

Johnny and Judy scene 2

~~JUDY: It's gone, Johnny.~~

~~JOHNNY: It's gone?~~

~~JUDY: I've been using it to plug the gap.~~

~~JOHNNY: Your rainy day money?~~

~~JUDY: I guess it's been a pretty wet year. The fridge, the car and~~

~~JOHNNY: We haven't had that many repairs, have we?~~

~~JUDY: Just a little bit each month, but it adds up.~~

~~JOHNNY: You've burned through all of it?~~

~~JUDY: Yeah.~~

START

JOHNNY: Could we ever afford this?

JUDY: Yes, when there was more money coming in.

JOHNNY: When you had a job.

JUDY: After that.

JOHNNY: When?

JUDY: Don't make me

JOHNNY: When?

JUDY: OK, when your salary was bigger.

When we started this. There was. More commission.

JOHNNY: So it's me.

JUDY: It's not your fault, it's the market, isn't it?

JOHNNY: My failure to provide.

JUDY: I didn't say that. The promotion was going to sort it out.

JOHNNY: Sorry, am I being massively lower middle class about this? You don't start spending the money till you've got it.

JUDY: We were sure you'd get it.

JOHNNY: So if I can't bring enough money in to fund this life, we have to stop, don't we?

JUDY: It's just the finance, just give me a chance to sort out the finance. I'm truly truly sorry, I was trying to protect you

JOHNNY: I'm a big boy I don't need

JUDY: This is what I'm saying, I made a mistake and I'm sorry, but leave it with me and I'll try and think of a way round it because it doesn't need to be a thing that knocks us off course, does it? You wouldn't be saying all this about wanting to stop if you hadn't found that letter, would you?

Would you?

JOHNNY: I think maybe Alex coming here lost me the promotion.

JUDY: No.

JOHNNY: Don't you think it's maybe a bit of a turnoff, knowing someone gets waited on at home, wouldn't you kind of lose respect for them a bit?

JUDY: Let me talk to her, I can talk to her if you

JOHNNY: No, god.

JUDY: Why does it matter what anyone else thinks? If we choose to share out the tasks in our marriage in a different way from

JOHNNY: OK, you're not going to listen let's go to bed.

JUDY: I'm listening.

JOHNNY: Let's go to bed, talk about it in the morning.

JUDY: No, Johnny. I've sat here all evening waiting for you, worried about what you'll be coming back in with.

JOHNNY: I'm tired.

JUDY: So am I.

JOHNNY: How can you be tired? You don't do anything.

Sorry.

JUDY: Where did that come from?

JOHNNY: OK, look. Your life and my life, there's.

You don't vacuum the living room one day, I probably wouldn't even notice. You forget to cook, what's the worst thing that happens? It's not having to deal with people, make decisions all day, knowing the impact on your place on the target board, on the face you get to wear when you walk into the office. You don't have any of that.

JUDY: Doesn't mean I can't understand, can't support you.

JOHNNY: You feel a million miles away.

JUDY: I'm here.

JOHNNY: It's like talking to someone underwater.

JUDY: I'm here, Johnny, I'm here.

JOHNNY: I feel like we're performing it. I have to get home every night at the same time so we can do this little dance of cocktails and dinner,

JUDY: I make you dinner it's a nice thing.

JOHNNY looks at JUDY.

Sorry, I'm listening.

JOHNNY: Whatever we were trying to do, it

What must we look like?

JUDY: It doesn't matter what anyone else thinks.

JOHNNY: What about what I think? Do we care what I think?

I think we might have got it all wrong.

I'm supposed to feel like a pig in shit, lucky Johnny.

It actually makes me feel like a child, I feel

I feel like the whole thing is just some kind of delusion
we're

JUDY: Johnny this is real. This is us, this is how we're supposed
to be.

This is us finally living life like we want to. If other people
have a problem with it they're probably just jealous of how
happy we are. How everything we do is about making each
other happy, making the fantasy happen for each other.
Not every couple has that, we're bloody lucky. What we
have is so good. It's not about the money, the money's not
important. We've made a real home.

"Are you happy, darling?" "Yes, disgracefully". We say it
as a joke, but it's true, isn't it? Our mornings together, our
evenings, our nights.

JOHNNY: I'm not.

JUDY: Not what?

JOHNNY: Happy.

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I'm sorry, I'm not.

END

~~JUDY: Why?~~

~~JOHNNY looks away, looks down. Thinks before he speaks.~~

~~JOHNNY: Nothing's happened, I promise nothing's happened~~

~~JUDY: What?~~

~~What, Johnny?~~

~~JOHNNY: I've been having feelings for~~

~~JUDY: Feelings~~