

I owe you an apology. I would prefer to do this in person, I just don't think we are in a place where it will turn out the way I want it to, so please accept this letter as a start.

My apology is because I recognized this morning that I treat my customers and their employees much better than I do you, especially when there is a conflict or potential conflict (difference of opinion, or see facts differently.) I should know better, and I promise to do better.

I recognize that you feel I think I am superior and that I put you down or as you wrote in your response in the homework that I am judgmental. I am not trying to be. I also recognized what I think my problems was, and that was my ego. Using Ego is the opposite of how I should be communicating with you.

What I will try to do, is to listen, with empathy. Try to understand your point of view. That requires me to do a few things, first is to listen and not rebut or reply. Second is to ask more questions, so I can get to a level of understanding, again, from your point of view.

I assume I know what you are thinking and should be asking how you see things and how those things make you feel. I will work harder at this. Just to be clear, is that just because I will listen, does not necessarily mean I will agree with your interpretation. It does mean however that I will trust that your interpretation is the best one for you.

Growing up is hard. I know that. Finances are different nowadays too. The ratios and livability index has changed. AND, I know you will figure out the life you want to live, and how to live it. I am and always will be available to help you figure it out but will try to wait until I am asked for advice before giving it.

I do love you, I do trust you, and I believe in you.

Dad