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1 EXT. PARKIN LOT - DAY

1

JAYDEN (20's) opens door. IZZY (12) thin with two neatly braided ponytails sides in car with a present in hand. Jayden gets in car and drives off.

2 INT. JAYDEN'S CAR - DAY

2

Izzy grips present.

JAYDEN

How was breakfast?

IZZY

Okay...

JAYDEN

Must have been better than okay. You got eggs all over yourself.

Izzy the egg lover.

(laughs)

Come on that was funny. Nothing.

Perk up, Iz.

IZZY

I don't want to go back.

JAYDEN

I know. But we're together now.

Jayden turns on radio. He makes face. Izzy laughs.

3 INT. BEDROOM - DAY

3

THOMAS (late 20's), lies in bed his face sunken. Phone RINGS. Thomas fumbles under covers for phone and answer it.

THOMAS

(groggy)

Hey.

DOCTOR PRICE (V.O.)

Thomas, it's Doctor Price. We got your result back and we're moving you to the top of the list.

THOMAS

Finally, some good news.

DOCTOR PRICE (V.O.)

Yes, but we're concern about some of your levels. How's your blood pressure.

THOMAS

Eighty-five over seventy.

DOCTOR PRICE

Okay, I need to get here immediately.

4 EXT. JAYDEN'S CAR - DAY

4

Jayden and Izzy drive down winding road, the music blast. The two sing and dance.

5 EXT. THOMAS'S HOUSE - DAY

5

PAULA (late 20's) tosses bag over shoulder and locks door. Thomas wobbles as he moves down steps. Paula grabs Thomas.

PAULA

I got you.

Paula helps Thomas in car and drives off.

6 INT. JAYDEN'S CAR - DAY

6

Jayden turns down radio.

JAYDEN

I know things have been hard. But I just need you to hang in there. One more week.

IZZY

You promise.

JAYDEN

Promise. I'm Superman remember.

Izzy smiles and fiddles with paper on present.

IZZY

Can I open it?

JAYDEN

Not yet. It's too messy for the car.

Izzy shakes present.

INTERCUT WITH:

7 INT. PAULA'S CAR

7

Thomas stares out window in daze.

PAULA

I called your mom, she'll meet us there.

THOMAS

I wish this would just end.

PAULA

It's almost over, you're at the top of the list. I feel like we're finally getting somewhere.

THOMAS

Yeah.

Izzy grabs present and shakes it.

JAYDEN

Izzy don't.

Thomas and Izzy's eyes lock as their cars pass.

Izzy drops present and confetti shoots out. Izzy laughs. Blinded Jayden swerves and looses control. The car crashes into a tree.

8 EXT. JAYDEN'S CAR - DAY

8

Smoke billows from car. Jayden opens car door and falls out. Jayden crawls to passengers side and opens door. He pulls a dazed Izzy out car.

JAYDEN

Izzy are you okay?

Blood drips on Izzy. Jayden looks down at his chest. He realizes his shirt is soaked in blood. He passes out beside a dazed Izzy.

9 INT. HOSPITAL CHAPEL - NIGHT

9

SUPERIMPOSE: Three Day's later

Paula sits on pew, her head bowed. CANDACE (late 20's) enters and sits next to Paula. Paula looks up.

CANDACE

Is it today?

PAULA

In a few hours.

CANDACE

You're in the right place.

Candace takes Paula's hand.

10 INT. OPERATING ROOM - DAY

10

Thomas lies on operating table with a tube taped to the side of his mouth and a bright light shining down on him. DOCTOR PRICE (40's) adjusts heart in Thomas's chest. He turns to NURSE (30's).

DOCTOR PRICE

Let's see what we're working with.

Nurse turns on machines. Thomas's new heart contracts a few times then stops. An alarm sounds.

NURSE

He's coding.

DOCTOR PRICE

Paddles.

Nurse hands Doctor Price paddles.

DOCTOR PRICE (CONT'D)

Charge.

Doctor Price place paddles on heart. Nurse hits button on machine and nods to Doctor Price. The paddles send a jolt to the heart. The heart suddenly contracts and continues a steady beat. The machines return to a normal rhythm.

