## Child at Risk

If a child lives with criticism he learns to condemn. If a child lives with hostility he learns to fight. If a child lives with fear he learns to be apprehensive. If a child lives with pity he learns to feel sorry for himself. If a child lives with encouragement he learns to be confident. If a child lives with jealousy he learns to hate. If a child lives with praise he learns to be appreciative. If a child lives with approval he learns to like himself. If a child lives with recognition he learns to have a goal. If a child lives with fairness he learns justice. If a child lives with honesty he learns what truth is. If a child lives with friendliness he learns that the world is a nice place in which to live.

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