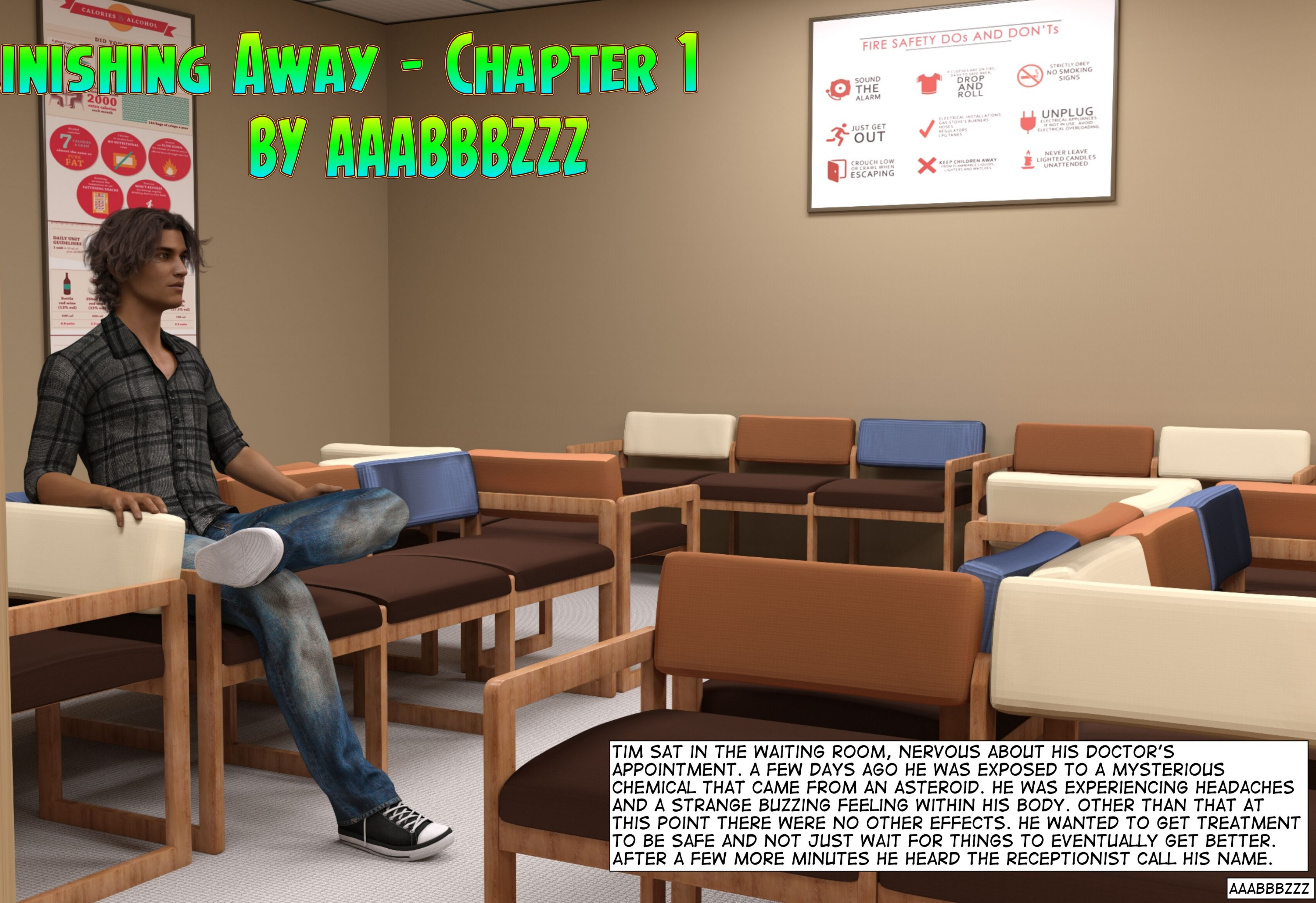


DIMINISHING AWAY - CHAPTER 1

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TIM SAT IN THE WAITING ROOM, NERVOUS ABOUT HIS DOCTOR'S APPOINTMENT. A FEW DAYS AGO HE WAS EXPOSED TO A MYSTERIOUS CHEMICAL THAT CAME FROM AN ASTEROID. HE WAS EXPERIENCING HEADACHES AND A STRANGE BUZZING FEELING WITHIN HIS BODY. OTHER THAN THAT AT THIS POINT THERE WERE NO OTHER EFFECTS. HE WANTED TO GET TREATMENT TO BE SAFE AND NOT JUST WAIT FOR THINGS TO EVENTUALLY GET BETTER. AFTER A FEW MORE MINUTES HE HEARD THE RECEPTIONIST CALL HIS NAME.

ALRIGHT TIM, IT LOOKS LIKE THE DOCTOR IS READY TO SEE YOU NOW. CAN YOU JUST COME UP HERE REAL QUICK AND VERIFY A FEW THINGS FIRST. I JUST REALIZED I FORGOT TO ENTER YOUR PHONE NUMBER AND ADDRESS.

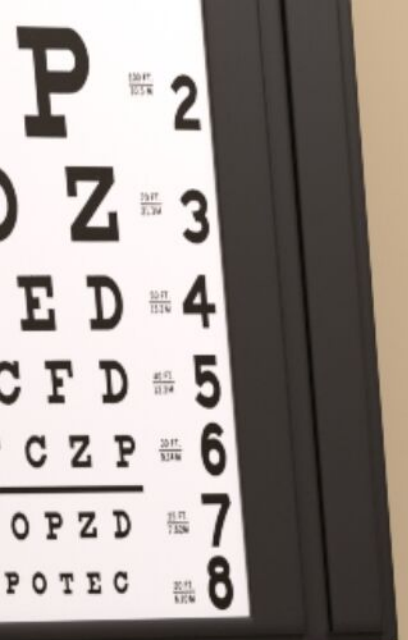
THAT'S STRANGE, I THOUGHT THAT WAS THE FIRST THING I PUT ON THE SHEET. OH WELL I GUESS IT'S JUST A MISTAKE. I HOPE THIS DOCTOR HAS SOMETHING THAT WILL HELP WITH THESE HEADACHES.

THANK YOU TIM, THE DOCTOR IS WAITING FOR YOU NOW. GO AHEAD THROUGH THOSE DOORS TO YOUR RIGHT AND SHE SHOULD BE IN THE FIRST OFFICE ON THE LEFT. WHEN YOU'RE FINISHED BE SURE TO COME SEE ME TO MAKE ANOTHER APPOINTMENT IF THAT'S SOMETHING SHE REQUESTS.

OKAY I'LL TALK TO YOU IN A LITTLE BIT. I'M REALLY HOPING SHE HAS A SOLUTION FOR ME. AFTER THE INCIDENT I JUST HAVEN'T FELT THE SAME AT ALL. THANK YOU SO MUCH.



DOCTOR ADAMS WAVED AT TIM AS HE WALKED THROUGH THE DOOR. TIM WAS SURPRISED TO SEE SUCH AN ATTRACTIVE DOCTOR. MRS. ADAMS WAS A MIDDLE AGED WOMAN WHO HAD HER OWN PRACTICE FOR MANY YEARS NOW. SHE HAD SEEN A LOT OF DIFFERENT CONDITIONS OVER HER TIME AS A DOCTOR, MAKING TIM FEEL BETTER ABOUT GOING TO SEE HER. HE WALKED INSIDE HER ROOM AND TOOK A SEAT NEXT TO HER DESK.



GOOD AFTERNOON TIM, I SEE YOU WERE PART OF THE ASTEROID CRASH LAST WEEK. I'M SORRY THAT YOU HAD TO BE EXPOSED TO THAT. HOW ARE YOU FEELING TODAY? MY NOTES SHOW THAT YOU'VE BEEN FEELING PRETTY STRANGE SINCE THE ACCIDENT IS THAT CORRECT? PLEASE DESCRIBE AS BEST AS POSSIBLE WHAT ARE YOUR SYMPTOMS.

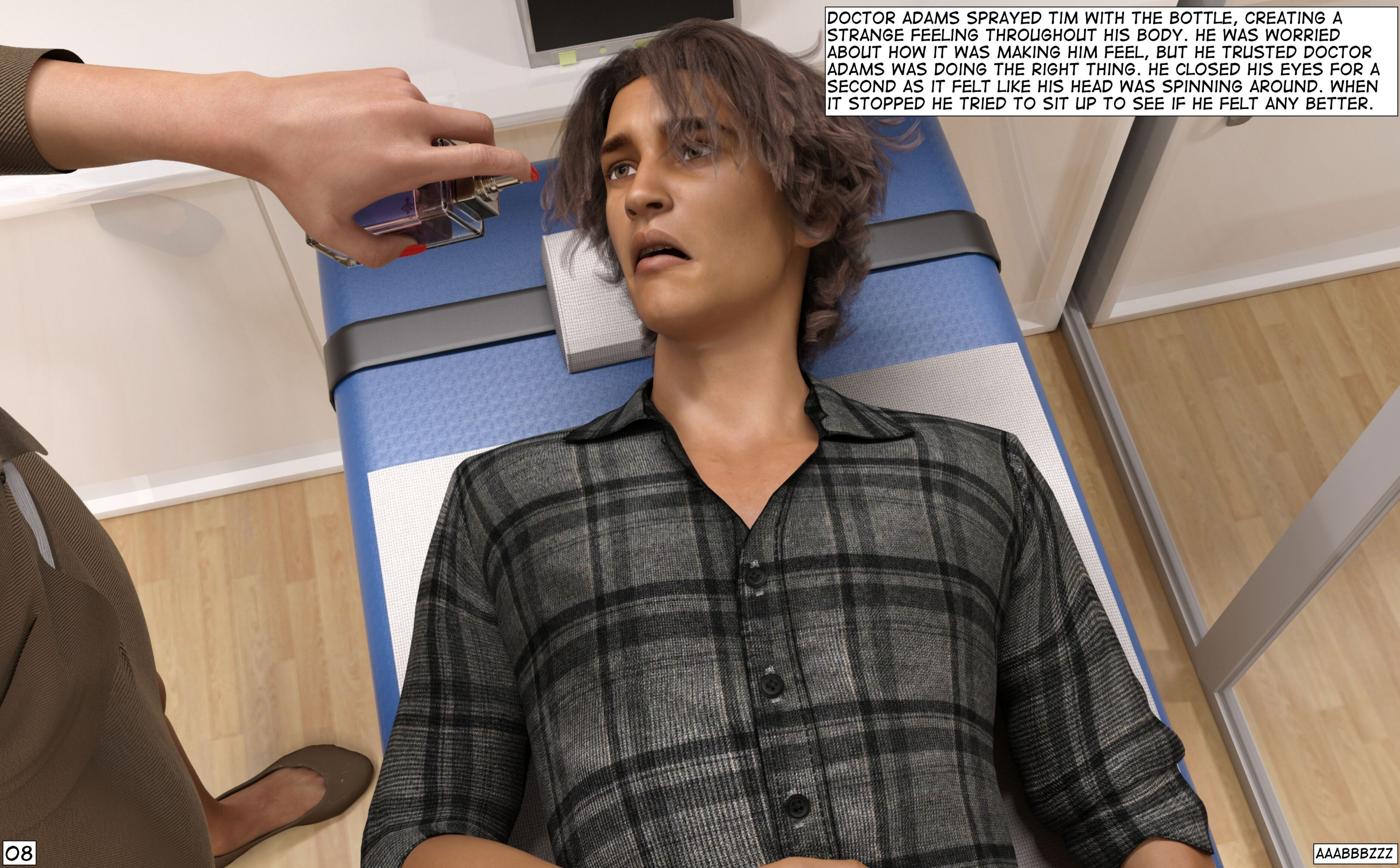
YES DOCTOR, SINCE IT HAPPENED I JUST HAVE CONSTANTLY HAD THESE POUNDING HEADACHES EVERY MORNING AND NIGHT. MY BODY ALSO FEELS LIKE IT'S VIBRATING FROM THE INSIDE ON AND OFF. I KNOW THIS HAS TO BE FROM THAT ASTEROID BECAUSE I NEVER EXPERIENCED ANYTHING LIKE THIS BEFORE. I DON'T KNOW HOW ELSE TO EXPLAIN IT.

