

My sources determine my successes!

1 Corinthians 13:1-3 NIV

If I speak in the tongues of men or of angels, but do not have love, I am only a resounding gong or a clanging cymbal. If I have the gift of prophecy and can fathom all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have a faith that can move mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. If I give all I possess to the poor and give over my body to hardship that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing.

1 Corinthians 13:1-3 MPV

If I speak with the authority of James Earl Jones, but have not love, I'm only the clanging of the pots and pans by my toddler! If I tell my children "I know what you are up to", can detect even their sneakiest plans, create fake social media accounts to track my child's every move, and have unrealistic faith that my son will play in the NFL, but have not love, I am nothing! If I pay for the coolest new outfit or Air Jordans, and burn my fingers making pizza pockets, but have not love, I have gained nothing!

How to make love the ultimate source for your parenting:

Follow a better example

John 13:15,34-35 NIV

I have set you an example that you should do as I have done for you... "A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another."

Build a stronger foundation

John 15:9 NLT

I have loved you even as the Father has loved me. Remain in my love.

Ephesians 5:1-2 NLT

Imitate God, therefore, in everything you do, because you are his dear children. Live a life filled with love, following the example of Christ. He loved us and offered himself as a sacrifice for us, a pleasing aroma to God.

Find a higher purpose

Psalms 127:3 NLT

Children are a gift from the Lord; they are a reward from him.

Ephesians 6:4 CEV

Parents, don't be hard on your children. Raise them properly. Teach them and instruct them about the Lord.

Lean on a greater power

1 John 4:19 NLT

We love each other because he loved us first.

Philippians 4:13 NLT

For I can do everything through Christ, who gives me strength.