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These old Southern homes, there's so much more to them

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00:00:11,840 --> 00:00:13,640

than just a house.

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00:00:13,640 --> 00:00:18,760

There was a tension like somebody was watching.

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00:00:18,760 --> 00:00:22,600

I knew this house contained secrets.

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What Pandora did they just unleash?

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There was something in this house,

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00:00:30,360 --> 00:00:31,680

and it was trying to kill me.

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00:00:38,800 --> 00:00:40,400

Y'all be careful in this house.

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00:00:43,280 --> 00:00:44,120

It's full of death.

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00:00:57,960 --> 00:01:04,960

1991 had been a tough year for our family.

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My stepfather was in insurance sales,

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but work had dried up, and it dried up very quickly.

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I felt that I needed to look beyond what I'd been doing.

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I decided to stay to be a preacher and to go to seminary.

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I was a teacher.

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I was a teacher.

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I was a teacher.

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I was a teacher.

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And I go to seminary.

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I was very supportive of his decision,

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but I knew it wouldn't be easy.

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We'd have to take a cup of paint,

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and we needed to relocate.

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I didn't really want to move.

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00:01:43,120 --> 00:01:45,480

I was going to have to go to a new school.

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Being uprooted as a teenager is a painful thing sometimes.

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We pulled into the driveway, and it was really gorgeous.

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An old southern farmhouse from like the 1750s,

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with the wrap-round porch and the rocking chairs.

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It had been let go down by the family that owned it,

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so it was in our budget to rent with cheap.

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Welcome to paradise.

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The realtor met us there when we pulled up.

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Come on, everybody.

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Yeah.

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00:02:24,840 --> 00:02:27,840

To our surprise, the previous tenants were still there.

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They were in the process of moving out, but they weren't finished.

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Come on, come on, come on.

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Corridor.

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Couldn't get it out of my mind that there was a reason for this house to be cheap.

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There's a padlocked door.

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Didn't make any sense to have a padlocked door inside the house.

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The realtor to us taking a look at the house

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and letting me know what the rules were.

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So she said,

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please, this rug here in this room,

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the owners would like you to leave it there.

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It's really old and fragile.

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It was a rose-colored large rug that filled the room pretty well.

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No problem.

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It's kind of a lovely rug.

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The lady was coming out, and I asked her if she was in the house.

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The lady was coming out, and I asked her.

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Excuse me?

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What's behind the door?

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She had kind of a shocked look on her face.

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She said that was my uncle's room.

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He committed suicide in there.

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00:03:45,840 --> 00:03:48,840

Oh, to respect for him, please keep it locked.

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This is creepy.

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A man died in this room.

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We can do something about that room.

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Hey!

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She said, do not for any reason...

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Remove that rock from the door.

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Do not let the children play in there.

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I really didn't know what the reason was,

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but I was like, okay, this is a great place.

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It's got lots of land for the kids to play on.

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Why would they need to be in there?

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Anyway, I just noticed the roof.

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To speed things up, I decided to give the old tennis a hand

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and help them move out.

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Thank you for your help.

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No worries.

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As she was walking away, she paused and turned back

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and looked at me, and she said...

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Y'all be careful in this house.

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It's full of death.

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00:05:09,840 --> 00:05:12,840

And she jumped in her truck, and they were gone.

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00:05:14,840 --> 00:05:16,840

Full of death.

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How do you react to something like that?

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That's a bomb dropped on you.

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00:05:28,840 --> 00:05:30,840

I couldn't sleep that night.

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I was kind of wound up from what she said when she was leaving.

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00:05:47,840 --> 00:05:50,840

I could see the doorknob turning.

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This was very late at night. Everybody was asleep.

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Bam! The door came flying open, but it stopped.

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This was not natural.

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So I'm sitting there in my bed thinking something's about to come around the door.

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Something's about to come around that corner.

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And nothing did.

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So I got up out of bed.

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00:06:47,840 --> 00:06:49,840

And I was terrified.

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00:06:49,840 --> 00:06:52,840

I was absolutely terrified.

