

Upside Down

Week One | The Golden Rule | Pastor Allen Jessee

Big Idea

The Golden Rule - Treat others the way you want to be treated. It's easier said than done! A mark of "upside down" living is that we honor others and see others as important and valued.

Let's Talk

1. Encourage others. In the book of Acts, we see the early church care for one another and offer encouragement when needed. What are some practical ways you can offer encouragement to those you see regularly?
2. Serve others. Serving others is caring in action. When we serve others, we are communicating with our actions that they have value and are worth the effort. Jesus knelt down to wash his disciples feet as an act of service and love. How could you serve others around you this week?
3. Honor others. We get the idea of The Golden Rule from Matthew 7:12, "*Do unto others as you would have them do unto you.*" We show honor to others in how we treat them, especially when we gain nothing in return. How can you show honor this week to someone?

Reflect & Respond

We have the incredible opportunity to bring the kingdom of God closer through our love for others. When we encourage, serve, and honor others we are practicing this upside down kind of living that will show people that our priorities are different than personal success or fame. We exist to experience God's love and to share that with those we meet on our journey. This week, take time to show love to those around you.

