

Tips and Tools for Blended Families

Blending a family is difficult. It doesn't matter how old you or your children are, it takes time and a lot of prayer. However, there are a few things to consider when bringing together children previously raised by biological parents. Author, Ron Deal in his book, "Smart Step-Parenting," says, "Parenting in stepfamilies is a two, three, or four-person (sometimes more!) dance. Parent-stepparent harmony is the crux of successful parenting within your home. The two most critical relationships in any stepfamily home are the marriage and the stepparent-stepchildren." So how do we blend our hearts and lives together in a society that wants to rip apart even the closest family relationships?

Smart Stepparenting

<http://www.focusonthefamily.com/parenting/parenting-roles/blended-families/smart-stepparenting>

6 Important Tips for Blended Family Success

<http://www.doublethebatch.com/6-important-tips-blended-family-success/>

How to Make a Blended Family Work

<http://idealistmom.com/how-to-make-a-blended-family-work/>

5 Tips for Blended Families' Success

<http://www.ourfamilyworld.com/2015/01/16/5-tips-for-blended-families-success/>

Creating a Healthy Atmosphere in a Blended Family

<http://www.ourfamilyworld.com/2015/01/22/healthy-atmosphere-blended-family/>

Merging Blended Families After Divorce

<http://www.ourfamilyworld.com/2015/01/28/merge-blended-families-divorce/>

Common Blended Family Problems

<http://www.ourfamilyworld.com/2015/01/14/common-blended-family-problems/>

The Worst Mistakes Step-Parents Make

<http://www.womansday.com/relationships/family-friends/a6711/stepparent-mistakes/>

10 Things Kids of Divorce Wish They Could Say to Their Parents

<http://www.imom.com/10-things-kids-of-divorce-wish-they-could-say-to-their-parents/>