

Sermon Notes: “Death of the Bookkeeper” by Richard H. Leon
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Matthew 18.21-35 – A three act drama.

Act I: Death of _____

Central Tension: We owe God _____ - _____

“When transcendence disappears, everything is permissible.”
Brothers Karamazov, F. Dostoyevsky

Central Surprise: God _____ !!

Thank God, God’s Not _____ !!

Act II: The Debtor _____

Lesson: We forgive best when we _____
_____.

Act III: Judgment _____.

The theology that goes with the new ethic of forgiveness is:
As I had _____ **on you, so you should have** _____
_____.
(Matthew 18.33)

Bonus Lesson:
Only forgiveness _____ **and** _____.

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