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00:06:53,840 --> 00:06:56,840

I knew something was going to be around that corner.

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There was nothing there.

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And then I had this sinking feeling.

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It's behind me now.

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00:07:47,840 --> 00:07:49,840

What was going on in this house?

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00:07:52,840 --> 00:07:54,840

Do I really tell my family?

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They're going to think I'm crazy.

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So at that point I just decided to keep it to myself.

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I was so scared.

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At the time I had seven children, five younger ones and the two older.

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I had my work cut out for me with those five little children.

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It was just a lot of chores, a lot of dishes to wash.

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There was no dishwasher in the house. That was me.

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I would go outside and play with my brother.

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We really loved it because there's a lot of space outside.

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I saw the ball go in a hole in the outhouse.

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It seemed the thing to do was to go in the outhouse and get the ball.

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Ken, don't move that.

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He didn't know that she had told me not to move that rock.

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00:09:41,840 --> 00:09:45,840

And I said, honey, honey, don't move that rock.

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00:09:48,840 --> 00:09:51,840

Don't move that rock, Ken.

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00:09:53,840 --> 00:09:55,840

Don't move the rock.

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00:09:55,840 --> 00:09:57,840

Let it be. We'll get another ball.

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Don't move the rock.

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00:09:59,840 --> 00:10:04,840

It struck me as being mighty odd because it required a lot of struggle.

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This gust of wind came out.

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And we couldn't believe it.

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00:10:19,840 --> 00:10:21,840

Don't move the rock.

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00:10:23,840 --> 00:10:25,840

Ken.

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00:10:35,840 --> 00:10:37,840

Just knock me back.

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00:10:37,840 --> 00:10:43,840

Those things going down the hallway and out the front door.

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It wasn't like a gust of wind. It was like a ball of wind.

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It was a beautiful day.

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The weather was very still.

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00:10:59,840 --> 00:11:05,840

This was definitely something that was beyond normal.

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What Pandora did they just unleash out of that outbuilding?

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Something was just not right that night.

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I went to check the front door.

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00:11:50,840 --> 00:11:52,840

Oh, my God.

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00:11:53,840 --> 00:11:56,840

I just couldn't believe my eyes.

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00:11:59,840 --> 00:12:06,840

There was a man hanging in the tree right in front of the house.

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I must be seeing things.

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00:12:13,840 --> 00:12:15,840

I opened the door.

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00:12:15,840 --> 00:12:17,840

I opened the door.

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00:12:26,840 --> 00:12:28,840

And it was gone.

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What have I just seen? What was that?

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00:12:40,840 --> 00:12:44,840

I was really beginning to worry about the place.

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And I didn't want to tell anybody about it. It just really upset me.

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Once I'd started the course of studies, sometimes I'd have 11 or 12 hours in the day when I was in the hospital.

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00:13:05,840 --> 00:13:10,840

Sometimes I'd have 11 or 12 hours in the day when I was tied up with school.

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00:13:14,840 --> 00:13:19,840

It felt like the family at that time became second priority to his life.

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00:13:19,840 --> 00:13:21,840

I'm sorry. I gotta go.

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My relationship with Matt was rather trying. There's lots of tension in that.

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See you later.

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00:13:39,840 --> 00:13:41,840

No!

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00:13:48,840 --> 00:13:57,840

In the South, it's kind of an unwritten rule that when the father of the home is away, the eldest child feels the void.

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00:13:57,840 --> 00:14:11,840

You waited that comes down on you and you realized that, wow, I'm now kind of the man of the house.

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00:14:13,840 --> 00:14:18,840

We were cleaning out the house and cleaning out closets.

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00:14:28,840 --> 00:14:30,840

Oh my God.

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00:14:43,840 --> 00:14:50,840

It was really creepy. There were skeletons and different little critter pieces.

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00:14:51,840 --> 00:15:05,840

I didn't feel good about them. There seemed to be just something that was going on that just didn't feel right.

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As I walked to the house, I look up. I see a little girl standing in the window. She's waving. I thought it was my sister, so I wave back. I didn't really think a lot of it.

