

"AFTERMATH"

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This is a sequel to the day they joined the religious cult. The group decide to meet up for a coffee and agree to start a charity in order to help other people who experience the hardship they experienced.

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FADE IN:

EXT. OUTSIDE TEMPLE-4PM

Religious cult temple with broken doors and smashed windows and people escaping. (OTS)

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INT. COFFEE SHOP-5PM

People at the tables drinking coffee (KS)

DEBBIE SINGH, 16, Pink dress loads of jewelry, slim build & average height

GEORGIA ALVAREZ, 39, dark hair, white tartan shirt, navy jogging bottoms, short and chubby

BEATIE KUMAR, 21, muscly build, gym tracksuit

BELL RUIZ, 13, slim tall build with dark shiny hair

LAMBERT ROGERS, 23, average build and height, denim coat with casual t shirt underneath, blue jeans

MAXINE HUNT, 22, frizzy curly hair, log jumper and long skirt

BONNIE PHILIPS, 14, short & skinny with dark hair, bell bottoms green t shirt

The gang are sitting round the table by the window at the west wing. (CU)

GEORGIA ALVAREZ

Did you guys hear about that religious cult people were escaping from.

MAXINE HUNT

Oh aye I read about it in the metro on my way up here.

Pause

DEBBIE SINGH

Does anybody remember the religious cult we were part of until it got raided by the police. (MS)

BELL RUIZ

How can I forget? The leader was such a prick. Leader knew I was a lesbian and told me I can marry twice coz I'm a lesbian that saved the world from a UFO. Dirty bastard that he is. So glad he's in jail. (OTS)

Bell is holding her cup in her hand.

MAXINE HUNT

He told me I was mistaken for a woman in a colourful hat stealing a cow-and I believed the arsehole to.

Bell points to Bonnie. (MS)

BELL RUIZ

You're the hero Bon Bon, you're the one that escaped and made sure justice was served.

BONNIE PHILIPS

I was depressed, I was in such a bad way, if I hadn't seeked help from that lady at the Church. Only goodness knows what silly things I would have done.

LAMBERT ROGERS

You're in good shape Beatie, have you taken up some from of athletics since I last seen you. (OTS)

Beatie looks over at Lambert

BEATIE KUMAR

I go to my local gym, I have also found a liking for protein bars and shakes.

BELL RUIZ

Cool.

BONNIE PHILIPS

See what good leaving a cult could do.

DEBBIE SINGH

Yeah, but there's also people that have loads of after effects with depression and the like. (KS)

Beatie puts his cup down on the table (MS)

BEATIE KUMAR

Yeah, there's that side of things to

DEBBIE SINGH

Hey, I've just had a neat idea. (CU)

BELL RUIZ

What is it?

DEBBIE SINGH

Well that cult group has had people escaping from it, what do you say that we start up a charity-based organization for people escaping cults giving information on our experience and therapies and stuff. Because we are survivors.

BELL RUIZ

Yeah, why not?

BEATIE KUMAR & LAMBERT ROGERS

OK. It's good idea. (KS)

MAXINE HUNT

They have a good chortle about my experience.

GEORGIA ALVAREZ

Sounds interesting.

BONNIE PHILIPS

So, where do I sign up?

DEBBIE SINGH

Ok then I that's that settled. We can meet up at mine tomorrow as my mum will be out which will mean quiet. (MS)

BONNIE PHILIPS

What we gonna call ourselves? Cult busters. (she laughs)

GEORIGIA ALVAREZ

No, it has to be something that states recovery but also states the end of something.

BELL RUIZ

What about Aftermath? (MS)

DEBBIE SINGH

Aftermath sounds ok. What do you guys think? (KS)

They all stand up to put there jackets on. (LS)

GEORGIA ALVAREZ

OK Aftermath? I'll see you all tomorrow.

They all walk out together. (CTS)

When leaving Bonnie and Bell are holding hands. (MS)

DEBBIE SINGH

Bonnie, Bell, are you two an item.

BONNIE PHILIPS

No.

DEBBIE SINGH

Why are you holding hands with each other.

BELL RUIZ

After leaving the cult we've become very good friends.

