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Lonely Heart

The creature created by Victor Frankenstein was not born evil. In the beginning, he was like a child, curious and eager to learn. But unlike a child, he had no family to love and guide him. From the moment he opened his eyes, he was abandoned. Victor, horrified by his own creation, left the creature to survive on his own.

At first, the creature tried to understand the world. He wandered through forests, feeling the cold and hunger. When he found a small cottage, he observed a family living inside. He saw them share meals, laugh together, and care for one another. He wanted to be part of this love and kindness. He secretly helped them by gathering wood and clearing snow, hoping they would accept him.

One day, the creature decided to reveal himself to the family's blind father, thinking he would not judge him by his appearance. But when the rest of the family saw him, they were terrified. They screamed, attacked him, and forced him to run away. The creature was heartbroken. All he wanted was a friend, but no one would look past his frightening face.

After facing so much rejection, the creature's sadness turned into anger. If the world would not accept him, then he would make Victor suffer for bringing him into it. He searched for Victor and demanded that he create a companion for him, someone who would not fear him. When Victor refused, the creature's anger became dangerous. He sought revenge, hurting those Victor loved.

The creature's search for companionship and his rejection by society shaped his actions. If someone had shown him kindness, he might have remained gentle. Instead, loneliness and pain turned him into the monster people feared. Through the creature's story, Mary Shelley shows the power of love and acceptance—and the consequences of denying them.