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But there's my sister. It was like I had been just slapped in the face.

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Who was that that I just seen?

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00:15:52,840 --> 00:15:56,840

As I'm going up the stairs, I'm thinking, what am I gonna find?

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I grabbed the doorknob.

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There's nobody there. I'm a little freaked out because I know I saw somebody in there.

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I was the only one who knew this house contained secrets. I thought, alright, I've got to get to the bottom of this.

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00:16:52,840 --> 00:17:02,840

I have this very close friend named James and we decided it was time to get in that room. James and I were the only ones in the house.

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The latch was not very well placed. They had left the screws completely exposed.

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00:17:14,840 --> 00:17:18,840

I took my multi-tool and removed the screws to help the latch on the door.

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00:17:24,840 --> 00:17:26,840

We don't know what's on the other side of this door.

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00:17:27,840 --> 00:17:34,840

The gruesome thoughts that go through your mind as a man died in here.

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Did you get it? Yeah.

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00:17:44,840 --> 00:17:45,840

I got it.

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00:17:52,840 --> 00:17:55,840

We kind of looked at each other like, okay, here we go.

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00:17:55,840 --> 00:18:14,840

This rush came over us of cold air, which just didn't make any sense because it was hot outside.

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00:18:26,840 --> 00:18:34,840

I was hesitant to go into the room after I opened it.

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00:18:37,840 --> 00:18:38,840

It was like a time capsule.

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There was still a dresser.

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00:18:48,840 --> 00:18:49,840

There was an iron bed.

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00:18:49,840 --> 00:18:56,840

James and I looked at each other and were like, is this where the guy died?

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Are these the shades that he died in?

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00:19:11,840 --> 00:19:12,840

Do you smell that?

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00:19:13,840 --> 00:19:16,840

I did notice a very peculiar smell.

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00:19:19,840 --> 00:19:20,840

Cigarettes.

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00:19:21,840 --> 00:19:26,840

This was fresh cigarette smoke and this door had been locked for a guy who knows how long.

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00:19:27,840 --> 00:19:28,840

And nobody in the house smoked.

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00:19:35,840 --> 00:19:38,840

We heard this loud crash. This loud bang.

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00:19:39,840 --> 00:19:40,840

What was that?

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00:19:41,840 --> 00:19:42,840

That's from where it starts.

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00:19:42,840 --> 00:19:47,840

I was terrified because I know we're the only ones in the house.

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00:19:48,840 --> 00:19:52,840

I look at James, James looks at me and I'm like, we're going upstairs.

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00:19:52,840 --> 00:19:54,840

I didn't know what we'd find.

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00:19:55,840 --> 00:19:56,840

It's not that we're going in.

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00:20:10,840 --> 00:20:11,840

I didn't know what we'd find.

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00:20:20,840 --> 00:20:21,840

All of the doors were closed.

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00:20:24,840 --> 00:20:28,520

We never keep these doors closed.

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00:20:28,520 --> 00:20:30,160

We always leave these doors open.

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00:20:30,160 --> 00:20:32,080

That's how the heat radiates through the house.

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00:20:34,800 --> 00:20:36,840

It's probably just a draft.

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00:20:36,840 --> 00:20:39,200

It sucked one of them shut.

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00:20:39,200 --> 00:20:40,280

I'm very scientific.

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00:20:40,280 --> 00:20:45,680

I approach things as there is normally a, you know,

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00:20:45,680 --> 00:20:49,600

cause, a reason behind something that happened.

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00:20:49,600 --> 00:20:50,520

Spook yourself.

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00:20:50,520 --> 00:20:51,520

Come on.

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00:20:54,840 --> 00:20:55,840

Just let me.

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00:21:02,400 --> 00:21:04,520

Same sound, same loud crash.

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00:21:24,840 --> 00:21:26,840

The doors were all open.

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00:21:28,840 --> 00:21:31,840

How's that possible when I just saw them all closed?

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I just could not come up with a valid explanation.

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I just couldn't come up with a valid explanation.

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I just couldn't come up with a valid explanation.

