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Stuff Everyone Can Do

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Ron: Here are some ministry tips for pastors and everyone else.

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

Ron: Family Pastor and stepdad Dave Bondeson shared some ideas with me to help blended families that everyone can do. He said, "First pay attention to your language." Say you're writing an email to a group of parents. Starting with "Hey Moms and Dads" pretty much excludes stepmoms and stepdads and tells them they are outside your ministry. They already feel like outsiders in their homes so they don't really like that.

Be more inclusive he said, "Say, Parents and Stepparents." And second, encourage kids and parents to be more inclusive of each other. When you encourage togetherness, you help build a family. For FamilyLife Blended I'm Ron Deal.

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