

Hi Kids,

I want to reach out to you about relationships in this family. As a father, it breaks my heart to see my kids at odds with one another. In the bible it says to "Honor Thy Mother and Thy Father". Part of that is to be thankful for their role in creating you. Another component is to honor their vision for the family they created. Though you've grown and branched out into your own lives, there remains a life-long connection to our family.

Victoria, Alex and Vanessa; please make peace with one another. And if you are not close with Brittany, then reach out to her and strengthen that connection - make amends if needed. I mean, really put forth an effort. Recently I coined a phrase; "If someone you loved died tomorrow, would you be happy with how you treated them today?" Meditate on that for a while.

Just so you know, I have made a final attempt to resolve things with Steven - if he declines, I will be hiring a lawyer and filing a lawsuit against him. I swear to my family with all my heart, mind, body and soul that I've not done the things he alleges. I am not a monster. When the truth comes out, Brittany will be heart-broken, and I really want the family to surround her with love and compassion. Having a connection with her will make that easier. Please be there for her.

This is an incredibly sad experience for our family, and especially Brittany. We need to be strong for her and for each other. Even though my heart has been shattered at a profound level, I will still forgive her and receive her back into my life with open arms. That is how family is supposed to be; family means you will love and be loved for the rest of your life, no matter what.

Perhaps things don't start off where all of you are buddy-buddy, besties, BFF's...but maybe you start with text messages, a few phone calls, and let's start having dinners together - how about the last Sunday of the month? I'm open to any suggestions.

I love you - all of you - with all my heart. This family is the best thing that's ever happened to me. Period. Despite the challenges. I will stand and fight for any of you, anytime, and will love you no matter what. So let's start finding ways to include each other, instead of excluding.

Hopefully you will receive this in the spirit of how it was intended; with love, compassion, caring and a desire to unite.

Love,

Dad

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