

GREY'S ANATOMY

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FADE IN:

INT. HALLWAY: GREY SLOAN HOSPITAL - DAY

Meredith Grey and Addison Montgomery come out of the OR, exhausted from the risky surgery they performed on together.

They come out with smiles on their faces.

ADDISON

That was some great work we did back there Dr. Grey.

MEREDITH

I could say the same thing to you Dr. Montgomery.

The two doctors turn a corner and see the interns watch them. They drop their happy faces.

The interns watch the two doctors walk down the hallway together with anticipation.

INTERN #1

They totally fought in the OR.

INTERN #2

You can definitely tell by the tension in the air.

INTERN #1

I bet Dr. Grey totally showed Dr. Montgomery up in the OR.

Meredith and Addison walk pass them and towards the elevator.

ADDISON

We can hear you!

The interns stop their petty gossip.

DING!

The elevator opens and the two doctors get on.

Meredith crosses her arms to make herself look tough.

MEREDITH

Don't you guys have anything better to do?

Before the interns can answer, their pagers beep.

Meredith smiles to herself.

MEREDITH (CONT'D)  
That's what I thought.  
(beat)  
Go make yourselves useful.

The interns scramble to do their work as the elevator door shuts.

CUT TO:

INT. ELEVATOR: GREY SLOAN HOSPITAL - CONTINUOUS

As soon as the doors shut, Meredith and Addison break out into laughter.

ADDISON  
If I didn't know you, I would have  
thought that you were the Nazi of  
this place.

MEREDITH  
Don't tell Bailey that. She'll get  
jealous.

The two ladies cease their laughter.

ADDISON  
Bailey did train a great group of  
interns.

Meredith smiles to herself. Memories of Alex, George, Christina and Izzie flood her mind.

MEREDITH  
She sure did.

Meredith turns to Addison and finds her with tears down her face.

MEREDITH (CONT'D)  
Addison? What's wrong?

Addison hyperventilates and holds onto the wall.

Meredith pushes a button, which causes the elevator to stop.

ADDISON  
You know... when I was coming here,  
I though that it would be the same.

Addison takes a deep breath.

ADDISON (CONT'D)  
 You and Christina fighting about  
 who gets to do the best surgeries.  
 Georgie and Izzie trying to mediate  
 you two and Alex...

Addison lets out a shaky laugh.

ADDISON (CONT'D)  
 He would be arguing with me about  
 the best interest of any child that  
 came through the NICU.

Addison takes a deep breath and more tears stream down her face.

Meredith stands there and listens to Addison's woes.

ADDISON (CONT'D)  
 But that's not the case anymore.  
 Everyone's gone...  
 (beat)  
 Moved on to better things, places.

MEREDITH  
 Some didn't make it along the way.

ADDISON  
 Yeah...

Addison takes in a shaky breath.

ADDISON (CONT'D)  
 ...especially him.

Addison wipes her tears as best as she can but they don't seem to stop.

ADDISON (CONT'D)  
 You know... I hated you from the  
 moment we met.  
 (beat)  
 I thought you were just another  
 intern trying to sleep her way to  
 the top.

Meredith laughs and so does Addison.

MEREDITH  
 Trust me. The minute you walked  
 into the hospital, I wanted the  
 ground to open up and swallow me  
 whole.

ADDISON

I made it my mission to make sure that Derek would pick me in the long run and to make your life a living hell.

(beat)

Guess that didn't work out the way I wanted it to.

Addison looks up at the ceiling.

ADDISON (CONT'D)

I'm glad it didn't. Derek deserved someone who loved him and treated him the way he deserved to be treated.

(beat)

Not some whore that cheats with his best friend.

MEREDITH

Well, that's insulting.

(beat)

Don't forget that I was the Resident slut first. Sleeping with a married man.

The ladies laugh.

Addison takes a deep breath.

Meredith stands next to Addison.

ADDISON

It feels so different... without him here. It's like I can't feel him anymore.

(beat)

I can only remember him by coming to the place that he loved. Talking to the people that he loved the most.

Addison sniffles.

ADDISON (CONT'D)

Coming here made it real. That Derek is never coming back.

Addison wipes her tears quickly.

ADDISON,

God, I feel so selfish doing this in front of you.

(MORE)

ADDISON, (CONT'D)

(beat)

You were the one that actually had to go through it and be there while he took his last breath. You were the one that loved him til the very end.

Meredith puts her hand on Addison's back.

MEREDITH

Addison.

(beat)

Just because you weren't here, doesn't mean you loved him any less.

Addison's eyes finally dry.

MEREDITH (CONT'D)

And he's still here. He may not be physically here but...

(beat)

He's in the people he loved. The places he loved.

Addison sighs.

MEREDITH (CONT'D)

And he's very much in his children.

Addison laughs.

MEREDITH (CONT'D)

And I would love it if you would come and meet them.

Addison pulls herself together and stands up straight.

ADDISON

I would love to meet them.

Addison pushes the button to start the elevator back up.

Addison and Meredith stand side by side.

Meredith pulls Addison into a side hug and they lean on each other.

FADE TO BLACK.