

All is Gone

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INTERIOR : JOSEPH'S LIVING ROOM.

JOSEPH FLOYD (AGE 16) AND JAMES PARK (AGE 16) ARE BRIGHT STUDENTS AND BEST FRIENDS. THEY HAD JUST ARRIVED AT JOSEPH'S HOME AFTER A LONG DAY AT SCHOOL. JOSEPH AND JAMES BEGIN TO DO THEIR HOMEWORK WHEN JOSEPH PULLS OUT A BAG OF MARIJUANA.

JOSEPH

Mom I'm home and I brought James over.

JAMES

Hey Mrs. Floyd, I'm sorry for constantly coming over, but we have a huge assignment due Monday that will have a huge hit on our grade if we don't finish on time.

MRS.FLOYD

Don't worry about it James, you are always welcome here. So how was school today guys?

JOSEPH

Well it was great until Ms.Jackson assigned this stupid assignment, I have no idea how she expects me to finish this by Monday.

JAMES

Yea.. I think she's jealous because we get to have so much fun unlike her, so she assigns us an incredible amount of work so we have no time to relax.

MRS.FLOYD

Well you guys better get started.

JOSEPH

Well were going to go get started on our work in my room mom.

MRS.FLOYD

Remember boys, if you work hard now it'll pay off in the future so keep up the hard work.

JOSEPH

If I had a quarter for every time she told me that... just imagine what a boy our age can do with that kind of money.

JAMES

Ha! yea you'd be rich and living a stress-free life, without the worry's of homework or not having enough for the new pair of shoes that came out.

JOSEPH

Yea... I'd probably pay someone to do my homework for me, I can't handle all these assignments. Some days I just want to stop and take a rest from life you know?

JAMES

Yea, but like your mom said, we have to work now or we'll pay in the future.

JOSEPH

Yea I realized that so I asked one of my friends that had already finished high school what he did to relieve stress, he told me that he used to occasionally smoke pot.

EXTERIOR: JOSEPH'S BACKYARD

JOSEPH PULLS OUT A BAG OF MARIJUANA THAT HE HAD GOTTEN FROM HIS COLLEGE FRIEND. THEY BEGIN TO SMOKE POT, JAMES HEADS HOME.

JAMES

I don't think that can work with everyone Joseph, I've seen videos of people that ruin their lives because of their addiction to pot and well we're still in high school.

JOSEPH

Well don't worry this will be one of the few occasions that we use this, besides it's bad to bottle all that stress up. It can have long term effects on your body.

JAMES

I guess your right, but we have to keep it between us.

EXTERIOR : SCHOOL

ACT 2 : JOSEPH MEETS JAMES AT SCHOOL THE NEXT DAY AND THEY HAVE BOTH TOTALLY FORGOTTEN THEIR PROJECT, THEY ARE BOTH ALWAYS COMPLAINING OF THEIR MAJOR HEADACHES AND THEY ARE ALWAYS UNUSUALLY HUNGRY. THEIR TEACHERS CALL HOME FOR THEM

HAVE MISSED MULTIPLE ASSIGNMENTS THROUGHOUT THE WEEK. JAMES REALIZES THIS AND TELLS JOSEPH THAT THEY SHOULDN'T CONTINUE USING MARIJUANA, JOSEPH AGREES AND THEY PROMISE EACH OTHER TO NEVER USE IT AGAIN. THE NEXT DAY IN SCHOOL, JOSEPH GOES TO THE BATHROOM, HE SMELLS THE AROMA OF THE ADDICTIVE DRUG BEING USED BY OTHERS, HE CRAVES FOR IT. HE HURRIES HOME AND GETS OUT HIS SECRET STASH, BUT HE REMEMBERS THE PROMISE HE HAD MADE WITH JAMES AND HOLDS OFF FOR ANOTHER DAY, HE GETS VERY LITTLE SLEEP THAT DAY.

JAMES

Hey Joseph, how you feeling?

JOSEPH

I feel like crap. I got little sleep and I'm constantly hungry.

JAMES

Yea... I had a major headache, I can't remember a thing from yesterday.

JOSEPH

Yea... well let's head to class you know how Ms.Jackson gets when we're late.

JAMES

Yea your right.

JOSEPH

Hey go ahead actually I'm going to make a quick stop at the restroom.

JAMES

Alright, see you in class.