11 EXT. HOSPITAL - DAY

11

SUPERIMPOSE: 6 Months Later

JANICE (50's) parks car at curb of entrance. Thomas shields eyes from sun as ORDERLY (30's) pushes him to the car. Janice jumps out car and rushes to Thomas.

Janice holds out mask to Thomas. Thomas pulls mask on. Izzy stands on other side of car and waves at Thomas. Thomas smiles and waves back.

JANICE

A friend?

THOMAS

Just some kid.

Orderly helps Thomas in car.

ORDERLY

Good luck man.

Thomas nods to Orderly as the man shuts his door. Janice moves around car, slides in and drives off.

12 I/E. THOMAS'S HOUSE - DAY

12

Janice pulls up and cuts the engine. She looks to Thomas and smiles. Janice pulls hand sanitizer out of her purse and douses her hands. She takes Thomas's hand.

JANICE

Your very blessed. God worked a miracle with you.

Thomas forces a smile.

JANICE (CONT'D)

You know, you can come to my house. I'm home and I'll have the time to take care of you. I can get your room ready, it won't be any trouble.

THOMAS

I'm ready to be home, in my own bed.

Janice rolls her eyes and pats Thomas's leg. She turns her attention to the house.

JANICE

You'd think someone would be here to help.

Janice opens door and eases out the car. She shakes her head and she move to the passenger's door. She opens door and helps Thomas out. Janice wraps her arm around Thomas's waist and helps him up the steps.

JANICE (CONT'D)

I told her to install a ramp. These are too much for you.

THOMAS

The doctor said they're good for my recovery.

JANICE

Doctor's don't know everything.

Izzy stands across the street.

13 INT. LIVINGROOM - DAY

13

Paula rushes back and forth putting food out. PEOPLE talk and meander around room. Paula, peers out window.

PAULA

Shhhh, he's coming. Hide.

Paula flips lights off. People hide. Janice helps Thomas through the door. People jump.

PEOPLE

SURPRISE.

Thomas smiles and waves at People. Paula runs up to Thomas and kisses him on cheek.

JANICE

A party, there are too many people here. You want him to catch something and end up back in the hospital.

PAULA

I didn't think...

JANICE

No you didn't. People your age never do.

THOMAS

Mom, stop.

(takes Paula's hand)

Thanks. This is perfect.

JANICE

Get him a drink. And make him a plate too. It was a long ride.

Paula nods and disappears into the kitchen. People walk up to Thomas. Janice holds up her hand.

JANICE (CONT'D)

One at a time.

People back up. Janice helps Thomas to chair and holds out hand sanitizer to those waiting to greet him. One at a time People step up and shake Thomas's hand.

THOMAS

(stands)

Thank you all for coming. I am lucky to have such great friends. These last months have been shit, but I'm still here.

People clap and cheer. Door SQUEAKS open. Izzy, a bit dirty her ponytails starting to unravel, she walks up to Thomas.

TZZY

I want it back.

JANICE

Can I help you?

Izzy reaches for Thomas.

JANICE (CONT'D)

Don't touch him. You'll make him sick.

IZZY

Give it back.

THOMAS

What are you talking about?

IZZY

You stole it. We can't live with out it.

THOMAS

I...

JANICE

You need to leave.

MAN pulls Izzy out the door. Paula returns with water and a plate. People stare at Thomas and whisper.

PAULA

I miss something?

JANICE

What are you good for, my son was accosted and you're making plates.

THOMAS

Mom... stop it.

Thomas reaches for plate. His hand twists and contorts. Thomas's hand shakes uncontrollably.

JANICE

Thomas.

The shaking subsides as suddenly as it began.

THOMAS

I'm okay.

People gather around Thomas.

JANICE

That's it.

(to People)

Party's over.

14 EXT. THOMAS'S HOUSE - DAY

14

Man pulls Izzy out house. She yanks her arm away from Man.

MAN

Sorry. Do yourself a favor, don't come back.

Izzy bawls up her face. Man turns back and heads inside.

15 INT. LIVINGROOM - DAY

15

Thomas sits on chair and waves to people as they exit.

JANICE

We appreciate you all coming but Thomas need his rest.

THOMAS

Mom...

JANICE

(to Paula)

And you should clean up.

THOMAS

MOM.

JANICE

Yes baby.

THOMAS

You should go home too.

