

Shopping at Save Mart

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EXT. 2:00 AM FRONT OF SAVE MART

The Save Mart parking lot is almost empty. A car pulls into the bare parking lot, out of the car a man exit the vehicle, his name is ALLEN, late 20's.

ALLEN walks to the front doors of the large building. However, the electronic slide doors will not open, confused by this ALLEN looks at a sign by the door that states OPEN 24/7.

ALLEN

Huh...

ALLEN try's to open the door again by walking in front of the sensor, but still nothing happens.

ALLEN

What the...

Without warning a woman's voice comes through the air. This is the voice of the Save Mart building. She calls herself SALLY.

SALLY

And what do you want?

ALLEN is startled, he looks all around but ALLEN doesn't see anybody.

ALLEN

Who said that?!?

SALLY

I did.

ALLEN looks around again, this time SALLY'S voice guides him.

SALLY

Look up here!

ALLEN looks up and sees the Save Mart sign glowing. The lights from the sign fade in and out while SALLY talks. For a moment ALLEN thinks he is going crazy.

SALLY

Do you see me now?

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ALLEN

Um... I think so... Why are the doors not opening?

SALLY

Oh, you would like that wouldn't you?

SALLY seems to be upset by something that ALLEN did.

ALLEN

Actually I would, I just got to get something real quick.

SALLY

Well, why don't you just go inside that cheap dollar store, you selfish prick!

ALLEN

What are you talking about?!?

SALLY

You know exactly what I am talking about!

ALLEN

Honestly, I got no clue.

SALLY

Here, let me refresh you memory, one week ago, around nine at night you went inside the Dollar Depot.

ALLEN

How did you...

SALLY

Debra told me everything.

ALLEN

Debra, who's Debra?!?

SALLY

Debra, the Dollar Depot, my god you've been inside of her and you don't even know my name! To think about all the countless times you were inside of me! Sometimes for hours and hours, I loved you and this is how you treat me?!?

For some odd reason ALLEN feels bad about what he did, ALLEN tries to make it all better.

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ALLEN

Hey, listen. I'm sorry. What's your name?

SALLY

Sally.

ALLEN

Sally, that's a beautiful name.

SALLY

You don't mean that.

ALLEN

Oh I most certainly do. Now I know you will never let me inside you again, but please let me explain what happened, cause I feel so bad about that girl. All I want to do is have a clear continence, so if I die in the next ten minutes, I won't go to heaven having you so upset.

SALLY

Well okay.

ALLEN

I know there is no excuse for what I did, it's just that it was late at night and I needed to get my son...

SALLY

You have a son?

ALLEN

I do, he is six years old and he needed some construction paper for his science fair project. He went inside the Dollar... Debra with me, did she tell you that?

SALLY

No, she didn't, do you have a picture of him?

ALLEN

Yeah I do, you want to see?

SALLY

Oh, please.

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ALLEN pulls the picture of his son out of his wallet. Then he shows it to SALLY, she is touched by this and feels bad about yelling at ALLEN, he puts the picture away.

ALLEN

Listen, all I want to say is I was rushed, I still don't know what I was thinking. I mean right now, I am ashamed of what I have done and the pain you are going through. All I can say is that it will never happen again and... I love you.

ALLEN begins to walk away with his head hanging low. SALLY stops him and ALLEN'S frown becomes a smirk.

SALLY

Do you mean that?

ALLEN

Of course I do, I mean come on you racks are always full and I can never forget about you low prices.

SALLY

I do have low prices, don't I?

ALLEN

Damn straight you do!

SALLY

Allen?

ALLEN

Yeah baby?

SALLY

How much did you spend on that construction paper at Debra's?

ALLEN

Girl, I don't want to get into that, it's in the past.

SALLY

Oh come on, it's alright, just tell me.

ALLEN

It cost me a dollar a sheet.

SALLY starts to laugh, ALLEN is intrigued by what she is giggling about.

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ALLEN
What's so funny?

SALLY
Well it's just that... I'm having a
sale on construction paper for
twenty five cent's a sheet.

ALLEN
That Slut!

SALLY
Oh, don't be mad at her, she has
nothing to do with the pricing.

SALLY and ALLEN have a moment of silence.

ALLEN
So, are things good between us?

The doors to the Save Mart slowly open and a ray of light
shoots out of the opening, ALLEN is truly grateful to SALLY.

ALLEN
Thank you Sally, thank you so much!

ALLEN almost runs into the store, he suddenly stops at the
doorway to ask SALLY a question.

ALLEN
Hey Sally?

SALLY
Yes Allen.

ALLEN
What aisle is your lube on?

SALLY
Aisle seven, in between the condoms
and the anti-itch cream.

ALLEN
Sally, thanks again.

ALLEN walks into the Save Mart and the doors close quickly
behind him, but as the doors are closing the sound of a male
running to the doors is heard.

The glass doors slam shut and a man named TODD, early 30's,
take a nasty face plant into them. TODD hits the ground
landing flat on his back. SALLY knows TODD isn't faithful to
her, in fact has 'cheated' on her multiple times.

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SALLY

Nice try Todd, you asshole! I told you that you were never welcomed inside of me ever again. Why don't you go to all those other store's you like to be in so much?!?

TODD starts to cry cause of the mental and physical pain he is in.

TODD

They Mean Nothing, I Love You, I'm So Sorry!

SALLY

I don't want to hear it Todd, we are finished!

TODD

BUT I LOVE YOU SALLY! I love you so much!

TODD curls himself into a ball and try's to cry away his internal torment.