

5 Signs You're Parenting from Burnout

Healthy parents get tired too.

Burnout doesn't always look like falling apart. Sometimes it looks like continuing to show up while quietly running on empty.

♡ Take a moment and ask yourself:
Am I parenting from a place of connection...or survival?



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YOU FEEL CONSTANTLY IRRITATED BY SMALL THINGS

- Small messes feel huge
- You snap faster than usual
- Repeated questions overwhelm you
- You feel guilty afterward

PAUSE AND REFLECT:

What am I carrying that feels heavier than the situation in front of me?



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YOU'RE SURVIVING THE DAY INSTEAD OF BEING PRESENT IN IT

- Counting down until bedtime
- Mentally checked out
- Going through routines on autopilot
- Feeling disconnected even when physically present

PAUSE AND REFLECT:

When was the last time I slowed down enough to notice what I need?

SMALL STEP:

Take one intentional 5-minute moment with your child today without multitasking.



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YOU FEEL EMOTIONALLY NUMB OR EMOTIONALLY OVERLOADED

- Crying more easily
- Feeling detached
- Emotions switch quickly
- Overwhelmed by everyday responsibilities

PAUSE AND REFLECT:

What emotion have I been pushing aside?



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YOU FEEL GUILTY NO MATTER WHAT YOU DO

- Guilt when working
- Guilt when resting
- Guilt when saying no
- Guilt when feeling frustrated

PAUSE AND REFLECT:

Am I expecting myself to be a perfect parent instead of a healthy one?



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YOU'VE STOPPED CARING FOR YOURSELF

- Skipping meals
- Poor sleep habits
- No emotional outlet
- Constantly serving everyone else

PAUSE AND REFLECT:

If my child treated themselves the way I treat myself right now, what would I tell them?



EMOTIONAL RESET CHECK-IN

Circle what you need most today:

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| | Rest | ☐ |
| | Connection | ☐ |
| | Quiet | ☐ |
| | Support | ☐ |
| | Movement | ☐ |
| | Prayer | ☐ |
| | Time Alone | ☐ |
| | Laughter | ☐ |
| | Food | ☐ |
| | Encouragement | ☐ |

FINAL REMINDER:

You are not failing. You may simply be carrying more than you were meant to carry alone.

Healthy homes often begin with healthy foundations, and caring for yourself is not separate from caring for your family.



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