

Son is Mean: Should I Stay Away from Granddaughter?

My son said such terrible things to me, yet at the end of the email he said, "I hope you will continue to be in my grand daughter's life." This was after saying so many cruel and heartless things to me.

She turned 2 on my birthday this year. I only tried to respond to the mid-March horror about 6 weeks later (it was a flop). He never responded back. Outside of that I have done nothing. My selfish thought, regarding the things my son said about me - I would never allow a person like to get "near" my children!

I don't want my grand daughter to think of me as my son claims he thinks of me. It sickens me. So I stay away, for now. My great hope is to learn the proper tools from you so that my second communication will be (hopefully) well received.

ANSWER: I wouldn't stay away because how else will your granddaughter learn that, if your son *is* saying terrible things, that he's wrong about you.

While some children are strongly influenced against a grandparent on the basis of what their parent says, others are able to come to their own conclusions.

The more you can show your grandchild that you're a good, loving generous person, the more she'll have those memories in her heart and mind to counter what her father says.

If he's saying them. It's also a good way to show your son who you really are.