

Elphaba is sorry

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INT. BEDROOM - DAY/NIGHT

An empty room waits.

A door SHUTS and footsteps THUD as they approach.

Elphaba, a green-skinned person in their 30s, dressed in a neck-high dress and pointed hat, plops down on a chair.

Their eyes find their way to the camera. Pain darkens their features.

They SIGH and steel themselves.

ELPHABA

So, as you may already know, a lot of things have been said about me and my character. There are two sides to every story. I can't speak to their experience. All I can do is tell you my side and let you be the judge.

Elphaba swallows.

ELPHABA (CONT'D)

I'm honestly horrified at the accusations being flung by people I thought were my friends. Like it's one thing for strangers to be mean, but when it's the person you're closest to in the entire world...

Elphaba chokes back a sob.

ELPHABA (CONT'D)

That hurts.

Elphaba SNIFFLES and wipes their eyes.

ELPHABA (CONT'D)

Let's get the facts straight.

Elphaba holds up one finger.

ELPHABA (CONT'D)

One: I took a little field trip to see The Wizard at his request.

They hold up two fingers.

ELPHABA (CONT'D)

Two: I learned some VERY damning information about The Wizard. I won't share that information, because we've all seen what he does to people who know the truth.

They point to themselves and stare down the camera.

They hold up three fingers.

ELPHABA (CONT'D)

Three: The Wizard asked me to use my powers to serve his own agenda. When I refused, he tried arresting me! If he had been successful, I might be dead.

Elphaba rubs their neck in comfort.

They take a deep breath.

ELPHABA (CONT'D)

Now I'm the one in exile while he and Galinda sit pretty and safe in their emerald towers.

Elphaba SCOFFS.

ELPHABA (CONT'D)

Who's really in danger here?

Elphaba sits in their sadness.

ELPHABA (CONT'D)

I'm genuinely sorry if my actual actions, not ones people say I did, scared you. When people make you out to be a villain, sometimes, it's easier to be what they want you to be.

Elphaba looks away.

ELPHABA (CONT'D)

(half-heartedly)

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my bio.

They turn off the camera.