JANICE

But I thought I'd stay a few days. Get you settled in and keep up with your meds...

THOMAS

Paula is here. I'll be fine.

JANICE

I get it you want some space. I'll get a hotel room so I'll be close.

THOMAS

Mom, thank you but you need to go home. Take care of yourself.

JANICE

Okay. I'll call when I get home and if you need anything I'm here.

THOMAS

I know, but I've got Paula.

Janice lets out a loud huff. She smiles then turns to Paula and pulls her aside.

JANICE

You're going to need to step up. He needs round the clock care. If you can follow instructions you shouldn't kill him. I'll get the things from the car.

Janice slams door behind her. Thomas pulls off mask. Paula rushes to his side and tries to pull his mask back up.

THOMAS

Can I get a kiss?

Paula shakes her head.

THOMAS (CONT'D)

It's okay...

Paula gently place her lips on Thomas's.

I missed you, I thought you were going to die.

THOMAS

Naw, not as long as I got you.

PAULA

Still sappy.

16 INT. BEDROOM - NIGHT

16

Thomas leans on Paula as she helps him into bed.

THOMAS

We had a wild night the last time you had to help me to bed.

PAULA

You need anything?

Thomas shakes head and gets under covers.

PAULA (CONT'D)

Who was that girl?

Thomas shrugs?

PAULA (CONT'D)

You haven't met her before.

THOMAS

Maybe at the hospital but I don't know her.

PAULA

Only you can pick up a stalker while on the brink of death.

THOMAS

Ha. Ha. Ha. You think I made out with her in between surgeries.

PAULA

Wouldn't put it pass you.

THOMAS

I've been waiting to sleep in this bed with you for months.

Thomas pulls Paula towards him. Paula pulls back.

I'll see you in the morning.

THOMAS

Where are you going? Lie down.

PAULA

No sir, sleep.

THOMAS

I know this is weird, must feel like an episode of black mirror or some shit.

PAULA

Your comparing this to black mirror?

THOMAS

Bad choice.

PAULA

You think. Go to sleep.

Paula kisses Thomas on forehead, flips off light and shuts door behind her.

17 DREAM - INT. THOMAS'S BEDROOM - NIGHT

17

POP, POP, POP. Thomas reaches out.

THOMAS

Paula, what was that?

Thomas sits up.

THOMAS (CONT'D)

Paula...

Thomas gets out of bed and sleepily walks out.

18 INT. HALL - NIGHT

18

Thomas balances himself on wall. Light and whispers leak from kitchen.

THOMAS

Ezra, you home? Paula...

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19 INT. KITCHEN - NIGHT

Paula stands at counter making a sandwich. EZRA (late 20's) sits at table with drink in hand. Thomas rubs his eyes as he enters kitchen. Izzy's peers into the kitchen from the window.

THOMAS

What's she doing here?

PAULA

Who?

THOMAS

The girl, from the party.

EZRA

What girl?

Thomas point to window, but no one is there.

EZRA (CONT'D)

Man you seeing shit.

Thomas rubs head and sits at table. Paula sits glass in front of him. He takes a sip. The water turns red. Thomas holds glass up. Then rubs his lips. Blood covers his fingers.

THOMAS

What the hell?

Thomas looks up at Ezra whose face in now disfigured. Thomas jerks away from table.

EZRA

You okay?

Ezra reaches for Thomas. Thomas flinches and falls to floor. Paula rushes to Thomas, her face now disfigured as well. Thomas bawls up and SCREAMS.

20 INT. BEDROOM - NIGHT - BACK TO REALITY

20

Sweat beads up on Thomas's forehead. His eyes springs on. Paula stands over Thomas. Thomas flinches.

THOMAS

Get away.

Paula grabs Thomas.

PAULA

Are you in pain?

Thomas touches Paula's face.

THOMAS

You're you.

Thomas's body relaxes.

THOMAS (CONT'D)

It was a dream...

PAULA

Sounded like a nightmare.

THOMAS

Haven't had one of those in years.

PAULA

I'll let you rest.

THOMAS

Stay, I missed this... you.

Paula settles in bed and cuddles up to Thomas.

PAULA

Huh.

THOMAS

What?

PAULA

It sounds different. It's weird to think... it's your heart, but not. How does it feel?