THEY STOOD UP FROM THEIR SEATS AND WENT OVER TO THE EXAM TABLE. DOCTOR ADAMS WANTED TO GET A CLOSER LOOK AT TIM TO MAKE A DIAGNOSIS. EAGER TO GET HELP HE DID AS HE WAS ASKED WITHOUT ANY QUESTIONS.


GO AHEAD AND LAY DOWN HERE FOR ME TIM. I THINK I HAVE AN IDEA, BUT IT MIGHT MAKE YOU FEEL A LITTLE DIZZY SO IT WOULD BE GOOD TO BE SOMEWHERE YOU WONT NEED TO BALANCE YOUR BODY.

THIS HERE IS A SPECIAL
SPRAY I'VE USED FOR ANOTHER
PATIENT WHO EXPERIENCED THE SAME TYPE OF
INCIDENT AS YOU. HE WAS FEELING SIMILAR SIDE
EFFECTS AFTERWARDS BUT WHEN TREATED WITH THIS HIS
PROBLEMS SEEMED TO SLOWLY FADE AWAY. IT'S MADE
WITH THESE ALL NATURAL INGREDIENTS FOUND IN AN
INHABITED PART OF THE WORLD. YOU MIGHT FEEL A BIT
STRANGE AT FIRST BUT PLEASE DON'T BE SCARED.
GIVE YOUR BODY A MOMENT BEFORE
TRYING TO GET UP.



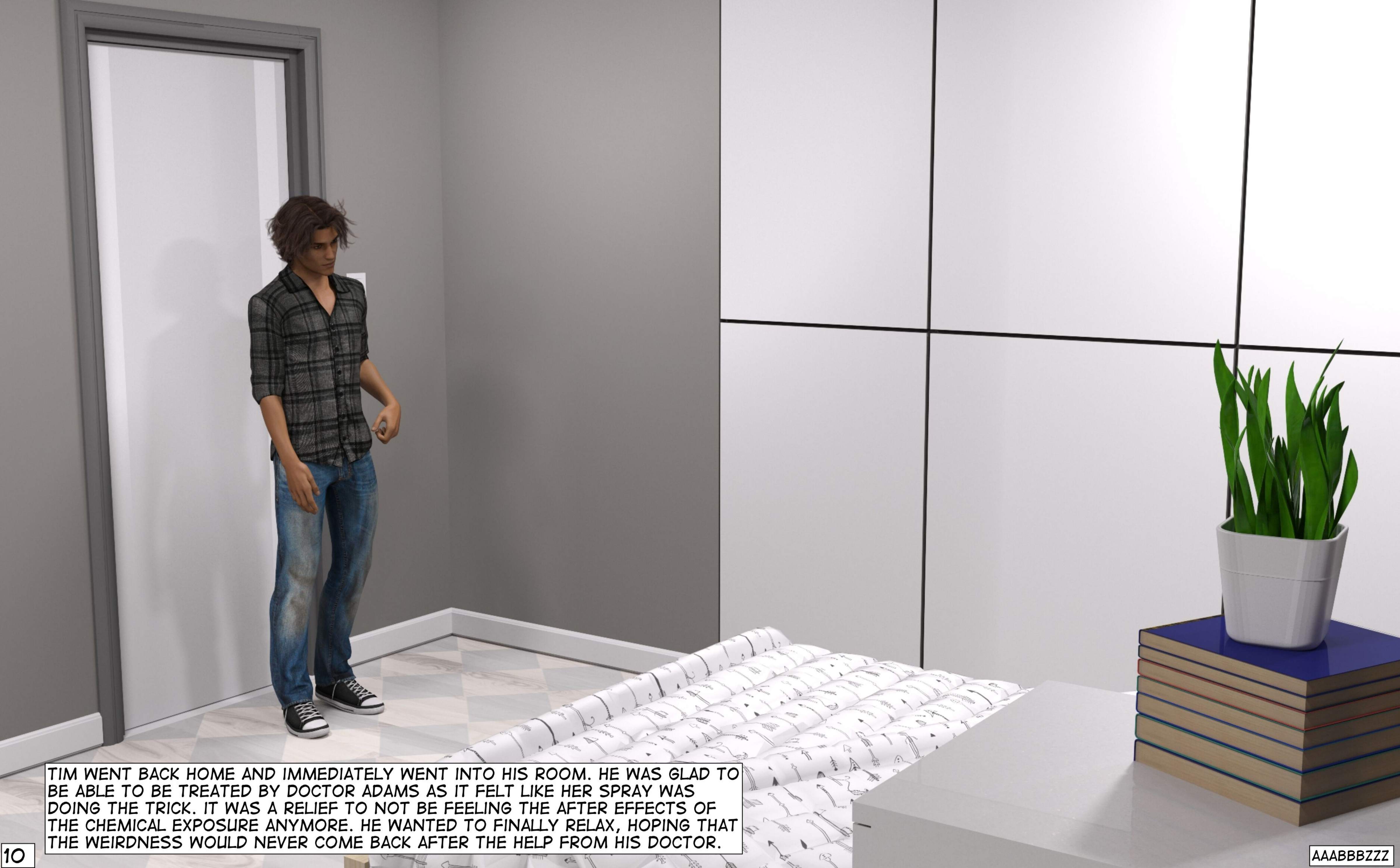


DOCTOR ADAMS SPRAYED TIM WITH THE BOTTLE, CREATING A STRANGE FEELING THROUGHOUT HIS BODY. HE WAS WORRIED ABOUT HOW IT WAS MAKING HIM FEEL, BUT HE TRUSTED DOCTOR ADAMS WAS DOING THE RIGHT THING. HE CLOSED HIS EYES FOR A SECOND AS IT FELT LIKE HIS HEAD WAS SPINNING AROUND. WHEN IT STOPPED HE TRIED TO SIT UP TO SEE IF HE FELT ANY BETTER.

A woman with blonde hair, wearing a brown blazer and a matching skirt, stands on the left side of the frame. She is looking towards a man who is sitting on a white medical table. The man has dark, curly hair and is wearing a dark plaid shirt, blue jeans, and black sneakers with white laces. He is leaning forward with his head down, appearing to be in pain or discomfort. The setting is a modern medical office or clinic with light-colored walls, a wooden floor, and a glass partition in the background. A speech bubble from the woman is on the left, and a speech bubble from the man is on the right.

TAKE IT EASY TIM. YOU NEED A MINUTE BEFORE THE SIDE EFFECTS SHOULD WEAR OFF. HOW ARE YOU FEELING NOW? I KNOW YOU SAID YOU CAME IN WITH A HEADACHE, THAT SPRAY SHOULD HAVE INSTANTLY GOT RID OF IT IF IT REACTED CORRECTLY WITH YOUR BODY. WHY DON'T YOU COME BACK TO SEE ME TOMORROW AND WE CAN DISCUSS OTHER TREATMENT PLANS IF THIS DIDN'T DO ANYTHING TO YOU.

I'M ACTUALLY STARTING TO FEEL SO MUCH BETTER ALREADY. THE DIZZY PART IS FADING AWAY, BUT I THINK MY HEADACHE MIGHT BE GONE! THANK YOU SO MUCH DOCTOR, I WILL MAKE ANOTHER APPOINTMENT TO COME SEE YOU AGAIN. I THINK THIS SEEMS TO BE WORKING ALREADY.



TIM WENT BACK HOME AND IMMEDIATELY WENT INTO HIS ROOM. HE WAS GLAD TO BE ABLE TO BE TREATED BY DOCTOR ADAMS AS IT FELT LIKE HER SPRAY WAS DOING THE TRICK. IT WAS A RELIEF TO NOT BE FEELING THE AFTER EFFECTS OF THE CHEMICAL EXPOSURE ANYMORE. HE WANTED TO FINALLY RELAX, HOPING THAT THE WEIRDNESS WOULD NEVER COME BACK AFTER THE HELP FROM HIS DOCTOR.

WOW,
WHATEVER WAS IN THAT
SPRAY SEEMS TO BE WHAT I NEEDED.
I CAN FINALLY LAY DOWN AND MAYBE TAKE
A NAP WITHOUT MY HEAD POUNDING SO HARD. I
HAVEN'T FELT THIS GOOD SINCE BEFORE THAT
ASTEROID HIT. I'LL HAVE TO TELL DOCTOR
ADAMS TOMORROW JUST HOW WELL HER
TREATMENT WORKED. I WONDER HOW
SHE CAME UP WITH THE EXACT
THING TO CURE ME.

BUT BEFORE TIM COULD GET ANY REST, HIS STEP-SISTER ALISON ENTERED THE ROOM. ALISON WAS ONLY 3 YEARS YOUNGER THAN TIM. SHE JUST TURNED 19 RIGHT AFTER TIM'S 22ND BIRTHDAY. SHE HAD A HABIT OF BOTHERING HER OLDER STEP-BROTHER WHEN HE'D WANT TO BE ALONE THE MOST. TIM'S FATHER WAS AWAY ON A MILITARY DUTY SO HE WAS STUCK WITH ALISON AND HER MOM. THIS WAS NOT IDEAL FOR TIM AS HE ENJOYED BEING AN ONLY CHILD AND DID NOT LIKE HOW ALISON WAS BABIED SO MUCH BY HER MOTHER.



HEY BIG BRO,
HOW WAS YOUR DOCTOR'S
APPOINTMENT. DID MRS. ADAMS
HELP YOU AT ALL? I JUST WANTED TO
LET YOU KNOW MY FRIEND KATE IS GOING
TO BE OVER TOMORROW, SHE'S THE ONE
THAT LIKES YOU. WE WERE PLANNING ON
HANGING OUT AND WATCHING A
MOVIE IF YOU WANTED TO
JOIN US.

CAN YOU PLEASE
KNOCK NEXT TIME? I WAS ABOUT
TO GET SOME SLEEP. FOR THE FIRST
TIME SINCE THE ACCIDENT I AM FINALLY
FEELING BETTER SO I'D LIKE SOME PRIVACY.
YOU SHOULD TELL YOUR FRIEND THE SAME
THING I'VE BEEN TELLING HER, THERE'S NO
CHANCE. YOU TWO ARE SO ANNOYING
SOMETIMES, CAN'T YOU JUST
LEAVE ME ALONE?

FINE, BE THAT WAY YOU ASSHOLE. BY THE WAY MY MOM JUST GOT HOME SO YOU SHOULD AT LEAST GO LET HER KNOW HOW IT WENT. YOU'RE THE WORST STEP-BROTHER SOMEONE COULD ASK FOR. WHY CAN'T YOU JUST BE NICE TO ME? ALL I'M TRYING TO DO IS HELP YOU GET WITH SOMEONE THAT IS INTERESTED IN YOU. I'D EXPECT A THANK YOU BUT SCREW YOU.




ALISON WAS NOT HAPPY WITH THE WAY HER STEP-BROTHER WAS TREATING HER. SHE STORMED OUT OF HIS ROOM WITH AN ANGRY TONE. SINCE TIM AND HIS DAD MOVED IN WITH HER MOM THINGS HAD BEEN DIFFERENT. THERE WAS SOME TENSION BETWEEN EVERYONE THAT DIDN'T SEEM TO WORK OUT VERY WELL. ON HER WAY OUT SHE SLAMMED THE DOOR, LETTING TIM KNOW HOW MAD SHE WAS.

