PRISCILLA

Well, what do you think <u>you're</u> doing? You're not only judging her for being someone you don't approve of, you're punishing her for it. Megan isn't like us, Amy. Deep-down she's not a happy person. Can't you...?

AMY

(cuts her off, emotional)

She broke me, Pris. She broke me down.

PRISCILLA

Broke you? (mildly alarmed) What do you mean?

AMY

She destroyed my self-confidence. Every bit of it.

PRISCILLA

When all of that started, what you should have done...

AMY

(cuts her off)

Stop. I know what you're going to say. You're going to say I was partly to blame because I didn't fight back hard enough, that I allowed her to take advantage of me, which only encouraged her, blah, blah, blah. (*resigned*) I already know all that. And maybe it's true. Maybe I was partly to blame. (*somberly*) But none of that matters now.

PRISCILLA

I understand.

AMY

Don't get mad at me for saying this, but I don't think you do. I don't think you have a <u>fucking clue</u> what I'm talking about.

PRISCILLA

Well, I do have a pretty good...

AMY

(cuts her off, confesses)

Things have been hard for me, Pris. Because you had your own problems, the last thing you needed was for me to come running to you with all my troubles. *(chokes up)* But life hasn't gone well for me. *(plaintively)* You <u>had</u> to have noticed that, right? I mean, you had to have seen that. *(chokes up)* Trying to find my place in this world has been *(chooses her word)...difficult. (heartfelt)* It's been rough.

PRISCILLA

I'm not going to defend Megan, and I'm not going to pretend that the pain she caused you has somehow made you stronger, because we both know that's not true. Whatever she did

<u>hasn't</u> made you stronger. All it's done is make you weaker. *(fighting back tears)* And that breaks my heart.

AMY

Then why are we discussing this?

PRISCILLA

Because there's something you're missing here, Amy. It's about forgiveness. It turns out that forgiveness is <u>everything</u>. It's the most important thing in the world. Forgiving people—especially those who don't <u>deserve</u> it—is the only thing that's ever mattered. Hell, if we couldn't forgive people who didn't deserve to be forgiven, the human race never would have survived. Do you understand?

AMY

I hear what you're saying.

PRISCILLA

Whether you like it or not, you and I and Megan are going to be sisters for the rest of our lives. Even when we're white-haired old ladies, we'll still be sisters. (pleading) Can't you rise above it all and forgive this woman, even if she doesn't deserve it?