Text: Matthew 7:12

## **SAYINGS OF JESUS**

"Therefore, whatever you want men to do to you, do also to them, for this is the Law and the Prophets."

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- 1. An example of one of the sayings of Jesus
- 2. What are these sayings of Jesus?
  - a) A teaching
  - b) A carefully crafted teaching
    - i) Not necessarily new
    - ii) But specially highlighted
    - iii) They are to be carefully understood and heeded
- 3. A truth-principle
  - a) Taught
  - b) Highlighted
  - c) Confirmed
  - d) Established
- 4. The Law and the Prophets
  - a) An important reference
  - b) The roots
  - c) The authority
- 5. Obadiah (an important corollary)

"As you have done, it shall be done to you; Your reprisal shall return upon your own head." Obadiah 15

- a) A word of admonishment given to Edom
  - i) From the Lord
  - ii) By the prophet Obadiah
- b) The sin of Edom highlighted
  - Mocking the plight of Judah when it was conquered by the Babylonians
  - ii) Looting Judah
  - iii) Handing fleeing people from Judah to the Babylonians
- c) The punishment of Edom
  - i) It would one day be destroyed
  - ii) It would suffer the same fate as Judah

## 6. Similar principle

- a) "Judge not, that you be not judged.

  For with what judgment you judge, you will be judged."

  Matthew 7:1-2a
- b) "And with the measure you use, it will be measured back to you" Matthew 7:2b