Characters: Harry Johnson, Anne Johnson, Sarah Peters, Peter Peters

Context: Sarah is Harry’s sister who is trying to convince him to vaccinate his kids. The scene takes place after a family dinner at the Peters household.

Scene

*A TV plays in the background. CNN is on; a segment about the latest covid death numbers is playing.*

Peter: So many people dead. This is horrible.

Sarah: It’s just going to stay like this until the vaccine catches on.

Harry: Well, I don’t know about that.

Anne: Harry…

Harry: You can’t tell me you want to take a vaccine that the government is forcing you to take.

Sarah: Nobody’s forcing you to take anything.

Harry: In California they are. Otherwise, they won’t let you into restaurants.

Peter: Well they’re private businesses. They can do what they want.

Anne: Harry, now isn’t the time.

Harry: Don’t tell me you agree with the vaccines now Anne.

Anne: I just don’t think we need to discuss this now.

Harry: When should we discuss it? When they start trying to force it on our kids?

Anne: That’s different.

Sarah: You’re still not planning on vaccinating them I take it?

Harry: Of course not. It’s untested and I’ve been reading horrible things about it. Did you hear about those people who had heart attacks after they took it?

Sarah: It seems rare. Wouldn’t you rather your kids be safe from covid?

Harry: You sound like mom. And they are safe from covid. There are medicines that have been proven to stop covid. Have you been hearing about this Ivermectin?

Peter: Isn’t that the horse dewormer?

Harry: I saw it on Joe Rogan.

Sarah: That’s the issue here.

Harry: Don’t tell me what to watch. You’re the one watching CNN.

Sarah: I just don’t think its safe. What if they get covid and get too close to dad? You know he’s not in any condition to handle it.

Harry: I’ll cross that bridge when my family gets covid. Which they won’t.

Anne: She’s got a point Harry – you know your side of the family has a history of bad immune systems.

Peter: Can we talk about something else?

Sarah: I agree.

Harry: Alright, but we’re not getting vaccinated.

Sarah: Ok. Suit yourself.