all the rest is commentary
Hillel, Talmud, Shabbat 31a

**ISLAM**
Not one of you truly believes until you wish for others what you wish for yourself
The Prophet Muhammad, Hadith

**THE BAHÁ’Í FAITH**
Lay not on any soul a load that you would not wish to be laid upon you, and desire not for anyone the things you would not desire for yourself
Baha’u’llah, Gleanings

**HINDUISM**
This is the sum of duty: do not do to others what would cause pain if done to you
Mahabharata 5:1517

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