4. SUBJECT: Learning to read your child

What makes your child or children tick? What makes them come alive?

These are great questions to ask. If we are to become better parents, we must learn to read our kids—looking under the surface and between the lines to learn more about them.

I wish kids came with a manual. It sure would make parenting easier, wouldn’t it?!

Unfortunately, there is no manual—we’ve got to learn on the job, as we go. And there’s great adventure in that.

Here’s today’s *Tip for Modern Parents*:

**Ask good questions to help you understand your child better.**

Here are some examples to get you started:

* What makes you feel really happy?
* What makes you feel really sad?
* How can I help you feel loved?
* What’s your favorite thing in the whole world to do?
* What do you like about our family?
* What don’t you like about our family?

And the list doesn’t have to stop there! Let these questions lead to more. Before you know it you’ll be even more connected to your child.

Onward to better parenting,

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