ONCE ALISON LEFT, TIM STARTED TO FEEL A STRANGE PULL ON HIS BODY. IT WAS NOT LIKE ANYTHING HE HAD FELT BEFORE AFTER THE ACCIDENT. THIS TIME IT WAS DIFFERENT. BUT QUICKLY IT WENT AWAY. CONFUSED AS TO WHAT HAPPENED, TIM THOUGHT IT HAD TO DO WITH THAT SPRAY DOCTOR ADAMS USED ON HIM EARLIER.

WHAT THE HELL? THAT WAS WEIRD. THAT WASN'T LIKE THAT BUZZ I WAS FEELING. AT LEAST I DON'T HAVE HEADACHES ANYMORE. I'LL HAVE TO TELL THE DOCTOR ABOUT THIS, MAYBE IT WAS A SIDE EFFECT TO HER TREATMENT.



TIM MADE HIS WAY OUT TO HIS LIVING ROOM WHERE HIS STEP-MOM WAS WAITING. PAM WAS A 38 YEAR OLD WOMAN WHO HAD HER DAUGHTER AT THE AGE OF 19. SHE WAS DATING TIM'S FATHER AND DECIDED TO LET TIM STAY WITH THEM WHILE HE WAS ON HIS MILITARY LEAVE. THE TWO GOT ALONG FOR THE MOST PART, BUT SHE NEVER LIKED IT WHEN HE WAS RUDE TO HER DAUGHTER. AS TIM CAME FURTHER OUT SHE STOOD UP FROM HER SEATED POSITION ON THE COUCH TO GREET HIM.



OH HEY TIM, I DIDN'T THINK YOU WOULD BE BACK SO SOON, IT MUST OF BEEN A QUICK APPOINTMENT. I JUST WANTED TO SEE HOW YOU WERE DOING. ALISON CAME STORMING OUT SAYING YOU WERE BEING RUDE TO HER, IS THAT TRUE? ALISON CAN YOU COME OVER HERE TO TALK?

WELL THE DOCTOR SEEMED TO KNOW WHAT TO DO RIGHT AWAY. SHE GAVE ME THIS SPRAY AND MY HEADACHES WENT AWAY IN AN INSTANT. I WAS FEELING A WEIRD SIDE EFFECT EARLIER BUT NOW IT'S GONE. WHEN I GOT HOME ALL I WANTED TO DO WAS REST AND SHE CAME INTO MY ROOM TRYING TO PESTER ME!

IS THAT TRUE ALISON? YOU KNOW YOU SHOULD RESPECT YOUR STEP-BROTHER'S SPACE. HE MIGHT NOT BE COMFORTABLE WITH YOU BARGING IN ON HIM WHEN HE'S JUST RELAXING.

YA BUT MOM, THE WAY HE TOLD ME OFF WAS JUST SO WRONG. I GET IT, BUT BE A LITTLE NICER IF YOU WANT ME TO GO AWAY.

IT'S FINE, I JUST GOT HOME FROM THE DOCTOR AND I JUST NEEDED A SECOND. IF YOU KNOCKED IT WOULD HAVE BEEN DIFFERENT BUT YOU DIDN'T EVEN CONSIDER DOING THAT!

ALISON GOT CLOSER TO HER STEP-BROTHER TO REALIZE SOMETHING WAS OFF. NORMALLY THEY WERE THE SAME HEIGHT BUT IT LOOKED LIKE SHE WAS NOW A FEW INCHES TALLER THAN HIM. THIS WAS VERY CONFUSING BECAUSE HE JUST SAW HER IN HIS ROOM AND SHE STILL HAD THE SAME SHOES ON. IT WAS LIKE HE SHRUNK A TINY BIT FROM A FEW MINUTES AGO.

THAT'S WEIRD, AREN'T YOU TWO SUPPOSED TO BE THE SAME SIZE? IT LOOKS LIKE ALISON IS TALLER THAN YOU TIM. DID YOU JUST GO THROUGH A GROWTH SPURT THIS WEEK OR IS TIM SMALLER NOW OR SOMETHING?

WAIT! TIM HONEY I WAS JUST TEASING, DON'T RUN OFF LIKE THAT. JEEZ YOU AND YOUR FATHER BOTH HAVE THE INSTINCT TO RUN AWAY FROM THINGS.

THAT WAS SO WEIRD, HOW AM I TALLER THAN MY OLDER STEP-BROTHER? I SWEAR I DIDN'T NOTICE ANYTHING EARLIER WHEN I WENT INTO HIS ROOM TO BOTHER HIM.

TIM DIDN'T WANT TO BE MADE FUN OF BY HIS STEP-MOM AND YOUNGER STEP-SISTER. INSTEAD, HE RAN OFF AND WENT BACK INTO HIS ROOM. HE WAS WORRIED THAT THE PULL HER FELT EARLIER MADE HIM SOMEHOW SMALLER. IT DIDN'T SEEM REAL, BUT HE PANICKED AND GOT AWAY FROM THIS AS FAST AS HE COULD.



BACK IN HIS ROOM, TIM EXAMINED HIMSELF IN HIS MIRROR. HE THOUGHT SOMETHING LOOKED DIFFERENT. IT WASN'T ALISON THAT WAS GROWING, BUT HIM THAT WAS ACTUALLY SHRINKING. HE KNEW THIS HAD TO DO WITH THAT SPRAY DOCTOR ADAMS GAVE HIM. MAYBE IT WASN'T INTENTIONAL, BUT IT WAS DEFINITELY A SIDE EFFECT.

HOW ON EARTH DID THIS HAPPEN? I KNOW I WASN'T THIS SHORT EARLIER! WAS IT WHEN I FELT THAT PULLING FEELING THAT I GOT SMALLER? THIS IS NOT GOOD, ALL I WANTED WAS TO STOP FEELING THESE HEADACHES, AND NOW LOOK AT ME!

TIM, IS EVERYTHING
OKAY? I DIDN'T MEAN TO PUT
YOU INTO THAT POSITION WITH ALISON.
I KNOW JUST HOW BAD THINGS ARE
BETWEEN YOU TWO. STEP-SIBLINGS ALWAYS
SEEM TO HAVE A HARD TIME GETTING ALONG.
I DIDN'T MEAN TO HUMILIATE YOU OR
ANYTHING, I JUST THOUGHT
THINGS SEEMED OFF.

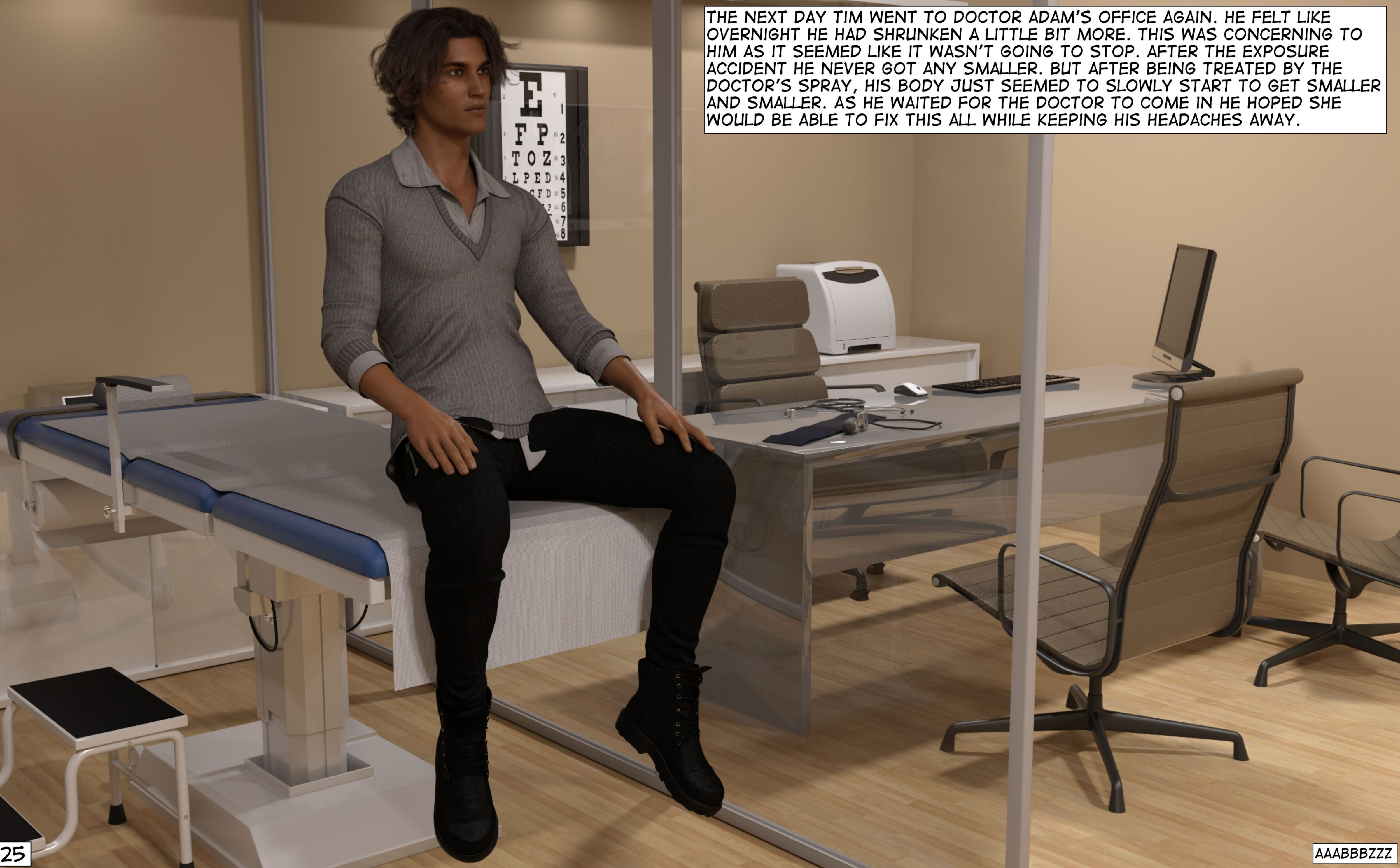
IT'S
OKAY, DON'T WORRY
ABOUT IT. I WAS JUST
FREAKED OUT ABOUT THE SIDE
EFFECT FROM THAT SPRAY DOCTOR
ADAMS GAVE ME. IT WORKED
WONDERS ON MY HEADACHES BUT I
THINK IT SOMEHOW SHRUNK ME
DOWN. I'VE NEVER HEARD OF
SOMETHING LIKE THIS, IF HER
OFFICE WASN'T CLOSED I'D
GO RIGHT BACK RIGHT
NOW.

I THINK I JUST WANT TO BE ALONE NOW. I'M GOING TO CALL IT AN EARLY NIGHT AND JUST CHILL OUT IN HERE UNTIL TOMORROW. MY APPOINTMENT IS SCHEDULED EARLY SO I MIGHT JUST LAY DOWN RIGHT NOW. CAN WE PLEASE JUST TALK ABOUT IT SOME OTHER TIME? THIS IS A VERY SCARY SITUATION TO BE IN.

OKAY TIM, I'M SORRY. I'LL TELL ALISON TO LEAVE YOU ALONE TOO. YOU HAVE A GOOD NIGHT. JUST LET ME KNOW TOMORROW HOW THINGS GO. I KNOW YOU'RE JUST MY STEP-SON, BUT I REALLY DO CARE ABOUT YOU. I KNOW WITH YOUR DAD GONE THINGS ARE ROUGH, BUT YOU'LL GET THROUGH THIS.

