

Act I, Scene 2 (B) — Two years later

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You're really worried about Barbara and William. You know what it's like to live in a boring marriage without passion, but Barbara never had your patience. She was always a little more like her father. William is a good and caring husband, but Barbara drifts further and further from him as time passes.

And while she drifts away from Wiliam, Charles is right there. You can tell the two of them are still in love. Anyone with eyes can tell that. Thankfully, William is blind as a bat to any flaws in Barbara. You worry about whatever is happening between the two of them. Marriage isn't always easy, but the marriage vows are sacred. If Barbara is bored, she needs to find a hobby, or have a child. Falling in with another man, especially her husband's brother, is dangerous and wrong.

Perhaps there is still hope for William and Barbara. William loves her dearly. If only he would show it a little more, things might be okay between the two of them. He's so quiet, so slow to act. He could learn something from the passion of his brother. Perhaps you could help him. Teach him something of what a woman wants to hear. If he were a little more passionate, a little more dramatic, maybe Barbara would understand how important she is to him. Women need a little romance, a little drama. Women need to know that they matter.

There must be something that William could do to stave off Barbara's frustrations and save their marriage. Maybe by talking to your daughter and her husband, you can find that and help them both.