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Empowered Mothers and Daughters Sometimes Things Go Bad Object Lesson

1 Tell the child(ren) that you have some really, good food, and you are willing to share with them if they would like. Show the child(ren) the first hamburger picture.

Ask: Does this look good? What about this one?



2 Show the child(ren) the second picture.

Ask: Would you like some of this food? (If they don't understand what is happening in the picture explain that when food is not refrigerated correctly, or food gets too old, it gets moldy and starts to rot. Eating rotten and moldy food can make you sick.)

3 Explain that the third wave of feminism is a bit like this moldy hamburger. Feminism started out good, but then, over time, it started to go bad. The ideas and changes that occurred from "first wave feminism" were good. A few of the ideas from "second wave feminism" were also helpful to women, but some were not. Some of those harmful ideas are what pushed into the "third wave of feminism," and by the time society got to the "third wave feminism," the core beliefs of feminism had changed – gone bad, maybe even rotten!

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So, what changed? The later "waves" of feminism wanted to change the roles women have within society and the family. Second wave feminism worked to ensure women had more opportunities in education and at work, but it also emphasized that if women were going to be equal to men, women would have to model their lives after men. It emphasized career over marriage and family. One of the greatest problems in "third wave feminism" is the redefinition of what it even means to be a woman.

Stop and Discuss:

Would you want to eat that second hamburger? What happened to it? How might today's feminism be like a moldy sandwich?

Inspired by:

- Healthy Hamburger picture, <u>https://c1.staticflickr.com/5/4149/4953783700_8ebe042eb5_b.jpg</u>
- Rotten Hamburger picture, https://2.bp.blogspot.com/ TA21Q3gwso/TGdVGQxb II/AAAAAAAAABo/bXYUHgGBaxs/s1600/Image.jpg
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First Picture

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Second Picture