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The Art of Listening

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Ron: Do you remember that old adage about why you have two ears and only one mouth?

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

Ron: Answer: So, you can listen twice as much as you talk. You know we don't teach about listening enough. The art of listening can deepen the intimacy of any relationship and improve your parenting, but you have to work at it—strive to understand, acknowledge, and give consideration to the other person.

The Bible in Proverbs 18 says, "A fool takes no pleasure in understanding, but only in expressing his opinion." Lots of people want to talk and be heard, but if you want to increase your emotional intelligence and strengthen your relationships, learn to listen well; really, really well. For FamilyLife Blended I'm Ron Deal.

Announcer: To find out more visit familylifeblended.com.

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