TIRED FROM THE EVENTS THAT JUST HAPPENED. TIM LAID IN HIS BED AND SHUT HIS EYES. HE QUICKLY STARTED TO FALL ASLEEP WITHOUT EVEN CHANGING OUT OF HIS CLOTHES FROM THE DAY. WITH A CLEAR HEAD FINALLY, IT WAS EASY TO FOCUS ON PUTTING HIS MIND TO REST AND GOING TO SLEEP. THE SLIGHT SHRINKING THAT CAME WITH DOCTOR ADAM'S SPRAY DID SEEM SCARY, BUT HE HOPED IT WAS SOMETHING THAT SHE COULD FIGURE OUT TOMORROW.





THE NEXT DAY TIM WENT TO DOCTOR ADAM'S OFFICE AGAIN. HE FELT LIKE OVERNIGHT HE HAD SHRUNKEN A LITTLE BIT MORE. THIS WAS CONCERNING TO HIM AS IT SEEMED LIKE IT WASN'T GOING TO STOP. AFTER THE EXPOSURE ACCIDENT HE NEVER GOT ANY SMALLER. BUT AFTER BEING TREATED BY THE DOCTOR'S SPRAY, HIS BODY JUST SEEMED TO SLOWLY START TO GET SMALLER AND SMALLER. AS HE WAITED FOR THE DOCTOR TO COME IN HE HOPED SHE WOULD BE ABLE TO FIX THIS ALL WHILE KEEPING HIS HEADACHES AWAY.



GOOD MORNING
TIM, SORRY FOR BEING LATE,
TRAFFIC WAS A LOT WORSE THAN IT
NORMALLY IS. MY RECEPTIONIST SAID YOU
NEEDED TO SEE ME URGENTLY, IS
EVERYTHING ALRIGHT? YOU SEEMED TO BE
WELL WHEN YOU LEFT YESTERDAY. IT
SOUNDS LIKE THE SPRAY DIDN'T HAVE
THE DESIRED EFFECT I THOUGHT
IT WOULD DID IT?

DOCTOR ADAMS CAME INTO THE ROOM IN A HURRY. SHE WAS BEHIND ON TIME SO SHE WASN'T WAITING IN THE ROOM WHEN TIM GOT HERE. SHE COULD TELL RIGHT AWAY TIM WAS NOT HAPPY WITH SOMETHING. AS SHE GOT CLOSER TO HIM SHE STARTED TO REALIZE WHAT WAS REALLY WRONG WITH HIM AS SHE NOTICED HIS MUCH SMALLER SIZE FROM YESTERDAY.

I DON'T KNOW
WHAT HAPPENED DOCTOR.
YOUR SPRAY SEEMED TO WORK
PERFECTLY FOR MY HEADACHES, BUT
I THINK IT HAD SOME SORT OF BAD
REACTION WITH MY BODY, BECAUSE I AM
THINK I AM SHRINKING! YESTERDAY MY
STEP-SISTER ALISON WAS TALLER THAN
ME AND NOW THIS MORNING THERE
WERE SOME CLOTHES THAT
JUST DIDN'T FIT ME
ANYMORE!

OH MY GOD,
YOU ARE A LOT SMALLER!
I'M SO SORRY TIM, I DIDN'T
THINK THAT THIS COULD HAPPEN.
THIS HAS NEVER BEEN A SIDE EFFECT
FROM THAT SPRAY. CAN YOU STAND
UP FOR ME SO I CAN SEE JUST
HOW MUCH SHORTER YOU
ARE NOW?

TIM STOOD UP FROM THE EXAM TABLE TO BE TOWERED OVER BY DOCTOR ADAMS. JUST YESTERDAY THEY WERE ABOUT THE SAME HEIGHT, BUT NOW SHE SEEMED TO BE ALMOST A FOOT TALLER THAN HIM. THIS WAS A SHOCK TO THE BOTH OF THEM AS IT SEEMED LIKE THE SHRINKING WAS REALLY MAKING TIM A LOT SMALLER.

THERE'S NO WAY THIS IS POSSIBLE. IT MUST HAVE SOMETHING TO DO WITH THE CHEMICAL EXPOSURE WITH THE ASTEROID COMBINED WITH THAT SPRAY. I THINK THE BEST THING TO DO NOW IS TO CANCEL OUT THE TREATMENT FROM YESTERDAY. YOUR HEADACHES MIGHT COME BACK, BUT AT LEAST WE'LL BE ABLE TO STOP YOU FROM GETTING ANY SHORTER.



ARE YOU SURE THIS WILL WORK? I DON'T KNOW WHAT I'LL DO IF I SHRINK ANY FURTHER. I'M ALMOST EMBARRASSED TO GO OUT INTO PUBLIC NOW. PEOPLE ARE GOING TO START NOTICING JUST HOW SMALL I'VE GOT. PROMISE ME YOU KNOW WHAT YOU'RE DOING DOCTOR.

DON'T WORRY TIM, THIS SPRAY WILL WIPE OUT WHATEVER REMAINS OF YESTERDAY'S YOU HAVE ON YOU. IT'S MEANT TO NEUTRALIZE IT IN CASE SIDE EFFECTS TURN OUT TO BE BAD. GO AHEAD AND USE THIS WHEN YOU GET HOME AND COME SEE ME TOMORROW AGAIN.

DOCTOR ADAMS HANDED TIM THE BOTTLE, ENSURING HIM EVERYTHING WOULD BE OKAY. HE WASN'T EXCITED ABOUT POSSIBLY GETTING HIS HEADACHES BACK, BUT IF IT WOULD STOP HIS SHRINKING IT WOULD MAKE HIM HAPPY. HE PUT THE SPRAY AWAY AND LEFT THE DOCTOR'S OFFICE TO HEAD BACK HOME, HOPING THIS NEW TREATMENT WOULD HELP HIM OUT ONCE AGAIN.



TIM ARRIVED BACK AT HOME TO FIND HIS STEP-SISTER ALISON READING A BOOK ON THE COUCH. HE WANTED TO SLIP BY HER WITHOUT HER NOTICING, BUT HE KNEW SHE HEARD HIM CLOSE THE DOOR WHEN HE CAME IN. ALL HE WANTED TO DO WAS APPLY THE NEW SPRAY DOCTOR ADAMS GAVE HIM BEFORE ANY MORE SHRINKING WOULD HAPPEN. AS HE WALKED BY, SHE SAT UP AND GRABBED HIS ATTENTION. TIM DID NOT WANT TO BE BOTHERED RIGHT NOW, BUT ALISON WASN'T GO TO PASS HER CHANCE AT MAKING FUN OF HER OLDER STEP-BROTHER.



HEY, I KNOW YOU'RE GOING TO SAY SOMETHING, BUT CAN YOU JUST NOT PLEASE? I GET IT THAT NOW I'M SHORTER THAN YOU, BUT CAN YOU JUST LEAVE IT ALONE? DOCTOR ADAMS GAVE ME A SPRAY THAT SHOULD START TO REVERSE IT AND THINGS WILL GO BACK TO HOW THEY WERE. I'M NOT REALLY IN THE MOOD TO BE PESTERED BY YOU RIGHT NOW ALISON.



RUDELY, TIM TOLD HIS STEP-SISTER OFF BEFORE SHE COULD EVEN SAY ANYTHING. SHE DID NOT TAKE THIS LIGHTLY AND HATED HOW HE WAS TRYING TO TREAT HER LIKE THIS. INSTEAD OF MINDING HER OWN BUSINESS SHE STOOD UP FROM THE COUCH SO SHE COULD SEE HOW MUCH SHORTER HE WAS FROM LAST NIGHT.

WHERE ARE YOU GETTING THIS TONE FROM "LITTLE" BRO? OH MY GOD, YOU'RE EVEN SMALLER THAN YESTERDAY! I HAVE TO LOOK DOWN ON YOU NOW TO EVEN TALK TO YOU. I WONDER WHAT MY FRIEND KATE IS GOING TO SAY WHEN SHE SEES YOU. I DON'T THINK SHE'S INTO SHORT GUYS SO MAYBE SHE WILL FINALLY LEAVE YOU ALONE.

DID YOU NOT HEAR ANYTHING I JUST SAID? YOU'RE MAKING FUN OF A SERIOUS SITUATION! I HAVE SOME SORT OF DISEASE OR SOMETHING AND ALL YOU CAN DO IS TRY AND GET ON MY NERVE. WHY DO YOU HAVE TO BE SUCH A PAIN IN THE ASS? I'M DONE TALKING TO YOU, I'LL BE IN MY ROOM, AND PLEASE DON'T COME IN.

ALRIGHT TIM, SUIT YOURSELF. ANY OTHER GUY WOULD BE NICER TO THEIR STEP-SISTER IF SHE TRIED TO BRING OVER GIRLS FOR HIM. BUT YOU DO YOU, HAVE FUN WITH YOUR LITTLE PROBLEM ALONE. I CAN'T WAIT TO SEE WHAT REALLY HAPPENS IF THINGS KEEP GOING THIS WAY.


WELL THEY WONT, I'M ALREADY OVER THIS. HAVE FUN HANGING OUT WITH YOUR FRIEND. TELL HER ONCE AGAIN FOR ME THAT I'M NOT INTERESTED. I CAN'T BELIEVE HOW LIGHTLY YOU'RE STILL BEING ABOUT THIS HORRIBLE SITUATION.



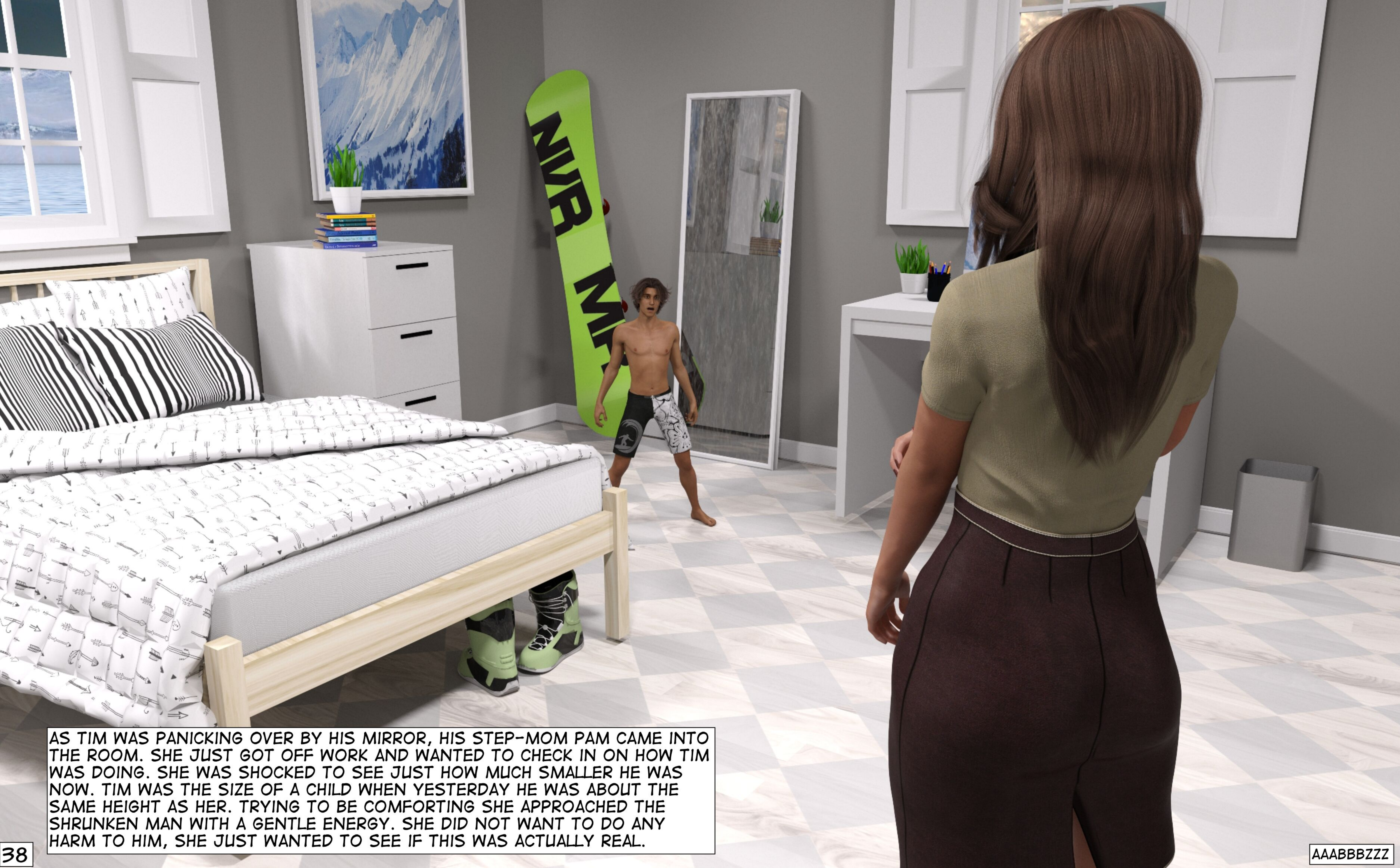
TIM WENT BACK TO HIS ROOM AND UNDRESSED BEFORE TAKING OUT THE BOTTLE DOCTOR ADAMS GAVE HIM. HE LOOKED AT IT THINKING IN HIS HEAD ABOUT WHAT POSSIBLE SIDE EFFECTS IT COULD HAVE. YESTERDAY HE WAS ALREADY GIVEN SOMETHING THAT HAD A NEGATIVE REACTION ON HIM AND HE WORRIED ABOUT WHAT COULD HAPPEN WITH THIS SPRAY. PUTTING FAITH IN DOCTOR ADAMS, HE SPRAYED HIMSELF ONCE. IMMEDIATELY HE COULD FEEL SOMETHING HAPPENING AS HIS BODY TINGLED. TIM FELL TO HIS KNEES, FEELING ANOTHER PULL ON HIMSELF.

