Four Family Loves:

A Curriculum for Building Good Character and Loving Families

Siblings' Love





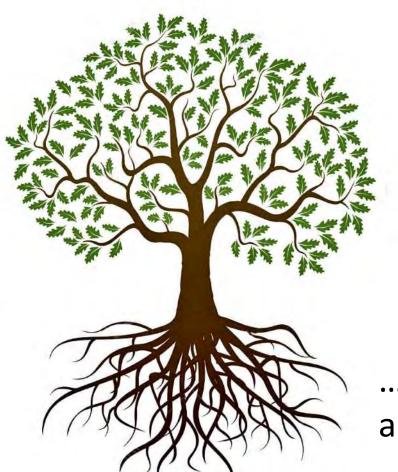




Chapter 4:

Brother and Sister Love

Brothers and sisters are like branches of a tree, they will grow in different directions...



...but they share a common root.

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True Brother & Sister Love

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- 2. Teaches responsibility.
- 3. Is protective in nature.

1. One Set of Parents

A common set of parents, a common origin and love, binds brothers and sisters together into a family.

Who is our common parent?

God: Original Parent

God is the Original Parent of all humanity. He is not a parent in the parochial (narrow) sense, existing only for a certain religion, a certain race, or the residents of a certain region. You may call Him by any name, be it Jehovah, Allah, or any other.

Tao Allah Ishwar Great Spirit

Heavenly Parent



Universal Love

God

Jehovah

Ultimate Reality









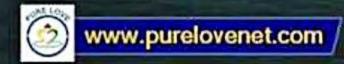


1. Unites Siblings



Siblings have a common origin.

Neither race nor religion No barriers can keep us apart Forgiveness, true understanding This is how it all starts



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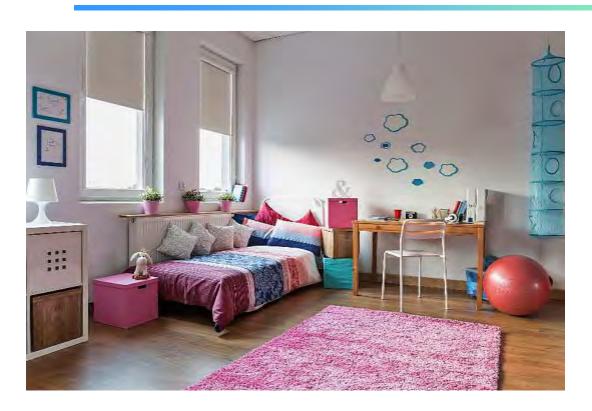
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2. Teaches Responsibility

Social Skills:

- Responsibility comes before freedom.
- Learning to share is learning to sacrifice.
- Rules are an expression of parental love.
- Ownership and respecting property.

Responsibility and Freedom



The **more** responsibility you take, the freer, happier and more valued you become.

Responsibility and Freedom

Freedom is based on fulfilling responsibilities in doing things we do not choose to do!

Responsibility and Freedom

Free to Choose

Not Free to Choose

1. Steak or Fish; Vanilla or Chocolate

To Pay the Bill or not

2. Drive a car where you choose.

To make you own rules.

Learning to Share



Learning to Share
is Learning to Sacrifice

A Shared Joy is Double Joy.

(A Swedish proverb).

Earning Trust



Ownership:

- Respect Others' Rights
- Ask before Borrowing
- Return afterwards
- Earn trust

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Siblings Look After Each Other:

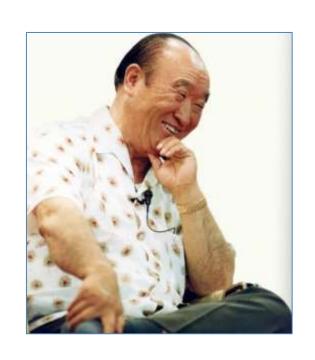
- Being bullied.
- Sexually harassed.

Trust Your Parents

Mistakes are part of growing up.

But there is one mistake you should not make.

Loving my Brothers and Sisters



What is a loyal subject? Is the one who devotes himself only to the king a loyal subject?... It is the one who loves his people like the king does.

Who is a filial son? A filial son is not the one who devotes himself to his parents. A filial child is the one who devotes himself to his brothers and sisters like a loving parent.



Activity #1:

Can you identify ways in which responsibility is linked to freedom?