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Parenting: Playing Favorites

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Ron: Now here's one trap you don't want your family to fall into: playing favorites.

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

Ron: Whether it's the workplace, politics, or game shows we expect things to be fair. A lot of Old Testament families struggled with this. Like Rebekah, in Genesis 27, who favored her younger son, Jacob, over his older brother, Esau. Boy did that divide the family.

On occasion, biological parents in blended families might find themselves tempted to favor their child over their stepchild. Usually it's a subtle difference but it still elevates the status of one child over another and more importantly, it makes the statement, "You're mine and you're not." Hey, want my advice? Make a better statement. We're all in this thing together. Treat everyone the same. For FamilyLife Blended I'm Ron Deal.

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