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To: DJ Doran

RE: Thoughts

Thanks DJ. Your email means a lot.

I am home now. Chris and I talked briefly. He's very hurt and angry and not interested in working through things right now. He's very wrapped up in "you got me fired", and I have asked him to work with me to fix things with us so we could move forward on a positive note. At this point, he's still bringing up all the past... I know that things don't change overnight, and I am holding firm in being respectful and calm as we work through this. I refuse to be attacked anymore (I left the house twice today, which was a first for me). Plus, if I leave, I don't risk losing control, which is where things have always gone wonky with us. I don't like being called names, and I really don't like being yelled at.

Either way, it's going to be fine. Either we break up, and I will be fine. Or, we fix things, and I will be fine. I'm sad for both of us at this point. I know I'm not a horrible person, and I also know that the relationship that we have has caused me to get way more nuts and crazy than I should ever have been.

I had an epiphany earlier when I was talking with Chris. I was telling him that it's not easy to fix relationships, and I know this, but on the flip side it's worth all the pain you go through to fix it. He said "and how did that work out for you?" I said, "I fixed the relationship with my parents." That was not easy, and they all (mom, stepdad, dad) did a lot of damage to me as a child. You've met all of them, and I think that we have good relationships now. The epiphany was that I AM capable of fixing things with other people, and my issues with Chris are small compared to the issues I had with my parents.

Yeah, our conversation wasn't easy to hear. I want to be active in the company, but I understand where you are. Sounds like you have a ton of things to deal with anyway - why deal with this too? In your shoes, I wouldn't have been able to be partners with us either with the way things are. Regardless, it was the straw that needed to wake me up and make me realize things needed to change (not that I didn't know, but I was in denial about needing to deal with things in my relationship). You mentioned earlier about whether or not we could work together if we broke up. I could work with him, but I don't think he could work with me. He holds a lifetime of grudges, and doesn't seem to forgive and let people make mistakes.

Thank you for your friendship. You are a wonderful man, and I respect you (both personally and business) and care about you - you are like my brother. I hope you are coming up next week so we can talk face to face. Talk to you tomorrow.

kim

-----Original Message-----

From: DJ Doran [mailto:dj@sextantpublishing.com]

Sent: Saturday, January 07, 2012 6:06 PM

To: Kimberly Paternoster

Subject: Thoughts

Hi,

I just want you to know that I am proud of the way you handled our conversation today. I know it was hard for you and I suspect it will be hard for you in the coming days as you work through all of this, but I also want you to know how much I value our friendship.

I continue to wish you happiness and peace in your personal life and I know that you will get there eventually... Remember to take care of yourself first and make sure that you are happy within, then you can worry about others.

I am always just a phone call away.

Going to bed early.. I am feeling like crap.

Lets talk tomorrow..

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