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## Stepparenting: A Big Hug

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**Ron:** Parenting over the long haul is tough. Stepparenting is really tough.

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

**Ron:** Now, let me back up. Not all stepparents feel like their job is tough, okay. But clearly, on the whole, if you just sit and listen to stepparents for a while you'll see they have many challenges and they also have fewer rewards.

I mean, biological parents have challenges, too, but on a regular basis they also enjoy sweet, positive moments with their kids: a sincere "thank you" or a teachable moment that brings them together. Stepparents enjoy these kinds of moments, too, but far less often. And, that's why stepparents need a really big hug. For FamilyLife Blended, I'm Ron Deal.

**Announcer:** To find out more visit [familylifeblended.com](http://familylifeblended.com).

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