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Mia(main character):Mia come on wake up sweetheart it's time for church!.. ok
mom I'm coming!.. wait

mom I have to tell you something that has been weighing on my heart [dramatical
pause.] I noticed

everything that you have been through with dad and I just want to tell you I'm so
sorry you had to

experience that. You do not deserve that in the slightest way you have been
nothing but an awesome

mom and wife however[nervously shaking] the absence of my father not being in
my life has really

affected me and I do not look at love from men the same. I don't hate him but I wish
things didn't have

to be this way, don't worry Mom I know it is not your fault I just thought I should let
you know.

Maria(Mia mom):Never in a million years would I expect my daughter to feel the
same absence of love

from a father figure that I experienced my own self growing up.[dramatically crying]
Lord I'm sorry I

have failed as a mother, I only wanted the best for my children and one of them is
hurting.. omg I

wonder if the rest of my children feel the same way I need to talk to all of them
immediately. But

wait[pause] how will I bring it up I don't want things to be awkward.. oh no this is a
disaster[slowly

tearing up while praying] Lord I'm sorry for not being the best mother possible and
putting my children

in this situation I pray that you heal their hearts from any pain and loneliness in Jesus name Amen.

John(Mia dad):Thank you for bringing this situation to my attention Mia.. I just want to let you know

that I'm sorry for failing to be that father figure that you needed in your life[dramatically crying]. I know

it may be a little to late for this but I truly am sorry that my actions have left you and I'm pretty sure the

rest of the family hurting. Until this day I never realized the impact that a father has on a child mainly

because I never was a good one to begin with however I have learned over the course of these past

years and I will give it all I have this time. I'm just so grateful for this time that we are sharing right now

to truly confess how we feel and from here on I want to show you that I am a changed man and father

and I promise I will keep my word. I may not be able to show you like other fathers because I didn't have

that guidance growing up from my father but I will try to make a good example of what I know

best. I love you Mia with all of my heart and I only wish you happiness in life[hugs her tightly].

Caleb(Mia husband):Wow she is so beautiful I I feel as if I just saw an angel.. she is glowing and I can not

help but stare at her.[pause] I need to think of a way to approach her.. oh no this is hard maybe I

shouldn't approach her what if she is married and I get my hopes up for nothing. [drastic stare]. Wait

she doesn't have a ring on her finger that's one thing off my check list, now how do I approach her[stops

and thinks].Should I tell her she dropped something.. no I can't lie ok I will just approach her with the up

most respect and tell her how I fee[nervously walking] alright here we go it's now or never Caleb come

on you got this.