A Promising Young Woman

INT. Hospital hallway Cassie is waiting and Ryan comes walking down the hallway.

Ryan: What are you doing here? Are you okay? Are—

Cassie: Can we go somewhere and talk privately?

Ryan: Ummm I’m working

Cassie: We need to talk right now.

Stepping into his office Ryan leads and Cassie follows.

Ryan: Okay, what’s what’s going on? Are you alright? (He sits on his desk) Are—

Cassie: I am such an asshole. (She crosses and gets close)

Ryan: What happened?

Cassie: I really thought for a second that it was all going to be okay.

Ryan: Cassie...

Cassie: (phone in hand) Look at this? (Plays video).

Ryan: What are you showing me? What is this? Is that Al Monroe? (Laughing) Oh my god...wait is that? I don’t-I don’t want to look at that Cassie.

Cassie: Well why not? You were happy to watch back then.
Ryan: What are you talking about? I wasn’t (he hears his voice and then his name on the tape) Shhh-I...I don’t-I don’t remember I don’t—I—

Cassie: Didn’t make an impact huh?

Ryan: I was a kid...I...

Cassie: I need you to do something for me and I want you to think about it very carefully. I have this video ready to send to everyone in your address book-your parents, your colleagues, all your old buddies and their wives—

Ryan: Cassie Come on!

Cassie: So I can send it out right now or you can tell me where Al Monroe’s bachelor party is.

Ryan: What? Why?

Cassie: You don’t need to know why.

Ryan: What are you going to do?

Cassie: Well that depends...

Ryan: On what?

Cassie: You think they’ll fire you here Dr. Ryan Cooper? I mean you work with kids right? You know you have to be careful things have changed so much since we were at school.

Ryan: Please! Please just think—

Cassie: I cannot begin to tell you how much I’ve thought about it.
(Pause)

Ryan: Okay.

Cassie: Okay.

(He writes down the address and hands it to her)

Ryan: There okay! They’re going to be there this weekend all of them. You know—don’t think I’m a bad person. Cassie I...Cassie I love you Cassie. You gotta forgive me. You gotta forgive me. Tell me you’ll forgive me.

Cassie: No (she walks to the door)

Ryan: So you’re perfect right? You’ve never done anything you’re ashamed of? I can’t...Are you going to tell everybody?

Cassie: I don’t know.

Ryan: I don’t know if I can live with the threat of this hanging over me. I didn’t even do anything—

Cassie: (Laughs) Awww poor Ryan just an innocent bystander. Yeah. Don’t tell any of them that I’m coming cause I’ll send the video around just the same if you do.

Ryan: And then we both won’t be doctors you fucking failure!