

Out There

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Jade was 12 years old and lived on the edge of the city. She spoke to her mother about the terrible situation. “Is there anything ... anything at all that can be done?” Jade’s mother was sympathetic but Jade’s brother, Dominic, thought Jade did not know the realities of life. He thought it was better to keep quiet rather than cause trouble.

Jade continued, “I can’t just wait around for something to happen, I must do something. You always told me to stand up for what I believe but now you think I am just a kid who knows nothing”.

Jade’s mother said, “I do understand you but you have to be very careful about what you say and do. Most importantly, we want you to stay safe.”

Dominic argued that Zachary, the great dictator, took over a world that was already in a dreadful state and, however awful his laws were, he was doing his best to make things better. Besides, who could ever change him or overcome his army.

Jade became really cross, “I can’t believe you said that. Does ‘doing his best’ mean that the world will fall apart, losing people, land, animals and our future? No, I will do something. There has to be something better than this. I will find a place to go, even if it is to another planet where we can start again.”

“You must be mad!” said Dominic, “How can someone like you make a difference? You are only 12 years old. They will kill you if they find out you disagree with them, let alone do anything about it! You know that our cousin Michael is a Senior Security Officer for Zachary. You could even make things difficult for him.”

“I could not live with myself if I did nothing”, said Jade, “Because there must be something, somewhere out there where we can go and live the life of freedom we were meant to live.”

Song – Out There!