

Small Group Study Guide

Luke: The Golden Rule

Luke 6:27-36

Go around the room and give an example of the nicest thing anyone has ever done for you?

Read through Luke 6:27-36

Think about this one verse, **Luke 6:35**, "But love your enemies, do good to them, and lend to them without expecting to get anything back."

- 1. Why do you think it is so hard for people today to give without getting anything back as a return investment?
- 2. Why do you think its hard for some people to receive? Why do people avoid feeling like they're in debt to someone's charity?
- 3. The world's system says, "<u>Do NOT do</u> to others what you wouldn't want done to yourself." How is this different from what Jesus is commanding? Why is what Jesus says more difficult?
- 4. What do you imagine would change in our churches and world if Christians started obeying Jesus' command in **verse 36**, "Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful." What (or who) would our world see?
- What changes need to be made in your life to be obedience to Jesus command?
- How can your character look more like your heavenly Father's?