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Parenting: Catch Them Doing Something Right

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Ron: Well, here it is parents. The single best discipline strategy known to mankind.

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

Ron: You know, it really is easy to notice negative behavior in our children. What we often miss though, is when children obey, when they follow through, or live out a virtue. The best way to shape a child's behavior is to notice them doing what you want and call attention to it. Catch them doing something right. Compliments put a smile on your face and encourage you, right?

Build others up, the Bible commends in Ephesians 4:29, "that it may benefit those who listen." Well, children benefit greatly when you applaud them. Stepparents, when you compliment a child you get the added benefit of strengthening your relationship with the child. Double-bonus! For FamilyLife Blended, I'm Ron Deal.

Announcer: To find out more visit familylifeblended.com.

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