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FRANK-LY

by RIKKI SCHWARTZ

GENRE: Drama

SYNOPSIS: A divorcee realizes that she hasn't yet forgiven her ex-husband.

DIRECTOR'S TIP: Pacing is important. Keep the dialogue conversational, but don't let the lines between Katie and Beth drag.

TIME: Over 5 minutes

CAST BREAKDOWN: 3

TOPIC: Forgiveness, Divorce

SCRIPTURE REFERENCE: Matthew 5:23-24

CHURCH YEAR SEASON: Any

SUGGESTED USE: Seeker Service, Singles Service

CHARACTERS:

KATIE

BETH—Katie's close friend or sister

FRANK—Katie's ex-husband

PROPS: Stack of clothes and laundry basket

COSTUMES: Casual clothing for all characters

SOUND: Three wireless microphones

LIGHTING: General stage

SETTING: Katie's living room

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KATIE: *(On phone—very friendly—folding and stacking laundry as she speaks)* Sounds good. See you then. *(Laughs)* I promise. Bye. *(Hangs up phone)*

BETH: *(Enters after a five-second or so count)* What's so funny?

KATIE: Could you hear laugh me all the way from the bathroom?

BETH: Are you kidding? There have been times when I could hear your laugh all the way from the bathroom at my house!

KATIE: I know. It's horrible, isn't it?

BETH: Don't be silly. I love your laugh.

KATIE: Liar. You hate my laugh. You think it's obnoxious.

BETH: Only at art museums and funerals—honest. Who was on the phone?

KATIE: Frank. He's coming over to pick up the DVD player in a few minutes.

BETH: The DVD player?

KATIE: The one from the bedroom. I never use it anyway, so...

BETH: Was it in the settlement?

KATIE: We didn't get down to that much detail, Beth. I haven't used it once in the eleven months since he moved out, so I told him he could have it.

BETH: Wow. Philip and I divided up the dust bunnies on paper.

KATIE: Yeah, well, you and Philip had a much different divorce. *(BETH and KATIE continue to fold laundry through most of the drama).*

BETH: *(Laughs)* That's an understatement. Is he joining us for lunch?

KATIE: I can ask him to, if you wouldn't mind.

BETH: No, I wouldn't mind at all. I love Frank.

KATIE: *(Almost under her breath)* Mmm hmm...everyone loves Frank.

BETH: I'm so glad you guys stayed friends; it made it so much easier on all of us.

KATIE: *(Basically teasing)* Glad I could help.

BETH: You know what I mean. Frank's just such a great guy—