Entrapped

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FADE IN:

INT. AMANDA’S CONDO – BEDROOM – DAY

AMANDA PETERSEN, an attractive 25 y.o., young woman wearing the latest in fashion. Sits on the edge of the bed.

She can’t make up her mind which pair of shoes to wear out of the 20 in front of her. Picks up a pair of BLUE shoes.

Her cell phone rings.

AMANDA
Hey, Baby. Listen, why don’t we meet at the new restaurant on South Beach. I made reservations for us.

JARED
Actually, I’m having lunch with a client. Then I have a meeting with two out of town investors. Let’s meet at Newberry park later, say about six o’clock.

AMANDA
Okay. Where is it located?

JARED
Two blocks from place. What are you up to?

AMANDA
I have a Doctor’s appointment at 10 O’clock.

JARED looks at the clock, it’s 9:55 a.m.

JARED
Well, I’ll see you later.

AMANDA
Bye.

She looks at her choices of shoes again, and grabs a different pair.

AMANDA
Newberry park? Oh, well, I guess you’re coming with me.
EXT. PARK - AFTERNOON

Jared is at the park waiting on AMANDA. He wears a business attire. Laying on a blanket next to the picnic basket, looking up at the sky.

AMANDA
What a bright idea.

JARED
So, you like it?

AMANDA
The park? Come on. You should know me by now. A seven day cruise would be better.

JARED
Just what I thought. Why does it always have to be about you, AMANDA? It seems like we don’t have a lot of things in common after all.

AMANDA
What’s been with you lately?

JARED
Sometimes I wish you could meet me half way.

AMANDA
What the hell do you think I’m doing here?

JARED
I’ve been put on hold too many times just to do the little things I like.

AMANDA
I thought we already discussed that.

JARED
Even when we have sex it feels like you’re doing me a favor.

AMANDA
(Shock)
Whoa! Hold on. I was just kidding about the whole park thing. Where the hell is this coming from? Do (MORE)

(CONTINUED)
AMANDA (cont’d)
you have something you want to get off your chest Jared?

JARED
You know what Amanda. I’ve seen it all, I got it all and I have a lot to give. But I’m a simple guy. Sometimes all I want is someone who can appreciate the little things.

AMANDA
Baby, what are you saying?

JARED
I deal with way too many girls your kind.

AMANDA
My kind?

JARED
Yeah, the spoil type. You know what, why don’t you go out, make some new friends and try to keep them. Goodbye Amanda.

JARED walks away. AMANDA remain standing in the park.

AMANDA
Jared. Jared. So, you’re just gonna leave me here?

Amanda gets her phone to call her friend LISA.

AMANDA
Hey, Lisa. Can you come over my place.

INT. CONDO - LIVING ROOM - NIGHT

Amanda sits on the couch. Next to her is LISA, a pretty 26 y.o., discussing plans to help AMANDA get back with JARED.

LISA
I’m sorry Mandi.

LISA hugs AMANDA.

AMANDA
I probably deserved it.

(CONTINUED)
LISA
You can’t let him get away. The guy is like a walking ATM and you’re first in line girlfriend.

AMANDA
Maybe he’s not the one for me.

LISA
What? Do you wanna find someone working for minimum wage? We’ll figure something out...

Lisa looks in her purse.

LISA (CONT’D)
What’s your sign again?

AMANDA
Libra, why?

Lisa grabs a horoscope sheet. AMANDA stares at LISA.

LISA
Hey, the "Daily Horoscopes" have helped me a lot with my problems.

AMANDA
I don’t believe in those things.

LISA
Listen to this...

Lisa ignores her and she starts reading.

LISA (CONT’D)
"Libra, today is your day. You gotta be good at what you do, but it’s also nice to make a lot of money doing it. That’s your assignment."

AMANDA
(skeptical)
Okay.

LISA
(Enthusiasm)
That’s it
AMANDA
What?

LISA
You’re Pregnant.

AMANDA
(Defensive)
No, I’m not.

LISA
But...you will be.

AMANDA
If you’re thinking what I’m thinking it’s not right.

LISA
You wanna to know what’s not right? Trust me...

Besides, who’s going to help you pay for this condo, your new beamer, and your maxed out credit cards on designer clothes, hand bags and shoes?

AMANDA
Okay, but, I have a bad feeling about this.

