

Simmer

Sides for Lottie

Scene 7.EXT. Jerry's Parking Lot-Night

Lottie is scared to face the true scale of her actions. She attempts to hide from her mistakes and feels cornered by her faith and the law.

START

INT. CHURCH - CONFESSIONAL BOOTH - DAY

LOTTIE

Forgive me Father, for I have sinned.
It's been one day since I confessed.

FATHER JAMES

The Lord listens through me.

LOTTIE

I want to atone for my sin. I want to give up drinking.
It's ruined my life as it has for many others.

FATHER JAMES

This is a commendable decision, Lottie.
Sobriety can be a powerful path towards healing.
But remember, true repentance requires more
than just abstaining from alcohol.

LOTTIE

I know, father...

FATHER JAMES

Then maybe it is time to consider what actions
you need to take to seek true forgiveness.

LOTTIE

Are you saying... turn myself in?

Father James does not answer her, but his silence speaks loud. Panic sets in for Lottie.

LOTTIE(CONT)

I can't... I can't turn myself in. I can't.

FATHER JAMES

I know it is difficult but you cannot carry this burden alone.

LOTTIE

I can't... I'll lose everything. My job, my family... everything.

Lottie breaks down. Her head is in her hands and she now talks through whimpers.

LOTTIE(CONT)

I'm scared, Father.

FATHER JAMES

It's okay to be scared, my child.

LOTTIE

I understand. I now see where to go.

END