Masked!

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INT. CAR: DAY

John (25) is driving on his way home from work. Radio is playing in the background. He opens his window to wave and yell hello to a neighbor as he passes by. An alert comes on the radio.

RADIO ANNOUNCER

This is WTKW radio with a special bulletin. Police officials are reporting another possible obduction in the area. Beth Anderson, 22 of Syracuse, has been missing since last night. Officials state Beth was last seen leaving Dinosaur BBQ in downtown Syracuse last night around 11pm. Beth is described as being about 5'5", long brown hair with brown eyes. Was last seen wearing a grey shirt and dark shorts.

Halfway through the announcement, John gets a smile across his face.

INT. HOUSE - CONTINUOUS

John walks into the house, sets his stuff down on the couch. He walks to the kitchen and gets a glass of water. Walks around and then looks at the time. He then walks through the kitchen sets his water down and walks through a door.

INT. BASEMENT - CONTINUOUS

WHAT LOOKS TO BE A DARK AND SCARY BASEMENT ROOM. ROOM HAS BLOCK WALLS, RAFTERS IN THE CEILING, DIRTY FLOOR. THERE IS A BUCKET IN ONE CORNER, A FEW WATER JUGS STREWN THROUGH OUT THE ROOM, A COUPLE OF RATTY BLANKETS AND PILLOWS ON THE FLOOR. TWO WOMEN ARE SITTING ON THE FLOOR OF THIS ROOM. BOTH WOMEN HAVE ONE OF THEIR ANKLES CHAINED.

BETH

(Just waking up and groggy) What happened? Where am I? Who are you?

JENNY

(Seeming concerned) Are you ok? My name is Jenny.

BETH

(Beginning to freak out)
What the hell is this?
(begins pulling on chains) How did I get here? Last thing I remember was being at a restaurant and some nice guy buying me a drink.

JENNY

Same type of thing happened to me before I ended up here.

BETH

How long have you been here?

JENNY

BETH

(Panicking more) Years? Who is doing this?

JENNY

(Very stoic) I don't know who he is. Please, just do whatever he says. You will be ok if you just do what he says.

BETH

(Even more terrified) What do you mean? What is

going to happen to me? Am I gonna die?

JENNY

(Calm voice) Just do what he says, and I promise you will be fine. He wont kill you if you just do what he says.

Sound of keys unlocking a lock on the door to the room. The door is whipped open and John comes in still in his work cloths. Smile on his face, he walks over to Beth.

JOHN

(Stern Voice) Get up

BETH

(Visibly crying and shaking) What do you want? Why are you doing this?

JENNY

(Yelling) Leave her alone.

Take me.

John goes to a knee and pulls a key ring out of his pocket. He unlocks the lock on the chain around Beth's ankle. He stands up, grabs Beth by her upper arm and starts to drag her out of the room.

BETH

(Scared to death and panicking) NO! Stop!
Please!

JENNY

(Yelling) Beth just remember, do what he says and you will be ok.

Beth is stumbling while being dragged along by John. Constantly falling to the ground crying and screaming. The yells get louder and louder.

JOHN

Furious voice) Shut up! I don't want to hear a sound out of you!

John slams the door shut behind him. Sound of a lock being put back on the door. Light goes out in the room. Jenny curls up under her blanket and goes to sleep.

INT. HOUSE - EVENING

John is coming up the stairs with Beth's arm in his hand. As they reach the top of the stairs, Beth gets her arm free, shoves John down the stairs. Beth turns toward the door behind her and rushes to unlock it. She whips the door open and runs out.

INT. BASEMENT - NIGHT

Sound of lock on door being unlocked. Door whips open and john comes running into the room.

JOHN

(Yelling) Get up! She got
 out! Get up now, your
 going to help me find
 her. NOW!

John hurriedly unlocks Jenny's chain and pulls her up. With her arm in his hand they go running out the door.

EXT. WOODS: EVENING

Beth is running through the woods. She continuously stops to catch her breath and look to see if John is following her. She continues running but trips over a rock/log and falls forward face first into the ground. Tired and hurt, she is having a hard time getting up. The sound of footsteps can be heard. Jenny appears and runs up to Beth.

JENNY

(Obviously concerned) Are you ok? Can you walk?

BETH

(Scared and exhausted voice) I don't think so.
My ankle hurts really bad.

JENNY

(With an evil smile and sarcastic voice) Good...I told you to just do what he said. You girls just never listen.

More footsteps approach. John comes through the clearing and comes up behind Jenny and puts his arm around her.

JOHN

What do we have here babe?

JENNY

She can't walk. She hurt her ankle.

JOHN

Good. She isn't going to need to walk where she is going.

Camera view is from the view of Beth. All you see is John reaching for Beth. The screen goes black and you hear a woman screaming.

INTERIOR OF HOUSE: DAY TIME

John is getting dressed up to go out. Jenny comes to talk to him. She is whipping off the makeup on her face, but she is in a robe or other normal cloths. She shows John a photo of a young girl on her phone.

JENNY

She is cute. The reservation is set

for 8. Make sure to order the red wine for her. Message me when your on your way back. I'll have the room ready.

John leaves and the screen goes black.

Jenny gets a text from John

JOHN

(Text) She is ready. Be home soon.

Jenny is setting in front of a mirror putting on the new makeup.