**You’re Not the Only One** Levi Palmer

Prologue

(Scene opens up with the Sophia and Jacob sitting at their small dinner table discussing the economic situation)

Sophia: We really need to move we don’t have the money to live here anymore. We also have to drive an hour to work every day and that’s not helping with the money loss that we dealing with right now.

Jacob: Ok. Sorry but what do we do about Ryan and Mason. All of their friends live here and we don’t even know anyone in Anniston.

Sophia: I know this is going to be hard on them but it’s also hard on us also. We need to be here as a family and push through this together.

Jacob: All right I will talk to the boys tomorrow and tell them what’s going on.

Scene 1

(Jacob talked to Ryan and Mason and they are getting prepared for the move. The next scene is them outside their house packing and loading truck)

Sophia: All right that was the last box. You ready Ryan!

Ryan: Yah mom one sec!

Jacob: Ryan hurry up everyone’s waiting for you.

Ryan: Ok.

(Ryan locked the door to their house and gets in the car.)

Jacob: Buckle up guys.

Mason: Yes dad we know.

Sophia: Ok in one hour we will be in Anniston and in our new house.

Mason: Mom why did we have to leave again.

Jacob: Our work is there and it’s just easier to not have to drive an hour every day. And we can’t afford to live in that house anymore.

Mason: Oh ok.

Scene 2

(An hour later they arrive at their new house they settle in and the next day Jacob and Sophia go to work)

Ryan: Hey Mason you ready for school!

Mason: Yah I just need to grab my lunch.

Ryan: Ok hurry up were going to be late.

(Ryan and Mason bike to school. Mason is in class talking to his friends when the intercom turns on.)

Intercom: Ryan and Mason please come to the office, Ryan and Mason please come to the office.

Student: (Snickering) You’re in big trouble.

Mason: Whatever.

(Mason and Ryan are sitting in the office when the principal comes up to them)

Principal: I know you guys have just been here for a few days, and I know I’m not the best one to tell you this but your mom is in the hospital she was working at the Monsanto factor when a pipe blew PCB poured down on her. She is trying to recover but the doctors say she’s might not make it.

Ryan: (In disbelief) What, you can’t take us to her?

Principal: No sorry but your dad is coming to pick you guys up.

(Dad picks them up from school and takes them to the hospital)

Jacob: It’s going to be ok guys.

Ryan: Is it really going to be ok.

Jacob: I don’t know the, doctor said the PCB is very toxic to your body.

Ryan: Wait then why was it in a food factory?

Jacob: Yes, I don’t know but there’s nothing that we can do about it right now.

(The family gets to the hospital and rushes into the mothers room)

Sophia: Oh boys everything is going to be all right.

Mason: I’m so glad that you are ok.

Sophia: I’m ok for now, the test results from my cat scan should come in soon.

Mason: I hope you weren’t harmed.

Sophia: Yes I know, everything is going to be ok.

Chorus: (The People)

Oh how could this happen to you,

But you’re not the only one People die every day from the products of Monsanto to

We the people pile up our anger towards you Monsanto

That’s another live that you have taken

How can this continue to be done?

(A few weeks later his mother died from a tuber in her brain. The family is now in very much pain.)

Ryan: Why did Monsanto even put this into our food why?

Jacob: Why her we should have never taken that job from Monsanto no matter how desperate. At least we would still have been together.

Ryan: Dad it’s not our fault its Monsanto if only they could be punished for the work they are doing and not us.

Jacob: Yes Ryan we could only wish.

(A month or two goes by and the family is slowly getting back to their routine)

Jacob: Guys I’m going to work you be good and stay together since you have the day off from school.

Mason: Ok dad. Bye.

Jacob: Bye

(Jacob leaves)

Mason: Hey Ryan you want to go swimming in the pond?

Ryan: No thanks I want to stay home today.

Mason: Well I’m going anyway so you can listen to dad our not.

Ryan: Whatever.

Chorus: You know you are supposed to do what you are told, listen to your father.

(Ryan stays home and Mason goes swimming.)

(6 hours later Mason hasn’t come home and Jacob gets home.)

Jacob: Hi guys I’m home.

Ryan: Hi dad.

Jacob: Where’s Mason?

Ryan: Swimming at the pond.

Jacob: How long has he been gone?

Ryan: Six hours.

Jacob: What! I told you guys to stay together.

Ryan: Sorry dad.

Jacob: We need to go to the pond. He shouldn’t have been gone so long!

Scene 3

(Jacob and Ryan rush to the pound they come up to the pond and find Mason laying on the beach.)

Jacob: Mason are you ok.

Mason: No dad I don’t fell so well.

Jacob: We need to get him to the hospital!

(They rush him to the hospital they take him in to the doctor)

Doctor: Where did you say you found him again?

Ryan: We found him at the pond near the factor.

Doctor: How long was he there?

Ryan: Six hours.

Doctor: Oh that’s not good. He was exposed to a high concentrate of PCB that the factory has been dumping. And for that long of a period of time he won’t live for more than a day. I’m sorry.

Jacob: Why that is the second time Monsanto has claimed a life in our family!

Jacob: (In anger) Ryan I told you to stay with him if you did what I said we could have got him to the hospital in time.

Ryan: I’m so sorry dad it’s all my fault.

Chorus: (The People)

Your bad decision

has been the down fall of your brother

you are equally found

guilty as Monsanto.