LISA
Relax, you’ll try it on a few guys you dated within the past 2 to 3 months before you call Jared.

AMANDA
Try What?

LISA
Do I have to teach you everything?

AMANDA
Obviously.

LISA
You’ll figure it out, just call me so we can celebrate.

AMANDA stares at LISA

(CONTINUED)
AMANDA
I’m waiting...

LISA
Just call them and say, baby I’m pregnant...

AMANDA
what?

LISA
... and you need money for the abortion.

AMANDA
You know how I feel about abortion issues.

LISA
Don’t you want to get back with man?

AMANDA
How can I represent something I don’t believe in.

LISA
Just play along...You’ll be surprise what you can get out of it. So, get on the phone make some calls, then let me know how it goes.

INT. CONDO - LIVING ROOM - NEXT DAY

AMANDA sits on her couch contemplating making calls. She takes a deep breath and dials a number.

AMANDA
Hey baby, I have something to tell you.

CALLER 1
I’m listening.

AMANDA
I don’t really know how to say this.

CALLER 1
Just say what you have to say.

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AMANDA
Well. I’m pregnant.

Caller 1 laughs at AMANDA

CALLER 1
Bitch, what the hell do I have to do with it? You still have my number?

AMANDA
You know what, fuck you Dennis.

CUT TO:

AMANDA walks around the living room and talks to herself. She dials another number. The phone rings.

AMANDA
(to herself)
I can do this. I can do this. No I can’t.

she hangs up. she then dials for a second time and let it ring until someone answers.

AMANDA
Hey, it’s Amanda, we need to talk.

CALLER 2
Quickly, I don’t have much time.

AMANDA
Well, I’m pregnant.

CALLER 2
You’re not planning on keeping it are you? My wife would kill me is she finds out.

AMANDA
I wasn’t planning to, but..

CALLER 2
How much do you need? Will $2000 be fine, how about $3000.

AMANDA
(smile)
Yeah.

CUT TO:

(CONTINUED)
CALLER 3
Hell no. Are you sure it’s mine?

AMANDA
Baby, but you were so...so...

CALLER 3
Damn it, damn it. I thought you were on that stupid pill stuff? Patch, whatever it’s call.

AMANDA
I couldn’t help it.

CALLER 3
I knew you were bad luck.

AMANDA
I mean we can raise the baby.

CALLER 3
Raising a baby now? My job is not stable and I’m paying child support for two kids I don’t even think are mine.

AMANDA
What are we gonna do?

CALLER 3
You know I’m trying to get into Medical school so I really need your help on this one.

INT. BATHROOM - DAY
AMANDA stares at herself in the mirror, rubs her stomach as if she’s pregnant.

She dials JARED’s number and takes a deep breath and closes her eyes.

INT. LIVING ROOM - DAY

AMANDA
Hey, we need to talk.

JARED
What is it now?

(CONTINUED)
AMANDA
Why are you acting like this?

JARED
We have nothing to talk about, Amanda.

The phone signal drops, she dials back. This time she’s more confident.

AMANDA
This is about your child, Jared.

JARED
My what? I mean, what? Who?

AMANDA
I’m pregnant with your baby.

JARED
Who put you to this?

AMANDA
Just what I thought.

AMANDA hangs up the phone.

JARED
(Loud)
Amanda, Amanda.

JARED calls AMANDA but she does not pick up. A new message display on her phone. She smile.

INT. OFFICE - DAY

JARED sits in his office staring into space. MARC, early thirties, business partner, enters.

MARC
Are you still on our planet?

JARED
You maybe looking at a future dad.

Marc sits down.

MARC
No way, Who? Janelle?

(CONTINUED)
JARED
No, Amanda.

Marc gets up.

MARC
Congratulations. What’s your plan?

JARED
I have no clue. I just got the news.

MARC
How do you know she’s pregnant? When did this happen? Before or after the last break up?

JARED
What Difference does it make?

MARC
I’m just saying, it may not even be yours. You have be really careful about those women.

JARED
Hey, don’t talk about my girl like that.

MARC
Is she keeping it?

JARED
Maybe? I’m not sure . . .

Marc chuckles.

JARED (CONT.)
What the hell is so funny?

MARC
My roommate in college went through the same thing. This chic claim she was pregnant for him.

