

**SLUTTY BECAUSE**

**There's No Love That's Blind**

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\*SLUTTY BECAUSE\*

# \*PROLOGUE\*

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No !

Let's grab a sit

You better be on that two sitter  
couch

Lay your legs if you must

Just be relaxed as you can be

Throw all negative emotions out

Don't give me any pity  
whatsoever

Open your ears and just listen

Silence will work best

Don't read , listen !

Wait first.....

Let's grab glasses of wine

I'll just grab my Chapel Red

Probably the cheapest wine you  
can ever find on the shelf's

Well , because that's all I can afford . I am not the richest bitch in the world , you know

You don't have to shy away

Because you probably have the most expensive wine ever

It's okay

I just want , to take you on this  
journey with me

It's nothing much ! Let's indulge  
together

Just see me , on this chair

With my cheap glass of wine

While you sip on your merlot

With your legs high up on that  
expensive couch

You probably can afford a  
Cabernet Sauvignon Blanc or  
Merlot Pinotage or Shiraz

Listen it's okay

Even if it's a Méthode Cap  
Classique Brut



It's still okay

See , I'm from the dusty streets  
of free state

In a town that's probably  
unknown

I don't care much

Raised by a single mother

A whole product of rape

Beats me who I ended up with a name such as Angel

Something was definitely wrong with my mother

Or maybe she thought , my life would turn better if she named me something nice

Oh well !

Let me take a sip ...

Argh !

I'll just down the whole glass

It's so tiny after all

Yes , life thrown me under the  
bus from a very young age

After the death of my aunt

The sister to the man , who  
gave himself to my mother

That she was left with me

After working a night shift at a  
restaurant

And her neighbour caught her

He was probably sexually  
deprived

Because he left behind a wife  
and kids

But anyways

The mother to the culprit ,  
kicked us out

The sister only took pity on my  
mother

And they had given us a small  
shack in their yard

Since my mother was kicked  
from home

And was called a home wrecker

And a whore



For opening her thighs to  
people's husband's

And she cried rape

Parents can be fools at times

But that's that

So we lived in the culprits home

Because my mother didn't want  
to abort me

After the culprit was sentenced  
to 10 years in jail

Without any parole and no  
sentence suspended

But he only lasted 3 months in  
jail

It probably wasn't easy , having  
men ram his ass day and night

But that's what he got , for  
being a rapist

And he met his maker

And that would be satan of  
course

I believe God is good

He doesn't deserve such people  
as his children

But okay , so that's me and how  
I came about

I wasn't a product of some love

Maybe that's why , I am where I  
am today in this life

Born a curse , from my mother's  
womb

I'm in my late twenties right  
now

My mother passed away last  
year

We weren't even together then

She was living her life alone

And I was living mine

And you would think life will  
favour me

After so much suffering

Living in the streets

Begging for food



And having no shelter

But no !

I was probably 15 , when I  
started sleeping with men

Don't give me that look okay

After all , I did that willingly

It's not like I was forced

All I just wanted was a better  
life

Even if a man had his way with  
me the whole night

And gave me R20 the next  
morning

It was okay

I have lost count , on how many  
men I've slept with

I haven't stopped exactly , now  
have I

Now I'm just stuck with another  
man

Who gets to have his way with  
me however he wants

The only difference is that ....

I have a roof over my head

I drive a car

I have food

And well , this cheap diamond  
ring on my finger

It is cheap , no shade at all

But he still repays himself for all  
that

Creatures of this earth

Bloody blood suckers

Wait .....

What a tiny glass

This is probably for champagne  
isn't it ?

See how I down it in just  
seconds

It's not even that nice

There's bitterness on the taste

Probably because it's cheap too



Anyways , you may look at me  
and judge

But the world is just full of judgy  
bitches

But who gives a fuck anyways

I know I don't

After all , aren't we all sinners in  
our own way

I mean , we do what we can  
when we can

And we do what we should ,  
when we should

Either way , the good book  
disagrees with a lot of shit we  
do

So basically , we're all the same

And if you look at it well

We might all just not make it to  
the holy place

Because we are just going on  
about our business

And just living our fucked up  
lives

Okay , now where was I ...

Yes !

When life has taken you to  
where it has taken me

You don't give a shit about fairy  
tales

After all , you just believe in that  
nonsense

If you grew up watching  
cartoons

Those fucked up princesses and  
princes cartoons

Selling us nothing but dreams of  
happily ever after

Ain't no such

I'll be a fool to believe such

Life is not a movie

There's no scripts , no cameras  
and no directors

It takes the whole of me , just to  
see the next day

How many times , have I prayed

How many times , have I longed  
for death and it skipped me

My mother was killed

By just some random driver

I was 20 when I parted ways  
with her

She was a fool of a woman I'd  
say

When she found out I was  
selling myself

She went on to lecture me

Called me all sorts of names you  
can think of

She didn't say only those she  
forgot



Crazy woman !

That time , we're living in an  
abounded building

These streets boys , had their  
way with her

And yet , she scolded me

For giving myself away , just to  
feed her

So she doesn't go through bins  
looking for food , because her  
health wasn't the best

She was ungrateful if you ask  
me

Wouldn't you say the same ?

Yeah !

You probably think I'm insane  
too

For shrugging , and chuckling

But ....I've been to that mental  
asylum

So yeah , maybe I am still insane

Who knows ?

Oh yeah , a man drove me there

I endured nonsense in life

But that's probably just my life ,  
and my fate

There's no running away from  
that

I don't believe in saving grace

If God , can turn a blind eye to  
answering prayers of tears

Filled with sorrow hurt and pain  
, then what saving grace could  
there be

None !

Okay ....let's just go on

We're not wallowing in pity

Look with your eyes , and see  
just exactly how pushed to the  
limits I've been

But I'm still here

Probably I'm still yet , to be  
pushed further

And that's okay

We didn't come to cruise on  
this life

The world isn't an oyster

Hold on to your wine , grab a  
bottle or two

You probably might need them

And don't move from that  
couch

Unless you need a bed or  
something more comfortable

Do so

But worry not about me

I am okay right on this chair

Yes !



You can get something stronger  
too

If you're into those

But let's not get drunk

We're not slutty like that

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\*SLUTTY BECAUSE\*

\*INSERT 01\*

\*Angel\*

Okay , this is me today

I have just gotten used to being  
all by myself okay

So have no pity

But as I was hustling through

I found this girl

She's your typical slutty girl

Goes to clubs , seduces me

And secures the bag

After all it's all just about the  
paper

I can even call myself a pro at  
this now

Because I make money

There's no night , that goes by

And I have no men on my bed

Or I'm on a man's lap

I know , at the end of that

I have something

I'm squatting with Lorato at her  
place

It's nothing fancy



But she was kind enough , to let  
me bother her . And she gave  
me a place , to lay my head

Don't get lost , we're at the  
beginning of where it all started

I'll take you through it all

But you know what they say  
right ?

When you don't know where to start

The beginning is always the best place to start

So now we're getting ready

We're already at the club

We're changing into our LBD's

And putting on make up

We be looking like dolls at times

Too much make up does that  
shit

But there's some idiots who  
love us looking like that

Because they've left wives at  
home

Who are wrinkled

And they be looking like  
Rapunzel's ugly witch mother

So we give them what they  
want , to have dolls for just a  
night

Lorato : I am out

I just nod as she grabs her bag  
and walks out of the toilets

I put on my lipstick

Matte always works wonders  
for me

After doing final touch ups I  
pack up my things

And walk out

I head over to the bar , and sit  
down on the bar stools

What I need is a drink

At times , when I do this

I do think about my mother

And just wonder , how she feels  
about me

The decisions and choices that  
I've made

At some point , I do know if  
disappointed her

But I cannot afford to wallow in  
that

I have to push on with this life ,  
self pity won't feed me

And well , we might have long  
separated

But I loved that woman

And I miss her at times

I guess death is just shitty like  
that

I get my mojito , and take a sip



It's a Friday night

And only big spenders are  
around

There's no kind of a man I  
haven't slept with

The tall dark and handsome  
who can fuck well

With monster dicks , you'll feel  
they're shifting your womb

The short and belly stinking  
with short small dick , who'll  
have you rolling on the bed

Throwing your eyes to the back  
of their sockets

Squirting like shit

I mean , an orgasm after an  
orgasm

The cum and continue kind of  
men

And the ones who are packing ,  
yet don't know how to use their  
packages

I mean , the kind of men who  
will tingle you with their dicks

Mxm !

The Venda men , who leave  
other men insecure

After seeing their dicks

The kind that brings you  
nothing but pain

I mean , the Nigerians

With all kinds

Men who will leave you ,  
wanting to get stitches the  
second they are done with you

The kind of men who are lazy

And will have you humping on  
top of them the whole night

And the kind , that will toss you

And those that will turn you the  
whole fucking room

The ones that will have you  
from the bed

To the floor

To the walls and showers

To any furniture that's in the  
room

And to the ones who will have  
you in missionary the whole  
night

The whole point , is to just be  
slutty and glassy

Don't fall pregnant for any fool

Or you'll find yourself , with a  
womb of graveyards

That's the one mistake

I vowed to never make

I smile as there's a tap on my  
shoulder

I'm the kind that doesn't hunt



I don't throw myself on men

I don't chase

I get chased

I don't go to no man

If he wants me , then he must  
come to me

And that's that

I turn slowly , and it's just one  
tiny slim guy

Who just throws me off

I couldn't possibly fuck him

But , after all is done we'll be  
parting ways

It doesn't matter

And it'll be like we never even  
crossed paths

Me : hi

He smiles

Him : your presence has been  
requested in the VIP section

Me : mhm

He turns back , and I see the  
guy he locks eyes with

Then he goes back to his phone

Like he wasn't even looking this  
side a second ago

Him : my boss , only hopes he's  
not offending you

Hell no !

That kind , can never offend me

You can just tell by his shoe and  
tie

He's just one loaded mother  
fucker

I get up

Him : after you

I wonder if this boss , has such  
manners like this man

But he doesn't look like it , yet  
looks can still be deceiving

We walk over to where he is

And he's by himself

Rich fuckers , are never by  
themselves

Him : take a seat

I smile to the guy , sitting  
besides the said to be boss

And the guy , just walks away

I guess he was trained very well

I let out a side smile

Seems like I've walked into  
power here

This night better be worth it

I shouldn't be left feeling  
disappointed

It should leave a mark



The whites say , a night to  
remember

The man finally looks at me

And I've never seen such eyes

And believe me , I've seen way  
too many eyes

Him : Mandela

He holds his hand out

And my eyes trail to the Rolex  
on his wrist

Me : Angel

I say taking his hand into mine

And we have that insane  
intense stare , for a few seconds

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\*SLUTTY BECAUSE\*

\*INSERT 02\*



\*Angel\*

I let out a gasp

As I feel him , thrusting in

Lifting my leg up

And he just pounds in

Taking it from behind

He lays back further , on his side

Giving him better access

As his balls are just slapping on  
my ass cheeks



I let out screams of pleasure

I can't deny

He's hitting all the right spots

He's the kind , that leaves you  
begging for more

Even though you know , you'll  
never get him again

Because we don't do regulars

He deep grunts as he shoots up  
his load

Filling up the condom

And he doesn't slide out

As I feel his dick still hard as  
fuck

And twitching inside of me

He leans over

Placing a few kisses on my  
shoulder blades

I close my eyes briefly

This is that fucked and fucked  
thoroughly kind of a fuck

Where sleep just creeps on you  
after that

But as I feel him pulling away

I sit up

I cannot afford to laze around

While I need to get home

Mandla : where are you going ?

I rub my eyes looking at him

He's so confident , he doesn't  
even grab a towel to cover up

And his dick his still popping up  
veins

With bits of his cum still  
dripping from his dick

Me : uhm ...if you're checking out , I have to leave as well

Mandla : no , I am attending a meeting . I'll see you later for dinner , you take this ....

He reaches over from his suit jacket pocket

And he takes out his wallet , I watch him as he opens it

And takes out a platinum card

My jaw , is on the floor

But I compose myself

We didn't have much  
conversation last night

All he asked , was that I be his  
guest for the night

And I understood him well

So I agreed to that

Mandla : go shopping , get a dress for tonight . Nothing too bright , but classy . And I'll see you then

I move the sheet up covering my chest



And hold my hand out taking  
the card , reluctantly

Me : but ...I thought this was  
just last night , and that's it

Mandla : I don't want it like that

Me : I don't do regulars please ,  
because you'll ....

Mandla : let's save all of that talk for tonight , over dinner and drinks

He walks over to the ensuite bathroom

I'm left stunned looking at the card

What about my payment ?

I mean , surely buying a dress  
isn't it

After a while he comes out of  
the shower

As naked as he walked in

He takes his clothes and gets  
dressed

Me : what about my payment ?

He lifts his eyes and looks at me

But I am not naïve

And I will not be blinded by this  
card

I want my money

Mandla : I gave you a card , pay  
yourself if you must

He puts on his watch

And he checks the time

Mandla : I have to get going

He leans over

Getting on the bed with one  
knee

And he pecks my lips quite a few times

Then he moves back , and grabs his suit jacket

He heads over to the door and walks out

Dinner ?

Wow !

One that needs me to buy a  
brand new dress

I mean , once I sleep with a man

I never put myself in that  
position

We should just never cross  
paths ever again

This is new

And I don't know how to feel  
about it

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Its an hour later

And I walk out of the room



It's still morning

And there isn't way too many  
people inside the hotel

I walk out

And I stumble upon that guy  
from last night

He disappeared then

And I never saw him , like for  
the rest of the night

He smiles

I guess that's his thing

Him : I have been asked , to  
take you wherever you may  
need to go . Because I cannot  
have you arrive late , to your  
dinner

The dinner I wasn't even told  
where it'll be

Or at what time

I guess this makes sense

I'll be driven around

By a strange man

Me : I need to go to my place first , and get a clean pair of clothes

Him : anywhere you want to go , I am just your driver

Okay !

Is this me and my supposedly to be one night stand

More like smash , secure the  
bag and pass

Now I have the man , having his  
whatever drive me around

Him : shall we go ?

I heave a sigh with a smile

He leads the way to the car

And it's an CX5

Okay , not bad

Him : you'll direct me

I just nod , and he opens the  
door for me

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The look that she's giving me  
right now

It's definitely not giving at all

And I hope you're not giving me  
the same look

Me : listen , I didn't expect this

Lorato : exactly what is this ?

I shrug as I pull my skinny jeans  
up

Lorato : this doesn't sit well  
with me , it's not like we're  
escort's of a certain service .  
Where we can entertain men in  
this manner

Me : okay , judge me later .  
Now I have to go



She laughs

Lorato : don't tear your jeans ,  
while you're jumping fences

I left that guy , two streets away  
from here

And I jumped fences

You cannot blame me

I left him in front of a beautiful  
apartment

And that's where he thinks I  
went into

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**\*SLUTTY BECAUSE\***

\*INSERT 03\*



\*Angel\*

What a therapeutic day

Like I sure got spoils of my  
heavy night

I got quite a few dresses

And had lunch

I even took the liberty , to visit a  
spa

I mean , surely the man expects  
a hot stunning date

And that's exactly what I'm  
gonna be giving him

Oh well , I hope that's what he  
will get

The driver , I don't even know  
his name

He brought me back

And said , he will be back by  
1800hrs

To pick me up for the date



I guess , his boss left him  
detailed strict commands

And he's on track with those

I'm getting ready

Already dressed

In this stunning red number ,  
with a thigh slit

And my weave , still looks as  
new

This is my nasty girl , as I call it

With black 8 inch stilettos

Just touch ups on my make up

I don't want anything heavy

Lorato : I hope you know what  
you're doing

Me : do I look like I do ?

She shrugs

Me : we've never done this  
before , or anything like this so  
please spare me . Of course , I  
don't know what I'm doing

Lorato : what if this guy,  
abducts you . And sells you off ,  
to sex traders . Or even worse ,  
he kills you for rituals

Me : really ?

I give her a really bored look

Lorato : this is Joburg Angel ,  
and rich guys are full of sandals

Me : yeah ...

She raises her hands up

Lorato : go ahead , but don't say  
I didn't warn you

Me : thank you mother

Of course I'm just mocking her

I'm just as concerned

But I don't want to be seen as a  
fool

And her words are headed that  
way right now

Of which I don't appreciate

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The man has changed his outfit

He's in another three piece slim fit suit

From the suit to shoes , even the tie

He looks like the man that he is no lies

Mandla : you look stunning

I let out a smile

Me : thank you

He takes a moment to just  
appreciate what's in front of  
him

And I outdid myself

Even if I say so myself



Because , his expression even exceeds the one I had in my mind

Its way beyond what I anticipated

Me : I hope I didn't go overboard

He chuckles

I have to check the coast here

If he will complain

Then he's definitely not my cup  
of a bank balance

Mandla : not at all , maybe if  
our conversation goes well .

Then you can get to keep that  
card , for whatever needs you

have . And you wouldn't even  
need to ask , to see if I mind  
how much you use

What ...

Like , do you see my look ?

Well , don't be so slow

If you don't see it , or you  
cannot picture it

Just see me grabbing this glass  
of wine

That's definitely bigger than the  
one I had when we first met

And there's expensive wine in  
here

The red , is definitely appetizing

I don't know what it is

I wouldn't even know what it's  
called

But I lean back on the chair

As I take a sip , and I have my  
eyes almost closing

Just at the tip

They were really so close to  
popping out

So best I don't scare the man

And I just keep it cool like this

Oh well , I'm sure by now  
you've figured out

I just look like an old grave near  
grandmother

When she's introduced , to the  
old grandfather

She could be fucking

And is said , to be a boyfriend to  
her granddaughter

Okay !

Me : what agreement ?

Mandla : I've been to Levels  
before

And that just puts me off

Levels is the club , we just use

Mandla : I did not fuck anyone  
there , if that's what putting you  
off . The first time I was there ,  
it was just for business . The



second time , I saw the girl you were with a few days ago . I approached her yes , but we never got far . Because then I saw you , and I told her I couldn't continue

Ah !

That would explain why she was moody for days on end , that was like a month ago

Mandla : I've been just eying  
you there

Me : I see

Mandla : I am not judging , nor  
am I saying anything about  
what you do

I take ....more like gulp another  
sip down my throat

Before I put the glass down

Mandla : I liked you the first  
time I saw you , and I just knew  
I had to have you . And I don't  
mean sexually , but now that  
I've even had you in that  
manner . I want the whole of  
you Angel

Now my jaw drops

Me : what ....what do you mean ?

Mandla : let's be exclusive , I'm a very busy man . I don't have time to be searching for a woman , and date and all that . I have a daughter , she's just 5 . Her mother and I , were never anything . It was a one night stand , and she happened . I took responsibility , and took

my daughter as soon as she was born . Her mother is not a factor , because she even signed her parental rights away . And my daughter , stays with my sister in the USA . What I need , is someone by my side . Someone who will understand that I won't always be around , but you'll be taken care of . With whatever you need , financially you won't lack . Maybe you'll miss my presence

here and there , but it won't be  
a norm like a month's thing .  
Like maybe two weeks the most  
, and that's it

That's a lot to share to a  
stranger

Isn't it ?

Me : exactly what are you  
asking me ?

Mandla : be mine

Don't mind my frown

I am not confused

Nor am I lost

I am just shocked , and  
surprised

You hear about these kind of  
men

But you never think you'll meet  
one

Mandla : let me take care of you  
, whatever you need . We can  
start with keeping that card ,  
and getting you a car

Shit !



You heard that chuckle right !

And as I lean over , taking that  
glass again

This time I gulp it down

And he takes it from my hands

Before I place it down , as he  
fills it up

Mandla : there you go

Still with his hand on mine

I let out an involuntary smile

Mandla : even a place , if you  
need one . Could be a house , a  
penthouse or an apartment .

Whatever that will work for you  
, if you do need that package

Me : I'm actually crushing with a friend

Mandla : then you would need your own place , because I wouldn't want us to inconvenience your friend

Me : I did not agree

He runs his thumb over his lip

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\*INSERT 04\*



\*Angel\*

Mandla : I know you did not agree , we're talking . I'm putting on what's the table , and you'll take it however you take it

He leans back on his chair

The man is all kinds of goodness  
okay



He alone , is just a package

So imagine all the goodies he's offering

Okay !

I never imagined myself having a car

Or a house for that matter

Maybe a shack

Yeah !

I've gotten so comfortable with  
the life I've been living

And I've never seen nor dreamt  
of anything beyond that

That's my reality

Me : listen , I bring absolutely nothing to the table . I am not educated , I never even made it to Pre School . I have no savings , no salary whatsoever . I am just me , I bring Angel to the table and nothing else

Mandla : and Angel is all that I want , nothing else . I just need you to bring yourself , and your loyalty of course . No more

going to the club entertaining men , because I'll be giving you everything that you want . No questions about it , so I expect to be the only man in your life . That's what I need from you

He says with a side smile

Me : what do you get out of this ? Because it can't only be that , what you're offering is too sweet

Mandla : I get you when I need you , no more this ...with the other men at the club . Not only will I need you for sex , but also for your company . To spend time with you , even if it's on a vacation that you requested . That's still fine , just as long as I'm with you . Understanding between each other , and not thinking you can dribble me on the side . Because I will know

Me : so basically , you're saying  
I tie myself to you . Like a  
girlfriend , but not as a girlfriend

He smiles , intertwining his  
fingers with mine

Mandla : not yet

Hah !

Does this mean , eventually  
we'll get there

Where I am the girlfriend

Okay !

Or maybe I'm just reading too  
much into this

Mandla : think this through

He relaxes back on his chair

And my head is pounding

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I am glad we ended the night on  
a lighter note

Well , more like the dinner



I mean , the night is not yet  
over

We were just talking about  
other things

Just mostly about him

He went on to tell me what he  
does

The man is into mining

Now that's huge

It was mostly about him , and I  
didn't mind at all

Because I had nothing to tell  
him

There's absolutely nothing  
interesting to tell about me

If anything , things about me  
would make any man run away

Considering the life I have lived

It's not entirely the past

I could be back to it tomorrow

Mandla : I'd like to drop you off  
myself

I look at him

We're in his car

I look at the time

Mandla : if it's too late , we can  
just sleep at my house . If it'll be  
a problem for your friend , that  
you arrived late

I'll rather not

I think I have a lot of thinking to do tonight

I know Lorato is at the club

If she's not in Soweto getting drunk

So I'll have the house to myself

Me : you can drop me off

He gives that slightly  
disappointed look

Shady man

But he ain't getting any of me  
tonight

He will cuddle his pillows if he  
must

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He's parked at the gate

On the right place now

Lying wouldn't work

It's late now , and I am scared  
to be honest

I cannot afford to be jumping  
through people's fences

Mandla : I will call you  
tomorrow

Me : you don't have my number

Mandla : I'm a man with means

That cannot be good



Mandla : or you can just give them to me , like now

Uh !

He hands me his phone , and I save my number

Mandla : goodnight

Me : goodnight , I would invite you in . But there's probably

nothing you can grab a night  
cap on

He chuckles

Mandla : it's been a busy day ,  
it's alright . I think I just need  
my bed

Right

Me : goodnight

He opens the door for me

And just engulfs me into his  
manly arms

I inhale his scent

And nothing is as intoxicating

As a man who smells good

Like when a man smells good ,  
everything about him just looks  
good

Even when he doesn't look  
good

Okay !

There's nothing to that

But maybe to most people

I am just obsessed with men  
who smell good

He moves back , and we lock  
eyes under the stars and the  
moonlight

Its such a sight

I swear , he's got the most  
hypnotizing eyes I've ever seen

I want to ask if he's human

Or if he has contact lenses

Mandla : bye

I just nod , biting my lower lip

And he cups my face , I close my  
eyes slowly as he lets out a side  
smile

And he brings his lips into mine

He seals off this night , with one  
hella insane kiss

That leaves me dripping down  
there

And wanting to reconsider , his  
offer to crash at his place

Hoe !

Get a fucking hold on yourself

We slutty sure , but not like this

He moves back leaving me  
slightly feeling cold

I just nod with a smile and walk  
past him



Heading to the gate

I turn back watching him

And he's leaning against his car

Looking at me

That leaves me smiling like a  
love struck teenager

Isn't that what they say in these  
movies

Of course , ain't no such

I doubt , I would even know  
how it feels to be in love

To that extent

I have never had a boyfriend

And I've never fallen in love

I don't know how to love

I don't know how to be a  
girlfriend

I heave a sigh as I unlock the  
door and get inside the house

And as I close the door back  
locking

That's only when I hear his car  
driving away

I shake my head leaning against  
the door

As I take my heels off , feeling  
that relief

Taking a deep breath

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\*SLUTTY BECAUSE\*

\*INSERT 05\*



\*Angel\*



Me : so that's what he said

I just had to tell her

Don't judge me

I need some voice of reason

I might just be tempted

And just agree to this , because  
it is hella good

And I can't deny that

But it sounds way too good , I  
can't help but be weary

I can't just agree without covering all aspects of this

So having another voice

Might help me make better informed decisions about this

Lorato : I don't trust this

Okay , that just puts me down

I did not expect her

To just put the whole thing  
down

Especially so fast

Lorato : don't get me wrong ,  
this guy has seen you . And kept  
watching you , like a stalker .  
What made him , to finally have  
the guts to approach you ?

Me : maybe he just wanted  
time

Lorato : come on , all this is very  
suspicious to me

Me : what ?

Lorato : everything , giving you  
a house and a car . And his card  
, meaning you'll have money .

He does all these things for you  
, and in return he gets to  
control you

Me : no , it's not like that

She laughs

Lorato : you must be very naïve  
, if you think that's not how it'll  
be . Because that's exactly how  
it'll be

Me : what could go so wrong , if I just give this a try ?

Lorato : your life , and your freedom . Honestly , I don't feel this guy . And I personally just don't like him for you , that's the truth

Me : is this about the fact that , he ditched you for me ?

Lorato : what ....no ! How can you even say that ?

Me : it's a question , because right now you're just sounding somewhat

Lorato : I am being a friend Angel , and being honest with you . This guy you just met 48 hours ago , he's not your friend



. And he just wants to get in  
between your thighs

She gets up

Me : why ....

Lorato : no , if you think I'm  
leading you astray . Then please  
, go ahead and just do what you  
want to do . It's your life after  
all , I just thought we look after

each other . But clearly , that's  
not what you're seeing

Me : why are you getting angry  
?

And she just slams the door  
walking out

Maybe I am missing something  
here

Because I don't understand why  
she would get this upset

I did not say I'll do it

I was just asking her

And she wasn't of much help

Because everything she said just  
came with a sharp bitter tongue

I don't know what this will  
mean for me

But what if I'll be finally getting  
off , from selling myself

To all kinds of men

And stopping this life

Wouldn't Lorato want the same  
thing

If she had the same opportunity

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Since Lorato left

In the morning

And she didn't even say where  
she was going

I tried to call her

But girl is doing the obvious

And just ignoring me

I won't bother her any further

When she's ready , she will  
come back

And she will talk to me

Well , that's if she wants to

I'm just bored out of my mind ,  
just as my phone rings

And it's an unknown number

I pick up with hesitation

Me : hello

Mandla : what are you doing ?

I take a deep breath , letting out  
a smile

Me : bored , and thinking of  
napping



Mandla : not when I'm around ,  
come out let me see you

Oh well !

I get up and peek through the  
window

His car is parked by the gate

He chuckles

I move back from the window

Mandla : typical township  
behaviour

Me : don't be that person

He laughs

And I am just captured

That's one deep laugh

Mandla : come

Me : okay

I put on my flip flops

He will just have to excuse me

Because I was lazing around ,  
without any plans in mind

Or even going to see anyone

I walk out , still with my phone  
in hand

I just pull the door without  
locking

I head over to his car

He opens the door for me

Mandla : someone was chilling

I face him with a smile

Me : yes

Mandla : well , excuse me . I am  
coming from Pretoria

He's in a formal shirt and pants

With formal shoes

Just there's no tie and no suit jacket

And he has the shirt slightly unbuttoned on the first two buttons

Me : it's okay

Mandla : you sound ...

