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Are You an Owner of the House or a Houseguest?

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Ron: Are you an owner of your house or just a houseguest?

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

Ron: When people of many ethnicities come together in social situations the privilege class feels comfortable as “owners of the house,” you know, they feel free to move the furniture and put their feet up on the coffee table. Minorities often feel like guests in the home. They would be hesitant to be critical of how the house was decorated. But what's best for everyone is for minorities to feel like “owners,” too.

The same principle is true in stepfamilies. Unless the stepparent is invited by the biological parent to become a full-fledged member of the parenting team, they're just a guest. And unless extended family members welcome each other, they stay divided. Hey, let them know, “You can put your feet up.” For FamilyLife Blended I'm Ron Deal.

Announcer: To find out more visit familylifeblended.com.

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