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## Don't Be Defensive

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**Ron:** Really good parents—give each other advice.

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

**Ron:** Yeah, to be a good team, when one of you makes an observation that could help the other parent, share it. Not in a condemning fashion but in a constructive way. Sometimes this can be delicate but healthy parents give each other permission to speak gently into one another's lives. Why? So, they can raise godly kids.

Now here's the trap for stepfamily couples to avoid: to the biological parent advice can feel like criticism of their child and to the stepparent it can feel like rejection or distrust. Hey, both of you—don't get defensive. Help each other. That's what great parents do. For FamilyLife Blended, I'm Ron Deal.

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