

The background of the image features delicate white flowers and buds on thin green stems, set against a light, neutral background. The flowers are scattered across the frame, with some in sharp focus and others blurred, creating a soft, natural aesthetic. The stems are thin and green, with small buds and open blossoms.

DO NOT PROVOKE YOUR CHILDREN TO ANGER

Part 1: Giving Children Love
to Live With

Children Need Their Parents' Love

- ◆ Parental attitudes and actions strongly influence a child's life.
 - ◆ A child's first few years are the "formative years."
 - ◆ Parents are failing to fill these years with love
- ◆ Much of what we see today are the results of a lack of parental love.
 - ◆ Love is one of the strongest emotion we deal with
 - ◆ When love is missing from the family, children will grow to be confused and angry.

Parents Must Love Their Children

- ◆ Parents must give **agape** love.
- ◆ Children need to know their father loves them.
 - ◆ Fathers' absenteeism is one of our greatest problems
 - ◆ A child need to know their father cherishes them – Psa. 127:3-5; Mt. 7:10-11
- ◆ Children need to know their mother loves them.
 - ◆ God expects mothers to love their children – Titus 2:3-5
 - ◆ Mothers show this by the nurturing care only they can provide – Isa. 49:15; 66:13
- ◆ Parents have one chance to raise your children in love!

Children Need To Know God Loves Them

- ◆ Though parental love is vital, it is not enough.
 - ◆ Children leave home and parents leave this earth.
 - ◆ True parental love includes your child knowing their heavenly Father's undying love.
- ◆ Children need to know God's love is offered...
 - ◆ Though it is undeserved – Rom. 5:5-8
 - ◆ Through great sacrifice – Jn. 3:16; 1 John 4:9-10
 - ◆ Children need to observe God's love in their parents' lives – 1 Jn. 3:16-18; Mt. 5:44-45