

CHRISTY
Can we talk in the car? It's
freezing out here.

Brian walks up to a red pick up truck with a wreath on the front and garland draped in the bed. Christy walks by it to a waiting black SUV. They each stand at their cars.

CHRISTY (CONT'D)
You're not driving that, are you?

BRIAN
It's Stan's, the owner of the Inn.
He's been letting me borrow it.

She stares at him for a beat then walks closer to the SUV. Brian follows and they both get in.

INT. CHRISTY'S SUV - CONTINUOUS

Brian is barely in when Christy excitedly starts.

START →

CHRISTY
This is the big project I've been
working on! When you're done here-

She waves her hand toward Mistletoe on Main.

CHRISTY (CONT'D)
We will be starring in our own
show! You will love the producers!
We've already found a perfect house
for us in a celebrity neighborhood!

BRIAN
House for us? I like my house.

CHRISTY
We'll be living together now for
the show, so production rented us a
bigger, better house since they'll
be shooting us day and night. The
producers are already talking about
a second season when we get engaged
and you know that means...

Brian shakes his head no and as he opens his mouth to speak:

CHRISTY (CONT'D)
They'll option a third one for the
wedding, silly! Obviously it'll
just be for the cameras for now but
I'm already talking to designers.

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JAMES

Fine by me. Be right back. I need to talk to someone about our music for tomorrow night.

James exits. Brian looks at Mel with a smile.

BRIAN

Thanks.

MELISSA

For what?

BRIAN

Being that somebody special. You want a hot chocolate to go? I'll go get us some.

Brian rubs her shoulder then exits. Mel smiles as she watches him go.

ANGLE ON: Christy sees the interaction between them. She watches Brian leave then approaches Mel.

START →

MELISSA

Brian ran to get hot chocolate. He's become a fan of them.

CHRISTY

Seems he's become a fan of a lot of things in Mistletoe.

Mel smiles politely.

MELISSA

It's hard not to love this place.

CHRISTY

I don't know how you act so full of cheer all the time. I can only take so much Christmas. And this cold weather? Ugh.

MELISSA

I love it. And silly as it sounds? I also really love Christmas.

CHRISTY

Hm. So are you as excited as Brian about the show ending? I know he's been counting down the days.

MELISSA

He has, huh?

CHRISTY

I mean, this has been great for his career, but it was always just a stepping stone for our new show.

Mel takes a beat to recover from hearing this.

MELISSA

Oh. I um, I hadn't heard.

CHRISTY

He didn't tell you? He probably didn't want to jinx it 'til after he signs contracts tonight! It's a reality show that'll bring our fans into our world of premieres and parties and follow us as we move in, get engaged. Life stuff.

MELISSA

Wow. That is--it seems like it'll be really perfect for you guys.

James approaches.

JAMES

Ready?

She nods to James then politely smiles to Christy.

MELISSA

Have a nice Christmas.

CHRISTY

You too.

Mel walks away with James, hurt and confused.

A few steps later:

JAMES

Hey, you okay?

MELISSA

Yeah. (small fake smile) Yeah, I'm good.

END OF ACT SEVEN

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