He squints his eyes

Me : uhm , I've just been  
thinking a lot

Mandla : about what I said ?

I nod

Mandla : let's talk and unlock it  
all

Me : I told my friend , and she was disapproving . But I am not influenced by her or anyone for that matter . Just that you have a child , and I don't ...

Mandla : and my daughter will have nothing to do with you , don't worry yourself about that . I'm not about to make you a step mother

No matter how you see me



But that's some relief

I don't want to raise another  
woman's child

Me : you know my past , it's not  
nice . Wouldn't that turn you  
off as time goes on ? No man  
would be okay being with such  
a woman like myself , won't you  
turn around and use this against

me ? I mean , I can't help but worry and ask myself questions about that

Mandla : I would be worried if you weren't questioning yourself , but I approached you knowing this . So it would be crazy of me , to end up using it against you

Me : and ...

I take a deep breath

Mandla : and what ?

Me : the house and all these other things , what will happen if we don't get to last ? Do you take them back , or do I get to keep them ?

Mandla : you'll keep them

Insane !

Mandla : except for my card , so I'll say use it to your advantage , as much as you can while you still can . But I'm also not saying , we won't last . Because that's not my intention

I guess he has an answer for everything

If only he can be true to it

But I cannot trust just only his  
word

Because he's a man

We sleep on the left side , then  
we wake up on the right side

That's us people

Its just human nature

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\*SLUTTY BECAUSE\*



\*INSERT 06\*



\*A MONTH LATER\*

\*Angel\*

When they talk about bliss

This is what they mean

This is the soft life

And just enjoying life with a  
spoon

Like ...

I smile to myself

Just looking around this  
apartment

I love it to bits

And Mandla had me choosing it  
myself

The same goes for the Audi R8

I don't know how to explain the  
feeling of coming back to this

After two weeks of the ocean

Mozambique was just  
magnificent

I wouldn't mind seeing myself  
back there

Honestly I feel like I am set in  
life

Like all is well now

Even though , at times I still find  
it very hard to believe

Just a vacation , out of nowhere

And he was with me there

It was just everything and more

Honestly , I loved it

And now I come back to my  
own place

And my own car

I move up the counter , and call  
him

The phone rings for a while and  
he answers



Mandla : babe

I smile

Me : I'm at the apartment , and  
it's beautiful . And the car is  
here as well

Mandla : I hope you like them ,  
and that you're happy

I would be a fool not to be

Me : I love them , and I'm more than happy . Thank you

Mandla : you deserve all the good things

I let out a slight laugh

Mandla : I'll come see you , as soon as I'm done with my meeting

Me : can't wait to see you

He chuckles

I drop the call and just scream  
my lungs out

I am happy

And I don't even want to lie

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I just had to walk out for a bit

Just to get a few things

I'm all ready for Mandla

Spending two weeks with him in  
Mozambique

I've gotten to know him better

And he's not so bad after all

Like he's a nice man

And he just happens to like the  
finer things in life

Which makes me consider  
myself as one

Because if I wasn't , then I  
wouldn't be here

I got small groceries and cooked  
his favourite meal

And I took a long soothing bath

Trying out one of my new  
lingerie's

Hopefully he will like it

I sit down on the couch

These are the perks of a fully  
furnished apartment

I don't have to stress myself  
about furniture , and doing all  
that much shopping

I grab my phone and call Lorato

And it rings , till it takes me to  
voice mail

I heave a sigh

I guess she doesn't want to talk

Things are still a bit rocky  
between us

But at least , I am trying to  
reach out



She's really against me , doing  
all of this

She still thinks it won't end well  
, and Mandla will hurt me

A knock comes at the door

Getting me out of my thoughts

I get up and open the door

He's leaning against the door  
frame

I smile leaning over , and I peck  
his lips

He just pulls me in for a deeper  
kiss

After a few minutes , he pulls  
back and stares down at me

Me : come in

I take his hand and we walk  
inside

Mandla : it smells divine in here

I smile

Me : I made your favourite

Mandla : mhm , and I just want  
you right now

He says not wasting time

As he picks me up into his arms

And he unties my robe , it falls  
down to the floor

Exposing the lingerie

He curses under his breath , as  
he moves back and just devours  
me with his eyes

There's just lust in his eyes

And I know I will be fucked

Funny , how I've been with him  
for 5 weeks

And I haven't lusted anyone

Like I have no desire for no man

That's how satisfied I am

There's no craving another dick

It's sick !

Cause I never thought I won't  
want a different dick

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I grab my robe , and put it on

I walk to the kitchen and warm  
the food

I know he's hungry now

And he will want to eat

My phone beeps from the  
lounge

I go on to get it

And it's a text message from  
Lorato

I laugh

Now she finally wants to talk



Girl can be so dramatic and for  
no reason at all

“Was busy , couldn’t answer  
your call . Hope you’re back still  
in one piece”

I just find myself laughing

Was it necessary ?

I don’t think so

I told her I was going on  
vacation

And she didn't bother to talk to  
me

And now , she's saying such

Me : yeah !.

Such friends we have

I understand she may be  
concerned and all

But really negativity doesn't  
help much

And nothing has happened

To make her be like this

I don't bother responding

I walk back to the kitchen

And grab the plates walking  
back upstairs

He's pressing his phone

But he puts it away as I walk in

Me : hey

Mandla : you left me alone in  
bed

I laugh

Me : went to get food , and you  
were asleep

Mandla : it's like you knew , I  
am hungry

I smile sitting besides him

Mandla : and this looks way  
better than how it smells

One thing my mother left with

Was knowing how to cook

And I actually thought I'll mess  
up , because she didn't show  
me how to cook

But she told me

That woman knew the best kind  
of meals

I'm glad I listened

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\*SLUTTY BECAUSE\*





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\*Angel\*

Mandla : how are you liking  
your new place ?

Me : babe I love it , and the car

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I smile

Me : don't get me started

He chuckles

And plants a soft kiss on my  
forehead

Mandla : anything for you

Me : oh well , I don't know how  
to thank you

Mandla : you're here with me ,  
and that's enough

Like really though !

Why can't Lorato see that this  
guy is not as bad

Like I can't be the only one  
seeing that

Yes , he might not be in love  
with me

This might not be a relationship

As of yet , like he said

But this is good

Me : I wish my friend  
understood

He intertwines our fingers

Rubbing his thumb on the back  
of my hand

Mandla : the friend from the club ?

I nod

Mandla : she doesn't like me for you ?

Me : I told her , and maybe I shouldn't have because she's against this . And thinks I'm being stupid



Mandla : is she jealous ?

I laugh

Me : no , Lorato is not like that .  
I just don't understand what's  
her issue , but she's not jealous  
no

Mandla : but ...

He heaves a sigh and keeps  
quite

Me : but what ?

I turn over and look at him

Mandla : I don't want to offend  
you , and besides I don't know  
your friend that well

Me : uhm ..you can say anything

Mandla : I don't know your friend , maybe she is a good person . But why wouldn't she be happy for you , this is a much better option than what you've been doing all along . And love , I am not judging . It's not like I'm playing , or just using you here . I actually want something , to come out of this

I smile

Me : something ?

Mandla : don't think I'm rushing things , but I do want a relationship . Just that I want us to know each other better , and spend more time with each other . So we don't feel like we rushed a relationship first

A whole relationship

Me : I'd like that

Mandla : but I don't want to invest in something , that will always have a third party involved . If your friend is not supporting you , then she's definitely against you . And I don't know how I feel about that , because she will always have something negative to say about me or us to you

I tilt my head looking at him  
well

Mandla : she's your friend , you  
probably know each other  
better . But it worries me , if  
she'll be influencing you . And  
your decisions

Me : she won't be , I love her  
yes . But I think for myself

I say as quickly as I can

Mandla : are you sure about that ?

I nod

Me : yes , I am sure . I will talk to her I promise , you don't have to worry about her

Mandla : give me a kiss

I smile and lean over kissing him

And he returns the kiss

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Since my calls are being ignored  
again



I just decided to come see her

And she wasn't home

I knew she would be at the club

Lorato : you look good

Me : and you know , it's all  
thanks to Mandla

She scoffs annoyed

Me : are you jealous ?

She laughs

Like literally just burst out  
laughing

Just mocking me

Me : no , like I am asking

Lorato : oh come on Angel , you think you're better than me now ? All because of this man , is he the one who said that nonsense to you ? And you actually believed him , like what do I have to be jealous about ? Because I actually feel sad for you right now , and I hope that you'll wake up soon

Me : you feel sad for me ?

Lorato : this man will use you ,  
he will chew you and spit you  
out . And you think he gives a  
shit about you

Me : wow !

Lorato : no , you need a reality  
check my friend . You're just  
being naïve right now , and you  
will remember my words

Me : if I didn't know any better ,  
I would say you want him . Too  
bad he doesn't want you and  
never will , so just accept that .  
Because you are just sounding  
bitter right now , calling me  
naïve . You're my friend , and  
friends are supposed to support  
each other

Lorato : I will not support you ,  
especially when I see you're  
digging a grave for yourself

Me : grave , okay ! I guess you will tell me , when you're done acting up

Lorato : I am not acting up , I am not bitter and I'm most definitely not jealous of you . Because this will end in tears , I can promise you that much

She gets up

Lorato : if this meant anything ,  
you would be his girlfriend and  
not just his slutty girl

I smile

Me : he does want a  
relationship

Lorato : he wants it ? Is that  
what he told you ?

I shrug

Lorato : wow , and this just  
keeps on getting better and  
better

I look at her

Like she's really thinking I'm  
making myself a fool



And just being played

I don't know how I feel about  
that

It's all over her face

She's not even hiding it

Lorato : if a relationship is what  
he wants , you'll be in one now .  
Not going to trips , being

brought houses and cars . And still there's no relationship , and you think this man has pure intentions about you . Sisi , hell no ! Please wake up , and smell the coffee . You're not a child anymore Angel , stop acting like one . Don't be blinded by money

Me : okay , thank you

I also get up

Me : at least now I know where  
we stand , and how you feel

Lorato : and you'll choose him

Me : who said anything about  
choosing here ?

Lorato : all I'm saying is that  
you'll remember my words

She walks away

I heave a sigh grabbing my bag  
off the table

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I do like Lorato

She's been like a sister to be  
honest

And the altercation between us

It has left a bitter taste in my  
mouth

I went to see her , hoping that  
we'll talk

And things will be okay between  
us

But I guess she's not keen

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\*SLUTTY BECAUSE\*

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\*Angel\*





Mandla : I don't like it , when  
you're not okay

I let out a fake smile

Mandla : don't do that

I heave a sigh

I guess , he can see right  
through me

Mandla : is this about your friend ?

I nod

I can't help but be sad

Like , is this the end of our friendship

Just like this

It hurts

Mandla : come here

He holds his hand out

I look at him and take his hand  
into mine

And he leads me to sit down on  
his lap

He places his one hand on my  
waist

Mandla : I am sorry to say this ,  
but your friend seems like she is  
jealous to me

I doubt

I mean , why would she be  
jealous

Mandla : you have what she doesn't , all in a space of weeks . You have a car , and an apartment . You wear the most expensive clothes now , you have class and you get to travel the world . Something of which she doesn't have , and she longs for that's definite . People change love , and this seems like she has changed towards you

Me : but why ? It's not like I was going to look down on her , or think I'm better than her now . She's my friend and I love her

Mandla : yeah , but she knows she's below and beneath you now

Me : it's just hard , she was just the one person I had and got along with

Mandla : your old life is behind you now , it's in the past . And maybe even the people in it , belong to that past . I am here now , and you have me . People don't want to see you elevate , they'll rather be above you . Than have you do better than them in life , and love she's human at the end of the day . Wether you two have been through the most together , she



is not a very loyal friend . And I  
can tell you now , she will never  
be supportive of us . And that  
means , you'll never enjoy our  
relationship and your friendship  
with her at the same time

Oh my word !

I grin and smile like a retard

Mandla : what ?

He asks with my chuckle

Me : you said a relationship

He smiles

Mandla : I said what I said , and  
I meant it

Wow !

I am out of words right now

Mandla : tell you what ....let's  
go out , have a great meal and a  
glass of wine

Me : I won't say no to that

He pulls me over , making me  
straddle him

As he captures my lips into his

And he slides his hands under  
my t-shirt

His hands cup my boobs , and  
he rubs on my nipples

I move my waist , going down  
on his length

And he's throbbing hard against  
my pants

Me : one won't hurt

He chuckles and flips me over

Laying me on the couch

He gets in between my legs  
with his one knee

And he leans down , we kiss

As his hands grip on my pants ,  
and he takes them off

Along with my panty

I unbuckle his belt , letting loose  
of his pants

He slides them down , taking  
my t-shirt off

And I slowly unbutton his shirt

But he grabs my hands , and  
just rips his buttons off

I gasp , as I feel his dick on my  
pussy

And he just slides in , letting out  
a deep grunt

I hold tight on his back , as he  
just rams through

Fucking me out of my senses

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Mandla : are you good ?

Me : yeah I ...

I keep quite as I lock eyes with  
Lorato



She's just walked in the  
restaurant

And she's giving me an evil eye

I heave a sigh

Mandla holds my hand into his

I see her walking towards us

And somehow that makes me a  
bit happy

But all that joy just fades , as  
she just passes our table

Like she didn't even see me

Mandla : it's okay

I look at him

Right now , I am just feeling so emotional

Me : maybe I should go talk to her , but I know she saw us

Mandla : you know she didn't just pass you , because you're with me right ?

Me : maybe she ...

Mandla : love , don't make  
excuses for her . She saw you ,  
and she walked right past you .  
And she didn't even say a  
simple , hello

Right now , I feel like crying

I don't even feel like being here  
anymore

I've lost my appetite

I just never thought this is how  
our friendship will end

And I've never known Lorato to  
be this mean

I don't know what to make of  
this

Me : okay , I won't go

Mandla : she doesn't deserve  
you

It's hard to think that

Because she's always had my  
back

And now I feel like I'm loosing a  
part of myself

I may be sounding crazy

But this friendship meant more  
to me

And it's sad to loose it

Mandla : let's just enjoy our  
meal

I'll just force myself through it

He's being nice to me

And I don't want to dampen his  
mood

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Here we are , in a cinema

Watching a movie

I sure ruined that outing



But he wasn't having it

He suggested we come watch a movie

Honestly , right now I'm so much better

And I'm actually enjoying the movie

I didn't even think that I would

I'm laying my head on his  
shoulder

He has my hand on his lap

Intertwined with his

This is comfortable

And it's reassuring

I don't know how I'm not  
supposed to be living every  
single moment of this

Or how am I not supposed to be  
happy

When I'm with this man

He just makes everything so  
much better

I can't let go of such

I feel like I would be such a fool  
to

Maybe this is the loss I have to  
suffer

In order for me to have this  
chapter of my life

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\*SLUTTY BECAUSE\*

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\*Angel\*





I actually feel like a fool

But I just want to make sure

That this is really done

That there's no going back for  
us

I reached out

Yet again

And she's agreed to meet with  
me

She doesn't even look that  
happy

She's just sour , if I can say that

And I didn't even tell Mandla

That I'll be meeting with her

It's clear , the two are just water  
and oil

And I just happen , to be caught  
in between them

It sucks big time

Me : I need you , I don't want to  
lose you as a friend in my life

Lorato : not when you're still letting this man fool you , and use you like this

Me : I am not a fool Lorato

Lorato : well , that's exactly what you are Angel . And I actually thought , you know better . But I guess I thought wrong

Me : I do , I do know better .  
And it hurts me , that you  
actually see me as nothing but  
just a fool . What I don't  
understand is what's your issue  
with Mandla ?

Lorato : than man is just using  
you , but you're not seeing all of  
that . Because he's throwing his  
money on you

Me : it has always been about the money , we slept with many men for money . Different men of all kinds , all for money . How is this different ? I am sleeping with him , and he's taking care of me financially . I'm still doing what I've been doing , the difference it's just with one man

Lorato : he's tying you down , and he's controlling you ...

I laugh

Me : there's no such thing , yes now we've reached a point where I think we're dating in a way . But he most definitely , doesn't control me . There's no such thing as that

Lorato : oh really ? And you think that man loves you ?

Me : I never said anything about love

Lorato : then what's a relationship without one ?

Me : we ....

Lorato : spare me , because you're acting like a teenager right now . And all this will come back to you , I hope you



open your eyes sooner rather than later . Because it won't be nice

Me : do you want Mandla ?

She laughs

Lorato : fuck no !

Me : then what ? It sounds and seems like you're jealous ,

because he chose me over you  
from the club

Lorato : get over yourself

Me : no ! You get over yourself ,  
he chose me just deal with it

Lorato : you think I give a fuck ?  
No man will love you , especially  
not a man who knows who you  
are . Do you think a man like

Mandla , can degrade himself to date a woman who has opened her legs for the whole of Joburg and half of Nigeria ? Oh please

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I get up

Me : clearly this was a waste of my time , you're just bitter

Lorato : it's the truth sis

Me : for your information , yes that man has chosen this woman who has gone around opening her legs . And guess what ? He wants me just as I am , that must be killing you slowly

I grab my bag , taking out R400

I place it on the table to settle the bill of drinks

Me : and he was right about you  
, I've been stupid not seeing it .  
You're bitter , and you envy my  
life . Who needs enemies ,  
when they've got friends like  
you . I guess this is done for  
good , I won't bother you  
anymore

Lorato : wow ? So he said that  
to you ! Like why are you not  
seeing this man for who he is ?

He's alienating you from everyone , so he can ...

Me : if it's from the kind of you , then I don't mind

Lorato : you will remember my words one day Angel , Mandla wants you solemnly dependent on him . Without anyone by your side , he will chew and spit you out like used gum

Me : like you care , a true friend  
will stick with me . Not try and  
get in my way

I turn and walk away from the  
table walking out of the  
restaurant

I walk to the parking with tears  
burning my eyes

The sad thing is that I really like  
Lorato

And I never wanted to lose our  
friendship

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I dial his number and it rings for  
quite a while



And he answers just as I'm  
about to drop

Mandla : love

Me : am I not disturbing ?

Mandla : no , I'm about to walk  
to a meeting now . Are you okay  
?

I heave a sigh

Me : I feel like I need a hug

He chuckles

Mandla : go into your room ,  
there's something there . Get in  
the car , and drive to my house .  
I'll make everything alright  
when I get there

Me : okay

Mandla : don't cry and I find  
you looking puffy there , that  
won't please me much

I laugh dropping the call

I get up from the lounge

I didn't even feel like doing  
anything

Since I got back I've just been  
sulking on the couch

I open the bedroom door

And my eyes fall on the cute  
white and red teddy bear

I smile , letting out a slight smile

There's pink roses with R200  
notes wrapped around them

There's a box of chocolates

And a brand new iPod

Me : oh my gosh !

I pick the teddy bear up , and  
I'm in love

There's a note on the iPod

“Play this”

Me : okay

I sit down , and press play

Just as Wendy Shay - Heaven  
plays

“I’m young and I’m nice”

“I got flow , I got vibe”

“And I want to start to enjoy my life”

“He’s young and he’s nice”

“He got flow , he got vibe”

“And one day I want to be his wife”

“In heaven , there’s no  
boyfriend”

“so allow me , we can just have  
fun”

“When the preacher man  
preach”

“He say we shouldn’t do it”



“So I’m waiting to get a ring a  
on it”

I laugh to myself with tears  
streaming down my face

I send him a text message

“You’re the best”

He quickly responds

“I’ll see you soon , you deserve  
only the best”

Argh !!

I get up

And change into a vest with  
bum shorts

And I put on dunk sneakers

I grab my things and walk out  
listening to more songs from  
the playlist

I plug in my car , and put the  
volume on blast

As I drive out with my roses

And my teddy bear on the front  
seat

I lean over opening the box of  
chocolates

And I take one , popping it into  
my mouth

I smile shaking my head as I  
drive through the robot

And there's two cars from the  
other side

The guy in the last one , beeps  
at me

And the first one waves

I shake my head laughing , as I  
drive through

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**\*SLUTTY BECAUSE\***



\*INSERT 10\*

\*Angel\*





He heaves yet another sigh

I lift my head looking at him

And he's playing with his ring  
finger , on his right hand

Me : what's wrong ?

He side eyes me

Me : I didn't come here to be  
depressed at all

He smiles taking my hand into  
his

Mandla : you need to stop  
doing this to yourself , because  
you don't deserve this

I balance myself on top of him

Mandla : I hate seeing you hurt ,  
so can you please just stop .  
Because this friendship just  
seems to be one sided , and you  
seem to be the one pushing for  
it . And always just getting your  
feelings hurt ....

He blinks quite a few times

And swallows hard , that I  
notice his Adam Apple moving

Mandla : I think it's best you just cut ties with her , she's not good for you . And she hates progress on you , and great things . What kind of a friend is that ? She should be happy for you , I haven't done anything for anyone to feel anyhow about me . So why is she against us ?

He moves back a bit

Mandla : I hate to interfere , but  
I can't keep quiet anymore  
because I hate seeing you hurt

Me : she's all I got

That pains me

Mandla : you have me now , I've  
given you enough security . I  
will not turn my back on you ,

not now not ever . Have I not  
proven myself to you ?

Me : you have

Mandla : so ? I hate seeing you  
hurt me crying all the time , and  
that's what happens every time  
you see this girl

I heave a sigh

Now I feel like I've opened a can  
of something I wasn't ready for

I feel like he's right

But I am not ready to let go of a  
friend

One that I regard as a sister

Mandla : but the choice is yours  
, I was just saying babe



He leans back , bringing his  
hands on my stomach

His breathing slowly goes down

I'm left in thoughts

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I'm woken up by Wendy Shay –  
Wedding playing on blast

It's too loud in here

“Pastor ask , do you take him as  
your husband”

“For the rest , for the rest of  
your life time”

“I say yes , I say yes oh yes I do”

I reach for the remote and  
lower the volume

He turns his head

And looks at me

What is wrong with this man ?

Me : dude !

I lift my head rubbing my eyes

And he's covered me with a  
throw

I don't even know when I fell  
asleep

It was kind of him , to cover me  
up

I could have caught a cold

He laughs

Me : like what happened to  
peace ?

I shrug

Mandla : love , you cannot call  
me dude ! Like ever

I squint my eyes

He slowly walks to me

I'm still sleepy

And my eyes hurt , because of  
the noise

And just how I woke up

Mandla : we have to rectify that  
, so it never happens

Me : what ...

He just picks me off the couch

And the throw falls down on the  
floor

He carries me out

I scream my lungs out , as he  
just throws me inside the pool

Me : what ....

I cough a bit and he chuckles  
taking his clothes off

Leaving his body naked

He gets in the pool and swims  
towards me

I'm kind of freezing



Yet I'm in clothes

But they're wet now

I might as well just be without

Mandla : I'm anything but dude  
to you

Me : you ....

He shuts me up with a kiss

While his hands touch every  
inch of my body

And he takes my shorts off

Along with my vest

I'm just left naked like he is

I cling my arms on his back

He parts my legs , wrapping  
them on his waist

I feel his hard dick pressing  
against my ass

I slightly move up , and his dick  
slides through my wet pussy

I let out a moan of pleasure in  
his mouth

As he doesn't waste time  
thrusting and pounding through

Just fucking me hard !!

And the water just making the  
sexual pleasure , even more  
pleasurable

My screams and moans keep  
getting loud

I don't even mind neighbours  
hearing us

He doesn't slow down

As he continues to fill me up  
with his dick

His deep grunts just turning me  
on more

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I'm screaming my lungs out

Slightly feeling my body failing  
me

But every time he takes his dick  
out

Seconds later he's hard again

He slides back in

And just fucking me

Me : baby ....

I'm begging for the 5<sup>th</sup> time

I can't take it anymore , he's  
ravished me to the core

My pussy feels swollen

And he's not having mercy on  
me

Me : please ....

He spreads my butt cheeks ,  
spanking them way too hard

I wince in pain , as my pussy  
walls close in on his dick



And I feel him stretching me  
apart

As his dick jerks inside of me

And I close my eyes feeling  
drained as ever

That I don't even feel the pool  
water cold anymore

Mandla : I love you

He places a kiss on my forehead

I slowly open my eyes and look  
at him

He smiles gently

Mandla : you heard me right , I  
love you so much

I involuntary smile

Mandla : and I got you

This right here just feels so right

Would it be so wrong to just  
embrace the whole of it

Without hearing other voices

I just need to trust myself

Maybe have more faith in my  
own decisions and choices

Why do I need someone else to  
think for me

When I'm capable of doing so  
myself

Mandla : let's go out , don't  
catch a cold

He picks me into his arms  
walking out of the pool

Me : I will cut ties , I promise I  
won't try anymore . Now it's  
just us

He looks at me

Mandla : are you ...

Me : I am sure , and you were  
right

He smiles

Me : and I love you

He leans down , capturing my  
lips into his

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\*SLUTTY BECAUSE\*

\*THREE MONTHS LATER\*



\*INSERT 11\*



\*Angel\*

Mandla : watch your step

I smile nervously

I don't know why we're here

Or what we're doing

I just got back from Hawaii

And he just got back from  
Mexico

We didn't even spend an hour  
in Joburg

He had us flying to Cape Town

Lord knows for what

Mandla : are you nervous ?

I swallow hard and look at him

Mandla : relax

He smiles

Me : easy for you to say

Mandla : don't you trust me ?

Me : you know I do , with my  
life

Crazy !

He grins

Because he knows I mean every  
single word

This man has been everything  
to me and more

And I don't regret ever giving  
this love with him a chance

I found a home in him

I found peace

I found love in it's purest form

And most importantly , I most  
definitely found myself



Mandla : let's go , I just want to show you something . I promise , it's nothing to be nervous about

I take a deep breath

Me : what is it ?

He chuckles

Mandla : if I tell you , what  
would be the point of showing  
it to you ?

He's right !

Mandla : come on

I relax slightly , and let him take  
my hand

As we walk down the long stairs

Leading to the beach

I giggle as the beach chilly wind  
hits my skin

I'm in a summer dress

I'm covered , but it's a strap  
sleeve

We're both walking barefoot

Me : this feels nice

Mandla : you get along with  
God's creation

I smile as he tightens his grip on  
my hand

I halt still , as I see the setup  
that's in front of us

Well , a bit further from us

But I can see the round candles  
around whatever is laid down  
on the sand

And the waves are making a  
soothing sound

There's no need for any music

Mandla : come

I look at him , as tears burn my  
eyes

Since he's come into my life

Everything matters

No matter how big or small

He just makes it matter

We just got back

I thought he'll want to be  
buried deep inside of me

Fucking me out of my mind

Giving me orgasm after orgasm

Flipping and turning me

But here we are

Wow !

It's nothing else , but the red roses in a glass box of water

With the words "WILL YOU MARRY ME?"

I look at him

And he has that look of his



That says “this is it , all or nothing”

Me : babe ....

Tears stream down my face

It's been two months of bliss

I've been around the world just travelling

Going from country to country

All in a space of two months

I've been to 8 countries

As he's been busy as well

Doing his business around the  
world

We haven't seen each other for two months

And the first month of our relationship was something else

And we got to establish that , we love each other

And this thing , we both feel it

It's very much mutual

After that , everything just went  
with the flow

Three months of a relationship ,  
and now we're here

Me : is this a joke ?

Mandla : you know I don't make  
those

Me : but ...

