

VALIANT

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INT. FAMILY ROOM - NIGHT

MOM, 35, still wearing her work uniform, sitting at the computer, staring at the screen with red swollen eyes from crying. PROTAGONIST, 8, wearing PJ's, walks up to his mom and puts his hand on her leg to get her attention.

PROTAGONIST

Mom?

The Mom, too distracted to notice her son's approach is startled by his sudden appearance.

MOM

Baby, what are you still doing up?
It's way past your bed time.

PROTAGONIST

I can't go to sleep. Can you tell
me a story?

MOM

A Story?

PROTAGONIST

Yea, I promise I'll go to sleep if
you tell me a story.

MOM

Sure baby I'll tell you a story.
Come on lets tuck you in.

The Mom Sniffles, dries her eyes and gets out of the computer chair and ushers her son toward his bedroom.

INT. BEDROOM - NIGHT

Tucking her son in bed, the mom pulls a chair up next to the bed.

MOM

Now, what story would you like to
hear?

PROTAGONIST

The Brave Knight! The one where he
that saves the people from the evil
king!

MOM

Again? I told you that one last
night.

PROTAGONIST

But I like that one. I like hearing about him beating up the evil king.

The Mom Beams her son a smile.

MOM

Me too, but how about I tell you a new story about the Brave Knight. About before he became the Brave Knight when he was still just a little boy.

PROTAGONIST

Eh? Ok.

MOM

Once upon a time in a far away kingdom their lived a boy and his mother. They weren't rich, in fact one might describe them as very poor. But that didn't bother the boy none, for while his mother went to work, he spent all of his free time with his head in the clouds slaying dragons. Kind of like a little boy I know.

The mother poked her son's nose. The boy laughed.

MOM (CONT'D)

The days went on as they did peacefully, but that was only what it appeared you see, because the lord who governed over the small village was a follower of the evil king and shared many of the kings practices, especially that of robbing the people of their hard earned money under the guise of giving the people the privilege of living on his land and calling it rent. So no matter how hard the mother worked and no matter how long the mother simply was not able to continue paying the ever increasing amount of payment they demanded.

PROTAGONIST

What's going to happen to the mom? Is the Brave Knight going to save her?

MOM

No, the Brave Knight isn't grown up yet. The mother unfortunately was on her own, in face of this evil. Now where was I? Oh yes, so when the mother was unable to pay the money, she decided to confront the Lord of the land. The Lord however, was much more powerful than the mother so after, confronted by the mother he showed his true evil colors and used his connections to the evil king to punish the mother. So one day, a day that seemed like any other, the boy and his mother's lives were suddenly thrown into chaos, when agents of the evil king, suddenly stormed into their home and took the boy away from the mother proclaiming in the name of the king that it was in the boys best interests.

PROTAGONIST

Oh no! Surly the Brave Knight is going to fight them off right? And then punish the evil lord. Right?

MOM

No baby. He doesn't. The Brave Knight isn't strong enough yet, he's still just a weak little boy. So the boy was taken away from the mother. But it doesn't end here, the mother wasn't going to just give up and let her boy be taken from her. So, she devised a plan of her own and gathered a group of allies sympathetic to her cause to fight the Evil King and his minions.

PROTAGONIST

What was the groups name?

MOM

What?

PROTAGONIST

The Groups name. Every great hero team has a name. The Avengers, The Justice League. You know a group name.

MOM

Mmmm. How about Morgan, Morgan and Morgan.

PROTAGONIST

Huh? That's a strange name.

MOM

So, after assembling her team, Morgan, Morgan and Morgan, they set off to the ancient battle field known simply as court. You see the ancestors of the people also had to deal with their own evil king, so they set up an arena called Court, where the people have a better chance of fighting against the king and his minions if he had ever turned evil again. It was there in that arena that team Morgan, Morgan and Morgan, faced their first challenge. The Lord of the Land.

PROTAGONIST

The Lord? But I though the Evil Kings Agents took the boy?

MOM

Oh they did, but you see even though the mother wanted to go strait for the ones who took her son, she knew that before she gets to that fight she would have to build a castle.

PROTAGONIST

A Castle?

MOM

That's right, a castle. The mother knew that if she challenged them now, the kings minions would lay siege to her home, so she needed to build strong fortifications to defend against the siege, and what better defended home than a castle?

PROTAGONIST

And chllenging the lord would help her build a castle?

MOM

That's right, you see to build her castle she needed funds, in order to get the money she had to take it back from the lord who stole it from her. The battle was long and hard, filled with treacherous traps but the mother and team Morgan, Morgan and Morgan preserved causing the Lord to retreat and offer a settlement. The next challenge the team faced was building the castle, but none of them knew how to build one, so they had to the Guild and find a specialist.

PROTAGONIST

What's the guild called?

MOM

Ah---uh, Kelly Price Realtors!

PROTAGONIST

You know mom, you're not very good at naming things.

MOM

Oh, Hush You.

The mother ruffled the boy's hair.