

Was It Worth It?

I never intended to marry her.
I'm only nineteen after all.
In fact, up until the baby, I had been considering leaving her.
I had a plan for my life.
I wanted to travel to new and exciting places.
I wanted to meet new and exciting people.
Addy just didn't seem to fit into my plans.
But little Jude created a cement between us that could never be broken.
She was the mother of my unborn child... how could I possibly leave her?

I had a hunch he was planning on leaving.
I could tell from the way he talked.
The way we touched.
The way he chose to spend his time.
He used to buy me flowers and take me out.
Now he spends his money on cigarettes and his time playing video games.
I had become background noise to him.
But I couldn't imagine being without him.
Tony is my everything.
I certainly wasn't ready for a baby,
but Jude seemed to make our lives infinitely better.

When I got the news I couldn't help but cry.
How could she possibly be pregnant?
She was on birth control.
How did this happen?

When I got the news I couldn't help but cry.
I knew I wanted to be a mother.
I knew that was my destiny.
I knew Tony had planned to travel the world before settling down,
but that just didn't seem to fit into my plans.

Life had just become more complicated.
I was already struggling to make ends meet as it was.
Now I would have the added expense of a baby.
Addy certainly couldn't work with a baby on the way.
Where would we live?
How would we pay the bills?
How could I possibly earn enough money?

I couldn't be happier with how my life has turned out.
I started my family at age 20.
I have a beautiful baby girl to share with the love of my life.

Since I had a child, I could no longer be a child myself. My life didn't turn out as I had expected, but I love her.
So it was all worth it.

I never told him that I stopped taking my birth control. It was dishonest, but I love him.
So it was all worth it.