THOMAS

Like the twilight zone.

PAULA'S

So the only way you can describe life is by comparing it to crazy sci-fi shows.

THOMAS

It fits, especially now.

PAULA

Which one classic, nineties, or Peel's?

THOMAS

Classic.

Oh so, creepy.

THOMAS

Yeah.

21 INT. KITCHEN - DAY

21

Paula flips pancakes at stove. Thomas peers in before entering. Paula sits oatmeal and a smoothie on the table.

PAULA

Hey... you good?

THOMAS

Still shaking off that dream.

Thomas sits at the table. Paula pushes pill box to Thomas. Thomas opens section labeled morning.

THOMAS (CONT'D)

New normal.

PAULA

Just an adjustment.

THOMAS

Is Ezra here?

PAULA

Not for a few more days.

Paula sits and digs into her eggs, pancakes, and sausage. Thomas downs his pills and slowly eats his food.

THOMAS

That looks tasty.

PAULA

Missed my cooking.

Thomas burst into laughter. Thomas steals a spoonful of eggs from Paula's plate.

PAULA (CONT'D)

You can't eat that.

THOMAS

Why not, it's good.

PAULA

You're allergic.

Thomas spits eggs out.

THOMAS

Maybe, I got Superman's heart and I'm not allergic anymore.

PAULA

I'm pretty sure that's not how it
works.

Thomas shrugs.

PAULA (CONT'D)

Your mom called.

THOMAS

That must have been pleasant.

PAULA

She's worried.

Paula kisses Thomas on forehead.

PAULA (CONT'D)

I gotta get ready. You need any help.

THOMAS

I'm good. The nurse will be here soon.

PAULA

I'm glad your home.

22 INT. LIVING ROOM - DAY

22

NURSE EVANS (30's) leans over Thomas listening to his heart.

NURSE EVANS

Sounds good, how do you feel?

THOMAS

Tired.

NURSE EVANS

You had a rough go in the hospital. It'll take a while to regain your strength. A routine and physical therapy will help.

Nurse Evans packs up.

NURSE EVANS (CONT'D)

I'll get you on our schedule and myself or another nurse will come out twice a week for physical therapy.

THOMAS

Thanks.

Thomas walks Nurse Evans to door. Izzy stands by Nurse Evans car. Thomas slams door, he peers out window. Izzy waves at Thomas. His breathing quickens. Thomas yanks curtain closed.

23 INT. BEDROOM - DAY

23

Thomas falls back on bed. He lifts his shirt and traces his scar. Izzy appears in corner. Thomas's eyes flutter. A screeching fills the room. Thomas sits up, breathing hard and fast. Izzy disappears.

24 INT. LIVING ROOM - NIGHT

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Thomas lies on couch in the dark. Paula enters with phone up to her ear.

PAULA

He's doing okay. Yes, I'll tell him.

Thomas flips on lights and pops up. Paula flinches and drops phone.

PAULA (CONT'D)

Shit.

Thomas chuckles. Paula picks up phone.

PAULA (CONT'D)

Sorry. Yea, everything's fine. I'll call you back.

THOMAS

Your face.

PAULA

That's wasn't funny.

Thomas pulls Paula into an embrace and kisses her deeply. Paula pulls back.

PAULA (CONT'D)

Are you okay?

THOMAS

Wow, I thought was decent considering.

PAULA

No. It's just this morning you were eating shit that can kill you and now..

THOMAS

I forgot but I'm better. I promise.

Thomas pulls Paula close.

25 MONTAGE 25

Thomas stuffs eggs into his mouth.

Thomas tosses in bed. Paula wakes Thomas up.

Thomas jogs.

Thomas sleep walks through hallway.

Thomas lifts Paula and swings her around.

Thomas takes pills.

Thomas does physical therapy with Nurse Evans.

Thomas stares at Izzy through window.

26 INT. THERAPIST OFFICE - DAY

26

DOCTOR DONNA TURNER (40's) scribbles on a pad. Thomas sits in front of her fidgeting.

DOCTOR DONNA

How are you feeling about being home?

THOMAS

Okay. It was weird at first but I'm getting back to my old self.

DOCTOR DONNA

So you're adjusting well? No other concerns?

Thomas shakes his head.

