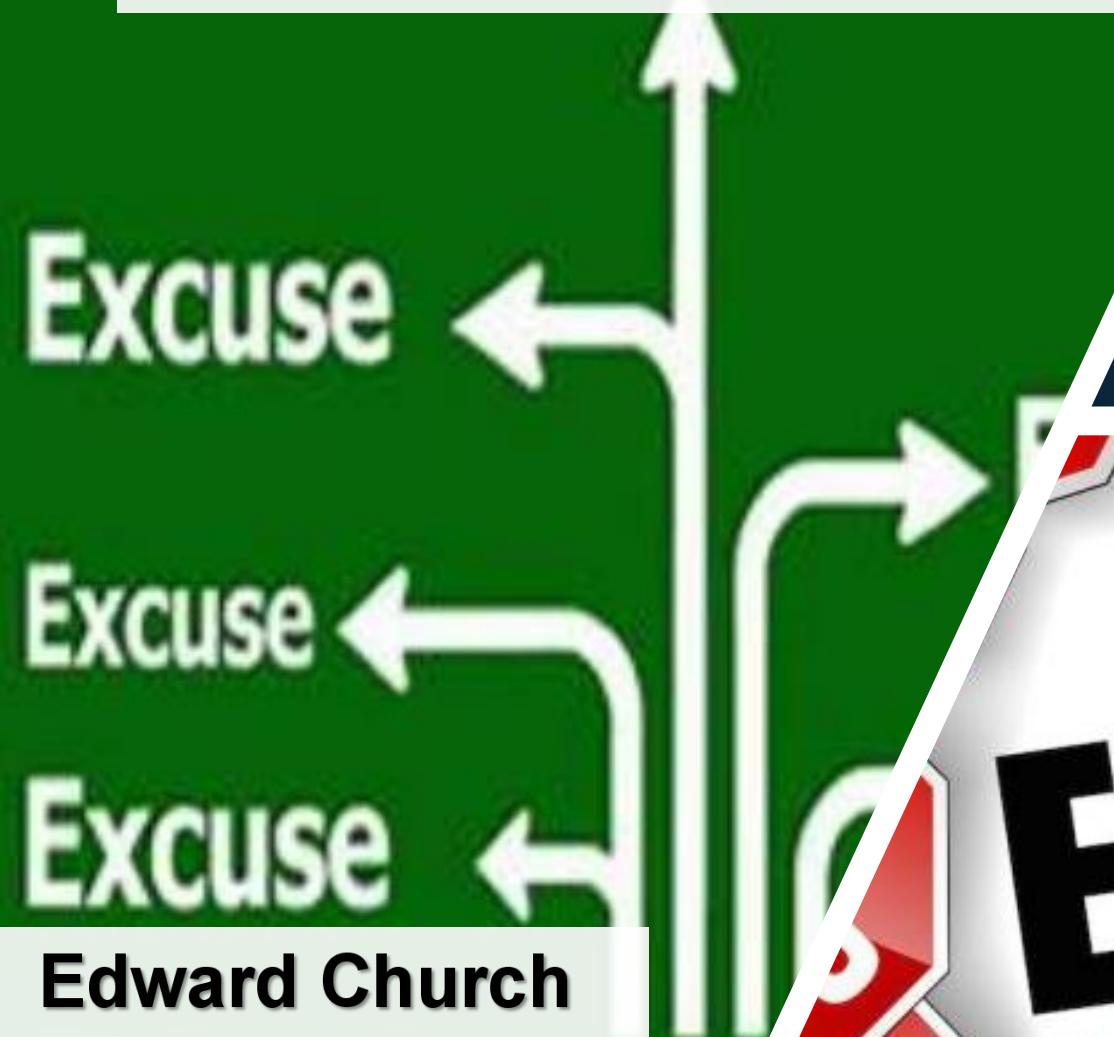
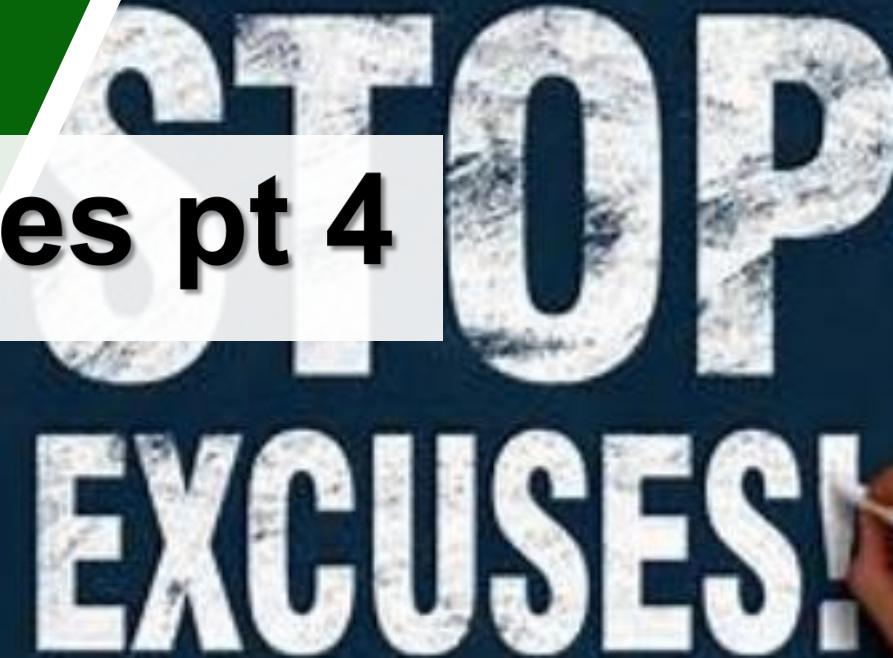


