

NOT WORKING OUT

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FADE IN:

INT. GYM - DAY

The usual gym. Treadmills, ellipticals, bikes, steppers.

JASON, 20ish, cute in an awkward way, walks to a small row of bikes.

ASHLEY, same age, gorgeous and with blonde hair, is trying to work one of the bikes.

The pedals won't move.

JASON

Those things are tricky, huh?

Ashley doesn't look up.

JASON (cont'd)

Between you and me, I never really liked working out with bikes anyway. Treadmills work more areas of the body.

Ashley looks up.

ASHLEY

Are you trying to imply something?

Jason LAUGHS, but then catches himself when Ashley gives him a piercing stare.

JASON

Oh, no! No! I wasn't implying anything. I just thought since you couldn't get that to work right --

ASHLEY

You just thought you could be like any other clueless guy that comes to this place? I'm not interested.

JASON

Huh? I was just trying to help. I'm sorry if I offended you --

ASHLEY

You know what really offends me? I come to this place all the time to work on my body so somebody worthwhile will see me and want me.

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ASHLEY (cont'd)
But no. All I get is lesbians and
average people like you.

Ashley points to a man lifting weights.

Physically, this guy is the perfect man. Beautiful face.
Washboard abs. Strong arms.

ASHLEY (cont'd)
You see that guy?

JASON
Who -- him?

ASHLEY
That is the type of guy I'm looking
for. One of these days I'm going to
be good enough to impress somebody
like him. And he'll do anything he
can to have me.

JASON
What makes you think he'll be
interested?

ASHLEY
When you see somebody like that,
you instantly know they only accept
the best. He looks amazing, and he
won't settle for anything less than
him.

Jason gives a small smirk.

ASHLEY (cont'd)
But not you. You're average. You're
boring. You'll never have someone
like me, so don't even try.

JASON
Honestly, I'm not.

ASHLEY
Good. Because here comes my future
man now.

RYAN, the man who was weight-lifting, approaches Ashley and
Jason.

ASHLEY (cont'd)
Hi there.

Ryan smiles innocently, alluringly. Ashley does the same.

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RYAN

Hi. How are you?

ASHLEY

Just fine. And you?

RYAN

Never better.

(beat)

Jason, is this a friend?

Ashley is dumbfounded.

ASHLEY

Wait. What? You two know each other?

JASON

Yeah. This is my boyfriend.

Ashley is shocked, completely taken back.

ASHLEY

You're gay!?

JASON

We're gay, and so is everyone else here.

Ashley nearly collapses. Her knees buckle.

JASON (cont'd)

Congratulations. You've been coming to the only gay gym this side of the country.

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