

# LOVE POWERED PARENTING

Purpose Driven Families, Part 3

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*Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me. Don't stop them, because the kingdom of heaven belongs to people who are like these children." Matthew 19:14 (NCV)*

*"So now I am giving you a new commandment: Love each other. Just as I have loved you, you should love each other. Your love for one another will prove to the world that you are my disciples."*

*John 13:34-35 (NLT)*

How do I love like Jesus?

## 1. I NEED A BETTER \_\_\_\_\_

*"Just as I..."*

*Follow my example, as I follow the example of Christ.*

*1 Corinthians 11:1 (NIV)*

*"I have set you an example that you should do as I have done for you." John 13:15 (NIV)*

## 2. I NEED A STRONGER \_\_\_\_\_

*"I have loved you..."*

*So now there is no condemnation for those who belong to Christ Jesus. Romans 8:1 (NLT)*

*"I've loved you the way my Father has loved me. Make yourselves at home in my love." John 15:9 (MSG)*

*Be imitators of God, therefore, as dearly loved children and live a life of love, just as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us as a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God. Ephesians 5:1-2 (NIV)*

## 3. I NEED A HIGHER \_\_\_\_\_

*"Your love will prove you are my disciples"*

Parenting must have a purpose higher than \_\_\_\_\_!

*Not to us, O Lord, not to us but to your name be the glory, because of your love and faithfulness. Psalm 115:1 (NIV)*

*Children are a gift from the Lord. Psalm 127:3a (NLT)*

*"For this child I prayed, and the LORD has granted me my petition that I made to him. So I have also dedicated him to the LORD; as long as he lives he is dedicated to the LORD."*

*1 Samuel 1:27-28 (ESV/NASB)*

## 4. I NEED A GREATER \_\_\_\_\_

*"Love each other"*

*We love, because He first loved us. I John 4:19 (NIV)*

*I can do all things through Christ, because he gives me strength. Philippians 4:13 (NCV)*

***If I speak** in the tongues of men and of angels, but have not 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 have not love, I am nothing.*

***If I give all** I possess to the poor and surrender my body to the flames, but have not love, I gain nothing. 1 Corinthians 13:1-3 (NIV)*