

RS#8 - Torvald & Nora

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TORVALD

No.

No.

What happened 15 years ago—if you'd like to talk about that—okay let's talk about that—

is that you stood here and had your big epiphany,
and you know, I think— I thought then and I think now—
that a lot of things you said had a lot of validity.

You said that we never had a serious conversation in
8 years of marriage,
and yeah, I think that there was some truth to that.

We'd both been avoiding things,
avoiding hurting the other,
and all of that avoiding of stuff made us liars.
And yes, we have to tell the truth.

We have to stick our noses in some shit—
we have to—you talk about a true marriage,
you talked about how what we needed was a true marriage—

well I think sticking our faces in the shit
is a really big part of that.

But listen, Nora, here's where you're wrong.
At the very moment that you realize the problem with our marriage

NORA

let's be real, there is more than one problem.

TORVALD

no, I get that—I'm not saying there wasn't—but the moment you brought the
problems to light,
you walked out the door.

That's shitty if you ask me—

NORA

how is it—?

TORVALD

shitty?—because having epiphanies is easy,
but actually doing something about it is —

NORA

my “doing something” was leaving, that was “doing” and that sure
as hell wasn't easy

TORVALD

easier than saying and trying to tough it out with me —us toughing
it out together —instead you run off and pretend that this is the
same thing as being strong. ← **End**