

What Makes Your House a Home

A home filled with love is just about the best place to be. It's common to think of the physical aspect of putting your house together... the paint, the furniture, the appliances, & window coverings, what to put on the walls, etc.

All these things are very important in creating your home, a home that is comfortable & beautiful for your lifestyle, a home that reflects your unique sense of style & serves as an oasis from the outside world; so those elements should be given careful thought & consideration.

Another important consideration in creating a home is the spiritual aspect. This is where you need to put on a special pair of glasses to be able to see & create those elements that are not necessarily "seen" in the physical sense but are demonstrated by those who live in your home.

For example, a family may live in a million-dollar mansion, expertly designed, & decorated with every possible amenity, however, if the members of that house are constantly arguing & hurling hateful insults at each other, tearing each other down, & are only out to please themselves, then what good comes from them living in a big, beautiful house?

On the other hand, a family may live in a tiny two-room efficiency apartment with not enough room to turn around without bumping into something, however, the members of that home constantly help & encourage each other, speaking love-filled words, & looking for ways to bring joy & laughter to each other, then does it matter to them that they live in a tiny apartment with no luxuries?

Which family do you think is happier?

It doesn't really matter if the home is large or small, expensive or a cheap rental, in the desired neighborhood or not...without LOVE filling that home it is just walls, floors, & a roof, & not a very pleasant place to be.

Here are 4 easy ways you can fill your home with LOVE...



4 Ways to Fill Your Home with Love

L

Listen – to make a conscious effort to hear.

That's right, listen! Listen to your spouse & your children. Listen with your ears, your eyes & your heart. Everyone wants to know that someone cares about what is going on in their life, what they're concerned about or excited about. So, stop what you are doing & LISTEN.

O

Observe – to celebrate, to notice, to pay special attention.

Observe the members of your family. What are their gifts & talents – pay special attention to those traits & they will blossom & bloom. Celebrate each other's successes & notice when someone needs a bit of encouragement or a helping hand & then give it to them. OBSERVE.

V

Value – honor, esteem, prize, appreciation.

Value each other showing honor toward one another. Look for ways to show your appreciation of one another, using words that are encouraging & uplifting. Treat them the way you want them to treat you. VALUE.

E

Eliminate –remove, get rid of, omit.

Eliminate all thoughts, words & behaviors that do not promote LOVE in your family. Plain & simple...eliminate unkind words, yelling, selfishness & criticism, & replace them with kind words, laughter, thoughtfulness, consideration & encouragement.

Anyone can fill their home with LOVE! It is not a difficult task but rather one that takes determination, intention & patience. In the end the reward is peace, joy, happiness, hope & so much more. ELIMINATE.

