Judas Kiss

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JUDAS KISS

VIOLET is cleaning around the cash register. She wears a floor length denim skirt and has a deep Texas accent.

HEATHER is cleaning up nearby. She has several tattoos and piercings.

VIOLET

Okay...so what do I do when a customer asks for something off of the shelves?

HEATHER

Oh, just ask Chris to get it. Or just get a ladder from the back.

VIOLET

Oh, okay...And if they seek any sort of guidance?

HEATHER

You mean like suggestions?

TAMMY, enters the shop. She wears a studded choker and black skinny jeans.

HEATHER (CONT'D)

(To Violet.)

Here, just help this lady out. And don't forget the introduction we taught you.

VIOLET

Oh, right--

(To TAMMY.)

Hi! Welcome to Judas Kiss: where your pleasure is our command!

TAMMY

Yeah, where do you guys keep the toys and shit?

VIOLET

Toys? Um, well, God doesn't promote materialism.

TAMMY

...excuse me?

HEATHER

(Interrupting.)

They're in the back on the right!

TAMMY

Kay cool, thanks.

HEATHER puts her cleaning supplies down, approaches VIOLET.

**HEATHER** 

Kid, what the hell?

VIOLET

I hope she has a blessed day.

HEATHER

...You're kidding me, right? (Beat.)

Dude, this is Judas Kiss.

VIOLET

Yes! My dad is a pastor and thought it would be good to find work in a Godly place!

**HEATHER** 

...Come again?

VIOLET

Well, I can see this is a more...new age environment, but I knew Judas Kiss would be the best store for me to spread God's word. You know, appeal to the more hip crowd, haha!

HEATHER stands in shock. TAMMY approaches the women again.

TAMMY

Hey, can you help me for a sec?

VIOLET

Oh of course! What do you need?

TAMMY

I dumped my boyfriend cause he just wasn't cutting it anymore, what do you recommend that'll REALLY get me there?

VIOLET

Mm yes... well to quote, Mark 9:23
"'If YOU can'? Said Jesus.
'Everything is possible.'"

TAMMY

Uh, right...

TAMMY nods and backs away to the corner. HEATHER rushes to VIOLET in a panic.

HEATHER

What the fuck?? What are you trying to do, scare off all of our customers?

VIOLET

Oh, of course not. I'm just here to promote Godliness.

**HEATHER** 

(Under her breath.)

Jesus Christ--

VIOLET

(Interrupting.)

I love him!

JASON discreetly enters the shop with sunglasses.

**HEATHER** 

Oh god.

(To Violet.)

Okay, just don't be weird, alright?

**JASON** 

(Approaching the women.)
Hey, what'dya have that's new to
the collection here?

VIOLET

(Interrupting with lots of enthusiasm.)

Welcome to Judas Kiss: where your pleasure is our command!

**HEATHER** 

--Well, we've got--

VIOLET

If you're looking for some ways to entertain yourself, there's always the route of self-satisfaction.

HEATHER

Oh, well yeah I guess that's--

VIOLET

--By basking in God's love and glory!

**JASON** 

... Is that code for something?

VIOLET

John 4:16 states that--

HEATHER

(To Jason.)

OKAY, why don't you just check our back corner over there.

HEATHER guides JASON to the back, near TAMMY. VIOLET stands smiling at her counter.

VIOLET

I like this job! I think I was destined to work here.

HEATHER

OKAY! You're done with work. We'll pay you, but just-just go home early today, okay?

VIOLET

Oh, but wait! I brought gifts for everyone, since it's my first day here and all.

VIOLET pulls out several copies of the New Testament from her bag.

VIOLET (CONT'D)

Bibles for everyone!

HEATHER

Great.

VIOLET

(To Tammy and Jason in the back.)

Y'all, I've got complimentary bibles up here! Well, just the new testament. The one that actually matters!

HEATHER tries to shut VIOLET up and distract the customers.

VIOLET (CONT'D)

Thank you for visiting Judas Kiss! I'll be back for my shift tomorrow, ready to spread God's light to all.

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