

怎么知道你是否在恋爱！

真爱的十个测试

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测试七、你想要使的朋友和家人高兴吗？

让我们再来认真思想爱的另一种量度。我们希望确定什么是真正的爱，我知道你会认同我有许多打在“爱”的幌子下的，其实只是廉价的亲密。

这个测试就是：在你心灵深处，*是否真心希望让对方的父母高兴？*让我们来想一想这是什么意思。有可能你只是对你爱的人感兴趣，而对对方的父母家人没有兴趣，许多爱情是建立在这样的基础之上的。

但是，让我们来面对这件事。这种做法并不是真正的爱。建立在这个基础之上的爱是非常自私的，是真爱的咒语。这种情况的出现可能仅仅是被彼此的外表吸引，真爱是不在这个范畴之内的。

从另外一个角度来看，如果你对自己的男朋友或者女朋友的评价很高，你也应该明白他/她并不是在树上凭空长大的，他/她是在父母的爱和关怀、呵护下长大的。如果你能够在对方身上看到很多你欣赏的品格，那么这是对对方的父母多年耐心教育的结果。你自然应该感激他们的付出。

你看真爱是一件全方位的事。你可以很爱你的爱人，同时也敬重给予他/她生命的父母。并不是说你对对方父母的爱，会影响到你们之间的爱，相反，这两者是相互补充和彼此加强的。

如果真实这样，你会发现，在自己内心深处，会有一个强烈的愿望来使你爱人周围最亲近的人和他/她所爱的人感到高兴。你愿意做事情或者用自己的行为来使他们高兴。你想要使自己在他们眼中看为最好。你愿意他们能够真诚地接纳你。

要做到这点，你需要有意识的做些努力。你或许要记住，你爱人的亲人或许对你并不了解。你们已经了解你的爱人，因为他们一直生活在一起。但是，他们看你的时候，或许会带着敏锐的目光，审视你是否具备他们认为的好品格。但是你可以像他们证实自己，是吗？

现在要向你显示爱的反面，是浅薄、自私和稍纵即逝。在这种所谓的亲密关系中，恋爱的双方是以自我为中心的，凡事寻求自己的益处，根本不管别人的感受，或者采取一种“爱谁谁”的态度。在这种基础上的恋爱关系其实是很不安全、不稳定的。没有人能够只和自己生活，爱需要恒久忍耐。如果建立在这种错误的基础之上，这种爱是不能持久的。有一些人需要特别注意这点，那种把别人给完全扔到风中去，只活在自己的自私中的人是很愚蠢的。

其实这整个过程正是真爱的标志，因为爱的基本特点就是不自私。这么做，彼此爱的关系无论在数量上还是在质量上都不会遭受损失。如果你真的爱某个人，你愿意做任何事情使对方所爱的人高兴。你愿意调整自己的生活、说话、行为以及衣着以便使你爱的人的朋友圈子对你的印象更好。

我知道在这方面有许多幽默的例子。例如男孩子经常讨好女方的爸爸，是他高兴，女孩子则竭尽全力巴结男友的妈妈。但是在这些的背后，是真爱的一个基本原则。你可以认真思考一下这点，从而来检验真爱的质量。

How To Tell If You're In Love – 10 Tests For True Love

William W. Orr

Test Number Seven

Do You Want to....

Let's consider carefully another measurement of love. Our quest is to determine the genuine article. I know you'll agree with me that there is much that passes for love which is only cheap imitation.

This test is: Do you, deep-down in your heart, have a real desire to please the father and mother of your beloved? Not let's consider for a moment what's involved here. There could be cases where you were interested only in the principal subject, your friend, and you would seek to have as little as possible to do with his people. Lots of love affairs are carried on entirely on this basis.

But let's face it. This would not be the genuine article. Love like this would be largely characterized by selfishness, and is anathema to true love. Such affairs would be built upon the shifting sands of mere physical attraction, and real love is never cast in this category.

If, on the other hand, while you think very highly of your particular boy friend or girl friend, you are also aware of the fact that he or she did not grow on a tree or spring into existence of himself, but that he was born of parents who loved and reared by parents who cared; if you can see that many of the admired characteristics of your dear one were inculcated by the patient teaching of his forbears, then you will naturally begin to have an appreciation of how much you owe to them.