HE FELL TO HIS KNEES, DISORIENTED. TIM BEGAN WORRYING ABOUT THAT PULL FEELING THAT HE EXPERIENCED YESTERDAY. DID DOCTOR ADAMS GIVE HIM ANOTHER SPRAY THAT WOULD REACT POORLY WITH HIS BODY, OR WAS IT GOING TO START TO CURE HIM? HE DIDN'T KNOW IF HIS BODY JUST GOT SMALLER AGAIN OR NOT. WHEN HE FELT LIKE HE WAS ABLE TO, TIM STOOD BACK UP AND WALKED TOWARDS HIS MIRROR SO HE COULD SEE IF HIS SIZE CHANGED OR NOT AGAIN.






HOLY SHIT, I THINK I'M
EVEN SMALLER NOW! I MUST BE
AS TALL AS A MIDGET AT THIS POINT.
ANYONE WOULD NOTICE HOW TINY I AM.
THIS ISN'T GOOD, THE SHRINKING JUST
DOESN'T SEEM LIKE IT'S STOPPING. IF
ANYTHING THAT NEW SPRAY JUST MADE THINGS
WORSE! WHAT AM I GOING TO DO? I CAN'T
TRUST ANYTHING ELSE THAT DOCTOR TRIES
TO GIVE ME. SHE COULD ACCIDENTALLY
SHRINK ME INTO NOTHING IF SHE'S
NOT CAREFUL!



AS TIM WAS PANICKING OVER BY HIS MIRROR, HIS STEP-MOM PAM CAME INTO THE ROOM. SHE JUST GOT OFF WORK AND WANTED TO CHECK IN ON HOW TIM WAS DOING. SHE WAS SHOCKED TO SEE JUST HOW MUCH SMALLER HE WAS NOW. TIM WAS THE SIZE OF A CHILD WHEN YESTERDAY HE WAS ABOUT THE SAME HEIGHT AS HER. TRYING TO BE COMFORTING SHE APPROACHED THE SHRUNKEN MAN WITH A GENTLE ENERGY. SHE DID NOT WANT TO DO ANY HARM TO HIM, SHE JUST WANTED TO SEE IF THIS WAS ACTUALLY REAL.



TIM? I CAN'T BELIEVE THAT'S YOU! YOU'RE SO SMALL! WHAT ON EARTH HAPPENED TO YOU. I THOUGHT YOU WENT TO THE DOCTOR TO REVERSE HER TREATMENT. IT LOOKS LIKE YOU JUST DID ANOTHER DOSE INSTEAD. ARE YOU OKAY HONEY? IS THERE ANYTHING I CAN DO FOR YOU?

YES PAM THIS IS ME. I DON'T KNOW WHAT HAPPENED. THIS SPRAY DIDN'T SEEM TO HAVE THE EFFECT SHE THOUGHT IT WOULD. I'M FINE, BUT LOOK AT ME! I CAN'T GO OUT IN PUBLIC LIKE THIS! EVERYBODY IS GOING TO NOTICE RIGHT AWAY THAT I'M NOT NORMAL. I'M SCARED ABOUT SHRINKING EVEN SMALLER. WHAT AM I GOING TO DO IF I CAN'T STOP IT?

AT THIS RATE WE'RE GOING TO NEED TO GET SOMEONE TO TAKE CARE OF YOU. YOU'RE THE SIZE OF A CHILD HONEY. MAYBE I'LL NEED TO ASK ALISON TO LOOK AFTER YOU WHEN YOU'RE BOTH HOME IN CASE IT GETS WORSE. WHAT IF THE DOOR HANDLES BECOME TOO HIGH FOR YOU TO REACH, HOW WOULD YOU GET AROUND OR EVEN MAKE YOURSELF SOMETHING TO EAT?



TIM WAS GETTING SCARED OF THE IDEA OF SHRINKING EVEN FURTHER. HIS STEP-MOM SEEMED WORRIED, BUT ALL SHE DID WAS MAKE TIM THINK ABOUT THE WORSE CASE SCENARIO. HE WAS GETTING WORRIED THAT IF THIS WAS HIS NEW REALITY, THEN HE WOULD BE AT THE MERCY OF HIS GIANT STEP-MOM AND STEP-SISTER.

PAM BENT DOWN AND EASILY PICKED TIM UP. SHE WAS SURPRISED TO FEEL HOW LIGHT HIS LITTLE BODY WAS. TIM DIDN'T RESIST AND JUST LET IT HAPPEN, IN SHOCK BY JUST HOW SIMPLE IT WAS FOR HER. HE NOW FELT COMPLETELY DEGRADED. IF HIS STEP-MOM COULD LIFT HIM UP WITHOUT EVEN TRYING, JUST HOW SMALL WAS HE NOW. FOR A MOMENT HE THOUGHT ABOUT HOW THINGS MIGHT CHANGE IF NOTHING GOT BETTER.

OH MY GOD TIM, I CAN'T BELIEVE THIS IS REAL. I'M GOING TO TELL ALISON TO LET YOU BE. I JUST KNOW SHE WOULD TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THIS IF SHE SAW YOU. GIVE YOURSELF A MINUTE AND THEN COME OUT TO THE LIVING ROOM SO I CAN MAKE YOU SOMETHING TO EAT. LET'S NOT FREAK OUT YET, MAYBE DOCTOR ADAMS CAN STILL FIX THIS.

TIM WAS PUT DOWN ON THE GROUND GENTLY AS PAM LEFT THE ROOM. SHE WALKED OUT WONDERING WHAT TO DO ABOUT HER SHRINKING STEP-SON. IT WAS UNLIKE ANY EXPERIENCE IN HER LIFE. TIM JUST HOPED THAT SHE WOULD STAY AS GENTLE AS SHE WAS, BECAUSE HE KNEW DEEP DOWN SHE WAS NOT HAPPY TAKING HIM IN FROM THE BEGINNING.

WHY IS THIS HAPPENING TO ME? I CAN'T BE THIS TINY IN THIS HOME. ALISON IS GOING TO HUMILIATE ME IF SHE'S OUT THERE. I CAN'T JUST HIDE OUT FOREVER THOUGH. EVENTUALLY SHE'LL SEE ME AND I JUST HAVE TO HOPE SHE HAS SOME SORT OF HEART IN HER. I KNOW I'VE BEEN MEAN TO HER, BUT THIS SITUATION JUST GOT SO MUCH MORE SERIOUS. IT'S ALMOST BECOMING DANGEROUS.

IN THE LIVING ROOM ALISON WAS HANGING OUT WITH HER FRIEND KATE. KATE WAS ALISON'S BEST FRIEND, AND HAD A CRUSH ON TIM. SHE LOVED TO COME OVER AND CHECK HIM OUT, WISHING THAT HE WOULD GIVE HER A CHANCE. ALISON HAD TO TELL KATE ABOUT TIM'S CONDITION AND SHE SEEMED EXCITED ABOUT IT.

YOU SHOULD OF JUST SEEN HIM, WHEN HE GOT HOME HE WAS ALMOST A FOOT SHORTER THAN ME! THERE'S SOMETHING GOING ON WITH HIS BODY AFTER THE ASTEROID AND NOW WITH THE DOCTOR'S TREATMENT. WE DON'T KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT IT EXCEPT THAT HE JUST KEEPS GETTING SMALLER.

REALLY/ I HOPE I CAN SEE HIM. I BET HE'S STILL SO CUTE. WHAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN IF HE KEEPS ON SHRINKING? I'D LOVE TO COME OVER MORE AND SEE THE PROGRESS.

OH MY GOD IS THAT HIM? TIM! IT'S SO GOOD TO SEE YOU. HOW ARE YOU DOING? ALISON WAS TELLING ME THAT YOU WERE GETTING SMALLER, BUT SHE DIDN'T MAKE IT SOUND LIKE IT WAS THIS BAD! JUST LOOK AT HOW TINY YOU'RE CUTE LITTLE BODY IS.

NO WAY, DID YOU GET EVEN SHORTER? SO MUCH FOR BEING MY BIG STEP-BROTHER ANYMORE. YOU'RE THE HEIGHT OF A CHILD! I THINK THIS IS GOING TO BE A LOT OF FUN. DON'T MAKE US CHASE YOU DOWN, CAN YOU COME OVER HERE?

TIM CONTINUED TO WALK OUT INTO THE LIVING ROOM ONLY TO BE TOWERED OVER BY ALISON AND HER FRIEND KATE. THEY COULD NOT JUST IGNORE HIS NEW SIZE. LOOKING DOWN AT HIM, THE TWO GIRLS GIGGLED BETWEEN EACH OTHER, KNOWING THEY COULD TAKE ADVANTAGE OF TIM'S LITTLE SIZE.

OH HEY, I DIDN'T THINK YOU TWO WOULD BE OUT HERE. PAM SAID SHE WAS GOING TO MAKE ME SOMETHING TO EAT AND THAT ALISON WOULDN'T BOTHER ME.

YOU'RE SO LITTLE!
WE COULD JUST DO WHATEVER WE
WANT WITH YOU NOW TIM. WHAT ARE YOU
GOING TO DO ABOUT IT? I CAN FEEL YOU TRY
TO PUSH ME OFF, BUT THOSE TINY ARMS DON'T
HAVE ENOUGH MUSCLE TO DO ANYTHING. MAYBE
WE CAN GET SOME PAYBACK FOR
REJECTING ME AND BEING SO MEAN
TO YOUR STEP-SISTER.

THAT'S RIGHT! I
REMEMBER JUST HOW
RUDE YOU'VE BEEN TO ME
LATELY TIM. NOW THAT YOU CAN'T
DO ANYTHING ABOUT ME MAYBE WE
SHOULD FORCE YOU TO DO OUR
BIDDING. IT'S WHAT YOU DESERVE FOR
TREATING US THE WAY YOU HAVE. YOU
NEVER GAVE KATE A CHANCE. ALL SHE
WANTED WAS ONE DATE. I'VE NEVER
BEEN RESPECTED BY YOU SO
PERHAPS NOW IS A GOOD
TIME TO LEARN TO.

