

Genesis Avalon: Patriot Season Break Interlude 1 "2013: Letter From The Wayward Mother"

[Genesis Avalon: Patriot Theme plays]

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[theme music ends]

[At the Adams Substance Abuse Treatment Center in Chicago, Illinois, a lamp turns on and Elaine Masterson starts writing, very much like the letters Jaina used to send at the beginning and end of every season.]

ELAINE

Jaina... I'm. Sorry. (deep breath, exhales) Those have been the hardest words I've ever had to write, and I've barely begun. I've started and thrown out so many letters to you over the years, but I... I'm ready to write to you now. Thank you for reaching out to me, for never closing that door. I didn't know if I would ever be ready to step through it, but... I'd like to try now.

You deserved so much better than me. Better than your father. We never made you a priority, and for that, I can only apologize and do better. I won't put platitudes in front of that. I won't promise or swear, I... I will do. You deserve nothing less than actions, not the words behind them.

And you need to know... that's not because of rehab. That's because of you. I've been in and out of so many treatment centers, and I was sure that coming to Adams would be the last time we'd ever see each other. I was angry and strung out, sure that I had truly ruined all chances of ever having anything resembling a relationship with you.

And then... you sent me your first letter.

I don't know why you've trusted me with your secrets. God knows I haven't earned that trust. But, I've read every word, every page you've sent me a hundred times.

If I had known that my daughter was going to be a superhero, someone with the conviction, strength and courage to save the world... I would have tried to get better faster. Sooner. (beat) Of course, I don't know if that's true. I can't keep looking into the past and wishing it changed. I didn't give you any of those tools to become Genesis Avalon. That's all you, sweetheart. And I am so proud of you. I am in awe.

Through your words, I've seen you conquer literal and figurative demons that make my struggle seem... not lesser... but also conquerable. And I want you to see me clean. I want to be just a fraction of the woman you have become. You have inspired me. You have done everything I should have done for you, and I can never give you that time back, but I can make the time I have left mean more.

I am so happy that you've found love. You clearly think the world of Sam, and he thinks the world of you. When you're ready... I would love to meet him. I'll come to New York, or you can come to Chicago.

I saw on the news that protests are getting worse in New York, but I want you to know that I have faith in you. Just keep being the best of yourself. For every person that wants to drag the world towards the light, there will be plenty of people who are so beat down by the system that they are too scared to fight for anything except that system. It may get worse before it gets better, but Genesis Avalon is a symbol of hope, of the power that one woman can have to harness nature and bend it to her will. That will scare people, but I know it'll be worth it.

I just hope that you know that you have changed the lives of so many people and I am only one of those. But, I hope that this gives you some peace. Know that you have been an example, that you have done and said such breathtaking and awe-inspiring things that you will be remembered for generations after you. You are Genesis Avalon, Jaina.

And I love you. And I will do better. For you.

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Featuring the voice talents of:

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