

Jena Heath: Tell me about what you know about your birth background.

Meigon Stuy: I don't know that much.

Jena: That's fine.

Meigon: I know my dad got me with my sister.

Jena: Do you know anything about your birth parents?

Meigon: Mm-mm.

Jena: No?

Meigon: No.

Jena: Do you want to know anything about your birth parents?

Meigon: I've never really wanted to know. If my parents find information about it then I'd want to know about it.

Jena: You would? If they told you they were going to go off and look, would you be okay with them looking? Would you say, "I'm cool. You don't really need to do that for me?"

Meigon: Yeah, probably. I'd be okay if they didn't look. I'm okay if they really want to look.

Jena: How do you feel about their work? In the house there's a lot of discussion of birth families, and the Chinese adoption system, and things that go right and things that go wrong. Most adoptees are not so aware. What is that like? Does it raise questions in your mind? Does it make you feel more at ease or less at ease?

Meigon: Not really. I'm glad I have the knowledge of what they do because then I have the understanding of how many children are adopted.

Jena: What advice would you give adoptees about figuring out their background? If a younger kid seemed like she was wondering, what would you tell her?

Meigon: I'd say if you really want to know then you should try looking into it and try figuring it out. It would always be on your mind.