Getting Past Excuses pt 4



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Excuse My Rude Attitude

**In The Time When We Need
People...**

Step Up

Take Up

**Responsibility
Make a Difference**

Excuse Me, I Have An Attitude

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Excuse Make a Difference Attitude

The World Instead...

**Step Back
Give Up
Responsibility
Make an Excuse**

**That old law about 'an
eye for an eye' leaves
everybody blind. The
time is always right to do
the right thing.**



Martin Luther King, Jr
American activist

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BUT

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BUT

- **Plain**
- **Powerful**
- **Pleasing – to God and Man**
- **Pushes Beyond Excuses**

It's the Golden Rule

LEVITICUS 19:18



THOU SHALT NOT AVENGE,
NOR BEAR ANY GRUDGE
AGAINST THE CHILDREN OF
THY PEOPLE, BUT THOU
SHALT LOVE THY NEIGHBOUR
AS THYSELF: I AM THE LORD.

LEVITICUS 19:18



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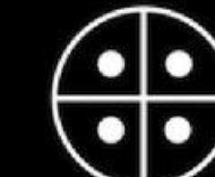
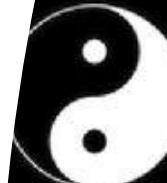
...Focus on the

Negative

Only Jesus...

**...Focuses on the Positive
...Brings Positive Change**

**Golden Rule =
Positive Change**



Not one of you truly believes until you wish for others what you wish for yourself.

The Prophet Muhammad, Hadith

Judaism

What is hateful to you,
do not to your neighbor.

Hillel, Talmud, Shabbat 31a

Confucianism

Do not do to others what
you would not like yourself

Analects 12:2

Buddhism

Treat not others in ways
that you yourself would
find hurtful.

Udana-Varga 5:18

Hinduism

Do naught unto others
which would cause you
pain if done to you.

Mahabharata 5:1517



Christianity

Do unto others as you would
have them do unto you.

Matthew 7:12



I BELIEVE
GOD WANTS
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OTHERS **SO** MUCH
THAT WE
GO TO **EXTREMES** **TO**
HELP
THEM.

FRANCIS CHAN, CRAZY LOVE

I BELIEVE
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Positive Action (Change)

“Do not do unto others as you would not want done to you”
Known as the “Silver Rule”

**this Inversion of the Golden Rule Reminds Us to Not Do What We
Would Prefer Not to Happen to Ourselves.**

**This is the Negative Version of the Golden Rule
It IS Also an Excuse Not to Follow It!**

GALATIANS 5:14 (KJV)
“FOR ALL THE
LAW IS FULFILLED
IN ONE WORD,
EVEN IN THIS;
THOU SHALT LOVE
THY NEIGHBOUR
AS THYSELF.”



