

PSYCHIATRIST VS PYROMANIAC - GUY OR GIRL

DR. JONES is there to visit pyromaniac MARY / MARK to get her help with the fires being set at New Amsterdam.

JONES

(Lays out photos)

I can have other photos brought in for you if that's what you need.

MARY

(Looking at pictures)

You know what I need.

JONES

I'm not taking you to a burn site. That is off the table.

MARY

Would you profile a patient from a pile of photographs?

JONES

That's entirely different. Fire is not alive.

MARY

Fire consumes oxygen, reproduces and moves quickly. That's more alive than a lot of my cellmates.

JONES

It's too dangerous.

MARY

What am I gonna do? Escape from the fleet of armed guards? Burn the place down? I'm not a supervillain.

JONES

No, no, no, I mean, it's too dangerous for you.

(MORE)

JONES (CONT'D)

For a pyromaniac, fire is a drug, and for the six years since you were arrested, you have been sober. Taking you to a burn site would be like sending you off on a bender. All your progress will be...

MARY

You will not shrink me. You are not my analyst. I am not your patient. And my progress is none of your business, is that clear?

JONES

Yes, Mary. It is clear.

MARY

How calm you sound. How reassuring. But that little JONES mind is in there scheming away, trying to figure out how you can reach me. Help me heal.

JONES

That... that was true when we first met. My job was to analyze inmates. But right now, I assure you, I am just here for your help.

MARY

You're not trying to shrink me?

JONES

Uh-uh.

MARY

Protect me from the only thing I love?

JONES

Your love killed 13 people, Mary. Fire is not love, fire is rage. We're done here.

Jones heads for the door.

MARY

The accelerant is homemade. That means he's educated. It's a medium petroleum distillate, which is uncommon here, but typical in Northern Europe where he's likely from. And I say he not only because of the distance the gas was tossed, but because of the jagged pattern of how it fell. You need strength to toss the canister like that, and anger. Now imagine what I could tell you if you got me out of here.