

The Story Teller (Old)

Posted by Grant400 - 09 Dec 2020 17:53

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## **Righteous Indignation**

### ***Chapter One:***

January 13 2010 2:50 am; Brooklyn N.Y.

Moe Steiner was laying in his bed wide awake. His family were already sound asleep. But not him, he already gave up trying to sleep, after twisting and turning fitfully for 3 hours. Tomorrow was the big day. His heart started pounding with nervous anticipation, yet again. It finally arrived, after weeks of incredible highs and terrible lows, the speculation and wondering were almost over, tomorrow he was finally going to propose. Oh! How his heart was singing, this girl was the one, of that he was always certain, now that they were on the same page they were done with the feet dragging. He was more than ready to get the show on the road.

He planned the perfect proposal. Never one to spare an expense, he excitedly rented a full size luxury car, a Cadillac - his favorite - to pick up his wonderful Esther Berg, soon to be his very own Esther Steiner! He spread the back seat with an assortment of her favorite chocolates and candy for a mini lichaim together after he said the words. Of course the jumbo bouquet of red roses were going to be waiting in the trunk for right after. Oh, he couldn't wait. Those beautiful four words; Will you marry me? He'd been practicing in the mirror the whole night.

He decided to drive down to N.J. tomorrow and take a nice walk with her on the Point Pleasant boardwalk, ending at a small dock where his good friends set up a small table with a bottle of champagne resting on a bed of ice, flanked by two thin stemmed champagne flutes and

sprinkled with red rose petals. He wanted it to be perfect, just like the life ahead of him. Perfect of course.

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Moe lay with his hands tucked comfortably behind his head, imagining the future. How beautiful it will be. To finally have someone with whom he can have a real honest and deep relationship. Someone to laugh with and someone to cry with. He knew he was going to be the best husband ever. He just knew he will always be there for Esther, and she will always be there for him. Their relationship was going to be legendary. To be able to open up and share the most raw emotions, to be vulnerable and honest...Honest! Moe abruptly sat up and kicked off the covers. He suddenly felt stifled and short of breath. Honesty. Is he being completely honest?

He swung his bare feet onto the cold wood floor and started pacing back and forth. A weird feeling bubbling up in his chest. What was it he wondered? Fear? Guilt? Confusion?

All these years he knew the time would come, the time he will have to let go and never turn back. When he would finally have to face reality and admit the painful truth to himself. The truth about his secret. Until now he always excused himself, boys will be boys - of course I wouldn't do it forever, that's disgusting. But that was always deep in the unforeseeable future, but that future had just arrived. To have an honest and healthy marriage, to be the husband and father he wanted to be, meant finally facing reality.

His hands shaking, he headed towards his desk where his pants were neatly folded and draped over the chair. He picked them up with purposeful intent, then he stopped in place. Was he ready? Can he give up all those years of pleasure and bliss? All the hours and history together? He sighed, his heart heavy. But he knew what he must do, no, what he wanted to do. He set his jaw determinedly, stuck his now steady hand into his pocket and pulled out his treasured and secret device. He tiptoed toward his bedroom door and ever so softly padded his way into the hallway bathroom. He turned around and closed the door gently clicking the lock into place. He stood in front of the toilet, memories flooded his senses. That was then, he chided himself. It's over I'm not that person anymore. He picked up the cover of the toilet tank and without hesitation dropped his phone into the water, holding his breath without realizing until he heard the telltale thud of the now despised device hitting the bottom. He exhaled, expelling his mixed feelings along with his pent up breath.

He instantly felt better, he knew he did the right thing. No regrets. Now he can face tomorrow with a clean conscience and build an honest and open relationship together. All those years and all those times were over, from now one it wasn't just Moe for himself. Now it is Moe and Esther, an entirely new entity, an entirely new beginning.

He couldn't wait for tomorrow. He headed to bed and snuggled into his quilt. Feeling the soft mattress envelope him in a hug, he sighed in satisfaction and immediately drifted to sleep with a smile on the corner of his lips. Pleasant dreams of the future accompanied his contented snoring. He knew everything will work out.

**To be continued...**

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Re: The Story Teller  
Posted by Markz - 02 Mar 2021 18:22

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Please please add to the main topic header of the new Thread the words "please see intro" or something similar

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Re: The Story Teller (Old)  
Posted by Lizhensk - 02 Mar 2021 20:55

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After all that back and forth I was hoping for a double episode, since we already saw the last one.

Oh well...

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Re: The Story Teller (Old)  
Posted by Lou - 02 Mar 2021 22:33

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Posted by Grant400 - 02 Mar 2021 23:43

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Re: The Story Teller (Old)  
Posted by tzitzis dude - 20 Jun 2021 21:39

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I must say that I was slightly confused when I saw something was written on this older thread- by The General himself, no less!- and jumped to the conclusion that you had mistakenly written the next chapter here...

But alas, I must continue waiting with bated breath.

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Re: The Story Teller (Old)  
Posted by the.guard - 22 Jun 2021 09:57

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Posted by Grant400 - 22 Jun 2021 12:14

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In regard to your first point. It's very nice and well to hope for something and try to accomplish it, but at the end of the day not necessarily do we realize the magnitude of it until after we have done it.

Regarding your second point. No one is stealing anyone's identity...

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Posted by DavidT - 22 Jun 2021 14:09

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Great points.

If I may add my 2 cents, it's true that the unusual part can be something that people think is far fetched, on the other hand we need to realize the risk involved in this behavior that it can lead very quickly to situations that we never dreamed of (including major health issues and other life threatening situations).

?As I understand, the goal of the story is to bring us the possible facts in an emotional way so we can take recovery more seriously. ?

[please see the comment from "hashem Help Me" here](#)

***The scary part of this latest installment is that unfortunately these things really happen.....***

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Re: The Story Teller (Old)  
Posted by sleepy - 25 Jun 2021 09:03

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yeah triggering not triggering.

i just want to know when is the movie coming out?

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Re: The Story Teller (Old)  
Posted by Ybird - 21 Dec 2021 16:14

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Grant, i just read the whole story, its amazing, we addicts cannot realize sometimes how this can affect our wives and families. your story truly brings it to light

Why did you stop at episode 17,

i know i'm late in the game but where is the the rest of the story?

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Re: The Story Teller (Old)  
Posted by Ybird - 04 Jan 2022 14:57

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so, i'm very curious, grant400 where are you?

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Re: The Story Teller (Old)  
Posted by Goldfish - 04 Jan 2022 16:52

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Yes, this story has been so helpful. Please carry it on!!

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Re: The Story Teller (Old)  
Posted by growup - 08 Jun 2022 15:15

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