

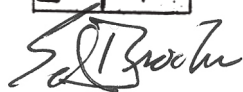
Golden Rules

Measuring Life by a Different Standard

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The excitement of Valentine's Day reached a fevered pitch during our school years. As kids, we were wildly curious to know who was kissing whom; experienced huge disappointments when our sweetie would not reciprocate affections; and felt extreme tension when we wanted distance from another's romantic pursuits. The Hearts of Youth often mend quickly and rekindle new romances, but the Golden Rules of Love endure forever. We hope these put a smile on your face and serve as a reminder of that special day just around the corner.

- You have been married to the same person for 69 years?? That is marvelous – it must be very inexpensive (*Johnny Carson*).
- If you want your spouse to listen and pay attention to every word you say, talk in your sleep.
- Adam and Eve had an ideal marriage. He didn't have to hear about all the men she could have married, and she didn't have to hear about the way his mother cooked.
- An elderly woman was nearing death. Having never married, she requested no male pallbearers at her funeral. In her handwritten instructions, she wrote: *'They wouldn't take me out while I was alive, so I don't want them to take me out when I'm dead.'*
- If love is blind, why is lingerie so popular?
- You can't make someone love you; all you can do is be someone who can be loved. The rest is up to the person to realize your worth.
- To realize the value of ten years – ask a newly divorced couple. To realize the value of four years – ask two high school sweethearts that have split. To realize the value of one hour – ask two lovers who are waiting to meet.
- It is better to lose your pride to the one you love, than to lose the one you love because of pride.
- We spend too much time looking for the right person to love – or finding fault with those we already love. Instead we should be perfecting the love we give.



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