



What the world needs now is

love, **sweet** love

By Kristie Weeks



It's easy to take the people we love for granted.

As we rush to and from ballgames, school activities, parties and appointments, it's easy to forget to let our family know how much we love them.



My 4-year-old daughter, who never seems to be in a hurry, however, doesn't have this problem. She tells me she loves me all the time.

Maybe it's just a phase, (or a girl thing), but my little girl says, "I love you, Mommy," at least 25 times a day.



If I don't quickly respond with an "I love you, too," she continues to proclaim her love again and again until she gets the response she expects.

I can be involved in a conversation with someone else and she will interrupt simply to say, "I love you, Mommy."

How can I scold her for such a sweet interruption?



I can be working feverishly to complete some sort of chore or project and she will stop me and say, "Bend down, Mommy, I want to kiss you."

Who can resist an offer like that?

Maybe we can learn something from our little ones.

It's never a bad time to say, "I love you."



If you have an older child or teenager, however, I recommend you wait until their friends aren't around if you expect to receive a response.

My point is, we should never be in such a hurry that we don't have time to show our affection for the people we love.



Let's make it our New Year's resolution to simply make more time in our busy day to let those closest to us know how much they are loved.



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