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## SYNOPSIS OF TORMENTED

School life has many issues and one major issue is bullying. There are many incidents of students being tormented and abused by others in their age group. This short film addresses this issue. Take the next 11 and a half minutes to view what this student goes through on a daily basis.

This short film is just another example of the power of creative arts and the impact that stories being told on film can do to teach and connect with society. Great work from all involved and looking forward to more and of course a featured length production in the FUTURE....

Nine out of ten if not all the time, a tale of school bullying is only told from the perspective of the victim. Sure the bully is mentioned enough to give some background but never enough that you see the bully as someone whose actions were defined by circumstances they themselves felt hopeless against. This is just one of the things that will strike you when you watch "Tormented", a short film by award winning Saint Lucian multi-hyphenate Ted Sandiford.

Delivered in just over eleven (11) minutes, Sandiford uses the hallowed walls of the St Mary's College (an all-boys secondary school) to tell a tale of how one student tortures another who is too paralyzed by fear and a new environment to seek help even when its being offered. However, far from being a tale of woe, "Tormented" is inspiring with quotes and bursts of self-affirmation leading to a dramatic conclusion that will leave you thinking and with hope.

By telling both sides of this oft discussed phenomenon, Sandiford who wrote and directed "Tormented" for his company Acid Kreationz allows the viewer to live "there are two sides to every story" while also shining lights on his cast and crew which includes young Dantè Sandiford and students and staff of the Saint Mary's College.

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