

MEMORIAM

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ACT I - SCENE X

SETTING: Westenra Home.

AT RISE: LUCY awakens. JACK has fallen asleep on the sofa.

LUCY

Lucy Westenra's diary. September 13th. I had such lovely sleep last night; better than I can ever remember. And Jack has been so fussy over me. He won't even let me get out of bed! He thinks I have some sort of disease, but I feel in perfect health. I hope God keeps Arthur in such good health as well. I wish I had been awake when he visited earlier, but I can say a prayer for him now, my darling Arthur.

(goes back to sleep)

(VAN HELSING enters & checks on LUCY)

VAN HELSING

Good heavens!

(JACK stirs awake)

JACK

Van Helsing? When did you return?

VAN HELSING

When did you fall asleep? Get up and get the brandy. Quickly!

JACK

Right away. Is everything alright?

VAN HELSING

Do as I say, Jack.

(JACK hurries to his feet & grabs a bottle of brandy. He hands it to VAN HELSING who dabs it on LUCY's face & wrists, then taps her cheek)

VAN HELSING, contd.

Ack! It's no good and there is no time. Roll up your sleeve, Jack.

JACK

I will call Arthur.

VAN HELSING

She is fading! Do as I say before she slips away from us!

(JACK rolls up his sleeve & kneels
beside LUCY)

(VAN HELSING begins to extract JACK's
blood)

JACK

What...what will we tell Arthur? I am taking his place, am I
not?

VAN HELSING

You are serving your friend. It is nothing more than that.

JACK

It's not?

VAN HELSING

My good man, you have always put others before yourself. It is
what makes you a great doctor. Despite what has passed between
you, Arthur, and Miss Lucy, you have pushed your own feelings to
the side to best serve your friends, and that is very noble.
That being said, the fright of knowing how close Lucy was to
death again might be too much for young Arthur right now,
regardless of whose blood has revived her.

(begins the transfusion on LUCY)

There. The color is returning. We were fast enough, I think.
(beat) Jack, you should rest now. We took a great deal more of
your blood than we did from Arthur.

(JACK bandages his arm & sits down to
rest)

SEND YOUR ANGELS

VAN HELSING, contd.

*Send Your angels down
Keep Your spirit near
Fight what I can't see*

*Send Your angels down
Make me more aware
Make my heart believe*

JACK

*Send Your angels down
Guard her from the dark
Put Your hand on her heart*

(ARTHUR enters)

ARTHUR

Send Your angels down

VAN HELSING

Send Your angels down

JACK

Send Your angels down

LUCY

*How nice it is to find myself with so much love
So many faithful friends to keep me company*

ARTHUR

Send Your angels down

LUCY

*Every time that I wake up the dream continues on
And it's beautiful
It's beautiful*

ARTHUR

She's beautiful

JACK

She's beautiful

LUCY

It's beautiful

JACK & ARTHUR

*We're walking into something
That we do not understand
We're facing down a mystery
God we need to see your plan
The terror and the dread are
Creeping closer every breath
As wounds as deep as blackest night
Are whispering death
Where is your answer
Where is your comfort
Send your angels down
Send your angels down*

(ARTHUR & JACK exit. LUCY goes back to sleep)

VAN HELSING

*Send Your angels down
Reveal to us Your will
Guide us as we fight to understand
Send Your angels down
Send Your angels now*