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00:21:49,840 --> 00:21:52,840

I just couldn't come up with a valid explanation.

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I had a terrible realization.

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Perhaps that lock was not to keep people out of the room,

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00:22:05,840 --> 00:22:08,840

but to keep something inside.

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After I got the children to bed, it was my habit to go

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00:22:28,840 --> 00:22:31,840

and just have some quiet time.

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But it was always kind of edgy and it wasn't relaxing.

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00:22:48,840 --> 00:22:51,840

Especially as Ken's working hard at college.

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00:22:51,840 --> 00:22:53,840

And I'm by myself.

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00:23:02,840 --> 00:23:08,840

There was a tension like somebody was watching.

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The smell of smoke.

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00:23:23,840 --> 00:23:27,840

But no one was allowed to smoke inside the house.

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00:23:34,840 --> 00:23:38,840

I could tell it was coming from upstairs.

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I could not see it.

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00:23:40,840 --> 00:23:42,840

I could not see it.

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00:23:42,840 --> 00:23:44,840

I could not see it.

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I could not see it.

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I could not see it.

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00:23:48,840 --> 00:23:51,840

I could tell it was coming from upstairs.

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00:24:02,840 --> 00:24:04,840

It was in my room.

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00:24:12,840 --> 00:24:15,840

There was a man standing, looking out the window,

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00:24:15,840 --> 00:24:17,840

smoking a cigarette.

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00:24:19,840 --> 00:24:22,840

I looked back to flip the switch on.

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00:24:26,840 --> 00:24:28,840

And he was gone.

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00:24:42,840 --> 00:24:44,840

Mom?

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00:24:44,840 --> 00:24:48,840

I know I was running off a very little sleep,

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00:24:48,840 --> 00:24:51,840

but I know I saw someone.

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00:24:57,840 --> 00:24:59,840

I didn't want to tell you, but I was upstairs

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00:24:59,840 --> 00:25:02,840

and I saw a man smoking in my bedroom.

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00:25:03,840 --> 00:25:06,840

When she said that, my jaw practically hit the floor.

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00:25:06,840 --> 00:25:09,840

I'd smelled smoke in the padlocked room.

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00:25:09,840 --> 00:25:11,840

You smelled it too?

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00:25:11,840 --> 00:25:13,840

Yeah.

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00:25:13,840 --> 00:25:15,840

I told my mom everything.

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00:25:15,840 --> 00:25:17,840

I don't understand what's going on, Mom.

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00:25:17,840 --> 00:25:20,840

The girl Matt had seen in the window.

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00:25:20,840 --> 00:25:22,840

The hanging man.

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00:25:22,840 --> 00:25:24,840

The smoking man.

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00:25:26,840 --> 00:25:29,840

We knew there were ghosts in the house.

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00:25:32,840 --> 00:25:34,840

What was that?

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00:25:36,840 --> 00:25:38,840

This jar comes flying off the counter.

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00:25:40,840 --> 00:25:42,840

What is going on?

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00:25:44,840 --> 00:25:47,840

These things are flying across the room.

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00:25:47,840 --> 00:25:50,840

Like someone was just throwing up.

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00:25:51,840 --> 00:25:53,840

Bang.

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00:25:53,840 --> 00:25:55,840

We're under attack.

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00:25:55,840 --> 00:25:58,840

I felt like my children and my family were under attack.

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00:26:02,840 --> 00:26:05,840

The night I had terrifying nightmares.

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00:26:05,840 --> 00:26:07,840

I was shocked.

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I was shocked.

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I was shocked.

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I was shocked.

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I was shocked.

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I was shocked.

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I was shocked.

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I was shocked.

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I was shocked.

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00:26:25,840 --> 00:26:27,840

I was shocked.

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00:26:27,840 --> 00:26:29,840

This was something beyond scary dreams

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00:26:29,840 --> 00:26:31,840

and imaginary monsters under the bed.

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00:26:31,840 --> 00:26:33,840

I was shocked.

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00:26:33,840 --> 00:26:35,840

I was shocked.