GET AWAY FROM ME YOU CRAZY BITCHES! I AM STILL A GROWN MAN, NOT A CHILD. DON'T YOU TOUCH ME LIKE THAT! I AM NOT YOURS FOR AMUSEMENT. JUST LEAVE ME ALONE, I WILL GET YOU BACK WHEN I RETURN TO MY NORMAL SIZE.

HOW RUDE, DOES HE THINK HE HAS A CHOICE RIGHT NOW? AND YOU'RE NOT YOUR NORMAL SIZE RIGHT NOW, WHO KNOWS IF YOU'LL EVER GET BACK TO THAT POINT. RIGHT NOW IT LOOKS LIKE WE'RE THE ONES IN CHARGE LITTLE TIM. JUST BE A GOOD BOY AND WE'LL GO EASY ON YOU.

I GOT HIM! COME ON KATE, WHY DON'T YOU GET THAT KISS FROM HIM YOU'VE BEEN DREAMING OF FOR SO LONG. THERE'S NOTHING HE CAN DO RIGHT NOW TO AVOID IT. I CAN FEEL HIM STRUGGLING BUT HE'S STILL SO EASY TO HANDLE. AND DON'T YOU DARE KICK HER TIM, OR WE'LL THINK OF SOMETHING WORSE.

THAT ACTUALLY SOUNDS LIKE A LOT OF FUN! YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU'VE BEEN MISSING OUT ON TIM. I'M A GOOD KISSER. YOU COULD OF HAD ME WHEN I ASKED YOU OUT, BUT NOW I THINK YOU'RE TOO SMALL TO DATE. BUT THAT DOESN'T MEAN YOU CAN'T BE A LITTLE PLAYTHING FOR ME.

KATE LEANED IN AND GAVE A WET SMOOCH ON TIM'S CHEEK. HE TRIED TO RESIST BY TURNING HIS HEAD, BUT SHE DIDN'T MIND AND WENT IN ANYWAY. TIM SCREAMED OUT, TRYING TO GET THE GIRLS TO STOP, BUT HIS NEW TINY BODY COULDN'T FIGHT FOR ITSELF AGAINST THEIR DOMINATE FORCE. ALISON HAD HIM IN A LOCK AND THERE WAS NO WAY TO ESCAPE. WHEN KATE FINISHED ALISON LET GO OF HER STEP-BROTHER. ALLOWING HIM TO DROP TO THE GROUND, FREE OF HER GRIP.



THAT WAS FUN,
BUT IT'S TOO BAD HE'S SO
RESISTANT. MAYBE IN TIME HE'LL LEARN
HIS PLACE IF HE STAYS THIS SMALL. THERE'S
SOMETHING ON MY COMPUTER I WANTED TO
SHOW YOU THAT YOU SHOULD SEE KATE.
LET'S LEAVE TIM ALONE FOR NOW, GIVE
HIM TIME TO THINK ABOUT HIS
SITUATION.

YA WHAT A
PARTY POOPER. PERHAPS
WE'LL HAVE TO SHOW HIM
EXACTLY HOW HOPELESS HE IS AT
THAT SIZE. WHAT'S HE GOING TO DO,
RUN AWAY? I DON'T EVEN THINK HE
COULD DRIVE HIS CAR ANYMORE AT
THAT SIZE. IF HE TRIED ANYTHING
HE WOULD JUST LOOK LIKE
A LOST CHILD.

TIM FELT COMPLETELY HELPLESS. HE WAS EASILY DOMINATED BY
HIS STEP-SISTER AND HER BEST FRIEND. WITHOUT ANY SOLUTION
PLANNED IT JUST SEEMED LIKE A DARK FUTURE FOR HIM. HE LOOK
UP, WATCHING THEIR TWO GIANT BODIES MOVE AWAY FROM HIM,
HOPING IT WOULDN'T BE SOON THAT HE WOULD SEE THEM AGAIN.


TIM SAT ON THE COUCH FOR A MOMENT, BEFORE HE STARTED TO FEEL HIS ENERGY SUDDENLY DEplete. HIS EYES STARTED TO FEEL HEAVY LIKE HE NEEDED TO NAP. ANYTHING WAS BETTER THAN THIS NIGHTMARE. HE THOUGHT MAYBE THIS WAS JUST A DREAM TO WAKE UP FROM, OR THAT BEING IN HIS DREAMS WERE JUST A BETTER PLACE TO BE. AS HE DOZED OFF HE TRIED TO FORGET ABOUT HIS PROBLEMS AND JUST ENJOY WHAT REST HE COULD GET WHILE HE WAS ALONE.





AS SOON AS TIM FELL ASLEEP, PAM CAME OUT INTO THE LIVING ROOM. SHE WAS SUPPOSED TO MAKE SOMETHING TO EAT FOR HIM BUT GOT CAUGHT UP ON A WORK CALL. SHE COULD SEE THAT TIM LOOKED EXHAUSTED WITH A WORRYING LOOK ON HIS FACE. SHE FELT BAD, BUT AT THE SAME TIME WAS THINKING OF HOW TO MAKE THE BEST OF THIS. HER DAUGHTER HAD ALWAYS HAD PROBLEMS WITH TIM. NOW THAT HE WAS THIS SIZE IT FELT LIKE IT WOULD BE EASIER TO CONTROL HIM. DISTURBING HIS PEACE, PAM CAME UP TO THE COUCH TO TAKE A SEAT WITH TIM.

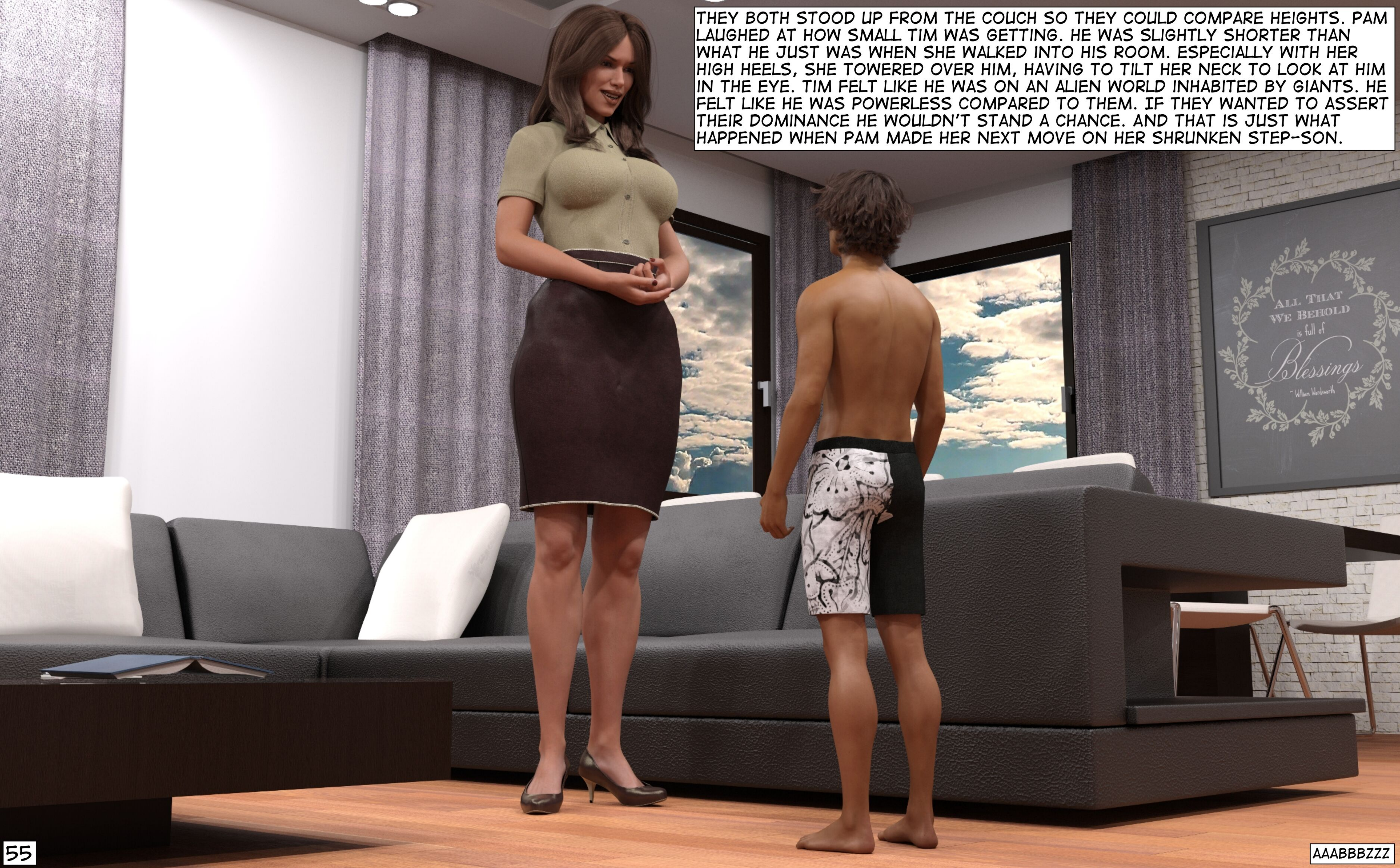
HEY TIM, SORRY
TO WAKE YOU UP, I JUST WANTED TO
TALK TO YOU FOR A SECOND. YOU KNOW, ME AND
MY DAUGHTER ARE CONCERNED ABOUT YOUR CONDITION.
WE THINK THAT YOU CAN BEHAVE A LITTLE BETTER ABOUT IT.
SHE JUST TOLD ME ABOUT HOW YOU WERE RUDE TO HER AND
HER FRIEND KATE. SO I HAVE A PROPOSITION FOR YOU.
EITHER YOU BE NICER TO US, OR I CAN SEND YOU
SOMEWHERE ELSE. I BET A LOT OF SCIENTISTS
WOULD LOVE TO EXPERIMENT WITH WHAT
IS GOING ON WITH YOU.



WHAT DO YOU MEAN SEND ME OFF? WHAT WOULD MY DAD SAY ABOUT THIS? I CAN'T GET IN CONTACT WITH HIM RIGHT NOW BUT I KNOW HE WOULDN'T BE OKAY WITH THAT. ALISON HAS BEEN NOTHING BUT MEAN TO ME SINCE THIS STARTED HAPPENING. WHAT KIND OF OPTIONS ARE THOSE?

THEY'RE ACTUALLY YOUR ONLY TWO CHOICES. WE DON'T HAVE TO TAKE CARE OF YOU IF WE DON'T WANT TO. YOU'RE GOING TO BECOME A PROBLEM THAT ONE OF US WILL HAVE TO CARE FOR. I THINK THAT IT WOULD BE IMPORTANT TO MAKE YOURSELF AS USEFUL AS POSSIBLE IF YOU THINK YOU CAN JUST GET AWAY WITH BECOMING A TINY MAN IN THIS HOUSE. NOW STAND UP, I WANT TO SEE JUST HOW SHORT YOU ARE NOW.

THEY BOTH STOOD UP FROM THE COUCH SO THEY COULD COMPARE HEIGHTS. PAM LAUGHED AT HOW SMALL TIM WAS GETTING. HE WAS SLIGHTLY SHORTER THAN WHAT HE JUST WAS WHEN SHE WALKED INTO HIS ROOM. ESPECIALLY WITH HER HIGH HEELS, SHE TOWERED OVER HIM, HAVING TO TILT HER NECK TO LOOK AT HIM IN THE EYE. TIM FELT LIKE HE WAS ON AN ALIEN WORLD INHABITED BY GIANTS. HE FELT LIKE HE WAS POWERLESS COMPARED TO THEM. IF THEY WANTED TO ASSERT THEIR DOMINANCE HE WOULDN'T STAND A CHANCE. AND THAT IS JUST WHAT HAPPENED WHEN PAM MADE HER NEXT MOVE ON HER SHRUNKEN STEP-SON.



