

I KNOW THIS MUCH IS TRUE

Season One, Episode 3

Dominick & Joy

INT. APARTMENT - NIGHT

JOY in the kitchen. DOMINICK enters.

JOY

Hi!

DOMINICK

How you doin'?

JOY

Okay, how are you? Hey. Oh, I made you dinner. Here.

DOMINICK

I didn't know you were gonna be home. (Seeing the food) Wow.

JOY

Chicken. But, um... It's a little... it's been sitting out for a while, so sit down, and then...

They sit at the table.

This might not be the best chicken you've ever had in your life, but I've-I've never made this before. Chicken... pi... pic... piccata. Italian, you know?

DOMINICK

Italian.

JOY

Yep. It's made for you. It's Italian chicken. I don't think the chicken is Italian itself.

They eat.

JOY (CONT'D)

It's pretty good, huh? What's wrong?

DOMINICK

I, um, saw my brother earlier.

JOY

You did? How was he?

DOMINICK

"How was he?" He's, uh, same as he always is. He's crazy, sick.

JOY  
I can tell you don't like it.

DOMINICK  
What?

JOY  
I can tell you don't like it.

DOMINICK  
What are you talking about?

JOY  
The chicken.

DOMINICK  
It's not about the goddamn chicken,  
Joy. Uh, it's about my brother's  
hearing coming up, and I'm trying  
to fuckin' prepare for it, all  
right? So, I...

He knocks over something on the table.

DOMINICK (CONT'D)  
Shit.

JOY  
Is drinking beer part of your  
preparation?

DOMINICK  
Listen, I know that you couldn't  
give a flying fuck if he stays down  
in that place and rots. All right?  
I get that. I actually accept it.  
But I got an obligation, all right?  
To my brother.

Dominick gets up with his plate.

JOY  
No...

DOMINICK  
Yeah.

JOY  
Please sit down. Can you just  
please sit down? Please sit down,  
Dominick. Because I have, I-I just  
want to have a conversation, and  
the last thing I wanted was for us  
to get into a fight tonight.

He sits back down.

JOY (CONT'D)

I wasn't gonna say anything until I was sure. And... um, now I am sure. I'm pregnant. We made a baby, Dominick. You and me. Yeah. Well, say... come on, say something. This is... It's taken you by surprise? Yeah, me too.

DOMINICK

You're sure that I'm the father?

JOY

What? What? Of course you're the father. Who else... What kind of question is that?

DOMINICK

I just...

He stands. Clears his plate.

JOY

Huh? Dominick. What's going on? In your mind, what's...

Dominick leaves.