

365 Stories

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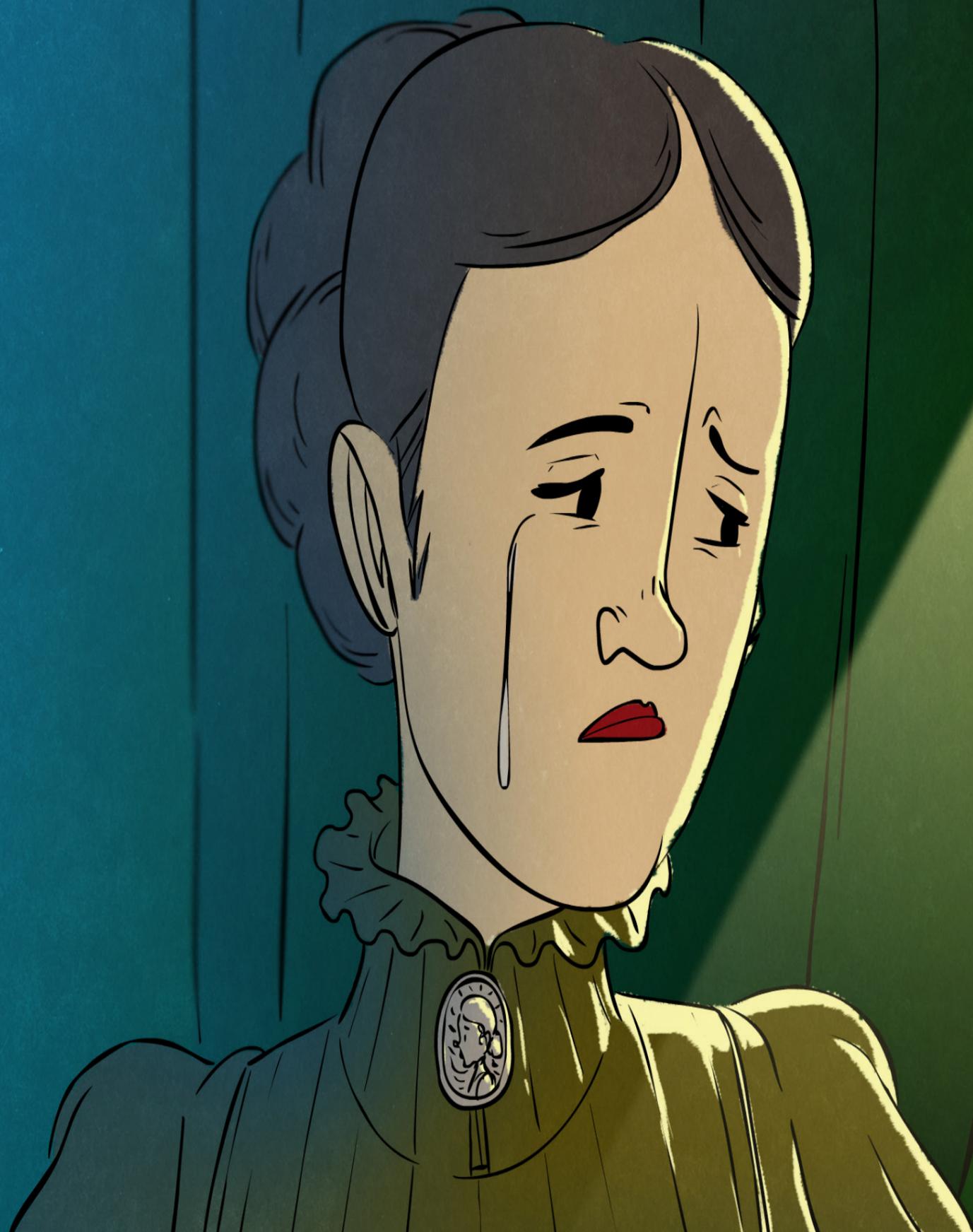


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The famous American Evangelist Moody tells that two memories of his childhood have stayed graved in his heart :

The 1st : the sudden death of his father at his side

And the second : the running away of his older brother.



Every time that the name of the missing son was pronounced the eyes of his mother were filled with tears.

During weeks and months we had to watch for the mail to arrive. And yet, not even one letter came to console the heart of his mother.

When the wind blew violently, she muttered :
--Who knows if he may be in danger ?

At night, she would say with a whisper :
My God, save my child, bring him back home !



Years went by, the black hair became white. Her firm walk and youth became slow and uncertain.



Old age came slowly She still had a broken heart,
But it was still full of love for her son.
--I would sometime say,
tells the evangelist : that she loved the missing one
more than us. One day, a man was passing by the door
of the house. My mother didn't recognize him.
But as soon as he stopped and she saw him tears flowed
down her cheeks,
Her heart telling her : --This is my lost son ! She darted
towards the window :



--My son, my son, is it possible ? Is it you ? Come !
Come quickly ! But he remained still. --My mother, I will
not come in through this door until you have forgiven
me ! But she didn't want to hear any regrets, or any re-
proch that her son would tell her. She ran to the door,
hugged and pressed him to her heart and wept along
with him. In the Gospel of Luke chapter 15 We are told
the story of the Prodigal son and at the end of the story
the father said "My son here who was once dead and
has now come back to life. He was lost and I have found
him." Let us pray to the Lord : Lord, we pray to you for
all those who are lost in this cold and very difficult wor-
ld ! We ask you to reveal yourself to them ! That they
may know that you have forgiven them, and that you
are calling them to return to you Because for each one
of them you have given your life in order to save the-
mand to give them happiness and joy. That they may
return to the Fathers house. Amen !