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Stepparenting: Round Off the Rough Edges

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Ron: Let me ask you a question. Do you enjoy hanging out with people who are harsh, angry, and difficult to get along with? Yeah, me neither.

Announcer: For FamilyLife Blended[™], here's Ron Deal.

Ron: Veteran stepparents often give this advice. Round off your rough edges. Hey, this isn't rocket science, okay. If you're a naturally angry, critical, quick-tempered, controlling, or stubborn person guess what? Don't expect your stepchildren to warm up to you. Don't expect your spouse to trust their kids with you either.

I'm constantly amazed how some people think that just because they are an adult, they can treat a child poorly and still expect the child to like and honor them. I don't think so. No, if you want to be liked, round off your rough edges, and be likeable. For FamilyLife Blended I'm Ron Deal.

Announcer: To find out more visit familylifeblended.com.

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