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## Finding Hope in the Midst of Defeat

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**Ron:** It's a tough world out there; I say we lean in together.

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

**Ron:** I received a five-page letter from a defeated stepmom. Her multi-layered complex stepfamily story shouted defeat at every level. There's drug addiction. A disengaged dad who has children with multiple mothers. The courts are involved. And in-laws who have legal custody of the children are making it tough on the stepmom. It's really a difficult situation. And then there's the judgmental onlookers who sit back and say, "Well you got yourself into this mess, you just have to get yourself out."

Look, that's not helpful. This stepmom is leaning in trying to be part of the solution. Let's bring the power of the church to her side and lean in with her. For FamilyLife Blended I'm Ron Deal.

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

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