

# God's Plan For Step-Families

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## Review

**Theme:** Living an Abundant Life

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The foundation of the home is Partners for Life.

A mother's first, and highest, calling is in the home.

Children are to be raised to be obedient and wise.

Singles are to be content, productive, prepared, and committed to God.

## The Reality of Step-Families

A step-family = a family where at least one parent has children from a previous relationship.

About 40% of marriages end in divorce.

75% of divorced people remarry.

1300 new step-families are formed every day in the U.S.

60-70% of remarriages end in divorce.

## God's Plan for Step-Families

1. He wants the \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ them.

2. He wants them to be \_\_\_\_\_.

All step families are born from \_\_\_\_\_.

Step-families are more \_\_\_\_\_.

Ron Deal's Cooking Metaphor of how to manage step-families:

The \_\_\_\_\_ mentality

The \_\_\_\_\_ mentality

The \_\_\_\_\_ mentality

The \_\_\_\_\_ mentality

3. He wants them to be the \_\_\_\_\_, but \_\_\_\_\_.

Resources:

The Smart Step-Family, Ron L. Dean

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