



THE NEW NORMAL: Alvin Black and Seth Hutton and their twins A.J. and Sterling

“But when the second baby was born,” Hutton says, “I was almost in tears. It was a miniature Alvin. It just had to be Alvin, Jr.”

The couple had initially been uncomfortable about each parent being more attached to his biological son than the other, but those concerns were alleviated in the delivery room.

“I was worried, genetics wise, if I was going to be tied to my own,” Hutton says. “I wondered if one was going to get a little more love than the other. But I knew immediately when they were born that was not going to be the case at all.”

“We didn’t even have to try,” Black adds. “There was just natural cross over.”

Now, Black and Hutton are enjoying the gift of parenthood they thought they’d never have.

“It was fun to give them their first taste of a mango or a watermelon,” Hutton says, “and watch this little soul that’s in a new body experience something new for the first time.”

Black nods. “It sounds like a cliché,” he says, “but until you’re a parent you will never know the feeling yourself.” §

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