

FINALITY

I was not responsible for Owen. It wasn't my fault that he acted the way he did? Was I susceptible to that kind of behavior? Why had I found him appealing? Were there others just like him waiting somewhere in the shadows for me to appear? I wanted to believe that this was the end of this type of relationship. Even in thinking about Owen, it wasn't obvious how I had been taken in. Therefore, I needed to do a lot more soul-searching to understand what it truly happened.

I hated to think that my desire for intimacy resulted in empowering such a monster. I didn't see myself as aggressive. I hadn't done anything to encourage him in this kind of thinking. But he had assumed early on that he could try to dominate me. I believed that was part of an educational process. He was using his intelligence to guide me. It was unfortunate that he would use my confusion against me. And he was intimidating from the beginning. But I attributed that intimidation to the ideas that he was sharing with me. I didn't want to believe that this is part of his nature, and I didn't think that I was giving him permission to miss treatment.

I was committed to my own independence. I didn't want someone telling me what to do with my life. He wasn't giving me money. But he was well to do, and he seemed to promote of your success that I bought into. We both shared that same viewpoint. That affected our lifestyles. It made it easy for me to be with him. Even though I committed to some radical beliefs, I was submitting to him completely. I didn't even see this as a contradiction. It made total sense.

I believed that he shared a similar attitude about the world. We saw our relationship as a step towards a better way of living. That made me responsive to his influence. Thus, I went along with him. I was complement cooperating with him even has he divided my demise this was hardly an equitable relationship but he was constantly able to trick me. He knew the right things to say. He could overshadow me by referring to some thing he read. He was always in control.

I didn't want to think that I got what I deserved!

I had so much difficulty figuring out what I needed to do. I was not going to accept any blame. But there was this residual feeling that there was something that was messed up in my mind. It was as if I had a sweet tooth. And I couldn't keep away from the Owens of the world.

I needed to understand the mechanisms of brainwashing. I was doing all this to myself. I was letting myself be carried along by this excitement. Owen was a charismatic person.

"I would not present it like that. He was a manipulative person. He was using intimidation from the get go. He made me feel worthless, so I had trouble mounting a defense against him."

"I never really believed. He reminded me of all the shitty things that had happened to me in my lifetime. So he made me dependent on him. There was little that I could do to counteract these efforts."

"Brainwashing works when a person is confined. The persecutor realizes that the individual has no other options I wasn't being held against my will. But I felt as if I had nowhere to go. So I depended on Owen for my emotional well being. I would starve without him. I didn't want him to leave me. All the while, he was cruel to me."

“He only became more abusive. But he made it part of this bizarre ritual. And I accepted what he was telling me. I believe that he was teaching me a lesson. And this lesson was all part of my development. He was trying to compensate for my intellectual inadequacy. And I accepted this attitude on his part.”

“He gave me everything that I lacked as a person. And this made me feel as if I was making progress. I tolerated everything that he did in the hopes that I could learn from him.”

“Why did I maintain that knowledge was supposed to be this physical struggle? This added to the weariness that made me embrace his version of the world.”

“There was no truth to anything that he had told me. Suffering was not the path to knowledge. I had become deluded by this philosophy. Knowledge was a form of betrayal of the soul. Only this discipline was supposed to offer liberation. I mistakenly believed these ideas. I worked to enhance these beliefs. I used my studies to support Owen’s claims. I had been engaged in this research that added support to this perspective.”

“Owen believed that the substratum of cruelty helped to purify the self. This enabled the individual to escape the influences of dominant culture. A person could strip away these feelings. The cruelty would burn away these outer layers and enable the self to find a personal truth.”

“He would continue to work this belief. I would become even more convinced of his teaching. I was tolerating more cruelty. I was accepting more pain. He enjoyed his dominance. He could be quite subtle. He made me do the work. That added to his control. I couldn’t blame him because I completed this model.”

“He hadn’t made me apply these techniques on others. But I was ready to follow through. He had taken me to this place where I would accept anything that he told me.”

*“You want me to accept the blame for what he did to me. It never worked that way.”
I felt that something was trying to take me back in time. I had escaped that influence. But it was still there.*

“Shira, I need you to tell me exactly what happened?”