Mandla : I told you that I got  
you , I meant that . And now I  
want you , assured and content

He lets go of my hand

As I'm still in shock

Hoping this is a dream of some  
kind

Lorato and I have become like  
strangers

I would be lying if I said I miss  
her

Or that I'm lonely

Because this man makes me  
feel whole

Even when he's not near me

I just miss his presence

But I never feel like I'm alone

Like ever !

He goes down on one knee

And leans over on the throw on  
the sand

He reaches for a small red  
velvet box

As he opens it , a diamond rings  
pops up

Mandla : will you do me the  
honour of being my wife ?

Oh my god !



This is me

A whole me .... Is this real ?

He burst out laughing

And I look at him

I see he's laughing at me

I realise , that I'm pinching  
myself

Me : babe ...

I end up laughing

Mandla : come on ! This is real ,  
it's not a dream

Wow !.

Me : of course I'll marry you

He holds my hand , and slides  
the ring on my finger

He gets up and engulfs me into  
his arms

I giggle laughing

I've never felt so much joy in my  
life

I am truly happy

I don't know when last I was  
this happy

This is the best thing that has  
ever happened to me

And I don't know how to be  
thankful

Whether to say it's God finally  
answering my mother's prayers

Because I know I have never  
even prayed

Because I've never felt God in  
my life , or even thought he  
cared about me

Or seen him doing me any  
mercy

Or maybe it's my ancestors

Maybe they've finally looked on  
me

Or maybe it's just my mother

She has seen

And her more than anyone  
knows our sufferings

That I continued to carry

Even when she was gone

I don't know !

Maybe it's just the universe's  
way

Of showing me , the grace I've  
always longed for

I am engaged

To be married to the most  
wonderful man ever

At this moment I ask for nothing

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**\*SLUTTY BECAUSE\***





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\*Angel\*

When you've lived the kind of a  
life , that I've lived

You've seen the kind of things  
that I've seen

And you've done the kind of  
things I've done

Nothing shocks you anymore in  
this world

Unless when good things  
happen to you

Because they're so foreign

And you feel so undeserving

Because you've never been  
fortunate enough

You consider men to be the  
most shittiest beings ever

Most of the men you find at  
clubs

Luring and lurking around  
young women

Is literally men who are married

Men who have wives and kids

Family men

And you ask yourself

Is there any kind of good left in  
this world

When people who seem to have  
it all

Are doing such

They have money , there's no  
doubt about that

They have families

So exactly what more do they  
lack ?



My mother used to say , I  
shouldn't be too quick to envy  
people's lives

Especially when i have no idea  
how they got where they are

How they got what they have

And I have never walked a day  
in their footsteps

Most houses are standing and  
beautiful on the outside

But inside are just rotten and  
cold

There's no love

There's no joy

There's no warmth

I guess she was right

Because the life I've lived

And the men I've met have  
proved that

I cannot stop looking at my ring

It's the most beautiful piece of  
jewellery I've ever seen

And now that I have money

I've seen the life that's being  
lived out there

But nothing comes to this little  
piece

I feel his hand wrapping around  
my thigh

And he lifts my one leg up  
slightly

As his hard dick pokes my ass

He lowers himself and slowly  
slides inside of me

I wince a bit in pain

My pussy lips are swollen

He's been having me the whole  
night

Every chance he got , he didn't  
let me rest

I part my thighs further as he  
thrusts through

And the feeling of his hard dick  
inside of me

Wipes away the pain

As pleasure starts to kick in

I let out moans of pleasure

As he starts going in deeper

I grab on his arm as his balls hits  
my ass cheeks so hard while he  
thrusts in

Mandla : fuck ...I love you

I close my eyes as I feel a wave  
of pleasure rushing through my  
whole body

And my thighs shake

I grab on the sheets as he picks  
up his pace

Going faster



And he deep groans his dick  
jerking off inside of me

We lay still as he plants soft  
kisses on my back

Painting and trying to catch our  
breath

I smile as I feel his dick going  
soft inside of my wetness

He curses under his breath and slowly slides out

Some of his cum drips on my ass

Mandla : I didn't hurt you ?

He cuddles me from behind

Me : I'm swollen

Mandla : I'm sorry , I'll let you rest . We'll tour the city today

That gets me to smile a bit

Although I could use some sleep

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He couldn't have chosen the  
best place to have our dinner at

This hotel is just breath-taking

We got the balcony view

And we have the view to the  
beach

It's a breeze

Mandla : can I ask you something ?

I take a sip of my wine and nod

Mandla : are you happy ?

Me : yes

Mandla : I mean like ...are you really happy ? Do I make you happy , to an extent that you

can attest to that even on your  
own

Me : baby ...most definitely , I  
don't even need to think hard  
about that . Or try to wreck my  
brains

He smiles

Mandla : then I'm glad

Me : you make me happy , and  
you always go out of your way  
to make sure I am happy .

There's no doubt about that

Mandla : I have a request

Me : what ?

Mandla : my life and yours , are  
different . It's not the normal  
kind of life that other people

live , we live our own lives . And I'm happy about that , and I wouldn't want it anyhow .

There's no one I want at our wedding , not family or friends .

I want my family out of my business with you , for reasons I know they wouldn't sit well with you . And I have no friends , just business people I know .

Not people I can consider friends as such ....



He takes my hand into his

Mandla : so what I'm saying is  
that ....it's just us , and I  
wouldn't mind any kind of  
wedding we have

How sad is our life though

Come to think of it , there's no  
one I can share or celebrate the  
day with either

It's just me

I'm all alone

Besides Mandla I have no one

Me : I guess a big wedding  
wouldn't work

Mandla : if you want one , you  
will get one

Awkward !

Me : I can just imagine all that ,  
and it's just us two with the  
pastor

He squints his eyes

We laugh

Mandla : awkward !

Me : yeah

Mandla : but I'll give you any  
kind of a wedding you want

I haven't even thought about  
that

I've never even dreamt of my  
wedding day

Nor have I ever even imagined  
it

Because I never thought one  
day I would get married

I just never pictured that

My mind never went there

I guess it doesn't matter what  
kind it will be

Just as long as I'll be marrying  
this man

And knowing I'll be spending my  
life with him

Any kind of a wedding is alright

Even signing at home affairs

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\*SLUTTY BECAUSE\*

\*INSERT 13\*



\*Angel\*

Mandla : what's on your mind ?

Day 3 in the mother city

And I've had the best time

Like life has been given to me  
on a silver spoon

I've been treated so well

And he makes sure , I have  
everything that I need

I am really being spoilt here

I'm loving every second of it

Sometimes I still find it hard to  
believe this is me

This is my life now

It doesn't seem so bad after all

All this , tells me I've made the  
right decision for myself

And I'm proud of that

Me : I don't know when we're  
going back , or what's awaits us  
back home . But let's just get  
married

He smiles

I hope he doesn't think that I  
am insane

But if he does , I hope he will  
hear me out

Mandla : like now ?

I don't see why we should wait

Unless he has reasons that I  
don't

Me : if that's possible

He looks at me

Like he's thinking hard

And he rubs his chin

He lets out a side smile , I look  
at him silently

We laugh

Mandla : are you being serious  
? Because I have connections ,  
and I can make things happen .  
And we can get married , like  
right here . We wouldn't even  
have to wait to get back to  
Joburg for that , like it can  
happen any day

I nod



Me : there's a beautiful waterfall by the west side of this hotel , we can just have a classy wedding there . I want it to be everything , I'll always remember and cherish . Just me and you , and the priest . But I do want a wedding

Mandla : it shouldn't be hard getting someone to help set up , everyone has a price

I laugh

Me : it wouldn't be you

Mandla : I'll do anything for you  
love

And I know he means that

He will do it

Without questions or hesitation

He amazes me every time

Me : I'll look for a dress online ,  
hopefully I can find one I love  
that's available

Mandla : offer them any  
number , I'll give you this  
wedding . Come hell or high  
water , you will get it

He gets up from the bed

And walks up to me

He places his hands on my ass

I place mine on his arms feeling  
his biceps in my hands

Mandla : I love you

Me : and I love you

Mandla : we're doing this ?

Me : most definitely

He leans down and we kiss

Sometimes it's like our minds  
are just in sync

Without even trying

From his words , I gathered he  
didn't want us to wait

And I do understand him

So why not do this , this way we  
get what we want and we're  
happy

Without feeling sad or sorry for  
ourselves

When he mentions his family

I never show any kind of  
interest

He's kind of made it clear ,  
they're off limits

And I will keep it that way

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This man makes things happen

I may be crazy

But our happiness is the only  
thing that matters to me , and  
nothing else

And right now



That's the only thing I care  
about

He managed to convince the  
hotel manager

To avail the space for us

At a hefty price of course

But he didn't hesitate

And I've found a dress online

I've called them

And just awaiting their response  
back

The hotel offered their team  
that does catering

To prepare the set up for us

After all , it seems like  
everything is coming along just  
fine

And we don't even have a set  
date yet

But once everything is set

We just go ahead and get  
married

Insane !

I know

But why wait ?

There's no one for us to  
celebrate with us

Why drag the engagement  
along

Like we're waiting for  
something or someone

Best we just do this and get it  
over and done with

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Since I've been living life

On the soft side of it

I now have an Instagram  
account

I just have it for content

I be posting everything that I do

Where I travel to

And there's no way , I wouldn't  
post about my engagement

I've gotten quite an interaction

And Mandla doesn't mind  
anything that I post on my  
account

He walks in as I'm busy reading  
the comments

He walks over and gives me a  
kiss

He chuckles moving back

Mandla : it's a hassle marrying  
an Instagram influencer ,  
someone should have warned  
me

I laugh

Me : what are you talking about  
?



Mandla : I have been getting stares everywhere , and I have strangers asking me to greet you for them . It's just insane

I laugh

Me : I am not an influencer , you know I post fashion and food where I travel also their life style

Mandla : some slay queen girl  
said “here is the hunk that’s  
engaged to Angel the  
influencer”

I laugh

Me : that’s crazy

Mandla : tell your people that  
love

Now they're my people

Me : are you going to wear a ring ?

Mandla : yes

Wow !

That shocks me

Because I didn't expect him to  
say yes

Mandla : what ?

I just smile shaking my head

I am happy

I thought he will not be wearing  
one

Men are very strange

I guess , this one is just one of a  
kind

Hopefully he won't agree

Only to end up with the ring in  
his pants pockets

That's men

I won't pretend like I don't  
know that

Because those are the kind of  
men I used to meet

And he's been to the club  
before

He could be shady as hell , like  
all those married men we  
fucked

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\*SLUTTY BECAUSE\*

\*INSERT 14\*



\*Angel\*

I'm woken up by my phone  
ringing off the hook

Mandla : I told you to have your  
phone off

I don't even bother looking at  
him

I grab my gown and rush over  
to my phone

I heave a sigh

Me : really ?

Mandla : just answer your  
phone , it's making noise

I turn my back on him rolling my  
eyes

Me : what ?

Lorato : wow ! I cannot believe  
you ...

She's fuming okay

I wonder what's eating her up ,  
for her to even call me

Lorato : how stupid can you be  
? This man has managed to  
alienate you from everyone , so  
he can have you all to himself .  
And now you have gone and  
agreed to marry him , like ...

Me : you're making noise , since when do we call each other ? I thought you don't give a fuck anymore

Lorato : you know what ? It's your life , so it's okay go ahead and fuck it up . But to this day , I still say you'll remember my words . Mandla doesn't love you , and sooner he will show

you that . Hopefully it won't be too late for you

Me : are you done ?

She chuckles

Lorato : you actually don't see it , right now he has you exactly right where he wants you . All alone , with no one by yourself . You're so dependant on this

man , you don't even think of  
what will happen when he  
ditches you .....

Me : okay ....bye

I drop the call

I heave a sigh

Mandla : what's wrong ?



I feel his arms around me

I don't even know when he got  
up

Me : it's Lorato ...

He sighs

Mandla : love , I don't know  
why this girl is still able to call  
you

I look at him with a frown

He moves back a bit

Mandla : I don't mean it bad ,  
but for your peace of mind .  
Wouldn't it be best , if you just  
blocked her ?

Well ....I haven't thought of  
doing that

I mean , a part of me still  
believed that we can fix things

And just be okay

Mandla : just think about it

He pecks my cheek and walks  
back

Me : I'll do it now

I grab my phone and take a  
deep breath blocking her  
number

Me : it's done

Mandla : it's for your good babe

This feels like the final nail to  
the coffin of the already dead  
friendship

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That morning phone call

Left the mood somewhat

But now , things have changed

Cause my dress is here

And we just came to check on  
the décor

It's stunning , more than what I  
had hoped it would be

And I don't believe I'm to get  
married

A whole me , someone's wife

We chose an afternoon  
wedding

Because the view is just  
stunning there

With the stars and all

Mandla : are you okay ?

Me : yes

Mandla : love ....

Me : no seriously , I am okay . I  
won't let Lorato take away my  
peace nor disturb my happiness  
. I'm okay

Mandla : that's my girl

I smile as he grins walking over  
to me



And he leans down capturing  
my lips into his

And Wendy Shay – Emergency  
plays on

I let out a smile through the kiss

And he deep chuckles

Deepening the kiss

His hands trailing to my boobs

I let out a slight moan into his  
mouth

Mandla : I love you so much ,  
don't ever doubt that

Me : and I love you

He pins me against the dressing  
table

His hands trailing on my thighs

And he pushes my dress up as  
he exposes my thighs

Wendy Shay – Emergency

“Before the morning comes”

“And the sun comes down”

“I’ll be missing you”

“Before the morning comes”

“And the sun comes down”

“ill be missing you”

“Yeah , yeah , yeah”

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Mandla : I wouldn't have this  
any other way , except having  
you into my arms like this

I smile

I can't believe I am Mrs Thusi

It feels like a dream of some  
kind

I wonder if my mother sees me  
where she is

If the dead could talk out loud

I wonder what would she say

I bet she's proud of me

I know I would be , if it was my  
child

Looking back from where I was

To where I am now

It really is an elevation

Even if I say so myself

Me : I don't know how to thank  
you for everything , that you  
have done for me

Mandla : when the heart loves ,  
it loves completely . Without  
holding anything back , nor  
does it count the good it does

The universe is shining down on  
me

Mandla : so Mrs Mandla Thusi ,  
where to from here ?



Me : meaning ?

I ask with a smile

My hand trailing on his chest

My ring finger , circling around  
his nipple

Mandla : do we take another  
slight travel for our honeymoon  
?

Me : are we having one ?

He chuckles

Mandla : what would be a  
wedding without one ? It's not  
like we cannot afford it now ,  
can we

Gosh !

Where do I even say we go to ?

I've travelled so much

I don't even feel like I'm missing anything out

Me : anywhere is fine with me , just as long as I get to be with you . I don't mind where we go , even if it's in your house or just my apartment

He laughs

Mandla : no , I need you to think hard about this . Name a place , and I'll just make things happen

I know he is capable of doing so

Me : how about Dublin ?

Mandla : Dublin it is

I'm sure he's been there many  
times

But for my sake he's just as  
excited

And that's a fulfilling feeling

To be shown love in this  
manner

Not just with words

But with actions as well

Me : I cannot wait

Mandla : and I cannot wait to  
just ravish you

I laugh as he flips me over ,  
parting my legs

I straddle his thighs

Feeling his dick on my pussy

I slightly move up , and go down  
slowly on his length

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**\*SLUTTY BECAUSE\***





\*INSERT 15\*

\*Angel\*

Voice : excuse me

Me : you ....

I turn back and hold my tongue

She looks at me

And heaves a sigh

Lorato : oh it's you

There's shade in that

Me : as you can see

Lorato : so you married him ?

I flash my ring in her face

Me : as you can see

Lorato : Angel ....

She takes a deep breath

Lorato : I am not jealous , nor am I bitter . I love you , and I care about you . We've always looked after each other , and we've always had each other's backs . I won't turn my back on you now , just because of a man

Me : Lorato ...

Lorato : please just hear me out

I fold my arms

Lorato : this man is not good for you , he is not your saving grace . And he will show you his true colours when ...

Me : please spare me , I don't wanna hear it . I love my husband , I am happy . Why can't you see that ? Exactly how

do you know him ? Like how do you know , that he's not good for me . Exactly what do you know about Mandla that I don't know ?

Lorato : because this is all just a façade he's putting up

Me : and what exactly will he gain from that ? What is it that he will be using me for ? What



do I have , that he doesn't have  
already

Lorato : this man is a narcissist

Oh my God !

I laugh my ass off , that it  
actually annoys her

Me : now you have gone too far  
, and you just sound crazy

Lorato : let's see how crazy I am  
, when he finally shows you who  
he really is . And I hope for your  
sake , you'll get out before it's  
too late

She walks past me going her  
way

I shake my head

Just trying comprehend what  
she said

Her saying Mandla is a narcissist

Like really ?

That's just absurd

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Last minute shopping for the  
honeymoon went well

Even though Lorato almost  
ruined my mood

I just need to make sure I don't  
let her get to me

Mandla : love ....

He leans against the door frame

I look at him and smile

Mandla : no don't do that

I laugh

Me : I am almost done

Mandla : why are you packing  
so much ?

Me : it's not much

Mandla : two suitcases ?

Well ....

I shrug

That's why we came back to  
Joburg last night

Me : I need these clothes

Mandla : but you can always do shopping there , and get what you need

Me : I know baby , but I need these particular clothes

He shakes his head

Mandla : you have 5 minutes

That will probably be 30  
minutes

He walks out

As I finish packing

Men should always know ,  
women take longer than them

That's just how we are made



There's nothing we can do  
about that

I didn't even tell him about my  
interaction with Lorato

I know he wasn't gonna be  
happy about that

I don't want this to end up

Where he confronts Lorato

Or tells her to stay away from  
me

The end of the friendship hurts  
regardless

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\*At Levels Club\*



Lorato walks in , and one of the security guys comes to her

He grabs her by the arm

And she yanks it off

As she feels his grip on her arm

Lorato : what the fuck !

She says to him with attitude

Lorato : why are you  
manhandling me like that ?

Him : you're no longer  
welcomed here

She looks at him like he's lost  
his mind

Lorato : what ?

Him : don't cause a scene ,  
please get out

Lorato : no .....says who ?

He takes out his phone

Lorato : well ...you're just the  
help around her , and I won't  
listen to shit you say . I am not

going anywhere , drag me out  
of here if you must

The guy makes a call and puts in  
on loud speaker

Him : she's here

On the other side of the call

Mandla clenches his jaws

Mandla : drag her the fuck out if  
you must

Lorato pops her eyes as she  
hears Mandla's voice

The security guy looks at her  
dropping the call

Him : my boss has banned you  
here



Her heart drops to the pit of her stomach

Mandla is the owner of Levels

But how ?

It's not like she's seen the man many time at the club

And he's always busy with his business acquaintances

Whenever he's around

He never acted like the owner

Lorato : please .....

Him : just leave

Lorato : this is how I make  
money , and feed myself .  
Please don't .....

Just then two guys approach  
them

And she looks at their scary  
faces

Lorato : I'll go ...please don't  
hurt me

The security guy nods to the  
guys

As they gently grab her out the door

She tries to scream , but one takes out a knife

And points it to her stomach

She gasps as tears stream down her face

Lorato : please don't hurt me  
....I will leave and never come  
back

They ignore her , and get inside  
a black tinted windows car

They drive out of the car

As one of them is at the back  
with her

She cries and pleads with them

But that lands her slaps and a  
few punches

The man rips her clothes apart

Him : you will learn to keep your  
loose rotten pussy to yourself ,  
after today you'll never open  
your legs for any man

As she realises the misfortune  
that's about to befall her

She tries to open the car door  
but it's locked

And the man pins her down ,  
parting her legs wide forcefully

Pain shoots to her thigh joints

While he unbuckles his pants

And his long thick veined dick  
pops out

She lets out an excruciating cry  
as she looks at his dick

She's never seen nor had one  
like this

She knows this man will tear her  
apart



And leave her ravished

Without warning he just  
forcefully pushes his dick inside  
her dry pussy

Causing her pain with bleeding

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\*At The Airport\*

Passing terminal

Mandla's phone beeps

He holds tight on Angel's hand

She looks at him and smiles ,  
leaning on his shoulder

He takes out his phone

And looks at the text message  
from his security from the club

“It’s done”

He deletes the message

And smiles tuning to Angel

Putting his phone inside his  
pocket

Mandla : I love you

She looks into his eyes feeling  
content

And happiness that's just  
unexplainable

Angel : I love you more

Mandla brings her closer

And he plants a soft kiss on her  
forehead

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\*SLUTTY BECAUSE\*

\*SIX MONTHS LATER\*





\*INSERT 16\*

\*Angel\*

Should I take you back

To how the honeymoon stage  
was

How things were the first  
month of marriage

Where we weren't in the  
country

Well ....

I think I'll need a merlot or  
something stronger

Maybe Moet

You see girlfriend , at this stage

I'm so used to the finer things in  
life

I have more money than I need

I wear nothing but expensive  
designer clothes

Like to shoes and hats

It's insane

The cheapest piece of jewellery

I own costs about 29K

Everything goes in thousands

All those above 50 thousands

That's me now

But there's no bliss

I have all that

The big mansion in Sandton

The expensive clothes

The expensive cars

But everything that made me  
happy all changed

All it took was just a month

Well ....let's go back a bit

Dublin was amazing

I didn't even want to come back  
here

Everything was just great

Beyond this world's  
expectations



That was the perfection of my  
life stage

And at that point I thought I was  
at my happiest

That I was the most blessed  
woman ever

That God finally shone his light  
my way

Boy was I wrong !!!

But I think you get the picture

Everything was perfect then

Okay , the honeymoon ended

What I didn't know was that it  
ended with the happiness I had  
, and everything I thought that  
we were

And everything I thought my  
relationship with my husband  
was

We got back

I was told to sell my apartment

Okay !.

That was shock for me

But Mandla wasn't going to  
have a wife that has her own  
house

And lived separately from him

Especially when he already has  
a house

One I could call mine as well

Okay !

I think I understood that part

So I sold my apartment

Yes I got to keep the money

And I've been making my own  
money on the side as well

As an influencer now

And I do adverts for certain  
companies

More like skin care products

And hair products

As well as make up products

I should be saying I've made it

But no !

I'm living in a hell hole

Marriage is not what I thought  
it would be

It certainly not with the same  
man I was with

After the house saga

I was turned into some  
housewife of some kind

I say , of some kind

Because my side job just needs  
me to do adds

And put on adverts on my  
content videos

So I still do that



Behind a camera in my house

And well , with fake smiles and  
all

Just to keep up appearances

And to keep everyone away and  
out of my business

To not see what's on the inside

So basically I've become a  
prisoner

In the very same house I call  
mine

No more the travels

No more the sweet treatment

....I swallow hard as I say this

Lorato was right !!

I don't know where she is

I've never seen her in the past  
six months

I've never heard from her

And I'm living the reality she  
said I was being set up into

I guess I was just too blinded

To see that

Or get her point

Of which now I do , but I'm still  
the same me as I was

I'm cooped up in this house day  
and night

I see no one

I talk to no one

I mean , no real person except  
when I post on my socials

And I have slight interaction

But that's the same as having  
none at all

Let me break it down to you in  
this way

Before I open the door for you  
in

So you can catch a glimpse of  
this

Mandla changed , he changed  
completely

And become something I don't  
know

Oh this bruise ...

As I tilt my head so you can see  
it clearly

Yeah !

He beats me now

This is the most recent one

I've got marks now on my body

Where he threw a pot on my  
neck

And I had to put a neck brace  
for a week

The fight was about food



I cooked , and he didn't like  
what I cooked

He got up annoyed , and just  
grabbed the pot from the stove

Oh I thank the heaves the pot  
was empty

And it wasn't hot

He just threw it at me

It all started with taming me  
down

The less shopping

The trips and expensive things  
he taught me

The less going out

And basically being a wife

Taking care of the house

Then it was arguments

Just small fights

Things one would never think  
they could escalate this much

But well ....

Then he went on to shout at me

And he would curse at me

Throw my past at my face every  
chance he got

Tell me how he elevated me

How I'm all he got and I have no  
one

Okay !

Then it was a slap

Then came a punch

After that it was kicks

And then the real beating  
started

Where he would beat the shit  
out of me

He would leave me bleeding for  
days

While I don't know where he is

And I'll be left alone nursing my  
wounds

And he comes back days later

He acts all sweet

Like he did nothing wrong

And it'll be like he has a  
memory loss of some kind

He would act like he doesn't  
remember what he did

He would be all nice

And nurse me back to life

Then he starts all over again

He's a control freak

And a fucking narcissist

See me laughing , because  
Lorato said so



But I've seen it and I've  
experienced it

For the most of it , he had me  
on hold

And at times I sure felt and  
looked like I was being  
brainwashed

Basically that's my life at this  
stage

From being a tape product

To living on the streets

Loosing my mother

And selling myself off

To meeting this man

And finally thinking I've seen  
light

To the life he gave me

To now this

Now being nothing but reduced  
to a mere house wife

That's always getting beaten up

With all the money in the world

The fancy house and clothes

The expensive cars and all

But yeah !

I'm still pushing through though  
as always

Because I am me after all

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\*SLUTTY BECAUSE\*

\*INSERT 17\*

\*Angel\*





He walks in , I'm sitting in the  
kitchen

And I'm having a glass of wine

Best you just come along

And see how my life has turned  
like

Don't pity me

I still say

I know you'll probably be judgy

Say , I was a fool

I should have listened to Lorato

Hey !!.

Fuck that

Maybe I was supposed to be  
stupid

And not see what Mandla was  
intending

So yeah , fuck that shit

It is whatever it is

We're here now

And I brought this on myself

I down the glass of wine

Just as he pulls a chair and sits  
down

I pour myself yet another glass

Me : hi

He just looks at me

His eyes roaming around the  
kitchen

I don't even find these eyes  
anyhow now

I bare nothing but disgust and  
hate for this man

Let me just put that out there

Mandla : what's this ?

I shrug at him

His tone is off

Mandla : Angel ...you just love  
pissing me off , don't you ?

I ignore him

Because I have no idea what  
he's whining about now , it just  
never ends

Am I supposed to be reading his  
mind

Mandla : I am talking to you ...

Me : oh hell ....

He slaps the glass off my hand

And it spills the wine all over  
the counter

The glass falling down on the  
floor as it shatters

Mandla : what makes you think  
you can ignore me , when I'm  
talking to you ?



Me : am I supposed to know  
what the fuck you're talking  
about ?

Mandla : are you talking to me  
like that ?

I throw my hands in the air

Me : do you see another  
mother fucker here ?

He gets up pushing the chair  
back

And it falls down

He walks to my side

I chuckle

As he folds his sleeve

I pick up the wine bottle

And get off the chair

Mandla : you are nothing but a  
whore , I made you . And you  
think you're better now

I raise my brow

Mandla : you will bow down to  
me , and until you understand  
your position in my life . I will

instil it into your stupid head ,  
until it sinks in

He grabs my arm and I lift the  
other arm with the wine bottle

I hit him on his head

He bites his lower lip

And the devil's son doesn't even  
flinch

The bottle falls down staining  
his shirt

He drags me and pins me  
against the counter

His hand pressing hard on my  
neck

He's literally chocking the life  
out of me

Mandla : if anything you'll die in  
my fucking hands ....

I laugh with tears streaming  
down my face

And that just angers him worse

He loosens his hand

Me : I'm a fucker just like you ...

I spit on his face

And he slams my face so hard  
against the counter

I've never felt so much pain

I feel something watery  
dripping down my eye

Turning my eye to the side

I see the knife I was chopping  
veggies with

I grab it within a heart beat

And as he turns me around

I stick the knife to his neck

He pops his eyes looking at me



Me : we'll see who fucking dies  
!

