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The Catholic Vision of Family Love: The Second Vatican Council to Pope Francis

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Gaudium Et Spes (Vatican II, 1965):
- **Conjugal Love**-
  - “married love”.
  - This love is where the couple becomes one and enters the relationship willingly.
  - They are called to be faithful to their spouse for all time.
  - The couple exceeds just the physical love and it is instead a love of the whole person.
  - This love should continue to grow and flourish.
- **Family Love**-
  - This conjugal love is given, in part, for procreation.
  - They are called to be open to the prospect of a family.
  - They are called to protect the lives of children.
  - The couple is also called to show their children love and educate their children.

Familiaris Consortio (Pope John Paul II, 1981):
- John Paul II took the ideas from the council further by creating four tasks.
  1. **Forming a Community of Persons**
     - Husband and wife called to communion through fidelity.
     - Giving full self and full love to the family helps all be in communion.
  2. **Serving Life**
     - Couple called to not just procreate, but enrich their children.
     - Parents help their children grow in maturity and faith.
  3. **Participating in the development of society**
     - Family is called to be an active participant in society.
     - Family should also serve and help those in need.
  4. **Sharing in life and mission of the church**
     - Family not only internally evangelizes but does so to the whole of society.
     - Family should participate in family prayer.
     - Overall the family should spread love.

Amoris Laetitia (Pope Francis, 2016):
- **Love is**
  - A full embrace of the other for who they are
  - An enduring union between the spouses.
- **Conjugal Love**-
  - Reflection of the unbroken unity of the covenant between Christ and humanity.
  - God takes the two individuals and makes them one.
- **Family Love**-
  - Couple should be open to a family.
  - Be open to all of society and the other families.
  - Educate children in everything life has to offer so they may choose their paths of life.