GALATIANS 5:14 (KJV)

Universal Action (Change)

“It applies to every relationship in our lives”

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

In Marriage, Parenting, Business, Friendships, Traffic.

• This Should Be Our Thought in Every Relationship.

This Will Cause You to Bring Change in Most Situations

You shall
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your
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MATTHEW 22:39

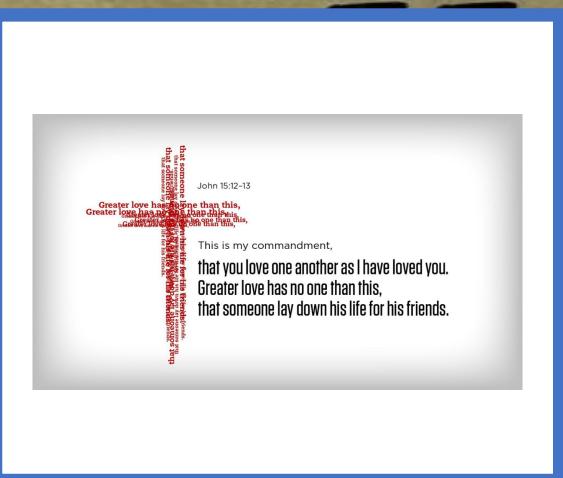
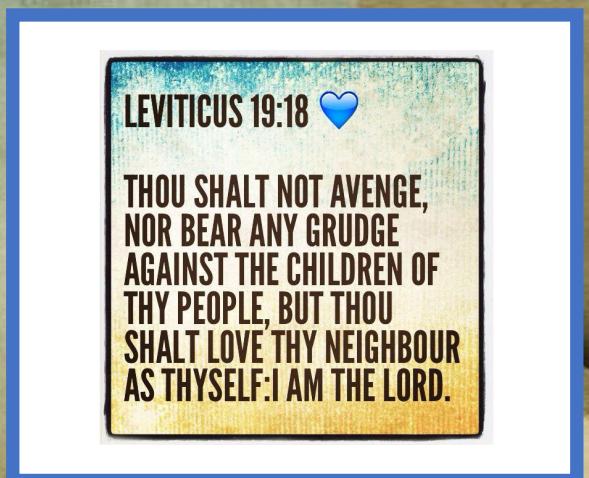
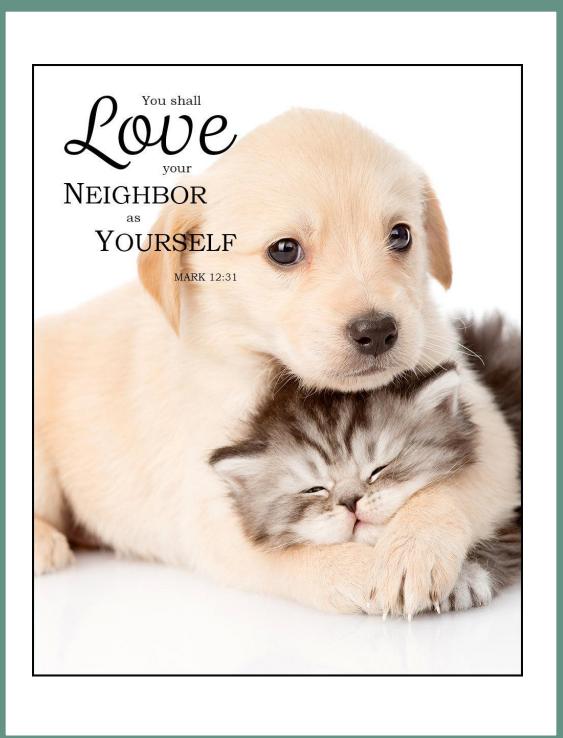


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Empathetic Action (Change)

“Put yourself in their shoes”