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00:26:35,840 --> 00:26:37,840

I was shocked.

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00:26:37,840 --> 00:26:39,840

I was shocked.

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00:26:39,840 --> 00:26:41,840

I was shocked.

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In my dreams, there was an older lady

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00:26:44,840 --> 00:26:47,840

with kind of whitish gray hair.

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00:26:47,840 --> 00:26:49,840

I was shocked.

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00:26:49,840 --> 00:26:51,840

I was shocked.

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00:26:52,840 --> 00:26:54,840

Mom!

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00:26:54,840 --> 00:26:57,840

Mom!

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00:26:57,840 --> 00:26:59,840

I was more terrified

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00:26:59,840 --> 00:27:01,840

than I can ever remember

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00:27:01,840 --> 00:27:04,840

being at any other point in time in my life.

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00:27:05,840 --> 00:27:07,840

Did you have a bad dream?

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00:27:15,840 --> 00:27:17,840

It had gotten past the point

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00:27:17,840 --> 00:27:20,840

of just a little incident here

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00:27:20,840 --> 00:27:23,840

or there. It had become really dark.

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And it wasn't just for me.

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It was for my little children

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00:27:31,840 --> 00:27:33,840

and for Matt too.

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00:27:40,840 --> 00:27:43,840

I realized that my mom's not supermom.

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00:27:43,840 --> 00:27:45,840

She's scared.

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00:27:45,840 --> 00:27:47,840

She needs support.

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00:27:48,840 --> 00:27:50,840

And I'm the oldest here.

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00:27:59,840 --> 00:28:02,840

I was never much of a believer in ghosts.

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00:28:02,840 --> 00:28:05,840

I'd been taught that all along,

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that if you, when you died,

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00:28:07,840 --> 00:28:09,840

you went to one or two places,

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00:28:09,840 --> 00:28:11,840

either heaven or hell.

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00:28:13,840 --> 00:28:15,840

What had happened in our house?

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00:28:18,840 --> 00:28:21,840

I searched through years and years

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00:28:21,840 --> 00:28:23,840

of the local newspaper,

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00:28:23,840 --> 00:28:26,840

hoping to find an explanation.

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00:28:26,840 --> 00:28:28,840

Just as I was losing hope,

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00:28:28,840 --> 00:28:30,840

I found something.

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00:28:32,840 --> 00:28:35,840

A man who hung himself in the front yard.

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I started to dig some more.

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00:28:42,840 --> 00:28:44,840

Then I found another article.

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00:28:44,840 --> 00:28:46,840

Our house again.

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Another unnatural death.

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00:28:49,840 --> 00:28:52,840

A young girl that had fallen down the stairs

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00:28:52,840 --> 00:28:54,840

and broken her neck.

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00:28:54,840 --> 00:28:56,840

Could that have been the same girl

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00:28:56,840 --> 00:28:58,840

that I saw waving at me?

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00:29:01,840 --> 00:29:03,840

This next article sent cold shields

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00:29:03,840 --> 00:29:05,840

through my entire body.

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00:29:05,840 --> 00:29:07,840

A recent death.

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Another suicide.

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00:29:11,840 --> 00:29:14,840

Could this have been the uncle of the previous tenants?

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How could there be so many accidents

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00:29:17,840 --> 00:29:19,840

and suicides in this one home?

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00:29:21,840 --> 00:29:23,840

This can't be a coincidence.

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00:29:25,840 --> 00:29:28,840

Was there some sort of curse on this house?

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I was completely floored.

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00:29:33,840 --> 00:29:35,840

They'd throw me a surprise birthday party.

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00:29:39,840 --> 00:29:41,840

What's going on, man?

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00:29:41,840 --> 00:29:43,840

Come here.

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00:29:43,840 --> 00:29:45,840

How nice of you, right?

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00:29:45,840 --> 00:29:47,840

With all the bad stuff they've done,

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00:29:47,840 --> 00:29:49,840

I've been trying to get rid of them.

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I know.

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They've got to be careful.

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I'm not going to be afraid of them.

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00:29:55,840 --> 00:29:57,840

I'm going to be careful.