“I do not want to talk about this anymore. This is already past. I do not feel the need to discuss any of this anymore. You are probing me for information. I am beyond sharing. You are trying to act understanding, but you are prying into my world. You are not very different than Owen. You are like a cannibal. You are sucking all my energy. I do not want to think about any of this.”

“I am not in the mood for an explanation.”

“This is not that kind of situation.”

I was not ready to enter therapy. I needed more time. Owen was dominating my every thought. No one would be able to sort out what had really happened. I did not fall for his philosophy. He pretended to be this understanding guy. All along, his only goal was to hurt me.

“Why did you stick around?”

“I thought that he was a special person. He seemed like a genius. Maybe, I lacked something. I had done well in college. I thought about becoming a teacher. I had done advanced work. I was an intelligent person. He broke me down to nothing. He had a formula. I kept thinking that he was smart. He was agreeing to take his time to spend with me.”

“What do you really want to know?”

“I want you to reveal.”

“That is exactly what he would say. He would ask me these questions. That would

make me feel as if he knew a secret about me.:"

"What did he know?"

"Where is this going?"

"I have more time than you know."

"The machine is getting going."

"What is the machine? He would talk about the machine. It was part of contemporary philosophy."

What part is this?"

"This is the part that is missing."

"And how does that work."

"He knows something important."

"He is moving faster than time."

"He said that he was Mercury."

"I don't want to hear what he said. I want to know how to get away from him forever."

"Keep thinking differently."

"Will that ever happen?"

"We are not understanding much about Owen."

"You try to understand him, and you accept him."

"Where does that come from?"

"He may have given that impression. But he had no supernatural beliefs."

"What do you know that no one else knows?"

"That is Owen's question."

"Do not give any credibility to anything that he says."

"What does he say?"

"We are in a speculative territory. This Owen could be any Owen. All Owens are alike."

"Which Owen are you?"

"I would ask myself that."

"Which Owen?"

"He was much better than any Owen."

"You were much better. You wanted people to think that you were accomplished. You had friends. But you were more special than your friends. They did not have that same intellectual ability. He made you feel superior. When you were Owen, you thought that you were better than other people. Her fed you with is ideas. And that added to the feeling. This gave you inspiration."

"It didn't stop there. You would fill your notebook with your thoughts. He made you feel as if you were a major philosopher. You kept embellishing the nonsense. But he convinced you that it was eloquent. And he would do the same thing. He wasn't only trying to fool you. He was doing the same for himself."

"My experience with Owen was nothing like that. You are trying to come up with all these variations to make it seem as if Owen was my own creating. I had gotten some guy to do what I could not do for myself."

"We all have that soliloquy that we think defines us. We are not defined. But we embrace the theater. It improves your delivery."

"I want you to read the script."

"I do not need a script."

"Owen did something like that."

"How did that work?"

"I thought that I had something. I wasn't garbage. I was a serious person I had ideas that people could take seriously."

"You really think that any faculty of philosophy would respect this kind of writing."

"I believe what I need to believe. Owen would tell me things."

"That will not purify me."

{<The only thing that will get rid of all the shit in your life is cruelty.>}

{<What is any of this about.>}

{<What is the source of your actions?>}

{<How does belief become cruelty?>}

"I do not like this kind of thinking."

"You believe what you want to believe."

{<When you feel letdown, this makes you take chances.>}

{<You ignite your emotions.>}

{<That becomes the source of cruelty.>}

"I am not looking for a complex explanation of my behavior. I met this guy who seemed charming, but he took advantage of me."

"It did not occur in one night."

"How do you see?"

"I see what you want me to see."

"You think that you are caught in this delusion. Then you realize that the only way to touch ground is to experience something real. This is the source of cruelty."

"I cannot make you feel something that you do not feel."

"I feel terrible."

"I feel terror. And the feeling is long-lasting. It gets me to think about myself."

"Where is that going to come from?"

"Who else is on the list?"

"We are all going to crawl back in our hole."

"These were serious events in my life."

"What were they before they became serious?"

"It is all decaying before your eyes."

"What am I supposed to do?"

"You cannot put Humpty Dumpty back together again."

"How do you put the peices back together?"

"You are going to need to work quickly."

"What do you need to tell me?"

"There is no somebody to tell you."

"I am asking. You are making light of a serious situation. I didn't get like this because I was a bad person. And I was totally devastated."

"There are people who fall for ideologies. We have to ask why they succumb."