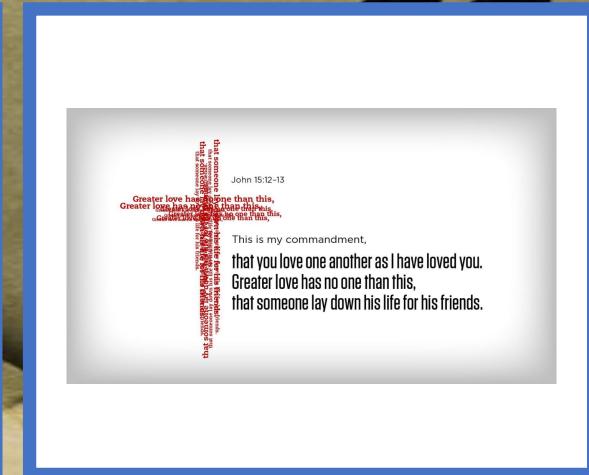
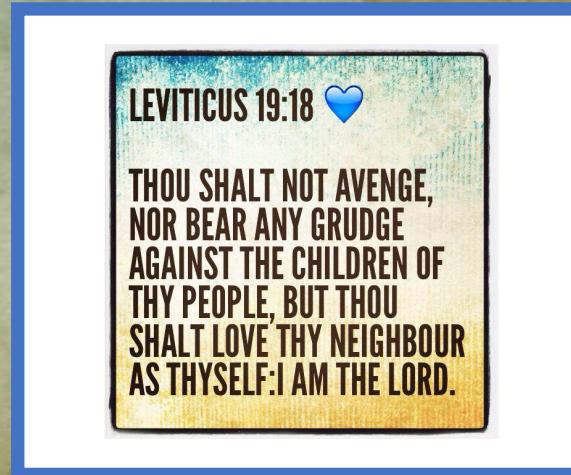
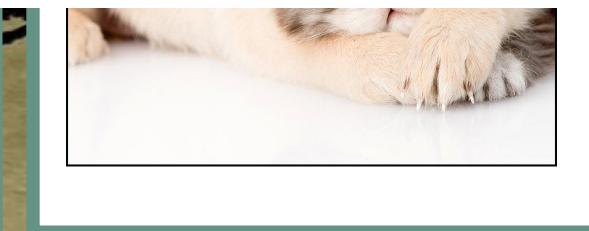
- **Golden Rule** is a call to **Empathy and Understanding Another's Situation and Point of View**
- Calls upon us to **Picture Ourselves** as our Fellow Human and **Recognize** this **Will Bring Positive Change**



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Imagine yourself in the other person’s place. How would you feel if you were in the same situation? (Romans 12:15) When you try to understand the feelings of others, you may feel moved to help them.

Be Flexible

Keep in mind that everyone is different. What others would like to have done for them may not be the same as what you would want to have done for you. Try to choose what they will appreciate most.-1 Cor 10:24

Challenge - Be the Change

**Be the change
you wish to see
in the world.**

~Gandhi

Challenge - Be the Change

There are 3 Degrees of Change

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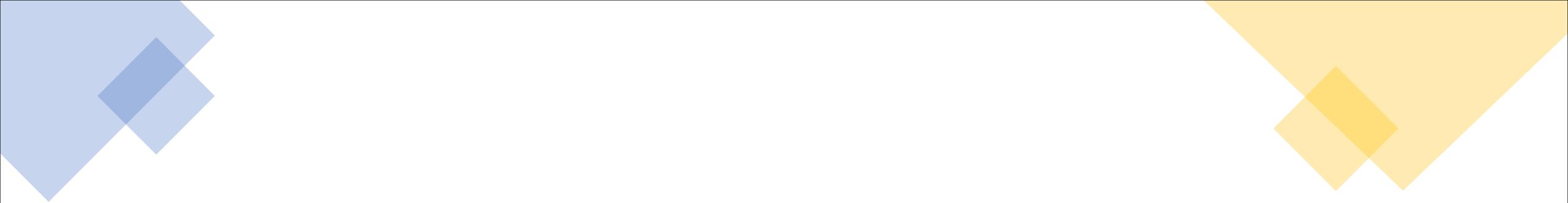
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Practicing = You Look for Opportunities

Living = Opportunity Looks for You

Now You Become the Change



**What's Your
Excuse?**

Be the Change