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00:29:58,840 --> 00:30:01,840

I'm not afraid of the things that was going on in the house.

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00:30:01,840 --> 00:30:04,840

This was just what the family needed.

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00:30:04,840 --> 00:30:07,840

It was really nice to have just some time off

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00:30:07,840 --> 00:30:09,840

from classes off from studying.

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00:30:12,840 --> 00:30:15,840

But when I found out what was going on,

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00:30:15,840 --> 00:30:18,840

what was happening in the house,

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00:30:18,840 --> 00:30:21,840

how it was affecting my children and my wife,

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I was worried about it.

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I was the man of the house,

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and I couldn't be there all the time when they needed me.

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00:30:31,840 --> 00:30:33,840

It made me feel guilty.

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Happy birthday, Matt.

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00:30:36,840 --> 00:30:40,840

But I saw a lot of development in Matt during that time.

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Real heart to help others.

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Man's razor.

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00:30:57,840 --> 00:31:00,840

Later that night, I was standing at the sink,

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00:31:00,840 --> 00:31:02,840

getting ready to shave.

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00:31:09,840 --> 00:31:14,840

I looked down in the sink, and I noticed something moving.

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00:31:27,840 --> 00:31:31,840

This huge spider came out of the drain.

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00:31:32,840 --> 00:31:35,840

Not a little spider. This is huge, furry.

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00:31:35,840 --> 00:31:37,840

It looked like a tarantula.

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00:31:37,840 --> 00:31:39,840

I don't like spiders.

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00:31:41,840 --> 00:31:44,840

There's more in the toilet.

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00:31:45,840 --> 00:31:47,840

And there was another one.

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00:31:48,840 --> 00:31:51,840

They're just continuing to come out of this drain.

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00:31:51,840 --> 00:31:53,840

It's a flood of spiders.

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00:31:55,840 --> 00:31:57,840

This is freaking me out.

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00:32:03,840 --> 00:32:06,840

I was trying to scream, but couldn't make a sound.

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00:32:07,840 --> 00:32:09,840

Where are they coming from? This isn't normal.

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00:32:21,840 --> 00:32:23,840

I'm literally terrified at this point.

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What am I gonna do?

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00:32:45,840 --> 00:32:48,840

I'm literally terrified at this point.

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00:32:51,840 --> 00:32:53,840

I'm just trying to get out of here.

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00:33:14,840 --> 00:33:17,840

I just couldn't help feeling there was something in this house,

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00:33:17,840 --> 00:33:19,840

and it was trying to kill me.

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00:33:22,840 --> 00:33:26,840

I was convinced that this is not just ghosts.

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00:33:27,840 --> 00:33:30,840

There's something else here that is trying to get at us,

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00:33:30,840 --> 00:33:33,840

just like it got at the rest of those families that had lived here.

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00:33:37,840 --> 00:33:40,840

I'm thinking to myself, I could walk away from everything

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00:33:40,840 --> 00:33:42,840

just to go and live with my father.

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00:33:43,840 --> 00:33:45,840

But I knew that if I did that,

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00:33:45,840 --> 00:33:48,840

no one would be there to help take care of the family.

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00:33:48,840 --> 00:33:52,840

I felt an enormous responsibility come over me.

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It was time for action.

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So from Pastor Jimmy explained to me that I needed to anoint this house,

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00:34:08,840 --> 00:34:11,840

and he handed me a small bottle of oil.

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He entrusted me as a person who was a person

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00:34:17,840 --> 00:34:21,840

as someone who was mature enough to do this.

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00:34:23,840 --> 00:34:25,840

And that made me feel proud.

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00:34:28,840 --> 00:34:30,840

But also very nervous.

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00:34:38,840 --> 00:34:42,840

Preacher Jimmy had told us we had to anoint each other

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00:34:42,840 --> 00:34:44,840

before we anointed the house.

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00:34:47,840 --> 00:34:51,840

We have to do every point of entry on this house.

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00:34:55,840 --> 00:34:58,840

We have to do every point of entry on this house.

