

ISMENE: It isn't?

ANTIGONE: I don't like it

ISMENE: I know you
You love it
You always have
Like you loved telling that barman he
was wrong

ANTIGONE: He was saying awful things –

ISMENE: And you knew he would
You went there because you knew
You wanted him to hate you and stand there
Being hated

ANTIGONE: Yes
I did like defending my brother

ISMENE: But it's not about him
It's about you

ANTIGONE: No

ISMENE: It is
It always is
It's like
You just always need to go the furthest
To be the most intense
The most serious
I'm so tough
Look at me
I may be a princess
But I'm tough

ANTIGONE: No

ISMENE: Fine
You don't care

So what if
I say it's me
I say I did it
I buried him
That you're only covering for me

ANTIGONE: Oh yeah

ISMENE: How would you feel if I did that?

ANTIGONE: You wouldn't do that.

ISMENE: I'll do it right now.

ANTIGONE: Ismene.

ISMENE: Get Creon –
I'll tell him
See how you like it

ANTIGONE: Fine do it –
No one would believe you

ISMENE: Yes they would

ANTIGONE: No one would ever believe you'd done
something like this
You're not the kind of person who does
things like this

ISMENE: And you are?

ANTIGONE: Yes.

ISMENE: Oh yes
Tough brave amazing Antigone
So strong
So many big ideas
She'd do this
But not weak little Ismene
She never would

ANTIGONE: That's not what I said

ISMENE: Just admit it
Admit that you like it
That you like being this big
I dunno
Criminal

ANTIGONE: No it's not –

ISMENE: It is
It is like that

ANTIGONE: Fine yes
It feels good
To do something that feels right

ISMENE: Does it?
Okay well I'll just go tell everyone I did it
I'll feel good
Doing something right

ANTIGONE: Ismene stop it
You would never do that

ISMENE: I would

ANTIGONE: I won't let you

ISMENE: Why not?

ANTIGONE: Because I did it

ISMENE: See
You would never let me steal all your glory
Never let your little sister ever take it away
from you
It has to be you the one with all the power
The one who everyone talks about
You care
You love it

You care what people think of you
And you love that they hate you

ANTIGONE: But I don't give a shit!
They could say anything about me and I
wouldn't care
Literally anything
And I wouldn't care
Not at all
These are the people who killed my brother
Who tortured him and ripped him apart
I don't care what they think
They're monsters
All of them
And so if they think I'm disgusting then good

ISMENE: I could never think like that

ANTIGONE: You should try
You're better than all of them

ISMENE: I should tell them I did it then
Make them think I'm disgusting
Just like you
I'll say we both did it
Then we can be monsters together

ANTIGONE: I'm not letting you do that

ISMENE: Why?

ANTIGONE: Because I would never let you die
Like actually die
For something I did
I'd never let that happen.

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