DOCTOR DONNA (CONT'D)

How is your family coping?

THOMAS

Okay. My mom's worried and over bearing but that's old news.

DOCTOR DONNA

And your girlfriend and roommate?

THOMAS

Good.

DOCTOR DONNA

Do you mind if I bring her in?

Thomas nods. Doctor Donna moves around her desk and steps out the door. Paula enters and sits next to Thomas. Doctor Donna takes her seat. Paula takes Thomas's hand.

DOCTOR DONNA (CONT'D)

So, Paula. How are things at home? Do you have any questions or concerns?

PAULA

No questions. But... ummm. Thomas seems different. I know he's been through a lot, it's just he's acting a lot different than I expected.

DOCTOR DONNA

Like what?

Paula looks at Thomas.

PAULA

He's got all this energy. I thought he was supposed to be resting and building his strength. And he's eating eggs. He been allergic since we meet and now he's eating eggs like there's no tomorrow. And the nightmares...

DOCTOR DONNA

Paula, are you sure about the eggs.

PAULA

Yes, his mom was very clear.

DOCTOR DONNA

Maybe his reaction has lessened over the years.

PAULA

He blew up like a fish when we went to a restaurant three weeks before his surgery.

Doctor Donna scribbles on pad.

DOCTOR DONNA

I'll check on that. Thomas, what are your nightmares about?

Thomas drops Paula's hand.

27 INT. LIVING ROOM - NIGHT

27

Paula flips on lights as she and Thomas enter. Paula tosses coat and purse on couch.

PAULA

You're mad.

THOMAS

Just tired.

PAULA

You need someone to talk to. You're barely sleeping.

THOMAS

Guess I should go to bed then.

Thomas disappears down hall.

PAULA

Oh my God you're acting like a baby. I worried.

A door SLAMS in the distance.

28 EXT. WOODS - DAY

28

Izzy stands in middle of clearing. Thomas weaves between trees. He jerks to a stop when he spots Izzy. He turns towards her?

THOMAS

Are you real? What do you want? Why have you been watching me?

Izzy rushes off. Thomas chases after her.

29 INT. LIVING ROOM - DAY

29

Paula hands Candace a drink and sits next to her on couch.

PAULA

This is weird?

CANDACE

What?

Paula gestures to drink.

CANDACE (CONT'D)

Girl you need a little balance in your life. Whoever said Christians can't drink must not know Jesus turned water into wine so the people could turn up.

Paula burst out in laughter.

PAULA

Bottoms up.

Paula sips drink.

CANDACE

Thomas joining us?

PAULA

I doubt it. He goes on these long runs.

30 EXT. WOODS - DAY

30

Izzy stands next to a tree with two wooden crosses in front on it. Thomas runs up and stops short of the tree.

THOMAS

What are you doing?

Izzy points at crosses.

THOMAS (CONT'D)

I don't understand. What d...

IZZY

(yells)

Give it back.

Thomas grabs chest and collapses.

31 INT. LIVING ROOM - DAY

31

Paula and Candace sit on couch with drinks in hand. A bottle of wine sits on the coffee table. Thomas stumbles inside, sweaty and out of breath. Paula rushes to his side.

PAULA

Are you okay?

THOMAS

Fine. Just pushed too hard.

PAULA

Babe, you can't keep doing this?

THOMAS

What should I be doing?

PAULA

Come on I get you in bed.

THOMAS

Who is she?

Candace stands and offers her hand.

CANDACE

Candace, it's good to meet you. You've been at the top of my prayer list, it's good to see prayers in action.

THOMAS

Don't think God had anything to do with it. By the looks things not sure if he existed he approve of that.

Thomas gestures to bottle of wine.

CANDACE

Excuse me.

PAULA

Thomas.

THOMAS

Whatever, I need a shower.

Thomas disappears down hall.

I'm sorry, he's been... I...

CANDACE

No need, my dad was like that after his heart attack. The sweetest man till he wasn't.

Candace hugs Paula.

CANDACE (CONT'D)

It'll be okay. Call me if you need anything.

PAULA

You're leaving? You don't have to.

CANDACE

I should go. See you at church.

Paula nods and holds the door open for Candace.