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00:34:58,840 --> 00:35:01,840

He that dwelleth in the secret place of the Most High

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00:35:01,840 --> 00:35:03,840

shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty.

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00:35:03,840 --> 00:35:04,840

I will say of the Lord,

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00:35:04,840 --> 00:35:06,840

He is the perfect genital,

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00:35:06,840 --> 00:35:10,840

every window, every surface, every point of entry.

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00:35:12,840 --> 00:35:14,840

He shall cover thee with his feathers,

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00:35:14,840 --> 00:35:17,840

and under his wings shall thou trust.

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00:35:17,840 --> 00:35:19,840

His truth shall be thy shield and buckler,

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00:35:19,840 --> 00:35:22,840

though thou shalt not be afraid for the terror by night,

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00:35:22,840 --> 00:35:23,840

nor for the air by night.

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00:35:23,840 --> 00:35:25,840

And then we move to the roof,

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00:35:25,840 --> 00:35:29,840

because we are going to anoint the chimps.

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00:35:35,840 --> 00:35:38,840

Only with thine eyes shall thou behold

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00:35:38,840 --> 00:35:40,840

and see the reward of the wicked,

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00:35:41,840 --> 00:35:44,840

because thou hast made the Lord.

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00:35:44,840 --> 00:35:48,840

And God, the first chimney, I anointed it.

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00:35:48,840 --> 00:35:50,840

There shall be no evil befall thee.

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00:35:50,840 --> 00:35:53,840

Neither shall any plague come nigh thy dwelling,

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00:35:53,840 --> 00:35:55,840

for he shall give his angels.

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00:35:55,840 --> 00:35:58,840

I crawled across the peak of the roof to the other chimney.

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00:36:01,840 --> 00:36:05,840

As I'm doing this, I can feel a pressure.

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00:36:05,840 --> 00:36:07,840

He is a dwelling in the secret place.

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00:36:07,840 --> 00:36:10,840

Like everything is closing in around me.

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00:36:10,840 --> 00:36:14,840

Like I've got hands crushing in around me.

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00:36:14,840 --> 00:36:16,840

The Lord, He is my refuge and my fortress.

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00:36:16,840 --> 00:36:18,840

My God and Him will I trust.

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00:36:18,840 --> 00:36:22,840

Surely shall He come from the snare.

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00:36:29,840 --> 00:36:31,840

And all of a sudden I look down

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00:36:31,840 --> 00:36:34,840

and there's a hornet on my arm.

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00:36:35,840 --> 00:36:38,840

The next thing I know is hornets everywhere.

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00:36:45,840 --> 00:36:50,840

I was terrified because I know how allergic he is to stings.

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00:36:50,840 --> 00:36:53,840

That's how trade-up on those could kill him.

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00:36:57,840 --> 00:37:00,840

And I'm swiping, I'm trying to keep him off of me.

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00:37:00,840 --> 00:37:04,840

They were stinging him all over.

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00:37:04,840 --> 00:37:08,840

His face, his neck, his arms, his chest.

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00:37:08,840 --> 00:37:10,840

Feels like somebody punching him.

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00:37:10,840 --> 00:37:13,840

I'm starting to slide down a little bit.

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00:37:13,840 --> 00:37:15,840

I'm coming.

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00:37:33,840 --> 00:37:36,840

I realized this house could have killed me.

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00:37:36,840 --> 00:37:40,840

I could have been its next victim.

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00:37:43,840 --> 00:37:46,840

It's physically attacking the children.

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00:37:46,840 --> 00:37:51,840

I'm like, how much more can we do?

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00:37:55,840 --> 00:37:57,840

I knew it was time to go.

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00:37:57,840 --> 00:38:00,840

We had to leave there.

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00:38:00,840 --> 00:38:02,840

It just wasn't safe.

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00:38:05,840 --> 00:38:08,840

We took the kids, we packed up our things

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00:38:08,840 --> 00:38:10,840

and we were out of there.

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00:38:11,840 --> 00:38:14,840

She vowed never to return to that house again.