He lets go of me

And drags the knife off his neck

Just as blood spills everywhere

He turns around with punches  
to my stomach

And that has me kneeling on  
the floor

Coughing blood

I hear his footsteps walking  
away

A minute later

His car drives out

I drag myself off the floor

With blood coming out of my  
mouth

And my eye hurting like a bad  
bitch

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It's middle of the night when he  
walks in the bedroom

I had a doctor come and check  
me in

Those are the perks of having  
money

The last thing I want

Is being the talk

To the public eyes

Fuck no !

My eye is hurt , but the doctor  
assured me I will be fine with  
time

And the bleeding from my  
mouth

Wasn't something serious

Just my teeth took a knock

He sits down on the bed

And he has a patch on his neck

I have one on my eyes

I have a bad cut above my eye

Mandla : what's so hard about just doing what I ask you ?

Me : if you can communicate better with your mouth and words , instead of using your hands . Maybe I would understand better

He turns around and looks at me

Mandla : is this how things are going to be like ?

Me : you taught me this fucking life

I chuckle

Me : the good and the bad , everything I know . It's your teachings



Mandla : love ...I fight you , and  
you fight me back ? Is this us ?

Me : well ....it's your teachings ,  
you should be proud of yourself  
master

He heaves a sigh looking down

Rubbing his face with his hand

Mandla : something is wrong  
with you

I look at him

Mandla : I think you're slowly  
losing your mind , had that knife  
gone an inch deeper . I would  
be facing death

Me : you're driving me nuts

I turn and give him my back

As I pull the sheets covering  
myself

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\*SLUTTY BECAUSE\*

\*INSERT 18\*



\*Angel\*

Mandla : here

He passes the card across the  
table

Infront of me

Me : what's this ?

Mandla : Angel you can read

Idiot !

I continue eating

And my mouth is painful

My jaws are hella sore

But the stomach owes no one



I've been drinking water all morning

But I can feel I'm hungry now ,  
and I need food

Mandla : call that woman , and  
go see her

Me : what ?

Mandla : that's for a  
psychologist , you need the help  
. So go see her

Oh lord !

Please make me laugh

Because what the fuck is this ?

Me : excuse me ?

Mandla : you're not excused ,  
something is wrong with you  
mentally

Wow !

Me : says the one who's  
psychotic and a fucking  
narcissist

Mandla : Angel please watch  
your words

Me : Mandla when did you see the need , for me to see a psychologist ? And exactly what do you see in me , that says I am crazy ?

Mandla : this is the answer to your questions

He points to his stupid patch on the neck

Me : when you started beating me , and I would not fight you back . Did you hear me telling you such nonsense ?

Mandla : I care and value my life , I have a mother and a child . They need me , unlike you I have people who need me in their lives . I picked you up from the streets , and made you this ....

He motions to the whole of me  
with disgust

Mandla : and today , you think  
you can put your hands on me .  
And use a fucking knife on me ,  
what the fuck is that ?

Me : I don't have the power to  
fight you back , so I'll fucking  
use whatever shit I can

Mandla : are you hearing yourself ?

I shrug

Me : you're the insane one here , maybe you have mental disorders . No sane person , can do the things you do . And think they're normal , and act like nothing is wrong . That's just

sick , and I don't know what woman hurt you this badly .  
And that you see it fit , to use and hurt women however you see it fit . But that's just bullshit okay ! And I don't give a fuck about your pathetic life , or you for that matter . I am telling you now , that you won't make me do any shit . And that's that , take it however you want to take it . If I'm insane , then we're the same and the one



Mandla : well , you will go to see this woman. Wether you like it or not , then we'll see who is crazy .

He drags his sorry ass back to the bedroom

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At this point I'm taken as a crazy lunatic

Between us , I really don't know who's insane to say the least

Maybe I am

I mean ...who knows ?

I have money , and everything you can think of

But I'm with a man

Who clearly doesn't give a rat's  
ass about me

I doubt he's ever even loved me  
to even begin with

I know I don't love him anymore

There's no doubt about that

I can just leave

Can't I ?

Sure , I can

But I am not leaving , here I am  
day in and day out

He beats me

I'm still here

He gives me shitty treatment

Yet , I'm still here

One would ask themselves why  
I'm still here

Why don't I just leave ?

It's not like I'm locked in

I'm like someone who's just  
scared

So scared , always fearing for  
my life perhaps

Mandla gives me nothing now

I hardly even see a husband in  
him

He may still wear his ring

Still share the bed with me

But I just don't give a shit

The sex is the sex

And it's that good

But it's nothing , to say its  
making me endure this bullshit

I have nothing to lose

I have no one

I'm all by myself

He cannot hurt me , by going  
after anyone in my life

He can try to break me all he  
wants



But he will fail dismally

And I say so

Because I know he can't do shit

This is just another chapter

Adding to all the shitty things  
I've been through

And if I was able to get through  
them

What will stop me from getting  
through this ?

At this point

I give zero fucks

He can do whatever shit he  
wants

I'll fight back

Because I can fucking be shitty  
and toxic as he is

I've opened my legs for men

Who didn't give shit about me

And had their way with me

Left me with lousy money

Out of this , I won't walk out  
fucking empty handed

That's certain

And I'll make sure of that

So yeah , maybe I am crazy

But he's crazy with me

And I won't be going to no  
fucking psychologist

If he so wishes , he can drag his  
ass there

That would be for his own good

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My jaws are feeling slightly  
better

I grab my phone and walk to the  
lounge

He's been gone since morning

After pestering me still

About the stupid psychologist  
nonsense

And I told him where to get off

I have no idea where he went to

And I don't give a shit

I sit down , and scroll through  
my contacts

I still have Lorato's number

I've tried it numerous times

Not to cry and whine to her

But just to check in

It's somehow , that she's been  
this quite

I haven't even bumped into her

Like not even once



That's just awkward

And it's been months now

Funny how I'm still hung up on  
her

Even though , things didn't end  
well between us

I call her

“The number you have dialled  
does not exist”

I heave a sigh dropping the call

That's what I've been getting

Every time I call her

I only hope that she's okay

I go on to check my emails

And there's a few important ones

From sponsors who want me to do adverts for them

I'm not looking my best

And I hate putting on too much make up

But I need to be live and make  
money

I log on my Instagram account

Just then the door opens

He walks in with some woman

She's clearly not older

Maybe she's my age

Late twenties or slightly  
younger

Mandla : come in

He makes way for her

She walks in and sits down

Mandla : love , this is Pearl . The  
psychologist I told you about

What the fuck !

The nerve , to bring this  
nonsense to me

He's been on my case since  
yesterday

And now he's done this

I look at this Pearl

And she smiles

I laugh my ass off

And that pisses him off

Now , this I would love to hear

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\*SLUTTY BECAUSE\*



\*INSERT 19\*

\*Angel\*

Mandla : love , please be nice

Me : to who ?

He looks at her

And I just dislike her

I don't even know her

But I don't like her

Me : are you fucking her ?

Mandla : what ?

Me : you heard me loud and  
clear , I did not stutter

Mandla : love please ....

Me : don't tell me that , I told you to go fuck yourself with this shit ! And you bring this woman into my house ? What the fuck man !

Pearl : I did not come here to cause any dispute ...

Me : please bitch , no one is talking to you here

Mandla : there's no need for any name calling , Pearl is here to offer you help . Just talk to her

Me : man , she must be giving it to you very good . To an extent that you bring her flat ass here

Mandla : you're embarrassing yourself

Me : to hell with that , you've already embarrassed me enough . By bringing her here

Pearl : Angel ....

Me : it's Mrs Thusi to you , please lets not get used to each other like that

Pearl : my apologies ...

Me : shut up

Mandla : see , this is what I'm talking about . You've lost the plot , you're acting irrational right now . I honestly fear for my life with you in it , because I don't know when you'll loose it . I love you so much , that I don't want to lose you . So I'm trying to find us a solution here



Me : are you kidding me ?

Mandla : no , please do this . I will attend sessions with you , if I have to . I just need you to get help

Me : you're the crazy one , so go ahead . Let your bitch help you , leave me out of your shit . Seeking mental help , should start with you

I get up and walk upstairs

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\*Downstairs\*

Mandla : I am sorry

Pearl smiles

Mandla : I don't know ....from what you've seen , what can you say ?

Pearl : your wife definitely seems to be battling some emotional issues , it's even safe to say she might even have depression . Mental issues , are

very tricky . She's too angry ,  
and she's bottling all that anger  
inside her . I suspect she may  
also be Bipolar

Mandla heaves a sigh

Seemingly , it looks like his plan  
will work

He has to keep Pearl

She is the key to getting Angel admitted

And then , she will finally understand that he's all she has

Mandla : in this situation , what do we do ?

Pearl : she is a danger to herself , and you . So I recommend that she gets admitted

He lets out a side smile

Making sure she doesn't notice  
him

Mandla : but she won't agree

Pearl : I can get the court to  
force her to , if I can write a  
letter of recommendation .  
They will grant us a court order

Mandla : how soon can you get it done ?

Pearl : this situation is an emergency , so I'll get on it right away

Mandla : thank you so much , I appreciate the help . All I just want , is for my wife to be okay . We're basically all that we have



, she lost her mother . And she doesn't have any family also her friend distanced herself from her , I need her to be okay . So we can be happy again

Pearl smiles

Pearl : don't worry , I will do everything in my power to make sure your wife gets well . You can best believe that

Mandla : uhm ....I'll wait to hear from you

She gets up and he walks her to the door

She walks out

And he closes the door

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This mother fucker !

I turned on my way to the  
bedroom

And I listened in , on their  
conversation

If he thinks he will have me  
admitted

He's got another thing coming

I will not go to that stupid  
institution

I will be damned

And highly stupid

I saw him leave right after she  
left

They will find me ready when  
they get here

With their stupid court orders

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I grab the scarf and cover my  
face well

I should be back in the house

Before he comes back

I don't even know where he is

I get out of the car and walk  
inside the store

Mandla doesn't know me

I'm the she devil

I've endured his bullshit for far  
too long

And it ends right here

I look around a bit

And it's not full

Perfect for me

I just have to pray that no one  
notices me

I head over to the counter

I know the son of a bitch has  
connections

He can make sure that Pearl  
gets the court order

Even tomorrow



Because that's just how keen he  
is to have me locked

I clear my throat

Me : hi

I greet the cashier and he greets  
back

Him : can I help you ma'am ?

I clear my throat and pass him  
the small piece of paper

Me : can I please have those

He looks at the paper

And darts his eyes into mine

I shift my sunglasses

Me : uhm .... My husband and I  
are planning a trip to camping .  
So he said those will come in  
handy

He smiles

Him : let me get them for you

He walks away from the counter

And heads over to the shelf's

I keep still

Avoiding any eye contact with  
anyone

Voice : sorry hi ....

I turn back , and let out a fade  
smile

The girl smiles

Her : sorry , I thought you were  
someone else . An Instagram  
influencer

I clear my throat

Me : mhm , mistakes happen  
love

I lower my voice , so I don't  
sound like my usual voice

Her : once again sorry

I smile and she walks away

I turn back to the counter

The cashier walks back

Him : I got everything you need  
, the gasoline is slightly bigger

Me : it's perfect

He smiles

Cashier : will it be cash or card ?

Me : oh definitely cash

I take out notes of R200's in my  
back pocket

Him : it'll be R3 200

I count the money and hand it over to him

Him : enjoy your camping

Me : thank you

I grab the plastic and walk out rushing to my car

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\*SLUTTY BECAUSE\*

\*INSERT 20\*

\*Angel\*



Me : if you know any better ,  
and you value your life . You will  
walk away from this , that man  
is a monster . He beats me up ,  
he curses me . And he throws  
whatever he can get his hands  
on , without giving a fuck . You  
think I retaliate for no reason ?  
Call me crazy all you like , but  
truth of the matter is that he  
made me what I am today . And  
now he wants to portray

himself as a saviour , don't be  
fooled by his acts

Pearl : Mrs Thusi ....I am not an  
idiot , believe me when I tell  
you I can see right through your  
husband and exactly who he is .  
And the trauma , that he has  
himself . But I also believe you  
need help , you carry so much  
emotionally . That it's draining  
you , and mentally

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Me : I am fine

She sighs

Pearl : however you see it , I just want to help you . And I believe you need saving from this man

Me : I don't need anyone's saving , I can save myself

Pearl : then ...why haven't you left him ? Because I'm sure by now , you have seen what kind of a man he is

Me : I don't want to

Pearl : that is not normal behaviour

I chuckle



Me : I will show you what's not normal , let him try and drag me there . You will see what's not normal behaviour

Pearl : there's a court order , you're ordered by law to be admitted . So you can undergo evaluation , you cannot run away from that

I laugh

Me : he couldn't wait , all it took  
him was two days . Okay ! Don't  
say I didn't warn you

I hear his car driving in

I drop the call and sit down

A minute later , he walks in

Mandla : love .....

He closes the door and walks  
over to me

Mandla : the people from the  
asylum will be here soon , I  
came home because they  
informed me they're on their  
way . I'm doing this for your  
good , the judge has ordered  
that you get admitted . Please ,  
don't fight this or fight them .  
I'm doing this to help you

Me : yeah right !

Mandla : no matter how you see it , Angel without me you have no one . And I just want the best for you , nothing else . So for you to get help and be better , you have to do this

Me : oh okay !

He looks at me shocked

Mandla : wait .....are you  
agreeing , that you'll go there ?

I get up

Me : like hell

I walk over to the kitchen , and  
he doesn't waste time following  
me

I wait until he gets to the door

I reach over to the counter and  
grab the gas pipe

I make sure that I don't miss his  
neck , tying the pipe on his neck

He pops his eyes as it tightens  
around his neck

I laugh moving back

As he struggles to get it off of  
him

He gags , popping his eyes

Struggling to move , as the gas  
pipe is tied

Me : this is how it ends

I grab the lighter , and switch on  
the gas stove

He tries to reach me

But the pipe is tied to the bar  
steel table that's cemented on  
the floor

Me : I guess you're the one who  
dies on my hands , funny how  
life works . You thought you can



bully me , and when you got  
tired you saw it fit to send me  
to an asylum . I am not on your  
level son , I'm the baddest  
sluttiest bitch ever . You don't  
get to fuck me over like that , I  
don't fear to finish it

He deep grunts as he tries  
moving and pipe tightens

Veins pop on this forehead

I can tell he's in pain

Me : stop struggling , and the good thing is that you've already gotten me a court order to go to the lunatics . You know what will happen ? I will kill you , and leave you to burn . Then , I will plead insanity

I laugh as he pops his eyes

Me : it was nice , thanks for a  
shitty paradise

I grab the gasoline bottle

And pour it all over the kitchen

I light on the gas pipe

And he screams his lungs out

I rush out , locking the door

And I run to the lounge side

I lock the door from the outside

While windows shatter

And smoke start coming out

I get into my car and drive out

Leaving the house in flames

The alarms going crazy

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\*Somewhere In Soweto\*



Lorato walks in her one room

And sighs taking off her  
sneakers

She opens the door , to let fresh  
air in

And she walks over to the fridge

She takes out a bottle of water

And heads over to her single  
bed

She sits down opening the  
bottle of water

She takes quite a gulp and takes  
a deep breath

She relaxes back picking the TV  
remote



She switches on her TV

And goes on to take a another  
gulp

Leaving the bottle of water  
almost half finished

She flips over channels

Until she catches on eNCA  
midday news's

“BREAKING NEWS – THE  
BUSINESS MOGUL MANDLA  
THUSI BURNS TO ASHES AT HIS  
HOME IN SANDTON”

There it is , in great bold red  
letters

She gets the shock of her life

Her jaw drops

As she continues to watch on  
the news

But barely even hearing  
anything that the news Anchor  
is saying

Lorato : Angel ....

She's on the feet in a split  
second

And shifts her focus to the TV

Hoping maybe they will  
mention her or say something  
about her

But there's nothing

The news Anchor goes on to  
announce more news

While the news about Mandla is  
still at the bottom

She quickly reaches for her  
phone

And goes on Instagram

It's the RIP's

She's hoping to see something ,  
just anything about Angel

But there's nothing

She goes on to Angel's account

And condolences are just  
pouring in from her followers

But still no mention of her

Whether she's okay or not

She sits down feeling like her  
heart is failing her

She cannot even begin to think ,  
Mandla could have hurt Angel  
in any way

Or maybe , he finally took the  
easy way out

Like the coward narcissist he  
was

And made sure they burn in  
their home

But Angel wasn't mentioned

Only him

I mean ....she thinks to herself

If she was also inside



Then they would have  
mentioned her

Besides being tied to Mandela

She's now a big name all by  
herself

Being in the public eye

A little bit of faith and hope  
start to kick in

Where does she start looking  
for her now ?

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Pearl looks at me

And I give her a slight smile

And let's out a chuckle

Pearl : well played , I sure underestimated you . I must admit that

Me : I told you to stay away , you could have burnt with him

Pearl : this is wrong , by law you should be going to jail . And serve time , for the crime you committed . You took

someone's life , that's no little thing . And we both know you're in your sane mind , this is murder

Me : yeah ? And who knows that ...I mean , I was not in my sane senses right ? You said so yourself , and even a whole judge believed you . So please , let me be . My tormentor is dead , I got the last laugh

She heaves a sigh

Pearl : I hope you'll be able to  
live with yourself , because  
consciousness is a big thing

I shrug

Me : thank you , for deeming  
me crazy . Who knew ? That  
one day , I'll be chained to a bed  
and confined to these white

four walls . Locked with steel  
cages , and fed pills ..all because  
of a men !

I shake my head

Walking towards the single bed

I sit down and watch the two  
men walk in

I smile to myself

“This is how I ended it all”

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\*SLUTTY BECAUSE\*

\*NINE MONTHS LATER\*



\*INSERT 21\*



\*Angel\*

Looking at the birds

Just flying away

Without worry

Just living on bliss

On the sky the God of the  
heavens and the earth created

Sometimes one cannot help but  
wonder

Just how would it be

If one would be a creature of  
the earth

Maybe life would be so much better

I never thought I needed this much break

This mental house , wasn't so bad

The sessions somehow did me good

Although I wasn't a fan of the  
pills

And being chained on a bed

The first few months

Weren't so good

But now , I feel like it was a  
vacation I never even knew I  
needed

Life has brought me this far

I killed my own husband

And I have no regrets  
whatsoever about it

I'm okay

And I'm ready for whatever next  
leap of life will be on my path



I am not giving up on this life

It's mine to live

No matter how fucked up it is

It is mine

And I'll live it , channelling  
myself through it all

The door opens and Pearl walks  
in

Pearl : ah you're all packed and  
ready to leave , I am sure you  
can't wait to be out of here

Me : I won't miss this place ,  
and nor will I miss you either

She laughs

Pearl : please ...behave out there , stay out of trouble . And most importantly , from toxic men

Me : oh worry not , I just dish out whatever I am given

Pearl : your ride is here

I nod grabbing my bag

Pearl : stay on the right path ,  
don't forget everything you  
gathered from this place . You  
got lucky this time , next time  
....

She shakes her head

Pearl : you might not be so  
lucky , so please . And no one  
should know the truth about  
this , because even I could be  
charged . You should have

served jail time , what you did  
was murder .

Me : there won't be a need for  
that , and please spare me

I walk out the door

And she walks behind me

I most certainly will not miss  
this place

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I look at her and she smiles

I still cannot comprehend this  
change that she has going on

Like everything about her

Even her looks

And how she walks and speaks

She walks over to me

And just dashes me a smile

I just involuntarily laugh

Me : aren't you gonna give me a  
hug ?

She slightly lets out a chuckle

And leans over giving me a hug

Me : you smell so good

She tightens the hug

I feel safe

I feel like I am home



And it's a fucking strange  
feeling

After a while we pull out

Lorato : you look good

Gosh !

Even the voice has changed

And gotten a bit deep

I never asked what happened

She came to see me after 3  
months of being here

And she's just been one  
amazing supportive system

She never asked questions

She never said I told you so

All she ever did

Was to make sure that I'm well  
aware that she has my back

And it's been great having my  
friend back

Even though I can tell  
something happened to her

Something made Lorato to  
change and be this way

She hasn't said anything

And I won't pester her

I think , when she's ready she  
will tell me

Lorato : lets go

She takes my bag

And we walk to my car

I have her driving it

Because I didn't want it to  
gather dust in some storage

I had no idea for how long I'll be  
admitted

She puts my bag in the boot

And opens the passenger door  
for me

She goes on to the drivers side  
and drives off

I don't even ask where we are  
going

I just sit back and relax

Just letting her be

If she wants to ask me  
something

She will

I close my eyes , adjusting my  
seat back

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Soweto

Okay !

I never expected this

Not that I am judging or  
anything



Honestly , things changed

She's never lived lavish

But the first place

Was definitely better than this

But , it's all just to be grateful  
for having a roof over one's  
head

Lorato : it's not much , but ...

She shrugs

Me : don't

I say with a smile

Me : don't feel somehow , I'm  
thankful for you . And  
everything you've done for me ,  
I know things ....

Lorato : let's not do that , the  
past is the past . And we're so  
over that , let's not go back  
there . I have you , and I guess I  
always will . You don't have to  
thank me for anything

This is truly my God sent

I'm honestly ashamed of myself

And my actions , and everything  
that I've said and done

Look at me now

Right back to this person

Whom I turned my back on

When I thought I had hit a  
jackpot

She saw what I missed , pity I  
still couldn't see it even when  
she warmed me

Not that I am feeling any pity  
for me

I fuck up , I just push through

That's just me

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\*SLUTTY BECAUSE\*

\*INSERT 22\*

\*Philani\*



Pearl : it's a chilly morning

She walks in the kitchen

While tying her silky robe on  
her bare skin

She goes on to grab the coffee  
kettle

And her mug , she pours herself  
coffee

And grabs the chair opposite  
me

She takes a few sips

Pearl : you're up early

Me : I have an early meeting

Pearl : it's a Friday

Me : yeah , I'm well aware

She takes another sip

And heaves a sigh

Pearl : I was hoping that we can have this weekend , and just do something together . Just me and you

Me : like ?

Pearl : even a date

Me : are you not working ?

Pearl : I have a few cases , so I might as well attend to those

Me : there goes the weekend

Pearl : surely , if you have a meeting today . It won't be a free weekend for you , so I might as well keep busy

Me : shouldn't you be asking me that first , before deciding ?

She goes on to take another sip  
of her coffee

Pearl : it's okay babe , I just feel  
we've been neglecting each  
other too much

Me : you work a lot , and your  
job gets in the way of this  
marriage

Pearl : but I ...

She takes a deep breath

Pearl : it's okay , we'll see next weekend

And next weekend there'll be another case

That's why I'll be taking meetings

Even when there's no need

Being married to a career  
woman

Has its own fucking  
disadvantages

It's always her job this and that

With those lunatics people



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\*Phakade\*

I close the file and put it in the  
drawer

A knock comes at the door

I heave a sigh

Me : come in

The door opens and my uncle  
walks in

I heard , he's around

And I haven't bothered to see  
him

Uncle : are you busy ?

Me : slightly

Uncle : I want us to have a talk ,  
if you can spare me a minute

Me : take a seat

He pulls a chair and sits down

I bend the laptop over a bit

Uncle : you have done well ,  
taking over this throne . And  
bringing about changes in the  
village , it has developed a lot . I  
must say , I didn't think you  
have it in you . And you've  
proved me wrong , because this  
is good work

Me : mhm

Uncle : you've always been the  
quite , and reserved one . I've

always favoured your brother to  
take over , and be king . I guess  
my brother knew what he was  
doing , when he chose you

I am not interested in this talk

Because it's not like he's ever  
applauded me for anything

And I don't know why he's  
starting now

He heaves a sigh

Uncle : the reason I'm here , is  
because of your brother

Me : what about him ?

Uncle : when last did he come  
here , or when last did you go  
over to Pretoria to see him ?

I chuckle

Uncle : I mean well , at the end of the day you're brothers .

Different mother's or not , you still carry the same blood and DNA . Your father would want you boys , to get along and work hand in hand

Me : okay , work hand in hand in what way ?



Uncle : the throne is yours ,  
you're the king . But he's still a  
part of the royal family , he's  
still a prince to this kingdom .  
Giving him a position of some  
sort , might make him  
welcomed . And I'm sure , he  
will appreciate that very much .  
I just want peace between you  
two

It puzzles me

When people think they know  
you

When they've never show any  
interest in you

Or what you do

It has always been about having  
favourites

And who they care the most about

Me : did he say he wants a position here ?

Uncle : no , but I fear he might feel neglected somehow .

Maybe you can make him your chief , or right hand man . Just anything that might make him feel important

Me : he's important in his company , but you can tell him to come here . And tell me , himself . That he wants a position here , and not send you here . And that's if , he did that

Uncle : I am just trying to establish peace between you boys , and like I said he didn't send me here

Me : I didn't know there wasn't any peace between us , that's like new to me . Where did you get that ? Because I'm sure , you'll say he didn't tell you that as well

Uncle : you're not close with your brother , I can see that

Me : if that's what you're seeing , it's because of your actions . Your own doing , of which you

did with intentions . And now  
you want to act like some peace  
maker , oh please spare me

Uncle : I am not trying to upset  
you

Me : I am anything but upset  
with you , I'm just not aware of  
anything you're raising right  
now . So please , if that was all .  
I would like to get back to my  
work

He sighs

Uncle : I'm still around , you can  
come see me and we can talk

Me : we've done the talking  
uncle , there won't be any more

I push back the laptop opening  
it

And he doesn't need to be told  
again

That that's his cue to leave

He gets up and walks out

I shake my head with a chuckle

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\*Angel\*

It feels good being out of that  
place

Like I don't want to lie

It has been a good morning  
indeed

Just for the mere fact , that I'm  
out of there

Lorato : thank you for breakfast

Me : it felt good to just wake up  
, and cook . Instead of being  
cooked for , and being served  
what you don't even like

She smiles

Lorato : I'll do the dishes

Me : I'll help

Lorato : but you cooked

Me : I don't want to sit around  
and do nothing , I will go insane  
. That was a long 9 months

We clear up the table

Lorato : you're out now , so  
what's next ?

Huh !

What's next now indeed

I need to get my life in order

I haven't even asked myself that  
question

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\*SLUTTY BECAUSE\*

\*INSERT 23\*

\*Angel\*





Lorato : am I depressing you ?

I laugh

Me : no

Lorato : no , you don't have to answer me . Or say anything , I'll understand if you still need to figure things out , and you can stay here for as long as you

need . There's no pressure , you  
can just zone out

The media will probably have a  
field day

Calling me nuts and all that

Like they've been doing

Some taking pity , which just  
annoys me

I did not even bother , with a  
press release

Stating my side of the story

They just went on to make their  
own assumptions

Me : no , no . I had been making  
money , from the ads I've been  
doing . And I also have some

money saved up , that he used to give me . Also , some of his investments . He didn't have a beneficiary on them , and by default I got them as his wife . Also the pay out , from the house insurance . There's quite a bit I have , I just need to get a place . And from there , I'll see what to do . I'll probably need a job , because I can't depend on that money . Without having a back up plan , it'll run out

Lorato : at least , you have  
something to fall back on

Me : yeah , it's not all that bad

She packs the dishes in the  
cupboard

While I finish wiping the  
counter

We go to sit down on the bed

Lorato : a lot has happened

Clearly

And not just with me

But her as well

Me : yeah , and there were  
times I wished I had listened

Lorato : come on , maybe this was a learning curve you needed . And at least , you didn't walk out empty handed

Me : that's the consolation

I laugh

Me : Mandela was my hell , nothing I've ever seen or met



before . And it took him to beat me up , countless times . I finally gave up , and fought back . To a point that , I wasn't afraid of hurting him . I stabbed the man with a knife on his neck , and he thought I was crazy . And wanted to admit me to the asylum , I wasn't having that . Wasn't he crazy , when he started beating me . And he continued doing that , without any remorse

Lorato : that man was sick to  
the core

Me : yeah , I learnt the hard  
way

Lorato : pity so did I

Me : what ?

