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## Par for the Stepfamily Course

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**Ron:** You know, when you shoot par for the course, you're doing pretty good.

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

**Ron:** When stepfamilies ask me, "Is this normal?" what they are really asking is, "Are we doing okay?" Jennifer wrote to me worried about the different levels of openness her kids felt toward their stepfather of four years. She wondered if it was normal for the kids to feel differently from each other.

You see, part of her problem was comparing her blended family to a first-family where it's *normal* for kids to generally feel the same about their parent. But in a stepfamily, "Yes, Jennifer, this is normal. They don't have to feel the same; just let each relationship stand on its own." Yep, this is par for the stepfamily course which means you're doing okay. For FamilyLife Blended, I'm Ron Deal.

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

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