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What Not to Do

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Ron: Learning to be a good parent, in part, means knowing what <u>not</u> to do.

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

Ron: Have you ever felt clueless as a parent? I know I have. It's really tempting in those moments to fall back on criticism or name-calling, yelling, or pleading with the child. Oh, and then there's the threatening-repeating parent who keeps saying, "You better not, or else...", but there's never an "or else" just empty threats.

Here's the thing. All of these strategies seem to get the job done but long term, they just defeat your child's spirit and they ruin your authority as a parent—especially as a stepparent. So, take some time to learn about good parenting and stepparenting. The next generation is depending on you. For FamilyLife Blended, I'm Ron Deal.

Announcer: To find out more visit familylifeblended.com.

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