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## Creating a Family Comes at a Cost

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**Ron:** Hey, we respect you enough to give it to you straight.

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

**Ron:** Every relationship commitment comes with a cost. Now that doesn't sound very romantic I know, but it's true. Any marriage, for example, that creates a blended family comes with a cost of sorts to the pre-existing relationships. Couples forming blended families naturally romanticize that they can orchestrate family togetherness without any cost of time or energy to the people they love. But you will force cost on them.

You can do so with compassion, patience, and empathy and make it easier, or you can force it in ignorance and make it worse. Let us help you count the cost and manage the blend. For FamilyLife Blended I'm Ron Deal.

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

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