JARED
Yeah, what happened?

MARC
The guy panicked and came up with twenty five hundred dollars in 24 hours.

(CONTINUED)
JARED
For what?

MARC
She never had the abortion, had the baby, and the baby wasn’t even his. Didn’t look a thing like him. Can you believe that?

JARED
Marc, what ever happened to you leave it in the past. You need to stop running away from commitments and accept when something good happens to you.

MARC
That’s the oldest trick in the book. Everyone knows it. I’m just looking for you. Are you getting any of this?

JARED
I must do the right thing.

INT. LIVING ROOM – AFTERNOON

AMANDA and LISA sit on the couch.

LISA
What did he said on the message?

AMANDA
He said, "We need to get together and talk about it. Because he’s not sure what he wants to do."

LISA
Can you sit down. You making me nervous.

AMANDA
What if he wants proof? Shit. I knew it. I knew this would happen.

LISA
Can you please shut up. I’m trying to think.

AMANDA
I knew this was a bad idea and I let you talk me to it.

(CONTINUED)
Lisa cuts her off and gets up.

LISA
We have to stick to the original plan.

AMANDA
What plan? Fuck the plan. I’m going to tell him the truth.

LISA
Are you crazy?

AMANDA
Thanks to you I got into this mess.

LISA
So, I’m your problem?

AMANDA
Jerry would not break up with me in the first place.

LISA
I’m not the bad guy in this, Amanda. Do you even know what you want?

AMANDA
I know what I don’t want.

Lisa grabs her handbag of off the couch to leave.

LISA
Okay, you right. I’m sorry. I’ll take the blame for it. You want me to leave, fine?

AMANDA takes LISA’s hand to make her sit.

AMANDA
Lisa, please. I have a lot on my mine right now. I’m sorry. What are we gonna do about this?

LISA
Just invite him over and see what he has to say. And remember, you don’t need to say a anything. Let him do all the talking. Don’t say a word.
INT. RESTAURANT - AFTERNOON

AMANDA and LISA are sitting at a table inside a restaurant to celebrate her accomplishment. They are both laughing.

    LISA
    I knew you could do it.

    AMANDA
    I can’t believe how easy it was. I looked at him and said baby...

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    AMANDA
    ...I’ll be whoever you want me to be.

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    AMANDA
    And he said

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    JARED
    That’s all I wanted to hear from you all along Amanda.

INT. RESTAURANT - AFTERNOON

AMANDA shows of her ring to LISA

    AMANDA
    And gave me this.

    LISA
    Wow. That’s beautiful.

    AMANDA
    He promise not to leave me again, since I will be having his baby.

They both Laugh.

    LISA
    This deserves a toast.

(CONTINUED)
AMANDA
To what?

LISA
A toast to you for getting back with Jared.

AMANDA
Even better. To us. To women everywhere.

AMANDA and LISA clings their wine glasses together.

LISA
I’ll drink to that.

AMANDA
Are we still going shopping?

LISA
What kind of question is that? Of course.

INT. HOUSE - LIVING ROOM - EVENING

AMANDA walks inside her apartment with shopping bags. She wears a sunglasses and high heels. Before she put anything down her phone rings.

DR. WEST
Hello.

AMANDA
Dr. west.

DR. WEST
I’ve been trying to call you.

AMANDA
Is something wrong?

DR. WEST
Nothing is wrong. Well the results came back from the lab.

AMANDA
Oh, okay.

DR. WEST
Well, I’d like for you to come in to the office as soon as possible.

(CONTINUED)
AMANDA
Is there anything I need to worry about.

DR. WEST
I’d prefer not to discuss this over the phone.

AMANDA
Please, I don’t mind.

DR. WEST
Well, since you insist, let me be the first to congratulate you on your pregnancy.

AMANDA
What!

She drop the bags and the phone. Runs in her bedroom to find her diary.

DR. WEST
Hello, hello, Amanda, Call me to schedule your appointment.

INT. CONDO - BEDROOM - EVENING

AMANDA gets the diary and sits on the edge on the bed. She flips through the pages, looking at names of guys she’s been with recently. Her finger stops at a name other than her current boyfriend (JARED).

Diary entry reads: Had an argument with Jared. Drinks with Mark.

AMANDA
Oh, shit!

FADE OUT: