

SCENE 13: Joplin Apartment

Morning. BONNIE cleans a gun at the table while BLANCHE nervously paces in her nightgown.

BLANCHE

The two of them are out doin' God knows what and you can just sit there like that.

BONNIE

Yes I can.

BLANCHE

You're as crazy as he is.

BONNIE

You keep talkin' like that and you just might be the first person I kill.

BLANCHE

(pause)

The two of you deserve each other.

BONNIE

Yes we do.

BLANCHE

I don't understand. You're an attractive woman. I'm sure you could have any man you set your sights on. Why are you here?

BONNIE

Why are you here, Blanche?

BLANCHE

I am tryin' to stop my husband from getting himself killed. For some stupid reason he feels obliged to be here.

BONNIE

Maybe there's just not enough excitement to keep him at home.

BLANCHE

Our life would be perfect if it wasn't for you and Clyde.

BONNIE

You just think you're so much better than everybody, don't you?

BLANCHE

I am just trying to be the best person I can be in the eyes of the Lord.

BONNIE

And has that been fun, Blanche? You enjoyin' life?

BLANCHE

I am grateful for every day I spend on God's good Earth.

BONNIE

Take a look around, Blanche. God's good Earth is dried up. It's dead.

BLANCHE

You are so completely and utterly lost, all I can do is pray for you.

BONNIE

Don't waste your time, Blanche. I have everything I want.

BLANCHE

(pause)

You know, they're going to kill Clyde when they catch him.

BONNIE

If they catch him.

BLANCHE

And they're probably going to kill you, too.

BONNIE

They better.

BLANCHE

You can't tell me you ain't scared.

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BONNIE

DYIN' AIN'T SO BAD
 NOT IF YOU BOTH GO TOGETHER
 ONLY WHEN ONE'S LEFT BEHIND DOES IT GET SAD
 BUT A SHORT AND LOVIN' LIFE THAT AIN'T SO BAD

BLANCHE walks out.

I ONLY HOPE TO GOD THAT I GO FIRST
 I COULDN'T LIVE ON MEMORIES
 I'M SORRY BUT I'M NOT THAT STRONG

THERE ARE SOME THINGS IN LIFE YOU CAN'T REPLACE
 A LOVE LIKE OURS DON'T HAPPEN TWICE
 WHEN ALL HIS DAYS ARE THROUGH
 MINE WILL BE TOO