LISTEN TIM, I'VE HAD TO DEAL WITH A LOT OF YOUR SHIT WITH YOU BEING AN ASSHOLE WITH ALISON. I KNOW SHE'S NOT YOUR REAL SISTER, BUT YOU HAVE TO LIVE WITH HER IF YOU'RE GOING TO STAY HERE, AND I THINK YOU HAVEN'T SHOWN HER ENOUGH RESPECT. YES I UNDERSTAND SHE CAN BE ANNOYING TO YOU, BUT THAT'S JUST SOMETHING YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE TO DEAL WITH NOW. I'M TELLING YOU JUST THIS ONCE TO LET YOUR OLD LIFE GO AND BE A GOOD LITTLE MAN FOR US. WE DON'T HAVE TO PUT UP WITH YOU, SO BE A TINY BIT MORE GRATEFUL OR WE MIGHT NOT BE.






WITH THAT SAID, PAM LIFTED HER FOOT OFF TIM'S HEAD AND STARTED TO WALK AWAY WITH A DOMINATING MESSAGE PUT INTO HER STEP-SON'S HEAD. THE SHRUNKEN MAN FELT DEGRADED, LIKE HE HAD TO BECOME SOMETHING LIKE A HELPLESS CHILD TO THESE TWO WOMEN. HE ALSO DIDN'T WANT TO BE SENT AWAY SOMEWHERE THAT HE WOULD BECOME AN EXPERIMENT. THE BETTER OPTION SEEMED TO BE TO DO WHAT PAM WANTED HIM TO DO. HE WOULD HAVE TO BE NICER TO HIS STEP-SISTER ALISON, AND EVEN THOUGH SHE WANTED REVENGE ON HIM, HE WOULD HAVE TO PUT UP WITH IT. IT SEEMED BLEAK, BUT WHAT OTHER CHOICE DID HE HAVE?

BEFORE TIM COULD GET UP, HE STARTED TO HEAR TWO PAIRS OF FEET MAKING STEPS TOWARDS HIM. IT SOUNDED LIKE ALISON AND KATE WERE RETURNING TO THE LIVING ROOM. THEY WERE LOOKING AT SOMETHINGS ON THE INTERNET, WONDERING WHAT KIND OF FUN THEY COULD HAVE WITH SHRUNKEN TIM. WHAT THEY FOUND WAS SURPRISING TO THEM, BUT ALSO ENTICING. WITH THE NEW POWER THEY HAD OVER THE LITTLE GUY, ALISON WANTED TO GET HER PAYBACK ON HER STEP-BROTHER. SHE WANTED HIM TO FEEL HUMILIATED FOR ALL THE WRONG THINGS HE HAD DONE FOR HER. UNFORTUNATELY FOR HIM, IT WAS TOO LATE TO SAY SORRY NOW.





DID YOU MISS US
TIM? WE'RE SORRY TO KEEP YOU
WAITING OUT HERE. SO I HEARD WHAT
MY MOM SAID TO YOU AND AM VERY EXCITED
TO PLAY WITH YOU IN ANYWAY I'D LIKE. YOU'VE
HURT MY FEELINGS FOR SO LONG AND NOW I
NEED TO SHOW YOU THAT IT WASN'T
RIGHT. KATE ALSO WANTS TO JOIN
IN ON THE FUN.

THAT'S RIGHT LITTLE MAN. I
DON'T KNOW HOW MUCH YOU'LL LIKE THIS,
BUT I KNOW IT WILL BE VERY ENTERTAINING FOR
ALISON AND I. I WOULD'VE TAKEN YOUR SIDE, BUT THE
WAY YOU REJECTED ME MULTIPLE TIMES JUST ANGERS
ME. WE COULD HAVE BEEN SOMETHING, BUT
NOW THAT IS NOT AN OPTION.

WITH AN ANGRY LOOK ON HER FACE, ALISON LIFTED HER FOOT UP AND BEGAN TO PUSH IT AGAINST TIM'S CHEST. HE FELT THE FORCE OF HER ENTIRE LEG START TO TIP HIM OVER. HE JUST COULD NOT KEEP HIS BALANCE AGAINST SOMETHING SO MUCH BIGGER THAN HIM.

WAIT! ALISON,
LET ME EXPLAIN. I'M
SORRY FOR ALL THOSE
MEAN THINGS I'VE DONE.
YOU NEED TO FORGIVE ME. I
PROMISE TO NEVER TREAT
YOU LIKE THAT EVER
AGAIN!

THAT'S NOT GOING TO BE GOOD ENOUGH FOR ME TIM. I WANT TO HEAR YOU BEG FOR MY FORGIVENESS. YOU'VE DONE MORE HARM THAN GOOD SINCE YOU'VE MET ME, AND YOU WILL PAY FOR IT.

DON'T FORGET ABOUT ME TOO. I WANT REVENGE JUST AS MUCH AS YOUR STEP-SISTER DOES. YOU WILL HAVE TO BOW TO US TIM LIKE WE ARE GODDESSES. I DON'T CARE HOW BIG YOUR MALE EGO IS, THIS WILL BE YOUR PUNISHMENT.



WITH EASE, THE GIRLS KNOCKED TIM TO THE GROUND USING JUST THEIR FEET. TIM WAS STARTING TO FEEL VERY DEGRADED, BEING HANDLED BY THEIR OVERWHELMING FORCE. HE WAS STARTING TO SMELL SOMETHING TOXIC AS WELL. BOTH OF THEIR FEET DID NOT SMELL GOOD, AND THAT STENCH WAS STARTING TO TAKE OVER HIS AIR AS THEY WERE SO CLOSE TO HIS FACE. HE TRIED TO STRUGGLE BUT IT WAS NO USE. ALL HE WAS AT THIS POINT WAS THEIR PLAYTHING FOR THEIR AMUSEMENT.

I CAN SEE HIM TRYING TO HOLD HIS BREATH, DO YOU THINK OUR FOOT ODOR IS BOTHERING HIM? WHY DON'T WE PUSH OUR FEET CLOSER TO HIS FACE SO HE'S FORCED TO INHALE THE SMELL. I JUST KNOW I'D BE DISGUSTED IF I HAD TO BE UNDERNEATH OUR STINKY FEET. THERE IS NOTHING HE CAN DO TO GET AWAY FROM US, IT'S SO GREAT.

MAYBE HE SHOULD PAMPER US A LITTLE BIT WHILE HE'S DOWN THERE. I'D LOVE TO SEE HIM KISS OUR FEET OR PERHAPS EVEN LICK THEM. WE'RE TRYING TO HUMILIATE HIM RIGHT? HOW ABOUT WE KEEP APPLYING PRESSURE UNTIL HE DOES WHAT WE SAY? IF WE AREN'T PLEASED WE'LL JUST MAKE IT WORSE FOR YOU OUR TINY MAN.

TIM FELT LIKE THERE WAS NOTHING HE COULD DO. HE WAS GROSSED OUT BY THE WAY BOTH GIRLS WERE WIGGLING THEIR SMELLY TOES RIGHT UP IN HIS FACE. KATE'S REQUEST ALSO MADE HIS HEART DROP, BUT AS HE STARTED TO FEEL THEM APPLY MORE FORCE HE KNEW HE WOULD EVENTUALLY HAVE TO GIVE IN BEFORE THE PAIN BECAME UNBEARABLE. HUMILIATED WITH THE ENTIRE SITUATION, TIM LET GO OF WHATEVER PRIDE HE STILL HAD. HE CLOSED HIS EYE AND PUCKERED HIS LIPS UNDERNEATH HIS STEP-SISTER'S FOOT BEFORE PLANTING A KISS ON HER DIRTY SANDAL.



ARE YOU SEEING THIS ALISON? I THINK HE'S ACTUALLY GOING TO DO IT. JUST LOOK AT HIS LIPS! HE'S GOING TO REALLY WORSHIP OUR FEET FOR OUR FORGIVENESS. WHAT A PATHETIC LITTLE MAN. HOPEFULLY YOU'LL BE ABLE TO HANDLE THIS TIM, WE'RE JUST GETTING STARTED. WE WONT BE EASY ON SOMEONE WHO HAS BEEN SUCH AN ASSHOLE TO US. MAYBE THIS IS GOOD FOR YOU, IT'S SO SATISFYING TO TEACH A BAD BOY A LESSON.

I DIDN'T ACTUALLY THINK HE'D DO IT THIS EASILY. I THOUGHT FOR SURE WE'D HAVE TO CONVINCHE HIM TO DO IT HARDER, BUT THAT'S FINE WITH ME. WHAT DO YOU SAY WE SIT DOWN ON THE COUCH SO WE CAN RELAX WHILE HE WORSHIPS US.

COME ON BIG BROTHER, OR DO I MEAN "LITTLE." WE'RE WAITING FOR YOU TO COME OVER AND TO TREAT US LIKE QUEENS! DON'T MAKE ME TELL MY MOM YOU'RE NOT BEING USEFUL ENOUGH. I KNOW THIS MUST BE HUMILIATING, BUT IT REALLY ISN'T THAT HARD IS IT? AT LEAST WE'RE NOT FORCING YOU TO SLAVE AWAY DOING SOME SORT OF PHYSICAL LABOR.

YOU HEARD YOUR STEP-SISTER TIM, WHAT ARE YOU WAITING FOR. WE DON'T HAVE THE PATIENCE FOR YOU TO CATCH YOUR BREATH. GET ON YOUR KNEES AND CRAWL ON OVER TO US. THE BETTER YOU BEHAVE THE NICER WE MIGHT BE TO YOU ONCE WE THINK YOU'VE EARNED OUR FORGIVENESS.


ALL THAT WE BEHOLD is full of Blessings
- William Wordsworth

LIKE HE WAS ORDERED TO, TIM CRAWLED OVER TO THE TWO GIRLS. HE WAS HOPING THAT HE COULD SACRIFICE HIS FREE WILL IN EXCHANGE FOR A BETTER TOMORROW. HIS FAITH WAS IN ALISON AND KATE NOT TREATING HIM LIKE THIS ALL THE TIME. HE KNEW HIS POSITION SO INSTEAD OF TRYING TO FIGHT IT HE OBEYED. COMING OVER TO KATE'S FOOT HE PUCKERED HIS LIPS AGAIN AND STARTED TO KISS THE BOTTOM OF HER FLIP FLOP.

THAT'S IT TIM, HOW DOES IT TASTE? I BET IT DOESN'T FEEL GOOD TO BE IN YOUR POSITION. I WANT MORE THAN THIS THOUGH. I CAN'T ACTUALLY FEEL YOU DOWN THERE, SO WHY DON'T YOU STICK THAT LITTLE TONGUE OUT OF YOURS AND LICK BETWEEN MY TOES. I DON'T CARE HOW HORRIBLE IT SOUNDS, IT IS YOUR NEXT TASK.

TIM WAS STARTING TO GET TERRIFIED BY HOW INTO KATE WAS WITH ALL OF THIS. HE ALWAYS KNEW SHE WAS A BRATTY GIRL. BUT THE WAY SHE SEEMED TO BE TAKING CONTROL OF THE SITUATION MADE HIM FEEL LIKE SHE WAS ENJOYING IT TOO MUCH. HE FEARED THAT THEY WOULD GROW ATTACHED TO THIS DOMINANCE OVER HIM.

OH MY GOD, THAT TICKLES! HIS TONGUE IS SO WARM AND WET, IT FEELS SO FUNNY! THE LOOK ON HIS FACE IS PRICELESS TOO. JUST LOOK HOW DISGUSTED YOUR STEP-BROTHER IS ALISON. HE'S REALLY FEELING SORRY FOR HIMSELF NOW FOR ALL THE WRONG WAYS HE'S BEEN TREATING US.