"I did not succumb. I was persecuted. I didn't do this to myself."

"I was not the verge of total undersanding."

"You gave in to this shit. It took you down to nothing."

"I have to be somewhere."

"Nothing isd how it seems to be."

"How were you, Shira? How did you seem to be?"

"This is not my issue."

"How are you dealing with it?"

"There is work to get done. I need to find out how to complete it. There is nothing else to consider."

"When a person is that monstrous, you cannot even fathom that he is like that. IT all came over me. I could not do a thing about it."

"Are you trying to convince me that you did not contribute to the situation?"

"I did not even understand the situation. It just happened to me."

"How did it happen like this?"

"There is someone, who has a better explanation.

It wasn't as if a therapist had given me an answer. I was still in the dark, and I did not understand how the situation had affected me.

"You want to believe that you are different. You sold yourself short, and you didn't do anything to make yourself better."

"Are there other ways to describe this?"

"How do you want me to describe it?"

"What do you want to know?"

"I can give you everything that you need."

"I can show you everything that you need."

"You need new concepts. There are books that you can read that can assist you in reshaping your soul. This is a slow process that works."

"It is more than the books. He is guiding you."

"I am locked in my memories. And they are leading me to the same resolution again and again."

"I find a way out of myself."

"I could not get up to work."

"I am working all the time."

"I will do this when I wake up."

"I need to ground this."

"Smile for me."

"Did you find what you were looking for?"

"I can give you work."

"You need to keep on."

"I thought that I knew something about myself."

"This is not meant to be science."

"He had s little science and a little mythology."

"This is the point that I do not want to understand. Owen thought that he could get away with this again and again. And you gave him an excuse."

"No one is going to do it for me."

"I know what you need to do."

"Study what I am doing."

"You are almost going down that road."

"I cannot talk about Owen anymore."
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"There is someone else, who is better at doing the same thing."
"I do not want to talk to you."
"There is too much love."
"I am exactly where I need to be."
"Get a better script."
"You cannot tell yourself what to do. You just do it."
 "He did a good job at convincing you."
 "It didn't go like that."
 "It went better than that."
 "He made me that way all the time."
 "I am way beyond that."
 "We are going to go back to the way that we were."
 "And you tell me that it is not brainwashing."
 "They are trying to convince me."
 "Can you be convinced?"
 "I understand luck."
 "I am an unlucky person."
 "Someone is reading all this."
 "I am way beyond all of this."
 "You do not know why it happened."
 "They already completed the job."
 "They do it again."
 "I PASS."
 "Stand up, and make it different."
 "Who will understand?"
 "Owen had accomplishments."
 "He pretended."
 "It worked for me."
 "This is a breakthrough."
 "This is called a trick."
 "That hardly seems fair."
 "You are going to have to spend some time alone."
 "I am in exile."
 "He was good at getting me to believe things."
 "You need to tie all the threads together."
 "I have. So did Owen. None of that was good."
 "Where do we go from here?"
 "Do not slam the door!"
 "We will talk."
 "This cannot really be explained."
 "I am calling."
 "Rescue is not far away."
 "You can escape."

"That was working for me."
"I swallowed something. Like a big cookie."
"I need to get in the next room."
"We all do."
"I am going to make that happen."
"We cannot get ahead of ourselves."
"You cannot go back from this."
"This what Owen told me again and again."
"Keep your head down."
"You do not want to hurt yourself."
"I need to understand what every person in the room wants."
"They all want room service."
"Eat everything on your plate."
"Is it delicious?"
"Is it very good?"
"We tell a very different story."
"It is all going to work in my favor."
"Do oiot hurt yourself."
"I did not realize that you were waiting."
"I am about to leave."
"It is very late."
"I rise very early."
"Owen worked time in his favor."
"The game is not over."
"I will be ready in the morning."
"This is a constant thing."
"I need to take care of myself."
"Some people know it."
"He made the play."
"Owen was sure that he knew."
"I asked a question."
"That is not going to work for any of this."
"I do not want to stop."
"I asked a question."
"He went that way."
"You will need all the rewards."
"Wow."
"You made the score."
"Owen fucked with you."
"No one will ever know."
"You are not close enough."
"Are you being watched?"
"He would ask me that."
"And where does that lead you."
"I am going to feel fantastic about you."

“What really happened?”

“A double blind test.”

“Where is this headed?”

