

JAMIE SIDE

MORGAN

Please.

START

JAMIE

Morgan and I want you and Logan, both, to be in a place where you can honestly and sincerely be smiling and laughing again. We also have been in more homes than you can imagine where there has been screaming between parents and their kids. You're not alone.

(Beat.)

So would it be ok if Morgan went to talk to Logan and I stayed here with you to help clean up this room a bit?

CASEY

Yeah, I suppose that could fine.

JAMIE

Thank you Casey. And if it's alright with you, how about we let these cops head out too.

CASEY

Um. Yeah. Sure.

MORGAN

That is if you agree your leaving poses no risk?

OFFICER JONES

Of course. We can check again with my partner, but I anticipate the two of you might be able to take it from here.

MORGAN

Great. Then it's a plan. Officer Jones would you mind showing me towards Logan?

OFFICER JONES

Happy to.

Officer Jones leads Morgan off through the interior door towards Logan. Jamie begins to help Casey clean up the room.

CASEY

Did you mean what you said before?

JAMIE

Of course I did. But what did I say?

CASEY

That whole thing about other homes having screaming matches too?

JAMIE

What makes you think you're so special? And yes I meant it.

CASEY

I've just never known anybody who has this kind of problem.

JAMIE

Or maybe you do and they don't tell you about it.

CASEY

I don't know.

JAMIE

Well regardless, you know someone now. So there.

CASEY

Who?

JAMIE

Me.

CASEY

You?

JAMIE

Yes.

CASEY

How?

JAMIE

Well you see I always wanted to an opera star so my ability to project was quite strong.

CASEY

No, no. I mean how is it that you're here.

JAMIE

Oh! Well you see Morgan and I got in a car and we...

(Beat.)

Glad to see you smile some more.

CASEY

Yeah. But like if you had so much trouble with your kid, then how did...oh this is going to sound terrible...how did you get a job where you help people like me?

JAMIE

Like *us*. And it's because I'm like you that I got this job. That's what peer support is all about. And it's because I'm like you that I believe we can help.

CASEY

So what was wrong with your kid?

JAMIE

Nothing. But she certainly had some issues she was dealing with.

CASEY

Like what?

JAMIE

Me.

CASEY

You?

JAMIE

Yes me. We doing this again?

CASEY

Sorry. I'm just interested to know now.

JAMIE

And I'm happy to share any part of my experience if you think it would help you.

CASEY

It's worth a shot.

JAMIE

Ok. The first thing you need to know is that I love my daughter more than anything in this world. You know what I mean?

END

CASEY

Yeah Logan is everything to me.

(S)he wouldn't get it.

LOGAN

You don't know for sure.

MORGAN

And I don't want another fight.

LOGAN

Casey?

JAMIE

I'm not here to fight you.

CASEY

No?

LOGAN

I want to understand -

CASEY

You can't understand.

LOGAN

Sure I can. I was sixteen too and -

CASEY

It's not about my age. Why don't you get that?

LOGAN

Well then tell me what it's about.

CASEY

You don't know who I am.

LOGAN

I do.

CASEY

You don't!

LOGAN

Then tell me.

CASEY

I can't. LOGAN

Why? CASEY

I'm afraid. LOGAN

You're such a brave girl/boy - CASEY

I'm not a girl/boy! LOGAN

(Pause.)

What? CASEY

I'm not a girl/boy. LOGAN

Well - CASEY

I'm not a (wo)man either. LOGAN

Oh. Oh, I...I can't - CASEY

See? LOGAN

JAMIE
Casey, I know it's a lot for you.

MORGAN
Logan, I know that was very hard for you.

JAMIE
But think of how hard it was for Logan to be honest.

MORGAN
And remember this is the first time Casey is hearing this.

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SCENE 2 - INTERIOR - LOGAN'S ROOM

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Morgan is entering LOGAN'S room.

MORGAN

Thanks again for your time officers. We will take it from here. So...Logan. Is it alright if I call you Logan? Logan, is it ok if I stand here? Do you know who I am Logan? Do you know why I'm here Logan?

LOGAN

Stop saying that!

MORGAN

I'm sorry Logan.

LOGAN

That! Stop saying that. Logan. Logan. Logan.

MORGAN

Do you not like being called Logan?

LOGAN

No. Yes. Yes I do, but not when you say it every chance you get.

MORGAN

I'm sorry.

LOGAN

It's weird.

MORGAN

I've been told that before. Do you know who I am?

LOGAN

Probably another cop. Or a shrink or something.

MORGAN

I'm not a cop, but I am someone who wants to help.

LOGAN

Yeah ok.

MORGAN

Yes. It is ok. I want to help. Would you be willing to talk a bit more with me about that?

LOGAN

Maybe. What's your name?

MORGAN

Morgan.

LOGAN

Morgan?

MORGAN

Yes.

LOGAN

Ok. So...Morgan. Is it alright if I just call you Morgan?

MORGAN

Of course.

LOGAN

Morgan, is it ok if I sit here?

MORGAN

Whatever makes you most comfortable.

LOGAN

Do you know who I am Morgan?

MORGAN

I'd like to if you are willing to share.

LOGAN

Do you know why I'm here Morgan?

MORGAN

(Beat.)

Ah. I see what you're doing.

LOGAN

Yeah. It's weird isn't it...Morgan?