

Animal skit teaching the Golden Rule
(using hand puppets or soft animal toys)

[Enter pig and cat talking]

Pig I don't understand why you're always washing yourself - ears, face, body. But you never look dirty!

Cat Purrrrrfectly obvious! I'm never dirty because I always wash myself! Not like you - with mud in your ears, dirt all over your body and stinking terrible!

Pig Snort! But you're not so perfect - leaving hairs everywhere! They tickle my nose!

Cat And WHAT a nose! I wonder, being able to smell so well, how can you stand to stink so?!

[The two begin to fight.....Sheep enters]

Sheep Baaaaad boys! Stop fighting! What's going on?

Pig He started it!! He made fun of my ears!

Cat Oh, don't believe it! HE started it - complaining about my beautiful fur!

Sheep Didn't we talk about the Golden Rule in Sunday School last week? It doesn't mean anything if you don't apply it to your daily life.

Cat You're right. We're acting like animals instead of Christians. Forgive me. Pig, I understand that you have a problem because you can't see your feet because of your big fat body and so you can't help falling over in the mud....

Pig Really? I have a big fat body!! YOU are so snobbish with your ppeerrrrfection!!

[They start fighting again]

Sheep BBaaaaaack off you two!! That's not the way to act. Both of you want to have friends, but friends that treat you well. Then you should begin to treat each other well. Jesus knows your hearts. Act right and be nice, and you can enjoy a good friendship.

[Both look at each other in silence for a moment]

Cat Yes, Pig, I really do want you to be my friend. I act very badly at times, I'm sorry. I want to follow Jesus and do what's right. Please forgive me - can we start over?

Pig Yes, please. It's true - in fact, I really don't have many friends....maybe because of the smell of my dirty body; but I have a problem, you see, - I can't sweat and in this heat, I have to cover myself in mud so I don't get sick.

Cat Really? You ppoooooor thing! I didn't know. It must be very difficult in the summer - at times I get sick in the heat because of all this fur!.....

[They all walk off together]