Kissing the children and having mercy and clemency towards them

‘Ā’ishah (may Allah be pleased with her) reported: Some Bedouins visited the Messenger of Allah (may Allah's peace and blessings be upon him) and they said: "Do you kiss your children?" He said: 'Yes.' They said: "By Allah we do not kiss our children." Thereupon the Messenger of Allah (may Allah's peace and blessings be upon him) said: "Then what can I do if Allah has removed mercy from your hearts?"

[Authentic hadith] [Narrated by Bukhari & Muslim]

Some Bedouins came to the Prophet (may Allah's peace and blessings be upon him) and (during their visit) they asked him: "Do you kiss your children?" The Prophet (may Allah's peace and blessings be upon him) replied: 'Yes.' Bedouins are normally harsh and rigorous, so they said: "We never kiss our children." So the Prophet (may Allah's peace and blessings be upon him) said: If Allah has removed mercy from your hearts, I would not be able to put it in them.

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