

# **Ethical Decision Making How Do you Make Decisions?**

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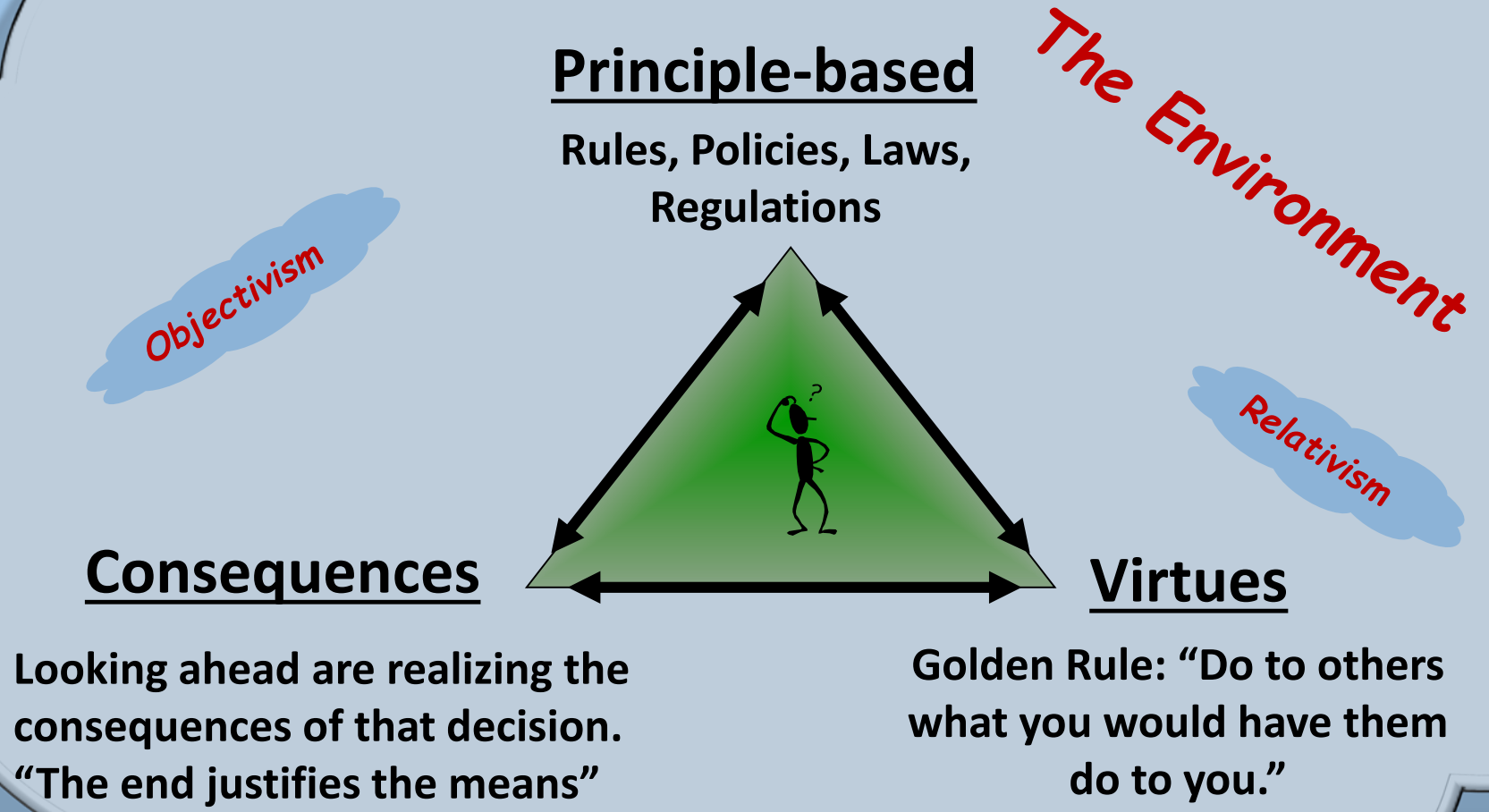
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## The Ethical Triangle



# Wrong Ball

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6O89AB1DOgk>

## **Right Versus Right Ethical Dilemmas**

**Truth vs Loyalty**  
**Individual vs Community**  
**Short Term vs Long Term**  
**Justice vs Mercy**

# Enemies of Good Ethical Decision Making

- ❖ **Fear**
- ❖ **Time pressure**
- ❖ **Emotion**
- ❖ **Alcohol or substance abuse**
- ❖ **Frustration**
- ❖ **Fatigue**
- ❖ **Weak or permissive leadership**
- ❖ **Lack of Trust in our supervisors**
- ❖ **Arrogance/ego/character flaws**
- ❖ **Poor Training**
- ❖ **Unclear or unrealistic Policies**
- ❖ **Misplaced Loyalty**

I leave you with  
this quote:

NOTABLE *and*  
quotable



I think one of the most valuable lessons I've learned in my professional life is to stop selling myself short and not to be the biggest obstacle in my path, because when you sell yourself short, so will everyone else.

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