Interior : School restroom

Joseph runs to the restroom where he smells the familiar aroma of pot being smoked by some kids in the stalls, he suddenly gets weak as his knees shake he fights his urge for another hit and hurries to class.

MS.JACKSON

Well Joseph, it's nice to see that you have made to class on time today.

JOSEPH

Yea, well what can I say, I like to plan ahead.

MS. JACKSON

Well then you would not mind being first to present your project would you? Well that's if you did it.

Interior : Ms. Jackson's room

Joseph thinks to him himself "O crap! I totally forgot about the project, I better tell James!" Joseph sits down in his seat.

JOSEPH

Dude! James! we totally blew off that project!

JAMES

OH CRAP! I knew I was forgetting something, I knew we should not have smoked pot.

JOSEPH

Well what are we going to do?

JAMES

Well there's nothing we can do, but take the Fail for on our report card.

JOSEPH

Oh my god, my mom's going to kill me and god knows what your mom's going to do to you.

James and Joseph sit in the corner throughout the class for the teacher had already informed their parents of what had happened. They both head home and are scolded, they are sent to their room until the next day.

JAMES

Yo, Joseph what did your mom say?

JOSEPH

Well she was not that angry, but she was more disappointed, I apologized and that was that.

JAMES

WOW, if only if my parents were that chill, I had to eat carrots for dinner, CARROTS!

JOSEPH

Well let's get to class, I want to get as much credit as I possibly

can.

JAMES

Yea your right.

They hurry to class and pay full attention throughout the day.

JOSEPH

Hey James go ahead I'll catch up,  
I'm going to ask Ms.Jackson  
something.

JAMES

Alright, I'll wait in front of the  
school.

JOSEPH

"Dam Ms.Jackson already left, might  
as well stop by the restroom while  
I'm still here."

Joseph walks into the restroom where he smells the sweet  
aroma of marijuana once again, but this time he is  
overwhelmed by the scent, he runs home without telling James.  
He get's home and lights up another bag of marijuana that he  
had bought off some kids in the restroom.

JOSEPH

"Just one more time, James does not  
have to know".

JAMES

"Where the heck has he gone too, I  
better call him to make sure he  
hasn't left yet".

Exterior : Front of school

James calls Joseph, but his call is sent straight to voice  
mail. Being a good friend he decides to stop by Joseph's home  
on the way home to make sure nothing had happened to him.

EXTERIOR : SCHOOL

ACT 3 : THE NEXT DAY AT SCHOOL, HE SMELLS THE AROMA ONCE  
AGAIN, HE BARELY GETS THROUGH THE DAY, HE RUNS HOME WITHOUT  
MEETING UP WITH JAMES THAT DAY. JAMES GETS WORRIED SO HE  
STOPS BY JOSEPH'S HOME, HE WALKS INTO HIS ROOM AND HE SEES  
JOSEPH ON HIS BED DAZING OFF INTO THE CEILING WITH A BAG OF  
MARIJUANA ON HIS CHEST, JAMES SCREAMS OUT JOSEPHS NAME (IN  
SHOCK). JOSEPH'S PARENTS COME RUNNING UP AND THEY SEE WHY HE  
HAS BEEN DOING SO BAD IN SCHOOL AND SO SECLUDED FROM THE  
FAMILY. JOSEPH'S PARENTS KICK HIM OUT OF THE HOUSE FOR GOOD.  
JOSEPH SPENDS THE NIGHT AT JAMES' HOME, AS TIME FOR SLEEP

CAME, JAMES PULLS OUT A SMALL PINCH OF MARIJUANA THAT HE HAD SNUCK OUT OF THE HOUSE, HE WRAPS IT UP AND BEGINS TO SMOKE IT, JAMES COMES OUT OF THE BATHROOM AND SEES JOSEPH. JAMES IS OUTRAGED AND DEMANDS THAT HE THROWS IT AWAY, BUT JOSEPH CONTINUES. JAMES SNATCHES IT FROM HIM AND TELLS HIM IT'S EITHER HE STOPS THIS HABIT OR THEIR FRIENDSHIP WILL NEVER BE THE SAME AGAIN, JOSEPH REALIZES THAT HE COULD BE LOSING HIS BEST FRIEND, HE DUMPS IT IN THE TOILET. JOSEPH APOLOGIZES TO THOSE HE HAD HURT WITH HIS ADDICTION TO THE DRUG AND WORKS TO PICK UP HIS GRADES IN SCHOOL.

