NORMAN ROCKWELL AND THE GOLDEN RULE
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We subscribe to the old magazine “The Saturday Evening Post.” My wife and I enjoy the excellent articles that are “Celebrating America, Past, Present, and Future.” The magazine is always full of articles and the wonderful drawing/pictures of Norman Rockwell. I believe most people reading this remember or at least viewed his splendid paintings.

In the issue dated January/February 2015, page 94, explained Mr. Rockwell’s view of the Golden Rule. The composition was titled “Something Serious” and authored by Patrick Perry. Mr. Perry wrote, “Deviating from lighthearted fare for a change, Rockwell interprets the Golden Rule.” In our present times with lawlessness running rampant throughout the world community, it is normal to become disheartened. Further, with the advancement of radical orthodox Islam, the mass killing of innocent people and with current world chaos, peace-loving people cry out for sanity.

A few quotes from “The Vault, The Rockwell Files by Patrick Perry” will be interesting to those of us who desire peace. “In the summer of 1960, inspired by the idea that the Golden Rule was a universal principle threading through all religions, Rockwell decided to capture the concept on canvas. “After preliminary sketches, he remembered an earlier piece, United Nations, that had never been completed. He found the unfinished 10-foot long charcoal in the cellar and hauled it upstairs to his studio. ‘I had tried to depict all peoples of the world gathered together,’ Rockwell said. ‘That was just what I wanted to express about the Golden Rule’.”

End Note: These concluding remarks are somewhat difficult in that the Middle East and Jew/Muslim interaction have always been unsteady. It is interesting for us to know and point out that the religion of Islam, for the most part, and during this, timeline was neither radical nor orthodox thus not complying with the Koran as it was written. Muslims during this era were more civilized, more desires of earning a living and enjoying peace. Unfortunately, Israel and the Arab world have never enjoyed total peace. See: http://www.jewishvirtuallibrary.org/jsource/isdf/text/gelber.html

NATIONS AND MANKIND CAN LIVE IN PEACE, THE ANSWER IS THE GOLDEN RULE AND IN OBEDIENCE TO GOD’S WORD, THE BIBLE.
“Therefore all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them: for this is the law and the prophets.”
(Matthew 7:12 KJV)

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