

What Makes You Perfect

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INT. BEDROOM - NIGHT

LOOKING4 texts while laying in bed with the lights off. We can never see his face. The only identity we see is his picture next to the dating app messages popping up on the screen. We can see the bottom of a dick pic, but not the full picture.

LOOKING4  
Hot pics.

INT. LIVING ROOM - NIGHT

DOWN2BTM texts in the dark as well. We can't see his face either.

DOWN2BTM (TEXT)  
You too. Annnnd were compatible.

INTERCUT--MESSAGING

LOOKING4 (TEXT)  
Wanna meet?

DOWN2BTM (TEXT)  
YASSSS Q. Tmrw?

LOOKING4 (TEXT)  
You host?

DOWN2BTM (TEXT)  
Mmhmm.

DOWN2BTM sends his location.

DOWN2BTM (TEXT)  
I'll text you when I wake up?

LOOKING4 (TEXT)  
Sounds gucci. Sleep tight.

DOWN2BTM (TEXT)  
Wet dreams...I mean sweet dreams.

LOOKING4 (TEXT)  
lolololol Nighhhhtttt :\*

INT. JOSH'S APARTMENT - DAY

JOSH, aka DOWN2BTM, is getting his teeth brushed by his home assistant, LISA. He's in a wheel chair and is paralyzed from the neck down. There's a knock at the door. Lisa goes to answer it.

INT. DOORWAY- DAY

Lisa greets TOM, aka LOOKING4.

LISA

Hello.

TOM

Hi. I'm sorry, I think I actually have the wrong house.

LISA

Are you looking for Josh?

TOM

Who?

She clears her throat.

LISA

Down to bottom?

TOM

Oh...yeah.

LISA

Come on in.

Lisa goes back inside, leaving the door open for Kyle.

INT. LIVING ROOM - DAY

Lisa returns. Tom is right behind her when he sees Josh.

JOSH

Oh hey cutie! Come on in.

Tom can't help but look at the wheel chair.

TOM

I, um...I'm sorry, I should probably go.

Tom begins to back up.

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JOSH  
We don't have to fuck.

TOM  
Oh, I know. I just--

JOSH  
It's the chair. I know.

TOM  
No, no, no. It's--

JOSH  
You're not the first guy I've had  
over, you know.

TOM  
You didn't say anything before.

JOSH  
Well, would you have come?

Tom has nothing to say.

JOSH  
Really, we can just talk if you  
want. No pressure.

TOM  
Okay.

JOSH  
Wanna sit?

Tom sits and continues gawking at the chair.

JOSH  
I wasn't always like this.

TOM  
No?

JOSH  
Mm mm. It was an accident from when  
I was younger, not a birth defect  
or anything. And before you ask,  
yes I could walk. No, I can't now.  
And yes, I can still get hard, so  
no need to worry about that.

Again, Tom is speechless.

JOSH  
Not the first, remember?

TOM  
How many others?

JOSH  
Like, 40 or so?

TOM  
And you...

JOSH  
Some. The open minded ones.

Lisa brings in Josh's lunch.

LISA  
Sorry to interrupt.

JOSH  
You hungry...? I'm sorry. I just realized I never even asked your name.

TOM  
It's Tom, and sure. Yeah, I could have a bite.

LISA  
Sure thing.

JOSH  
Thanks, Lisa.

Lisa exits.

TOM  
So, why do you do it?

JOSH  
Do what?

TOM  
Meet guys.

JOSH  
Why do you?

TOM  
I don't know. Sex, I guess.

JOSH

Exactly. Not the worst app for that, especially if you can't masturbate. Plus, it's nice to have company.

Tom looks softly at Josh.

JOSH

Sorry if this sounds forward, but I feel like these hook ups are more than just sex to you.

TOM

Oh yeah? What makes you say that?

JOSH

I don't know. Just a feeling. There's, like, sadness in those cute eyes or something.

TOM

No. I just feel bad for you is all.

JOSH

I don't need you to feel bad for me.

TOM

I didn't mean it like--

JOSH

What makes you perfect? We're both here, aren't we?

TOM

I'm sorry. I really didn't mean anything by that.

Lisa brings Tom's lunch.

LISA

Here you go, sweetie.

Tom looks uncomfortable as he offers a polite thank you smile. Lisa smiles back and leaves.

TOM

I went through a breakup.

Josh barely up from his smoothie.

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TOM  
Probably why you see sadness.

JOSH  
How long were you together?

TOM  
A little over five years.

JOSH  
Hm.

Josh takes another slurp.

TOM  
What?

JOSH  
Nothing. I just feel bad for you is all.

They laugh.

TOM  
Okay, okay. Touché.

JOSH  
You miss him?

TOM  
Sometimes. Mostly miss the sex though. Not gonna lie, it was really good. We didn't work as a couple, but our sex...sorry. You probably don't want to hear this.

JOSH  
Sounds like no one's been able to please you the same.

TOM  
Pretty rough, huh?

JOSH  
Just how I like it.

They laugh again.

JOSH  
Sorry, sorry. I'm done if you want.

Tom sees Josh's erection as the laughter calms. Josh sees Tom looking.

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JOSH  
You can touch it if you want.

TOM  
I--

JOSH  
It won't kill me.

After a moment, Tom leans in and grabs Josh's penis through his pants. Lisa enters and he jumps away.

LISA  
You guys need...oh. Sorry.

She exits.

TOM  
Shit.

JOSH  
Don't worry. She's used to it by now.

TOM  
Is she always here?

JOSH  
She doesn't have to be.