

If I had to do it again

By Via Easter



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INT. COLLEGE DORM - DAY

18 year-old REGAN sits on her bed staring down at her phone. We see a list of BLUE MESSAGES flow down the screen with no other response from the contact.

REGAN

Again? Why do I even bother.

Regan swipes out of the messages and texts her friend LACY. We do not see the message, but Regan sends it with a WOOSH sound coming from her phone. Regan then turns to her pillow and slams her head down into it with a muffled cry.

INT. COLLEGE DORM - NIGHT

A loud KNOCK on the door wakes Regan up and she sits up from her bed and crosses the room to answer it. As Regan opens the door Lacy, 18, is standing there with a frown on her face and holding a WHOLE CAKE she must have bought from the store. Regan smiles and waves her hand for her to come in.

REGAN

Hey. Thank you for coming over so last minute. I had another breakdown.

LACY

I can see that.

Lacy sets the cake on the floor and POPS the lid open. Regan follows her and sits down with her legs crossed. She brings her hands up to put on her hoodies hood and lays her face in her palms.

LACY

So? Same thing as last week?

REGAN

Yup.

LACY

Just dump him already! I don't care how attractive you think he is or how good he can be when you're together. He is a piece of shit.

REGAN

I just don't know if I can leave him it's been two years..

LACY

Of shit.

REGAN

Lace, I just want him to love me like I love him. Who knows, maybe he does and I am overthinking. He probably just canceled this weekend because he's doing music stuff.

LACY

You can't keep making excuses for him. There is something psychologically wrong with that man. I will never forget the day you told me that he said he needed time to miss you. What does that even mean?!

Regan takes a FORK from a drawer under her bed and STABS into the store bought cake bringing a large piece into her mouth.

REGAN

(muffled) I thought it meant he was just seeing me a lot and needed space.

Lacy rolls her eyes and sighs. She then begins to take Regan's fork and get a piece of cake herself.

LACY

I get all relationships and people are different, but seeing you once a week and always on his schedule is not someone who is thinking of you. It might have been different in high school, but that was puppy love. You need to be more like him, prioritize yourself, but single.

REGAN

You might be right. He does make me miserable and I don't know how much longer I can deal with this.

LACY

I am always right, I've been telling you to leave him for months.

Regan smiles and roles her eyes again. She then pulls herself off the floor and grabs her PHONE from the bed and plops back down next to Lacy.

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