HEY! WHERE THE HELL DO YOU THINK YOU'RE GOING LITTLE MAN! COME BACK HERE RIGHT NOW! YOU'RE NOT GOING TO LIKE IT IF YOU MAKE US GET UP. THERE'S NOWHERE FOR YOU TO RUN, GET BACK HERE AND CONTINUE TO DO YOUR JOB BEFORE WE THINK OF SOMETHING ELSE WE CAN MAKE YOU DO.

AS TIM RAN HIS TONGUE BETWEEN KATE'S TOES HE SUDDENLY DECIDED HE COULDN'T DO THIS ANYMORE. THE SALTY TASTE WAS JUST TOO MUCH FOR HIM TO KEEP ON GOING. HE REFUSED HIS TASK AND GOT UP TO START RUNNING TOWARDS HIS ROOM. NEITHER GIRL QUICKLY HOPED OUT OF THEIR SEAT TO CATCH HIM. INSTEAD THEY LET HIM GET AWAY. THEY KNEW WHERE HE WAS GOING AND WHERE THEY WOULD FIND HIM IF HE DIDN'T COME BACK.

THE LITTLE MAN COULDN'T BELIEVE WHAT HE JUST DID. JUST THINKING ABOUT HOW DISGUSTING HIS ORDERS WERE MADE HIM SICK. HE WAS BEGINNING TO FREAK OUT, NOT KNOWING WHAT HE COULD DO TO GET OUT OF THIS SITUATION. AS PANIC SET IN DEEPER, TIM'S MIND RAN WILD WITH MILLIONS OF DIFFERENT STUPID IDEAS. NONE OF THEM SEEMED LIKE THEY WERE POSSIBLE THOUGH. BEFORE HE COULD FIGURE SOMETHING OUT HE STARTED TO HEAR FOOTSTEPS HEADING IN HIS DIRECTION. HIS ONLY INSTINCT WAS TO HIDE. BEFORE THE DOOR OPENED, HE SCATTERED, MAKING HIS WAY UNDERNEATH HIS BED.



OH TIM! WHERE ARE YOU? THERE'S NO REASON TO HIDE FROM US. EITHER WAY WE'RE GOING TO FIND YOU. KATE HAD TO GO HOME SO IT'S JUST ME AND YOU NOW. SHE WANTED TO SAY GOODBYE, BUT PERHAPS SHE WANTED TO SAVE IT FOR NEXT TIME. I'M SURE SHE WILL BE STOPPING BY TOMORROW. NOW, WHY DON'T YOU COME OUT AND CONTINUE OUR LITTLE SESSION WITH ME? I PROMISE TO GO EASIER ON YOU IF YOU COME OUT YOURSELF.

THERE'S NO WAY I'M COMING OUT. THIS BITCH IS INSANE! I NEED TO COME UP WITH SOME SORT OF PLAN TO ESCAPE THIS NIGHTMARE. JUST GIVING UP AND ACCEPTING MY FATE SHOULDN'T BE THE ANSWER. WHEN I FIGURE OUT SOMETHING I'M GETTING OUT OF HERE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.





IT DIDN'T TAKE LONG FOR ALISON TO REALIZE HER STEP-BROTHER WAS HIDING UNDERNEATH HIS BED. SHE GOT DOWN TO THE GROUND AND SPOTTED HIM INSTANTLY. TIM'S HEART RATE PICKED UP AS IT FELT LIKE HE WAS BEING CHASED DOWN BY A PREDATOR. BEFORE HE COULD TRY AND GET AWAY HE FELT HIS ARM FALL UNDERNEATH HER GRIP. HE STRUGGLED BUT IT WASN'T ENOUGH TO STOP HER FROM DRAGGING HIS LITTLE BODY OUT FROM UNDER THE BED.

WHAT THE HELL DID YOU THINK YOU WOULD ACCOMPLISH WITH THAT LITTLE STUNT? JUST LOOK AT HOW SIMPLE IT IS TO CARRY YOU AROUND WITH JUST ONE ARM. YOU'RE JUST AS EASY TO CONTROL AS A CHILD. LET'S GET THIS STRAIGHT TIM. YOU NEED TO UNDERSTAND YOUR NEW PLACE IN THIS HOME. MY MOM WONT BE AFRAID TO ASSERT THE SAME DOMINANCE AS ME IF YOU CONTINUE TO BEHAVE LIKE A BAD TINY BOY.

OKAY OKAY! I'M SORRY! I SWEAR I WASN'T THINKING. IN THE MOMENT I WAS JUST SCARED AND PANICKED. YOU DON'T HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT ME DOING SOMETHING STUPID LIKE THAT AGAIN, I'LL DO WHATEVER YOU SAY! PLEASE BELIEVE ME, I HAVE NOTHING ELSE TO LOSE.

ALISON WAS NOT HAPPY WITH TIM'S DISOBEDIENCE. HIS BEGGING JUST DIDN'T SEEM LIKE IT WAS ENOUGH. INSTEAD OF ACCEPTING HIS APOLOGY, SHE THREW HIM DOWN ON THE GROUND. TIM LANDED WITH A ROUGH CRASH, SCARED OF HIS STEP-SISTER'S FORCEFUL ENERGY. WHEN HE FINALLY PICKED HIMSELF UP HE TURNED AROUND TO SEE ALISON TOWERING ABOVE HIM, READY TO PUNISH HIM FOR HIS BAD BEHAVIOR. SHE WAS NOW READY TO SHOW HER OLDER STEP-BROTHER JUST HOW DOMINATE SHE COULD BE WHEN SHE WAS MAD.



I DON'T CARE HOW MUCH YOU BEG ME TIM. THIS IS WHAT I WANT RIGHT NOW! IF YOU WANT ME TO FEEL SORRY FOR YOU, SHOW ME YOU DESERVE IT. WORSHIP MY FOOT LIKE I AM YOUR GODDESS. PRAY TO ME FOR FORGIVENESS AND MAYBE I WILL SHOW YOU MERCY. REVENGE IS QUITE A BITCH ISN'T IT? I HOPE YOU LEARN YOUR LESSON WHEN I AM DONE WITH YOU. THINGS ARE GOING TO BE DIFFERENT AROUND HERE WITH YOUR NEW SIZE. MY MOM AND I ARE GOING TO BE IN CHARGE MORE THAN EVER NOW.






THIS ISN'T WHAT TIM WANTED TO DO, BUT HE KNEW HE HAD TO. AS ALISON STUCK HER BARE FOOT IN HIS FACE HE PRESSED HIS LIPS AGAINST THEM AND KISSED HER SOLE AS HE WAS ORDERED TO. IT WAS SO HUMILIATING TO HAVE TO BOW DOWN TO HIS YOUNGER STEP-SISTER IN THIS WAY. HE FELT DEGRADED INTO NOTHING. HER SMELLY FOOT ODOR FILLED HIS LUNGS AS HER TOES WIGGLED UP AGAINST HIS NOSE. HE FELT AS IF HE WOULD GAG, BUT AFTER HEARING HER ANGRY TONE HE KNEW HE HAD TO PLEASE HER NOW OR NEVER. ALISON WANTED TO APPLY MORE FORCE ONTO HIS FACE. SO INSTEAD OF ALLOWING HIM TO KNEEL, SHE PUSHED ON HIS FACE, KNOCKING HIM DOWN ONTO HIS BACK WHERE HE WAS FORCED TO LOOK UP ON HER.

NOW THAT'S THE GOOD BOY I WAS EXPECTING TO SEE. I AM NOW YOUR PRINCESS TIM, AND MY MOM IS YOUR QUEEN. YOU WILL TREAT US LIKE ROYALTY. I DON'T CARE HOW STINKY MY FOOT MIGHT BE, IT IS YOUR JOB TO WORSHIP THEM WHEN I ASK YOU TO. THIS IS YOUR PUNISHMENT. JUST THINK ABOUT ALL OF THE WRONG THINGS YOU'VE DONE. IF YOU ARE ABLE TO REPAY ME FOR THEM THEN WE WILL SPARE YOU. I THINK WE CAN STILL FIND WAYS TO MAKE YOU HANDY AROUND THE HOUSE. IT'S REALLY UP TO YOU IF THIS IS THE ONLY WAY YOU CAN PROVE YOUR WORTHINESS.




A woman with long brown hair and glasses, wearing a red sleeveless top and blue jeans, is sitting on a man lying on the floor. She is looking down at him with a stern expression. The man is shirtless, wearing patterned shorts, and looking up at her. The scene is set in a modern room with a desk, a window showing a sunset, and a bookshelf.

SO DID YOU LEARN YOUR LESSON YET TIM? DON'T YOU EVER RUN AWAY FROM ME LIKE THAT AGAIN. I SWEAR I WON'T BE AS EASY NEXT TIME. PROMISE ME THAT YOU'VE GOT IT THROUGH YOUR TINY HEAD THAT YOU WILL BE UNDER OUR COMMAND FROM NOW ON. IF YOU CAN BE A GOOD BOY THEN WE WILL TAKE GREAT CARE OF YOU. DOES THAT SOUND GOOD?

YES ALISON, I UNDERSTAND! I'M SO SORRY FOR EVERYTHING I'VE DONE. I WANT TO PROVE TO YOU THAT I WANT FORGIVENESS. PLEASE HEAR ME OUT! I DON'T WANT TO BE TREATED LIKE THIS SO I WILL DO WHATEVER IT TAKES TO EARN YOUR RESPECT. I AM SCARED OF YOUR WRATH AND WILL DO ANYTHING TO AVOID IT.



ACCEPTING TIM'S WORDS, ALISON STOOD UP AND ONE MORE TIME STOMPED HER FOOT DOWN ON HER STEP-BROTHER'S FACE. TIM REACTED BY SUBMITTING TO HER, KISSING THE BOTTOM OF HER SMELLY SOLE. HE WANTED THIS TO END, BUT IT DIDN'T SEEM LIKE IT WOULD. FOR NOW HE WAS NOTHING BUT A PLAYTHING TO HER. HE KNEW HE WOULD HAVE TO DO WHATEVER SHE WANTED TO. NO MATTER WHAT IT TOOK, HE'D HAVE TO OBEY EVERY COMMAND IF HE WANTED THINGS TO GET BETTER FOR HIM.



GOOD, I'M GLAD YOU'RE STARTING TO GET IT. I GUESS FOR NOW I'LL SHOW YOU A LITTLE BIT OF MERCY SO YOU CAN THINK ABOUT ALL OF THIS. I KNOW IT'S A LOT TO TAKE IN, BUT WHAT CAN YOU DO NOW WITH YOUR LITTLE PROBLEM. I'LL SEE YOU LATER TIM. I NEVER THOUGHT MY OLDER STEP-BROTHER WOULD BE IN THIS POSITION, BUT IT FEELS AMAZING. I CAN'T WAIT TO SEE HOW YOUR BEHAVIOR CHANGES AROUND ME.

TIM LAID ON THE GROUND DEFEATED AS ALISON LEFT THE ROOM. HE COULDN'T BELIEVE THE SERIES OF EVENTS THAT HAPPENED OVER THE LAST TWO DAYS. WHAT SEEMED LIKE A SIMPLE DOCTOR VISIT TO CURE HIS HEADACHES TURNED INTO A LIVING NIGHTMARE. BEING TREATED LIKE THIS BY HIS STEP-FAMILY ONLY SEEMED LIKE THE LEAST OF HIS PROBLEMS. HE STILL HAD TO FIGURE OUT WHY HE WAS SHRINKING, AND IF THERE WAS ANYWAY TO STOP IT. HOPING FOR THE BEST, HE PRAYED FOR THE NEXT TIME HE WOULD SEE DOCTOR ADAMS THAT IT WOULD GO BETTER THAN IT HAS.

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