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Sermon Title: You Don't Owe Me

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Scripture: Matthew 18:23-35, Hebrews 12:1-2

Questions:

1. Read the parable of the Unforgiving Debtor in [Matthew 18:23-35](#). What stands out to you about this story?
2. What do you think about Pastor Jenna's explanation of the two elements to forgiveness: Canceling the debt and Letting him go? Do you understand the difference between the two? How does understanding that your debt has been forgiven completely (you no longer owe God anything) change your perspective about forgiving others?
3. Have you ever felt like you had forgiven someone for what they DID, but still felt bound to them in some way? What did that do to you emotionally/ spiritually/ mentally?
4. Talk about a time when you had to release someone from owing you something. What was that like? How did things change after you were able to release the debt?
5. [Read Hebrews 12:1-2](#). Once we release the person who has wronged us from owing us anything, we are left with holes that need to be filled/healing that needs to take place. This is the work that God wants to do for us! How does the idea of "fixing our eyes on Jesus" and what is "set before us" help you to be able to move past what was done and into the new things God has in store for you?
6. Who in your life right now are you struggling to release from you owing you something? Share with the group and allow accountability and support to help you release the debt.

Prayer:

- Start your prayers by thanking God for the forgiveness He has extended to you. Take a moment to reflect and remember.

- Ask God to show you any area in your life where you are holding someone to a debt. Ask him to help you to release them.
- Next, call on God to fill the hole that is left, the brokenness that needs healed, and the empty places that need new life.