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00:38:18,840 --> 00:38:22,840

But she wanted Ken and I to go and clean it up

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00:38:22,840 --> 00:38:24,840

and make sure it was presentable

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00:38:24,840 --> 00:38:27,840

when we gave it back to the owners.

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00:38:27,840 --> 00:38:30,840

And that made me feel very nervous.

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I was in the room that had the great big rug in it.

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00:38:40,840 --> 00:38:43,840

I pulled the corner of the rug back.

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00:38:43,840 --> 00:38:48,840

I see some strange markings and some writing underneath the rug.

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00:38:48,840 --> 00:38:51,840

I could see markings and symbols.

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00:38:51,840 --> 00:38:53,840

Wait, how many are we going to get?

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00:39:09,840 --> 00:39:12,840

I'm going to go get the other one.

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00:39:12,840 --> 00:39:15,840

I'm going to go get the other one.

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00:39:15,840 --> 00:39:17,840

I'm going to get the other one.

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00:39:37,840 --> 00:39:41,840

We revealed this humongous pentagram.

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00:39:42,840 --> 00:39:45,840

We knew this was a sign of witchcraft.

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00:39:51,840 --> 00:39:54,840

We didn't even finish cleaning that room.

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00:39:54,840 --> 00:39:56,840

We just got out of there.

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00:39:56,840 --> 00:40:00,840

A few minutes later, a shiny silver Cadillac

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00:40:00,840 --> 00:40:03,840

pulls up into the driveway.

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00:40:05,840 --> 00:40:07,840

We had not yet met the landlord.

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00:40:07,840 --> 00:40:13,840

I was expecting some grumpy old man to come showing up to get the keys.

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00:40:18,840 --> 00:40:20,840

The door opens up.

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00:40:26,840 --> 00:40:30,840

She was so beautiful. It just seemed unnatural.

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00:40:30,840 --> 00:40:35,840

And she walked past me and hardly acknowledges us.

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00:40:42,840 --> 00:40:46,840

I look back and two other women got out of this car.

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00:40:53,840 --> 00:40:56,840

The blonde lady comes back through the screen door.

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00:40:56,840 --> 00:41:00,840

She was just fuming. She demanded...

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00:41:00,840 --> 00:41:03,840

What have you all done with this house? There's nothing here anymore.

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00:41:04,840 --> 00:41:09,840

She said, there are no spirits here. They've all left.

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00:41:09,840 --> 00:41:12,840

There's no spirits here. They've all left. They've all gone.

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00:41:12,840 --> 00:41:17,840

She said to the other two, we'll have to have a seance to bring them all back.

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00:41:17,840 --> 00:41:19,840

What's going on here?

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00:41:27,840 --> 00:41:31,840

This is weird. It seemed like she had aged.

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00:41:31,840 --> 00:41:34,840

I was mind-boggling. I didn't know what to think.

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00:41:35,840 --> 00:41:37,840

Y'all be careful in this house.

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00:41:39,840 --> 00:41:42,840

Was I looking at the last tenants?

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00:41:46,840 --> 00:41:47,840

Hey!

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00:41:47,840 --> 00:41:50,840

Was I looking at the realtor?

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00:41:50,840 --> 00:41:53,840

This was clarification for me.

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00:41:53,840 --> 00:41:56,840

These women had been practicing witchcraft.

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00:41:56,840 --> 00:42:00,840

Perhaps these are the people who have always owned a house.

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00:42:05,840 --> 00:42:09,840

Had they created accidents and unfortunate suicides?

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00:42:09,840 --> 00:42:12,840

Filling the house with spirits?

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00:42:16,840 --> 00:42:19,840

I realized I'd never see them again.

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00:42:24,840 --> 00:42:26,840

You're driving.

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00:42:30,840 --> 00:42:36,840

The experiences that you go through as a teenager, traumatic or terrifying,

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00:42:36,840 --> 00:42:39,840

are what changes you and molds you as an adult.

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Those four months in that long-hards summer made me the person I am.

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00:42:47,840 --> 00:42:51,840

It set me up for everything that life could throw at me.