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## Stepparent: Role With the Changes

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**Ron:** Parents, you've got to role with the changes.

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

**Ron:** A biological parent's role changes over time. As a child matures we shift from telling young children, to teaching adolescents, to delegating or coaching young adults. A stepparent's role might shift from being a babysitter (who lives on borrowed power) to being an aunt or uncle (who is like a trusted family member), to being a bonus parent (who has lots of relational equity and the authority that comes with it). Now later life stepparents likely start and finish in a friend or mentor role with their adult stepchildren.

How your role changes depends on a lot of things and it can be confusing. Let us help you roll with the changing roles of stepparenting. For FamilyLife Blended I'm Ron Deal.

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