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Everyone has a place and reason in this world we live in. The tricky part is figuring out what it is and what we are called to do. Lexi an eighteen year old woman was just getting out of high school jumping into college knowing what she wanted to do with life but not knowing how to get there. Her oldest brother Damian, 19 was already in a huge astronaut school in California. He was doing great in his classes and already a top student.

Working his job as a vet assistant while going to school was hard on him. He was doing all of this on top of raising his baby Jr. He was not scared of anything.

Lexi always looked up to her older brother. In her eyes he had his life on track being married to her new best friend, Baylee, and raising their beautiful son Jr., he is still working hard and finishing his degree to be a famous astronaut.

Lexi wanted to be a teacher for kindergarten students. She had a boyfriend, Tristan that she was with for 3 years and planned on marrying. He worked on a drilling rig and was gone a week at a time.

Lexi had a big fear of being alone in a house and always had Baylee come see her when Tristan was gone. Overnight, her mom let one of her little brothers, Jacob or Cody, stay the night while he was at work.

Her mom then told her after she got in rolled for her first semester of college that she would have to get use to being alone in a house.

Lexi was feared that, as she seen in movies, someone would break in and abuse and/or kill her.

Her mom said that is something that everyone is going to have to worry about that every day and that it’s not anything different from anyone else’s life.

Lexi did not like that she had this fear that would not go away.

One weekend that Tristan had to work Lexi’s mom went on a family vacation with the boys for that same weekend. No one around would be able to stay with her. When Baylee came over that day to see her, Lexi asked if she could stay the night. Baylee told her how Damian was sick and that it would have to be a different night because Baylee’s brother and sister was visiting.

Lexi, in the middle of a conflict, knew she had to overcome her fear.

It started to get dark and Lexi was at her house alone. She was sitting there doing her homework on her laptop and kept hearing something tapping the window.

She ignored the sound and kept working.

Frightened, she kept hearing the same tapping so she saved her work and got up and looked out the window. She saw that it was only her tree branch tapping the window.

She went into her room locking the door and turned on the TV to block out the little sounds that she was hearing.

Her cell phone rang and it was Baylee calling to say she wouldn’t be able to make it
the next day because she was going to take care of Damian.

Devastated, she hung up because she knew she would have to go to the whole next
day and night alone.

She looked at her phone one last time and seen Tristan saying, “I love you,
Goodnight” in a text message. She replied, “I love you to babe, make sure I am alive
tomorrow!!” and rolled over in her bed.

Lying in bed she was really tired but kept looking over her shoulder to make sure no
one was standing behind her.

She finally passed out and slept through the Saturday night.

The next morning she woke up to one loud bang on the door and jumped up scared.
She went out the front door to look in the peep hole and see who or what it was.
She didn’t see anyone so she slowly opened the door and seen a newspaper on the
ground.

Relieved she picked it up and went and sat on the couch, knowing she would have
to go through the fright another day and night.

She got through the day mostly by calling people to not concentrate on the fact that
she was alone.

Then the darkness rolled back around again for the last night and she couldn’t get
Tristan to text or call her back.

She kept hearing the tree once again on the window and scared sat on her couch.
Holding her knees she sat there in silence rocking back and forth.

She was drifting off to sleep when she heard scratching on the door.

She stood across from the door just staring, frightened by the constant scratching.
She finally realized, I have to get over my fear, and walked to the door when she got
close the scratching stopped so she opened the door just a little bit and seen a puppy and a
person’s feet.

She flipped on the porch light and seen Tristan standing with a puppy saying
“Happy Anniversary, he is a guard dog and will always keep you safe; I got off
early to get him for you”

“Feeling happier than ever, she replied, “AWWW Thank God you’re here I missed
you, that was not so bad but I never want to do it again! Without the Dog that is! I Love
You Baby.” “I Love You Too Sweetheart” he said giving her a hug.

Lexi realized that there is ways around your fears like get a dog and don’t feel alone
anymore. She was so happy and named her puppy Courage because he gave her the
courage to be safe knowing her puppy would always be there.

She told all her friends about her experience and anniversary and told them all how she was
so glad she got over her fear and tried to help all the others close to her with their fears too.