

Family Council

Family Education Videos on “Love Across Generations” — Build Family with Love, Pass down Virtues

Episode 2: I’ve Got Your Back

Video’s Transcript

Eldest brother : That day, my wife and I were tidying up our home,
(voice over) setting up a baby’s room.

Eldest brother’s wife : Hey, this entire box is full of your treasures.
What is that?

Eldest brother : My dad’s toolbox.

Eldest brother : When I was a kid, Dad often used the tools inside
(voice over) to fix my broken toys
or tighten loose door hinges.

Eldest brother : Why is it here?

Eldest brother : Back then, Dad was like Superman to me.
(voice over) He knew everything.
He could do anything.
Now I’ll soon become a dad,
but I feel like I know nothing.
At that moment, I was terrified.
I’m afraid that I can’t be a good father.
How should I give that sense of security
to my kid?

Eldest brother’s wife : Done tidying up already?

Eldest brother : Oh wifey.

Eldest brother’s wife : You okay?

Eldest brother : Dad, when you taught me riding a bike,
how did you make it?
I remember you sharing some tips and tricks.

Dad : Eye on your goal, mind at ease,
no stare at the ground,
no fear of falling.

Eldest brother : What I feared most was not falling,
but that you're not supporting the back of my bike.

Dad : How long did I support you?

Eldest brother : Not sure...
Maybe till I learnt to balance by myself?

Dad : I supported you only till
you finally believed that
you no longer needed my support.

Eldest brother : That's an answer I haven't expected.
(voice over) Dad seems to have read my mind.

Dad : Being a father
isn't about supporting your children for life.
You don't have to be all-powerful.

Your responsibility is to teach them
how to stand firm on their own
and how to walk their own path.

However,
you also need to let them know
that even if they fall
or feel like they aren't enough,
they can simply turn around

and you'll be there.
You are their ultimate safety net.

The child in the distance : Daddy, I've got it!
Daddy, look!
Yay!

Dr KWOK Ka-yiu Daniel : Family values are often passed down in ordinary moments of daily life.
The father in the story, by sharing how he teaches his son to bike subtly passes the family virtues of "support" and "responsibility" on to the younger generation.
The unborn grandchild is the family bond that prompts such a profound conversation to take place so naturally.
Cherish every family gathering.
Chat more, share more.
Let wisdoms of the elders flow in a relaxed setting and be gently passed down to younger generations.
Building together a harmonious family filled with support and love.