
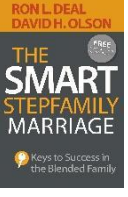
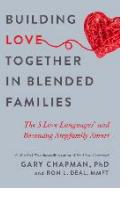


FamilyLife Blended® Marriage & Family Resources

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| | The Smart Stepfamily | The Smart Stepfamily Marriage | Building Love Together |
| Snapshot | A comprehensive guide to building a healthy blended family | A guide to build on your marriage strengths and improve your weaknesses | The best of <i>The 5 Languages</i> & <i>Becoming Stepfamily Smart</i> |
| Audience Type | Small Group, Mentor Couple & individuals/couple self-study | Individual, Small Group or Couple (dating, engaged or empty nester couple in a blended family) | Couple or Parent/Stepparent |
| Topics Include | Making Your Marriage a Priority, Parental Unity, Co-Parenting with Former Partners, Developing Relationship with Children/Stepchildren, Managing Loss, Holidays, Spiritual Questions | Healthy communication, fires of conflict, maximizing fun factor, re-sex, finances and sharing spirituality | Unique dynamics of stepfamilies Overcoming fear and trust issues in marriage Learning healthy parenting and step-parenting practices How the love languages should—and should not—be applied |
| Teacher | Ron Deal & couple/family vignettes | Authors: Ron L. Deal & David H. Olson | Authors: Gary Chapman, PhD & Ron L. Deal |
| Price | FREE ACCESS (RightNow Media) SSF Couples Set: \$27.99 SSF DVD: \$59.99 SSF Book : Only \$12.99 | <u>The Smart Stepfamily Marriage</u> : \$12.99 <u>TSSM Participant's Guide</u> : FREE download within the product description of the above | <u>Building Love Together in Blended Families</u> : \$15.99 |
| # of Sessions | Eight (8) Sessions -5-20 mins each -via DVD or RightNow Media- | Thirteen (13) Sessions -NOT video based | Not Applicable |
| Additional Content | Optional sessions for children and dating couples Ministry leader session | -Online Couple Check up with voucher code for use provides a relational 'x-ray' of the relationship | <i>Your Turn</i> action point at the end of each chapter |
| Suggested Time Duration | 1 ½ hours | 1 ½ hours | Self-Paced Reading |



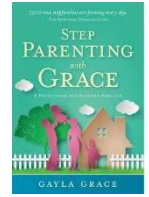
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| | Daily Encouragement for The Smart Stepfamily | Dating & the Single Parent | The Smart Stepmom & The Smart Stepdad |
| Snapshot | Daily devotional for couples in a blended family | Expert advice for single parents and those who date them | Help and hope to stepparents specific to the role of a stepdad and stepmom giving practical help and biblical advice |
| Audience Type | Dating, Engaged or Married Couples in a Blended Family | Dating or Engaged Couples, Single Parents | Stepparents and the partners who love them (dating/engaged/married) |
| Topics Include | Strengthening your marriage, parenting/stepparenting, grief, co-parenting with former partners | Preparing yourself & your kids for dating, smart dating, cautions in dating and remarriage with children | How to connect with stepchildren and remain connected to your spouse; wisdom in handling holidays, discipline and dealing with your spouse's former partner |
| Teacher | Ron L. Deal | Ron L. Deal | Ron L. Deal Laura Petherbridge (The Smart Stepmom) |
| Price | Paperback : \$12.99 | Paperback : \$12.99 | The Smart Stepmom : \$12.99 The Smart Stepdad : \$12.99 |
| # of Sessions | Not applicable | Not applicable *There are discussion questions at the end of each chapter that could be used within a small group or as a couple. | Not applicable *There are discussion questions at the end of each chapter that could be used within a small group or as a couple. |
| Additional Content | Some devotionals 'could' be shared with age appropriate children in a blended family | | Two chapters are provided for the partner of the stepparent (biological parent) to read that will help you become a team |
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| | The Smart Stepfamily Guide to Financial Planning | Life in a Blender | Stepparenting With Grace |
| Snapshot | Money management before and after you blend a family | Ron L. Deal will help you navigate life as a kid in a blended family. | In this devotional, Gayla Grace offers a soothing salve and a holy nudge of daily encouragement for anyone navigating the unique dynamics of a blended family. |
| Audience Type | Engaged or Married Couples in a Blended Family, Financial Planners | Parents and kids (ages 10+) in a stepfamily | Couples in blended families |
| Topics Include | Merging day-to-day financial responsibilities & relationships, parenting adult children & caring for aging parents; creating a togetherness agreement | Learn how to handle the “Big Five” challenges—loss, sadness, fear, guilt, and confusion that most children feel within a blended family | Find unity in your new marriage and parenting; explore your worth in Christ amid rejection; gain confidence in the stepparent role as you take on the armor of God. |
| Teacher | Ron L. Deal Greg S. Pettys David O. Edwards | Ron L. Deal | Gayla Grace |
| Price | Paperback : \$12.99 | Paperback : \$4.99 | Stepparenting With Grace : \$15.99 |
| # of Sessions | Not applicable | Not applicable | Not applicable |
| Additional Content | Create an “Own & Owe List”; planning for the future (retirement and children’s college) | Parent handbook to be used by the biological parent; kid booklet to be read with the biological parent and biological child in a stepfamily | Each devotion begins with Scripture along with an encouraging thought for the day and closes with prayer. |
| Suggested Time Duration | Self-Paced Reading | Self-Paced Reading | Self-Paced Reading |




