

In the Hollow

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Setting: *Two friends, a bit catty. Catching up and venting on life. You know those toxic friendships that judge you for being you. yeah. That vibe for these two. Setting can be anywhere.*

Cast: Cierra: Christina, Lorelai: Ava

Cierra: So I'm sitting there with him, studying.

Lorelai: how's that class going by the way.

Cierra: you know, a lot easier than I thought, he's a lot more laid back than my previous professor.

Lorelai: that's good. Sorry, I interrupted you.

Cierra: no it's okay. So I'm studying and I feel him looking at me.

Lorelai: that's creepy

Cierra: no it was sweet, like in admiration. So I look up and asked him like "what?" and he said "I wanna see if this works between us. I'm tired of this back and forth I want to make this work."

Lorelai: you just met.

Cierra: we met a month ago

Lorelai: *(overlapping)* We met a month ago, I know but still

Cierra: A month is plenty of time to get to know someone. And besides I already agreed.

Lorelai: I know.

Cierra: How'd you know?

Lorelai: Because you're see through.

Cierra: What do you mean? I am not!

Lorelai: You have no layer of mystique. And that's all well and good for a time. A lot of guys think that's what they want but they soon realize they like to dig.

Cierra: I can be mysterious. I have layers

Lorelai: you have as many layers as a singular sheet cake.

Cierra: you're being so mean. How could you say that? Just because I'm open about my feelings doesn't mean I'm not as deep as you.

Lorelai: I love you but you're just not. Just look at your face, there is no question right now that you're upset with how you are. You can't fight your emotions, which is... okay but guys don't care to know your every emotion.

Cierra: who said it's about the guys. I don't exactly see them swarming you!

Lorelai: That's because I have formulated the perfect level of challenge to keep away the guys who aren't up to it.

Cierra: so... every guy?

Lorelai: well, it's not about the boys, it's about me being true to myself. And you just aren't. You change your theme depending on the guy. That's what I'm meaning. You're not just transparent you're hollow.

Cierra: You're the hollow one. Closed off but a single blow could shatter you and make you cave. I'd rather be transparent than trembling and empty, afraid of anyone seeing I'm incapable of reciprocating tender feelings for another person!

Lorelai: is that how you see me?

Cierra: That's what you've shown me. I've seen the cracks in the bark.

(Beat)

You're not mysterious, you've never truly known how to love. And that's okay, but it's time to grow up and figure yourself out.