32 INT. BEDROOM - NIGHT

32

Thomas lies in bed. Paula crawls into bed and rolls over. Thomas cuddles up to Paula. Paula shrugs Thomas off.

PAULA

I'm tired.

Thomas kisses Paula.

THOMAS

We should go to the beach tomorrow.

PAULA

I'm going to church.

THOMAS

Really?

PAULA

Yes really.

(rolls over)

And I don't care what's going on with you, it's no reason to act like an ass.

THOMAS

So you're a cussing Christian.

Please stop. I don't want to be mad at you.

THOMAS

Whatever.

Thomas rolls over and stares at the ceiling.

33 INT. BEDROOM - DAY

33

Paula steps into heals. Thomas sit up in bed.

THOMAS

Getting sexy for breakfast?

PAULA

No. It's in the microwave. I'm headed to church. I'll be back by eleven.

THOMAS

Give me a minute, I'll go with you.

PAULA

We'll hurry. I'll pack your food and medicine.

Thomas slides from bed and rushes to bathroom.

34 INT. BATHROOM - DAY

34

Thomas stands in front mirror and stares at scare. He opens medicine cabinet and pulls out toothpaste. Izzy walks up behind Thomas. Thomas brushes his teeth. Izzy appears next to Thomas. KNOCK. KNOCK. Thomas spins around. Paula opens door holding a collared shirt.

PAULA

Ironed and ready.

Thomas chest heaves.

PAULA (CONT'D)

You okay?

Thomas nods and takes shirt.

THOMAS

Weird vibe...

You wanna stay home.

THOMAS

I need to get out of here. This place is making me crazy.

35 EXT. CHURCH - DAY

35

PEOPLE exit church, talk, laugh, get in cars and drive off. Thomas and Paula walk out church hand in hand. Candace runs up to Paula and Thomas.

CANDACE

Hey, it's good to see you two.
 (to Thomas)

What'd you think.

THOMAS

It was alright.

CANDACE

I'm going to file that under miracle.

Passing cars obscure Izzy across the street. Thomas turns his attention to Izzy. She points her chest. Paula and Candace talk and laugh. Candace taps Thomas on his shoulder. Thomas's eyes roll back.

PAULA

Thomas, Thomas!

Thomas eyes roll back.

THOMAS

Huh?

CANDACE

I can get our medical staff.

Thomas shakes his head.

THOMAS

No. I just zoned out must be the holy ghost.

CANDACE

You keep playing, you made need him.

THOMAS

I'm good.

Candace looks to Paula.

CANDACE

I hope you'll visit again.

THOMAS

Maybe.

PAULA

I should get him home.

Paula leads Thomas to car.

36 INT. PAULA'S CAR - DAY

36

Thomas lies head on window.

THOMAS

I get why you go.

PAULA

What?

THOMAS

To church, it make you feel better.

PAULA

It's part of it. When you almost died it was the only thing that held me together.

(beat)

We should called the coordinator. You were just running a mile now you can barely walk without getting winded.

THOMAS

It's fine, I'm fine. Doing to much catches up.

INTERCUT WITH:

37 EXT. WOODS - DAY

37

Izzy steps from behind trees and waves to Thomas.

Thomas sits up and locks eyes with Izzy.

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38

Thomas pushes food around on plate. Paula stands at stove and flips pancakes. She turns around but now Izzy stands at stove with plate of eggs. Izzy rushes at Thomas and stuffs eggs in his mouth. Thomas chokes. He jerks chair back, attempting to get away from Izzy. Izzy stuffs eggs in Thomas's mouth. Thomas coughs.

TZZY

You like eggs.

Thomas shakes his head.

IZZY (CONT'D)

Give it back.

Izzy pulls at Thomas's shirt.

IZZY (CONT'D)

I want it back. It's not yours give it back.

39 INT. BEDROOM - NIGHT - BACK TO REALITY 39

Thomas jerks up, sweat drips down his face. Paula sleeps soundly next to him.

40 INT. BATHROOM - DAY 40

A sweaty and haggard Thomas stands in front of mirror. He turns on water and splashes face. Thomas rubs eyes. Izzy appears next to him in the mirror. Thomas spins around to see Paula.

PAULA

What's wrong?

Thomas gulps.

PAULA (CONT'D)

Another nightmare.

