

Article 07 – For Siblings

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Let Love Lead

In every sibling relationship, there comes a moment when you must decide: *Will I lead with love, or will I let wounds, pride, and silence take the lead?*

True love is not just reactive; it's proactive. It doesn't wait to be prompted, it takes the initiative to serve, to give, to forgive, to reach out. It dares to go beyond what feels safe or comfortable. And in the sacred context of siblinghood, this kind of love becomes one of the purest expressions of Christ's heart.

When you choose to lead with love, you:

- Forgive, even when you're not asked to.
- Give generously, not expecting repayment.
- Make peace, even when you weren't the cause of the conflict.
- Speak well of them, even when they're not in the room.
- Show up for them, even when you feel unappreciated.

Love doesn't look for fairness, it looks for fruit. It is more concerned with reconciliation than with retaliation. It chooses humility over vindication. It believes that something eternal is at stake in every earthly relationship. Every act of love becomes a seed planted in the spirit, with the potential to bear fruit for generations.

As you lead with love, you're not just being a good sibling, you're becoming a powerful witness. Because love is always magnetic. It draws. It heals. It transforms. It softens hardened hearts and rebuilds broken bridges.

So take the first step. Extend the olive branch. Write the message. Send the prayer. Give the gift. Make the call. Not because of any one but because *you* are choosing to walk in the way of Christ.

However, what if you're not ready to take that step? What if your sibling's consistent negative behavior is deeply affecting your daily flow, your peace, and your emotional well-being? In that case, don't force the action just keep praying for him/her and continue working through the emotions. Stay in that place of intercession. Let your tears speak, when words fail. Ask God for healing, direction, and timing. Sometimes, the most loving thing you can do is to wait on God and trust Him to prepare the path.

Whether you're stepping forward or standing still in prayer, let love be the compass. Because when *love leads, blessings follow.*

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