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This month's quotes are all about *babies and children*. I hope you will find them inspirational and helpful!

Behold, children are a gift from the Lord, the fruit of the womb is a reward. Like arrows in the hand of a warrior are the children of one's youth. How blessed is the man whose quiver is full of them!

—Psalm 127:3-5

A baby will make love stronger, days shorter, nights longer, bankroll smaller, home happier, clothes shabbier, the past forgotten, and the future worth living for.

—Author Unknown

Discipline your son, and he will give you peace, he will bring delight to your soul.

—Proverbs 29:17



The I do not believe that the accident of birth makes people sisters and brothers. It makes them siblings. Gives them mutuality of parentage. Sisterhood and brotherhood are conditions people have to work at. It's a serious matter. You compromise, you give, you take, you stand firm, and you're relentless....And it is an investment. Sisterhood means if you happen to be in Burma and I happen to be in San Diego and I'm married to someone who is very jealous and you're married to somebody who is very possessive, if you call me in the middle of the night, I have to come. –

— Maya Angelou

In spite of the seven thousand books of expert advice, the right way to discipline a child is still a mystery to most fathers and... mothers. Only your grandmother and Ghengis Khan know how to do it.

—Billy Cosby

When a child is born, so are grandmothers.

—Judith Levy

Whenever I held my newborn baby in my arms, I used to think that what I said and did to him could have an influence not only on him but on all whom he met, not only for a day or a month or a year, but for all eternity - a very challenging and exciting thought for a mother.



Was there ever a grandparent, bushed after a day of minding noisy youngsters, who hasn't felt the Lord knew what He was doing when He gave little children to young people?

—Joe E. Wells

If I had my child to raise all over again,
I'd build self-esteem first, and the house later.
I'd finger-paint more, and point the finger less.
I would do less correcting and more connecting.
I'd take my eyes off my watch, and watch with my eyes.
I'd take more hikes and fly more kites.
I'd stop playing serious, and seriously play.
I would run through more fields and gaze at more stars.
I'd do more hugging and less tugging.

— Diane Loomans, from *"If I Had My Child To Raise Over Again"*



The thing that impresses me most about America is the way parents obey their children.

—Edward, Duke of Windsor, Look, 5 March 1957

Your children need your presence more than your presents.

—Jesse Jackson

The guys who fear becoming fathers don't understand that fathering is not something perfect men do, but something that perfects the man. The end product of child raising is not the child but the parent.

—Frank Pittman, "Man Enough"

Making the decision to have a child is momentous. It is to decide forever to have your heart go walking around outside your body.

—Elizabeth Stone

When you have a baby, love is automatic, when you get married, love is earned.

—Marie Osmond



A babe in the house is a well-spring of pleasure, a messenger of peace and love, a resting place for innocence on earth, a link between angels and men.

— Martin Fraquhar Tupper

Every baby born into the world is a finer one of the last.

—Charles Dickens

There are two lasting bequests we can give our children. One is roots. The other is wings.

—Hodding Carter, Jr.

If one feels the need of something grand, something infinite, something that makes one feel aware of God, one need not go far to find it. I think that I see something deeper, more infinite, more eternal than the ocean in the expression of the eyes of a little baby when it wakes in the morning and coos or laughs because it sees the sun shining on its cradle.

—Vincent van Gogh

The trouble with being a parent is that by the time you are experienced, you are unemployed.

—Author Unknown

To witness the birth of a child is our best opportunity to experience the meaning of the word miracle.

—Paul Carvel



Children's children are a crown to the aged, and parents are the pride of their children.

—Proverbs 17:6

Take a sprinkling of fairy dust,
An angel's single feather,
Also a dash of love and care,
Then mix them both together.
Add a sentiment or two,
A thoughtful wish or line,
A touch of stardust, a sunshine ray...
It's a recipe, for a Baby Girl truly fine.

—Author Unknown