

INT. MITCH'S HOUSE - NIGHT

Mitch is getting a night cap when he hears a noise. He grabs his gun. It's dark.

MITCH

Holy shit.

He gathers himself behind the door.

MITCH (CONT'D)

Whoever in here, get out before I blow your head off.

ALEX

Oh, fuck off, Mitch. It's me...Shit.

MITCH

Alex?

ALEX

I can't be seen by anybody, so I had my car drop me in the woods behind your house.

MITCH

You came to see me.

ALEX

No. I came to tell you that I am so mad at you, and I will never, ever get over it. You left me. Alone on the fucking Morning Show. You left me alone. Because you had to fuck around on Paige, because you didn't want to tarnish your little image and just get a divorce.

MITCH

Hello, pot. I'd like to introduce you to kettle. How can you be mad at me about that?

ALEX

Are you kidding me? You're so stupid. You think I'm mad at you because--

MITCH

Jesus, beat me up. Beat me up.

ALEX

You really think that that's what I'm mad about? You idiot. I'm mad at you because you're selfish. You're a self-indulgent asshole. And your philandering has fucked me. And I'm going to lose everything, Mitch. There's no guarantees. Zero. Our star was built on chemistry, and you just blew it up. And why? Why did you do that? There had to have been a million and one women out there who would've gladly sucked your dick who didn't work on The Morning Show.

MITCH

It's not my fault.

ALEX

Oh, Please.

MITCH

They were consensual affairs, Alex.

ALEX

Mitch, you're such a fucking moron.

MITCH

You know what? I think that you're jealous because of our history.

ALEX

You're fucking ego. Oh, my God, Mitch.

MITCH

'Cause we had a thing.

ALEX

That fucking ego of yours. You really think that because of the two times you got on top of me meant that much to me that that's what I'm pissed about?

Mitch acknowledges that to be what he thinks.

ALEX (CONT'D)

You're so stupid. God.

Long pause as Alex gathers herself.

ALEX (CONT'D)

You stole my life with this. You left me in the woods with a... pack of wolves. I live a really strange existence, Mitch, and it's isolated as shit. I gave up everything for this show. Any chance of having a normal life. And you just put me in a position of losing it. Everything. Of having nothing. Of having no one. You're my partner. Fifteen years my partner. And my only realy companion, who knew my life in such vivid detail. Because you're... It's your life too.

MITCH

I'm so sorry.

ALEX

We lived a life that we're never going to get back. And you're not my lover, And you're not my husband, and you're not my family and now you can't be my friend.

MITCH

Why can't I be?

ALEX

Because what you did was wrong!

MITCH

Alex, you knew these people. You know I didn't coerce anybody. This is Weinstein's fault.

ALEX

Please don't say that. It's so ignorant.

MITCH

Jesus, Alex. I didn't do anything wrong. I didn't.

Alex notices a busted up TV.

ALEX

What happened to your TV?

MITCH

We had a disagreement.

Alex embraces Mitch.

ALEX
I'm sorry you're such an asshole.

MITCH
Me too.

ALEX
I wouldn't use those two words together if I were you.

The both smirk.

ALEX (CONT'D)
I have to go. I have to leave.

MITCH
No, don't. I don't want you to go.

ALEX
I have to go.

MITCH
No, don't go. I want you to stay, please.

ALEX
I have to go. No.

MITCH
I don't want to be alone. Just stay for a little while. Alex, please, come on. This could blow over.

ALEX
This is so never gonna blow over.

MITCH
Alex... Alex, they were going to replace you!

ALEX
What?

MITCH
They came to me. They said YDA was nipping at our heels in the ratings. And they wanted to make a change.

ALEX
I don't believe you. You're just trying to fuck with my head because you're destroyed and you want me destroyed.

MITCH
No, no. I wanna save you.

ALEX
Oh.

MITCH
Alex, don't go.

ALEX
I don't believe you!

MITCH
Just stay! I've got a gun!

ALEX
Great! Have fun with that!

Alex leaves Mitch to himself as she storms off back into the rain.