

Jean (Pours tea)

Alison
He's unpredictable

Jean
You're right..

Alison
I tried to flush everything... My shit...His shit...
He got angry, and he was coked up so he just came at me. Its like, if I don't do
what he says he's a wild animal.

Jean
Why don't you just leave? (Hands over tea to the girl)

Alison
Where am I gonna go?
Tom loves me and he takes care of me in his own fucked up way. It might not be
ideal but I figure its just easier to hide until he calms down.
When I was still at Fordham just when all this shit started to take over, Id sit in
the park over there and just swing for hours. It was the only place I felt safe

Jean
Well, If he's violent there are always other options.

Allison
Like what?

Jean
Don't you have a friend that you can stay with?

Alison
Maybe for a few nights but then what? Its not like I have any money to get my
own place. I just wanna go back to my mom, buy we're not even talking so...

Jean
Well we can deal with that, but we need to get you to a meeting first.

Alison
I don't even want her to see me like this. I mean, I can't even believe you'd
recognize me. I worked on the yearbook. I was editor-in-chief of the paper.
People always said I had a bright future.

Jean
That's great

Alison
Whatever its nothing new. I'm not even at school.
And the way she looks at me, I can see how much she hates me. Its in her eyes
you know?
Just... complete disdain.

Jean
I don't have a great relationship with my mom either.. All I ever wanted when I
was young was just to get out of that house, and I did. I made something out of
my life. You just have to be strong, and find an outlet that isn't drugs.

Alison
Please just tell me and ill do it

Jean
Well. For me I realized I could help people. But sometimes it's easier to live for
others than it is to figure out how to live for yourself. It's hard. And I. Make
mistakes I have to make tough judgment calls. Like... I shouldn't even be here
right now.

Alison
I'm happy you came

Jean
I don't think I should leave you

Alison
I'll be ok. I promise

Jean
It'll be our little secret