Hallmark Cards for Sociopaths

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INT. HALLMARK STORE

Stock footage of a MAN and a WOMAN picking up various CARDS in a Hallmark store.

V.O.

Here at Hallmark we've been trying all sorts of crap to get you to buy more cards.

MAN and WOMAN pick up HALLOWEEN and THANKSGIVING cards with skeptical looks.

V.O.

We get it, none of you want to buy our Halloween Cards, or Thanksgiving cards, or Congratulations on the Removal of your Appendix cards.

WOMAN puts down the APPENDIX card, confused.

V.O. (CONT'D)

Hey, we're trying here.

So now introducing Hallmark cards for the people we've been ignoring for far too long: the emotionless.

Introducing, Hallmark: For
Sociopaths!

The MAN picks up another CARD. The front reads: **BE MINE.** He opens the card and the inside reads: **OR ELSE.** He smiles serenely.

V.O. (CONT'D)

Finally, greeting cards for the people in your life that you've battered into subservience! Straight from the hole where your heart's supposed to be.

WOMAN picks up a card. The front reads: **YOU WILL LEARN TO LOVE ME.** She opens the card and inside reads: **THE POLICE WILL NOT HELP YOU**. She beams and walks to the cash register.

INT. FANCY RESTAURANT

HUSBAND hands WIFE a card.

V.O. (CONT'D)

Just because you can't love people, doesn't mean you don't love using people. And doesn't that deserve a \$7 card too?

She opens the card. The front reads: **HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!** She opens the cards and it reads: **I OWN YOU.**

She blinks.

INT. DUNGEON BASEMENT

V.O. (CONT'D)

Sociopathic love is universal. It transcends skin color, gender, and sexual orientation.

MAN 2, wearing a BDSM leather outfit approaches a younger MAN 3 who is inside a HUMAN CAGE. He hands him a CARD. MAN 3 opens it. The front reads: **CONGRATULATIONS!**. He opens the card and inside reads: **YOU ARE MY SEX OBJECT**.

Man 3 beams tries to hug Man 2, but can't get his arms outside the cage bars. Man 2 hugs him around the cage.

INT. HALLMARK STORE

V.O. (CONT'D)

Birthdays!

WOMAN picks up card. The front has birthday cake and candles and reads: YOU ARE STILL ALIVE. GOOD JOB.

V.O. (CONT'D)

Condolences!

INSERT SHOT -- CONDOLENCE CARD

The front of the card reads: I'm sorry for your loss. Maybe they deserved it.

V.O. (CONT'D)

Even bar mitzvahs!

INSERT SHOT -- BAR MITZVAH CARD

The front of the card reads: Happy bar mitzvah! You will not replace us.

INT. FANCY RESTAURANT

V.O. (CONT'D) So if you don't want this to be a thing-

WIFE 2 hands HUSBAND 2 a card, across a candle-lite dinner. Husband 2 reads it: *I love because you're useful.*

Husband 2 blinks nervously.

INT. BEDROOM

MAN 3 lies in a CAGE in the bed, next to MAN 2. They gaze at each other romantically, as Man 3 holds his card within his cage.

 $$\rm V.O.\mbox{ (CONT'D)}$$ - Then buy the damn Halloween cards already.