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Inspired by the true story of Alison and Alexander Wilson

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Shooting Script

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The women shove and jostle. The officer spots ${\sf Alison}$ - conspicuously out of place - and gestures her forward.

Alison walks to the front, grateful.

PRISON OFFICER (CONT'D) Raise your arms.

Alison lifts her arms up and he slowly, lascivi

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- and slowly, b

ALISON No - my life with Dad - his work we had to live with secrets - it's complicated, Gordon -

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GORDON Please tell the truth, Mum. Don't sugarcoat it Alison now sits in the front row of the pews, looking up with devotion at a statue of the Virgin Mary, as Father Timothy again sings the Latin service.

She is still th

ALISON Yes, I'd like that.

EXT. CUMBERLAND, COUNT

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Where?

MRS MCKELVIE With the boys.

INT. CUMBERLAND, MCKELVIE HOUSE, ALISON'S ROOM, 12TH MARCH 19 1945 - NIGHT 19

Alison stands at the door, looking in. It's a cosy, warm bedtime scene: Gord

21 INT. CUMBERLAND, MCKELVIE HOUSE, ALISON'S ROOM, 13TH MARCH 21 1945 - NIGHT

Alison lies in bed, awake, writing h

ALISON A farmer my own age from a good, local family - that's who I should have married.

ALEC You'd be bored silly - you said yourself you'd go mad up here -

Alec makes a face. Alison can't raise a smile.

ALEC Then why would the service s The two boys are asle

Alison looks at Alec, assessing him,

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BERT (CONT'D) Nothing untoward

We fired Alec from the service in 1942. Alison stares at Coleman, unable to take it in. ALISON But - no - but he uncov

COLEMAN

In fact, Alec's skills of deception were judged to be so dangerous that the service decided to watch him for

ALISON (CONT'D) For I tried to understand hi ALI S

It stops. Starts again. RING RING. Finally, Alison picks up. Her hands sore and bandaged from hitting the church pillar.

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ALISON (ON PHONE)

Hello.

^b NIGEL (O.S. ON PHONE) (off her voice) Mum - What's wrong?

Alison says nothing.

 $_{\rm G}$ NIGEL (CONT'D) Gordon said you're OK now - that you've been to see him -

She closes herateyeso d

I LALISON I'm fine. How's Oxford? E^{NIGEL} It's great[©] - my digs are really nice -I ALISON Good. That s good. NIGEL

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Nigel Laugh

NI GEL Look,

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ALISON It was all a lie - everything Alec told me - I feel so stupid -

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(beat) With their own man on the line, they could send intelligence straight t

Alison nods -

ALISON Because if he wasn't a spy, then who was he? (Beat) Who was I?

A moment passes.

SHAHBAZ KARIM

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SHAHBAZ KARIM (CONT'D) Don't give up on him, Mrs Wilson. (Beat) Choose faith.

Alison looks back at Karim, undecided.

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She desperately wants to believe him - but she has been asked to have faith so many times before.

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Alison hurries towards her. Before she has ev

l ALISON He loved his c

EXT. ALI SON' S

He looks down again. Alison

ELIZABETH WILSON (O.S.) (through letter-box) Hello - is the bell not working?

Doorbell again. BRIIIING.

ELIZABETH WILSON (O.S.) (CONT'D) Hello. I'm looking for my husband. My name's Mrs Wilson -

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INT. ALISON'S HOUSE, KITCHEN, 15TH O

A few photos and papers escape in the wind - and she rescues them, places them back on the fire.

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INT. ALISON'S HOUSE, LIVING

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EXT. SERVITE ORDER, GROUNDS, 30TH APRIL 1966 - DAY 82 82 Later, Alison walks through the tranquil, shaded grounds

NI GEL Three years

EXT. SOUTHAMPTON, SEA FRONT, 10TH MAY 1966 -

DENNIS You're a good mother. They will understand.

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I'd go and read to him - take his mind off it - romances, mysteries, you name it - we went through the whole night sometimes -

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 $\mbox{Mrs Wilson Episode 3 - by Anna Symon} \quad 54. \label{eq:mrs}$

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INT. SERVITE ORDER, ALI

We reveal Gordon and Nigel in the

Photographs of Alexander Wilson's children - Dennis, Gordon, Nigel, Douglas, Michael.

The extended Wilson family come together for a photogr