

Grim Nightmare

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Sarah was having a terrible nightmare involving a lanky man that resembled a philosophy professor from her dead father's time in college, who in turn reminded her of a high school teacher from the Netherlands who once implicitly accused Sarah of cheating on an exam, which she only remembered because of his thick accent and passive-aggressive demeanor while questioning her, a demeanor which she found impolite but also quite funny.

The nightmare involved this man asking a classroom questions about a subject that Sarah wasn't all that interested in, and the expectation of news arriving at any moment concerning foreign affairs that would deeply affect the country this classroom was in. After a while, the man and his students got alerts on their phones while Sarah idly watched, seeing looks of panic dawn on their faces as they all put their hands over their mouths, incoming reports being read out loud of a strong Japanese general waging war on the country Sarah found herself in. The man began crying and dread filled the air, Sarah still idly watching as the students began crying as well.

She half awoke shortly after, hearing the voice of the man from behind her bedroom door, not all that audible, although she was able to make out him choosing to end whatever lesson he was teaching given the news and the fact that it was 'quite late' despite being the early hours of dawn, and then what followed was her fully awaking from the nightmare to find that several planes were flying overhead, and they sounded like they were barely scraping her house's roof, almost crashing directly into it as she left her room and went outside to her backyard.

She saw her stepfather looking up at the sky, which was now a great pink, no sign of the sun or moon as the clouds appeared to be exploding into bursts of puffy dissipation.

"What's happening?" Sarah asks him.

"We're at war," Sarah's stepfather answers. "You and I are about to die." Sarah looks at her stepfather, confused, while he points up to the sky and smiles at her, so as to tell Sarah that the Kingdom of Heaven would soon grant them entry, and Sarah sighed thinking about how she couldn't think of anyone she'd less want to spend an eternity with than him.

So Sarah ran away from her house, much to her stepfather's dismay, and spent the rest of the morning with her best friend Emily. The two of them made intense love on Emily's bed, and when they finished they spent copious amounts of time smoking marijuana as planes kept flying above the neighborhood. One eventually dropped a bomb on Emily's home, and as soon as she saw it, she looked at Sarah and shared one last kiss with her before they both evaporated.