Interior : Joseph's home

James arrives at Joseph's home and knocks on the door and Mrs. Floyd answers.

JAMES

Hey Mrs. Floyd has Joseph come home yet?

MRS.FLOYD

Oh yea he got here a while ago, I was surprised you were not with him.

JAMES

Do you mind if I go upstairs so we can talk?

MRS.FLOYD

Of course not, James your welcome here anytime, you don't have to ask.

JAMES

Heh, alright thank you Mrs. Floyd.

Interior : Joseph's room

James walks into Joseph's room and finds his best friend dazing off into the ceiling with an open bag of marijuana on his chest.

JAMES

JOSEPH!!! Are you okay!?!?!

JOSEPH

Huh?, where am I....

JAMES

Dude, I thought we promised each other we would never smoke pot again.

JOSEPH

Wait, what? I have no idea what your

talking about... Who are you again?

Joseph's mom comes upstairs hearing the commotion and sees Joseph with the bag of marijuana in his possession.

MRS.FLOYD  
Hey whats going on in here?

JOSEPH  
Nothing! Have you ever heard of knocking mom?

MRS.FLOYD  
JOSEPH! WHAT IS THAT IN YOUR HAND?!?  
IS THAT MARIJUANA?!

JOSEPH  
Uh... I don't know what your talking about.

MRS.FLOYD  
I CAN SMELL IT IN THE AIR. JOSEPH  
GET YOUR ASS OUT OF THIS HOUSE RIGHT NOW.

JOSEPH  
You gotta be kidding me.

MRS.FLOYD  
Joseph I will give you 10 seconds to get some clothes and I expect you to be out of this house.

Joseph and James leave the house, James tries to talk to Joseph about what had just happened.

JAMES  
Dude, WTF? You broke your promise.

JOSEPH  
Yea, I know and I'm really sorry, I couldn't control myself. You think I could spend the night or at least until my mom cools down?

JAMES  
Yea, I guess, but I still can't believe you did that. You promised...

JOSEPH  
I'm sorry James. I don't know what came over me. I won't happen again...

JAMES

I hope not.

Joseph and James get ready to sleep when Joseph pulls out a small stash of marijuana that he had snuck out of his house before his mom had thrown it away.

JAMES

DUDE! You gotta be kidding me right?  
After what you have said like 2  
hours ago, you pull some more out?!?

JOSEPH

Dude, I'm sorry, but I have to, You  
don't understand.

JAMES

Oh, I do understand Joseph, this is  
the last time I ever help you out.  
If you don't put that out and throw  
it away, well we'll never be "WE"  
again.

JOSEPH

James... You wouldn't...

JAMES

Try me, if you take another breath  
of marijuana, I will never speak to  
you again.

Interior : James' house

Joseph comes back to reality and realizes that he was so close to losing his best friend over some drugs. He tosses it into the toilet and apologizes to those he had hurt during his time of using marijuana.

JOSEPH ( ON THE TELEPHONE )

Mom I'm really sorry. I promise you  
it'll never happen again... Can you  
please forgive me?

MRS.FLOYD

Well we'll see if you hold up to  
your word. Hurry up and get home.

JOSEPH

James I owe you the biggest apology  
ever. I really am sorry, I couldn't  
control myself.

JAMES

Well I'm not mad because you lied,  
but because you didn't simply come  
to me for help.

JOSEPH

Yea... I guess I have ~~to~~ admit I was  
embarrassed.

JAMES

Yea well now that we this is over,  
you think we should tell Ms.Jackson  
what happened and ask for a  
extension for the project we missed?

JOSEPH

Yea, I guess we could do that, but I  
doubt she'd give it to us, I mean we  
are speaking of Ms.Jackson.

JAMES

Heh, yea. Well it's worth a try I  
don't want to end up getting the  
Fail on my Final report card.

JOSEPH

Yea I guess your right, well I'm  
going to go home. I'll see you at  
your locker tomorrow?

JAMES

Yea of course. Good Night

JOSEPH

Good Night.

Exterior : Bus stop

Joseph thinks to himself as he walked home, he realized how  
big of an impact James had on his life. He tears up as he  
imagines how close he was to losing him.