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Stepparenting: A Rose By Any Other Name

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Ron: “Ron, I’ve been a stepparent for fifteen years now. When is it going to happen?”

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

Ron: You know, stepparents say, “my kids,” when referring to their stepchildren so they wonder sometimes why kids struggle to use the term, “mom” or “dad” when referring to them. By the way, only one third of children will ever use that term for their stepparent.

Look, kids are loyal to their parents. They don’t want to hurt their feelings. Reserving the “mom” or “dad” label for just one person keeps it special. Listen, stepparents, just relax about this. Labels are not the issue. Your role in the life of each child is. And that rose, by any other name, does smell just as sweet. For FamilyLife Blended, I’m Ron Deal.

Announcer: To find out more visit familylifeblended.com.

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