

April 15, 2018

Dear Aditya,

Thank you for the note. I accept your apology.

Respect for me is a small thing in comparison to respect for your parents. I want you to respect and love them and give them the honor that they deserve (1) because they are your parents, (2) because they love you, and (3) because they spend a great amount of time worrying about choices that you make and how those choices will affect your future.

You are, as you know, a great-looking, talented, creative person. Your future accomplishments are limited only by what you do and who you are from day to day.

Who you are is not what I saw and experienced last night. I have already pressed the delete button to erase last night from my memory. You are more than a student to me, you are more like a grandson whom I love. I want you to be successful now and in the future.

Your parents love you and will always love you no matter who you turn out to be and what choices you eventually make. However, they have earned the right to have a successful, loving, respectful child who looks for way to improve family relationships and one who is willing to spend time ... with Mom, ... with Dad, and with Mom and Dad.

It is especially hard for them during the transition from Greenville to Charlotte since there are homes in both Greenville and in Charlotte. What you see in them from day to day is only part of what is their reality.

Let's start today with a clean slate. Love, Honor, and Respect for you parents should be in the front of your mind daily. Volunteer to do additional chores around the house.

Someday, you will be greatly rewarded in ways that you cannot now understand. Thanks again for the apology. Have a great week.