She heaves a sigh

Me : what did he do ?

Lorato : you know me , we've been living our life without a care . It didn't matter how many men I fucked , just as long as I got money . But today , I despise anything that's a man . All thanks to him , I hope he rots and burns in hell . I doubt you were the first woman he hurt

She gets up and walks to the  
fridge

She grabs a bottle of water

And walks back to sit down

She takes a few sips

Lorato : when you left for your  
honeymoon , I believe . Because  
I saw your posts on Instagram , I

had gone to the club as usual .  
And I didn't know he owned the  
club , I got there and I was  
stopped by security at the door  
. Of course , I wanted to fight  
my way in . But I was told I've  
been banned , the guy made a  
call and it was Mandla . He gave  
orders to have me dragged out ,  
and two guys had their way  
with me that night . And they  
left me for dead , at a pound . I  
was found two days later , by

some kids . I was in hospital for  
three weeks , I was hurt pretty  
bad . I needed stitches , and I  
had infections

Lord !

I find myself just tearing up

She's been through all this

And we came back from there

Went on with our lives

While she was going through  
hell

Lorato : I have no doubt , it was  
all his doing . He got those guys  
to hurt me , and they did . They  
served his purpose , I  
understood well . I couldn't  
even go on to open a case , it

wouldn't serve me anything . So  
I had to find a way , to put my  
life back

Now it makes sense

Why she's this way today

I always asked myself

From the first time I saw her



We've been with way too many  
men

Why would she suddenly  
change herself

And turn into a Lesbian stud ,  
that didn't make sense

I just didn't want to ask her

Afraid maybe I'll offend her

She dresses and walks  
masculine now

She even has a deep voice of  
some sort

And Lorato has never shown  
any signs of being interested in  
women

She's always been the girly girl

Short dresses , weaves and  
heels

Me : I am so sorry

Lorato : it's okay , I'm over it  
now . This is me now it's my life  
, I scored a job . I work at Ford ,  
and I'm doing fine . I just want  
nothing to do with men ever  
again

I have so many questions

But I don't want to bombard  
her

Me : you know what ...let's not  
depress ourselves . I've been  
depressed enough , let's just go  
and grab desert

She chuckles

Lorato : desert this early ?

Me : yes

I get off the bed

And walk to the mirror

I fix my face and grab my bag

While she puts on her sneakers

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\*Philani\*

My phone rings

I grab it and chuckle answering

Me : my great king

He laughs

Me : to what do I owe this  
pleasure ?

Phakade : I will fuck you up so  
bad , your stupid uncle is on my  
doorstep . And he's getting on  
my nerves



I laugh

Me : what did that idiot do ,  
what does he even want there ?

Phakade : he's on my case , to  
give you a position in my  
kingdom . So you somehow feel  
like , you're still part of the royal  
family . Because you're still a  
prince here

Me : mxm ! That fool , better not annoy me . When will he give up ? Did I say I want to be stuck up in a village

Phakade : go ask him that shit , he says he wants peace between us

Me : what ?

We laugh

Phakade : ugh ! Just get your family in line , I will get rid of them

Me : hold on ! Just let him be , he wants to be insane . And we won't help him

Phakade : maybe your wife can

I click my tongue with a laugh

Me : don't mention that one

Phakade : you're still struggling ?

Me : it's not like Pearl is putting any effort , it's always her job first before anything . She wanted this weekend , I had a meeting yesterday . And she chose to work , so obviously

even today she's with her  
lunatics

He laughs

Phakade : your life problems are  
insane

Me : just like that stupid asylum  
she's always at , it comes first  
before anything that's us

Phakade : let me go mind my  
own

Me : sure

He drops the call

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**\*SLUTTY BECAUSE\***

\*INSERT 24\*





\*Philani\*

Pearl : what ?

Me : what ...what ?

I grab my bag

Pearl : you're leaving ?

Me : I already said it babe

Pearl : but since when ?

Me : what do you mean ?

Pearl : all week Philani , and you didn't say anything about leaving . It's Sunday today , and you tell me you're going to Joburg

Me : yeah , it's business

Pearl : what business on a weekend ?

I shake my head

Me : what business did you have , going to that place of yours yesterday ?

Pearl : I work with mentally challenged people , I cannot have a schedule that's ....

Me : and I work unpredictable hours as well , today just happens to be one of them

I put the bag down and grab my phone

Pearl : and the bag ?

Me : what about it ?

Pearl : are you leaving it ? Or exactly how many days are you going there for ?

Me : I'll be back tomorrow , I just have something to do there . I don't need the bag , I was just checking for something in there

She sighs

Pearl : I hate this babe

Me : yeah , but like you said .  
We'll see next weekend , clearly  
there were no plans this  
weekend

She sits down on the bed

Me : it's just tonight

Pearl : please behave out there ,  
don't forget that you're a

married man . I know life hasn't been the best for us , but we're trying . Don't ruin us please

Me : why are you already suspecting me of such ?

She swallows hard

Me : have I ever given you any reason to believe , that I'm capable of fucking another



woman ? Or cheating on you  
out there

Pearl : I am just saying , we  
know how Joburg is

Me : let me go , before you say  
more than this

I walk over to the bed and lean  
down pecking her lips

Me : I love you

I move back and walk out

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\*Angel\*

I finish doing my make up

And pack away my make up kit

Lorato walks in

I get up from the bed

Grabbing my heels

Me : you're back ?

Lorato : uhm yeah ...you're still  
keen on going out ?

Me : yeah , are you coming ?

Lorato : I told you no

Me : oh well

I lower my dress

And grab my small side bag

Me : I will see you later

Lorato : be safe out there , I'm on speed dial . If anything happens , I'm just a phone call away

Me : I know , don't worry about me . I just wanna go out , have fun . And just be slutty ....just one last time

Lorato : you don't have to do this ....there's no need , you have ....

Me : I know , it's not about money . I just want to be slutty just one more time , before I gather myself . And get my life in check , I need dick

I laugh slightly

Lorato : okay

She heaves a sigh

Me : don't worry , I'll take care of myself . And I'll be safe , you can be rest assured about that

I understand her being this cautious

And getting worried

But I won't let anything stop me from having fun



No matter how fucked up life  
has been towards me

I just go on

That's just the way to go

Me : let me get going

Lorato : so you're not driving ?

Me : no , if I'm to be sloshed . I  
don't wanna die , so I'll just take  
a cab

Lorato : okay

Me : bye , and don't worry

She smiles

I lean over and hug her

I walk out

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\*Phakade\*

Me : when are you leaving ?

Bongo : in an hour

Me : mhm , I still want to see  
that report

He laughs

Bongo : I will ....

My uncle walks in

And he stops talking

I'm just annoyed seeing this  
man

Uncle : I didn't know you had  
company

Bongo gets up

Bongo : I was on my way out

He walks out

And my uncle sits down

Me : honestly , you cannot just budge in here . I'm a king , you don't just get to see me . Make an appointment , or send a messenger

Uncle : I'm not some commoner

Me : yeah , it applies to everyone

He shakes his head

Me : when are you leaving ?

Uncle : how long are you going  
to be a king , without a wife ?

Now I've heard it all

Uncle : I feel it's time you get  
married now



Me : what's your issue ?

Uncle : I have none , but you're leading a whole kingdom . And you are not married , you have no heir . Who will succeed you ?  
No king ever rules without a queen

Me : already you're thinking about succession

Uncle : these are the things to think of

Me : you're just pushing at something , I am not even interested in

Uncle : Phakade ....

Me : uncle please , I respect you so far . Don't take the little

respect , that I have left for you  
away

I get up

Me : now please excuse me

He looks at me

And he knows , I am done  
entertaining him

Uncle : you may be king , but you still need your family by your side . This kingdom , is of our forefathers

Me : yeah , I heard you . I've never needed this family for anything , I won't start now . You chose your side , so please stick to it . Philani is not here , stop bothering me . I think at this point , you can go back to your house

He looks at me , like he doesn't believe I just said that to him

Uncle : you're kicking me out ?

Me : I am telling you to leave , I don't get the purpose of your visit here

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\*SLUTTY BECAUSE\*

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\*Angel\*



I never thought I would be back  
here again

But here I am

And it's like , I went back in time

To the old me

The life I led

I don't miss it

I don't want to lie about that

What I was chasing then

I have now

It was never about the men to  
even begin with

It was just about the money

And making sure I have food

And now I have the money

I most certainly don't need to  
be opening thighs for that  
anymore

But I sure wouldn't mind having  
a man buried deep inside of me

I just didn't want to say that to  
Lorato

But , it's been a draught of 9  
months

I'm sure I even have spider  
webs down there

It's been a while

Fingers hardly even work

One would even get horny

Just by feeling the water from  
the shower

That's just how much , the salt  
has built up

Sometimes we find ourselves  
with anger

Depression and all that

Only to find out , we just need  
to get laid

Have sex

Have so much of it

Because the body needs to  
breathe

And get rid of body fluids

The body needs to release

A stranger tonight

Just for harmless fun

Wouldn't hurt

Just sex , great sex and nothing  
else

The barman brings my drink

Me : thanks



Him : enjoy

I take a sip , and it hits right on  
the spot

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\*Philani\*

Me : you're an idiot , I've been waiting here for you . For over 20 minutes , I am leaving

He laughs

Shakes : it's only been 10  
minutes , and I'm on the way  
man . Traffic is bad

Me : well I am gone

I drop the call as he laughs

I down my whiskey

I get up and head over to the  
bar

Just as I'm about to pull a chair

The lady sitting next to me gets  
up

And I've never seen such beauty

She grabs her Martini glass

And fixes her dress

She's not even paying heed to  
me

It's like I'm not even here

Me : excuse me ...

She finally lifts her head up

Me : please don't tell me you're leaving , because I feel like I've been stood up

She smiles exposing her perfect white teeth

I chuckle

Her : do I look like second option to you ?

Me : no never ! If he were to walk in here , you'll see his ugly ass has nothing on you

She slightly laughs

Me : Philani

Her : first bases are we ?

I shrug

Her : Angel

Me : wow ! And indeed ....

Angel : please ....I've heard that line , it doesn't work with me .  
Maybe it's even a curse , cause I have no idea how angels look like . I just came here for a drink , have fun and fuck !

Shit !



Me : uhm ....

I look at her ring , and there's definitely a ring line there

Angel : he's dead

She says not even looking bothered

Me : well , I'm here

Angel : a drink , or two won't hurt . Just understand , I don't want any baggage . Don't catch anything , it's just a night

Me : a night , I'm all for it

I take her hand and walk back to the table I was at

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\*Angel\*

He's handsome

Lord , he's too handsome

I just hope he can fuck

Because the dudes with good  
looks

Are disappointments in bed

They just make up for their  
looses in other places

By their looks

His phone rings , and he just  
switches it off

I smile taking his shirt off

While he slowly pushes me to  
the bed

Planting kisses on my neck

Me : make it a night worth to  
remember , I'm starting a new  
chapter

Philani : you got it

He takes my clothes off , taking  
his time

I'm left butt naked

And messing with his belt

Pulling down his pants and  
briefs

I smile looking at his dick

He's not the biggest I've seen

But damn , he's impressive

I slowly get on the bed

Getting on all fours

I'm not much for the kissing

But he's not letting me be



He gets behind me

I lay flat on my stomach

Lifting my ass up , putting a  
pillow on my tummy

He turns my neck to the side

And he leans over to my lips

And he captures my lips into his

I return back the kiss , and he's  
one slow passionate kisser

I slide my hand underneath me

Playing with my clit

And he rubs his dick on my  
pussy wet lips

I let out moans , pulling out of  
the kiss

He moves back

I gasp as his dick head goes in  
my pussy

Philani : fuck !

He curses under his breath

And he pushes further in

And from the way he takes his  
first stroke

I know the man , can use his  
waist

I'll be fucked

And it'll be what a way to start  
afresh

He places his hands on my waist

My ass cheeks pressed had on  
his V-line

I move back and forth on his  
dick

Taking his pace

As he goes in deeper and faster

I stretch my arms to the side

Letting him fuck me hard

Grabbing on the bed sheets

I feel his dick , getting harder  
and thicker

Just tearing me apart

His pace , going faster and more deeper

His balls hitting on my pussy lips

I feel my clit , feeling the pressure

I try to hold on , but the pressure is just too much

I let out a scream of pleasure

As he takes his dick out

And he viciously rubs it on my  
pussy lips to my clit

And i squirt all over the bed

He doesn't even let me calm  
down

He's buried deep inside of me



Fucking me harder

Just ramming inside of me

It'll be a fucking night

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Lorato : I hope you were safe

I look at her with my eyes slowly  
closing

Me : yeah , always

She's looking somehow

I don't get it , or why

Maybe it's because of what  
happened to her

And the fact that I didn't sleep  
at home

But she better chill

Because , I had an amazing  
night

I regret nothing

Philani gave it all to me

In all sides , and shapes

Now I can go on , to build my  
life

And see what awaits me

Lorato : I'm glad you're back  
safe

Me : yeah

I take my heels off

Mw : let me catch some sleep

Lorato : okay , but I hope this  
life is done and over with now .  
No more of this

I feel like I'm listening to my  
dead mother

But I'm shutting my mouth

I'll see what's next , once I  
gather my strength from last  
night

And my body has recovered

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**\*SLUTTY BECAUSE\***



\*WEEKS LATER\*



\*INSERT 26\*

\*Philani\*

Pearl : so early in the morning ,  
your phone is ringing off the  
hook , like seriously ! Don't  
people have life's though

I have my stress and  
frustrations

I really don't need her to be  
adding on them

I grab my phone from her hand

And answer

Me : Phakade

Phakade : who did you get pregnant ?

Shit !

That cannot be

Because Pearl tied her tubes

Stupid woman

She gets married

And goes on to tie her tubes

Because she doesn't want to  
have kids as of yet

She still wants to persuade her  
career

And all that shit , about being  
independent

Forgetting that she's a married  
woman

I wasn't even consulted on that  
decision

I was just told

After she had already gone and  
done it

Without telling me anything

And she gave me some lame  
excuse

That when the time is right

She will have them untied

And we can have a baby

That's why this marriage has  
never been strong



Even from the beginning

We've always had problems

Me : uhm no ...my wife is not pregnant

Phakade : I never said she was ,  
who did you fuck ?

I look at Pearl

And she's gawking at me

I get up clearing my throat

And she's not moving her eyes  
from me

Until I'm out of her view

I take a deep breath , and heave  
a sigh

Me : I kind of messed up , with some random girl . When I was in Joburg

Phakade : you better find her

Me : but ...why would you suspect me ?

Phakade : find her

He drops the call on me

I'm in shit

Where will I even begin to find  
her

When I don't have anything

I only know her name

Like how useful can that be

She didn't even let me drop her off

She insisted on taking a cab in the morning

When she left the hotel

Me : shit !

It's fucked up

Because I haven't been able to  
get her out of my mind

Which is crazy

I mean , it was just a night of  
fucking and nothing else

I wish my feels knew that

I walk back to the kitchen

And Pearl is busy making  
breakfast

Me : I'm going to get ready for  
work

Pearl : is everything okay ?

I avoid eye contact

Me : yeah

Pearl : why would Phakade call you so early in the morning ?

Me : he's my brother , besides he just wanted my advice on some business deal he's busy with

Pearl : don't bite my head off , I was just asking . Because it's still early



Me : yeah , and it's too early for  
this

I walk upstairs to our bedroom

My worry right now , is how do I  
find that girl

And could she be pregnant  
really ?

I was dumb sure

There was no protection there

But she assured me , she'll get a  
pill

And she didn't seem like a naïve  
woman to me

Now this is fucked up

And I know Phakade wasn't  
kidding

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\*Angel\*

Fuck !

Lorato hands me the glass

I take it and drink the water  
rinsing my mouth

I've just moved into my place in  
Rustenburg

I bought a house

Nothing too big

But just enough for me

And I'm still yet to get more  
furniture

But it's a working progress

One that's coming along very  
well

I haven't been feeling well this  
past week

And Lorato has been around

And I hate feeling this way ,  
with every fibre in my body

Funny how it's just certain  
foods that are making me this  
way

The smell of anything oily

I cannot stomach

But I'm eating a lot

I have such a huge appetite

My nipples hurt

And I sometimes just feel  
nauseous out of the blue

Also the sleep that I have

It's just crazy

We walk out to the bedroom



Lorato : I think you should go  
see a doctor , or get a  
pregnancy test

Me : a what ?

Lorato : seriously

Me : why would I get a  
pregnancy test , like why would  
I do that ?

Lorato : you've been throwing up , almost every morning . You eat a lot and ....

Me : and nothing

Lorato : did you get your periods this month ?

Did I ?

I don't know , I don't think so

Me : look , the last guy I slept with . I made sure that I got morning after pills , like I did not make a mistake with that

Lorato : yeah but sometimes ....

Me : I cannot be pregnant !

Lorato : babe listen ...

She takes both my hands into hers

Lorato : pregnant or not , it won't change anything between us . But it's best to know where you stand

Oh no !

The reality of this kicks in

And lord knows I am not ready

I've never even thought of  
being a mother

I feel her hands on my cheeks

As she wipes my tears that are  
just falling off

Lorato : it's okay

And she leans over , her lips  
gracing mine

I welcome the kiss , just getting  
lost in it

Forgetting what I might be  
facing right now

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\*SLUTTY BECAUSE\*

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\*Angel\*

I move my waist beneath her

As she keeps on pressing her clit  
against mine

I feel like screaming my lungs  
out

Just the pleasure

I thought I knew what pleasure  
was

But damn !.

No dick comes closer to this

I lean over , lifting my back a bit

Seeing her boobs jiggling just  
sends me over

I cup both her boobs

Rubbing on her nipples

As she holds tight on my thigh

My legs slightly shake against  
hers

And I feel myself dripping

As I cum

And she goes on to thrust her  
pussy against mine

I lay back down

Trying to catch my breath

She moves back a bit , and slide  
her finger to my clit

I loose my senses

And she moans slightly

I lift my head looking at her , as  
I feel her cum dripping on my  
pussy

She looks at me

We lock eyes

She moves back and catches  
her breath

She turns to the side and lays  
next to me

I take a deep breath

I lean over placing my head on  
her chest

She rubs her fingers on my back

Me : I am scared , I think I'm  
late

Lorato : whatever you decide ,  
I'll support you



Me : now things are ....

Lorato : don't think hard about it , we'll figure it out as we go along the way . Don't stress yourself

She places a kiss on my forehead

I don't know how this happened

Honestly , we went from how  
we were

To where we are now

And I wouldn't exactly say this is  
a relationship

We see each other when we  
can

Not everyday

And we've gone to have sex  
with each other

She sometimes spends nights  
here

We've never expressed any  
feelings though

I love the sex yes

It's nothing I've ever had before

Which answers my question on  
wether she's been with a  
woman before

And I guess she has

Because she knows what she's  
doing

And she initiated this

First it was a kiss

And I thought maybe it was a  
mistake

But she said it wasn't when I  
asked her about it

One night , we were drinking  
together

The kiss happened again , and  
we took it far

I don't even want to label this

Nor do I even want to label or  
categorise myself

I'm having sex with a woman  
right now

And that's that

If I'm pregnant , I don't know  
where that puts me

Because being a mother is  
something I've never even  
thought of

The thought alone scares me

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\*Phakade\*



Philani : okay bafo , please don't tell my wife this

I chuckle

Philani : I am begging you , I know how you are about honesty . But I don't even know for certain , if this girl is

pregnant or what . And I have no idea of how I'm going to find her , she's in Joburg . I don't even know if she lives there or not , it's a stretch . And Joburg is a huge place , honestly I don't know where to begin . So I'm just asking for a little bit of time please

Me : I don't care how you do it , but you will do it . Before that baby is a year older , because

you know then what will  
happen

He sighs

Philani : yes I know

Me : and your domestic issues  
are not my concern

I drop the call

My brother can be a handful at  
times

And I guess this is one of those  
times

What kind of a man goes on to  
cheat

And he leaves his seed inside a  
random woman

Despite the fact that his marriage is not the best marriage there is

But still

It's people like Philani who will make people like myself

Question being married , or even getting married to even begin with

If there was a way to escape  
such

I would gladly take it

Because not only do men cheat

But women as well

Too bad I know my fate and  
what awaits me

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\*Philani\*

Me : I need your help

Shakes : what did you do ?

I sigh



Me : look , I just need you to help me find that girl

Shakes : no ....no ....

He laughs

Shakes : wasn't that you just having fun ? Phila ....my man , you don't chase after one time pussy

Me : shut up , just do me that favour . It's urgent

Shakes : tell me why

Me : Shakes ....

Shakes : okay ....okay but first of all , I don't even know where to find this woman

Me : go to the club , I don't know if she's a regular there or what . Please man , I'm in a tiff . If I wasn't , I would go to Joburg myself

Shakes : fine , I'll see what I can do . But I hope this woman , is not going to be the reason for your marriage breaking up

Well .....

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\*Angel\*

Lorato : here

Me : thanks

I take the glass of water and  
drink

She sits down opposite me

Lorato : it's okay

I look at her

Lorato : I told you , that I'll  
support you . Whatever you  
decide

We went to the doctor

And indeed I'm pregnant

Just 7 weeks

And it's clear , Philani is the  
father

I haven't been with anyone  
after him

The time matches the time I  
slept with him

I don't know what to think

Or what I'm gonna do

I don't want a child

Like , a baby hasn't been  
something I've seen in my life

And now I'm with one , what  
am I supposed to do with it ?



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\*SLUTTY BECAUSE\*

\*INSERT 28\*

\*Angel\*



Never did I think that one day  
I'll be here

With a whole human being  
inside of me

Me going to be a mother

Having a child

But here I am

And I don't know what to think

Worse at that

I'll be a single mother

Raising a child all alone

A fatherless child

A whole single mother

In this day and age

It has become a norm

It's nothing to fret about

I know that

But I just never thought it'll be  
me

I kept myself busy with placing  
my furniture

Just to get my mind off my  
predicament at the moment

I'm all done now



And feeling hungry as hell

I'm lazy to even make food

I walk to the kitchen to make  
food

Just as Lorato walks in

And my eyes are glued to her

She looks stunning

Lorato : hey

I smile

She chuckles

Lorato : what ?

Me : what ....wow !

She has her dreadlocks loose

And has a new tattoo on her  
arm

Me : when did all this happen?

She places the paper bag she's  
holding on the table

I can just smell food

Lorato : I got you something to eat

Me : I am starving

I sit down opening the bag

Lorato : I just went to the salon

Me : I love the look

I was shocked to see her all  
tattooed the first time

Now she's gone and made a  
statement

Lorato : how are you feeling ?

Me : I'm okay

She nods sitting down

Lorato : have you thought of what you'll do ?

That would be a lie

Me : I am not ready for this

Lorato : it's scary I know , but a child is from God . And maybe this is what you need

I laugh

Me : are you saying I need to be tamed down ?

She smiles

Lorato : just a bit , who knows ?  
Maybe motherhood , will have that effect on you

Me : wow ! Thanks

We laugh

Lorato : seriously though , you have your life in order now . And the Thusi family are not after you , maybe this little human being is your chance at life . To do it differently , and do it for someone else

I never thought , I could hear Lorato talking like this



Like ever !

This is not what I expected from  
her

I thought she will judge me

Especially because I brought  
this on myself

I could have just avoided this

By not going to the club that  
night

None of this would have  
happened

One would say , I got exactly  
what I went out there to get

Its just crazy , I came back with  
a child

Lorato : but like I said , I'll support you in whatever you do . Even if you don't want to ....

She sighs

Lorato : to keep the child ....the choice is yours , but just know you have my support

Well ...

I didn't even think of that

Me : I don't think I can do that ,  
I haven't even thought of that

Lorato : good , keep it like that

She gets up and walks to my  
side

She pecks my cheek

Lorato : I have to go to work , I'll see you when I get back

Me : don't get snatched out there

We laugh as she walks out

And I just indulge on my food

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\*Philani\*

Pearl : is everything okay ?

I look at her

Pearl : you have been distant

Me : no babe

She heaves a sigh

Pearl : yes , I know we're not at our best . But now it's like you're just pulling away further

Me : there's no such

Pearl : are you saying I'm just imagining all of that ?



Me : yes , we work too hard .  
And we barely have time for  
anything , so we're just busy .  
Right now , I'm busy . And  
caught up with work , it's  
nothing . I don't think I'm being  
anyhow

Pearl : can we go for a vacation ,  
just for a few days

Me : what ?

Pearl : just a get away , so we  
can regroup . And find ourselves  
again

Me : but ....I thought you're  
busy with work

Pearl : I'll make time

She pecks my lips

I cup her face , gracing her lips

There's no way I am telling her  
about this issue

Especially because I have no  
idea if I'll ever find Angel

Or if she's even pregnant

I'll keep this to myself

Until I know what is what

Maybe focusing on my marriage  
right now , is the best thing to  
do

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\*Phakade\*

Me : I need you to do  
something for me

Bongo : what ?

Me : uhm ....but keep it to  
yourself

Bongo : okay

Me : I need you to find  
someone for me

Bongo : who ?

Me : a woman ...she's probably  
in Joburg

He pops his eyes

Me : wait ...don't get ahead of  
yourself , and I don't want this  
getting out

Bongo : who is she ?

Me : just someone who might  
have something valuable to me

He raises his brow

I chuckle

Me : don't think nonsense , I'll  
give you the full details . So  
you'll know where to begin

Bongo : alright



We get up and walk out

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\*SLUTTY BECAUSE\*

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\*Phakade\*



Me : tell me ....

I sit down

Me : this woman ....

He heaves a sigh

Me : don't ...I need to know ,  
because you should have  
thought of this before sticking  
your dick out there

He laughs

Philani : I get it okay , so please  
don't

Me : who is she ?

Philani : I don't know her , I was at a club . It's not like I've been cheating with her

Me : you slept with a hooker ?

Philani : no , she was classy . I doubt she's a hooker , she just said she wants a good fuck .  
And that's what we did ,  
nothing else . It's unfortunate ,  
that things ended this way

Me : and you didn't think of using a condom ? I mean those things are even free

Philani : I was in a moment , and I didn't have a condom with me . I was there to meet with Shakes , it was just going to be a night of drinks . I didn't go there to hook up , or fuck with anyone . I just needed that breath from Pearl



Me : have you told her this ?

Philani : no , and I don't intend to

Me : if it's true , she will need to know

Philani : yeah , but I'll cross that bridge when I get there

Me : do you even have a name  
?

Philani : she said her name is  
Angel

Me : could have been a fake  
one

Philani : I don't know , but that's  
all I know . I don't even know if  
she stays there or what , she

refused when I offered to drop  
her off

A married man , who's careless  
as this

I've never seen

Me : I hope for your sake you  
find her , I'm not about to send  
people out there to find a  
woman who might have even

given you a fake name . Joburg  
is huge , she could have been  
from anywhere

This is his mess

I wanted to carry it , but not  
anymore

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\*Philani\*

I know my brother

And knowing him , he wouldn't  
ask me about this

Unless he was thinking of  
helping me

But now , I'm not sure if he will  
anymore

Phakade is very unpredictable

Unlike me , he didn't grow up in  
a suitable environment

We get along

And we have each other

But we didn't even grow up  
together

When our parents died

Things weren't so good

I was 10 by then

And he was 12

There already was fights over  
the throne



Our uncles wanted to take over

Seeing that their lineage is  
excluded from the throne

But our father had already  
appointed Phakade as his heir

Seeing that he was still young

One of the uncles , said he will  
reign

Just until Phakade comes of age

While others were against that

And they wanted me to take  
over the throne

Then my uncle took me

And he raised me as his child

While Phakade was left to fend  
for himself

He had no one in his corner

And I was taken away from him

He was 19 when he came back

And he fought for his throne

That was very ugly

Because it led to him killing our  
uncle who was the regent

Because he didn't want to let go  
of the throne

The family discarded him

And he was the outcast that's  
king

But I found my way back to him

And he didn't throw me out

He didn't throw what happened  
on my face

He accepted me as his brother

I know I can rely on him more  
than anyone

And now , I know he's annoyed I  
fucked up

I'll just have to make things  
right

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\*Angel\*

Lorato : stop with the moaning

I laugh

Me : I can't help it , this  
massage is just ....hitting all the  
right spots

She chuckles

Lorato : you're abusing my  
feelings



Me : please ...get a hold of  
yourself

Lorato : I will stop

Me : don't , just go up a bit ....

