

EYES WIDE SHUT

BEDROOM

Alice skillfully rolls two joints. MINUTES LATER
Bill and Alice sitting in bed, partly undressed and
smoking the joints. Alice inhales and leans back with
an ashtray in her lap. She is high.

ALICE

Tell me something those two girls at the party last
night did you by any chance happen to fuck them?

BILL

What? What are you talking about?

ALICE

I'm talking about the two girls you were so
blatantly hitting on.

BILL

I wasn't hitting on anybody.

ALICE

Who were they?

BILL

They were just a couple of models.

ALICE

And where did you disappear to for so long?

BILL

Wait a minute. Wait a minute. I didn't disappear with
anybody. Ziegler wasn't feeling to well and I got
called upstairs to see him. Anyway who was the guy you
were dancing with?

ALICE

A friend of the Zieglers.

BILL

What did he want?

ALICE

What did he want? What did he want? Sex, upstairs, then
and there.

BILL

Is that all?

ALICE
Yeah. Yeah, that's all.

BILL
He just wanted to fuck my wife?

ALICE
That's right.

BILL
Well, I guess that's understandable.

ALICE
Understandable?

BILL
Because you are a very, very beautiful woman.

ALICE
Wow, wow, wow, wow. Wait. So because I'm a beautiful woman, is the only reason any man wants to talk to me. Is because he wants to fuck me is that what you're saying?

BILL
Well I don't think it's quite that black and white. But I think we both know what men are like.

ALICE
So on that Basis I should conclude that you wanted to fuck those two models?

BILL
There are exceptions.

ALICE
And what makes you an exception?

BILL
What makes me an exception is that I happen to be in love with you, and because we're married, and because I would never lie to you or hurt you.

ALICE
So do you realize that what you're saying is that the only reason you wouldn't fuck those two models is out of consideration for me. Not because you really wouldn't want to.

BILL
Let's just relax Alice this pot is making you
aggressive.

ALICE
No it's not the pot it's you! Why can't you ever give
me a straight fucking answer?

BILL
I was under the impression that's what I was doing. I
don't even know who we're arguing about here.

ALICE
I'm not arguing. I'm just trying to find out where
you're coming from.

BILL
Where I'm coming from?

ALICE
Look let's say, let's say for example that you have
some gorgeous woman standing in your office naked and
you're feeling her fucking tits. Now what I wanna know,
I wanna know what are you really thinking about when
you're squeezing them?

BILL
Alice I happen to be a doctor. It's all very
impersonal and you know there's always a nurse present.

ALICE
So when you're feeling her tits, it's just sheer
professionalism. Is that what you're saying?

BILL
Exactly! sex is the last thing that's on my mind when
I'm with a patient.

ALICE
Now when she is having her little titties squeezed, do
you think she's ever having fantasies about what
handsome Doctor Bill's dickie might be like? Hmm?

BILL
I can assure you sex is the last thing on this patients
hypothetical little mind.

ALICE

And what makes you so sure?

BILL

If for no better reason it's because she's afraid of what I might find.

ALICE

Okay, okay, okay, so after you tell her that everthing is fine. What then huh? So what then?

BILL

What then? Uh, Alice I don't know. Uh, what then? Uh, look women don't, they basically just don't think like that.

ALICE

Millions of years of evolution, right? Right? Right? Men have to stick it whatever the place they like, but for women it's all about security and commitment and what ever the fuck else

BILL

That's a little bit oversimplified Alice but yes something like that.

ALICE

If you men only knew.

BILL

I'll tell you what I do know. Is that you got a little stoned tonight and you're trying to pick a fight with me and you're trying to make me jealous.

ALICE

You're not the jealous type are you?

BILL

No I'm not.

ALICE

You've never been fucking jealous have you?

BILL

No I haven't?

ALICE

And why haven't you ever been jealous about me?

BILL

Well, I don't know Alice, maybe because you're my wife. Maybe, because you're the mother of my child and I know you would never be unfaithful to me.

ALICE

You are very sure of yourself, aren't you?

BILL

No I'm sure of you. (Alice laughs uncontrollably)... Do you think that's funny? ... Now we're gonna have this fucking laughing fit right?

ALICE

Do you remember last summer at Cape Cod?

BILL

Yes.

ALICE

And do you remember one night in the dinning room a young naval officer was near our table near us? And he was sitting with two other officers.

BILL

No.

ALICE

The waiter brought him a message at which point he left. Nothing rings a bell?

BILL

No.

ALICE

Well...I first saw him that morning in the lobby. He was checking in and he was following the bellboy with his luggage to the elevator. He glanced at me when he walked past, just a glance, nothing more. Then he turned and looked at me. He didn't say anything, but I could hardly move. That afternoon Helena went to the movies with her friend, and you and I made love and we made plans about our future, and we talked about Helena. And at no time was he out of my mind. I thought even if just for one night I was ready to give up everything, you, Helena, my whole fucking future.

Everything! And yet at the same time if you were dearer to me than ever, then at that moment my love for you was both tender and sad. I barely slept that night. And I woke up in a panic. I didn't know if I was afraid that he had left or that he might still be there...

But by dinner I realised he was gone and I was relieved.

(Bill doesn't say anything)

BILL

(The phone rings)

Hello? Yes this is Dr. Harford. When did it happen? No, no, I have the address. Thank you...

(To Alice) Lou Nathanson just died. I think I have to go over there and show my face.