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**Parent
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**PARENT
TIME**
(Especially for baby
& toddler parents)

Chances are your day right now is that of being a constant helper. Have you thought about it that way? You feed your child. You bathe your child. You dress your child. You keep your child safe. Your entire life is about helping him through the day. Did you know that God created you for that role? He did! God created you to help others.

In fact, God created us all to help one another. He tells us in the Bible to be "kind and loving to each other" (Ephesians 4:32, NCV). It's easy to be kind and loving to your child, isn't it? You absolutely adore your child. Of course you are kind and loving to him. What about the neighbor down the street whom you don't know very well? Are you kind and loving to them? What about the clerk at the grocery store who is taking all day to ring up your little order? Are you kind and loving to them? What about your spouse who has had a long day at work and is exhausted when he comes home? Are you kind and loving to him?

God made each and every one of us, and He calls for us to be kind and loving to each and every one of us. We are to help one another. We are to give help, and we are to receive help. Are you giving help? Even more difficult—are you receiving help? Are you allowing others to be kind and loving to you? Are you allowing others to be the body of Christ to you?



Spend some time in Ephesians 4 this month. Let the words dwell in your heart. Then, take a minute to visit Parent Link Live over at www.OrangeParents.org and hear Carey Nieuwhof share how he makes sure he can be kind and loving to his family after a crazy workday. Nieuwhof's parenting podcast.

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