

A Table for Two

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Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. Love never fails.

(1 Corinthians 13:4-7, New International Version)

Love each other in the same way I have loved you. There is no greater love than to lay down one's life for one's friends.

(John 15:12-13 New Living Translation)

1. Is there anything for which I need to ask my children's forgiveness?

A refusal to correct is a refusal to love; love your children by disciplining them.

(Proverbs 13:24, The Message)

2. Is there someone in my family I need to forgive?

When he was still a long way off, his father saw him. His heart pounding, he ran out, embraced him, and kissed him. The son started his speech: 'Father, I've sinned against God, I've sinned before you; I don't deserve to be called your son ever again.' But the father wasn't listening. He was calling to the servants, 'Quick. Bring a clean set of clothes and dress him. Put the family ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. Then get a prize-winning heifer and roast it. We're going to feast! We're going to have a wonderful time! My son is here given up for dead and now alive! Given up for lost and now found!' And they began to have a wonderful time.

(Luke 15:20-24, MSG)

'For I know the plans I have for you,' declares the Lord, 'plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.'

(Jeremiah 29:11, NIV)

3. Is there something God is asking me to do today?

If GOD doesn't build the house, the builders only build shacks.

If God doesn't guard the city, the night watchman might as well take a nap. It's useless to rise early and go to bed late and work your worried fingers to the bone.

Don't you know He enjoys giving rest to those He loves?

(Psalm 127:1-2, MSG)

Don't you see that children are God's best gift? The fruit of the womb His generous legacy?

(Psalm 127:3, MSG)

4. What steps do I need to take to reconnect with my children?

- **Start Fresh/Be Realistic**
- **Keep It Short and Simple**
- **Be Prepared to Apologize/Be Open to a New Relationship.**