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| | Preparing to Blend | Certificate in Blended Family Ministry | Well-Blended |
| Snapshot | Premarital counseling for engaged couples forming blended families | Digital course that is nearly seven (7) hours of engaging video content from blended family experts; online ministry certificate upon completion | Practical, biblical solutions for blending a family and marriage in a five-session online course |
| Audience Type | Engaged couples planning to form a stepfamily and/or the care providers that counsel them | Anyone in pastoral ministry, stepfamily ministry leaders, small group leaders, blended family therapy providers | Couples in blended families; could be adapted as a stepfamily small group tool |
| Topics Include | Practical Growing Activities for parenting, finances & establishing family identity; daily routines for your new life together | Why pastors must care about stepfamily ministry (and how to get there), the basics of understanding stepfamilies and how to minister to them; a redemptive theology of divorce & remarriage | How to talk about sensitive blended issues Ideas to create meaningful, unifying traditions; Tips for managing emotions and crises; Building challenging connections with a family member; How to deal when you feel rejected by a stepchild |
| Teacher | Ron L. Deal | Various stepfamily experts | Ron L. Deal |
| Price | Paperback : \$12.99 | Online Course : \$49 | Online Course : \$49 |
| # of Sessions | Self-Paced | Self-Paced Nearly seven (7) hours of our best training for stepfamily ministry leaders | Five (5) Sessions |
| Additional Content | Downloadable Leader's Guide | Handouts to help you reflect and apply; Bonus resources to use | Articles & podcasts to dive deeper & Bonus material |
| Suggested Time Duration | 1 ½ to 2 hours | Self-Paced | Self-Paced |

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| | <p style="text-align: center;">Ten Tips for Blended Families</p> | <p style="text-align: center;">Blended & Blessed</p> | <p style="text-align: center;">The Summit on Stepfamily Ministry</p> |
| Snapshot | A kind and helpful guide for families who are merging two households into one. | Blended & Blessed® is a one-day live event & livestream experience to enrich your blended family marriage | The Summit is the only event geared toward equipping the church to minister to stepfamilies |
| Audience Type | Engaged and married couples in blended families. Small groups can use as discussion starters. | Stepfamily couples, single parents, dating couples with kids; option for churches to host a livestream at their location | Marriage and blended family ministries, experts, counselors, pastors, and lay leaders |
| Topics Include | Tackles the hot button topics for stepfamilies in a five minute, cut-to-the-chase style. | Each year's event theme, messages, and teaching are different | Each year's event theme, messages, and teaching are different but basic stepfamily ministry topics are covered yearly |
| Teacher | Ron L. Deal & Laurie Short | Ron Deal and various blended family experts | Ron Deal and various blended family experts |
| Price | Discussion Questions : \$15.99 (PDF Download via RightNow Media) | Basic Edition Digital All-Access Pass : \$25 Full Edition Digital All-Access Pass : \$79 | Digital All-Access Pass : \$25 |
| # of Sessions | Ten (10) videos (average 5-6 mins each) | Speaker messages can be mixed and matched to be used within your blended family ministry or group | Speaker messages can be mixed and matched to be included in your church leadership training |
| Additional Content | Optional: Grace-Filled Stepparenting by Laurie Short | Full Edition includes previous event speakers and backstage interviews | We have included bonus videos of various speakers from previous Summits. |
| Suggested Time Duration | Self-Paced | One Day Event or Use Digital All-Access Pass for small group material | Self-Paced |