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**THURSDAY, March 20**

**IMPACT x Nightline:** “Confessions of a Child Bride” (323) – Streaming Only on [Hulu](#)

**Logline:** Courtney Stodden married actor Doug Hutchison when she was 16 ... he was 51. At the time, she said that they were soulmates, but 10 years later, the two divorced. Stodden speaks out against underage marriage, alleging she was groomed by Hutchison.

**Extended Logline:** This week on “IMPACT x Nightline,” “Nightline” co-anchor Juju Chang sits down with Courtney Stodden, who married actor Doug Hutchison with her parents’ consent when she was 16 and he was 51. In 2011, “Nightline” had the first interview with Courtney and Doug as a married couple. At the time, she said that they were soulmates, but now, the two are divorced, and Stodden advocates against underage marriage, alleging she was groomed by Hutchison. Stodden shares the intimate details of her life, including losing her virginity to Hutchison on their wedding night, being a constant target for paparazzi and tabloids, the struggles she faced while trying to leave her first marriage, being cyberbullied by A-list celebrities, and the lasting effects of being a child bride.

**The Inside Scoop:**

- ABC News Studios’ “IMPACT x Nightline: Confessions of a Child Bride” begins streaming on Thursday, March 20, only on Hulu.
- The episode, led by “Nightline” co-anchor **Juju Chang**, features a new sit-down with **Courtney Stodden** as she speaks out about the dark reality of her marriage to Doug Hutchison.
- Additional new interviews include the following:
  - **Alexis Tereszczuk**, entertainment reporter and former editorial editor, Radar Online
  - **Kristyn Burt**, entertainment reporter at The Tom Bernard Show
  - **Kelley Carter**, senior entertainment reporter, Andscape