

Dialogue Scene #11 - The End

(BG is a night sky glistening with stars. As the scene progresses, the camera PULLS OUT and tilts down, revealing a forest and distant mountains. The camera continues to PULL BACK into a storm drain tunnel. The drain entrance gets smaller and smaller as the music builds.)

SCENE START:

Audrey and Clint talk about their place in the universe while stargazing.

Audrey:

Woah.

Clint:

Now that's a lot of stars.

Audrey:

There must be, like, at least 12.

Clint:

Incredible.

Audrey:

Haha.

(PAUSE)

Clint:

You alright?

Audrey:

I'm...

Audrey:

Better.

(PAUSE)

Audrey:

I had a dream that the world was ending.

Clint:

Maybe it is. Maybe you can see the future.

A psychic!

Audrey:

Wow, thanks.

(PAUSE)

Audrey:

Well...

Audrey:

I guess there's not a whole lot we could do to stop it, huh?

Clint:

Nope!

(PAUSE)

Audrey:

God that's a lot of stars.

Clint:

Yeeeeeep.

(PAUSE)

Audrey:

Okay, brace yourself, I'm gonna get existential-

Clint:

Ooooh boy, it's gonna be one of those nights.

Audrey:

Okay, so...

Audrey:

Do you think the universe cares about us?

Clint:

Huh?

Audrey:

Like - we seem pretty damn alone out here, in all those stars.

Audrey:

And we care a whole lot about the universe!

Audrey:

But it just seems to throw back rocks at us.

Audrey:

And nothing seems to care enough to come visit us-

Clint:

Well... it's a bit more complicated than that-

Audrey:

I know, but...

Audrey:

Are we really the only things that feel this way?

Audrey:

In the whole universe?

Clint:

Uhhh...

Clint:

I... dunno?

Clint:

But, I guess if we are then-

Clint:

Lucky us!

Audrey:

Lucky?

Clint:

Listen...

Clint:

The universe is a cold and unfeeling
bastard that doesn't give a damn about us.

Clint:

It can't be understood or reasoned with-

Clint:

Those stars we're looking at? They're the
offspring of billions of years of violence.

Clint:

And the best part?

Clint:

That cold, dark, violence is INFINITE.

Clint:

And yet here we are.

Clint:

Staring out into space-

Clint:

and we just happen to be lucky enough to even UNDERSTAND the slightest semblance of what we're looking at.

Clint:

Maybe we are the only feeling things in the universe.

Clint:

But we care about each other, and I dunno...

Clint:

Even though we are tiny specks, I think that counts for a lot more than whatever schemes the universe has tucked up its sleeve.

Clint:

Like, maybe some other 'specks' out there are staring this way asking the same thing?

Audrey:

Haha, I hope so.

(PAUSE)

Audrey:

I know I asked for existential, but goddamn.

Audrey:

That was...

Audrey:

A very interesting blend of nihilism and hopefulness, Clint.

Clint:

You get what you wish for!

Audrey:

But, like- aren't you scared? Of that big unknown?

Audrey:

After everything that's happened?

Audrey:

It amazes me.

Clint:

Oh my god, Audrey, I'm scared like 24/7

Clint:

Laughing it off is like a self defense mechanism for me.

Clint:

I really don't get how people cope with their mortality.

Clint:

I know I don't!

Clint:

I'm terrified of death.

Clint:

The fact that this all just ends, its fucking scary.

Clint:

I don't believe in a god so by default it's just... nothingness.

Clint:

No one can comprehend that.

(PAUSE)

Audrey:

Well, every human that's ever lived has done it, how bad could it be?

(PAUSE)

Audrey:

I dunno- it makes me more angry than sad.

Audrey:

Never knowing the whole picture.

Audrey:

Like...

Audrey:

What was the point of it all?

Clint:

Who knows.

Clint:

This world is bigger than us.

Clint:

I don't think we were ever meant to understand it.

Clint:

And there's nothing wrong with that.

Clint:

There's beauty in the mystery of it all.

Clint:

If you had all the answers, what would be the point?

Clint:

In a few billion years the earth will be destroyed-

Clint:

A trillion more and all the stars will be extinguished-

Clint:

Then, after hundreds of trillions of years, the last black hole will finally starve into nothingness.

Clint:

And then...

Audrey:

What?

Clint:

I don't know! How am I supposed to know?

Audrey:

So nothing matters?

Audrey:

Since It all ultimately ends the same way?

Clint:

No. Everything matters!

Audrey:

Clint, you're gonna give me a migraine.

Clint:

Yet again, you're the one that wanted to get existential.

Audrey:

Shit. Yeah- you're right.

Audrey:

Well-

Audrey:

I guess...

Audrey:

It's kinda nice to know that the universe will carry on.

Audrey:

That it doesn't end with us.

Audrey:

Or need us.

Clint:

And that doesn't make what you feel any less important.

Clint:

It doesn't matter how small we are, we feel what we feel.

Audrey:

That has to count for something? Right?

Clint:

Yeah. I think so.

(PAUSE)

Audrey:

You hungry?

Clint:

My god I thought you'd never ask.

Audrey:

Well, I am psychic after all.

(PAUSE)

Audrey:

Burritos? Burgers...?

Clint:

Mmmmmm...

Clint:

Thai.

Audrey:

As in the food?

Clint:

Obviously. What kind of question is that??

Audrey:

I don't know man, I'm delirious levels of hungry.

Clint:

Okay- so Thai it is!

Clint:

The great decision of our time.

Audrey:

Literally, billions of years of evolution has lead up to this moment

Clint:

Haha, incredible.

Clint:

So, ready to go?

Audrey:

Wait-

(PAUSE)

Audrey:

It's been a really good night, Clint.

Audrey:

I needed this.

Clint:

It's been a good night... So far!

Clint:

But yeah, I needed this too-

Clint:

More than you think.

(PAUSE)

Audrey:

So

Audrey:

Are you ready?

(END SCENE)

Transition to Credits.