

SHOT 11

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INT. LIVING ROOM - DAY

JACOB is sitting on the couch. The door opens. MADDY walks in. She is holding a bag full of stuff. She sets it down on the coffee table.

MADDY  
Here are your things.

JACOB  
Thanks.

He reaches over and looks in the bag. He shakes his head.

JACOB  
Is there any ranch in here?

MADDY  
Oh, sorry, I forgot.

JACOB  
Forgot? Maddy, come on.

MADDY  
I'm sorry. It won't happen again.

JACOB  
Can you please go back to the store?

MADDY  
I can't. I have an appointment.

JACOB  
Well then, what am I supposed to do?

MADDY  
Go and get it yourself.

Jacob looks over at the door nervous.

MADDY  
Oh yeah, I am busy all day tomorrow so I won't be able to come by.

JACOB  
Are you kidding? What the hell am I going to do?

MADDY  
Jacob, seriously, you have to get over this. I can't do this forever.

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JACOB  
What are you saying?

Maddy musters up the courage.

MADDY  
I'm saying ...it's time you got  
over this.  
(beat)  
I have a life too, you know. I  
don't mind helping you out  
sometimes, but I can't keep waiting  
on you hand and foot. You have to  
overcome this yourself.

Jacob gets a little nervous.

JACOB  
You know I can't do that.

MADDY  
Yes you can! How long is this going  
to last?

JACOB  
Maddy, please. I thought you loved  
me.

MADDY  
Don't go there. I can't keep this  
up anymore.

JACOB  
What do you mean?

MADDY  
Jacob, I'm moving. I got a job  
offer in San Francisco. I leave in  
a week.

JACOB  
You're leaving me?

Maddy gets really quiet.

JACOB  
When were you going to tell me? Or  
were you?

She shakes her head.

MADDY  
I'm sorry. I meant to tell you  
earlier, I just didn't know how.  
(MORE)

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MADDY (CONT'D)

I guess a part of me just hoped you would finally get help on your own.

JACOB

I don't know what to say.

MADDY

Say you'll try. Let's try right now. Come out with me.

Jacob gets really nervous.

JACOB

Out?

MADDY

Yeah, around the block. Not far. Baby steps.

Jacob shakes his head.

JACOB

I can't.

MADDY

Don't say that! Come on. Just try.

She reaches over to grab his arm. He shrugs away. They are both silent for a moment. Maddy walks towards the door. Jacob starts getting scared.

JACOB

Don't leave.

MADDY

I'm sorry. I can't stay here and watch you wither away in your apartment.

Jacob is getting more and more scared.

JACOB

Maddy, please?

MADDY

You won't even try! How can you say you love me when you won't even try to get better? How do you think that makes me feel?

JACOB

I'm sorry.

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MADDY

Sorry isn't good enough.

She looks at him one more time before she walks out the door.  
He calls after her.

JACOB

Maddy?

After a long moment he stands up. He is freaking out. He slowly walks toward the door. The closer he gets, the weaker his knees become. He is wobbly and takes a moment to steady himself. One step at a time he inches closer to the door. He finally reaches out and opens it. He looks outside the door and takes a big breath. The thought of crossing the threshold almost paralyzes him. He takes only a small step, then holds onto the door as he slumps down.

JACOB

(calling out)

Maddy!

FADE TO BLACK.