“Who is driving?”

“Owen.”

“Shira, you really have no idea what is happening.”

“Do not say that?”

“Then the soul left the body.”

from me.”
“I felt as if the soul had left the body. I had a direction. But it had been robbed

“What do you smell?”

“My destruction. I could smell death.”

“There will be an added option.”

“What are you doing?”

“I want to get you of this story.”

“I want to get you out of this life.”

“You are a sitting duck.”

“I am somewhere else.”

“There is an endgame.”

“He thought that it was death.”

“There is an alternative.”

“That is my fear.”

“I am receiving revelation. There is a higher power.”

“I can taste it.”

“We all can.”

“That is all that I want.”

“He made me believe that I could gain total control over work.”

“I have heard all the excuse.”

“Get me to the next point.”

“Turn all the lights on.”

“Make me disappear.”

“He offered everything that I needed.”

“You are trying to explain something that does not deserve an explanation.”

“I never deserved any of this.”

“I can take dictation.”

“I can revise.”

“You have taken dictation.”

“I can edit.”

“It will make sense in the morning.”

“We would have needed to go in a different direction.”

“There was a train.”

“There was a way out.”

“We loved ourselves.”

“That might have seemed to be love.”

“There are a million variations.”

"I am a writer."

"I am always writing."

"What do you have there?"

"There is an explanation."

"This will destroy me."

"This is what I really want."

"Come aboard."

"Will you come aboard?"

"This is going to be a wonderful opportunity for all of us."

"This is all part of the heat."

"I am ready to go."

"Come to me."

"She said, 'I love you!'"

"Give me the world."

"Say goodbye."

How can you make it work?"

I couldn't allow anyone to give any credibility to Owen. It was becoming evident to me that he would try to get away with this again. But his options were running out. And I could make sure that he wouldn't be able to do this anymore.

"Is this wishful thinking?"

"Where is any of this going."

"You are not as good as this as you think."

"I am an expert."

"This is a beautiful place."

"I can clean it up."

"Who is behind this?"

"You cannot fool me anymore, Owen. Don't try to get in my brain."

"You are setting me up for some crazy shit."

"This is not as good as you think."

"You are one cruel individual. And you think that you away with this shit over and over again."

"That is not going work."

"There is something behind this."

"Where is this headed?"

"To the trash dump."

OWEN WAS MEAN ALL THE TIME.

"He tried his best to act like a sophisticated person."

"Take a bad burn."

"You want me to tell you about this."

"I get what I wanted."

"This is not going to work well for you."

"You are going to get messed up."

"Who is paying for this?"

"You are one little creep."

"You friends always liked him."

"I am not going to win."
"Something has to be taken from the take."
"That is equal distribution."
"She was not about being a good person."
"Who are you bothering?"
"That did not happen."
"It is better."
"That does not happen like that."
"I lost the entryway."
"Take a bridge."
"I will make this better."
"Do not let Owen affect you that way."
"What happened to you?"
"All my friends said that he was a good person."
"Do not talk to me like that!"
"It will never work that way."
"He has a sharp side."
"We can hide out in the woods."
"Where are the woods?"
"What do you want to know?"
"I can make things."
"Owen was worse than bad."
"Show me a picture."
"I am not looking for pictures."
"I want more."
"How do I get in that thing?"
"He was a total asshole."
"That does not give a definition for everything."
"Use it again."
"That is a combination of factors."
"We do not have to go back to that place."
"I need you to come in the room."
"Come on in!"
"We all want this!"
"This ridiculous."
"I am losing what I need."
"Owen, you never had it."
I was still thinking about him.
"He is not thinking about you."
"He wishes that he could be mean to you."
"It is not going to work that way."
"Be there on time."
"He was forcing me to be a special way."
"How did you want to be?"
"This was all taken from me."

"You need to run!"
"That is not as bad as it seems."
"This is the best part."
"What is happening to you."
"This is easier to use than you think."
"You are one obnoxious fuck."
"No one ever says that to me."
"That does not remain possible"
"You cannot interfere with me."
"How does it work like that?"
"I cannot do it like that."
"Owen will never cross this threshold again."
"BOOM!"
"That is not fair."
"That is a sick puppy!"
"Who taught you how to do that?"
"What caused the damage?"
"Wishful thinking."
"Do not blame me."
"Who should I blame?"