She moves her hands slightly up

Me : ohhhhh ....yes ....yes right  
there

I close my eyes just loving the  
feeling

And she's doing it so right

Me : since Mandla's mother is  
not on my back , and no one is  
bothering me . I think it's okay ,  
to just go on with my life . And  
with my baby ....

Okay !.

That feels strange

But it is what it is

Me : I'll cash in on all the money I have , that's from him . And maybe go on to make a small business , something that can sustain me . Because a job wouldn't work , not when I'm about to be a mother . I need to

focus on that , and just put all my energy and focus into this next chapter of my life

Lorato : I'm glad you're keeping the baby

Funny , how I didn't even think of terminating

The thought never even crossed my mind

Even though I was stressed and  
all

But I'll see what to do

I'll just embrace this part

Like all the paths I've taken in  
my life

The good and the bad

Along with the hard

And I just walked my way  
through them all

I'll do it now , for this human  
being inside of me

Only God knows why and why  
now

And this way

And why would he trust me  
with a whole soul

So who am I to even question  
that

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**\*THE END TO BE CONTINUED\***



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Ain't No Love That's Blind

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\*UTHANDO LWETHU\*

\*PROLOGUE\*

\*A YEAR LATER\*



\*Angel\*

Whoever came up with the  
saying that don't give up

No matter how hard it is

I guess they knew what they  
were talking about

Because , you never know  
where you could be at in two  
years

In two years , you could be the  
person you've always longed to  
be

You could have the job you've  
been longing for

You could achieve all that  
you've wished to achieve

I never saw myself here

I never pictured myself in this  
manner

But , I am doing alright



There's no manual

There's no guidance

But , I'm walking through it all

And this is the one thing in my  
life I've done

And I feel great about

I have no regrets still  
whatsoever about it

I've embraced this path

And I'm just taking it one day at  
a time

My bundle is just 3 months now

She's a hassle

Honestly , I feel like she's one of those babies

Who don't come from normal families

Like those kind of families who have traditions

And they have certain ceremonies for babies when they're born

But at this point

It's not like I can do anything  
about that

All I just ask , is for her life

I need her to live for me

Because she has given me  
purpose in life

I've recently opened by  
restaurant and bar

Also the lodge

God finally showed up

And he really went all out

At times things were hard

But I found myself having  
strength

That I didn't even know where I  
got from

I look at my baby

And I see my second chance at  
life

To be better

My second chance at doing it  
right

And the reason to wake up  
every day

And be like , today shouldn't be  
like yesterday

I named her Oratilwe

Because she's really loved

I feel like she's my saving grace

And now , i see life better

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\*Philani\*



Pearl : baby , I am gone

Me : I love you

She smiles grabbing her bag and  
walks to me

She leans down and we kiss

After a few minutes she pulls  
out

Pearl : I love you

Me : have a great day , and miss  
me

She laughs grabbing her car  
keys

And she walks out

As soon as I hear her car driving  
out

I get up and grab my phone

And call Shakes

It rings once and he answers

Me : tell me you have her  
address

He laughs

Me : Shakes !

Shakes : yeah ...yeah I have it

Me : then why haven't you sent it ?

Shakes : and risk your wife seeing it , how would you even explain that to her ?

Me : mxm ! I am coming to Joburg right now , just make sure you send me that address

I drop the call grabbing my car  
keys

I should be back by the time  
Pearl is back from work

Things have been good  
between us

And we're trying to make this  
marriage work

She's putting effort

And I hate that I'm about to  
hurt her with this

It took a whole fucking year

Shakes wasn't finding anything

The club had no camera's

And by the time he went to the  
hotel we were at

It was too late , the footage was  
erased

It was brick wall after brick wall

And there was no finding her

Until weeks back



And she was trending on the  
news

For her restaurant bar and  
lodge

I am not wasting anymore time

If really she was pregnant

The baby would be 3 months by  
now

I'm not late yet

I cannot risk this , and let more  
time just pass

I will deal with the  
consequences of this later

And what this news will do to  
my marriage

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\*Phakade\*

Me : do you have everything  
ready ?

Bongo : yes

I look at him

And he looks like he's annoyed

I laugh

Me : come on

He sighs

Bongo : does King have to come  
along though ?

Me : I need him there , just suck  
it up . And let's go

Bongo : a whole month in  
Joburg , with King ..wow ! I  
don't know what I did for this  
torture

He walks out , I laugh walking  
behind him

I take out my phone

And I call Philani

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\*UTHANDO LWETHU\*

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\*Phakade\*

Philani : my king

This fool

Me : we're leaving

Philani : oh okay

Me : where are you headed to ?

I can hear he's driving

And he said he's on leave the whole week

Philani isn't usually all over the place

Philani : you're probably going to kill me , but I'm headed to Joburg

Me : why ? Because I know it's definitely not to see me , are you back to your old ways again ?

He laughs

Philani : no , I should actually be back home before my wife gets home

Me : you're at it again ?

Philani : I said no , but I finally found her

He's just a punk , he had to wait for her to trend

So he can actually find her

He made it seem like , she's living under a rock

Me : and it took you a whole  
fucking year

Philani : come on , at least I  
found her . And now we can  
know the truth

Me : mxm , I'll hear from you

Philani : yeah , don't say this to  
my wife . Come over to the  
house , so she sees you . That

way , it'll save me a lot . But I  
beg you , don't tell her

I laugh dropping the call

I look at Bongo

And he's still not pleased

Me : he finally found his baby  
mama



He chuckles

Bongo : you should have just let me help him , we could have long found her . Surely by now the baby is born

Me : yeah , we'll see what's what

I grab my laptop bag

And take out my laptop

While he presses his phone

Surely he's pretending to be  
busy

Just so he doesn't get to  
converse with King

I swear , at times it feels like  
they're fighting over pussy

They don't see eye to eye

And I've never understood it

I don't even care to

Their issues don't involve me  
anywhere

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\*Angel\*

Me : hey you

I make way for her and she  
walks in

Lorato : how are you ?

Me : good and all the better  
seeing you

This has been this

It's been happening

And to this day , I have no idea  
what it is

Or what to call it

But at one point

Girl had a girlfriend

I kept quite and said nothing

Because she didn't see the need  
to explain herself to me

Or tell me anything

So I said nothing as well

And let her do her thing

When that was done she was  
back

Still I said nothing

Maybe she wanted to get out

And do her own thing

Because I was heavily pregnant  
then



And I couldn't avail myself to  
her anyhow

I didn't care actually

Because the honest truth is , I  
enjoy the sex with her

But I don't love her like that

She's still a friend to me

Nothing more

She leans over and we hug

Lorato : I missed you

I laugh

Me : the madam has been  
keeping me busy

Lorato : motherhood suits you

I raise my hands with a smile

Oh well

Lorato : can I steal a kiss ?

Don't get me wrong

But I feel like this is just sexual  
and nothing else

And at times I hate myself for it

I feel like I let her way too easily

And she was just glad to have a  
fuck

Not that I expect anything out  
of it

I wouldn't mind dick any day

And I will choose dick over  
pussy any day

That's for certain

I lean over and we kiss

As her hands trail to my ass

I smile through the kiss

Me : I am not doing anything  
with you , my baby is still young

She chuckles deepening the kiss

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\*Philani\*

I am beyond the words shocked  
honestly

And I didn't think , I'll walk in  
here

And something like this would  
welcome here

I'm just standing still at the door

Just watching all this

And I must say



It's just one hella sight

Two women just making out

Too bad , it's not pleasing to my  
eyes

Especially not with the mother  
of my child

I clear my throat

And they pull apart from each  
other

The shock in her eyes as she  
looks at me

She clears her throat and fixes  
her T-shirt

It's like she's seen a ghost

Just then the baby cries

I walk in and smile darting my  
eyes to hers

While the woman she was with

Is just there frowning looking  
somewhat

Like she would even take me on

I chuckle shaking my head

Me : you finish all this , and I'll  
go check on our child

I just follow the cry

And get to the little nursery

And it's everything pink

To neon pink and dark pink

My heart just melts as I look at  
her inside her cot

She looks so much like Phakade  
, it's insane

She took his eyes and mouth

I smile picking her up

And she is sucking her fist

I spot her bottle , on the small  
stand

Me : sorry my love

I sit down on the rocking chair

And feeding her , she doesn't  
waste time sucking her bottle

She blinks just staring at me

I cannot believe this is my  
person

I made this person

Wow !

No words can express the  
feeling in my heart right now

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\*UTHANDO LWETHU\*



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\*Angel\*

I feel like I am dreaming

This cannot be happening

Like how ?

I have Lorato looking at me

With eyes full of questions

And I'm still trying to wrap what  
just happened around my head

Lorato : who is that ?

I take a deep breath

My palms are all sweaty

I feel like I'll choke soon on my  
spit

If I don't have water

I walk to the fridge and grab a  
bottle of water

I down it half

And breathe out

I shake my head slightly

This is so surreal

Lorato : Angel !

Me : don't raise your voice at  
me

Lorato : I asked you a question

Me : and I heard you the first  
time

Lorato : then answer me

Me : Jesus ! What's it with you ?

She walks over to me

Lorato : you said you don't  
know the father of your baby

Me : I said , he was a one night  
thing . I don't think I'll ever see  
again , I know nothing about  
him . Except that I just know his  
name

Lorato : so ....

She swallows hard



Lorato : is that him ?

Me : clearly , do you think I'll  
just let a strange man pass us ,  
and go to my daughter

I cannot read her facial  
expression

But it's something else

And it's saying a lot

Just she can wait right now

Because her feelings or  
emotions

Are the last thing on my mind

Me : please ....you have to leave

She chuckles bitterly

Lorato : what ?

Me : please

Lorato : you're telling me to  
leave , because of that guy ?

Me : he's here , I don't know  
how he even found me . Clearly  
me and him , we need to talk .  
And we cannot do that , while

you're here . I am asking nicely ,  
just ....please

Lorato : wow , so this is how it is  
huh ?

She moves back and clenches  
her jaws

Lorato : there will always be  
someone else better than me ,  
someone else who comes first .

Someone else who you will always choose , over and above me . That's how it is

Me : what are you talking about ?

Lorato : this ! I am talking about this , first it was Mandla who turned out to be a shit head . And screwed you over , and landed you in the looney bin . I was the bad guy , because I

warned you against the guy .  
And look how that turned out ,  
and who had you in the end .  
Me ....the same me , you saw as  
shit . While you were on  
honeymoon , having fun with  
your shitty husband . I was  
trying to get my life back , the  
life that got ruined all because  
of you . He had me raped , and  
left me for dead . Your husband  
did that shit , and you did  
nothing . Now it's this ass , I

don't even know under which rock did you pick him . You sure have a neck for choosing them , clearly love fucking just blinds you . And when it all comes crushing down , you come running to me ....

Me : fuck off ! Don't you ever get tired , of throwing my past on my face . I didn't know what Mandla did , do you think he told me what he did to you ? I

don't give a rats ass about what he did to me , because he's fucking dead and I live . So bitch , who won that one huh ! And I didn't come crawling to you , you came to me . You reached out , for your information I was never gonna go out there looking for you Lorato . Because when I cut ties , I cut them . Seriously you're beginning to be toxic , and I don't get this shit . You're here just for pussy , and



nothing else . So yeah , I guess I do have a neck for choosing them out . Because when you couldn't get pussy anymore , you were out of the door . So you're just a piece of shit , like the rest of them . Go fuck yourself , and jump ....

I walk past her

Lorato : I was here , I supported you through the pregnancy of

another man . He was nowhere to be found , and the second he walks in I'm now a piece of shit ! That's the thanks I get from you

Me : my baby never lacked a father , I never cried and said I need anyone . So please , stop holding yourself so high when it comes to my life

Lorato : it's ....

Me : oh please leave , I've had  
enough of you . You can't talk ,  
without throwing words at me .  
Well I am done , get out of my  
house

I walk to the nursery

And I find the two rocking each  
other

And he's talking to her

She has her eyes wide open

Just looking at him , like she's  
hearing what he's saying

It's crazy !

Because she hardly wakes up  
during the day

Only when she's hungry

Or she needs a change

Then she goes back to sleep

Her time to be awake and  
bothersome is at night

I always say she twists the times

I walk in

And sit down on the single bed

Philani : is that over ?

Me : what are you doing here  
...and how did you even find me  
?

Philani : I've been looking for  
you , you're a hard woman to  
find . And had it not been , for

your success . I would still be  
looking for you

Me : why ?

He looks at Oratilwe and smiles

Philani : because of her

I frown

Me : you didn't know ....so

I shrug

Philani : I always knew , nothing  
gets past me . I knew

It can't be that he did this  
deliberately

Nor can I say it was his plan

We didn't have condoms



And I wasn't on any  
contraceptive methods

He offered to get me the pill

I refused

But I still made sure that I got  
the pill myself

Even before I went home

So it doesn't make sense how  
he would know that

Philani : I am here now , and we  
have to talk

Me : honestly , this wasn't the  
plan . But I'm okay , I accepted  
it . And I love her to bits , she's  
my everything . But I don't need  
you anyhow , so you can go to

your life . And we'll just go on  
with ours

He chuckles

Philani : unfortunately , that  
cannot happen

What have I gotten myself into

Philani : so what was I ? You do  
women , like that's your type ?

Me : leave my life , and get out  
of my business

He laughs

Philani : sure woman , you've  
lived . And I'm sure you've done  
them all

I get up and walk to the window  
, looking outside

Philani : okay , let's leave that . I  
am no judge , I am here  
because of our daughter

It's strange

Hearing the "our"

It's hard to comprehend that

Because it's always been "my"

Philani : I need to take her home , so she can be introduced to my ancestors

Me : okay please ...hold on ! You just got here seconds ago , and you're already talking about taking my child

Philani : our child ! And I did not say I am taking her away from

you , but I need to do this . If  
you care for her life , and for  
her to live

I turn and look at him

And he looks serious

Philani : it's for her own good ,  
our gods watch over our blood .  
And if they recognise a child  
that's their own , but not under

their shield . They take the child  
, to be with them

Me : what ....what are you  
talking about ?

He rubs his chin and heaves a  
sigh

Me : are you saying they'll kill  
my child ?



His silence says a lot

And it leaves my stomach in  
knots

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\*UTHANDO LWETHU\*

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\*Philani\*

Seeing her facial expression

And just her reaction to all this

I get up

And walk to her

Me : whoa ! Okay , calm down .  
I'm here now , and none of that  
will happen . So really , there's

no need to worry . Because we'll do all that's needed for our daughter , and she will be okay . I made sure to look for you , and hopefully find you . And I did , you don't have to stress yourself about all of that

Angel : you can't say such , and expect me not to freak out

Me : okay , forget I even said anything

Angel : like really ?

I smile

Me : come on

She heaves a sigh folding her  
arms

Me : what's her name ?

Angel : Oratilwe

Me : mhm , I would have loved if she had a Zulu name . But it doesn't matter

Angel : how did ....you know that I'm pregnant ?

Me : my brother is king and he's a seer , he told me



Angel : what ?

Me : yeah , I'm a prince

I go back to sit down

Me : so you birthed yourself a  
princess mommy

Her eyes pop like something is  
registering on her mind

Me : what ?

Angel : are you married ?

Shit !

Me : unfortunately yes

Angel : oh great ! Yeah ....

She chuckles shaking her head

Me : look , I am not here to bring you drama . My wife doesn't know about this , but now that I've found you yes I plan to tell her . Because it'll be impossible for me to ditch my child , I will not do that . Nor you for that matter , because what you gave me is a jewel . This is my first born , my heir to be precise

Angel : you don't have kids with your wife ?

I chuckle

Me : no , she tied her tubes right after marriage . And I later found out , it just annoyed me . We've had a shitty marriage , but now we're working on that now . Anyway , it doesn't matter . This is my child

Angel : and you're about to rock it , with a child from the side

Me : my child , so I'll take whatever will come with that

Angel : I really don't need drama , I didn't think something like this would happen . And I mostly definitely , did not think we would meet again

Me : but here we are

Angel : just know , my business  
with you is just our child and  
nothing else . Let's respect each  
other , and know where it ends

Me : yes

I say with a smile

And see her getting lost in my  
eyes

Me : I heard you , and I'll  
respect that . I'll know my place  
, I promise

She swallows hard clearing her  
throat

I chuckle

So much , for our child is our  
only business

Me : so was that a thing ?

Angel : what ?

Me : you and her

Angel : it was absolutely nothing

Me : oh really ?



Angel : yes .... Please don't talk about that . You have your own issues , as to how you'll tell your wife about Oratilwe . Because I don't suppose , you're going to take my child to your home . For ceremonies , and such . While your wife doesn't know . So worry yourself about that

I know Pearl is going to freak

But she will just have to understand

Well , I hope that she will

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\*Angel\*

It's rare

To see Oratilwe this quite

It's like she's not even in here

And she's wide awake during  
the day

This is really a first

Philani hasn't put her down

He hasn't left her side

I can't help but be worried  
about what he said

The wife part

Like really though ?

What is wrong with me huh !

I just had to fall pregnant for a  
one night stand that's married

Have him be a royal and come  
looking for me

It's like I'm just a magnet , for all  
the bad things

My phone rings bringing me out  
of my thoughts

I get up and answer the call , it's  
the lodge

Me : Cynthia

Cynthia : I hope I am not disturbing , but there's ...

She heaves a sigh

Me : what ?

Cynthia : we have royals here from Isizwe Sa MaHlubi , and their king has requested your

presence . As in like ...he's  
asking to see you

I frown at that

Cynthia : what do we do ? They  
have booked for a month stay  
with us . They've just checked in  
, and he's asked for you

I heave a sigh not sure what's  
happening here



Who is this king ?

And what does he want with me

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\*UTHANDO LWETHU\*

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\*Angel\*

Philani : stop fussing , we will be okay . I will be here when you get back , I won't run away with

her . And if she gets too much , I  
promise I will call you

I heave a sigh

I feel like I'm backed in a corner

I don't want to take Oratilwe  
with

But since Lorato is not an option

I have no choice right now , but  
to leave her with Philani

I've never felt this uneasy in my  
life

I don't know this man

We might have a child together

But we're totally strangers

And here I am , about to leave  
him with my child

Me : I'll be back soon

Philani : yeah , relax . We  
exchanged numbers , if there's  
anything we'll both call . This is  
my daughter too , and I would  
never do anything to hurt her

I can't say that for certain

I place a kiss on her cheek

She's just falling asleep

And I don't want to pick her up

Because if I do , she will wake  
up

And I don't want to wake her up



My heart is very heavy

Philani : please trust me

That's a hard thing

I'll rather trust a rock than a  
human being

I doubt , I even trust myself

So how much more about him

I grab my car keys and walk out

My heart is with my daughter

I swear whatever I'm being  
called for

Better be serious

I get in my car and drive off to  
the lodge

It's about a 35 minutes drive

I hate this

I keep wanting to check on my  
child

But I also don't want to make  
Philani feel uneasy

I finally arrive at the lodge

And park my car at my spot

I walk out , just as my phone  
reports a message

I take my phone , and check it  
while I walk inside

My heart melts , it's a small  
video from Philani

Its of Oratilwe smiling in her  
sleep

She's just so cute

I put my phone in my pocket

Cynthia approaches me as I  
walk in

Me : hi

Cynthia : uhm ....

Me : where is he ?

This man better have called me  
here for a very serious matter

King or not

I won't just drop things for him ,  
like he's God

Cynthia says nothing but walks  
me to their table

And it's three guys

You can just tell by their clothes

They're not just ordinary people

And there's one , who has a  
snake totem cloth on his  
shoulder

Its creepy , but mhm !

There's just something about it

Being on him specifically

Cynthia turns and walks away as  
we get to their table

I greet and they all turn and  
look at me



He says nothing but the two  
greet back

And they get up walking two  
tables away from him

Him : please take a seat

Lord !

The aura of the man !

No girlfriend , it's just hormones

And nothing else

He just said to sit , he didn't say  
he would like to grace my land

I clear my throat and sit down

Doing by all means to hide my  
reaction from him

And the strange feels I am  
getting

Him : Phakade Mbongo

I say again , Lord !

Me : Angel Masiu

He side smiles

Revealing his side dimple

His hair cut , is clean and fresh

And he's dressed like a  
gentleman

I need to get a hold on myself

Why am I checking the man out  
?

Phakade : it's okay , I only asked  
to see you . Because I just  
wanted to see the queen of my  
people

Okay !

He just went on and lost me  
there

Now I feel like I'm an idiot

Because I have my eyes popped  
out

I have my jaw dropped

And my head is slightly spinning

Because I don't think I heard  
him clearly

Nor did I understand what he  
said

Me : excuse me ?

Phakade : I think I will fairly enjoy my stay here , while at that . I hope to see you , even if it means I'll have to request your presence . Just as long as I get to see you

Okay !

I take a deep breath

Me : I ....

Words are just stuck on my  
throat

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\*Philani\*





I heave a sigh answering the call

Seeing it's Pearl calling

Me : babe

Pearl : where are you ?

I frown

Me : what ....why are you ...

Pearl : you didn't tell me you'll be going anywhere today , I get home . And you're not here

Shit !

Me : uhm ....babe ...

Pearl : I'm just asking where you are ?

I look at my beautiful baby

And I don't think I want to leave  
her side anytime soon

Me : I'm with Phakade babe , I'll  
be back tomorrow . He just  
cornered me , and I've had a bit  
to drink . I don't think driving  
back is a good idea

She heaves a sigh

Me : but I can drive back , if it's a problem for you . I am sorry for not letting you know , I am sorry my love .

Pearl : okay ...it's okay

Me : you don't have to ....

Pearl : no , it's really okay . I just wish you told me

Me : I know

Pearl : don't drink too much , I'll see you tomorrow . Call before you sleep , and please greet your brother for me . I hope he will come see us , before he leaves

Me : I will , I doubt he will leave without seeing you

Pearl : okay , I love you

Me : and I love you my love , I  
love you so much

Pearl : don't forget to call

Me : I won't

Pearl : bye

She drops the call

I rub my forehead sitting down  
next to the little princess

And the way she's looking at me  
is creepy

It's like she can see right through  
my lies



I send Phakade a text so he can cover for me

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\*UTHANDO LWETHU\*

\*INSERT 34\*

\*Angel\*



I can't believe this man spent  
the night in my house , while his  
wife spent a night alone

He was in my bed , it felt wrong

He was cuddling us the whole  
night

Oratilwe has her own room

Only during the day she sleeps  
in her cot

But at night , I sleep with her on  
my bed

She's still too young to sleep on  
her own

I will not instil white people  
mentality on my daughter

No ways !

We're having breakfast now

And she's been changed and  
fed

By him

He made sure to watch her

While I made our breakfast

I am still stuck on what  
happened yesterday , at the  
lodge

A part of me still believes that it  
was a dream of some sort

Of which I know it wasn't

But yeah



At this moment girlfriend , a lot  
is happening

And I don't know what's what

It feels all so surreal

Philani : my brother is not home  
, and he's the only one who can  
welcome her . So for the time  
being , I think they can just  
meet

Me : wait ...already you want Oratilwe to meet your family , while your wife still doesn't know that you have a child ?

Philani : I will tell her

Me : when you do tell her , then your family can get to meet my child . I don't want drama , believe me I've had enough of it

Philani : our child , and don't worry . I plan to go back to Pretoria tonight , and I'll talk to my wife

Me : alright

I get up and clear the table

I think I'm just deemed to be in a mess

That's just my life

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\*Phakade\*

I sit down making a call

After a few rings he answers

And there's a slight cry of a  
baby

Though it's faint

I chuckle

Me : you found her ?

Philani : yes , she looks so much like you it's insane . But there's resemblance from me too , you don't even need DNA

Me : right , so when will you tell Pearl ?

Philani : you're still around , it'll only be in a month when you need the baby

Me : yeah but still , tell Pearl .  
Because I will see the child ,  
before then

He sighs

Me : you're not a child anymore  
Philani , learn to take  
responsibilities for your actions

Philani : okay , did she call you  
yesterday ?

Me : I am not your wife's friend  
, she knows that better

He laughs



Philani : okay , this one is fussy here . Her mother wants to run errands , so I better get her to calm down

Me : sure

I drop the call

And lean back on the couch ,  
closing my eyes

I sure looked and sounded like a  
mad man to her yesterday

If only she knew , she's the  
reason that I'm here

I came solemnly just for her

She's just been a bother in my  
visions

For like over two years now

And I just had to be certain that  
really she's the one for me

Hence I haven't bothered with  
relationships

I've always known , that my  
woman will be chosen by my  
spiritual guide for me

I have no reason whatsoever  
why this particular woman

Especially with her past and all

But then , who am I to question  
the one who leads me ?

Besides , I've given myself  
enough time

And I've taken a liking into her

So marriage to her , isn't  
something that's bothering me

And I don't even want to drag it

That's not my intention

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\*Philani\*



I wish I can drag going back  
home

But that's not something I can  
avoid

I have to do it

This time I'm just spending with  
my baby girl

It's bonding with her

And I know it's something I  
don't want to lose

So I'll do what's right

And what's expected of me

So my daughter doesn't end up  
as an outcast

Not when she's of royal blood



She's a whole princess

Not some dirty secret

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\*Angel\*

I hate leaving my child

But she seems to be okay

Being left with Philani

It's just so hard to get to say her  
father

Cause I never gotten used to  
that

Even from my pregnancy

I just wanted to come to the  
lodge

To drop off the books to  
Cynthia

But also , I must say and be  
honest

I am hoping that I'll see that  
strange man

From yesterday

I don't know for what reason

But maybe , just maybe

What happened yesterday ,  
really didn't happen

It was just my wishful thinking

I don't know how , but yeah

Or maybe it was just an insane  
prank

Such things don't happen

Not in this fucked up world we  
live in

I park the car on my spot and  
grab the books and my bag

I walk out of the car and lock it

Walking inside the lodge

Voice : Ndlovukazi (my queen)

Oh shit !

I turn my head slowly to the  
side

And here he is , at least he's  
real

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\*UTHANDO LWETHU\*



\*INSERT 35\*



\*Phakade\*

Me : excuse us

The both nod and walk away

I turn my attention to her

And she looks like she has a  
million thoughts

Going through her head

Me : can I interest you in a cup  
of coffee

Angel : no ....

Me : please MaHlubi

She frowns but it soon dissolves  
into a smile

I chuckle

Me : I'm a bother I know

Angel : let's leave that , you're  
just plain awkward

Me : coffee

She heave a sigh , and slowly  
nods with a deep breath

Me : thank you

I open the door for her and she  
passes

With a slight laugh

I follow behind her

She pulls a chair on the corner  
table

I pull it back for her

She sits down

I walk around and sit opposite  
her

Me : you're so beautiful

Angel : I don't get taken by  
flattery

Me : good thing I am not doing  
that , you're just beautiful .



That's the truth and nothing else , I am not even trying to charm you

She smiles

Me : when can I send a delegation , because I am sitting here and looking at my wife .

