

LEAH: 21-26; strong, independent young Midwest woman on the cusp of finishing a degree and starting a career...FEATURED

BeauDrey opens the door and sees Leah on the edge of the couch with a letter in her hand, his head slumps down in defeat.

LEAH

How serious are you about moving to Minneapolis?

BEAUDREY

What?

LEAH

I don't think I stuttered.

BEAUDREY

Did you open my mail?

LEAH

I didn't. I was looking for something and I found this.

She shakes the letter.

BEAUDREY

(under his breath)

Shit. Leah, I was going to tell you today, right now, I swear. I was going to talk to you about our plans.

LEAH

Our plans. That's funny. I didn't know our plans included hiding shit like this. Jesus Beau, have you read the letter? You have the job.

She hands BeauDrey the letter.

LEAH (cont'd)

You've been hiding this from me and I don't know why, other than you want to leave without me.

BEAUDREY

Leah, I was going to tell you today, right now, I don't know why I didn't mention anything before. Nothing is set in stone; I have just been corresponding with them, keeping my options open.

LEAH

Keeping your options open? What in the hell does that mean? Do I exist to you?

BEAUDREY

It's not like I took the job Leah.

LEAH

It's an orientation for new hires, what do you mean you didn't take the job.

BEAUDREY

I took the job...

LEAH

What does this mean Beau? You know I can't leave. I have a year left and at this point it's too late for me to apply for fall semester. You know how important finishing school is. Why can't you stay one more year? I'll finish up and we can both start fresh.

BEAUDREY

Why do I have to put things on hold? Have you thought about transferring schools? Have you thought this job could be great for me? Of course not because I am the one who has worked my ass off the last four years. I'm not saying you haven't, but I'm tired of this place and I can't stay here one more year. I want to be with you, I just don't want to be here.

LEAH

I understand. You have made that very clear before Beau – you hate this town – you don't even really like some of your friends here and apparently I'm not motivation enough to stay and I know this job is a great opportunity for you and I know you should go, but know I'm not going. I have to take summer school this year so I can graduate next May. You never mentioned this EASTWEST CORPORATION place so I thought you were staying.

BEAUDREY

I wasn't. I thought the same things you did only reverse. I thought maybe you would come with me. I know it's short notice now and I wish I would have brought this up earlier, but I didn't.

LEAH

You're right. It's too late. I know exactly what I need here.

BEAUDREY

Like I don't have to readjust my life if I stay.

LEAH

Ugh! You are so difficult sometimes Beau. I just wish you would have told me about this sooner.

BEAUDREY

I know. (pauses) But what happens now?