

# THE **GOSPEL** WITH THE **POOR**

In Everything to Everyone



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# Who are the Poor and Marginalized ?

Those who are at a disadvantage, often overlooked and viewed as less valuable, and are treated unfairly, oppressed or exploited by others.

**Examples:** Those who are without housing, food, or the resources to meet their needs. Those who are unprotected, and are treated unjustly.

*i.e. those are poor, children, orphans, widows, immigrants, refugees, prisoners, the sick, those enslaved, the elderly, or those with mental or physical disabilities, etc...*

## Micah 6:8

*He has shown you, O mortal, what is good. And what does the Lord require of you?*

**To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God.**

**Matthew 7:12** ...in everything, do to others what you would have them do to you, for this sums up the Law and the Prophets.

# The Golden or Silver Rule

What you do not want done to yourself, do not do to others.” —  
(Confucius, China *circa 500 BC*)

“That which is hateful to you, do not do to your fellow. That is the entire Law; all the rest is commentary.” (*Judaism*)

“No one of you is a believer until he desires for his brother that which he desires for himself.” (*Islam*)

“Hurt not others in ways that you yourself would find hurtful.”  
(*Buddhism*)

“This is the sum of duty: do naught unto others which would cause you pain if done to you.” (*Hinduism*)

**Matthew 7:9-12** “Which of you, if your son asks for bread, will give him a stone? <sup>10</sup> Or if he asks for a fish, will give him a snake? <sup>11</sup> If you, then, though you are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give good gifts to those who ask him! <sup>12</sup> **So in everything, do to others what you would have them do to you,** for this sums up the Law and the Prophets.

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# Invitation-

“...In everything, do to others what you would have them do to  
you”

Do this with God, not as an assignment from God.

Move closer, look deeper, and see the person as yourself.

Understand that this way of seeing others is for them and for you.

*“We experience and grasp God’s mercy for us as show God’s mercy to  
others”*

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