The woman who will be queen to my people , and the mother to my kids

She looks at me like I've lost a screw up there

Me : while you pound on that , let's get that coffee . And you need something to eat

Angel : sorry , no offence ....

Me : none taken

Angel : sir ...is everything okay with you ?

Me : MaHlubi I am perfectly fine , and don't ever call me sir again

I call over a waiter and order the coffee , along with their special breakfast

Angel : this is not normal , and believe me . I know insanity

when I see it , because I've lived  
it

I chuckle

Me : Mandla was somehow  
mentally disturbed , there was  
never a child . And his mother ,  
is actually his aunt . So believe  
me , I know the craziness you  
lived . And I'm far from it , but I  
don't need to speak volumes for  
myself . My guides are never

wrong , they led me here . And I totally agree with them , besides there's nothing I can do about that

She has her jaw dropped

Angel : look ...just because you read papers , it doesn't mean you know me . Or my marriage to that psycho , like you don't know me

Me : I didn't read papers , and  
that psycho was my cousin .  
Well ...a distant one , but yeah

Okay , now I have gone and  
finished her

Thank goodness our order  
arrives

Me : please eat

Now , her thoughts have  
definitely multiplied

Me : please ....we have our lives  
together , and we'll get to talk  
everything through . For now ,  
let's just eat

She takes a sip of her coffee

I let out a fade smile

Knowing it might not be easy

But I'm here , and she's here

Everything and everyone else  
can take a step back

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\*Angel\*





I look at this man

And I wonder just who he is

So many things are going  
through my mind right now

There's the whole Mandela saga

And he just said Mandela was his  
cousin

Who lied to me about having a  
child

Or a mother for that matter

And then there's Philani

Who's also another worry

He's married

I'll probably just look like home  
wrecker to his wife

And his family

My child , will probably be an  
outcast

Royal families are not the  
easiest people ever

And now there's this one

Me : if you know my past and all  
, and you're even related to that  
man . You know I killed him ...

He smiles

Phakade : he killed his own  
mother , he was 17 by then .  
And she had been sexually  
abusing him . From a very  
young age , in her defence . She

said , he remind her of his father . And he was just a shitty pig , so she took her anger and revenge on him . She made him do nasty things to her , and no family member believed him . We have a shitty family , the uncles are just idiots . That much I can attest to , so he killed her . He cut her to pieces , and fed her to wild pigs . He was diagnosed medically , and was never charged . He was

admitted , to a mental asylum .  
And obviously , he saw nothing  
wrong with himself . According  
to him , he was just avenging  
himself against his mother . Let  
me just say , he's never been  
one to keep a woman . Maybe it  
was his life plan , to make every  
woman suffer . For the sins of  
his mother

Wow !

I always thought maybe a  
woman hurt him

Maybe the mother of his so  
called child

But this , this I never even  
thought

Phakade : but your past with  
him says nothing to me ,  
because you're not it . And it



most definitely doesn't define  
who you are

Me : he ...he sold himself , and I  
believed that . But when he  
started changing , he threw the  
past he found me with on my  
face . Like every chance he got

Phakade : I am not crazy !

He says that with a chuckle

Me : you don't know me , yet  
you say I'm your wife

Phakade : yes , that you are  
MaHlubi . And I know you  
better , than you think . Believe  
me , there's nothing you can tell  
me about yourself . That will  
shock me

Is he stalker ?

Me : I will never let another man , put me through what Mandla did to me . Not again , not in this lifetime

Phakade : good thing , because we're for eternity . And you'll never have to be with another man ever again , it's all me  
MaHlubi

It's funny how he just goes on ,  
to call me with his clan name

Me : I have a daughter , with a  
man I had sex with . And I  
thought I'll never see again ,  
because it was at a club . Just a  
smash and pass thing , and now  
the man has resurfaced . Funny  
he told me , he's from a royal  
family too . Claiming to be a  
prince , and he wants to do  
right by his daughter . Oh and

also ...he's married , so yeah .

It's that bad with me

Phakade : ain't no love that's  
blind , this is our love . Uthando  
lwethu (our love) ...no matter  
what you say , or how you want  
to put it . Believe me , I know  
what I need to know . Which is  
basically everything

Awkward !

He leans his hand over the table

And he takes my hand into his

I shiver a bit as our hands make  
contact

I get a feeling I've never felt my  
whole entire life

And it's a good feeling

Yet funny and scary at the same  
time

I swallow hard

Tears blurring my eye , I can't  
help but blink crazy

Me : I come with drama , just  
lots and ....

Phakade : I am sober as they  
come , and I'll say again that  
you're my wife

Let the heavens save me

Goodness gracious !

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\*UTHANDO LWETHU\*





\*A WEEK LATER\*

\*INSERT 36\*

\*Phakade\*

Philani walks in and sits down

He heaves a sigh

And I'm not impressed one bit  
by him

And he knows that very well

He's just dragging his feet

And I don't even know for what

He's just annoying me

I don't wanna scold him like  
he's a child

Philani : I know , you're not  
happy . I just want to find the  
right time

Me : you want to drag this , and  
put your daughter's life in  
danger ?

Philani : no , I will never do that

Me : tell Pearl the truth , and while you're at it ....what's your deal with the mother ? Is there anything happening there , or you're hoping that it'll happen ?

Philani : nothing , matters are already complicated . And I don't want to complicate things worse , I'm respecting her . And leaving things as they are , she's just the mother of my child .



Maybe if I wasn't married , then  
I would try something with her

Me : don't even think about it ,  
that's my wife . Tell yours the  
truth ....

He pops his eyes as Pearl walks  
in

He clears his throat

And he cannot keep still

He keeps moving his eyes  
around

Me : I mean it , stay away

I know he has questions

But he knows better than to go  
back and forth with me

She may be the mother of his  
child

But my business with her , has  
nothing to do with him

My stay has been fruitful in a  
way

Though I haven't seen her in  
two days

But we still communicate

I only have two weeks left here

And I have to go back home

I know at some point she also  
deserves to know the truth

Of which , I am prepared to tell  
her

Pearl : what am I supposed to be told ?

She asks looking at him

He looks at me

I get up

Me : I'll give you two space ,  
and for peace sake act like  
adults

She bows her head as I walk out  
of the lounge

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\*Philani\*

Oh well , thanks a lot to  
Phakade and his loud mouth

I've been home , for over a  
week

And I haven't told Pearl  
anything

I just don't know how to tell her

And he just had to blurt his  
mouth

So she can hear him.

And now , I have no way out of  
this



Unless I lie

Of which , I don't think will work  
very well for me

I heave a sigh

I always call Angel and video call  
to see my daughter

Behind Pearls back obviously

And now , I'm stuck on Phakade  
saying she's his wife

Like what the fuck was that ?

I found Angel seeing a woman

Could it be that the two know  
each other

And they're dating ?

But she's never said anything like that to me.

She's never told me she's seeing someone

Pearl : what are you supposed to tell me ?

I look at her , and I hate how this is going to hurt her

And it scares me of how she will  
react

I just hope , it doesn't get too  
much

To a point that I'm forced  
between my wife and daughter

Because I possibly couldn't

We're in a better space now

Me : first and foremost , I am sorry . I don't know if you'll be able to forgive me , or accept what I have done . I have no excuse for it , except that ...things were hard in this house and in this marriage between us . It was supposed to be harmless , and mean nothing . But it happened that I met a woman ....and we had a night

together , then I found out she's expecting . The possibility of having a child out there , led me to look for her . And I did , the child is a few months now . It's a daughter , I've met her . And without a doubt , she's mine . Now I have to take the child home , so she can be introduced to our ancestors

I look at her , and she has tears streaming down her face

It's just pain

And it hurts knowing that I'm  
the cause of that

Pearl : is this the price I pay , for  
not being woman enough for  
you . For tying my tubes , and  
putting work before my  
marriage ?

Me : no , I am sorry baby ...if I can take it all back I would . The woman and I , we weren't seeing each other . It was just a one silly night , that wasn't meant to be anything . And it was the first time doing that

Pearl : it's okay , it's ....I should have been a wife , and we wouldn't be here . Do what you need to do for your daughter , I know how your brother is . And



there's nothing I can say , or do  
about this

She walks out

And I'm left dumbfounded

What the fuck just happened ?

What does her response even  
mean ?

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\*Angel\*

I pick Oratilwe up after  
changing her diaper

And I know , she will be wanting  
to eat

It's a good thing , I have a bottle  
ready

My phone rings

I put her on my chest

And grab my phone off the  
table

I smile seeing the caller

Me : Hlubi

He chuckles

Phakade : it hasn't been a great day , without hearing this voice

I laugh

This man is dramatic

There's nothing here , I don't even want to jump up

Because I haven't said I will be  
his wife or anything

All this is just insane to me

And it's surreal

I got burnt once , I don't wanna  
see twice

I mean , once bitten twice shy

But we talk daily

More than once actually

Phakade : are you available to talk ?

Me : yes , I just changed her she's a happy girl

He chuckles

Phakade : mhm , let me video call

Me : alright

I pick up her blanket and walk to my bedroom

I know this call will take forever

Talking about this and that



I'm slowly learning this man

Who he is , besides just being  
this king

I feel like he's too much of a  
mystery

But he doesn't hold off on  
anything I've asked

He's told me he's an orphan

Both his parents passed on , in a  
tragedy

Of which he said was witchcraft

From his family members , a  
battle over the throne

And he has a brother

They're the only children

They didn't grow up together

Because they were separated  
by family members

After their parents passing

And he had to be on his own to  
fend for himself

As his uncle only took his  
brother

And no one wanted to take him

But later found their way to  
each other

And how he killed his uncle ,  
fighting over his birth right

To take over the throne

He's not really into business

But he's doing projects to uplift  
the village , and his kingdom

That's how he makes a living

Also the part that he's a seer

Now I found that interesting

But scary at the same time

Though I think that's one thing  
that attracts me to him

Besides his character

I don't have such beliefs

But he knew things , things I  
haven't shared with anyone

So that amazed me

Also the man looks something  
beyond handsome

When he has on his totem  
cloths on

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\*UTHANDO LWETHU\*





\*INSERT 37\*

\*Philani\*

I walk in the bedroom

And she's still in bed

We hardly said anything to each  
other yesterday , and all of last  
night

I place the tray on the night stand

Me : baby please ....we can't go on like this , we have to talk . I know I fucked up , but this is something we cannot ignore or push back like it's not here . We have to talk about this , I am sorry my love . And if I can take it all back , I would do it without thinking twice

She slowly sits up and she looks  
at me

Her eyes are bloodshot red ,  
and slightly puffy

Me : I am sorry , I will do  
anything to fix us . I know I  
messed up

Pearl : do you love her ?

Me : no ...no I don't , it was a one night thing . This wasn't supposed to happen

Pearl : are you happy ?

Me : baby I am very happy with you , and I .....

Pearl : I mean , are you happy now that you have a child ? I always said I can untie my tubes

, when we're ready to have kids  
. But you have a child now , so  
are you happy ?

I heave a sigh

Me : it wasn't my intention to  
make a baby outside , but she's  
here now . And I cannot turn my  
back on her , she's just an  
innocent baby . She knows  
nothing

Pearl : an innocent baby , that's  
a threat to my marriage !

Me : babe ....

She sighs

Pearl : don't worry , I will never  
hurt her . But I want to meet  
with this woman



Me : I don't ....

Pearl : I want to meet her  
Philani , if you give a damn  
about this marriage . Then you  
will make sure that happens

I nod slowly

I feel like right now , I will be  
subjected to anything

And I'll just have to accept

Because I know , I'm in the  
wrong

Me : I am sorry

Pearl : unfortunately sorry  
won't fix this shit !

Me : I know that ...

Pearl : a whole child , I have to accept another woman's child into my marriage . And be okay with that

I sit down on the bed and touch her hand

Me : baby please ....I know this won't be easy , and I understand that . I won't pressure you into anything

Pearl : because I'm the woman  
who couldn't give you kids , and  
was always busy with her job .  
Who neglected this marriage

Me : that's not ....

Pearl : you know what Philani  
it's okay , let me meet with this  
woman . All I need , is for her to  
know her place here

I nod once again

And I don't know if Angel will be okay with this

But asking her is worth a try

Angel : you don't even know her , she could be a mental case for all we know . She could be a killer , or have some serious

diseases . You really thought with your dick , and you didn't think of using protection with her . Were you in such a hurry , that you didn't think of that ?

Me : let's not do this , I said I'll ask her to meet you . But please ...let's not revisit what happened between her and I

I get up and walk out of the bedroom

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\*Phakade\*

Me : what ?

Philani : can I ask ?

Me : is your wife okay ?



He sighs

Philani : she's as well as she can be , and she wants to meet with Angel

Me : right

Philani : don't sway away from my question

Me : what question Philani ?

Philani : Angel ....you said to me

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Me : I said what I said , and I meant it. It starts and ends with your child , nothing more

Philani : but ....how do you even know her ?

Me : I just do

He chuckles bitterly

Philani : she's the mother of my child Phakade !

Me : yeah so ...you're a married man

Philani : still , you're my brother . And you can't go after her

Me : I don't need to go after what's mine , that's not hard to understand is it ?

He blinks rubbing his chin

Me : yeah it's not , and MaHlubi will not be a topic between us . Deal with your issues , and leave what I'm doing with who alone

Philani : brother to brother ,  
you don't see anything wrong  
with this ?

Me : do you ?

He sighs

Philani : why her ?

I chuckle

Me : go ask dead people , and  
yeah the heart

Philani : come on Phakade !  
How can you be okay , to be  
with a woman I've been with .  
And I even have a child with ?

I laugh

Me : are you out of your mind ?

Philani : even if you love her  
man , you can't be that blinded  
by love . Not to consider  
everything

Me : get over yourself , ain't no  
love that's blind

He rubs his forehead

I get up

Me : you'll have a heart attack ,  
take a chill

He chuckles shaking his head

I walk towards the door

Philani : just don't hurt her

I turn back and look at him



Me : really ? We're doing that  
shit now

He laughs

Philani : on a serious note  
though

Me : I am not crazy ! So stop it

Philani : I guess it's better you ,  
than some random guy who'll

not give a shit about my  
daughter

Me : sometimes your brains  
work , even when you annoy  
me ....I'm still reminded that  
you're my brother

He laughs getting up

He walks over and we both walk  
out

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\*Angel\*

Me : what ?

I ask with a frown

Me : what does your wife want  
with me ? Did she sleep with  
me , and give me a child ?

I heave a sigh

Me : like dude please ....I don't need drama in my life , because I did not even ask you to look for me and find me . So please

Philani : she won't cause drama , I promise . She just wants to meet you , I am just asking that you meet her just once please

Me : well , I don't see why

Philani : please , just do it . For  
peace sake

I shake my head just annoyed

Philani : I think the honesty is  
needed between us , so our  
family can get along

I chuckle

Philani : so will you meet with her ?

Me : fine ! But she better not think she can come at me , because it won't end well for her

Philani : thank you ....and I thought you were seeing that girl I found at your house .  
When I came there

Oh great !

I haven't contacted Lorato.

Nor has she contacted me

It's clear , we'll never be what  
we used to be before

Whatever the shit that was



Our friendship before Mandla ,  
was the one good thing we had

After that , nothing just seems  
to work out

And maybe it's not meant nor  
supposed to

Me : she was just a friend , now  
give it up

Philani : and I would have  
thought that you'll tell me , if  
you're with someone

Me : who said ....

A knock comes at the door

Me : hold on

I walk over to open the door

And my eyes pop out

Like what the fuck !!

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\*UTHANDO LWETHU\*

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\*Angel\*

I'm just frozen

And he can surely see the shock  
on my face

Phakade : can I come in ?

Wow !

Me : uhm yeah ...

I make way for him

He walks in

Me : I'll ....

Philani : it's alright , once again  
thanks for agreeing to meet  
with my wife

Me : yeah sure



I drop the call as he laughs

I don't even know what he's  
laughing about

Probably he will be on my case

About this man's voice

I close the door and look at  
Phakade

Phakade : MaHlubi we need to talk

Okay girlfriend !

This is not me.

I want to question him

And ask him questions , that really require answers

As to how does he know where  
I stay

And what he's doing here

But I'm just frozen

The man speaks with firm  
authority

And ...he just makes everything  
hard

Me : okay

He smiles

I pull a chair and sit down

Me : you can sit

I'm like a kid that's ready to  
listen

He sits down next to me

And he takes my hand into his

The feeling just never goes  
away

Which makes me feel like an  
idiot at times.

The heart is speaking volumes.

But I somehow want to shut  
that down

And be like ....

Girl you just met this handsome  
king

You don't even know him that  
well

Like relax !

And let's not forget he's cousins  
with that lunatic

But damn my heart

Phakade : is the princess asleep  
?

Me : yes

You would laugh looking at my  
face right now

I sometimes feel like , this  
man's presence and touch

Turns me into a village humble  
wife

Lord have mercy !!

Phakade : don't freak out , we'll  
talk this out like adults



Me : what ?

Phakade : Philani is my brother

Oh shit !

Never mind having mercy on  
me

Just bury me finish

Like brothers !!!

What's wrong with me ?

It was the lunatic cousin

And then the brother I have a  
child with

Now the brother who wants to  
marry me

And already calls me his wife

Me : what ....

I swallow hard

Thinking he'll say it's a joke

But then how would he know  
Philani ?

Phakade : it doesn't change  
anything , and I've told him

you're my wife . To him my  
intentions have registered and  
....

Me : wait ....

He gives me one look and I  
gather myself

Me : I don't mean ...but , he's  
your brother . I have a child  
with your brother ?

Phakade : yeah , as it turns out

This is crazy

I thought it was something else

Wanting to be with me

Even after knowing that I was  
married to his cousin

And I killed him

But his brother ?

No ways !

Me : are you ....is this some plot  
, a revenge of some kind . For  
what I did to Mandla ?

Phakade : you think so low of  
me , like I don't even need to

know what he did to you .  
Because with his history , I  
know he put you through shit .  
So I don't give a shit about him

I refuse

This doesn't seem right at all

And I refuse to be all happy ,  
and accept all this . Love cannot  
be this blind

Me : why didn't you come before Mandla , and before your brother . Like why now , and why you ?

Phakade : I don't really like to question things , maybe I'm just supposed to fix their shit . And show you , that not all is bad

He turns and faces me



My head is pounding right now

Phakade : you're still my wife ,  
wrecking your mind won't help  
with anything . I just wanted to  
tell you , so you can hear this  
from me . Before his loud  
mouth blurts it out

This cannot be my reality ....no !

There has to be scripts of my  
life somewhere

Phakade : ngiyak'thanda  
MaHlubi (I love you)

My eyes get lost looking into his

And he brings his face to mine

Just inches away

He tilts my chin

And I close my eyes , just as his  
cold breath hits my face

I gasp as I feel his lips on mine

And he doesn't waste time  
ravishing my lips

His hands cupping my face

I trail my hands to his arms

I am so lost in the kiss

I even let out slight moans

And he deepens the kiss , not  
loosing his pace

This man sure knows how to  
take control

He leaves me at times  
questioning myself

And this is one of those times

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\*Phakade\*

I pull back

I just stare at her

Looking at God's perfection

She your slim woman type

And she doesn't have any baby  
fat whatsoever

Her figure is maintained

She must be one of God's  
favourite

She doesn't look like she's given  
birth

I smile just staring at her

And she slowly opens her eyes

And I've never seen her shy  
before

It's a sight to be honest



I chuckle as she darts away from  
my stare

Me : hey

I tilt her face slightly

And she keeps dropping her  
eyes

Me : let's start afresh

She smiles

Me : are you okay ?

Angel : gosh ! My life deserve a  
reality show

She heaves a sigh with a smile

And we look at each other ,  
sealing the craziness with a  
laugh

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\*UTHANDO LWETHU\*

\*INSERT 39\*

\*Angel\*



This is just one crazy family to  
be honest

And I just had to find myself in  
their midst

Maybe I really am crazy

Because I just attract everything  
, that's just not normal

I'm finally meeting the wife

And you better believe me

I am not looking forward to it at  
all

Now I have these Mbongo men

Looking after my child

Of which I just find awkward



How are they okay with each other

When one is the baby daddy ,  
and the one who's adamant I'm  
his wife

It just beats me

Phakade : you're going to be  
okay , you got this

I heave a sigh

He places a kiss on my forehead

Me : does your brother have to  
be there ?

He laughs

Phakade : I'll be there as well ,  
he just wants a distraction from  
today . And what better way ,

than watching the princess .  
Don't worry , we'll be okay .

Me : it's awkward

He laughs

Philani is at my house with  
Oratilwe

Phakade offered to drive me  
here

But he will be going back to my house

Phakade : come on , don't think about it like that

Me : but it's like that

Phakade : hey ...hey ...stop okay , just go in there . Meet the woman , and you'll come back .

We'll be there , actually call me  
. I'll come back , to pick you up

Please Lord !

Some normality in my life  
wouldn't hurt

Even if it's just a little bit

Phakade : I love you okay

I nod

He leans over and captures my  
lips into his

We kiss

After a few minutes he pulls out

Me : call me if there's anything ,  
like ....

Phakade : I will , but there won't  
be anything

Maybe this woman will be  
dramatic

And just have tons and tons of  
attitude

And this won't even take 5  
minutes

Yeah !

I just have to be optimistic

Me : okay

He pecks my cheek

And leans against the car

As I walk inside the restaurant



I'm literally holding my breath  
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\*Philani\*

Me : you poor thing , you just  
had to be brought into such a  
family dynamic

Phakade chuckles

She's looking at me like she can  
see me

Or even hear what I'm saying

Funny how , her mother said  
she used to sleep during the  
day

And be bothersome during the  
night

But now , she's got the times  
right

Philani : but at least , you'll have  
two fathers who love you so  
much . It shouldn't be awkward  
at all , I just hope there's no  
drama that will follow your life

Phakade : come on ! Stop telling  
the baby nonsense

Me : I am just saying

Phakade : don't just say

I heave a sigh

Me : do you think , it'll be a civil conversation ?

Phakade : your wife better not

Me : but ....

Phakade : no ! Angel did nothing , you're the one who's married . And you should have known better , so if she wants to throw stones . You're the perfect target for that , she better know that . And know why she asked to meet Angel , it better be for good reasons

Wow !

Me : like thanks brother , that means a lot

Phakade : don't , you brought all this to yourself . So don't try , and shift this away from you

I get up from the floor

This is awkward , even when it's just us two babysitting

Me : if you knew about her ,  
then why didn't you say  
anything ?

Phakade : because I don't go  
around spreading , and  
announcing my business

Me : maybe we could have  
avoided a lot of things , and  
saved ourselves the



awkwardness . You should have  
said something

Phakade : I didn't , and for a  
reason . Now deal with it

I shake my head

Me : so ...you're serious you're  
marrying her ?

Phakade : yeah

I don't know what I was hoping to hear

Phakade : as soon as the ceremony for the princess has been done

Me : why the rush ? I mean ...you haven't been together for that long , I'm certain . So why rush ?

Phakade : I like you , now don't  
dim that

I laugh

Me : dude I am your brother ,  
your only brother . Well , make  
that the only sibling . And you  
like me , just wow !

He ignores me

Like that doesn't even hit a  
nerve for him

My whole brother likes me

Like what happened to the love

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\*Angel\*

I will be damned

Like no ways , it cannot be this  
woman

Like why her ?

The shock on her face is  
something else

Like it's fucking priceless

I want to laugh so bad

But then again ....

Let me not

Pearl : you ?

I shrug taking a sip of my  
Cappuccino

Tears blur her eyes

She better not cry for me

Not her !

Because I don't wanna lie , I will  
not feel any pity for her

Maybe if it was another woman  
, and not this Pearl

Thanks a lot to Philani , he just  
had to be married to her



Pearl : please tell me , this is not  
your revenge

Oh shit !

Me : lady don't start with me ,  
revenge for what ?

Pearl : I saved your ass Angel ,  
you should have been ....

Me : shut up , you said that  
many times

Pearl : you're a murderer , you  
needed help . Your husband  
called me to help you , I didn't  
want to have you admitted for  
no reason . You needed the  
help ...

Me : wait hold on , Pearl you're  
not that important to me okay !  
I didn't know he was your

husband , I was fucking horny .  
And I just needed dick , too bad  
it happened to be him . And  
now we're here , but you best  
believe . I did not target your  
husband , it's not some revenge  
plot . I didn't even know he was  
your husband , until now . So  
please , spare me . Don't give  
me all that shit

She wipes her tears

Me : for what it's worth I am  
sorry , it's not like I planned this  
though . I was even okay , with  
my child all by myself . But he  
had to go find me , and ....I  
never asked for any of that . But  
I am sorry , I don't want him .  
He's all yours honey , I am not  
even a threat to your marriage  
whatsoever . So is my child

Poor woman !

If I was shady , I would tell her  
karma works in mysterious ways

She was okay , to send me to a  
looney bin

For stupidity

Me : I really don't think we  
need this , let's just be civil to  
each other . You're not even  
forced to like me or my

daughter , I bring you no  
troubles

I get up

Me : just don't start with me  
Pearl , especially not where my  
daughter is concerned . I hope  
that was clear enough

I take out money for my  
Cappuccino

And grab my bag walking out of  
the restaurant

I send Phakade a text that I'm  
done

Since he dropped me off

He will have to come pick me up

I'll just go have a light meal

At this Italian restaurant while I  
wait

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\*UTHANDO LWETHU\*



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\*Phakade\*

She's so angry

And I actually find it funny

Like , I just don't get it

But it's women

So anything with them , just cannot be talked out

But it doesn't seem like Pearl created some drama

Maybe she's just annoyed , at the fact that they know each other somehow

Angel : like it just had to be her

I side eye her

And let out a side smile

Angel : no , I don't see how we  
can co exist here

Me : for the sake of the princess

Angel : no , that woman will  
never love my child

Me : she's just a child

Angel : her husband's bastard child , she will never accept her

Me : Oratilwe is anything but a bastard child , so please let's refrain from uttering such words where she's concerned

She pouts her lips

Angel : I'm sorry

It's a mumbled one

I let out a chuckle

Angel : but ....she accused me ,  
of doing revenge on her

Me : that's crazy , she's just hurt  
and in pain . But she'll get over  
it



Angel : I don't want my child  
involved in this drama

Me : and there will be no drama  
here

She heaves a sigh looking  
outside of the window

I reach over and hold her hand  
on her thigh

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\*Philani\*

I'm on my feet as they walk in

And I can see Angel is not happy

Pearl hasn't contacted me

She hasn't said anything

So I have no idea how this went  
like

Me : uhm .....

Phakade shakes his head

And just like that , she just  
passes me

And she walks over to the cot

She picks Oratilwe up

And kisses her forehead

She walks upstairs just leaving  
us

Me : and then ?

He laughs

Me : share the joke

Phakade : she's pissed you can see that

I heave a sigh

Me : I'm sure hell is waiting for me at home , but I'm glad you're finding all this funny

brother . My misery amuses you  
huh

Phakade : don't be such a pussy  
, Angel is just annoyed because  
they know each other ....well  
kind of

Me : what ?

Like can this get any worse

Me : what do you mean ? Like  
how do they know each other ?

He pulls a chair and sits down

Phakade : she was married to  
your lunatic cousin , who got  
your wife to send her to an  
asylum

Oh shit !



Me : wait ....she's that Angel ?  
The Angel who killed Mandla ,  
and burnt him to ashes ?

He chuckles

Phakade : she did all of us a  
huge favour

This is fucking messed up

How did I miss all of this ?

Like how did I not see that she's  
that woman ?

I mean , her face was all over  
the news

She was the talk , and I couldn't  
recognise her

Even now

I still couldn't recognise her

Like , how messed up can this be ?

Me : and wait ....you still say , this woman is to be your wife ?

