

TEASER

1 EXT. STREET - STEVE DEWITT'S BROWNSTONE -- DAWN (DAY 1) 1
We're downtown. We ESTABLISH: an UPSCALE BROWNSTONE..

2 INT. BROWNSTONE - BEDROOM -- SAME TIME 2
Inside. In the BEDROOM. A CLOCK says: 5:05 AM.
In bed: STEVE DEWITT. 40-ish. An industrial designer. Successful. Brilliant. Intense. He's sleeping with his attractive girlfriend, AMANDA CHASE.

Dewitt has a dog named GULLIVER- an Australian Shepherd with a short stumpy tail- or, preferably- no tail at all.

Gulliver enters the bedroom and playfully licks Amanda. Amanda stirs. She smiles. She pets the dog.

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AMANDA
(to dog, whispering)
Hey there. Good morning. Are you hungry? Me too.

Amanda slips on a robe and quietly climbs out of bed.

3 INT. DEWITT'S KITCHEN -- MOMENTS LATER 3
Moments later. In the KITCHEN. Amanda is making breakfast. As she cooks, she feeds Gulliver some scraps.

She tries to rip open a BAG OF COFFEE. It won't open.

AMANDA
(to dog)
Scissors. Where does he keep the scissors..?

Amanda- apparently- doesn't live here. She opens some drawers, looking for scissors.

She crosses to a SMALL WRITING DESK. She opens a lower drawer. She reacts, stunned.

In the drawer: two framed WEDDING PHOTOS of Steve Dewitt and another woman- his wife. Plus: OTHER LOOSE PHOTOS of Steve and his wife. And: a BAGGIE with a man's WEDDING RING inside.

Amanda turns. Steve is standing in the door. He's wearing pajama bottoms and tortoise shell glasses.

MONK - AMANDA

AMANDA

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STEVE DEWITT
Good morning. How'd you sleep?

AMANDA
Are you married?

Steve takes a deep, guilty breath.

STEVE DEWITT
Amanda...

AMANDA
What is all this?

STEVE DEWITT
It's complicated...

Amanda is hurt. And furious.

AMANDA
(sharply)
Really? Because it doesn't look
complicated. It looks pretty simple.
"I never felt this way before".
"Heaven must be missing an angel".
What was all that?

Steve reaches out to comfort her. Amanda recoils.

AMANDA (CONT'D)
Don't! Don't touch me!

STEVE DEWITT
Are you going to let me explain?
Please.
(sighs)
Technically, yes. But it's been
over for awhile. We just haven't
made it official. It's over. Hand
to God.

AMANDA
(bitterly)
Hand to God, huh?
(beat)
Then you won't mind getting rid of
this.

Amanda drops the WEDDING RING into the sink garbage disposal!

STEVE DEWITT
Whoa- whoa- what are you doing?!

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AMANDA

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AMANDA

Or these-

Amanda jams some of the PHOTOS into the disposal, too!

STEVE DEWITT

AMANDA! DON'T!

Amanda CLICKS ON THE DISPOSAL. The blades start churning
and grinding!

STEVE DEWITT (CONT'D)

LITTLE BITCH! WHAT ARE YOU DOING?!

Steve tries to turn the disposal off! Amanda blocks his way. He shoves her- hard- viciously. Amanda falls backwards and- THUNK!- hits her head against the EDGE OF A COUNTER.

A stunned beat. Silence.

STEVE DEWITT (CONT'D)

Are you okay?

Amanda rises to her feet. She's dazed. Wobbly.

AMANDA

(weakly, stunned)

I'm okay. I think I...

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Amanda is hurt badly. It's a brain hemorrhage. There's some blood on her forehead. Slowly... weakly... she takes her CELLPHONE from her purse. She dials 9-1-1.

OPERATOR'S VOICE

9-1-1. What's your emergency?

Before she can speak, Amanda loses her balance. She slumps to the floor. She's losing consciousness.

Steve Dewitt watches her, icily. He takes the CELLPHONE from her hand. He closes it.

Then he watches her die.

END OF TEASER

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