Paula takes Thomas hand and leads him to toilet.

PAULA (CONT'D)

You're soaked.

Paula pulls Thomas's shirt off.

PAULA (CONT'D)

Oh my God.

THOMAS

What?

Thomas returns to mirror. A handprint covers his scare.

PAULA

What did you do?

THOMAS

Nothing.

PAULA

Things are getting worse and now this.

THOMAS

Can we not do this? I just want to sleep.

PAULA

Why are you not concerned?

THOMAS

In the morning, I call the nurse.

Thomas pushes pass Paula. Paula pulls out phone and searches strange bruises.

41 INT. BEDROOM - DAY

41

A haggard Thomas lies in bed. Nurse Evans stands over him listening to his heart. Paula props herself on the wall and folds her arms.

NURSE EVANS

Everything sounds good. Vitals are normal. You know a heart transplant is a big deal and afterwards people have weird side effects.

PAULA

So the handprint on his chest is just a weird side effect?

Nurse Evans examines Thomas's chest.

NURSE EVANS

It looks like a rash. As the stitches dissolve they can cause irritation, for some this can lead to a rash.

It wasn't just a rash last night.

NURSE EVANS

Granted the shape in weird but it is a rash.

(to Thomas)

As for you. Short walks are fine but no more running. You've gotta let this new ticker get acclimated to your body.

Thomas faces tighten but he nods.

PAULA

Okay, thanks for coming.

NURSE EVANS

I know this situation is very stressful. But you guys are doing well. I'll see you on Wednesday.

Pauls watches Nurse Evans pack up her equipment and leave. Paula kneels next to Thomas.

THOMAS

Guess, I didn't get Superman's heart after all.

Tears stream down Paula's face. Thomas kisses Paula on forehead.

THOMAS (CONT'D)

I'm okay.

PAULA

I'm sorry. I just thought... If I went to church and prayed you'd be fixed.

Thomas laughs.

THOMAS

If it worked like that I'd never have gotten sick. My mom prays three times a day and five times on Sundays.

42 INT. BEDROOM - NIGHT

42

Thomas gets out of bed in daze. He leans on the wall to steady himself as he heads into the bathroom. Paula rolls over.

Thomas...

THOMAS

I'm fine.

43 INT. BATHROOM - NIGHT

43

Thomas stares at self in mirror. Paula walks up behind him and caresses his shoulder. Thomas turns to Paula confused. She rubs his back. Izzy looks up at Thomas from behind Paula and smiles.

44 EXT. STREET - DAY

44

Thomas walks with Nurse Evans. They take their time. Nurse Evans holds out her hand ready to catch Thomas.

NURSE EVANS

Good. One breath, one step at a time. Nice and slow.

THOMAS

Too slow.

NURSE EVANS

This is a process, Thomas. Trying to hurry it will only set you back. A few more minutes and we head back.

Thomas nods.

45 INT. LIVING ROOM - DAY

45

Nurse Evans holds door open for Thomas. Thomas huffs as he makes his way to the couch and plops down. Nurse Evans follows Thomas to the couch and pulls out her blood pressure cuff and stethoscope. She sits next to Thomas and takes his vitals.

NURSE EVANS

You're doing good, how do you feel?

THOMAS

Tired.

Thomas's phone BEEPS.

NURSE EVANS

Meds.

Thomas nods. Nurse Evans grabs pill box and pour pills into Thomas's hand.

NURSE EVANS (CONT'D)

Some days will be easier than others.

Thomas tosses pills in mouth.

46 INT. BEDROOM - NIGHT

46

Thomas's chest rises and falls as his snores fill the room. The nightlight on the wall flickers. Paula rolls over and turns her attention to the nightlight. The nightlight burst and Paula sits up. Izzy appears in the corner by the nightlight. Thomas's breathing quickens. Paula turns to Thomas and rubs his back.

PAULA

(whispers)

Shhhh...

Thomas's breathing returns to normal. Izzy steps out of shadows. Paula GASPS and covers mouth. She runs to wall and flips on the lights. No one is there. BANG. Paula turns her attention to the door. She jumps up and rushes out room.

47 INT. HALLWAY - NIGHT

47

Paula creeps down hall. The light flickers on in kitchen. Paula opens closet and grabs bat.