He shakes his head

And by his expression , I know he's done with this talk

He will never entertain me ,  
when it comes to this ever again  
with me

Me : I'm sorry

I raise my hands up in surrender

Me : did she say ...how Pearl  
was ?

Phakade : I didn't need to ask ,  
but I'm sure your wife will fill  
you in

Fuck !.

Now I don't even wish to go  
back home

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\*Angel\*

Phakade : let's just put  
everything aside , for the sake  
of the princess

I think it's so easy for him to say

Philani left

And he didn't look his best

I think , this whole situation is just awkward for us

Now even more so , I know who his wife is

And she will go on to think whatever she wants to think about me

Phakade : please .... We'll all get through this



Me : why ...why does it seem so easy to you ?

Phakade : because I know , what I want . And what's my end goal , anything that happens in between doesn't take away my sight from what I want . Quite frankly , I don't even want to bother myself about everything else

Me : let's be honest ...you're a king , shouldn't you be marrying a royal princess ?

He chuckles

Phakade : no , being queen is not defined by being royalty

Me : I am scared , because the last time I thought I found a man . It ....

I shake my head slowly

Phakade : this time around , the  
man found you . You best  
believe this is for forever

I let out a fade smile

I hope I'm not about to be living  
another nightmare again

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\*Philani\*

Pearl : you know ....I know that girl , she was married to your cousin Mandla . And yes she killed him , and was in the asylum for 9 months . Why her Philani , like why her ? It could have been anyone , but just her

I heave a sigh

Me : I didn't even know who she was , I swear ! But baby , it doesn't change anything . What happened between Angel and I , shouldn't have happened . And it meant nothing okay !

She laughs bitterly

Pearl : I'm sure she's happy now  
, I was the woman who walked  
into her house . And said she  
was insane , so now she made  
sure to make me pay

Me : come on ! That's just crazy  
, it's crazy . I've apologized ,  
you've met her like you wanted  
. And then from here on , you'll  
decide what's what . Because I  
cannot change what has  
happened , I can't take it back .

So it'll be up to you , but stop  
with your theories . Angel was  
never out to get you

I get up and grab my phone off  
the table walking upstairs

I won't apologize forever

Nor will I apologize everyday

I just got tired of that



Because I'm sorry so what ?

Maybe this is the wake up call ,  
that she needed

So she can know , she needs to  
be devoted to her marriage

Like the married woman that  
she is

Whatever happens from here  
on , happens .

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\*UTHANDO LWETHU\*

\*10 MONTHS LATER\*

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\*Philani\*

Me : you really did this ?

He laughs

Phakade : it had long been

Me : I must say , I didn't think you'll make it official . It was a hassle , from the negotiations . The gifting ceremony , and well the crowning as queen . I never thought you'll get here , where

she will be Mrs . But you have done it , against your negative uncle and them family members

Phakade : once a wife has been given a name , and poured with bile . She's a wife , wether there's a marriage certificate or not . And this one , is a special case . Not only is she a wife , but she's also queen

I chuckle



My brother has grown

I never thought Phakade would  
get married

And he just said to choose , the  
kind of a woman who's not all  
pure

Upon things they stumbled on

He still made sure , he finds  
ways

And that this woman is his wife

Me : well ...for what it's worth , I  
am proud of you

He chuckles shaking his head

His eyes reacting , he's slightly  
mocking my comment

I dart my eyes around

Until I see Pearl and Angel

They're with some of the  
cousins

There's no elder amongst them

Angel is still in her wedding  
dress

Pearl is in traditional wear

Me : I hope a fight doesn't  
surface here

Phakade chuckles

My eyes are glued to them

And you just cannot miss the  
tension that's there

Since their so called meet  
meeting

They've never spoken to each  
other ever again

Or seen each other

For all those months , they've  
kept their distance

Pearl made it clear she wants  
nothing to do with this

Even my daughter to say the  
least

And what was worse , was her  
shaming Angel

For being with three brothers

As she said it

It wasn't nice

But of course , she respects  
Phakade way too much

She kept much to herself

But I know where she stands

And Angel can see that

I don't think , they'll ever get  
along

Or even be civil with each other

I just hate the environment this  
will be for my daughter

Pearl did not even bother to  
attend the ceremony that was  
done for Oratilwe



To welcome her into our family  
and introducing her to our  
guides

My wife wasn't part of that

Angel sealed it , and said Pearl  
must never be involved in  
anything that has to do with her  
or our daughter

Today here she is

And yet , it's Angel's wedding  
day

I don't get why she's here

Now that Angel is queen , and  
carrying the same name as ours

She sees it fit to come here

It's crazy

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\*Phakade\*

King : there's an un-invited  
guest here

He says behind me

Me : who ?

King : the young lady , the  
queen had ....

He clears his throat

Me : I see , where is she ?

King : by the gate , I told them  
not to allow her in

Me : bring her

He walks away

I clench my jaws just annoyed

I turn around and walk to the  
west wing

King walks over with her

And she looks scared

Beats me why , because she  
dragged her ass here

When her pussy balls carried  
her all the way here

Me : what do you want ?

She looks at me and swallows  
hard

Me : I know you , and I know  
what you've done with my wife  
. It ended there , don't come  
here thinking you can rekindle

whatever that nonsense was .  
Let your life choices remain  
yours

She rubs he hands together

Lorato : I am just ...I just need to  
talk to Angel

Me : Queen ....to you

She nods slowly



Me : and you don't just rock up  
at the royal grounds , and say  
you want to see the queen . You  
request

Lorato : I ...I didn't know that , I  
am sorry

Me : now you know , and let  
this be the last time

I look at King and he nods  
walking away

We stand in silence

She keeps darting her eyes  
away from my stare

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\*Angel\*



I would be happy

And say , king rescued me from  
Pearl

Because I don't get her being all  
nice to me today of all days

When she knows very well , that  
me and her

We're just water and oil

It'll never work out

But seeing Lorato , my insides  
go cold

What does she want ?

Like what is she doing here?

We haven't seen each other

Or talked to one another

Since the last time , I told her to  
leave my house

I look at Phakade

I cannot tell his look

But this cannot be good at all

Phakade walks over to me

Just a few feet away from  
Lorato

Phakade : this is our wedding  
day , the last thing I want is  
drama in our kingdom

I just nod like a 5 year old

He pecks my lips and walks  
away

Along with King who turns and  
walks with him

Lorato walks over to me

Lorato : hi

Me : really ? ....like today of all  
days



She chuckles shaking her head

Me : don't you get tired ?

Lorato : like you just never learn  
, first it was Mandla . And I  
warned you against him , but  
you still chose him over me .  
When he turned your life  
upside down , I was there ...

Me : I never asked you , so  
please don't be like you did me  
a favour

She laughs

Lorato : fuck you Angel ! You  
are the one who went out there  
, and got yourself knocked up .  
But still , I was there . And at  
the end of it all , you still chose  
another man over me . When  
that didn't work , you didn't

come back to me . You moved  
to the next best thing , and now  
you're some village queen ...

She laughs

Lorato : what a fucking shame  
huh ! You think you're better  
than me don't you ? It has  
always been about you , and I  
always came second

Me : Lorato please , I don't know why you're doing this . I never had feelings for you , it was just sex and nothing . It meant nothing to me , get over yourself

Lorato : is it ? It meant nothing to you , oh well let's see .....

My jaw drops as I pop my eyes

And she has a gun pointed at  
me

Right on my tummy

My twins !!!

Lord please no !

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\*UTHANDO LWETHU\*

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\*Angel\*



I am so scared

I can literally feel pee slowly  
coming out

I've seen things

But I've never , been pointed  
with a gun

Never !

And for it , to even be Lorato

That's something , I just cannot believe

Me : Lorato please , I am pregnant . My kids do not deserve it , Oratilwe still needs her mother . For heaves sake , she's only 14 months . She still

needs me , please put the gun  
away . Since when are you this  
kind of a person ?

Lorato : oh come on ! She has  
her father , and uncle slash step  
father . She's a princess she's  
set for life , don't worry

No !

This cannot be happening

I turn back , to look at Phakade

But they have disappeared from  
us

Lorato : don't even think about  
it , call him or scream . And I will  
blow everyone on my way

I swallow hard

Feeling a lump of pain , being  
stuck on my throat

Me : Lorato please ....

Lorato : you annoy me Angel !

No ....in actual fact , you piss me  
off . I've been there for you  
always , and every time you  
choose someone else over me .

Why ....why do you do that ?

Like why do you love hurting me  
so much

She shakes her head biting her  
lower lip

Lorato : don't I deserve to be  
loved as well ...don't I deserve  
you to choose me , just once in  
your life . I care about you , I  
love you .....I fucking love you  
damnit !

She is getting pissed

And she raises her voice

Lorato : But you're just too  
stupid to see it ...but you know  
what ....

She chuckles

And presses the gun too hard  
on my tummy

Tears just stream down my face

As I feel those small kicks

Lord , please not my kids

I cannot stop saying

I hope God doesn't fail me this  
time around

Please no ....



Lorato : I will finish it all today ,  
you're the cause of this . It's you  
Angel , it has always been you .  
You started it , and you've  
always been at the centre of it  
all . Guess what , I've had  
enough . You have toyed with  
me , it's enough now

I don't want to accuse her of  
anything

I don't want to say something  
that might push her over

But , this is crazy

We've had sex , and that was it

She's never said she loves me

She's never expressed her  
feelings

And I know for a fact , I loved  
the sex

But I've never held romantic  
feelings for Lorato

Never !

Me : please ....

Lorato : it was Mandla , he  
wanted me and you took him

away . He rejected me because of you , and you knew this . But you still took him , and you lived a life that was supposed to be mine . Bitch he fucked you up too little , he should have done more . And then , you went for someone's husband . To an extent , you get pregnant for him . And boom ! Angel the whore , the slutty bitch ...you go for his brother . And when it all comes out , they're cousins with

Mandla . The Mandla that you killed ...like wow , no surprises there . You just had to taste all the dicks in the family ...

She laughs shaking her head

Lorato : Mandla should have killed you , and did us all a favour . You're just a waste of a human being , and you deserve to die knowing that

Me : today you're saying all this  
, is he not the same Mandla  
who had men rape you and ...

She slaps me

I bite my lip , and close my eyes  
briefly

I can taste the blood in my  
mouth

I open my eyes and look at her

Lorato : do not mention my  
rape ...that's ...

Me : if you can throw  
everything I've done , on my  
face . Surely I can throw it , in  
your face as well . But it's nice  
to know , today you're  
applauding Mandla for what he

did to me . Maybe you enjoyed being fucked , like the whore that you are . Surely , you didn't think I'll settle for a pussy that needed to be stitched . And treated for infections , after being ripped by random men . You hold yourself too high , and you're nothing but just damaged goods . Do your worst , I've lived and I give no fucks . At the end of it all , I got to be queen . What have you ever



been in your life huh ? Except  
jumping from dick to dick , until  
you got tired and you figured  
you should jump for pussy .  
Now who is the whore ?

Her lips quiver

She's fuming

Maybe I've made things worse

I should have just kept my  
mouth shut

Lorato : well ....rest bitch !

The gun goes off and I close my  
eyes freezing

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\*Philani\*

During the whole chaos

After the gun going off

I just run following King with  
Bongo and Phakade

I don't even know where Pearl  
is at

People are startled

And there were few screams as  
the gun went off

I stop on my tracks , feeling my  
heart pounding against my  
chest

Phakade grabs the woman with  
the gun

And he draws his own gun

He grabs her jaws , as she  
screams crying

He puts two bullets through her  
mouth

I feel like puking

That was just fucking gruesome

He lets go of her

She falls down on the ground

I come to my senses as I see  
him going down

And I see Angel lying down

In a pool of her own blood

Her white dress , is all bloody on  
her stomach

Fear strikes me

My brother lifts his head

He looks at King , who shakes  
his head

My heart just shatters looking  
at Phakade

He turns his gaze back to Angel

And he picks her up into his  
arms



I've never seen my brother like  
this

It feels like this is a movie , like a  
whole action film

And I'm in the movie

I'm just watching this whole  
thing being filmed

Phakade just walks past me with  
Angel bleeding on her stomach

I look down , as I feel pain  
choking me

My brother cannot lose his wife  
and kids like this

He was looking forward to being  
a father again

Because Oratilwe is his child just  
as much

The pregnancy of the twins ,  
meant everything to him

He had finally married the  
woman his heart yearns for

Why ....

Bongo : sorry man

I lift my eyes and look at him

And they have the most  
depressing looks ever

Me : she's okay ?

King pats my shoulder

King : she's gone

Fuck no !

I find myself going down slowly

Feeling my chest closing up

Bongo : come on man ....don't  
do this

I can hear him , but it's like he's  
far away

King : we need to deal with this  
, no one can see that body  
there . We must clean this mess  
, attend to him

I'm on my knees on the floor

Touching my chest , as a tear  
falls down my face

Bongo : Philani ....

I don't hear the rest of anything  
that he says

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\*UTHANDO LWETHU\*

\*INSERT 43\*



\*Philani\*



Pearl : this is just tragic

I look at her

And for the first time ever

She's holding Oratilwe

Never thought I'll ever see this

Pearl is holding my child in her  
arms

The same child , she claimed  
she never wants anything to do  
with her

In front of me

In front of her mother

And the whole family

I get up and take Oratilwe from her

Pearl : babe what ...

Me : there's no need for you to do this , and you don't have to be here pretending . You must be happy , so go on about your things

I move back and sit down with  
Oratilwe on my lap

My baby girl is so innocent

She doesn't even have a clue of  
what's happening

Pearl : Philani , I know ....I

She heaves a sigh

Pearl : I know things haven't been ...well , I haven't exactly accepted anything . But right now the situation is ....

She takes a deep breath

Pearl : all I'm saying is that I can help

Me : no don't brother , I'll take care of my child . I am here

Pearl : baby , your brother  
needs you . He needs you now  
more than ever , he needs your  
support . And you by his side ,  
you cannot mind a toddler . And  
still be a supportive brother

If only she can get it

Nothing she says will make me  
let her take care of my child



I've always said in my heart , if  
tables were turned

And I had met Angel first

That's the woman who would  
be my wife

Oratilwe , is the one precious  
gift I have because of Angel

And I will not disrespect her in any way

Especially where Pearl is concerned

After everything that has happened between them

And Pearl showing , she cannot be mature enough to come to the party

Pearl : well , if you need any kind of help . You know where I am

Me : just stop !

I get up

Me : I don't fucking need your help , for all I know this is just pretence . You're probably

happy deep down , and you're celebrating . Leave my daughter alone , you can understand I don't trust her with you . Now stop it

Her jaw drops and I just walk past her

Pearl : I am many things , but I can never hurt a child Philani . I can never do that

Me : tell that to someone who  
cares

I walk out with Oratilwe laying  
her head on my chest

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\*Phakade\*



King : we made sure to clean up  
, there's nothing left

I stop walking and look at him

He heaves a sigh

King : no one saw anything

Me : the press is having a field  
day about this

King : they'll always have something to talk about , but in a few days it'll die down

Me : they're dragging my wife's name through the mud , saying all kinds of things about her

King : I know it's bad , but we've handled worse . This shall pass too



Me : yeah ?

He looks down

Me : King , it won't bring back  
what I've lost

I keep walking

And he comes behind me

I get in the main palace

And it's so quite , except the  
voices from the kitchen

I walk through and stop on my  
tracks

It's Pearl with some of the  
maidens

King stops right behind me

And he says nothing

Pearl : it's all karma to be honest , God is not a fool . And this life has no balance whatsoever , seriously ! This might be sad and all , but Angel wasn't no Angel at all . She's a whole rape product , of which her mother might have lied about . Because she was busy with someone's husband , just

like her daughter who ended up being busy with my husband .

Without a shame , after I

helped her when she was a

lunatic . It's true , the apple

doesn't fall far from the tree .

That woman was rotten , to the

core . She sold herself , and

slept with different married

men out there for money .

Without caring , that those are

family men . They have wives

and kids , she just opened her

legs and took their money .  
Money that's meant , for their  
families . You can just ask  
yourself , how many women  
cried themselves to sleep .  
Because Angel slept with their  
husbands , and their kids went  
to bed hungry . Like surely ,  
their tears did not fall down .  
God is not a fool , I still say . He  
doesn't wear short pants , and  
he lives for us all . As if that  
wasn't enough , she went on to

abuse Mandla . Like , what kind of a woman goes on to stab and kill her own husband huh ?

She laughs and claps her hands

Pearl : worse , she felt no remorse . And she played , insanity . Yes she was crazy , because what sane person can kill another person . And feel nothing , not even an ounce of guilt . She got his money , but

still went on to whore . She had no shame , she slept with Mandla's cousin . And gave him a baby , a whole bastard child . Trying to ruin my marriage , so she can secure my husband . And when that didn't work for her , she went on for the brother . A whole king , I tell you that girl has seen and done it all . But look at how it all ended , honestly she's paying for her sins . And I can never

feel sad or sorry , for someone like that . She got exactly what she deserved , this is life . She was a fool to think she can burn Mandla to ashes , get his riches and live her best life . To go on , and still find her way into his family . I swear , a fury of fire is awaiting her in hell . Because that is exactly what she sow , and she has reaped it . That woman was evil , she was so evil ...she didn't feel anything



for another woman . Just as long as it served her , she didn't care . Look at how it all ended , bullets to her . She was even pregnant , I swear the world will be a better place . I mean , she killed Mandela in cold blood . And she wasn't even judged for that , because she got an easy way out . I know she wasn't crazy , as it was claimed . I kept quiet , for her sake . Because I felt for her , and look at how

she thanked me . With a plate  
full of shit , giving my husband a  
bastard child . But she's dead  
now , and I still live . So who  
won !

She laughs so loud

That it even echoes

Pearl : I won't lie , I will cry with  
those who are crying . And I will

grieve , with those who are  
grieving . But I am happy and  
rejoicing , trash belongs in the  
trash can ...

Philani walks down the stairs

And King motions for him to  
keep quite

He is confused

He stops right next to us

Pearl : I hope Oratilwe , will grow up and be a better woman than her mother . But I am not holding my breath , she'll probably turn out to be like her grandmother and her mother . After all , she is her seed . She probably planted , her whoreness into that child . Seeing I'm not so bitter , and vindictive like her . Like she did

me , and went after my  
husband . After I helped her ,  
she saw it fit to hurt me right  
where it hurts the most . I can  
take care of her bastard , and  
instil some good life values into  
her . Whatever she fed Phakade  
, must be working . There's no  
man , that can love a woman  
with such a baggage  
...something is a miss there .  
The man has been fed ...

Philani : GET OUT , ALL OF YOU !

He roars , as he walks through  
to the kitchen

Passing King , and I

And there's just chaos as the  
maidens run out

Pearl drops the glass of  
champagne she was holding

Her eyes glitter with fear

Pearl : baby I can expl.....

He has her by her throat

Pinned to the table

I turn back , and look at King

Me : I'll be in my hut , bring me  
my tiger totem

I walk past him and walk out ,  
heading to my ancestral hut

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\*UTHANDO LWETHU\*





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\*Philani\*

After the mess that just  
occurred

I don't even know how am I  
going to look my brother in the  
eye

I don't even know what to say

I've never been so angry in my  
life

I've never put my hands on a  
woman before

Bongo had to come in

And stop me

I don't even know how bad I've  
hurt Pearl

Because the more she spoke

And she tried apologising

It was just the more she  
annoyed me

And I just couldn't help myself

I look at King

And he's not himself

Me : is he ....

King : he's probably done

I nod

I'm even scared to go see him

Because I don't know what I'll  
say to him

If I got so angry , by the little bit  
I heard

How much more did he hear

Because it seemed like they had  
been standing there for a while



Worse , Pearl was saying all this

In front of people who work for  
my brother

He's going through the worst  
right now

And he has his family saying  
such shit

King : go see him

I guess he can see , I want to see him

Me : I am scared

King : he's your brother

Me : what ....I don't know man !

I heave a sigh

King : Phakade doesn't hold grudges , just know if he wants to deal with this he will . And you better be ready for anything , because he doesn't take lightly to people he cares about . And there isn't many , that woman is his everything

He shakes his head

And now , he's just scared me

King : you can put your hands  
on your wife , that's your  
business . But if he wants to ,  
just know he will do worse

Okay !

Now he's gone , and multiplied  
my fears

This is fucked up !

I know Phakade can be ruthless  
, if he wants to

And there's no one , that knows  
him better than King

So , I believe and trust what he  
says

And it scares me , because I  
don't know what he will do

King : he was just  
communicating , and cleansing  
what was done .

He pats my shoulder , and he  
walks away

Now , I'm thinking of everything  
that he just said

And everything that happened

It's all just a mess

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\*At The Hospital\*

Pearl comes to



And she groans , feeling the  
pains on her whole body

Every single inch , of her body is  
in pain

She tries to move , and let's out  
a slight muffled cry

Everything that happened ,  
comes to mind

And she remembers it all

Like a clip is being played in  
front of her eyes

Voice : just be glad you're alive

Fear strikes her

Hearing his voice

She turns her head to the side

And in all her years being  
married to this man

She has never seen him like this

He looks like he can kill

And that's not Philani

That's not the man she loves  
and married

She tears up

Just thinking of the way he beat  
her up

Without a care in the world

And now here he is

Looking at her , like she's the  
most disgusting thing

He's ever laid eyes on

Where is the love this man ,  
once had for her

What happened to that love ?

This isn't her Philani

Pearl : had ...Bongo not walked  
in , you were going to kill me

She opens her eyes looking at  
him

He hasn't moved an inch from  
where he's standing

And he hasn't changed his  
expression one bit

It breaks her heart

As she feels the pain stinging  
her heart

She knows heart break

But not this kind

Not this one

That makes you feel the pain  
physically in your heart

Pearl : I was wrong , I know that . But ever since , this woman came into our lives . You have changed , you're not the same man . So , forgive me . For being hopeful , for our marriage again

Philani : the doctor said , your elbow is fractured . And your leg is broke , but you'll heal . For your sake Pearl , I hope you'll value your life . I've already asked that you be discharged ,



by tonight . Get out of this kingdom , and run for your life . Because Phakade is going to kill you

She pops her eyes in shock

Philani : I will file for divorce , don't make it a hassle . I am giving you a way out , leave South Africa if you must . Just know , I tried to help you . So

whatever you do , that will be  
on you

He walks towards the bed

Philani : here is 30K , it should  
be enough to get you  
somewhere . Until , you're safe  
to use your card

Pearl : no ! No ...you don't get  
to hurt me like this , and then

ditch me . You said yourself ,  
what the doctor said . And yet ,  
you still expect me to leave . No  
Philani ! You're doing this ,  
because I am not Angel . If this  
was her , you wouldn't be doing  
this . It's a shame really , that  
you're in love with a woman  
that would have never loved  
you . She loved your brother ,  
because he was the better  
choice . But you see me ....me I  
love you so much . And I am

willing to forgive this , and work on us again . I will be a better wife , you know I can be

Philani : we're done Pearl

Pearl : not because you say so , stop being a coward . Fight your brother , stand with your wife . I am your wife Philani , your wife . Your loyalties should lie with me , even in death you'll still choose Angel over me

She tries sitting up

But she hurts her arm

And she cries out in pain

Philani : when he kills you , just  
know your blood will be on your  
hands

Pearl : baby ....

He ignores her and walks out

She grabs the envelope he left  
on the bed

And throws it to the door , as  
she lets out a piercing cry

And one nurse walks in , looking  
at her

As she lays down flat on the bed

Tears streaming down her face ,  
mixed with mucus

Her heart aching with pain

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\*Phakade\*

Me : why did you run away ?

He laughs

Philani : I didn't

Me : you were outside my hut ,  
you didn't even knock . You left

Philani : yeah , yeah I left . I  
didn't run away

Me : were you scared to talk to  
me ?

Philani : no , no ...

He shakes his head

And his eyes are just moving a  
lot

I know he's not being honest

He was scared

Even today , he tried to ignore  
me

But I caught him

Me : you know you're my  
brother right ?

He nods

Me : and I believe , you know  
me

He heaves a sigh

Philani : I just had somewhere  
to be , I really wasn't running  
away . For real

Me : I will find her Philani , and I am going to kill her . You best believe that , and she could be dead by now for all we know

There's nothing but sorrow in his eyes

Me : I stand with her words , trash belongs in the trash can ....and that's exactly where she belongs

Philani : I am sorry

Me : it's okay , I'm sorry for you . Because at the end of the day , you married her . And you surely love her , I don't give a fuck about her . But I do about you , because you're my brother

He sighs



Philani : I think the love I held  
for Pearl , went out the window  
. The day I put my hands on her

Me : it's ....

I smile as Oratilwe touches my  
leg

And she holds on it to stand up

Ever since she started walking

She's just never in one place

She's always all over

Oratilwe : papa (daddy)

Me : Yee (yes)

She puts her hands on my knees

Oratilwe : papa (daddy)

Me : ngwana papa wee (daddy's  
child)

She laughs

Philani chuckles

Oratilwe : o tetile (are you  
finished)

I shake my head

Me : eya (yes)

She smiles

I don't even know what I've  
finished

Philani : when will you make a  
statement ?

Me : I won't , my wife and I  
we're just over this nonsense  
with the press . Let them say  
whatever shit , they want to say

My phone beeps

I take it out , and it's a text  
message from King

“She's leaving the airport”

I respond back as Oratilwe  
reaches over

And tries to take the phone

Me : eme pele (wait first)

Oratilwe : papa mphe mona  
(daddy give me)

“Do it”

I send the text , and delete the  
messages

I give her the phone

Philani stands up

And he's giving me a look

He walks out

I heave a sigh

I'm sorry to hurt him

But that's just how it has to be

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\*Philani\*



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TRAGEDY STRIKES THE KING  
AND QUEEN OF ISIZWE SA

MAHLUBI , THE WIFE OF THE  
YOUNGER PRINCE HAS BEEN  
INVOLVED IN A CAR ACCIDENT  
LEAVING KING SHAKA AIRPORT .  
PEARL MBONGO , HAS BEEN  
DECLARED DEAD”

Fuck !

I know it shouldn't hurt

But it does

It hurts so bad

I should be saying she deserves  
this

But ....there's a part of me , that  
truly loved this woman

And now she's gone

King was right

And my brother didn't even try  
to hide it from me

He told King to go ahead and kill  
her

Right in front of me

A part of me , wishes he could  
have just let her be

She was going to leave

And she would have started  
over somewhere else

I guess this is how it ends for  
her

One would ask if it was really  
worth it

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\*Angel\*

Oratilwe : mama (mommy)

I let out a fade smile

And sit up well , as she runs  
over to me

Me : hi baby ....hi

I pick her up and give her a kiss

Oratilwe : tswa kae ? (Where do you come from)

I laugh , and flinch a bit hurting my stitch

Phakade : don't hurt yourself now

I look at him



And nothing fills my heart

But just love , and gratefulness  
for this man

I don't even deserve him , that  
much I know

But he went on to love me

With all my shitty past

He loves my daughter to the  
ends of this world

And he made me a wife

Not only that , but he made me  
a queen

And mother to twins

God !.

Where does one even start

He still embraces me

Even when there's no light , or  
nothing to embrace about

Oratilwe : robetse ngwana (the  
baby is sleeping)

This one !

We laugh as Phakade walks in  
and he comes to sit down next  
to us

Oratilwe : papa ...robetse  
ngwana (daddy , the baby is  
sleeping)

Phakade : eya (yes)

They both put their hands on  
my tummy

I don't know whether to say it  
was by God's grace or what

How my babies survived , I  
don't know

I'm so thankful for this life

But I'm most thankful for their  
lives

All four of them

Phakade : how are you feeling ?

Me : like the most blessed  
woman ever

He smiles and picks Oratilwe up

He leans over and pecks my lips

Phakade : I told you , ain't no  
love that's blind

Classic !

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