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**CLEARING UP
THE SWEET MYSTERY OF**

Love

BY DONALD A. LAIRD, Ph.D., Sci.D.

Is love at fifty the same as love at fifteen?

NO

Human emotions change and develop throughout life. During the first five years of life, love centers chiefly around physical comfort—snuggling and cuddling, love such as puppies show, although this expression is usually used for the high-school age. During the elementary school years, the affection aspects of love begin to blossom slowly. At high-school age, the affection is directed more and more to the opposite sex, and some parents are unnecessarily concerned about their children's crushes. The full-blown emotion of adult love consists of all these childhood remnants plus a genuine fellow-feeling and comradeship, and an overwhelming interest in the well-being and happiness of the other person. When love becomes unselfish, then it is grown-up.

Is it possible for a person to fall in love after fifty?

YES

People who have been in love before can experience real love after fifty; love knows no age limit. But those who have repressed their love impulses through life, who have been afraid of love, or who have centered their love on inanimate or queer objects, will likely never know it.

Do children instinctively love their parents?

NO

A child can love adopted parents just as readily as his own. Children's love for parents is not inborn; it is gradually developed and has to be won by the parent.

When children arrive, do the parents have some of their love for each other diverted by the child?

NO

We do not have a limited quantity of love in our systems. It grows and develops. The children may cause a growth of love so that the parents actually have more love for each other. The love directed to children is not the same kind as that to the spouse, and the one can reinforce the other. Although some husbands are jealous of a new-born child, under normal conditions the child does not steal the mother's love away from the father.

Can people be in love with someone they have never seen?

YES

Deep in everyone's mental life is a picture of a love ideal, or image, which started in childhood. In daily life, it often happens that no one is seen who matches this ideal image, but some far remote person read about may seem to match this ideal closer. A name may be enough to touch off this love image—or a perfume, a flower, a mannerism. This is one

reason why love so often seems blind. In love at first sight, this subconscious love image is touched off. Moonlight or dim parlor lights help, since vision is so indistinct that the person is seen as much by the eye of the imagination as of fact, and can thereby match more easily the lingering subconscious love image. Bright lights and good eyes are natural enemies of the development of love.

Does a person have to be good-looking to be loved?

NO

"Only a face that a mother could love" is a gross misstatement. Beauty plays only a superficial rôle in love. The tenacious subconscious love image is touched off less by beauty than it is by some minor details of appearance, or by a certain quality of voice, or by kindness or warmth of personality. A sweet disposition is better than a sweet face, a soothing voice better than a bank roll.

Is there only one person in the world with whom we can fall in love?

NO

Love is not static; it is fluid. In high school there can be real love with one person, at college with another, after graduation with still another. There may be heartbreak when the high-school romance dies, but the break will heal and will not interfere with the later love—in fact, the heartbreak may add to the richness and depth of later love. The widow can remarry on a basis of real love—there is not just one but several soul-mates for each person in the wide world.

If you live with a person long enough, can you learn to love him?

YES and NO

Love may develop in the woman, but it is much less likely to blossom in the husband.

Is it possible for a normal person to be in love with two persons at once?

NO

Not a normal person, and not complete love. Singleness of devotion is one of the cardinal signs of normal, mature love. Neurotic people may imagine, or try, to be in love with two people at once, but it just isn't normal human nature to accomplish this.

Do the experiences of many previous loves help a person find his real love?

NO

Those who tear around with many persons, hoping to find the ideal mate, often indicate by so doing that their inner love lives are not normally organized. They may have many apparent love affairs merely to convince themselves they are attractive to others, or it may be only a peculiar variety of bragging, or they may flit from one to another because they are incapable of

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