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## Chasing Acceptance

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**Ron:** Sometimes parents find themselves at a real disadvantage.

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

**Ron:** Okay, this one might sound a little off track at first, but stay with me. Don't care too much about winning your kid's approval. You see, chasing their approval puts you in a position of weakness. It makes you hesitate when you need to set a boundary or be firm. So not caring puts you in a position of strength.

Now think about it. This is why stepparents who on some level are chasing their child's acceptance are at a disadvantage. And it's why they need the biological parent to be the heavy in the beginning so they can focus on bonding. Yeah, it's a disadvantage but teamwork makes you strong and will get you through it. For FamilyLife Blended I'm Ron Deal.

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