DEBBIE SINGH

What do you mean. (LTS)

BONNIE PHILIPS

The type of friendship that you never want to lose. We agreed that relationship would never work for us. (MS)

INT. AT HOME - 11AM

Debbie's bedroom, TV, bed with a laptop on it. (CTS)

Debbie's mobile rings she answers left wing

DEBBIE SINGH

Hello Bonnie are you on your way.

(pause)

... Is bell with you

(pause)

... Oh the whole gang are there

(pause)

... Oh, well I'll see you's in about 20 minutes then. OK. Bye.

FADE OUT:

INT. LIVING ROOM- 11.30

FADE IN:

The door bell rings, Debbie answers and it's the whole gang. (CTS) (O/S)

DEBBIE SINGH

Hey you guys.

Debbie invites all of her friends in to the living room and makes them each a cup of tea. They're sitting in a circle (MS)

Debbie runs up stairs to get her laptop (O/S)

BEATIE KUMAR

So how's everyone today? (Centre front stage)

BELL RUIZ

Yeah ok.

MAXINE HUNT

Fine.

GEORGIA ALVEREZ

Not bad.

Debbie walks in with her laptop from the backstage and sits on the vacant chair next to Maxine. (LS)

DEBBIE SINGH

So have you lot had any thoughts about this whole Aftermath venture? (Grabs her pen and note pade from the coffee table)

BELL RUIZ

We would need to let a room at minimum coz we can't have meetings and services taking place in here.

Debbie marks this down in her notepad. (KS)

BEATIE KUMAR

Yeah, and to make thing cost effective we'll need to bring our own laptops ipads etc. (LS)

DEBBIE SIGNH

OK. I'm sure if we all scrape together we can get a phonenumber. (Whilst jotting down on her note pad) (KS)

Debbie puts down her note pad and puts her on her knee. (CU)

DEBBIE SINGH

Right everyone, time to find an office to let.

FADE OUT:

FADE IN:

INT. OFFICE-1PM

P/S: 1 WEEK LATER

A room in an office block let building (KS)

Bonnie, Maxine, Lambert, Bell, Beatie, Georgia and Debbie are all in there new office. Centre Stage (LS)

They haven't got proper offices desks so they are using school desks.

DEBBIE SINGH

Right you lot, that phone is for all of us to share so if someone else is using it wait your turn or use your mobile phone.

MILDRED THUNDER, 53, suit and skirt, clog black shoes.

Mildred walks in to the office from left wing. (MS)

BEATIE KUMAR

Oh look everyone its our local MP Mildred Thunder.

GEORGIA ALVAREZ

Wow, 1<sup>st</sup> case as well. (LS) (Right wing)



MILDRED THUNDER

Yeah I'm just wondering what help you can give my daughter she's depressed and bit shy. She's just recently escaped from a religious cult a couple of weeks ago. She's outside the room right now.

HANNAH THUNDER, 19, dressed all scruffy.

Hannah walks in from the left wing. (MS)

HANNAH THUNDER

It's ok Mum, I'll talk for myself. Is there anywhere I can do a bit 1 to 1 talking so I can explain my problem.

BEATIE KUMAR

I can help. (ECU)

HANNAH THUNDER

I hope you don't mind but I don't have a good experience with men because of the cult I was in is it ok if I talk to a female. (OTS)

BEATIE KUMAR

Sure. Oh Debbie.

DEBBIE SINGH

Yes Beatie.

BEATIE KUMAR

This woman isn't too keen on talking to men could you take her on.

DEBBIE SINGH

Beatie you men are so useless (whilst laughing)

HANNAH THUNDER

Yeah, we all hate you.

DEBBIE SINGH

You go girlfriend.

Debbie goes over to the area in the right wing and gets chatty with Bell, Bonnie and Debbie. (LS)

INT. MILDREDS HOUSE- 8PM

Living room, TV across from arm chair with TV directly across from it.

Mildred is watching tv while sitting on armchair. (left wing) (MS)

Hannah walks on from the back stage. (LSL)

MILDRED THUNDER

That stuff smells nice what is it?

HANNAH THUNDER

Oh it's this strawberry stuff my friend Debbie said would suit me. I said I Couldn't afford it so she said anything for a friend.

MILDRED THUNDER

I thought you were depressed?

HANNAH THUNDER

I was depressed, I just needed someone roughly my own age I could talk to. And I made friends on the way.

FADE OUT:

THE END