You see true love is an all-embracing thing. It's quite possible for you to be exceedingly fond of your beloved and also have an ample supply of affection for the parents who gave him life. Nor does your first love suffer from the addition of the other; in fact, they complement and strengthen one another.

This being true, you will find that there is a deep-down desire in your heart to please those who are near and dear to your special friend. You will want to do the things, and act the part so that they will be pleased with you. You will want to appear at your very best in their eyes. You will seek to have their sincere approbation.

This may take some conscious effort on your part, for you'll have to remember that the dear ones of your boy friend or girl friend may not know you too well. They're already sure of him, for they've known him all their lives. But they're watching you very sharply to see if you have those good characteristics which they feel are so very important. But you can show them, can't you?

...Please His People?

Now just to show you the contrast of love that is shallow, selfish and passing, the participants in this sort of imitation keep to themselves, find everything they need in their own company, have little or no regard for convention or consideration of others and just generally adopt a "go hang" attitude to the rest of the world. You can easily see the insecure character of such a foundation. No one ever lives completely to himself, and love that is to be an enduring thing can never be built on such false premises. There are other folks who must be reckoned with, and a person is just plain foolish who attempts to throw consideration for others to the winds and live on a selfish basis.

Then too, this whole matter is a mark of the genuine quality of love because love's primary characteristic is unselfishness. Not does it suffer either in quantity or quality by being that way. If you truly love someone, you will go to all ends to please those whom he loves. You will seek to adjust your life, your speech, your actions, your dress in order that you might be well thought of by his circle of friends.

Now I know that there has been some humor introduced at this point, and the young man has often tried to "butter up" the father of the girl and frequently the young lady has "poured it on" the mother of her intended. But underneath all this is a truly basic principle, and you can determine something of the quality of true love by a careful examination at this point.

Let us step over into our other realm for a moment. We've been thoughtfully asking ourselves right along whether we are truly in love with Christ. We remember that in many instances it's not a question of whether we're saved or not, but how great is our affection for our Savior.

You see, salvation is a great miracle of God's grace and occurs almost unfelt. It's an instantaneous event though, believe me, it's of transcendent importance. On the other hand, growth in grace is a process. It responds to certain stimuli. It must needs

be cultivated and watered. Periodic examination is good. We should often soberly inquire concerning the well-being of our love.

Here then is the gauge. Do you love the people of Christ? Have you genuine affection for the saints, the brothers and sisters in the Lord? Do you love those whom Christ loves?

I am well aware that there are many people in the Christian life who are easily loved. They have the qualities that are greatly to be desired and you find yourself naturally drawn to them. It isn't a difficult task at all to admit that you love these people.

But this may not be the determining factor. You may be called upon to love people who are unlovely, and that may be putting it mildly. But do you find yourself loving them for Christ's sake? That is the underlying question.

Nor does this extend merely to the "nice people" of our churches. There are people of other races and other stations in life who are God's children too, but who possibly live on a vastly different scale than you do. Could you find yourself having affection for them, as well?

Much of the labor of the missionary comes under this classification. In foreign lands there are such divergencies of manner of life which could even reach the place of being nauseating to the uninitiated. Yet in most cases the missionary accepts all these things and endeavors to do his work not because he finds the hardships less disgusting, but because his love for Christ enables him to overcome. In other words, a mark of true affection for Christ is a deep, persevering and complete love for the people of God.

Love is like that. Had you ever thought of the view that God had when He sent His Son into this world? It was a world filled with people of every type and character, but with one general characteristic. They were far from being lovely in God's sight. Yet God's love enveloped them all, and the death of Christ provided a way for everyone. That's the real article.

Now don't throw up your hands and cry that such love can never be yours. On a natural scale this might be true, but we're not working on a natural scale. It's a supernatural love we're dealing with, and it's a love which God by His own Hand has planted and will cultivate deep in our heart of hearts. We who love Christ will most certainly love those whom Christ loves.