

Star
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INT. STAR'S HOUSE - BEDROOM - DAY

STAR, 17, sporting black hair and black clothing, sits on her bed while she runs her index finger along a razor blade hanging from her neck. She picks up a cell phone and dials.

STAR
Hey, Chasity?

INT. CHASITY'S HOUSE- BEDROOM - DAY

CHASITY, 17, sporting pink hair and dark clothing, sits on her bed smiling.

CHASITY
Hey, babes!

INT. STAR'S HOUSE - BEDROOM - DAY

Star carves "CHASITY" into the wall next to her bed with the razor blade necklace.

STAR
I have a plan to meet up tonight,
babes. I gotta wait until my mom
goes to sleep though.

INT. STAR'S HOUSE - LIVING ROOM - NIGHT

Star tiptoes down the stairs into the living room. She walks to the alarm system by the front door and pops open the front panel. She uses her razor blade to cut the wires inside. Star backs up into a small table and a lamp CRASHES onto the floor.

STAR
Shit!

The stairs CREAK and SHELBY, 40's, dressed in pajamas, walks down the staircase.

SHELBY
What are you doing down here?

STAR
Uh... I was just...getting a glass
of water.

SHELBY

Ok. Are you sure you aren't lying
to me... again?

STAR

When are you going to learn to
trust me?

SHELBY

When you can you show me that you
are somewhat of a decent human
being.

Star's cell phone rings. She pulls it out of her pocket.

The screen reads: CHASITY.

SHELBY (CONT'D)

Who is it?

STAR

(Nervous)

Just another spam call.

SHELBY

Go ahead... answer it.

STAR

I don't need to right now.

Shelby rips the phone from Star's hand and answers it.

SHELBY

Hey! You listen to me right now,
stay away from my daughter!

Shelby tosses the phone across the room.

STAR

You can't keep me from her!

Shelby slaps Star in the face. Star falls to the ground
covering her head. Star is shaking.

SHELBY

I own you until your 18! I forbid
you from being with that girl!

Star spits blood from her mouth. Shelby helps star stand up.
She brushes her off.

INT. STAR'S HOUSE - KITCHEN - NIGHT

Shelby sits Star down at the kitchen table.

SHELBY

All you do is sneak around and lie to me! It's never gonna change. I'm tired of it.

STAR

I'm tired of you hitting me all the time, Shelby.

SHELBY

(whispers)

So, I'm Shelby now?

STAR

Well, you're damn sure not my...

SHELBY

Mother? You're really gonna say that to me? I've raised you your entire life. It's never been my job to raise your little girlfriend.

STAR

Raising me is not abusing me, calling me names, and hitting me.

SHELBY

It's called discipline.

Star stands up from the table and gets face to face with Shelby.

SHELBY (CONT'D)

(whispers)

You deserved it! Every time I hit you, you deserved it! You were nothing but a thorn in my side.

STAR

Get the hell away from me!

SHELBY

(whispers)

Let me tell you a secret... I never wanted you after your father left. I had no choice but to raise you.

STAR

I'm not living here anymore, Shelby.

SHELBY
You're not going anywhere.

Shelby grabs a frying pan and hits Star over the head. Star falls to the ground, blood leaks from her wound.

INT. STAR'S HOUSE - HALLWAY - NIGHT

Shelby gets down on one knee and places a towel on Star's head.

SHELBY
I can't believe your father left me
to deal with you and your bullshit.

STAR (V.O.)
He left you because you're a crazy
bitch!

Star pushes Shelby to the ground and wraps the towel around Shelby's neck. She chokes her with the towel.

SHELBY
(gasping)
Aww, does that bother you? That
your father never cared about you?

Star gives one last tug of the towel and releases Shelby. Shelby falls to the ground holding her neck.

STAR
Aww, does it bother you? That you
know you're going to be burning in
hell soon?

Shelby lays on the ground GASPING for air.

EXT. STAR'S HOUSE - FRONT LAWN - NIGHT

Chasity walks to the front door and places her ear against it. She opens the door and enters the house.

INT. STAR'S HOUSE - HALLWAY - NIGHT

CHASITY
Oh my God! Star! Are you okay?

STAR
Yeah...Shelby tried to kill me.

SHELBY

If I wanted you dead, you would be.

Chasity stands over Shelby. Chasity gets down on one knee and stares at Shelby.

CHASITY

You never deserved her. You never deserved to have a daughter. You treated her like a piece of garbage her entire life. I'm sick of watching what you do to her.

SHELBY

(gasping)

You don't know shit!

CHASITY

You never wanted her to be happy. You wanted her to be miserable; without love in her life, just like you.

SHELBY

You don't know a damn thing!

CHASITY

I know that you treated your ex-husband like shit and that is why he left you. It wasn't me you were keeping her from, it was her happiness. I make her happy and you hate that.

Shelby spits on the ground.

SHELBY

Have you ever wondered why I was so hell bent on keeping you two apart?

CHASITY

I already know why.

SHELBY

No, you don't. Chasity? Where is your father?

CHASITY

He died in a car crash when I was an infant.

SHELBY

That's what your mom told you, right?

CHASITY

Of course.

SHELBY

Your father was my ex-husband. He cheated on me with your mother. That affair resulted in your birth.

CHASITY

You're lying!

SHELBY

No, I'm not. You can't be in a relationship! It's wrong! It's disgusting!

STAR

How can you not tell us this?!

SHELBY

Chasity's mother and I had an agreement to never speak of your father. When you two started a relationship, we did what we could to keep you apart without revealing your father's truth. He was a piece of shit.

CHASITY

Runs in the family I guess.

Star and Chasity stare at each other.

STAR

I can't believe this. We are sisters?

CHASITY

This is sick! I can't believe you didn't tell us this from the beginning!

Chasity kicks Shelby over and over again. Star attempts to hold Chasity back. Chasity pushes Star against the wall. Chasity rips the razor blade necklace from Star's neck.

STAR

Chasity! No!

Chasity grabs Shelby's wrist and slices it open with the razor blade. She spits in her face and tosses the razor blade at her.

CHASITY
Burn in hell, bitch!

Chasity walks away. Star stands over he mother holding the towel. She tosses the towel at Shelby.

STAR
I'll call 911.

Star walks away and turns around. Shelby sits up and places the towel around her wrist.

STAR (CONT'D)
I'll forgive you, but I'll never
call you my mother. I'll learn to
call Chasity my sister, but she's
now my only family.